

# WAGELABORER

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## THE LIABILITY LAW.

President Roosevelt has signed the employer's liability law, recently rushed through congress under whip and spur. He was assured by Attorney General Bonaparte that the bill is constitutional. The bill in brief provides as follows:

Makes railroads and common carriers liable for injury to employees as a result of negligence of any officers.

Makes railroads liable for injury to employees as result of negligence of agents or of fellow employees.

Railroads are held responsible for injuries by reason of defect or insufficiency in equipment.

Any contract made with employe to enable company to become exempt from liability is void.

Carrier shall receive credit for contributing to family in shape of insurance, relief, benefit or indemnity.

Action for damages must be started within two years after date of accident.

President Roosevelt is entitled to all possible credit for the enactment of this law. While it is not as wide in its scope and application as labor demanded, it is at least a long step forward, and that step was taken by an unwilling congress because President Roosevelt prodded it into action.

When the supreme court declared unconstitutional the Erdman act, President Roosevelt immediately sent a special message calling attention to the need of a liability law that would hold water. He was not content with sending the message; he insisted upon some action.

Because of his impulsiveness President Roosevelt has several times made grievous blunders. His "undesirable citizens" letter was written on the impulse of the moment, and while he insisted that he stood by all he said therein it is not treason to believe that he so insisted because he did not like to be put in the attitude of "backing down." His "My Dear Hariman" letter was another product of this might be cited, but Theodore Roosevelt has, on the whole, proved himself such a good friend of labor that even those unionists who are opposed to him politically are forced to admit that he has earned their gratitude.

Organized labor will not, however, rest content with the liability law just signed. It must be made wider in its scope and application.

## THE LABEL EXHIBITION.

The mere announcement of a "Union Label Exhibition," ought to be sufficient to arouse the enthusiasm of every unionist in Lincoln and vicinity. The exhibition to be given, free, at the Auditorium on Wednesday evening, May 20, should draw such a crowd as to tax the capacity of that structure. It is an entertainment that will interest, but more than that, it is an entertainment that will be of immense benefit to the cause of organized labor in this community. For that reason every man who carries a union card should make it a point to put in all his spare moments between now and May 20 in "boosting" for the success of the exhibition.

Invite your friends, especially the women. If we can only get the women interested in the label movement we are well along towards success. For proof of the truth of this assertion we merely call attention to the way in which the child labor law was enacted. For years the union men made desultory and unsuccessful efforts to secure the enactment of a child labor law. Two years ago the Woman's Club of Omaha inaugurated a movement looking toward the enactment of such a law. The Woman's Club of Lincoln furnished a few members who aided in the good cause. And when these women took hold things came with a rush. They drew the bill, organized their committees and set an

example of organization for a good purpose that union men would do well to imitate. The campaign for the enactment of a child labor law was a wonder—and it was successful. Now if we can only get those same women interested in the label movement we'll make some of the unfair employers think a few gloomy thoughts.

The Pennsylvania grocer who was fined \$20 and costs for selling "Gripe Guts" Post's patent dope, must not re- pine. Let him remember that the stenographic "affinity" must have "Merry Widow" hats and other stylish fixings, and in order to get them Post must be constantly on the lookout for a new crop of suckers.

A lot of ultra good Omaha people are howling because the directors of the Omaha Y. M. C. A. have installed billiard tables in the association's rooms. And then these ultra good people mourn because young men seek worse places in which they may play the game.

William Allen White in the American Magazine tries to make it appear that Judge Taft's decision in the labor cases was really beneficial to organized labor. The trouble with William Allen White is that he imagines that everybody who does not believe as he believes is "nutty."

Mr. Union Man, a lot of friends of organized labor are waiting to see what you are going to do about the Labor Temple project before they do anything. If you don't take an active interest in the success of the project, you can not expect anybody else to do so.

Governor Sheldon and staff have gone to the Pacific coast to help launch the battleship Nebraska. When the battleship Nebraska is manned it will not be by men of the class represented by the "staff."

William H. Taft draws \$8,000 a year as secretary of war, but he has a "sub" on the job. Mr. Taft does not pay the "sub," however. We pay him, and Mr. Taft devotes our time to boosting himself.

Mr. Taft is getting the delegates, and his boosters are fooling themselves into the belief that organized labor will forget Candidate Taft's injunction record.

The enemies of organized labor do not care a tinkers anathema how solidly organized labor marches, just so organized labor scatters its vote on election day.

A lot of politicians are being mentioned for state office. But up to date we've heard nothing about nominating good men who happen to be unionists.

