

RAILROAD RUMBLES

MAY RELINQUISH SHORT R. R. LINES

Disposition to Be Made This Week by Railroad Administration

Short railroad lines in this vicinity may be turned back to private ownership in the very near future. For some time valuations have been estimated in order to show financial and equipment conditions. Clerical forces representing the Interstate Commerce Commission have been working in Perry county and along the short lines connecting with the main line of the Pennsylvania between Harrisburg and Altoona. A dispatch from Washington says:

"Disposition to be made of the short-line railroads was discussed by the official staff of the Railroad Administration. Later a report on negotiations with the lines was taken to the White House to be laid before President Wilson by Walker D. Hines, assistant director-general, and John Barton Payne, chief counsel of the Railroad Administration.

A number of short roads, mainly industrial lines, may be relinquished this week, it was said. If Congress fails to adopt the pending resolution, providing for extension from July 1 to January 1 of the period in which the Railroad Administration must decide whether to turn short lines back to private management, all short lines may be relinquished formally, and those that the Government wishes to retain taken back later.

Freight Rates Higher

Freight rates on virtually every railroad in the United States were twenty-five per cent. higher yesterday. The recent advance ordered by Director-General McAdoo to meet increased operating costs, resultant from the increase in wages to railroad workers, became effective Monday at midnight, and became applicable to all freight billed for transit after that hour. Freight in transit when the new rates became effective will be carried at the old rate.

As most of the short-line railroads, not under Government management, have filed new schedules with the Interstate Commerce Commission carrying rates conforming to those ordered by Director-General McAdoo, the rate increase virtually was universal. The new rates apply both to interstate and intrastate shipments. Specific advances are made for coal, coke, ores, stone, brick, grain, cotton, livestock, meats, sugar and other commodities shipped in large quantities and for export and import rates.

With the going into effect of the new rates, traffic committees of railroad traffic men prepared to hold hearings on the many protests received and make recommendations to the Railroad Administration. These hearings and recommendations are expected, it was stated, to result in a number of minor changes in the rates.

Railroad Notes

The annual dance of the "Friendship and Co-operative Club" is the big event on to-night's program. It will be held at Summerdale Park. Gräffius Drake is master of ceremonies.

N. W. Smith, superintendent of the Middle Division of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and other officials, from Altoona, came to Harrisburg at noon today to attend the big dance of the Friendship and Co-operative Club at Summerdale Park.

The monthly meeting of the Friendship and Co-operative Club will be held to-morrow night at Eagle's Hall, Sixth and Cumberland streets. John D. Long, the president, has arranged an interesting program and is anxious for a large turnout of members.

Bolger Beam, a retired Pennsylvania Railroad engineer, entertained a number of railroad friends at his home in Camp Hill to-day.

John A. Bumbaugh, ticket examiner at the Pennsylvania Railroad station, and Mrs. Bumbaugh, are on a week-end vacation. They will visit friends in the eastern section of the state.

General Superintendent W. H. Keffer, of the Reading Railway, is making daily inspection trips over the system.

A number of firemen are being examined for positions of engineers on the Reading division of the Reading Railway. The examinations are being made at the Philadelphia and Reading Y. M. C. A. Reading, by Foreman of Engines John Scheifele.

The work of calculating the back time due to the railroad men is progressing so rapidly that it is now thought that the men will be paid all back time due them since January 1 by the end of August. The clerks are now calculating the extra time due for January.

Restaurants to Cut Beef Off Menus

At a meeting of seventy of the proprietors of eatinghouses and restaurants yesterday afternoon it was decided that the use of beef will be tabooed in public eating places for thirty days. The regulations call for four beef meals a week, but the local proprietors have gone the Food Administration "one better."

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New Express Company Elects George C. Taylor

New York, June 26.—George C. Taylor was yesterday elected president of the new American Railway Express Company, which next Monday will assume control of virtually all the express lines in the United States, under a contract with W. G. McAdoo, director general of railroads.

Incorporators of the organization also elected the following officers: Chairman of the board of directors, B. D. Caldwell; secretary, F. P. Small; treasurer, C. S. Spencer.

These directors were chosen: Alexander J. Hemphill, Charles D. Norton, Morton F. Plant, William M. Barret, John G. Millburn, J. Horace Harding, James S. Alexander, Charles A. Peabody, Henry W. DeCady, Jacob H. Schiff and Messrs. Caldwell and Taylor.

