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Gompers Delivers a Characteristic Speech at Chicago Luncheon.

The American Federation of Labor chief, in his impromptu speech at the Chicago Labor Day trade union 50c banquet, rendered an eloquent tribute to the rights of wage earners. He said

"If I believed that the movem-nt we are engaged in was for the benefit of the organized workers alone. I I have done in my life work. It is a mine's cinched ..." movement for the uplift of all our people and the frade union is but the instrument which we use. The very existence of that instrument is at Line Up for Bryan and Contribute stake. You have heard the expression of the two political parties. The democratic party has made a clear-cut exBryan. At its regular meeting, held sary, with \$40,000 in the treasury. It member of the church militant he be-Read the platforms. The declaration of the Republican is not, as many imagine, a plank on labor. It may be a whole lumber pile on labor. But it is not a plank. Perhaps it is a knot hole. If it is it's a mighty ragged one.

Mr. Taft's declarations regarding the right to strike and the use of injunctions could have been no more explicit if he had mentioned the name of Mr. Van Cleave and the injunction suit which Mr. Van Cleave of the Buck Stove and Range company brought recently against me and some others. Mr. Taft's qualification in favor of injunctions is an affirmation of the justice of this suit that has been brought against us. Ask Mr. Taft or any of his supporters what they think of the suit and you will see their positon.

"Next Wednesday John Mitche'l, Frank Morrison and myself are summoned to appear in court to answer to a charge of violating that injunction which Taft justifies. We are to be tried to determine whether we shali be sent to jail for exercising the right of free speech and free press.

"If I am guilty of libel or treason am amenable to the laws of my state and my country, but so long as I say nothing treasonable I shall claim the right to express my honest convictions, and that is all I have done.

"It is a matter of grave import to organized labor whether, under the Sherman anti-trust law, our organizations are illegal combinations in restraint of trade. If we are denied ou: natural function of organization, of what benefit is it to us to organize? to form a mutual admiration society? He visited a few days with old friends No. We must have the right to dis- and then went to Verdon for the purplease the powers that be. I'm tirad pose of getting his brother Robert of having men appear in the position and taking him down into New Mexico tion one day last week. If it had not of apologizing for the right of free and Arizona. "Bob" is suffering from been for the quick wit of a fellow does not want .ne support of union

I'll simply say this: The whole world is a narrow cage to me if I cannot exing on establishing a bakery, and if press my honest thoughts...

"I am not a university graduate, I label on the product.

what I write is the expression of the at the old home in Missouri. discontent of the workingmen of our The New Century printery is now in Gamble and immediately broke a country. Whetner I agree with Mr. possession of the label. Bryan in everything is not for me to his honesty.

to no political party. I am an Ameriable to the members of the club. could not give it the attention which grasped Mr. Bryan's hand) "and cratic committee, is an organizer of

SIOUX CITY PRINTERS.

Money to Boost Him Along.

The Sioux City printers line up for pression in favor of equal rights be-last Sunday in Labor Temple, Sioux fore the law. The labor plank in the City Typographical Union No. 180. went on record in support of Bryan sion fund. for president. The communication from the American Federation execusons why it was supporting the democratic party in this campaign was read, been approached. Three Socialists good in at least one respect. and the discussion in favor of the en- have agreed to stick to Bryan this dorsement of the action of President trip. The Western Laborer says that man had made stenographic reports of Samuel Gompers and the A. F. of L. so many Republicans have joined the in by both Republican and Democratic make any headway in an effort to get members of No. 189, resulting in an the club to stand for anything more almost unanimous indorsement of the than to vote for Bryan. action of the executive committee The union also appropriated a neat sum of money to help defray the campaign expenses and the treasurer was That's the Euphonious Designation of instructed to forward same at once to Secretary Morrison. It was some what surprising to a few of us to see those old Republicans of No. 180 line up and vote in favor of the proposition, but they did, and came across in organization always has been in front rank of progress. Sioux City, Lincoln and Omaha Typographical unions have given their indorsement and we would now like to hear from the other three Western baseball league cities-Denver, Pueblo and Des Moines, Come on boys, be consistent, and give yourselves a square deal at the ballot box next November.-Sioux City Union

THE PRINTER MEN.

