NEWS OF THE LABOR WORLD

BIG CONTRACT AWARDED TO BURKE BROTHERS.

They Are to Do Some Important Construction Work for the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad—The D., L. & W. Board for Today—Charles F. Colley Succeeds E. J. Wright as Chief Train Dispatcher on the Lackawanna Railroad—Other Notes.

Burke Bros., the well-known local contractors and builders, have secured an important piece of work to be done for the New York Central and Hudson River Railroad company, and operations will be begun in the near future upon it. It is a $150,000 job, and consists of construction work upon the Fall Brook section of the Pennsylvania division of the road.

Between three hundred and fifty and five hundred men will be given employment by Burke Bros. on the contract, and a large percentage of these employes will be Scrantonians, old and experienced workers in the contractors' service, who will be entrusted with the work which requires the more skilled labor.

The contract was granted some days ago, and great was the competition against which the Messrs. Burke had to strive. Big contractors and builders from Newark, Buffalo, Pittsburg, Philadelphia and New York were all running for it, but the Scranton firm's bid found favor in the eyes of the powers that were, in this particular instance, and the contract was thus landed.

The work to be done will keep the big force of men secured by the contractors busy from now on through the spring and entire summer. Wintery weather will not interfere with immediate operations to any extent, as the primary work will consist of a good deal of blasting and rock work, which can, of course, be attended to just as well now as under more clement atmospheric conditions. Grading work and some bridge building will constitute the greater part of the contract.

Work is to be started a few miles from Williamsport. The section of the Central upon which these changes are to be made was acquired some time ago. The Fall Brook railroad and Beech Creek railroad were together absorbed by the Central and now constitute a joint branch of it. They cover a territory of between fifty and sixty miles.

New Chief Train Dispatcher.

E. J. Wright, chief train dispatcher in this city for the Lackawanna railroad, has resigned and returned to his former position with the New York Central railroad. He has been succeeded by Charles F. Colley, one of the train dispatchers in the office. The appointment was made on Saturday and announced in the following circular:

Scranton, Pa., Feb. 9, 1901.

Mr. E. J. Wright, chief train dispatcher, having resigned to accept service with another company, effective Feb. 11, inst., Mr. Charles F. Colley, train dispatcher, is hereby promoted to fill the vacancy.

Edwin S. Rine, Superintendent.

Approved:—
T. E. Clarke, General Superintendent.

Dispatcher Colley has been with the Lackawanna railroad since Oct. 25, 1899, and prior to his coming to Scranton was with the Erie and Baltimore and Ohio railroads.

Stationary Firemen Meet.

One hundred delegates, representing twenty locals of the stationary firemen of Lackawanna and Luzerne counties, met at O'Malley's hall, North Scranton, Sunday afternoon. C. W. Baxter, of this city, called the meeting to order, and the following temporary officers were chosen: Chairman, James Mullaghey, of Kingston; secretary, J. J. Gerrity, of Pittston; sergeant-at-arms, James Grimes, of Plymouth; committee on credentials, C. E. Curtis, of Nanticoke; L. Lewis, of Scranton, and J. J. Corrigan, of Wilkes-Barre.

National President Morton, of Chicago, was unable to be present, but authorized the transaction of any business essential to the district's needs. A committee was appointed by the meeting to wait on the executive committee of the mine workers of District 1, in regard to the latter's alleged interference with the firemen.

The following officers were elected for this year: President, C. W. Baxter, of Scranton, Local 50; vice-president, James Mullaghey, of Kingston, Local 61; secretary-treasurer, J. J. Gerrity, of Pittston, Local 66; sergeant-at-arms, Mr. Bagley, of Scranton, Local 50.

It was decided to hold the next convention in Plymouth on March 10.

Bakers Have Organized.

A meeting was held Sunday of the city bakers, at Workingman's hall, and a permanent organization effected. Another meeting will be held next Saturday night at Carpenter's hall, at which a wage scale, and the number of hours to constitute a day's work, will be considered.

The following officers were elected Sunday: John P. Nallin, of the Lackawanna steam bakery, president; Charles Mundy, vice president; Peter F. Wynne, of the Lackawanna bakery, financial secretary; Charles Kilne, of Scheuer's bakery, corresponding secretary; Theodore Hettler, of the Lackawanna bakery, secretary.

D., L. & W. Board for Today.

Today's D., L. & W. board is as follows:

MONDAY, FEB. 11.

Wild Cats, East—8 p. m., George Burt; 10.30 p. m., J. H. Swarts.

TUESDAY, FEB. 12.

Wild Cats, East—12.30 a. m., E. Van Wormer; 3 a. m., H. Gilligan; 4 a. m., M. Carmody, with W. A. Bartholomews men; 6 a. m., J. Burkhart; 6 a. m., M. Finnerty; 7 a. m., T. F. Stevens; 8 a. m., D Wallace; 9 a. m., J. O'Hara; 10.30 a. m., M. Golden, with Devine's men; 11 a. m., O. Case; 1 p. m., W. D. Wariel; 2 p. m., J. Costello; 3.45 p. m., E. M. Hallett; 4½ p. m., J. J Murray, with C Bartholomew's men.

Summits, Etc.—5 a. m., east—F. McDonnell; 6 a. m., west George Frounfelker; 9 a. m., west, Ehrgood, with H. Doherty's men; 7 p. m., east from Nay Aug, E. McAllister; 7 p. m., west from Cayuga, three engines—M. R. McLane; 7 p. m., west from Cayuga, Ginley.

