

GENERAL MENTION.

Purloined From Portland Labor Press

Steam fitters in Pittsburg are striking against the "open shop."

Prison convist labor is a blot on our civilization. It is barbarism itself.

An extra session of the Pennsylvania State Federation of Labor meets on November 1.

Tinsmiths in New York have won out for a union shop, fewer hours and more pay.

Sacramento has laid the corner stone of its Temple, and Tacoma is soon to

A Boston judge has decided that the municipality is not obliged to have its printing done in a union shop.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen has appropriated funds for the establishment of a course of scientific firing.

The forces of organized labor in Los Angeles propose to fight the gag ordinances through the courts.

the street car men originated with the

Convict labor contracted out to manufacturers drives more women to sin than all the crimes of the convicts amounted to.

The strike of the expressmen in New York is another "proof of prosperity" politicians tell us industrial disturbances are.

The recent upheaval in the immigration department at San Francisco is somewhat badly broken up himself. means that in campaign times the admission of Hindus was a little too | millionairs, has been turned over to the "raw."

The 1150 stage hands employed in 70 New York theatres want an increase in wages. They are all members of the Theatrical Protective Union of Stage Hands.

After a strenuous and heated camof the Trades Council has been elected police judge. He was on the Socialist ticket, which made all the trouble. Straws show, etc.

The Pittsburg, Penn., trouble with at Meriden, Conn. The demands of the strikers are a 54-hour week, a discharge of barn men for joining the slight increase in wages, recognition of the union and some voice in the matter of deciding the rates for piece work.

A New York preacher out of a job has undertaken the trifling task of breaking up Socialism. The way the New York Call throws things at him from his past record would leave the bystander to infer that the gentleman

Hoftstot, the heartless steel trust courts of Pittsburg, charged with bri bery of the city council. He fought through the courts of New York to keep from coming back to the dear old

One of the most striking results of the recent political victories of the paign in Eureka, Cal., the president Labor party in Australia is the growing demand for a six-hour day. It is almost as shocking to the special privileged classes as the likewise growing demand that a tax on land values pay

one-third the expenses of the running railroads.

The signing of a petition by a railroad worker to have freight rates raised doesn't mean anything whatever. The man who would refuse to sign it with winter coming on would hit some large empty places about meal times in the east.

The Saranac Glove company in New Hampshire has discharged a number of men for forming a union. It is that kind of an "open shop" that every one of the Employers' association would like to establish. Most of its products are used by workingmen. A more general demand for the union label would help.

From Philadelphia last Tuesday it was announced that the arbitrators had reached an agreement on the interpretation of "loyal men," which has caused friction between the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company and its union men. It is stated that the agreement will satisfy both sides and end all talk of a strike.

LOCOMOTIVE ENGINEERS.

Throttle Men on Sixty-One Northern Lines Threaten a Strike.

A strike vote of the engineers on sixty-one western lines, including the Illinois Central, is about to begin. This is the result of a failure on the part of a Brotherhood committee to make a satisfactory settlement with the companies on the matter of re-adjusting the wage schedules. In addition to asking a wage increase the engineers demand the reform of some working conditions.

As soon as it was seen that no settlement could be reached Chief Stone and his committee withdrew from the conference. The strike vote will begin at once and will be completed and canvassed by December 10. When the result is known it will be submitted to the railroad managers in the hope of averting the necessity of calling the strike.

It is believed, however, that the determination of the membership to secure some relief will be so emphatically shown by the vote that the railway managers will make concessions, thus averting the strike, which would paralyze the country

TEMPLE DIRECTORS.

Will Meet Monday Evening and Tone for a Group Photograph.

The directors of the Labor Temple Association will convene promptly at 8 o'clock next Monday evening and pose for a group photograph. After that has been done the board will proeeed to transact a lot of business that must be transacted immediately.

Owing to pre-election excitement there was no meeting of the bourd last Monday evening. It is imperative that a quorum be present next Monday. however, as affairs are in such shape that something tangible must be done. Every director is urged to be present.

AMERICAN FEDERATION.

The American Federation of Labor will meet in annual convention in St. Louis next Monday. Frank M. Coffey will represent the Lincoln Central Labor Union. Deputy Labor Commissioner Maupin will attend. The convention will last ten days.