

RAIL EMPLOYEES DEFEND DEMANDS

Brotherhood Officials Deny that Eight-Hour Proposition is Not in Good Faith.

OVERTIME DUE TO OVERLOADS

CLEVELAND, O., Feb. 9.—The first official statement on the impending controversy between railroads of the country and their train crews over working hours, was issued here tonight. It was signed by W. S. Stone, grand chief engineer of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers; W. S. Carter, president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers; L. E. Sheppard, acting president of the Order of Railway Conductors, and W. G. Lee, president of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen. The organizations claim to represent approximately 400,000 employes on 228 lines of railroad.

The statement was headed "Why the Eight Hour Day," and was in the nature of a reply to a statement issued February 1 by the executive committee of the Association of Western Railways. The brotherhood's statement said in part:

"The eight-hour day movement is based wholly upon the justice of a work day of reasonable hours, that will permit the men further to separate the deadline between work and wages. The railroads say in effect that men who have put in a few years of railroad service have worked themselves out and will not be accepted if they lose their positions. If men are worked out in a few years under present service conditions, the demand to extend their wage-earning years is fully justified.

Overtime Due to Overload.
"Overtime in road service is due almost wholly to the practice of railroads overloading trains so that they can not make their mileage within their time limits. The railroads are doing this for profit; they do not deny it, and if they propose to demand extra service at the sacrifice of the health and future earning ability of the men they should pay extra for it. The payment of overtime applies with particular force to yards, where the companies can regulate their work so that no overtime need be made."

The statement denied that "the men are not sincere in their demand for the shorter work day" or that they "want a wage increase rather than a time decrease." It also argued that any incentive to delay railroad work so as to obtain overtime payment would be impossible, pointing out that discipline is administered by the roads.

Rates of pay in the eastern territory were quoted at length to illustrate wage conditions, the statement saying in part:

"The pay of train service employes, other than passenger, is based on 100 miles or less, ten hours or less. In the eastern territory, for instance, the brakeman will receive the magnificent sum of \$2.67 for regular freight train service, out of which he must maintain his family at home and take care of himself at the other end of the run. The 100-mile trip is what represents one day's work, and means that at its expiration the man must lay away from home until he is dead-headed back or returned with a train. The conductors receive approximately one-third more than the brakeman. Wages are a trifle higher in the southern and western territories.

"Forty-five per cent of the earnings of the railway companies are paid in wages," affords the opportunity to show the sum total of wages paid. What interests the railroad employes is not the bulk sum paid to all of the railway employes, but the individual amount that goes to each man.

"That there is not so much justification for the contention of the railroads that the eight-hour day is impossible is proven by the fact that at present there are seven roads in the southeastern and one in the western territory that pay overtime on an eleven miles per hour basis. Six roads in the southern and two in the western territory pay overtime on a twelve-mile per hour basis. Eight in the southeastern and five in the western territory pay overtime on a twelve and one-half miles an hour basis. There is only one road in the United States of which we have knowledge that works more than the ten-hour work day."

Not Based on Peak Earnings.
The statement denied that the present demand "is based on peak earnings of the railroads, due to the present boom in business." It said further that the fact that roads in the hands of receivers had not cut wages should not be credited to the companies as situated, but to the courts which have forbidden reductions. Whether the controversy is to lead to a strike was pronounced a "question that at this time is not a part of the discussion." The organizations "are not opposed to arbitration, neither are they pledged to accept it," said the statement, which added:

"The railroad organizations are practically pledged to peace, but that does not mean peace at any price. It means peace with honor and not peace at the sacrifice of justice.

No Grievance with Public.
The organizations do not desire to take issue with the public; they have no disposition to take undue advantage of it in any sense; they accept every public responsibility. They challenge even the inference that they have not always been fair to the public, and they ask only from the public that which the public holds fast as its absolute right, namely, the liberty to make its own terms of service so far as it has the power.

