

PASSENGER CREW BLAMED FOR WRECK

Investigating Committee Agrees with Coroner's Jury as to Cause of Fatal Collision.

INJURED ARE MUCH IMPROVED

Investigation of the causes that brought about the wreck on the Missouri Pacific, near Orepolis, Friday morning, resulting in the death of Mike Sherlock, engineer; W. R. Goodwin, fireman, and J. E. Wilson, brakeman, and the injury of ten passengers and members of the crew of No. 104, the passenger train, was commenced and concluded Saturday morning.

A Cass county jury, summoned by Coroner Brendel, Friday night returned a verdict that the wreck was caused and the three men killed as a result of the members of the crew of train No. 104 leaving La Platte station in disregard of orders.

The investigating committee that met yesterday came to the same conclusion as did the coroner's jury. General Superintendent D. Bernard, Kansas City; Superintendent Russ of the Nebraska division, Falls City; Dr. Paul F. Vasterling, chief surgeon, and A. H. Mansfield, chief claim agent, St. Louis, and F. L. Holt, master mechanic, Falls City, came in on a special. They stayed at the scene of the wreck and also at LaPlatte, where No. 104 should have waited and passed No. 153, the freight with which it collided. They came on to Omaha, where they were met by J. H. Strickland of Lincoln, the inspector for the Interstate Commerce commission.

All Had Orders. During the investigation it developed that all the members of the crew of No. 104 had orders notifying them that at LaPlatte they would pass No. 153, pulled by engine No. 1274. The orders made no mention of Freight No. 153, drawn by an extra and was laid in on the siding at LaPlatte.

Conductor Jeff Hulme of No. 104, in the employ of the Missouri Pacific for thirty years, asserted that as he passed LaPlatte he saw No. 153 on the siding and noticed that its engine was No. 1273, while the train that he was to meet was pulled by engine No. 1274. He thought that this discrepancy in engine numbers was brought about by a mistake in the transmission of the orders and presumed that the dead engineer and fireman made the same mistake.

Brakeman Hatfield on the rear end of No. 104, had orders similar to those of the other trainmen and his opinion was that the train they passed at LaPlatte was No. 153. He thought the dispatcher had made a mistake in transmitting the engine numbers.

Blames Passenger Crew. As a result of the investigation, the committee placed the entire blame for the wreck upon the men operating No. 104, holding them equally responsible. Of these men, two, the engineer and fireman, are dead and the others probably will be discharged from the service of the company.

The track at the wreck was cleared at 10 o'clock Friday night and trains are again passing over it.

Of the injured W. R. West and James McClurg, postal clerks, and E. L. Cotton, baggage man, are still in the hospital, though they are getting along nicely, and their injuries are not considered serious. The others who were injured have all gone to their respective homes.

The bodies of the three dead men have been prepared for burial and have been sent to relatives, those of Sherlock and Goodwin having been forwarded to Kansas City and that of Wilson to Falls City.

Diphtheria Calls Three in Last Week

Three deaths out of eleven cases of diphtheria reported to the health department from the South Side this week prompted the officials to take unusual precautions to check the spread of the disease.

John Balkas of 345 N street, 12 years of age, died Friday. Joseph Lobanovsky of 4000 U street, 8 years of age, died on Thursday. The other death of the week was John Spell of 308 South Eighteenth street, 2 years of age. Two other deaths were reported earlier in the month.

Clerk Harrington of the health office reports twenty-five cases of diphtheria in a district south of N street this month.

Strict quarantine regulations are being enforced. Four inspectors are on the job. The health commissioner is impressing upon South Side physicians the importance of reporting these cases at the earliest possible moment. It is stated that as a rule three diphtheria deaths are due to neglect by not securing medical attendance until the disease has reached an advanced stage.

