

GENERAL MENTION.

Brief Bits of Labor News Deftly Pilfered From Portland Labor Press.

Canada is to have a navy of its own. The self-made man is often a non-union job.

At a Des Moines school election recently 1,294 women voted.

Colorado teachers are considering affiliation with the A. F. of L.

Samuel Gompers will shortly speak in many places in Oklahoma.

The Molders have voted to increase the salary of the international secretary.

Walla Walla labor unions are trying to "boost the label" in that enterprising town.

Public school teachers of Massachusetts expect to organize as a part of the A. F. of L.

At Duluth, Minnesota, the Leatherworkers are about to start a co-operative establishment.

The Pressmen will give one day's pay toward the home for aged and tuberculosis members.

Chicago union men have protested against a convict municipal printing shop.

Strikebreaking switchmen in Kan-plant being established.

Everett has plenty of labor of all kinds. The Labor Journal publishes a statement to this effect.

During the census-taking in New York the very rich were found to defy the law more than the poor.

Women can hereafter vote on bonding propositions in the smaller cities and towns of New York state.

Organized labor should get after the schools. One good man on a school board has a steady effect.

Hindu towns are being formed in California cities. Beside them the Chink towns are palatial suburbs.

Placing of all the Missouri convicts in blue uniforms and abolishing the stripes has had a distinct uplifting effect.

Governor Patterson has pardoned 152 murders in the past three years and a half that he has been executive of Tennessee.

Systematic strikes in Marseilles, France, have made trouble for the authorities. The naval reserves want better treatment.

Mayor Gaynor has ordered the signs, "keep off the grass," replaced with, "come on the grass" in the public parks of New York.

The new rule of eight hours on all the new warships will give over eight thousand men from two to four hours a day less toll.

Several of the contributors to the National Manufacturers' fund, started last year, with which to destroy labor unions have gone broke.

The Walla Walla, Washington, Monitor says the number of buildings projected there indicate lively times in the building trades this summer.

Of eight cases of injured railway workmen in Indiana last year every one was reversed by the supreme court in favor of the corporations.

Scissors of the Great Lakes speak of the employers "Welfare Plan" as the "Hellfare Plan." It is short, but descriptive alliterative definition.

Internal dissensions in the ranks of organized labor in Denver prevented needed increase in pay of many trades. It costs money to pull hair.

At the recent city election in Hoquiam, Washington seven out of nine councilmen elected were union men, and two of the seven Shingle Weavers.

The Premier of Victoria, Australia, will ask sanction of the State Parliament to own, operate and sell at wholesale and retail all the coal in the state.

An enormous and very valuable deposit of platinum and tin has been found near Merlin, in Josephine county. The indications are, that the field is extensive.

The work of pushing the union label is being vigorously prosecuted in Spokane. Some 500 dinner buckets with an ad. of a union tobacco will be distributed.

The Leatherworkers have secured accession of their demands from nine of the largest manufacturers in the country, and a great many small establishments.

Prizefighting is vigorously denounced by the Methodists ministers of California, but on all the U. S. battleships and cruisers it is a flourishing art and science.

Strikebreakers in some Illinois coal mines struck and did more damage in less time to pumps and pipes than ten times their number of union men would have done.

Organized labor in the state of Washington has twenty-two measures to urge at the next legislature. At the head of them is the demand for the Oregon referendum and initiative.

No assignment of wages is accepted by the City Comptroller of Seattle. This strikes out the loan shark. The Central Labor Council has commended the action of the officials.

Andrew Feruseth has been making

a splendid fight in Washington before Congress for amendments to the present barbaric seamen's laws. Some show of advance toward civilization being made as a result of the missionary movement among the heathen congressmen.

ANOTHER "WHY."

Perhaps Our Des Moines Contemporary Can Find the Answer.

