

BILLY MAJOR'S SPIELING

There are five people—maybe six—connected with that Cudahy-Lillis affair that have my sympathy...

As I remarked in the beginning, I sympathize deeply with General Cowin. There is one of the finest gentlemen that ever lived and moved and had his being in Nebraska—or anywhere else...

I love a good dog. That statement reminds me that I am yet willing to pay a fairly liberal sum for definite information as to the dirty whelp that poisoned my collie last fall...

I took a walk Sunday. It was about five or six miles long, and I enjoyed it thoroughly. Not less than two score of automobiles went whizzing by me...

and as many backs to clothe. While my Sunday amusement was confined to walking I noted that hundreds could automobile, scores golf, and thousands ride in rubber-tired carriages...

Say, Messrs. Despain & Stoner, let me butt in with the suggestion that you try the experiment of selling on Saturday the tickets for the Sunday ball games...

At the laymen's missionary meeting and banquet at the Auditorium Tuesday night, Chairman Sizemore, who happens to be Lincoln's postmaster, said that a letter posted in Boise, Idaho, and addressed to "Postmaster, Holy City, Nebraska," came straight to Lincoln...

It gave me a lot of pleasure to walk through the rejuvenated and reconstructed Lindell hotel one day this week. There is some hotel. It is as different from the old Lindell as a Pullman palace coach is from a bunk car used by a lot of "dago" track layers...

"The wages of sin is death!" The truth of that old scriptural quotation was again burned into my mind last Wednesday morning when I heard of the death of McCarthy in the penitentiary...

but the name of a woman he had wronged. With every opportunity to make good, with a life of usefulness before him, educated, brilliant, capable, McCarthy chose the crooked path—and today he lies in a grave dug by convict hands in a graveyard filled with dead convicts...

INTERESTING READING, MAYBE.

The Rochester, N. Y., Labor News is a mighty good labor paper. It always has seven pages of mighty interesting reading. Maybe it has eight. We don't know. The eighth page is printed in a language we can't read, but if it is as interesting as the other seven pages we are sorry we didn't put in a couple or three years of our school time studying German instead of "hic, haec, hoc."

Farmers' Educational Co-operative Union, representing 3,000,000 farmers, told the congressional committee on immigration that they are opposed to unrestricted immigration from foreign lands into this country.

HAVELOCK WORKERS

The union men are getting into the political game for fair out in Havelock. J. A. Malstead of the machinists is running for city clerk on the republican ticket...

BOOSTER VS KNOCKER

The booster works in the open. The knocker works under cover. The booster is a loving husband. The knocker is a wife beater. The booster believes in man. The knocker's slogan is distrust.

Is Lincoln going "wet" or "dry"? Best if I know. And I'm not worrying very much about it, either. I'm so blamed busy trying to make both ends meet—or at least one end meet—that I haven't time to worry my brain about the "wet" or "dry" question...

By the way, my hearty thanks to County Attorney Tyrrell for the clear and comprehensive explanation he gave us of the traction situation last Sunday. If what he said don't make all of us sit up and think we are a hopeless lot.

INDUSTRIAL INVESTIGATION.

Secretary Nagel of the department of commerce and labor has announced that he will consider the suggestion for creation of a bureau of investigation of the condition of workingmen and working women in the United States...

A few scab granite cutters in San Antonio, Texas, who made application for a state charter, say: "This corporation is not possessed of any capital stock, and it has no goods, chattels, lands, rights or credits."

to be proud of the success they achieved. Bruce's union orchestra furnished the music.

At the First Christian church Sunday evening Will M. Maupin, editor of The Wagerworker, will speak on the subject of "The Church and the Workingman," and he would like to have a lot of Havelock workingmen in the audience so he will feel more at home.

The local political situation is getting red hot in the Shop City. Perhaps it isn't just proper to call it a political fight, because it is a fight of "wet" or "dry" and that isn't really a political question. But it is a hot fight, just the same, and of course both sides are claiming victory...

friend of his fellow man.

The knocker writes himself as an Ishmaelite of insufferable scope.

The booster and adversity are inseparable.

The knocker loves the light and abhors dark methods.

The knocker loves darkness; he is so used to stealth that he could run across a tin roof with wooden shoes noiselessly.

