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### DAN KEEFE'S TREACHERY.

A Few Hot Roasts of the Man Who Played Judas.

#### None Envy Him.

Daniel J. Keefe, formerly an official of the American Federation of Labor, has been appointed commissioner general of immigration. None in the labor movement envy Mr. Keefe for his position.—Washington Trades Unionist.

#### Been Paid His Price.

The expected has happened, that which was denied by the republican press all over the country during the political campaign, has been proven to be the truth, Dan Keefe, the arch traitor to the American Federation of Labor, has had his price delivered to him by the powers that be, the appointment of commissioner of immigration of the United States.—Reading Advocate.

#### Will Live to Regret.

It is hard to decide what position to take on Dan Keefe's treachery—whether to condemn him, or to stand in admiration at the brazenness and gall of this man who accepts his 30 pieces of silver without even waiting for the campaign's echoes to die. But Dan Keefe can have his job—he can enjoy his \$5,000 a year, but we tell him he'll live to regret. He will find that money is not everything as the doors of American trade unionism are barred against him, and when the men who have profited by his treachery discard him as they would a broken-down race horse.—Toledo Union Leader.

#### Hide Too Thick.

Keefe saw the handwriting on the wall and withdrew his name as candidate for a place on the executive council. Now his wounds have been healed. The president has fulfilled his part of the deal. Taft has been elected. The interests are again in the saddle. A little thing like democratic charges of bribery and deceit will not disturb either Roosevelt or Keefe.—Colorado Springs Labor News.

#### Perfidy Rewarded.

Dan Keefe, ex-vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, who concurred in all the deliberations of the executive council of the A. F. of L. on the political policy to be pursued during the last campaign, and who at the eleventh hour, betrayed the confidence reposed in him as an officer of the Federation, by taking issue against his fellow-workmen, their desires, their hopes and their aspirations has been rewarded for his perfidy by being appointed to a government position—a position he may possibly hold for four short years, provided he does not prove false to this trust, as he did to the trust reposed in him by the men with whom he was associated for years and years.—Reading Advocate.

#### His Name Will Be Execrated.

Daniel J. Keefe gave his endorsement to the proposed policy of the executive council before it became public. As a member of organized labor he had taken an obligation to abide by the decision of the majority; as a member of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor, the highest recognition that labor can give to one of its members, he was expected to either acquiesce in the findings of the majority, or finding this impossible, to resign from the board. It is because of these things that his name will be execrated. The honor that goes with the holding of public office is supposed to far outweigh any financial remuneration. It can safely be said that the honor that attaches to this official will not be great. Daniel J. Keefe can never regain the respect of those whom he has betrayed.—Indianapolis Union.

#### Well Rid of Him.

The price which Dan Keefe bargained for as a reward for his treason to organized labor has been paid. The president has appointed him commissioner general of immigration to succeed the late Frank P. Sargent who was an honest man. Thus Keefe gets one of the best jobs in the gift of the government. But he gave for it that which NO HONEST MAN would part with.

Keefe accepted a bribe to betray the cause of 2,000,000 American workmen and working women who had trusted him and honored him and employed him and who had made it possible for him to wear the diamonds that he sports.

No hungry, ragged hobo on the docks who takes a two-dollar bill for his vote ever touched that depth of degradation nor merited half the scorn of his fellow men!

Sam Parks sold labor out for the price and went to prison. Dan Keefe sold labor out to the president and received as his reward a \$5,000 job and an invitation to break bread at the White House table!

But never mind. Labor is well rid of him, and the lowest-paid, moat

work-worn scooper who toils deep down in the hot, dust-laden, disease-breeding vessel's hold is richer by far than Dan Keefe for undoubtedly beneath his sweaty shirt he keeps his self-respect.—Buffalo Republic.

### TEAMSTERS ARE UNITED.

Warring Factions Make Peace and Come Together in Harmony.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Peace in the ranks of organized teamsters is to be assured by the amalgamation, after a split of two years' duration, of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters of America, announced today. The news came in the form of a letter to the press, signed by W. H. Ashton, general secretary-treasurer of the United Teamsters, and Thomas L. Hughes of the International Brotherhood.

The division of the old organization occurred in 1906, principally on account of the action of President Shea in not allowing seats to the New York delegates. The underlying cause, however, lay further back in the great strike of teamsters in Chicago in 1905. The New York delegates disapproved of some of Shea's policies during that strike and their unseating at the ensuing convention, at which Shea presided, followed. The New York men later formed a separate organization.

### BRICKLAYERS AND MASONS.

The last semi-annual report of the Bricklayers and Masons' International Union shows a total membership in good standing of 64,557. The financial reports of subordinate unions show that less than \$6,000 was paid out to sustain strikers, \$3,471 of which was given to unions of other trades. The individual amounts in the treasuries of the various unions, says the report, show a total of \$220,738. Compared with the report for the corresponding period of the preceding year this shows a decrease of about \$125,000. Although the report shows a loss in membership, it shows a gain in the number of unions.

### A HANDY BOOK.

It Tells You Just What Publications Are Union Printed.

