

TO BE AN INDEPENDENT LINE

Baltimore & Ohio Not to Be Consolidated to Form a Transcontinental System.

NEW OWNERS HAVE FAITH IN THE PROPERTY

Have Bought Up Its Common Stock, Believing It Can Be Made to Pay Dividends—Interview with Receiver Cowen.

John K. Cowen, president and receiver of the Baltimore & Ohio railroad, has returned to Baltimore after a trip over the system with some of the prospective buyers of the road. In an interview with the Baltimore News he said:

"There is absolutely nothing in the statement that there will be a consolidation of roads by which a transcontinental system will be arranged. Mr. Hill's statement is very clear on this point. There will be no consolidation of roads, with the Great Northern or any other. The Baltimore & Ohio will hold itself open at Chicago to accept business from all the great northwestern roads which empty at Chicago. There would be absolutely nothing in tying ourselves up with any of these roads, and the statement that we do so was only a haphazard guess, made on the spur of the moment by some one when it was first learned that Mr. Hill, the builder of the Great Northern, was to become interested in the Baltimore & Ohio."

"The Vanderbilt's do not own the New York Central," he said in reply to a question about the control of the road, "but there is no question but that they completely dominate it. It will be much the same in this case. Whether or not the new investors own a controlling interest, no one who knows them will doubt for a minute that they will pretty well dominate it. Every small stockholder should be glad, and probably is glad, if he is posted, that such men as Hill and Field and the others have come into the Baltimore & Ohio."

HAVE FAITH IN THE ROAD.

"Think what it means. It is that these, among the most astute railroad men of this country, with all their wealth and their influence and experience, have looked into the Baltimore & Ohio as a piece of property, have examined it carefully and have determined that it can be turned into a dividend payer. They have faith in the reorganization committee, and if I may be permitted to say so, in the management of the road. Understand, these gentlemen are buying the stock of the road, not its bonds, though I presume some of them have in the course of their financial transaction acquired some of the bonds, too, but it is the common stock of the road which these gentlemen have bought. They have staked their dollars in with the belief that the road will 'win out' in the vernacular. In other words, that it will become a dividend payer."

"These holders of the common stock of the Baltimore & Ohio will be the strongest who have ever held it. They are all railroad giants and will infuse new life into the property. Nor are the four whose names are mentioned—Mr. Field, Armour and Root—the only ones who have 'bought into' the road. The stock, I can say, has been judiciously distributed all along the road where it would do the most good. Other influential men are interested in the deal. They have bought stock and have the advancement of the road's interest at heart. No, I cannot say where or to whom this stock has been sold, but it will all appear in good time."

"The recent transaction has been the realization of my hopes about the future of the road. It is in line with everything I had planned."

When asked as to when the reorganization should now be completed, Mr. Cowen said:

"Well, I should say in a few months, possibly three or four. There are a great many details to arrange about the foreclosures, of course. The suits are not worrying us much. I don't think anyone is particularly afraid of their outcome. I think that in a few months the entire reorganization will be entirely effected."

CHICAGO DAY AT THE EXPOSITION.

Railroads Doing Their Part to Make It a Success.

That the railroads intend to make Chicago day at the exposition a success in point of attendance is evident from the following taken from the Times-Herald of that city:

"If Chicago is not wonderfully well represented by organized bodies at Omaha next Saturday—Chicago day—it will not be the fault of the railroads. The competition for this business has become so great that every kind of concession is being made."

It was reported yesterday that the Burlington was to carry the Cook County Marching club to Omaha and back at the rate of \$5 per man. This is denied, though no question has been raised that a round trip rate of about \$8 secured the business. All of the roads, it is claimed, are making round trip rates for organized bodies of about \$8. In addition free tickets are given, free berths, free accommodations at the exposition city, free shaves, free baths and free tickets to the exposition. The democratization has not yet reached the free chrome state, but it is expected to before Friday.

