

## Effect of Esch-Cummings Act Shown in Big Rate Increase

### RECEIPTS UP---WAGES DOWN

NOTE—This is the second article of a series of four, presenting accurate figures on railroad passenger and freight rate increases, 1917-1921, under the Esch-Cummings Act. These stories by William B. Shearer of New York, keen student of finance and transportation, have already aroused active opposition to proposed Washington legislation which was aiming at a Federal guarantee of 6 per cent interest on highly inflated railroad investments.—Editor.

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(Through Autocaster Service)

The people of the City of Chicago, the greatest railroad center in the world, are most dependent upon reasonable rates for transportation. Statistics are therefore, of the most vital importance to them, showing the effect of the Esch-Cummings Act upon them, and the 99.3 per cent of our population in favor of seven-tenths of one per cent of the population which own the railroads.

These rates in detail, shown below, for the separate railroads, have not yet been made public for the year 1922 by the Interstate Commerce Commission, but the average increase per ton per mile charged and obtained by the railroads, in 1922 over 1917, was 64%.

The average increase during the same period for passenger transportation per passenger per mile amounted to 47.7%.

**Something to Think About.**  
In relation to the repeated statements that high wages have forced up passenger and freight rates, the following from The Railroad Telegrapher, makes interesting reading: Here are some plain facts that the public should know:

"Increases in the passenger rates, freight rates, Pullman rates and Pullman surcharge rates were granted to the railroads by the Interstate Commerce Commission, and the increases were put on the public, of which railroad workers are a part. July 1, 1921, the United States Railroad Labor Board, Decision 147, reduced the railroad employees' wages 12 per cent. Did the public get any part of this reduction? No. August 16, 1921, the United States Railroad Labor Board, Decision 222, reduced the shop craft employees in a further amount of 10 per cent. Did the public receive any part of this reduction? No. July 1, 1922, the United States Railroad Labor Board, Decision 1036, again reduced the shop craft employees a further 12 per cent. A total reduction of 34 per cent in their wages within one year.

**Questions Answered**  
"Ask yourself and your associates the following questions:  
"First—Have the passenger rates been reduced 34 per cent?  
"Second—Have the freight rates been reduced 34 per cent?  
"Third—Have the high salaries of the railroad officials been reduced 34 per cent?  
"Fourth—Has the price of rent been reduced 34 per cent?  
"Fifth—Have taxes been reduced 34 per cent?  
"Sixth—Has street car fare been reduced 34 per cent?  
"Seventh—Have your electric light, gas or coal or water bills been reduced 34 per cent?  
"Ninth—Did you ever read a decision that the salary of the Railroad Labor Board had been reduced 34 per cent? They only figure it out at \$36 a day, or \$6 per hour, and the railroad employee helps pay this board that cut the wages of one class to 28 cents per hour.  
"Do you know that 11 railroad presidents draw more salary than the President of the United States, a total of \$865,571.06, an average of \$78,701.97, or \$52 per hour, for a 14-hour day?  
"Do you know that 48 other railroad officials and attorneys draw salaries of \$1,586,150 per annum, an average of \$33,044 per year? And do you know that the grand total of these 71 railroad officials and attorneys is \$3,022,901.60?  
"Do you know that the shop craft employees have accepted decisions that were unjust? Did the railroads do this? Eighty-two railroads accepted only decisions that suited them, and you do not read of these railroads as outlaws in the daily papers.  
"Railroad men drew on an average \$1,600 last year. The Government sets a minimum at \$2,300. Can you blame the railroad man who has a large family if he fights for what really belongs to him?"

Below are published the average passenger rate per mile and the average rate per ton per mile, for the year 1917—pre-war—and 1921 under Esch-Cummings Act, of the railroads terminating in Chicago. These figures are taken from the authorized statements in Moody's Rating Book Service, Steam Railroads, 1922—the book used by all banks, trust companies, investors and investment houses, from which to obtain correct information for self-protection.

**NEW YORK CENTRAL**—Page 1077  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1917 1.96c  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1921 3.06  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 56  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1917 .62  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1921 1.23

Percent increase 1921 over 1917 98  
**PENNSYLVANIA**—Page 1191  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1917 2.10c  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1921 3.18  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 51  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1917 .61  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1921 1.15  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 84  
**GREAT NORTHERN**—Page 961  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1917 2.27c  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1921 3.44  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 51  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1917 .77  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1921 1.30  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 68  
**UNION PACIFIC**—Page 193  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1917 2.50c  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1921 3.14  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 25  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1917 .72  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1921 1.44  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 100  
**SANTA FE**—Page 706  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1917 2.22  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1921 3.40  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 53  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1917 .53  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1921 1.64  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 72  
**CHICAGO & ALTON**—Page 183  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1917 1.92  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1921 3.41  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 77  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1917 .62  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1921 1.08  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 74  
**C. & B. & Q.**—Page 868  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1917 2.05c  
Aver. pass. rate per mile 1921 3.14  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 53  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1917 .66  
Freight aver. ton per mile 1921 1.16  
Percent increase 1921 over 1917 76

NOTE—Chicago Great Western, Chicago and Eastern Illinois, Chicago, St. Paul, Minneapolis and Omaha; Illinois Central, Chicago, Indianapolis and Louisville; Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul; Chicago and Northwestern, Chicago, Peoria and St. Louis, and the Chicago, Rock Island and Pacific Railroads show corresponding passenger and freight rate increases per mile of from 51% to 98% in the Moody Rating Book Service, Steam Railroads for 1922.

