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Notice to Creditors.
Estate No. 2529 of John E. Lundgren, deceased, in County Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, ss.: Creditors of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said estate is October 1, 1909, and for payment of debts is May 2, 1910; that I will sit at the County Court room in said County, on July 1, 1909, at 2 p. m., and on October 1, 1909, at 2 p. m., to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed.
Dated February 26, 1909.
P. JAS. COSGRAVE,
County Judge.

(Seal.)
By WALTER A. LEESE, Clerk.

WAGWORKER

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A GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY.

There can be no partisan designations on the city ballot at the forthcoming election.

Partisan machines may rave and roar and rattle, but the men who run for city offices this spring must run as individuals, not as partisans.

This affords organized labor a golden opportunity to secure the election of two or more of their number to responsible office. The labor candidates will not be so designated, but there should be no difficulty in letting everybody know who the labor candidates are.

A referendum vote has resulted in the nomination of two splendid union men for city office. For city clerk W. L. Mayer has been chosen. For water commissioner O. M. Rudy has been chosen.

It so happens that both of these gentlemen are members of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, but this should not—and will not—have any bearing upon the case. Both of them are amply qualified for the positions. Neither was a candidate from choice, but they were elected because they stood well with the rank and file of organized labor in this city. They deserve the support of every union man, as well as the support of every voter who prefers qualifications to partisanship and who wants good service for the whole people instead of service for a machine.

There are those in the ranks of organized labor who are fearful that we can not elect. Perhaps we can not, but if we are loyal unionists we can try. And rather than trying to do nothing at all accomplished by reason of cowardice or political trimming.

Mayer and Rudy should not be expected to make this campaign all by themselves. They must have the support, financial and moral, of trades unionists who want to see advance steps taken. They ought to have the services of an active "flying wedge" made up of loyal unionists who are willing to make sacrifices of time, and money, if need be, to push the cause. The Wageworker may be depended upon to do its level best to push their candidacy. It knows both of them and is killing to stake its reputation upon their reliability and their ability.

Let us get busy as organized workers and do something for ourselves. Let us push our own men to the front. Let us quit being the tails to political kites. No political party can put forward men for these positions who are better fitted than Mayer and Rudy. We ought to be proud to support them.

Now let us get busy and make our influence felt.

Don't scatter your fire.

Don't be swayed by interested political manipulators.

Vote as you pay dues.

Let's make it Rudy and Mayer—and let the other fellows take care of themselves. If we make it two this time we can make it four next time. And after that we can get all that is coming to us.

Labor Temple Day, May 12.
Be a Booster for the Temple.

INITIATIVE AND REFERENDUM.

The senate has refused to pass the initiative and referendum bill. Why, no one knows. It is demanded by the people, gives the people a chance to rule, and is in line with progress.

The men who defeated it may just as well understand first as last that the initiative and referendum is bound to come, and those who delay it are going to be the victims of the delay, for when the people do get it they are going to make it warm for those who delayed it.

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DEAD AND BURIED.

The commission plan of government so far as Lincoln is concerned is dead and buried beyond hope of resurrection for at least two years. We are sorry that this is so, but the men who were loudest in the denunciations

of those who demanded submission are to blame for it. They tried to work a little confidence game on us, and they fell down. They said they wanted to give us "the Des Moines plan," and then they did not do it. The Des Moines charter was voted on by the people. This was denied the people of Lincoln. A lot of grand-standing was done along towards the last, but it deceived nobody.

As a result of the attempted but futile "fine work" the commission plan is a dead one.

The Wageworker is sorry, for it favors the commission plan. But if the result teaches a few would-be leaders that the day is past for leading the people around by the nose, one good purpose will have been served.

A lot of men who never think of the union man until they want an office will soon be handing out campaign cards upon which the union label is prominently displayed. Ask them to show the label in their coats, on their shoes and in their hats. Also ask them if they are handing out union made cigars. Make 'em play the game to the limit.

Jim VanCleave used to say that the boycott on the Buck product was a "boost." Now he is insisting that it costs his company thousands of dollars a year. You must not boycott Buck's stoves and ranges, but no loyal unionist has to buy to buy 'em—nor will he.

