

line became plugged up on White Staff Observation Car #111506. One Mack chain roller was broken. One Class B broke valve tappet roller and another had stoppage in the gasoline line. Trailmobile kitchen broke a spring. Narrow mountain and desert trails at natural grades, with uneven and rutted surface. About 5 mi. across alkali flats with dust filled ruts and chuck holes 1½' deep, necessitating slow and tedious going. Remarkable that all equipment remains serviceable with abuse given. Route and camp in mountainous country of most desolate character. Fair and warm. Poor gravel roads. Made 44 miles in 8½ hrs. Arrived Willow Spring, Nevada, 4 p.m.

Aug. 27

Departed Willow Spring, 6:30 a.m. Class B #414676 remained behind to have new valve tappet and roller installed. Class B #414683 broke fan belt, and other B's had gear shift finger break, stoppage in gasoline line and broken throttle rod. Two Dodges had carburetor trouble. Trailmobile kitchen overturned on very steep grade, was wrecked and retired from service. F.W.D. #415766 burned out a connecting rod bearing when coasting down steep grade entering Austin. In engine of Riker #415011 all set screws on wrist pins had dropped out and one piston which had broken through oil groove was replaced. The cylinders were not badly scored. Fair and warm. Roads generally fair. Made 60 miles in 8 hrs. Arrived Austin, Nev. 2:30 p.m.



Aug. 28

Departed Austin, 6:30 a.m. White Staff Observation Car #111506 remained behind to tighten up flanges on left rear wheel and clean out oil feed lines. Also Class B Machine Shop #414319 waited to repair clutch collar thrust bearing in which the balls were badly worn due to lack of lubrication. New ball bearing was installed. Wrecked Trailmobile kitchen shipped back to Washington. Second Trailmobile kitchen broke a wheel and was loaded on truck. Dust caused trouble with magneto of one G.M.C. and gasoline line of another. Two Class B trucks skidded off road in canyon, but were rescued without damage and Class B Spare Parts truck was stuck in the sand. Usual mountain and desert trails. Fair and warm. Fair natural gravel roads. Made 80 mi. in 12½ hrs. Arrived Eastgate, Nevada, 7 p.m.

Aug. 29

Departed Eastgate, 6:15 a.m. One Class B truck halted to clean spark plugs and another had broken fan belt about one mile out of camp. Riker #415009 sank in sand hole and was helped out by a Class B truck. Mack truck has clutch assembly break down entirely. Garford also has clutch trouble. Noon "chow" at Frenchman's Station near enormous sand dune, 380' high. Three wheels changed on Class B trucks on account drying out.