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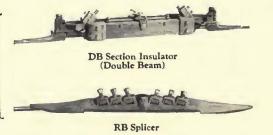
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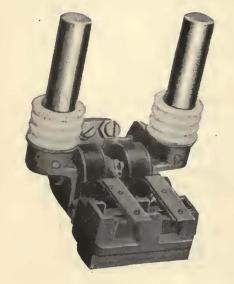
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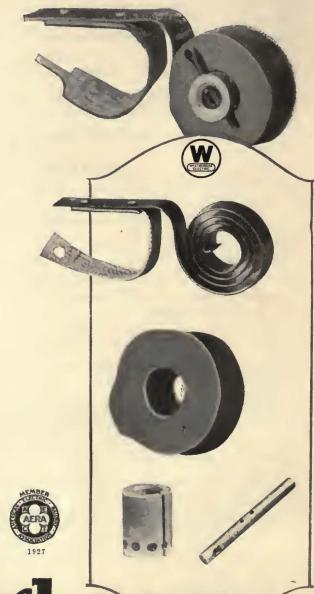


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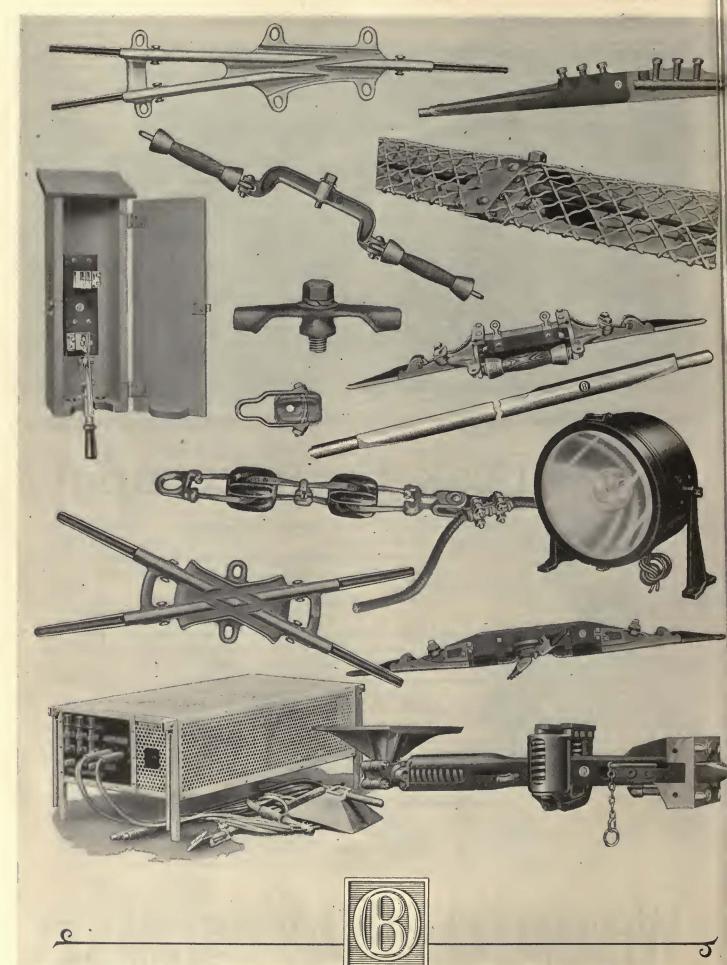
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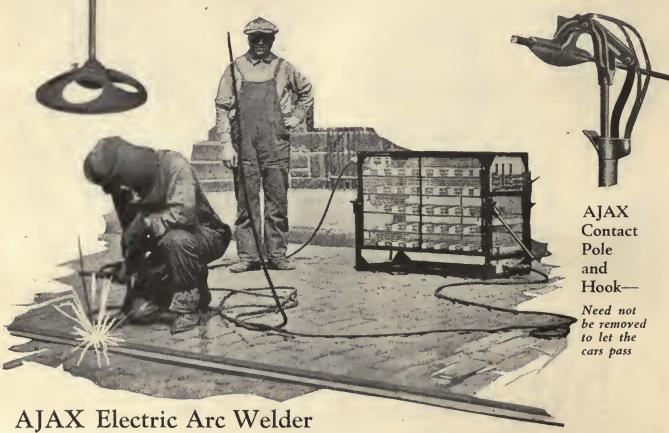
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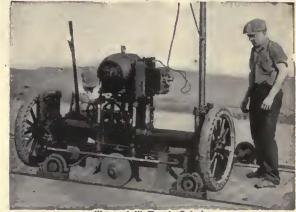
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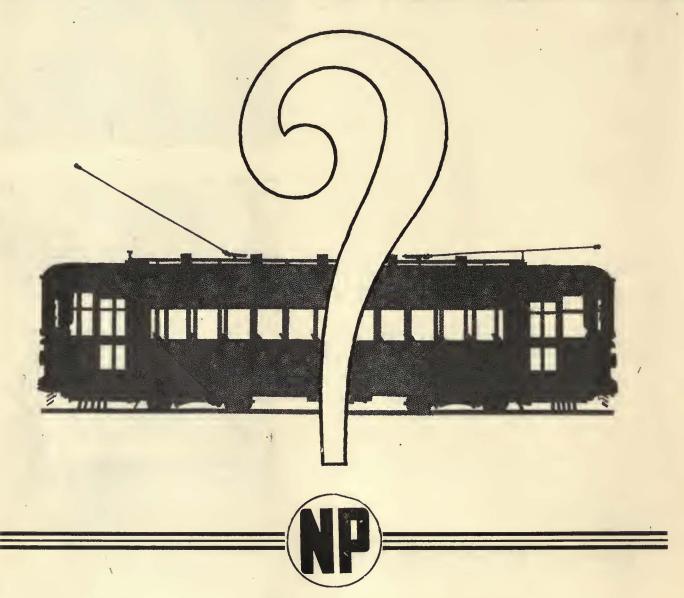
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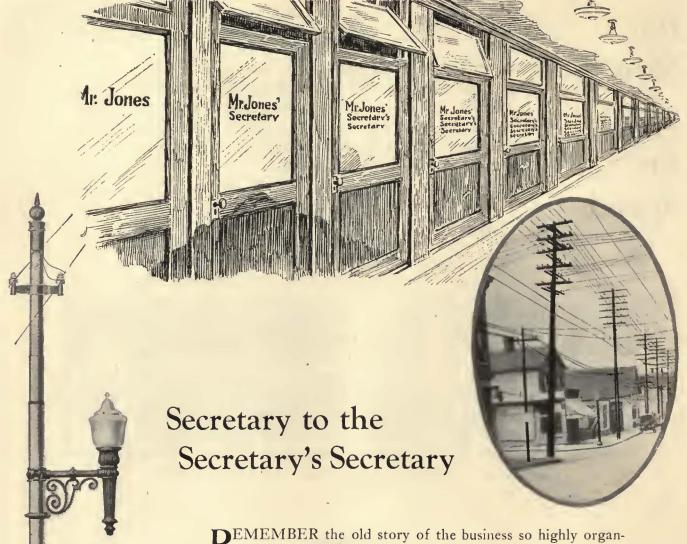
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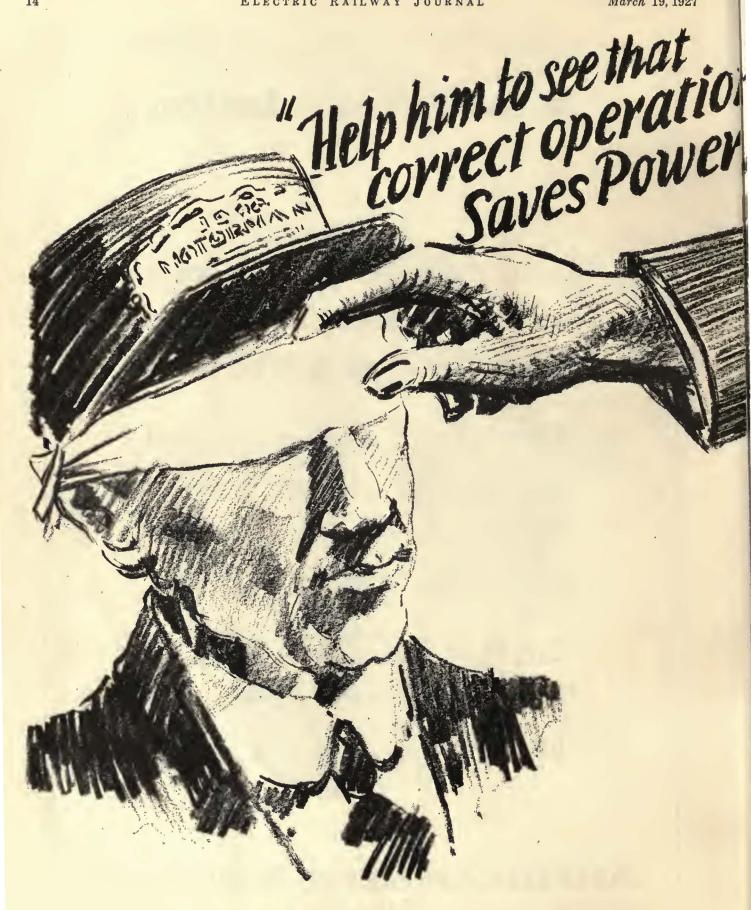
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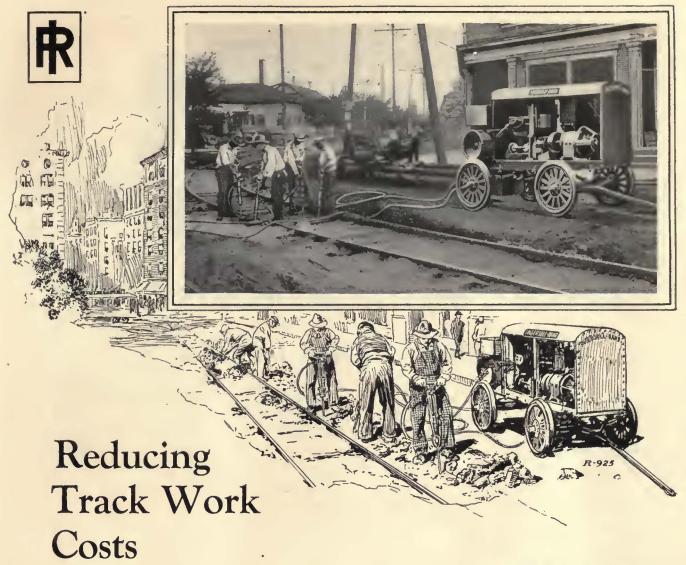


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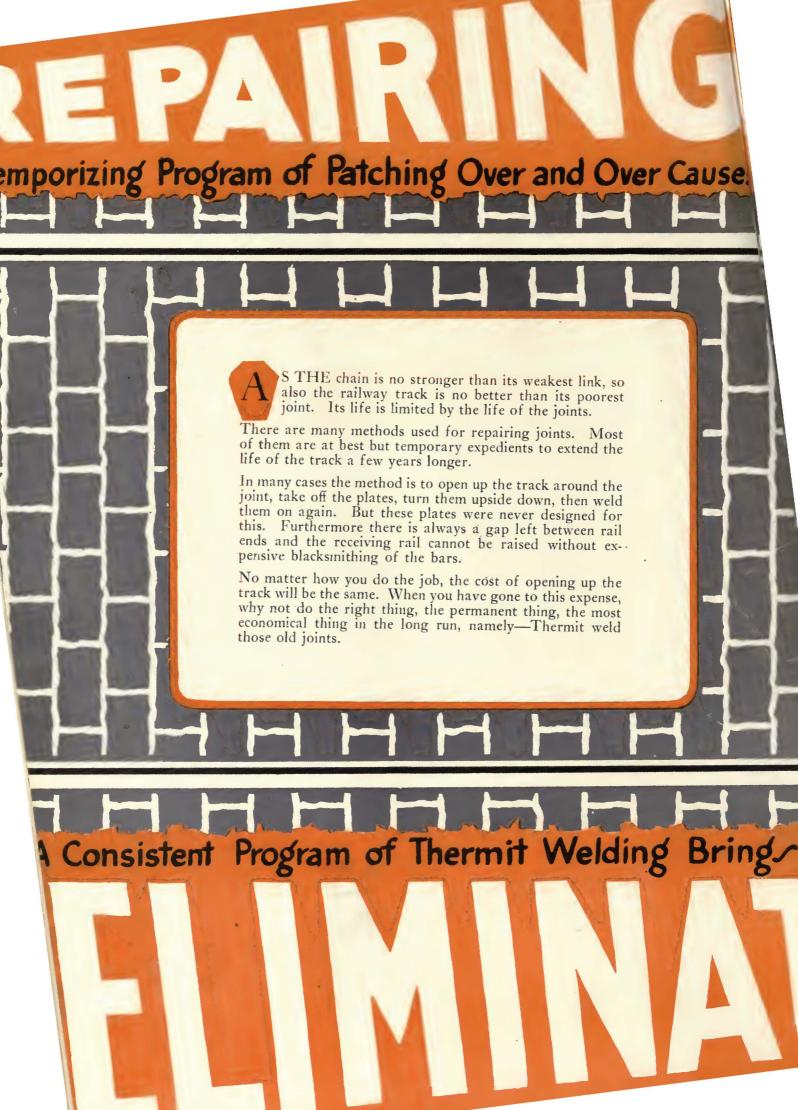


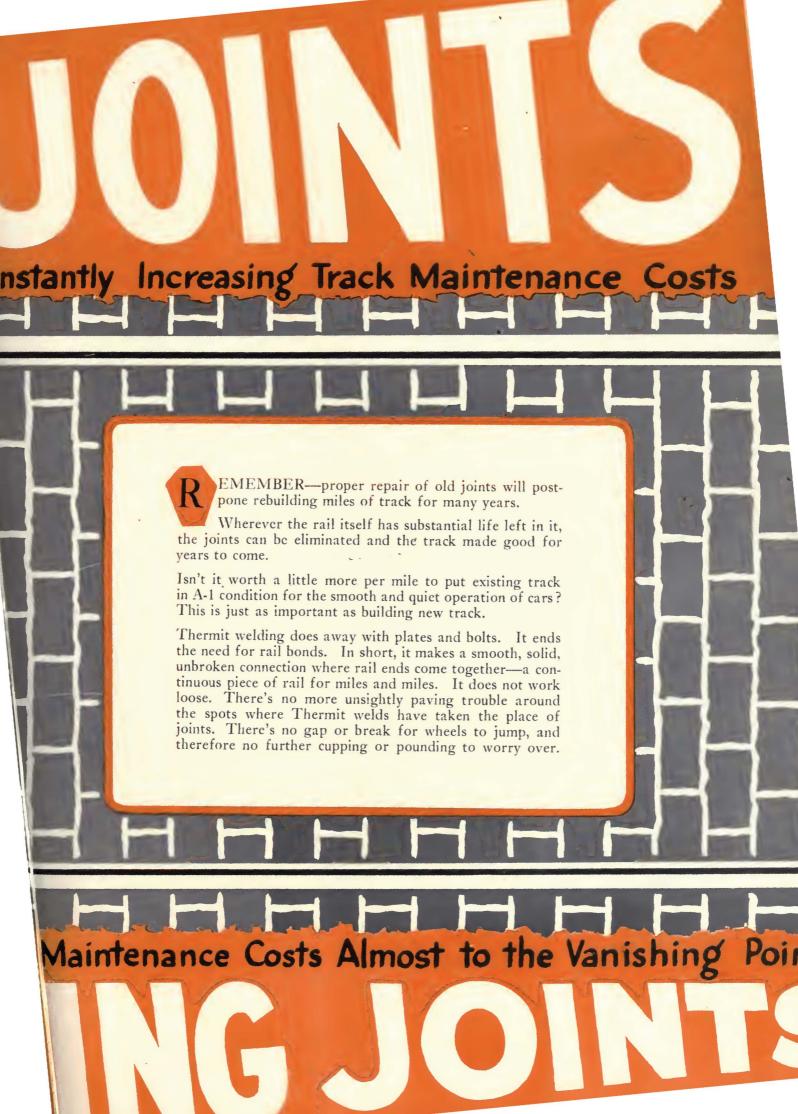


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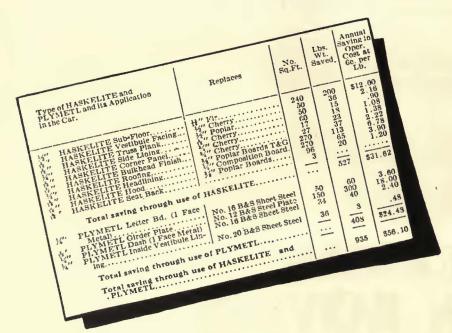
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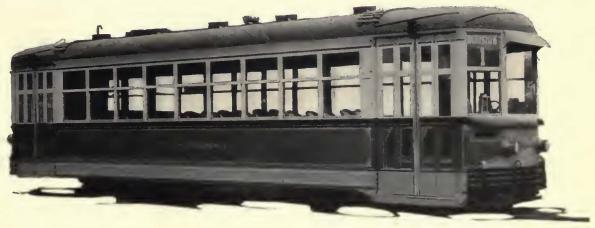
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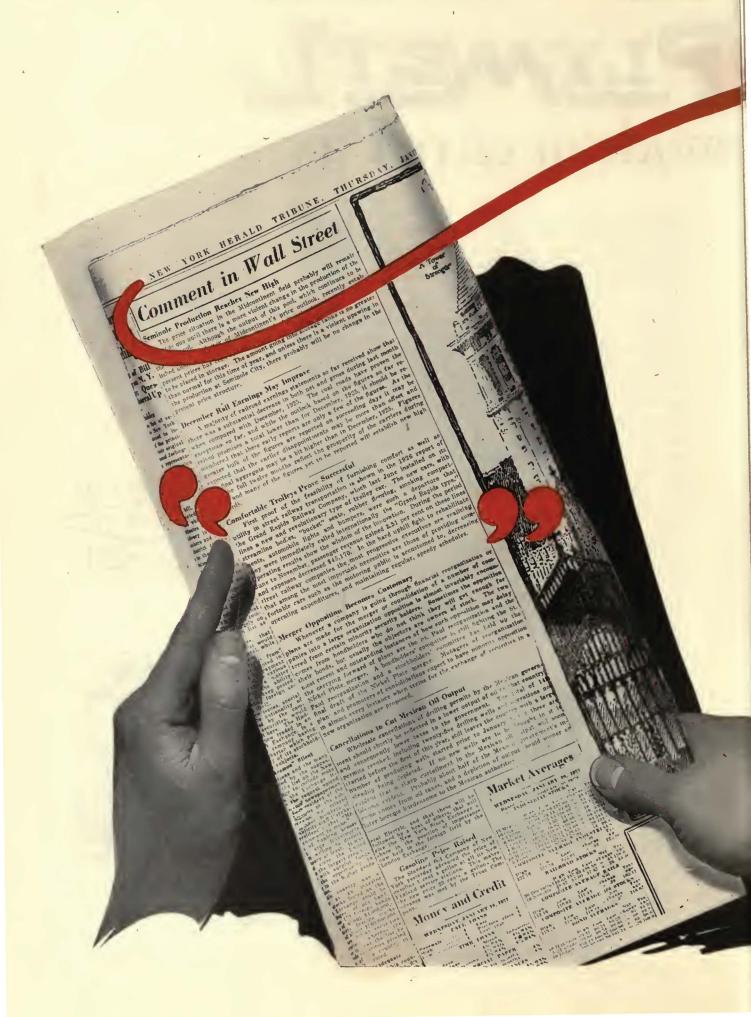
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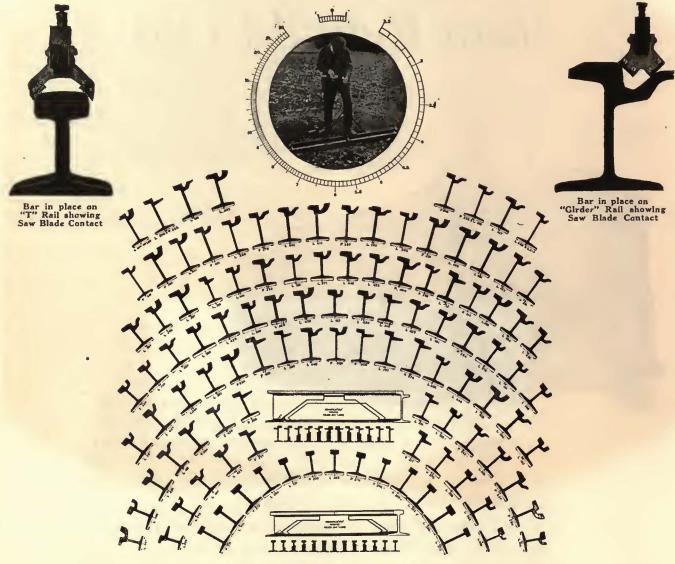
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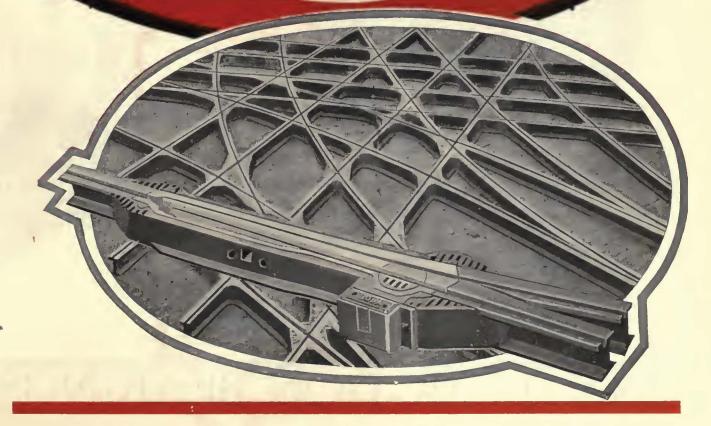
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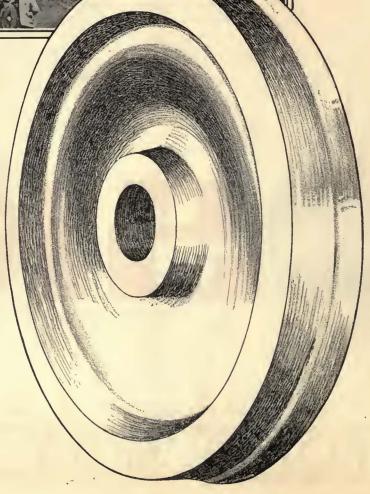
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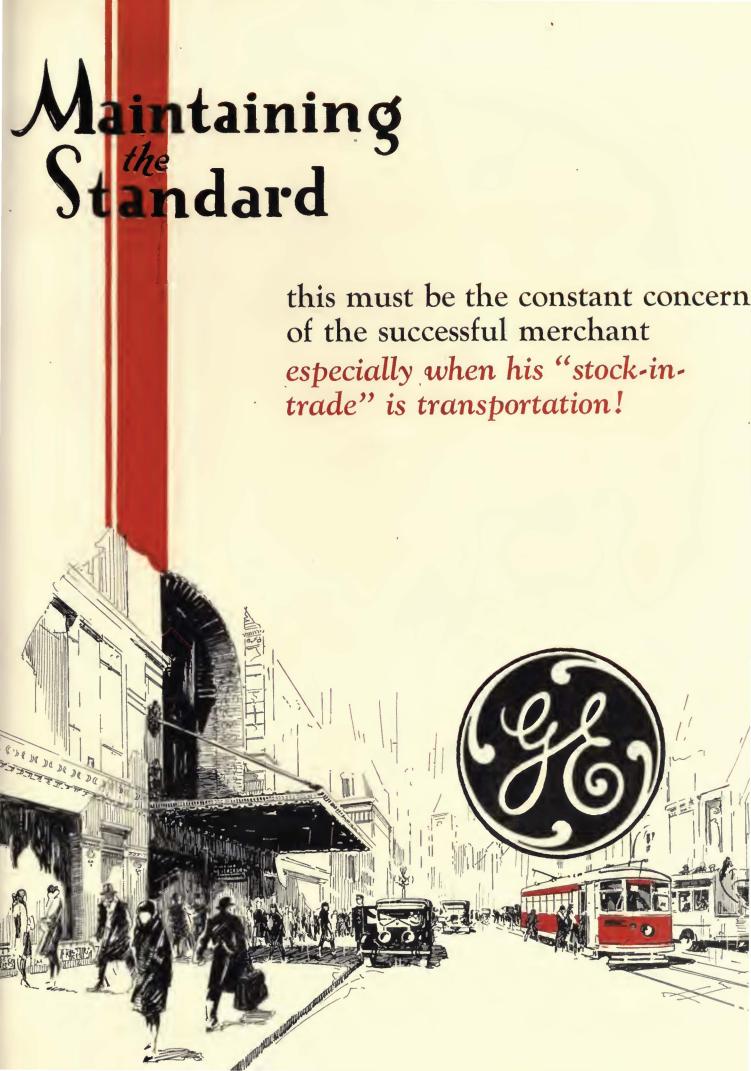
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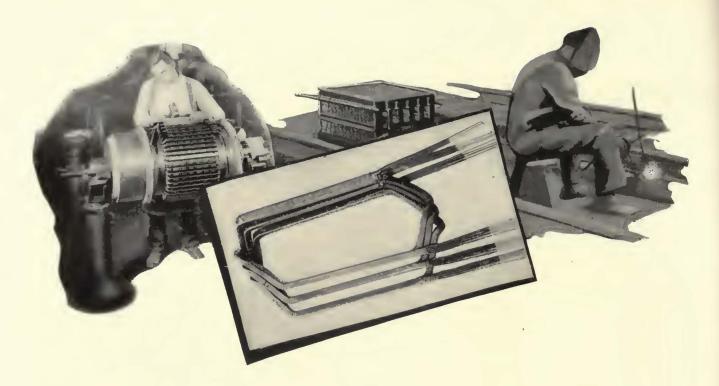
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Maintenance from the Car Rider's Viewpoint

HAT concern of the car rider is the maintenance practice of his street car line? What does he care about the workings of the motors, the trolley, the track? Why worry whether the car that carries him is a light-weight type or a heavy one? Certainly if the rider pays any particular attention to these things he is different from the average man. But when he decides whether to ride the street cars or to buy a new flivver, he considers, even without realizing it, that perhaps the cars are habitually dirty; that there have been frequent delays because of road failures; that the flat wheels have left him tired at the end of a halfhour ride; that the lights flicker so that he cannot read the evening paper. Perhaps his wife tore a new dress because a nail protruded from the car seat, or a spot of oil from a door engine dropped on his new fedora as he left the car on the way to the theater. These are the possibilities to indicate how the car rider is affected by the maintenance of the system.

Let the maintenance man put himself in the position of the man who is to be attracted or repelled. Let him determine if he would ride the cars if he had to pay fare. Then have him go back to his job and try to put his part of the system in such good condition that the average citizen will be pleased to become a regular rider. That is maintenance from the car rider's viewpoint.

Well-maintained rolling stock reflects the company's own estimate of itself.

Smooth, Quiet Operation Results from Good Workmanship

EVERY ONE realizes that quiet running cars are needed and that a high standard of maintenance is necessary to do away with excessive noise. Campaigns for noise reduction are producing good results, and the various maintenance departments show an alertness and eagerness along this line never before manifested.

Better maintenance will permit smoother operation and make it easier to maintain schedules. An opencircuited resistor or a governor out of adjustment may cause jerky acceleration and annoying stops. The passenger usually blames the operator for this, but the real reason is poor maintenance.

The men responsible for the condition of electric railway equipment are really the foundation that must support any campaign for improved equipment. Success in attracting riders and keeping them satisfied depends on the efficiency of the maintenance departments. All other sales effort and publicity to produce increased patronage will fail if cars are dirty and ill-kept, if the track is rough and out of alignment, or if trolley wire breaks and wheels off the wire cause annoying interruptions to service.

Avoid the folly of the broken trolley—inspect the overhead before it gets under foot.

Care Is Important for the Electrical System

NO PART of an electric railway is more vital than the electrical system. Practically 100 per cent service is an absolute essential. Other parts may fail, causing local delays or inconvenience, but breakdown of the electrical system may easily affect a large territory, so that extraordinary efforts should be and are constantly made to prevent failure.

The generation of power is no longer a matter of direct concern to many railways. Its purchase, frequently from large interconnected systems of such diverse territory that failure of the primary source of power is infrequent, is supplanting generation for railway purposes alone. Increased reliability in the substation has been secured by improvements in conversion equipment, particularly for use on 60-cycle systems, while the tendency toward simplification and increased efficiency by use of the mercury arc rectifier is receiving careful consideration.

Development of automatic protective apparatus for use in the substation and on the line has not only reduced the time required for the isolation of overloaded or defective sections and decreased the probability of interruption of other than the affected circuit, but has provided for the automatic restoration of service at the instant that conditions become normal. Remote supervisory control has made it possible for the load dispatcher at a central point to keep in continuous touch with the entire system and to perform necessary switching operations in distant unattended stations with greater facility and certainty than was formerly possible with operators at each place.

The transmission, distribution and trolley contact lines have also received consideration. Insulating materials are constantly being improved, and the results of intensive research are being applied to the insulation of cables for high voltages. The trolley wire material, its manufacture and use are all being carefully studied in the desire to secure a more perfect electrical system.

Unfortunately not all electric railways have modern equipment throughout, though the electrical system may include some or all of the features previously mentioned. In all cases, however, there are two requisites for satisfactory service, namely, thorough inspection and

judicious maintenance. Good construction alone is not enough. There must be periodic and thorough inspection to eliminate possible sources of delay before a breakdown actually occurs. In many instances inspection must be supplemented by tests, to determine conditions accurately. The frequency with which inspection and tests are necessary varies for different parts of the system. Some require daily attention, others need it less frequently; but regularity is essential.

Incoming material should be closely watched so that its acceptability and quality are known before installation. The scrap pile cannot be overlooked for ideas, as an inspection of worn-out parts often points the way

to improvements.

The importance of thorough inspection combined with judicious maintenance cannot be overestimated. Worn materials must be replaced before failure, but economy dictates the necessity of getting all possible wear before replacement. To secure a proper balance between these two conflicting requirements makes necessary the use of good judgment all along the line, by the superintendent, by the inspector and by the foreman and workmen directly responsible for the maintenance of the system.

The repair job that is "cheap" is not the least expensive in the long run.

Preventive Maintenance Is Better than Repairs After Failure

MAINTENANCE of the highest type includes cars well painted, which are kept immaculately clean, with no loose parts to cause disagreeable noises, and lubricated so that smooth running results. For a short period such maintenance will cost more per car-mile than slipshod work, but in the long run, considering both maintenance and depreciation of the equipment, it will be the cheaper. From the revenue viewpoint the better maintained car certainly will attract more riders and the increased earning power will more than pay for the high standard of maintenance.

Most car maintenance work can be classified under five general headings. These are (1) work needed to keep the car clean, attractive and noiseless; (2) inspection and adjustment; (3) repairs and replacements of worn parts to anticipate and forestall failure; (4) repair of failures; (5) repairs to equipment damaged in operation.

The far-reaching influence of the first class of maintenance, that necessary to keep the equipment attractive, is often overlooked. Many master mechanics know that when it appears advisable to reduce maintenance expense, this class of work is the first one in the budget to be cut, as officials consider that the cars will still operate satisfactorily even though their appearance is not of the high class desired.

The items of car cleaning, painting and lubrication represent a relatively small part of maintenance costs and the savings from neglecting any of these will be comparatively small. It certainly does not pay to cut down expenditures for these three items. In analyzing average figures for several large railway systems, it was found that car cleaning constitutes approximately 15 per cent of the total maintenance cost. Car painting, done on a yearly basis, was approximately 12 per cent of the total and the cost of both labor and material for lubrication was less than 3 per cent of the total.

The systems included in the analysis pride themselves particularly on having attractive cars, but still the total expenditure for the three items enumerated is less than one-third of total maintenance cost.

Why give the passenger a soft seat and trust him to a rough motorman?

Cutting Costs at the Source

NO PROGRAM of maintenance-cost reduction can be fully or even largely successful unless the cooperation of the working force can be secured. This co-operation is necessary for conservation of materials, and even more for conservation of time. It involves two elements; desire to keep down maintenance costs, and knowledge of the equipment and its use far beyond the range of the particular job. It appears therefore that here is a problem of management which for its solution involves education. First comes education in loyalty and co-operation; on this a superstructure of information can be reared.

Maintenance costs can be most effectively minimized by careful, that is, intelligent, handling of equipment. This is especially needed, for example, with the modern, light-weight, ventilated motor. A manufacturer's expert, called in for consultation in connection with an epidemic of motor failures, soon correctly diagnosed the trouble as due to frequent and unnecessary reversal of motors in braking. A campaign of education stopped the trouble. Similarly, motormen sometimes "fan" the control so as to "inch the car along" when following another car or other vehicle.

These illustrations suggest but one of many ways in which mainfenance can be made to approach the irreducible minimum, that is the amount which is involved in unpreventable wear-and-tear. Then in the actual maintenance work there are other opportunities. First, because most obvious, is elimination of waste in the use of materials. Reclamation of worn equipment and other parts is responsible for large economies and has still further possibilities; always, however, understanding that repair work can be carried too far. To a limited extent also there is actual loss or misuse of material; this can be obviated with a little care.

Important as materials conservation is, however, time conservation is still more important. Labor loss is the more subtle, more difficult to discern and measure—and yet labor is the largest part of maintenance cost. Good supervision will control this loss to some extent, but without the will to save and knowledge of how to do it the worker will waste time, inadvertently or otherwise.

No magic formula can be invoked. But an overwhelming majority of electric railway workers want to help the management cut maintenance costs. They positively will welcome information and suggestions. They want to be taken into partnership in performing this task of management. Much can be done along the line of education through departmental conferences, and where a railway has a comprehensive educational and training program in operation, cutting maintenance costs may well be one objective in laying out the courses. Competition is also an incentive; such, for example, as is furnished by the increasingly popular interchange of maintenance cost data among properties. The first requisite in all of this, however, is a conviction on the part of somebody that the worker is the ultimate source of considerable maintenance cost, hence offers an opportunity for stopping certain leaks at their source.

Paint your rolling stock or you won't need any rolling stock to paint.

Paint Artistically If Possible, but Paint Anyway!

CIR JOSHUA REYNOLDS' famous remark to one of his questioners that he mixed his paint with brains is one that the electric railways may well ponder. Many of them are doing this very thing, but some of them are not. Ordinary pigments include, among others, umbers, siennas, ochres, chromes, Venetian red, Indian red, Prussian blue, and Vandyke brown, but it is the combination of colors that counts. Thus it may seem a long jump from Pliny explaining the term "catagrapha" and Epictetus decorating a vase to the modern car painter, but to both of them the vehicle is still the liquid in which the particles of the base are held in suspension. Age may stale only slightly the infinite variety of the subject of the master, but age and abrasions do detract from the work of the master car painter. The true artist may wince at a combination of yellow and bright red, but these colors make for visibility.

The slatternly-looking vehicle certainly has no place in the present scheme of things. And in eradicating it, paint can be made to play an important part. This is so because the modern methods of painting have made it possible. Isn't it significant that on one railway system the cost of repainting a double-truck car at the present time is \$69 with labor at 58 cents an hour -a cost considerably lower than that of 1913, although labor and materials doubled in cost meanwhile? Isn't it also significant that on another system, by improved methods, the number of revenue cars painted annually has been increased from 34 per cent of the total operated in 1920 to 82 per cent in 1925, while the manhours required for painting a 40-ft. double-truck car have been cut from 340 in 1920, with hand labor, to 90.9 in 1925 with spray and hand labor?

The answer, it seems, is not in the economy itself, but in the opportunity which that economy affords for more work of the same kind to be done at the same gross expenditure. But no matter what the cost, it is the color combination that counts. And there again the advice of Sir Joshua holds good. The tangerine that would do in one place might not do at all in another. Of course, the taste of the public cannot be trusted implicitly, but the railways in Atlanta and Kansas City appear to have fared well by permitting their public to express its ideas about the matter. The members of an art institute might not approve of looking upon traffic, made up for a goodly part of street cars, when they are bright red. This would seem to be just as well. The flaming interurban that can be heard a mile away, to put the matter in the vernacular, may be all right when isolated, as it usually is, but a multitude of such cars on a city system would be more than sensitive souls could endure. A maroon that is permitted to become a screaming scarlet would probably not receive acclaim at the hands of the art critics. It is all a matter of taste, durability and cost, and not the least important of these is the esthetic side of the matter. Of that it might be said flat lux.

Interurban Stations Often a Poor Advertisement

WHAT a dismal picture some interurban stations present! A two-by-four shack, open on one side; a dirt floor and rotting sills that struggle to keep the cinder ballast from washing away. Look at the walls. They are the victims of every pocket-knife owner, and what is far worse, those traveling Michelangelos with a flair for the obscene and lewd. Often they are the last resting place for the dodger of a Fourth of July excursion which raises the ire of the commuter when snow is a foot or two deep outside.

Turn the mental film and view a terminal station of the average interurban. Often it is a reconstructed building. It is poorly lighted, furnished with hard benches, its toilets are unsanitary, cuspidors of the iron age adorn its smoking rooms, it is cleaned with a lick and a promise. It is cold in winter and hot in summer. It is a sardonic joke on the company's publicity claims.

Yet the wayside station and the terminal building are the gateways to the utility—the portals to service, that no matter how well advertised or maintained, suffers immeasurably by their unkempt appearance. Poorly maintained way stations are often the point of the wedge for community antagonism. They are monuments of indifference to what the public considers essential to its comfort. Ten minutes in a leaky, unkempt way station has bred many a bitter enemy.

There is a certain likeness between an attractive street car running on bad track and a Rolls-Royce running on a flat.

Many Station Improvements Can Be Made at Little Cost

ON THE other hand, let's square off and look at the whole problem of the possibilities available for interurban station improvement in the light of a few simple maintenance kinks. That the way structure be adequately protected and habitable in all kinds of weather is the first consideration. This and cleanliness can be easily effected by rigid inspection by the track foremen. Next comes a neatly ballasted platform, a little whitewash on the sills, renewal of old sills with ties or bridge timber that ordinarily would be burned or piled in the storage yard. Add a few buckets of paint. Then offer a small prize and half the problem has been solved.

Next it may be observed that flower seeds are cheap and vine seeds are cheaper. A flower box with a few hardy plants or a vine is living publicity of the best sort. Or better still, a small flower plot arranged in an emblematic fashion with a slogan of the road, spelled with flowers. Fix to the wall a neat publicity board, the messages on which are frequently changed, and then by reason of the new ensemble sit back and watch how the wind shifts. No station is so isolated but some adaptation of this scheme is not practical. More often the rule than the exception, the community that is served will furnish the protective measures and. more than likely, some of the maintenance effort necessary to make the portal a show place. With such a decorative setting the station becomes not only the portal to the company's service but a gateway to the community of which every citizen will be proud. Make these silent sentinels monuments to the progressive principles of the industry. Silence is golden if the gold is there.

Daily Cleaning Keeps Cars Bright



No. 1. Ventilator sides and sign windows are wiped carefully with cheesecloth.

with cheesecloth.

No. 2. Applying soap suds and scrubbing cleans all parts.

No. 3. After scrubbing, the cars are rinsed carefully with a special brush and are then squeegeed to remove all streaks.



No. 4. Two types of scrubbing brushes are commonly u'sed. A small furniture brush reaches corners and inaccessible places.

No. 5. Wetting down the exterior of a car is the first operation in the general cleaning.



Methods of the Third Avenue Railway, New York City, Provide for Daily
Washing of Car Exteriors When These Become Spotted or Dirty
from Traffic or Weather Conditions

By J. S. McWhirter

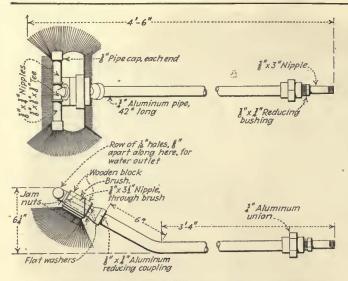
Superintendent of Equipment Third Avenue Railway System, New York, N. Y.

PECIAL provision has been made so that carscan be cleaned frequently on the lines of the Third Avenue Railway System, New York City, in order to keep the company's rolling stock in the most attractive condition possible and also to prevent deterioration. Much of the track of this company is under elevated railway structures, where, during rainstorms or in the winter, there is dripping from the structure onto the cars. Even when there is no actual rain the windows and sides of the cars get a muddy appearance which is most undesirable. Also, during the summer considerable dirt and iron rust from the structure fall to the roofs of passing cars. Whenever there is a rainstorm, this washes from the roof down on the sides and the windows and produces a streaked appearance.

In order to provide for frequent cleaning, each carhouse has been equipped with a washing system. Cars are washed daily if conditions warrant. When there is a rainstorm or when cars begin returning to the carhouse dirty or with a streaked, muddy appearance all cars are washed. The usual practice is to do this washing as the cars return to the carhouses after the peak-load periods.

One track at each carhouse has been equipped for washing. Drains and a concrete floor have been placed in this section. The drain extends along each side of the track in the form of a trough 10 in. wide by 12 in. deep and sloped to empty into a sump, from which a 3-in. pipe runs directly into the sewer. The drain extends for a length of about 50 ft. on either side of the wash track and the center is about 2 ft. outside the nearest rail. The drain is covered with a steel grating whose top is flush with the concrete floor, thus giving a level surface for

Special aluminum handled brush used for providing a spray at the brush surface



Construction used for special aluminum handled brush

the men who do the washing as well as making the floor look neat.

At each location are four hose connections to the city water system so that four men can work at the same time. In an accompanying illustration, which shows the washing track at the West Farms carhouse, two of the water connections are alongside the shop wall, since the wash track is the first from the wall. The other two water connections, which come between tracks,



are in the floor. These have removable covers for making the hose connection which can be replaced with the hose passing through a hole in the cover. Each hose has a length of 50 ft. so that all parts of the outside of the car can be reached readily. Ordinarily with four men a 43-ft. city car can be washed in 1½ minutes. Where cars do not come in at such a rapid rate two men can do the washing in about $2\frac{1}{2}$ minutes per car.

A convenient brush for the washing is used which has a special construction with a pipe connection over the top to provide a spray of water at city pressure. The brush handle is made of \(\frac{3}{4}\)-in. aluminum pipe and is 42 in. long. The lower end is provided with an aluminum union and a nipple for attachment of the hose. The upper end passes through the brush and then has a T-shaped connection of 3-in. aluminum pipe 10 in. long just at the upper face of the brush, with a row of 1/8-in. holes spaced § in. apart along the side next to the brush. The water is forced out of these holes with considerable pressure and passes along the front side and into the brush. The spray of water itself is very effective for removing dirt and the rubbing of the brush, which also keeps filled with water, will remove any hard particles. The brush used is a No. H-701, manufactured by the Whiting Adams Company, New York, N. Y. An accompanying drawing shows the method of fastening the brush to the handle and the provisions for spraying the water and attaching the hose. The aluminum pipe is very light and lessens the fatigue of the workmen.

With four men washing a car, two start at one vestibule corner and work in opposite directions. The other two start at the diagonally opposite corner and work toward the first two. Each man wears a rubber coat, boots, hat and gloves.

All parts of cars in service are cleaned thoroughly and are scrubbed once each month. The wash room at the West Farms carhouse, which is typical, is provided with three tracks and is 30 ft. wide by about 60 ft. long. The floors are of concrete and are sloped to sumps for drainage, so that the water runs directly into the sewer.

To provide for efficient washing of cars during cold weather, the wash room is heated by a blower system. Air is heated over steam pipes in the boiler room and then blown through ducts. A 16-in. diameter pipe runs from the blower underground and from this risers are provided, each 10 in. x 20 in. The washing room has four outlets. The equipment and methods used are shown in accompanying illustrations.

For the general monthly cleaning the five men assigned to the work at the West Farms carhouse average thirteen or fourteen cars daily. One works inside rubbing off moldings, etc., with cheesecloth, one cleans the vestibules, two scrub and wash the outsides and one uses a squeegee, after rinsing. The brushes with the special aluminum handle and attachment for spraying the water are used advantageously in this general cleaning.

