

DETERMINED TO END MAIL FRAUD

Postoffice Department Says
"Bluff" Trains Will Get
No More Contracts.

HOW THE GAME IS WORKED.

Railroads Put on Fast Trains and
Upon Winning Race Called
Them Off.

The postoffice department is going to ask the aid of Congress to prevent the railroads from putting into service "bluff" trains with a view to capturing mail tonnage and later abandoning them. This fact has been disclosed by the Chicago Record-Herald in the report of the department regarding the transportation of the mails for the current year. The report states that Congress will be asked to pass an amendment to the law as follows:

"When, after a weighing of the mails for the purpose of adjusting the compensation for their transportation on a railroad route, the postmaster general, in his discretion, ascertains the effect of such diversion by a weighing of successive working days as he may determine, and have the weights ascertained and verified to him in other cases, and readjust the compensation upon the routes affected accordingly."

REMOVES A TEMPTATION.
It is naively stated in the report that an amendment would remove a great temptation from the railroads, a temptation which, it is intimated, has been active. It is alleged that prior to the weighing periods, which determine the routes and compensation every four years, it has been the custom of some railroads to put on "bluff" trains with a view to capturing the mails. Having been successful, such a road, under the present law, must receive pay for that mail during the succeeding four years whether it continues to carry it or not. Accordingly, some of the railroads have been accustomed to take off their "bluff" trains soon after the weighing, allowing the mails to be diverted to another road, but continuing to receive pay for transporting them until the next weighing period, when the trick is repeated.

TONNAGE IS FALLING OFF.
Railroad managers in Chicago are becoming worried over the rapid decrease in tonnage. It is stated that the average falling off in revenue freight tonnage for the Chicago roads for the month of December will be fully 20 per cent as compared with the tonnage of December last year. Heavy losses have been sustained in merchandise, iron, steel, flour and grain shipments are the only ones which are growing. Provisions fell off 4,325 tons last week. There is said to be less actual tonnage on hand among the western roads than in years ago, and new business is not developing. One result of the falling off in business is better service and plenty of cars.

CLOSE TELEGRAPH OFFICES.
Owing to the fact that the Wisconsin 8-hour day for telegraph operators goes into effect tomorrow the railroads in that state are preparing to close many small stations as telegraph offices. Where it is necessary to keep a night or day man a telephone will be installed. Many of the large systems are preparing to close hundreds of offices when the new 8-hour day law passed by Congress goes into effect.

BAPTIST CHURCH CROWDED.
On the occasion of last Sunday Services in Old Structure.

The First Baptist church was crowded last night, on the occasion of the last Sunday service to be held in the old church edifice at the corner of Second and Second West streets, whose cornerstone was laid Aug. 26, 1883. The contents of the box taken from the corner stone were displayed at the service by the pastor, Rev. D. A. Brown, and deep interest was taken in the articles as they were produced one after the other. Perhaps the most pathetic of all was a Bible from the late Miss Clara Beckley, whose gentleness of spirit, and sweetness of nature were as marked as the physical infirmities under which she labored. The pastor announced that the box and its contents would be placed in a larger box that is to be in the cornerstone of the new edifice.

J. E. Berkeley, who has been church clerk since 1892, gave an interesting historical review of the erection of the old church and its dedication. He reported the first attempt at organization of a Baptist society in 1871 by Rev. Dwight Spencer, agent for Colorado, Utah and Montana of the Home Missionary society of the Baptist church, the first meeting being held in a room over Pendleton's blacksmith shop where the building of the Salt Lake Hardware company now stands. A little over \$10,000 was subsequently raised in the east for the building of the present edifice which in its day, was one of the attractive sectarian church buildings in the city, and toward which about \$5,000 was raised in Salt Lake. Gov. Murray presided at the dedication, and the Knights of Pythias turned out in full force with a band.