It seems that the Saturday Evening Post and World's Work are the two magazines which will receive the \$10,000 to be expended in advertising Des Moines this year. At the risk of being considered presumptuous, and possibly offending the dignity of certain self-appointed bosses in Des Moines, we rise to inquire why the money to be expended was not more widely distributed? Why expend all of it with two publications?—Des Moines, Iowa, Unionist.

The esteemed Des Moines Unionist did not exhaust its "whys." Why didn't it ask why the appropriation was all spent with two of the most notoriously unfair publications in the country—unfair to organized labor. The Curtis Publishing Co., publishing the Saturday Evening Post, conduct one of the "rattiest" printeries in the country. World's work is equally "ratty" unless it has been squared recently.

There are publications fair to organized labor that are, dollar for dollar, quite as good advertising mediums as either of the above named publications. We hope the Unionist will ask why these two publications were alone favored.

THE BOILERMAKERS.

Receiving Visits From United States Deputy Marshal Hensel.

The striking boilermakers at Havelock have been much sought after during the last few weeks. Immediately after issuing his famous blanket injunction against the strikers, Judge Munger ordered the papers served on the defendants. Deputy Marshal Hensel was given the job, and at the first shot he found about two-thirds of the boys at the union headquarters. They went there to make it easy for the official. But a number of the boys on amusement bent, played tag with the deputy, and as a result he had to make divers and sundry trips to the shop city. A dozen of the strikers have eluded the deputy to date, not that it makes any difference, but they want to make the court officials earn their money. Several of the defendant will never be served for the very simple reason that they have left this section of the country.

Having managed to get a blanket injunction the Burlington decided it was no longer necessary to parner the "scabs" so arrangements are practically completed for moving out the sleeping cars and forcing the "scabs" to provide their own board and room. This they are going to have difficulty in doing, for there isn't a restaurant or hotel in Havelock that will have them—unless Judge Munger considerably issues a mandamus compelling restaurants and hotels to take in the unwelcome and unsanitary guests. A court order of that kind would not be a surprise, taking into consideration some recent court actions.

When the "scabs" get to running around town there may be some trouble. Not by the boilermakers, for they are under injunction, but there are others who will resent close contact with the creatures imported by the company management.

LITTLE LABOR LACONICS.

Short, Snappy Stuff Stolen Swiftly by Scissors Scientifically Shaved.

The Guggenheim interests are distributing plate matter free to many papers. The "enlightenment" of the people on Alaska is sought.

Shingle weavers in Spokane have established a free employment office. It will operate for all of Western Washington, and enable the boys to shed themselves of the employment shark.

Wallowa farmers in a local of the Farmers' Union in that county are securing sacks, twine and other supplies at reduced figures. Working farmers are finding out that organization pays.

Union men in Cincinnati object to the public training schools, where boys are doing men's work in shops at 12-12 cents an hour. It is denounced as a scheme to provide a recruiting station for strikebreakers.

Billy Sunday says he wants buildings put up for him to preach in shall be put up by union labor or not put up at all. Some of the "open" shop religious hustlers for Billy in Portland should bear this in mind.

In Australia a Seamen's Compensation act is in force, which provides liability on the part of employers, regardless of negligence on the part of the injured, and gives damages for nearly every kind of injury.

Wash Goods Special Of Interest to the Economical Three Big Bargain Lots For This Week's Selling

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Every promise of fundamental reform made by the Democratic party in Colorado two years ago has been broken. The Republican machine and the Democratic machine stand shoulder to shoulder against the people.

The operation of the initiative and referendum does not "do away with the legislature," but it does do away with the legislature "doing away with the people." That is why it carries by such overwhelming votes when submitted.

For the five-thousandth time, the labor papers are announcing that the Associated Press dispatches suppress and distort news pertaining to labor difficulties and operations. Of course. That is the source of a part of its fat dividends.

Taft is another "friend of organized labor" who believes the union is all right if properly conducted. The definition of "properly conducted" is to have no aims, principles, or actions that improve conditions, shorten hours or raise wages.