Brer Post says the coffee habit weakens the eyes. Does his patent "dope" increase the power of eyesight when "affinities" show up?

The "farm hands" are asking the governor to lighten their woes. Hope that sort of thing will not prove contagious.

Didn't attend the Labor Temple benefit, did you? And yet you are "kicking" because things do not move faster.

The label on the candidate's card does not prove that the candidate is a real friend of organized labor.

By the way, that Hepburn bill slipped through so easily that it must be monopolists want.

Invite your friends to attend the "Union Label Exhibition" with you.

Organization to be effective must be thorough and enthusiastic.

Men are not reformed by law, but by opportunities.

Auditorium, May 20—Union Label Exhibition.

Some "benefits" are of doubtful value.

LABOR TEMPLE DIRECTORS.

A Short Meeting With Little Business of Interest Transacted.

The Board of directors of the Lincoln Labor Temple Building Association met in regular session Monday evening. Little business of interest was transacted, and the meeting was comparatively short.

Some trouble is being experienced over the matter of the "benefit" at the Auditorium last week. The understanding of the committee was that the association should have twenty-five per cent of the receipts, and Mr. James Fulton inclines to the belief that the association should have only twenty-five per cent of the tickets sold by the association's members. As soon as the committee learned of Mr. Fulton's position it called off the sale of tickets. Only one hundred tickets showed up in the box office, and the association will insist that it account for only that number. Mr. Fulton seems to think that he should be paid for tickets sold, but not presented. The committee was instructed to settle the matter as it thought best. The association will profit about \$25 by the "benefit." And a little more care will be exercised the next time a "benefit" is pulled off.

Final action was taken on the amendments to the articles of incorporation and the president and secretary instructed to file them with the secretary of state as soon as possible.

Announcement was made of the "Labor Sunday" observances and of the "Union Label" exhibition. All directors were urged to boost these matters to the extent of their ability.

CAPITAL AUXILIARY.

Capital Auxiliary met Friday, April 24, with Mrs. W. E. Moore, with a good attendance. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Righter, 2308 Dudley St., on Tuesday May 12, instead of Friday, May 5. At this meeting the election of international officers will be held. There will also be a picnic supper in the evening of the same day, to which the husbands are invited.

We regret very much to lose Mrs. Marshall who left on Thursday with her husband and son to make their home in Colorado.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE. (Continued from Page 1.) organizations of capital necessary for the transaction of business under modern conditions, while encouraged so long as they act honestly and to the interest of the general public, are to be subjected to careful supervision and regulation of a kind so effective as to insure their acting in the interest of the people as a whole.

WE DO NOT PATRONIZE BUCK STOVES AND RANGES! UNION BARBER SHOPS.

Information as to Where You Can Get Your Work Done Fairly.

Following is a list of the union barber shops of Lincoln, the name and location being given:

Gus Petro, 1010 O street.  
W. A. Jackson, 1001 O street.  
W. E. Myers, Capital Hotel.  
W. H. Barthelman, 134 South Eleventh.

C. A. Green, 120 North Eleventh.  
Geo. Shaffer, Lincoln Hotel.  
J. B. Ramer, 1501 O Street.  
E. A. Snyder, 1206 O Street.

A. L. Stern, 116 South Thirteenth.  
A. L. Kemmerer, Lindell Hotel.  
Chapman & Ryan, 127 North Twelfth.

H. A. Larabee, 922 P Street.  
Knight and Parmenter, 122 South Twelfth.

H. C. Leopold, Fraternity Building.  
Frank Malone, Havelock.  
E. A. Wood, Havelock.  
C. B. Ellis, Havelock.

Notice of Adoption.

In re adoption No. 251 of "John Edward" in the County Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, to all persons interested take notice that Van R. Quimby and Minnie R. Quimby, husband and wife, have filed their petition and relinquishment of the State of Nebraska, by the Superintendent of the Home of the Friendless, for the adoption of "John Edward," a minor male child, with bestowal of property rights which has been set for hearing before this court on June 5, 1908, at 9 o'clock a. m., when you may appear, object to and contest the same. Dated April 16, 1908.

P. JAS. COSGRAVE, County Judge.

By WALTER A. LEESE, Clerk.

Second Notice to Creditors. Estate No. 2335 of John E. Little, deceased, in County Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, ss.: Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said estate is November 18, 1908, and for payment of debt is June 15, 1909; that I will sit at the County Court room in said county, on August 1st, 1908, at 2 p. m., and on November 16, 1908, at 2 p. m., to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed. Dated April 10, 1908.

