

GENERAL LABOR NEWS.

Items of Interest to the Workers Gathered From Everywhere.

Central Labor Union meets next Tuesday evening.

Grave diggers recently organized a union in New York city.

The Toronto Team Owners' association now secure \$5 a day.

The painters in Fort Worth, Kan., have secured an increase of 25 cents a day.

Holland has few dependent paupers. Work is provided for all who apply for relief.

More convict made goods are produced in Missouri than in any other state.

The number of commissioned organizers in the American Federation of Labor is 396.

Carpenters in Muscatine, Iowa, have secured a minimum of \$2.50 per day of eight hours.

There are 12,000 members of the Teamsters' union in the New York city district.

Painters in Great Falls, Mont., are on strike for an increase in their scale to \$5 a day.

The Bricklayer and Mason for April reports the installation of nine new organizations.

The Great Falls (Mont.) carpenters are on strike for an increase from \$4.50 to \$5 a day.

Butte (Mont.) bricklayers have been refused an increase from \$6 to \$7 a day, and a walkout has taken place.

So far organized labor has sent \$109,000 to Messrs. Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison to be used as a defense fund.

A movement is on foot to establish a camp of Woodmen of the World in Lincoln, composed exclusively of trades unionists.

Montana laboring men have sixteen card men in the house of representatives and two men carrying union cards in the senate.

Deputy Labor Commissioner Maupin will attend the annual convention of labor commissioners and factory inspectors at Rochester, N. Y., on June 15th.

Lincoln Musical Union will meet at Bruse's hall Sunday morning at 11 o'clock. This is the first meeting in three weeks and should be largely attended.

The Wellsville (Ohio) plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company broke all previous records during April, according to reports just officially announced.

The Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners has erected a beautiful monument at Camden, N. J., over the last resting place of P. J. McGuire, who organized the brotherhood.

By a referendum vote, complete returns of which are now at hand, the membership of the International Leatherworkers' union has decided not to hold a convention this year.

Of 22,125 women employed in the various industries in Pittsburg, less than one-fifth earn \$8 a week or more, one-fifth earn \$7, and three-fifths of them receive less than \$7.

In 1663 the general court of England ruled that the wages of the skilled workman should not be more than 50 cents a day, and that out of this sum he should have to pay for his own board.

A vote of the cigarmakers of the country favors a plan to advertise the blue label of the organization at the Alaska-Yukon exposition. An assessment will be levied to provide funds.

Notices have been posted at the Leechburg, Pa., plant of the American Sheet and Tin Plate company that the mills will be closed down. The shutdown is not expected to last more than a few weeks.

The railway firemen and the Western Federation of Miners propose to build a monument to the memory of John H. Murphy, formerly counsel for the organizations named, and who died in Denver recently.

Bricklayers and masons of Akron, Ohio, have signed up a new scale of prices, with an increased wage of 40 cents a day. The demand was made and granted because of the increased cost of living in the Ohio town.

In Pittsburg, Pa., in some of the largest shoe stores salesmen are not allowed to sit down during working hours, whether busy or not, and they must use their knee, not a stool, as a rest when lacing a shoe for a customer.

Galveston (Tex.) trade unionists have two candidates for membership on the city board under the commission form of municipal government. The old board has been hiring Mexican labor at \$1.25 per day, while the city scale for labor is \$2 per day.

Direct legislators are organizing the state of Washington with a view to pledging all legislative candidates in 1910 to support the initiative, referendum and recall. They are to hold a state convention at Seattle in August.

In San Francisco the union labor party leaders have selected P. H. McCarthy, president of the Building Trades Council, for mayor; Thomas F. Finn for sheriff and H. L. Mulcrevy

for county clerk as candidates for the three principal offices at the coming municipal election.

Convict labor produced goods to the value of \$25,000,000 in 1908.

The California State Federation of Labor has begun a campaign to organize the fruit and cereal growers of the state.

The Majestic is putting on a fine line of moving pictures during the summer season. This house has always been on the fair list.

George F. Lines of Detroit was elected fourth vice president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen at the meeting in Columbus, Ohio.

Through the efforts of the Chicago Federation of Labor a \$10,000 contract for new cells for the Chicago city prison will be built by union labor.

Average earnings for organized workmen in New York state in the third quarter of 1908 was \$267, as compared with \$227 in 1907, or \$225 in 1906.

In Tokio there is an industrial school for young women with more than one thousand students learning embroidery, sewing and the making of silk flowers and other articles for export.

The agreement existing between the Newspaper Publishers' association and Typographical Union No. 6, New York city, has been renewed for one year, and will be in effect until April 30, 1910.

John Fahy, president of one of the important anthracite mining districts in Pennsylvania, has resigned to accept a position under John Mitchell, now connected with the Civic Federation of Labor.

