UTAH AND COLORADO

Conference of Their Railroad Passenger Agents on Monday.

THEY WILL MEET AT DENVER.

The Purpose is to Form a New Association to Control Utah and Colorado Business.

The big conference of the general passenger agents of the Utah-Colorado railroads will meet at Denver on Monday morning next. At that time another effort will be made to organize a Utah-Colorado Passenger association, which is or will be an adjunct to the Western Passenger association.

Although simply an adjunct it will be distinct in its sphere as far as relates to Utah and Colorado business. The Union Pacific, Rio Grande, Denver and Rio Grande, Colorado Midland are also members of the Trans-Missouri Company of the Western Passenger association, such membership becoming effective on the first of March, with headquarters at Chicago. The Rio Grande will be represented at the coming conference by General Passenger Agent F. A. Wadleigh, who will leave for Denver on Saturday night. Whether or not Mr. Harley will be present in behalf of the Union Pacific is not known. From the experience of local railway men the conference point to a settlement of the difficulties that have arisen between the interested railways. It appears also, so far as can be ascertained, that the same desire for peace and general good feeling exists among the Colorado railroad officials.

The trouble is of protracted duration. Some months ago the Western Passenger association, which consists mainly of the big trunk lines operating on the east side of the Missouri river, extended its business to Utah roads outside points. A demand followed a request that the association should further extend its business westward of Colorado common points into Utah. To this request the Union Pacific, Rio Grande Western, Denver & Rio Grande, Colorado Midland and Denver & Gulf entered vigorous objections. These roads unitedly declared that they would not permit the Western Passenger association to assume charge of this business which they contrived to mean a virtual operation of their lines from Chicago. However, as a counter-proposition they would agree to organize an association to be known as the Colorado-Utah Passenger association, which while a branch of the general organization in the manner indicated, was still to be separate and distinct when it came to the matter of handling business in the western name).

Then difficulties arose between the interested roads and finally an agreement was arrived at whereby the Western Passenger association could carry its business into Utah with the specified stipulation that such business was "through business" only, such as from Chicago and other eastern points to Utah and from Utah to points East.

When this compromise was effected with the Western Passenger association it was given out that a local association would in all probability be formed, which was to act independently of the mammoth passenger pool, and that the business between Colorado and Utah points should be conducted by the association with headquarters and a chairman at Denver. It is for the purpose of carrying out this idea that the conference at Denver on Monday has been called. Such an association it is believed will be formed without fail as all Utah and Colorado lines are favorable to it. Various railway men have been suggested for chairman of the new association. The one who seems to find quite general favor both in Salt Lake and Denver is F. J. Fyfan, secretary of the Colorado-Utah Traffic association. He has had an extensive experience in this line of business and it is not unlikely that he will be named for the place.

The Denver Republican says that while the general agents are in session on Monday it is rumored that another association will be organized before the meeting breaks up. It will be a state organization in the strictest sense of the word, and it will be known as the Colorado Passenger association in all likelihood. It will cover all the passenger business that has its origin and destination in this state, same as passengers going between Denver and Pueblo, Trinidad and Durango, Colorado Springs and Leadville, etc. There was an association of this kind in existence until the Western Passenger association made know its longing to do business between Colorado and Utah points. Some of the lines withdrew from the local organization in order that the road might be made clear for Chairman Caldwell, of the Western Passenger association, to accomplish his aim. Since the disorganization the general agents of the lines concerned have got together and held informal meetings, transacting all business with harmony and dispatch. Memberships in the new association will be taken out by the Santa Fe, Union Pacific, Burlington and other trunk lines operating in the state, besides the Colorado roads. The agreements only bind the eastern lines on business going between points in Colorado that are reached by them.

Railroad men feel confident that there will be smooth sailing when the Colorado-Utah and Colorado Passenger associations are formed.

BRIEF RAILWAY MENTION.

General Superintendent Bancroft returned this morning from an inspection tour over the Wyoming division of the U. P.

Freight Agent Eccles of the Union Pacific arrived home from a trip to Ely and some Idaho points today.

The Rio Grande Western is doing a great work in the way of advertising Utah and her innumerable resources these days.

George W. Heintz, of the Rio Grande Western, and today lost the Denver policemen should finish his labors in the days. It anticipates an enjoyable holiday throughout.

"A Pointer to Prosperity" is the title of a 64 page illustrated book now in the press, written by George W. Heintz, of the Rio Grande Western passenger department. The little book will be replete with interesting information concerning the new State and will deal with climate, agricultural and pastoral resources. The title page will bear the inscription, "Pointer To the Home Seeker, Stock Grower, Fruit Raisers and Others." It has already been advertised in more than five hundred newspapers in the United States.

A UTAH BOY HONORED.

Elected President of Musical Society of the University School of Music—Notes.

ANN ARBOR, Mich., Feb. 24, 1896.

To the Editor:

As I have not witnessed your paper for some time, I take great pleasure in doing so again, and giving your readers an idea of student life in Ann Arbor at present.