The Sebastian form of round trip excursion ticket was to the Omaha—Colorado lines recently just \$4.352. The leading feature of this ticket is that the return portion is not given to the purchaser, but is forwarded by the selling agent to the agent at destination, there to be claimed by the owner. For Colorado day at the exposition a rate less than the one-way fare was made for the round trip. When the limit of the tickets had expired it was found that 250 return portions of round trip tickets never

had been claimed by the purchasers. This means that number of people simply took advantage of the low rates to go one way. Had the old form of tickets been used these return portions would have been sold to scalpers, and the railroads have lost 250 regular passengers on tickets sold for \$17 each."

OMAHA AS A TERMINAL POINT.

SIOUX CITY MAN EXPLAINS SOME RECENT RAILROAD DEALS.

SIOUX CITY, Sept. 26.—(Special)—A corps of Illinois Central engineers is said to be going over the line of the proposed route from Fort Dodge and Omaha, and there is small doubt remaining in the minds of the local railroad officials that this much talked of extension is to be built at last. The probable effect such a connection would have on Sioux City and the north and south lines running through Sioux City is being given serious consideration by railroad circles.

"A study of the situation," said a well informed railroad man, "will convince anyone that this proposed extension of the Central will do no good to Sioux City. In the first place, why will the Central build into Omaha? It certainly does not expect to tap rich territory, and it is not looking for business from the roads west of the Missouri, which have eastern connections. This extension is not to be built by the Illinois Central company for the purpose of tapping Omaha for its main line. Now, that is not the reason. The Illinois Central is shrewdly going after the north and south business. The distance from Omaha to St. Paul and Minneapolis by way of Fort Dodge and the Minneapolis & St. Louis will be seventy-eight miles shorter than it is by any of the present roads. The Illinois Central is interested in the Minneapolis & St. Louis line and with an extension from Fort Dodge to Omaha will have a route that will prove a formidable rival of the old established lines in the Missouri valley. It will divert shipments from Sioux City.

RATES FOR AK-SAR-BEN WEEK.

Local Lines Announce What They Will Do for the King This Year.

The Omaha terminal lines have agreed on reduced rates to this city on account of the autumnal festivities of the Knights of Ak-Sar-Ben. The rates are regarded as very fair though they are not so low as was expected by some. Near-by points will secure a rate of one fare for the round trip, and points in the western part of Nebraska will give a rate of 1 cent a mile.

From stations from which the one-way fare to Omaha is \$6 or less, the rate will be one fare for the round trip, with a minimum excursion rate of \$1. Tickets will be sold on October 3, 4, 5 and 6, with the final return limit of five days from date of sale.

From points in this state beyond the region where the one-way fare to Omaha is \$6 or less, the rate will be 1 cent per mile in each direction. This will bring the rate from western Nebraska points down to a scale almost as low as the \$5 blanket rate that has been offered during previous Ak-Sar-Ben festivities for the round trip to Omaha.

Tickets will go on sale one day before the first Ak-Sar-Ben parade. The Ak-Sar-Ben parade on the evening of October 6 will inaugurate the festivities. The following day will be left open for exposition attractions. On October 6 will occur the grand electrical parade, and the coronation ball will be held on the evening of October 7. The five days' limit on all tickets will give the visitors an opportunity to see all the festivities and where they spend some time here.

FREIGHT RATES NOT STABLE.

Local Association Finds the Outlook Is Far from Being Satisfactory.

The local freight association was in session just five minutes yesterday morning. Scarcely any business except the calling of the roll was transacted. The brief session is not indicative of an ideal situation in freight rates, for the freight men themselves say that rates are anything but firm. The reorganization made on August 25 has not been maintained.

The cut in grain rates announced by the St. Paul railroad was anticipated. According to freight men, the cut is made in the hope of improving the situation. It is believed there is no better way of getting rid of secretly reduced rates than to publish the same into effect. The cut has not been met by any of them. The St. Paul's cut extends to the eastward and to the southward, the system having terminals in Chicago and Galveston. The effect on local roads is expected to be shown within the next few days.

