

NEWSBOYS' RIOT IN OMAHA LEADS TO BROKEN HEADS.

Attempt of Agents to Raise the Wholesale Price for Sunday Papers Results in a Sunday Morning Battle.

Omaha, Neb., Jan. 10.—[Special.]—A newsboys' strike culminated in a riot this morning, in which seventy-five boys and young men mingled in a battle at Sixteenth and Farnam streets, in the heart of the city. A score of heads were broken and several gashes were serious enough to require the attention of a police surgeon.

The union newsboys were in the majority and had their opponents virtually at their mercy when a squad of policemen interfered. All of the rioters made their escape, except "Mogy" Bernstein, known as the "king of the newsboys," and F. C. Smith, agent for a Chicago paper.

The disturbance came about through the increased price—4 cents instead of 3½—demanded of the newsboys for the Chicago paper and a St. Louis publication. The union refused to submit and a number of banners were displayed asking the public to boycott the objectionable journals.

F. C. Smith attacked one urchin who was waving an incendiary banner and is said to have pushed him over. This was the signal for a general encounter, scores of partisans appearing from every alley. The unionists were reinforced by "Mogy," who was more than a match for Smith and carried off the honors of the fray.

"Mogy" and Smith were taken to jail, followed by a small army of adherents, and each gave bond in the sum of \$100. "Mogy" at once sent forth squads of strikers to patrol the streets and a number of fights occurred during the day. No settlement was reached and the struggle will be renewed next Sunday.