

THE PRINTERS.

ALL PRINTERS TAKE NOTICE

"I didn't know anything about it," was the excuse offered by many of the printers of the city not attending the last social of Capital Auxiliary No. 11. This is to notify each and every printer in the city that Capital Auxiliary's April social will be held at Bohanon's hall on Wednesday evening, April 19.

While trouble seems to be lining up for printers in many other cities the printers of Lincoln find themselves in good shape. The only difficulty facing local printers is the 8-hour day question. Omaha, Kansas City, St. Louis, Chicago and other cities seem destined for war over the "closed shop."

Omaha employers declare that they will insist upon the "open shop" and the 9-hour day when the present contract expires next fall. But just now all eyes are turned on Chicago. The Typographical Union's contract with the Chicago employers expires in July, and the employers have banded together to secure open shops and the 9-hour day.

On April 10 the Employing Printers' association of the southwest met at Kansas City to perfect plans for opposing the Typographical Union's demands for the "closed shop" and the 8-hour day, and about 200 delegates were present from Missouri, Kansas, Nebraska, Colorado, Arkansas, Arizona, New Mexico, Texas, Indian Territory, Tennessee and Mississippi.

"Resolved, That we are unalterably opposed to the inauguration of the eight-hour day in our respective offices and that under no circumstances will we submit to it and that we will oppose it even to the extent of opening all our offices, believing that the attempt to enforce it will work detriment both to employer and employee.

"Resolved, That any member of this organization who is now conducting a closed shop and who may desire to open the same shall have the moral and financial assistance of this association to accomplish that end, it being understood, however, that nothing in this resolution shall interfere with the honorable discharge of obligations now in force.

"Resolved, That we pledge our hearty co-operation to the united typographic of America in combatting the demand for the eight-hour day, and solicit their co-operation in the same work undertaken by our association.

"Resolved, That the executive committee of this organization is entrusted with power to act to devise ways and means at once for supplying the demands for machine operators and compositors."

Port Jones has resigned as district organizer for the Nebraska district, and Pat Boyle of Omaha has been appointed to succeed him. This will be good news to the union men of the district. As an organizer Jones has been anything but a success, and if he has accomplished anything outside of Omaha nobody seems aware of the fact.

Omaha union waxed wroth when it heard that Lincoln union had signed up, fearing that the contract called for the 9-hour day for four years. A special investigator was sent down from Omaha to see about it. It didn't take him long to see, either. He went back on the next train. The best that Lincoln can wish Omaha is that Omaha makes as good a contract as Lincoln has made.

Remember the Auxiliary's social at Bohanon's hall Wednesday evening, April 19. Don't offer the frayed-out excuse, "didn't know anything about it," this time. If you are afraid to let loose of the money perhaps you can borrow from the auxiliary treasury.

Arrangements for the banquet to be given to the employing printers by Typographical Union No. 209 are rapidly being perfected. It is now determined to hold the banquet on April 25, and the Lindell hotel has been selected as the place. Enough is already known to guarantee upwards of 100 plates and the committee is as-

sured that it will be one of the greatest affairs of the kind ever held in the west. The Wageworker will give full particulars as soon as the committee is ready to report.

Capital Auxiliary No. 11

Union Men—Are your wives and sisters members of the auxiliary? If not, why not?

Mrs. Henry Schall, who was threatened with an attack of pneumonia, is much better, we are very glad to report.

Mrs. Will Bustard has been spending a few days with relatives and friends in Wahoo.

It gives us pleasure to report that the little daughter of Mrs. Erstine King is much better; and that she is in a fair way to entire recovery. The parents have the sympathy of the membership, each of whom sincerely hopes that baby Erstine may soon become well and strong.

Mrs. George Logker has been enjoying a visit from her sister and niece of Omaha.

Every member of the Auxiliary will be glad to know that Mrs. Brown, who has had considerable sickness the past winter, is so much better that she will entertain the Auxiliary at its next meeting, April 21, at her home, 2314 N street. It would be a good idea to show our pleasure over her recovery by a large attendance.

Just a word about our monthly social to be held at the new hall in the Bohanon block on South Tenth street. Heretofore the attendance has not been what it should, which is deplorable. Inasmuch as the committee in charge is working hard to make this social a pleasant and profitable one, the members should support its efforts by working for a good attendance. The committee has a surprise in store for us and it will not do to miss it. Surprises are so enjoyable. The date is Wednesday evening, April 19. Now ladies, urge your "boys" to arrange to go, and by a large attendance, make the committee happy.