"It is true that in the past arbitrations the men were disappointed and to some extent lost faith in that method of adjustment of differences; but there is neither warrant nor authority for saying that arbitration will or will not be accepted. Circumstances will determine the position of the men when the need arises and they will then decide what shall be done."

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JUDGES READY TO PICK ODE

(From a Staff Correspondent.)
LINCOLN, Feb. 9.—(Special.)—Tomorrow evening Governor Morehead will hold a conversation with the president of the National Board of Commercial Clubs at Washington.

The conversation will be held in the private offices of the executive, where a telephone will be installed especially for the occasion and it is expected that a few may be invited in to listen to the conversation.

Judges to Select Ode.
State Superintendent Thomas has selected the committee which will have charge of the selection of the ode to Nebraska on which there is a contest. Quite a number of contributors have sent in their versified productions and it will be up to the committee to make the selection.

The committee will consist of Dr. L. A. Sherman of the University of Nebraska, Dr. W. E. Nichol of Bellevue college and Miss Mary Crawford of the Kearney Normal.

After the selection has been made another contest will be held, in which composers will be given a chance to earn \$100 by setting the words of the chosen poem to music.

Coffey Elected to Office.
Frank M. Coffey, state labor commissioner, who is attending a meeting of the labor commissioners of western states in Kansas City, has been elected vice president of the National Farm Labor exchange.

Wells Fargo Pays Tax.
Attorney General Reed received this morning a check from the Wells-Fargo Express company for \$10,638, being the amount of the corporation tax due the state, which has been in litigation. The check will be turned over to the state treasurer.

Scherzinger for Legislature.
Word comes to Lincoln that F. A. Scherzinger of Nelson, who for more than thirty years has published the Nelson Gazette, may try to break into the Nebraska legislature and file for representation from Nickolls county. Mr. Scherzinger has been interested in the raising of fine blooded stock for some years as a side issue to his newspaper business and he has been identified with the state fair along stock showing lines. He would like to add a little legislative experience to his other diversified experiences.

Maher Files Protest.
John G. Maher, president of the Old Line Insurance company, has filed a protest with the State Insurance board against licensing Ted Anthony and Perry Anthony of Lincoln as agents of a rival company. The Anthony boys have been with the Maher company ever since its

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organization and have done effective work in building up the company. President Maher makes the charge that they have been guilty of violating the insurance code of the state and have been guilty of prohibited practices. On the other hand, the Anthony charge that Colonel Maher has been guilty of breaking contracts with agents.

Horton Files for Senate.
Virgil L. Horton of Stanton has filed for the republican nomination for the state senate from the Tenth district, composed of the counties of Madison, Stanton and Colfax, represented in the last session by John R. Henry of Howells, a democrat. Dr. Willis Wilson of Frontier county has accepted the filing made for him about a month ago and will be a candidate for renomination for the senate on the democratic ticket.

Another for Raft Job.
The job of railway commissioner appears to look good to the democrats and today another filed for the job. Edward Hughson of McCook looks with longing eyes on Henry Clarke's job. This makes three candidates for the place with Fire Commissioner Ridgell and Victor Wilson of Stromsburg.

Two Marriage Licenses.
Marriage licenses were issued yesterday to Frank F. Kobbert of Council Bluffs, aged 26, and Maude C. Lewis of the same city, aged 19; also to Harold P. Simpson of Benson, aged 22, and Lillian Howard of Exeter, aged 15.

