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GENERAL MENTION.

Interesting Items Mostly Swiped from Bright Labor Papers.

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Union made shoes are sold by Rogers & Perkins.

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The inside electrical workers of Spokane have notified the contractors that on May 1 an increase will be asked.

The average daily wage of Norwegian printers is 93 cents, according to the latest available statistics, just published.

Fifty thousand children work in the textile mills of the south. The average life of the child after it enters the mill is four years.

The mail carriers of Butte, Mont., have turned in their resignations, to take effect March 1, unless they are granted an increase in pay.

Owing to the high cost of living in Panama Canal zone, the engineers and dredgers on the canal will appeal to President Roosevelt soon for higher wages.

By an agreement recently signed between the management of the Mexican Central Railway company and the conductors' committee, the conductors receive a considerable increase in pay.

Nearly eight hundred Japanese coolies, most of them being under contracts to labor and many of them being afflicted with contagious diseases, were landed at San Francisco within two days recently.

A. E. Weatherby, who conducts a non-union printery in Cumminsville, Ohio, adjoining Cincinnati, has been fined \$50 and costs for the illegal use of the union label. Of course he believes in the open shop.

Working people in New York are planning to hold thirty mass meetings to protest against the treatment of the Western miners. Many large meetings have been held throughout the country during the past few weeks.

The Central Trades Council of Galveston, Texas, has appointed a committee to canvass the stores and ascertain the union goods handled in the city, and later to have the list printed in pamphlet form and distributed to the unionists.

A bill pending before the California legislature has for its purport the prevention of any one serving as guard, watchman, etc., until he has secured permit from the city council. The bill is aimed at the Farley brand of strike breakers.

The total number of women engaged in gainful occupation in 1900 was 5,319,397. At the rate of increase between 1890 and 1900 there cannot be short of 6,000,000 at work at present in various trades and occupations in the United States of America.

A "peace conference" of three days' duration was held in New York last week to unravel a lot of jurisdiction tangles. It was quite successful, although the union actors, who had a grievance against the musicians and stage employes, were not quite satisfied.

Fifty thousand sawmill workers and woodsmen employed in the state of Washington will be organized this year, if the plans of the Washington State Federation of Labor work out. The men submitted requests at the annual meeting of the federation to be organized into unions, and canvassers will be sent into the various camps in a short time to begin the preliminary work. This will be the

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first organization of the kind in the Northwest, if not on the continent, and an effort will be made to extend the work to the rest of the Pacific states.

A bill has been introduced in the Canadian parliament providing for a fine of \$100 for anyone not a citizen of Canada or a British subject to interfere in a strike in Canada. The bill is meeting with bitter opposition. It was up last year and caused much discussion.

Thanks to Secretary Straus' encouragement, the Hawaii Immigration society, an organization of capitalistic exploiters of cheap labor, has chartered a steamer in London for the purpose of bringing 1,000 Spaniards to Hawaii. The contract price for transportation is \$75,000.

Union men! please your wife and your pocketbook by purchasing a Riverside Base Burner. There is absolutely no stove on the market that will furnish as much heat for the amount of coal consumed as will the Riverside. Sold exclusively by Hoppe at 108 North Tenth street.

A dispatch from Dallas, Tex., says that a movement is well under way by the Texas Farmers' union and the national organization as well to establish a system of banks to be conducted in connection with the system of warehouses now being established throughout the state.

One of the most sweeping labor decisions rendered in any state was handed down by Judge Gaskill of the superior court of Massachusetts. He holds that a labor union has a right to fine any member who does not accede to the demand of the union and quit work in an establishment where a strike is in progress.

Organized labor in Spokane has presented a petition for an ordinance to the city council asking that the wage scale of day laborers on municipal work be advanced 50 cents a day, making it \$3 for eight hours. The last increase was made in July, 1906, when the scale was advanced from \$2.20 to \$2.50, following an increase from \$2.00 to \$2.25 a day.

The postal clerks are moving to restrict their working time to six days in one week. They also demand that six hours' work at night be considered equivalent to eight hours in the day time. They likewise ask for an annual increase of \$100 in wages, ranging from a minimum of \$60 a year to \$1,400.

