

YEAR'S TOURIST TRAVEL REACHES RECORD FIGURE

Western Accommodation Taxed to Provide for the Wayfarers

MANY IN TENTS AT EDMONTON

Traffic Receipts of Canadian Pacific Are Favorably Affected by Rush.

Edmonton, Aug. 10.—It is said that there are over 3,000 people residing in tents in the prairie provinces. Reports which have been issued by the Canadian Pacific officials indicate that the tourist travel which has been recorded this season has been up to date greater than that of any other year.

The figures for 1907 are 50 per cent greater than for 1906. In fact, indeed, the number of receipts of the road are said to be augmented by at least from fifteen to twenty per cent. In the early portion of the season it was expected that the travel would be somewhat smaller than usual, as, with a season at least two or three weeks behind that of other years, it was felt that the travel through the mountains would be somewhat curtailed. This expectation has been, however, cast away, as the figures which are already to hand not only show that there has been no falling off, but that there has been one of the most substantial increases in the history of the road.

The western receipts of the C. P. R. have increased in the last six months by more than a third. The increase is due to a larger number of tourists than any other season. The difficulty of finding accommodation has been the one problem of the hotels, and even with the extra accommodation which is afforded at Banff, Lake Louise and the other hotels, it was found that the crowding was even greater than ever, and not always with that guests could be accommodated. Many of the tourists are now traveling eastward, after a holiday trip in the mountains, but the number that are going westward are equally great, so there is not the slightest diminution in the number of travellers.

MONEY STRINGENCY

Policy of the Banks in the West is Criticized

Winnipeg, Aug. 10.—J. K. McCutcheon, manager of the Home Life Insurance company, returned after a two months' trip through the west. Speaking of the financial conditions at present prevailing and the stringency of the money markets, he said: "My opinion is that the banks have shut up tight very much tighter than they had any need to. There might have been some restriction, but they ought to have been a little more careful, but that might have been done a good deal more gradually instead of as suddenly as they have done."

"Why do the banks loan so much money on call loans in a foreign country when money is needed so much right here in the west? That is a question that the banks ought to answer. They say that the money is immediately available, and that it would not be if loaned here in the west. But what difference does it make if it is not immediately available, when they can be assured that any money they have invested in mortgages on farms or anything else in the west is as good as gold."

MANY PASSENGERS DIE IN A RAILWAY TUNNEL

Disastrous Wreck of Two Trains on Railroad in Spain

VAIN ENDEAVORS TO ESCAPE

People Overcome by Flames and Smoke From Wreck—Number of Victims Unknown.

Madrid, Aug. 10.—The southern express was derailed near Alconza and later was run into by a freight train. Later details show that it occurred near the tunnel of Osoarzo, near Alonsua, a station on the northern railway.

The valley of Osoarzo is a narrow one, through a mountain range, reaching the summit of the peak of the tunnel, 2,000 feet above the level of the sea, in the middle of the tunnel beyond Osoarzo, which is two miles long.

After the wreck of the two trains, in the subsequent conflagration the tunnel acted as a chimney, fanning the flames and creating a panic among the survivors, who sought to escape from the smoke and heat. The exact number of victims has not yet been established. There were only nine passengers on board the southern express, when it left Leon, but other people boarded the train at San Sebastian.

QUESTION THE FARMER

Object in View of Second Party of British Journalists

Winnipeg, Aug. 10.—The British journalists who are to tour the west under the auspices of the Dominion government, left the city yesterday. Only ten days are allowed for the completion of their journey to the coast and back to Winnipeg.

"What we really want to see in the west is the farmer on the land," said Mr. Starmer, of the Northern Echo, "and to learn from him what he thinks of the country. If we could get into touch with a few farmers in several parts of the west we would soon learn what we want most to know."

The travelers were accompanied by C. W. Speers, colonization agent, and Mr. J. Kennedy, of the local immigration office.

MOORS MOWED DOWN BY SHELLS FROM SHIPS

Those Slain in Casa Blanca Fighting May Number Two Thousand

ARABS ATTACKING OTHER TOWNS

Tangier, Aug. 9.—Horrible details of the slaughter of Jews, the maltreatment of women and the pillage and burning of shops at Casablanca are told by passengers who arrived here last night by steamer from that port.