The hymn sung at the dedication, and composed by Rev. Spencer, was sung by

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the choir, to the air of "America," when Auditor C. J. McNitt of the Short Line read a well prepared paper reviewing "The Old Church: Its Work and Workers." Mr. McNitt's effort was a happy one felicitously delivered. He paid a tribute to the pioneers in the work of establishing and building up the church, naming many of them as a roll of honor. The speaker read the list of pastors, and had collected and expended \$57,000, and now had secured money and property toward the new church representing approximately \$48,000.

F. L. Evans spoke on "The Old Church: Its Adequacy and Inadequacy." He referred to the location at the time the church was built, comparing it with the present mercantile surroundings.

A. J. Green closed the speaking with a tribute to Rev. D. A. Brown, the present pastor, detailing what he had accomplished since his arrival in the summer of 1901, when Rev. H. B. Steedman resigned his position as pastor.

"God be with you 'till we meet again," was sung, and the pastor paid a strong tribute to Miss Crissy Lawton, the organist, who has served so faithfully these many years. The benediction was pronounced by Rev. James Armstrong.

At the morning service 21 persons united with the church, and the program prepared for the preaching and Sunday school services was carried out.

HER AIM WAS BAD.
Lillie Carey Fires Three Shots in An Attempt at Suicide.

Lillie Carey, known as Ruby Raymond, 19 years of age, and who for some time has been an inmate of a Commercial street house, attempted to commit suicide in the Orpheum annex roominghouse early Sunday morning by shooting. The young woman was either "bluffing" or her aim was decidedly poor, because she fired three shots at herself, only one of which took effect, inflicting a wound that is not considered at all serious.

REPORT ON JUVENILE COURT.
Secretary Willard Done Urges Detention Homes and Appropriation.

The need of detention homes, especially in larger cities of the state, is emphasized in the report of Willard Done filed with the governor Saturday. Mr. Done also calls attention to the meagerness of the appropriation made for juvenile court purposes by the last legislature, declaring that the small amount of money available has made it necessary to get men to fill the positions of juvenile court judges who are required to make no small personal sacrifice. However, good men have been installed as judges and general satisfaction with their labors is expressed.

Mr. Done's report covers the period from March 24 to Dec. 31. During that time the juvenile courts of the state have committed 31 boys and 9 girls to the state industrial school at Ogden.

Mr. Done's financial report is as follows:

Secretary's salary	\$ 91.00
Salaries of judges and officers	4,715.00
Incidental expenses	727.80
Total	\$5,533.80
Balance on hand Dec. 31	\$9,463.20
Mr. Done's estimate of expenditures for 1908 is as follows:	
Salary of secretary	\$ 120.00
Judges	2,800.00
Probation officers	4,425.00
Janitors and telephone service	242.00
Total	\$7,587.00
Expenditures in 1907	\$5,533.80
Total	\$13,120.80
Balance for all incidentals	\$1,876.20

CITY ATTORNEY'S REPORT.

Ogden Hiles Shows How Legal Department Worked for Two Years.

City Atty. Ogden Hiles has submitted his report to Mayor John S. Bransford for the two years he has been in office. The report shows that during that time one judgment has been found against the city chargeable to the "American" administration. That judgment is for \$75 and is in favor of Hyrum Thompson, who sued for \$500, alleging that the city was at fault and



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responsible for the flooding of his property. Another judgment was in favor of Mrs. A. Barnes. An arrangement has been made whereby the city will lose nothing on this judgment, a boiler involved in the claim having been bought by the lessees of the Warm Springs. Twenty-one actions have been brought against the city, the amount involved being \$102,349.40. Judgments were found against the city for \$27,198—the bulk being chargeable to a former administration and change in completing the Big Cottonwood conduit. During the two years covered by the report, the city has prosecuted 8,713 actions and as a result \$39,825 has been turned into the city treasury in fines and forfeitures.

Aside from its work in the courts, the city attorney's office has drawn 103 ordinances for special improvements, 38 ordinances amending other ordinances, 11 new ordinances, 23 franchises and four ordinances for the annexation of outlying districts to the city. In concluding his report, Judge Hiles pays high compliment to the efficient work of P. J. Daly, prosecutor for the city court, and H. J. Dinlenny, his first assistant.

