

Traffic Chart of Western Union, Anglo American and Direct U. S. Cable Business, Showing Capacity of the Cables and the Proportion Now Utilized.

### **Proposed Modification of Existing Arrangements**

A provisional modification of an be obtained, demand direct cable cirarrangement which has existed for cuits between principal centres of the many years has been reached between two sides of the Atlantic, as well as the Western Union Telegraph Com-special circuits devoted to special pany, The Anglo-American Cable business. Company and the Direct U.S. Cable Company, under which the cable sys-Company, under which the cable sys-

tems of these companies now worked exclusively in business connection with each other, but operated and maintained separately, will be oper-

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ated in direct physical connection with each other and with the Western Union land system. Two objects are to be attained by other and in close physical connec-

this arrangement: First, more efficient and economi-

cal operation. Second, the introduction of new cable interruptions. a of service to the advantage of the p

The Trans-Atlantic Cable Union group has, independently of the others, facilities enough to handle Situation and Competition the business which at times any one The trans-Atlantic cable situation company might be called upon to take

The Mackay group of seven ca-rush of business, or because of some bles, including the German cables, cable interruption. Nor could any one is as follows: owned by or worked in physical con- company furnish all the direct circuits nection with the telegraph lines of necessary for efficient service, al-

that company form one system. though the combined facilities of The French cables comprise an in- these companies are ample if they dependent system, using both the could be used supplementary to each Western Union and the Mackay land other and interchangeably. lines for their United States connec-

In competition with these is the Western Union group of cables, eight in all, owned by three separate com-panies, two of which are British companies owning five of the eight cables.

Two only of the British owned seconds are valuable. cables terminate in the United States and all of them are entirely depen-dent on the Western Union for their Daily and Week-end connection with any telegraph system, or for their reaching any centre of business, and are now worked exclusively, so far as business is concerned, with the Western Union.



State Tax Commission Overrules Exceptions and Dismisses Petitions of Railroads

# THE ORDER ISSUED TODAY

Opinion and Order Deny, Hopes of Seaboard Air Line, Atlantic Coast Line and Southern of Reduction in Assessment of Property-Commission Knew What It Was Doing Because Facts Were Before It-

Order is Result of Application by Railroads for Equalization of Property in State-What the Commission Says.

The state tax commission or board f equalization, today overruled the

exceptions and dismissed the petitions of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, Southern Railway and Atlantic Coast Line Railroad in the matter of lower assessment of their property for taxation, the commission hold-

ing that the assessments are fair and uniform. The opinion and order. which were written by Commissioner Travis, is a thorough answer to the petition of the Seaboard in particular but as the other two roads took

practically the same position as the Seaboard the opinion and order was made to include them.

The opinion is the result of peti tions and affidavits on the part of the railroad companies that their property was assessed at its par value-in some cases more-while other property, especially real, was assessed at much below its true value in money. In the case of the railroads the commission was able to get at their exact value, because the reports of the roads were available. and it was not speculation on the

The opinion and order are as fol-

The Matter in Question.

Line Railway, the Atlantic Coast Line Railroad and Southern Railway filed exceptions to the assess ment of their property for taxation which we are sworn to support, that heretofore made by this board, and also filed petitions addressed to the beard as a state board of equaliza-

we have considered them together, to the lawful standard to a lower Mrs. Fleming is an unchaste person. and after careful consideration of basis. If local assessments are wrong

NOT SALTS, OIL OR We felt confident that our assessment of this property is fully sus-PILLS BUT CASCARETS taked by the general condition of this company, and particularly by its net earnings, whether the measure by the earnings of 1510, or by the No Odds How Sick Your Stomach; earnings of 1909, or by the average How Hard Your Head Aches or earnings for the past three years. Bilious-Cascarets The net earnings of this company Make you Feel Great. apportioned to North Carolina taken

earnings for the past three years.

in either of the three ways above You men and women who somehow can't get feeling right-who mentioned would pay a percentage have an almost daily headache, coat- of prefit on its assessments that would be more than satisfactory to ed tongue, foul taste and foul breath, dizziness, can't sleep, are any railroad system. While this board in making the assessment of bilious, nervous and upset, bothered railroad property has followed the with a sick, gassy, disordered stomach, or have backache and feel all standard fixed by law, it has been

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cathartic pills or castor oil? This is value in money.