They say that after the Moorish soldiers and the Arabs avenged themselves on the inhabitants, plundering, killing and burning on all sides, they sacked the customs house and burned a large part of the city, whose streets are so filled with decomposing bodies that an epidemic is threatened. Among the Jews killed was a man under the protection of the British consulate. His sisters were assaulted and carried off by the Moors. Many feats of heroism by both French and Spanish soldiers are reported.

Paris, Aug. 9.—A message received here today from Admiral Philbert, at

ALPINE CLUB OF CANADA

Preparations Making For Next Season's Work

Winnipeg, Aug. 10.—The Alpine Club of Canada has just sent out a ballot containing the names of forty candidates for membership. There is one associate, S. Lindt, of Glacier, B.C. Twenty-nine active have climbed the necessary ten thousand feet above sea level, including one from Melbourne, Australia. Americans from the States, ranging from New York to California and Canadians from New Brunswick to British Columbia. Among the graduating candidates, perhaps the best known name is that of Winthrop B. Stone, the president of Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind. Plans are already being discussed for the clubhouse to be erected at Banff next season.

Members will be allowed to camp on it at any time during the summer until the whole lot is required for the club house.

TELEGRAPHERS' STRIKE SPREADS TO MANY CITIES

Western Business of Both Companies is Badly Hampered

Office of Union Say All Union Men Are Likely to be Called From Keys

Chicago, Aug. 10.—Encouraged by their success in hampering the telegraph facilities of both commercial telegraph companies in Chicago, the striking operators are now planning to carry the warfare to all parts of the United States and Canada. Instructions were today telegraphed by National Secretary Russell to the men in New York and other cities where they are still at work to "save their money and await orders."

Another telegram was sent to President Small, of the telegraphers, who is in San Francisco, urging him to take the first train to Chicago, to look after the situation, as it is the announced intention of the men to engineer the fight from here.

The telegraph companies are preparing to meet the issue, and declare they will fight to a finish. They declare they have been temporarily with the situation for months, and they will hold no further negotiations with representatives of the men on strike. Cols. have been installed in the buildings of both companies in Chicago, to accommodate the strike breakers and other preparations for a bitter struggle are being perfected.

Approximately there are 4,000 telegraph operators now on strike who were employed by both companies in 39 cities throughout the United States, and the list is being added to every few minutes. The points already affected and the number of strikers are as follows:

Western Union — Chicago, 1,150; Houston, 30; Kansas City, 330; Topeka, 3; Oklahoma City, 15; Pueblo, 3; New Orleans, 100; Nashville, 25; Columbus, 70; Memphis, 40; Dallas, 105; Meridian, 10; Jackson, Miss., 35; Minneapolis, 60; Milwaukee, 15; St. Paul, 225; Helena, Mont., 40; Salt Lake, 35; Colorado Springs, 10; Denver, 75; Ft. Worth, 40; El Paso, 35; St. Paul, 150; Los Angeles, 60; Fargo, 10; Omaha, 60; Sioux City, 35; Knoxville, 15.

Postal — Chicago, 600; Kansas City, 70; Topeka, 5; Oklahoma, 1; St. Louis, 30; Milwaukee, 15; Birmingham, 45; Omaha, 25.

Non-union operators from the east active here today, and they were placed at work. The new arrivals were evenly distributed between the two companies.

The Two Stories.

"We are filling positions as rapidly as possible," said Supt. Cook, of the Western Union tonight, "and we are in a better position than we expected. We will not deal with representatives of the strikers, as this company only treats with its own employees. When the men quit work they ceased to be employees of the Western Union, and our relations with them are at an end. There was no union recognition in this controversy."

"Will you meet President Gompers of the American Federation of Labor if he should come to Chicago and offer his services?" Mr. Cook was asked. "We will not," was the emphatic answer. Mr. Gompers is expected to reach Chicago Monday morning.

Mr. Capen, superintendent of the Postal, said his company was making better progress than had been expected.

"A number of our old employees have already returned to work," he declared, "and others have signified their intention of doing so."

