

1930 IS SEEN AS WATERWAYS ERA

Great Advances in Inland Work Expected Before Year is Closed.

By F. A. Resch
(AP Feature Service Writer)
ST. LOUIS (AP)—Old Man River greets 1930 with an ambitious glance and an optimistic twinkle in his eye.

Although the romantic packet age of Mark Twain's day is far behind, the Mississippi forecasts a new era that bears promise of a completed inland waterways system for the entire middle west. Numerous projects are on the 1930 horizon.

The stubborn, mud-choked Missouri, the Mississippi's chief tributary to the west, is being dredged and deepened by government engineers. Before 1930 ends they expect to complete most of a project that will open a six-foot channel to Kansas City and the huge grain territory to the west.

With a six-foot channel authorized for the upper Mississippi, where cargoes of freight ply in a six-foot channel between Minneapolis, St. Paul, St. Louis and intermediate points, the subject of agitation for a nine-foot channel, there has been no governmental action beyond a survey, however, on this proposal.

Numerous other projects, including a movement to create a nine-foot channel in the Tennessee river as far upstream as Knoxville, are under consideration. It also is proposed to deepen the Kanawha river, an Ohio tributary, that rich coal area in West Virginia may be tapped for river shipment.

If the government takes favorable action on these various proposals, hundreds of navigable miles would be added to the Mississippi system. Canalization of the Ohio, virtually complete, already has bolstered that oilfield materially.

On the Mississippi itself, where federal barge lines were established as an emergency measure to relieve war-time traffic, an ever-increasing fleet of barges and towboats carries upwards of 1,500,000 tons of freight annually on the upper and lower river and on the Warrior river system in Alabama. These lines operate under the government's inland waterways corporation.

The volume of merchandise offered for river shipment has become so great that the barge line's problem no longer is in building business, but in handling it promptly.

Thus the Mississippi, whose nineteenth century romance faded with the coming of railroads, has returned to commercial life with a noise that echoes with endless ramifications reaching from mid-west states to legislative corridors in Washington.

Crime hates the camera and the reporter, says a magazine writer. For that matter, so does Gene Tunney.

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By W. V. Connor
(Observer Correspondent)
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Mrs. J. W. Ferguson, who recently suffered a paralytic stroke, is not showing very much improvement in her condition. Mrs. Ferguson is an old lady and her recovery will necessarily be slow.

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The Methodist Ladies aid met in regular session at the church parlor Wednesday afternoon. Routine business was followed by a light lunch.

At their meeting Wednesday evening the Rebekah lodge appointed committees to plan for two children's parties, one some afternoon for the younger children of Rebekahs and Odd Fellows and another some evening for the older children. There being so much flu and colds at this time the socials will be held later, probably in February.

Two basketball games are scheduled for the Union high school gym this week end, one between the local and Baker high school boys Friday night and a game between independent teams from the two cities the following night.

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ONE ROMANCE WRECKED EACH HOUR IN CHICAGO

CHICAGO (AP)—On the rocks of Chicago, one romance was wrecked each hour during 1929 by divorce.

Bury statisticians, fanning up the year's business, discover that 5669 divorces were granted and that wives scored highest, with a proportion of three to one.

Unfaithful wives, however, outnumbered unfaithful husbands. Only 15 per cent of the divorces were granted to native Americans and 10 per cent of the wrecked romances had been productive of no children.

There were 1,500,000 people over 16 years old in this country in 1929 who could not speak English. Probably the influence of the sports pages.

PILGRIM FATHERS HOME IS OFFERED FOR \$6750

LONDON (AP)—An auctioneer is offering for sale at Brookbourne the "authentic home of one of the Pilgrim Fathers." The price is \$6750. Fireplace.

CHAMPION FLY CATCHER

RADFORD, Va. (AP)—Howard Schmitt 12, caught 152,252 flies and won a \$25 prize from the state bureau of health.

TO CELEBRATE PRINTING

RICHMOND, Va. (AP)—Two centuries of printing in Virginia will be celebrated at an exposition here in March. The first newspaper in the state was started in 1730 at Williamsburg.

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Connections are made at The Dalles to and from Prineville, Bend, Klamath Falls and all Central Oregon Points.
Connections are made at Portland to and from Tacoma, Seattle, Vancouver, B. C., and Way Points North and Salem, Corvallis, Eugene, Roseburg, Medford, Sacramento, San Francisco, Los Angeles and all Way Points South.

Connections are made at Salt Lake City to and from Denver, Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago, New York and all Eastern Cities.

Motor Coaches Leave La Grande	One Way	Round Trip
Pendleton.....9:20 a. m.; 1:00 p. m.; 6:50 p. m.	\$2.25	\$3.40
Walla Walla.....9:20 a. m.; 1:00 p. m.	3.75	5.65
Lewiston.....9:20 a. m.; 1:00 p. m.	7.25	10.90
Spokane.....9:20 a. m.	8.75	13.15
Yakima.....9:20 a. m.	7.30	12.65
Portland.....9:20 a. m.; 6:50 p. m.	8.00	12.65
Baker.....10:10 a. m.; 3:30 p. m.; 8:25 p. m.	1.80	2.70
Boise.....10:10 a. m.	7.10	10.65
Salt Lake City.....10:10 a. m.	19.15	31.90

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- 1924 DODGE SEDAN—In excellent condition throughout. 5 good tires and motor O.K. reconditioned. Good looking and clean inside and out. 1930 license plates \$275 free. A bargain at only \$275
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