It is given out that Utah rates, which have been in bad shape for some time, will go back to tariff this week. No attempt has been made to fix up the situation east of here. For a time following the general orders to restore all freight rates to tariff rates to Chicago and to Mississippi river points were maintained by all lines, but the bars are down now and the local freight men see no immediate prospect of their being put up again.

CROSBY SUCCESSES HARRIS.

The Railway Age announces that F. V. Crosby has been chosen treasurer of the Union Pacific to succeed James G. Harris, resigned. The appointment was not given to the newspapers. Crosby has been acting as treasurer during the recent illness of Harris, and has had the title of assistant treasurer. His headquarters are at Boston.

RAILROAD NOTES AND PERSONALS.

The members of the Mexican band left for their native country last evening. They will occupy a station on the Rock Island's train to Fort Worth, Tex.

General Passenger Agent Lomax of the Union Pacific has returned from a trip to New York. He says the New York Central

is about the only line in the east that is pushing the exposition.

There was a conference of the western lines at Elkhorn headquarters yesterday morning to consider reduced rates to Omaha on account of Denver day at the exposition, October 20.

John H. Hart, Bassett & Pervical, A. W. Phelps & Son, Walter Peterson, Rockford & Gould and A. Rosenberry are the names of the Omaha builders who have submitted plans for the new under construction to be built in this city. There are also five bidders from Chicago, one from Denver and one from Cedar Rapids. The bids were opened in Chicago yesterday by the architects.

TERMINAL COMPANY'S MOVE.

Manager Webster Says His Company Asks the Right of Way Alone.

PROPERTY OWNERS DEMAND EXPLANATION.

Request for Right to Close Streets in the Third Ward Brings Out a Number of People Who Want to Know.

To Save Doctor's Bills Use "Garland" Stoves and Ranges.

SETTLE SOME PENDING CASES.

Judge Munger Expects to Decide Several It Has Had Under Advertisement for Some Time.

Judge Munger expects to dispose of a number of cases during the week which have been submitted to him, that he may be unencumbered by outside matters when the October term of the United States court begins at Lincoln next Monday. Many of these are of minor importance, but one is of particular interest to Omaha, being the suit brought by the city against the Pullman Palace Car company to recover costs.

The suit brought by the government to dissolve the South Omaha Live Stock exchange will not be passed upon at present, as an identical case, the one against the Kansas City exchange, has been presented to the United States supreme court, and Judge Munger will wait for that court to announce its decision, which he thinks will be when the court resumes its session next month.

In the injunction case against the managers of the Stock Yards company to prevent them from putting in force the rates established by the rate bill passed by the last legislature, all that part of the temporary restraining order issued some time ago has been set aside except such as bears upon the yardage charges. The rates for feeding now charged are in accord with the provisions of the bill, and as there seem to be kicks coming on the yardage charge, no further step at litigation in the suit are looked for.

FEDERAL BUILDING NOTES.

Peter Schwick of Rushville has been brought to Omaha to answer to the government on a charge of selling liquor to Indians.

Superintendent John Latenser of the new government building has been ordered to go to Lincoln and Beatrice to inspect the government buildings there.

The bell for the new post office building tower has been successfully raised to the ledge at the second floor of the building, and the pulleys and tackle have been put in place to raise it to its permanent position in the tower.

CHRONIC DIARRHOEA CURED.

This is to certify that I have had chronic diarrhea ever since the winter. I got so weak I could hardly walk or do anything. One bottle of Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Dysentery Remedy cured me sound and well—J. R. Gibbs, Newcastle, Va.

THE TRODERO.

The continued success of the popular Trotadero, which it is possible will be secured to none in the United States, with the brightest and best stars of the vaudeville profession. At each performance will appear: Howard and Alotta, travesty stars, a musical director, Ada, the comic diva, vocalists, Powers and Theodore, comedy sketch artists; Mr. Robert Myers, violin virtuoso; Castellan and Hall, comedy acrobatic act; Frank C. Comer, the Adonis of the swinging wile; Mile, Cheever, Lippincott, the "little Tramp," acrobatic novelties, and engagement extraordinary of Smith and Fuller, the musical inventors.

