

WAGELWORKER

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TO LABOR UNIONS.

 Will you assist us by ap-
 pointing some one in your
 union to furnish us with news?
 The Wageworker wants to pub-
 lish the news of your local, and
 in order to do so must have
 your assistance. It is our aim
 to give our readers all the la-
 bor news that is to be had and
 we wish to do it properly, so
 that you will be satisfied. By
 helping us in this way, you not
 only make this paper more val-
 uable and complete, but your
 knowledge of what is going on
 in the labor movement is bet-
 ter and the good feeling among
 the various crafts is more
 strongly cemented. When this
 fellowship idea is instilled thor-
 oughly among us there is less
 likelihood of a break in the
 ranks and it is certainly need-
 ed at the present time.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Business necessities require that a weekly newspaper should extend its Christmas wishes a little ahead of time. For the sixth time The Wageworker seizes the opportunity to wish to its 2,000 readers in particular, and the wage earning population in general, a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May the dawn of Christmas day find a warm fire in the homes of all the workers, well filled stockings in every corner, and a bountifully laden board in every diningroom. May the Fatherhood of God and the Brotherhood of Man have a deeper meaning for every one who opens his eyes upon the Christmas dawn. May the spirit of peace on earth, good will to men, fill every heart.

May the dawn of Christmas find every one of us nearer the true conception of what Christmas means. It does not mean alone the mere exchange of presents. It means, more than anything else, service. The greatest man is not he who gets the most, but he who contributes most to the welfare of his fellows. The richest man the world has ever known died without a penny and was buried in a borrowed sepulchre to avoid a grave in the Potter's Field. He left to the world a legacy that has enriched it beyond the power of the mines of Ophir or Golconda. He left the spirit of brotherhood that has lifted mankind to nobler and better things; He left the power of example that has nerved men to deeds of heroism in behalf of their followers; He left a legacy of law in the form of a Golden Rule that is sufficient for the government of mankind.

Christmas is the anniversary of the birth of this richest man, and it should be celebrated with thoughts of Him uppermost in our minds. All the problems that vex mankind, problems of sociology, of state and of home, may be—can only be—solved by the rules laid down by this Man, the Carpenter of Galilee, Jesus of Nazareth. It is, therefore, incumbent upon us to study more closely the life and the law of this Man, and upon this anniversary of His birth dedicate ourselves anew to the fulfillment of the law He laid down.

Wherever men and women work at unrequited toil; wherever greed sits enthroned with feet upon the necks of the prostrate poor; wherever men are seeking light and truth; wherever error reigns; wherever men are struggling towards a higher goal—everywhere in all the earth may the Christmas spirit be felt to the end that all may be blessed.

Once more, and yet again, The Wageworker wishes for all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! And again, and yet again, it repeats the beautiful sentiment of Tiny Tim: "God bless us, every one!!"

TIME NOW TO MAKE SETTLEMENT.

The Traction company having walked up and settled its indebtedness to the city, the way is now clear for an adjustment. The sooner it is made the better it will be for all concerned. The Wageworker believes it voices the sentiments of hundreds of wage

earners when it opposes any agreement whereby the city becomes a partner in the Traction company. The city should either own all or none. Owning none, it should insist upon strict regulation.

In the opinion of The Wageworker the best possible solution of the problem lies along the following lines:

The company to pay all legitimate taxes when due.

The company to be allowed to pay a dividend of 7 per cent upon the actual amount invested.

All net receipts—money left after paying all expenses of operation—to be invested in betterments, extensions, etc.

A minimum wage scale of not less than 20 cents an hour to all men engaged in the operating service.

The heating and lighting branches of the company to be listed and taxed separately, and not to be considered as a part of the traction problem save in the light of customers of the Traction company. This would mean that whatever receipts of the company from heating and lighting be considered a part of the gross receipts of the Traction company.

The public owes the Traction company stockholders a reasonable profit upon their investment.

The Traction company owes the city better service, better cars, better road-bed, extension of lines.

The way has been cleared for a speedy adjustment of all difficulties. Let us have an end to jockeying for position, an end to playing safety, an end to everlasting contention that has resulted in miserably inadequate street railway facilities.

The men now in control of the Traction company are men of large affairs. Their interests all lie in Lincoln, and they are, or should be, as much interested in better street railway facilities as the rest of us. We believe they are, and that just as soon as the wave of "high financing" subsides they will devote their energies, their time and their capital to making the Lincoln street railway profitable by making it of the utmost service to the people.

THE CHRISTMAS WAGELWORKER.

The Wageworker appears this week in Christmas garb—and it really believes it has reason to feel proud of its appearance. It also has reason to feel proud of the evidences of its standing among the merchants of Lincoln as an advertising medium. It does feel proud of that standing, and it expects to earn further favor along these lines.