## OUR CHURCHES

### METHODIST CHURCH NEWS

Rev. C. H. Whelan, Pastor.

Sunday morning: 10:30 A. M. "A New Fashion in Public Officials—Not an Brambles!" Let us look before we leap.  
Sunday evening: "Useful Happiness."

### SEVENTH-DAY BAPTIST

Rev. Walter L. Greene, Pastor.

There will be no regular services at this church November 2 and 3 on account of the Semi-Annual meeting of the Seventh-day Baptist churches at Alfred Station beginning Friday night and continuing until Saturday night.  
You are invited to attend the meetings at Alfred Station this week.

### BAPTIST

Rev. A. D. Shepard, Pastor

Morning worship 10:30. Subject—"Israel's Rejection and Restoration" Bible School, 12 M.  
Y. P. S. C. E. at 6:15. Topic—"The Church Psalm (Psalm 84:1-12)" Evening worship 7:30. Sermon preceded by motion pictures, showing Jesus of Nazareth, his flight into Egypt, the return to Judea, with the doctors in the temple and other events of his boyhood.  
Theme of discourse—"Abraham in Canaan."  
Tuesday afternoon at 2:30 the Ladies Aid meet at the home of Mrs. Byron Proper. Tureen supper served at 5:30.  
Thursday evening our regular meeting of praise and prayer.  
Friday afternoon at 3 o'clock a cottage meeting at the home of Mrs. Crandall on Center street.  
Friday evening (tonight) at 7:30 in the Church Auditorium a stewardship play entitled, "Saving the Church."—Everybody is welcome. No admission fee. An offering will be taken to defray local expenses.  
The young ladies of the church and society are invited to meet at the home of Miss Minnie Clair, Friday evening, Nov. 9th, to begin work for the Fair.

### PRESBYTERIAN

Royal E. MacGowan, B. D., S. T. B.

Sunday, November 4th  
Morning Service, 10:30 A. M.  
Sermon "The Promise of the New Covenant."  
Evening Service, 7:30 P. M.  
Sermon: "In His Steps"  
Sunday School immediately following the close of the morning service; there are classes for all, and everyone is invited to attend and join one of our classes.  
Christian Endeavor meeting at 6:45 in the evening. Topic: "Lessons from the Psalms.—The Church Psalm: Psalm 84"  
Midweek service every Thursday evening.  
On Friday evening, November 2nd there will be a Halloween party and social for the young folks in the church parlors.  
The annual meeting of the church society and congregation will be held on Monday evening, November 5th, all the members are especially urged to be present; refreshments will be served.  
The November meeting of the Men's Brotherhood will be held on Friday evening, November 9th; all the men of the church are invited to be present.  
We welcome YOU to all the services of OUR church.

## Marriages

Miss Helen M. Cook of Kingston, N. Y., and Stanley H. Demsey of Bolivar were married Oct. 17th.  
Mrs. Carrie M. Bowen and Fred Stevens, both of Cuba, were married, Oct. 22nd.

## Births

Oct. 17,—to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Tomkins of Bolivar, a daughter.  
Oct. 6,—to Mr. and Mrs. Percy Jordan of Bolivar, a son, Michael Leland.  
Oct. 22,—to Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Bessey of Inavale, twin sons, Harold and Howard.  
Oct. 23,—to Dr. and Mrs. Hazen Chamberlin of Cuba, a daughter, Marion Louise.

## Deaths

Mrs. Elmina Atwood Sprayer died Oct. 26th, at her home in Wellsville. Mrs. Sprayer was born in Belmont, Aug. 19, 1842, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John B. Norton.

safe to say that no sale ever has approached in sensational bargains the one about to be launched by the L & C.  
The big anniversary sale will start on November 1st, and continue to November 30th. During that time every article in the store will be sacrificed at unheard-of prices and thousands of persons will be attracted to Hornell by the bargains offered.

## Rockwell Brothers & Co.

WELLSVILLE, N. Y.

"The Big Store With the Affiliated Buying Power"

## DOLLAR DAY

Saturday, November 3rd

Every department in the store is included in this GREAT EVENT. In addition to the exceptional values offered at \$1.00 we have taken many other items for this sale at GREAT PRICE REDUCTIONS FOR SATURDAY ONLY.

SPACE WILL NOT PERMIT LISTING ALL ITEMS—COME TO THIS SALE.

Black Rock factory 6 yds. for \$1.00  
Fruit of Loom bleached muslin 5 yds. for \$1.00.  
Best Percales, 5 yds. for \$1.00.  
27 inch heavy colored Outing 6 yds. for \$1.00.  
All Linen crash 7 yds. for \$1.00  
Mercerized sateen in black and colors, 3 yds. for \$1.00.  
5 pieces wool dress goods, extra value, \$1.00 yd.  
Alarm clocks \$1.00 each.  
Ladies heavy wool hose 2 pair for \$1.00.

