

## ROADS' STATEMENTS

ALL LINES SUBMIT EARNINGS AND EXPENSES.

### BETTERMENTS FOR OPERATION

This Item of Expense in Expense Accounts, but Board of Eliminates It in Computing Values.

The Nebraska railroads have all returned their statements of earnings and expenses for the year ending December 31 to the State Board of Assessment as one of the items on which the board will base the assessments of the property for the year. The Mason City & Fort Dodge, Illinois Central, Wabash, Milwaukee and Santa Fe made no report of earnings, filing a statement that they owned no trackage in the state, but operated trains over other roads. Of the roads reporting the Omaha Bridge and Terminal makes the best showing of net earnings to gross, the total revenue being \$77,197.97. The Omaha & Southern Interurban has a small net revenue, the income being \$33,508.55 and the net revenue being \$424.56. The St. Joseph & Grand Island and the Missouri Pacific show a deficit on Nebraska business, the former of \$21,421.90 and the latter of \$302,794.64. Following is the return of the various roads on business done in Nebraska:

BURLINGTON.	
Passenger earnings	\$ 5,696,102
Freight earnings	10,334,511
Earnings from other sources	1,595,436
Total earnings	\$21,626,039
Operating and other exp.	14,558,989
Net earnings	\$ 7,101,605
UNION PACIFIC.	
Passenger earnings	\$ 3,889,086
Freight earnings	12,462,902
Earnings from other sources	1,597,710
Total earnings	\$17,949,698
Operating and other exp.	10,334,511
Net revenue	\$ 7,615,188
NORTHWESTERN.	
Passenger earnings	\$ 1,846,178
Freight earnings	4,800,511
Other earnings	620,546
Total earnings	\$ 7,267,235
Operating and other exp.	5,499,482
Net revenue	\$ 1,767,753
MISSOURI PACIFIC.	
Passenger earnings	\$ 255,812
Freight earnings	952,435
Other earnings	198,801
Total earnings	\$ 1,417,079
Operating and other exp.	1,719,874
Deficit	\$ 302,794
ROCK ISLAND.	
Passenger earnings	\$ 520,697
Freight earnings	927,335
Other earnings	122,637
Total earnings	\$ 1,570,671
Operating and other exp.	1,422,541
Net revenue	\$ 148,129
OMAHA ROAD.	
Passenger earnings	\$ 555,244
Freight earnings	1,292,479
Other earnings	94,407
Total earnings	\$ 1,922,132
Operating and other exp.	1,472,710
Net earnings	\$ 449,421
ST. JOSEPH & GRAND ISLAND.	
Passenger earnings	\$ 129,954
Freight earnings	309,087
Other earnings	40,543
Total earnings	\$ 479,587
Operating and other exp.	501,009
Deficit	\$ 21,421

All of the roads have included amounts expended for betterments in the figures of operating and other expenses, but the board is eliminating this item in computing the revenue.

### Registering Many Stallions.

The new room fitted out in the northeast corner of the state house basement now houses the stallion registration board, which was created at the last session of the state legislature. The quarters have been completely equipped and clerks have already transferred their records from the board of agriculture room to the new room. The work of remodeling the corner of the basement cost in the neighborhood of \$840 exclusive of the lighting fixtures. The board has been working under pressure since the new law went into effect.

### Jobbers to Co-Operate.

The jobbers of Omaha have assured Food Commissioner Hansen that they will co-operate with him in every possible way to stop the shipping into the state of impure and misbranded food products.

### Prof. Not to Be Dismissed.

Prof. J. H. Powers of the state university faculty is not to be dismissed as a result of a severe punishment administered partly in public to his 18-year-old daughter, Hildegard.

### No Date for Argument.

No date has yet been fixed for argument on the conflicting water right claims of Coad and Ross, the testimony on which was heard some time ago by the State Board of Irrigation. It was originally set for April 12, but on that date a continuance was asked for, to a date to be determined later. There has been no more since 12th.

## A REPORT ON BANKS.

Nebraska Institutions Shown to Be in Good Condition.

Secretary Boyce of the State Banking board has compiled the reports of the state banks, as shown by the recent call. This report shows a very strong and satisfactory condition of the banks of the state.

The state banks report a reserve of 30 per cent, being double the amount required by law, while the national banks show a reserve of 35 per cent, and the combined banks of the state, including state and national, an average reserve of 33 per cent. The state banks have increased three in number reporting during the year and the national banks have increased ten in number during the same period.