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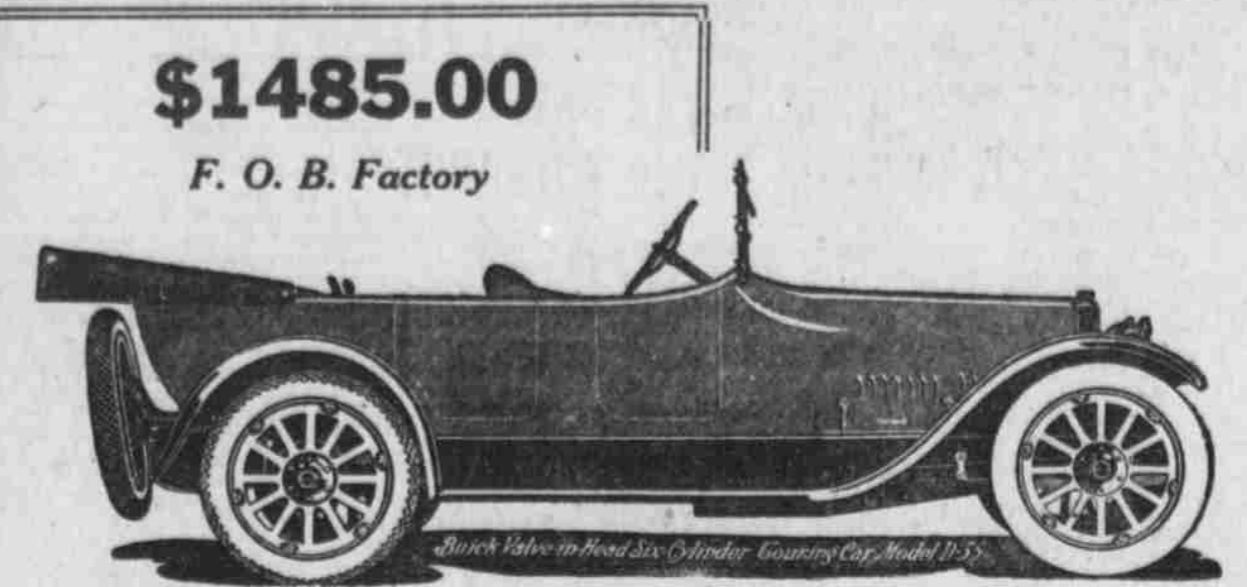
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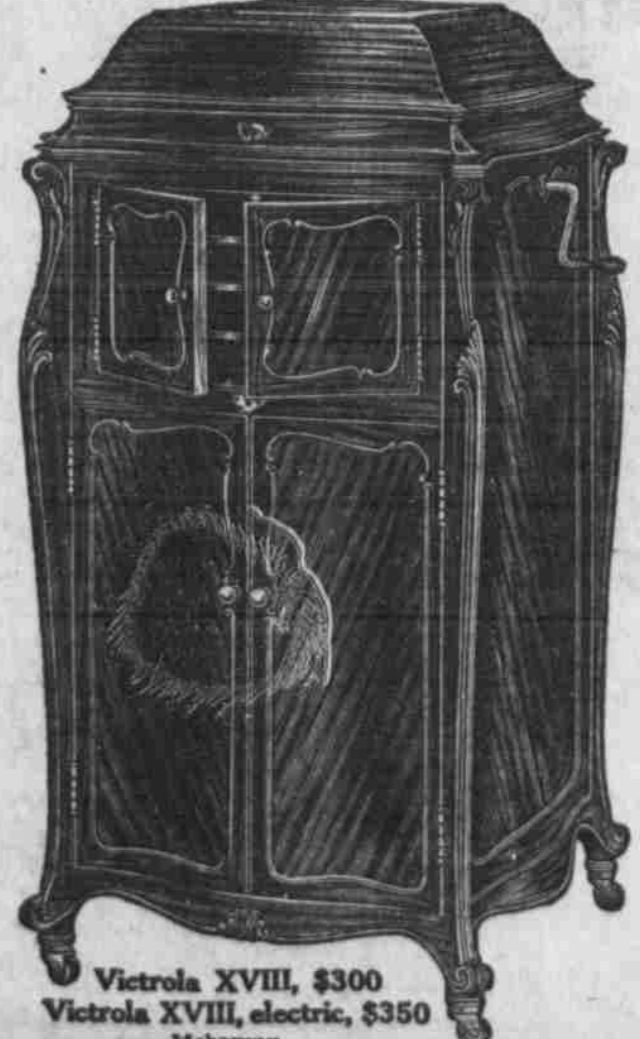
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