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load was finally increased to 60 tons, and this was left until July 14th. The total variation for May 14th to July 14th, when the test was closed, was .012 which was the apparent settlement. Below is the data on driving and the readings taken from June 8th to July 14th with a load of 60 tons.

Data on Driving.

Diameter of pile
Length of pile 10 ft. 7 in
Hammer weight
Drop of hammer
Penetration in last 8 blows 13/ in
Number of blows 300.
Concrete mixture $I : 2\frac{1}{2} : 5$
Date of driving May 3rd, 1010.
Test started May 13th, 1910.

Elevation Taken on Concrete Pile Test: at Pacific Mill's New Plant, So, Lawrence-Load 60 Tons

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Date.	Elevation.		Dat	e.	Elevati	on
1910.			10	10		
June 8	3.619	(windy)	June	27	3.6112	
9	3.619.			28	3.6107	
I 2	3.6189			20	3.6186	
13	3.6175			30	3.6135	(windy)
14	3.6163		July	I	3.6175	
15	3.6167		Stander	2	3.6180	
16	3.6152			5	3.6104	
17	3.615			6	3.6180	
18	3.6145			7	3.6165	pile
20	3.6154			8	3.6183	driver
21	3.6146			0	3.6206	working
22	3.6161			10	3.6207	nearby
23	3.6114			II	3.6205	(windy)
24	3.6188			12	3.6186	(
25	3.6162			13	3.6214	
				14	3.6160	

RESULTS OF INVESTIGATION OF STRESSES IN LOCUST STREET BRIDGE AT DES MOINES, IOWA.*

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The Locust street bridge in Des Moines is a five-span reinforced concrete arch structure across the Des Moines river. It cons.sts of a 72-foot, an 82-foot, a 92-foot, an 82-foot, and a 72-foot span in consecutive order.

On making a personal inspection of the bridge as it now stands it was found that there was a fine transverse crack on the under side of the arch ring near the crown in each of the 72-foot spans. We were unable to inspect the 82-foot and 92-fort spans.

To account for the cracks it was decided to investigate the s resses in the bridge.

In figuring the stresses the dead weight of the earth filing was assumed to be 100 pounds per cubic foot and of concrete 150 pounds per cubic foot. A live load of 150 pounds per square foot was used.

Temperature stresses were figured for a range of 40 degrees each way from the mean. A range of 40 degrees was taken because the results of actual measurements of the temperatures in a concrete arch, made in the vicinity of the college, indicated that the range was at least that much, and a little more in some cases.

* The Iowa Engineer.

Rib shortening stresses were also calculated. The maximum s.resses were as follows:

72-FOOT SPANS

Point	Compression	in	Concrete	. 7	[ens:	ion i	n S	teel
B3-R-1	1300 lbs. per	sq.	. in.	54000	lbs.	per	sa.	in
B1-R-3	1150 lbs. per	sq.	in.	49000	lbs.	per	sq.	in.
B1-R-6	500 lbs. per	sq.	in. 1	00001	lbs.	per	sq.	in.
BI-R-Spr	315 lbs. per	sq.	in. 1	5500	lbs.	per	sq.	in.

82-FOOT SPANS

	Point	Con	apres	ssion	in	Con	crete 7	ensi	on i	n S	teel
R3-K-1		1250	Ibs.	per	sq.	1n.	44000	lbs.	per	sq.	in
B1-R-3		1100	lbs.	per	sq.	in.	39500	lbs.	per	sq.	in.
B1-R-6		550	lbs.	per	sq.	in.	7500	lbs.	per	sq.	in.
BI-R-SI	pr	335	lbs.	per	sq.	in.	15000	lbs.	per	sq.	in.

92-FOOT SPANS

Point	Compression	in Concret	e]	Censi	on in	Steel
B3-R-1	1390 lbs. per	sq. in.	56000	lbs.	per so	1. in.
B'1-R-3	1250 lbs. per	sq. in.	49000	lbs.	per sc	. in.
B1-R-6	550 lbs. per	sq. in.	9000	lbs.	per so	. in.
B1-R-Spr	490 lbs. per	sq. in.	32000	lbs.	per sq	. in.
BI equals	load on right	half.				i al nui
B2 equals	full live load.					

B3 equals live load 1/4-1/4 point.

R equals right. 1-3-6, etc., are points of application of loads, numbering from zero at the crown of the arch to No. 8, left and right. Spr. equals springing.

From the table of stresses it will be seen that, under the assumed loadings and temperature stresses, in the 72foot spans the steel is stressed up to 54000 pounds per square inch, and the concrete up to 1300 pounds per square inch.

As the working stress in steel is usually taken as 16000 pounds per square inch and in concrete from 600 to 800 pounds per square in, according to the "elastic theory," the structure is much too light for the loading and temperature variation assumed.

As the cracks were found at the same points as the computed h gh suesses, the correctness of the range of temperature used and that of the "elastic theory" followed in the computation are evidently confirmed.

While there is much talk against the "elastic theory," mainly on the part of contractors who wish to build light bridges, it is generally found that when bridges are designed according to the theory they prove safe and substantial, when a sufficient range of temperature is used in the computations.

WATER POWER ON THE DANUBE.

Two great projects for employing water power for the generation of electric power are now under consideration in Hungary and Croatia. One, due to Albert Bass & Company, of Basel, is to use the Danube in its flow from Pressburg to Raab, a distance of about 40 miles in West Hungary. A navigable canal is to be dug for navigation and irrigation and three reservoirs are to be made, at Pressburg, Wieselburg and Raab, respectively, to supply 40,000 h.p. for driving dynamos. The total cost will be nearly two millions sterling. The other proposal is to utilize water power at Zeng on the Adriatic coast of Croatia. Here from 60,000 to 80,000 h.p. can be got to supply Fiume and the rest of the Austrian coast with light and power, and especially for railway traction. The cost of this larger undertaking would approach \pounds 4,000,000.