

RAILWAY COST AND CAPITAL COMPARED

Minnesota Engineer Declares Rates Should Not Be Based on Stocks and Bonds.

STATE APPRAISALS CITED

Methods of Making Charges for Depreciation Said to Vary. With Consequent Difference in Apparent Earnings.

CHICAGO, April 2.—Deibert F. Jurgensen, chief engineer of the Minnesota Railroad and Warehouse Commission, says at the Interstate Commerce Commission hearing of the Western freight rate case today his opinion concerning a basis for the reasonableness of rates. He appeared in opposition to the 41 Western railroads' plea for increased rates.

Mr. Jurgensen quoted the appraisals of the roads involved in the case. Wisconsin, Nebraska, South Dakota and part of Michigan, and said the capitalization exceeded the present and book value of the properties. He contended that, therefore, the reasonableness of rates should not be computed on a basis of the outstanding stocks and bonds.

Capital and Cost Contrasted. "The outstanding capital stock and debt of the roads involved in the case averages \$58,195 a mile of main track and \$25,322 a mile of branch track," said Mr. Jurgensen. "Contrasted to this the book cost, as shown by the reports of the railroads, is \$51,358 a mile of main track and \$26,575 a mile for all tracks. The book cost is \$129,092,000 less than the outstanding capital stock and funded debt. The actual depreciated book cost is \$46,322,000 less than the outstanding stocks and funded debt."

Concerning the various methods adopted by the railroads in charging depreciation, Mr. Jurgensen said that Chicago, Burlington & Quincy charged for depreciation to locomotives 7.27 to 7.68 per cent, whereas it should charge only 3.16 per cent; and the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific charged .16 to .32, whereas it should charge 3.02 per cent.

Net Earnings Manipulated. "What is effected by making a wrong calculation as to depreciation," asked H. A. Edgerton, Assistant Attorney-General of Minnesota.

"The Burlington," answered the witness, "would charge a greater sum to operating expenses and thereby reduce its net earnings, but the Rock Island would charge less to operating expenses and thereby increase its net earnings."

Mr. Jurgensen said the railroads charged too much to general expenditure, averaging 9 to 15 per cent, whereas the general averages in the states he cited was 2.75 per cent.

C. C. Wright, counsel for the railroads, asked the witness questions intended to show that single-track roads largely had been considered and in states where double tracks were used no calculations had been made.

In the South Dakota figures, the witness said, no allowance had been made in the valuation of the Chicago & Northwestern for a new station at Chicago, although the station alone, applied to the entire railway, would add about \$2000 a mile to the cost of the road.

PORTO RICANS ON STRIKE

SUGAR-FIELD LABORERS DEMAND 50 PER CENT WAGE RAISE.

More Than 20,000 Affected, but Government Is Settling Matter—Anti-American Sentiment Reported.

NEW YORK, April 2.—From 20,000 to 40,000 native workers in the sugar fields of Porto Rico have been on strike for an increase in pay from 50 to 75 cents a day, according to J. C. Bills, chief of the Bureau of Labor of the Porto Rican government, who arrived here on the steamship Philadelphia. The demands were in process of adjustment for the most part, and the majority of the strikers were back at work when he left the island.

During the strike, Mr. Bills said, large fields of sugar cane were burned. The strike, which was general, was being settled, he said, through the efforts of government officials. No material decrease in the output was noticed since losses due to the strike were offset by increased production.

An open spirit of anti-Americanism exists throughout the island, according to Rev. Frederick A. Warden, for eight years in charge of the Protestant Episcopal Church at San Juan, who also was a passenger on the Philadelphia.

NAVY AIR CLASS TO START

Many Officers and Enlisted Men Apply for Entrance.

WASHINGTON, April 2.—Secretary Daniels is about to select a new class of 10 naval and marine corps officers and 20 enlisted men to be trained June for instruction in naval aeronautics at the Naval Station at Pensacola, Fla. The officers will spend the first six weeks at the station and then be sent to the various naval air stations to serve as instructors. The enlisted men will be sent to the various naval air stations to serve as mechanics.

When the officers and men begin work requiring actual flying, they will receive 35 and 40 per cent, respectively, increase of pay. There are already four aeroplanes at Pensacola, two have been ordered and three more will be bought soon. Eight student aviators of the class of officers formed last year are now at the station and one of them, Ensign C. K. Bronson, already has qualified for his air pilot certificate.

