

TRAFFIC IS BLOCKED.

SWITCHMEN ON THE NEW YORK CENTRAL GO OUT.

MANY OTHER ROADS INVOLVED.

Two Thousand Soldiers and One Battery of Artillery Under Orders—An Attempt at Arbitration Being Made—The Situation Grows Worse—Pickets in the City—Gov. Flower at Albany.

BUFFALO, N. Y., Aug. 12.—The switchmen of the New York Central railroad quit work in the Buffalo yards about 6 o'clock this morning, the strike being ordered by the switchmen's union as a result of the trouble on the Erie and Lehigh roads. It is believed that it will also involve the West Shore and Lake Shore roads and perhaps all the roads in Buffalo. The Delaware, Lackawanna and Western switchmen have plainly been in sympathy with their striking brethren of the Lehigh and Erie and they will probably not remain long at work handling freight from the lines named, including the Central. The Lake Shore men will also go out if asked to handle freight from any of the tied up roads.

The orders of Brigadier General Doyle will result in concentrating the entire Fourth brigade here to-day, and they will all be needed, as the strike covers several miles of territory.

Mantry C. Green, justice of the supreme court at Buffalo, impressed by the gravity of the situation among the striking switchmen, has ordered out the entire fourth brigade of the New York state militia, consisting of 2,000 men in separate companies, and one battery of artillery.

The day force on the Central is out as well as the night men. The situation was very grave on the great four track thoroughfare this morning. It is the opening day of the fair, and every road coming into the Union depot has from one to five excursion trains. At 10 o'clock a partial block had been formed and trains were held from ten to twenty minutes.

Florence Donovan and William Purcell of the state board of arbitration are in the city and will attempt a reconciliation of the trouble between the railway officials and the men. Grand Master Sweeney and his aides presented their claims and grievances and about noon Donovan and the clerk of the commission drove to the yards where the trouble occurred to find Vice President Webb, Superintendent Voorhees and other officials and invite them to meet in conference late this afternoon.

The day shift of the West Shore switchmen worked about an hour this morning and then dropped everything right when it stood. Their demands are similar to those of the Central men. The night shift, without doubt, will refuse to work to-night.

General Manager Hight of the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western has issued imperative orders that no freight shall be received from any of the tied-up roads. The order also instructs agents at all junction points not to accept any freight that has been diverted from the Central, Erie or Lehigh Valley roads. Late freight that is billed over either of the above lines will also be refused should it be offered.

The fast freight lines are probably the greatest sufferers by the strike. Thousands of dollars worth of perishable goods are standing on the side tracks and nothing can be done towards forwarding them.

Before going into the yards this morning General Superintendent Voorhees of the Central said that about 150 men in all were out. Asked what the strikers demanded, fewer hours or an increase in wages, he said: "That's just what I'd like you to make clear to the public and through the press. It is purely a strike for increased pay. They have worked in the past eleven hours a day, actual work, and they expect to continue to work that way, but they want their hourly compensation increased by an amount which is practically 10 per cent. It is, as I said before, a strike for increased pay. The men have never before made the slightest objection to the number of hours they work."

"They made a demand for it?" "Yes. The night force came to us on Tuesday at noon and made the same demand as had been made on the other roads. They belong to the Switchmen's union and I suppose they made up their minds to do as the other union men did. Their demand was refused. The men employed on this road have been receiving more pay than any other men performing like service in the state of New York and we decided not to grant their demands."

At the request of the railroad authorities, Sheriff Beck this afternoon sent the following dispatch to Governor Flower:

Hon. R. P. Flower, Albany: The strike here has assumed such grave conditions that it is imperative in order to protect life and property in this city and county, that the national guard of the state of New York be ordered out, and I most earnestly request the protection of the state authorities to that effect.

August Beck, Sheriff. Mr. Webb of the Central, with Attorney Prague of the Erie, called on Sheriff Beck this morning and demanded more troops. Mr. Webb asked that the sheriff telegraph to the governor to quell the disturbances here. Sheriff Beck declined to do so at once but promised to consider the matter.

That a strike among the locomotive firemen is imminent there is no doubt. The firemen are known to be in hearty sympathy with the switchmen. Should they strike it would have the immediate effect of tying up any line on which the strike was ordered. The engineers are also in most hearty accord with the switchmen. The brotherhood of

locomotive engineers is under great obligations to the switchmen for the position taken by them during the strike on the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy and it is possible that they would be willing to pay the debt by assisting them at this crisis.

