

McADOO'S REPORT ON THE RAILROADS.

So Much Interest, Not Only by Railroad Officials and Employees, but by All Citizens, Attaches to the Future Handling of Transportation Lines That The Observer Herewith Prints the Reports on Railroads Made by Hon. W. G. McAdoo. The Report is Long and Will Appear in Daily Installments, Giving Every Observer Reader a Chance to Study Carefully the Contents of a Document Which Promises to Have Deep Bearing on Our Country's Future.

(Continued From Tuesday)

The expenditures that authorized were for improvements classified as follows:

Table with columns: Class of work, Improvements authorized to Dec. 1, 1918, Capital expenditures made to Nov. 1, 1918. Includes categories like Widening cuts and fills, Ballasting, Bridges and other track material, etc.

In planning improvements chargeable to capital account other than for war purposes, the rule adopted was that the first consideration should be safety in operation; and secondly, increase capacity where that was needed; and that any improvement not required for these purposes should be deferred until after the war unless exceptional circumstances should make it necessary earlier.

That effect of the foregoing policy is shown by the above statement, from which it appears that much of the largest item for additional yard tracks, sidings, etc. The second largest item was for additional yard engine houses, and appurtenances; and the third for additional main tracks; and by the large orders for equipment almost wholly for locomotives and freight cars.

The Increase in Rates. The increase in wages and the greatly enhanced cost of coal, iron and steel and other supplies necessary for the railroads, made necessary the increase of both passenger and freight rates during the period of federal control.

In addition to the locomotives and freight cars under order by the railroad companies at this time the government assumed control, additional orders were placed for 1,430 locomotives for 1918 delivery, at an estimated cost of \$78,193,200, of which \$42 million was ordered by the railroads; and also an order for 100,000 freight cars for 1918 delivery at an estimated cost of \$289,460,000, of which there has been completed and delivered to date 14,639 cars.

Cost of Coal and Other Supplies. The cost of coal and practically all other supplies used by the railroads increased enormously during the year just passed, as compared with the cost during the year 1917. The increased cost of fuel for the first ten months of the present year was \$140,000,000 over the cost for the same ten months in 1917, and during the same period, the cost of iron and lumber increased approximately \$65,000,000. The added cost of coal to the railroads increased in spite of the fact that economy in the use of coal was exercised to such an extent that, for instance, on the Chicago & North Western Railroad during the month of October, the number of pounds of coal per passenger locomotive mile was 114.3 this year as compared with 112.7 last year, and the number of pounds of coal per passenger train car mile was 19.2, this year as compared with 18.2 last year, and yet the cost of locomotive fuel per locomotive mile was 24.9 cents in October, 1918, as compared with 23.2 cents in October, 1917. On the Union Pacific, during

NIGHT BOMBING RAID DESCRIBED

Giant Machine Makes Successful Attack on German Railway Depot.

EXPERIENCE IS THRILLING

High Above Enemy Barrage and Searchlights Plane Wings Way in Darkness Till Lights of Objective Form Target.

By CAPT. PAUL BEWSHER.

London.—The observer settled himself beside the pilot in the big bombing machine. On either side the engines roared thunderously. The signal was given and the machine moved forward, turned into the wind and rushed across the grass into the dim night. It climbed swiftly in wide circles, and below could be seen the dim countryside where a few scattered lights twinkled. Far to the right lay a winding river, like a thread of silver ribbon. Beside the silver ribbon, nearly 200 miles away, lay the German town which formed this night's objective.

In front of the two airmen glowed the phosphorescent dials of the recording instruments. Soon they registered sufficient height for the machine to turn toward the fighting line, up and down which great white star shells were rising, to hang suspended for a few moments before falling into the darkness beyond.

The searchlights were switched off, the wings were crossed, and friendly territory left further and further behind.

Over Enemy Territory. Soon the first barrier of defense was passed, and for a long time we flew over miles upon miles of enemy territory, over dimly lit towns and sleeping fields and villages. We passed a big city lying on the bank of the river. We could see the bridges, black across the band of silver, and over the city swept three long searchlights.

When we had been flying over German territory for more than two hours we saw ahead of us on the river the lights of another big city. This was our objective, and at once the machine swept round toward it.

The observer crawled into the back and, lying face down, opened the sliding door in the floor of the machine. Below him lay a square of moonlit country on which he could see a little scattered village and the edge of a forest. And then the twisting river came into his view. He leaned his head out of the hole and saw the black mass of the town a little ahead of the machine.

Already he had noticed the dark line of the railway running into the city. The pilot steered the machine round by the observer's directions, so that it might follow the railway, and so find surely the great railway junction that was to be the target for his bombs.

Two searchlights had now sprung up, and here and there in the sky burst a few random shells. He could see the puffs of smoke, white in the moonlight, drift beneath him.

Hit Railway Junction. We ignored the searchlights and flew steadily on with engines roaring. The big city twinkling with hundreds of carefully shaded lights lay spread now below the observer's peepholes. The fore-and-aft bar of the bomb sight drew near the station and touched it. The observer's hand reached out to the bomb release lever at his side.

The luminous range bars crossed the edge of the junction. He pushed the lever hand over, drew it back and pushed it over again and again. Below he could see for a moment the fat cylinders spinning down toward the railway junction.

He climbed up beside the pilot and told him to turn. The searchlights erratically swept to and fro with every suggestion of panic, fear or lack of skill. The airmen laughed at them and, sweeping round, started on the long homeward journey.

The observer was looking down intently to the black triangular mass of the railway junction, with its crowded sidings. A great spurt of red flame leaped up at its edge as the first bomb exploded. Then another followed it, right in the junction! Then another, and yet another. The 9th caused a tremendous explosion, followed by blinding white flames—acres of it. Clearly an ammunition train had been hit.

Then the others burst, one after another, leaving the railway junction glowing in moonlit smoke through which the red light of a growing fire glared dully.

Did He Really Mean It? Mount Vernon, N. Y.—A sign in front of a local theater reads: 'To Hell With the Kaiser and His Vicious Acts.' A WANT AD will do it.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS. Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of John A. Murchison, deceased, by the county court of the state of Oregon for Union county. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby required to present the same, with proper vouchers, to the undersigned, at her residence in Cove, Oregon, within six months of the date hereof. Dated, January 21st, 1919. ELSIE MURCHISON, Administratrix of the Estate of John A. Murchison, Deceased. H. E. DIXON, Attorney for Administratrix. dj 21-28 14-11-18

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The Observer's Classified Ads.

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