We have received a pamphlet containing a list of magazines and periodicals of general circulation, published under union and non-union conditions, for the guidance of friends and supporters of "fair wages, fair hours and fair conditions," and issued by the International Typographical Union.

We will be pleased to send a copy of this pamphlet to any trade unionist or citizen who is a supporter of "fair wages, fair hours and fair conditions." The pamphlet contains a list of union and non-union publications, and it is for the supporter of "fair wages, fair hours and fair conditions" to make his choice from the classification in such manner as in his judgment will best represent his principles.

Those desiring a copy of the pamphlet in question will please address James M. Lynch, 635-639 Newton-Claypool Building, Indianapolis, Ind.

### THE FEDERATION'S AIMS.

President Gompers Explains Them in a Very Few Words.

Gompers was asked some time since to tell a newspaper man what was the ultimate aim of the Federation.

"My boy," he said, "the end sought by the Federation is the simplest in the world. We are trying to obtain for the workers—the hired men and women of the country—the best possible working conditions and the best possible returns for their labor. How we will achieve the desired result is something that no one can foretell. It is a process of evolution and the conditions will be met and difficulties surmounted as they are presented."

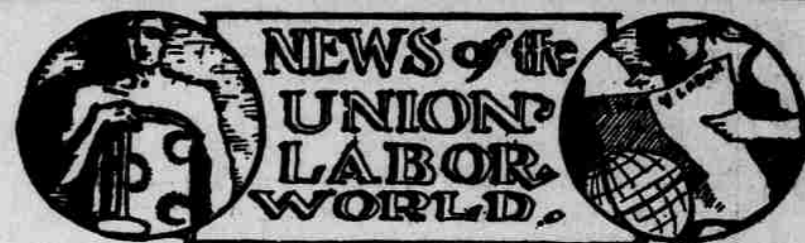
The economic evolution of which Gompers speaks is responsible largely for the change of sentiment that has come over the people of the country toward the labor leader. Today the big men of the labor movement are among the most highly respected men in the country.—Denver News-Times.

### BILLIARD AND GOWLING TOURNAMENT.

An interesting contest of billiards and bowling is now being played at Memmen's "Acme" parlor, 934 P St., between Lincoln amateurs, the prize on billiards being divided as follows: Five dollar cue to highest score, and entrance money into acute prize, and the prize for highest score in bowling a handsome silver trophy to the league representing a regulation sized ten pin suitably engraved. In the billiard contest twelve players are pitted in pairs and at bowling five teams take part. The plays are made evenings and draw large crowds of people who love these pastimes.

### GOD'S TRUTH.

Capitalism is a cannibal, living at the expense of the children. It kills one-half the race before it is 12 years of age, puts the babes to turning its mills until it slays another third in their teens, and then pleads with the women to bear it more children to be consumed.—Pueblo Labor League Bulletin.



Berlin.—Although the outlook for the unemployed was bad in the autumn it is more serious now that the winter has come. The situation seems to be growing worse, especially in the building trades. Attempts are being made to settle with some degree of accuracy the number of unemployed in Berlin. School teachers in the communal schools are to be engaged as counters, and visitors and the municipality are also giving assistance, with the object of obtaining accurate statistics. It is estimated that 40,000 persons are seeking work. In the large suburb of Kixdorf 3,500 are out of employment, some for more than a year.

Washington.—At a cabinet meeting Secretary Straus announced the completion of a plan by him for relieving the unemployed. In a way his proposal is a national transportation bureau for carrying laborers, mechanics and farm hands from places where they are not wanted to places where their services are in demand. The secretary said it is not at all unusual for a particular trade to be dull in one part of the country while in another it may be booming. He thinks the federal government might well employ some of its agents to bring the unemployed and the employers into proximity. He says the free transportation plan will assure such a result.

Denver, Col.—Practically unanimous re-election of Samuel Gompers as president, the withdrawal of Daniel J. Keefe as a candidate for office and a declaration for an old-age pension law in this country were the chief features of the closing session of the American Federation of Labor convention here. The convention instructed the executive council to secure good legal advice for the purpose of drafting a bill for an old-age pension, to be introduced either in the legislatures of the several states or in congress. Toronto was selected as the meeting place for the twenty-ninth annual convention of the federation.

Washington.—Letters are being sent out by the navy department to about 1,000 employees of navy yards throughout the United States, notifying them of an increase in salaries ranging from four to ten per cent. These employees include draughtsmen, clerks and assistant inspectors and the increase in compensation is provided for by the lump appropriation for the various classes of work in the several yards. The effect is to bring the rate of pay up to that of similar kinds of work in other branches of the government service.

Cleveland, O.—Fred Zepp, president of the United Trades and Labor Council, told the council that the breweries of Cleveland no longer intended to recognize union labor except under the open-shop system. At time of making this assertion Mr. Zepp, who is the representative of the Brewery Workers' unions, intimated that his organizations would withdraw from the central body unless the affiliated unions ceased to work for prohibition.

Fall River, Mass.—Fall River textile operatives are happy. A further reduction of more than eight per cent. was expected to take place on December 7, under the sliding scale-selling price agreement between the mill owners and operatives' unions. The manufacturers, at a meeting recently, decided that the present scale, which has been in effect since last May, would continue without change. The announcement caused general rejoicing.