The Fulton Stock company continues to "turn 'em away" at the Lyric. The longer this splendid company remains in Lincoln the firmer its hold upon the affections of the theatregoers.

Typographical Union meeting Sunday afternoon at Fraternity hall.

Guess that was a pretty warm one Dan Raymer handed Walt Mason in last Wednesday morning's State Journal. Dan seems to have donned his fighting clothes.

Arrangements Completed for What Promises to Be Successful Affair.

Arrangements have been practically completed for the meeting called to organize a State Federation of Labor. The first session will be called to order at 2 p. m., Monday, June 21, in hall of the House of Representatives at the state house. Governor Shallenberger and Mayor Love will give addresses of welcome, and the afternoon will be devoted to temporary organizations and the appointment of committees. In the evening Governor and Mrs. Shallenberger will tender a reception to the delegates and their friends at the executive mansion from 8:30 to 10:30. Tuesday morning and afternoon will be devoted to permanently organizing, drafting a constitution and by-laws and appointing standing committees. Labor Commissioner Johnson of Kansas has been invited to attend the meeting, and has promised to do so if he can arrange his affairs satisfactorily.

Tuesday evening, at the First Christian church, Raymond Robins of Chicago, will deliver an address upon unionism. Mr. Robins is far and away the most eloquent labor advocate in this or any other country. Those who heard him on his former visits to Nebraska will be eager to hear him again. This meeting will be open to the general public. Special music for this occasion will be furnished by the union musicians of Lincoln.

The Lindell hotel has been selected as headquarters. Rates \$2.00 per day, American plan.

All wage earners are cordially invited to attend the sessions of the convention. Organized labor has nothing to conceal.

COMMONER PICNIC.

The annual picnic of the Commoner force is being held at Seward today (Saturday). About seventy people, all connected with the Commoner either by financial or family ties, made up the party that traveled on the special train provided by the management. The Wageworker editor is with the crowd, and next week he will tell about the ball game, provided he is not again on the losing side for the twentieth consecutive time.

NO LABEL, NO WEDLOCK.

Oregon Swain Refuses Connubial Joys Without Union Label.

Here's loyalty to principle for you! It is reported from Hutchinson, Kan., that Coleman C. Clinton, a linotype operator of Portland, Ore., came to the former city to be married. He secured the license and when the judge who was to perform the ceremony which would bring the sentimental young man under the flowery yoke of Eros showed him some highly adorned marriage certificates which

did not bear the union label, he absolutely refused to have the rites solemnized unless he could get a certificate bearing the label. But the judge was accommodating. He procured a certificate to the would-be Benedict's taste and the marriage was consummated. Now let the "union busters" tremble. In the face of such devotion to the cause of organized labor they must realize that all their opposition to it cannot but be futile.—Minnesota Union Advocate.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

First June Meeting is Slated for Next Tuesday Evening.

The Central Labor Union will meet at Bruse's hall, Tuesday evening. Several committees will make interesting reports. There is a move on foot to provide and maintain regular headquarters—a sort of incipient Labor Temple—and it is possible that the matter will be discussed at the meeting. The deputy labor commissioner will have something to say concerning the State Federation of Labor meeting, and submit a request or two—in other words, will ask the central body to do something towards making the meeting profitable.

By the way, it is none too soon for the central body to start something with a view to the proper observance of Labor Day. Heretofore it has been the custom to wait too long, and then have to hurry through and take chances on things working smoothly.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

June Meeting Will Be Held at Fraternity Hall Sunday Afternoon.

The Typographical Union will meet Sunday afternoon at Fraternity hall. The official canvass of the votes cast at the recent election will be made, and routine matters will be attended to. A full attendance is requested.

Work continues good in both machine and job lines. All the "subs" are getting in plenty of time.

Thirteen printers attended the memorial services Sunday morning. J. G. Sayer, who has been the faithful and efficient sergeant-at-arms for years on end, was the only officer of the union present. Two officers-elect were present. As usual, the Auxiliary turned out about 300 per cent better than the Union.

"CLOSED SHOP" WON.

In the championship debate of the state interscholastic match, Dayton, Ohio, won April 22 from Colfax, Ohio, the honor carrying with it the \$50 offered by the committee appointed by Superintendent Dewey. Dayton had the affirmative of the question: "Resolved, that labor unions are justified in insisting, through all lawful means at their disposal, on the closed shop." Seven hundred people heard the debate.

THE PRESSMEN.

The annual convention of the International Printing Pressmen and Assistants' Union will be held in Omaha, beginning with the 21st of the present month. Omaha unionists are prepared to show the visitors and delegates a good time, and the delegates are prepared to make the business sessions of the utmost importance. It promises to be the largest convention in the history of the organization.

VIOLATES ITS CONTRACT.

The Ackermann-Quigley Show Print Company, of Kansas City, Kan., recently violated its contract with Typographical Union No. 80, and locked out the members of that organization. The imprint of this firm on anything advertises the fact that the business house using this non-union paper does not desire the patronage of union men and their friends.

