

## Railroad Notes

### RAILROAD EMPLOYEES RECEIVE INCREASES

The railroad wage board, on May 9 announced its award in the application of the railroad employes for wage increases, dating back to December 31, a period of four months.

Men who received \$75 per month in 1916 will be raised to \$105.75; \$85 per month to \$119; \$100 per month to \$131.75; \$110 per month to \$140.25; \$125 per month to \$153; \$150 per month to \$174.25; \$200 per month to \$216.75; \$250 per month no increase.

Men who are paid on the hourly basis rate in 1916 will be increased accordingly to that rate as follows:

Twenty cents an hour for eight-hour day will receive 29 3/4 cents; 30 cents increased to 42 1/2 cents; 40 cents to 56 cents; 50 cents to 65 cents; 60 cents to 73 1/2 cents; 70 to 82 cents; 80 to 90 1/2 cents; 90 to 99 cents; the increases in hourly rates ceases at \$1.19 1/2 cents, which rate remains unchanged.

Employees who are now paid on the mileage basis are to have their mileage rates increased as follows:

Road freight engineers and motormen, 15 1/2 per cent; road freight engineers and helpers, 34 1/2 per cent; road freight conductors 20 1/2 per cent; road freight brakemen and flagmen, 39 1/2 per cent; road passenger engineers and motormen, 11 1/2 per cent; road passenger firemen and helpers, 28 1/2 per cent; road passenger conductors, 15 1/2 per cent; road passenger baggagemen, 38 1/2 per cent; road passenger brakemen and flagmen, 39 1/2 per cent.

The greatest number of employes on all the roads fall into the class receiving from \$60 to \$65 per month—181,693—while the next group, receiving \$10 more a month amount to 312,761. In 1917 there were 111,477 clerks receiving an annual salary of \$900 or less, the average pay of the clerk class being \$56 monthly. There were 270,855 section men whose average pay as a class was \$50.31 per month.

There were 121,000 other unskilled laborers whose average pay was \$58.25 per month; 130,075 station service employes whose average pay was \$58.57 per month; 75,325 road freight brakemen and flagmen whose average pay was \$100.17 per month, and 16,465 road passenger brakemen and flagmen whose average pay was \$91.10 per month. These are all affected by the wage commission's report, it was learned.

J. J. Grier, in charge of the commissary department of the Burlington, who maintains commissaries at different points where a large number of laborers are employed, has taken over the permanent camp at Alliance and will feed and board the employes who desire to be taken care of in this way.

Tank Repairer Frank Rojka was called to Chicago for examination for draft. He leaves Saturday night.

Engineer Pattaloeche dead headed on No. 44 to Seneca today to bring out the 4109, one of the largest type smallet compounds.

The ladies Mabel Rocky and Beatrice Liedloff spent Saturday and Sunday in Ravenna, visiting relatives and friends.

Word has been received that engine 5270 is coming out of Haselock equipped with mechanical stoker, and all other 02's that go to Havelock for this division will also be equipped.

A good many employes of the Burlington are busy putting in war gardens on the company property, south of the tracks where the old stock yards used to be.

Hostler F. L. Granger and wife are going to Plattsburgh before long. "Slim" claims to be a fisherman and you should come down and hear him tell some fish stories.

**BASEBALL CHALLENGE.**—The Burlington employes' baseball team challenges any city team to play the first game for the benefit of the Red Cross. Sunday game preferred. C. A. Liedloff, manager.

Fireman W. M. Ellis and E. C. Green enlisted this week in the railway service in France. They went from here to Fort Leavenworth, Kas.

Fireman Thomas P. Mahoney, brother of W. J. Mahoney, was called before the Yates Center, Kans., local board for examination for draft this week.

Mrs. Joseph O'Connor returned Wednesday noon from a short trip to Scottsbluffs.

Special sale on shirtwaists being held at the Mollring store, starting this week. The prices on these waists range from \$1 to \$2.50. As I bought these waists before the advance, can offer these exceptional bargains on goods that now cost wholesale as much as our present sale price. Come in and look them over. You will realize the values you are getting, values that can not be duplicated this fall.

GEORGE MOLLRING.