The deposits in state banks have increased \$6,429,260.97 during the year and since the report of December 5, 1911, they have increased \$6,464,365.71. The deposits in the state banks at this time, \$80,354,728.26, is the high water mark in the history of the state.

The deposits in national banks have increased \$19,919,801.34 during the year, and since the report of December 5, 1911, up to February 20, 1912, these banks show an increase in deposits of \$8,199,305.83.

The increase of deposits in all banks, both state and national, during the year is \$26,349,062.31, and since the report of December 5, 1911, the increase amounts to \$14,628,566.80.

### Labor Report in State.

Labor Commissioner Guye, in a report of labor conditions in Lincoln, sets out that 310 concerns were inspected and a number of them were ordered to protect machinery so as to safeguard the life and limb of employees. Conditions, as a whole, were not found to be bad. In summarizing the wage question he says that conditions in Lincoln are above the average so far as the employment of child labor or the sweatshop system, but that there are two concerns employing children and women which give their employees work to take home after they have worked as many hours in the shop as the law permits. He points out that as the law permits, he is not out of the law, as there is no limit to the number of hours a woman may work in her home or the number of hours labor a parent may require of a child, provided it is performed in the home.

### Boostrom Reports on Glanders.

State Veterinarian Boostrom has recently had to cope with a couple of outbreaks of glanders among horses, and in one instance it was necessary to kill ten animals belonging to Overman & Son of Crookston, Cherry county. Seven of these animals were paid for by the state and three were the loss of the owner as they had not been owned by him for a year previous to the outbreak. One other horse was killed at Crookston, and another was condemned and killed at Tekamah.

### Steward Gets More Pay.

The state board of public lands and buildings has decided to increase the salary of the steward at the penitentiary, Mont Robb, from \$75 a month to \$100. This action was taken in view of the fact that the wages of guards is being raised all around. Until it was decided to pay guards \$50 a month as a flat scale all around, they received wages as follows, twelve men received \$35 a month and keep, and a few others, \$40 a month and keep.

### Strausville Wants Depot.

J. H. Dietrich and twenty-five other residents of Strausville, Richardson county have petitioned the railway commission to compel the Missouri Pacific Railroad company to erect and maintain a depot at that point.

### Favor Board of Control.

The Nebraska Medical society has gone on record as favoring the constitutional amendment for a board of control for state institutions, on the theory that it will work for better management and also for economy.

### Road Testing Machine.

For the purpose of surveying the state of Nebraska to find out the quality of native materials for road construction, a complete outfit for road construction, a complete outfit for road testing has been ordered by the engineering college of the university. The machinery will arrive some time in September and will probably be put immediately in service.

### New Banks Authorized.

Two new banks were authorized to commence business, as follows: North Loup State bank of North Loup, Neb., capital, \$20,000; E. J. Andrews, W. H. Schultz and C. O. Earnest, incorporators. Loma State bank of Loma, Butler county, capital stock, \$10,000.

### Fares to Havelock.

The State Railway commission has set April 27 as the date for hearing the street railway case involving the fares to Havelock. The traction company wants a straight 5-cent fare instead of the present six for 25-cent rate.

### The Water Power Fight.

A protest against the granting of water power rights on the Loup river to H. G. Babcock of Columbus was filed with State Engineer Price by A. C. Koenig of Omaha. The latter sets out in his protest that the Babcock filing was not complete, in so far as its requirements were concerned, and that not all of the provisions of the law have been met by the Columbus man. The filing of the protest follows an energetic effort on the part of several big concerns to get control of advantageous water power sites.

## ISMAY BEFORE THE SENATE COMMITTEE



J. BRUCE ISMAY, managing director of the White Star line (at the end of the table with head on hand), being questioned by the senate investigating committee at the Waldorf Astoria. The committee, headed by Senator William Alden Smith of Michigan, is taking testimony concerning the Titanic disaster.

## FAST TRAIN ROBBED

### MASKED MEN FORCE ROCK ISLAND PASSENGERS TO GIVE UP VALUABLES.

### SPEND HALF AN HOUR IN CAR

Bold Hold-Up Committed by Pair Who Beard Cars in Bureau (Ill.) Yards—Secure Money and Jewelry and Escape.

Moline, Ill., April 23.—Boarding the Golden State Limited on the Rock Island road at Bureau, Ill., last Sunday, two masked bandits robbed every passenger on the sleeper "Nottingham" and then pulled the air rope to signal the engineer to stop.

