

S. H. BABCOCK ON FREIGHT CHARGES

Head of Local Traffic Bureau Submits Views on Water Competition.

ROADS PAY BIG DIVIDENDS

Points as to Shipment of Cattle East And Cotton Well Discussed by Former Railroad Man.

The editor of The Deseret News is in receipt of a communication, bearing date of Nov. 26, 1909, and signed by S. H. Babcock, commissioner of traffic of the Salt Lake Commercial club traffic bureau. The communication is as follows:

"Your editorial columns in the issue of Wednesday, Nov. 24, contained a somewhat lengthy article under the caption of 'Railroad Freight Charges,' and from the various somewhat questionable statements contained therein it is doubtful if its real authorship rests with any member of your regular editorial staff.

"Water competition as adversely affecting the transcontinental freight rates of the rail carriers has long since ceased to be much if anything more than a mere pretext or subterfuge on the part of those carriers, as is quite clearly evidenced from the fact that the net earnings per mile of the Union and Central Pacific railroads are higher than those of any other railroads in the country west of Chicago, and their earnings for each ton of freight handled are greater than those of any other important railroads in the entire country, so far as has been developed by a somewhat extended examination into the subject.

"The Union Pacific company pays 10 per cent dividends on its common and 4 per cent, the fixed limit, on its preferred stock annually, and after the payment of which, for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1909, being the last for which we have the official figures, there remained in its treasury from its general operations a total surplus of \$12,385,727.72, while the Southern Pacific company, with its vast mileage including the Central Pacific railroad from Ogden west, pays 7 per cent dividends on its preferred and 6 per cent on its common stock annually, and for the same year as stated for the Union Pacific there remained a surplus from its general operations of \$19,893,472.81. During the fiscal year stated the 'panic' period of 1907 and its following season of business depression occurred, but the net earnings of both those great companies for the fiscal year last ended June 30, 1909, were much greater than for the year given above. While the ratio of operating expenses to earnings of the Union Pacific system is lower than that of any other railroad of which record can be found, and that of the Southern Pacific company is also lower than that of any of the important railroads east of the Missouri river so far as known, it may therefore quite readily be seen that these great lines, whose earnings are derived very largely from transcontinental traffic, are suffering not at all from any element of water or other form of competition.

"The writer of your article sought to unfavorably contrast the freight revenues on wheat and cattle moving to about 200 miles westward from the railroad minimum freight of wheat or other grain usually ranges from 20,000 to 40,000 pounds, and the actual weights generally approximate those figures, and not 70,000 pounds, or more, as stated; hence the actual earnings on a car of grain would by no means reach the figures given. The owner of the grain is only interested in the rate per 100 pounds and not in the tonnage carried in any one car.

SHIPPING OF CATTLE.

"The charge of \$3.50 for the car of cattle as stated, which would yield a profit more than 18 cents per car mile, would be very profitable to the carrier, particularly when it is considered that live stock is generally moved in train loads. The suggestion that the owner of the cattle creates his own competition, presumably from his ability to drive the cattle to market, is unworthy of consideration, since in the region indicated the country being fenced, it would be entirely impracticable to drive fat cattle going to the markets of consumption along public highways devoid of pasturage and probably water, since the loss in weight in the cattle from about one day's drive under such circumstances would more than absorb the entire freight charges on the carload, to say nothing of the cost of feed and other expenses en route. The empty car movement in the grain traffic in that region is vastly greater in extent than that for live stock. As the movement of live stock from Utah to Los Angeles and thence again eastward, presumably to the Missouri river, would involve the payment of the higher actual tariff rates from Los Angeles to the Missouri river than are currently in effect direct from Utah to the river, as well as other controlling disadvantages in time, etc., the statement that a Utah cattleman discovered last summer that he could ship his cattle to Los Angeles and thence back eastward for less money than from Utah direct to the eastern destination is too absurd for comment.

MOVEMENT OF COTTON.