RETAIL CLERKS WHINING.

Ask the Ministers to Help Them Get a Shorter Saturday.

The Ministers' Union of Lincoln has been asked by the retail clerks to come to their rescue and help them get a shorter Saturday. After some six or seven years of acquaintance with the retail clerks of Lincoln this action on their part does not surprise us a bit. It is just like them to go whining up to the ministers and ask the gentlemen of the cloth to do something for them that they ought to have nerve enough to do for themselves.

A big bunch of men—and women—who haven't got nerve enough to assert their rights may be expected to ask somebody to plead for them. What if the printers had depended upon the preachers to get the short work day in the print shops? What if the plumbers had crawled behind the skirts of the preachers and asked the reverend gentlemen to get the eight-hour day for them? How many carpenters would be working the eight-hour day if they had waited for the preachers to get it for them? How long would it have taken the bricklayers to get the eight-hour day if they had waited until the ministers secured it for them?

It was just like the ministers to take up the cause of the clerks. It is natural for them to do so—indeed it was their duty to do so. They would be almighty poor representatives of the Carpenter of Nazareth if they refused to come to the assistance of any man or woman who toils. But it does the clerks no credit that they asked the ministers to do it. On the contrary it is very much to their discredit. They have their remedy in their own hands. If they had the nerve to stand together they could shorten the Saturday working day very much more than an hour. They could shorten it several hours. In fact, the retail clerks of Lincoln could, if they would, secure a half holiday on Saturday from June 1 to September 1 every

year. But they'll never get it if they depend upon the ministers.

When Miles Standish sent John Alden to be his proxy he made the error of his life. John tried to do his duty all right, but Priscilla soon straightened matters out.

"Why don't you speak for yourself, John?" she coyly asked.

Now why in thunder don't the retail clerks of Lincoln speak for themselves instead of sending the ministers as their proxies? Let them beware the fate of Miles Standish.

FIT WORK FOR CHILDREN.

Louis F. Post Tells What is Not Such Work.

Among the insidious excuses for child labor is the plea that children ought to do useful and remunerative work. Proceeding from this major premise it is easy to state as the minor premise that factory work is useful and remunerative, and then to draw the conclusion that children ought to work in factories. But the syllogism is chock full of holes. In the first place, the major premise is all in confusion. It is not true unqualifiedly, that children ought to do useful and remunerative work. The truth of the statement depends upon the kind of work. Children ought, truly enough, to do some kind of useful and remunerative work; but if we classify useful and remunerative work we shall soon see that the kind that children ought to do is not the kind that the great factories offer them. While children ought to do useful and remunerative work, the work ought to be attractive in character, developing in effect, moderate in amount and mild in intensity. But factory labor for children answers to none of those requirements. It is intense, monotonous, grinding toil, and it wears out the body, stunts the mind and paralyzes the affections. There is a vast gulf between the deadening drudgery of the factory, to which children are subjected, and the rational industry by which they would be stimulated.—The Public.

ROOM IN LINCOLN.

A union label clothing company has been established in Washington, D. C., for the sole purpose of furnishing union made clothes to the people of that city. The firm gives the assurance that the fit and workmanship will be such as to satisfy the most severe critic and the price extremely reasonable—much lower than the ready made, ill-fitting, sweatshop garments sold in that city.—Minnesota Union Advocate.

LABOR'S NATIONAL PLATFORM.

What the American Federation of Labor Stands For.

