

Railroad Notes

WAGE INCREASE TO ALL RAILROADERS

Increase Is General Recommendation of Wage Commission, Affecting Nearly Every Branch

General pay increases for nearly two million railroad employes were announced today by Director General McAdoo, effective next Saturday and retroactive to last January 1, carrying out substantially the recommendations of the railroad wage commission. The aggregate of the increases probably will be more than \$300,000,000 a year, half of which will be distributed within a few weeks as back pay in lump sums ranging from about \$100 to nearly \$200 each. The director general departed from the wage commission's recommendations in the following particulars:

The principle of the eight hour day is recognized, hours of employment are not reduced, and overtime is to be paid prorata. Future adjustments of pay are to be made on the basis of hours.

In addition to the scale of increase, day laborers, employed mainly on track work, are to get at least 2 1/2 cents an hour more than they received last December 31.

Equal Pay for Women

A minimum of 55 cents an hour is established for the shop trades, including machinists, boiler-makers and blacksmiths, and women are to receive the same pay as men for the same work, and negroes are to get the same as white men for the same work. To work out a mutuality or inequalities in pay among employes doing similar work in different localities or injuries caused by working conditions, a committee consisting of three labor representatives and three railway executives, will conduct extensive investigations and recommend wage and other employment changes.

All increases now ordered will be determined according to a percentage scale based on pay received in December, 1915, and any increases which have been allowed within that time will be deducted. In many cases raises in pay in the last two and a half years are about equal to the increases now approved, and consequently those employes will get little or no more. To correct just such conditions when injustices are apparent will be one of the principal duties of the war board to be suggested by the railroad wage commission. In no cases are wages to be reduced. Men working on the monthly, daily, hourly, piecework and train-mite basis will benefit by the new allowance, and members of the railroad brotherhoods whose pay was reduced through operation of the Adamson act are to receive from 10 to 40 per cent additional, a smaller increase than they had asked of the railroads shortly before the government took control.

Nearly All Employes Affected.

The wage order applies to all employes of the 164 roads now under federal management, but not to the so-called sort lines unless they are retained by the government after July 1. It affects employes of terminals, union stations and switching lines, ferries and the lakes, rivers or cross-wise traffic. Altho Pullman cars are under government operation, Pullman employes will not benefit unless the railroad administration decides eventually to retain management of the cars.

In announcing his decision Mr. McAdoo appealed to railroad employes to forget dissensions and disappointments arising under private control, and to remember that the success of the war depends largely on their services. To meet the expense of the wage increase, the biggest ever granted to railroad men or any other class of employes at one time, the railroad administration has discussed raising freight and passenger rates.

The percentage of wage increase range from 43 per cent for men who received \$46 a month in December, 1915, down to a small rate for those receiving just under \$250, and no more pay is allowed men who made \$250 or more in 1915.

With the exception of office and messenger boys under eighteen, who are given smaller increases, all employes who received less than \$46 a month are given a flat increase of \$20 with the provision that laborers paid by the day shall get a minimum of 2 1/2 cents an hour above the rate six months ago.

The night engine dispatcher went to Denver last night to visit the home folks and spend Decoration day. Mrs. Johnson will return home with him.

Engineer J. A. McDonald laid off a trip and went to Ravenna on 42 last night in order to attend the commencement exercises of his daughter, who graduates this year.

Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Langford are the proud parents of a baby girl that tips the scales at nine pounds. The stork called on them Friday night.

Kenneth Wolf accompanied his brother, who is on his way to camp, as far as Broken Bow Monday night.

Fireman R. E. Annable went to Ravenna Tuesday to work on 39 and 40.

Engineer L. Jensen went to Crawford the last of the week for a few days' recreation.

Mrs. Roly and daughter went to Deming, New Mexico, Monday night via Denver.

Engineer A. P. Gordon was held in today to attend the "safety first" meeting.

Fireman H. B. Salisbury bid in the X work out of Deadwood and has moved his family to that point.

Mrs. H. R. Beans is spending the week end in Lincoln.

Hostler Tom Morris has been sick for about a week, but is back on the job again.

Fireman B. C. McInals received word to appear for examination at Basin, Wyo. Another good fireman joining the ranks of Uncle Sam.

John Schirk, who went to Plattsmouth about a month ago, was here the first of the week assisting his family while they move to Plattsmouth.

A glance at the laying off board at the round house Monday showed all engineers out of Alliance as working and only two on the entire division laying off. E. A. Strand, on account of moving and George Hicks of an account of an injury received about three weeks ago.

Engineer Carl Witham received word last week of the death of his uncle at Aurora, Nebr. Mr. and Mrs. Witham left on 44 the same day to attend the funeral.

Engineer E. A. Strand and family are moving this week from Marsland to Ravenna, where Mr. Strand will work in the Ravenna-Seneca pool.

Night Call Boy Charles Rennau went to work in the back shop as machinist apprentice. Arnold Badsgard takes his place on nights and Royal Irwin will be the day caller.

Mrs. C. A. Liedhoff and two children left Thursday night for Des Moines and Clinton, Iowa, to visit her mother and sister.

James Fee has resigned his position at the round house and will try farming in Colorado.