In cleaning the outside of the car all parts are first wet down by means of the aluminum handled brush. Little rubbing is done, as the water is simply sprayed on, the pressure as it comes out of the small openings being sufficient so that all parts of the car can be reached readily. After the exterior has been wet down a soap solution is applied. This solution is made up in advance and is kept in a barrel in one corner of the



General view of the wash room at the West Farms carhouse of the Third Avenue System

wash room. A 14-qt. pail of Amberzo vegetable soap, made by the Hildreth Varnish Company, New York City, is dissolved in a barrel of water. A pint of this solution is used to each 14-qt. pail of water for use on the car bodies. The soap solution is applied to the car body by round car washing brushes with handles of different lengths for reaching various parts conveniently. All of the brushes used are purchased from Whiting Adams, New York City.

Following the application of the soap suds, the exterior is scrubbed thoroughly with a flat floor scrubbing brush for large surfaces and a furniture rubbing brush to fit into the various corners and around moldings, window openings, etc. After the scrubbing, the rinsing is done with the aluminum handled brush, with considerable rubbing to make certain that all soap is removed. An ordinary type of squeegee, such as is commonly used for window washing, completes the outside washing program and prevents streaks while drying. After this the ventilator sash and side windows are wiped carefully with cheesecloth.

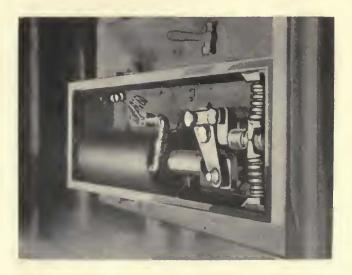
While the exterior of the car is being washed, men are busy inside. Platforms, vestibules, stanchions and similar parts are given the same scrubbing and washing as the exterior. Roofs are also given the same regular scrubbing. For washing the insides of windows of the car body a counter brush is used with plain water. No soap is used inside the car. Moldings, lamps, seats and other interior fittings are wiped with dry cheesecloth. It should be mentioned that cane seats are removed and scrubbed at the time the car goes through the shop on its regular painting schedule, and so the only attention given them during the monthly cleaning is to wipe off carefully and make certain that there is no oil or other material on them which might damage the passengers' clothing and so result in damage suits afterward. The flooring inside the car is flushed out with a hose. In all the interior washing particular care is exercised to make certain that water is not slopped or directed so as to reach any of the electrical apparatus.

This same general plan of washing is carried out at the ten carhouses of the Third Avenue system. The number of men at each varies, due to the differing numbers of cars maintained.

Knoxville Installs Electric Switch of New Type

RECENTLY a new electrically operated track switch designed and patented by Charles A. Walker, electrical superintendent, Knoxville Power & Light Company, Knoxville, Tenn., was placed in service in that city. The first unit was constructed in the shops of the company.

As outlined in the patent application, the points of superiority claimed are that the electrical mechanism is contained within the non-magnetic casing, which can be filled with oil. The equipment thus inclosed is placed below the street surface in the usual manner, and the operating levers are connected directly with the switch point.



Mechanism of a new type of electric track switch developed in Nashville, Tenn.

It is claimed that the non-magnetic casing will be noncorrosive as well and the oil filling will prevent trouble due to moisture, either from leakage or from sweating. Suitable connections are made by which the wires are taken from the underground box by conduit to the side of the street, where connection is made with the trolley contacts in a conventional manner.



Welding Track Without Car Delays

Tracks May Be Kept in First-Class Condition by Welding with a Moderate Expenditure of Maintenance Funds — This Also Permits Effective Emergency Repairs to Be Made Speedily and Obviates Delays

By Edwin P. Goucher

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AINTENANCE and construction work on the lines of the Capital Traction Company, Washington, D. C., is not allowed to interfere with the operation of the cars. Of course at times a delay of two or three minutes cannot be avoided, but a delay of four or five minutes means an investigation and possibly a reprimand to the guilty party. Cars are never rerouted in order to carry on construction work. Rerouting causes annoyance to passengers and perhaps requires a longer time for them to reach their destination. The installation of new track is done at night, after the last scheduled car has passed, and the track must be ready for the first regular car in the morning. If owl service is operated on the line in question the owl car is run in both directions on the adjacent track.

In this age of efficiency and economy it would be difficult to visualize what would result from a complete cessation of all practices and means of welding. This art as applied with present-day methods undoubtedly is saving millions of dollars annually in the maintenance costs for the electric railway industry alone. Not many years ago when a frog became badly worn, or a rail head broke, there was nothing else to do but buy a new frog or cut in a new piece of rail. Present-day welding methods have changed all this. On most properties a frog or switch, before being scrapped and replaced, has been built up with the arc at least once and possibly two or three times.

The Capital Traction Company is a firm believer in the value of welding as a means of reducing operating costs and making emergency repairs to obviate service delays. Three welders are kept busy practically the entire year building up worn frogs, cupped joints, worn guard rails and other miscellaneous work. Practically all of the tracks in the city of Washington are of the underground conduit type. Special work costs from six to ten times as much as similar layouts for the regular surface construction, so any one familiar with the savings effected by making welding repairs on surface track special work may readily understand that

this amount must be very much greater when the repairs are made on the conduit type of track. The saving alone in interest on investments probably more than carries all the costs of the welding equipment and labor expended in making these repairs.

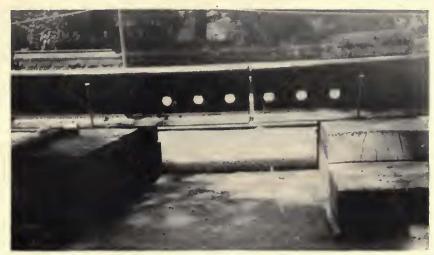
As an example, there is a double-track crossing on the lines of the Capital Traction Company that will be renewed complete this year. This crossing was scheduled for renewal in 1925, but by means of electric arc welding it was possible to hold it over until 1927. This job will cost installed about \$21,000 and the interest for that amount for two years at 6 per cent is about \$2.500.

The ever-increasing need for labor and time-saving equipment has resulted in the development of many new machines for various classes of work, and in my opinion one of the most important is the welding outfit mounted on an automobile truck. The old way of towing or hauling the welding machine to the job and back again, leaving the operator and his helper to shift for themselves during the day, is fast becoming a thing of the past. The time wasted while the machine is moved from place to place by the men is too costly, not

to say anything about the lost time occasioned while waiting for a truck to move the outfit a mile or two to another job.

Broken rail heads, frogs, etc., are discovered usually by some one in the construction or maintenance forces, but quite often a trainman will report this condition before any one else has noticed it, possibly shortly after the break occurred. Repairs are made immediately if the nature of the break is at all apt to cause a delay to the cars. If of a minor nature, a welder is usually allowed to finish the job on which he is working before leaving for the other location.

Metallic arc welding is used for this class of work on our lines. For ordinary cupped rails, worn guards and manganese plates a high carbon rod is used. Where the break requires a large deposit of metal, such as a broken rail head, a low carbon rod is used to build up the metal to within about § in. of the running surface and the harder rod is used to complete the weld. We find this method superior to the use of the high carbon rod throughout the weld, and of course the low carbon rod is not suitable for use where it will be subjected to wear.









Several rail lengths are thermit welded at the side of the track and then are installed as one piece

At top—Ralls set up ready for mold boxes. At left—Mold boxes in position ready for welding 122-lb. A.E.R.E.A. 7-in. trilby rail. In center—Thermit reaction taking place.
At right—Weld after removal of mold boxes and before it is cleaned in.

The Capital Traction Company has now standardized on thermit joints for new construction. While this method of welding presents no serious difficulty on the average property, to those of us operating the conduit system it is quite a problem. We cannot install portable crossovers wherever we wish and divert traffic to one track, nor can we lay temporary track on which to operate cars.

First and foremost in the minds of all Capital Traction employees is the understanding that the cars must not be delayed. Our livelihood depends on the cars and avoidable delays are inexcusable. We have effectually solved the thermit welding problem by welding four to six rails together outside the track, installing them as one piece and welding the intermediate joints at night between 1 a.m. and 5 a.m. This adds materially to the cost per joint as compared to other methods, but we feel that the increased value of the thermit joint is worth the difference. Thermit is also used in the construction of frogs, crossings, repairing broken switch and frog arms and in making compromise joints.

Cutting, brazing and welding with the oxyacetylene torch is now another large factor in track maintenance. This is probably more true of conduit track maintenance than of surface track, due to the increased use of iron and steel in the conduit type of construction. Each of the Capital Traction welders has a complete gas cutting and welding outfit in addition to the regular arc welding equipment. Frequently the combined use of these two methods results in a considerable saving in time.

When present-day traffic conditions are taken into consideration, the wonder is that any trackwork can be repaired or reconstructed without great expense for labor. This would undoubtedly be the case were the hand methods of past years still in use. But labor-saving tools have been developed and are being used to such an extent that instead of an increase, there actually has been a reduction of about 40 per cent in labor hours expended per foot of track on reconstruction work. The decrease of 40 per cent has been the experience of this company, and when this percentage is applied to present labor rates, we can see an actual saving in labor alone of more than \$20,000 per mile of

conduit track reconstruction, as compared with similar work before we had labor-saving equipment.

While welding equipment cannot be credited with a substantial part of this saving, it nevertheless plays a very important part in the upkeep and maintenance of the road, and in my opinion is probably responsible for as great a saving in that particular field as are our air compressors, derricks, etc., when used on construction work.

Dynamometers Regulate Tension of Trolley Wire

ON THE Boston Elevated System about 50 per cent of the trolley-wire breaks are due to fatigue, or crystallization. These are caused by the moving up and down of the wire at points of attachment and by vibrations set up in the wire by passing trolley wheels.

Many more of this class of breaks occur during the months of high temperature than during the low temperature months. For example, in June, July and August, 1926, there were 38 breaks of this nature, and in January, February and December there were nineteen breaks. In winter the wire is tight, due to contraction, and in the summer it is slack, due to expansion. This indicates that the tightness of the trolley wire has much to do with the development of crystallization.

Last September dynamometers were furnished each line maintenance crew, and the trolley wires are now pulled to tensions according to temperature, as follows:

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Wire pulled to these tensions will have at zero temperature approximately 3 in. of sag in a 100-ft. section and $7\frac{3}{4}$ in. sag at 120 deg.

Previous to the use of these instruments the trolley wire was pulled until the men considered it tight, the wire being pulled to the same degree of tightness in winter as in summer, hence wire installed during cold weather was very slack in summer.

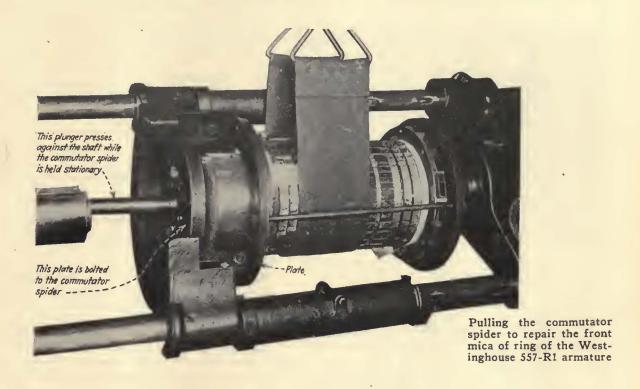


Cutting with the oxyacetylene torch produces savings in track maintenance

Preventing Flashovers

Is an Important Part of

Commutator Maintenance*



Shellacking Mica V-Rings at Frequent Intervals Produces a Hard, Glossy Coating to Which Dirt and Carbon Dust Will Not Adhere Readily—Creepage Currents Are Decreased with Reduction in Flashovers

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LASHING over of the current from the commutator bars of railway motor armatures to the front metal V-ring is due largely to the presence of oil and moisture on the insulation. This tends to collect dirt and carbon dust, which mixture acts as a good conductor for creepage currents. Each flashover consumes part of the bond in the insulation as well as carbonizing the oil which may exist in or on the mica V-ring. This will permit an increase in flow of creepage current between the bars which eventually will become a small arc. When this occurs it soon will

decrease the dielectric strength of the ring and at some future time ground the commutator.

As "an ounce of prevention is worth a pound of cure," the prevention of grounded commutators and the flow of creepage current on the front mica V-ring is quite as important as methods of repairing grounds. It is good practice to make the surface of the mica V-ring as smooth as possible, so that the dirt and carbon dust will not adhere readily to it.

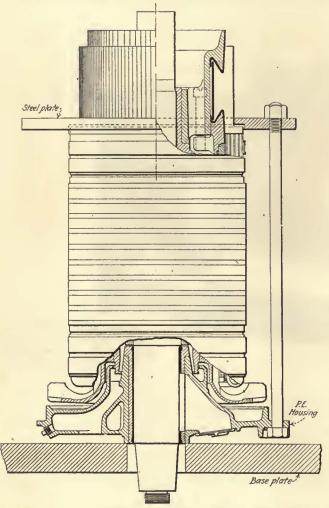
REPAIRING PITTED BARS

If the front ends of the copper bars are badly pitted they should be machined so that the mica is flush with the copper. It will do no harm to take in in from the bars. The front edge of the commutator face should not come to a sharp corner, but should be rounded off so that it will have a radius of at least in to in. A sharp corner increases the number of flashovers be-

^{*}This is the seventh of a series of articles on commutators for railway motors. The others were: Choosing Materials for Railway Motor Commutators, published Aug. 21, 1926; Important Considerations in Replacing Commutator Bars, published Oct. 23, 1926; Accurate Machining of the V's of Assembled Commutators Is Essential, published Nov. 20, 1926; Mica V-Rings and Bushings Have Important Functions in Commutators, published Dec. 18, 1926; Methods and Equipment for Efficient Assembling of Commutators, published Jan. 15, 1927, and Soldering of Railway Motor Commutators, published Feb. 19, 1927.

cause the electrical potential tends to build up on sharp edges. When an unbalanced voltage condition occurs in the operation of the motor a flashover from the sharp edge of the commutator face to some metal part of the motor will result. This flashover always leaves a pitted place on this part of the commutator.

The mica V-ring should be cleaned carefully with sandpaper, making sure that no dirt remains on the mica in the corner next to the commutator bars. Dirt



Fixture for holding bars in position when removing the commutator spider. This is for use with armatures similar to Westinghouse 557-R1 and 587-D5

should also be removed from the groove between the front end of the mica V-ring and the metal V-ring.

The front mica V-ring should be brushed, also, with a coat of heavy pure orange shellac and a smooth layer of soft four-ply twine wound on closely, pulling the ends through with a loop to fasten. It is best to place the mica V-ring protection on the commutator before the armature has been dipped and is ready to be placed in the baking oven. This will permit the protection to be baked at the same time. The essential feature is that the V-ring protection be thoroughly hardened before the armature is placed in operation.

This twine should be covered with three coats of shellac, ironing each coat in thoroughly with a hot iron. The first coat should be very thin so that it will penetrate the twine thoroughly. After the shellac has become hard it should be covered with a coat of black glossy baking varnish and baked thoroughly. This will leave a hard, glossy surface which can easily be kept free from dirt,

moisture, oil and carbon dust. After hardening of the third coat of shellac some operators use one or more coats of commutator compound. This should cover the front ends of the bars, making a fillet of large radius between them and the mica V-ring and filling the groove between the front end of the mica V-ring and the metal V-ring. A commutator compound should resist oil and moisture as well as withstand flashovers. Some operators have found a satisfactory composition to be plaster of paris, dextrine and shellac, applied directly on the mica V-ring. However, a compound made of an iron oxide preparation gives better results.

In some shops it may not be convenient to bake the armature when applying mica V-ring protection. A good grade of air drying varnish should then be used instead of a baking varnish. The average commutator compound on the market will harden in four or five hours without being baked.

At every regular motor inspection period the mica V-ring protection should be cleaned. This can be done by wiping with a cloth dampened with gasoline. If this is carried out grounded commutators will be decreased.

METHODS OF REMOVING GROUNDS

Commutator grounds are more frequent in the front V than in the rear V. Sometimes it may be necessary only to remove the front mica V-ring, while at other times the commutator may be burned so badly that one or more bars will have to be replaced and the front metal V-ring repaired. Any holes burned in the metal V-ring should be built up by welding and finishing so that the mica ring will have a uniform seat.

Where the front metal is detachable the work of repairing the ground without disturbing the armature winding is very simple. Repair of commutators having the detachable metal V-ring in the rear is slightly more complicated. To replace the front mica V-ring in this type of commutator the commutator spider must be removed. At a glance one would think it necessary to remove the armature leads from the commutator to remove the complete commutator. With an inexpensive fixture this can be done without disturbing the commutator bars or the armature winding, as shown in an accompanying illustration.

A steel plate is made which fits against the front end of the assembled segments. It should have an offset so that the brush face of the commutator segments will hold it in a central position. The plate should have holes the same in number and size and on the same bolt circle as the pinion end housing.

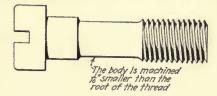
To hold the commutator bars several turns of steel banding wire should be wrapped on a paper in the groove in front of the neck and be soldered in one spot. The pinion end housing can then be assembled on the armature shaft and the armature placed in an upright position. With the steel plate on the front end of the assembled segments bolted to the pinion end housings by means of long bolts, the commutator bolts can be removed and the commutator spider pressed out in a suitable press.

With this fixture it is possible to hold the commutator bars against the rear V-ring, thereby keeping them in position, while taking out the commutator spider. If several commutator bars are to be renewed the armature should be placed in an upright position after the commutator spider has been pulled before the banding wire is cut and the fixture removed. Should it be

necessary only to replace the mica V-ring the fixture and banding wire should not be removed.

When several of the bars are burned badly they should be replaced. A simple method of preparing new bars is to remove the damaged bars, together with an undamaged adjacent bar for a pattern. By clamping the unfinished bar in a vise with the pattern bar it can be trimmed to approximately the outline of the pattern. If the V's have been rough sawed or punched, the amount of filing may be reduced by taking an extracut with a hacksaw. A new mica strip should be cut to the same size as the unfinished bar and fastened to the copper with a thin coat of heavy pure orange shellac. By clamping the unfinished bar and the pattern in a vise with a mica strip between them, the V's of the new bar can be filed to the same size as the pattern bar. The radius in the V's can be finished with a small rat-tail file and the bars are ready.

After assembling the new bars in the commutator the fixture should be put back on so as to hold the bars in position while the spider is being replaced. The armature leads should not be put in the slots of the new bars until the commutator has been tightened. Long headless stud bolts with a finished body should be screwed into the rear detachable V-ring before pressing the commutator spider onto the armature spider. These studs will serve as guides, accurately locating the bolt holes. After the commutator spider has been pressed on the armature shaft the studs should be replaced by the regular commutator bolts. Next the alignment of the bars should be checked in order to insure good commutation. It is also essential that the commutator be heated to at least 100 deg. C. before the bolts are drawn tight. This will soften the bond in the mica, permitting it to adjust itself to the irregu-



Commutator bolt designed to eliminate breakage

larities of the metal parts and making it possible to obtain a tight commutator. A higher temperature should not be permitted as the armature coil insulation will deteriorate.

Bolt failures often are due to excessive length. The bolt strikes the bottom of the hole before the commutator is tight. The man tightening the commutator, not knowing of this, subjects the bolt to an excessive strain. To make sure that this does not happen, it is advisable to place the detachable steel V-ring in its final position and draw the commutator bolts tight before the commutator is assembled. This will show whether they are too long.

Breakage of commutator bolts can be decreased by machining the body approximately the in. smaller than the root diameter of the threads. If the body of the bolt is larger than the thread root any twisting effect or expansion will occur at the end of the thread, causing a break at this point. If the body of the bolt is smaller the expansion and twisting effect will be distributed over the entire length of the bolt. The seat of the bolt near the head should be sufficiently large to insure a good contact in the detachable steel V-ring.

Electrically Heated Pots in Babbitt Department

Some months ago the Pittsburgh Railways reorganized its Homewood shop and concentrated all of the maintenance work there, including all the rebabbitting of bearings. After some study it was decided to install four Westinghouse automatic electrically heated babbitt melting pots of 750 lb. capacity each. These pots were grouped as shown in the accompanying illustration.



Relining an armature bearing in the new babbitting department of the Pittsburgh Railways

The two in the foreground contain armature bearing metal, the two in the rear metal for the journal babbitt. These pots have sufficient capacity to take care of all the bearings needed daily for the Pittsburgh Railways system, which operates approximately 1,250 passenger cars in addition to its miscellaneous equipment.

The automatic feature is convenient, as the danger of under or over heating metal is eliminated. At 6 o'clock in the morning the shop watchman turns on the current and by the time the men arrive for work at 7:30 the babbitt is at correct temperature for use. The automatic feature keeps it at this temperature until quitting time at night.

Under the system previously used two babbitt rooms were maintained. Gas heating was used and six men were employed solely on bearing work. At present two men take care of this department and have made it what the gentleman in the illustration calls "the show place of the shop," as well as a very efficient section.

Route Numbers for Public Service Cars

ALL cars operating in the Essex Division of Public Service Railway, Newark, N. J., henceforth will carry route numbers in addition to other signs indicating destinations. Cars of the Central line are already equipped and those of other lines will follow.

A sign with numbers in white on a blue background will be placed on the right-hand front corner of the roof of each car, one number facing the front and another the side.

Public Service bus lines have carried route numbers for some time, routes being designated by even numbers. Street car lines will be designated by odd numbers and bus lines and car lines operating in the same territory will as far as possible carry contiguous numbers.



Inspection Methods that Made Possible

100 Per Cent Operation

On Dec. 20, Last Year, the Chicago Surface Lines Operated All of Its Passenger Cars and for Three Days Following This 99.97 Per Cent Were Operated

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PERATION of 100 per cent of all passenger cars owned by an electric street railway company is considered remarkable, but when this record is established by one of the largest street railway systems it is an achievement—something that did not "just happen," but the result of plans carefully worked out and details followed to the end. Therefore, the task imposed upon the shops and equipment department of the Chicago Surface Lines was by no means a light one. This was referred to briefly in an article in ELECTRIC RAILWAY JOURNAL for Jan. 1, 1927, page 10.

During the late summer and fall months special inspection and attention were given to all parts of the electrical equipment. All main fuse boxes were overhauled and inspected carefully. The terminals were tightened and renewed where necessary, insulating partitions and barriers were cleaned and boxes were given a coat of good insulating paint, inside and out.

Motor junction boxes and terminal boards were cleaned out thoroughly. All terminals, terminal screws and sleeves on the end of motor leads were checked and •

put in first-class condition. Also the motor leads themselves were thoroughly inspected, broken insulation was repaired and leads were renewed where necessary and repainted.

The rheostats were tested for weak insulation and cleaned. The rods tightened, all leads were examined closely and the terminals were tightened. The wooden supporting sticks were cleaned thoroughly and then repainted. Any that were found charred near the bolts. due to current leakage from defective rheostats, were renewed.

Electric heaters were blown out with air, the supports were tightened, the heater coils checked, terminals tightened and coils or heaters renewed where necessary. Thermostats and thermostat switches were inspected, contacts renewed where necessary and all parts tightened. Heater fuse boxes received a special inspection and all weak or burned fuse clips were renewed.

All air tanks were given a hydrostatic pressure test equal to 1½ times the working pressure. Then they were thoroughly painted and a new strip of canvas, soaked in

paint previously, was installed between the tanks and their supporting bands and hangers. The safety valves were tested and governor settings were checked. At the same time all air gages were checked by the method of installing a master air gage in the air line.

All car wiring and motors were tested carefully with instruments. This is the regular practice in our shops at general inspection periods.

Truck and car body inspection and repairs were also given closer attention than usual. Material and supplies were prepared in sufficient quantities to meet all requirements. Corner posts, vestibule posts and other parts were painted and kept in stock, ready for installation when required.

At the carhouse foremen's semi-monthly conferences the importance of putting all cars and equipment in the best possible condition was stressed and time and again it was pointed out that it was the duty of every one concerned to believe in himself and in the value and necessity of his work.

With the work in the shops reduced as cars were not taken in for general overhauling, workmen were transferred to the carhouses, to assist in making repairs to



Terminals as well as fuses were given careful attention

cars having damage done to the body, vestibule, etc., with the result that a total of 182 cars were repaired and placed in rush-hour service during the four days preceding Christmas Eve, as shown in the accompanying table.

When it is considered that more than 20 per cent of the cars in use have two-motor equipments and a failure of any kind would put a car out of service the standard of maintenance is self-evident.

With the 100 new cars delivered during the year and available, the work in connection with overhauling cars was kept up until Dec. 7. No cars were taken into the shops for overhauling after that date. There were in the two shops on Dec. 1 67 cars for overhauling and

54 cars for damages and other repairs, or a total of 121.

On Dec. 7, the last day that cars were taken in for overhauling, there were 55 cars undergoing overhauling and 35 in for damage repairs, a total of 90 cars in

CARS REPAIRED AT CAR STATIONS AND SHOPS AND PLACED IN RUSH-HOUR SERVICE, DEC. 20 TO 23, INCLUSIVE

12-20 12-21 12-22 12-23 Tots 47 39 46 50 182



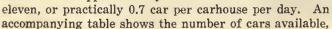
Motor lead junction boxes were inspected carefully and all connectors tightened



All parts of controllers received special attention on inspection

the two shops. This total was reduced to zero on Dec. 20 and increased again to one car on Dec. 21, 22 and 23, due to one car being sent in each day with heavy damages, which could not be completed before the rush-hour period.

During the month of November at the sixteen carhouses approximately 25 cars per day were held in for repairs during the rush-hour period, or about 1.5 cars per carhouse. This number was reduced, so that from Dec. 1 to 19 the number of cars held in daily for repairs at carhouses during the rush hour was approximately





Heaters were blown out with compressed air and all supports, terminals and coils were tightened

the cars at the sixteen operating carhouses were available and operated during the rush-hour period on four consecutive days. As far as is known by the writer, this record has never been equaled.

The co-operation of the

The co-operation of the transportation department with the shops and equipment department in the careful handling and operation of the equipment was of course essential, and it was through a complete understanding and co-ordinating of interests that the exceptional results were accomplished. All operators entered into the work with enthusiasm and by careful

handling of mechanical and electrical apparatus failures due to service abuses were reduced materially. The primary objective of the entire organization was to keep cars in service and to avoid delays that would inconvenience passengers.

The high class of maintenance work that formed an essential part of the continuous program for putting car equipment in first class condition through regular overhauling and careful attention to maintenance details provided a substantial foundation for such an undertaking. Many defects were discovered before they actually produced trouble and so the real work of repairs was reduced. Also by providing a supply of spare parts and equipment ahead of time, defective parts could be replaced quickly and the actual work of repairs made during periods when more attention could be given to the work. By providing a maintenance program so as to make all cars available for service during the periods of maximum load an investment in extra equipment to take care of proper service was avoided.

CARS AVAILABLE AND OPERATED BY CHICAGO SURFACE LINES DEC. 1 TO DEC. 23, 1926, INCLUSIVE

					No. of		Cars		
	No. Cars	Per	No. Cars	Per	Cars in	Per	in	Per	
Date	Available	Cent	Operated	Cent	Carhouses	Cent	Shops	Cent	
12- 1	3,490	95.9	3,384	93.0	28	0.8	121	3.3	
12- 8	3,557	97.7	3.497	96.1	6	0,2	76	2.1	
12-15	3,621	99.5	3,589	98.6	2	0.06	16	0.44	
12-16	3,619	99.45	3,597	98.8	5	0.14	15	0.41	
12-17	3,625	99.61	3,597	98.8	5	0.14	9	0.25	
12-20	3,639	100.0	3,639	100.0	0	0	0	0.00	
12-21	3,638	99.97	3,638	99.97	0	0	1	0.03	
12-22	3,638	99.97	3,638	99.97	0	0	1	0.03	
12-23	3,638	99.97	3,638	99.97	0	0	″1	0.03	

number of cars operated and number of cars in carhouses and shops from Dec. 1 to 23 inclusive.

It will be noted from the table that on the four days immediately preceding Christmas Eve there were no cars held in for repairs at any of the carhouses during the rush-hour period. This means that 100 per cent of





Many small tools such as concrete breakers and tampers are used in track maintenance by the Pittsburgh Railways

Pittsburgh's Track Repair Organization Permits No Delay to Service

The Construction and Maintenance Sections of the Way and Structures Division Work with the Municipalities Through Which the Company Operates and Meet the Various Schedules of Improvements that Are Undertaken

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NDER the new organization of the Pittsburgh Railways all maintenance and construction of track is handled by the maintenance of way and structures division of the operating department. This department is headed by a superintendent reporting directly to the general manager. In order to meet the heavy demands for new track and also to keep the present tracks in good, safe operating condition the work is divided between the maintenance and construction sections, each of which is headed by a superintendent reporting to the department head. maintenance section deals chiefly with the repairs of track and paving and the installation of small jobs of special work needed for renewals. The construction section does the larger renewal and construction jobs, as this department is especially equipped for the purpose with modern labor-saving devices. The personnel of the construction section is made up of a superintendent, three general foremen and ten construction

foremen. The number of men employed throughout the season will vary between 150 and 250, depending upon the quantity of work on hand.

The equipment of this department consists of four Thew shovels mounted on standard car wheels, three one-bag concrete mixers, two large 10-in. x 10-in. air compressors, three 6-ton steam rollers, two complete thermit welding outfits, six steel Differential dump cars and many smaller tools, such as pneumatic concrete breakers and tampers. All of this equipment except the steam rollers is operated with direct current taken from the trolley wire. In moving the shovels and concrete mixers from place to place the motive power is supplied by one of the dump cars. The air compressors and welding outfits are mounted on singletruck motor cars and so can move readily from place to place under their own power. The steam rollers are transported on flat cars, generally pulled by a dump car. Supplementing all this equipment is a Universal crane



Preparing new track foundations in West Liberty near Pioneer Street

mounted on a 5-ton Mack motor truck and also an electrically operated crane mounted on a double-truck car body. These two cranes are also used whenever needed by the maintenance department in the installation of special work jobs.

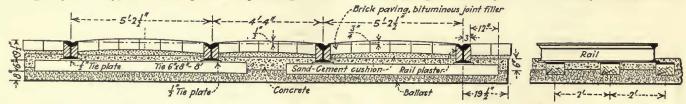
In 1924, when the Pittsburgh Railways was removed from the receivership, the agreement entered into with the city of Pittsburgh provided a blanket annual payment of \$300,000 in lieu of paving charges, taxes, etc. It states that the work of repaving brought about by track removal or replacement, maintenance of track or car operation shall be done by the railway under the plans and specifications submitted to and approved by the director of public works. In case the mileage of track operated in the city is increased or decreased, either by annexation of contiguous territory or by construction or removal of tracks by the company, then the yearly payments as provided shall be increased or decreased proportionately.

After the signing of this agreement by the city of Pittsburgh the railway immediately presented the same proposition to the various boroughs and townships in which it had tracks upon paved streets. As a result there are now, including the city of Pittsburgh and Allegheny County, 38 municipalities operating under

this agreement. Also several agreements are in effect in which the railway company has agreed to install the concrete base and the municipalities to furnish the surface paving. Under the agreements the new track constructed by the railways is determined almost entirely by these municipalities in preparing their repaving schedule.

The main problem confronting the construction section was how best to meet these various schedules and improvements of the municipalities, working with them and their contractors in making these changes, and still work efficiently. Due to the wide range of territory served by the Pittsburgh Railways it was determined that the track to be built in the farthest outlying districts would be done by contractors, while the company's forces would operate within the city, or at least within a reasonable radius, in order to facilitate the transporting of equipment from one job to another. The railway next proceeded to prepare a schedule of the starting and finishing dates for certain sections of track on each job, arranged so as to conform with the starting dates used by the municipalities for the paving of the flank. In this way the railway was generally able to build one track and move to the next location while the municipalities' contractor finished the street flank on the first job, after which the railway would return and build the other track, which in turn would be followed by the street flank.

Since the various municipalities had several jobs scheduled to start at approximately the same date, the construction gang was divided into six units of approximately 25 men each. Thus all jobs could be under construction at the same time. In this case two jobs were handled by one general construction foreman, who moved his equipment from one job to another in the order in which they were needed. After certain experiments and slight rearranging of the schedule it was possible to place a shovel on a job, finish a stretch of grading, move to the next job and start grading again with but little lost time. The same procedure was used with the tamping and roller outfits, so that in all there was an almost continuous rotation of equipment. The welding gang necessarily followed closely with the final



Typical cross-section of track construction used by Pittsburgh Railways



Concrete used in track construction on East Street



Ballast in place on section of track on McClure Avenue

tamping operation on each job, pouring and grinding the necessary thermit welds.

This method created a tendency to improve the efficiency of each of these units by putting them on a competitive basis, as each had to keep up in order to permit moving upon scheduled time to the next job. Doing the work in this manner resulted in an almost uniform speed of about 650 ft. of finished track per week by each gang throughout the construction season. In attaining these results the assistance and co-operation given by the municipalities and contractors was of the greatest importance. Also contributing to the success was the excellent condition of the construction equipment, which had been overhauled thoroughly by the individual operators in the railway shops during the previous winter shutdown.

As is usual with all schedules, many things arose which had not been anticipated. There developed, as the season progressed, certain improvements which were deemed necessary and which necessitated the construction or rebuilding of some track. These were fitted into the schedule as well as possible, and whenever the construction gangs were too busily engaged to take care of the work it was allotted to the maintenance section and carried through in that way.

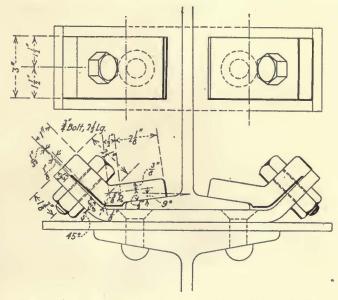
There were also quite a few jobs which required a little extra attention and in which more than ordinary conditions covering track reconstruction had to be met. A few examples of this will give some idea of this:

In placing the rail across the Ninth Street bridge it was determined to use thermit-welded joints. As this bridge has a steel deck upon which had been fastened clips to receive the rail it was necessary that the rail first be laid on ties, the entire length welded, then dropped into place on the clips and bolted into position. The design of these clips is shown in an accompanying sketch.

In another instance it was decided to reconstruct only one track in the center of a street where previously there had been two, and also that this should be done without any interference to traffic. This was accomplished by placing temporary crossovers, removing one track, taking out as much of the sub-grade for the new track as possible with a shovel and completing the grade by hand. This, of course, extended somewhat into the second track. The ties were then placed between the

ties of the old track and the new rails laid. After this it was a simple matter to make connections to the new track and tear out the section of the old track and then align the new track in its proper location.

In another instance it was necessary, due to county road improvement and the necessary installation of a large special work job at an important intersection, to unite both the maintenance and construction sections. These worked day and night to speed up the installation. With the



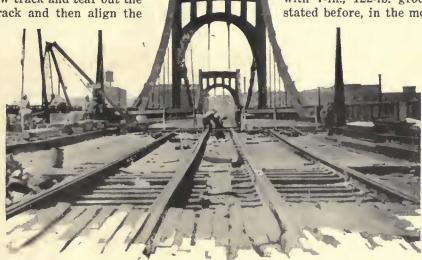
Type of clip used to hold rails on Ninth Street bridge

closing of the Sixth Street bridge it was decided to install an additional loop to assist in rerouting the cars formerly crossing the bridge. Here again the construction section found it necessary to build a track in a heavily congested district on a street where there already was one track which could not be disturbed until the new one and its connections had been completed. This situation was met by first constructing as much of the new track as possible and then during a night in which the cars were rerouted making the necessary connection at each end. At this time also the maintenance section was called in to assist, as extreme speed was necessary.

In summing up the results accomplished by this department it was found that in 1926 approximately 16 miles of single track was built in the city limits of Pittsburgh. The straight track in this total was built of 9-in., 134-lb. grooved girder rail laid on 8 in. of gravel ballast and 6-in. x 8-in. x 8-ft. oak ties. The joints were all made by the thermit-welding process. The special work in most cases consisted of 9-in., 152-lb. grooved rail placed on the same type of construction. Outside of the city of Pittsburgh some 14 miles of

single track was built, most of it using practically the same type of construction except with 7-in., 122-lb. grooved girder rail. As stated before, in the more outlying localities

> the track was built under contract. Of this there was a total of approximately 6½ miles. about 3½ miles of which was built in Glassport Borough, some 2 miles in the city of Washington, Pa., and 1 mile in the city of McKeesport. Thus a total of approximately 30 miles of single track was reconstructed last year on the system.



Reconstructing tracks on the Seventh Street bridge, Pittsburgh



After removal of grease and dirt with pumice stone, the surface is rinsed with warm water applied with a sponge

Frequent Painting Required for Modern Rolling Stock

Improved Methods Will Reduce Painting Costs so that Railways Can Afford to Paint Oftener—Cars Should Be Painted Once a Year

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worked out system for cleaning and frequent painting. Old-time methods produce a beautiful finish and long life for the paint, but with the present congested city traffic, which soon scratches and mars the surface, frequent painting is most essential. The older systems of painting were expensive and the piano finish which was secured is not needed for a street car. The most essential feature is an attractive appearance of the car as it is viewed from the sidewalk. By adapting methods that will reduce cost and keep the time of painting at a minimum, more frequent painting can be done economically.

Old-time car painting methods followed closely the practices used in fine carriage and coach building and the workmen were, for the most part, recruited from shops that built vehicles of that type. Such a workman had served for many years under an arduous apprenticeship, and only when able to take a carriage or coach and paint, varnish and stripe it completely, doing all the work alone and unaided, was he considered a "coach" painter.

On the United Railways & Electric Company of Baltimore some years ago such a method was standard, and cars as turned out were indeed attractive. An ac-

companying illustration shows a car painted in that manner. The lower panel was in cream with an orange-yellow broad and fine stripe. The upper panel was painted in dark Tuscan red with an aluminum broad and fine stripe. The broad aluminum stripe was edged in black. The belt rail, corner posts and intermediate posts were in cream color and the letterboard in Tuscan red. The doors and sash were all natural cherry, filled and varnished. The numbering and necessary lettering were aluminum stripe with black edging.

Higher wages increased the cost, and combined with the great length of time the vehicle was in the shop, it was felt necessary to study some means to reduce time and cost. The older method required after the priming coat, which was usually a lead and oil mixture, with the oil percentage large, three or four coats of "rough stuff" or surfacers. Each required about 24 hours for drying. After the last of these coats had stood for 24 hours, a carefully trained painter with a rubbing block and water brought the car surface to a high degree of smoothness. Great skill was required to prevent rubbing more at some points than others, which would produce low places that would show up when the final varnish coats were applied. After this one or two coats of body color were put on, and then the successive coats of varnish, which

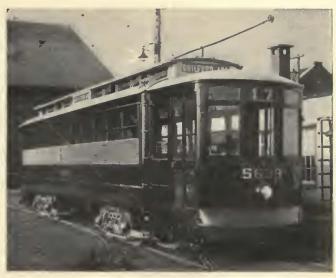
were also rubbed down, until the final coat, usually of finishing varnish, was applied. The numbers, lettering and decorations were put on after the first coat of rubbing varnish.

Considerable study and experiment showed that a great reduction could be made in the cost of painting cars by substituting the glazing coat of oil and white lead, made of such consistency that it would dry hard and sand smoothly. It was also found that enamel could be substituted for flat color and varnish coats. Exterior surfaces in natural woods, varnished only, while very attractive when new were difficult to keep that way and as a rule soon perished. Today almost universally such surfaces are painted, then varnished, as is the rest of the exterior of the car. Lettering and striping have been eliminated generally, and such as remain are applied in the decalcomania form. As might be expected, with the former high cost of painting, together with a painting period of approximately fourteen days, it was not possible to pass many cars per year through the paint shop. Hence the periods for successive shopping for paint were two to three years. As an average this was too long for best results, and instead of cars being improved in condition, every so often the undercoats were so defective as to require burning off. This added still more cost and time to the car painting. As a result of experience with the practices that we are now pursuing, it has been found that it is quite possible, at a fairly small cost per car, to send the cars to the paint shop ever; twelve months. Such fairly frequent attention keeps the exterior painted surfaces in an excellent state of preservation.

Of course, there occurs today, as a result of the congestion of vehicles in the crowded streets of our large cities, an unusual amount of damage to exteriors of cars, so that, no matter what care or cost has entered into the preparation of a painting job, the vehicle is liable to damage that will decidedly mar its appearance. It is evident that the least expensive method of painting, giving good appearance, is preferable to a more expensive method giving results of the old-time carriage work.

The following methods are now pursued in the painting of cars of the United Railways & Electric Company:

The foreman painter keeps a card index record of each car by number, filed according to the months in which they were painted. Thus, by looking through a group of cards, he knows

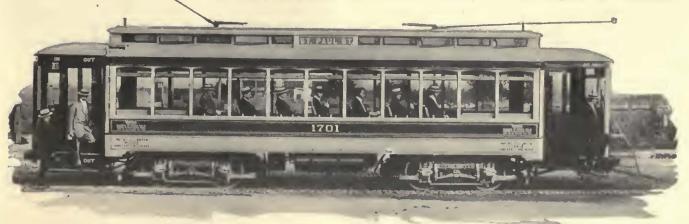


Simplified color schemes are the standard practice in Baltimore

almost instantly those cars which should be sent to the shop for painting. He prepares a list which is turned over to the foreman of the motor and truck shop, who has charge of the transferring crews, and is thus provided with cars to work upon.

METHOD USED FOR PAINTING A NEW CAR

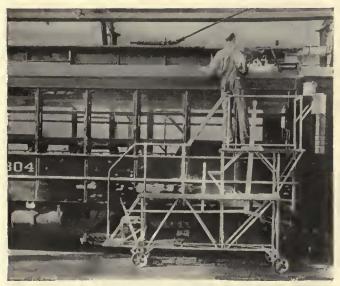
As the cars are brought to the paint shop they are examined by the carpenter shop representative, who fixes any loose or damaged panels or moldings, and does any other work of this nature required prior to painting. While this is going on the car trimmers remove seats, side-window screens and Hunter signs. In the meantime the roof painters have given the roof a coat of paint. A special type of portable scaffold has been found efficient for the painting of monitor sashes and side roofs. The car is cleaned on the outside, from top to bottom. In order that the car will clean more rapidly a coat of weak acid is placed on as much of the surface as is possible at one time with a 4 or 5-in, wall brush. Then follows a washing with liquid soap made of linseed oil and potash, put on with a brush. The cleaners next rub the surface with No. 1 steel wool to remove the dirt and grease. Around the heads of nuts and bolts it has been found that a little fine pumice stone will assist the removal of accumulated grease or dirt. With a sponge and lukewarm water, the surface is rinsed thoroughly. An accompanying illustration



Old-time painting methods gave much attention to striping and lettering

shows a portable scaffold, which has been designed specially so that two can work at the same time. When the upper portion of the side of the car has been finished, the remaining lower half is similarly finished by working from the floor.

As soon as the car has dried thoroughly, all the surfaces which exhibit cracks, nail holes, scars or other imperfections are coated with a lead and oil primer. This is also done on the first day. Any new moldings or panels inserted have been previously painted, so that only in rare instances is new wood encountered. Under a separate heading will be found a description of the painting from the raw wood up. On the second day, the car is given a coat of red enamel, cutting around numbering, lettering, and other decorations. Following the coat of enamel the car is given one coat of finishing varnish on the third day. In some instances, where cars are in good condition, with the surfaces not scratched or marred, it is possible to varnish the car without a coat of red enamel, and this saves one day. After standing for 24 hours the car is ready to receive



A portable scaffold has been found particularly efficient when painting monitor sashes and side roofs

seats, window screens, Hunter sign curtains, and other trimmings. On the fifth day the car is ready to be returned to service.