Mr. Daniels already has before him a large number of applications from both officers and enlisted men desirous of being included in the new class.

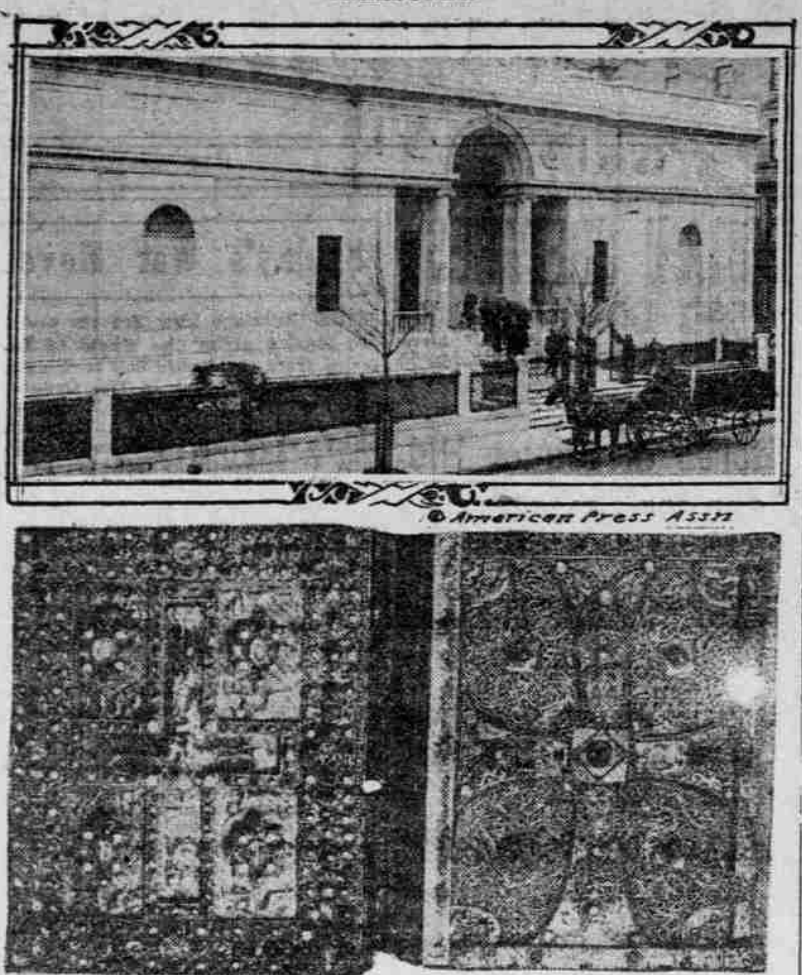
BOYCOTT BANKRUPTS FIRM

London Failure Is Due to Ban on Trade With Germany.

NEW YORK, April 2.—King George's order in council forbidding trading with the Germans and Austrians caused the failure of Bawo & Potter, Limited, an English corporation dealing in and manufacturing chinaware in Germany and Austria.

This was shown today, when the stock and other assets of the corporation in this city were sold to George Borgfeld & Co., Importers, for \$100,000 at a private sale, held under the supervision of Judge Julius Mayer, of the Federal District Court.

HOME OF GREAT MORGAN COLLECTION AND ONE OF ITS TREASURES.



Top—Morgan Library, Photographed as Late Financier's Casket Was Being Carried to Hearse. Below—Jeweled Cover of Ancient Priceless Manuscript.

MORGAN ART TO GO

World's Greatest Collection Is to Be Sold.

VALUE ABOUT \$45,000,000

Son of Late Financier Will Retain Only That Part in Library, as Memorial—Inheritance Tax Is to Be Exacted by State.

NEW YORK, April 2.—The great art collection of J. P. Morgan, the value of which had been estimated at upward of \$45,000,000, except that portion of it now in the Morgan Library, will be sold, it was reported today. The Morgan Library, in East Thirty-sixth street, erected by the late financier to shelter his collection of literature, treasures, it is said, will be retained by his son as a memorial to his father.

Under these conditions, an inheritance tax will be collected by the state on both the art collection and the library. Many paintings by old masters, ancient rugs and tapestries are now in the Morgan Library and it is understood, will not be sold. These are in addition to the 35,000 volumes of rare and beautiful books or manuscripts, some of them illuminated or illustrated by celebrated artists.

