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IN THE FIELD OF LABOR

The legislative committee of the State Federation of Labor is on the ground and is pushing the Federation's labor bills before the legislature. Frank Coffey and H. L. Bridwell are keeping cases for the organization, and from now on one or the other will be actively on duty. Senate File 16, the bill providing for safety to workers on public structures, has a good start towards the goal, and the prospects are bright. The senate judiciary committee showed signs of balking on reporting the bill favorably, but tremendous pressure was brought to bear and finally the committee recommended it for passage without amendment. A couple of senators wanted to relieve the owner from responsibility, but it was pointed out that this would practically emasculate the bill and it was finally agreed to leave that provision in.

As was expected the finance ways and means committee of the house refused to concur in the deputy labor commissioner's recommendation for an increased appropriation and working force, but no effort was made to convince the committee. Not because of any lack of interest but because a bill has been drafted for the reorganization of the Bureau of Labor, and when that comes up there will be plenty of backing on hand to make the committee sit up and take notice of the righteous demands of the workers.

The legislative committee met Thursday evening of this week and practically completed the work of drafting the employer's liability bill. It still needs a little polishing. It will follow closely the "model bill" prepared by the American Society for the Promotion of Labor Legislation, and it fully protects the work-

ers without doing any injustice to employers.

The usual attempt is being made to secure a garnishee law that will enable the grocer and the baker to attach a man's wages regardless of conditions. Workingmen are not opposed to a garnishee law that does not hit wholly at them. If all exemption laws are repealed the wage-earners will readily agree. But a law permitting the garnisheeing of wages is a bit one-sided.

An important bill has been introduced and refers to the matter of assigning wages. The proposed law will make any assignment of wages void unless signed by the wife, the same as a chattel mortgage. Such a law would put a crimp in the "salary loan" people, and they are expected to fight it to the last ditch.

The Typographical Union ball next Tuesday evening promises to be one of the most pleasant of the functions managed by this pioneer organization. Enough tickets have already been sold to insure a large gathering, and the committees in charge are sparing no efforts to insure a good time for the guests. The Woman's Auxiliary will have charge of the refreshment features. The tickets are \$1 extra ladies 25 cents each. A cordial invitation is extended to all friends of the Typographical Union.

Chicago newspaper printers have negotiated a new scale which secures an increase of 7 cents an hour for the hand-men. Proofreaders, copyholders, copycutters, makeups and machine-tenders get an increase of \$3 a week. The linotype operators secured their increase a year ago. The conditions remain the same.

A million-dollar labor headquarters in the national capital is being planned by a special committee of the executive board of the A. F. of L. The board has been wrestling with the question of a new national home for the representatives of labor for nearly a year. Under its instructions the committee which was recently appointed will draw up the plans and estimates. A big office building in downtown Washington is contemplated.

All is not peaceful in the garment working trades in Chicago, despite the fact that the strike has been called off. It now develops that the members of the employers' association are working the "black list" game, and thus weeding out the men and women who were in the least prominent in the management of the recent strike. The Chicago Federation of Labor is investigating and will prosecute to the limit if sufficient evidence can be secured.

The three big buildings now being erected in Lincoln are giving employment to a goodly number of building tradesmen, but the fact remains that under splendid weather conditions work in the building trades lines is slower now than at any time for several years. The report that Lincoln conditions were especially good resulted in bringing a lot of building tradesmen here, only to find that Lincoln, like her sister cities, is suffering a slump.

Trouble over the matter of specifications for the plumbing brought the plumbing on the Bankers' Life building to a standstill Wednesday. The city engineer insists that the city ordinances are not being followed. The city requires cast iron pipe with lead joints, and the specifications of the architect call for wrought iron pipe with screw joints. It is con-

tended that the latter is superior to the requirements of the city ordinance, but the city engineer did not look upon it in that light. A special meeting of the city council was held Thursday morning to inquire into the matter, but it was not definitely settled at the time Will Maupin's Weekly went to press.

The Beatrice Creamery people expect to move into their new quarters the first of March. The new building is an immense affair.

Bert Chipman avows and avers that boosting for the Moose beats working at the plumbing trade, hence he will continue to be a booster.

It has been suggested that the Central Labor Union take a booth at the Lincoln Industrial Exposition and make an exhibit of all the union goods manufactured in Lincoln. The exhibit would not be large, but it would include cigars, smoking tobacco, printing, bookbinding, painting, woodwork and plumbing. Such an exhibit could be made of great educational value, and the expense would be nominal compared with the gains.

The New Century Company has been sold to a novelty house and a part of the material has been divided up among a couple of local printeries. Mr. McCartney has been tagged by the Texas fever and will locate in the Lone Star state and raise three-line pica oranges, double-leaded tomatoes, deckle-edged celery and 8-ply cabbages. He will also inject into the market an occasional basket of strawberries, the bottoms 120 points from the lower edge and 60 points from the top. It is reported that he will also raise some Devinne hens and perhaps some Gothic pigs.