

C. G. Parkinson Gives Some Data on Activities of Union Pacific

**Tells Rotarians System has Invested \$3,521,000—
Distributed at Cedar City, Bryce Canyon,
Zion Canyon, Cedar Breaks and
Grand Canyon.**

William R. Palmer was elected President of the Cedar City Rotary Club, for the year commencing June 1st at the annual election held Tuesday. Other officers elected were as follows: Vice-president, Douglas Clark; Secretary, Gustive O. Larson; Treasurer, Lehl M. Jones; Board members, K. L. Jones, and A. L. Woodhouse. Outgoing officers are: N. J. Barlow, President; Gronway R. Parry, Vice-president; Andrew M. Anderson, Secretary; William R. Hunter, Treasurer; Board Members, James Smith and A. C. Johnson.

The program was under the direction of the Public Affairs Committee, with J. N. Smith as chairman. C. G. Parkinson, of the Union Pacific, presented some interesting figures showing that the scenic attractions of Southern Utah alone had brought in a total of approximately \$3,521,000 invested by the Railroad in Southern Utah. The distribution was made as follows:

In Cedar City there has already been expended about \$350,000 and for 1929 the company has approved approximately \$109,000 worth of construction.

In Bryce there has been built about \$410,000.00 and an authorization for this year of \$125,000.00.

In Zion there has already been expended \$395,000, and \$151,000 authorized for this year.

At Cedar Breaks, there has already been expended \$54,200 and \$16,800 will be expended this year.

At Kanab there has been expended \$58,000 which will be added to.

Grand Canyon has already cost for

buildings, power plant and other improvements, \$949,000 and the 1929 budget calls for \$238,000 additional.

In addition to the above, Mr. Parkinson stated that including the 1929 purchases, there will be a total of approximately \$640,000 expended in busses, trucks, private phones and other miscellaneous equipment. The payroll had run from \$20,000 to \$70,000 per month, and their policy has been to hire local men as much as possible. Mr. Parkinson stated also that the industries of Cedar City, such as minerals, freight, etc. would have brought the railroad in anyway, and the information he gave was what the parks had caused in the way of extra expenditures, over and above a regular branch line.

Harry Lunt, Postmaster, told of the increase in the receipts of the local office from \$8,200 in 1923 to over \$15,000 in 1928, and stated that Cedar was a distributing point for thirty-three offices, and that an average of 4500 pounds of mail arrived here daily. He also told of the survey that had recently been made in the hopes of establishing a city delivery, and said that they had found 2,714 people over the age of 16 years who would be served. The next requirements, would be the conditioning of the streets, and the numbering of the houses.

Grant Malquist, a member of the Club who is leaving for Los Angeles to make his home, expressed his appreciation for the association with the Club.

A piano solo was given by Mr. Lorin Ricks.