

Railroad Unions Decide to Reject All Cuts in Wages

Workers on Eastern Lines Will Take Case Before Labor Board if Reductions Are Made.

By The Associated Press. New York, March 16.—Railroad workers in the east have decided to reject all proposals of wage reductions and carry their fight to the railroad labor board, if the cuts are put into effect.

Representatives of the workers who have been conferring here, it was learned tonight, take the position that the present wage standard must be maintained and economic conditions will not permit reduction.

The workers' position was officially made known today when representatives of the unskilled men notified the New York Central that they refused to consider proposed wage cuts of from 17-1/2 to 21 per cent.

Representatives of the skilled workers of the New York Central, except those in the "Big Four" brotherhood, it was learned, have also decided to reject proposed wage cuts.

After receiving proposals for wage reductions for unskilled labor ranging from 7 to 13 1/2 cents per hour, effective April 16, from the Delaware, Lackawanna and Western railroad, labor representatives in conference here, it was learned, practically decided to reject this offer.

Union leaders declared that if the New York Central put the decreases into effect April 1, without first getting permission from the labor board it would be a violation of the transportation act. Railroad officials said that the board would be required immediately to authorize the reductions.

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Crime Wave Sweeps City; Robbers and Thugs Run Wild

Highwaymen and burglars broke loose in Omaha Tuesday night and staged a small carnival of crime.

Gems worth \$5,000 were stolen from the home of Mrs. J. Bernstein, 1044 North Twenty-fourth street, by burglars who ransacked the house during the absence of the family to the early evening. At this home six diamond rings, a diamond lavalliere and a woman's gold watch made up the loot.

Even the Fontenelle hotel was hit during the little crime wave, reporting to the police a red-wheeled hand car was stolen from the hotel.

Jack Hansen, 3102 North Twenty-fourth street, reported that while he was on his way to work at the Schmidt pharmacy, Fourteenth and Harney streets, where he is employed, two masked highwaymen stopped the taxicab in which he was riding and held him up, robbing him of \$20.

Man and Woman Holdups. The holdup was staged at 1:45 a. m.

Two Tickets Named By Columbus Voters. Columbus, Neb., March 16.—(Special.)—The democrats nominated the following ticket for the spring election:

C. J. Garrig, mayor; William Becker, city clerk; W. A. Boettcher, treasurer; P. J. Caffery, water commissioner; councilmen, Jacob Louis, William Kurt, R. M. Campbell, Fred Davis and George Winslow; board of education, Otto Kummer and C. V. Campbell.

A mass convention was held at the close of the convention and endorsed the republican candidates.

Marrying Parson Gets Business From Out-State. Rev. Charles W. Savidge spent a busy day yesterday marrying couples from out in the state. Three Nebraska couples and one from Iowa were married during the afternoon. They were: Miss Effie Devall and Harold Hansen of Herman, Neb.; Miss Florence York of Wayne and Ed R. Kinney of Wakefield, Neb.; Miss Louise Hansen and Emil Jungblut of Snyder, Neb., and Miss Katie McKimney and Murlin D. Bright of Shenandoah, Ia.

Norfolk Democrats Endorse Bulk of Republican Ticket. Norfolk, Neb., March 16.—(Special Telegram.)—The republican and democratic parties have filled their tickets for the spring election. John Friday, former mayor, is the democratic nominee. A. W. Breyer has been nominated by the republicans. Indications are that the old republican guard has joined with democrats to elect Friday. The democrats at their convention endorsed all of the republican candidates with the exception of Breyer.

Minden School Teacher Killed in Auto Accident. Minden, Neb., March 16.—(Special.)—Miss Lillie Jensen, teacher of School District No. 14 of this county, was killed in an auto accident as she was on her way to school. She is the daughter of Mans Jensen. She was driving to school in company with her younger brother when the car struck a rut and overturned, crushing her beneath it. The boy was not seriously injured.

Retired Farmer at Scotia Kills Self With Shotgun. Scotia, Neb., March 16.—(Special Telegram.)—Morgan L. Krebs, a wealthy farmer, committed suicide at his home here by shooting himself with a shotgun. The charge entered the left side, penetrating the heart. Mr. Krebs has been in failing health for some time and had grown despondent. He is survived by his wife and 11 children, most of whom are grown.

Ashton Man Held on Charge Of Selling Mortgaged Goods. Loup City, Neb., March 16.—(Special.)—Paul Rein of Ashton was arrested on a charge of having sold mortgaged property. It is alleged that he mortgaged a large amount of property to the Bank of Ashton and then sold a part of it and failed to turn the proceeds over to the bank. In county court he waived preliminary hearing and was bound over to the district court.