Harry Wisby, in the Longshoreman, urges that the wallflowers in the unions who never speak be urged to express opinions on matters up for discussion. He says that a "kicker" frequently makes good, and always learns a lot if put in the chair.

Politicians are worried in the state of Washington over the direct primary law forbidding advisory nominations, according to some constructions. What the people will do with such a task before them, as nominating a full ticket seems to be driving the politicians to drink.

President Jones of the Lincoln local of Street and Electric Railway Employees was handed the "blue envelope" the other day. The reason given for his discharge was his failure to report an accident that happened about a year ago. Of course the fact that President Jones' picture appeared in the anniversary edition of The Wageworker had nothing to do with it.

The "accident" was such a small one—or so seemed at the time—that Jones did not think it necessary to report it. A woman fell in trying to board a car before it had come to a standstill, but she picked herself up and smilingly entered the car and said nothing about being hurt. Several months later she put in a claim for damages, and then Jones was handed his discharge for failure to report. Yet some people can not understand why the motormen and conductors want recognition of their union.

The income tax amendment submitted to the states is not likely to secure required consent of two-thirds of the legislatures. It gives the millionaires a pain to think of an income tax, and the trusts would rather the government taxed the farmers on something or other.

In Missouri, in 1908, there was an increase in the average pay per hour over 1907, the average being 36.45 cents, as compared with 36.29 cents for the previous year. There was also a decrease in the average daily working time over the year before, 9.91 hours a day to 8.95.

WONDERFUL LIBERALITY.
We rejoice to note that the railroads are making wage concessions to the trainmen. In some cases the wage increase equals 6 per cent, the average being about 3 1/2 per cent. While making these wonderfully liberal wage increases the railroads have filed with the interstate commerce commission freight schedules showing an increase of an average of 18 per cent in the rates. Now do your own figuring—3 per cent wage increase, and an 18 per cent freight rate increase to pay the 3 per cent wage in-

crease. Aren't the railroad managers the liberal boys, though!

HINSHAW BALKS.

Congressman Hinshaw has decided that he does not want to be the republican candidate for governor. This will be good news to union men, for Hinshaw lost no opportunity to throw the hooks into unionists.

PUEBLO PRESSMEN WIN.
The local Pressmen's union has been notified by all shops in town of the acceptance of their new scale. There was one or two that held back a few days, but came in when they seen that all the larger shops had signed up. The Pressmen are to be congratulated on the successful handling of their request for more wages, as it was handled throughout in a diplomatic manner.—Pueblo Industrial Review.

PAINFUL ACCIDENT.
Mrs. Charles Reiger is rapidly recovering from a painful accident she met with a week or so ago. While standing on a box to reach up to a clothes line she slipped and fell, and in the falling sustained a broken rib or two and several severe sprains and bruises. The injuries were very painful and Mrs. Reiger was laid up for some time.

TRUST TAXED FOR STRIKE.
Because of the heavy expense the village of Glen Falls, N. Y., incurred in "preserving order" during the strikes at the plants of the International Paper company, local assessors have increased the assessments of the property of the trust from \$135,000 to 500,000. The company has appealed to the courts.

Foolish Loiterers.
People who sit and wait for great moments miss many wonderful small moments, and they are to be pitied.

Exact Definition.
A gentleman is a gentleman. A party is a man who gets his hair cut on Saturday night.—Topeka Capital.

None to Do the Chores.
More than four million people are estimated to attend moving picture shows in the United States every day. No wonder it is getting so hard to find somebody willing to do the chores.

A Mystery.
We sometimes wonder how people who do not drink sassafras tea are ever able to find out when spring comes.

Always on Tap.
While there's life there's hope.—Chicago Record-Herald.

Says the Optimist.
There is one good point about big troubles—they eat up little ones.

Light to Banish Sorrow.
Sorrow dwells longest where the sun is shut out.—Florida Times-Union.

The Fortunate Ones.
Heaven gives its favorites early death.—Byron.

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