The engineer disregarded the signal, and one robber then shot a hole through the air brake hose at the end of the car, thereby setting the emergency brakes, and they left the train. Headed by the sheriff of Bureau county, a posse is in pursuit, and every farmer in that section of the state is on the lookout.

One of the most daring robberies in the history of train holdups, the affair is especially striking in that the highwaymen robbed occupants of only one car, though there were several other Pullman sleepers on the train.

One robber reached into every berth, snapped on the electric light and personally examined the effects of the passengers lest the latter, in handing out his or her valuables, might suddenly produce a gun.

Less than half an hour sufficed to complete the roundup of that car, and then, forcing passengers and porter out of the car, the robbers ordered the porter to stop the train.

He explained that the only way he could do so would be to pull the signal rope, and when ordered to do it he grabbed the rope and gave it three lusty pulls.

The train was speeding along five miles from Sheffield on its way to Moline, and the engineer either failed to understand the signal or refused to obey it, for on went the train.

Then the robbers displayed the one clue which may lead to their identity and capture. While one mounted guard over the victims the other opened the door, leaned down at the coupling with the next car, took careful aim, and with one shot out the air brake hose.

This instantly threw the emergency brakes and the train began to jolt along at the sudden stoppage.

Quickly as it had slowed down to almost a stop, the robbers leaped off the train and disappeared in the darkness.

This, together with the fact that they knew the location of the air brake hose and what would happen if a hole were shot in it, led railroad officials to believe that the robbers are either railroad employes or have been.

## RIVER STEAMER GOES DOWN

### Twenty Passengers Are Rescued But Much Live Stock Drowned in the Mississippi.

Natchez, Miss., April 23.—The steamer Concordia struck a snag in a flooded cotton field thirty-one miles south of here Sunday and sank in ten feet of water. Three hundred head of live stock were lost, but the twenty passengers, all flood refugees, escaped. The water did not reach the cabin. Of the live stock there were two hundred cattle, sixty mules and forty horses, a total value of \$10,000.

### Governor Dix Sails for Europe.

New York, April 23.—Governor Dix of New York and Mrs. Dix sailed Saturday on the Lapland for Paris, where they will meet Mrs. Dix's sister, Mrs. Curtis Douglas. They plan to tour Holland and Germany ere returning.

### American Sentenced to Death.

Lethbridge, Alta., April 23.—James Carlson, who murdered a companion near Castor, Alberta, was sentenced here last Saturday to be hanged June 19. He came to Lethbridge from Montana.

## SHIPS CRASH IN FOG

### FREIGHTER AND LINER IN COLLISION OFF GALVESTON BAR.

### Two Deckhands Killed and 170 Other Persons Are Put in Peril by Accident.

Galveston, Tex., April 23.—Hidden from each other in a dense fog the steamship Denver of the Mallory line and the El Sud of the Southern Pacific Steamship company were in collision about fifteen miles from the Bolivar light at the entrance to Galveston Harbor. For a time it was feared that the El Sud, which is a freight steamship, would sink.

Two lives were lost, those of deck hands who were knocked overboard, and one negro deck hand of the El Sud was badly hurt.

The crash occurred about fifteen miles from the Bolivar light. For a time it was feared the El Sud would sink. Down at the bow, El Sud reared for the shore and was beached on Galveston bar. She was saved from sinking by her forward bulkhead having withstood the crush of the sea as the bow plates were ripped off.

There were about 100 passengers on the Denver and a crew of 70. There was a wild rush for life preservers and the lifeboats of the Denver after the crash, but Capt. Charles P. Staples and First Officer Lamb succeeded in quieting the excited men.

## ROADS ARE RULED BY STEEL

### Stanley Body Asserts U. S. Corporation Has Control of More Than 55 Per Cent.

Washington, April 23.—Directors of the United States Steel corporation, through stock ownership and places upon the directorates of the great railway systems of the United States, have a controlling voice in nearly 55 per cent of the railroads of the country, according to a statistical study prepared for the Stanley Steel trust investigating committee of the house.

The total value of the railroads is fixed at approximately \$18,000,000,000, and of that the Steel corporation affiliations are said to control more than \$10,000,000,000.

The 23 directors of the Steel corporation also sit on boards of directors of banks, insurance companies, express companies and various other industrial corporations, with an aggregate capitalization of \$7,388,099,416.