The first semester at the University has closed and the number of "Pomsy" going through the P. O. I know not; but none of our Utahites were the recipients of those unwelcome missives, having passed their examinations and having high class markings they went through last semester's work very creditably, which gives your informant great pleasure to note. The first semester closing February 15, the students are busy on the second semester's work, and all having the brightest prospects there is no question as to the next few months' labor adding the word success to their vocabulary in bright and shining letters.

The past week a fine musical society was organized and Prof. J. J. McClure was again honored, being elected by full vote as president of the musical society of the School of Music, which is formed of the best musical talent of which Ann Arbor can boast. Their first meeting was held at the residence of Prof. Hinsdale, of whom, no doubt, every earnest educational worker in Utah has heard. This society proposes to move on the great work of music, to become acquainted with the best musical compositions and works of the present age. Many of the most influential and leading ladies have offered their aid and firmly grow and entertain the efforts of these energetic musicians. The rector, choir and orchestra of St. Thomas church have requested that Prof. McClure's Mass be presented next Easter, as it met with such triumphant success last year when it was given. He is receiving it from beginning to end, and is constantly telling it anew. He gives hundreds of his hundred lessons per week and has several private pupils of the highest class. On January 17 when the Choral Union sang Mendelssohn's Elijah, accompanied by large orchestra, he played the organ parts on the big "Columbian" organ. In a recent concert at Music School he played Mendelssohn's Concerto (in E, accompanied by Prof. Stanley on pipe organ) as a piano solo in which he won great applause and many compliments. The orchestra he conducts is doing the finest work of any in the city and takes only the finest class of engagements. In May he gives a recital on piano in which performance he will be assisted by the full orchestra and pipe organ will include difficult, classic yet very pleasing selections.

Mr. Frank Wigginton, of Payson, is now on his second year's work at the music school, taking piano, voice culture and harmony. He will return home for vacation next summer, and then returns his studies here the next year. He will yet shine among the leaders of music in our new State.

Mr. George H. Dunn, of Payson, is studying vocal, harmony and the methods of teaching music in public schools. In his harmony and methods of teaching especially is he good, receiving the highest markings and words of praise from his teachers.

Mr. Stanley Partridge, another of Utah's bright boys, is making for himself a good record. In his piano work he is making rapid progress, as also in his harmony class.

The law students are doing excellent work and when it comes to giving "yells" on holidays they are decidedly "in it." Our state is represented in the law department by Judge Jones of Provo, H. N. Haywood Pleasant Grove, Mr. Hansen of Ephraim, and Grant U. Bagley of Bountiful.

In the library department Utah's end is held up by Mr. James Brown of Pleasant Grove, Arthur Dailey of Salt Lake City and J. F. Wiley of Kanab. Each one is doing justice to the fair Deseret and will graduate with honors.

Washington's birthday was celebrated with a fit program by the "Laws," of which the different classes in turn gave their "yells," making the house shake with enthusiasm. They were addressed by the Hon. Benjamin Butterworth, senator from Ohio, who did justice to his subject, "Duties of American Citizenship." His lecture was a masterpiece of well-ordered logic and oratory.

Rivards and Lachenme in their concert of Feb. 19 were greeted by a full house, standing room being at a premium. Rivards proved himself to be a complete master of the violin. The Choral Union series will give their next concert April 21st, which will be by the Theodore Thomas orchestra.

February 21st, the commencement exercises of the graduating of the nurses at the hospital were held, to whom the University orchestra rendered music. Choicest flowers were the decorations.

Last week we ushered in by the coldest weather we have had yet, the thermometer registering 10 degrees below zero.

There will be a party of eight or ten leave here for home and Utah about June 15th. The time will be cooled with delight by the Utahites.

The coming season me in wishing your welcome paper every success and prosperity. It is always one of our most welcome guests. CONCRETE.

In Devine's Behalf.

Since the publication in the News of the Mayor's charges against Chief Devine, the suspended head of the fire department has been the subject of largely increased sympathy in the neighborhood of the Lincoln school. One of the charges by the Mayor is that Mr. Devine was out at the fire in that school building a short time ago, whereas the fire chief was first on the ground, making a close race with the reading hose cart, and was the last to leave. By his conduct at the premises named he elicited the admiration of the assembled people so that there are plenty of witnesses anxious to clear him of this allegation in the specifications of the Mayor.

MULVEY VS O'MEARA!

A Councilmanic Conflict Precipitated by the Mayor,

WHO RECOGNIZED MR. SEWELL,

By Calling Mr. Mulvey, and Ignored the Council, Which Named Mr. O'Meara as a Committeeman.

There appears to be a storm brewing among certain members of the City Council, and from present indications it may burst out in all its fury at the next session of the city fathers.