"The movement of the cotton from the southern states destined to Asia via Seattle referred to was secured through the energetic action of the traffic representatives of the so-called Hill lines, and somewhat to the disappointment of similar officials of the lines operating through the port of San Francisco. None of the carriers are seeking unprofitable business, and as a matter of fact, there is probably no unprofitable freight traffic of any character now moving in any part of the country. The practically suggested idea in the article that the traffic of the people of Utah should be burdened with grossly unreasonable rates and used as an insurance for the carriers, the alleged loss in their traffic elsewhere is one that will scarcely appear with favor to the people of this state. Both the people and the railroads should have a square deal; nothing more nor less is wanted.

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LAST RITES TO MISS YOUNG.

Many Provo People Attend the Services in This City Yesterday.

The last rites were paid to the late Miss Nora Young in the Eighteenth ward chapel yesterday. Bishop Booth of the Provo Fourth ward, where the young lady resided so long, being in charge of



MISS NORA YOUNG.

the services. A large number of Provo friends and relatives were present, and the speakers were Superintendent of Schools Hastings and Principal Jones of that city, while Prof. B. S. Hinkley and President Richard W. Young both united in paying feeling tributes. Bishop Booth also spoke of the universal sorrow which prevailed in the ward where the young lady spent so much of her life, and he too, spoke feelingly of her many superior qualities. Prayers were pronounced by Elders George Powelson and Bishop T. A. Clawson. The music was furnished by the Eighteenth ward choir, and in addition Mr. Lou Hallett sang "Calvary" and Miss Enid Edmonds rendered the "Beautiful City." The pallbearers were cousins of the deceased, and the interment took place in the city cemetery.

FUNERAL OF JOS. SANDS.

The funeral of Joseph Sands, a well known restaurant man, was held from castle hall under the auspices of the Rocky Mountain lodge No. 3, Knights of Pythias, Sunday afternoon, at 2 o'clock. Rev. C. C. McIntyre of Westminster Presbyterian church officiated and delivered a touching tribute to the deceased. "The Beautiful Isle of Somewhere" was sung by the Unity quartet, including Miss Gael Mills, Mrs. Pearl Jones, Joseph Poll and A. G. Mehan. A beautiful solo, "Sometime We Will Understand," was rendered by Mr. Poll. The quartet then sang "The Christian Good Night" and "Nearer My God to Thee." The active pall bearers were Samuel Randolph, William Kirkham, J. P. McDonald, Byron Jones, William Harty and J. E. Funk. The casket was buried in the city cemetery beneath numerous floral tributes from Mr. Sands' friends and fraternal brothers in the Elks, Knights of Pythias and Restaurant Men's union.

MORRISON FOUND GUILTY.

F. G. Morrison was found guilty on a charge of burglary in the second degree, by Judge Bowman, in police court, this morning, and was bound over to the district court for trial, under \$500 bond. He is accused of having burglarized the Salt Lake Tailoring company's store, Nov. 1, of a vest and a pair of trousers.

STEAL TROUSERS AND COATS.

Burglars broke open the front door of the Paris Cleaning company, at 414 south State street, at an early hour this morning, and got away with 14 pairs of trousers and six coats. They left no clue, but the police think they have a line on them through the sale of some of the clothing to pawnshops.

A private safe may be rented in the fire and burglar-proof vaults of the Salt Lake Security & Trust Co., 32-34 Main street, \$2.00 per year.

PURE FOOD SHOW CLOSED SATURDAY

Manager A. A. Trempp Is Warmly Congratulated on Success of the Undertaking.

There was a record crowd in attendance at the close of the Greater Salt Lake Pure Food and Industrial exposition at the Auditorium roller skating rink Saturday night, and when the doors closed at midnight, Manager A. A. Trempp and his assistants, and the exhibitors, were a tired but happy lot. The attendance was probably the largest of the two weeks' show and every person present seemed pleased with the exhibition. The exhibitors warmly congratulated Manager Trempp for the success of the show and they want him back here for the next one.

The public learned a great deal about home manufacturers and their goods and also a lot about pure food and food that is not pure. The children all had a good time and the babies were made happy by the gifts of silver cups, Billiken dolls and candy.