A WORKING PAIR.

"He had to work himself up to the point of proposing."

"And she had to work to get him to the point."

"Then I suppose their marriage is what might be called literally a labor union."—Baltimore American.

WE'LL MISS HIS VOICE.

Jim Van Cleave, president of the union busters' trust, otherwise known as the Citizen's Alliance, has tendered his resignation. I don't know as his resignation will bring any special rejoicing. We all had got used to his bray.—Washington Trades Unionist.

BARKEEPERS TO BOSTON.

Boston won the contest for the 1911 biennial convention of the International Alliance of Hotel and Restaurant Employees' and Bartenders' unions, and T. J. Sullivan, of Hartford, Conn., has been re-elected international president.

New Course Planned.

Grand Island—The board of education has instructed a committee to investigate the cost of a manual training and domestic science department. It is expected that the same will be installed as part of the high school curriculum for next year.

A Union Man Outfitted

He showed us his paid up union card and asked us if we could fit him out from head to foot in wearing apparel made by organized fellow-craftsmen. We said we could--and we did.

We gave him a suit of union made clothes—splendid value for his money, the future bargain price of other stores our present bargain price. He was given a pair of union made suspenders where-with to keep the trousers up. Upon his feet we put a pair of natty union made shoes, up-to-date style, and the price we charged him was what other outfitting stores will charge at bargain sales a couple of months later in the season. We gave him a McDonald shirt, neat pattern, well fitting. He buttoned around his neck a union made "Bell Brand" collar, and tied a neat and natty union made four-in-hand necktie therein. Then we sold him a hat containing the label of the United Hatters of North America. Then this union man left our store outfitted from head to foot in union made wearing apparel. He was pleased, because he had not only received big value for his money, but he had helped fellow craftsmen by patronizing them. We were pleased because we had made another friend, which means another regular customer, and had added to our constantly increasing volume of business.

SUITS from \$10 to \$30--and our regular bargain price is the price you'll pay at future "bargain sales" elsewhere after the season is over and the pick of the offerings taken. Every day is Bargain Day at

On The Corner

SPEIER & SIMON

TENTH AND O STREETS

On The Square

FAIR BARBER SHOPS.

You Will Find the Union Card in the Following Places.

When you enter a barber shop, see that the union shop card is in plain sight before you get into the chair. If the card is not to be seen, go elsewhere. The union shop card is a guarantee of a cleanly shop, a smooth shave or good hair-cut, and courteous treatment. The following barber shops are entitled to the patronage of union men:

- George Petro, 1010 O.
- J. J. Simpson, 1001 O.
- George Shaffer, Lincoln Hotel.
- C. B. Ellis, Windsor Hotel.
- D. S. Crop, Capital Hotel.
- M. J. Roberts, Royal Hotel.
- A. L. Kimmier, Lindell Hotel.
- C. A. Green, 120 North Eleventh.
- C. A. Green, 1132 O.
- E. A. Wood, 1206 O.
- Chaplin & Ryan, 129 North Twelfth.
- E. C. Evans, 1121 P.
- Bert Sturm, 116 South Thirteenth.
- J. B. Raynor, 1501 O.
- Muck & Barthelman, 122 South Twelfth.
- J. J. Simpson, 922 P.
- Frank Malone, Havelock.
- C. A. Hugbart, Havelock.

UNION PRINT SHOPS.

Printeries That Are Entitled to Use the Allied Trades Label.

- Following is a list of the printing offices in Lincoln that are entitled to the use of the Allied Printing Trades label, together with the number of the label used by each shop:
- Jacob North & Co., No. 1.
 - C. S. Simmons, No. 2.
 - Freie Presse, No. 3.
 - 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., 130 No. 14th.
 - Graves Printery, No. 5.
 - New Century, 213 South Thirteenth.

Arrange for Tournament.

Hebron—Hebron is commencing to make arrangements for the state firemen's tournament, which is to be held here August 25, 26 and 27. It is expected that there will be a thousand visitors in Hebron on this occasion.

A Matter of Expense



THE EXPENSE IS ALWAYS A CONSIDERATION WITH THE WAGE EARNER, but if you imagine the use of Gas for Fuel is more expensive than coal, you've another think coming.

The Cost of Gas

Fuel Gas is cheaper than coal—and it is always at hand, no matter how cold or hot the day; no matter how stormy the weather, we deliver the fuel into the kitchen. And you can save just one-half the fuel bills by using gas. We are able to prove this assertion. You will save health, time and temper, too.

A Modern Gas Range

is a time-saving tool that the housewife is entitled to. We have them in the best and most reliable makes. Come in and see them. Open evenings for your convenience. Let us demonstrate to you the economy of using fuel gas.

Lincoln Gas & Electric Light Company

OPEN EVENINGS