National Secretary Russell, of the C. T. U. A., said: "We are pleased with the situation, and no matter what sort of claims the telegraph officials may make the fact remains they will not do anything any business. They have a few chiefs and inexperienced telegraphers at work, but as far as the companies being able to handle the public's business is concerned, they are merely trying to mislead the public. We know for an actual fact that in Chicago there are not fifty operators working for the commercial companies tonight, where under normal conditions the number amounts to 1,500. We are in this fight to stay, and we must have recognition or our union might as well go out of business."

All day a committee was preparing demands, which will be submitted to the telegraph companies on Monday as a preliminary to ordering a general strike. The demands in substance provide for equal pay for equal work and an eight hour day, the abolition of the sliding scale now in force, the companies to furnish typewriters and to cease discrimination against union men. If these demands are accepted, these demands the men in New York and all other cities still at work, it is declared tonight, will be ordered to refuse to work with non-union men. This state of affairs would indicate that it is only a matter of a few hours before the strike will begin both in the United States and Canada.

The strikers, it is said tonight, were planning to cripple the long distance service. There are 30 telegraph operators employed in this branch of the service in Chicago. These men are expert wire men and are used in making up circuits. The strikers de-

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Freighter Killed

Battleford, Aug. 10.—Darwin King, of Lansing, Mich., was killed on Tuesday about fifteen miles from here on the Tramping Lake trail when engaged in freighting for the G. T. P. The unfortunate man was seated upon a large load of oats, and when driving down a hill, the bag on which he sat slipped, throwing him forward between the horses. The two wheels passed over him, crushing his spine and several ribs. Internal hemorrhages followed, which caused his death before Dr. McClurg arrived. The deceased met with the accident at 3 o'clock and died at 7. He was 50 years of age, and leaves a widow and two children.

Killed by Lightning

Saskatoon, Aug. 10.—Morley Drevor, eighteen years old, was struck by lightning and killed yesterday evening on his father's farm, eighteen miles east of here. The lad was working a team and was on his way to the house as the storm blew up. The parents were in Saskatoon at the fair at the time. The mother is prostrated.

Many Forgery Charges

Charlottetown, P. E. I., Aug. 10.—At the police court today Edwin O. Brown, barrister, appeared for preliminary examination on eleven additional charges of forgery. He was committed for trial.

EXPLOSION WRECKED THE TOWN OF ESSEX

Two Men Killed and Three Fatally Injured by Nitro-Glycerine

Detroit Mich., Aug. 10.—Two men were killed, three more probably fatally injured and scores of people slightly hurt by the explosion of a half car of nitro-glycerine at the Michigan Central railroad station at Essex, Ont., seventeen miles inland from the Detroit river today. Practically every building in the little town of 1,500 people was damaged, some of them being blown to pieces.

The shock of the explosion was plainly felt for twenty miles around. The dead ones, Brakeman McNary, of Amherstburg, Ont.; Brakeman Leo Conlon, of Amherstburg, Ont.

The other members of the train crew are among those most severely injured.

Mrs. Mary Morton, of Michigan, a passenger on the train, was severely, if not fatally, hurt.

It is reported that one man is buried in the ruins of Green's depot. Everything for a radius of 300 yards from the depot is in ruins.

The car containing the nitro-glycerine was on a side track near the freight shed. Brakeman McNary discovered that the nitro-glycerine was leaking and started to open the car when, without warning, the explosion occurred.

The shock, which was felt for twenty miles, tore the new stone depot to pieces, destroyed the freight sheds and nearby cottages, leveling Green's elevator beside the tracks and smashing the mill in kindling wood.

The engine and tender of the train, with the other cars were reduced to scrap iron, and where they stood there was only a hole twenty feet deep and fifty feet across.

McNary's mangled body was found 200 feet away from the tracks in a field and Brakeman Conlon was dug from under a car of coal, dead.

Fireman Managan lay near the ruins of his engine, and the other two members of the train crew and the station agent, were dug from the wrecked station, badly hurt.

The final loss will probably be about \$300,000.