Omaha Veterans to Army Encampment

With Jonathan Edwards, E. A. Farmalee and Dr. S. K. Spalding going ahead as the advance guard, Nebraska veterans to the forty-ninth annual encampment of the Grand Army of the Republic, held in Washington, D. C., will leave for the east at 8 o'clock Sunday night, going over the Northwestern and the Pennsylvania lines. Omaha has been made a sort of an assembling point, and those who will go on the trip are:

Messrs. Tracy, Ellsworth, Hoegland, Bears, Stewart, Richmond, Cross, Hena, Hooper, Spencer, Dr. Johnson, Merryman, Trimble, Colvin, Turner, Barnes, Ryan, Young, Poole, Roser, Dr. Filpew, Norris, Stonberg, Jones, Knapp, Mosher and Brown, from Omaha and vicinity; Fulton, Central City, and Green and Ferris, Columbus.

OMAHA ITALIANS RETURN TO JOIN THEIR COLORS

Another movement of Italian reservists going home to join the colors and fight with the allies against Germany is on. The Northwestern is taking out 100 Omaha Italians. At Chicago they will be turned over to the Baltimore & Ohio, reaching New York Monday noon.

The Union Pacific will bring in a special train, carrying 125 Italian reservists from the Pacific coast. Here they will be turned over to the Illinois Central and run special to Chicago. There they will be taken over the Pennsylvania to New York.

SURVIVORS OF THE ATHINAI PULLING AWAY FROM DOOMED SHIP—One of the life boats of the Greek liner burned in mid-ocean leaving the doomed ship with the last of the survivors, who were taken aboard the S. S. Tuscania and brought to New York. Of the 408 passengers and crew only one was lost.



SURVIVORS OF S-S. ATHINAI LEAVING SHIP IN LIFEBOAT.

Indian Supplies to Be Handled in Omaha Warehouse

A warehouse for Indian supplies has been provided for in Omaha according to advices received from the Department of Indian Affairs by the Commercial club. Floor space to the amount of 5,000 feet has been arranged for in the United States quartermaster depot at Twenty-second and Hickory streets. All supplies for the Indian reservations furnished by bidders of Omaha will be delivered to this place.

Capt. Heitfeldt is Pinched by Police

Captain Heitfeldt, 1828 North Seventeenth street, charged with operating an ice wagon without occupation tax, arrested by Special Kilpin.

The above line is on the police record of arrests at headquarters and is the subject of much comment among the members of the force. Captain Henry Heitfeldt, who is the head of the day shift, is still engaged in his regular duties and refuses to answer whether he is out on bond or not.

It is generally known that the captain possesses an automobile, but he denies that it is an ice wagon.

The mystery will be solved Monday morning when the case is brought up in court.

ROB DUNCAN IS BACK IN OMAHA ON A FURLOUGH

After being given up by his friends a year ago as a goner, Robert D. Duncan, long connected with the water works, is back again in Omaha on a furlough from the soldiers' home at Leavenworth. Mr. Duncan was first sent to the Battle Mountain sanitarium, but the altitude failed to agree with him, while after his transfer to Leavenworth, he made steady progress to recovery.

SAMUEL COTHERS TO TALK BEFORE THE UNITARIANS

Samuel M. Cothers of the Unitarian church of Cambridge, Mass., will be in Omaha October 1, to speak at the local parish house at Fortieth and Cass streets. He will speak on the development of an Omaha Unitarian church and there is a possibility that he may come here to take the pulpit of a new church.

Mayor Thompson of Chicago to Be in Omaha October 5

On October 5 Mayor Thompson of Chicago is to spend several hours in Omaha. The Commercial club will get busy to make him welcome. An attempt will be made to get him to make a brief address at the club at noon of that day. The mayor will be on his way to San Francisco for the occasion of "Chicago Day" there.

Hayden Applies for a Jitney License

A. T. Hayden is the first jitney to apply to the superintendent of police for a license under the new jitney ordinance. Mr. Hayden elects to traverse a route between the depots and Fortieth street. According to the law he must adhere to this route and include both termini in his trips. He specified the hours between 6:30 to 8:30 a. m., 12:30 to 3:30 p. m., and 5 to 8 p. m. He will be required to operate during those hours, but may operate during other hours if he wishes.

Superintendent Kugel told this first applicant that he will be expected to comply with the requirements as specified in the application and permit.

BULGARIA RUSHING TROOPS TO THE SERBIAN FRONTIER

PARIS, Sept. 25.—A dispatch to the Temps from Saloniki states that Bulgaria has been sending troops toward the Serbian frontier for several days. Five cavalry regiments have been dispatched toward the border, the dispatch says, and infantry regiments on the frontier have been reinforced by troops taken from regiments in the interior.