Governor Flower Aroused. ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 17.—Governor Flower arrived here at 1:30 o'clock this morning, and was met at the station by Adjutant General Porter. The governor said he had not been summoned to Albany by any recent communication, but thought he ought to be here. General Porter told him he had just received a message from General Doyle that he had ordered out the whole of his brigade on the requisition of the sheriff. The governor replied: "Well, the sheriff has had all the troops he has asked for thus far, and he can have more. If he needs more troops he must have them. We must stop this. It must stop."

New York, Aug. 17.—The police reported this morning that between 6 and 7 o'clock last night some person placed a tie on the track of the New York Central railroad at Sixty-first street. It was discovered before any damage had been done and removed by a yard man. It is thought that some sympathizer of the striking railroad switchmen put the tie on the track with the intention of wrecking a train.

No Arguments With Strikers. PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 17.—The following was given out for publication this afternoon:

Philadelphia, Aug. 17. Mr. I. A. Sweigard, General Manager. Dear Sir: The operations of the yards at Buffalo, Waverly and Sayer will be resumed Thursday, the 18th inst. You are hereby instructed to pay off and discharge at once all employees who have gone out on strike, except such hitherto efficient and faithful men as you are convinced were coerced into abandonment of their duties and who, if left to their own free will, would not have left the service of the company and may have families or others dependent upon them. But the ringleaders and strikers who are in any way responsible for, or participated in the destruction of the company's property, or who have been guilty of interference with the movement of trains or the performance of duty by other employees, must not now or ever be restored to the service of the company.

In exercising the discretion with which you are charged, you should bear in mind that while it is to be regretted that there are men who are weak enough to yield to the dictation of others in abandoning their places with good pay and steady work and in forever disqualifying them for the service of the company, great hardship may be imposed upon their families who should not be made to suffer if it can be avoided.

A. A. McLeod, President.

He Was After Frick's Life. PITTSBURG, Pa., Aug. 17.—A man giving the name of George Lehberger, and supposed to be an anarchist, was arrested here to-day. He wore a false beard and was acting in a suspicious manner on Fifth avenue near Mr. Frick's office. He was searched and on his person was found the following address: "Charles Stoddler, Government, Otterberg, county Wernichne-rasky, Beirltseecker Iron works, Russia." An investigation proved that this is where all the nihilists in Russia were sent and the police concluded to hold him.

Carnegie's Money Sent to Strikers. LONDON, Aug. 17.—Mr. Kier Hardy has sent as a contribution to the Homestead strikers' fund the \$500 given him by Mr. Carnegie for his expenses in the recent general election.

Repeal an Opening Orators Chosen. TOPEKA, Kan., Aug. 18.—The Republican state central committee is making big preparations for the opening rallies in the seven congressional districts September 1. The following speakers have been assigned for these meetings: First, at Holton, United States Attorney J. W. Ady, Judge C. B. Graves of Emporia; Second, place of meeting not selected, Judge J. C. Strang of Larned and F. B. Daves of Clay Center; Fourth, at Emporia, Senator B. W. Perkins, Judge S. R. Peters of Newton and T. F. Garver, candidate for attorney general; Fifth, at Salina, A. W. Smith, candidate for governor, George T. Anthony, candidate for congressman at large and B. K. Bruce, candidate for auditor; Sixth, at Beloit, Major E. N. Morrill of Hiawatha, E. W. Hoch of Marion and R. T. Moore, candidate for lieutenant governor; Seventh, at Hutchinson, R. W. Blue of Pleasanton, J. B. Johnson of Topeka and W. C. Edwards, candidate for secretary of state.

World's Fair Government Buildings. WASHINGTON, Aug. 18.—Supervising Architect Edbrooke has left here for Chicago for the purpose of selecting sites for four government buildings for the World's fair. One will be used to exhibit the practical operations of the signal service in taking observations, etc.; another for a fully equipped army hospital; a third for the exhibit from the Indian school at Carlisle, and the fourth a fac simile of the naval observatory at Washington fitted up with an equatorial telescope and other astronomical apparatus.