## The Churches

### LUTHERAN CHURCH SERVICES

In his patriotic address Sunday of last week before the Lutheran congregation Rev. F. Worthman told his members that it was their sacred and solemn duty in these times of stress to support the government in word and deed. As Christians they should call to the Arbitrator of Battles for victory for our arms and for the Lord's help to bring this issue to a successful close. His remarks to his members as citizens were in part as follows:

"The first duty of a citizen in such trying times is to help defend the country, either directly or indirectly. Directly he does it by joining the colors. You can't find any greater specimen of love than when one man offers up his life for another. Those thousands and thousands of our American boys, who have left their paternal roofs and are now ready to offer up their lifeblood on the altar of liberty—we can't touch the hem of their uniform. And if the government should call some more out of our midst, may they also join willingly and gladly. They will receive the honor of the nation and our prayers and well wishes.

"Those, however, who cannot give life and limb to the service of the nation must give money and time. The country needs our money to carry on this war. Let us let her have it liberally. Some one has said in peace times that our money is not our own. Now we know it. You can't take your money and lock it in a safety box. It is only the coward who does so. It is a grand flag, flying over our nation. As one man described its colors: 'It borrowed from heaven a cushion of blue, studded it with brilliants and surrounded it with the glorious glow of the morning.' May God bless that flag and cause it to bring peace, a peace such as the president asks, based upon righteousness and justice.

For such absolute loyalty the Lutheran church also stands. The Lutheran church has many enemies. The Lutheran insistence upon strict separation of state and church is misunderstood by some. There are those who imagine that there is a lack of patriotism among Lutherans because the Lutheran clergy and congregations do not dabble in politics. But there are no better loyal citizens and Americans than the Lutherans. The Lutheran knows that in swearing allegiance to his country he has called upon God as a witness to the truth and as a revenger of falsehood. The Lutheran church teaches its members and has taught all its members all these years that they must be subject to the government which rules over them and protects them. Every Sunday a prayer is sent up from each Lutheran pulpit in behalf of our government and all its officials. There seems to be a general opinion that the kaiser is a Lutheran. But the kaiser never was a Lutheran and is today not a Lutheran. The state-church of Germany, over which the kaiser is high priest, is not the Lutheran church. Our Lutheran church has absolutely nothing to do and nothing in common with the state-church of Germany. History plainly states that thousands of Lutherans emigrated from Germany to escape the ecclesiastical tyranny of the German government and to enjoy the freedom of conscience which the U. S. government grants its citizens and which we will continue to enjoy under the shadow of her flag. For that reason the Lutheran boys flocked to the colors. At the beginning of the year there were 200,000 Lutherans in the camps, which means a greater number of Lutheran fighters than any other Protestant denomination.

"If we thus work, all of us, in unity and harmony, then alone and above them will the star spangled banner continue to wave in the future, as it has done in the past, over the land of the free and the home of the brave."

### VOLUNTEERS

List of men forwarded to Fort Logan, Colo., May 16, for enlistment in the army leaving this United States army recruiting station at midnight, May 16:

Roy E. Brown, Chicago, Ill., quartermaster corps.  
Claude E. Fitzgerald, Spade, Neb., M. S. white cavalry.  
Delbert W. Lingel, Crawford, Neb., M. S. white field artillery.  
Arch Cullers, Crawford, Neb., M. S. white field artillery.  
Floyd Foster, Walthill, Neb., M. S. white field artillery.  
Earl Hall, Ashby, Neb., M. S. white field artillery.  
Homer T. Martin, Harrison, Ark., M. S. white artillery.  
Respectfully submitted,  
MANHEW JONES,  
Recruiting Service U. S. Army.

### CHRISTIAN CHURCH

"The Vacant Seat" will be the subject at the morning service next Sunday.

Another splendid service with your co-operation.

Come to Bible school at 10 o'clock and receive a welcome.

The church with a message and a welcome.—Stephen J. Epler, minister.

## SENIORS CELEBRATE ALL LAST WEEK

### Junior-Senior Banquet Held at the

#### High School Saturday—Excellent

#### Class Play Given Friday

The seniors of the high school in their production of "Back to the Farm," last Friday evening gave the audience one of the best plays that has been put on in years. In fact, there hasn't been a road show through here that produced as much genuine enjoyment as the antics of William Anderson, as the farm hand, and Lella Cutts as the hired girl.

