NEW ENGLAND'S FIRST PASSENGER TRAIN RAN FROM BOSTON TO NEWTON, MASS., A DISTANCE OF 7 MILES, APRIL 4, 1834.

FIRST COMPLETELY VESTIBULED PASSENGER TRAIN MADE TEST RUN OUT OF CHICAGO APRIL 15, 1887. THE TRAIN WAS PLACED IN REGULAR SERVICE SEVERAL DAYS LATER.

PATENT FOR FIRST AUTOMATIC CAR COUPLER ACCEPTABLE TO MASTER CAR BUILDERS ASSOCIATION ISSUED TO MAJOR ELI H. JANNEY APRIL 29, 1873. THE PATENT EMBODIED THE BASIC FEATURE OF COUPLERS IN USE TODAY.
FIRST STEEL RAILS MANUFACTURED IN THE UNITED STATES ROLLED AT NORTH CHICAGO, ILLINOIS, MAY 25, 1865.

FIRST CONTINUOUS RAILROAD FROM ATLANTIC WATERS TO THE GREAT LAKES OPENED MAY 15, 1851. DANIEL WEBSTER, AT HIS OWN REQUEST, MADE PART OF THE TRIP IN A ROCKING CHAIR FASTENED TO A FLAT CAR "TO BETTER VIEW AND ENJOY THE FINE COUNTRY."

MAN FIRST TRAVELLED FASTER THAN 100 MILES AN HOUR ON MAY 10, 1893, WHEN A PASSENGER TRAIN ATTAINED A SPEED OF 112.5 MILES AN HOUR NEAR BATAVIA, NEW YORK.
THE "STOURBRIDGE LION"—FIRST ENGLISH-BUILT LOCOMOTIVE OPERATED IN AMERICA ARRIVED AT NEW YORK MAY 13, 1829.

EIGHTEEN HUNDRED MILES OF TRACK ON A SOUTHERN RAILROAD WERE CHANGED FROM BROAD TO STANDARD GAUGE IN A SINGLE DAY—SUNDAY, MAY 30, 1886. MORE THAN 8000 MEN WERE ENGAGED IN CARRYING OUT THE STUPENDOUS PROJECT. SEVERAL OTHER SOUTHERN RAILROADS CHANGED THEIR GAUGE ON THE SAME DAY.

RAILS JOINED MAY 10, 1869, AT PROMONTORY, UTAH, MARKING COMPLETION OF FIRST TRANS-CONTINENTAL RAIL ROUTE IN THE UNITED STATES.
June IN RAILROAD HISTORY

SPEED OF 127.06 MILES AN HOUR—FASTEST EVER RECORDED ON AN AMERICAN RAILROAD—ATTAINED BY A NEW YORK-CHICAGO PASSENGER TRAIN NEAR ADA, OHIO, JUNE 12, 1905.

JUNE 15, 1855—CALIFORNIA'S FIRST TWO LOCOMOTIVES ARRIVED IN SAN FRANCISCO BAY ABOARD A SAILING VESSEL AFTER A VOYAGE AROUND CAPE HORN.

ANDREW JACKSON, FIRST UNITED STATES PRESIDENT TO RIDE A RAILROAD TRAIN, MADE 12-MILE TRIP FROM ELLICOTT'S MILLS TO BALTIMORE, MARYLAND, JUNE 6, 1833.
FIRST LOCOMOTIVE TO ENTER INDIAN TERRITORY RAN FROM THE KANSAS LINE NEAR CHETOPA TO A POINT NEAR BLUE JACKET, CHEROKEE NATION, I.T. (NOW OKLAHOMA) ON JUNE 6, 1870.

"OFFICIAL GUIDE OF THE RAILWAYS"—IN DAILY USE BY RAILROAD MEN THE COUNTRY OVER—WAS FIRST ISSUED IN JUNE, 1868, AS THE "TRAVELERS' OFFICIAL GUIDE OF THE RAILWAYS." IT IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST MONTHLY PUBLICATION.

GREAT CELEBRATION HELD IN ST. LOUIS JUNE 4, 1857, ON COMPLETION OF ITS FIRST DIRECT RAIL ROUTE FROM THE ATLANTIC SEABOARD. SPECIAL TRAINS BROUGHT HUNDREDS OF GUESTS FROM BALTIMORE, WASHINGTON AND CINCINNATI.
PRESIDENT LINCOLN SIGNED ACT JULY 1, 1862, AUTHORIZING CONSTRUCTION OF A RAILROAD FROM THE MISSOURI RIVER TO THE PACIFIC OCEAN. THIS BECAME THE FIRST RAIL ROUTE TO THE PACIFIC.

GROUND BROKEN AND CORNERSTONE LAID AT BALTIMORE, JULY 4, 1828, IN CONSTRUCTION OF FIRST AMERICAN RAILROAD TO SERVE AS A COMMON CARRIER. CHARLES CARROLL OF CARROLLTON, LAST SURVIVING SIGNER OF THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE, Turned the first spadeful of earth.

FIRST RAILWAY SHIPMENT KNOWN TO HAVE BEEN MADE UNDER REFRIGERATION WAS EIGHT TONS OF BUTTER FROM OGDENSBURG, N. Y., JULY 1, 1851. THE SHIPMENT WAS MADE IN A BOX CAR CONTAINING BINS FILLED WITH BLOCKS OF ICE IN SAWDUST.
GROUND BROKEN JULY 4, 1851, AT ST. LOUIS FOR THE FIRST RAILROAD WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI RIVER.

FIRST ISSUE OF AMERICA'S PIONEER RAILWAY PUBLICATION — "THE RAIL-ROAD ADVOCATE" — PUBLISHED BY "AN ASSOCIATION OF GENTLEMEN" AT ROGERSVILLE, TENNESSEE, JULY 4, 1831.

FIRST REGULAR TRAIN OPERATION BY CENTRALIZED TRAFFIC CONTROL (C.T.C.) BEGAN ON A 37-MILE STRETCH OF RAILROAD BETWEEN STANLEY AND BOWIE, OHIO, JULY 25, 1927.
August

IN RAILROAD HISTORY

FIRST ENGLISH-BUILT LOCOMOTIVE TO RUN ON AN AMERICAN RAILROAD—the "STOURBRIDGE LION"—MADE TRIAL RUN AUGUST 8, 1829 AT HONESDALE, PENNSYLVANIA. HORATIO ALLEN WAS THE ENGINEER.

FIRST RAILWAY TRAIN TO ENTER WASHINGTON, D.C., ARRIVED FROM BALTIMORE AUGUST 24, 1835. PRESIDENT ANDREW JACKSON AND MEMBERS OF HIS CABINET WERE ON HAND TO WITNESS THE EVENT.

STAGE-COACH SERVICE BETWEEN DENVER AND THE EAST DISCONTINUED AUGUST 19, 1870, FOLLOWING THE INTRODUCTION OF RAIL TRANSPORTATION.
FIRST TRAIN TO OPERATE IN NEW YORK STATE MADE INITIAL RUN FROM ALBANY TO SCHENECTADY ON AUGUST 9, 1831.

FIRST ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE TO RUN IN REGULAR SERVICE IN THE UNITED STATES MADE INITIAL RUN THROUGH A BALTIMORE TUNNEL, AUGUST 4, 1895.

FIRST NARROW GAUGE RAILWAY TRAIN IN THE ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION MADE INITIAL RUN IN COLORADO AUGUST 16, 1871.