Among the library treasures are the Ashburnham Gospels, Cassini's, not a beautiful book or manuscript, original drawings for the Book of Job, "Pickwick Papers," and manuscripts, diaries and letters of many famous authors.

The Morgan collection of sacred documents cannot be equalled anywhere in the world, according to Professor Vladimir, who was Mr. Morgan's chief adviser in the assembling of the works, and who is acquainted with all the important manuscripts of the world. Practically every period in the history of the Christian church is illustrated by one or more of the finest specimens.

Massive jeweled manuscript covers, some more than 1000 years old, are included. Many of them were once the dearest pride and delight of Kings, Emperors and Popes.

CHINESE THREATEN YUAN

YIELDING TO JAPAN ANGERS PATRIOTS IN AMERICA.

Movement Begun to Raise "War Fund" of Millions to Compel Compliance or Effect Destruction.

SAN FRANCISCO, April 2.—(Special.)—Angered by the attitude of subservience to Japan that they assert, has been displayed by President Yuan of China, Chinese in the United States are preparing to seek his political destruction unless he assents to the course they believe he should adopt. In furtherance of forcing this compliance or accomplishing his political destruction, these Chinese have set on foot a movement to raise in this country \$15,000,000 to serve as a war fund.

One meeting has been held by the revolutionary party in this city and another one will be held Sunday night. The plan is to collect from each Chinese in the United States \$30. It is estimated that there are 3,000,000 Chinese in the United States. The San Francisco Chinese colony, comprising mostly members of the so-called revolutionary party, is greatly incensed at the indications of Yuan's willingness to comply with the demands of Japan.

It is asserted that the "war club," consisting of this great arm, will be branded before the President as an intimation of what will happen to him if he yields.

TRIANGLE OF DEATH SEEN

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and the Bolimow road had become a triple road.

The marching columns had taken to the fields on the left and had stamped the ground almost as hard and flat as the main road was.

Provision and hay wagons still held the center, but the empty ammunition wagons going back to Lowicz to be reloaded had taken to the fields on the right and made a new route for themselves there.

So there were three columns sweeping along simultaneously and I don't suppose that throughout the 10 miles there was ever more than a quarter of a mile break in the lines.

That made mowing difficult unless one went at the slow pace the wagon trains made. The soldier-chauffeur as-

signed to the correspondents did not at all care for that pace, and so he would put the driver of the automobile into commission and scare the drivers of three provision wagons into edging one aside to make room for him. With that advantage gained, he would maneuver a quarter of a mile or so at a terrific clip.

In the first part of January the Bolimow road was in shocking condition as a result of alternate frosts and rains. One day it gave four horses all they wanted to do to pull our car—not a large one—out of the ruts when it skidded into a bad place just on the outskirts of Lowicz. Two men had to mount the first span of horses and ply the lash before the beasts could do the work.

In a few days the Russian prisoners were set to repairing the road, and two days later it was in capital shape. The prisoners had done their work well. They are good diggers and patchers.

Each of the huge provision wagons carries at its side bundles of switches for road mending. These are laid in the holes and covered with earth. Their purpose is to keep the earth from being ground out of the hole immediately the wagons pass over the patched place of the roadside. But two days later there were three times as many there. There had been a thaw and the poor beasts had paid the penalty.

The cheerful sight in the triangle of death is the comfortable looking field post wagons lumbering along the Bolimow road, for they mean letters from home and a chance to send letters home.

A third of the way to Bolimow stands a deserted home—not less forlorn now for being a palace, as well as a home. The master of it can get no news from the superb estate from which he has been taken. He is the Prince Radzivil, an old, old man, who is honorary colonel of a German regiment and whom the Russians have sent away to Moscow as prisoner of war.

RICH MAN HAPPY IN CELL

"BULLY" TIME ENJOYED, SAYS RELEASED MILLIONAIRE.

Sixteen Months' Imprisonment Most Worth-While-Like Period of His Life, Declares F. A. Hyde.

ATLANTA, Ga., April 2.—Frederick A. Hyde, millionaire clubman and business leader of Oakland, Cal., who has been released from the Federal Penitentiary here after serving 16 months in connection with land frauds, will leave for his home tomorrow. Officials announced today Hyde had left the prison late yesterday.

President Wilson recently remitted fines and costs assessed against Hyde, the total of which never had been definitely determined and which had resulted in his remaining in prison four months after his sentence had expired.

