

**DETAINED**



Baroness Royce-Garrett, member of the old Russian nobility, still is detained at Ellis Island on account of the alien quota law. Her husband is not permitted to enter, so she stays out, though she could get in because she is an artist.

**Fast Action**



A short time ago Irene Dunne was an understudy for Peggy Wood in a Broadway show. This season she appears in a current success in the prima donna role especially written for her. Few have that honor at her age.

**STREET RAILWAYS NOW ON THE MEND**

**Expert in Public Utility Securities Thinks Era Keenest Competition Between Street and Auto Is in the Past.**

By J. C. ROYLE  
(Copyright, 1924, By The Advance)  
New York, March 6.—The electric railway industry is over the crisis of its illness and now is on the mend. B. C. Cobb, vice president of the Hoken, Pyl, Hardy Company of New York, who is regarded as an expert in public utility securities, told street railway men in St. Louis, "Naturally progress has not been so rapid as that made by power and light companies," he continued, "but the latter were not so hard hit by unfavorable conditions."

"I do not mean to say that every individual company's troubles are over, but electric railway securities are now beginning to attract attention and many investors, heretofore not receptive, are looking them up. Proof of this is shown by some of the successful electric railway financing recently in San Francisco, Baltimore, Boston, Philadelphia and St. Louis."

Mr. Cobb added that \$282,000,000 had been expended last year for maintenance, extensions, new equipment and improvements, and that similar expenditures totalling \$262,000,000 already were on the program for this year.

"The electric railroads carried nearly 16 billion passengers in 1923, more than in any year since the industry was born," he said. "It is significant that this record was made in a year in which automobile production reached its highest point so far, for it proved conclusively the economic need of the service rendered. One thing we have learned and the public too. That is that the street railway industry cannot now be run upon a fixed rate of fare. The fare must change as conditions change, in order that the company and the public may serve and be served."

"Is the trend toward increased traffic and increased net earnings going to be permanent? I grant that the automobile has diverted a lot of passenger business but it is my prediction that the heaviest effects of this form of competition

have been seen. There seems to be no saturation point so far as ownership of cars is concerned, but there is fast developing a saturation point of another character, namely road saturation.

"As a result, there is a growing tendency on the part of automobilists again to patronize electric railways, especially that large class of car owners whose occupations do not make it necessary for them to use motor cars in the transaction of their daily business. It takes time for the habits of the public to change but a change in its riding habits is going on right now. People who formerly rode in the electric railway and later on forsook it, are now coming back."

"The motor bus supplies a very definite need, but buses can never handle the volume of traffic the electric railways are moving daily. Experience has demonstrated that the bus is of more value in supplementing electric railway service than in superseding it. A check made in Grand Rapids, Michigan, showed that passing street cars occupied 23 per cent of the street space devoted to vehicles and the automobiles 77 per cent, while the automobiles carried only about one-half as many people as the street cars. Figured another way, this means the automobiles took seven times as much street space per passenger as did the street cars."

The various factors mentioned are some of the reasons why the outlook for the electric railway industry seems more encouraging than for several years. A credit basis is fast becoming established which will enable electric railway companies to more readily finance necessary extensions and improvements.

**PEACH TREES IN BLOSSOM WAY DOWN IN GEORGIA**

Atlanta, March 6.—(By The Consolidated Press.)—Peach trees are reported in bloom in the Southern part of Georgia, being later than usual but in less danger from cold snaps. Buds are nearly ready to open in middle Georgia, the largest growing section. Bad weather has retarded farm operations throughout Georgia. J. J. Brown, state commissioner of agriculture, who has just returned from a tour of the Georgia cotton belt, said that the recent decline of \$40 a bale would go far toward offsetting any increased acreage due to higher prices. Idle fertilizer factories and cotton oil mills offer a striking contrast to other industrial activities in the Southeast where building operations are well into their spring stride, while steel and textile mills continue at nearly full capacity.

**TOBACCO IN GEORGIA**

Blackshear, Ga., March 6.—Local interests have begun construction of the third largest tobacco warehouse in South Georgia. The bright leaf acreage in this section will be double that of last year.

**HOME IS BURNED**

Mrs. Harold Foreman left Wednesday for Laurel, Delaware, upon receiving word that the home of her mother, Mrs. J. C. Rodney, was completely destroyed by fire.

**BROADSIDE FACTS (Special to The Advance.)**

Palm Beach, Fla., Mar. 6.—If all wives would have a little chat with a few widows, all life insurance men would soon be kept busy writing policy applications for husbands.

**A Communication From Archy**

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where they have  
movie folks  
bathing beauties  
and earthquakes  
others like maine  
where they  
have winter sports  
blizzards  
and frozen feet  
still others  
choose florida  
where they grow oranges  
dodge alligators  
and take William Jennings  
bryan seriously  
but I think  
north carolina is the greatest  
state of all  
and that her folks  
can do things as well  
as other states' people  
and then a little better  
so that's why  
everybody says  
in the future  
I'll buy  
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that great home company  
owned and run  
by north carolina folks  
they have  
the newest styles  
in policies  
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haley's a dumb-bell  
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which polley suits  
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**BUILDING AND LOAN TOTALS 64 MILLIONS**

New Orleans, March 6.—(By The Consolidated Press.)—Resources of building and loan associations in this city have increased nearly \$14,000,000 compared with a year ago and now total \$64,000,000. Associations outside the city in Louisiana increase \$4,700,000 to a total of \$23,000,000. They now have 165,000 members.

**NO POCKETS IN CHINA AND WRIST WATCH POPULAR**

San Francisco, March 6.—(By The Consolidated Press.)—Modern wrist watches are popular now in China, according to H. E. Heacock, president of a Shanghai jewelry firm, who has just arrived here. Lack of pockets in Chinese costumes accounted for this trend, he said.

Mrs. R. Dough and daughter of Shawboro were in the city on Wednesday.

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