As soon as the exterior has been cleaned (usually the second day) the cleaners begin work on the interior of the car. Here great care is required. The use of acid is eliminated entirely and only upon exceptionally dirty spots is soap used. The work is begun on the ceiling, working down the sides of the car to the floor. The interior cleaning includes underside of hoods and vestibule ends. Accumulations of dirt, paper, etc., under longitudinal seats and such places are removed. After the interior cleaning has been finished, the paint shop foreman or his assistant examines the car and decides whether the interior condition warrants renovation or revarnishing. Should the varnished surfaces appear in good condition a special renovating oil is employed. If, on the other hand, the surfaces appear dull and unattractive, the car is varnished. The interior of the vestibule ends, however, usually receives such hard service that it is found desirable in nearly all cases to repaint the woodwork, using a solid color, imitation mahogany or natural cherry finish. Seat pedestals are

bronzed; stanchions, hand brake supports, etc., are then painted or enameled, and finally, on the same day that the car is given a coat of clear varnish, the floors are painted, so that both are drying simultaneously. Before the car is put back into service, all the windows are cleaned carefully and the excess paint is removed with the use of an old razor blade.

PAINTING FROM THE RAW WOOD UP REQUIRES SPECIAL TREATMENT

The practices followed on a car from the raw wood up differ from those already described. To the raw wood is first applied a primer made of two-thirds raw linseed oil and one-third pure whitelead. This is colored pink by the addition of a small amount of Tuscan red. After this has been allowed to stand 48 hours it is sanded with No. 1 sandpaper. Then the second coat of primer made of half linseed oil and half whitelead, which has also been colored, is put on. This second coat is allowed to stand 24 hours and is then sanded with No. 1 sandpaper. The third coat of surfacer consists of one-third linseed oil and two-thirds whitelead, colored as previously described. This third coat, after being allowed to stand, is likewise sanded.

Generally speaking, there has now been provided a good, smooth surface. If, however, a still better surface is desired, a knifing coat of lead with a small amount of oil and turpentine is then used, which, after standing 24 hours, is smoothed down very carefully with No. ½ sandpaper. There is then applied a red undercoating, which is a quick drying, non-sanding surfacer. The next coat is the red body enamel. This is allowed to stand 24 hours and then the numbers, lettering, and other decorations are applied. Following this, the car is given two coats of finishing varnish with 24 hours between for drying.

The result of sending cars to the paint shop every twelve months is that very few cars require such treatment. The burning off of old paint under these conditions is also very rare.

The present paint-shop force includes one foreman, one assistant foreman, one inspector, twenty-two first-class painters, sixteen second-class painters, six third-class painters, three fourth-class painters, one first-class helper, five second-class helpers and twenty women.

ONE HUNDRED CARS A MONTH PAINTED IN BALTIMORE

The total number of passenger cars on the system is approximately 1,200 and with an average output of 100 cars per month it is possible to send every car through the paint shop each twelve months. The paint-shop force also does a great amount of work in painting automobiles, trucks and bus bodies. During 1926 a total of 49 were painted in addition to the cars. Considerable painting is also done by this force of all kinds of signs, also waiting stations and office sections of buildings. A quite extensive rerouting of cars resulted in making changes of more than 1,000 Hunter sign curtains.

Painting records show that the following are fair estimates of cost: To paint the exterior and varnish the interior according to the old methods, including numbering, lettering and striping in vogue at that time, would cost on today's rate of wages and price of materials between \$250 and \$275 per car. To bring up a car from the raw wood following present-day practice

would cost about \$125. To clean down, touch up and revarnish, including one coat of enamel and one coat of varnish, costs on the average of \$60 per car. The present standard practice eliminates the two colors and striping.

Formerly the side window screens were given one coat of aluminum bronze. Investigation of this detail indicated the need for some quicker method, such as dipping the screen in a shallow pan of paint. As aluminum bronze separated in a very few minutes, it was difficult to keep the material in a homogeneous condition. Finally a scheme was devised to use a graycolored paint generally similar in appearance to aluminum. Screens can now be dipped in a few minutes. By doing a large number at one time still further economy is possible.

The frequent repair, replacement and making of new Hunter sign curtains indicated the need for a change



Printing arrangement and device for impregnating Hunter sign cloth with oil to make it impervious to water. This is necessary to prevent buckling and wrinkling



Silk stencil method of making Hunter signs

One section of a Hunter sign has just been printed and the workman is lifting the slik stencil off the freshly-painted sign. This section is then cut loose from the roll of cloth and the fresh strip of cloth is drawn under the frame. The frame is then clamped down and another sign painted.

from the slow hand method. A careful study of the use of silk stencils has shown that this work can be done at small cost with great speed. A recent example was occasioned by the need of signs for trolley poles indicating the proper stopping point for cars. as the Two men dipping side window screens

The screen has just been placed in the gray paint and has been lifted out and is about to be hung on the rack above the dipping table so that the surplus may drain off. After several screens have been dipped and allowed to drain for a few minutes, a dry brush removes the surplus paint. The screen is then placed in the rack seen in the forefront of the picture. Hanging from the corner of the screens is a tag which shows the number of the car to which the individual screen belongs.

result of eliminating stops during rush hours. Approximately 1,500 signs were required to be delivered in approximately ten days. By the use of a silk stencil and the dipping of the sheet metal on which the working was applied, it was possible to turn out these signs with lettering on both sides within one week.

In the foregoing, the work that has been covered has been done by the brush method. Nevertheless, numerous experiments have been made to accomplish this by use of spray methods. Owing to the excessive amount of vapor the results have not been satisfactory. Complaints arose from the workmen in the vicinity. With the use of lacquers this is even more pronounced. It has also been found that lacquers do not work out satisfactorily on woodwork, and as the greater portion of the cars have wood surfaces lacquer has not been considered seriously. It is believed that there is need for

considerable investigation of this problem, especially along the line of producing a spray gun which will atomize the paint, varnish or lacquer, but will control the spread of the finely-divided particles. So far, the use of spray painting has been confined to the painting of large surfaces, such as walls, partitions of buildings, car body trucks and generally where the fumes would not be of extreme annoyance.

Experiments and tests have also been made with the use of long oil enamels. Generally speaking, these results have not been at all satisfactory because of two conditions. First, there is a longer and uncertain period required for the drying. Instances have occurred where as long a time as five days was needed for a single coat to dry. Secondly, without a coat of varnish over the coat of enamel, great care must be exercised in the kind of cleaners used at terminals. It has been found that such enamels are injured by any acid cleaners.

The company has for its heavy service lines quite a number of front-entrance cars of the Birney safety type and articulated cars arranged for front entrance especially designed by the railway. In order to acquaint the riding public with cars that load at the front, all front-entrance cars are painted in cadmium yellow, the rear-entrance cars using the standard red color.

RECORDS OF PAINTS USED KEPT BY GLASS SAMPLES

The need for records on paints of different kinds is met by providing a small cabinet holding a large number of pieces of glass approximately 3 in. x 5 in. in size on which samples of any new paints are placed, together with an identifying number and a record of who furnished and when. This makes it very easy to check up on the delivery of paint materials as to body and color. Samples are also kept in a similar manner of paints made in the paint shop, with the formula, so that at all times such materials can be reproduced exactly as to color and general consistency.

The liberal use of paint in the paint shop is encouraged with the view of keeping a clean, fresh and attractive appearance. It is believed that such expenditures, although small, have a beneficial effect upon the morale of those working in such surroundings. It also produces an inviting atmosphere to those who, upon occasion, visit this part of the railway system.

Since the war, the greater portion of the car cleaning preparatory to painting on our system is being done by women. This was brought about by the shortage of man-power. Women are also employed in the paint shop to clean windows preparatory to sending the car out for services.

Constant tests of paints, oil and varnishes are being made under supervision of the foreman of the paint shop, usually in the form of test panels. These test panels are prepared carefully under his supervision and a record of the materials and their method of use carefully noted. The test panel is then numbered, dated and placed out for exposure. Removal of test panels is not permitted without instructions from the superintendent and a record is made of the conditions upon removal. Generally speaking, paints are exposed for twelve months, and varnish and similar materials for eighteen months. Color combinations are under constant consideration, with the view of obtaining an attractive color scheme with a cost equal to or less than that existing at present.

Poor Tools May Cause Injury

POOR quality tools, good tools impaired and the improper use of tools account for about 11,000 casualties yearly among railroaders of the United States. A study of "tool accidents" on a single representative railroad has disclosed that 89 per cent of injuries are chargeable to tools. They come under four leading causes: Struck by tools in hands of self or others, 33 per cent; bars slipping, 25 per cent; jacks slipping or falling, 16 per cent; wrenches slipping, 15 per cent; various other causes, 11 per cent.

In one year there were 3,868 compensated accidents recorded in New York State, each caused by the misuse of hand tools, or defects in such tools—proof that safety is of vital importance to the user of tools.

Slight yearly reductions in the annual toll from tools used carelessly indicate a lessening of the general hazards, but the fact that tool accidents are mostly confined to shops, stores, tracks, bridges, and buildings where men work in groups under the close surveillance of their foremen and where safety supervision is easy to provide, makes it evident that a greater improvement is possible with better co-operation between workmen and foremen. Tool accidents will decrease to the extent that supervision and co-operation become effective.

Burred and feathered chisels and sledges, hammers and shovels that are loose on their handles, wrenches with spread or worn jaws and jacks with defective ratchets are an index to the efficiency of those who use them as well as to those who supervise the work in which they are being used.

Improper use of tools, even though dangerous, will be discontinued only when foreman and workmen have a mutual understanding that such practices will not be tolerated. To be effective it must be understood by all that the foreman's instructions are to be enforced, and that if necessary the workman who refuses to abide by them will be disciplined.

New Shops of Chicago Rapid Transit Company Will Occupy 15 Acres

TEN separate shop units are planned by the Chicago Rapid Transit Company to be located at Niles Center. They will cover upward of 15 acres and are laid out and connected with each other so as to afford the utmost efficiency in handling cars. When the elevated railroads were operated as four separate companies each road had its own shop and there was no provision for an interchange of equipment. That condition had to be continued as a matter of necessity after the companies were consolidated. When the new shops now under construction are completed they will have a capacity sufficient to care for all the present equipment, and provision is being made for adequate expansion. The present shops will be used for purposes of inspection and minor repairs.

Work on the first unit of the shops is progressing rapidly and it is expected that it will be completed in May. This unit is the paint shop. It will be followed by other units from time to time until all of the shops are completed. The building now under way is 200 ft. by 224 ft. in outside dimensions. The walls are of Old English mission brick with cast stone trimmings. All of the buildings to follow will be of the same design. This will give them an attractive appearance, in keeping with the neighborhood.

Glimpses
into the new

B.-M.T. Repair Shop

AN ELECTRIC RAILWAY SHOP equipped completely with the latest machine tools and other modern equipment is an inspiration to men responsible for electric car maintenance. Such an example is furnished by the new DeKalb Avenue repair shop of the Brooklyn-Manhattan

Transit Corporation.

Prior to June, 1926, all maintenance work on surface cars for both the above corporation and the Brooklyn City Railroad was consolidated under one head. The separation of this work for the two companies made it necessary for the Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit Corporation to have increased facilities. The DeKalb Avenue shop was rebuilt and enlarged and the very latest shop equipment that could be obtained was installed.

Like other officials of city railway systems, those of the Brooklyn property felt that suitable facilities and shop equipment for maintenance work are essential to safe and reliable car service. Particular attention was given to the selection of machine tools. Experts studied the various machining operations that are necessary for car repairs, improvements were added and several spe-



cial machines were built by manufacturers to meet the specific class of work. Each machine is provided with individual electric drive. Work and materials can pass through the shop without delay, floor space can be used to the best advantage and any congestion at one machine does not interfere with independent operation of another.

The accompanying illustrations show some of the apparatus of this extensively equipped shop. At the top of this page one of the 10-ton cranes is shown serving the hydraulic wheel press. A general view of the truck overhauling bay with the machine

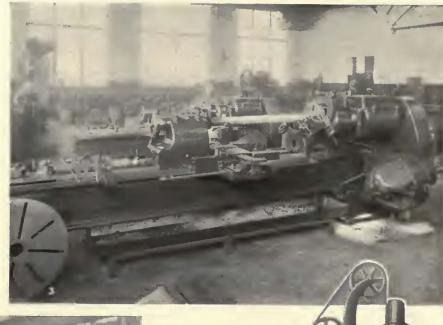
shop at the rear is shown below.



The Wheel and Axle Department

is a busy section

The helical geared ball bearing lathe, Fig. 3, is used almost entirely for turning armature shafts. It is large enough to take the broom shafts of sweeper equipment.





A hydraulic cylinder in the bed of the 48-in. wheel boring machine, Fig. 5, lifts wheels into position, and forces the jaws together.

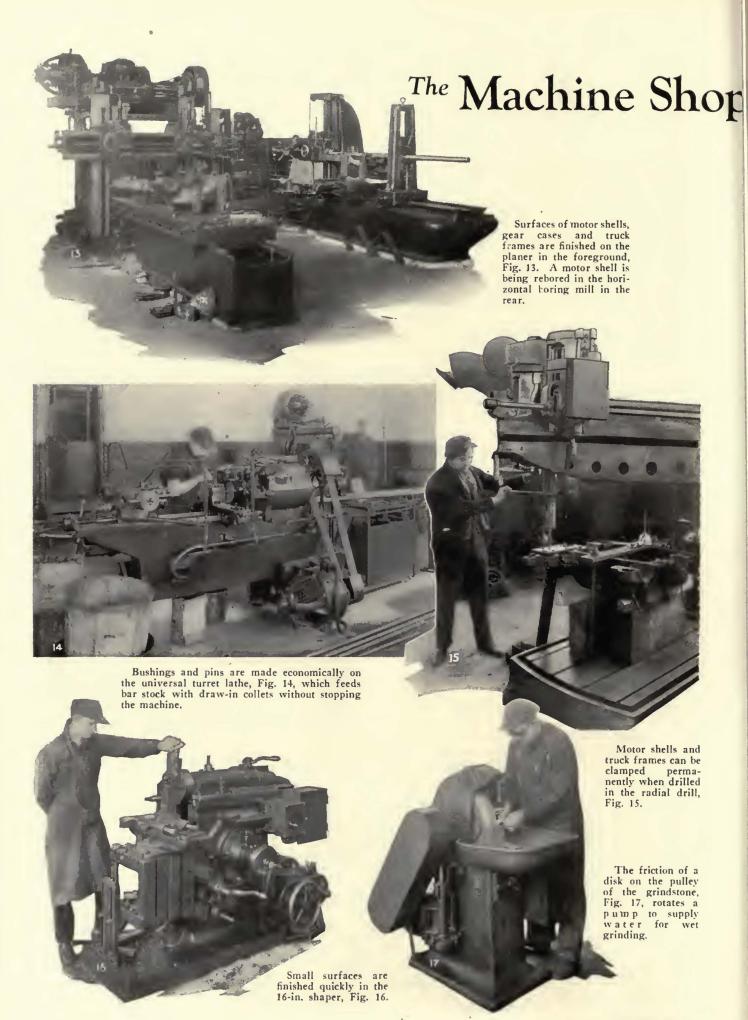


Push button control for the motors is a feature of the 48-in, wheel lathe, Fig. 7.



Axle straightening is done in the 125-ton hydraulic press, Fig. 6.

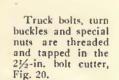


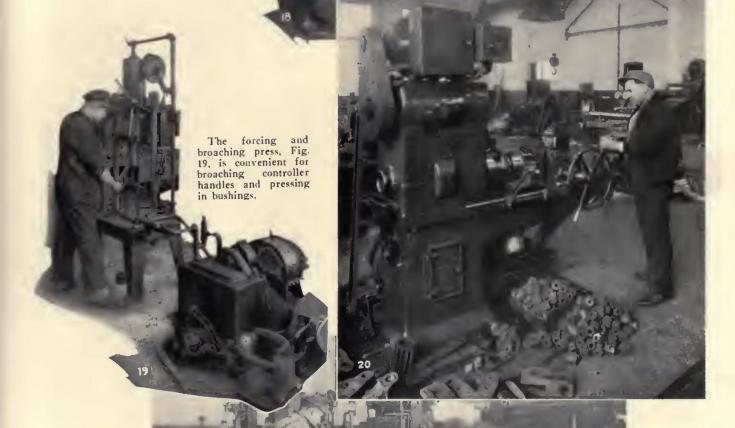


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To maintain and repair cars speedily and keep them up to the modern standards of excellence a completely equipped machine shop was installed

Axle caps are bored with a special jig in the universal milling machine, Fig. 18.





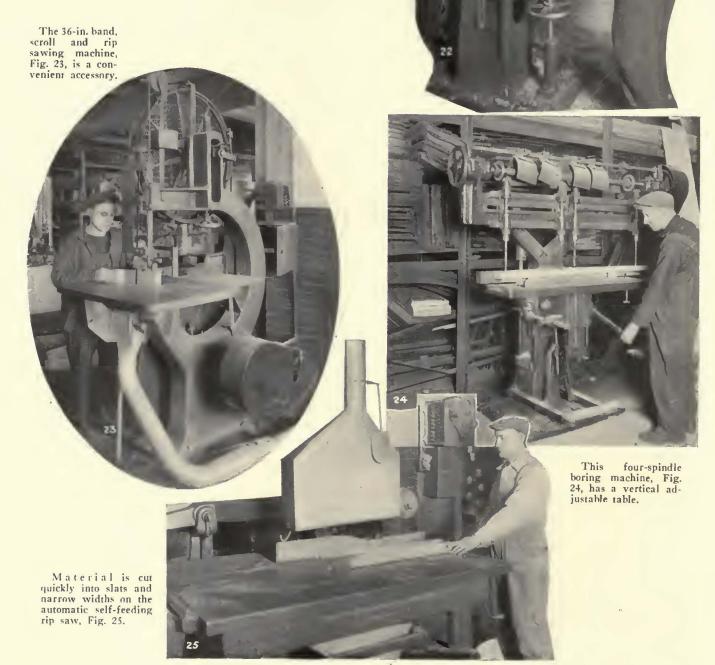
Turning of car axles is done quickly on this lathe, Fig. 21.

Modern

Wood-Working Machines

eliminate much hand work

> Stiles and rails for sash and doors are mortised on this automatic vertical hollow chisel mortiser, Fig. 22. It has a power stroke for the chisel ram.







Small work can be done by one man aided by the blacksmith's helper, Fig. 27. Bending, shaping and welding heavy iron can be done quickly with the air hammer, Fig. 28.

Forge Shop Equipment

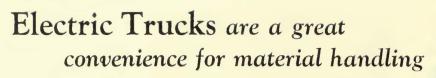
is suited to light and heavy work

Rods, angles, and other small pieces are heated in the forge, Fig. 29.

Bending and pressing are essential operations of the bull-dozer, Fig. 30. It is used also for testing the compression of heavy springs.





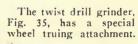


A crane truck, Fig. 31, handles heavy parts in the material storage yard.

Small material is moved quickly by trucks, Fig. 32, with stationary

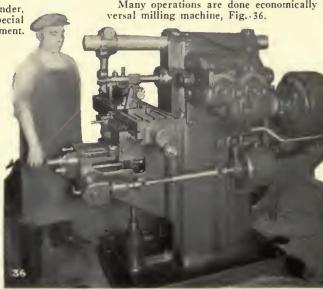


one of the shop's show places



Cylindrical, internal and surface grinding are done on the universal cutter and grinder, Fig. 34.

Many operations are done economically on the universal milling machine, Fig. 36.



Electrical Maintainers Are Not Trouble Men

Successful Maintenance Should Keep Property and Equipment in Such a State of Repair that There Are No Reports of Trouble—Rigid Inspection at Regular Intervals Has Produced Gratifying Results in Chicago

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PROBLEMS in electrical maintenance that require daily solution on the lines of the Chicago Rapid Transit Company are quite different from those of the average city property, but similar procedure and organization can be used by most railways. The routemiles operated total 77 and the single-track miles 217. As most of the track is on elevated structures with third rail and as there are 224 passenger station buildings and an extensive private telephone system maintenance work is quite varied in character.

The electrical department is responsible for all electrical maintenance except that of rolling stock, signals and interlocking. The principal items include the following:

Third rail			miles
Overhead trolley			miles
Telephone cable		66	mlles
Telephone instruments		575	
Feeder cable, underground and overhea	ad	286	miles
Street and yard lights		1,010	
Electric sign lights			
Station and building lights			
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Substations (owned by rallroad)			

Despite the magnitude of this task it is accomplished with a force of less than 50 men and the property is not only well maintained but its physical condition is being bettered continually.

Some years ago these maintenance workers were called "trouble men," with the natural result that they believed their work was to take care of only such trouble as was reported. Now the word "trouble" is taboo, the men are known as "maintainers" and their efforts are directed toward keeping property and equipment in such a state of repair that there are no reports of trouble.

A thorough system of inspection is a big factor in approaching this goal. Every item in every location is given a rigid inspection at regular intervals, varying from once a day to annually, based on the type of property and the location. This system is laid down in detail in the inspection manual with which each maintenance foreman is furnished and which he uses as a text book to school his men. In the manual there is a division of the property into classes and groups and the railroad is classified into zones, according to the density of traffic. A definite interval for inspection is assigned for each class and group of property, varying with the zone; for instance, subway lights and signs are inspected daily, third rail in the central zone bi-weekly and bonding in yards annually.

On some classes of inspection, principally those which come at longer intervals, the exact dates are left to the discretion of the foreman to fit in with his work.

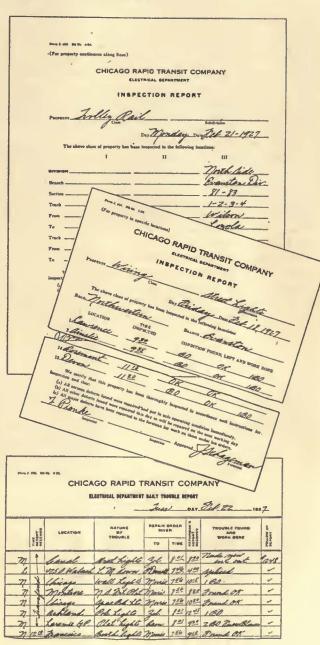


Fig. 1 (at top)—Inspection report used for property along lines

Fig. 3 (at bottom)—The trouble sheet serves as a permanent record of cases as reported

Fig. 2 (in center)—Form used for reporting results of inspection

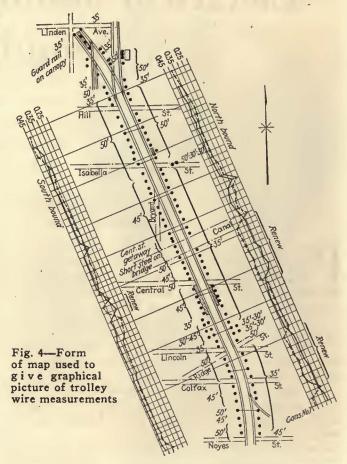
Otherwise a schedule of dates for each inspection is published periodically in a bulletin, and no deviation from them is permitted. This is notably the case with trolley wire, where inspections must be made at night and where both foremen and inspectors were prone to postpone the date if any reasonable excuse offered. Now no excuse is deemed adequate.

Not only does the manual assign regular periods for inspection but it includes a catechism for each class and group of property. A series of questions indicates what possible faults are to be looked for and the answers tell what is to be done when any of these faults are found.

The inspectors in general do the maintenance work. Small faults found by them are repaired on the spot. Larger faults are reported to the maintenance foreman, who arranges for the necessary men and material for the repair. Faults too large to be taken care of by the maintenance forces are reported by the foreman to the office for inclusion in the construction schedule. The seriousness of any fault discovered determines the celerity with which it is repaired. Emergencies are reported immediately by telephone and the necessary men and material are despatched at once.

Reports of routine inspections are made out by the inspectors, approved by their foreman and forwarded to the office, where they are noted by the electrical superintendent and then recorded. This record shows the dates of inspection of each class and group of property in each location. A frequent check-up serves to show whether inspections are being kept up to the required interval. The forms used in reporting inspections are shown in Figs. 1 and 2.

In line with the policy of prevention is the practice of anticipating possible trouble caused by necessary interference with electrical property by the work of other departments. This information is given through an exchange of work orders, by written and telephone



reports and by close liaison between the supervisory forces of the departments. In some cases the interference can be eliminated temporarily while work is going on. A close watch always is kept and inspections are made more frequently than normally.

Maintenance men are grouped into gangs of from six

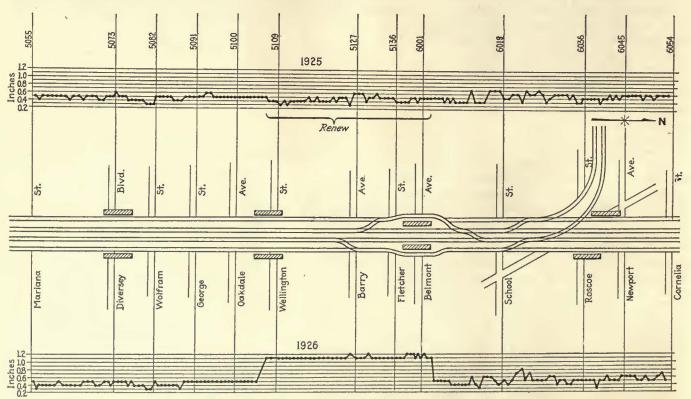


Fig. 5-Map and graphs are used to show third rail measurements



The maintenance shops serve as headquarters for the men—they report and quit work at the shop

to eight, each in charge of a foreman. There are five such, one for third rail, one for telephone, one for cable and one for line work, small wire and lighting. These four gangs not only do maintenance but minor items of construction, and work over the entire system. Each has a maintenance shop as its headquarters and as the men work one place today and another tomorrow, they report and quit at their shop. Each shop is equipped with the necessary tools and a working stock of material which is taken out as needed.

The fifth gang includes the maintainers, who are assigned to divisions and branches of the road and who, in general, work singly, but are always on hand in their assigned territory. A large part of the work of these men is replacement of burnt out lamps and taking care of trouble as it is reported, but in spite of this, the term "trouble man" is avoided and they are known as "maintainers." Each of these men has a headquarters at the geographical center of his territory. There he keeps his necessary small tools and stocks of lamps and material, arranged neatly in steel cases. The foreman of this group acts largely as an inspector, spending time with each of his men in turn, checking up their practices and standardizing their methods. He is responsible for keeping their headquarters supplied with the necessary stock of materials, which are ordered from and delivered by the electrical materials man.

The first four gangs mentioned are on duty only during regular working hours. The fifth one not only

The illustration at the left shows method of measuring the thickness of head of the third rail

has a day shift but has a second shift of two men who are on duty up to 1 a.m. with a consolidation of territory. Between 1 a.m. and 8 a.m. the small amount of maintenance necessary other than that regularly scheduled is cared for by men acting in the dual capacity of signal and electrical maintainers.

The costs of maintenance work of each class are kept by the cost clerk on maintenance work orders. These cover twelve-month periods ending Oct. 1 so that the data are ready for use in making the budget for the succeeding calendar year.

The power supervisor acts as work dispatcher and clearing house for all electrical trouble. He can reach by telephone every point on the system. All foremen and maintainers keep him informed as to their whereabouts, all electrical trouble is reported to him and he can reach the proper personnel quickly to cover any emergency. The territorial maintainers are directly under his control at all times, receive from him trouble assignments in their territory and report back on each case and to get their next assignment. A "trouble sheet" kept by the power supervisor serves to record cases as reported, designates assignments and "OKs" with the time that the order is given. This becomes a permanent record kept on file for three years and to which reference is frequently made. This is shown in Fig. 3.

The maintainers on the afternoon trick have a large territory and skillful routing by the power supervisor

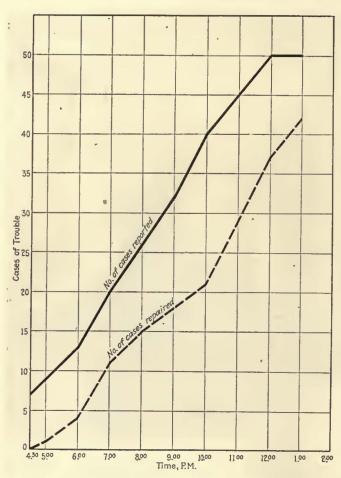


Fig. 6—Graph gives a continuous record of cases reported and repaired

is necessary to enable them to cover all reports. He keeps a graph of the number of defects reported and repaired. Fig. 6 gives such a graph. This is of value to provide a constant picture of how the work is progressing.

Sometimes the territorial maintainer can make only temporary repairs which are safe enough for operation for a few days. When such repairs are made a "follow-up slip" is filled out by the power supervisor and sent to the foreman of the appropriate maintenance gang, which makes the repair permanent.

The Chicago Rapid Transit lines are a consolidation of five properties, each of which originally used a different standard of construction and materials. Since the consolidation universal standards have been laid down to which all new construction and rehabilitation conform. Many of the old parts must still be kept in stock for maintenance, which makes quite a variety of maintenance materials, but standardization is progressing gradually.

Renewals are really wholesale maintenance, but there is a definite point, determined by an economic balance, where smaller repairs should stop and larger renewals begin. In determining this point the first requisite is accurate information; estimation will not do. The service on this road is so severe that in places No. 0000 hard drawn copper trolley wire has a life of only eighteen months. To determine when renewals are necessary and their extent the trolley wire is calipered in each span with a micrometer caliper about every 50,000 wheel passes, the passes being measured by an automatic contactor-operated counter. These measure-

ments are plotted on a map and a study of this record gives the desired information. Fig. 4 shows such a map. Where weak spots are found which do not as yet require renewal they are calipered at more frequent intervals. This plan has enabled the company to keep wire in service until worn to 40 per cent of its original area, without a wire break in $2\frac{1}{2}$ years due to wear.

The useful life of the original installation of third rail is just being reached. The same method has been used to determine the necessity for renewal, the rail head being measured for thickness every rail length and the results similarly plotted. The gage used for this measurement was designed and built by the department. It is arranged so that the operator is insulated from the rail, can place his gage on the rail without stooping and take his reading from a scale at the height of his eyes. A small clipboard attached to the upright holds the sheets on which the readings are recorded. The resulting graph is shown in Fig. 5. This method has resulted in renewals of comparatively short lengths where absolutely needed, rather than the previous practice of renewing long lengths which were estimated to require it, only to find that a part of the rail renewed still had several years of useful life.

Throughout this system of maintenance the keynote is inspection—catch the possible faults before they occur and remedy them. The result has been that delays because of electrical faults are now almost unknown, and that in spite of the continued addition of property the maintenance man-hours are steadily decreasing.

Modern Cars and

Pneumatic apparatus must be given careful attention, Regular and systematic care is essential.

Oil and grease will prevent abnormal wear.

Periodic cleaning will assure continuity of service;

Even the door engines should not be neglected.

Require all inspections to be of the highest type.

Men should be instructed in proper care of parts. All valves must be carefully tested during inspection. Instead of criticising the design, do the work well; No apparatus will function right if maintained wrong. The secret of good operation is good care—

Every nut, bolt and moving part should be examined, Nothing should be taken for granted. Analyze failures carefully to prevent a repetition, Note the cause of each one and correct the cause. Careless work should not be tolerated.

Even the motormen can help by proper operation.

With every man helping maintenance will be improved. Insist on regularity of inspections, as Long overdue inspections invite road delays, so Let delays decrease and public friendship will increase.

Personal supervision will prove beneficial. Running apparatus until it fails is poor practice, for Old or defective parts should be replaced. Vision of 100% perfect operation can be attained, and Every management wants successful performance.

Each man will do his share if instructed properly; Co-operation must exist. To do this Only capable men should be used on the work and No inferior material should be used for repairs. Old methods of drainage are not always suitable. Much depends on the piping arrangement; Inspect all piping and apparatus for slow leaks. Carefully operate all parts before return to service And if these details are taken care of properly Long and successful operation will be assured.



Just to the north of the main carhouse and repair shop in Chattanooga is a 70x200-ft. garage recently built by the Tennessee Electric Power Company

Bus and Vehicle Maintenance

Centralized in New Building

Railway and Power Motor Vehicles of Tennessee Utility Housed in 70x200-Ft. Steel-Tile Structure—Mechanical Costs Kept for Individual Vehicles—Facilities Include Railway Type Pit with Lights Mounted in Side Recesses

By E. D. Reed

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ITH the opening of a new garage early this year and the working out of a system for keeping costs on individual vehicles, the Tennessee Electric Power Company is now well equipped to han-

dle under the one roof all of its 57 motor vehicles. These include five Model Z Yellow buses, 29-passenger capacity, operated from the downtown section to outlying parts of the city of Chattanooga, and 52 trucks and automobiles. The latter include various makes and types-Packards, Buicks, Dodges, Chevrolets and Fords. The trucks are White and Federal, In this list are vehicles used both railway power departments, line and emergency cars, as well as official automobiles.

A site for the garage was available immediately

to the north of the present trolley carhouses. As shown in the accompanying plan, the garage runs through from Market to Broad Street with two doors on each. This location simplifies the supervision, since J. R.

Anderson, superintendent of railways, has jurisdiction over the garage, which is directly in charge of O. E. Nix as foreman. Under him are four day mechanics and two night mechanics with a washer on duty day and night to do oiling and greasing as well. Another employee is a boy whose sole duty is to keep the garage clean. This job we consider rather important. He is supposed to wash down the bottom of the repair pit every day and to clean up immediately any oil or grease that may get on the floor.

The new building, which



A repair shop feature is a 40-ft. pit with openings along the side for electric lights. The rolling steel door leads into the main storage space

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No. 7. The tire record contains the life history of each tire as well as its location. This is a 5 x 8-in. card.



Yellow buses and Packard touring cars are some of the equipment that is stored and maintained at Chattanooga.

At the rear are tools used in the repair shop

has a steel frame with brick and hollow tile walls, represents an investment of about \$45,000, while the garage equipment installed required an investment of at least \$1,000 more. Roof and ventilators are of the Roebling steel type and a Wing blower heating system is installed. The roof is mounted on steel trusses with 15-ft. headroom and set on 20-ft. centers.

At the Market Street end there are grouped in one corner an office, stock room, locker room and repair shop as indicated in the plan. These are separated from the storage portion of the garage by 8-in. hollow tile walls carried to the roof. Thus of the total 14,000 sq.ft. of area, a little more than 80 per cent is used for storage, about 11 per cent for the repair shop, and 8 per cent for the other rooms. There is a wash rack in the southwest corner which is separated from the garage by a concrete curb 3 in. high and 4 in. wide along the side. It has a raised portion at the end over which vehicles can be driven.

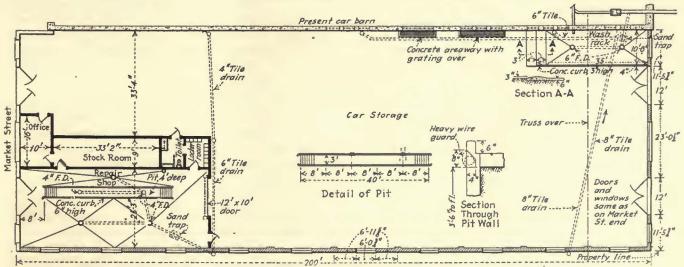
A useful part of the repair shop is a pit 40 ft. long, built along railway lines. It is 4 ft. deep, and along

each edge for its full length is a concrete curb 6 in. high and 4 in. wide. Four 50-cp. Mazda lamps are placed in pockets, two on each side of the pit, as illustrated in the plan and one of the views. Over each bulb is placed a heavy wire guard.

Two useful home-made devices are shown in the picture of the pit. The one spanning the pit is to support the jacks used for lifting the rear end of a bus. It is made of 1-in. x 6-in. steel bar. Its shape is such that it gives the men plenty of room to work. The other device consists of two pieces of strap bent to hook over the edge of the pit so as to support a tool chest or a box for spare parts.

Gasoline is bought from the Standard Oil Company. It is stored in two tanks, each of 560 gal., from which it is pumped direct to the buses or automobiles. Galena oil is used for the company's Yellow buses. It is kept in drums fitted with single-stroke pumps. These vehicles also use Dixon No. 677 differential grease and No. 672 gear grease.

Smaller parts kept in the storeroom are held in a



Two 12-ft. doors are placed at each end of the Chattanooga building, leading to two of the main streets

Berloy Berger all-steel cabinet. Parts most frequently needed for the various vehicles are stored here, although no effort is made to keep many of the heavier parts. Three all-steel work benches 6 ft. long and 30 in. wide have been placed in the repair shop. They are fitted with vises made by the Reed Manufacturing Company.

Several devices have been installed for the more efficient handling of equipment. These include three Chisholm Moore chain hoists, three Weaver garage jacks, three Reese portable jacks and one Weaver High-Lift jack of 4-ton capacity. For routine repairs there are a Black & Decker valve refacer, electric drills, a Russell relining machine, Alemite pressure grease gun, and a 40-ton Weaver gear press. The Monarch 9-in. engine lathe, the Hisey-Wolf double-wheel electric grinder, an acetylene welding outfit and a Marshall constant-potential battery charging outfit have also been found useful.

Two methods are used for keeping track of the company's miscellaneous collection of buses, trucks and automobiles. First, a daily record is kept of the time a vehicle is taken out of the garage, the time it is returned, the miles covered in the period and the driver's name. The form used is reproduced with this article.

Second, a cost record is kept for each vehicle. Totals are entered on a sheet which is used for making the monthly report to the executive officers. There are five divisions of costs, built up as follows: All labor and

material are recorded on the card "Automobile Inspection and Repairs," a copy of which is attached to any vehicle which is in the garage for repair work or inspection. The next items, fuel and oil, are taken monthly from the sheet headed "Garage Daily Gasoline and Oil Records," which is filled out each day as any vehicle is supplied.

The system used for the tire costs also permits keeping track of the location of any given tire. When a new tire or one repaired is placed on a vehicle a yellow card, "Tire On," is filled out with the number of the car, the speedometer reading and the tire number. This number is also entered on another card, "Pneumatic Tire Records," kept for each individual tire in use. When the tire is removed a red card, "Tire Off," is filled out with location, speedometer reading and the cause for the change. The information from the red card in turn is transferred to the proper tire record card. Any expense in repairing a tire is noted on this red card and is totaled at the end of the month from the cost record to give the item "Tire Costs."

This garage is considered large enough to take care of our requirements for some time to come. More equipment may be added as additional experience is gained, but the results so far indicate that our engineers have made a wise selection not only in the building construction and facilities but also in the garage equipment.

Combination Salt, Sand and Side Wing Car

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K EEPING snow at a reasonable distance from car tracks so that additional roadway space would be available for vehicles following a snowstorm is a necessity in the northern country. To meet the requirement for additional equipment for the purpose the New Brunswick Power Company, St. John, N. B., built a combination car in its shops. The dimensions of the car are given in an accompanying table.

The underframe construction of the car is of steel and wood. The outside sills are \(\frac{2}{3} - \text{in.} \) x 4-in., 8.5-lb. angles, laid with the flanges on the outside and the bottom. A 5-in. x 6-in. wood filler is attached to receive the outside sheathing and double floor. The intermediate sills are 13-in. x 5-in., 6.5-lb. channels, placed 3 ft. 5 in. on centers and an equal distance from the outside. Provision is made for trapdoors for the inspection and repair of motors. The use of a shallow channel permits a low center of gravity. The channels are notched into the cross sills, which are spaced to suit motor conditions, and the whole framework is tied together with tie rods spaced 3 ft. 4 in. apart. Angles and crown heads are used under vestibules. The side sills, intermediate sills, drawbar sills are all fastened securely to a 6-in. channel bumper 15.5 lb. to the foot.

The sides of the car are built up of $2\frac{1}{2}$ -in. x 3-in. ash posts with double cross bracing. Sheathing is used inside and out with $\frac{3}{4}$ -in. tongued and grooved material. This runs perpendicular outside and longitudinal inside. The roof is of the arch type. Windows are provided in the cabs for double-end operation and a window on each side is used when winging back snow.

Metal boxes installed directly over each wheel are fastened securely to the side of the car. These contain approximately 18 cu.ft. of sand to be used for sanding the rails. The sand also acts as ballast for the car while winging back heavy snowfalls. The flow of sand to the rail is controlled by means of hand levers which operate the two forward boxes in the direction that the car is going. The sand flows through slide valves and down metal lined hose to the rail, the amount being regulated by the distance that the lever travels.

In addition to carrying sand, the car is also loaded

DIMENSIONS OF COMBINATION SAND, SALT AND SIDE WING CAR OF NEW BRUNSWICK POWER COMPANY

with from 40 to 50 bags of salt, each bag weighing 160 lb. Individual bags are placed on a table on each side of the car from which the salt is emptied into hoppers. The salt is distributed to the tracks after passing through rollers and a metal pipe.

A solid steel side wing is installed on each side of the car. This is constructed of \(\frac{1}{2} \)-in. x 24-in. x 14-ft. material and weighs 1,000 lb. The wings are arranged so that they swing out from the body of the car and they may be set to any desired distance from the rail up to approximately 14 ft. The wings are also provided with interchangeable blades on the bottom that can be raised and lowered to clear certain obstructions.

The total weight of the car is approximately 20 tons. In addition to being used during winter weather, it is proving a valuable piece of equipment for all-year service. To add to its utility it is planned to attach an ice breaker.

Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Sheet

This Section Represents a

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ANY electric railway men have suggested the advisability of publishing the maintenance note material which has appeared in the JOURNAL for many years in a form which would make it more convenient for handy reference. Complying with this desire, a maintenance data sheet section will become a regular feature of future issues of the JOURNAL and will appear in the third issue of each month.

For convenience in indexing the data for reference, each item will bear a departmental heading such as "Rolling Stock," "Line Department," "Track and Way Department," "Buses and Trucks," "Standards," "General Data," "Power and Electrical Department," etc.

If desired, these general headings may be further classified into specific operations or departments. Thus, items headed "Rolling Stock" may be divided into "Machine

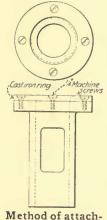
Shop," "Truck Repairs," "Motor Repairs," "Electrical Repairs," "Sheet Metal Work," "Tool Room," "Carpenter Shop," "Car Body," "Blacksmith Shop" and "Paint Shop." Other general headings may be subdivided similarly.

Suggestions are requested from Journal readers as to the character of material that will make this section of greatest value. Maintenance men are urged to take part in the interchange of new ideas. The other fellow wants to know about improved methods of doing a routine maintenance job or a new kink or fixture that saves muscle and labor. By helping him you help yourself. A photograph or sketch with a brief description of the operation or fixture is all that is required. ELECTRIC RAILWAY JOURNAL will pay \$5 for each idea published.

Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Sheet
ROLLING STOCK—ELECTRICAL

Bearing Flanges Reclaimed with Cast-Iron Rings

ORN armature bearing flanges are being reclaimed in the shop of the Washington, Baltimore & Annapolis Electric Railroad at Academy Junction, Md., by the installation of cast-iron rings on the worn surface. Master Mechanic J. A. Mellor believes that at least doubled life of bearings is obtained. The worn flange and the two surfaces of the cast-iron ring are machined and the ring is fastened to the flange by means of four 4-in. flat-head machine screws countersunk at least is in. below the outer surface of the ring. When install-



Method of attaching cast-iron ring to worn armature bearing flange used by the W.,
B. & A.

ing these reclaimed bearings a fiber ring is placed between the cast-iron surface and the bearing surface of the oil deflecting ring to keep the metallic wear of these parts at a minimum.

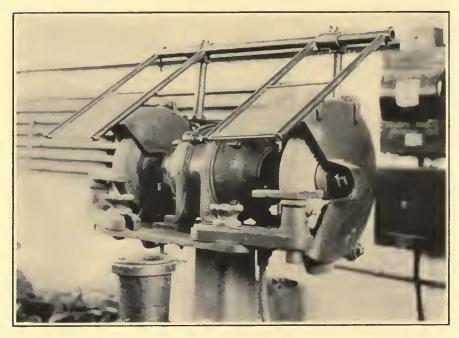
This practice has been adopted for all types of motors where it is applicable. The rings are being installed when required on all motors as they come through the shop for overhauling.

