

### SHORTAGE WILL SOON BE OVER

Better days are ahead, according to a bulletin issued in the interests of the railroads, which have been receiving some undesirable publicity, not only from the government ownership advocates, but from shippers who haven't been able to get cars as fast as they thought they should. All that is needed is a little patience, and the worst of the troubles will soon be over.

The railroads have been faced with a hard situation, almost from the moment that they took back the lines from the government. Despite the odds, they have succeeded in hauling more loaded cars than ever before. A summary of their achievements follows:

"As a result of the 'outlaw' strikes and other conditions the railway managements some weeks ago were confronted with a very difficult problem. Transportation in all parts of the country had been greatly slowed down. No class of shippers could get anywhere near enough cars to ship their freight, and the country was confronted with the danger of a coal shortage, especially in the northwest and in New England.

"Under very unfavorable conditions, partly due to the fact that the cars and other facilities had been returned to them by the government in bad shape, the railway managements set determinedly to work to put the efficiency of the railways back on its pre-war basis and if they could not move all the business offered, to at least move more business than ever had been moved before. It requires time to do this, of course. It is too early yet to say that they actually already have 'gone over the top', but the progress so far made has been such that there is good reason for believing that they will go over the top'.

"Throughout the year 1920 up to the present time, in spite of all their difficulties, the railways have moved more freight than they did the year 1919. Recently they have been moving more freight than they ever moved in the same season in any year. The statistics for the first three weeks of August, 1920 show that in those weeks the number of loaded cars of freight moved was 2,868,758. This was 251,044 more than in the same weeks of 1919.

"When it became plain that the coal situation in the northwest was acute it was decided that to prevent a fuel famine in that territory the railways, for some weeks to come at least, must deliver 4,000 cars of coal a day at the ports on Lake Erie for trans-shipment by boat to the head of the lakes. The railways are now delivering more than this amount of coal to those ports. They have been moving weekly to New England more coal than the amount it was determined they must move there to meet next winter's needs.

"In order that the grain crops of the west and the coal output of the east could be handled with any approach to satisfaction it was necessary to transfer many box cars from the eastern railways to the western railways and many coal cars from

the western railways to the eastern railways. By strenuous efforts the railways have succeeded in transferring 40,000 box cars from the eastern to the western railways, and about 30,000 coal cars from the western to the eastern railways.

"While the transportation problem which confronts the country has not yet been solved, the facts show that the railways have been rapidly overcoming the effects of the outlaw strikes and are making good progress in increasing the efficiency of operation. Unfortunately, many of the cars which they have been compelled to furnish to shippers are not in good condition, especially cars for the handling of grain. This is due to the fact that so much of the equipment was in very bad shape when the railways were returned to the owners. The work of increasing the number of cars repaired and reducing the number in bad order is being pushed as fast as conditions will permit, but it will necessarily take a long time to put all of the equipment in satisfactory shape."

#### ANGORA

Pearl Carter made a business trip to Wyoming last week.

Mrs. C. M. Dove went to Alliance last Wednesday.

Mrs. Anna King of Alliance was a guest last week at the A. L. Jacobs home.

Miss Mamie Daxon and mother left Saturday night for Neligh, Neb. Miss Anna William Daxon accompanied them to Alliance.

Mrs. George Venell is very sick with blood poisoning. It was caused by sticking her finger with a nut pick. She is at Alliance now for medical treatment.

Mrs. Leslie Boodry and daughter Ha went to Broadwater Saturday for a short visit with relatives.

George Venell and children, Buster and Lucille, were in Bridgeport Friday night to see Mrs. Venell who was in that city for medical treatment.

Operator James who was here for two weeks has been sent to the station at Torrington.

Several Angora people are attending the Morrill county fair at Bridgeport this week.

Claude Wilbur has had a new kitchen built on to the R. S. Proudfoot cottage which adds much to the convenience of the house.

Mrs. A. B. Mark entertained a number of friends at dinner Sunday. Leslie Boodry and daughter, Phoebe were Bridgeport visitors Saturday.

John Burry is finishing his new house and expects to move in the near future.

W. E. Powell and wife were Alliance visitors Monday.

O. A. Woods and wife of Gering accompanied Mrs. D. M. Woods to Angora Saturday for a visit with W. R. McCrosky and family.

C. A. Giel and family returned last week from Lincoln, where they had attended the state fair. They report a very pleasant trip.

L. D. Carline and wife are in Omaha this week attending Ak-Sar-Gordon Temple, wife and daughter motored to Bridgeport Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Temple is again on night duty at the depot.

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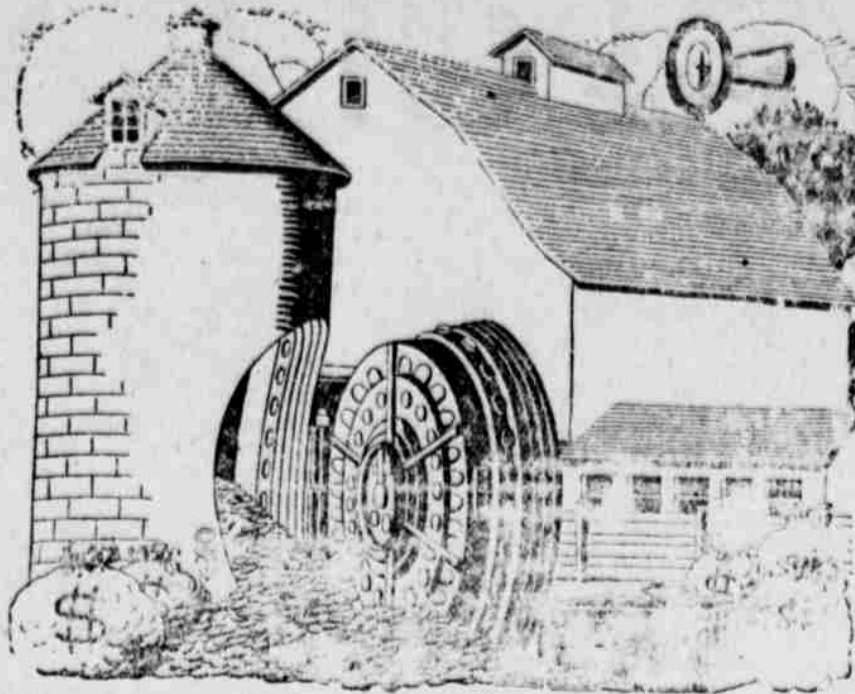
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John Wickman, who was operated on for appendicitis at the St. Joseph hospital, is reported doing nicely. However, we are sorry to report that his wife was taken to the hospital Monday, and underwent a similar operation.

R. E. Westover, of Lakeside brought his small daughter, Beatrice, to Alliance Wednesday, for medical attention. The girl was riding a horse and the horse threw her, then fell on her. She suffered a broken collar bone. Mrs. J. S. Adams is caring for the girl.

Edwin Blum, small son of Mrs. Louisa Blum, while playing on one of the slides at Central school, fell from the top, and broke both of his wrists, injured his knee, and hip.

A. E. Spruce and wife, of Marsland, were in Alliance, on business Wednesday.



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