For the past two or three weeks the correspondents have had a word to say in regard to the benefit of the auxiliary. We wish to add our voice to theirs, as we have been connected with the auxiliary since its inception. Our association with the other members and our several meetings with the husbands and brothers of our sisters has given us considerable pleasure, and we certainly have a fuller appreciation of the craft than before our organization. In its short career the auxiliary has accomplished considerable—not so much as we had hoped to do, perhaps, but enough to show that we were right in organizing; in getting together and working together to help our brothers and ourselves. As in the past we have met with discouragements that fretted us, so we will meet with such in the future; but, my sisters, we must meet them with firmness and the will to settle them rightily and with a spirit of love and of justice. Let us not be too ready to do that which will cripple our splendid organization, but bury our individual likes and dislikes in united and harmonious efforts to do our full duty to the organization which we should love, cherish and foster.

MRS. H. W. SMITH.

THE PAINTERS.

There is little or no change in the situation between the union painters and the "boss painters" of the city. There are three wall paper and painting firms that have signed up and are employing union men. These three firms are:

- A. CORNELL, LINCOLN WALL PAPER CO
- C. E. SICKLE.

Frank W. Brown has also signed the scale, but his painters are engaged solely in his mill.

Every union man in the city is at work, and there is really a need for more good men. The incompetents brought in by the misrepresentations of the unfair employers are being weeded out and the unfair employers are looking vain for men who can do the work. The following firms have refused to sign with their sisters and are running "open shops" with "scab" help:

- A. M. DAVIS CO.
- HANGER & ROBERTS.
- KEENS & SHARP.
- E. H. HUTTON CO.
- W. H. GREEN.
- SLOSS BROS.
- CARL MEYER.
- W. A. BAILEY.

The above declare that they will run "open shops" and are searching the country over for men to assist them in knocking out the union. Up to date the union has not felt any bad effects from the influx of "scabs" owing to the fact that "scabs" are few and inferior workmen. Most of the good workmen brought here by misrepresentation joined the union when they learned the true condition of affairs, and the rest hastened back to their homes. As a result the local has been strengthened by reason of having its position understood and appreciated by the unorganized country brethren.

The men are doing excellent missionary work for the fair employers and as a result they are having all the work they can handle.

Business Agent DeLong has been asked by Hastings painters to come to that city and assist them in the work of organizing a local.

This is the busy season for wall paper and painting firms. Now let union labor in Lincoln be on the lookout and

From Head to Foot for Ten Dollars

Just stop and think about it for a minute—clothed from head to foot for a ten dollar bill! Sounds good, doesn't it? And the beauty of it is that it's just as good as it sounds. We mean it—we will outfit you from head to foot—hat, collar, necktie, underwear, shirt, socks, coat, vest, pants and shoes—for one of those government bits of paper bearing the engraved likeness of a buffalo—a "Buffalo Bill," so to speak. And every article in the outfit will be good; serviceable goods that will give satisfaction, look well, wear well, and make you feel well towards us.

FIGURE UP THE LIST FOR YOURSELF.

- A Good Hat for.....\$1.00
- One Suit of Clothes, stylish and durable..... 6.00
- One Linen Collar, standard brand..... 10
- A Neat Necktie..... 15
- Suit of lightweight Underwear, good as best..... 75
- A neat Outing Shirt (a rare bargain)..... 50
- A Pair of Neat and Serviceable Shoes..... 1.50

The entire outfit, just as we offered, for an even.....\$10.00

We have an especially fine line of two-piece summer suits for men. Stylishly made from good material, and warranted as to material and wear. Our line of Spring and Summer Clothing is unsurpassed by that of any other store in this section. Our buyer secures bargains all along the line, and we share them with you. Boys' suits from \$1.50 to \$5.00. Mens' suits from \$6 to \$18—and

what we say about them we still stand by. In Gentlemen's furnishings we are prepared to suit all tastes and all sizes of pocketbook. We carry a full line of everything that Men and Boys wear, and we guarantee bargains that can not be equalled. Straw Hats from 15 cents up. Shoes from \$1.50 to \$4.00 per pair.

Our business has grown to such proportions—thanks to the patronage of a bargain-seeking and bargain-appreciating people—that we have just opened an annex that gives us 50 per cent more room. Both store and annex are crowded to the limit with goods that are genuine bargains.

We ask a share of the patronage of union men and women, and to secure it we offer Union Made Goods in all lines possible. And we make a specialty of "work clothes"—overalls, shirts, jumpers, etc. We do not ask high prices at the beginning of the season and then cut prices at the end of the season and make "bargain sales" in that way. This is the "different store." We cut prices at the beginning of the season. Does the "difference" appeal to your pocketbook?