No trouble has been experienced with these cast-iron rings and it is believed they have effected a large saving in bearing maintenance. Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Sheet
ROLLING STOCK—MACHINE SHOP

Safety Glass on Grinder Replaces Goggles

PLATE glass safety guards are mounted on emery grinders in the South Park shops of the Los Angeles Railway to protect the operator's These $8\frac{1}{2}$ x 10-in. glass eyes. guards, one in front of each wheel of a double grinder, are made of 4-in. plate glass. The frame is supported by brackets attached to uprights mounted on the grinder. The side members of the glass frame are of ½-in. pipe, the cross-member and the uprights at the back are 3-in. pipe. The brackets which hold the horizontal member are made with set screws so that the frame may be slid sideways to cover wheels of various widths or those mounted with extended arbors so they do not fall in the same line as the standard wheel.

This type of guard has been approved by the local council of the National Safety Council. It allows operators to use wheels so equipped without wearing goggles.



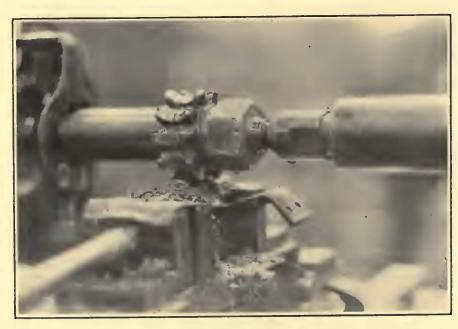
Protecting windows mounted over emery wheels as a substitute for goggles, Los Angeles Railway shop

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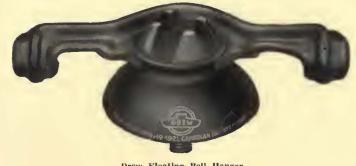
Contact Fingers Refinished in Lathe

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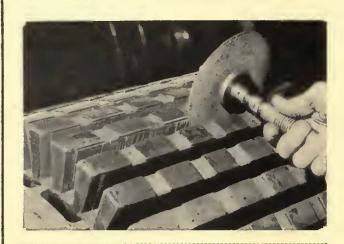
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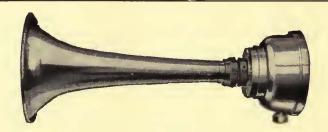
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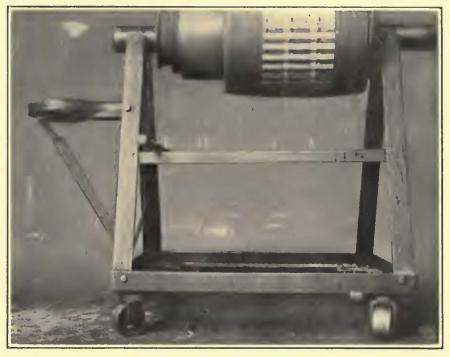
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Portable Armature Winding Truck

ORTABLE armature winding trucks are in use in the armature room of the Wilkes-Barre Railway, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. Each is equipped with a metal shelf and a drop seat. The truck framing is constructed of angles, rigidly bolted together.

The shelf is of sheet steel and is installed between the pedestals the full width of the truck frame. It is very convenient for the reception of the worker's tools and repair material. The wood drop seat is hinged to the pedestal and is found useful when the winder is working upon commutators and connections for commutators. It is claimed that the use of this truck has increased production due to the fact that tools and material are close at hand.



Portable armature winding truck with workman's seat and material shelf

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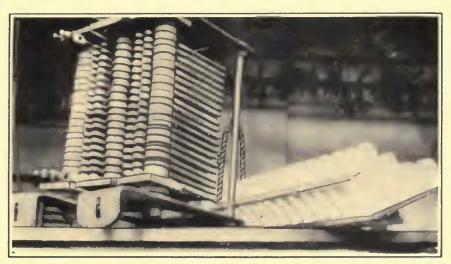
Fiber Washers Increase Creepage Distance on Resistors

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Red fiber washers increase creepage distance on car resistors

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Armature Coil Insulation Removed by Lye

RMATURE coils having become A inoperative due to deteriorated insulation are being reclaimed in the shop of the Lackawanna & Wyoming Valley Railroad, Scranton, Pa. These coils are immersed in a boiling solution of Red Seal lye and at the expiration of 72 hours the insulation can be readily scraped off. The vat is made of 12-in, planking and lined with galvanized iron. The solution is heated by means of live steam.

After removal from the lye vat by means of hand hooks they are immediately washed with clean cold water to prevent injury to the workmen. After washing each turn of the coil is thoroughly cleaned, taped and the coil reassembled. It is claimed this process has effected a very material reduction in armature maintenance costs.



Armature coil lye vat

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Motor repair stand

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WORK on parts of motor cases to be adjusted according to the size that are ordinarily hard to get at has been made much easier by means of a rotating frame used in the Grand Avenue shops of the Connecticut Company, New Haven. This apparatus was designed by J. E. Dooley, master mechanic, and built in the shops. The frame consists of two A shapes held in position by two longitudinal members fastened to the ends by gusset plates, as shown in the accompanying illustration. The ends are continuous 3½-in. x 5½-in. angles bent to the desired shape. Longitudinal members are angles of the same size, but are not continuous. They are arranged to overlap and are bolted together. A series of bolt holes permits the length of the stand

of the motor upon which work is being done.

At each of the upper corners of the end frames is a 4-in. cast-iron wheel. Two circular steel pieces are provided, one bolted fast to each end of the motor case. These circular pieces rest on the small wheels and allow the motor case to be rotated as may be desired.

This arrangement has proved to be a great convenience when field coils are being installed. Instead of being cbliged to hold the coil against the top of the motor case, while he is fastening it in place, the shopman now simply turns the case through a half revolution and lays the coil in position on the bottom.

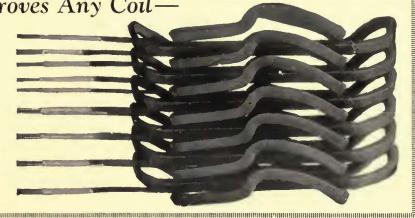
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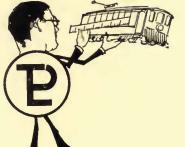
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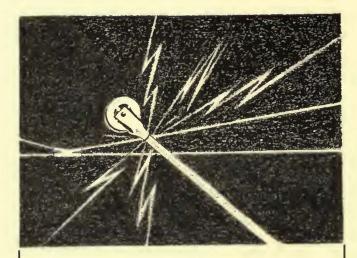
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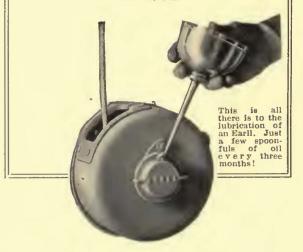
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Motor Heads Reclaimed with Steel Rings

STUDY of several methods for reclaiming Westinghouse 101-B motor heads, as compared with the cost of new ones, convinced J. W. Strawbridge, master mechanic of the Williamsport Passenger Railway, Williamsport, Pa., that reclaiming would be the cheapest proposition.

The method adopted was to shrink a cast-steel ring on the worn head. The steel castings are obtained from the foundry of the Lehigh Valley Transit Company, Allentown, Pa., in the rough. They are of such a bore and outside diameter as will suit every condition of worn head, worn housing or a combination of both. The worn head is turned down to a





At left, cast-steel ring ready for shrinking on to turned down motor head. At right, motor head ready for service with cast-steel ring shrunk on the machine

predetermined diameter and the cast-steel ring is bored to such a diameter as to allow for a tight shrinkage fit over the turned-down head. The casting has a flange and is installed on the head with the flange away from the oil well. After being shrunk on it is turned to the desired diameter. Where the field frame as well as the head is worn the frame is bored out to a standard oversize diameter and the head casting ring turned to the proper diameter to obtain a good fit.

This method has resulted in quite a saving being effected in the repair work, and to date not a single ring has come loose in service.

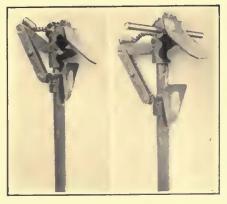
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TRACK AND WAY DEPARTMENT

Power Take-off Insures Positive Contact

Power take-off from the overhead trolley for the operation of portable tools requiring 600-volt energy is made on the Key System Transit Company, Oakland, Cal., by a pole and clamping device, the latter eliminating the possibility of arcing at the wire. The trolley stick, as it is known, is made up in four sections. Three of these are approximately 6 ft. long, while the top one is approximately 18 in. long.

The support for the head in the top section is 1 in. brass tubing, $\frac{1}{16}$ in. thick. Inside of this slides easily another piece of brass tubing. A casting having a boss on one side and a triangular shield of $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. copper on the other side is attached to the top of the outer tube. The boss serves as an anchorage for the lever which operates the extreme outer end of the clamping device. The



At left, head of power take-off open to receive trolley wire. At right, position when the pole is hooked over the trolley wire

shield, which has a width of 3 in., serves as a guide to the trolley wire when the device is placed in position.

A brass casting on the top of the

inner tubing has a groove on the underside and a clamp which presses upward when the head is raised so as to hold the trolley wire in the groove.

The jaws are approximately 3 in. long. A shield of \$\frac{1}{8}\$-in copper is fastened to the head casting, which, along with the shield on the lower head, guides the trolley wire into the groove. A pair of levers hold the two heads together and actuate the clamp.

When not in use the head drops by its own weight, opening the jaws of the clamp. When the head is hooked over the trolley wire the wire seats itself in the groove and the weight of the pole lifts the head and causes the clamp to close up on the wire. Raising the pole, the weight of the head causes it to drop in the tube, opening the clamping device.

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ROLLING STOCK-ELECTRICAL

Emergency Magnet Winding Machine

frequent intervals, or where a number of small magnet coils have to be wound in a hurry, it may be necessary to provide some sort of shop-made equipment to take care of the work. The accompanying illustrations show how a coil-taping machine was arranged to wind small magnet coils in the department of electrical repairs of the Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit Corporation, Brooklyn, N. Y. In the sketch the tension pegs, numbered 1, 2 and 3,

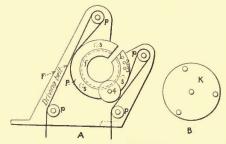


Diagram to illustrate changes in coiltaping machine to adapt it for winding small magnet coils

THERE coils are wound at in- and the tape holder, 4, of the original coil-taping machine were removed from the rotating member, P. Three equidistant poles marked S, S, S were drilled and tapped in the rotating part of the machine, as indicated. A disk, K, was then made of $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. sheet steel and holes were drilled in this to correspond with the holes S, S, S. A 3-in,-hole was also drilled in the center and the disk was then screwed to the rotating member, P. of the taping machine. Studded arbors, of sizes necessary to fit the spools of the magnet to be wound, were provided, and these were bolted to the disk through the center hole. A steady rest was provided for the outside end of these arbors. This steady rest, which was screwed to the bench, was provided with a hinge so that it could be rotated down out of the way while a spool was being inserted over the arbor and to provide for removal of the coil after it was wound. The machine was driven in the usual way by means of



Winding a coil with the converted machine

a belt. The necessary changes for installation of the disk in no way interfered with the usefulness of the machine for its original purpose.

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TRACK AND WAY DEPARTMENT

Truck for Transporting Oil Lamps

ABOR of collecting and distribut-→ ing way department oil lamps has been reduced materially by E. L. Greene, master mechanic York Railways, York, Pa., since the adoption of a manually operated truck designed and built in the company's shops.

This truck consists of a boxshaped skeleton frame 12 ft. long, 18 in. wide and 2 ft. high, with an over-all height of 48 in. above the floor. The frame is built of yellow pine timbers, 2 in. by 3 in., braced with ½-in, x 2-in, flat steel, and is mounted on a pair of 18-in. iron wheels.

Suitable hooks are installed on each of the longitudinal beams for the reception of the lamps. These are so spaced that the lamps can be suspended and moved about without damage to one another.

The truck weight being well balanced, one man can move it easily. Previously considerable time and la-



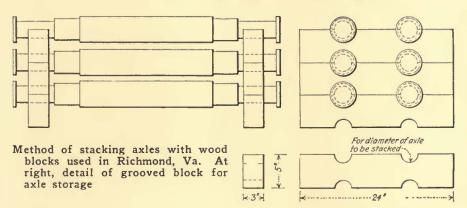
Portable truck with lamps ready for transportation

lamps by hand.

Using the portable truck, the labor entire operation.

bor were required to transport these has been reduced to such an extent as to permit of one man performing the Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Sheet ROLLING STOCK-TRUCKS

Grooved Wood Blocks for Axle Storage



UE to car axles being scattered about the floor the machine shop of the Virginia Electric & Power Company, Richmond, Va., presented a rather untidy appearance until the master mechanic, W. J. Hicks, de-

vised a method for their neat, compact and systematic stacking. This consists of the utilization of oak blocks grooved to conform to the diameter of the axles to be stacked, and placed between each pair of

axles at either end. The blocks are 3 in. high, 5 in. wide and 24 in. long.

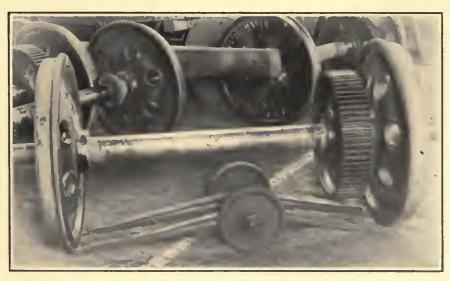
To permit of easy handling the axles are stacked under lifting facilities. New axles of one size are put in one pile, old axles of the same size to be turned are placed in another, and bent axles of the same size in a third. With this arrangement axles can be removed from the top of the pile and the ones on the bottom will not have to be disturbed, although they can be inspected readily.

This stacking of axles has improved the shop appearance and has provided a means for decreasing the floor space required for the storage of a given number of axles. When not in use these blocks can be stored away in a neat and systematic manner.

Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Sheet ROLLING STOCK-TRUCKS

Handy Type of Car Wheel Buggy

S HOPS are sometimes so crowded that it is impossible to roll wheels after they are mounted and unless some type of crane or hoist is available the transporting of wheels is rather difficult. To meet this condition a handy type of buggy has been devised in the shops of the Grand Rapids Railway, Grand Rapids, Mich. This consists of two central 8-in. diameter wheels connected by a shaft. Arms extend out on either side of this shaft a distance necessary to support a pair of mounted car wheels. Each supporting arm is made of two pieces of steel strap, one piece passing above and the other below the shaft. These are shaped to provide an ample bearing surface and the extreme ends are turned up so that a pair of wheels can be rolled into position and held without danger of slipping off. A pair of wheels mounted on the buggy can be bal-



Pair of mounted wheels in position on buggy for transporting about shop

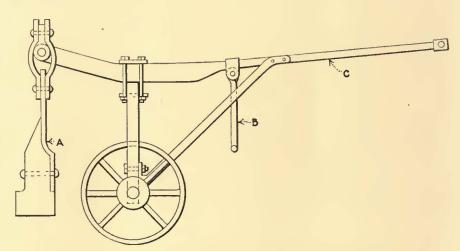
wheels are in a balancing position the floor.

anced easily and so pushed endwise there is a small clearance for the to any location desired. When the ends of the supporting straps above Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Sheet
ROLLING STOCK—TRUCKS

Truck for Handling Car Axles

FOR moving car axles about the shop a handy truck is used by the Interborough Rapid Transit Company of New York.

This truck, which was designed and built in the company's shop, is shown in the accompanying sketch. To lift and move an axle the truck is placed so that the wheels straddle it and the handle, C, raised to such a height as will permit the tongs, A, to grip the axle slightly beyond the center of gravity. Lowering the handle, C, raises one end of the axle from the floor until the hook, B, can be slipped under the overbalanced end. By raising handle, C, the axle is then lifted clear of the floor so that it can be transported to any desired location.

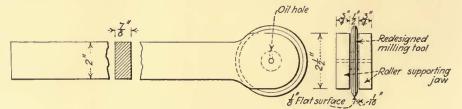


Truck used by Interborough Rapid Transit Company for handling car axles about the shop

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ROLLING STOCK—TRUCKS

Polishing Bearing Surfaces of Axles

POLISHING bearing surfaces of axles is the purpose of a tool which has been designed and constructed in the shop of the Virginia Electric & Power Company, Norfolk, Va., under the supervision of the master mechanic, T. W. Madison. This tool consists of a redesigned 3-in. milling cutter, together with a suitable supporting arm. Finding that a 3-in. milling cutter with a 1-in. arbor hole had served its usefulness as a milling tool, the remnants of the teeth were turned off and the circumference was given a rounding contour except at the top, which was left flat for about & in. The 1-in. arbor hole was bushed down to ½ in. to provide for the insertion of a ½-in, steel shaft. This bushing is installed with a de-in. projection beyond the side surfaces



Appearance of assembled roller and arm used for polishing purposes

of the roller to allow sufficient clearance between the side faces and the inside surfaces of its supporting jaw.

The supporting jaw and arm are made from a 2-in. x 3-in. steel bar, one end being slotted and drilled for the roller and shaft. The bar is tapered down to 2 in. x $\frac{\pi}{8}$ in. about $\frac{1}{2}$ in. from the slotted end, to fit in the tool rest. A $\frac{1}{8}$ -in. diagonal hole is drilled through the roller bushing for lubrication.

The axle to be polished is run in a lathe at about the same speed as for a finishing cut. The polishing tool installed in the tool rest with the roller forced against the oiled shaft surface produces a high-luster finish.

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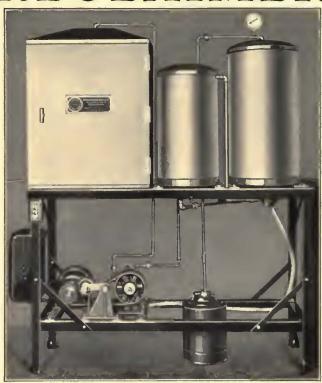
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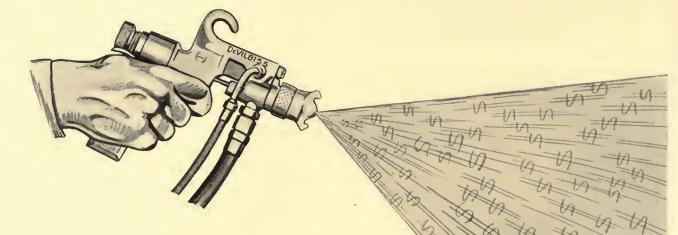
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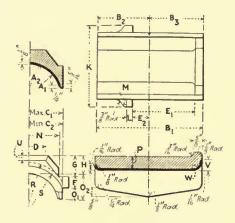
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Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Skeet

STANDARDS

Standard Dimensions of Journal Bearings

THE American Electric Railway Engineering Association has six standard journal bearings which are arranged to fit the six standard



Dimension drawing for journal bearings to be used with table

axles of the association. These were adopted as revised in 1926. The accompanying drawing and table give these. Originally the standard journal bearings for the six sizes of journals required six drawings. In order to provide uniformity a change on one usually required similar changes on the others, so that six drawings had to be changed each time. As a number of changes appeared desirable to the 1926 equipment committee, it was considered preferable to reduce the number of drawings and provide a table to show the different dimensions. In arranging this it was found that some of the dimensions were not uniform for various sizes. The use of the single drawing and table made these apparent at once, while when used on several drawings they would not be noticed.

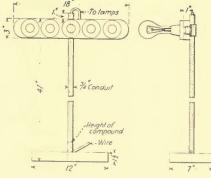
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Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Sheet

ROLLING STOCK-PAINT SHOP

Lamp Bank for Use in Paint Shop

XTERIOR illumination of cars undergoing painting in the paint shop of the Lynchburg Traction & Light Company, Lynchburg, Va., has been improved greatly since several lamp banks were installed in convenient locations adjacent to the cars. These lamp banks were designed by Master Mechanic M. M. Cochran and built in the shop. They consist of a base made of dry oak 1½x7x12 in., in the center of which is installed a piece of 3-in. conduit 48 in. long. About 1 in. from the end of the conduit is installed a piece of ash 1x3x18 in. long and fastened to the 4-in. conduit by means of a 3-in heavy pipe strap. This

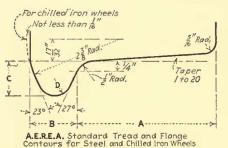


Lamp stands used in the paint shop of the Lynchburg Traction & Light Company, Lynchburg, Va.

piece of ash acts as a base for the support of the five incandescent lamps and is grooved in the center to permit of the installation of the wires, which enter the conduit through a §-in. hole drilled directly above the base, make their exit from the end of the conduit and drop down to the groove in the lamp supporting base. Compound poured into the pipe about 3 in. up from the base prevents injury to the insulation of the wires from chafing at their entrance to the conduit. A drilled wood plug inserted in the end of the conduit prevents chafing injury to the wires at the point of their exit from the conduit.

Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Sheet STANDARDS

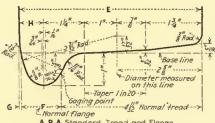
Wheel Tread and Flange Contours



Standard Tread and Flange Contours В C D 3" 13 A-3 3 1 7 2 1 7 2 A - 3 136 B - 2 3" B - 3 C - 2 2 2 121 C - 31 11 D-23 D-3 120

STANDARD tread and flange contours were adopted by the American Electric Railway Engineering Association in 1923. A-3, A-3½, B-2½, B-3, C-2½, C-3, D-2½ and D-3 provide four flange contours each in combination with two widths of treads and are for both steel and chilled iron wheels.

Contour E is for chilled-iron wheels as standardized by the American Railway Association in 1909 and contour F is for steel and steel-tired wheels as standardized by the American Railway Association in 1920. These latter contours were also made A.E.R.E.A, standard in 1923.



A.R.A.Standard Tread and Flange Contaurs for Steel, Steel Tread and Chilled Iron Wheels

Standard Tread and Flange Contaurs	E	F	G	н
E	55"	164	3 II 64	3/4"
F	52"	137	0	540

Electric Railway Journal Maintenance Data Sheet ROLLING STOCK-PAINT SHOP

Car Painting in Berlin

HE all-metal cars on the Ber-I lin Street Railway system are painted with both the brush and the spray methods. Particulars of these cars were published in the ELECTRIC RAILWAY JOURNAL for Jan. 29 and Feb. 5. The schedule of application with the brush and spray methods appears in the accompanying tables:

SCHEDULE OF OUTSIDE ENAMEL APPLICATION WITH BRUSH, BERLIN CARS

1. Rub all rust spots with No. 00 sand-

paper.

2. Wash the surface of the plate with a cleaner to remove any grease or remaining rust spots.

3. Put on foundation oil paint, white.

4. Putty (or cement) all cracks and screw

on coat of oil paint, white and 5. Put vellow.

Rub down with No. 00 sandpaper. Put on coat of oil paint, white and yellow. 6. Rub 7. Put

Rub down with No. 00 sandpaper. Put on a coat of enamel, white and 9. Put vellow.

Rub down with oiled paper and pumice. Put on a coat of enamel, white and yellow. 10. Rub 11. Put

12. Rub down with oiled paper and pumice,
13. Strlping and lettering,
14. Apply outside varnish.
Total time required is five working days
and the material used is as follows:

Material required: Material required:

Oil paint, white. 6 kg. or 13.2 lb.
Lead putty 1.5 kg. or 3.3 lb.
Oil paint, yeliow 3.5 kg. or 7.7 lb.
Enamel, white 3.0 kg. or 6.6 lb.
Enamel, yellow 3.5 kg. or 6.6 lb.
Enamel, black 0.5 kg. or 1.1 lb.
Outside varnish 2.0 kg. or 4.4 lb.
Rubbing enamel 1.0 kg. or 2.2 lb.
Pure turpentine 1.0 kg. or 2.2 lb.
Cleaning fluid 2.0 kg. or 4.4 lb.

SCHEDULE OF OUTSIDE ENAMEL APPLICATION WITH SPRAY, BERLIN CARS

A number of cars were painted with the spray method. The first four steps were the same as those just given for the brush method. The later steps were as follows:
5. Rub down with sandpaper.
6. Apply one coat of white oil paint to the upper half by spray.
7. Apply one coat of yellow oil paint to the lower half of spray.
7. Apply one coat of white japan enamel by spray.

Apply one coat of white Japan enamel by spray.
 Apply one coat of yellow enamel by spray.
 Rub down with oiled paper and pumice.
 Apply one coat of yellow enamel by spray.
 Rub down with oiled paper and pumice,
 Striping and lettering.

Improved Equipment

for Electric Railway Maintenance

RELIABLE, safe and attractive transportation is a prime requisite of any campaign to attract additional riders. To provide this, much depends upon the equipment available for carrying on the various maintenance operations. More modern machine tools are needed in railway repair shops and improved tools for track and line maintenance work will assist materially in reducing delays and provide for the passengers a smooth, noiseless ride.

Some of the latest improved equipment for railway maintenance is described in the following pages. Careful study of them should produce many suggestions as to equipment needed to bring maintenance to a higher standard and carry on repairs efficiently and economically.

For Repairing Car Body and Overhauling Trucks

Wrench Set No. 311

BONNEY FORGE & TOOL WORKS
Allentown, Pa.

WRENCHES in sets, as shown, are suitable for general repair work. This set, designated as No. 311, consists of three each of the eleven most popular sizes. They are drop forged from vanadium steel, very light and

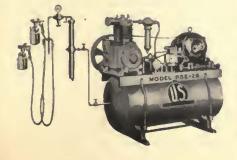


thin but yet strong and well balanced. Thin, pear-shaped jaws permit maximum clearance in close quarters. Each one is guaranteed to strip the thread or break the bolt without damage to the wrench.

Paint Spray Equipment

UNITED STATES AIR COMPRESSOR COMPANY Cleveland, Ohlo

M ODEL PSE-26 paint-spraying unit, as shown, is of the twincylinder, air-cooled, single-stage type and has sufficient capacity for the continuous operation of two paint guns. It will operate within a tank pressure range of 90 to 125 lb. The reducing valve mounted on the moisture sep-



arator permits an air adjustment of from 40 to 90 lb. for painting. The displacement of this unit is 16 cu.ft. of air per minute.

The 60-gal. tank has longitudinal seams, riveted and copper brazed. The compressor is belt-driven by a 3-hp. a.c. or d.c. motor, as desired. The complete unit is 36 in. wide, 52 in. long and 48 in. high. It is shipped with moisture separator, reducing valve, air gage, two paint spray guns with quart cups and two 25-ft. lengths of hose and fittings.

Combination Cutting and Welding Equipment

ALEXANDER MILBURN COMPANY 1416-1428 West Baltlmore Street, Baltlmore, Md.

WITH this equipment all operations of welding and cutting can be handled. It is necessary only to change the tips to cut or to weld. The outfit consists of a type N.I. combina-



tion torch, 21 in. long; three welding tips, three cutting tips, an oxygen regulator with 3,000-lb. initial pressure gage and 200-lb. delivery pressure gage, acetylene regulator with 500-lb. initial pressure gage and 50-lb. delivery pressure gage, 25 ft. oxygen hose and 25 ft. acetylene hose, both with

couplings; a pair of fiber frame goggles, a pair of workman's gloves, friction torch lighter, combination wrench, instruction book and pressure chart. The approximate shipping weight is 45 lb.

Lawson Pipe Wrench

LAWSON MANUFACTURING COMPANY 6505 Carnegle Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

WRENCHES of the type shown are all drop forged from a high grade of steel and have removable jaw housings forged solid with the handle. The jaw teeth are said to be hardened and tempered to give the greatest strength with the least wear. Because it has an angle handle, the Lawson pipe wrench is adaptable to many positions. It has working access to pipes lying close to the floor, wall or ceiling, where it will give \(\frac{1}{2}\) turn of the pipe. The



wrench has exceptional strength in both handle and jaw. Its compact, self-contained and well-balanced design is mechanically correct. The jaws, which are always in an open position ready to grip a pipe, will release instantly when the wrench is to be removed from the pipe. The location of the adjusting nut and the one coil spring used to hold the jaws open permit of one-hand operation. It is made in sizes of 8, 10, 14, 18 and 24 in.

Type E Motor-Operated Pipe-Bending Machine

AMERICAN PIPE BENDING MACHINE COMPANY, INC. 37-39 Pearl Street, Boston, Mass.

BENDING of 11-in. to 4-in. cold pipe without having it filled with any substance is the purpose of the machine shown. It is capable of making 11-in. to 2-in. pipe bends at the rate of ten to fifteen per hour and 2-in. to 4-in. pipe bends at the rate of five to ten per hour. A 3-hp. motor is fur-

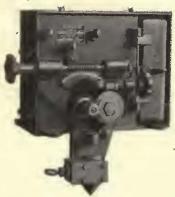


nished with each machine. The complete machine weighs approximately 3,800 lb. and occupies a floor space of 7 ft. 6 in. x 7 ft. 6 in. Suitable bending forms and pipe holders are furnished for the bending of 12-in. to 4-in. pipe. Other motor-operated machines in production are the type F standard for bending 3-in. to 6-in. cold pipe and the type F special for bending 3-in. to 5-in. cold pipe. Where hand-operated machines are desirable type F Junior can be furnished for ½-in. bends, type A for ½-in. to 1-in. bends, type B special for 1½-in. to 2-in. bends and the type B Hercules for 3-in. to 4-in. bends. The same construction is incorporated in the hand-operated machines as in the motor-operated machines.

The Auto Arc

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC & MANU-FACTURING COMPANY East Pittsburgh, Pa.

WESTINGHOUSE auto arcs or automatic arc welding heads are designed for production or repair work on repetition operations, by which production can be greatly increased due to the greater welding speed obtainable. They are adaptable to welding axle housings, gear cases, metal pans or boxes, building up worn car wheels, flanges or brake equalizers and any work where a bead of metal is to be laid in a regular path. The machine automatically feeds the welding electrode to the work at the required speed for the job and will maintain a con-



stant arc voltage. The auto arc will strike the arc automatically. The unit is entirely self-contained, no other mechanism being required except the actual work handling machinery designed either to move the auto arc along the seam to be welded or to pass the work under the arc. The machine consists of a housing approximately 18 in. long, 7 in. wide and 14 in. high, in which is contained a control and driving mechanism. The rolls, guides and nozzle through which the electrode is fed to the arc extend from the front of the case.

The driving and feed mechanism is regularly supplied for use on 110 volts, 25, 50 or 60 cycles alternating current or 230 volts direct current, as desired. Special machines for other voltages may be obtained. The driving and feed circuit is entirely separate from the arc circuit and is not affected by it. It is claimed that the auto arc will stand up under shop conditions and have practically no maintenance except lubrication and an occasional inspection of the moving parts. Adjustments are possible on the nozzle so that the arc can be directed to the part of the work where the weld is desired.

Petersen "Oiljak"

OIL JACK COMPANY, INC. 15 Park Row, New York City

TWO popular models of the "Oiljak," the JB-3 of 3 tons capacity and the JB-10 of 10 tons, are now in full production. Any load within the capacity can be raised with little effort, steadily,

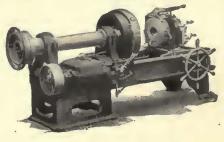


smoothly and quickly. Loads can be lowered without jar or shock and can be stopped instantly at any position. An important feature permits of operation of the jacks with short, inch by inch motions of the handle if desired. A full stroke is not necessary, as is the case of most jacks. This makes the jack advantageous for use in cramped quarters. Where danger exists the jack can be operated from a distance by using a longer handle.

No. 4 Peerless Improved Pipe Machine

BIGNALL & KEELER MACHINE WORKS of the N. O. NELSON MANUFAC-TURING COMPANY Edwardsville, Ili.

ODERN machine tool design VI trends toward elimination of cone pulleys and belts. The pipe threading machine shown is designed along these lines. While using a single driving pulley, a constant belt speed is obtained which can be suited to the heavier work. Eight speeds are obtainable with a constant speed motor by shifting the gears. The motor is bolted to the rear of the machine and power is transmitted through a silent chain drive. The machine has a universal gripping chuck which can be set quickly for any size of pipe, thus adapting it for all-round shop use. A Peerless adjusting mechanism permits adjustment to obtain threads at different gages. A cut-off tool and a reamer provide for the cutting off and reaming of all pipe. Accessibility of all gears and ready removal of dies are outstanding fea-



tures. A direct-connected oil pump is

furnished for lubricating purposes.

All parts of the machine are accessible for inspection and repairs. occupies a floor space of 34 in. x 98 in. Each machine is furnished with one set of right-hand dies for threading 1-in., 1½-in., 2-in., 2½-in., 3-in., 3½-in. and 4-in. pipes.

Portable Car Hoists

WHITING CORPORATION. Harvey, Ill.

PORTABLE car hoists of this manufacturer embody the same basic principles as the Whiting locomotive and truck hoists now widely used. The car hoist consists of a machined steel screw of ample diameter mounted on a worm gear in a substantial base and housed by a structural frame. The projecting step or support by which the car body is lifted rests on a bronzed nut on the steel screw. The car weight is carried on a hardened and ground alloy steel roller bearing. Power is supplied by an electric motor.

By using two pairs of portable hoists, one pair at each end of the car, the entire car body may be raised off the truck at once. The trucks can then be coupled and handled at one time.



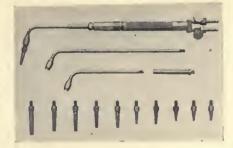
All four hoists may be operated as one unit, with the control in one pushbutton station.

A toggle mechanism lifts the base of the hoist off the ground high enough to put the weight on the wheels, allowing the hoist to be pulled from place to place like a small truck. After being moved into position alongside the car a reverse movement of the toggle lowers the hoist so that its three bearing surfaces rest squarely on the floor. These are spaced to give much greater stability than ordinary jacks. The hoist shown needs no foundation or pit, but may be used on any level floor capable of sustaining the load. No air or water lines are required. Power is used for lowering, so that blocking is not needed under a car, which may be left over the noon hour or night without danger. The hoist will handle cars of any class or size, making unnecessary an assortment of special jacks.

Airco-Davis-Bournonville Style 7700 Welding Torch

AIR REDUCTION SALES COMPANY 342 Madison Avenue, New York, N. Y.

AS consumption at the rate of one volume of acetylene, which is the ideal for a perfect neutral flame, is said to be practically attained in the style 7700 torch with oxygen of 99.5 per cent purity. The principles of mixing embodied in the design produce a soft, high temperature neutral flame which favors high quality welding with speed and economy. The new torch is approved by the Underwriters Laboratories and is especially well balanced. The possible combination of extension tubes, mixers and tips provides a torch for a full range of welding from sheet metal to heavy forgings or eastings. The rear end is a brass forging. The



handle is made of seamless knurled brass tubing. The head is of special bronze. Seamless oxygen and acetylene tubes are silver soldered to the head and rear end. Extension tubes 6 in., 9 in., and 16 in. long fit either mixing head. The complete weight of the torch with an 8-10-in. mixer, 9-in. extension tube and with the No. 10 tip is 30 oz.

Side-Head Boring Mill NILES TOOL WORKS COMPAN

NILES TOOL WORKS COMPANY Division of Niles-Bement-Pond Company, Hartford, Conn.

ITH the side head of this boring tool in working position the machine will take work up to 38 in. diameter. A feature is that the side head may be lowered below the table, so that work up to 44 in. diameter can be finished all over with the vertical head. The bed and column are cast integral. The left-hand housing has a flat bearing and the right-hand housing has a three-track bearing with a long narrow guide for the cross rail and side head. The table and chuck are made in one unit mounted directly on the spindle. The three-jaw chuck which is regularly furnished can be operated either universally or independently. The spindle has a taper bearing for absorbing the vertical thrust. Power is delivered to the table through beveled gears and a disk type clutch. The speed change unit is of the selective sliding gear type, with twelve speeds controlled by two levers. The cross rail is elevated and lowered by means of power. The



turret slide can be swiveled in either direction to an angle of 30 deg., the swivel being graduated on both sides. This adjustment is made by a worm and worm segment which can be operated from either side. Sixteen positive feed changes are provided. Rapid traverse in all directions and a complete equipment of micrometer dials and observation scales are at the operator's command.

The turret rotates around a cylindrical stud and has bearings equal to the full diameter of the turret. The turret has ten indexing positions so that it can be indexed half way between each of the regular positions. With the turret indexed half way, two tool holders are brought within the field of operation. The side head is mounted directly on the column and there are but two movable joints between the cutting tool and the column. The head extends across the column with a bearing at the center so that all strains are taken on the full width of the column. Rapid power traverse is provided in horizontal and vertical directions for the side head as

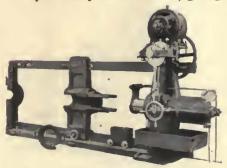
Wheel and Axle Machining

Wheel Press

NILES TOOL WORKS COMPANY Division of Niles-Bement-Pond Company, Hartford, Conn.

CAR wheel presses of 48-in. size have the cylinder member resistance head and end post mounted on a heavy base plate. The cast-steel cylinder is lined with copper expanded into place and burnished. The piston is packed with cup leather.

The hydraulic pressure for working the ram is obtained from a triple plunger pump. Each plunger has a safety valve. All three plungers may be worked simultaneously or any one or any two may be thrown out, giving



a variety of pressures that may be exerted on the piston up to the maximum capacity. The pressure is released by a hand wheel operating a relief valve which permits the water to flow back from the cylinder to the suction tank. A gage indicates the pressure on the ram as well as the total pressure in tons. The resistance head is made of cast steel, supported on rollers running on planed ways on the base. An opening permits the passage of axles. The end post has an opening cor-responding to that in the resistance head so that long shafts may be handled. Unless otherwise specified trucks are provided to support the wheels in the press and handle them on and off the axles. These machines can be furnished for either belt or motor drive.

In order to press off wheels from their axles without interfering with the gears a removable attachment with projecting legs can be provided. These legs pass through the holes of the gear wheel and a hinged collar is provided to be placed against the body of the wheel in order to afford a surface against which the wheels can press.

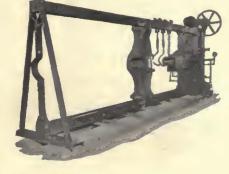
Hydraulic Wheel Press

LOURIE MANUFACTURING COMPANY Springfield, III.

THIS press was designed especially for heavy pressures. Double bars prevent buckling of the press and shaft if the work is not perfectly centered or if more pressure is needed on one side than the other. The crosshead is a steel casting and a steel gate is furnished for the gap. The resistance pins are tool steel. The ram is returned into the cylinder by means of springs. It is hollow, but has a removable disk fitted into the face. The standard equipment furnished includes all hooks, hangers and fittings, as shown in the illustration, as well as a hydraulic gage, safety valve, operating valve and all other necessary valves and fittings. An automatic differential type of pump used operates the ram rapidly under low pressure and

slowly under high pressure.

The buttress behind the cylinder is built up of structural I-beams. This permits the use of standard close-grained semi-steel cylinders and pumps. The cylinders are highly polished. Machined cast fillers are placed between the strain bars and the webs of the I-beams. Beams, fillers and strain bars are clamped together by stud bolts.

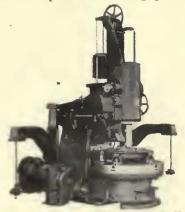


well as the vertical head. Each head has sixteen feeds. Flood lubrication is provided for the spindle bearings, speed change gear unit, the feed gear units and the cross rail elevating mechanism. The machine can be furnished for belt drive through a single pulley or with a motor drive. The floor space required is 81 in. x 93 in. It is made in 36 in. and 44 in. sizes.

48-In. Wheel Boring Machine

MANNING, MAXWELL & MOORE, INC. Putnam Machine Works, Fitchburg, Mass.

RAPID power traverse in either direction to both the boring and the facing spindles is regularly furnished with this 48-in. wheel-boring machine in addition to the usual power feeds. One lever controls the feed and traverse movements in each case. The chuck can handle wheels from 6½ in. to 42 in. diameter on the tread. The table is driven by a high carbon cast steel bevel gear and a forged nickel steel pinion. The boring spindle is of large diameter and travels in a long bearing. It has ample travel to allow of running the boring bar above the throat of the machine. The boring spindle is equipped with four feeds controlled from the operator's working position.



Power traverse to the boring spindle is provided in both directions and is con-

trolled from one lever.

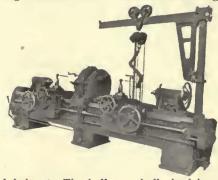
The chuck table has five chuck jaws of hardened steel, conforming in shape to the flange and throat of the wheel tread contour. They are operated universally by a slight motion of one of the three cam studs that are provided so that one will always be convenient to the operator when the table is stopped. If desired, a pneumatic chuck, a hub facing attachment and a pneumatic or mechanical crane can be furnished. The hub facing ram is fitted with a sliding head at its outer end for vertical adjustment of tools. Hubs may be faced while the wheel is being bored.

The drive is through a unit and self-contained gear box giving four speeds in geometrical progression through sliding gears running in oil. If the machine is belt-driven the power is transmitted to the gear box through a constant speed pulley. With electric drive a constant speed motor is geared directly to the gear box. The gear box may be omitted and a three to one variable speed motor geared directly to the table pinion shaft. The machine is started and stopped by starting and stopping the motor.

Double Axle Lathe

MANNING, MAXWELL & MOORE, INC. Putnam Machine Works, Fitchburg, Mass.

RIGIDITY is said to characterize this axle lathe. The bed is of a deep, box section and the side walls are connected at short intervals by broad box ties. Longitudinal trusses having cast racks, against which the tailstocks are braced, are located between the shears. The legs are cast integral with the bed, one of them being utilized as a tank for the cutting



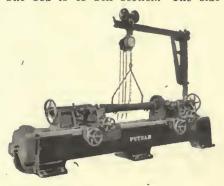
lubricant. The hollow spindle is driven by a herringbone gear and pinion running in a bath of oil, thus affording positive lubrication. The spindle revolves in bronze bearings, one on each side of the main gear. The drive is by means of a double tailed dog which bears against the cast lugs on the equalizing plate. Both tailstocks are adjustable along the bed. Pawls attached to the body engage cast racks in the bed to prevent slipping under a heavy cut. The carriages are guided by V's on the front and rear of the bed and are gibbed on horizontal and vertical surfaces directly in line with the tool thrusts. The feed aprons are of a double wall construction, furnishing a support for all shafts at each end.

An inclosed feed gear box gives three positive feeds which are changed from the center of the bed. The gears are of hardened steel and run in oil. If desired, a crane can be furnished for lifting the axles in and out of the lathe.

Axle Burnishing Lathe

MANNING, MAXWELL & MOORE, INC. Putnam Machine Works, Fitchburg, Mass.

JOURNAL burnishing is the principal function of this machine, which in general consists of two tailstocks and two carriages mounted on a base, each carriage having a front and a rear burnishing tool. Both journals of an axle are burnished at the same time. The bed is of box section. The side



walls are connected at short intervals by box ties. The legs are cast integral with the bed. Both tailstocks are adjustable along the bed. Permanent alignment is maintained by means of taper gibs. The two burnishing rolls are brought into contact with the axle by means of a large diameter screw, operating in bronze nuts. The screw is not confined in the carriage endwise, but is free to float, thus the burnishing tools are forced against the axle with equal pressure and no end thrust is taken by the screw or carriage. By setting the burnishing rolls at a slight angle they feed automatically and therefore a feeding mechanism is not required. The aprons contain only the pair of gears and rack pinion for the hand movement of the carriages. A suitable crane can be furnished with this machine. The floor space required with a motor drive and without the crane is 14 ft. 6 in. x 4 ft. 8 in.

48-In. Wheel Borer

NILES TOOL WORKS COMPANY Division of Niles-Bement-Pond Company, Hartford, Conn.