1. The abolition of all forms of involuntary servitude except as a punishment for crime.
2. Free schools, free text books and compulsory education.
3. Unremitting protest against the issuance and abuse of injunction process in labor disputes.
4. A work day of not more than eight hours in the twenty-four hour day.
5. A strict recognition of not over eight hours a day on all federal, state or municipal work and at not less than the prevailing per diem wage rate of the class of employment in the vicinity where the work is performed.
6. Release from employment one day in seven.
7. The abolition of the contract system on public work.
8. The municipal ownership of public utilities.
9. The abolition of the sweat shop system.
10. Sanitary inspection of factory, workshop, mine and home.
11. Liability of employers for injury to body or loss of life.
12. The nationalization of telegraph and telephone.
13. The passage of anti-child labor laws in states where they do not exist and rigid defense of them where they have been enacted into law.
14. Woman suffrage co-equal with man suffrage, the initiative and referendum and the imperative mandate and right of recall.
15. Suitable and plentiful play grounds for children in all cities.
16. Continued agitation for the public bath system in all cities.
17. Qualifications in permits to build of all cities and towns, that there shall be bathroom and bathroom attachments in all houses or compartments, used for habitation.
18. We favor a system of finance whereby money shall be issued exclusively by the government, with such regulations and restrictions as will protect it from manipulation by the banking interests for their own private gain.

LABOR DECALOGUE.

- I. Thou shalt join a union of thy craft, and have no other unions before it.
- II. The meetings thereof shalt thou attend and pay thy tithes with regular-

ity. Thou shalt not attribute unholy purposes to thy brother in union. Beware of the fact that, though thou be honest, "there are others."

III. "Thou shalt not take thy neighbor's job."

IV. Thou shalt not labor more than eight hours for one day's work, nor on the Sabbath nor on any of the holy days (holidays).

V. Thou shalt not hire out thy offspring of tender years. "Poverty and shame shall be on him that refuseth instruction to his children."

VI. Clothe not the wife of thy bosom in mean apparel, lest it be a testimony against thee.

VII. Thou shalt not live in a hovel, nor feed on the husk that the swine doth eat. Take thou not aims from the unrighteous, lest it bemean thee.

VIII. Honor the female sex, for on this rock rests the welfare of man.

IX. Waste not thy life in the chase after the ethereal, lest the substance be filched from thee. The Lord helps those who help themselves. Thou helpest thyself best by helping thy brother workers in the union of labor.

X. Thy brother's welfare is thy concern; therefore shalt thou have a care for him and his. Associate thyself with thy brother worker, that thy pay may be heightened, thy hours of labor shortened and the days of thy life and the lives of all may be lengthened and brightened.—Iowa Unionist.

FAIR CONTRACTORS.

List of Those Who Employ Union Carpenters On All Work.

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- Atterbery, H. B., Auto 4502, 2427 D street.
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Chappell, H. E., Bell L-1635, 114 So. 13th, room 26.
Campbell, A., 2950 Holdrege St.
Copeland, S. R., Auto 3590, 110 No. 27th St.
Drybbro, L., Auto 3861, 432 So. 10th St.
Dobbs, H., Auto 3935, 329 South 27th St.
Harrison, T. P., Bell F-351, Brownell Bldg., room 12.
Hammond & Burford, Auto 4997, 3135 Dudley St.
Hart, E. M., Auto 1326, 123 So. 16th St.
Hutton, Alex., Auto 2565, 1436 N St.
Jewell, J. W., Auto 1808, 1026 Q St.
Jensen, L., Auto 3458, 2509 N St.
Kiewit, A., Bell A-1601, 1620 N St.
Krough & Beck, P. O. box 737.
Lindell, C. A., Auto 6378, 2739 Sumner St.
Myers, A. L., Auto 4260, 223 No. 28th St.
Mitchner, E., Auto 6345, 928 South 12th St.
Mellor, Chas., Auto 2009, 2149 So. 15th St.
Odell, F. G., Auto 3094, 1335 No. 24th St.
Myers, J., Auto 3065, 701 Pine St.
Park Bros., Auto 1440, Bell 440, 1146 Nance Ave.
Ryman, C. W., Auto 3903, 1112 Pine St.
Rush, D. A., Bell B-1792, Normal.
Schauil & Aenmacher.
Townsend, T. K., Auto 1505, 1323 South 15th St.
Vanderveer, O. W., Bell B-1245, 1780 No. 29th St.
Webb, S. A., Auto 4226, 2743 W St.
Watson, Joe, Auto 3189, 405 So. 26th St.
Lincoln Sash & Door Co., for mill work, 2nd Y, Auto 3463.
Pettit & Co., cabinet makers, 1530 N, Auto 2582.

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