OBSTREPEROUS AUSTRIANS.

A bunch of Austrians, redolent with garlic and strong beer, were thrown into the county jail last night to answer for a murderous assault upon fellow countrymen at Bingham Junction a week or more ago. Mike Drigovich, Stone Brodovich, George Deasovich, Mike Oradovich and Mike Bogdanovich, Joe Tresant and Jim Arnovitch are in the hospital recovering from their wounds, which may prove fatal yet, in the opinion of the attending physicians. The arraignment and preliminary hearing will be before Justice Lee.

WANT THIRTY THOUSAND.

A suit wherein \$30,000 is asked by Fred. Hirst, a mail carrier, for the death of his brother, Willard Hirst, was filed in the federal court Saturday afternoon. The dead man was killed while in the employ of the Steptoe Valley Smelting & Mining company and the Cumberland-Ely Mining company by a steam shovel which overturned and crushed him. Three sisters and two brothers survive the dead man.

FIRE IN RESIDENCE.

Fire started in the basement of the residence of E. C. Coffin, 661 east Second South street, about 10 o'clock last night, from an unknown cause, and a time threatened to destroy the place, which is valued at \$7,500 with contents worth \$4,500. The prompt action of the firemen from No. 4, headed by Assistant Chief Crosby, prevented the flames from spreading. The damage done will not amount to more than \$5. The place is insured for \$5,000 on the house and \$2,500 on the contents.

FUNERAL OF MRS. LAMBERT.

Impressive Services Held in the Seventh Ward Meetinghouse.

Funeral services over the remains of Mrs. Lilly Drace Lambert were held in the Seventh ward meetinghouse Saturday, Jan. 4, the bishopric of Granger ward, of which Mrs. Lambert was a member, conducting. The hall was beautifully draped, and the floral

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PRINCIPALS IN SESSION.

Supt. Christensen Lifts Voice of Warning to Parents—Resume Jan. 13.

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Supt. Christensen, speaking on this matter said: "To extend the holiday vacation one week in the hope of checking the spread of disease was consented to by the board of education in response to the wishes of the public; but should the people, after the schools are kept closed in order to check disease, permit their children to flock to places of amusement that are entirely without means of ventilation and often dark and reeking with stagnant atmosphere, it would do more damage than the attendance of children at school could ever do. The school rooms have been thoroughly fumigated during the recess, and are all well lighted and ventilated and are far less apt to harbor the germ of disease than are the cheap places of amusement which have no light, no air no means of adequate ventilation. We could wish to impress upon the people the necessity for using great judgment in the way their children spend the vacation that the benefits expected to result from the extended vacation may not be jeopardized."

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offerings were appropriate. Excellent music was furnished by Miss Mabel Cooper, Miss Mattie Clark and members of the Seventh ward choir, under the leadership of J. A. R. Day. The opening and closing prayers were offered by Elders L. Dahlquist of the Seventh ward and John C. Mackay of Granger. The speakers were Bishop Daniel McFee and Elder Henry Bowden of Granger, and Elders Joseph E. Taylor and John Henry Smith. They spoke of the mild and lovely disposition of the deceased, and bore testimony of her devotion to her family and to the Church, relating instances in her life showing her integrity. The faithfulness of her parents was referred to, showing how their example was reflected in their daughter, and how in turn the character of the deceased was reflected in her children.

A long cortege followed the remains to the city cemetery, where the grave was dedicated by Elder George C. Lambert.

SALT LAKE CLIMBS.
H. B. Klooser, formerly of Salt Lake, has been appointed assistant general freight agent of the Missouri Pacific and Iron Mountain railroads.

AMUSEMENTS.
Theater—Tonight sees the opening of Marie Cahill in "Marrying Mary," one of the season's big successes in the east.

Festival Singers Rehearsal—The Spring Festival chorus is to meet tonight at the Beesley music hall, at 7:30, to resume work, after a two weeks' rest during the holidays. The management expects the entire membership present. Hereafter all must attend rehearsals regularly to maintain their standing. The festival is just three months away, and with such works in preparation as the "Wedding Feast" and the "Golden Legend," it will require the entire time to get them in shape for the occasion.

