

ROADS STAND BY LOYAL EMPLOYEES

Tell President Harding Old and New Men Must Be Protected in Strike Settlement.

NOT A MATTER OF CHOICE

Faithful Employees Have Both Legal and Moral Rights to Seniority and Other Benefits.

New York.—The keynote of the reply made by railway executives representing more than 180 class 1 railroads of the United States to the proposition of President Harding, that "all strikers be returned to their work and their former positions with seniority and other rights unimpaired," lies in the last paragraph from their reply to the President as follows:

"It is submitted that the striking former employees cannot be given preference to employees at present in the service without doing violence to every principle of right and justice involved in this matter, and without the grossest breach of faith on the part of the railroads to the men at present in their service."

"Under these circumstances, it becomes apparent that the railroads cannot consider any settlement of the present strike which does not provide protection in their present employment both to the loyal employees who remained in the service and to the new employees entering it."

The executives had accepted the first two conditions proposed by the President, namely, that both employers and employees accept the decisions of the labor board, and that all lawsuits growing out of the strike be withdrawn; and in relation to the third condition spoke not only as quoted above, but also as follows:

Agree With Harding.

"The railroad executives and managers agree entirely with the President's statement in his letter that 'it is wholly unthinkable that the railroad labor board can be made a useful agency of the government in maintaining industrial peace in the railway service unless employers and workers are both prompt and unquestioning in their acceptance of its decision.'"

"Many men in the service refused to join the strike and in so doing were assured of the seniority rights accruing to them and of the permanence of their positions. On some important lines 50 per cent or more refused to join the strike. To these old loyal employees have been added thousands of new men who were employed and could be secured only upon a definite promise that their services would be retained regardless of the settlement of the strike, with all the rights appertaining to such employment, including that of seniority under the working rules and regulations previously approved by the railroad labor board."

"We especially point out that a refusal to the old men who remained in the service and to the new men who accepted service of the rights of seniority incident to their employment would have the opposite effect to that desired by the President, and would most seriously discredit the labor board."

"The board itself prescribed the rules of seniority under which the men referred to have secured their seniority rights, and the railroad companies have neither the legal nor moral right to deprive these men of those rights. By public utterances since the strike began the board has recognized and emphasized these rights, and to deny them now would, instead of upholding the authority of the labor board, overthrow its rules and discredit its authority."

"The chairman of the labor board at the time the strike was called made the following public statement:

"Upon one question the striking employees should not be deceived. Their leader has said that the strikers are no longer employees of the railroads and they have thus automatically abandoned all the rights they possess under their agreements and under the decisions of the board, including their seniority. This is not the board's action. It is their own."

"Many carriers are giving their former employees the opportunity to re-enter the service within a limited time. It must be understood now that men who remained in the service and those who are now entering it will have rights of seniority that the board could not ignore."

What the Proposed Plan Means.

"It must be understood that any proposal that employees now on strike shall be permitted to return to the service, without impairment of their seniority, is merely another way of suggesting that those men who took employment in this crisis in good faith, relying on the promises of the railroads to protect them in their positions, these promises being justified by the authoritative utterances of the labor board and thus have made possible the continued operation of the railroads, shall now be sacrificed in favor of men now on strike, who not only brought about the crisis, but, by their own action and declaration, are no longer employees of the railroads, under the jurisdiction of the United States railroad labor board, or subject to the application of the transportation act."

"In addition to the necessity of upholding the labor board, and maintaining the pledges made by the railroads to the men now at work, there is the practical effect on the supervisory officers of a violation of the pledges they were authorized to make. Their discouragement and demoralization would be far more disastrous than this or any other strike."

LOCAL NINE WINS FROM MONT CLARE TEAM LAST SUNDAY

Final Score 12 to 11—Team Journeys to La Grange for Contest Next Sunday.

In a game marked by much hitting, wild base running and see-saw score the locals won from the Mont Clares of Chicago in what probably will be the last baseball game on the so-called North Side Field.