Brief Bits of News About the Men of Machine and Case.

Ollie Mickel was in town recently. Beatrice Lineman Rescued by Quick tuberculosis, and it is believed that a 'If I am to be denied these rights, change of climate will be beneficial. Billy and Garry Bustard are figurthey do it will be one that tan put the

not write as elegantly as some, but have returned from a protracted visit burning. Bell, who was down below,

At the next Tuesday luncheon of the discuss here. I believe he is thoroughly Lincoln Ad Club, Wells Compton will the pole and carried Gamble down. The in earnest and I will stake my life on read a paper on "Advertising From the injured man was taken home and a Compositor's Standpoint." Compton physician summoned, and just as the I have no votes to deliver." he knows the business thoroughly and his patient was about to go through the said in conclusion. . owe allegiance paper will be interesting and profit- peatry gates the physician pulled him

can citizen and a wage-earner. I have Grant Hamilton, who is in charge of sure of staying inside when he really but one vote, onere a turned and the labor bureau of the national Demo- go there. the American Federation of Labor and BILLY SUNDAY WAXES WROTH. a member of the Typographical Union.

Chicago, procided at the Labor Day luncheon tendered Mr. Bryan by the Chicago Labor Day committee.

The Union Printers' Bryan Club of Omaha now has 165 members, accord-

HARD LUCK

Omaha's Labor Day Stunt.

There is more "hard luck" in the Labor Day celebration management. Bob McKinnon, the treasurer, is said distributed, but there was no money and ready for the press he pulled a coming in at the cashier's desk. When were mislaid and now the terrible ac-

GOT A SHOCK.

Wit of a Fellow Workman.

George Gamble, a Beatrice lineman. had a narrow escape from electrocuworkman, Burr Bell, Gamble would climbing poles and stringing wires.

Gamble was up aloft repairing wires when he got mixed up with a wire indictment against Pickel, and alcarrying 119 volts-enough to burn a ready there were enough to keep him graduated from the college of hard | Erstine King is once more wearing man to death in about two minutes, almighty busy explaining during this knocks in the workshop, and I may a smile. Mrs. King and little Erstine and render him utterly helpless while campaign.

saw that something was wrong with ground wire, thus cutting off the current for the moment. Then he climbed back and gave him a chance to make

John Harding, organizer of No. 16, Goes After a "Rat" Printery and Puts It Off Watch.

Billy Sunday, the famous evangelist, is well known as a friend of organized Chicago Typographical Union No. 16 labor. He never misses an oportunity complished more than the union printers have been able to accomplish in tive committee setting forth the realing to President Graham, and not all years-he made the W. B. Conkey the members of the union have yet Printing Co., at Hammond, Indiana, be

Billy learned that a Decatur, Illinois

his sermons and was having them pubexecutive committee was participated club that it would be impossible to lished in book form by the Conkey "rattery." Billy objected for two reasons-one was that he didn't want his sermons published, the other was that when they were published he wanted them published under fair conditions. The Decatur man stood on the fact that the sermons were not copyrighted. Billy stood on the fact that they were his sermons. But there was no agreement. So Billy waited until the plates for the book were all ready for to have placed the freshment tick- the press, and then went to Hammond. ets away in a corner carelessly and He casually strolled into the Conkey the true union way of No. 180, which they were found by the moochers who shop and asked to be shown around. appropriated from \$50 to \$250 worth The manager didn't know him and The refreshment counter did a whirl- consented to act as guide. When Billy wind business after the tickets were saw the plates all nicely locked up short-handled ax from under his coat a kid came along offering to sell a \$5 and proceeded briskly to hammer coupon book for \$2.50 the wise ones dents in every plate, and before the came out of it and concluded that the astonished manager could interfere central body was stuck to hold the Billy had to put the whole job on the sack. Last year the program receipts bum. Two or three "rats" sought to throw Billy out, but when the fracas cident. Hard luck.-Omaha Western was over Billy emerged smiling and calm, while the "rats" sought assistance in binding up their wounds.

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