A battalion of sappers from Sofia has been sent to Duginita, near the Serbian frontier. Mounted artillery has departed for an unknown destination.

BELGRADE EQUIPPED WITH HEAVY BRITISH CANNON

BERLIN, Sept. 25.—(By Wireless to Tuckerton, N. J.)—The Overseas News agency today says: "It is reported that the city of Belgrade, Serbia, has been newly fortified and equipped with heavy British guns manned by British artillerymen."

"A dispatch from Munich says that Ludwig Ganghofer, the German author, who was wounded severely in the trenches recently, has undergone a successful operation on his eye."

Britain to Arrange To Free U. S. Goods Held in Holland

WASHINGTON, Sept. 25.—The British government is prepared to receive applications unofficially through the foreign trade advisers of the State department for release of \$17,000,000 worth of American-owned goods of German and Austrian origin held at Rotterdam by the British orders in council.

At the request of the trade advisers, the British embassy here will submit a written statement of the conditions under which goods will be released.

Negotiations have been in progress for months, unofficially seeking release of the vast quantity of merchandise consigned to American importers and already either paid for or contracted for under agreements which make the American buyers liable for payment.

On June 15 the British government refused to receive further unofficial representations through the trade advisers. Since then the pressure on the State department has been heavy, American importers asserting that without notice of the order in council and without an opportunity to protect themselves they had contracted for these goods. In some cases had already paid for them and in all cases were liable for the purchase money.

AMERICAN NEUTRALITY LEAGUE OPPOSES LOAN

ST. LOUIS, Sept. 25.—President Wilson was appealed to in a telegram from the St. Louis branch of the American Neutrality league tonight to use the influence of the administration to prevent federal reserve banks, other banks and insurance companies lending money to any of the European belligerents.

The society drafted resolutions advising the public not to invest in such specialties of companies whose assets might include loans to the warring nations. The league also urged depositors to demand of their banks and trust companies that they do not accept negotiable paper from the belligerents.

BRIEF CITY NEWS

Wedding Rings—Edholm, Jeweler. Foot Print—New Beacon Press. Lighting Fixture—Burgess-Grandon. Today's Complete News Program—classified section today, and appears in The Bee EXCLUSIVELY. Find out what the various moving picture theaters offer. Asks for Divorce—Mrs. Ella F. Griswold has brought suit for divorce against Frank M. Griswold, alleging desertion.

For Safety First in Life Insurance see W. H. Indor, general agent State Mutual Life Assurance Co. of Worcester, Mass., one of the oldest, 71 years, and best companies on earth.

Breaks Ribs in Fall—Joseph Drudis, carpenter, 1290 Park Wilde avenue, fell from the second floor to the basement of an unfinished building Friday evening and suffered a scalp wound and two broken ribs.

Christian Endeavor to Install—The Christian Endeavor union of Omaha will have its annual installation of officers at the Trinity Presbyterian church, Twentieth and Leavenworth, Monday evening, September 27.

Speeders Fined—The following men were arraigned in police court, charged with exceeding the speed limit: John Eike, Twenty-second and Lothrop streets, was fined \$35 and costs, suspended sentence; C. D. Marshall, 3210 Sherman

avenue, \$1 and costs, and A. Wels, 1784 Lake street, \$30 and costs, suspended sentence.

To Relay South Side Paving—Commissioner Jardine of the public improvement department has been assured by a representative of the Kettle River Stone company that 4,000 yards of paving along the Hector boulevard in the South Side will be relaid this year. The work was done under a guarantee of five years, which is nearly up.

Fight Lid Clamped Down by the Police

The fight lid was clamped down in Omaha Friday evening. The Dixon Athletic school scheduled a couple of bouts for Metz hall for Friday night, but Sergeant Madson and a flock of coppers swooped down on the place before the program was started and called off hostilities. He declared he was acting under orders from Commissioner Kugel.

Far Side Stop to Be in Force Today

The nearest way to street cars will be on the far side, beginning with today. Street car men have been instructed to return to the old system.

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