Lincoln Clothing Co

N. WEST, COR. 10TH & P. ST.

give every possible assistance to the Painters' Union. Patronize the fair firms, tell your unorganized friends all about them, and lose no opportunity to show the unfair firms that they have more than one local labor organization to face. United support of the painters in the present difficulty will help them to secure the justice for which they are fighting.

THE ENGINEERS

The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers has always held the idea of union responsibility in mind. A Brotherhood contract is as good as a government bond, and employers well know this fact. As a result the Brotherhood stands high. The B. L. E. chartered the subway employees in New York, and when the subway men struck in violation of contract the B. L. E. immediately took up the charter and repudiated the action of the strikers. That strike was lost before it was called.

The engineers have made mistakes, just like other unions. But they have always profited by their mistakes—which not all other unions have done. It has taken a great many years to recover ground lost, but the ground has been recovered. Good judgment, conservatism, respect for the rights of others, regard for the sacredness of contracts and coolness have marked the history of the B. L. E. And it is this that has made the Brotherhood strong and powerful.

The local division of the B. L. E. is in unusually good condition. Conditions are very favorable and work is better than usual. The work of organizing an auxiliary among the wives and sisters of the members is progressing quietly but surely, and Mr. Wiggens, who has the matter in charge, is canvassing the situation thoroughly.

GETTING TOGETHER

Unionists and Churchmen Brought in Closer Touch

The series of people's meetings which has been conducted at the Grand Opera House, Board and Montgomery avenue, during the past winter, came to an end with the service last Sunday afternoon. Todd Hall, chief of detectives of Baltimore, was the speaker on that occasion, and delivered a lecture even more impressive and entertaining than the one he delivered three weeks previously.

This series of meetings has resulted in bringing a large number of union men, together with their families, into closer relations with the interdenominational committee and the men and women who instituted the meetings. The net result has been to bring a great many men and women who knew

nothing of trades unions to see some of the aims and purposes of the unions in their true light, as well as to show to the members of the unions who attended the meetings that the people in the churches are really interested in elevating the working people temporarily as well as spiritually.

It is understood that the interdenominational committee will again conduct a series of open-air meetings in Fairmount Park during the coming summer, and efforts will be made to have the unions take the same interest in these as they did in the Grand Opera House series.—Philadelphia Trades Union News.

THE CIGARMAKERS.

Despite the difficulties under which they labor the union carpenters of Lincoln are making substantial progress, and the roll of membership is being increased at every meeting. Last Tuesday night nine men were enrolled. The better contractors of the city are realizing the advantage of the "closed shop," seeing that it provides them with the best workmen, and the result is that the carpenters are strengthening their lines every day.

Work is good in the carpenter line, and the business agent finds difficulty in furnishing all the men required. But by hustling he has managed to keep the supply about equal to the demand. Mr. Kent maintains regular hours at the hall, and a bulletin board keeps the men posted on work. The union now has about 250 active members.

Next Tuesday evening, April 18, the Carpenters will have an open meeting. Non-union men and the public at large are invited.

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Every member is at work. Ed Griffith, the genial and competent foreman for the Capital Brick and Pipe company, will soon remove to Omaha to superintend work for the company. Faithful to his employers, yet a good union man, Ed is an ideal foreman. Union 1055 wishes him success wherever he goes.

Bro. Callahan, familiarly known as "Dad," is now on his feet again. His originality always adds spice to the Union's meetings. The boys all think lots of "Dad."

New men are coming into the union at a lively rate, quite a bunch being initiated every meeting.

The Teamsters, Lathers, Electricians, Bartenders, Typographical, Pressmen, Streettypers and Allied Printing Trades are now meeting at Carpenter's Hall, 130 South Eleventh street.

If you want to call up the business agent remember there are two phones

at Union Hall; Bell 1154, and Auto 3824.

Bro. J. W. Emberson, who has been superintending government work at Fort Robinson, Neb., all winter, has returned home. "Bill" can't stay away from Lincoln. Guess the reason why.

NEED RESPONSIBILITY

A Minister's View of What the Labor Unions Need

Prof. Walter A. Wyckoff of Princeton University, was the speaker last Sunday afternoon at the West Side Y. M. C. A. meeting in the Majestic Theatre, New York city. His theme was, "Strikes and Their Relation to Modern Industry." He was introduced as a college man who had worked as a day laborer after his graduation to familiarize himself with the conditions of working people, and in his introductory remarks he gave a brief resume of the experiences detailed in his book "The Workers." He said in part:

"The one salient fact of modern industry is the concentration of capital. One per cent of the families of this country own and control more of the capital that is used in the industrial work of the country than the remaining 99 per cent. As a natural result, there has come about a social cleavage in industrial society, one class owning and controlling the instruments of production, the other class merely selling its labor, whether mental or manual, skilled or unskilled, for competitive wages."

