

### SUPPORT THE LABEL.

When you are making purchases, trade unionists, remember your friends. This is not by any means a plea wholly in the interest of the employer who manufactures union made goods, even though he is entitled to consideration at your hands, but remember that his employees, who are your fellow workers, although perhaps in another industry, are deserving of your friendly support. Remember the workers represented by the union label product and remember that they are entitled to your friendship if you in turn expect theirs. If you won't be a friend to the workers who will?

### BLACKLIST AND BOYCOTT.

**Both Equally Foul, Says Federal Court Justice.**

Judge Francis E. Baker of the United States circuit court in a recent address before the Chicago Bar association discussed the rights of capital and labor. Judge Baker said:

"Without the aid of statutes the courts have long since become agreed that workmen have the lawful right to organize for the purpose of securing improvement in the terms and conditions of labor and to quit work and to threaten to quit work as a means of compelling or attempting to compel employers to accede to their demands.

"The capitalist asserts his right to an unobstructed access to the labor market so as to get his work done and thus free himself from the demands of his opponents. The workmen assert their right to an unobstructed access to the labor market so as to keep others out of their places.

"The sympathetic strike, like the spite fence, is not the beneficial use of a coequal right, but is the usurpation of the power to punish. This infliction of harm is unjustifiable unless the harm is only the harm that naturally and directly flows from the good faith exercised of the competitive right. That is the loss to his business that the employer suffers by reason of the striking employees presenting their side of the controversy to the other employees so that they freely and of their own judgment decline to work for the employer and must be suffered by him without complaint.

"Therefore persuasion and picketing in order to learn who the new employees are to whom to present their cause are lawful, and all judgments to the contrary are wrong, I believe. But the use of force or intimidation to keep others away against their will is unjustifiable because it deprives the employer of his coequal right of access to a free labor market.

"But concerted pressure by the strikers to coerce members of society who are not directly concerned in the pending controversy to make raids on the rear—the secondary boycott—is wrong not only because such action is not within the immediate field of competition, but because the direct, the primary attack is upon society itself.

"One set of rules should govern the action of both contestants. If the sympathetic strike is a foul blow the sympathetic lockout is equally foul. If a boycott is held to be an attack in the rear under like circumstances a blacklist is an attack in the rear."

### Plea For Fair Wages.

Professor Burman Foster of the University of Chicago recently made a plea for better surroundings for the laboring man. He said: "On every hand you hear the demand for social reform, and regularly you hear the reply: 'First make the individual bet-

ter. If men were better, braver, more industrious, these conditions would soon be better.' But the question remains, How are we to get this new and better man? What can be done about it? Let the wage be such that the laborer can have a home of light and joy and sunshine in a decent locality. Let the laboring men's women not have to go to factory and day's work outside, but have time and strength to be women, mothers, wives and make cheerful homes. In this way we can help them to achieve an inner life."

### Trade Union Briefs.

Portland (Ore.) union seamen get \$50 a month and 55 cents an hour for overtime.

The Northwest Council of Carpenters will represent 7,500 members and will embrace Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Montana and British Columbia.

The union label section of the San Francisco labor council has decided to adopt a universal label in place of the different labels now in use and will ask the council for its approval of the change.

The labor unions of Kansas City plan to have a store where members of the labor unions or any one else may buy groceries, meat and produce and then get some of their money back out of the profits of the business.

Ohio enjoys a rather unique distinction in the fact that two of its miners have arisen to great prominence. One is a supreme court judge and the other attorney general for the Buckeye State.—United Mine Workers' Journal.

All the Boston locals have endorsed President Richard W. Garrity of the Boston Bartenders' union, No. 77, for international president of the alliance of bartenders, cooks, waiters, waitresses and hotel and restaurant employees' unions. The convention will be in Boston May 8 to 13. Mr. Garrity has been the first international vice president for some years.

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About 6,000 of the 10,000 furniture workers in Grand Rapids are organized.

Former Secretary of State John S. Whalen has been appointed deputy commissioner of labor of New York.

The postoffice department has served notice on the mail clerks that it will not tolerate affiliation with the A. F. of L.

A free employment bureau for New York city is provided in a proposed amendment to the city charter introduced in the legislature.

Four thousand union carpenters struck recently in St. Louis because of a refusal of a demand for an increase of 5 cents an hour in wages.

The Lehigh Valley railroad on its main line and branches between New York and Buffalo has advanced wages of 3,000 trainmen from 6 to 10 per cent.

The board of directors of Borden's Condensed Milk company is taking under favorable consideration the idea of introducing a pension system for employees.

Governor Colquitt of Texas vetoed the bill passed at the recent session of the legislature prohibiting laborers upon public buildings or works and state employees from working more than eight hours a day.

Leaders among the Indiana miners are worrying about the outlook for the 18,000 miners in Indiana this spring and summer. There is present distress in a number of mining localities because of a lack of work. Some mines have been idle five-sixths of the time since the first of the year.

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