In this line of heavy boring machines a self-contained single casting frame makes for rigidity. There are no joints to allow the boring bar to be thrown out of alignment with relation to the table. As soon as the machine is started the wheel is locked rigidly in the self-centering automatic chuck. Stopping and reversing the operation of the table will automatically loosen the wheel from the chuck. All



operating levers and handwheels are within easy reach of the operator. Four feeds are available. Changing from a roughing to a finishing feed is accomplished by means of a single lever. There are tapered bushings for both the boring bar and the table spindle. Either a pneumatic or drum type quick-acting crane can be furnished, as desired. The table revolves in a bath of oil on an annular bearing. The bevel driving gear is of semi-steel and the bevel pinion of forged steel. When so ordered, the machine will be equipped with a hub facing attachment. The hub facing bar feeds from the center outlet, so that it can be used at the same time as the boring bar is feeding downward. These machines can be driven by a constant speed motor, an adjustable speed motor, or a belt, as desired.

48-In. Wheel Lathe

MANNING, MAXWELL & MOORE, INC., Putnam Machine Works, Fitchburg, Mass.

WHEELS from 24 in. to 44 in. in diameter on the tread can be turned on this lathe. The bed is heavy, deep and of ample width for the swing of the lathe and it is braced with cross and longitudinal ribs. All bearings are bronze bushed. The spindle and face-plate are made as one piece. Twelve radial T-slots are provided so that either three or four driving dogs may be used. The end thrust is taken by thrust washers running in a bath of oil. The faceplates are driven by forged steel pinions mounted on a high carbon steel shaft which is carried in bronze lined capped bearings. Each faceplate is equipped with four adjustable, equalizing driving dogs. The tailstock has a power traverse by individual motor and a friction clutch allows the motor to be started under no load. The tool rests are designed with an adjustment to take care of the minimum and maximum diameter of wheels.

The feeding mechanism gives several impulses per revolution and is prac-



tically continuous. The feed ratchets operate in either direction and are of the inclosed type, excluding chips and eliminating accidents to the operator. A simple calipering attachment furnished with each machine enables the operator readily to size both wheels to the same diameter. When desired a pneumatic hoist can be furnished for raising and lowering the wheels. Either inside or outside journal turning attachments, or both, can be supplied. The machine can also be equipped with a wheel boring attachment. If facing the rims and hubs of the wheels is part of the shop procedure, a cross feed can be furnished. These machines can be supplied with a constant speed motor drive, a variable speed motor drive or a belt drive.

will locate open or short circuits, wrong or crossed connections and grounds without unsoldering any lead wires from the commutator or removing the hoods.

Martindale Slot Cleaning Outfit

MARTINDALE ELECTRIC COMPANY Box 2660, Lakewood Branch, Cleveland, Ohio

CLEANING the armature core slots by means of grinding disks is the ideal method of removing old insulation prior to the rewinding of the arma-



ture. It saves 75 per cent of the time and labor required for the usual cleaning process. The machine shown will perform this work and in addition will remove quickly old solder from the riser slots. With the addition of a fiber stiffener between the disks, burrs that will turn a file can be ground off easily. A complete outfit consists of a motor, flexible shaft, ball bearing handpiece disk holder, 36 assorted grinding disks, three fiber stiffeners and a box of shaft grease.

or. The swinging arm of shaft grease.

Pinion Puller
GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY
Schenectady, N. Y.

SPLIT rings are used with this pinion puller, each half being provided with lugs through which hinge pins are placed to hold the two firmly together.



The wedging principle is used, but the wedge, instead of being where it can damage bearings and housings, is placed where it can do no harm. The puller ring grips all the pinion teeth equally, eliminating the possibility of damaging a number of teeth.

The component parts of the pinion puller are the puller ring, the pressure cap if required, the jack-screw, the wedge box, the wedge and the hinge pins. The wedge, wedge box and jack-screw are the same for all pullers, but the puller rings and pressure caps vary with the pinion for which the puller is required. A common ring may be used in some cases for pinions varying only slightly in diameter.

Equipment for Electrical Repairs

Mica Undercutter

HULLHORST MICRO TOOL COMPANY
Toledo, Ohio

M OUNTING on any make of lathe carriage through the medium of an angle plate is possible with the No. 9 commutator mica undercutting machine. The main standard is held to the angle plate with two cap screws, which provides for vertical adjustment



to take care of commutators up to diameters of 22 in. Regulation of the depth of the undercutting is obtained with the depth gage mechanism mounted on the vertical standard. The lower arm of the undercutter slides on the depth gage bar.

The cutter spindle and the tapering arbor are made of crucible steel lapped into bronze bearings. Sufficient rigidity is assured by building the spindle in the lower arm with a tapering arbor of ra in. diameter at the cutter.

Mill-cut precision cutters can be supplied for any depth of slot. The motor is installed at the top of one swinging arm and the power is transmitted to the spindle through a belt turning through a triple mechanism at the center pivot. It is stated that this machine

will undercut mica \$\frac{1}{2}\$ in. deep at the rate of more than 200 ft. per hour. The undercutter is furnished with either a 60-cycle, 110-volt a.c. motor or a 110-volt d.c. motor. The swinging arm can be placed out of the way in the upward position when not in use.

Field Tester

CENTURY ELECTRICAL COMPANY 100-102 Randall Avenue, Syracuse, N. Y.

FIELD and armature coils of direct-current motors and generators may be tested conveniently with the New Century field tester. Fields may be checked either in place or out of the machine. By testing them in place there is no danger of removing the wrong coil unnecessarily, while the checking of new or repaired coils previous to installation prevents faults leading to the burning out of an armature or the remaining field coils. A scale shows the exact condition of the coil under test, making it possible to detect partial short or open circuits. In testing armature coils, the Century tester



Commutator Grooving Machine

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY Schenectady, N. Y.

COMMUTATOR grooving machines of two types have been developed by this company, one portable and the other stationary. In form 2, the stationary machine, the base has ad-

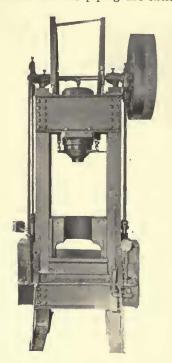


justable pillow blocks with V-shaped bearing surfaces and brass rollers. The slide arm is designed for both vertical and angular adjustment, the latter to be used where the commutator bars are not exactly parallel to the shaft. The rotating saw is mounted on an extension of the motor shaft supported by an offset bearing. This readily permits the grooving of commutators having ears. Owing to the small size of driving motors used no starting resistance is necessary. The form 3 portable machine is simple and can be moved readily to any part of the shop. It is designed to be clamped to the armature This machine has adjustable shaft. stops which direct the travel of the saw to the brush surface of the commutator. A floating driving shaft permits the grooving of a number of slots at one setting of the armature. An angular adjustment can be used when the commutator bars are not exactly parallel to the shaft.

Inverted Forcing Press

LOURIE MANUFACTURING COMPANY Springfield, Ill.

STRUCTURAL steel I-beams and channels hot riveted are used in this inverted forcing press. It is a complete self-contained unit. The pumps, most of the valves and the piping are inclosed

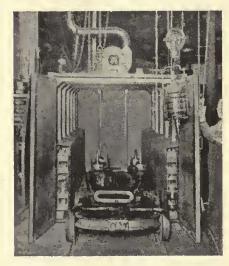


in the oil reservoirs on the side. This eliminates leakage around the press. Leakage oil from the ram is carried to the reservoir by a telescoping pipe. The ram is returned into the cylinder by means of springs. The two pumps used on this press are of the differential type and work automatically. Two large pistons operate the ram rapidly under low pressure. When about one-seventh of the total pressure capacity of the press is reached the large pistons cease to function and the small pistons produce the heavy pressure. The press as shown is suitable for forcing, straightening, bushing work, etc. A hydraulic gage and a safety valve are furnished as a part of the equipment.

Electric Ovens for Baking Armatures

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC & MANU-FACTURING COMPANY East Pittsburgh, Pa.

TYPE M electric oven is of the kiln type, consisting of an insulated room into which the work to be baked is wheeled on trucks or supported on angle brackets on the oven walls. The



inside and outside walls are sheet metal and the 2-in. space between them is filled with high-grade insulation. The angle framework is bolted together and tic rods hold the sections firmly in place, making the oven capable of withstanding the heavy service of railway work. Sides, top and bottom are all of similar construction, giving the oven a nigh thermal efficiency. The heaters are placed on the side walls and, if conditions allow, along the middle of the oven floor, since this method gives better heat distribution. A wire screen protects the heaters from injury through contact when loading or unloading the oven. Ventilation is by a fan blower system, which increases the drying rate and prevents explosions. The control may be mounted on the side of the oven or separately, depending on which will be more convenient.

The temperature of the oven is held at the proper point by a sensitive thermostat. It is possible to maintain a temperature within 5 deg. F. of the desired point by this means. This control instrument actuates a magnetic contactor control panel which opens

and closes the circuit supplying power to the oven and the temperature rises or falls. It is made in three sizes, M-107, M-109 and M-114. The M-107 size will handle six armatures per bake, the M-109 will handle eight armatures and the M-114 twelve armatures.

Armature Buggy Occupies Little Space

COLUMBIA MACHINE WORKS & MALLEABLE IRON COMPANY 3303 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

VERY small space is occupied by this adjustable buggy. Due to its adjustable features it is suitable for the reception of any size of motor armature. This adjustment is made by



loosening two thumb screws located on the left-hand side of the frame and shifting the pedestals to the desired centers. A buggy of this type used for the transportation of armatures will reduce the possibility of injuring the commutators, shafts, etc. It is made of iron and strongly constructed throughout.

Adjustable Armature Stands Facilitate Repairs

COLUMBIA MACHINE WORKS & MALLEABLE IRON COMPANY 3303 Atlantic Avenue, Brooklyn, N. Y.

THESE armature stands are substantially made with a broad circular base, a low center of gravity and a screw to obtain a 10-in. height adjustment. The screw threads are made square in order to facilitate handling. Roller bearings in the cradles provide a means for the easy revolving of an armature as well as eliminating



mechanical injuries to the armature shaft. Two pockets cast on the side of the stand provide receptacles for the brackets to support the workman's tool and material tables. These stands can be adapted to many repair jobs about the shop.

Electrically Heated Babbitt Melting Pot

GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY
Schenectady, N. Y.

N EARLY all armature, axle and journal bearings for electric car equipment are rebabbitted. For this a conveniently arranged system for melting the babbitt is essential. To meet the requirement the General Electric Company has developed several different sizes of electric melting pots. The one shown in the illustration has a capacity of 5 tons. It is equipped with six cast-in heating units, each of 5 kw.



capacity. This will melt 1,000 lb. of babbitt per hour. Temperatures of from 700 to 775 deg. F. are maintained by thermostatic regulation.

Banding, Slotting and Turning Machine

LEA COURTENAY COMPANY Newark, N. J.

ON THIS machine an armature can be turned, slotted and banded without removing it. The machine is especially designed to handle heavy



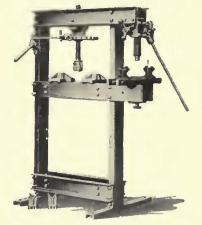
armatures such as are used on subways, elevated railways or interurban lines. The banding equipment is furnished with a device which can be adjusted to any given tension. An individual motor is used to drive each part.

sure oil feed system. All speeds of traverse, including feed variation, are controlled by the movement of conveniently located levers. Automatic control can be had at the limits of the traverse, or at points determined by the operator. The machine can be operated by individual motor drive or from a countershaft, as desired.

Forcing Press

MANLEY MANUFACTURING COMPANY York, Pa.

APACITY of 35 tons is obtained in the new Manley Press. Five leverages are used to change quickly from one speed to another, thereby enabling the operator to use the power best suited for the job. To change the leverage it is only necessary to slide the retaining collar forward, lift the connecting link and drop the pin in the proper hole, using either the first, second or third leverage. The press has a winch-operated table which is raised or lowered through a chain



working on two drums and controlled by a handle. A counterweighted handwheel suspended on ball bearings is used. The frame is of an open type which permits of long work such as shafts, small axles, etc., passing through the frame in a central position for straightening.

Quite often a bearing is rusted or frozen so that pressure alone will not remove it. The upper end of the 4-pitch Acme thread screw used in the press is so placed that it may be struck with a heavy hammer without injury. The leverage of the press is in the ratio of 4,800 to 1. High-speed leverage is used when pressure up to 8 tons is required. Ten notches on the hand wheel are obtained at each stroke. The high-speed screw leverage eliminates the criticism against screw pressure being too slow. The lever bar is placed at a suitable working height for full muscular action when pulling on it. The stroke is also made with the operator in such a position that he can see exactly what he is doing and just what is taking place on the pressing job. The frame is of bolted construction.

An independent rack and pinion press is also furnished with this outfit and is a separate and complete unit from the serew press. This can be used for small work. Leverage on this press is 44 to 1 and it has a capacity of 3 tons. The floor space required is 30 in. x 52% in.

Machine Shop

Ball Bearing Geared Drill and Tapper a finished working surface of 27 in. x 17 in. is surrounded by oil channels. The rack is doverailed to the sleave and

BARNES DRILL COMPANY 814-830 Chestnut Street, Rockford, Ill.

ORRECT speeds and feeds for any one size of twist drill from § in. to 1½ in. can be obtained on the machine shown. Its direct-connected motor drive through a multiple disk clutch



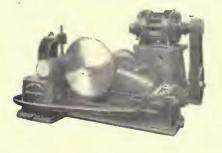
gear provides for simplicity and convenience of control. All important shafts have radial ball bearings and a fixed splined spindle has a roller thrust bearing. The self-oiling system lubricates all radial ball bearings and gears. The gearing throughout is alloy steel and all important gears are heat treated. A 5-hp., 1,200-r.p.m. motor is recommended. The star wheel handle is conveniently located on the right-hand side of the machine. A table with

a finished working surface of 27 in. x 17 in. is surrounded by oil channels. The rack is dovetailed to the sleeve and no screws are used. A counterbalance chain facilitates the quick return of the spindle. An added feature is a safety device to prevent overloading and minimize breaking of drills. There is an automatic stop, giving full spindle travel. The height of the machine is 75 in. and it occupies a floor space 34 in. x 48 in. The net weight without motor and starter is 1,750 lb.

Cold Saw Cutting-Off Machine

ESPEN-LUCAS MACHINE WORKS
Front Street and Girard Avenue,
Philadelphia, Pa,

ARS, billets and other steel shapes can be sawed quickly on this machine. The housing and other principal castings are made of gray iron having thick walls and heavy webs. Spindle, driving gears and other working parts are made of high carbon steel forgings. The driving worm gear and main bearings are of bronze. Roller bearings take care of the heavy thrust. A self-priming pump supplies the lubrication for the saw. The feed, as well as the quick traverse in both directions, is accomplished by means of a low-pres-

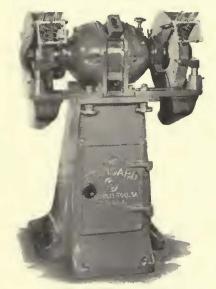


3-Hp. and 5-Hp. Improved Pedestal Grinders

STANDARD ELECTRICAL TOOL COMPANY

COMPANY 1938-46 W. Eighth Street, Cincinnati, Ohio

ELECTRICALLY driven grinders of this type are made in two sizes, 3 hp. and 5 hp. capacity, A General Electric motor and GE push-button con-



trol are furnished. The control is located on the inside of the pedestal or base of the grinder. The armature shaft is made of 3½ per cent high grade nickel steel. SKF ball bearings are used, incased in dust-proof chambers. Guards of the hinged door type with exhaust connections protect the emery wheel. The guards are equipped with a spark breaker, also a polished wire-glass adjustable eye shield.

The 3-hp. grinder is equipped with emery wheels 12 in. x 2 in. or 14 in. x 2 in., as preferred. The 5-hp. grinder is equipped with emery wheels 18 in.

x 3 in.

Turret Lathe

GISHOLT MACHINE COMPANY Madison, Wis.

BED, headstock and bearing housing of this turret lathe are cast in one piece. By extending the headstock walls above the top of the turret housing an oil-tight reservoir is formed for the splash oiling system. The machine is driven by a single pulley. Eight



changes of speed are obtainable by means of levers located conveniently at the front. All gears are made of treated alloy steel and a multiple disk clutch transmits the power. The transmission shafts are mounted on ball bearings. An outstanding feature is the short distance between the bearings.

The full swing feature of the side carriage eliminates interference of the

square turret with the tools of the hexagon turret. Aprons of both side carriage and turret carriage are self-contained, each having complete independent feeds, lead screw, rapid traverse, automatic feed and traverse trips, screw-cutting index, micrometer dials and selective feed levers. Each carriage and the cross slide have micrometer dials. The feeds are all positively geared and eight changes of feed, forward and reverse, are provided in each apron.

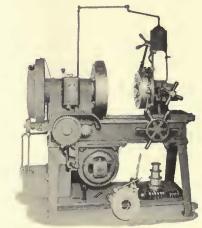
Independent longitudinal feeds permit the use of any one of the coarse or fine feeds of one carriage irrespective of the feeds on the other. One set of eight chain gears is provided for cutting all standard threads up to two per inch.

Each carriage has a separate rapid traverse independent of the feeds. The automatic feed trips are a feature. The 3-L machine occupies a floor space of 67 in. x 135 in. and the 4-L machine 80 in. x 190 in.

Motor-Operated Pipe Threading and Cutting Machine

D. SAUNDERS' SONS, INC. Yonkers, N. Y.

PIPE from 1 in. to 4 in. inclusive can be threaded and cut with the 4B machine, while the 5D machine cuts and threads pipe 1 in. to 6 in. inclusive. Where desired these machines can be furnished with a bolt-threading

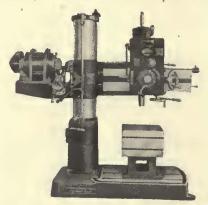


attachment. The machine is suitable for operation by either a.c. or d.c. A 5-hp. constant speed motor with a drum type controller designed for forward and reverse operation is direct geared to the driving shaft of the machine. Sufficient gear changes are furnished to obtain the correct cutting speed for all sizes of pipes within the capacity of the machine. The cutting off head is arranged with a tool slide and self-centering V jaws to steady the pipe being cut off. A handwheel connected to a rack and pinion moves the carriage containing the cutting off head and the die head. The die head slides on ways and permits it to be brought close to the gripping chuck for holding the pipe, which is of the standard universal type. The pipe is centered by a two-jawed self-centering chuck mounted at the rear end of the spindle on the side of the large driving gear. An automatic oil pump supplies a constant flow of oil to the chasers and cutting off tool.

Heavy-Duty Radial Drill

MORRIS MACHINE TOOL COMPANY Cincinnati, Ohio

M ORRIS radial drills are arranged for electric drive with the motor mounted on the arm. They are made in sizes of 3, 3½ and 4 ft. The head is fully inclosed and balanced on the arm. The spindle is a hammered steel forging running in bronze bearings in the sleeve and driven by two keys. It is fitted with a ball thrust bearing and



the spindle gear is mounted on ball bearings. The helical spindle gears are made of alloy steel, heat-treated and hardened. Feed gears are of steel, heat-treated and hardened. The feed unit is mounted in the head. There are six feeds on the 3-ft. and 3½-ft. drill, ranging from 5 to 30 thousandths of an inch per revolution of spindle. On the 4 and 4½-ft. radial there are eight feeds ranging from 5 to 42 thousandths per revolution of spindle and four thread leads, 8, 11½, 14 and 18 threads per inch.

The tapping attachment and back gear bracket is a unit mounted on the back of the head. The back gears, back gear clutches, spindle gears and feed gears are made of chrome nickel steel, heat-treated and hardened. A sliding gear speed box is equipped with ball bearings. The alloy steel gears run in oil. A speed chart at the change-speed lever permits the operator to select quickly any one of the spindle speeds. The column or sleeve is mounted on an inner column which extends through to the top and revolves on ball bearings. The column is of semi-steel, ground to size. The arm is designed to resist torsional and lifting strains. The ribbed base is fitted with T-slots.

Trailer Trucks

AMERICAN CAR & FOUNDRY COMPANY 30 Church Street, New York

TRAILER trucks of this type are especially designed to withstand heavy loads and rough usage. The frames are of channel and angle steel, hot riveted with corners gusseted. The bodies are of sheet steel reinforced with angles and bands. Cast-iron wheels with self-contained roller bearings and Alemite pressure lubrication are mounted on high carbon steel axles, heat treated to a Brinell hardness of the wheel hubs, making a close fit around the axle, keeping out



the dust and dirt. Each trailer is equipped with a rear drop forged gravity coupler hook to permit of train operation. Due to the counterweight it automatically locks and cannot be jarred

open by rough roads.

These trailers are made with a gondola body or a dump body. The gondola body is adapted to the handling of miscellaneous loose material and crated or boxed material. The body has removable corner posts and if desired can be equipped with a special bolster for handling long material, loaded on two trailers. The dump body is self-clearing and automatically locks itself in the upright position after its return from dumping. The gondola trailer has a capacity of 6,000 lb. and the dump trailer has a capacity of 24½ cu.ft. or 6,000 lb.

Back Geared Upright Power Drill

BUFFALO FORGE COMPANY Buffalo, N. Y.

INSTANT change from a plain to a back gear drive without using a wrench is possible in the machine shown by disengaging a knurled knob in the top gear and throwing in the back gears with a hand lever. A locking screw is provided for holding it in



place. An adjustable automatic trip throws out the power feed when the piece has been drilled to the required depth.

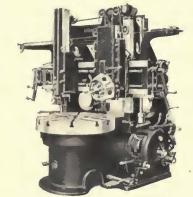
The ball bearing spindle is graduated and ground. The lever handle is adjustable from 6 to 18 in. and is held in

place by a tension spring. All bearings are split and adjustable for wear. The latch hinged worm feed wheel runs in oil. All gears are machine cut and are fitted with heavy bronze bushings. With spindle travel of 14½ in. the machine is amply fitted to handle reboring work with ease. It weighs 1,100 lb. If desired, the machine can be furnished with a direct-connected motor.

Vertical Boring and Turning Mill

GISHOLT MACHINE COMPANY Madison, Wls.

TWO plain swivel heads are features of the machine shown. A driving pulley is geared to a friction backgeared headstock having six mechanical speed changes which, in connection with a two-speed countershaft, provides



twelve changes of speed to the table, all in geometrical progression. The plain table has four pairs of parallel and four radial T-slots. The feed change levers, rapid traverse levers and table control levers are located on both sides of the machine together with a foot brake at either side. Two plain independent heads, furnished with the machine, can be swiveled to any angle from 45 deg. from the vertical. The ram is a box section type having a 3½-in. central core extending through the entire length. The bore for the tool holder is 3 in diameter. Ten mechanical changes of feed are obtainable for each head. A feature is a device to eliminate breaking of gears and other parts. The micrometer index dials reading in thousandths of an inch facilitate accurate setting of tools.

A feed tripping device stops the feed automatically at any predetermined point. In addition, safety stops trip the feed before the head reaches the end of the travel. Rapid traverse enables the operator to move the head quickly by power in either direction. The ratchet handles on the feed rods disengage automatically when the feed or rapid traverse is used, thus eliminat-

ing chance of injury to the operator caused by revolving handles. All feed gears and other gears subjected to heavy duty are made of steel. A two-speed tight-and-loose pulley countershaft is standard, but a motor drive is easily installed without increasing the floor space occupied, which is 97 in. x 120 in.

Improved Die Sinker and Vertical Milling Machine

REED-PRENTICE CORPORATION Worcester, Mass.

IKE other Becker machines, the model shown is supplied with an adjustable auxiliary head which keeps the spindle in perfect alignment. The spindle is made of high-grade steel with ground main bearings running in taper bronze bushings, adjustable for wear. Belt pressure of the spindle guiding pulley is taken by ball bearings supported in brackets at the top of the column. The main spindle has ball bearings at top and bottom. The table, of liberal proportions, has power longitudinal feed in either direction. The feed of the table is through a pair of three-step cones. Two additional changes can be effected by means of a pull gear on the feed box, to which the telescopic shaft is attached. Head, table, carriage and knee are furnished with adjustable gibs for taking up wear. The machines can be arranged for a single pulley gear box drive, if desired, which will permit of a direct drive from the main line without a countershaft. This machine is also suitable for direct motor drive. Where a constant speed motor is installed, it is necessary to provide a gear drive. This drive will provide fourteen spindle speeds ranging from 20 to 500 r.p.m. The quick changes in speed are obtained through two handles conveniently located on top of the gear box. For this method a 3-hp. constant-speed motor of 1,150 or 1,200 r.p.m. is recommended.

Where a variable speed motor is furnished it is not necessary to provide a gear box, since a spindle variation from 25 to 500 r.p.m. can be secured by



means of shifting the handle of a regulating rheostat, located on the side of the machine.

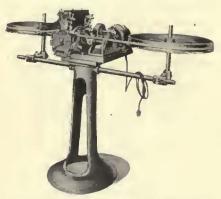
The floor space required for this machine is 74 in. x 60 in. x 75 in.

Machine for Filing and Setting **Band Saws**

WARDWELL MANUFACTURING COMPANY

110-112 Hamilton Avenue, Cleveland, Ohio

ILING, setting and joining of band FILING, setting and joining of band saws all in one operation can be done by this machine. It will handle saws from \$\frac{1}{2}\$ in. to 2 in. wide. Motor or



belt drive can be furnished as desired. By the positive and powerful movement of the file all spring or medium tempered band saws can be accurately filed and set at a speed of 70 ft. a minute.

Circular Relief Grinder

CLEVELAND TOOL ENGINEERING COMPANY

Main and West 25th Streets, Cleveland, Ohio

YEARS of experience, development and expert engineering are claimed to have produced an original circular relief grinder that effects economy unapproached by the older methods of relief grinding. It has proved its relief grinding.



worth in time, labor and money saved

and in superior precision of the work.

Grinding of the relief in a proper and economical manner can be performed on such tools as adjustable reamers, tapper taps, milling cutters, face mills and boring heads, core drills and various other tools. Where two or three distinct operations are usually needed to grind tools, it is said that the

grinder shown will perform the entire work in one operation. The outside face of the wheel is dressed concavely to exactly the same curve as the tool to be ground. The tool is then offset from the center of the wheel curve to give the desired clearance. Then it is

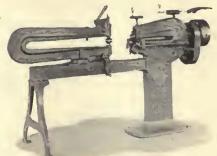
ground to the cutting edge. The circular relief leaves the outside of the tool convex with all the metal possible to support the cutting edge. The clearance is determined by the distance the tool is moved in or out against the curve of the grinding wheel.

Sheet Metal and Forge Shop Equipment

Power Ring and Circular Shear

PECK, STOW & WILCOX COMPANY Southington, Conn.

IRCLES or internal rings and irregular curves can be cut on this ring and circular shear. Clamping disks are provided with center points and blanks and are held securely between clamping disks and released through an eccentric lever. The circle arm moves easily and freely by means of a



rack and pinion and hand crank. The angular position of the cutter and the ability to raise and lower the upper cutter through a handwheel enable one to cut circles from square blanks, or to cut inside circles without cutting the outer edge. This machine is furnished regularly with tight and loose pullevs.

Turning, Wiring and Burring Machine

PECK, STOW & WILCOX COMPANY Southington, Conn.

VARIOUS operations can be per-formed with the necessary additional rolls by this self-contained unit. With the belted motor drive the speed of rolls for turning, wiring or burring operations can be changed by simply



changing the size of the motor pulley. It has a capacity for No. 16 gage steel and lighter and its turning capacity is for No. 16 gage steel with 4 or fa-in. wire or No. 18 gage steel with fa-in. wire. With wiring rolls the capacity is No. 16 gage steel with fa-in. to fa-in. wire and with burring rolls No. 16 gage steel. The machine is furnished with a pulley drive and treadle friction clutch attachment. All bearings are bronze bushed.

Armor Plate Universal Iron Workers

BUFFALO FORGE COMPANY Buffalo, N. Y.

BUFFALO armor plate universal iron workers are complete, reliable and modern machines for cutting metal. With one of these, rounds, squares, angles, tees, beams and channels can be cut and shear plates, flats, girders, H-columns, I-beams and angles punched. With a few special tools,



angles, channels and I-beams can be coped. These machines are made in four sizes, No. ½, 1, 1½ and 2. The same design is used on all models. There is a punch at one end and a slitting shear at the other with a bar cutter adjacent to the shear. The machines are supplied with a high and low die block and long and short punch holder. The triple punching attachment may be used on the machine if desired. The shear knives are suitable for slitting plates of any width or length as well as for flats. An exclusive feature of the machine is the stripper used on the shear.

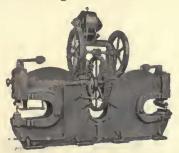
This is operated by means of a crank requiring no tools and is very wide to permit cutting short pieces of plates or flats. The bar cutter has five-piece knives so that replacement and sharpening are easy and inexpensive.

These machines, like all other Buffalo metal working machines, have frames of rolled steel armor plate, guaranteed forever against breakage. Due to the heavy cast-iron base a concrete foundation is unnecessary. The gear and pinions are made from machine cut steel.

Punching and Shearing Machine

LONG & ALLSTATTER COMPANY
Hamilton, Ohlo

PUNCHING and shearing machines of this type have the slide counterbalanced and fitted with a bronze gib for taking up wear. Camshaft and pintle are made of steel. Bronze bushed bearings are furnished for the main journal and the cam pintle. The clutch is made of high-carbon cast steel and



the face is fastened to the main spur wheel by means of a tongue, groove and bolts. It is detachable, providing for renewal of worn parts. An automatic stop will throw out the clutch at the completion of each stroke and may be adjusted for any point of the stroke desired. The camshaft may be turned by hand for any adjustment.

Standard Blacksmith Forge

BUFFALO FORGE COMPANY Buffalo, N. Y.

PORGES of the type shown are equipped with the No. 200 ball-bearing silent blower with a 14-in. fan. The forge has a cast-iron hearth mounted on four steel pipe legs and reinforced with cross-bar braces. A steel half hood vulcan tuyère is part of the regular equipment. The gear ratio of the blower is 47½ to 1. The fire pan is 28 in. x 40 in. and the net weight of the entire outfit is 273 lb.



Oil-Burning Rivet Forge

BUFFALO FORGE COMPANY Buffalo, N. Y.

NCONVENIENCE and danger from flying sparks in heating rivets are overcome by using the oil-burning rivet forge shown. This forge consists essentially of a welded steel oil tank on which is mounted a head or fire chamber. This head is made up of a cylindrical steel plate housing held between cast-iron top and bottom plates by means of three through bolts. The lining is a one-piece circular firebrick 2 in. thick made of the best quality of refractory material. To replace the old lining it is necessary only to unscrew three nuts and lift the top off the fire chamber. The oil tank is tested with air at a pressure of 125 lb. Air is supplied through a single connection which furnishes pressure for the oil supply as well as air for the atomizer.



It will burn kerosene, distillate, or any fuel oil. The tank has two convenient handles, one on either side. A forge mounted on a truck as shown makes an ideal arrangement for portability.

Woodworking Machinery

Power Feed Hollow Chisel Mortiser

OLIVER MACHINERY COMPANY Grand Rapids, Mich.

SE of a rigid, hollow, box type, one-piece casting having a wide flanged, floor support for the column features this hollow chisel mortiser. The column incloses the power feed mechanism, with the exception of the drive pulley. A built-in fan blower behind

above the floor at the lowest position and 44 in. at the highest. It is fitted with a vertical adjustable back fence having a lip hold down and carries a 6-ft. layout stop rod with six spring stops for automatically locating mortises. A rod and two adjustable stops directly in front of the table govern the length of the mortises. The floor space required for the machine is 3 ft. x 5 ft.

Motor Head Pattern Lathe
OLIVER MACHINERY COMPANY
Grand Rapids, Mich.

PATTERN lathe No. 25, shown in the illustration, is made in three sizes.

stops, are regularly furnished.

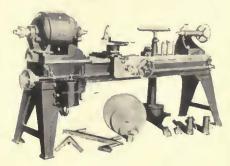
table is 36 in. long, 6 in. wide, 32 in.



the column furnishes a constant air blast for cooling the tools and keeping the work free from chips. The mortising ram or plunger reciprocates in adjustable gibbed ways and has an adjustable travel from $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. to 4 in. long, controlled by the treadle for single or continuous power feeding strokes. The machine will handle chisels from $\frac{1}{4}$ in. to $\frac{3}{4}$ in. square. Hollow chisels with 4-in. blades will mortise in 12-in. high material.

A universal compound table with screw clamp for 6-in, wide stock and a handwheel, rack and pinion for longitudinal travel, gaged by adjustable

illustration, is made in three sizes, 16 in., 20 in. and 24 in. swing. The head incloses an Oliver direct-current motor of 2-hp. capacity whose speed can be varied from 400 to 2,000 r.p.m. The armature shaft is made hollow for faceplate work and with suitable take-up for end thrust. The front end of the shaft is bored for Morse taper. Ordinarily a drum type controller with proper resistances is attached to this machine. The tailstock is made with a strong spindle and bored for Morse The iron bed can be furnished taper. in any length from 6 ft. upward, advancing by 2-ft. sections. All sizes of lathes are provided regularly with power feeding carriages, but handfeeding carriages can be substituted.



Electric Hand Plane

WAPPAT GEAR WORKS Meade Street and Braddock Avenue, Pittsburgh, Pa.

THIS electric hand plane can be used on doors and sash. The cutting is done by a jointer head which is driven through gears from a not head type motor that operates from any light socket. The short shoe at the



front of the plane and just ahead of the cutter can be raised or lowered by turning a knob with the left hand, thereby regulating the depth of cut. A graduated dial at the base of the knob enables the operator to set the knife for any cut from zero to in. This adjustment feature is unique in that by turning the knob forward or backward while advancing along the material it is possible to vary the depth of the cut and smooth out any high spots in one stroke. Another interesting feature is the beveling attachment, which can be set to cut accurately any required bevel on the edge of a door or sash. The body of the tool is aluminum and the total weight is 19 lb. It is easy to handle and simple to operate. The high speed blades in the cutter are easily removable for sharpening.

Band Saw

OLIVER MACHINERY COMPANY Grand Rapids, Mich.

BASE and column arm of this machine are cast in one piece. The main table is carried on rockers for the angle adjustments. The table can be tilted both ways by means of a worm gear and hand wheel at the right of the operator. An auxiliary table is supplied between the column and the work table. The upper and lower wheels, of 38 in. diameter, are made of cast iron. The lower one is inclosed in a metal



casing, provided with two doors. The wheel shafts are fitted with machine ground journals and are mounted on tapered babbitted bearings. Each bearing has an oil well and cap. The upper shaft and bearing are adjustable vertically to suit various lengths of blades.

An outboard bearing which supports the lower wheel shaft is bolted to the frame. Saw tension is adjusted by a telescope spring. A guide post made of square steel is counterbalanced by an incased coil spring and can readily be locked in a fixed position. A grooved wooden saw guard on the column protects the saw on both sides. A steel front guard with a wood facing is carried on the guide post and covers the saw above the guide.

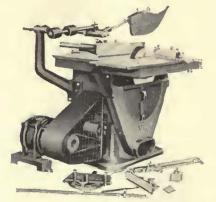
The main table is 36 in. x 40 in. and is designed to tilt 45 deg. to the right and 5 deg. to the left. The auxiliary table is 21 in. x 22 in. The floor space occupied by the machine shown is 68 in.

x 54 in.

Universal Saw Bench

OLIVER MACHINERY COMPANY Grand Rapids, Mich.

NIVERSAL saw bench No. 90 is furnished with a cored form ribbed for strength with a wide flange at the base. A metal partition divides the saw from the balance of the working parts and prevents the sawdust from penetrating to them. The metal table has two sections, one stationary and the other arranged to slide past the saw. An extension bracket at the right supports the fence when ripping stock the maximum width. The table will tilt to an angle of 45 deg., the movement being controlled by means of a handwheel engaging a worm and gear. The movable table is mounted on a



tongued cross slide and moves past the saw for use in cutting off and for dado work. The cross slide is gibbed to main table frame and can be drawn 4 in. away from the saw line so dado heads and grooving saws may be used. The stationary section of the table is graduated its entire width in eighths and the sliding section is graduated into degrees.

Two crucible steel machine ground arbors fitted into bearings are lined with interchangeable sleeves having oil wells and wick conveyors that keep them flooded with oil continuously. The arbor pulleys are of the pneumatic type, machined and balanced.

The universal ripping fence may be used on either side of the saw or secured at any angle not in line with

the saw, on either the stationary or the rolling table. It has a quick adjust-ment of 12 in. without changing the locating pins to the next set of holes. A micrometer will set the bench to and from the saw for fine and extremely accurate adjustment. It has a parallel adjustment whereby it may be set to or from the operator 9 in. A miter and cut-off gage on the sliding table swings to an angle of 30 to 135 deg. It has 18-in. and 36-in. auxiliary rods and stops for determining lengths to cut off. Two universal gages are supplied for the table grooves each side of the saw. They are graduated from 30 to 150 deg. The machine has a capacity to rip 22 in. wide, cut off 34 in. wide up to 1½ in. thick. The 14-in. saw projects through the table 4 in. The machine with motor brackets occupies a floor space of 4 ft. 1 in. x 5 ft. 6 in.

Complete Woodworker

BUFFALO FORGE COMPANY Buffalo, N. Y.

TEN machines in one is the manufacturer's description of the woodworking machine shown. It includes a rip and cross cut saw, a band saw, a planer, jointer, shaper or edge molder,



a lathe, a drill and a sander. A grinder can be furnished at extra cost. Three men can work on it at one time without interference with one another. Practically any woodworking operation can be performed.

Tight and loose pulleys are provided on the main shaft at the left of the cone pulleys, below the table. This construction makes it possible to run the belt up through the table to a lineshaft or motor overhead. There are three distinct parts to the machine, which may be operated together or in-dividually. One is a lathe which is used also for drilling and grinding. The second is the band saw, and the third the arbor used for circular saw, planer, sander, jointer and shaper. main parts are engaged by three conveniently arranged clutches. The main driver is provided with a belt shifter which can be operated from either side of the machine. With all parts of the woodworker operating at the same time only 4 hp. to 5 hp. is required.

An adjustable mandrel furnished can be run horizontally or vertically and on it may be inserted planer and dado heads and circular saws or knives of any size. It is made of cold rolled steel and carefully machined. A planer table is made in two parts which fit into the channel on the main table. An adjustable guide for the planer is furnished which can be set at a 90-deg, angle with the table top or tilted back to allow planing at an angle. The planer slides are 29x10 in. and 21x10

in., respectively. By raising the mandrel to a vertical position a shaper is obtained on which any kind of knives may be used. Rip and cut-off saws of 12 in. diameter are furnished with the machine. Cuts of any size or desired depth up to 3½ in. may be made. The removable gage for cross-cutting has a quadrant which permits adjustment for sawing at any angle from 30 deg. to 90 deg. The lathe will handle work up to 20 in. diameter by 40 in. long. Four step cone pulleys, of 5½, 7½, 9¾

and 12 in. diameter respectively, are an essential part of the lathe. A clutch is provided on the lower cone pulleys. A band saw table is cast in one piece with the main table. It measures 29½ by 30 in. The saw wheels are 27 in. in diameter and the maximum clearance below the guide is 15 in. A ½-in. band saw is furnished with the machine. The band saw is as strongly constructed as it would be in an individual machine, the shaft diameter is 1¾ in. and the upper bearing is 10 in. long.

Track Maintenance Tools

Oil Preheater

ALEXANDER MILBURN COMPANY 1416-1428 West Baltimore Street, Baitimore, Md.

CASTINGS can be heated prior to welding, tar kettles can be heated, pipe can be thawed, etc., with the Milburn preheater. The oil burner is of the atomizing type, utilizing crude, fuel, kerosene oil or distillates, and

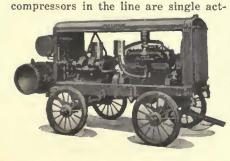


compressed air varying from 50 to 100 lb. pressure. The tank is constructed of heavy gage steel and the bottom is welded. Two handles welded to the tank facilitate handling. The weight of the unit is 60 lb. The outfit consists of a 5, 12 or 22-gal. reservoir, an atomizing burner, 25 ft. of air hose with couplings, 25 ft. of special composition oil hose with couplings, oil pipe feed line, air pipe feed line and suitable valves for air regulation.

Portable Air Compressor

SULLIVAN MACHINERY COMPANY 122 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

Compressed air is supplied at the rate of 220 cu.ft. per minute by the four-cylinder V-type compressor shown, which is direct connected to a Buda engine. The parts, together with an air receiver, gasoline fuel tank and radiator, are mounted on a steel frame with sheet steel canopy top and removable side covers. The wheels and truck are a matter of selection. All



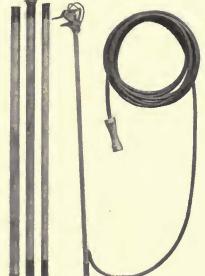
ing and employ a Sullivan "wafer valve." They are automatically lubricated and have water-cooled cylinders, barrels and heads. The flywheel and crankshaft assembly are carefully balanced on a special machine. The compressor is said to be a new departure in design, the V-type arrangement of cylinders adopted entirely eliminating vibration and decreasing the weight. Each of the four cylinders is 6½ in. x 5½ in.

The Buda engines are four-cylinder machines provided with four-point suspension. They can be equipped to use kerosene instead of gasoline if desired.

Contact Hook and Pole

RAILWAY TRACK-WORK COMPANY Clementine, Thompson and Mercer Streets, Philadeiphia, Pa.

PIVOTED jaws 5 and 6 in. long, of special composition, grooved to grip the trolley wire above and below are features of the Ajax contact hook and pole. The weight of the pole clamps



the jaws on the wire. The lower jaw comes in contact with the clean undersurface of the trolley wire, preventing arcing and burning. When in position on the trolley wire, cars can pass without removing the pole. When the pole is raised, the lower jaw drops behind the guide lug, so that the upper jaw slips on the trolley wire into position for clamping. The lower end of the pole can be rested in any convenient position to clear passing cars. The contact will handle 300 amp. without injury to the wire.

Chausse Model E-3 Portable Asphalt Repair Plant

CHAUSSE OIL BURNER COMPANY West Beardsley Avenue, Elkhardt, Ind.

M ODEL E-3 asphalt repair plant is an improved development of the model E-1 and E-2 machines. It permits of laying hot asphalt and is suitable for large or small patchings or for supplementing stationary plants. The machine may be used as an independent unit directly where the repair work is being done as it is self-propelled on rubber-tired wheels and contains ample storage for raw material.

The plant is equipped with a Continental motor, small Kellogg air compressor for fuel-line pressure, S.K.F.



ball bearings on the sand drier, highpressure lubricators on all other bearings, Cotta transmission, twin disk clutch, Geneva wheels and standard solid rubber tires.

The capacity of the plant is rated at 150 sq.yd. of 2-in. compacted mix per eight-hour day. Old asphalt can also be reclaimed during regular operations. A tool heater with an oil furnace is located at the rear of the machine. Bins provide for the storage of 135 gal. of asphalt, 2½ cu.yd. of mineral aggregate, 1,750 lb. of cement or lime dust, 50 gal. of kerosene and 9 gal. of gasoline. The light weight of the machine is 9,400 lb.

Rail Joint Grinder

RAILWAY TRACK-WORK COMPANY Clementine, Thompson and Mercer Streets, Philadeiphia, Pa.

B LOCKS of abrasive material 10 in. inserted in one end are used in this machine. Two blocks are used in one setting of the machine, providing a grinding surface of 8½ in. x 2½ in. The blocks are placed endwise in the crosshead or brick holder which slides bodily in guides. It is reciprocated over the rail by means of a simple rocker arm movement at a speed of 340 strokes a minute. As the blocks wear, the end wedge is slackened by turning the small hand wheel over it. while the blocks are fed downward by means of the large hand wheel operating the feed screw directly over the blocks. With the long straight grinding surfaces it is impossible to grind the low spots. A 3-hp., 600-volt direct-



current constant-speed motor is used for driving the grinder. Turning the hand crank at the right of the machine lowers the derail wheels to the pavement and raises the grinder from the track, supporting 95 per cent of the weight so that the operator can lift the outrigger end of the machine and roll it off the track. The grinder weighs 1,350 lb. complete. The outrigger is hinged so that it can be raised vertically for storage or transportation.