Short Railroad Line Ready to Quit Business

Washington, June 26.—Word reached the railroad administration yesterday that the Morgantown and Kingswood Railroad, running forty-eight miles between Morgantown and Rowlesburg, Va., connecting with a number of coal mines, would suspend operations July 1 because of a deficiency in earnings. Railroad administration officials said they would take no action to assure continuance of operation until the line had actually suspended. They intimated, however, that the government would not shut down the line because it serves coal mines, considered war necessities.

Passengers Must Pay For Telephone Charges

Further burdens are being placed on railroad travelers by Federal Railroad Administration authorities. It is that of the telegraph charges for sending word ahead for Pullman reservations. Formerly these charges were paid by the companies, but under a recent ruling, which became effective several days ago, travelers are compelled to pay the charges.

Standing of the Crews

HARRISBURG SIDE Philadelphia Division

The 115 crew first to go after 4 o'clock: 103, 117, 191, 198, 204, 212, 213, 227, 253, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300.

Middle Division

The 38 crew first to go after 4 o'clock: 32, 37, 21, 15, 19, 206, 212, 214, 243, 227, 253, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300.

Yard Board—Engineers for 3-7C

Engineers for 2-15C, 23C, 26C. Engineers up: Sheets, Bair, Eyde, Keever, Ford, Klerner, Crawford, Miller, Biever, Ush, Myers, Shipley.

Firemen up

Firemen up: Smith, Swopes, Hopkins, Rehn, Rhoads, Brown, Shaffer, Bell, Garverick, Ulrich, Nichol, Beard.

ENOLA SIDE Philadelphia Division

The 241 crew first to go after 2:15 o'clock: 250, 243, 254, 203, 221, 242, 243, 244, 245, 246, 247, 248, 249, 250, 251, 252, 253, 254, 255, 256, 257, 258, 259, 260, 261, 262, 263, 264, 265, 266, 267, 268, 269, 270, 271, 272, 273, 274, 275, 276, 277, 278, 279, 280, 281, 282, 283, 284, 285, 286, 287, 288, 289, 290, 291, 292, 293, 294, 295, 296, 297, 298, 299, 300.

Middle Division

The 123 crew first to go after 2:15 o'clock: 123, 107, 108, 109, 110, 111, 112, 113, 114, 115, 116, 117, 118, 119, 120, 121, 122, 123, 124, 125, 126, 127, 128, 129, 130, 131, 132, 133, 134, 135, 136, 137, 138, 139, 140, 141, 142, 143, 144, 145, 146, 147, 148, 149, 150, 151, 152, 153, 154, 155, 156, 157, 158, 159, 160, 161, 162, 163, 164, 165, 166, 167, 168, 169, 170, 171, 172, 173, 174, 175, 176, 177, 178, 179, 180, 181, 182, 183, 184, 185, 186, 187, 188, 189, 190, 191, 192, 193, 194, 195, 196, 197, 198, 199, 200.

Yard Board—Engineers for 4th 126

Engineers for 4th 126, 1st 106, 2nd 106. Engineers up: Zelders, Hanlen, Brown, Bruns, Potter, Herron, Lutz, Bair, Quigley.

Firemen up

Firemen up: Yeagey, Fish, Danner, Handboe, Felix, Miller, Haverstick, Gandy, Baker, Nolte, Weaver, Wallace, Martin.

PASSENGER DEPARTMENT Middle Division

Engineers up: D. Keane, W. D. McDougal, O. L. Miller, J. J. Kelley, J. A. Spotts, J. H. Haines, H. F. Krepps, S. H. Alexander, F. McC. Buck, J. Crimmel, H. E. Martin, R. M. Crane, W. C. Graham, R. E. Crum, G. G. Keiser.

Firemen up

Firemen up: E. J. Sheesley, C. L. Dunn, J. C. Kerber, S. H. Wright, S. H. Measler, R. A. Arnold, P. E. Gross, G. B. Huns, L. F. Fritz, E. E. Ross, C. L. Sheets.