In Defense of His Landlady. ST. JOSEPH, Mo., Aug. 18.—Ed Dishner, aged 12 years, and his father were boarding with Mrs. Lenora Pennoyer, whom Karl Randolph, aged 43, wanted to marry. To-day at noon Randolph appeared at the house, flourishing a revolver and threatening to kill Mrs. Pennoyer unless she married him at once. Young Dishner, who was in the room, shot the man dead. Dishner is now under arrest.

Ohio People's Party Convenes. CLEVELAND, O., Aug. 18.—The People's party state convention met at Massillon this morning and a long wrangle followed over the call, which provided for each county selecting two committeemen. That on credentials selected on that plan was overruled and a committee was selected by districts. Hugh Cavanagh was chosen permanent chairman; Charles Martin, secretary.

Defective Fires at Elgin. COLUMBUS, O., Aug. 18.—Fire at Elgin, O., which was quenched last night, broke out at noon to-day. The opera house and two other blocks were destroyed and four more blocks damaged. Loss not yet ascertained.

NEBRASKA.

News Notes About Nebraska Places and People.

Omaha has five public parks.

Adams county will hold no fair.

Wilcox is having a kite track surveyed.

Tamora will build a three story brick opera house.

Lincoln is infested by a gang of footpads and burglars.

A broom factory to employ six men is to be started at Blair.

Hastings claims to be becoming a traveling men's headquarters.

The Episcopal college at Kearney will open for its first term Sept. 6.

Spokane is figuring on putting in city water works and electric lights.

About 100 self-binders have been sold in Box Butte county this season.

Capt. Whitman of Eriason, a veteran of the Mexican and civil wars, is dead.

The pioneers of Southern Lancaster county will hold a reunion August 17th.

Box Butte county is making active arrangements for an exhibition at the state fair.

The force of teachers at the York college will be increased for the next school year.

The Plattsmouth Herald has been enlarged and O. M. Peterson has become the editor.

The Nebraska City News says the Otoe county old settlers take no interest in a reunion.

Hastings will make an effort to secure the German Baptist college to be established in Nebraska.

The Hastings murder mystery has developed a crowd of amateur detectives who are trying to solve it.

A Catholic priest will be regularly stationed at Alliance September 1, and the erection of a church begun.

The first steam flouring mill in Scotts Bluff county will be built near the Platte bridge. It will cost \$6,600.

The young ladies of Lyons quarrel over whose nose is the longest. The champion length so far found is 4 1/2 inches.

The B. & M. paid its tax on the Nebraska city bridge under protest because it claims that Iowa assesses 128 feet of it also.

The fourth annual reunion of the old settlers of Cass and adjoining counties will take place at Union, Cass county, August 22.

I have a first-class newspaper plant, and desire to establish a paper in a good live town. Persons interested will please address, Publisher, Box 1508, Lincoln, Neb.

Ernest Van Skike of Beaver Crossing has sued Drs. Reynolds & Potter of Seward for \$15,000, alleging malpractice in the treatment of knee cap.

P. H. Hammon, near Grafton, had a thirty-two acre field that yielded 1,332 bushels of wheat, forty-two bushels to the acre.

Company C, N. N. G., at Nebraska City, propose to go into camp for several days next month even if there is no state encampment.

C. D. Morse of Kearney, fell from a chair and ran a wire nail, that protruded from a plank into his chest, making a painful wound.

A 5-year-old son of Leopold Hotoy of Dwight was bitten by a rattlesnake but treatment saved him.

A little boy, son of W. J. Green, near David City, threw a bone at a cow and it rebounded, cutting his eyeball and destroying his sight.

Boyd county wants to vote bonds for a new court house.

Teachers at the York county institute are labelled with a numbered badge, and a card catalogue informs them what each other's names are.

Mr. and Mrs. I. N. Barrett of Banner county, have a youngster that started out as a heavy weight. It weighed twenty and one-fourth pounds at birth.

Improvements costing \$15,000 have been made in the Crete flouring mills. The new plant is the largest and most complete flouring mill in Nebraska, and will have a capacity for turning out 400 barrels of flour every twenty-four hours. It is expected to start up the new machinery about August 10.

Ira S., a trotting stallion valued at \$1,500, cut a tendon in a runaway at Geneva and was ruined. The animal was the property of L. Steiger.