Three hundred and three workingmen took the time from work to vote at the labor referendum. This is a splendid showing and ought to encourage the men who are trying to arouse organized labor to its opportunities and its duties.

By the way, hasn't Lincoln had a pretty good city administration for the last four or five years? And wouldn't it be a good thing if the man at the head of it could be persuaded to continue? Think it over.

It is not yet a crime to insist upon the union label, but you'd better hurry. At the present rate of judicial progress it is likely to be a capital crime almost any day.

You'll enjoy the opening game of the season all the better if you go to the grounds conscious of having helped to elect a couple of good union men to city office.

Lincoln needs parks. To get them we must vote bonds. The workers want parks. Give them a chance to vote for the bonds.

The death of the charter robbed some eminent gentlemen of an opportunity to offer themselves upon the altar of the municipality.

Get into the game and fix it so you can do business with a city clerk who carries a card that looks like the one you carry.

The Nebraska child labor law passes through the session without any amendments. For this let us be thankful.

Wouldn't it be fine to pay your water rate to a man whose card carried a paid-up union due stamp?

Rudy for water commissioner. He has the practical experience, and he will play no favorites.

The next time they offer us a commission charter they'll not attempt to hornswoggle us.

Senate File 381—the Diers garnishee bill—was indefinitely postponed by the house. Glory be!

Mayer for city clerk. Doubtless he will be content with a couple of terms.

Mayer and Rudy make a pair that it will do to tie to, and don't you forget it.

"Union Made in Lincoln" ought to be the rallying cry of Lincoln unionists.

Regulation and constantly tightening restriction, or experient and doubt.

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Hurry up, Mr. Green! We're getting kind of anxious.

Don't try to talk unionism through a "scab" hat.

Boost a bit and be happy.

Get together!

Mayer.

Rudy.

THE LABOR PRIMARY.

Over Three Hundred Votes Cast at First Labor Primary.

For City Clerk.....W. L. Mayer
For Water Commissioner...O. M. Rudy

The first labor primary ever held in Lincoln for the purpose of electing candidates for office was held at Bohanan's hall last Monday afternoon and evening. A decision had been reached to nominate candidates only for city clerk and water commissioner, and three names for each office were submitted.

Despite the shortness of the notice and the insufficient advertising of the date and the event, a total of 303 votes were cast, resulting in the selection of W. L. Mayer as candidate for city clerk and O. M. Rudy for water commissioner. Both of these gentlemen are members of the local Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, and both are men of ability and character.

The voting during the afternoon was light, but after 5 o'clock and from thence on until 8, when the primary closed, the voting was rapid, and the interest manifested promised well for the successful candidates. A proportionate amount of enthusiasm during the campaign and on election day will land Mayer and Rudy winners. Referring to the labor primary the State Journal said:

"Only three hundred out of about fifteen hundred members took the trouble to vote at the labor union referendum to choose labor candidates for city clerk and water commissioner. The candidates appear to be men who stand well with their associates in point of ability and character. Their chances of success would be materially better had a larger fraction of union men taken part in their primary."

"Only 300 out of 1,500" is hardly a fair statement. That means that 20 per cent—if 1,500 is the number of union men in Lincoln—voted at the primary on three days' notice. That is a better average by far than that of the political parties under the old system, and it is quite equal to the average of the state at the first direct primary.

The voters at the primary signed the petitions as they voted, and in due time the petitions will be filed with the city clerk.

There is some talk in certain quarters of securing endorsement of one or both of these candidates from the political parties. That would help some—but labor candidates are going to run whether or no.

Neither one of the political parties can nominate better men than the two labor candidates, nor men more worthy of support. This is to be a non-partisan election, and The Wageworker urges men of all parties to consider the candidacy of Mayer and Rudy.

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ON INDUSTRIAL REFORM.

Friendly Minister of the Gospel Preaching On Interesting Topics.