INDIANS IN DISTRESS

Scarcity of Game in District North of Edmonton

Edmonton, Aug. 9.—Piled up in the fur department of McDougall & Sons, president over by Henry Fraser, there are at present thousands of dollars' worth of furs, the property of Colin Fraser and Mr. Hursell. These packs were brought by freighters. The fur supply was rather less this year than usual owing to the severity of the winter. Mr. Fraser reports considerable distress among many of the Indian bands as the result of the scarcity of game. In Fort Chipewyan, in an effort to relieve the distress, thirty bags of flour that were available were distributed to 500 impoverished Indians. Mr. Fraser, who is an independent trader, has already brought down earlier than Fraser \$7,000 worth of furs, and there will be \$2,000 to \$3,000 worth of furs in the second outfit.

To Harold Begbie

Bathed in the sea, across the trail we broke
A message from the youngling of her nest;
The free-necked man, who scarce will brook love's yoke,
Still hold her nearest, dearest, noblest, best."

WE who went out from the North Sea's nest, as full-fledged eagles go,
Over the black-ribbed ocean floor, Despair's Divide of snow,
Could we sit fenced by a sea line, would you have us wait for a chart,
With the strength of our wings untested, pluck life from a mother's heart?

We soared and have found our sweetheart such mother as thou of old—
Sea-girl, wild-hearted, work-loving, beautiful, terrible, bold,
Not to be won by a weakling, not to be bought in the mart,
Death in her frown, oh mother, pure womanly gold at her heart—

Deaf, she seemed deaf to our wooing; dumb, she seemed dumb to our needs;
'Till, man-like, we forced her and kissed her, tamed, not by words, but deeds;
We thawed her ice with our life's blood, we gave her our all—not a part—
The stern, still lips of our dying spoke alone of the English heart.

We have taught her the law of the English, we have taught her Shakespeare's speech,
And we bring her to thee, oh mother, for all that is left to teach;
None other shall dare to blame her; none dare to hold us apart—
Thy boy and the bride he brings thee to lay on thy mighty heart.

Look through her eyes, oh mother, to the clean, young soul within;
Give her comfort and strength, Thou Greatest, for the work she must do for her kin
Till the old world's wounds be healed, till tears no longer start,
Till we herald the kingdom of Heaven with the throb of the English heart.

—Clive Philipps-Wolley.

Shortage May not be so Great as Some Expected

Winnipeg, Aug. 10.—Crop reports have been very gratifying in nature, and even the most pessimistic are looking forward to if not a large yield, a satisfactory one. Since the spring, when it looked as if the adverse weather would completely spoil any chance of seeding, the crop has been a question that probably received more universal discussion than any other subject.

Many dealers declared when the grain was sown that it was more fully, and predicted direful happenings for the province. When the grain began to make its appearance and reached a fairly good height the news of the drought and the cracking at the start were impressed and looked at the brighter side.

The reports indicate that there will be a shortage in this province at least but that it will be minor compared to some estimates. Farmers are looking forward to better prices for wheat, and considering everything, are well pleased with the existing conditions. In some districts of this province, where an entire failure was predicted, the situation has improved so greatly that an average yield is looked for.

OLD COUNTRY DOMESTICS

Party of Thirty Reached Vancouver on Wednesday

Vancouver, B.C., Aug. 9.—A party of thirty English girls arrived on the C.P.R. train at 12:45 this morning, in charge of Miss Joyce, who has brought them out from the Old Country with the object of placing them in domestic situations. Two of the girls went to Victoria, on the steamer Champlain, which was waiting for the train. They have evidently secured situations in the Capital City. The rest of the party remained in their car for the night. Miss Rhodes, a cousin of the late Mr. Rhodes, joined the party at Winnipeg and came to the coast with them. She has become interested in the domestic servant problem, and is watching the progress of the movement. It is also rumored that she will make her home in Vancouver.

DOUKHOBOR'S DIFFICULTY

Winnipeg, Aug. 10.—The Doukhobor party of pilgrims has been stopped at Whitemouth by order of the C. P. R., who refuses to permit them to proceed any further on their way eastward. If they attempt to proceed any farther along the C. P. R. tracks they will be arrested for trespassing and taken to prison. As there is practically no other way to go north, they will have to submit to the inevitable. If they leave Whitemouth by a logging trail, the only other method of escape, it is not clear they will end up in a logging camp, and have to go several miles through the bush before they strike another trail, during which time they will suffer terribly from hunger, mosquitoes, etc.