The farmers of Cuming county have organized a protective association to take measures against a gang of thieves that has been doing them damage.

Fred Taskey, an engineer in the Plattsmouth B. & M. shops, had his back badly burned by a stream of hot water from a boiler he opened, throwing it empty.

Speaking of the Nebraska Development company, "it is the intention of the company to establish a supplementary exhibit in the Nebraska buildings at the World's fair. The promoters of the scheme have undertaken for the reason that the World's fair appropriation by our legislature is so everybody knows, entirely inadequate, and their principal object is to advertise the products of Nebraska and to demonstrate on the ground the uses to which they may be put. The enterprise seems to be a most laudable one and deserves encouragement."

Burlington Excursions.



Eastern cities and pleasure resorts are best reached by the BURLINGTON ROUTE. The improved train service in effect, brings Omaha within forty hours and Denver within fifty-three hours of New York, Boston or Philadelphia. The numerous conventions to be held in New York, Saratoga, Detroit and other eastern cities during the coming summer, to which reduced rates will apply, offer splendid opportunities of visiting the east at an almost nominal cost. The local agent of the B. & M. R. R. will be glad to give you further information.

Colorado's Cool Retreats.

During the "tourists' season" from July until September, the Burlington Route has on sale round trip tickets at very reduced rates, to the principal resorts of Colorado.

To Denver, Colorado Springs, Manitou, Pueblo and Estes Park, (the most attractive spot in the whole state), particularly low rates are in force.

July and August are the best months in which to visit Colorado's unrivalled resorts, to all of which the Burlington, with its connections offers unequalled service.

The local agent will be glad to give you any desired information.

Grand Commander Dilworth, of the Nebraska G. A. R., has announced the "Burlington" as the official route to the annual reunion to be held at Washington, D. C., September 20th. The official train composed of Pullman sleeping, tourist and chair cars will leave Omaha on the evening of September 17th at 8 P. M., running special to Washington via the B. & O. from Chicago. Sleeping cars will be considerably less than regular rates. One fare for the round trip. This will afford the public a cheap and enjoyable trip to witness the greatest G. A. R. reunion ever held in this country.

The Evans house, Hot Springs, S. D., is now open for the reception of guests. This magnificent hotel erected at a cost of \$150,000 is built of pink sand stone, is five stories high, has steam heat, electric lights and all modern conveniences and is so arranged that there are no inside rooms. Its completion places Hot Springs on a par with any similar resort in the country. The Burlington route places at the disposal of the public a sanitarium and health resort second to no other. Low round trip rates to Hot Springs and Deadwood.

At the request of the Brigadier General of the Nebraska Command, in order to take care of the Knights of Pythias business the B. & M. will run a special train with through cars, leaving Lincoln, Sunday night, August 21st, at 10 P. M., arriving in Kansas City early next morning. It is desired that all K. of P. meet at Lincoln and go in a body.

M. E. camp meeting, Cambridge, August 17th to 24th. Fare one and a third rate for the round trip. Tickets on sale August 16th to 24th inclusive. Limit for return August 25th.

Biennial Encampment Uniform Rank Knights of Pythias, Kansas City, August 23d to 27th. One fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale August 20th to 23d inclusive. Limit for return September 5th.

G. A. R. Interstate Reunion, Superior, Nebraska, August 22d to 27th. One fare for the round trip. Tickets on sale August 21st to 26th inclusive.

Governor McKinley's Wife.

In the staid Dutch commercial town of Canton, Ohio, the wife of the author of the McKinley Bill was a noted belle in her girlhood. Daughter of the late John Saxton, an influential citizen, and publisher of the "Canton Repository," Mrs. William H. McKinley was active in social affairs until after the birth of two children, now deceased; since then she has been afflicted with a nervous disorder, and is an invalid. The devotion of Governor McKinley to his lovely wife has all the delicacy and ardor of the lover. Unable to participate in Washington gayeties while her husband was in Congress, Mrs. McKinley, from her pleasant chambers opposite the Capitol, followed with the eyes of love the maturing of her husband's labor. Seated in an invalid chair, she assists the governor in the social levees he holds in the suite of rooms they have taken for the gubernatorial term at Columbus.—From "Society Leaders of Ohio," in Demorest's Family Magazine for September.

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