Reform Forces at Edgar Will Put Ticket in Field. Edgar, Neb., March 16.—(Special.)—Reform forces here met and selected a complete city ticket for whom petitions will be circulated for the coming election. The reform ticket is composed of F. A. Westering, mayor; J. M. Montgomery, clerk; F. A. Voorhes, Mrs. Will Breckenridge, H. T. Taylor.

Swedish Mission Pastors Hold Meeting at Gothenburg. Gothenburg, Neb., March 16.—(Special.)—The following officers were elected by the ministers of the Swedish Mission church at their conference here: Rev. H. E. Sundberg, Gothenburg, chairman; Rev. N. J. Andree, Center, vice chairman; Rev. Ernest Johnson, Newman Grove, secretary; Rev. Irvin Johnson, Holdredge, assistant secretary, and Rev. Nels Peterson, Sumner, treasurer.

Good Government Councils At Ord Nominate Ticket. Ord, Neb., March 16.—(Special.)—The following ticket for the spring election was nominated at the Good Government caucus: A. M. Daniels, Mayor; Emil Fafetta, clerk; Nels Johnson, C. S. Watson, Julius Bartos, councilmen; George A. Parkins, park board; Charles Nelson, engineer; C. S. Jones, B. M. Hardenbrook, Royal C. Bailey, Mrs. S. J. W. Brown, school board.

Barbers' Strike Ended. Youngstown, O., March 16.—A four-day strike of union barbers was ended today, when the men voted to agree to the reduction of the price of haircutting from 75 to 50 cents.

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Mother and Son Are Arrested in Murder Mystery

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Plot to Defraud Insurance Companies Is Seen in Slaying of 'Double' of Boy Held.

Warsaw, Ind., March 16.—Developments at a coroner's inquest held last night and investigations by detectives in the case of the youth found fatally injured on a railroad crossing near here Saturday, resulted in the arrests of Mrs. Lydia Decker and her son, Virgil Decker. The body of the youth was identified as that of Leroy Lovett of Elkhart, Ind., and following the inquest a verdict that Lovett had been murdered by an unknown person was returned.

Mrs. Decker's arrest followed her repudiation of the identification of the body, which she and several others of her family had steadfastly maintained was that of her son, Virgil. She admitted the body was that of Lovett, whom she said she knew well. The two youths were called doubles because of their physical likeness.

Virgil Decker, who it is said was last seen with Lovett, was arrested in Marion, Ind., last night. Virgil Decker was known to have been insured for \$19,000, some of the policies containing clauses providing for double indemnity in event of accidental death, bringing the policies to \$24,000, payable to his brother Fred.

Investigation has indicated that the Lovett boy was murdered, and that the body was placed on the track in an attempt to cover up the crime.

Officer Flanagan said a member of the Eldridge family told him he mistook the officers for burglars and fired three black cartridges to frighten them. Two highwaymen-leaped on the running board of the automobile of E. B. Taylor, 907 North Fifth street, at Thirty-seventh and Franklin streets, he reported, struck him over the head, forced him out of the car and robbed him of \$30, watch and diamond ring which he said was worth \$2,000. Then they cut the ignition wires on his car and fled.

While Officers Lickert and Flanagan were dodging what they thought were bullets out in Fairacres W. H. Holmes, Sanford hotel, and A. C. Parker, 157 Drake court, dashed into Central police station and told and robbed by two highwaymen at Captain Vanous on being held up Seventieth and Dodge streets.

The handit car, chased Tuesday night by detectives in a wild flight through the city, was found Friday by Detectives Graham and Franks.

Police are positive it is the machine used in the crime wave last night. The car was found abandoned at Nineteenth and Leavenworth streets.

The car belongs to Mrs. J. H. Hansen, 722 South Thirty-seventh street, and was stolen from in front of her home early in the evening.

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Senate Passes Twelve Measures And Kills One

Lincoln, March 16.—(Special.)—The senate Wednesday spent most of its time grinding out bills on third reading. Twelve went through on final passage and one was killed.

S. F. 309, a bill making cities and villages liable for defaults or delinquencies arising in special assessments, went down under an attack headed by Senator Hoagland. Alter Robbins had explained the measure; more detail, Hoagland changed his vote but that did not head off the avalanche. The vote stood 13 for and 17 against.

