

NEWS OF THE LABOR WORLD

Ottawa, Can.—According to the complete returns of naturalization for 1906, a very large proportion of the immigrants arriving in Canada are taking the oath of allegiance.

Rock Springs, Wyo.—The miners of this place have become members of the United Mine Workers to the number of 1,200. Union sentiment is spreading to other coal mining camps on the Union Pacific system.

Reading, Pa.—About 800 of the employees of the Reading Hardware company quit work. The trouble is due to alleged discrimination, the firm, it is said, refusing to reinstate several men who were too active in a strike.

Minneapolis, Minn.—Large crews of men have been going to the west through the employment offices of this city for a long time, Montana, Idaho, Wyoming, Washington and Oregon taking the bulk. The work supplied is understood to be railroad building.

Boston.—Massachusetts state branch, A. F. of L. executive board, recently decided that legislation to limit or define the power of courts in injunction cases is to be the effort of organized labor of the state in the fall campaign.

Glasgow, Scotland.—The Scottish conciliation board decided to concede 6 1/2 per cent. advance in wages at its meeting, to come into effect at once. This is the third advance in the present year. The concession affects 80,000 miners.

Pittsburg.—The financial report of the International Association of Machinists, just issued, shows nearly double the assets of last year, despite the strikes which the international is financing. The association has on hand a total of \$181,047.98.

Philadelphia.—Arrangements have been made between the American Association of Masters, Mates and Pilots and the directors of the Eastern Steamship company, that may have an important bearing on wages paid officers of coastwise vessels operating out of this city.

Indianapolis.—At the recent meeting of Bookbinders' union 103 female bindery workers were admitted. The extra effort for the organization of the bindery women is to strengthen the position of the bookbinders in their demand for an eight-hour day on October 1.

Washington.—On the subject of uniform design for all union labels, the American Federation of Labor executive council has decided that the report of the committee of the Minneapolis convention on this subject be given careful consideration through the year and again reported to the Norfolk convention.

Boston.—Teamsters' Brotherhood International convention concluded its sessions and adjourned to meet next year at Detroit. Some important changes were made in the constitution at the closing sessions. It was decided that no city could have more than one general officer or member of the international executive board; that no saloonkeeper, lawyer, politician or professional practitioner could be a member of any local union, and also that any member of the Teamsters' union is eligible to take a job under union conditions in any branch of the craft, and must be at once transferred to the local having jurisdiction, and the union having jurisdiction must accept him to membership. Proposals to raise the per capita tax and to establish a death benefit system were defeated.

Albany, N. Y.—In this city a Vegetable Vendors' union has existed for several years. The cards of the union men are displayed on the wagons prominently, and the claim is that the members guarantee to purchasers full weight and measure on all vegetables bought of them. Also, that purchasers may rely on a uniform price being charged.

London, England.—A rather serious situation has arisen in the Northumberland coal field by the determination of the members of the Miners association to strike against nonunionists. The council is not favorable to such action, but they may have to give in to the popular demand; and it is feared that a strike will take place against nonunionists.

Swansea, England.—A conference between the unions engaged in the steel trade and the employers resulted in an eight-hour working day being conceded; also other concessions were granted, by means of which the lower paid men will not suffer in pocket through the reduction of hours. This decision affects 3,000 men. It will provide work for 1,500 men additional.

Indianapolis.—The referendum of the Bookbinders' union was in favor of endeavoring to establish the eight-hour day in that trade on Oct. 1.

Berlin, Germany.—Up to 1904 the general commission of German Trades Unions published statistics of strikes and lockouts only, but not of those movements for improving the conditions of labor which did not lead to a cessation of work. In order to show this side of trade union activity it has been decided to compile statistics of all movements for increasing wages and shortening the hours of work.

New York.—The average salary paid a national presiding officer of a labor union is about \$2,500. In some cases traveling expenses are added to this.

Victoria, B. C.—It is expected that over 3,000 Japanese will arrive in British Columbia during this month from Japan and Honolulu, and as many, if not more, are expected. The number being brought across the Pacific is constantly increasing.

Tokio.—From two-thirds to three-fourths of the exports of Japan are produced by female labor. In tea, silk, weaving and other industries the labor of women is invariably required, while in marine and mining industries it is of no importance.

Chicago.—Wood workers employed in the flooring and planing mills have signed a new agreement with their employers, at 10 per cent. increase in wages. The agreement provides for the employment of union men exclusively, and is effective for one year. The scale runs from \$2.25 to \$3.50 a day for nine hours' work.

Chicago.—The trade argument between the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters and Joiners of the United States and the United Brotherhood of Carpenters was extended in order to afford the general council at its next meeting an opportunity to further deliberate on the proposition to amalgamate.

Oldham, England.—Engineers have applied for a further advance in wages of one shilling per week on time rates, and 2 1/4 per cent. on piece work. The employers offer to concede the advance in January next, the men demand it from the first pay day in September. The question will be discussed by the joint committee at an early date.

Nottingham, England.—The International Federation of Lacemakers, represented by delegates from the British Isles and the continent, has concluded a conference. The object of the federation is to maintain wages at the highest possible standard and otherwise to advance the interests of employees. It was announced that the American lacemakers had joined the federation.

London, England.—The British Operative Bricklayers' society lost more than 1,500 members during the past year. The total membership was at the end of the year, as stated in the annual report, 31,267. The question of providing for out-of-work benefit is again being discussed. It was proposed to establish such a fund when the rules were revised in 1860, but failed of support.

Cincinnati.—A demand for an eight-hour day and a 20 per cent. increase in wages was decided on by the Metal Polishers, Buffers, Platers, Brass Molders and Brass and Silver Workers' union at their national convention. The union is said to have a membership of 22,000. The executive committee of the union will determine the date upon which the demands will be presented to the employers.

Boston.—Joseph C. Bahlhorn, international president of the Painters', Decorators' and Paperhangers' brotherhood states that the union has grown from less than 30,000 members to one of 80,000 members within that period. He also says that the eight-hour workday for painters has been established in every section of the country during that time. President Bahlhorn is opposed for reelection this year by Thomas F. O'Leary of the Brockton union.

London, England.—The trade union of garment workers and the masters employing trade union labor in England have favorably considered the suggestion to fight the sweating system by a union label to be affixed to all garments made under fair conditions.

Chicago.—War on a supposed system of Greek peonage has been opened by the government. Proprietors of Greek shoeing parlors, ice cream parlors and restaurants, who lure boys from Greece to America and here keep them in practical slavery, will be called to account.

Norfolk, Va.—The executive council of the American Federation of Labor determined to prosecute with greater vigor than ever a campaign before all state legislatures for the abolition of child labor in all its forms. The fight will be waged against the employment of any child under the age of 14 years at any gainful employment for profit, this not to include the employment of a man's own children on his farm. The council determined to appoint special organizers in certain parts of the country.

Pittsburg.—Eleven national officers of the Iron Molders' Union of North America have declined to accept the increase in salary granted them.

Boston.—The state commission on commerce and industry, recently appointed by Gov. Guild, has sent to many labor men, as well as business men and trade organizations' officials, a request to send to it a statement of the ways each thinks that the commercial and industrial prosperity of the state can be promoted, whether by changes in legislation, by public or private undertakings or otherwise.

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