Portable Oxyacetylene Plant

ALEXANDER MILBURN COMPANY 1416-1428 West Baltlmore Street, Baltlmore, Md.

WELDING, cutting or a combination of the two can be done with the Milburn portable oxyacetylene plant. The truck is made to accommodate the small or large sized oxygen



or acetylene tanks. The truck illustrated is constructed of heavy steel angles bent and strongly welded to withstand rough usage. The diameter of the wheels is 16 in. A strong chain welded to the frame of the truck holds the cylinders in place so that there is no danger that they will slip when in transit.

Automatic Rotary Track Grinder

RAILWAY TRACK-WORK COMPANY Clementine, Thompson and Mercer Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

ROTARY track grinders of the type shown are automatic in travel. The motor and grinding carriage are mounted in the center of the machine, which travels along the track at a speed of 30 in. per minute when grinding. Its movement can be reversed for any length of travel. By means of a



clutch operated by a hand lever the speed is increased to 100 ft. per minute for moving the machine from one joint to the next. Two shoes 16 in. long are attached to the frame on which the machine rests. The shoes have openings through which the track wheels extend. By means of a heavy spring over each wheel, any tension can be applied so as to distribute the weight equally over the shoes and track wheels.

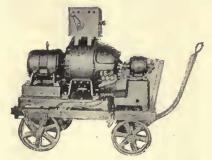
The machine is controlled from the operator's seat. Within his reach is a handwheel for feeding and one for tilting the grinding wheel, a hand lever for instantly or gradually raising the grinding wheel to obtain a run-off on the rail head and also the lever to control the lateral adjustment of the grinding wheel. The long lever shown at the left of the machine is for raising the machine from the track to the two roadway wheels to allow cars to pass.

A substantial silent chain drives the wheel arbor direct from a 5-hp. motor. The machine accommodates grinding wheels 14 in. in diameter by 2½ in. or 3 in. face. The grinding wheel arbor is operated on ball bearings with dust-proof caps. The outrigger is hinged for raising when transferring the machine or transporting it on a truck.

Single Operator Arc Welding Equipment

WESTINGHOUSE ELECTRIC & MANU-FACTURING COMPANY East Pittsburgh, Pa.

PORTABLE 200-amp, single operator welding equipment as shown is an entirely self-contained unit. The control of the welding current is simplified so that only one handle rotating through 360 deg. is required for adjustments. The apparatus is mounted on a truck and the sturdiness of the various parts insures against breakage and accident on account of rough handling



to which such apparatus is usually subjected. The generator will deliver 200 amp. at 25 volts to a resistance load for one hour with a temperature rise not to exceed 50 deg. C. Its continuous rating is 93 per cent of its one-hour rating with the same temperature rise and the same voltage. It will deliver 275 and 300 amp. at the arc for welding duty. The generator operates at arc voltage and no external resistance is required in the circuit. The generator is designed to stabilize the arc inherently, thereby eliminating the necessity for automatic moving devices such as relays, solenoidcontrolled resistors, etc. Either a directcurrent motor or an alternating-current

motor may be used, depending on the characteristics of the supply circuit. The driving motor and the generator are mounted on a common shaft and bed plate. To eliminate bearing and shaft troubles the exciter is coupled to the common shaft by means of a special flexible coupling and is supported by an extension of the common bed plate. Ball bearings of the radial type are used throughout, which allows the equipment to be operated in any location without danger of oil spilling and without the necessity for exact leveling. The complete control equipment for starting and regulating the current output is contained in a steel cabinet mounted on top of the generator. This company also manufactures arc welding rheostats for railway use as well as multiple operator equipment for manufacturing plants.

Electric Arc Welder

RAILWAY TRACK-WORK COMPANY Clementine, Thompson and Mercer Streets, Philadelphia, Pa.

COILS of a high resistance wire, supported by insulator bars, which in turn are carried by a light but sturdy steel angle frame, form the essentials of this arc welder. At one end of the frame is mounted a switchboard to control the current. The unit is light and

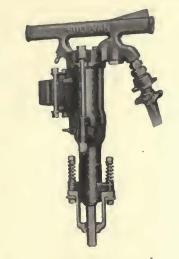


portable, having large capacity with ample ventilation and accessible parts. The Ajax welding machine type RWY weighs approximately 120 lb. It is 18 in. x 28 in. x 36 in. The type IND machine weighs approximately 55 lb. Its size is 15 in. x 20 in. x 25 in. The hinged handles for carrying the ma-chine drop parallel to the corner posts when released. Regulating switches provide a range of current from 19 to 333 amp. under normal line voltage with intermediate steps of 18 amp. each. If the line voltage drops to as low as 300 volts, 209 amp. can be obtained. It is claimed that the resistance wire used will not oxidize. A shunt switching device controls the several groups of coils independently, whether the full length of the coils is in operation or they are shunted. By means of the switchboard, 36 different values of current can be obtained. A sheet steel truck mounted on four rubber-tired ball-bearing wheels can be furnished if desired. This truck has compartments in the bottom for carrying a supply of welding rods and a box in the front for accessories.

Heavy-Duty "Busters" for Breaking Concrete

SULLIVAN MACHINERY COMPANY 122 South Michigan Avenue, Chicago, Ill.

SULLIVAN "Busters" are designed to meet the wide and increasing demand for a one-man compressed air tool to do quickly and cheaply such work as breaking up concrete, cutting asphalt, excavating frozen ground in trenches, etc. The DW-221 type weighs 75 lb., is economical of air and runs with little vibration. It uses a 13-in. steel with plain hexagonal collar shank and requires a 2-in. air hose connection. Characteristic features are the valves and piston motion, automatic differential pressure lubricator, inclosed dust-proof chuck, steel retainer, all-steel construction, light-weight, rapid action, positive control of the piston and the hard powerful snappy blow in parts through the piston. The valve mechanism is secured in the chest by side rods, and the valve buffers are made of heat-treated tool steel to resist shock and breakage. The pistons are made from bar stock of alloy steel and



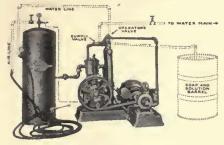
ground to fit the cylinders, which are solid drop forgings. The chuck and chuck bushing are inclosed in a dust-proof housing. Ample lubricating ports are provided in addition to the automatic lubrication incorporated in the machine.

Bus Repair Equipment

Car Washing System

CURTIS PNEUMATIC MACHINERY COMPANY St. Louis, Mo.

THE Curtis air-mist car washing system is furnished with a 4½-in. x 4½-in. water-cooled compressor belt connected to a 5-hp. motor. The self-contained compressor is fully inclosed to protect the working parts from dust and dirt. The crankshafts and connecting rods are made from steel forgings. The cylinder head and valves are water



cooled and a radiator of suitable proportions is provided. The valves are of the light disk type, tempered, ground and polished. The valves seat on a phosphor bronze flat seat of a large area and can be removed independently without taking off the cylinder heads or loosening the pipe connections or fittings. An air pressure governor is part of the equipment. When the maximum pressure in the tank is reached the governor unseats a suction valve and the compressor runs idle until the tank pressure has dropped 5 or 10 lb. A centrifugal unloader prevents the motor from being started under load. The oil in the crankcase is picked up by knife blade throwers on the crankshaft.

The equipment furnishes a full force spray for washing the undersides of fenders and chassis and a soft or mild spray for washing the body. The adjustment is made by turning the operating valve. A third position of this valve will shut off the water. A supply valve permits of the withdrawal of water from a barrel or tank or from the regular water service line as desired.

The equipment shown is furnished in only the one nozzle type. The whole unit, including the air tank, can be installed in a floor space of 3 ft. x 7 ft.

Universal Motor Stand

MANLEY MANUFACTURING COMPANY York, Pa.

ASOLINE motors placed on the stand shown can be turned by one man into any convenient position to facilitate his work. The three-point suspension bar, of which two are furnished with the stand, is an important improvement. These suspension bars make it easy to mount and balance practically all types of three-point suspension motors. In addition to this a set of brackets slide on the side members for ready mounting of four-point suspension motors. A cone clutch installed on the top of the upright permits of locking the side rails to any desired position.



High-Lift Jack

WEAVER MANUFACTURING COMPANY Springfield, Iil.

NUSUAL range of lift is found in a sturdy, dependable jack designed with increased capacity for handling buses and trucks. This jack incorporates all of the good features which made the previous models popular, as well as many new ones. The lifting arm, of the screw hoist type, is raised and lowered by a traveling



nut attached to the end of the arm. The handle operates a wheel on the end of the shaft through a ratchet and dog. It has a capacity of 8,000 lb. and a lifting range of 40½ in. The screw extension permits a lift to be applied directly to the chassis frame in spite of low running board or gas tank. Accidental release of the load is impossible due to a special locking mechanism. A broad wheelbase prevents tipping.

Power Tire Spreader

WEAVER MANUFACTURING COMPANY Springfield, Ill.

UICKER and easier means for spreading pneumatic tires up to 10½ in. for inspection and repairs without danger of injuring them is possible by use of the machine shown. A feature is the method of spreading the tire naturally over the convex buffing plates with an outward and downward motion without subjecting the tread to any undue strain. Operation of the spreader by compressed air permits the repairman to devote his entire atten-



tion to the inspection of the tire. The device does not have to be bolted to the floor, since it is designed to support the largest and heaviest tires without the possibility of being overbalanced. Shipping weight of the spreader is 253 lb. and it occupies a floor space of 15 in. x 26 in.

Truck Ambulance

WEAVER MANUFACTURING COMPANY Springfield, Ill.

PROVISION for quicker, easier and safer pulling of disabled buses and trucks is given as the reason for the design of the truck shown. The load is supported by a 2½-in. high-carbon-steel axle held to the frame by two heavy U-bolts. The wheels are supported on the axle by dustproof ball bearings which take the radial weight of the load and the thrust strain. Heavy double tires mounted on 16-in. diameter wheels 8½ in. wide insure strength as well as lack of vibration and noise



when towing. The cast-steel yoke which supports the load turns on a pivot, permitting guidance by the tongue. Interchangeability of saddles permits of center variation from 19½ in. to 28¾ in. This truck can be readily attached to rear or front axle. The pole is of telescoping design and its length can be adjusted from 7 to 13 ft.

High-Pressure Washing Machine

UNITED STATES AIR COMPRESSOR COMPANY
Cleveland, Ohlo

SEVERAL models of this washing machine are built. The one shown is a two-gun unit. Other models developed are the AW-Jr., which is a one-gun machine, and the AW-4, a four-gun machine. The equipment is capable of increasing the normal city water pressure of about 40 lb. to more than 300 lb. continuous pressure with the gun wide open. It is said that this pressure will remove the most stubborn



caked grease and crusted dirt. By a slight turn of the valve on the special U. S. pistol grip gun a soft, penetrating mist can be obtained for soaking and washing the body. A feature of these units is the fact that they can be con-

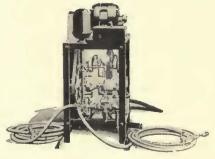
nected directly to the city water supply line for both hot and cold water without danger of the high pressure backing up into the plumbing system and causing damage. This is made possible by a vacuum breaker valve supplied with the equipment. A double suction connection permits drawing a soap solution from a barrel or tank if desired. The pump of this machine is totally inclosed and all moving parts are continually bathed in oil.

Two-Gun Auto Washer

MANLEY MANUFACTURING COMPANY York, Pa.

In BUILDING the machine shown the Worthington Triplex pump was selected as most suitable. This pump has three cylinders 120 deg. apart on the crankshaft so the flow of water is continuous with a maximum pressure. The pump has a single casting and no cup washers or leather buckets are used. The valves are bronze, wing guided in a vertical position on bronze seats. The crankshaft of the pump is drop forged, having babbit connecting rods with cap screw connections for taking up the wear. The pump is driven by a silent chain from the motor on the top of the steel framework. Suitable sheet steel guards over the chain and gear protect them from water.

The unit is vertical with the motor at the top, so that it occupies small floor space. The reduction gear is of

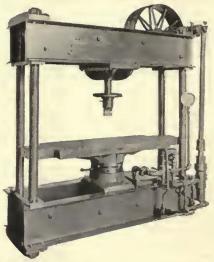


extremely wide face, coarse pitch and machined cut teeth. A feature is an automatic control valve furnished with the machine. It unloads the pump as soon as the system is up to pressure. This adds life to the pump and reduces the energy consumption. If for any reason the machine is overloaded, the safety valve discharges the water and relieves the machine of strain. The suction line contains a three-way valve so that city water can be pumped, or when thrown in another position the suction hose can be used in connection with a barrel of soap solution, etc. Automatic ring oilers are used on the motor, whereas all other parts of the pump are lubricated by the alemite system. The guns can be adjusted from a fine mist to a hard stream of any volume. The height over all is 46 in. The floor space occupied is 24x30 in. The size of the water fitting is 3 in. The washer is furnished complete with triplex pump, safety guards, silent chain drive, 6 ft. of suction hose, two 25-ft. lengths of pressure hose, two guns, automatic pressure control, pressure gage and motor.

Hydraulic Straightening Press

LOURIE MANUFACTURING COMPANY Springfield, Ill.

STRUCTURAL steel construction is used in this press for straightening such parts as automobile axles, crankshafts and camshafts. It is furnished with one differential piston pump, which gives a rapid movement of the ram



under low pressure and automatically slows down under heavy pressure. One additional piston can be furnished if desired which will give double the ram speed. It is operated by pedal control valve, which permits the operator to have free use of both hands. The machine shown occupies a floor space of 16 in. x 60 in.

60-Ton High-Speed Press

WEAVER MANUFACTURING COMPANY Springfield, Ill.

M ORE powerful, quicker and more easily operated, and said to be capable of handling any job, is this 60-ton press. The ball-bearing construction, combined with the steep pitch screw, insures greater power and speed with less effort. These are considered outstanding features. It affords two distinct leverages for light or heavy work, either of which can be used without changing the position of the work. Three leverages are available for heavy



pressure. The safety bolster is easily raised or lowered by a crank to bring the work in direct contact with the screw. Vertical operation of the lever makes it unnecessary to bolt the press to the floor.

Association News & Discussions

Motor Coach Maintenance*

Proper Layout for the Garage Is Important to Obtain Greatest Efficiency from Shop Forces-Tool Equipment Need Not Be Elaborate but Should Be Chosen to Meet Requirements

By H. P. McDonald Superintendent of Automotive Equipment East St. Louis & Suburban Rallway, East St. Louis, Ill.

H OW large should an operator build his garage? Based on experience, the width should be not less than 100 ft. and the length, of course, would depend on the present size of the fleet and the probable future purchases of additional coaches. In using a minimum width of 100 ft., I am going on the basis that the garage, when built, will have no obstructions, such as columns or posts. This width permits coaches to be backed in along each side wall so as to leave an aisle in the center. Any particular coach can then be pulled out without having to move four or five other coaches. When the fleet is so large that center aisle storage becomes necessary, the 100-ft. minimum width still permits the greatest economic use of space. Coaches that are first out in the morning should be the ones stored in the aisles. In storing coaches along the side walls, the distance between coaches should be not less than 12 in., with 2-ft. wall clearance at the rear. This space proclearance at the rear. This space provides proper access to night men to grease and clean the vehicles properly.

The last two items are very essential because a sanitary and clean coach attracts passengers and the ultimate achievement of low operating cost cannot be secured unless there is proper lubrication. The spacing also provides ample room for extinguishing possible fires.

In these days of rapidly changing conditions, a ceiling or truss height of 16 ft. should be a minimum. This gives plenty of ventilation and also provides for possible future purchase of doubledeck equipment. Low-cost constructed garages are dangerous, as carbon monoxide gas causes men working on coaches to develop serious headaches.

WASH RACK LOCATION IMPORTANT

The wash rack should be located just inside the main entrance door, its length depending upon the size of the fleet. The gas and oil pumps should be located at the inner end of this rack. This enables the largest part of the night's program to be completed at this point and all operations can be observed closely. Coaches coming in off their runs go over the wash rack for cleaning, then are filled with gas, oil and water, and, if not due for any

*Abstract of paper presented at the Hil-nois Electric Railway Association conven-tion, Springfield, Ili., March 17-18.

inspection, would be immediately stored along the sides. If due for inspection, they would take their turn in going over the pits. Alongside the wash rack small pits should be provided in the floor, in which water hose and nozzles can be kept ready for use. The number of inspection pits depends upon the mileage of fleet over a 30-day period and the mileage basis adopted for periodical inspection. The tool room, stock room, and work benches should be located as near the pits as practicable, in order to save time in obtaining supplies. Plenty of room should be left between the work benches and the edges of the pits so that floor cranes for handling engines and other heavy apparatus can be readily used.

Motor coaches of today are being built lower and lower and there may be some possibility of making them still lower. Pits, therefore, are a necessity to speed up the work that has to be done underneath a motor coach. They enable the men to use their full efforts

COMING MEETINGS

Electric Railway and Allied Associations

March 24-New England Street Railway Club, annual meeting and banquet, Copley-Plaza Hotel, Boston, Mass.

April 1-American Electric Railway Association, Metropolitan Section, Engineering Societies Building. New York City, 8 p.m.

April 26-29-Southwestern Public Service Association, convention, New Orleans, La.

May 31-June 1-2-Canadian Electric Railway Association, annual convention, Winnipeg, Man.

June 6-8-American Association of Engineers, annual convention, Tulsa, Okla.

June 24-25-New York Electric Railway Association, annual meeting, Hotel Champlain, Bluff Point, N. Y.

July 27-29-Association of Equipment Men, Southern Properties, 12th semi-annual meeting, Atlanta, Ga.

Oct. 3-7-American Electric Railway Association, annual convention and exhibit, Public Auditorium, in the maintenance of the coaches. The pits should be well lighted and ventilated and should have a sewer connection so that they can be washed out occasionally and kept in a sanitary condition. The size of the pits will vary with the size of the vehicle, but their length should be such that any unit on the chassis can be inspected and serviced readily. Ample general illumination by means of ceiling lights should be provided, and there should also be frequent drop or portable light wall connection sockets. Of the latter at least two should be on each side of each pit and they should also be located not more than 20 ft. apart along all sides of the garage.

There are several methods of heating garages. Based on experience, it appears the use of radiators along the walls is the best. This enables you, in cold weather, to head your coaches in toward the wall so that the engines are close to the radiators and thus kept warm. This makes starting easier, keeps the oil at proper temperature and enables it to function when the engine is started, thus ultimately reducing maintenance costs.

TRAINING OF DRIVERS

In order to have low maintenance cost, drivers must be properly in-structed and trained. They must first be impressed with the fact that motor coaches are to be operated primarily for the comfort and convenience of the passengers. They should be started easily and smoothly and stops should be made in the same manner. While this provides comfort and convenience to passengers, it also, in the end, results in lower maintenance cost and less abuse of equipment. Drivers should be instructed to check oil and gas on leaving the garage and to make two or three checks during their day's run and, when they are relieved on the road, the relief crew should be instructed to do the same. This prevents running out of gas on the road, which may cause loss of patronage, due to irrita-tion of passengers, and also prevents oil getting low, which may completely ruin a motor in a short time.

Drivers should also be impressed with the importance of reporting any and all unfamiliar noises which may develop during a day's run, and where obvious defects occur they should be required to report them on proper forms when they turn in to the maintenance department. We quite often find defective motor coaches sent out on the road just because drivers have failed to make the necessary reports so that the mechanical department can make repairs. Proper operation of motor coaches with low maintenance cost is just as much the business of the transportation department as it is of the mechanical department, and unless

there is close co-operation between these departments proper maintenance with consequent increase in reliability cannot be secured.

GOOD LUBRICATION ESSENTIAL

Maintenance on high-class automotive equipment can be conservatively stated to consist of 90 per cent lubrication and 10 per cent adjustment and If the lubrication is replacement. neglected the necessity for adjustments and replacement will increase all out of proportion to the lack of proper lubrication because, taking into account the quantities used, the highest priced lubrication is vastly cheaper than labor and repair parts. When the maintenance department realizes that the cost of lubrication represents a very small percentage of the total operating cost, the reliability of the coaches under their charge will increase and the cost of maintenance decrease.

Only the highest grade of lubricants should be used. In my opinion, there is no standard by which it may be gaged by laymen. Buying automotive oil on specifications doesn't mean anything, as we find several oils have the same flash, fire, viscosity and specific gravity tests and yet they may have different lubricating qualities. Therefore, the safest plan is to buy your oil from a reliable firm with an excellent standing in the industry and, within reason, accept the recommendation of that firm as to the grade and type of lubricant best suited to your needs.

General overhauling instruction sheets should be supplied so as to give the men a definite list of the work to be done. In our case printed instructions are placed on the left side and all gas and oil averages next to them; then the list of the mechanical defects that are reported from one inspection to another shows which of the various units on the coach have given the most trouble and need special attention. The record of gas and oil averages show readily the condition of the engine. The operator should analyze defects carefully that come up and if a particular type of defect recurs, he should notify the manufacturer so that a remedy can be found and applied in future production. In this manner all future purchasers of the particular type of coach equipment are benefited.

The printed instructions on the general overhaul sheets should be divided into different classes of work and in this way it is possible to develop the ordinary type of man into a valuable Men can be developed from worker. the ranks and promotion made from one grade to another, as performing these various operations day by day develops where an operator has an assortment of equipment. These instructions should be made to cover operations on all makes of coaches. Training of mechanics to do efficient work is a serious problem and the cost is great. Care should be used in selecting these men so that the turnover will be at a minimum.

Electrical work should not be tampered with by the ordinary mechanic. An automotive electrician should be the only man to look after electrical units, with the exception, of course, of chang-

ing lamp bulbs or changing an entire generator or magneto unit.,

Provision of sufficient tools, blocks, jacks, etc., and satisfactory working conditions should be given careful consideration. In our case, we personally give shop men ten minutes in the morning at 10 o'clock and in the afternoon at 3 o'clock in the hot summer months for a smoke and recess. Of course, any smoking done around the garage is done on the outside and not inside the building. We feel that by doing this, it freshens up the men and causes a friendlier feeling toward the company and the departmental head in charge. Lockers, ample washroom facilities and a place for the men to eat their lunches should be provided.

FEW MACHINE TOOLS NEEDED

Men engaged in general overhaul operation do not require many machine tools, as the system does not call for actual repair of the units. It mainly consists of complete lubrication, complete adjustments and replacements of such units as are necessary. A drill press, bench grinder and arbor press are about all that are needed, and these only in emergency cases. We do not approve of furnishing mechanics with ordinary tools, such as wrenches, pliers, hammers and screw drivers as our experience has been that they are careless with company tools and let them lie around so that when they do need them they have to spend time to find the particular tool or wrench they want. If each mechanic is required to furnish his own tools of this character, he will not, as a rule, let them lie around and lose them. Large tools and other necessary shop tools should be furnished by the company and passed out on a check system, which makes the man taking it out responsible. Ample spare units should be kept on hand to speed up general overhauling work, so that the coach will not be tied up for a considerable length of time in order that the unit may be repaired.

Units which have been removed under general overhaul operations should be repaired in a special department, which gives better efficiency and enables the man in charge to hold the men working on those units responsible for improper repairs. Each unit should be numbered and a change slip made out when a unit is changed. A record should be kept of change slips and the reasons for such changes, so that when a particular defect shows up continually the cause of the defect can be analyzed and remedied. Except in emergencies temporary repairs should be avoided, as these are merely a makeshift and are apt to cause trouble and expense later. All major repairs should be made by the day force, leaving for the night force the running defects that are written up by the coach drivers on report cards. The latter usually consists of inspecting fan belts, setting up spark plugs, and checking up on brakes, etc. If the small defects are handled thoroughly at night, it will be found that road calls and involuntary stops will be materially decreased, as experience shows that road calls in general can be divided approximately 90 per cent to neglect, 5 per cent for flat

tires and 5 per cent for defective materials and causes beyond control.

The success of motor coach operation depends on the thoroughness of the general overhaul or inspection, which must be done thoroughly in order to keep the vehicle at as near 100 per cent condition as is practical at all times. General overhauls or inspections should be carried out at such periods of from, say, 2,500 to 4,000 miles, in order to give satisfaction. In our opinion, 3,000 miles is the proper figure. If some program, such as the above, is not carried out, it will cause delays on the road, with consequent disruption of schedules and cause the public to lose confidence and stop riding, so that it may take months to get them back as The man in charge of customers. maintenance is held responsible for the mechanical condition of the coaches and if the transportation department, does not allow him to keep the coaches over pits long enough to give them full inspection, best results cannot be secured. It must be remembered that a motor coach of proved merit costs from \$8,000 to \$12,000, and if it is not properly maintained its life will be short and the owner suffer a loss.

American Association News

Subjects and Meetings

EMBERSHIP of the committee on subjects and meetings of the American Association has just been The announced by President Sawyer. complete personnel follows:

Harry L. Brown, secretary rass Company, Mansfield, Ohio Ohio. Brass chairman.

Edward Dana, general manager Boston Elevated Railway, Boston, Mass., vice-chairman.

James P. Barnes, Louisville, Ky. F. G. Buffe, Kansas City, Mo. F. L. Butler, Atlanta, Ga. H. C. Clark, Newark, N. J

Thomas Conway, Jr., Philadelphia, Pa. L. J. DeLamarter, Grand Rapids,

W. Doolittle, New York, N. Y. W. A. Draper, Cincinnati, Ohio. R. W. Emerson, Cleveland, Ohio. Thomas Fitzgerald, Pittsburgh, Pa. J. R. Fitzpatrick, Chicago, Ill. George Frey, Philadelphia, Pa. Charles Gordon, New York, N. Y. D. W. Harvey, Toronto, Ont., Canada. W. W. Holden, San Antonio, Tex. M. B. Lambert, New York, N. Y.

W. H. Lines, Portland, Ore. E. B. Meissner, St. Louis, Mo. Dudley Montgomery, Madison, Wis. C. E. Morgan, Brooklyn, N. Y.

A. T. Perkins, St. Louis, Mo. J. S. Pevear, Birmingham, Ala. H. B. Potter, Baltimore, Md.

J. K. Punderford, New Haven, Conn. G. A. Richardson, Chicago, Ill. H. S. Robertson, Denver, Col.

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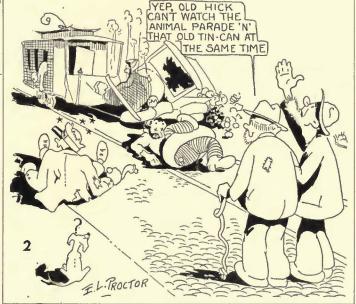
E. P. Waller, Schenectady, N. Y. E. A. West, Salt Lake City, Utah. H. R. Whitney, Worcester, Mass.

Adventures of Old Man Trouble



on the Hicksville Railway

Watching the
"Scenery"
Instead of the
Traffic
Causes
'Accidents



Accidents are avoided by assuming that the other fellow is going to be careless. Keep your eyes and mind on the traffic. The greatest asset a street railway has is an employee who guards the safety of those intrusted to his care and lets the "scenery" go by without distracting his attention from essential duties.

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J. M. ZIMMERMAN AND E. L. PROCTOR



The News of the Industry

One-Man Car Case Decided

Iowa Supreme Court Refuses to Enjoin Union from Enforcing Two-Man Car Requirement.

All hope of instituting one-man car service as an economy measure by the Des Moines City Railway, Des Moines, Iowa, appears to have been banished in an opinion handed down on March 15 by the Iowa Supreme Court affirming Judge Joseph Meyer of the Polk County District Court and refusing to enjoin Local 441 of the Amalgamated Association from enforcing a 25-year contract calling for the operation of street cars by a motorman and a conductor.

COURT QUOTES WORDING OF THE 1916 FRANCHISE

The high court failed to rule directly upon the contention of the company that the contract was against public policy in that it prevented the introduction of economies which would, if instituted, result in the reduction of fares to the residents of Des Moines. The court disposed of this question by pointing out that the franchise ordinance of 1916 contains the provision that "in the operation of its railway by electricity each motor passenger car shall be in control of a motorman and a conductor."

This is practically the wording of the contract between the company and the association, the opinion states, and goes on to say that, "so long as this ordinance of the city of Des Moines exists all parties are bound thereby, and there is no ground for equitable intervention."

In a similar manner the court refused to assume jurisdiction in the question raised by the company over the validity of the check-off. The opinion says:

The company has a ciear, speedy and adequate remedy at law for the very thing about which it complains. It is true that the evidence shows that certain of the employees did so notify the company (to refuse to pay the check-off of officers of local 441), but such employees are not specifically named as defendants herein.

On the third main point raised by the company, which alleged that the contract was "invalid because it was in violation of the constitution and bylaws of the International Association," the court held that this was a matter wholly between the local and the international. On this point the ruling said:

So long as no complaint is being made by the international against the local for non-compliance, it does not lie with third parties to raise such a question.

MATTER OF PUBLIC POLICY DISCUSSED

The company's charge that the contract has the effect of unionizing an entire industry and is therefore against public policy brought forth the comment from the court that "if it is true that the contract contravenes public policy, as between the parties thereto,

both are part delecto, or, in words, both are equally at fault."

The contract which the traction company sought to enjoin the union from enforcing was signed in 1915 and has thirteen years to run. The company has been operating under a 10-cent cash fare and selling weekly passes at \$1.25, but has shown monthly deficits regularly for nearly a year with the exception of December, 1926, and January, 1927. The debit to the stabilizing fund as of Jan. 31 this year was \$24,-243. F. C. Chambers, president of the company, estimated that the institution of one-man cars would have meant a saving of more than \$200,000 annually and a reduction of fares under the present service-at-cost franchise.

J. G. Gamble, attorney for the rail-way, announced that he will ask for a

rehearing.

Dr. A. A. Mitten Made Chairman of Philadelphia Committee

Thomas E. Mitten, for sixteen years chairman of the executive committee of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Com-Pa., Company, Philadelphia, relinquished his post on March 16 in favor of his son, Dr. A. A. Mitten. The elder Mitten will continue as chairman of the board of directors, but will shift much of the burden of active management to the son, it is understood.

Coleman J. Joyce, counsel, and Leon Jewell, vice-president in charge of traffic, resigned from the board of They were succeeded by directors. J. A. Queeney and Ralph T. Senter,

respectively.

Terminable Permit Legislation in Illinois Unlikely

The long-delayed report on terminable permits for public utilities in Illinois has been presented to the state Senate by Senator Richard J. Barr, chairman of the joint commission which spent two years studying the subject.

The recommendation of the commission urges the adoption of terminable permits as the franchise scheme in the state. It does not suggest what agency shall issue the permit, nor the terms, nor under what conditions a permit shall be terminated. The recommendation does not go farther than urge that the terminable permit method be adopted.

The failure of the House and Senate to present a report in a formal way is said to have injured the chances of any terminable permit legislation at this session. Senate and House members predict that no act will pass the present session of the General Assembly. The recommendations contained in the report were reviewed in the ELECTRIC RAILWAY JOURNAL for Jan. 8, page 92.

Amends Fare Petition

New Plan Advanced by Pacific Electric Includes Reduction in One-Way and Round-Trip Fares

A supplemental application to its recent request for a hearing on the petition for a general increase in fares has been forwarded by the Pacific Electric Railway, Los Angeles, Cal., to the California Railroad Commission. The California Railroad Commission. new application asks for an entirely new set of fares to be established temporarily on certain lines. The plan contemplates a material reduction in one-way and round-trip fares, but an increase in the present form of daily commutation tickets. It is proposed to provide only one form of commutation ticket, namely, the 30-ride family ticket with a limit of 90 days from the date of sale, which will be at a lower rate than the cost of the same ticket at the present time, yet will be higher than the present daily commutation ticket. In the new schedule of fares contained in the supplemental application only one-way fares and 30-ride commutation ticket fares are provided. The round trip will be double the one-way fare. According to the supplemental application these are to be tried out during the investiga-tion by the Railroad Commission with the understanding that if a trial of these fares for a reasonable length of time proves that they are unsuccessful in materially increasing traffic volume, the company has permission to restore the present fares without delay.

The original application for a general fare increase asked to advance the fares 14 per cent over the present rate. At the present time the Pacific Electric is operating two distinct classes of services, a local and city service and an interurban service. The proposed set-up contemplates three classes of fares and service—the local or city service as it is at present; a scale of fares for suburban service extending to surrounding points of metropolitan district, and the interurban service to

more distant points.

In commenting upon the new application, D. W. Pontius, vice-president and general manager, said that the purpose of the original application for an approximate average increase of 14 per cent was to provide sufficient additional revenue to meet operating expenses and fixed charges. As set forth he claimed these had been far below a reasonable return on the investment. He said that residents in communities near Los Angeles and chambers of commerce there had expressed the belief that a reduction instead of an increase in the one-way and round-trip fares would produce a material increase in travel volume and a like increase in revenue because of such volume. It was his contention that operating results had been so discouraging that the company was willing to experiment with the lower fares for a reasonable length of time, although it might lose in revenue, but with a view to the possibility of working some plan in the way of increased fares that would be of benefit not only to the railway but to the community served.

Jersey Legislature Passes Paving Bill

The New Jersey Assembly passed on March 15 the bill introduced by Senator Abell of Morris County to relieve electric railways of a part of their street paving obligations. The vote was 36 to 20. Governor Moore is expected to veto the measure.

The Board of Freeholders at Newark, N. J., has taken its fight against the electric railway paving bill direct to the people in paid advertisements in newspapers, a step which is believed to

be without known precedent.

The Freeholders analyze the paving bill, present their arguments against it and wind up by repeating that a nonpartisan commission should be appointed to study the paving problem. They say in part:

The Board of Freeholders of the County of Essex, in the interest of taxpayers, has consistently opposed for several years the repeated efforts of the traction interests to get from under their obligations in this manner, and the board has been continuously aided in its efforts by the State Association of Freeholders, the State League of Municipalities and representative civic bodies.

The Board of Freeholders and these bodies have always advocated the study of the franchise, contractual and other financial relations between traction companies and municipalities and counties before any such sweeping legislation is enacted. We have requested our representatives in the present legislation to propose and further in the Legislature the creation of an impartial commission for the purpose of such study.

Each section of the measure is numbered and discussed by the Freeholders in an adjoining column in the "ad" itself. Traction company "sales talk" is the way the first section is described.

Henry L. Doherty Out of Routine Work

Henry L. Doherty, president of the Cities Service Company, New York, has addressed a letter to stockholders of his companies describing the condition of his health and announcing that he never expects again "to take an active part in the routine work" of the business.

He insisted that his organization had been so perfected that it would function perfectly without him. He intimated that on account of his health it had become necessary for him virtually to retire from active business and said that he was "still unable to conduct business in the ordinary way." Among other things he said:

At all times my business affairs have been provided for by will and by provision for trustees. If anything should happen to me now, or at any other time, there is no reason why it should lessen the intrinsic value of the securities of the Cities Service Company by a single dollar. I have taken no part in the routine work of the Cities Service Company since the United States got into the World War, and never expect again to take an active part in the routine.

Wage Demands in New York State

Employees of the New York State Railways are drafting their demands for a wage increase and other concessions in their yearly agreement. old agreement expires on May 1. While no formal demands have yet been presented to the railway, union officials make no secret of the fact that the men in Utica, Rochester and Syracuse will ask an increase in wages of 10 cents an hour, placing of two-man and oneman car operators on the same scale and a six-day week.

The present wage scale is 60 cents an hour for operators of one-man cars: 55 cents an hour for two-man car operators and 57 cents for interurban employees. The 10-cent increase has been filed in every proposal of the union since 1923. It is expected that 70 cents an hour flat scale for one-man and two-man car operators will be asked.

The union leaders base their plea for a pay increase on the fact that fares have been raised in all three cities, although very recently in Utica and Syracuse. Fares in Rochester were raised to 8 cents in January, 1925. Officials of the railway point to the increased costs of operation and the short tenure of the fare boost.

All proposals are submitted to joint vote of the workers in the three up-state cities. While the contract expires on May 1, any agreement reached after that date becomes retroactive. The contract provides for arbitration and there is a joint conference board made up of the presidents and business agents of the divisions of the Amalgamated Association in the three cities.

Disqualification Proceedings in Seattle

The United States Circuit Court of Appeals in San Francisco has denied a petition of John G. Von Herberg, a taxpayer of Seattle, Wash., to disqual-ify United States Judge E. E. Cushman from hearing a taxation action involving the city of Seattle and the Puget Sound Power & Light Company. Mr. Von Herberg has filed in the trial court an affidavit of prejudice and bias on the part of Judge Cushman. Judge Cushman certified to the Circuit Court the fact that such affidavit had been filed. In his petition to the Circuit Court Mr. Von Herberg, through counsel, contended that Judge Cushman in certifying had automatically disqualified himself, and asked for an order selecting another judge. court held that it lacked jurisdiction.

The Circuit Court of Appeals also has under advisement the matter of disqualification of Federal Judge Jeremiah Neterer in the Seattle Municipal Street Railway litigation and also a motion by J. Ambler Newton, assistant corporation counsel in Seattle, to dismiss all actions pending in federal court against the Washington municipality in the railway litigation. Attorneys for the Puget Sound Power & Light Company appeared before the court and argued to have Judge Neterer disqualified on the grounds that he is a Seattle taxpayer and therefore would be prejudiced.

Attorneys for the city of Seattle

declared that the city is not a party to any disqualification proceedings and urged that the higher court dismiss the litigation.

Home Rule Referendum at Chicago's Mayoralty Election

Managers of the local Democratic organization have succeeded in collecting approximately 260,000 signatures on a petition for a referendum on the question of whether Chicago shall come from under the state public utilities act and restore to the city substantial

control over its public utilities.

By virtue of the filing of this petition with the county election board on March 6 the question is automatically placed on the ballot at the Mayoralty election April 5. A minimum of 184,-000 names was required by state law in order to submit the proposition to the voters. If the referendum is passed at that time, control of all local utilities will be taken from the hands of the Illinois Commerce Commission and vested either directly in the Chicago City Council or in a local commission created by the Council. This would take place as soon as the city clerk formally notifies the state commission of the outcome of the vote.

Under the state public utilities act, which created the Illinois Commerce Commission, it is provided that any city desiring to withdraw from the rule of the commission and set up one of its own selection may do so by agreement of a majority of the voters at a Mayoralty election. The acts of a city commission are, however, subject to review on appeal by the state com-There is now pending before mission. the Legislature, however, an amend-ment known as the McCluggage bill, which would bring appeals directly to the courts.

East St. Louis Goes to Church

The "return pass" system to increase Sunday traffic on its street cars and bus lines has been temporarily adopted by the East St. Louis & Suburban Railway. Residents of East St. Louis, Belleville and Alton, Ill., will have an opportunity to use the plan during all of the Sundays of the Lenten season. The special plan became effective on Sunday, March 6, and on the first day 380 persons availed themselves of the reduced rate and much publicity for the railway was won. The passes, at first good only between the hours of 5 a.m. and 1 p.m., are now effective between 4 a.m. and 1 p.m. and between 6 p.m. and 10 p.m.

The cut rate was advertised by the company as a special inducement to residents along its lines to "go to church." Advertising cards have been placed in all of the street cars and buses operated by the company advising the patrons to take advantage of the reduced rates and "Go to Church During Lent." Under the pass system a passenger pays 10 cents and receives a coupon valued at 10 cents when applied toward the cost of the return trip. Residents of Belleville who wish to attend church services in East St. Louis can save 10 cents on the round trip.

New Fare Schedule on Massachusetts Interurban

An increased schedule of fares for the occasional rider went into effect on the Boston & Worcester Street Railway, Framingham, Mass., on Feb. 15. Zone tickets are still sold at 66 for \$2.50 and there has been no change in the zones. The fare on the Marlboro crosstown line has been increased from 5 to 6 cents. The former basis of fare for the occasional rider was 10 cents for any two continuous fare sections and 5 cents for each additional fare section. The new basis is 10 cents within one fare section, or 6 cents a fare section. An exception is made on buses operating between Park Square, Boston, and Salem Square, Worcester, by way of Watertown and other places.

The former rate for pupils' tickets has been increased from eighteen zone coupons for 45 cents to twenty tickets for 60 cents. The old schedule of round-trip tickets from Chestnut Hill to Natick and thence to Worcester remains unchanged. The provision that each fare section is approximately 13 miles is left

force early action by the municipal authorities. The line is nearly completed, the cost to the city has been heavy and leading industries and business houses are demanding that a plan of operation be speedily worked out.

New Articulated Cars Between Baltimore and Washington

The new Pullman type cars to be placed in operation by the Washington, Baltimore & Annapolis Railroad were inspected officially on March 11. Utility commissioners and operators from Cleveland, Washington and Baltimore asserted that the luxury of the new cars constituted an effective reply by interurban electric lines to the rapidly increasing competition of buses. The first of the two-car units to reach Baltimore was run over the line from Washington to Baltimore.

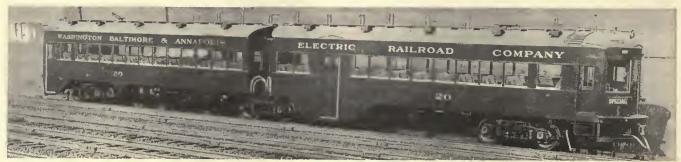
J. J. Doyle, president of the Washington, Baltimore & Annapolis, was in charge of the inspection party. Visitors present were J. H. Alexander, president; Charles H. Clark, maintenance engineer; Terence Scullen,

Improvements on Skokie Valley Route in Effect

Operation of all except two through trains between Chicago and Milwaukee over the new Skokie Valley route, installation of a new fast service between downtown Waukegan and the Chicago Loop over the Skokie Valley line and the addition of several more stops made by certain limited trains were simultaneously effected by the Chicago, North Shore & Milwaukee Railroad on Feb. 20. The new schedule of operation over the Skokie Valley route centralizes all high-speed operations on this new stretch of private right-ofway. The new station stops scheduled for several of the Chicago, Milwaukee limiteds are North Chicago, Waukegan, Zion, Kenosha and Racine.

Phoenix Voters Will Pass on Rehabilitation Plan

April 30 has been set by the City Commission as the date for special election on the proposed \$750,000 bond issue for the complete rehabilitation of



First of Ten High-Speed Articulated Cars to Be Delivered to the Washington, Baltimore & Annapolis from the Philadelphia Plant of the J. G. Brill Company

out of the new schedule. A tariff rate for special buses filed with the State Department of Public Utilities is 50 cents a mile from point of origin to point of destination plus 30 cents a mile for dead mileage, plus operator's hourly rate for all time held.

Operation of Rochester Subway Railroad Urged

All indications point to operation of the municipally owned subway railroad in the bed of the abandoned Eric Canal in Rochester, N. Y., by the New York State Railways, Rochester lines. At a public hearing no serious opposition to leasing the line to the railways for a three-year trial operation was voiced. Previously Mayor O'Neil had intimated he was considering municipal operation if there were enough public and official sentiment for it.

Members of the Mayor's official family and of the city municipal research bureau, however, have gone on record as being in favor of turning the operation of the railroad over to the transportation company, which is the only agency with the equipment, experience and men to take it over at once. The Mayor has arranged conferences with city and transportation officials, from which is expected to evolve a new contract for operation by the railways under service at cost. Pressure of business interests will, it is believed,

master mechanic, and Paul E. Wilson, vice-president, all of the Cleveland Railway; Samuel Bole, engineer of the J. G. Brill Company; H. B. Potter, general manager; S. E. Emmons, assistant to the president, and Adrian Hughes, United Railways, Baltimore, and A. S. Wentworth, Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company.

Six new units are now being placed

Six new units are now being placed in operation. The four others will be delivered the latter part of this month. Mr. Doyle has said that the early test trips were very satisfactory. He believes that the improvements in riding quality and in comfort attained by the articulated effect, the luxurious revolving seats and the other fine appointments are going to answer satisfactorily the demand for luxury on the part of the high-grade clientele.