These bills passed: H. R. 330—Prescribes manner of fixing survey corners. S. F. 334—Provides for compensation of highway commissioners in counties under 50,000 population to be fixed by the county board.

Film Measure. S. F. 349—Requires film companies to name fiscal agent in state, who shall give bond. S. F. 189—Provides for state park board.

H. R. 73—Provides in case of vacancy in office of United States senator or congressman, governor shall appoint one of the same political party as previous incumbent. H. R. 164—Raises interest rate on \$5,000,000 Omaha school bonds from 5 to 6 per cent. H. R. 371—Relating to contracts for drainage districts. H. R. 310—Provides annual meeting of State Poultry association shall be the second Tuesday in January.

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H. R. 261—County boards of health in conformity with provisions of code law. H. R. 60—Bonds issued by cities of metropolitan class shall be registered with city comptroller instead of state auditor. Compels only to Omaha. H. R. 386—Fixes standard of linseed oil, 25 to 3.

H. R. 70—The county judge's salaries bill and H. R. 182, providing for the election of mayor in cities of from 1,000 to 5,000 population every two years instead of annually as at present, were reported out of the committee for general file. H. R. 286—Provides that cities of the second class may employ efficiency experts, was reported for indefinite postponement, a similar bill having been passed by the senate.

Community Club at Ord Organizes Retailers. Ord, Neb., March 16.—(Special.)—The Ord Community club through its retailers' committee had effected a retailers' association that will relieve the club from handling in a general way those affairs which apply more directly to the merchants of the city. One of their first jobs will be another bargain day, which will be staged in the near future. Plans are on foot for a Style show—to be given during Easter week.

Father of 11 Children Kills Self by Hanging. Sioux City, March 16.—B. L. Moore, 56, father of 11 children, committed suicide by hanging himself in the attic of his home in South Sioux City, Neb., last night. Domestic troubles, coupled with approaching blindness, were said by members of the family to have been the motive.

"Price" Agreed On in Stillman Divorce Action

From \$5,000 to \$10,000 Monthly Alimony Rumored As Settlement in Case of New York Banker.

By A STAFF CORRESPONDENT Chicago Tribune-Omaha Bee Leased Wire. White Plains, N. Y., March 16.—It took three minutes Tuesday in the court house here, to decide a detail in this, the first public hearing in the Stillman suit against Mrs. (Fifi) Stillman. It was a detail about a price, this hearing—the price Mr. Stillman, multimillionaire, must pay his wife pending the court's decree in a case involving her alleged romance in the Canadian wilds with a half-breed Indian guide.

Five thousand to \$10,000 a month are the figures whispered about, the attorneys on both sides having agreed, judging from the brief legal maneuver in court Tuesday on a "price." It was learned that the attorneys of both sides reached an agreement on the alimony amount just before this meeting. Mrs. Stillman's counsel was prepared to fight out the issue in court, and use the alimony feature as a lever to pry into the financial standing of Mr. Stillman, as president of the National City bank, his social activities and the rest.

York Man Gored by Bull Not Expected to Recover. York, Neb., March 16.—Physicians said today they had little hope for the recovery of Raymond Dixon, injured late Tuesday when gored by a bull while attempting to load the animal into a stock car.

Thompson, Belden & Co. Easter Gloves from France. We have chosen Trefousse as representative of the finest imported kid gloves. They will add a final touch of distinction to springtime and Easter costumes. One and two clasp P. K. styles with heavy contrasting embroideries are offered in brown, gray, navy, black and white for \$3.75 and \$5.50 a pair.

Emerson Records. Don't wait for her to call up—take some Emersons home tonight. "Hello—Dearie!" "All right—Wife!" "Hello—Pet!" "Very glad to do it!" "Just a little favor—" "Thanks, Dear, awfully—" "What-you-want-me-get?" "Honey—Baby knew it!" "Folks drop in for dinner—" "Goodbye—Wife!" "Maybe dance a bit;" "Come home early—" "Bring-a-couple Emersons—" "Please don't forget." "Something NEW—a HIT!" "Course not, girlie!"

Supply Your Needs by Using Bee Want Ads—Best Results. The subject at tonight's PSYCHOLOGY Lecture by BIRCH F. RHODUS. Assisted by his daughter at JACOBS HALL, 1716 Dodge St. "The Influence of the Mind on the Body". Subject Friday Night—"How to Double Your Efficiency". Begins at 8 o'clock—No Admission Charge—Voluntary Contribution—Everybody Cordially Welcome.

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