THE RALEIGH DAILY TIMES, FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 1911.

How

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important.

sicken.

in the intestines and bowels.

was made below its actual value in

money, we are of the opinion that

the contention of peditioners that its

Statute and Constitution.

make the assessment of all property

a right example and lead the local

boards towards the right and law-

ful standard, and not follow them to-

The Explanation.

lays particular stress upon the fact

amounts to nearly fifty per cent. This

sounds large without explanation,

but this advance is approximately

fifty per cent. upon the assessment

of eight years ago. When the last

assessment was made four years ago

raised, so that the fifty per cent. in-

crease in its assessments represents

an increase in eight years instead

of four. Upon examination, we find

that the assessment of farm lands in

the State are more than fifty per

cent. greater than they were eight

years ago. In some of the countles

in the State there was an advance

in the assessment made this year of

more than fifty per cent. One of

crease in the assessment of this rail-

road is fully justified in our estima-

tion by its improved condition, and

crease in its net earnings, not only

The Seaboard Air Line Railway

wards a wrong one.

the fact that lands in the various that the increase in its assessments

sessments to the real value. But the countles increeased its assess-

aside from all this, we feel that it ments sixty-eight per cent. The in-

ing the assessments made by sworn particularly by the enormous in-

wence to their fitness for this three years, and to be sure that our ticular duty. Even if it were assessment should not be based upon were that the assessment should not be based upon erratic earnings of one year, we test-

ingly cannot be sustained.

careful to keep well within the same, Are you keeping clean inside with and we feel confident that the assess-Cascarets, or merely forcing a pas- ments we have made are below rather than strictly up to their true sageway every few days with salts,

#### Overrruled and Denied.

Cascarets work while you sleep; There was no contention on the cleanse and regulate the stomach, reart of the Seaboard Air Line Railmove the sour, undigested and ferway, or any other railroad. that menting food and toul gases; take there was any inequality of assessthe excess bile from the liver and ment as between the several railcarry out of the system all the deroads of the State, and it seems to composed waste matter and poison be conceded that as between them, and as to all other property of that A Cascaret tonight will straighten class, the assessments are fair and ou out by morning a 10-cent box

uniform; it is therefore from any drug store will keep your Ordered, that the exceptions filed entire family feeling good for by the said Seaboard Air Line Railmonths. Don't forget the children. way, Atlantic Coast Line Railroad They love Cascarets because they and Southern Railway, be, and they taste good-do good -never gripe or are hereby overruled; and that their petitions filed be denied.

Vindication Is Complete.

#### (Continued From Page One.)

property should be reduced accord divorce, was a most sensational and fierce affair. Lawyers on both sides The petitioners invoke the statute fought every inch of ground, but the took particular notice of the manner second night's battle was won by (section 3, machinery act), which Mrs. Fleming. During the day an baby; that Mrs. Fleming was very imposes upon us the duty of making affidavit was secured from N L. all assessments of property relative ly just and uniform, and insists that later by Solicitor Norris that Sandy the way to secure this is by a re duction of the assessment of 'ts pro months for larceny. Time and time perty, rather than by raising the as again Lawyers Douglass and Norris essments which are made below the 'hung up'' in disputes standard fixed by law. It is true that S. C. Ham, in affidavit, declares the statute referred to and the con-

that Mrs. Bertha Crone is bal in stitution impose on us the duty to .aracter. There were several affidavits from

uniform as near as it is practicable citizens of the Pilot Cotton Mills to do, but the statute and the consti stating that the general character tution do not stop there. They go of Mrs. Bertha Crone and Mrs. Myrtle further and say how this equality Eddens are bad and that their word shall be secured, namely: by assesscould not be believed. It will be reing all property at its true value in membered that Mrs. Crone and Mrs. money. It, therefore, seems clear to Edding are the women who on Wedus, that it is our duty both under Lesday night swore that they saw the statute, from which we derive Mrs. Fleming out driving one evenour authority, and the constitution, ing with John Winder.

