

### CREIGHTON TELLS OF ALTOONA STRIKE

Pennsylvania General Superintendent Disputes Statements Made by Mayor S. H. Hoyer.

### SAYS MOBS FILLED THE STREETS

WASHINGTON, May 7.—The Federal Industrial Relations commission today continued its examination of witnesses as to labor conditions on the Pennsylvania railroad, when G. W. Creighton, general superintendent of that road at Altoona, Pa., resumed the stand. He testified in answer to statements made before the commission yesterday by Samuel H. Hoyer, former mayor of Altoona, in connection with the strike in the Pennsylvania shops there in 1911.

Replying to the testimony given by Hoyer, Mr. Creighton disputed other testimony that the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen urged organization of the Altoona shopmen.

"Throughout the trouble," said Mr. Creighton, "it was absolutely necessary that we know in advance what the labor leaders were going to do and our police were used to this end."

"Incident to failure to get proper protection from the city we had to appeal to the county and from the county we got fifty detectives. Our plants and yards constantly were invaded. Strikers threw missiles at our trainmen and there was actual violence almost constantly."

### Assault Upon Gallagher.

Creighton, referring to Hoyer's testimony on an assault by Constable Luther upon Gallagher, a labor organizer, declared the attack had nothing to do with the strike. Luther, he said, attacked Gallagher because Mrs. Luther said he had insulted her.

"Did you know that Gallagher died shortly after that assault?" asked Commissioner O'Connell.

"I did not," "Well, he did. If the Pennsylvania company was not interested in that case why did the master mechanic of your shop go to the mayor to appeal for Luther, stating that the judge, district attorney and everybody but the mayor had been fixed?"

"I called Mr. Redding (the master mechanic) on the long distance last night," said Creighton, "and he declared that he never said anything of the kind to Hoyer. I think the mayor's use of the word 'fixed' was an unfortunate one. I don't think he meant it just that way."

Chairman Walsh asked Creighton to get an affidavit from Redding.

At the time of the Altoona strike Creighton said arms were secured from the purchasing agent at Philadelphia, who kept revolvers on hand in times of peace.

"Ordinary policemen's clubs are turned out in our factories whenever there is trouble," said he.

"The questioning turned to conditions in Altoona. Mr. Creighton said there was 'no trouble there until these organizers tried to stir up trouble in order to win a strike at Pittsfield.'"

Commissioner Ashton asked Creighton about Mayor Hoyer's charge that he was trying to incite trouble in urging him to arrest strikers.

"The streets were filled with threatening mobs and I thought we ought to get action from him," said Creighton. "It was clearly a case of his failure to appreciate the danger of an uprising."

Question by Mrs. Harriman. Mrs. J. Borden Harriman asked Mr. Creighton if the Pennsylvania officials tried to confer with the labor organizers at Altoona.

"Certainly not," said Creighton. "They were intruders who came to Altoona to stir up trouble because of failure to win a strike on the western division. We did not deem it our duty to consult with men of this character, whose business in our community was to disturb our peace."

"Did you ever try to convince the labor leaders that they were in the wrong?" Mrs. Harriman asked. "How did you know they would not reason with you if you never talked with them?"

"There was absolutely no reason to talk with them."

Commissioner Lennon asked what the Pennsylvania would do if he should go to Altoona to organize workmen. Creighton replied:

"We would do all we could to prevent organization of unions to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor or any organization which would subject us to sympathetic strikes or the closed shop."

### BOSTON SYMPHONY GOES THROUGH HERE TUESDAY

Enroute from the Atlantic to the Pacific coast without making a stop, the Boston Symphony orchestra of 125 people will pass through Omaha at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning over the Northwestern-Union Pacific, traveling on a special train of sleeping cars. The musical organization is going to the San Francisco exposition to fill an engagement of two weeks.

### BELLEVUE Y. M. C. A. GIVES DINNER FOR STUDENTS

The Bellevue college Young Men's Christian association gave a supper Thursday night for the benefit of their organization. The college dining room was turned into a restaurant operated by a skillful corps of waiters, directed by Paul Ohman, as head waiter. The tables were decorated with flowers and a piano was installed, at which Carleton Yoder furnished music.

### Y. M. C. A. BOYS WILL JOIN ORNITHOLOGISTS IN HUNT

Fifteen or twenty boys of the Young Men's Christian association are planning to accompany members of the Nebraska Ornithologists' union to Child's Point early this morning to study birds in the native woods there. The union's principal meeting was held this evening at the public library, where interesting talks will be given on bird life and the public will be admitted free.

### UMPIRE GEISEL NICKED FOR HIS ROLL AT TOPEKA

There is no doubt about it now that Tip O'Neil hires hick umpires. Geisel, who has been helping Parent call 'em on the athletes in the Western, was watching a fire in Topeka the other night and while he was doing so a "mol buzzer" nicked him for his roll. Geisel was left with just 20 cents to exist on until the next pay day.

### Police Inspection to Be Held May 20

Thursday, May 20, has been set for the annual inspection of police officers. All the men of the force will be arrayed on that day in new helmets, white vests and gloves and carefully brushed uniforms for the judgment of their superior officers. Drill for the inspection has started, under the supervision of Police Sergeant Ferris.

### INSANE PATIENT LEAPS FROM HOSPITAL WINDOW

Mrs. Maggie Ely, insane patient at the county hospital, jumped from a second-story window of the county hospital. She fell on her back on the ground, but was uninjured and immediately regained her feet and attempted to escape.

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