It will no doubt be remembered that during the first official days of the municipal managers, there was considerable contention as to who should appoint standing committees, and also as to who should constitute those committees. The rules governing the Council provided that in the president there was vested the right of making such appointments. The president made them, but inasmuch as he was a Democrat and did not cater fairly to the Republican majority of the Council, his appointments were held to stay-pace and the power of making them wrested from him.

During the week following this proceeding, however, the factions, with the exception of one member, effected a compromise, and when the committee was rearranged in the end in selection of the members of the majority, the President's rights were respected to a little, and the committees as they then stood, were agreed upon, with but one opposing vote.

The opposing party was one who had not become reconciled with his colleagues, in effecting the compromise. He felt that he had been unfairly discriminated against, and fought the movement to the bitter end, but to no avail. He cried for justice but got it not, according to his idea. Finally, when he realized that it was no use, he yielded to the inevitable.

This member, known as Councilman O'Meara, did not gain the good will of the president of the body, by any means, and at the next meeting of the Council, the president could it known that Mr. O'Meara was ordered removed from the committee on gas building expense, upon which he had been acting previously and that Councilmen Mulvey and Noble had been appointed to act on that committee.

This rather enraged Mr. O'Meara, and he could no longer restrain himself. He arose and in electrical tones gave the president to understand that he was not to be trifled with. He had acted on the committee to question Lamb's work well and he proposed to continue acting in that capacity. The majority of the Council felt that Mr. O'Meara's case was a hard one, and they voted to retain the gentleman as a member of the particular committee of which the Mayor was also a member.

Since then, all has been apparently quiet and serene, until developments a day or two ago stirred up the strife which now threatens to develop into a storm. It appears that there was certain business pending which the committee in question had to investigate and report upon. The Mayor called together Councilmen Mulvey and Noble, and along with the county members of the committee, they passed upon claims which were before them and prepared a report. This was done without Mr. O'Meara being represented—in fact it is said he was entirely ignored by the Mayor.

Upon hearing that some proceedings had taken place, O'Meara went to the recorder's office, where the report was on file, and after examining over the signatures thereto, he erased the name of his colleague, Mr. Mulvey, and inserted in lieu thereof, his own autograph. This was on Tuesday.

Mr. Mulvey got hold of the report Tuesday night, and finding that his name had been erased and supplanted by another, he began investigation, and it is on these grounds and facts, that dark, heavy, threatening clouds are said to be slowly gathering around. The sometimes we speak of the matter with bated breath, suggest that O'Meara will prove a Nemesis to President Newell, that is unless Mulvey gets his fellow-Hibernian into "the soup" before the latter can awaken the stern sense of justice in his mammanic colleagues.

AMUSEMENTS.

O'Neill's Hamlet at the Theater a Masterly Production.

It is to be regretted that the audience at the Theater last night was not a large one, since those who neglected to see Mr. O'Neill's Hamlet missed an artistic enjoyment of the highest order. Those in attendance, however, showed their appreciation freely, the star being called before the curtain at the close of every act, including the last one, when people generally are anxious not to prolong their stay at the Theater.

Everyone familiar with Shakespeare's masterpiece knows that Hamlet appeals directly to the intelligent playgoers. Every line in it is a gem of itself, containing thoughts of sparkling poetry, and they are all so masterly strung together that, regardless of setting, they form a symphony full of picturesque variety and beauty. Mr. O'Neill is no novice in this role. Twenty years ago he played Hamlet under the tuition of Edwin Booth; he has twelve a wealth of experience in playing romantic characters, and consequently a melodious tune well adapted to the rapture lines of the immortal. All these advantages were shown to his fascinating impersonation of the melancholy Dane. It was a picture, the result of close study of a great master and yet preserving a fair degree of originality.

One point, however, suggests itself. In the soliloquy, "To be and not to be," he hardly succeeded in conveying the impression of a man deep in thought—unless as to the great mystery of the soul—death. His reading took the form of an address more than the almost involuntary utterances of a soul that is wrestling seriously for its own interests in light on a dark enigma. The scene lost somewhat of its effectiveness on this account.

Of the support Miss Rainwell as Ophelia deserves special notice. She rendered that difficult character much better than any to whom she has appeared here. Mr. Pelham's Laertes and Mr. Dickson's grave diplomatic king were good, while Pettibone was quite satisfactory.

O'Neill's engagement closes this evening with a play, new to this city, The Courier of Lyons. In this play the star has a double role, that of a villain and an honest citizen.

On Friday evening and Saturday matinee the entertainments for the benefit of the Utah Kindergarten will be given at the Theater. The boy soprano, Charley Pike, and Miss Berkins are among the numerous attractions. Mrs. Maud Myrtle Turner, the clever dancer, professionally known as Dorothy, will also appear. Nearly one hundred children have been drilled for the occasion. The operetta to be given is The Seven Dwarfs, and Mr. Carson Clarke has the direction of the affair.

Tickets for the Paderewski concert in the Tabernacle next week are selling at a lively rate at Cutler's. The price of admission is lower than the famous pianist generally commands to play for—a matter of congratulation to the music loving public of this city.

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