Puller—10 a. m., F. E. Secor.

Pushers—8 a. m., Hoser; 11.30 a. m., Moran; 7 p. m., Murphy; 9 p m., Lamping.

Passenger Engines—7 a. m., Gaffney; 7 a. m., Singer; 5.30 p. m., Stanton; 7 p. m., McGovern.

Wild Cats, West—4 a. m., R. Castner; 5 a. m., A. F. Mullen; 6 a. m., J. E. Masters; 8 a. m., T. Fitzpatrick; 11 a. m, L. Hallet, with M. J. Heruigan's men; 1 p. m., James Carrigg; 3 p. m., J. Baxter; 4 p. m., D. Haggerty; 5 p. m., C. Kingsley.

Notice—Conductor W. A. Bartholomew will report at trainmaster's office Tuesday, Feb. 12, at 10 a. m. Conducter M. Loughney and crew will run 6 p. m., Summit, East, in place of Ehrgood, with H. Doherty's men, Feb. 11. Brakeman John Kearns will call at trainmaster's office. Brakeman August Sneider will go out with Conductor J. O'Hara at 9 a. m., Feb. 12.

This and That.

Chief Engineer W. K. McFarlin, of the Lackawanna railroad, was in town yesterday.

John E. Welsh, of the Ontario and Western railroad, spent yesterday in Carbondale.

Master Car Builder L. T. Canfield is in Dayton, O., looking after new equipment for the Lackawanna railroad.

General Superintendent T. E. Clarke and Division Superintendent E. M. Rine attended a meeting of Lackawanna superintendents at Syracuse yesterday.

Two of the new switch engines built for the Lackawanna company by the Dickson Manufacturing company have been put in service, and are proving eminently satisfactory.

The rooms formerly occupied by Ezra Griffin post, Grand Army of the Republic, in the First National Bank building, have been secured by the Lackawanna Railroad company for the location of their car accountants' department, which was destroyed by fire recently in the Henwood building. The new quarters are being put in shape and will be occupied today.

MORE MEETINGS HELD.

MILL GIRLS' EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MET YESTERDAY.

Representatives Will Be Sent to Paterson to Study Silk Mill Question in Jersey.

Representatives from all the local silk mills met at Carpenter's hall yesterday morning, and in a general way discussed the present situation. A committee was appointed which will leave the city during the week, and visit Paterson, N. J. They will there confer with the Jersey silk mill employes, compare the wage scales there and here, and then return and report the results of the investigations to their respective unions.

A number of the strikers from Valentine Bliss' Dunmore mill and Reilling, David & Schoen's Petersburg plant attended a meeting in Carpenter's hall, and were made members of the union. President Flaherty and Secretary George Gothier, of the Central Labor union, were in charge of the meeting. Another meeting was also held of the Simpson hands in Callery's hall, Minooka, and those who did not attend Sunday's meeting, admitted into the union.

The Harvey mill employes will meet in Carpenter's hall at 2 o'clock this afternoon, and the Klotz mill strikers will meet tonight in St. John's hall, on Capouse avenue. A meeting will also be held in Leonard's hall, of the girls from Bliss' North Scranton mill.

A rumor was in the air yesterday to the effect that the Sauquoit mill authorities contemplated sending a quality of unwoven silk to the Paterson mills to be woven. Superintendent Davis, of the Sauquoit, declared that the report was not only false but ridiculous.

EPPSTEIN'S CASE TO BE PUSHED.

The Police Are Determined to Show No Leniency.

Chief of Police Robling yesterday notified court of Henry Eppstein's arrest. About a year ago Eppstein was given a trial for larceny and found guilty, but court suspended sentence.

It may be that Eppstein will be sentenced on that charge now. This can be done without going to the trouble and expense of a trial. However, if Eppstein was tried and convicted on this charge of burglary his sentence would be so much more severe.

Eppstein is still being held at police headquarters in default of $800 bail. The police believe that he was not alone in the job Sunday morning, but had an accomplice. In proof of this theory it is pointed out that within fifteen minutes after young Eppstein's arrest his mother, notwithstanding that it was not yet 6 o'clock, called to see him at police headquarters. It is thought that his partner, who had been stationed to watch the movements of the patrolman on the beat, did not have time to warn the youthful burglar of Patrolman Parry's approach, but had set off in hot haste to apprise the parents of the boy's arrest.

CLEANING UP THE RUINS.

Force of Men at Work at Scene of the Recent Fire.

The three hundred block of Lackawanna avenue and the narrow lane in its rear presented a scene of activity all yesterday, scores of men either working in the ruins of the big fire or cleaning the avenue of the thick cakes of ice which had accumulated, and carters hauling away the rubbish also being in evidence.

The avenue near the corner of Wyoming was covered with a heavy layer of ice, which rendered traffic of all kinds dangerous to man or beast, and the street commissioner had his force working all day clearing it away. It was from this corner that one of the hoses had been plied steadily on the fire ever since its start, and a leak in the aforesaid hose had more than contributed to strengthen the glacial condition of the avenue.

In the rear of the building, carters were at work clearing away the fallen bricks and other debris. Forces of company employes were also at work rearing new telegraph and electric light poles, to take the place of those which felt the force of the big blaze.

The space from the Henwood building to the First National bank is still kept roped in, as it is not considered safe for travel. Not only the perilous condition of the Crane wall, but also gaping holes in the pavement, contrive to make the affected portion hardly the safest place for the pedestrian.

CALIFORNIA.

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