### WATER SETTS

15 cut glass water setts pitcher and 6 glasses, \$1.00.

### PLAID BLANKETS

Fine warm blankets, size 64x76, been \$2.69 @ \$2.19.

### LADIES HAND BAGS

5 dozen Ladies leather bags, all styles, value up to \$2.00 Saturday \$1.00.

Ladies fine black and brown cotton hose, been 39c. 4 pairs for \$1.00  
Children's 25c ribbed hose, 5 pairs for \$1.00.

Children's Knit Bloomers 3 for \$1.00.

100 Ladies and Mens Umbrellas fine line handles, \$2.00 value, Dollar Day \$1.00 each.

1 lot of Ladies heavy sleeveless union suits, sizes 4, 5, and 6 been \$1.50 Dollar Day \$1.00.

30 dozen Ladies glove silk, lace striped hose in white and cordovan only, \$2.50 and \$3.00 values, Dollar Day, \$1.00.

### BLACK MESSALINE

1 piece 36 inch black messaline @ \$1.00 yd.

### ALUMINUM CASSEROLE

Only a limited number left sold on our last Dollar Day for \$1.00 each. This time two for \$1.00.

## READY-TO-WEAR DEPARTMENT

Rack of Coats — Girls wool dresses — Ladies wool dress skirts  
Extra Special ..... \$2.00 each  
Ladies warm knit bloomers, all good shades \$1.25 value ..... \$1.00  
Lot sweaters in pull-over and coat models ..... 2 for \$1.00  
Cleanup on a lot of voile waists ..... Dollar Day \$1.00  
Tailored muslin chemise with hemstitched tops \$1.25 ..... \$1.00  
Lot Bungalow Aprons ..... \$1.00  
Wool knitted sacques been to \$2.48 .. Choice ..... \$1.00  
Outing gowns for ladies, choice any \$1.19 gown ..... Dollar Day \$1.00  
Children's gingham dresses been \$1.59 ..... \$1.00  
Ladies Silk and wool Dresses about 12 in the lot, been \$17.50 and \$19.50 ..... Dollar Day \$15.00

## SAVE DOLLARS ON COATS AND DRESSES

Save \$4.50 or \$2.50  
Any coat or dress in stock been \$27.50 to \$29.50 ..... \$25.00  
Dollar Day .....  
Save \$5.50 or \$3.50  
Any coat or dress in stock been \$37.50 to \$39.50 ..... \$34.00  
Dollar Day .....  
Save \$6.50 or \$4.50  
Any coat or dress in stock been \$57.50 to \$59.50 ..... \$53.00  
Dollar Day .....  
Save \$15.00 or \$10.00  
Any coat or dress in stock been \$110.00 to \$115.00 ..... \$100.00  
Dollar Day .....

## SAVE DOLLARS ON SILK WAISTS

Any Waist up to \$7.50 ..... \$1.00 off  
Any Waist from \$7.50 to \$14.50 ..... \$2.00 off

## DOLLAR ITEMS IN CARPET DEPARTMENT

Rag Rugs ..... \$1.00 each  
Voile Curtains ..... \$1.00 pair  
Ruffled Curtains ..... \$1.00 pair  
Quaker Craft lace curtains, 75c regular, 2 yards for ..... \$1.00  
Dotted Marquisette 3 yards ..... \$1.00  
Colored Marquisette 4 yards ..... \$1.00  
Carpet Sweepers ..... \$1.00  
Step Ladders ..... \$1.00  
Jardineers ..... \$1.00  
White Bath room stools ..... \$1.00  
Tin Wash boilers ..... \$1.00  
Serving Trays ..... \$1.00  
Plush trimmed candle sticks, regular \$2.00 ..... \$1.00  
Kitchen sets in 4 pieces ..... \$1.00  
Fancy Mirrors ..... \$1.00  
Aluminum sets, 2 pieces ..... \$1.00

## SAVE DOLLARS ON FURNITURE SATURDAY DOLLAR DAY

Sellers Oak Kitchen Cabinet, sliding doors, was \$45.00 ..... Dollar Day \$28.00  
Aluminum Top Kitchen Cabinet, metal spice boxes, was \$31.00 ..... Dollar Day \$19.00  
Kitchen Cabinet with 2 flour bins was \$15.00 ..... Dollar Day \$9.98  
Beautiful Oak Stand was \$8.00 ..... Dollar Day \$4.00  
Large Pedestal Mahogany stand was \$10.00 ..... Dollar Day \$5.00  
Mahogany sewing table, suitable for Radio table was \$18.00 ..... Dollar Day \$9.00  
Oak Library Table with book ends, slightly used, was \$15.00 ..... Dollar Day \$8.00  
Living room suit in 3 pieces, blue leather upholstery, was \$100.00 ..... Dollar Day \$69.00  
Bed Room suit in mahogany finish, 4 pieces, Bed Dresser, Chiffonier, Dressing Table was \$135.00 ..... Dollar Day \$88.00