New York.—The arrival of the Hamburg-American liner Amerika might be said to mark the return of confidence in industrial conditions here among the laboring class of Europe. Ever since the week following the election there has been a gradual increase in the number of arriving steeage passengers. The Amerika brought more than any one liner for the last year. She had 1,322 passengers in her steeage.

Marion, Ill.—After having been out on a strike for weeks, the miners in the employ of the Hart-Williams Coal Company, near Benton, have resumed work. The men struck because the operators would not employ shotfirers, but after remaining out for some time resumed work under the former conditions. The employees of the Jeffries mine, north of this city, are now out on a strike and have been for several days.

Vancouver, B. C.—Members of the Canadian Pacific railway mechanical unions have decided to extend financial assistance to the union men on the eastern division who have not been taken back to their former employment following the machinists' strike. Every union man in the local shops gave a dollar as the nucleus of a fund to be contributed to needy workers.

Springfield, Ill.—Word has been received at the national headquarters of the electrical workers in this city that a temporary agreement has been reached between the warring factions and that the troubles in the union will be put up to a special convention to be held in St. Louis in January.

San Francisco.—State Labor Commissioner Harris Weinstein is investigating labor conditions in the principal cities of Europe and collecting data, with a view to beginning legislation in California which shall do away with strikes and labor disturbances generally.

Denver, Col.—It is learned that there has been in Denver a powerful railway employees' organization, to be known as the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor, with ten affiliated organizations as members. H. B. Perham is elected chairman and John Flansbery, secretary. The object is to bring about a closer union of all railroad employees and to seek to affiliate with it all railway organizations. The first convention is to be held in Denver, and 500,000 employees will be represented by the officers of their organizations, which are as follows: Order of Railroad Telegraphers, Brotherhood of Boilermakers and Iron Shipbuilders of America, International Freight Handlers' union, International Association of Machinists, International Association of Car Workers, International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths, Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, Switchmen's Union of North America, International Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, and International Association of Steamfitters of America.

New York.—The officers of local 77 of New York of the International Brotherhood of Bookbinders reported that the national strike of bookbinders which began in the fall of last year for a national eight-hour work-day and is still lingering here and there is now being settled. President Mahoney of local 77 said that the demand for more bookbinders since the election had brought the employers and the strikers together. The strike continued in force in some small western cities and against isolated firms in larger cities after the majority of the firms had come to some kind of settlement. President Mahoney said that the increased demand for men still continues.

South Chicago, Ill.—The announcement is made that the big mills of the Illinois Steel Company will soon resume active operation. This revival means that some furnaces in the mills which have been practically idle for more than a year will again be put to use. For the last six months the total number of men employed by the concern did not exceed 5,500, and of these many were only working partial time. It is stated that sufficient orders for steel rails have been booked since the election to keep the plant in operation for an indefinite period, even if no more are received.

New York.—The National Civic Federation, it is announced, will hold its annual meeting in this city December 14 and 15. At the same time the women's department of the federation will meet. The first day, according to the program, will be devoted to discussions of "Trade Agreements Among Employers and Employees as a Means of Promoting Industrial Peace and Commercial Prosperity." On the second day "Industrial Insurance," "Employers' Liability" and "The Salary Loan Evil" will be discussed.

Washington.—William D. Huber, general president of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, who has been nominated to succeed himself, has made a splendid record during the administration of the order," says the Trade Unionist. "One to be proud of, and not surpassed by any executive officer in the national labor organizations of the world. Under his administration the United Brotherhood has made wonderful strides, both financially and in membership."

Montreal, Que.—The Canadian Pacific railway is officially stated to have placed orders for \$2,000,000 worth of new passenger coaches and has freight cars in course of construction at the rate of 20 a day to keep the company shops busy for six months. The locomotive department has orders totaling \$600,000, and is turning out one new locomotive a week. The Canada Car Company has an order for 10,000 box cars for the Grand Trunk Pacific.

Cleveland, O.—Announcement was made that the Union rolling mills at once will put on its full force and run seven days in the week instead of four. The American Steel & Wire Company will also put on many additional men this week. The Empire rolling mills, which employ about 1,500 men, have been running full blast the last week for the first time since last fall.

London, Eng.—In both England and Scotland several rescue stations have been organized in connection with experimental galleries devised for the purpose of training colliers in the methods of effective rescue work in the event of explosions, pit fires and all other underground accidents.

Washington.—The most recent acquisition of membership of the A. F. of L. is from Jamaica and the neighboring colonies of Trinidad, Barbados and British Guiana.

Boston.—Bricklayers and Masons' International union has notified Boston Bricklayers' union No. 3 that it will finance an appeal to the United States supreme court of the recent decision of the Massachusetts supreme court, which enjoined the union from fining several members for refusing to strike, declaring the union had no such right.

Fitchburg, Mass.—The plant of Iver Johnson Company, manufacturers of firearms and bicycles, will be operated six days a week. It has been running five days weekly for several months. Six hundred hands are affected.