

Omaha Railroad Chiefs Rejoice In Wage Ruling

Decision of Rail Labor Board Expected to Aid in Amicable Solution of Reduction Problems.

Officials of two of Omaha's principal railroads, the Burlington and the Union Pacific, are rejoicing at the decision of the railroad labor board to revise downward wages of unskilled rail workers and hold hearings June 6 on proposals by roads to decrease wages of other classes of employes.

The two roads are in entirely different positions on the wage reduction problem, but officials of both predict the board's decision will aid in an amicable solution.

The Burlington has met with all classes of its employes and utterly failed to negotiate any decreases. It has now submitted all wage decrease questions to the labor board, and is devoting its attention to revising working rules effective under the national agreement.

The Union Pacific, on the other hand, has been meeting during the past few weeks with employes on the working rule question, and only Monday announced that hearings May 23 it would meet with all classes of employes to discuss wage reductions.

Union Pacific officials announced definitely yesterday that no agreements on working rules had been entirely completed, but declared that much progress had been made. They also said the wage reduction meetings with all classes of workers would start as announced, despite the labor board's decision.

When the Burlington called meetings to discuss wage decreases in Chicago it opposed no definite schedule of decreases. The Union Pacific is following this policy, and according to officials has worked out no definite policy on wage decreases.

Thus far the Union Pacific has met shop craft employes, clerks and signal men on revision of working rules. It is understood that agreement has practically been completed with the clerks.

In Chicago the Burlington yesterday met with signal men on rules. It has met with unskilled employes, and progress is reported. Officials of both roads say every effort will be made to arrive at understandings on new rules before July 1, when national agreements will be abrogated by the labor board.

Issues involved in the revision of rules are numerous, and include overtime questions and classifications. Burlington officials here say the rule making it impossible for a man in one class to perform any other work is one of the most objectionable rules under the national agreement.

Recognize 8-Hour Day. "We are recognizing the principal of the eight-hour day in our negotiations on rules," said C. L. Gray, assistant to General Manager W. F. Thielhof of the Burlington. "We believe, however, that the men should be paid pro rata for the ninth and tenth hours of work, and after the 10th hour time and a half. This applies particularly to unskilled employes, as mechanics, even when the national agreement was paid overtime after eight hours' work."

"On the other hand, some classes, section laborers, for example, never got punitive overtime until government control. This class probably will continue to get overtime under the revision, as did during the existence of the national agreement."

For the first time today Burlington officials revealed the fact that Omaha was the city on which a strenuous fight over living costs was waged during the unsuccessful negotiations in Chicago for wage decreases. The city's living costs were made specific mention of in Omaha, and especially of rents here, in efforts to prove the cost of living had not been reduced.

In Line With C. of C. Announced intention of the Union Pacific railroad to negotiate wage reductions of all classes of employes, and past efforts of the Burlington railroad to reach an agreement with employes on reductions is directly in line with a resolution passed by the executive committee of the Chamber of Commerce and forwarded to all Omaha railroads, it became known today.

The resolution, which was passed several weeks ago, declares that burdensome freight rates and passenger fares are "due largely to the enormously increased operating expenses of carriers, caused by high costs of labor and materials, which cannot be relieved until the present schedule of wages and working conditions under which the railroads are compelled to operate are revised and readjusted to a reasonable and efficient basis."

Urges Economy. The resolution urges that "such measures of economy and retrenchment in the operation of railroads as will enable them to make early and general reductions in their rates and charges for the revival and restoration of production, trade and commerce to normal" be made.

J. David Larson, commissioner, said the resolution reflected not only the Omaha organization's attitude, but the attitude of the United States Chamber of Commerce.

To Be Honored on 100th Birthday Tomorrow



Anna Rapp

Aurora, Neb., May 18.—(Special.)—Mrs. Anna Rapp will be 100 years old tomorrow.

Open house will be held at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Peterson, with whom she makes her home, by the Ladies' Aid society of the Swedish Mission church, of which she is a member.

Mrs. Rapp joins the ranks of Nebraska's centenarians with a clear mind and strong body, and is able to do about the house part of each day, conversing with friends on subjects of interest.

Four years ago the Omaha dentists, without solicitation, inaugurated the free dental dispensary for school children. The work was financed entirely by the Omaha dentists.

Children whose parents were not able to pay one cent received treatment at the hands of the most eminent dentists in the city. One dentist was employed full time and members of the Dentists' association each devoted one-half day per month to the work. In this way five dentists were in use.

For three years the Omaha dentists continued this work, treating from 4,000 to 5,000 children annually. Then, having demonstrated the necessity of a dispensary of this nature, the dentists offered the institution, together with all equipment and instruments, to the Omaha Board of Education, which accepted the dispensary and placed it under the nursing department of the public schools, where it is at present.

Dr. Wallace Secombe of Toronto, Canada, professor of preventive surgery, Royal College of Dental Surgeons of Toronto, who lectured in Omaha Tuesday night before the Nebraska state convention of the Nebraska State Dental society, attended the morning clinics of the convention in the Auditorium.

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Present Two Plays. Minden, Neb., May 18.—(Special.)—The senior class of Minden High school on two class plays this year, "Miss Fearless and Company," and "What Happened to Jones."

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3,500 Children Get Teeth Fixed at Free Dispensary

Report Made to Nebraska State Dental Society Shows Work Accomplished in Year for Needy.

The Omaha Free Dental Dispensary for Children came in for consideration yesterday at the noon meeting of the executive council of the Nebraska State Dental society.

"In the last year more than 3,500 Omaha children who were not able financially to pay for dental treatment were given free service," reported the report made by Miss Charlotte Townsend, in charge of the dispensary.

Real Treatment Given. "The Omaha dispensary is one of the very few in the entire country where real treatment is given. In most other cities where a dental dispensary is maintained, only extraction and cleaning of teeth are done. But in the Omaha dispensary actual dental service needed by the children is performed without cost. The force at the dispensary includes one dentist, full time; one dental assistant and the secretary."

"One of the main features of the dispensary is that the children are taught the care of the teeth and the importance of keeping the mouth clean."

Two Women Hurt as Stand at Ivy Day Celebration Collapses Lincoln, May 18.—Two women spectators were slightly injured here this morning when a reviewing stand collapsed at the University of Nebraska during the annual Ivy day celebration. Upwards of a score of persons went down with the bleachers.

Minden Graduating Class Hears Baccalaureate Sermon Minden, Neb., May 18.—(Special.)—The baccalaureate address to the graduating class of Minden High school was delivered by Rev. M. B. Carman, formerly pastor of the Methodist Episcopal church of Minden. He spoke on "Seed Time and Harvest."

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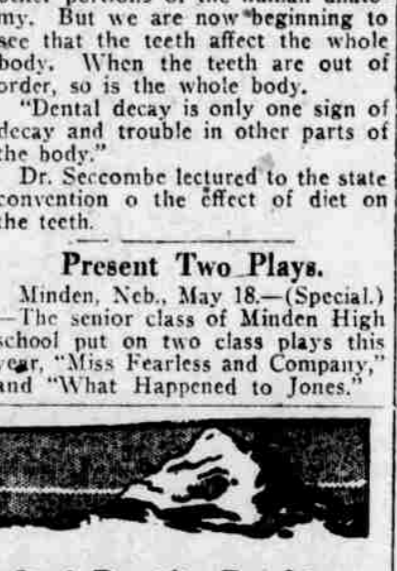
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