It was every evident from the bein the performance of our duty as a ginning that it was the duty of Percy board of equalization, we must raise the property assessed below the legal of a doubt that Mrs. Fleming is an standard towards that standard, and that we could not be justified in redren. It was stated by Judge Peebles that it must be proved to him that

Attorney Hinsdale read an affidavit

is bad.



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mploy continuously from that time till about March 17, 1909, when she was married. That later she visited the home several times carrying clothes that she had washed. That about May 1, 1908, she went with Mrs. Fleming to Beaufort, with

her children and there acted as nurse, that during the time spent at Beaufort with Mrs. Fleming she always in which Mrs. Fleming treated her

loving, affectionate, careful and kind Sandy, a telegram being received to her children and always looked after them as the best mother would. was a convict and had served four "I Never Tell a Story for Nothing." After the reading of several affidavits by Col. John W. Hinsdale, his honor stated that he told the at-

torneys in the case that the only issue was the chastity of Mrs. Fleming, and ordered all other stuff cut

out. "Now," said Judge Peebles, "I fold you lawyers that I would listen only to the matter relating to the chastity of Mrs. Fleming and I never told a story for nothing, so cut it out, confine jourselves to this one issue." Col. Hinsdale then read the affidavit of Mr. Claude B. Denson, which said Mrs. Crone and Mrs. Eddins one time invited him to come into the douse, and he went in. Was told

by Mrs. Crone that the lady she saw out driving with John Winder wore B. Fleming to prove beyond a shadow a grey skirt, white shirt waist, with a red tie, with a black hat with red unfit person to take care of the chil- and whitepiping around it, yet Mrs. Fleming a moment later declared that she never wore such clothes in her life.

S. C. Ham, being duly sworn, said that he is a contractor in Raleigh,

Other Affidavits.

sometimes called him, but these al-

The Plumbing Buisness,

Mrs. Fleming regarding the sale of

davits read which set out the facts

that while Mrs. Fleming was at

Beaufort, she conducted herself as

a perfect lady and nothing whot-

ever occurred during her stay there

that was derogatory to her good

Mr. W. C. Douglass then read at

affidavit from Mrs. Henry D. Norcom.

of Beaufort. It said: "I have read

the following paragraph, being part

Wake county dated 1st day of Sep-

tember, 1911, and said that she had

a conversation with Mrs. Norcom

an immoral woman. That she wrote

to pay for his wife's board, which

pagne."

While the reading of an affidavit

by Mr. W. C. Douglass, Col. John

character.

There was also an affidavit from

Mrs. Fleming and the children.



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one control, but that they should be operated interchangeably with each tion with land lines as one system. Ample spare facilities are necessary to provide against the very frequent

Neither the Western Union nor any one of the companies of the Western care of, because of some particular part of the commission

ows

As it is, each company operates its own cables through separate and dis-tinct offices and under separate and distinct management. All interchange of business is by actual transfer of the business from one company to the other, with the consequent delay and interruption of a service in which

## Cable Letters

So soon as the proposed arrange-ment goes into effect, the Western Union purposes, with the consent of the British Post Office Department,

Efficient Service Requires Sufficient Facilities To meet these requirements it is essential not only that there be at all times sufficient cable facilities, under

In this matter the Seaboard Al

tion. The petitions and exceptions are based upon the same ground and ducing property assessed according

The standard for the assessment

of property as fixed by the constitu-

tion and by the statute, under which

this board acts, is the "true value

in money" of property assessed. It

is not contended either in the peti-

ions or the arguments that the pro-

perty of the petitioners is assessed

at more than its true value in money.