Hyde originally was sentenced to two years' imprisonment, but that was commuted to a year and a day before he began his term.

In announcing his intention to leave tomorrow for the home of Hyde said: "I had a bully time in prison. It was the most worth-while 16 months of my life."

In 1904 President Roosevelt ordered an investigation of alleged land frauds, which resulted in the indictment of Hyde and several others on charges of conspiring to defraud the Government out of thousands of acres on the Pacific Coast. Hyde was tried and convicted in 1908. The case was taken before the United States Court three times. After a noteworthy legal fight Hyde began serving his sentence in December, 1913.

During his term Hyde gave money liberally to assist in providing sports and recreation for the prisoners.

Secretary Wilson Is 53. WASHINGTON, April 2.—Secretary Wilson, of the Department of Labor, today celebrated his 53d birthday by giving a luncheon to the other members of the Cabinet. The President sent Secretary Wilson a congratulatory letter.

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Postoffice Department Finds Farm-to-Table Plan Popular.

PORTLAND RESULTS CITED

Postmaster Myers Quoted as Saying System Grows in Favor and Shipments by Farmers Average 50 Daily.

OREGONIAN NEWS BUREAU, Washington, April 2.—At 25 large postoffices throughout the country, including Portland and Seattle, special efforts have been made by the Postoffice Department to develop what has popularly been styled the farm-to-table service by parcel post, the object being to induce farmers to ship their produce direct to city customers, and to induce city dwellers seeking to reduce the cost of living to utilize the parcel post in getting farm products at lower than prevailing market prices.

The Pacific Division later today will report that this service ultimately will prove generally popular, and some reports received at Washington indicate that the first prejudice against the service is dying down, especially the objection raised by dealers in farm products, whose profits are cut out by this system. Last October the department inaugurated the farm-to-table movement in Portland and Postmaster Myers was instructed to aid in finding customers for the farmers residing around Portland, and to aid farmers in procuring the names and addresses of Portlanders who would like to eliminate the middleman and get their eggs, butter and vegetables direct from the farm.

The Postoffice Department, reporting on the result at Portland, says: "Shipments of farm produce passing through the postoffice at Portland, Ore., says Postmaster F. S. Myers in a report to the Postoffice Department, 'now average about 50 a day.'"

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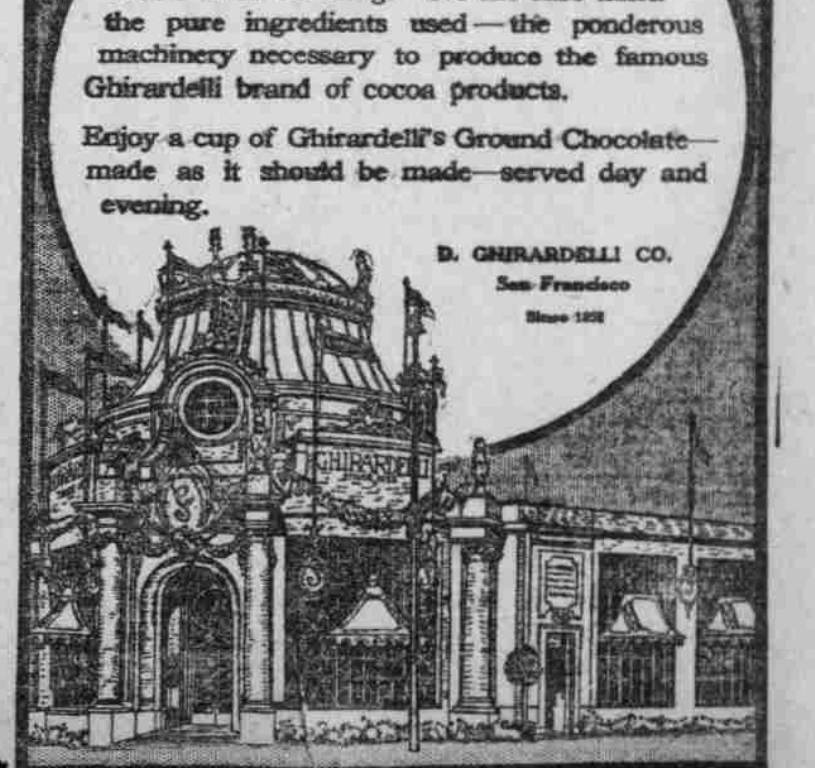
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