P. JAS. COSGRAVE, County Judge.

[Seal] By WALTER A. LEESE, Clerk.

Notice. To Whom It May Concern: The undersigned on the 20th day of March, 1908, associated themselves together and formed a corporation in the state of Nebraska, and under the laws thereof, the general nature of the business to be transacted by said corporation being to acquire, own and operate a band to be known as the Nebraska State Band, including all necessary or proper equipments therefor, and in addition, such real estate by lease or pur-

chase that may be desirable for the conduct of said business; to furnish orchestras and in general to transact any and all business which may be done by like corporations; in connection therewith to acquire, own, purchase, sell or exchange such property, real or personal, or both, as may be necessary for the conduct of said business. The principal place of transacting the business of said corporation is at Lincoln, in the County of Lancaster, State of Nebraska. The authorized capital stock is \$5,000.00, of which \$200.00 were paid up at the time of forming said corporation; and the remainder of said capital stock shall be paid in as required by the Board of Directors. The existence of said corporation shall continue until the 30th day of March, 1908, and shall continue until the 30th day of March, 1923, unless sooner dissolved, according to law; the highest amount of indebtedness or liability to which said corporation shall at any time subject itself shall not exceed one-half the capital stock actually paid in; the business of said corporation shall be conducted by a board of three directors, to be elected by the stockholders from among their number. W. T. HINSMAN, President.  
H. J. GILDERSLEEVE, Secretary.  
STEPHEN JELINEK, Treasurer.

LABOR UNION DIRECTORY.

Following is a directory of the Trades and Labor Unions of Lincoln and vicinity. Local secretaries are respectfully asked to report any changes or corrections herein, to the end that an accurate and convenient directory be maintained.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION—Meets second and fourth Tuesday evenings at Bruce's hall, President, O. M. Rudy, 1824 G. Secretary, F. A. Kates, 1029 K. Treasurer, T. W. Evans, 125 South Eleventh.

LABOR TEMPLE DIRECTORY—Meets every Monday evening, 127 North Twelfth street. President, J. W. Dickson, University Place. Secretary, Fred Iringer, Sixteenth and D streets, Lincoln.

MUSICIANS PROTECTIVE UNION, No. 463—Meets first and third Sunday mornings, Bruce's Hall, President, Wm. Finney, 125 South Sixteenth. Recording Secretary, W. C. Norton, 1531 North Twenty-fifth. Financial Secretary, N. A. Otis, 2234 Q.

JOURNEYMEN BARBERS, No. 164—Meets first and third Wednesday evening, Bohanan's hall, President, R. L. McBride, 1645 G. Recording Secretary, Roy Ward, 1216 O. Financial Secretary, Roy Swinker, 1010 O.

BARTENDERS' LEAGUE, No. 399—Meets third Sunday, 10 a. m., Carpenters' hall, President, William Brandt, 1225 R. Recording Secretary, Henry Ehlers, Financial Secretary, H. E. Sundeen, 1844 P.

LEATHERWORKERS ON HORSE GOODS, No. 29—Meets first and third Tuesday evenings, Bruce's hall, President, Fred Lewis, 216 South Sixteenth. Secretary-Treasurer, Peter Smith, 226 South Eleventh.

CIGARMAKERS, No. 143—Meets every Monday evening, 1036 O. President, T. W. Evans, 125 South Eleventh. Secretary, John Steiner, 122 South Tenth.

BOILERMAKERS' BROTHERHOOD, No. 497—Meets second and fourth Wednesday evenings, Carpenters' hall, President, J. C. Grant, Ninth and E streets. Recording Secretary, P. S. Sherman, 423 P street. Financial Secretary, J. Bockova.

BLACKSMITHS AND HELPERS, No. 162—Meets first and third Tuesday evenings, Campbell's hall, Havelock. President, R. O. Wagner, Havelock. Secretary, E. B. Bilson, Havelock.

BUILDING TRADES SECTION.

BROTHERHOOD OF ELECTRICAL WORKERS, No. 265—Meets every Thursday evening, 1038 O street. President, C. M. Anderson, 2025 Q. Recording Secretary, G. E. Vennum, 1410 P. Financial Secretary, W. L. Mayer, 2225 Q.

PLUMBERS AND GASFITTERS, No. 88—Meets every Monday evening, Carpenters' hall, President, Ed George, 1822 U. Recording Secretary, George Chipman, 323 North Eleventh. Financial Secretary, Charles Burns, 846 North Twenty-sixth.