February Safety Banner in Rochester Awarded

The safety banner for February on the lines of the New York State Railways, Rochester lines, went to the Main Street East division, which operated 8,932 miles per accident; second in line was the Portland division with a record of 6,713 miles per accident. Reports showed that the one-man cars operated more miles with fewer accidents than the two-man trolleys. This competition is part of the campaign under Safety Director Leon R. Brown.

the Phoenix Street Railway, Phoenix, Ariz. Mayor Frank E. Jefferson asked if it might not be feasible to submit also an alternate proposition to the voters on April 30 to provide for rehabilitation of only certain portions of the railway system at less cost. It was pointed out by City Attorney W. L. Barnum that the dominating issue was to determine whether the city was within its constitutional rights in incurring indebtedness for the rehabilitation of the system.

"Zero Hours" in Atlanta

During the month of February, 24 "zero hours" were posted for the trainmen of the Georgia Power Company, Atlanta, Ga., in which time only one accident occurred traceable to the negligence of a street railway employee. The "zero hour" idea was originated by W. J. Rountree, safety director for the company. Every day one hour is taken as "zero hour." The hour so chosen each day is posted on all of the transfer boxes of the company, and during that hour every precaution is taken by motormen and conductors to keep a clean record. The psychological effect of the "zero hour" has been to show train crews how easily accidents can be prevented if only a little thought and care are employed. Later it is planned to extend the "zero" period for a complete "zero" day.

Rate Increase Sought by Gary Railways

That earnings have never been sufficient properly to support service on the Gary and Valparaiso division was given as the reason for a proposal to increase certain commutation rates between Gary and Valparaiso filed on March 8 with the Indiana Public Service Commission by the Gary Railways.

Commutation rates between Gary and Valparaiso on the company's Valparaiso division are now considerably less than the lowest commutation rate offered by the Pennsylvania Railroad, the only competing line, the petition states. The proposed increase in fare will enable the railway, which operates cars directly to the various mills in Gary, to continue the present schedule between the two communities and to provide better service for the many Gary mill workers residing in Valparaiso, it is pointed out.

The company asks permission to cancel the present 25-ride commutation ticket, which is good for transportation between Valparaiso and any point within the first fare zone in Gary and sells for \$7.50, and to issue a ten-ride bearer coupon ticket at the rate of \$4. Should the authority be granted by the commission, the new rate will go into effect 30 days after the issuance

of the enabling order.

In support of the company's application, the petition points to an extensive program of rehabilitation begun last year to make the Gary-Valparaiso division one of the most efficient interurban lines in the company's system.

Contract for New East River Line Approved

The Board of Estimate of New York City in committee of the whole has voted unanimously to approve the contract for the construction of the tunnel under the East River from the foot of East 53d Street, Manhattan, to Nott Avenue, Long Island City. Formal award of the contract to Patrick McGovern, Inc., for the bid price of \$10,631,550 is expected to follow.

The board's action was taken on the recommendation of John H. Delaney, chairman of the Board of Transportation. Mr. Delaney denied the contention of opponents of the construction of the 53d Street subway that the tunnel was unnecessary. One particularly significant remark of his was that unification of the city's rapid transit lines was "inevitable." He did not indicate just how he expected this unification to be accomplished.

Trolleys Over Camden Bridge Assured

The first steps in the running of railway cars over the Delaware Bridge was taken on March 10 when the Camden City Commission passed an ordinance giving the Public Service Corporation of New Jersey the right to lay loop tracks from the Camden bridge plaza to the center of Camden. Since that date the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Company has announced that it would join with the Public Service Corporation of New Jersey in an application to

the Delaware River Bridge Commission for trolley operating privileges across the interstate span. Permission to build the loop was given to the Camden Horse Railway, an underlying concern of the Public Service Corporation. Under the plan thousands of people each day will be able to travel in the trolleys of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit over the bridge and then over the Public Service rails to Camden. Details are being worked out by engineers of both companies, which now are operators of a bus service across the bridge.



Weekly Pass in Texarkana. — The Southwestern Gas & Electric Company, Texarkana, Ark., is selling weekly passes on its lines for \$1.

High Honor for Motorman.—Tal F. Harris, a motorman of the Nashville Railway & Light Company, Nashville, Tenn., was recently presented a handsome gold watch and made the subject of a citation before operators and officials of the company. Attention was directed to his ten years of operating without the semblance of an accident and to his equally notable record for courtesy. The watch presented to Mr. Harris bore an inscription signed by B. C. Edgar, president. It read: "Recognizing a distinguished safety and service record." His record shows approximately 320,000 miles run and 1,825,000 passengers carried.

Amends Fare Request. — The Colorado Springs & Interurban Railway, has asked the City Council of Colorado Springs, Col., to consider the retention of the present 10-cent fare, but abolish the two fares for 15 cents and instead accept tickets at six for 50 cents or fifteen for \$1. The City Council had previously declined to approve the ticket-selling idea because it required the purchase of \$1 in tokens.

Excursion Trips Offered.—The Union Traction Company of Indiana, Anderson, Ind., has started special excursions over its lines to various points of interest and the response thus far has been good. Each weekend the company offers special rates to certain points. Recently a trip to the Circus City zoölogical gardens, near Peru, was offered. Here the patrons can see one of the largest collections of wild animals in the country.

New Demands in Scranton.—Motormen and conductors of the Scranton Railway, Scranton, Pa., have prepared demands to be embodied in a new agreement replacing the old one which expires on April 1. They ask that the hourly rate be raised from 64 to 74 cents, while one-man operators, now receiving 72 cents, want 89 cents an hour. The men also want an eighthour day on all runs with time-and-ahalf pay on hour-over schedule runs. This stipulation is incorporated in the present working agreement, but the runs are said to vary in time from eight to 9½ hours. More than 600 motormen, conductors, brakemen and

trackmen will be affected by whatever changes are made in the agreement.

Would Change Method of Handling Freight.—A change in the method of handling freight shipments on the Illinois Traction System at Champaign, Ill., has been announced with the completion of the "Champaign Belt," on which engineers of the illinois Traction System have been engaged for about a year. The traction system has electrified approximately 5½ miles of the main lines of the Illinois Central and the Wabash Railroads at Champaign, and in future all freight transported by the Traction will go on the new belt line, hauled by electric locomotives.

Mutual Track Arrangement to Improve Service .- Residents of East Boston, Mass., have lost their fight to prevent the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway from operating through cars over the lines of the Boston Elevated to Maverick station in order to improve the service to Revere. The public utilities department has issued an order providing for the through service, stipulating, however, that not more than six cars an hour shall be so operated. The department in its order referred to the contention of the trus-tees of both companies that this arrangement would effect a saving in operating expenses over that obtaining at the present time and would improve the service both for the people of Revere and the people of East Boston.

Conductor Punished for Theft .- Delbert Kraft, conductor on the Jackson lines of the Michigan Electric Railway, was sentenced on March 11 to serve from six months to five years in prison for pilfering fares. The court recommended that he serve six months. Conductor Kraft pleaded guilty and said he was driven to the theft by financial straits. Judge Benjamin Williams declared that he could not place Conductor Kraft on probation because there were 2,400 conductors in Michigan who might be tempted to take the funds of their companies if they thought that they could escape. The offender was not required, however, to pay any cost or fine or to refund any money to the company. He was \$300 short in his returns.

Employees Enter Contest. essay contest for railway employees, arranged by W. J. Rountree, safety director for the Georgia Power Company, on the subject of "What Do We Owe the Passenger for His Fare?" resulted in the submission of approximately 100 essays of high quality. C. H. Strong, assistant to the manager of the railway department; B. K. Godfrey, manager of the compensation department, and L. K. Starr, publicity director for the Georgia Power Company, were judges. W. C. Alsobrooks, a conductor, was winner of the first prize, with C. H. Varn, a motorman, in second place and S. J. Steele, also a motorman, in third position. The first three essays are to be printed in full and distributed to the 1,500 trainmen in the railway department, as it is believed the essays, written by members of the crew, will go much further toward developing a spirit of courtesy among employees than any number of memos from headquarters.

Recent Bus Developments

Bus Activities in Springfield Planned

Sidney H. Sayles, superintendent of the Springfield Street Railway at Palmer, Mass., has announced that bus service will supersede railway service on the Three Rivers, Bondsville, Ware and Monson lines shortly after May 1. H. M. Flanders, general manager of the company, has applied to the Select-men of the towns for the necessary. licenses to operate buses. The railway was granted licenses to operate bus service in the territories mentioned one year ago and these licenses expire May 1. The Springfield company never attempted to make use of the privilege last year, but Mr. Flanders was assured that the licenses would be renewed. The company has also applied for licenses to operate buses between the Palmer-Wilbraham and the Palmer-Brimfield boundaries. The railway lines operating between Palmer and Worcester are to be abandoned. This will clear the way for a through line of buses between Springfield and Worcester. De luxe buses will be operated.

High Point Awaits Bus Operation

A bus system to be placed in operation in High Point, N. C., some time this spring will mark the discontinuance of railway service. An agreement to this effect was reached by the City Council, officials of a bus company and officials of the North Carolina Public Service Company, the railway operator. The latter company waived its carrying rights in favor of the buses. The buses will be operated by the Carolina Transit Company, Columbia, but if they do not meet the needs of the city, the North Carolina Public Service Company has agreed to re-establish railway service.

Ten new buses are to be started, covering about three times as much territory and serving several times as many people as the street cars at the present time. One line will extend to High Point College and the other will go to the baseball park.

Missouri Bus Bill Passes Senate

The Missouri Senate on March 9 by a vote of 25 to 5 passed Senator A. L. McCawley's bus control bill. It places all bus lines in the state outside of Kansas City under the jurisdiction of the Missouri Public Service Commis-The bill provides special taxes of from \$60 to \$1,000 per bus and limits the bus to not more than 25 ft, in length nor 84 in. in width. St. Louis buses will not have to pay the extra state tax, but will continue to give the city a percentage of their gross receipts for the use of its streets. The highways committee of the Missouri House of Representatives on March 8 voted to report favorably a bill placing control of bus lines using state highways and streets under the supervision of the Missouri Public Service Commission. The measure also provides for special license fees to be paid by the bus companies.

Bus Subsidiary of West Chester Street Railway Reorganized

Reorganization of the Peoples Transportation Corporation, a suburban bus subsidiary of the West Chester Street Railway, West Chester, Pa., was effected on March 4. The two companies operate under the route name of "The Chester Valley Lines." During the proceedings, participated in by representatives of fifty creditors with aggregate liability accounts of \$500,000, the following were elected officers to handle the affairs of the company: C. B. Cooke, Jr., Philadelphia, president; F. G. Wilson, Chicago, treasurer and general manager, and Eric H. Biddle, Philadelphia, secretary.

Under the plan of reorganization, sufficient security and credit were offered to offset the unsecured liabilities of \$102,000, which represented indebtedness to local supply houses, in addition to the amount owed the Yellow Truck & Coach Manufacturing Company for buses. The assets of the company, exclusive of value of franchise rights, before the reorganization plan was effected were almost equal to Secured loans from the the liabilities. parent company total approximately \$300,000, and liabilities of \$250,000 included in creditors' statements have been offset by a like amount in equivalent values.

The Peoples Transportation Corporation operates 40 buses through the Chester and the Schuylkill Valleys. Its lines connect Reading, Pottstown, Norristown, West Chester, Chester and Wilmington, and Media and Oxford. The West Chester Street Railway owns all of the outstanding stock of the Peoples Transportation Corporation.

More Plans Matured at Worcester

The Worcester Consolidated Street Railway, Worcester, Mass., has asked the Department of Public Utilities for permission to extend its June Street-Tatnuck bus line. The Consolidated plans a terminus at Dawson Road, a mile north of Tatnuck Square. At the start trips will be made at night, noon and morning to accommodate workers. The bus service in this section the company believes is desirable because of the growth of the neighborhood.

The company has started bus service between Worcester and Clinton, Mass., by way of Boylston. The Worcester terminal is the Union station and the Clinton terminal the railroad station in that town. The fare between the two places is 50 cents. The buses are express part of the way.

Bus Brings Increase in Riding.—The six months experiment in the substitution of bus service for city railway service at Manitowoc, Wis., by the Wisconsin Public Service Corporation has met with a certain measure of success. During December, 1926, there was an increase of 43.4 per cent in revenue passengers compared with December, 1925, when the railway cars were still in use. January, 1927, showed a further increase, with 46.1 per cent more passengers riding than in the similar month of 1926.

Would Extend Bus Service. — The Connecticut Company is planning further extension to its bus service and has applied to the Public Utilities Commission for permission to operate between Hartford and West Hartford, Conn., as an amendment to its present charter.

Bus Bill Favors Portland Company.—A bill to permit the Portland Railroad, Portland, Me., to operate buses as it may see fit has been passed by the Legislature. An attempt to amend the bill so as to prevent the railway from taking up any of its tracks or discontinuing operation of cars when bus operation is started was lost.

Bus Line Now Serves Oklahoma City Addition.—The Oklahoma Railway established a new bus line from the downtown section of Oklahoma City to the Crestwood addition in the northwest part of the city on March 1. Buses are being operated on a twenty-minute schedule. Several new buses of the latest design have been installed.

Another Motor Coach Route in Pittsburgh.—The Pittsburgh Motor Coach Company, Pittsburgh, Pa., has been granted a franchise to operate a fifth motor coach route beginning March 21 between Union Station and the intersection of Lebanon Boulevard and Washington Road in the high-grade South Hills suburbs. The distance is 7 miles and the expected running time 32 minutes. Limousine coaches each seating nineteen persons will be operated at intervals of twenty minutes off-peak and twelve minutes peak. As on the other routes of this company, the fare will be 25 cents.

Oppose Bus Operation.—Petitions of the Sandston Electric Railway for authority to abandon the 2½-mile stretch of tracks and to operate bus service between Richmond and Highland Springs, via Seven Pines and Sandston, have been dismissed without prejudice by the Virginia Corporation Commission, following a hearing at which considerable opposition was voiced to both petitions. The company is owned by the Richmond-Fairfield Railway, Richmond. The petitions were dismissed at the request of S. W. Zimmer, counsel for the railway, who said the opposition was "unexpected," and that he wished to consult with Oliver J. Sands, president of the railway and prominent Richmond bank president, now out of the city, before taking further steps. John Randolph Tucker, counsel for mi-nority stockholders and for persons living along the line, explained that his clients feared that operation of a bus line would make the electric railway so unremunerative it might be abandoned.

Financial and Corporate

Day & Zimmermann Buy National Public Service

With Their Associates Acquire Controlling Interest from A. E. Fitkin-Mr. Zimmermann to Be President

Day & Zimmermann, Philadelphia, and their associates have acquired from A. E. Fitkin the controlling interest in the National Public Service Corporation. Mr. Zimmermann will be president of the company and Floyd W. Woodcock will be vice-president. No change in the operating personnel of the company is contemplated, but the company will have the benefit of the long experience of Mr. Zimmermann and his organization in the public utility field. The National Public Service Corporation with gross receipts of more than \$27,000,000 has been built up by Mr. Fitkin, who remains on the board. The gross receipts of the Day & Zimmermann properties prior to this addition were about \$12,000,000.

The most important properties controlled by the company are situated in the states of New Jersey, Pennsylvania, Delaware, Maryland, Virginia, North Carolina, Georgia and Florida, and serve an aggregate population of more

than 2,000,000.

The principal companies controlled by National Public Service Corporation include Jersey Central Power & Light Company, Virginia Public Service Company, Tidewater Power Company, Flor-ida Power Corporation, Eastern Shore Gas & Electric · Company and the Municipal Service Company.

Mr. Fitkin in confirming the sale

stated that he is surrendering the control and supervision of the affairs of the company because of his desire to devote all of his time and attention to his western properties known as the Inland Power & Light Corporation system.

The trackage of the railway prop-erties included in the National Public Service Corporation totals 356 miles. Statistics of these properties follow:

Transportation Department:	1926	1925
No. of car-miles No. of bus-miles Total vehicle-miles	12,206,733 1,702,006 13,908,739	12,218,198 1,809,639 14,027,837
Passengers carried: Street railway Bus	80,609,958 3,982,043	82,221,883 3,568,171
Communities served: Street railway Bus	96 47	103
Population served: Street railway	772,980 686,844	755,000 683,000

Of the total earnings of \$27,788,680 the receipts from transportation were

\$5,761,704, or 20.7 per cent.

The Tidewater Power Company operates the electric railway in Williams ton, N. C., and surrounding territory. The Municipal Service Company operates an interurban railway in Ohioknown as the Youngstown & Suburban, the railway properties in York and Oil City, Pa., and controls the Keystone

Public Service Corporation, which in turn, through its subsidiaries, operates the electric railway and bus lines in and around Scranton and Altoona, Pa.

Voters Disapprove Rainier Purchase

The Seattle & Rainier Valley Railway purchase was voted down in Seattle, Wash., by the people on March 8. The public showed by a large vote their disapproval of the purchase for \$1,200,000 of the only privately owned car line remaining in the city.

Would Purchase Railway Bonds

The Massachusetts State Department of Public Utilities has received a petition from the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad for permission to purchase \$330,000 in bonds of the Springfield Street Railway, Springfield, Mass. It is explained that there are now outstanding an equal amount of bonds of the Springfield & Eastern Street Railway maturing on Jan. 1 next. These are held by the New Haven and in order to refund them the Springfield company is to issue new bonds. As the terms said to have been offered by the bankers for the bonds are said not to have been considered sufficiently liberal by the New Haven, that company desires to take the entire issue in exchange for the maturing bonds at 6 per cent paying par.

1,574,969,902 Ride Surface Lines

Residue Receipts of \$13,302,112 in Chicago Show an Increase of \$1,144,438 or 9.41 Per Cent, the Highest Except 1922. the Year of an Eight-Cent Fare

HE fiscal year Feb. 1, 1926, to Jan. 31, 1927, covered by the report of the Chicago Surface Lines, although the last under the 1907 and 1913 ordinances, was the most remarkable from the standpoint of service, traffic and earnings in the history of the compa-nies comprising the Chicago Surface Lines. Gross earnings for the year were \$61,173,601, an increase of \$2,-387,720, or 4.06 per cent, as compared with the previous year. This total was the highest in the history of the companies. Operating expenses including taxes were \$47,871,490, an increase of \$1,243,283, or 2.67 per cent. Residue receipts were \$13,302,112, an increase of \$1,144,438, or 9.41 per cent. This was the highest with the exception of 1922, the year of an 8-cent fare. city's share of divisible receipts was \$2,620,326, an increase of \$498,273, or 23.48 per cent over the preceding year. The purchase price of the properties was increased \$237,632, making the total of \$163,745,856 as of Feb. 1, 1927.

Each month of the year showed an increase in traffic over the corresponding month of the previous year and the impressive total of 1,574,969,902 rides is an increase of 57,459,241 rides, or 3.79 per cent. Revenue passengers totaled 876,249,663, an increase of 34,048,210, or 4.04 per cent. To provide service for this great increase in traffic there were added during the year more than 4,000,000 passenger car-miles.

The daily average of revenue passengers during December-2,505,338was the highest for any month in the history of the companies. The peak of the previous twelve months was exceeded seven times during the year. The biggest day of the year and the greatest in the history of the companies, both in earnings and in traffic, was Saturday, Dec. 18, passenger receipts being \$201,337, revenue passengers 2,934,771, and total rides 5,126,731. Revenue passengers on an average Saturday during the year numbered 2,668,342. On an average Sunday or holiday there were 1,632,844 revenue

rides, an increase of 18,021 in two years. This is particularly interesting as most companies have experienced a decrease in Sunday and holiday business. There were 287 revenue passengers (or 517 rides including transfers) on surface cars during the year for every Chicagoan.

The Eucharistic Congress, from June 20 to June 24, inclusive, established new records for surface car riding in Chicago—the total rides for the three heaviest days being 15,069,000. Transportation of this immense throng with expedition and safety brought expres-

EARNINGS, EXPENSES AND DIVISION OF RESIDUE RECEIPTS OF THE CHICAGO SURFACE LINES FOR YEAR ENDED ZZ LJAN. 31, 1927, COMPARED WITH

PREVIOU	S YEAR	
Earnings:	1927	1926
Passenger cars	\$60,436,705	\$58,076,487
Chartered cars	5,347 16,276	6,337
Newspaper cars Freight earnings	5,039	14,989
Hospital car service	3,742	3,790
Advertising	281,837	274,480
Rents of buildings, etc.,	160.885	165,150
Sale of power	108,210	104,097
Interest on deposits Miscellaneous	132,366 23,188	120,682
Miscenaucous	25,100	14,772
Gross earnings	\$61,173,601	\$58,785,880
Expenses:		
Way and structures	\$2,984,484	\$2,830,649
Equipment	4,188,633 4,893,888	3,984,635 4,702,870
Renewals	386.086	394.620
Power-Operation	3,638,283	3,465,460
Conducting transporta-		
tion—Trainmen	21,485,750	20,741,205
Conducting transporta-	3,214,031	3,172,423
Traffic	123,433	109,973
General and miscella-	123,133	
neous-Damages	1,936,202	2,469,007
General and miscella-	1 (20 (0)	1 (07 2(1
neous-Other Taxes	1,620,696 3,400,000	1,697,361 3,060,000
laxes	5,400,000	5,000,000
Total expenses	\$47,871,489	\$46,628,206
Residue receipts	\$13,302,111	*\$12,157,674
Divided:		
Chicago Railways — 60	*\$7,981,267	*\$7,294,604
Sonth Side Lines—40 per	41,701,201	41,277,007
cent	*5,320,844	*4,863,069
* Includes city's 55 per ce	nt of net divi	sible receipts.

* Includes city's 55 per cent of net divisible receipts as defined by ordinances.

of commendation from many sions sources.

In the period preceding the Christmas holidays, the peak of the year's riding, the companies attained 100 per cent operation. On Dec. 20 all passenger cars (3,639) were in service during the evening rush hours and on each of the three following days only one car was out of service. Henry A. Blair, president, says that better evidence could not be had of the condition of company equipment and the spirit of the men who worked together to accomplish this result.

In anticipation of the large increase in riding, 100 new cars of the multipleunit type were ordered early in the spring and delivered in time for the pre-Christmas peak. This made a total of 445 new cars added to the service in a little more than three years.

Mr. Blair said it was worthy of note that during the past four years the Chicago Surface Lines have enjoyed a larger percentage of increase in passengers than any other street railway, and during the past year they carried approximately as many revenue passengers as all steam railroads in the country. It is also a fact that in spite of the handicap of expiring franchises, the 42 miles of track reconstruction and 5 miles of new track last year exceed the trackwork of any other surface system so far as available reports indicate.

Comparisons of extent of the Surface Lines' system at the end of the first year of unified operation (Jan. 31, 1915) and at the close of the thirteenth year (Jan. 31, 1927):

RESERVE FOR RENEWALS AND SPECIAL RESERVE FOR RENEWALS AND EQUIPMENT BY CHICAGO SURFACE LINES COMPANIES FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDED JAN. 31, 1927

Reserva for Renewals:	Chicago Railways	Chicago City Ry.	C.&.S.C.Ry.	Total
Baiance in reserve at Feb. 1, 1926	\$9,091,725 197,166 279,328	\$5,082,143 41,799 155,013	\$331,043 7,417 10,131	\$14,504,912 246,384 444,473
Balance in reserve at Feb. 1, 1927	\$9,568,220	\$5,278,957	\$348,592	\$15,195,770
Special Reserve for Renewals and Equipment: Balance in special reserve at Feb. 1, 1926. 8 per cent of gross earnings. Interest earned.	\$489,415 2,936,332 18,076	\$836,735 1,765,855 23,813	\$768 193,993 655	\$1,326,919 4,896,181 42,544
Totai	\$3,443,825	\$2,626,403	\$195,417	\$6,265,646
Less: Expended for renewals	2,399,317	1,410,113	193,807	4,003,237
Expended for special equipment (new passenger cara). Expended for track extensions. Expended for track reconstruction	927,934 3,303	666,999 273,422 40,255	1,557	1,594,933 276,725 41,812
Total expended	\$3,330,555	\$2,390,789	\$195,364	\$5,916,709
Balance in special reserve at Feb. 1, 1927	113,270	235,613	52	348,936
Total of balances at Feb. 1, 1927	\$9,681,491	\$5,514,570	\$348,645	\$15,544,707

Under orders of the Public Utilities Commission of Illinois and of its successor, the Illinois Commerce Commission, \$7,753,736. 09 has been expended since July, 1920, out of the "Special Renewal and Equipment Fund" for new equipment and for track extensions and reconstruction.

Although the property acquired by these expenditures is functioning as part of the operating plant, it does not appear in the Capital Accounts of the companies, inasmuch as the commission orders provided that such expenditures shall not be carried to capital account "unless and until the sum or sums thus expended have been paid into the renewal and depreciation fund."

The halance, \$15,544,707, in "Reserve for Renewals" and "Special Reserve for Renewals and Equipment" is a cash halance and is on deposit in various banks.

months made it possible successfully to accomplish the task of carrying record-breaking loads in the holiday period. Through co-operation between the transportation and shops and equipment departments, a new record was established also for the small number of cars taken out of service on account of equipment failures—the car mileage per pull-in being increased from 7,100 to 14,389. Each motor car on the system traveled an average of 37,445 miles

cago district increased greatly during the year, improved methods of traffic regulation facilitated the movement of street cars. As Mr. Blair sees it the public has been awakened as never before to an appreciation of the harmful effects of traffic delays. He then refers to the fact that late in the year there was issued under the direction of the street traffic committee of the Chicago Association of Commerce a report covering the local traffic situation and offering suggestions for relief. He says:

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Many recommendations will be helpful to users of street cars if put into effect. Action has already been taken by the City Council, providing for a Greater Chicago Street Traffic Commission and the creation of a division of traffic engineering in the Bureau of Streets. The big problem of automobile parking still awaits a solution. The prohibition of parking within the Loop district during the Eucharistic Congress demonstrated to the satisfaction of the authorities that, notwithstanding the over-crowded condition of the streets, traffic could be handled faster and more safely. Credit should be given to the traffic division of the Police Department for making the best of a difficult situation.

The favorable insurance contracts entered into in October, 1923, expired with the close of the last fiscal year with an unusually low record for losses during the period. Renewal of insurance beginning Feb. 1, 1927, was arranged on a basis which will result in a further saving. All insurable property of the companies, amounting to about \$65,000,000, is covered as required by ordinance. This insurance, quired by ordinance. This insurance, written at the rate in effect three years ago, would have cost the companies over \$145,000 more per year than they are now paying.

On the subject of bus activities Mr. Blair said:

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While all other transportation agencies in the Chicago district showed an increase in traffic last year, the Chicago Motor Coach Company, in spite of additional routes, reported a material decrease in passengers carried. This would indicate that the novelty of bus operation in Chicago is wearing off and that this form of transportation is losing popularity, which may be due in part to the fact that the much heralded special and superior service with the pledge of a seat for every passenger has proved a myth. The hus company is still experimenting with different types of buses, and it has as yet no uniform or standardized equipment. Even with the newest model it is still employing the solid

Items	1915	1927	Per Cent Increase
Gross earnings		\$61,173,601 47,871,490	91.37
Operating expenses. Taxes	1,439,279	3,400,000 29,812,518	136.23
Operating wages paid	12,379,615	32,564,914 876,249,663	163.05
Revenue passengers carried	1,115,312,129	1,574,969,902 6,90c	41.21
Average fare per revenue passenger	4.99c 2.81c	3.84c	36.65

A total of \$107,141,358 has been paid for public benefits by the companies since the adoption of the 1907 ordi-nances, divided as follows: For cleaning right-of-way, including sprinkling and removal of snow and ice, \$10,520,-925; street paving, \$15,968,578; maintenance paving, \$6,094,824; general general

during the year-another high mark in history. There are now in service 80 one-man cars and 95 trailer trains. The new type of multiple-unit cars, used in

66 trains, is giving entire satisfaction. Interest of trainmen in the prevention of accidents was kept at a high point throughout the year by a contest

TABLE OF INCREASE IN RIDING ON CHICAGO SURFACE LINES DURING

	LUGI DIV I	EARS		
Year Ended	Weekday	Saturday	Sunday*	Total for
	Average	Average	Average	Year
Jan. 31, 1927	2,521,897	2,668,342	1,632,844	876,249,663
Jan. 31, 1926	2,424,194	2,507,004	1,631,484	842,201,453
Jan. 31, 1925	2,373,114	2,512,121	1,614,823	830,151,540
Jan. 31, 1924	2,354,139	2,521,487	1,623,414	824,850,103
Jan. 31, 1923†	2,204,425	2,356,385	1,563,911	762,629,211
Jan. 31, 1922	2,129,217	2,251,293	1,560,310	750,515,622
* Includes holidays.	nclusive			

taxes, \$33,572,782 (year 1926 estimated); track and overhead removal and replacement on account of sewer installation, etc., \$1,889,378; city's 55

per cent of net earnings, \$39,094,870. In the past two years 2,984 cars, or 84 per cent of the 3,539 cars owned, were put through the shops. Adding to these the 100 new cars in the last few

among the various divisions which ended on Jan. 31, with North Avenue depot, the largest on the system, the winner, and Lincoln Avenue depot a close second. Results were so satisfactory that another contest has been started for the coming year.

Mr. Blair says that although the number of motor vehicles in the Chi-

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES BY CHICAGO SURFACE LINES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDED JAN. 31, 1927

Ch	icago Railways	C. C. Ry.	So. St. Ry.	C. & S. C. Ry.	Tntal
Purchase price at Feb. 1, 1926 Capital expenditures during year 15 per cept on same	\$94,258,468 299,152 44,872 *156,050 *7,802	\$55,819,970 57,438 8,615 *104,033 *5,201	\$1,800,900 328 49	\$11,628,884 87,185 13,077	\$163,508,224 444,104 66,615 *260,084 *13,004
Purchase price at Feb. 1, 1927	\$94,438,640	\$55,776,788	\$1,801,278	\$11,729,148	\$163,745,856

STATISTICAL DATA OF CHICAGO	SURFACE L	INES FOR T	HE FISCAL	YEARS ENI	DED JAN 31
	1923	1924	1925	1926	1927
Rate of fare	8 cents 2-1-1922 to 6-14-1922	70-6 cente	7c-6]cents	7c-6lcents	7c-61 centa
	7c-61 cents 6-15-1922 to 1-31-1923			,	
Revenue passengers. Passenger receipts. Total earnings. Operating wages. Other operating expenses and taxes. Residue receipts. Less: Joint account expenses.	27,163,996 17,252,072 11,686,992	824,850,103 \$56,986,687 57,655,169 27,458,736 17,381,016 12,815,416 885,000	830, 151,540 \$57,284,602 58,081,678 29,246,390 17,328,569 11,506,717 450,000	842,201,453 \$58,076,487 58,785,880 29,012,641 17,615,564 12,157,674 130,297	\$60,436,705 61,173,601 29,812,518 18,058,971 13,302,111
5 per cent on purchase price	1,665,206	\$11,930,416 8,076,569 2,119,615 1,734,231	\$11,056,717 8,127,158 1,611,257 1,318,301	\$12,027,376 8,169,099 2,122,052 1,736,224	8,173,918 2,620,325

tire, of which there is growing complaint not only from riders but from the owners and occupants of buildings along the bus routes, and from taxpayers who are charged with renewal of pavement.

The recent proposal of the Chicago Motor Coach Company to substitute buses for the street railways has excited little interest and has not been taken seriously by the general public.

In the last year that company was permitted to make an extension of its Marquette Road route along the north side of Marquette Park and also an extension of its South Park Boulevard line from 60th Street to 79th Street.

A hearing has been had by the Illinois Commerce Commission on the application of the Chicago Motor Coach Company for authority to establish additional routes in the north division of the city. In this case there is squarely presented for decision the question whether the Chicago Motor Coach Company shall be permitted to depart from its original plan and policy of boulevard and parkway operation and to establish a general motor bus service throughout the city in direct competition with the surface and elevated railways.

On Nov. 18, the commission entered an order authorizing and directing the Chicago Railways to operate an auxiliary or supplementary motor bus line on Diversey Avenue. The Chicago Motor Coach Company intervenced in opposition to this order and is now seeking a review by the courts. There is still pending in the Illinois Suppreme Court for decision the case in which the city is attacking the right of the Chicago Motor Coach Company to operate on city streets without first obtaining a grant of permission or authority from the city. Interstate bus operation from adjacent cities in Indiana into Chicago continues, and no substantial change in this situation can be expected until Congress enacts a law for the regulation of this class of carriers.

A plan for the solution of the local transportation problem of Chicago was submitted to the Mayor and City Council on Jan. 8, 1927. It proposes the development of a complete rapid transit system, utilizing elevated and subway structures; the unification of the surface lines, rapid transit lines and feeder buses on the basis of one fare with transfers from one class of service to the other, and the development of this

unified system with a view to the future needs of Chicago. The plan, which is worked out in elaborate detail, calls for a total investment in local transporta-tion of \$1,000,000,000 by 1950 and would give Chicago the best local transportation system in the world.

Mr. Blair says that contrary to experience in other cities, where the expiration of franchises has resulted in slackened maintenance, curtailment of service and loss of business, these properties approached the crisis in the best of condition physically and operating at a high degree of efficiency. He says that this remarkable showing has attracted attention in the industry everywhere and quotes from articles in both Aera and the ELECTRIC RAILWAY JOUR-NAL, to indicate the wide interest manifested in the Chicago situation.

Mr. Blair says that in the twenty years under the franchise that expired recently the properties have been completely rehabilitated. The roadbed has been rebuilt and 486 miles of single track added. There are now 35 miles of track per 100,000 population as compared with 27 miles in 1907. Old and small cars have been replaced by larger cars, and much additional equipment has been purchased. Seat miles (car miles multiplied by the average number of seats in the cars) are more than double the number in 1907, although the population has increased only 45 per cent, and the service improvement is even greater than this indicates because, by careful scheduling, cars are being operated where and when needed. According to Mr. Blair these facts show forcibly the remarkable improvement in service. In accomplishing it the companies have put \$107,971,000 in new capital and \$7,753,736 from the Special

Renewal and Equipment Fund into the properties.

Although wage rates of employees have increased upwards of 175 per cent since 1907, the average fare per revenue passenger is only 39 per cent higher and the average fare per ride but 28 per cent higher.

During the thirteen-year period of unification the companies have constructed 119 miles of new extensions (single track equivalent) at a cost of \$6,220,693 and reconstructed 476 miles of single track at a cost of \$27,642,318, of which \$19,666,967 was paid out of the renewal funds and \$7,975,350 was new capital.

Union of Washington Lines Goes Over to Next Session

One of the first problems to be studied at the next session of the United States Congress will be the merger of the railway lines in Washington, D. C. Chairman Capper said that with the work of creating the new Public Utilities Commission completed the committee would be in a position to concentrate on the question of the merger at the next session. The possible merger in the capital was one of the measures left unacted upon at the recently concluded session of Congress.

Columbia System Suspends

Railway service at Columbia, S. C., was indefinitely suspended on March 11 by the Columbia Railway, Gas & Electric Company largely because business has fallen off to a point where the expenditures needed to be made to the physical property to put it into proper operating condition would not be justified. Columbia is a city of more than 35,000 population. The railway system included 32 miles of line.

Ten-cent jitneys, operated at the whim of the owner, covering no particular territory but picking up pas-sengers any and everywhere and taking them direct to their destinationsbe it home or office—cut heavily into the patronage of the trolleys. They were considered quicker, the fare was the same as that charged by the street cars, and while they were often unsightly and in bad repair, their service seemed to appeal to popular tastes. Moreover, the street cars have met with sharp competition from two other systems of transportation. The Carolina Transit Company began the operation of about a score of 19-passenger buses some months ago, covering territory not touched directly by the railway lines, and as rapidly as the street cars would curtail their service, the bus company would expand, so as to serve, in a measure, the territory abandoned by the railway. By an arrangement between the two companies transfers from one system to the other were granted, but this arrangement did not seem to lessen materially the distress of the railway.

Months ago railway officials made known the straits to which they were reduced. One non-paying line after another was discontinued until only a few were left. Last month, on all lines in the city, not more than an average of 600 to 700 passengers a day rode the cars.

Statement of Track Mueage of	Total Miles	Included	in Chic	engo Suria	Miles	System
	Single Track 1-31-26	Exten- sions 1926	Aban- doned 1926	Net Extensions 1926	Single Track 1-31-27	*Recon- atructed 1926
Chicago Railways. Chicago City Railway. Calumet & South Chicago Railway. Southern Street Railway.	335.97 127.21	0.90 3.67 0.80	0.44 0.04 0.04	0.46 3.63 0.76	594.80 339.60 127.97 17.45	28. 17 12. 15 1. 90
	1.074 97	5 37	0.52	4.85	1.079.82	42 22

^{*} Includes track taken up and replaced account of sewers, special straight track renewals, etc.

Personal Items

J. E. Wilmot Becomes Traffic Solicitor at Buffalo

J. E. Wilmot, formerly general manager of the Western New York Motor Lines, has been appointed general traffic solicitor for the International Railway and International Bus Corporation, according to a recent announcement issued by the company. He will devote his efforts to the stimulation of business throughout the Niagara frontier, including the Buffalo-Niagara Falls high-speed line, Niagara Great Gorge trip, the Falls View Bridge, the Queenston-Lewiston Suspension Bridge and Buffalo-Niagara Falls, Ltd., motorbus service.

Mr. Wilmot is a native of New York



J. E. Wilmot

City, but is well known in Buffalo and vicinity because of his former connection with the Western New York bus lines, of which he was general manager. Under his direction the Rochester-Buffalo bus service was installed and operated. Mr. Wilmot has had five years experience with the White Company and three with the Mack.

F. J. Brennan New Brooklyn Division Superintendent

Francis J. Brennan, formerly superintendent of maintenance and operation of the Staten Island Railways, Department of Plant and Structures, New York City, has been appointed division superintendent at Maspeth Depot of the Brooklyn-Manhattan Transit Corporation, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Mr. Brennan was born in Brooklyn

Mr. Brennan was born in Brooklyn and was graduated from Erasmus Hall High School and Pratt Institute. In January, 1905, he was appointed a motorman at the 58th Street depot in Brooklyn. In December of the same year he resigned but returned two years later in the same capacity at the same depot. After several promotions he went with the Public Service Commission but returned to Brooklyn as super-

visor of headways in the surface transportation department. He held that position until May, 1924, when he was placed in charge of operation of the bus subsidiary of the B.-M. T.

In March, 1925, Mr. Brennan resigned his position with the B.-M. T. and was appointed superintendent of maintenance and operation of the municipal railway lines on Staten Island.

G. S. Wills Resigns at East Liverpool

Gerry S. Wills, superintendent of the Steubenville, East Liverpool & Beaver Valley Traction Company, East Liverpool, Ohio, will resign on March 31.

Mr. Wills went to East Liverpool in September, 1925, from Wheeling, W. Va., where he had been general manager of the Wheeling Traction Company. For thirteen years he was in the employ of the West Penn Company, by which the Wheeling Company was controlled. In the fall of 1920 he went to Wheeling as assistant to C. P. Billings, vice-president and general manager, and on Jan. 1, 1922, was appointed general manager to fill the vacancy caused by the transfer of Mr. Billings to Pittsburgh.

As a young man Mr. Wills was employed by the Oneonta & Mohawk Valley Railway, Oneonta, N. Y., with which he remained from 1905 to 1906, when he secured a place as an apprentice in electrical engineering with the General Electric Company at Schenectady, N. Y. In 1907 Mr. Wills went with the Metropolitan Street Railway, New York City, as general carhouse electrician. His work there was supplemented by a two-year course in applied electricity at Pratt Institute.

Mr. Wills showed predilection for the railway business, however, for after two and a half years in the copper mining district of Arizona he returned East and entered the transportation department of the Citizens Traction Company at Oil City, Pa. In a short time he was made superintendent of the Franklin division. In 1916 he became affiliated with the West Penn interests at Pittsburgh, first with the general sales manager, as light sales-man, then as power salesman and finally as assistant to the vice-president in charge of the commercial department. Mr. Wills was born in Norfolk, Va., in 1884. His activities and splendid results in public relations work in Wheeling were referred to in a review of Mr. Wills' career in the ELECTRIC RAILWAY JOURNAL, issue of Aug. 8, 1925. To him properly belongs a large part of the credit for the successful rehabilitation of the property at East Liverpool, described in detail in the ELECTRIC RAILWAY JOURNAL, issues of June 26, 1926; July 3, 1926, and July 31, 1926. It is said that Mr. Wills will engage in the brokerage business in Norfolk, Va.

C. L. Wilson Heads Radial Department at Toronto

Charles Lewis Wilson has been appointed superintendent of the radial department of the Toronto Transportation Commission, Toronto, Canada. Mr. Wilson's contacts in railway management extend over a period of 30 years. His experience acquired in his recent position as superintendent of the Toronto and York District of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Railways will be of invaluable assistance to the Toronto Transportation Commission, which took over these lines on Jan. 11.

The new head of the radial department started his railway career with the Grand Trunk Railway, Montreal, in 1891. In 1892 he moved to Toronto to take a position with the Toronto Railway. After twelve years service in various capacities he was made traffic manager of the Toronto & York Radial Railway, then under the same ownership as the Toronto Railway.



C. L. Wilson

Later he was promoted to assistant manager and when the city of Toronto bought the radial lines in 1922 and placed them under the management of the Ontario Hydro-Electric Power Commission Mr. Wilson was made superintendent of the three lines, which now constitute the radial department of the Toronto Transportation Commission.

His long association with the radial lines and the warm friendships he has formed are among the valuable assets of the most recent addition to the Toronto Transportation Commission services. Mr. Wilson was born in Boston, Mass., of Canadian parents in 1871.

Charles H. Bucher, for a number of years with the Northern Texas Traction Company, which operates the Dallas-Fort Worth Interurban, has been made district representative of the company. He will be stationed at Grand Prairie.

G. R. G. Conway has succeeded R. C. Brown as president of the Mexican Tramways, Mexico City, Mexico, which is controlled by English capital and has its main office in Toronto, Canada. Mr. Brown remains a director, a vice-president and in a consulting capacity.

Manufactures and the Markets

News of and for Manufacturers-Market and Trade Conditions A Department Open to Railways and Manufacturers for Discussion of Manufacturing and Sales Matters

Brill Gets First Motors for Philadelphia Subway Cars

Actual operation of Philadelphia's new \$100,000,000 North Broad Street subway was brought a step closer March 15 with the arrival at the J. G. Brill plant of the driving motors, electrical controls and other equipment for the first of the 150 passenger cars ordered by the city and to be built by the Brill company. When completed these cars, of all steel construction, will embody every conceivable safety device, including automatic stop controls. Their total cost will approximate \$6,000,000.

The equipment was shipped from the East Pittsburgh Works of the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Company, this company having heen awarded the contract for all the motive equipment, including controls, as well as 750 especially designed electric fans for the ventilation of the new cars.

The cars, with 210-hp. motors, will be 67 ft. long, 10 ft. wide and have a total height from the rails to the roof of 12 ft. 3 in. They will seat 75 passengers. There will be longitudinal seats for 25 passengers and transverse seats for 50 passengers. The cars are being equipped with canvas-lined rattan seats with cone springs.

Milwaukee Electric Starts Interurban Cut-Off Work

Favored by mild weather, the Milwaukee Electric Railway & Light Company, Milwaukee, Wis., has already started construction work on the new \$175,000 East Troy-Burlington interurban line cut-off which will connect West Junction on the rapid transit line with Fruitland station on the Burlington-East Troy line. The cut-off will permit trains to enter Milwaukee directly from the west instead of through West Allis, as at present. Completion of the connection will cut the running time between these cities and Milwaukee fully twenty minutes. Two trestles will be built, one of wood 450 ft. long and 40 ft. high and another of steel carrying the new line over parallel tracks of the Milwaukee Electric Railway & Light Company and the Northwestern Railway. An embankment of earth estimated at 54,000 cu.ft. will be included in the project.

Writ of Certiorari Denied in Resale Case

The Federal Trade Commission was defeated in another of its efforts to restrict enforcement of resale prices by manufacturers when the United States Supreme Court on March 14 declined to grant a writ of certiorari sought by the commission to review a decision of the Circuit Court of Appeals for the second circuit enjoining an order of the commission against Harriet Hubbard Ayer, Inc.