Miss Corrine Mollring fitted her part to a "T," acting as Rose Meade, the "school ma'am," she depicted with vivid reality the principles of common sense. Howard Bennett, as the "hero," did credit to the part he played, that of Merton Merrill, getting an education and modernizing the farm. Other parts, taken by Leo Snyder, Ralph Watteyne, Lewis Griggs, Misses Wilma Mote, Edith Reddish and Beulah Reddish, were not behind the leading parts in the talent displayed. Taken as a whole the senior class should feel proud of the showing made. The specialty numbers between the acts were very good and filling in between the acts did not allow the play to lag. Mr. Dubuque in commenting on the play pronounced it the best high school play he had ever witnessed.

The junior-senior banquet was held Saturday evening in the high school gymnasium. All the decorations were carried out in the senior colors, black and gold. The dinner was served in elaborate style, due to the efforts of the young ladies of the sophomore class. After each course a toast was given, the conclusion of the program being a poem with each verse fitting a member of the class. This was very cleverly given by Miss Lucille Fossett. The seniors have yet their class night exercises, sneak day, class picnic and presentation of diplomas by the school board to complete their farewell to dear old high school days.

### NOTICE

Hereafter when you have any complaints in regard to dogs, please notify our official dog-catcher, who attends to all such nuisances. Phone 575 and ask for Homer Washington. 9248-3t-24 W. E. ROUSEY, Mayor

The special sale of The Famous of fers unheard of inducements to men. Look over their list of bargains listed on the back page.

Misses Opal Russell and Gladys Sheridan entertained a few friends at a breakfast Sunday morning at the home of Mrs. Lloyd Thomas. The guests were: Misses Georgiana Canfield, Mary Wilson, Izola and Mabel Worley, Gertrude McHugh and Eva Crocker.

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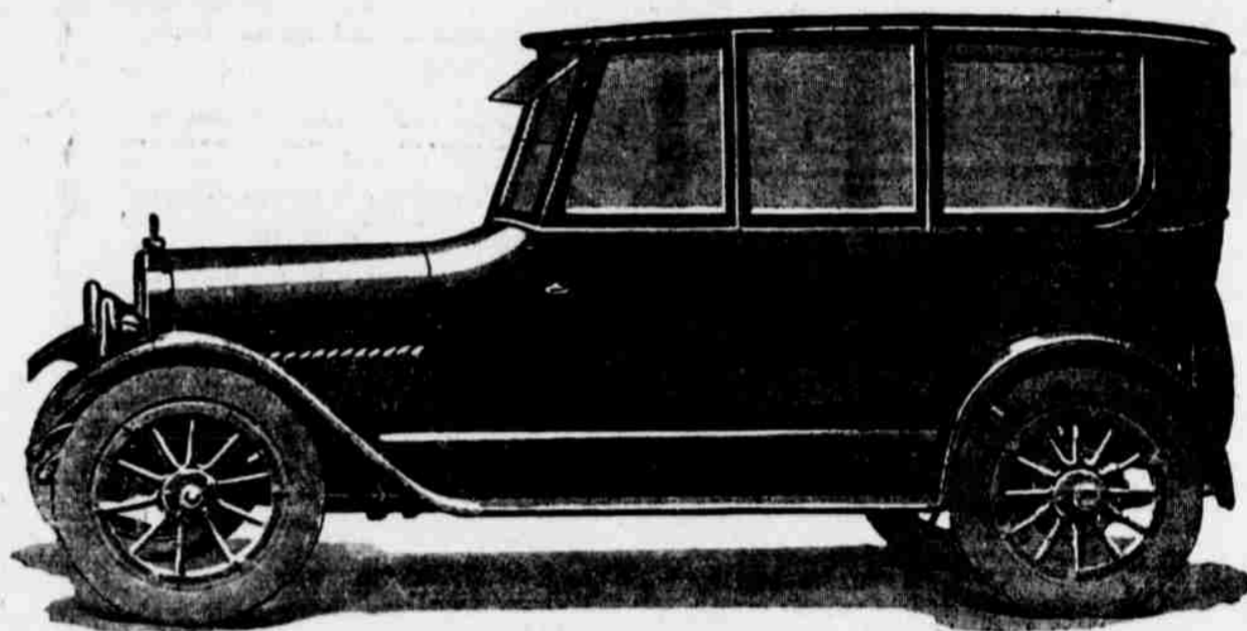
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