Philadelphia Division—Engineers

Engineers for PA173, PA49. Firemen up: E. D. McNeal, F. L. Floyd, Wm. Shive, W. M. Welch, J. N. Shindler, R. K. Strickler, W. E. Aulhouse, E. C. Naylor, M. G. Shaffer, W. L. Spring.

Fireman for 30, No Philadelphia crews here.

OFFICIOUS AGENT HAS LAWS OF HIS OWN AT MT. UNION

Has Whole Town Up in Air; Frightens Boys and Parents

Mount Union, June 26.—Hundreds of people in Mount Union, Ganister hill, Allentown and Kistler are up in arms to-day in indignation protesting against the action of a man who represented himself as being an inspector for the State Department of Labor and Industry, who called at the Pennsylvania railroad station a few days ago and forbade the boys' agents for various newspapers from lifting their bundles of daily newspapers. As a result people who depend upon their daily papers for the latest news, have been temporarily forced to do without information.

Threatening a fine of as much as \$200 if any boy "under 16 years" delivered a daily newspaper, the inspector threw consternation into the ranks of the youthful salesmen who have been supplying the people of this section with daily papers and inflicted a loss of many dollars upon these boys whom he prevented from disposing of their supply papers.

Calling at the home of D. C. Bealman, whose son sells the Altoona Mirror, this inspector who gave his name as Van E. Thomas, of Hope-well, Pa., informed the father that he should "consider himself under prosecution" for violation of the Child Labor Law. Mr. Bealman declares his son is 15 years old and therefore does not violate the Child Labor Law, which sets the minimum age at 12 years.

The inspector, Mr. Bealman declares, brushed aside this objection and insisted that the father "call at the Beers Hotel at 8 o'clock in the evening, fix up the papers, and pay a fine." He intimated, according to Mr. Bealman, that he "would make the fine as light as possible," but related the story of how a widow woman in Pittsburgh had been fined for a similar "offense."

"To Fix Up Fine"

When Mr. Bealman called at the Beers Hotel, as ordered, he was informed, he says, by a clerk, that Inspector Thomas had been ordered to go to Huntingdon and that he was to inform Mr. Bealman that he would be back "to-morrow to fix up the fine." Representatives of one of the Harrisburg newspapers were in town looking up Mr. Thomas yesterday, however, and he did not return to collect his "fine."

At the Bealman home the inspector learned that during the summer school vacation a son, William, aged 15, earned a little extra money by delivering baggage and light packages with his father's team. This, the inspector declared, according to Mr. Bealman, to be a flagrant violation of the law and immediately dispatched a smaller boy to bring the youthful culprit home with the team.

"This makes the second count for you," Mr. Bealman says the officer declared to him. When asked by Mr. Bealman if it was legal for his son to pick potato bugs or weed the garden, the officer, according to Mr. Bealman, declared well, he didn't know, but he guessed that since he wasn't paid for that work it would be all right.

An Air of Mystery Considerable of an air of mystery was thrown around the inspector's work in this place, it was found by representatives of a newspaper that hurried here from Harrisburg yesterday. The six agents for one of the Harrisburg evening papers who get their bundles at the Pennsylvania station were very much frightened by the stranger, who merely informed them that he was a detective according to one of the boys, and that he would fine them heavily if they lifted their bundles. One of the boys, who is well over the minimum age set by

the child labor law, transfers the bundles from the Pennsylvania to the East Broad Top railroad station. This youth had just completed his transfer of bundles that serve nearly a thousand readers along the Broad Top and had come back to serve his subscribers, when the inspector met him and prevented him from obtaining his bundle.

Employees of the railroad baggage-room declared yesterday that the officer steered clear of all men and did not reveal his identity or business to any one until he could pounce upon the boys and throw a scare into them.

Later he called at the Briggs News Agency, in the center of the town, and ordered that a son, who picks up a little extra money during the summer vacation by collecting laundry packages, stop at once. At this place, according to Mrs. Briggs, the officer declared he was going to have a hearing for Mr. Bealman before the Mayor. Inquiry at the office of the Mayor and the local aldermen elicited the information that no arrangements had been made for any arrests by the inspector and nothing was known of any hearings. Representatives of newspapers are conducting a further investigation into the action of the mysterious inspector.

