

CUT RATES TO THE KLONDIKE

Elia's of the Soo Goes by the Central Western Road.

OMAHA LINES KEEP OUT OF THE FIGHT

Union Pacific and Burlington Decline to Enter the Competition that So Vigorously Ranges in the North.

The rate war on travel destined for Tacoma, Seattle, Vancouver and other northwestern points inaugurated by the Canadian Pacific railway has not yet affected rates out of this territory or through the lower Missouri river gateways to the western country.

The judgment of the best posted passenger men in Omaha is that the rates through here will be sustained, notwithstanding the rate war in the north. Both E. L. Loma, general passenger agent of the Union Pacific, and John Francis, general passenger agent of the B. & M., have said to the Bee that they thought Omaha should be kept out of the rate war and that neither the Union Pacific or the Burlington had any cut rates of the Soo Line or contemplated doing so.

It is generally conceded that the Canadian Pacific has had to cut the transcontinental rate out of St. Paul and Minneapolis on account of the sarapitous rate-cutting that has been done on Klondike business for some time past by the Great Northern and by the Northern Pacific to a less degree. This is what the Union Pacific and Burlington with the situation have to say, and while it would be difficult to corroborate their statements by a show of facts, there is but little doubt that such a statement is true. The northern situation pretty nearly accurate. The cut of the Canadian Pacific has been made out of the Twin Cities, but it is indirectly felt at Chicago, St. Paul, St. Louis and other eastern points, and will undoubtedly succeed in swelling the number of prospective passengers who will go through St. Paul and travel to the coast by a northern line.

The reason the lines through here do not care to meet the cut of the northern line is found in the fact that the entire western passenger situation, involving rates to all western points, will be demoralized. If it is found that the northern lines are cutting a large amount of business out of Chicago to the northwest by their cut rates, it is probable that the lines through here will put in rates equal to those from Chicago on the same northwestern points via Omaha. But even if this is done, it is scarcely probable that the rates from here to the north-west will compare favorably with those from all. The sentiment of the general passenger departments of the local lines seems to be that it would be better to lose the whole Klondike business to the northern line than to start in on a rate war that would demoralize the entire western rate situation.

Naturally this course does not meet with the approval of the Chicago agents of the Denver & Rio Grande, the Rio Grande Western and other western lines that would come in for a haul on some of the Klondike business. The Chicago agents of these lines here and destined for points in the northwest. They are anxious for the Union Pacific and the Burlington to meet the cut of the northern line, but they are not willing to meet the rates of the northern competitors. Up to date the lines through here have declined to do anything, and the Chicago agents of the Denver & Rio Grande, and the Burlington & Missouri Pacific, said to a Bee reporter in Denver that they would not do anything to meet the cut of the northern line. The Chicago agents of the Denver & Rio Grande, and the Burlington & Missouri Pacific, said to a Bee reporter in Denver that they would not do anything to meet the cut of the northern line. The Chicago agents of the Denver & Rio Grande, and the Burlington & Missouri Pacific, said to a Bee reporter in Denver that they would not do anything to meet the cut of the northern line.

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Contract Between the Companies Just Entered Into. The Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway has just made a new contract with the Pullman Palace Car company. It will become effective on Tuesday of next week, March 1, and will run until March 1, 1913, a period of fifteen years. The consummation of the proposed contract between the railway and Pullman is regarded by railway men as one of the most important happenings of the new year in western railroads.

The negotiators have not yet been completed, were begun before the death of the late George M. Pullman, and were conducted by him and R. C. Cable, president of the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railway. They have been completed by the latter and Robert Todd Lincoln, president of the Pullman company. The railroad company will hereafter operate the Pullman cars on a strict mileage basis and there will be but little of the former partnership plan.

The Pullman service on the Rock Island has heretofore been operated on a mileage basis, but the new contract will be on a time basis. The Pullman company owned a half interest in all the sleeping cars, paying half the expenses of the cars, and bearing half the expense of repair and operation and sharing half of the profits. The object of the new contract is to make the Pullman cars a separate business, and to allow the Pullman company to pay the railroad company a fixed amount for the use of the cars, and to allow the Pullman company to pay the railroad company a fixed amount for the use of the cars.

Arrangements have been made for a line of new and handsome Pullman cars on the Rock Island. The work of building the new sleeping cars has already been begun, and is the largest amount of work of any one railway company now on in the Pullman shops at Pullman, Ill. Nearly all the old cars that have been run for years on the Rock Island lines have been turned into the Pullman shops and are being repaired or rebuilt or new ones built in their stead.

The figures involved in sleeping car contracts are never made public, in fact there is a general disposition to guard matters concerning the relations between railroad companies and sleeping car companies as ultra private affairs. It is therefore not surprising that the reason the Rock Island has been able to force such a favorable contract out of the Pullman company for the next fifteen years is found in the fact that the Pullman Car company is steadily getting hold of western lines that formerly used the Pullman cars exclusively. Within the last two years several western lines, as far as immigrant traffic is concerned, the Canadian road was a member of the western immigrant bureau, but it has been curtly informed that on account of its ignoring the rules of the clearing house and the course it has pursued...

CLEAN STREETS BY PRECEPT

School Board Gets a Pointer from the Women's Club.

INFLUENCE OF PUPILS ON THE PUBLIC

Prevention of Litter and Chalk Marks Aimed At-Saloon Business to Be Looked Into Privately by the Board.

The inception of a crusade against dirty streets, defaced buildings and fences and other offenses against the attractiveness of the city was a striking feature of the meeting of the Board of Education last night. The subject was brought before the board by Mrs. C. C. Belcher, representing the Women's Club, who asked permission to develop a healthy public sentiment through the medium of the schools. The plan of the Women's Club, as outlined by Mrs. Belcher, is to first secure the co-operation of the principals and then devote a few minutes each week to the discussion of the subject in the school rooms. She urged that it would be possible in this way to teach the children habits of cleanliness out of doors. They could be taught not to throw papers or other refuse on the pavements, to protect trees and flowers and not to deface buildings and fences, by chalk marks or otherwise. This would awaken a sentiment of city pride, a respect for property rights and a knowledge of sanitary matters. The desired permission was granted by the board, and the Women's Club will, through the principals, the question of taking the movement into the schools being left for future consideration.

CITY SCHOOL YEAR SHORT. A resolution was offered by Penfold providing for closing all schools except the High school on May 27, and the High school on June 10. This would give nine months of school in the grades and six and a half months in the High school, and the early closing in the grades would save \$10,000 in salaries and supplies. The resolution was referred without debate to a special committee consisting of Penfold, Burgess, Hess, Buchanan and Kiewit.

LAKE SCHOOL GETS A PICTURE

Mr. and Mrs. Haskell Present a Fine Portrait of Washington.

Although Lake school could not give its usual Washington day celebration, the pupils had a most enjoyable day. They were the recipients of a beautiful, nicely-framed steel engraving of Washington surrounded by his family. It was a gift from Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Haskell, whose son Frank graduated from Lake with great credit in 1897. The picture was one that had long been in Mr. Haskell's family and was only parted with on account of their loyalty to the school.

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SOCIAL EVENTS OF THE NIGHT

Reunion and Reception for Bishop Millsbaugh of Kansas.

POLICE BOARD NOT READY

Hands Out Some Disappointment for a Lot of Aspirants.

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