Orpheum—A complete change of bill will be witnessed at this house tonight, and a big turnout is expected.

Grand—The bill this evening will be the Swedish glacial star, Miss Almee Commons, in the play entitled "Tilly Olson."

JUMPING AT CONCLUSIONS.

Case Showing How Circumstances May Be Improperly Judged.

A curious case of "jumping at conclusions" occurred in this city recently. A young man apparently in perfect health dropped to the floor unconscious with fatal illness. The physician who was immediately called in, applied an electric current, hoping to restore animation, and in so doing discolored parts of the body. The remedy, heroic though it was, failed. At the undertaker's a number of friends of the deceased called to take a farewell look, and noted the discoloration. Without waiting to inquire, they assumed he had been beaten, and that the appearance of the body warranted such assumption. So considerable talk was started, which made it unpleasant for all concerned. Of course the reports started were baseless.

OKLAHOMA'S EXPERIMENT.

Action of State Guaranteeing Bank Deposits Watched With Interest.

The action of the state of Oklahoma in guaranteeing its state bank deposits is commented upon by a prominent Salt Lake banker as follows: "The controller of the United States currency has endeavored to have the state bring the national banks in Oklahoma within the same law of guarantee as the state banks; but so far has not been successful. This shows that he approves of the plan suggested by William J. Bryan, and now carried out in Oklahoma. The general government might pursue a similar or somewhat similar policy with regard to the national banks; but there are obstacles in it which must be met if anything is done. National banks are safer as a general proposition than state banks. In 40 years the bank failures have averaged, state, 12 1/2 per cent; national, 5 per cent. In the same time, the deposits recovered by depositors from insolvent banks amounted to 78 per cent in the case of national banks, and 83 per cent in the case of state banks. Natural-own state banks for redepositing in the Oklahoma state banks, the certain principle that if one of our large building in Salt Lake and contents were full of insured and no insurance could be obtained on fixtures and contents in other buildings, there would be a general rush from all kinds of offices in that one building, to the neglect of others. If the Kansas legislature provides a similar guarantee for its state banks, you will see depositors resident of Colorado, Nebraska, Iowa and Missouri patronizing Kansas state banks to the exclusion of their own institutions. It is an interesting experiment, and its practical workings will be carefully and critically observed by the banking public generally."

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the reservoir land grant fund in order to replenish said fund with funds to be used for the purposes for which said fund was created. The said state board of land commissioners is also authorized to use money belonging to other state funds for the purpose of investing in the securities now held to the credit of the reservoir land grant fund.

That is to say, if it is advisable to do so, the said state board of land commissioners shall be restored to such purchase shall be restored to fund was created. The said state board of fund and may be employed, under the law, to carry out the purposes for which said fund was originally created by section 2 of the organic act."

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Novelty trimmings, half-prices.
Corsets, fourth to more than a third reduction.
Ladies' underwear, one-third.
Black silk petticoats, nearly half.
Big savings in domestics.
Splendid reductions on shoes.
Reductions on ribbons.
Ladies' handkerchiefs reduced.
Guimps and braid, half-prices.
Gloves lower than we ever sold them.
Ladies' umbrellas, one third less.
Silk and dress goods 10% to 50% discount.
Oriental rugs one-third off.
Carpets strongly reduced.
Granite and enamelware 15% to one-third off.
Lace curtains 20% to 25% discount.
Portiers 20% to 50% discount.
Art needlework greatly reduced.
Pyrometry at a big discount.
Domestic rugs, big discount.
Blankets, big lot at half-price.
Millinery sold regardless of cost.
Men's furnishings, various discounts.
Ladies' suits, many lines at half-price.
Big values in skirts.
Belts, 75c to \$1.25 for 50c.
Girls' skirts, half-prices.
Boys' suits half-prices and less.

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- ¶ An opportunity of years.