BIG, SWIFT HUN RAIDER ACTIVE IN WEST INDIES

Appears First 200 Miles East of Bermuda and Shells American Ships

Norfolk, Va., June 26.—Reports of the presence of a fast and heavily-armed German raider in West Indian waters were brought here yesterday by masters of vessels arriving from Central and South America. The ship is said to be of the cruiser type with a rapid build and clean lines.

"The raider first made her appearance 200 miles east of Hamilton, Bermuda, where she is reported to have sunk a large British steamship. Two American ships were shelled, but managed to escape. The fact that the raider made no effort to attack at least two vessels which sighted her led the captains to believe that she is a "mother ship" for submarines which recently were operating off the Atlantic coast.

The raider was described as about 270 feet long, with a speed estimated at from fifteen to twenty knots an hour. Some of those who sighted the craft expressed the belief that she was a former fruit steamer plying between the United States and Central America, which had been captured and armed by one of the submarines operating off the coast.

It also was said that both the British and American navies have been notified of the presence of the raider and that steps are being taken to protect shipping.

Washington, June 26.—At the Navy Department last night it was said that no report of a raider in West Indian waters or on this side of the Atlantic had been received at the department. It was regarded as possible that a raider might have slipped through the naval cordon around the North sea, or that a steamer captured by a submarine had been armed.

TEXAS IS NOW "DRY" Austin, Tex., June 26.—The liquor business in Texas was abolished at midnight when the state-wide prohibition law became effective. Saloons closed at 9:30 last night not to open again.

Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart

Special Savings Usher in the First of the Summer Half Holidays Tomorrow

Women's Fine Quality Crepe de Chine Waists In the Thursday Morning Sale

Actual \$7.50 & \$8.50 Blouses to Go For \$5.00



All recent styles of this season from one of America's best known makers, made of fine quality crepe, in flesh and white; subject to slight dust marks; all sizes. Extra special Thursday morning only \$5.00 Regular \$2.25 and \$2.50 white china silk waist; sizes 36 to 46. Thursday morning only \$1.95 Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

Men's \$1.25 & \$1.50 Negligee Shirts Thursday Morning 95c



From regular stock, comprising shirts of better quality than are obtainable to-day at \$1.25 and \$1.50. Made with laundered or soft fold cuffs in novelty or neat stripe patterns; sizes 13 1/2 to 18. On sale Thursday morning only. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Men's Store.

Clearance Thursday Morning of Girls' Straw Hats at 50c

About three dozen styles are in the lot, including fine straws that were formerly \$1.49, \$1.98 to \$3.00. We'd rather dispose of this little lot quickly to prevent taking them on our inventory sheets. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Second Floor.



Women's & Misses' Colored and White Dresses In a Special Sale Thursday Morning

Fine quality colored voile and gingham voile dresses, in plaid designs, the styles are jaunty and new, with large sail or double shawl collars. Regularly \$14.50. Extra special Thursday morning \$7.25 Actual \$15.00 to \$20.00 white voile dresses in sizes 16 to 40. Extra special Thursday morning \$7.25 Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Second Floor.

A Trio of Good Silk Offerings For Thursday Morning

\$1.59 Crepe de Chine; 40-inch, white and colors. Special, yard \$1.29 \$2.00 Gingham plaids, stripes and checks. Special, yard \$1.29 \$2.00 oyster white silk pongee, 36-inch. Special, yard \$1.29 Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Street Floor.

Women's \$5 Sweaters, \$3.65



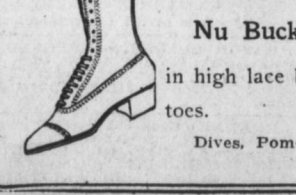
A Thursday Morning Special — All Sizes Made in a good style for seashore, mountains or for use right at home in the evenings or early fall. A sailor collar and sash add to the attractiveness of the style. In rose, purple, gold, green and combination colors. Special Thursday morning only \$3.65 Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Men's Store Mezzanine.

Fine Dress Cottons Specially Priced Thursday Morning

Specials are the exception this season—but we want a busy morning on the first half holiday of the season. 50c silk and cotton plaids, 36-inch. Special, yard, 29c 48c Satine, 36-inch, silky finish. Special, yard, 29c 39c Poplin in solid shades, mercerized finish. Special, yd., 25c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Street Floor.