On the contrary it seems to be con-

ceded that there is no ground for

uch contention. The sole ground

of the exceptions and the petitions

and the only one pressed in the ar-

gument, is that other property in the

state, particularly lands, have been

assessed by the boards of county

assessors of the several counties be-

low their real value. Because of this

alleged fact the petitioners ask this

board to reduce its proper assess-

ment of railroad property to such

an amount as will put it on an equal

basis with these improper assess-

ments of land. In order to establish

counties are much under-valued the

petitioners introduced many unsworn

statements, and some affidavits, from

citizens of different counties express-

ng, in a very general and indefinite

way their opinions of the percentage

of its actual value at which lands

were assessed in the different coun-

ties. Like all matters of mere opin-

ion, these statements vary greatly,

In one county in particular one citi-

zen states that in his opinion proper-

ty is assessed at twenty-five per cent.

of its real value; another that pro-

perty is assessed at fifty per cent. of

its real value, and still another

that it is assessed at seventy-five per

cent. of its real value. It is not

disclosed that any of these parties

made any particular inspection of

essments in order to qualify them

property, or examined into the as-

selves to give well considered opin-

ions in respect to the relation of as-

is unnecessary for us to determine

to what extent evidence of this char-

acter should be effective in discredit-

officers, who actually viewed each

### Efficiency Increased,

The proposed arrangement between the Western Union, the Anglo-American and the Direct U. S. companies will bring the eight cables of the three at will bring the eight cables of the three at a very low rate for cable service companies under one operating con. only. This will enable the public to trol. The trol. effectiveness and economy will place the trans-Atlantic passage of mails. the Western Union in a position to

service not now enjoyed by the public. The other way open to enable

the Western Union to make such improvements and introduce such new services as it proposes to do, would be to lay new cables. This would seem to be the height of folly. Duplication of the existing trans-Atlantic cable facilities at a cost of property, but exercising through stock many millions, when there are more than ample facilities for all business, would put an unnecessary financial burden upon an already fully burdened make up the Mackay System. Through business and would probably postpone the reduction of rates or introduction are operated as one system to great of new services.

**Limited Business Hours** and Idle Facilities

As at present carried on, the trans-Atlantic cable business is practically day common to both sides and during make two distinct advances in the trans-Atlantic cable business: business is done. This is demon-strated by the accompanying chart. insured by more efficient and econom-

In the interests of international ical working resulting from single business nothing should be done to direction over the operations of both interfere in any way with the so-called cables and land lines.

and operating charges.

The limited time and the character opening them to all trans-Atlantic of the business, if best results are to cable companies.

THE WESTERN UNION TELEGRAPH COMPANY New York, Sept. 1st, 1911. Theo. N. Vail, President

#### hain NOTICE TO CREDITORS. 1 .

Having qualified as Executors of the last will and testment of Job P. Wyatt, deceased, late of Wake County, North Carolina, this is to notify all persons having claims against the estate of the said deceased to exhibit them to the underned at Ralaigh, North Carolina, on or before the 27th day of August, 1912, or this notice will be pleaded in bar of their recovery. All persons indubied to said estate will please

to introduce at least two new features or services in addition to the proposed dismiss the petition. Waste Prevented deferred rate-the DAILY CABLE LETTER

and the WEEK-END CABLE LETTER The consequent increase in save the six to eight days consumed in

offer certain advantages in cable Monopoly of Cable **Business** Impossible

There is no cable monopoly pos-ible. The three systems-the sible. Western Union, the French and the Mackay-will continue to exist.

The Mackay Companies is a holding organization with no physical ownership, lease or contract, operating control of various companies owning land lines and cables which this control all the various properties advantage in service over what could be given by these same companies

if operated separately. The French cables form another

system

The Western Union System, under Atlantic cable business is practically The vestern on system, under all flash service, *i. e.* instantaneous, the proposed arrangement for one Owing to the difference in time, there are only a few business hours of the day common to both sides and during make two distinct advances in the

flash or instantaneous service, and 3-PUBLIC ADVANTAGES. The the lines should be kept clear to ac-greater part of the cable capacity has commodate such messages during the been and is now unutilized. It will few business hours common to both continue to lie dormant and unutilized we business hours common to both continue to lie dormant and unutilized countries; but to continue to confine the cables to this class of service, as tions. The Western Union purposes at present, will utilize only about 25% to make these wasted facilities useful of the existing capacity of millions of to the public by means of new kinds property and places on that limited clervice all the capital, maintenance and operating charges.

tends to nationalize its land lines by

make immediate payment to the undersigned. This August 25, 1911. WILLIAM L. WYATT, ROBERT J| WYATT, ROBERT N. SIMMS, Executors of Job P. Wyatt.