The final score was 12 to 11; Downers coming from behind and winning the game in the ninth inning. The Mont Clares ended their half of the eighth with the score 11 to 7 in their favor. Clouting out two runs in their half of this frame, blanking the visitors in the first of the final spasm and making three tallies for themselves, the locals saved themselves defeat.

Curtiss pitched the first four innings and retired to give way for Herb Ehninger who finished the game. He probably will pitch the game at LaGrange next Sunday when the locals journey there.

Indications are that the balance of the games this season will be played out of town because of the lack of a local diamond. The ground on which

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NOTICE

Village of Downers Grove, Illinois, grading roadways and parkways, and paving North Washington Street, from the north line of Warren Avenue to the south line of East Chicago Avenue; Rogers Street, from the east line of Highland Avenue to the west line of Elm Street; East Franklin Street from the east line of Highland Avenue, to the west line of North Washington Street; East Prairie Avenue from the east line of Highland Avenue, to the west line of North Washington Street.

SPECIAL ASSESSMENT NO. 62

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN to all persons interested, that the Council of the Village of Downers Grove, Illinois, having ordered the construction of storm water drains with storm water inlets, a concrete culvert, curb and gutter, paving to line and grade existing storm water inlets and placing to grade existing manhole covers and paving the roadways of North Washington Street, from the north line of Warren Avenue to the south line of East Chicago Avenue; Rogers Street, from the east line of Highland Avenue to the west line of Elm Street; East Franklin Street, from the east line of Highland Avenue, to the west line of North Washington Street; East Prairie Avenue from the east line of Highland Avenue, to the west line of North Washington Street, the Ordinance for the same being on file in the office of the Clerk of said village, having applied to the County Court of DuPage County, Illinois, for an assessment of the cost of said improvement according to benefits, said assessment being payable in ten installments, each bearing interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, and an assessment therefor having been made and returned to said Court, the final hearing thereon will be had on the 21st day of August, A. D. 1922, at the hour of ten o'clock A. M. or as soon thereafter as the business of the Court will permit.

All persons desiring, may file objections in said Court, before said day and may appear on the hearing and make their defense.

Dated Downers Grove, Illinois, August 4, 1922.

HERBERT A. GROTEFELD, Selected to make the Assessment.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL AT WESTMONT

The Rev. Jos. B. Rogers, pastor of the LaSalle Avenue Baptist church, Chicago, has organized a Sunday School at Westmont. The school is held at 3:00 o'clock every Sunday afternoon at the residence of William Scott in North Cass avenue near the new school building.

The Womans Guild will meet next Wednesday afternoon, August 16 at the home of Mrs. Hoffman. The meeting will be called at three.

The Guild will hold its first annual lawn fete at the McIntosh real estate office on Saturday evening, August 26. Ice cream and cake will be served and the proceeds used for the Sunday School.

The New Idea.

The modern girl doesn't want to be the only one he has ever loved. It is more satisfying to her to believe that she has charmed him away from some one else.

the diamond was laid out has been sold to a man from Cicero who will lay it out in lots and sell it.

BOWLERS START TALK REGARDING COMING SEASON

Annual Bowling Banquet Soon—Prospects Bright for Three Winter Leagues

The chill nights of the past week have made the bowling fraternity of the village "sit up and take notice." From the weather one would imagine that October was on us and a vision of strikes and spares, turkeys and 200 scores lured ye scribe to inquire the prospects for the coming winter.

Wm. Bollow, secretary of the Downers Grove league, when approached said, "You can tell the fellows that Mr. Dicke is making big preparations for a record breaking bowling season. The annual banquet will soon be held and there are prospects that more interest will be taken in the leagues than ever before."

There are many bowlers and many fans in the village. The two leagues and the womans league last winter and this spring furnished excitement for all the players. Better get out the old ball and start polishing it up for the season opening.

Second Annual Milk Producers Picnic

At Edw. Riedy's Grove 1 1/2 miles south of Lisle, 3 1/2 miles west of Downers Grove and 3 1/2 miles east of Naperville.

Wednesday, August 16th, 1922

Program starts 10 o'clock, (Standard time)

Speaker will be C. V. Gregory

Editor Prairie Farmer

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Tug 'o War.

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Dancing in the evening

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