Prof. Chatelain has reopened his school for French, Spanish and German at room 301 Boyd's theater. Day and evening classes, terms, \$2 a month.

Visitors to the Exposition.

Are cordially invited to inspect the exhibition car of the Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway. The car stands just north of the Transportation building.

F. C. Johnson's cider mill, exposition grounds. Sweet cider, 5¢ a glass.

MAGNIFICENT TRAINS.

Omaha to Chicago.

The Chicago, Milwaukee & St. Paul railway has just placed in service two magnificent electric lighted trains between Omaha and Chicago, leaving Omaha daily at 5:45 p. m., arriving Chicago at 8:20 p. m. and returning at 9:15 a. m. Each train is lighted throughout by electricity, has buffet smoking cars, drawing room sleeping cars, dining cars and reclining chair cars and runs over the shortest line and smoothest road between the two cities.

Ticket office, 1504 Farnam street and at Union depot.

YOU CANNOT DO ANYTHING ELSE

If You Want to Go East except take the "Northwestern Line" if you desire a fast daylight trip between Omaha and Chicago, because no other line runs a daylight train. Leave Omaha 6:30 a. m. and arrive Chicago 8:15 same evening. Close connection with eastern lines. A good train! Emphatically YES.

City office, 1409 Farnam.

ALL PRINCIPAL WESTERN POINTS VIA UNION PACIFIC.

TWO trains daily, 4:35 p. m. and 11:55 p. m. for Denver and Colorado points.

TWO trains daily, 8:50 a. m. and 4:35 p. m. for Utah and California points.

ONE train daily, 4:35 p. m. for Oregon points.

For full information call at City Ticket office, 1302 Farnam St.

NOTE THE HALF RATE

Via the Port Arthur Route.

Kansas City and return, October 2 to 8, Pittsburgh, Pa., and return, October 7 to 16, Homestead, Pa. Excursions, October 10, 11, 12, 13 and one-third round trip to St. Louis on sale every Tuesday and Thursday until October 29. For all information call at Port Arthur Route office, 1415 Farnam street (Paxton Hotel block), or write Harry E. Moore, C. P. & T. A., Omaha, Neb.

THE ONLY RAILROAD TO CHICAGO

With a daylight train. Leave Omaha 6:40 a. m. every day, arriving Chicago at 8:15, same evening.

Connections are made with all lines beyond. This train is 50 years ahead of the times and is proving immensely popular with Omaha people. Other trains leave Omaha at 4:35 and 6:55 p. m. daily. City ticket office, 1401 Farnam St.

"The Northwestern Line."

In making mention of Midway places of amusement in Sunday morning's Bee the reporter unintentionally wrote the name of Harry Blitz as the new manager of the "Olympia," formerly the "Casino" theater. Mr. Hart, who has had under Mr. Nathan's management the "Olympia," will have a brand new dress, and with his experience as an old theatrical manager success is sure to follow.

CHEAP TICKETS TO PITTSBURG

will be on sale via Pennsylvania Short Lines for Knights Templar conclave early in October. Find out about low rates, etc., by addressing H. R. Dering, A. G. P. Agt., 248 South Clark street, Chicago.

EXCURSION BY MOONLIGHT.

Don't miss the opportunity. It lasts but a few nights. The moonlight is charming and the dancing delightful on the steamboat.

The Grand court of the Exposition is wonderfully beautiful at night. No picture of it is good as the Bee photogravure. Stop at the Bee office for one and some others. Three for ten cents.

THE BURLINGTON ROUTE

Every Tuesday and Friday . . .

The Burlington Route will sell tickets to points in Nebraska at rate of ONE FARE for the round trip from Omaha.

Minimum rate, \$3. Tickets good to return any time within 10 days. Stopovers allowed on going trip.

TICKET OFFICE:

1502 Farnam St.

Telephone 250.

New Depot:

10th & Mason Sts.

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