The distribution of presents was one of the main features. The winning numbers of the first four prizes given by the management and the retail merchants' association were as follows: Coupon No. 60840, 1st prize, No. 09835, 2nd prize, No. 00831, 3rd prize, No. 09832, 4th prize, No. 10833.

The Manufacturers' association offered 20 prizes and they will be awarded at Hewlett's factory on Tuesday. The winning coupons are as follows: Nos. 5838, 6251, 16200, 7834, 19260, each one 25-pound sack of Husler's flour, contributed by the Intermountain Milling company.

Nos. 5838, 6251, 16200, 7834, 19260, each one box assorted teas, coffees, and spices, contributed by Hewlett Bros.

Nos. 2107, 6190, 730, 5658, 2885, each one box confectionery and bon-bons, contributed by McDonald Chocolate company.

Nos. 5522, 8334, 10193, 1099, 997, each package of Pierce's products prepared by the Utah Canning company.

Nos. 8129, 12690, 8948, 3588, 7172, each bread and cakes, contributed by the Superior Baking company.

Nos. 10813, 5065, 5557, 18216, 7106, each one brick of ice cream, contributed by the Crescent Ice Cream company.

The drawing for the presents donated by the Utah Light & Railway company resulted as follows: Mrs. F. L. Cowan, 132 south Seventh West street, one sewing machine motor; Miss Aulene Gann, 2402 Pine street, toaster stove; Mrs. C. F. Buck, 315 H street, one warming pad; Thelma Farnsworth, 401 Third avenue, one Pacific electric iron.

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CLEVER SAFE CRACKER HERE.

Knew Combination, but Knocked Knob Off for a Blind.

A clever "yegg" broke into the Holdelberg saloon, at 7 east Third South street, after Karl H. Mayer, the proprietor, had left, about 12:50 o'clock Sunday morning, and wheeled the safe out of the glare of two arc lights from

behind the cigar counter into the lavatory, where he rifled it of \$400 in cash, \$100 in checks, and other valuables. A peculiar feature of the burglary is that the thief took along a small book containing a record of sales made during the last year, but left negotiable securities and stocks worth \$3,000.

An expert, after carefully examining the safe, stated that the robber knew the combination, and had smashed the knob off as a "blind." The cunning thief left a drill and small chisel beside the safe, but, strangely enough, forgot to leave the hammer with which he wanted the police to suppose he had knocked the knob off.

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GOT HIS WATCH BACK.

John Wilson Had Harler's Timepiece Among His Swag.

The operations of John Wilson, who a week ago received a 20-year penitentiary sentence for burglary after he

had terrorized Salt Lake City for several months, evidently extended to Provo, as Emil Harler, of that city, called at the police station last Saturday afternoon, and after giving a perfect description of a watch which happened to be a part of the "swag" still in possession of the police, it was given back to him. Harler said that he had met Wilson in Provo several months ago, and that they got quite friendly and associated together a good deal. Suddenly Wilson disappeared, and so did Harler's watch, which was an old present.

RECEIVER ASKED.

Petition Filed in Federal Court by Creditors of I. C. Glosz.

An application for a receiver was made this morning in a petition filed with the clerk of the United States court for the business of Imre C. Glosz, a prominent fur dealer of Salt Lake, located at 24 east Second South. The suit is in the shape of an involuntary bankruptcy proceeding.

The petitioners are Benjoff Bros., of New York, in the amount of \$471.15, and \$423.34; the Bennett Glass & Paint

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Children's Trimmed Hats.

A large assortment of the latest fall and winter styles to choose from values up to \$3.50 at this great sacrifice **\$1.45**

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A large and varied assortment of colors and styles, all beautifully and becomingly trimmed, regular values up to \$5, at this sale **\$1.95**

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\$8 Dress Skirts Black Voile And Panama.

\$4.95

Advanced new spring styles, just received. Made of an extra quality of the Chiffon, Panama and a fine quality of the black voile, a full line of sizes. Tuesday while they last to sell at the above price.

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