The Wageworker confesses that in the past it has made serious business mistakes. It has been bilked once or twice by advertising fakers, and thus has innocently assisted in bilking advertisers.

But never again! The next "expert advertising solicitor" who comes along and offers to put out a "special edition" of The Wageworker is going to be dropped from the roof of the Labor Temple. The fellow who has a scheme to make a pot of money "for both of us" out of the friendship of business men for organized labor, is going to get some advertising for himself that will not be to his liking.

Hereafter all the advertising in The Wageworker will be solicited by the business manager of The Wageworker, or cared for by him when it is offered without solicitation.

In future if any man approaches you and asks you for an advertisement for The Wageworker, and holds out any inducements other than a good circulation—who says a certain percentage goes to this or that enterprise, or who makes covert threats of reprisals in case of refusal to patronize—if anything like that occurs in future, just detain the gentleman a few minutes and telephone The Wageworker and the police.

The Wageworker has advertising space to sell, but it will sell the same on its merits. It is willing to risk a comparison between itself and any other labor paper in the United States or Canada. It hasn't the largest circulation of any paper in Lincoln, but it comes nearer to covering its field than any other paper—a statement that we will willingly offer proof to substantiate if any advertiser, present or prospective, invites it.

The Wageworker would have it distinctly understood that at no time has it knowingly allowed any misrepresentations to be made. That they have been made we now know. It is to avoid a repetition that The Wageworker now makes this public statement and acknowledgment.

A whole lot of people who never did anything for temperance in their lives save shoot off their mouths, find it easy to criticize W. J. Bryan, whose whole life is a splendid temperance lesson.

It has been demonstrated that Nebraska can have a heavy snow without an accompanying blizzard.

Members of the labor unions in

Lincoln will show their loyalty to the labor movement by patronizing their friends who advertise in The Wageworker. The business men who advertise in this paper are friendly to the cause or they would not aid in supporting its official organ. And they want the labor trade, or they would not take pains to seek it through the only channel which is certain to lead up to that trade. The consideration they show the movement and the enterprise they display in trying to get in touch with it is worthy of a handsome return in the way of support from that movement.

The January number of "American Industries" will contain a portrait of President Jim Kirby. So will the February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November and December numbers. If "American Industries" had not changed from a semi-monthly to a monthly, President Jim's portrait would have appeared twice as often.

The Wageworker feels so at peace with all the world today, that it goes to the extent of wishing both Charles W. Post and the ex-stenographer a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. May they have nothing worse than "gripe guts" and "ghostum serious" on their Christmas dinner table.

Do your Christmas shopping as early in the day as possible, and remember the tired women clerks. Don't waste any sympathy on the men clerks. They ought to have sand enough to organize and protect themselves.

Keep your mind on the merchants who have shown their friendship by helping along the Labor Temple. They ought to have your continued support.

Is it because of the increased wage scale that the Traction company finds it necessary to dispense with heat in its cars this winter weather?

Drop a year's subscription in The Wageworker's Christmas stocking and we'll both be happy.

There's enough Christmas good will to go 'round if you'll give your share.

The Traction company has paid its city taxes. Now let's get together.

Do your Christmas shopping early in the day—and keep sweet!

Don't forget that the girl behind the counter is a human being.

Western Brick and Supply Co.

1342 O STREET

Carry a Complete Line of High Grade Coal and Material

"CLIMAX" SEMI-ANTHRACITE \$8.00
 The Best Furnace Coal For the Price

"AJAX" LUMP, EGG, AND NUT \$6.50
 Splendid For Heater or Range

H. STEPHENSON, Manager

AUTO 3171—BELL 700

BUY FOR CASH AND SAVE MONEY

Van Andell's CASH Furniture Store
 SOUTH 10TH Lincoln, Neb.

Everyone should know that a spot cash store can sell for less than a credit system store. We don't have to pay for our goods until we have sold them. We carry no book accounts, thus saving the expense of a book-keeper. We pay no rent, either—another big saving of expense—and we don't have to pay several collectors for trying to collect bad accounts. Our fixed expense is very low, so you can readily see that we can afford to sell furniture and stoves for less money. Your money will go a long ways here. The "down" payment on the "four rooms furnished complete" of the credit store would almost pay the whole bill here.