Rev. H. O. Pritchard, pastor of the Christian church at Bethany, is going to preach a series of sermons on topics that should be of interest to every man who works for wages, and especially to union men. These sermons will be delivered in the chapel of Cotner University, and it would be a good thing if a number of unionists would make up parties and attend services there Sunday evenings. The trip is easily made on the Interurban cars. The series will continue through April, May and June, and will be after the following program:

Exodus and Industrial Reform—
April 4, "An Oppressed People."
April 11, "Need of a Changed Environment."
April 18, "Murmuring for Bread."
April 25, "Need of Moral Leadership."

Leviticus and Social Reform—
May 2, "Pure Food."
May 9, "Sanitary Environment."
May 16, "Criminals and Lepers."
May 23, "Justice in Israel."
May 30, "The New Social Order."

Deuteronomy and Moral Reform—
June 6, "The Decalogue."
June 13, "The Ban in Modern Life."
June 20, "Chastity and Marriage."
June 27, "Love to God the Law of Life."

Rev. Mr. Pritchard is "one of our kind of people," and those who hear him will hear the word with the bark on it. He knows trades unionism and stands for its principles.

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TAFT "THE GOOD FELLOW."

About the first official act of President Taft has been to call for the resignation of Collector Fowler, of the port of New York, a position that pays nearly \$50,000 a year. Fowler worked against Taft's nomination, and placed his organizing ability at the disposal of the unionists, last summer. Now Taft, "the good fellow,"

calls for his resignation, in spite of Fowler's term not expiring for three years.—Toledo Union Leader.

WHAT THE LABEL MEANS TO UNIONISM.

The label is the life of unionism. If these manufacturers, who may be behind the hatters in this strike, think that they can wipe out the labels without a fight, they are wrong.

To fight for the labels is to fight for the basis of unionism.

A label is a guaranty. It is a guide to prove that the ware on which it is found is of union manufacture.

The label is the very opposite of the boycott. The boycott says, "Don't buy." The label says, "Buy, and support this union."

We can't print our boycott lists any more. It would even be wrong, I suppose, to display the old list.

But no one can stop me or anybody else from telling his friend that this or that article of manufacture is unfair.

I'm going to use my speech in this way, just as I please.

We must fight for our sixty-four union labels to the last ditch.—Ex.

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- C. S. Simmons, No. 2.
- Freie Presse, No. 2.
- Woodruff-Collins, No. 4.
- Graves & Mulligan, No. 5.
- State Printing Co., No. 6.
- Star Publishing Co., No. 7.
- Western Newspaper Union, No. 8.
- Wood Printing Co., No. 9.
- George Bros., No. 11.
- McVey Printing Co., No. 12.
- Ford Printing Co., No. 16.
- VanTine & Young, No. 24.
- Dairyman Pub. Co., 129 No. 14th.
- Graves Printery, No. 5.
- New Century, 213 South Thirteenth.

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NOTICE OF ADOPTION.

In re-adoption No. 251 of Gladys Anderson in the County Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, to all persons interested take notice that A. W. Lindoo and Jennie Lindoo, husband and wife, have filed their petition and relinquishment of Gladys Lindoo, Guardian, for the adoption of Gladys Anderson, a minor female child, with bestowal of property rights and change of name to Gladys Lindoo, which has been set for hearing before this Court on May 7th, 1909, at 9 o'clock a. m., when you may appear, object to and contest the same. Dated March 22, 1909.

P. JAS. COSGRAVE,
County Judge.

(Seal.)
By Walter A. Leese, Clerk.

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Notice to Creditors.

Estate No. 1826 of Adelia P. Grover, deceased, in County Court of Lancaster County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, ss.: Creditor of said estate will take notice that the time limited for presentation and filing of claims against said estate is October 15, 1909, and for payment of debts is May 16, 1910; that I will sit at the County Court room in said County, on July 15, 1909, at 2 p. m., and on October 15, 1909, at 2 p. m., to receive, examine, hear, allow, or adjust all claims and objections duly filed.

Dated March 9th, 1909.
P. JAS. COSGRAVE,
County Judge.

(Seal.)
By WALTER A. LEESE, Clerk.

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