Bill Miner Still Free

Vancouver, Aug. 10.—No news has yet been heard of Bill Miner and his companions in flight. It is now generally considered certain that Miner must have received some aid from the outside to enable him to get clear away.

Ottawa, Aug. 10.—It seems probable that Dr. Parent will be the French Conservative candidate in Ottawa. He is a strong man. The Liberals are discussing a successor to Hon. A. Belscourt.

YORK LOAN COMPANY

Meeting to be Held on September 17 Will Decide on Final Steps.

Winnipeg, Aug. 10.—There will be nothing further doing in connection with the York Loan affairs until September 17. Matters are tied up tight at present by the legal vacation, said R. Smith, who has charge of the winding up for the National Trust company. On September 17 a meeting will be held to decide what is to be done. In the meantime the liquidators are disposing of the real estate and turning these assets into money as rapidly as possible. The liquidators were unable to determine how the various classes of shareholders should participate in the division of assets, or whether some should be debared whether some are entitled to preference or others. An amendment to the winding up act may well be sought in order that each class should be represented by counsel instead of each individual shareholder being present as required by the old act. After the legal vacation this matter will be settled, and upon the settlement naturally depends the division of the assets, but the liquidators expect to have enough funds on hand to pay the dividend. The statement issued by the liquidators in December last, indicated a dividend of about 20 cents on the dollar. The assets included \$300,000 worth of vacant land and \$90,000 worth of improved property.

of several mining companies have visited Crow's Nest Pass Coal Co. during the past days, and promises have been made that strong efforts will be made to increase the coke output. The colliery managers claim there is a demand for men throughout the west that they have been compelled to operate their mines and smelters short-handed, and that this is the cause of the shortage of fuel. The situation is bad, as if the shortage continues all the plants will in time have to shut down for want of fuel to keep the furnaces in operation. The mines are in splendid condition, and could produce a very large quantity larger than for several years past, could the smelters be kept running to their full capacity. The shipments were badly cut down this week, as the smelters were congested with ore.

Nelson, B. C., Aug. 10.—The following are the ore shipments and smelter receipts in southeastern British Columbia districts for the past week and year, respectively: Shipments—Boundary, week, 31,360; year, 706,794; Rossland, week, 3,973; year, 123,647; East of Columbia river, week, 25,014; year, 79,350. Total, 37,343; 951,835.

Smelter receipts—Grand Forks, 15,348; 381,086; Greenwood, 8,976; 204,470; Boundary Falls, 5,797; 104,484; Trail, 4,374; 138,861; Nelson, 25; 10,048; Northport, 155; 61,732; Marysville, 900; 19,200. Total, 25,970; 920,016.

Casablanca, Morocco

Paris Aug. 9.—Admiral Philbert's report to Marine Minister Thomson says that on Aug. 7 the DuChallu lost five killed and there were also a number of killed and wounded among the Spanish forces.

The Moorish losses on account of the cross fire of the Gallies and Forbin were large. The camp material and soldiers were debarked at night by the aid of searchlights of the warships. Special despatches from Tangier estimate the Moors' losses in the 49 hours' fighting at from 1,800 to 2,000.

A battalion of 238 colonial infantry at Perpignan has been ordered to get ready for service in Morocco. Five Spanish gunboats are ready to sail for Morocco from San Sebastian, and the Spanish cruiser Lepanto is embarking marines at Cadix for Casablanca and Mogador.

Mr. Gates' Plans

New York, Aug. 10.—John W. Gates, it is learned by the Sun's Saratoga correspondent, has gone to England to settle down the life of a country squire and keep up a racing establishment. Mr. Gates, the story says, will retain his citizenship in the United States. His son will probably represent him here, but he himself will seldom favor this country with a visit.

Protecting the Birds

Washington, Aug. 10.—The president has signed a new order creating the Tern Islands a bird reservation. The reservation embraces all of the "mud lumps" in and near the mouth of the Mississippi river.

Murderer Reprieved

Toronto, Aug. 12.—Gappelli, the Italian convict of murder at Parry Sound, has been reprieved until October.