GLANCE OVER THESE PRICES

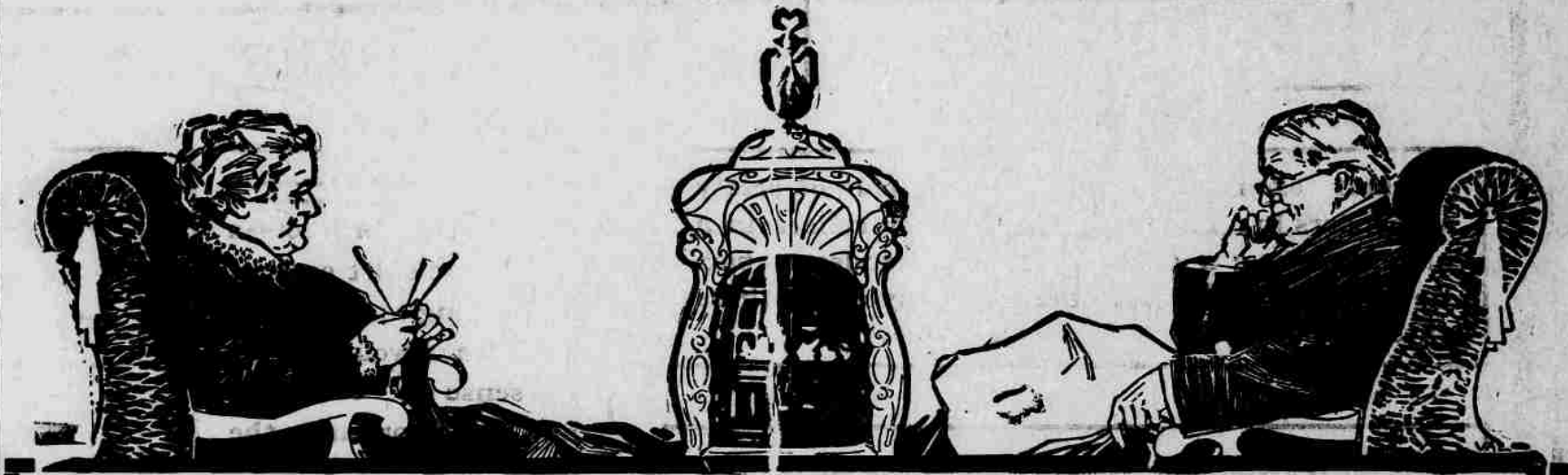
Solid Oak Dining Chairs	90c up
Solid Oak Dining Tables	\$2.50 up
Solid Oak Rockers	75c up
A Fine Kitchen Table for	\$1.00 up
Elegant Library Table	\$7.00
Nice Reed Rockers at	\$2.00
Ladies' Sewing Rockers	\$2.50
8-3 x 10-6 Ingrain Rugs, priced at	\$5.00
9 x 12 Ingrain Rugs for	\$8.00
8-3 x 10-6 Brussels Rugs	\$11.00
9 x 12 Brussels Rugs	\$13.50
A very pretty Iron Bed, priced at	\$2.50
A better one for	\$8.50
The best there is for	\$9.25
We can sell a Brass Bed for	\$22.00
Good grade Linoleum, per yard	50c
Good grade Matting, per yard	25c
Pretty Little Center Table for	\$1.00

These are only a few of the many money-saving prices on our goods. We have a large, well-selected stock priced proportionately low.

A LARGE LINE OF STOVES AND RANGES AT BARGAIN PRICES

We have an extensive showing of high-grade stoves and ranges at prices that should appeal to the economical buyer. Come in and see them.

W. C. VAN ANDELL,
 132 South Tenth Street. Lincoln, Nebr.



Why Not Make the Home a Present?

Doesn't it Need a New Stove or Range?
 Then Why Not Send it One For Xmas?

Pay \$1 a week and have any stove in our store sent home

You like good practical gifts, don't you? Of course you do and so do your friends and relatives. Could you possibly select for the wife a gift that would be more practical, be a more constant reminder of the giver's good, than the very finest range in America. Indeed not! Then why not make the wife—the home, this gift, a fine new stove or range?

How it will please her, its ease of operation, its perfect baking and cooking qualities and its beauty and its economy of operation will prove a source of pleasure both to you and her.

There is no stove or range made to compare with ours, we know it because for over 60 years they have proven such, the best for every purpose.

Then why not make the home a present of one of our elegant stoves?

A Christmas Present For You

If you are interested in a stove cut out the coupon below and bring it with you. Pick out the stove or range you want and we will allow you ONE DOLLAR off the regular price. The coupon is as good as a silver dollar when applied on the purchase of any stove or range in our immense stock. As this is strictly a one-price store we are making you a Christmas present of a dollar just as truly as if we were to give you the cash.

This Coupon entitles the bearer to a rebate of
ONE DOLLAR
 on the purchase of any Stove or Range in our store
 W. W.—12-18

TRADE IN YOUR OLD STOVE AND RECEIVE CREDIT ON NEW ONE

Bring in the Coupon
and
Save a Dollar

Hardy's

Bring in the Coupon
and
Save a Dollar