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GENERAL MENTION.

Brief Bits of News Picked Up Here and Elsewhere.

The "Made in Lincoln" exposition is dated for the first week in February, 1909, at the auditorium. Wait for it.

The papermakers' strike against the International Paper Co., has been declared off. The men will have to go back as individuals, and the mills will be "open shop."

James E. Watson, to a standstill. The

democratic candidate, "Tom" Marshall, was endorsed by organized labor and elected by a handsome majority. But the boys wavered and fell out of line on the presidency. Those prospective jobs must have been a good bait.

Sam Gompers needn't get all swelled up because he has been snubbed by Teddy. There are others.

"Fuss vs. Fuss" is the title of a divorce case filed in the Lancaster county district court. And that's probably what caused it.

Call up The Wageworker when in need of some good printing for your union.

Just as soon as the Washington, D. C., Central Labor Union learned that President Gompers had been snubbed by President Roosevelt, it wired its congratulations to Gompers.

Bricklayers report that work is holding up well, the weather having been very favorable so far. The carpenters make a similar report.

Five hundred coal miners at Osage, Kansas, walked out last Tuesday to enforce a demand for remunerative wages. A strike of the whole district is threatened.

Shoemakers claim to have been the first to organize a union in the United States. They give the date as 1792.

Organized labor in Indiana fought The International Cotton Spinners' Union has presented Samuel Ross, of New Bedford, its veteran secretary, with a silver service of fifty pieces.

The Oakland, Cal., Trades Council has under consideration plans for the erection of a building trades temple to cost about \$100,000.

A new plan to raise money for the building of a labor temple in St. Louis has been endorsed by the General Central Trades and Labor Union there.

The Indianapolis labor organizations have recently leased a farm of thirty acres west of the city which they intend to improve and use for picnics and outings.

Louisiana, Connecticut, Nebraska, Indiana, Rhode Island, Washington, New Hampshire and Massachusetts, as well as Oregon, have the ten-hour day for women now in force.

Representatives of the coal miners of Washington state and the coal operators met at Seattle and signed an agreement for the present scale to be in force for the next two years.

Hebrew painters and paperhangers of Boston are reorganizing their old union.

Chicago has a new paper published in the Hebrew language called the Jewish Labor World.

The agitation for the eight-hour day began in this country soon after its inauguration in Austria in 1856.

The executive officers of the International Brotherhood of Bookbinders are engaged in the work of registering their union label in several states. It is reported the work is progressing

favorably and upon its completion the label will be issued.

Owing to the strike of cotton workers in certain parts of England, and which has resulted in a number of mills closing down, Philadelphia will also suffer a loss in a financial way by the stoppage of cotton exports.

Steam engineers of Cleveland, Ohio, are making strong efforts to introduce eight-hour shifts in packing houses in place of twelve-hour shifts.

The International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, in convention at Indianapolis, Ind., recently re-elected all the present officers and delegates but one.

In Germany all workmen, servants and clerks above sixteen, and getting less than \$500 a year, are obliged by law to insure against old age.

The Italian government has presented a bill prohibiting bakers from working at night and establishing a heavy fine in case of infraction, which will go to the fund for incapacitated and aged workmen.

A union of hospital superintendents has been organized in Chicago which may be extended to take in medical and surgical workers. It is called the Chicago Hospital Association and has twenty-five hospitals in its membership.

Approximately 125,000 unskilled laborers are affiliated with the General Federation of Trades Unions in Germany.

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A seceding organization from the Brotherhood of Railroad Employees has taken the name of Brotherhood of Railroad Station Employees.

When entering a barber shop be sure that you see the union shop card before taking a chair.

If the blue label is not on the box, refuse to buy the cigar it contains.

Merchants who advertise in The Wageworker carry union made goods, and it is up to union men to ask for them.

Direct legislation on labor in England dates as far back as the reign of Edward III, when the first statute of laborers was passed. The population had once been reduced by pestilence, and the demand for labor naturally led working classes to insist on higher wages.

The American Federation of Musicians is reported to be in unusually fine condition. Its membership is now approximately 40,000 and new unions are being formed everywhere.

The Bakers' union of Philadelphia, Pa., has begun a crusade to improve sanitation in bakeries in the foreign quarter of that city.

About \$4,000,000 a day is earned by

the trade unionists of this country. What would be the result if half of this amount were spent each day in the purchase of union made goods?

Seamen's compensation laws, for injuries received in the service of ship-owners, are in operation in Austria, Belgium, Denmark, France, Germany, Russia, Italy and Spain.

An order has been issued directing heads of departments and divisions of the Panama canal to replace all alien clerical employes with men selected from a list of Americans.

There is a bill in congress that confers upon employes of the government the right to sue the government for damages in cases of permanent disability due to injuries received while in the discharge of duty.

The Lancashire, England, Federation of Cotton Spinners has decided to reduce the wages of operators 5 per cent. Notice to this effect will at once be given to the operators, 200,000 of whom are affected.

The recent national convention of the General Union of Stonecutters decided to make the office of general president a salaried position, so that that official can devote all of his time to the interests of the union. Headquarters will be established in Washington.

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White and negro longshoremen at New Orleans have signed a five-year contract with the stevedores and steamship agents, establishing a scale.

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers numbers 63,500, and it has contracts with 172 railroads in the United States and Canada.

John F. Tobin has been elected president of the Boot and Shoe Workers' International union.

Notice of Adoption.

In re adoption No. 256 of James Vernon in the County Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska. To all persons interested take notice that Edwin Hall and Lulu Hall, husband and wife, have filed their petition and relinquishment of the State of Nebraska, by the superintendent of the Home of the Friendless, its custodian, for the adoption of James Vernon, a minor male child, with bestowal of property rights and change of name to Edwin Carter Hall, which has been set for hearing before this court on December 28th, 1908, at 9 o'clock a. m., when you may appear, object to and contest the same.

Dated October 8, 1908.
P. JAS. COSGRAVE,
(Seal) County Judge.
By Walter A. Leese, Clerk.

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