

FORT WORTH'S RAILWAY BEST

ATLANTIC CITY, (AP)—The Northern Texas Traction company, of Fort Worth, Texas, today was awarded the Charles A. Coffin prize for accomplishing more outstanding achievements than any other electric railway in the United States during the last year. The prize, consisting of \$1,000 cash and a gold medal, is donated annually by the General Electric company through the American Electric Railway association.

The winner scored heavily in popularizing service, creating good will and maintaining friendly relations with its employees. It also made notable accomplishments in effecting economies, improving construction, preventing accidents and financing.

"We are always doing something in the public interest," was the succinct statement made by the company summarizing its accomplishments.

Activity in causing the building of several hundred new homes along its lines had much to do with the company's victory. In a desire to increase traffic, particularly on short hauls, the company made a survey of all vacant lots within four blocks of its lines and found there were 24,000 of them. It then encouraged the building of homes on many of these lots.

Use of the colloquial "Howdy" helped gain good-will. Several cars were painted white and the greeting, "Howdy, glad to see you, ride and save the difference," was painted on the cars. The crews were supplied with special uniforms similar to those worn by yachting captains.

All cars are repainted every nine months and kept scrupulously clean at all times. Company employees participate in all civic affairs. Sessions of a courtesy school are run regularly. Information cards distributed aboard passengers brought criticism from only nine per cent. Strenuous efforts are made to eliminate accidents.

Convinced that people would rather ride street cars than buses, the company recently substituted a bus line with traction service and increased the receipts from \$50 to \$110 a day. A public celebration marked the opening of the line.

The United Railways & Electric company, of Baltimore, and the Interstate Public Service company, of Indianapolis, were runners up in the race for the award, Fort Worth winning only by a shade. Other companies given special commendation for showings last year were the Aurora, Elgin & Fox River Electric company, of Charleston, S. C.; Consolidated Railway & Light company, Memphis Street Railway company, San Francisco-Ramapo Electric Railroad company, All threeport Railway company and the Union Street Railway company, New Bedford, Mass.

Juggernaut



Frank Borne, 26, an electrical contractor of London, Ont., is charged with deliberately driving his automobile on a sidewalk at Niagara Falls, Ont., and killing Myrtle Mulhearn. Mulhearn and his wife were out walking with Borne's estranged wife. Borne escaped and police have failed to find him.

Federal Official Asks Respect for Dry Law

LOS ANGELES, (AP)—Nothing is more abundant than that phrase of lawlessness in which citizens choose which laws they shall obey and which they shall disregard, said Marshal Walker Wilberbrandt, assistant United States attorney general, in a recent address in this city.

Speaking of the prohibition law, Mr. Wilberbrandt said: "Repeat it or respect it. The man who does not believe in the dry law, who continues to drink and who needs to repeat it by proper and orderly processes, at the same time obeying it himself, is just as good a citizen as anyone else."

"The man who is blind to the duties of citizenship is the opponent of the dry law who tries to justify his disobedience to it by saying that it can't be enforced and ought to be repealed. "Trying to enforce the prohibition law by spending too much time hunting out the little violator, is like trying to cut down a tree by picking off the leaves. The way to accomplish it is by putting an ax to the root, by getting the big men who are supported by big men."

As an example of the force of effect of "teaching the big ones," Mrs. Wilberbrandt cited a Georgia case in which 85 convicted violators, including 60 millionaires, went to the penitentiary. After that public sentiment in Georgia, heretofore hostile, was openly that "the federal government meant business and should be supported."

Everybody reads the Want Ads.

THE HAGUE ACTS AS HOST TO THE STAMP COLLECTOR

THE HAGUE, (AP)—Postage stamp collectors from all over the world are here for the International Philatelic exposition which was opened in the presence of many of the world's leading collectors.

Prominent among the 250,000 stamps shown are the large exhibits of the Dutch postal department and the German postal ministry in Berlin. Curiously enough, the latter placing to view a collection of early English stamps superior to the important one in the possession of King George of England.

On the other hand, it is an English exhibit who shows what is reported to be the finest collection of stamps of the Confederate States of America.

Alfred Lieberman of New York exhibits what is said to be one of the most important collections of rarities, among which is a block of Mexican Guadalupe stamps of 1903 which is said to be unique.

Several private collections have been sent from Belgium, France, Germany and Austria, but the whole is insured for \$1,250,000.

COUPLE WED 62 YEARS. MEDFORD, Ore.—Mr. and Mrs. Henry DeWitt Cushman, 62, and the oldest living married couple in Jackson county, celebrated their 62nd wedding anniversary by attending, in usual, the Eastern Star chapter meeting.

Modern Girls Heartily Endorsed in England

LONDON, (AP)—The modern girl, whose ways not infrequently shock her elders nowadays, has a staunch defender in Edward Carpenter, the poet and philosopher who renounced wealth and position half a century ago to become a socialist pioneer.

Four score years have given Mr. Carpenter ample opportunities for observing the ways of women, and he now celebrates his eightieth birthday with a poem in praise of the girl of the twentieth century. "While I am over-chained as the incapacity of the average man, I have nothing but admiration for the modern woman," said Mr. Carpenter. "She is a marvelous product of the age."

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"One of the most striking differences between this generation and the last is the way in which women say what they mean with what used to be masculine directness. They once seemed to make a point of saying what they did not mean. I never knew why this was so."

"Altogether this is a hopeful age. Things are moving in the right direction, towards more freedom and a more sensible outlook. The sense of the age is lack of seriousness. I believe women will do much towards putting the world straight again."

ASTORIA FLORIST FREED

ASTORIA, Ore.—G. A. Erickson, Astoria florist, who was arrested early in August on a charge of possession of liquor after police officers had raided his home and found 200 gallons of wine in his basement, has been acquitted. A jury in the police court freed Erickson after his counsel had admitted the possession of the wine and argued for acquittal on grounds that his constitutional rights had been violated.

A state charge filed against the florist in justice court was dismissed when his attorney pleaded that Erickson already had been in jeopardy on the same action.



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Elgin	9:30	1:30	4:30	1.00
Minam	10:00	2:00	5:00	1.75
Wallawa	10:45	2:45	5:45	2.25
Lostine	11:00	3:00	6:00	2.50
Enterprise	11:30	3:30	6:30	3.00
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LEAVE	No. 2	No. 4	No. 6	Fare
Joseph	7:30	10:30	2:30	
Enterprise	7:50	10:50	2:50	\$.25
Lostine	8:15	11:15	3:15	.65
Wallawa	8:35	11:35	3:35	1.00
Minam	9:15	12:15	4:15	1.50
Elgin	10:00	1:00	5:00	2.25
Imbler	10:20	1:20	5:20	2.75
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