PAINTERS AND DECORATORS, No. 18—Meets every Thursday evening, Carpenters' hall, President, Charles Jennings, 1935 S. Recording Secretary, Wm. Wilkinson, 2100 N. Financial Secretary, Perry Jennings, 1936 S.

CARPENTERS AND JOINERS, No. 1055—Meets every Tuesday evening, Carpenters' hall, 130 North Tenth. President, F. E. Naracoug, 130 South Tenth. Recording Secretary, Charles J. H. Chase, 2065 North Thirtieth. Financial Secretary, J. W. Dickson, 317 West St. Paul street, University Place.

BRICKLAYERS AND MASONS, No. 2—Meets every Friday evening, Carpenters' hall, President, E. L. Simon, 2245 E. Recording Secretary, F. W. Smith, R. F. D. 14. Financial Secretary, C. H. Meyers, 320 North Eleventh.

RAILROAD BROTHERHOODS.

BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS, Division No. 98—Meets second and fourth Sunday, Carpenters' hall, Engineer, J. S. McCoy, 1203 U street. First Assistant Engineer, F. D. Palmer, 725 South Tenth street. Second Assistant Engineer, H. Wigenjost, Court House.

BOILERMAKERS' BROTHERHOOD, No. 119—Meets second and fourth Friday evenings, A. O. U. W. hall, 1821 North Fourth. President, Charles Peterson, 1402 Jackson, Havelock. Secretary, Tom Duffy, Indiana and Touzalin avenues, Havelock.

MACHINISTS' ASSOCIATION, No. 688—Meets first Friday in Havelock, third Friday at A. O. U. W. hall, Lincoln. President, J. A. Maistead, Havelock. Secretary, C. H. Lingde, 329 North Seventh.

BROTHERHOOD OF RAILWAY CARMEN—Meets first and third Saturday evenings, A. O. U. W. hall, President, H. T. Saxon, 1821 North Twenty-fourth. Recording Secretary, C. E. Cox, 223 W. Financial Secretary, G. P. Ludwig, 1137 South Seventh.

BROTHERHOOD OF LOCOMOTIVE FIREMEN AND ENGINEERS, No. 179—Meets second and fourth Sunday afternoons, A. O. U. W. hall, President, H. Kurtz, 821 North Twelfth. Secretary, J. K. Robinson, 2971 Q.

BROTHERHOOD OF RAILWAY TRAINMEN, No. 170—Meets second and fourth Sunday afternoons, Bohanan's hall, Master, J. D. Andrews, 1736 O. Secretary, D. J. Cooper, 2126 South Ninth.

BROTHERHOOD OF SWITCHMEN, No. 120—Meets first Sunday at 8 p. m., second Sunday at 2 p. m., Carpenters' hall, President, U. S. Swisher, 2747 Sumner. Recording Secretary, George Ray, 1202 Knox. Financial Secretary, J. Johnson, 2312 P.

PRINTING TRADES SECTION.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES COUNCIL—Meets third Wednesday evening, Carpenters' hall, President, G. Locker, 1209 South street. Secretary-Treasurer, J. H. Brooks, 700 North Ninth street.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION, No. 209—Meets first Sunday, 2 p. m., Fraternity

hall, President, J. E. Bala, 120 South Thirtieth. Recording Secretary, H. W. Ringman, 2281 Holdrege. Financial Secretary, F. H. Hubbard, 1527 Washington.

BOOKBINDERS' BROTHERHOOD, No. 129—Meets third Monday evening, Carpenters' hall, President, C. C. Jerome, 1610 South Sixteenth. Secretary-Treasurer, Fred Reas, 1261 E.

STEREOTYPERS AND ELECTROTYPERS, No. 62—Meets third Wednesday evening, Carpenters' hall, President, A. E. Small, 2944 South Sixteenth. Secretary-Treasurer, Sam Asken, 2275 Dudley.

CAPITAL AUXILIARY, No. 41—Meets second and fourth Friday afternoons at homes of members, President, Mrs. Fred W. Mickel, 1945 South Sixteenth. Secretary, Mrs. C. E. Righter, 2066 Dudley. Treasurer, Mrs. Charles Burgrover, 2515 Starr.

PRESSMEN AND ASSISTANTS, No. 105—Meets first Wednesday, Carpenters' hall, President, J. H. Brooks, 725 North Eleventh. Recording Secretary, E. C. Werger, 1526 N. Financial Secretary, W. D. King, 2039 M.

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