Basement 20c Prints in fancy Gingham plaids. 11c Special, yard, 11c

100 Pair Women's White Lace Boots at \$2.95



This special lot for the first half-holiday sale of the Summer embraces Nu Buck Canvas Reinskin in high lace boots with high heels and plain toes. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Market Street.

Union Made Overalls Reduced For Thursday

Regular \$2.00 Steifel blue apron overalls and coats; in sizes up to 50. Special Thursday morning \$1.65 Men's 75c counter soiled night shirts, in sizes 15 to 20. Special Thursday morning \$1.65 Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Men's Store.

Thursday Morning Specials in Colored Dress Goods

95c Minerva Plaids, 10 styles. Special, yard, 59c 75c Tan stripe Panama. Special, yard, 25c \$3.50 Jersey Cloth, tan and Copenhagen. Special, yd., \$1.95

Linings

69c white Satin cloth, 36 inches wide. Special, yd., 59c \$1.25 white Satin cloth, 36 inches. Special, yd., 95c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Street Floor.

Men's 25c and 35c Silk Four-in-Hand Ties, 18c 3 for 50c

In plain colors, fancy silk patterns and polka dots — all of good quality weaves in splendid designs. Enough for a morning's active selling. Special, 3 for 50c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart, Men's Store.



Market Baskets--Just One of the Basement's Saving Items

\$1.15 Willow Market Baskets. Special, 90c \$2.50 Mission Porch Swings. Special, 98c \$2.30 Wear-Ever Aluminum covered 6 quart Windsor kettles. Special, 1.59 \$1.39 nickel plated casseroles with fireproof white lining. Special, 98c 25c nickel plated crumb tray and scraper. Special, 15c \$5.50 14-inch high-wheel Lawn Mowers. Special, \$4.75 25c Japanese candle shades. Special, 10c \$1.75 Heisey's needle etched table tumblers. Special, dozen, \$1.50 Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Basement.

An Item in Cretonne Worth Your Attention Thursday Morning

39c to 50c Cretonne. Special, yard 25c 29c to 39c plain white Scrim with colored border, 36 inches. Special, 19c \$2.00 Linene Couch Covers, plain center with green border. Special, yard \$1.75 Knitting Bags \$1.59 Knitted Bags in Rep with fancy trimmings. Special, yard 75c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Third Floor.

Need Any Pillow Cases? Buy Them Thursday Morning

Special prices on fine bleached Pillow Cases—45x36 inches, hemstitched, 35c 42x36 inches, hemstitched, 33c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Basement.

White Goods Remnants at Half Price Thursday Morning

A choice grouping of the leading white dress goods styles of the season in remnant lengths, of plain and embroidered voiles and skirtings. 29c Nainsook, 36-inch, 10-yds. to piece. Special price, \$2.25 39c striped Voile, 36-inch. Special, yard 29c 50c Stripe Gabardine, twilled, pique and check oxford skirting. Special 39c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Street Floor, Rear.

10 Dozen Cotton Waists at 79c Thursday Morning

Voiles and Batistes in plain styles with tuck trimmings or combinations of tucks with embroidery or lace. Regular \$1.00 waists—just 10 dozen at this special price. Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Street Floor, Rear.



Gingham Aprons

Gingham aprons without bib, neat blue checks. Special, 25c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Second Floor.

Women's White Lace Shoes Special For Thursday Morning

\$2.50 white canvas lace shoes with canvas covered heels. Special \$1.95 \$3.00 and \$3.50 oxfords and pumps in patent colt, tan calf and gun metal calf. Special \$1.98 Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Street Floor, Rear.

Boys' Tennis Shoes

\$1.00 black canvas Tennis Shoes, with red rubber soles, all sizes. Special, 75c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Street Floor, Rear.

Mercerized Table Cloths

\$1.50 round scalloped mercerized pattern table cloths, mill stains, 64 inches. Special, \$1.25 19c cotton huck towels, soft finish, half bleached. Special, 12 1/2c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Street Floor, Rear.

Bath Room Rugs--Special

\$2.00 Colonial Bath Room Rugs. Special \$1.69 75c rubber door mats. Special 39c Samples of Wilton Carpet—27x54 inches, \$6.00 to \$7.50 grades. Special \$3.95 \$1.50 Hassocks. Special 98c \$1.00 Hassocks. Special 69c Dives, Pomeroy & Stewart.—Third Floor.