A booster is a clean hustler for union labels, all the time.

A knocker is a hustler for his own label, when someone is looking, but a laggard when the grandstand play is impractical on account of lack of audience.

The booster's "I am going home" is a manly acknowledgement of loving ties.

The knocker's "I am going down the line" is a knave's admission that he is a soiled bird, and headed in his natural direction.

The booster is the living, healthy, hustling personification of the right fellow, doing the right thing, all the time.

The knocker is invariably in the right church, but in the wrong pew, by inclination and natural desire. He is the right Mr. Wrong at every turn of the road.

A booster is the opposite of a "Gum Shoe Guy."

A knocker is the opposite of a booster; he is the major-general of the "Gum Shoe Fraternity" and owns the exclusive right to lead the hammer welders, character destroyers and amalgamated platoons of poltroons—Jere L. Sullivan in Mixer and Server.

REITERATING OLD LIES

The daily papers, notably those served by the Scripps-McRae telegraph service, have been busy reiterating an old and exploded falsehood concerning the American Railway Union strike in 1894...

The above quotation contains much that is untrue, and intimates a whole lot more that is equally untrue. In the first place the strikers in Chicago never delayed the mails for a minute. From the time that Debs called the strike until Grover Cleveland sent the troops to Cook county, there never was a minute that the mails could not have been moved on time...

It was Abraham Lincoln who was elected on a platform denouncing the idea of sending government troops into a sovereign state without first being requested so to do by the state authorities. But Lincoln was a statesman who would be called an "anarchist" or a "labor agitator" in these days of "big interests."

The assertion that mobs "raided the yards and burned cars and depots" is not borne out by the facts. True, a lot of cars were burned, but the evidence points very strongly to the fact that the railroad managers switched every dilapidated car they had to the Chicago yards...

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ANY OLD REASON.

Nineteen employees of the Delaware & Hudson railroad shops at Carbonale, Pa., were recently discharged because they weighed less than 150 pounds. It is claimed that an order, recently issued from the company's offices at Albany, N. Y., calls for the discharge of all workers under 150 pounds and over 45 years old.

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for six months, ostensibly for interfering with the mails, but in reality without warrant of law, without a scintilla of evidence to support the charge made against him. And in the years to come Eugene V. Debs, the "jail bird," will be remembered with love and affection when the name of Grover Cleveland will be recalled only by the special interests he served so well.

MUSICAL UNION BALL.

Will Be Held at the Auditorium and Will Be a Wonder.

The annual ball and concert of the Musicians' Union will be held at the Auditorium on March 29, and of course it will be the biggest thing of the year in the way of union balls. A concert will be given by a band of forty-five pieces under the direction of Professor August Hagenow, and will immediately precede the ball. The grand march will begin promptly at 9:30 and the music for the dancing program will be furnished by an orchestra of twenty pieces.

Governor and Mrs. Shallenberger have been invited to lead the grand march, together with the other state officers and their wives, and General and Mrs. John Hartigan. The concert program will appeal to every lover of good music, and the ball will be enjoyed by every one who loves to dance to the finest music. The committees are all working hard to make the ball even a greater success than the one of last year, which set a new record for union functions in Lincoln. The admission to concert and ball is \$1, and everybody is cordially invited to attend.

PRESSMEN ELECT OFFICERS.

Choose International Official Staff After Active Campaign.

The International Printing Pressmen and Assistants' union has recently conducted its annual election of officers after a very active and interesting campaign, and the canvass of the votes cast shows the following results:

- For president—George L. Berry, 9,775. For first vice-president—Peter J. Dobbs, 8,614; F. R. Wilke, 3,650. For second vice-president—M. H. Flannery, 7,424; P. J. Mines, 4,857. For third vice-president—C. A. Pense, 5,578; A. B. Kreiter, 6,620. For secretary-treasurer—P. J. McMullen, 5,727; C. B. Crowley, 6,629.

CEMENT WORKERS AROUSED.

Men of That Craft Now Talking of Forming a New Union.

A number of cement workers met at the Labor Temple the first of the week and discussed the matter of forming a local union. Owing to the shortness of the notice of meeting the number present was small. Those present realized the need of organization, and all said that a majority of the men of the craft could be secured as members of a local union if the matter were properly presented to them.

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