The commission had ordered the Ayer company to desist from certain practices to maintain observance of retail prices. The Circuit Court of Appeals, to which the company appealed, held that in order to establish unlawful price maintenance there must be a tendency to monopolize a line of commodities or an unreasonable restraint of trade; that there must be proved a general system of contracts between the manufacturer and all dealers, and that the practices must be characterized by fraud. The proof showed that the Ayer company refused to sell to only a few

dealers because of price cutting and that most of its dealers maintained the resale price of the cosmetics sold by the company voluntarily.

Union Switch & Signal Gets **Big Boston Contract**

The city of Boston transit department has contracted with the Union Switch & Signal Company, Swissvale, Pa., to furnish all necessary automatic block signaling materials for the Dorchester rapid transit extension, involving an automatic block signaling system for the protection of train movements over 3½ miles of double track, 2½ miles of which is in the open and the remainder within the subway. Direct current at 550 to 600 volts is used for propulsion and the entire signal system, including the track circuits, will operate on 25-cycle alternating current fed to the transformers at 550 volts The signals will be of the color light type (indicating red, yellow and green), the work involving 38 light signals with instrument cases, 52 automatic stop layouts, 114 a.c. relays, 113 transformers, 91 Keystone insulated rail joints with track resistors, switch circuit controllers, etc.

Conference on Steel Cars Called in New York

THE New York Transit Commission these structures must be reinforced or a steel car of lighter weight must be and others to a conference on the subject of lighter steel cars to replace the present wooden cars in operation on the elevated structures in New York City. The meeting will be held on March 29 at the office of the commission at 270 Madison Avenue. Those invited to the conference are Frank Hedley, president of the Interborough; William S. Menden, president of the B.-M. T.; William H. Woodin, president of the American Car & Foundry Company; F. N. Hoffstet, president of the Pressed Steel Car Company; D. A. Crawford, president of the Pullman Company, and John H. Delaney, chairman of the city Board of Transporta-

For some months the commission, through its engineering force, has been conducting an investigation into the possibility of the development of a steel car sufficiently light in weight to be operated on the elevated structures of Manhattan, Brooklyn, the Bronx and across the Brooklyn Bridge.

The studies of its engineers have now reached a point where the commission feels that a conference is warranted, but it fixed an advance date to allow engineers time within which to gather their data on the present condition and weight capacity of the elevated structures and the experts of both the railroads and the car builders to formulate plans for the construction of modern steel cars light enough in weight to operate on the structures to which specific reference is made.

Where elevated structures are of insufficient strength to make possible the operation thereon of steel cars of the present design, the Transit Commission has pointed out that either a steel car of lighter weight must be designed. As the commission sees it, to reinforce the elevated structures so that they could bear the weight of the present steel cars would cost millions of dollars and would doubtless fail to have the approval of that portion of the public which is opposed to the indefinite retention of elevated structures. The commission says:

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Some time ago the Transit Commission's engineers began to plan for a lighter steel car for operation on the present elevated structures. These plans have progressed to such an extent that it was thought advisable to call the conference referred to.

Steel cars for rapid transit operation were not developed until 1904. Up to that time all rapid transit operation was by means of wooden cars. Subsequent to the development of the steel car in 1904 more wooden cars came into operation because of the inability of the elevated structures to carry the new steel cars.

The Transit Commission's engineers believe that recent progress in metaliurgy and modern methods of steel rolling have made possible the designing of a steel car of lighter weight than, but of equal tensile strength to, the present steel cars.

Bradley and Wason Companies May Get \$700,000 Car Order

Osgood-Bradley Car Company of Worcester, Mass., and Wason Manufacturing Company, Springfield, Mass., are expected to get the contracts for the new cars which the Worcester Consolidated Street Railway and the Springfield Street Railway plan to buy under the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad rehabilitation program. The Worcester company will build 50 cars for the Worcester Consolidated and the Wason company the 50 cars for the Springfield company. The cost of the cars is estimated at \$700,000. Notice of the probable placing of this order was made in the Journal for Feb. 19.

\$800,000 Trackwork for Milwaukee if Council Consents

Application has been filed with the Common Council of Milwaukee, Wis., by the Milwaukee Electric Railway & Light Company for the necessary franchises which are needed to carry out several major street railway construction projects estimated to cost \$800,000. Among these proposed improvements is the relocation and grade separation of the Milwankee - Wankesha - Watertown rapid transit line for a distance of ten blocks within the Milwaukee city limits, a project which is regarded as one of the most important steps made in recent years toward improving transportation facilities. If approved by the city it will open the way for rapid transit service to a large and growing section and a vast area directly in line for annexation to Milwaukee. Plans call for the line to be relocated for a block south on a private right-of-way instead of running along Fairview Avenue. Grades will be separated at all crossings, and 61st and 62d Streets will be closed.

Another improvement proposed is the extension, within 90 days, of the Eighth-Muskego Avenue line along Teutonia Avenue from Nash Street to Lake Avenue and later to Atkinson Avenue. As soon as street improvements are completed on Atkinson Avenue a connection will be made between the Milwaukee Northern line tracks and those of the Eighth-Muskego Avenue line at Teutonia and Atkinson Avenues.

In order to provide a more direct connection between Wauwatosa and West Allis, which is another step toward the solution of the problem of rapid transit between those cities and Milwaukee, a crosstown line is to be built on 68th Street between Wells Street and the relocated rapid transit tracks, subject to later negotiations with the city of Wauwatosa. Upon completion of the 68th Street connection the company will seek permission to discontinue service over the private right-ofway near 51st Street between Wells Street and the rapid transit tracks.

St. Louis Car Company Issues New City Car Catalog

Designed especially to feature developments in the light-weight city type car, the St. Louis Car Company is mailing out a handsome 44-page catalog which contains, among other interesting features, general dimensions and a brief description of car orders filled in recent months. The text matter is profusely illustrated with exterior and interior views, and with floor plans of the various type cars. There is also a full list of details which the company considers essential in order to expedite delivery.

Commerce Department Warns Against Fake Publicity

Through Julius Klein, its director, the Department of Commerce, Bureau of Foreign and Domestic Commerce, has just issued the following letter warning American manufacturers against a gold brick publicity scheme

that has originated with certain publishers abroad.

Certain foreign publishing concerns, or parties purporting to be publishers, have approached a large number of American manufacturers by correspondence, offering to prepare and publish, without charge, in their trade publications articles of public interest respecting the business organizations of American concerns. An exchange of correspondence usually leads to the preparation of the article and finally to an exorbitant debit against the American concern involved for halftone cuts. The charges have varied between \$100 and \$600. Inasmuch as our investigations have developed that the publications have developed that the publications have no circulation or standing and that an indication of fraud is very evident, it is suggested that you avoid direct dealings with any such publishers until after adequate investigation has been made.

If approached in this way it would be well, before responding, to consuit responsible American advertising agencies or this bureau. If you submit the name of the publication and the publisher to the specialties division of the bureau you will be informed whether these names are already known in connection with cases where other firms have been victimized. If you have had past experience with this class of solicitation, you will increase the effectiveness of our efforts to safeguard American industries by making the details available for the confidential use of this bureau.

Rolling Stock

Houston Electric Company, Houston, Tex., has placed an order for twenty new cars and ten buses, according to a recent announcement made by C. J. Kirk, Public Works Commissioner.

Mack Truck, Inc., New York City, reports the following bus sales to street car companies during the last few Boise Street Car Company, weeks: Boise, Idaho; Houston Electric Company, Houston, Tex.; Third Avenue Railway, New York City; Connecticut Company, New Haven, Conn., and the Utah-Idaho Central Railway, Ogden, Utah.

American Car Company, St. Louis, Mo., has been awarded a contract for seven 45-ft. 6-in., single-end passenger and smoking motor bodies by the Rockford Public Service Company, Rockford, Ill., which is part of Rockford & Interurban Railway, recently reorganized. Notice of the expected placing of this contract was carried in the JOURNAL of Feb. 19. The new bodies will be mounted on Brill 177-E trucks.

Track and Line

Arkansas Central Power Company, Little Rock, Ark., will lay new steel and permanent paving between its rails on Prospect Avenue from Lee Avenue to St. Mary's Academy, if plans to be submitted to the City Council are approved. The improvement, entailing a cost of approximately \$150,000, will be one of the major construction jobs of the 1927 program of the concern, and will be the first work done under the 1927 budget. Rails of heavier section will replace the present 70-lb, rails now employed on the Pulaski Heights line. Work has been started on laying new tracks along Main Street from the north approach of the Main Street viaduct to 22d Street. All of the old rails have been removed and the new rails will be laid before work of paving the street is started.

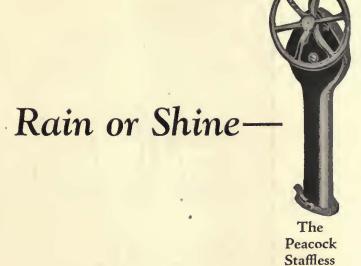
Indiana Service Corporation, Fort Wayne, Ind., plans to extend during the coming summer its car lines in Fort Wayne. Such a project was discussed at the last meeting of the Board of Public Works. No definite arrangements were made, although President Feustel said more tracks would be needed badly before the summer was over.

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ELECTRIC RAILWAY MATERIAL PRICES-March 15, 1927

Metals-New York	i i	Paints, Putty and Glass-New	York
Copper, electrolytic, cents per lb. Lead, cents per lb. Nickel, ecents per lb. Zinc, cents per lb. Tio, Straita, cents per lb. Aluminum, 98 or 99 per cent, cents per lb. Babbitt metal, warehouse, cents per lb.: Commercial grade. General service. Bituminous Coal	13.075 7.65 35.00 7.05 69.375 26.00 61.00 31.50	Linseed oil (5 bbl. lots), cents per lb White lead in oil (100 lb. keg), cents per lb Turpentine (bbl. lots), per gal Putty, 100 lb. tina, cents per lb Wire—New York Copper wire, cents per lb Rubber-covered wire, No. 14, per 1.000 ft Weatherproof wire base, ceuts per lb	16.80 14.50 \$0.78 5.25-5.5
Smokeless mine run, f.o.b. vessel, Hampton Roads. Somerset mine run, Boston. Pittsburgh mine run, Pittsburgh Franklin, III., sereenings, Chicago. Central, III., sereenings, Chicago Kansas sereenings, Kansas City	\$4.575 1.95 1.85 2.625 1.875 2.50	Paving Materials Paving stone, granite, 5 in. New York—Grade 1, per thousand	
Track Materials—Pittsburg	h	Paving brick 3\(\frac{1}{2}\)x8\(\frac{1}{2}\)x4, N. Y., per 1,000 in	51.00
Standard steel rails, gross ton. Railroad spikes, drive, A in. and larger, cents perib. Tie plates (flat type), ceots perib. Angle bars, cents per ib. Rail bolts and nuts, cents perib. Steel bars, cents per lb. Ties, white oak, Chicago, 6 in.x8 in.x8 ft	\$43.00 2.90 2.35 2.75 4.20 1.90 \$1.45	carload lots Paving brick 3x8jx4 N.Y., per 1,000 in carload lots Crushed stone, 1-in., carload lote, N. Y., per cuyd. Cement, Chicago consumers' net prices, without bags. Gravel, 1-in., cu.yd., 1.o.b. N. Y. Sand, cu.yd., 1.o.b. N. Y.	45.00 1.94 2.05 1.75 1.00
Hardware-Pittsburgh		OH WALL NOW A LOOK	
Wire nalls, buse per keg Sheetiron (24 gage), cents per lb. Sheetiron, galvanised (24 gage), cents per lb. Galvanized barbed wire, cents per lo Galvanized wire, ordinary, cents per lb Waste—New York Waste, wool, cents per lb	2.55 2.75 3.65 3.25 2.40	Old Metals—New York and Ch Heavy copper, cents per ib. Light copper, cents per ib. Heavy hrass, cents per ib. Zinc, old ecrap, cents per ib. Lead, cents per ib. (beavy). Steef car axles, Chicago, net ton Cast iron car wheels, Chicago, gross ton. Raile (abort), Chicago, gross ton.	11.00 9.50 7.12 4.25 6.37
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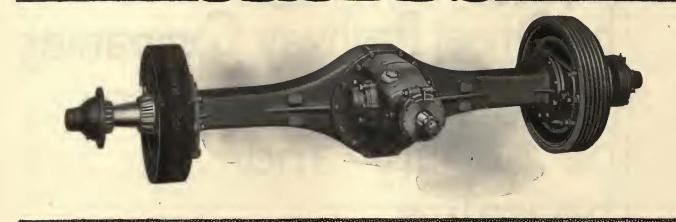
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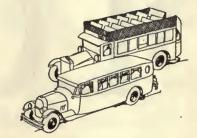
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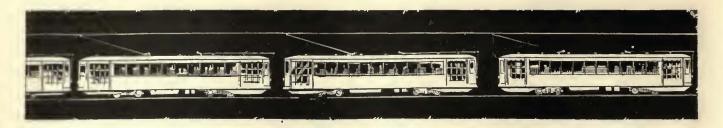
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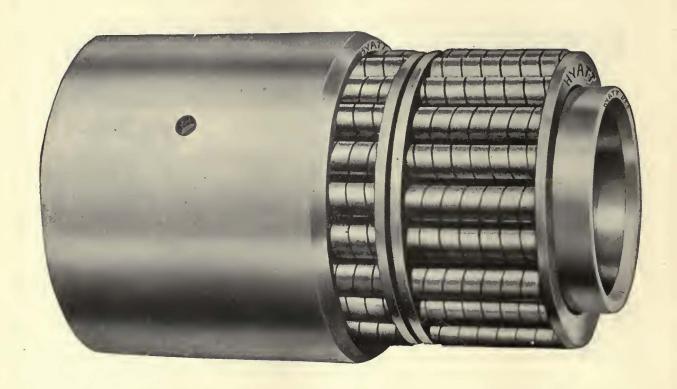
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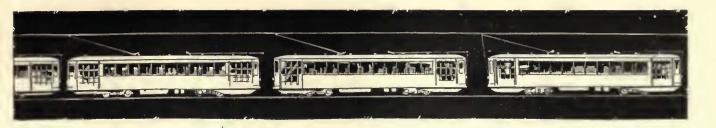
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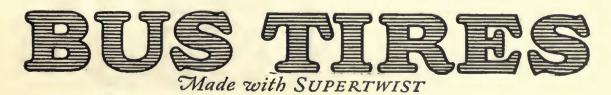
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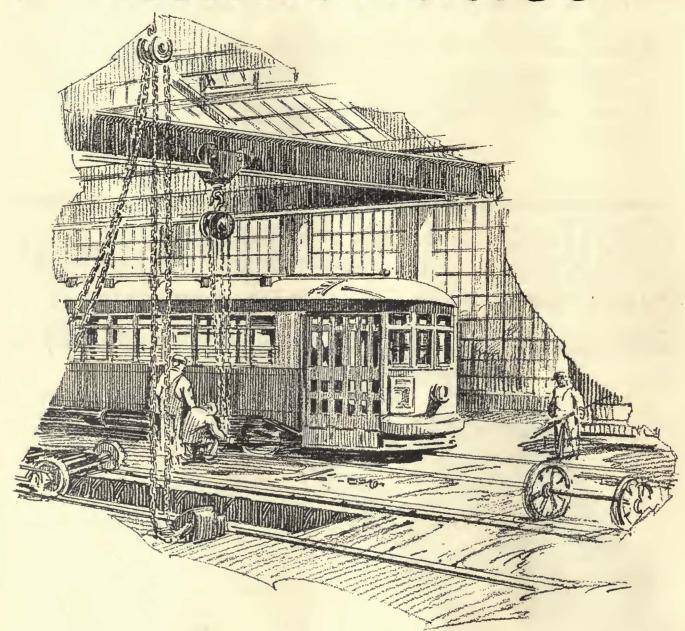
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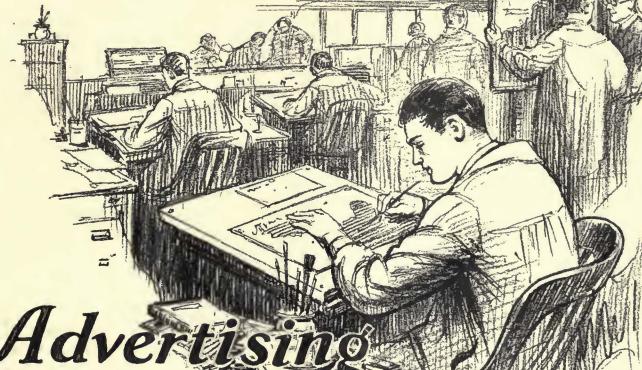
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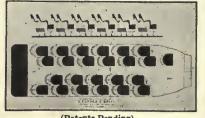
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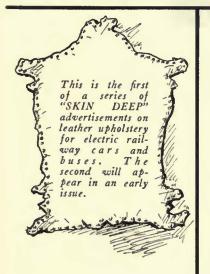
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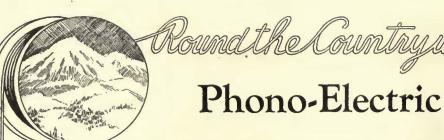
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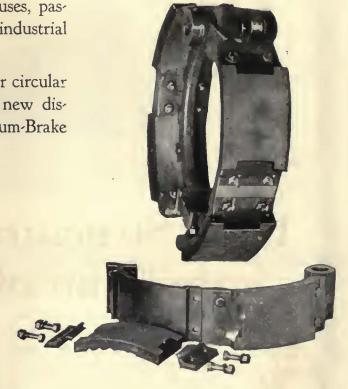
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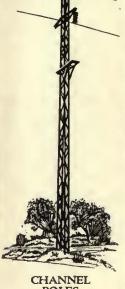


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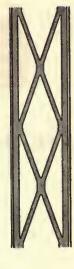
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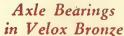
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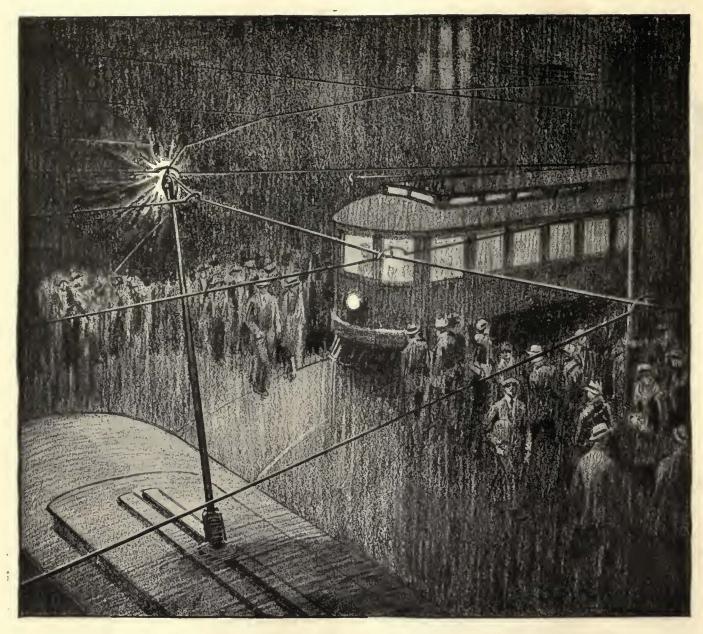
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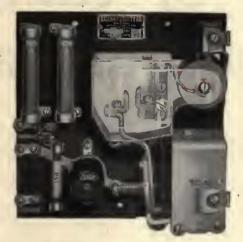
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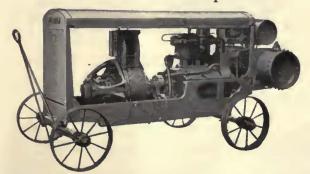
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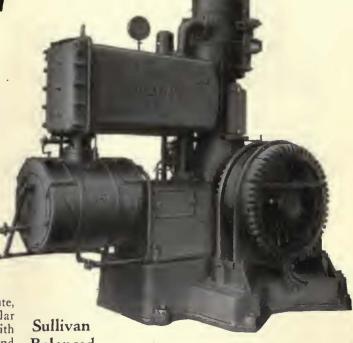


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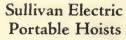
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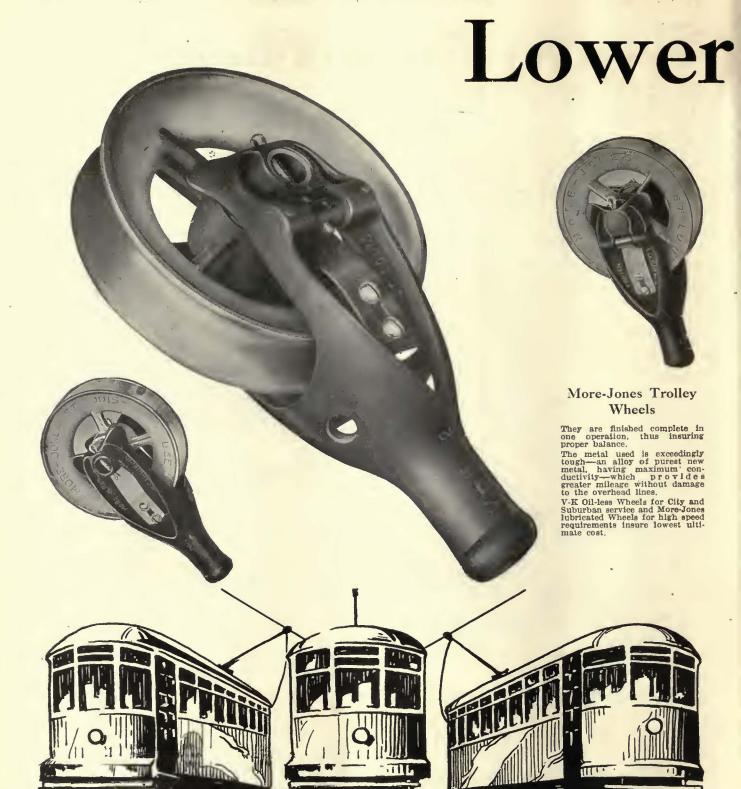
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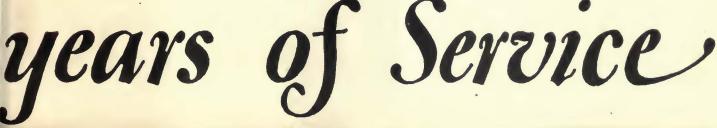
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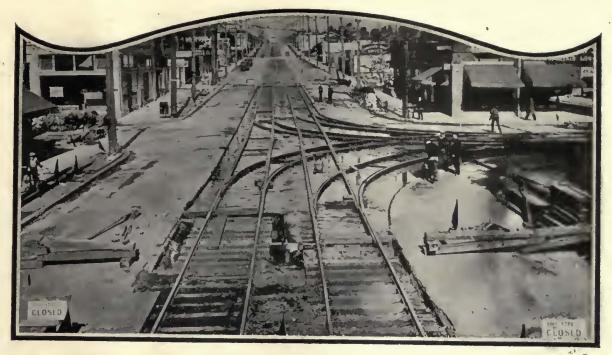




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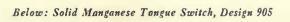




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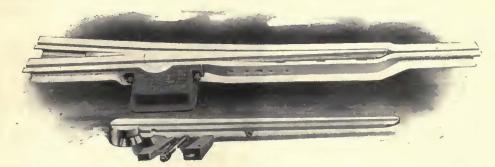
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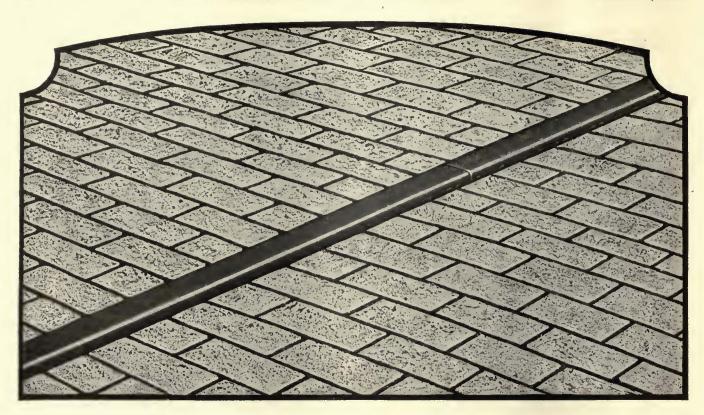


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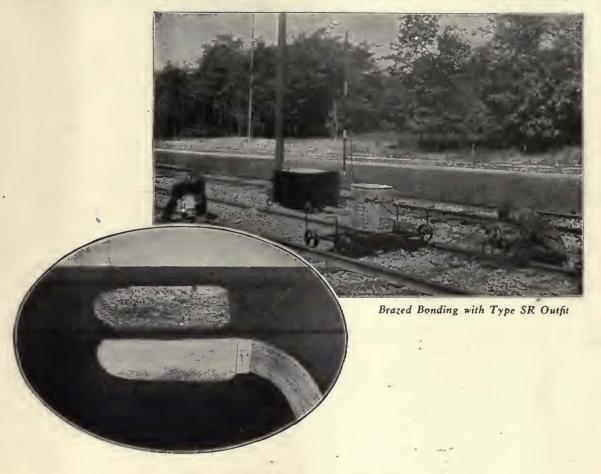
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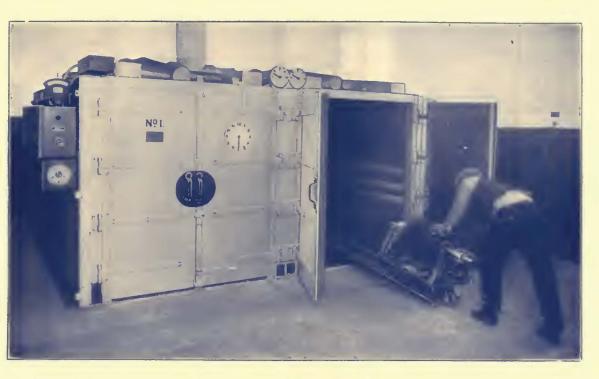
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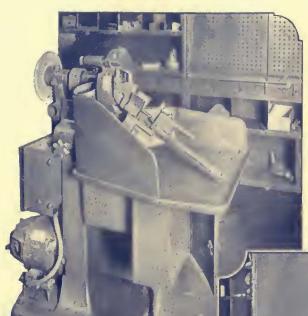
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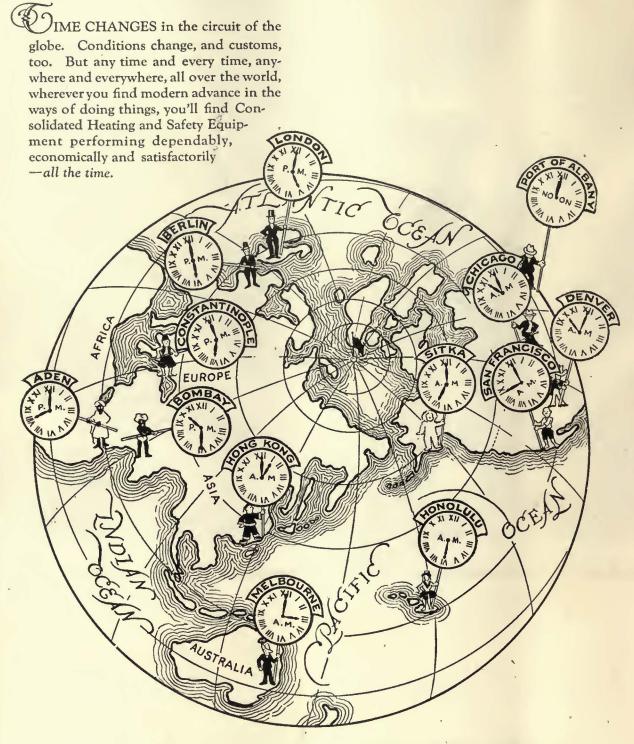
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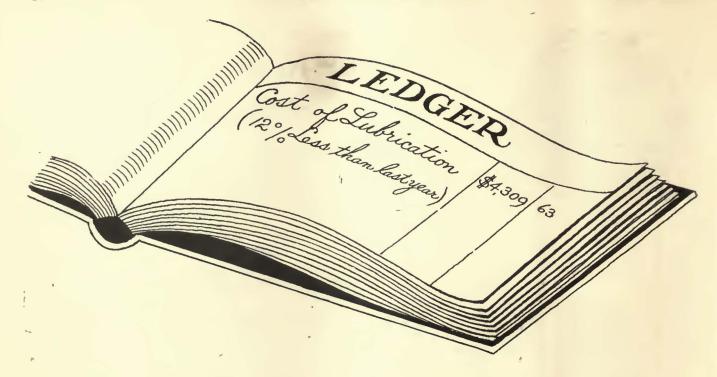
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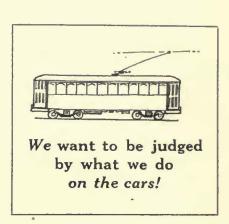
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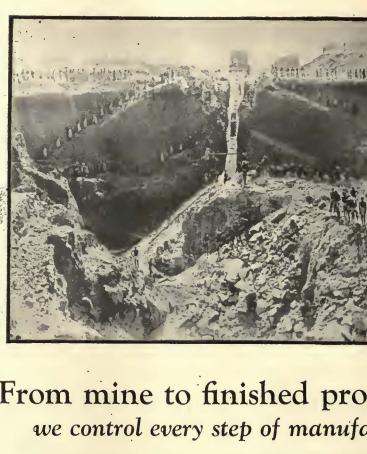
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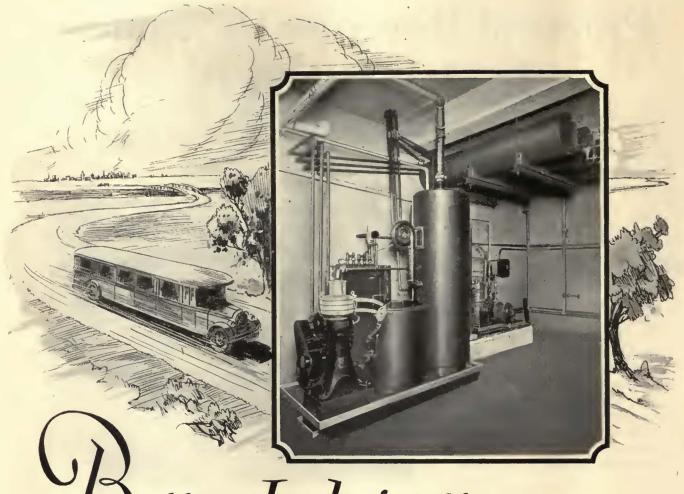
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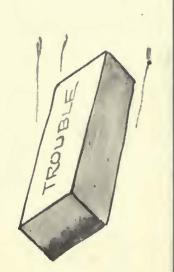
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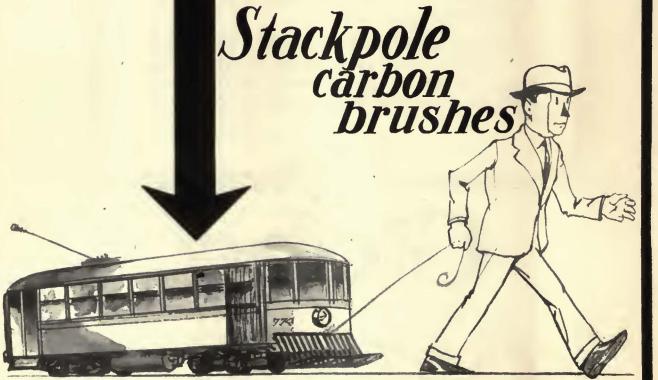
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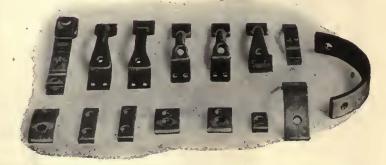
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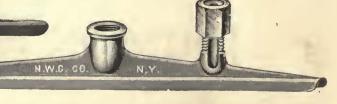
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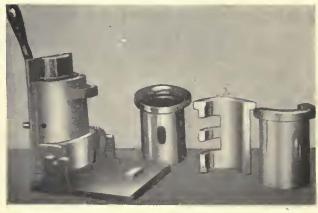


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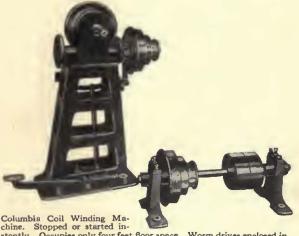
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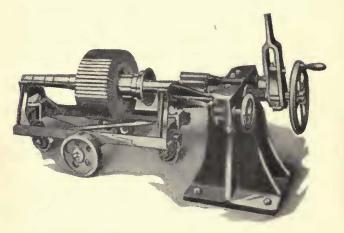




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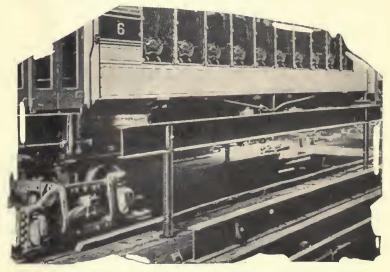


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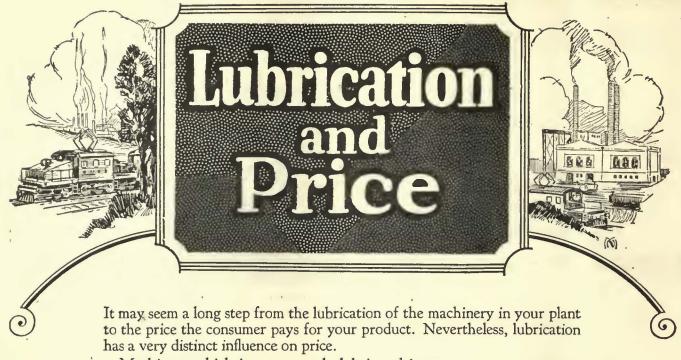


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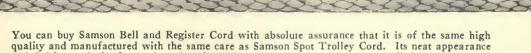
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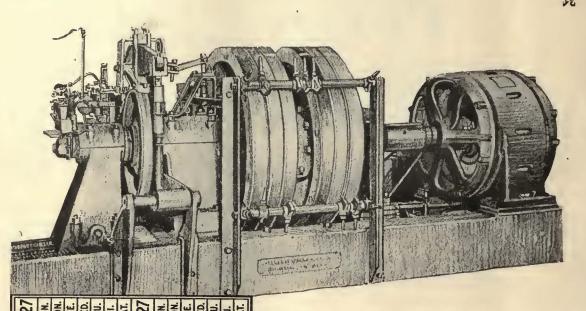
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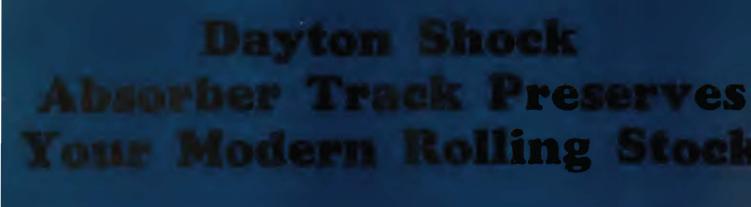
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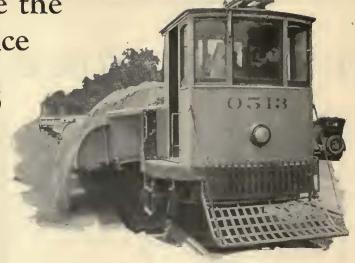
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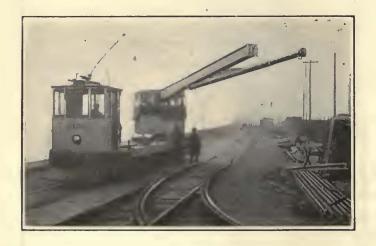
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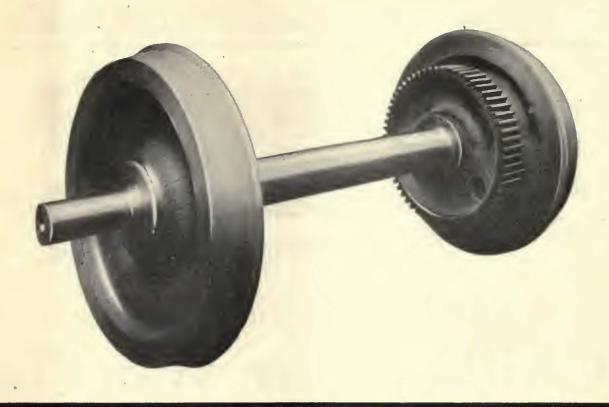
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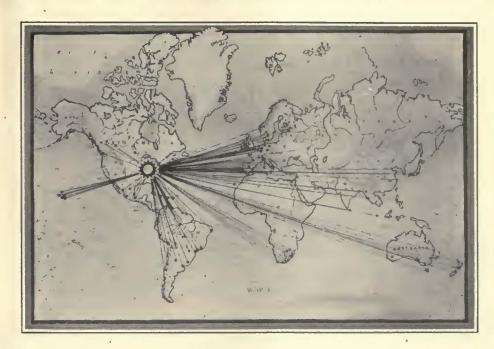
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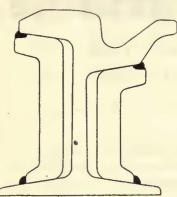
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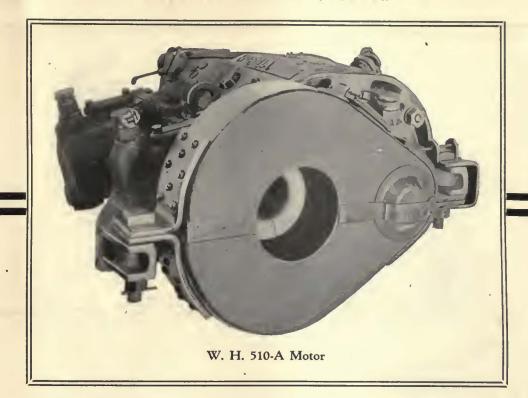
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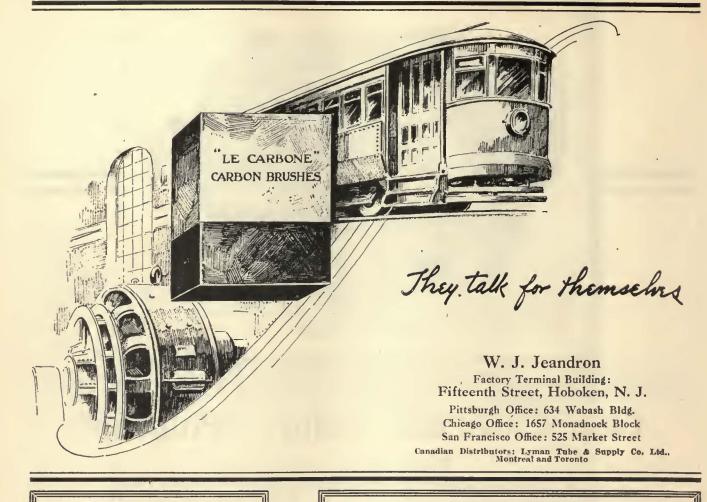
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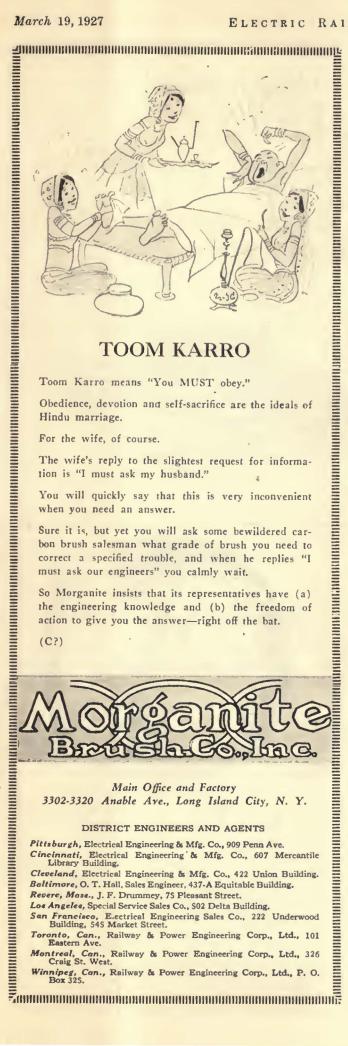
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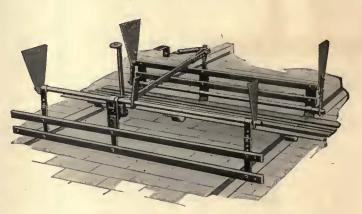
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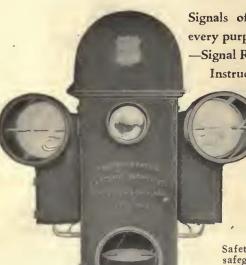
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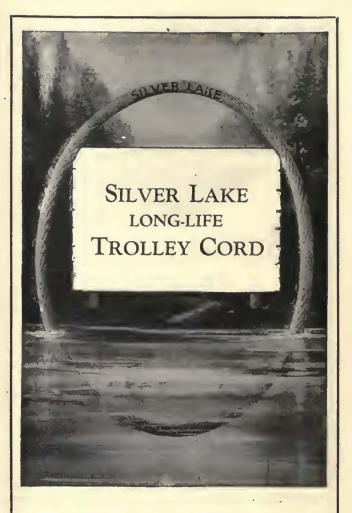
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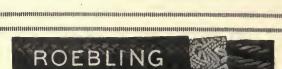
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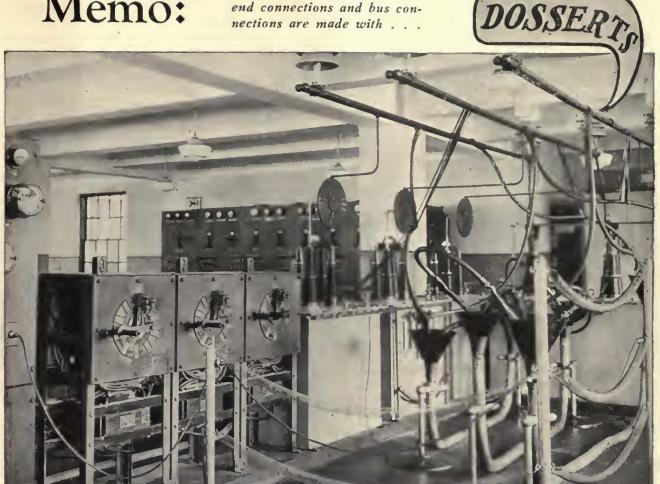
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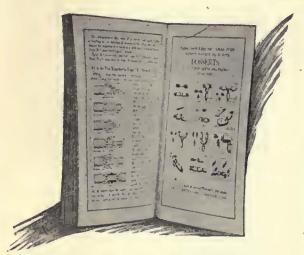
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Duff Mfg. Co.
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Duff Mfg. Co.
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Jacks, Pose
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Standard Oil Co. (of Ind.)
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Jos. Dixon Crucible Co.
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National Ry. Appliance Co.
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Godwin Co., Inc., W. S.
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Electric Service Sup. Co.
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Electric Service Sub Co.
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Wood Co.. Chas. N.
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Irving Iron Works Co.
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General Electric Co. Straps
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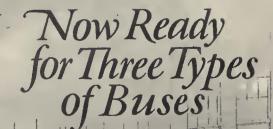
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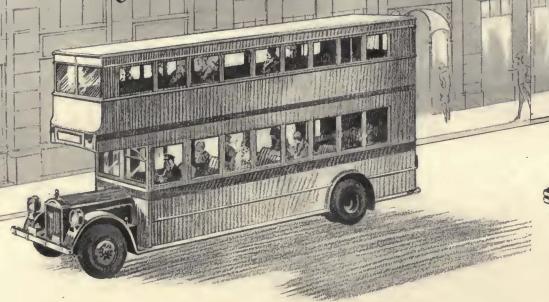
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