## "MY ROSARY" AUTHOR DIES

### Robert Cameron Rogers, Literary Genius, Succumbs in California After an Operation.

Santa Barbara, Cal., April 23.—Robert Cameron Rogers, a literary genius, author of "My Rosary" and the dedicatory ode to the Pan-American exposition at Buffalo, died Sunday following an operation for appendicitis. Rogers is survived by a widow, three sons and two stepsons. He was born in Buffalo, N. Y., in 1862, being a son of S. S. Rogers, a law partner of Grover Cleveland.

## ROOSEVELT LEADING, 3 TO 1

### Colonel Has More Votes in Nebraska Than Both Taft and La Follette.

Lincoln, Neb., April 22.—Corrected tabulations of the Nebraska presidential preference vote, including returns from 880 precincts, give Roosevelt 31,242; Taft, 10,692; La Follette, 10,279; Clark, 14,031; Harmon, 11,241; Wilson, 9,860. It is believed that this includes 80 per cent of the vote of the state.

## Federals Moving on Juarez.

El Paso, Tex., April 24.—A hundred additional liberal soldiers have been ordered to Juarez from Casas Grandes to defend the city. Reports are that federals are coming from Ojinaga, east of Juarez, to attack the town.

### Stilson Hutchins Is Dead.

Washington, April 24.—Stilson Hutchins, millionaire philanthropist and retired journalist, died at his home here last Monday after a lingering attack of paralysis. He was born in Whitefield, N. H., in 1838.

## MOORS IN MUTINY

### KILL FRENCH OFFICERS AND CITIZENS IN MOROCCAN CITY OF FEZ.

### PARADE HEADS ON PIKES

Massacre One Hundred Jews—Murder Telegraph Operators While on Duty—Paris Hears Distressing News—False Rumor Starts Trouble.

Fez, April 24.—Friday at midday the revolt of the populace and the Moorish soldiery began, after a delegation of native troops had obtained admission to the palace and complained to the sultan of the new military regulations in connection with the French protectorate.

As the military delegation came out from the palace the soldiers composing it seized and killed a French captain. This was the signal for general pillage and massacre throughout the city.

The native soldiers, pushed on by shrieking Moorish women, rushed through the streets of the city slaying all the French they could find and inciting the population to violence by the false cry of "the sultan is a prisoner of the French and must be liberated."

The French telegraphers were attacked by a howling crowd and made a heroic stand, defending their office for four hours, in the meantime sending messages to headquarters at Tangier. Finally the office was broken into, the telegraphers killed, and their bodies mutilated and burned.

The heads of all the Europeans slain by the native troops were paraded through the streets on pikes.

The French legion sent out relief squads of troops and brought in many foreignners, and afterwards the French artillery opened fire on the rebels, who were grouped in the northern quarter.

Paris, April 24.—After four days of anxiety here due to lack of news from Fez, where the populace and Moorish soldiers mutinied some days ago and attacked all foreigners, some account of the trouble reached here Tuesday.

It is known 15 French officers and 40 soldiers were killed in the fighting, while 13 civilians, all of them French citizens, were massacred in their homes or in the streets.

Besides these four French officers and 70 soldiers were wounded and 100 Jews slain and a large number wounded and maimed.

A delegation of native troops had an audience with the sultan to complain about the new military regulations of the French. Upon leaving the palace they captured and killed a French captain.

Then a general attack on the city began, and native troops, urged to fury by screaming women, stormed through the streets, killing all the French they met and pillaging everywhere.

The mutineers roused the people by declaring the sultan was a prisoner and must be set free. The French telegraphers sent the alarm to Tangier and held their office for four hours, but were finally overcome and slain. The legion guards at length restored order.

The absence of dispatches from Fez led to the belief that the uprising has assumed serious proportions and that the French troops were in danger of losing control of the situation. Dispatches which were meager reported 500 rebels killed in a desperate struggle and the imprisonment of 2,000 more. All of the European residents were gathered in the sultan's palace, where French troops, aided by reinforcements from the barracks at West Mekeine, were on guard.

## Will Build Three-Mile Tunnel.

Seattle, Wash., April 24.—Work will be begun May 1 by the Chicago, Milwaukee & Puget Sound railroad on the construction of a three-mile tunnel through the Cascade mountains to cost nearly \$5,000,000.

### Shoots Himself When Knife Is Near.

Boston, April 24.—Dread of undergoing a surgical operation is believed to have led Miss Judith Rice of New York to shoot herself last Monday. Her father is said to be a wealthy Salt Lake City merchant.

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