T. G. Waddell left Monday night for Charleston, S. C., where he will work for the government in one of the big navy yards.

The reporter for The Herald was down last week after a few items but found the engine dispatcher busy gathering Red Cross subscriptions and excused him on this account.

Mrs. J. O. Parsons and daughter, Gladys, went to Edgemont Monday to spend a few days.

A story is being told about a "Q" employe who went to a recruiting office and tried to enlist. He was too old to join the army or navy, and he asked for a job as chief on an airplane. In order to be a cook on an "air-plane" a man has to be flatfooted. The officer examined his feet and told him he was O. K., but when he examined his head he told him he could not use him. The employe asked him why and was told that his head was also flat.

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Mettlin of Marsland, bought the M. S. Hargraves home and moved into it on Friday of last week.

Mrs. Claude Lester left Tuesday for the homestead near Bayard.

Ruth Layton, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Layton arrived this morning from Belle Fourche, South Dakota, where she has been music supervisor of the schools. Miss Layton will not return to Belle Fourche where she was elected but will go to Sentinel Butte, North Dakota.

NOTICE

The latest panoramic views of Hoffland and Antioch at the Alliance Art Studio. \$1 each. They are fine.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Schafer moved into their new home at 520 Big Horn avenue, the first of the week.

Wm. Lunn left Wednesday noon for Portland, Oregon, where he will spend the summer with his aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Bennett.

Ladies' or gentlemen's suits cleaned and pressed \$1.25. Alliance Cleaning Works. Phone 58. 9230-41-23

George Molling bought the new residence of J. G. Dole, located on West Seventh street. Mr. Dole is employed at Antioch.

Mr. and Mrs. Verne Andress are the proud parents of a baby boy, born Monday.

Hemingford

Bud Kinsley and Lawrence Romer returned the middle of the week from Wyoming, where Mr. Kinsley was looking after his homestead there.

Mrs. B. U. Shepherd and Mr. and Mrs. John Sampy autoed over to Hyannis Saturday on business.

Mrs. Rose Carroll Havlik returned the latter part of the week from Georgia, where she had been for the past month visiting her husband, who is in the service there.

Mrs. Elmer Schneider was in Alliance Monday between trains, having dental work done.

Clide Erskine left Sunday for Chadron where he has accepted a position in a drug store.

Miss Vera Garland departed Sunday on 41 for Buffalo, Wyo., where she will spend her summer vacation.

George Jenkins returned the first of the week from Lincoln, where he went to attend the marriage of his sister.

Mrs. Jim Wilson was shopping in Alliance Thursday between trains.

Harold Moranville came in Thursday on 43 from Chicago, where he has been for the past six months attending school.

Mr. and Mrs. Alex Muerhead were in Alliance Monday between trains.

Mrs. George Schneider was in Alliance Monday, having dental work done.

John Anderson went down to Hyannis Saturday for a few days' stay.

Mrs. Rupert Walker received a card Tuesday saying her brother, Henry, had arrived safely overseas.

The grammar and primary schools closed last week.

Miss Lillian Caha came up from Scottsbluffs the latter part of the week for a visit with home folks.

Misses O'Neil and Dowd closed their schools here last Friday and left on 41 Sunday for their homes in Chadron. These young ladies have made a host of friends during their stay here who will be glad to have them back at any time.

Mrs. Vance and son went down to Bennet, Nebr., the latter part of the week to help care for her father, Mr. Canfield, Sr., who is in very poor health.

We hear that Leo Toohey, Walter Marshall and Neil Erskine, three Hemingford boys who were in training at Camp Funston, have left that camp for somewhere, presumably for "over there."

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Walker received a letter Monday from their son, W. F., Jr., who has been in training at Camp Funston, Kans. for the past eight months, saying he had been transferred to the sanitary training field hospital, another branch of the medical department, and his work will be overseas. It is not known when he will be leaving for his new field of duty, but it is thought by his friends it will be soon.

The Red Cross play at the opera house Friday night was a success in every way, netting the Red Cross something like \$100.

Walker Bros have just finished painting Mr. Moses' ranch house on the ranch southeast of town, known as the old Ole Moe place.

W. Clark is putting an addition on his residence and otherwise remodeling and painting it. This will add very much to the already neat appearance of the home.

NOTICE

Regular teachers' examination held at the court house May 31 and June 1. There will also be reading circle examination June 1.

MISS OPAL RUSSELL, 9260-25-21 County Superintendent

Mesdames E. G. Laing and C. H. Fuller entertained at the home of the former at a kitchen shower Friday evening in honor of Miss Lydia Cutkosky. The evening was spent in writing receipts for the guest of honor. Many useful gifts were presented to Miss Cutkosky. The guests were: Mesdames Ella Young, L. H. Mosher, W. C. Mounts; I. E. Tash, Ed Eldred, Jerry Rowan, Fred Feagins, Patmore and the Misses Alice Carlson and Lydia Cutkosky.

The aid societies of the different churches held a union meeting at the Presbyterian church Wednesday afternoon in the order of a patriotic meeting. The president of the Presbyterian church opened the meeting, after which a very interesting program was rendered. The proceeds of the afternoon were donated to the City mission.

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