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the whole matter, we feel it our we cannot correct that wrong by the of Mrs. Fleming in which she stated of Mrs. Fleming in which she stated that he has known Mrs. Bertha Crone that she had sung in the choirs of that he has known Mrs. Bertha Crone duty to overrrule the exceptions and commission of another like it; we cannot move from the right stanthe First Baptist church, Edenton and Mrs. Myrtle Eddins who reside No Ground for Contention,

dard towards the wrong. If this street Methodist church, and Christ board should abandon the standard church, at public entertainments, at of assessments adopted by it in ac-Elk's Club and other places. cordance with law, and adopt the

Some Affidavits, standards of the local boards, jit Col. Fred A. Olds, in an affidavit

would be a practical surrender of Several other affidavits were read says that he met Mrs. Fleming on our authority as a state board of several occasions, singing at sevdepicting the bad character of Mrs. equalization to the local hoards. This eral churches where services were Bertha Crone and Mrs. Myrtle Edboard has been constituted the head being conducted by Rev. R. S. dins and declaring that their word of the taxing system of the State, cannot be believed. Stephenson at Pilot Mills church under a law designed ultimately to M. W. Tyree, being duly sworn,

also concerning the affair at the bring the assessment of property says that in reply to the affidavit Elk's Club and he considered her throughout the State up to its true character good and heard nothing of C. P. Wharton filed in this case, it was true that Mrs. Fleming ocvalue in money. We have been against it until these proceedings becasionally came to the studio and given power as a state board of Fan

Rev. R. S. Stephenson, in an affiequalization, which will enable us, davit, told of Mrs. Fleming singing ways related to the photographs ( if we perform our duty faithfully, to accomplish the purpose and policy in several of his choirs and considers her general character good. of this law in time. We should set

Mrs. Wiley M. Rogers, in an affidavit, said that Mrs. Fleming was a good and kind woman and was the proper person to have the children

Fleming owned \$900 of the stork Mrs. W. A. Moser, who used to live and since these proceedings have next door to the Flemings, said in been instituted, the \$900 share has an affidavit that she had never heard been bought by W. C. Underhill for anything against the character of \$400, a very small sum for the Flem Mrs. Fleming, and she was the proper ing interest. person to have the children. There were a list of other affi-

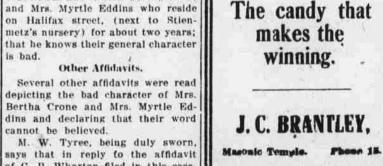
Mrs. R. O. Burton, in an affidavit said that she knew Mrs. Fleming well and considered her a lady of good character, a kind and loving the Seaboard Air Line Railway was mother.

Miss Caro O. Gray, said in her afin a precarious condition and soon thereafter, went into the hands of fidavit she had often seen Mrs. Flemreceivers, and its assessments was ing with her children and declared not raised at all four years ago, she was a devoted and loving mother and should have the custody of the while the assessment of all 'other children. property and other railroads was

Miss Frances Renfrow, a sten-Miss Frances Renfrow, a sten-ographer for the firm of Aycock & Winston, said in her affidavit that she had been at a party given at a Mirk. Parker's and knew Mrs. Fiem-Mrs. Parker's and knew Mrs. Fleming well who was at Mrs. Parkers and her general character was good. That she was also at an entertainment given at the Elks Club with that nothing whatever occurred to Mrs. Fleming and heard her say that make her think Mrs. Fleming was she had to go home to her children. Considered her a fit person for the custody of the children.

There were a great many affi-with slong this same line each "I'll Find You a Basket of Cha davits along this same line, each swearing that Mrs. Fleming's general character is good, that she went with the best of people, sang in the leading choirs of the city and was piece of property assessed, and the boards of equalization in these coun-ties, all of whom weer selected with

Mary Ashe, being duly sworn says hat about Pebruary, 1908, she was mplayed by Mrs. Nelle Ulaire Wism.



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