"These facts made the organization of labor a primary necessity of modern labor. No one familiar with the industrial history of the past century can deny that organization is not only the right, but the necessity of modern labor."

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GENERAL MENTION.

A letter from Sam Hoon, who is now in Denver, conveys the glad information that he is able to work and is getting along well. Sam Hoon has an army of friends in Lincoln who will

rejoice every time he meets with a bunch of good luck.

"Liquozone" is advertised to the extent of a page in *Have Parry's Industrial Independent*, Indianapolis. The friend of labor's foes is the foe of labor's friends.

"American Industries," the national organ of the Parryites, is appealing to advertisers to boycott the labor papers. The Parryites condemn the boycott when it is used against them, and resort to it when they think it will help them. The Parryite logic is as crooked as a corkscrew.

The supreme court of Michigan has declared unconstitutional the law requiring a clause in contracts for public work requiring union labor. This suits the Parryites and politicians. Wonder if that court would hold unconstitutional a law requiring a specification for material used in public work?

The Theo Noel Co., manufacturers of a preparation known as "Vitae-Ore" and warranted to cure every ill mankind is heir to, carries a full page ad in the *Industrial Independent*. D. M. Parry's personal organ and implacable foe of labor unions. Union men and women know what to do with "Vitae-Ore."

The *Industrial Independent*, D. M. Parry's personal organ for the crushing of unionism, carries a continued story entitled "The Scarlet Empire," and below the title appear the words, "by D. M. Parry." That is a joke. Some "free and independent" newspaper man who does not believe in labor unions is doubtless writing the story at \$7 a week. It reads like it.

Properly Labeled

At Forty-Two

I wish I were a boy again— The sun shines bright and clear; The streams are running free once more. And "swimmin' time" is near. The fishworms wriggle in the ground A little ways from sight; The old cane pole says unto me: "I think the fish will bite." Alas! Alack! What can I do? I'm not a boy—I'm forty-two.

I wish I were a boy again— I would a boy's joys feel; The sunburned back, the yarn-tied toe, The aching, stone-bruised heel. Once more I'd like to wander down The cool and shady lane And hear the squirrel, quail and grouse. Call to me once again. But I must toil the whole day through— I'm not a boy—I'm forty-two.

I wish I were a boy again— Once more on youth to draw; To "knuckle down," "vent dubs" and shoot My favorite "lag from law." Once more I'd like to kneel beside The ring and "plunk" away— Ah me! 'Twas many years ago, Yet seems but yesterday. But yesterday? The years pursue— I'm not a boy—I'm forty-two.

I wish I were a boy again—

To stand with eager feet Beside the parting of the ways Where youth and manhood meet. To grasp anew life's rugged tasks With cheerful, trusting heart. I'd do my best each passing day To do a better part. It can not be, I passed once through The boyhood time—I'm forty-two.

I wish I were a boy again— Alas, it can not be! Those happy, joyful days of youth Will ne'er come back to me. A boy but once—'tis better so; 'Tis God's eternal plan. And now 'tis only left to me To do the best I can. The best I can? That's what I'll do—I'll keep on being forty-two.

Brain Leaks Policy honesty is akin to dishonesty. Civic virtue must be grounded in individual honesty. The man who believes in the man who achieves. Good nature rounds off most of the sharp corners of life. It does not take a man-made law to define a moral wrong. The man who fears death has not yet begun learning how to live. Some men are prone to attribute the results of their foolishness to fate. Some advocates of temperance are very intemperate in their advocacy of it. The more you put into life the greater will be your returns on the investment.

Some people rest today as a reward for the work they expect to do tomorrow. If dividing the swag made philanthropists, highwaymen could wear halos. The world is prone to look upon conscience fund contributions as philanthropy. The crosses that we make for our own shoulders are not of the kind that will win crowns. The ability to give coupled with giving is not enough. There must be a desire to give.

The man who makes his religion a thing of dreariness and woe would better be looking for another kind. The man who is good merely in order to gain a reward hereafter, loses the larger share of the reward before it is due. The man who says, "O, everything will come out all right," is not a true optimist; he is merely an obstructionist. If the most of us were really honest we would admit that we would rather read about grand opera than to hear it. The average woman's conception of a good husband is a man who can enjoy the home dinner on house-cleaning day. The older we get the more impatient we become when we see a man who covers himself all over with badges when he goes to a convention.

Pattern and Street Hats

I am regularly receiving and showing the finest line of Street and Pattern Hats ever brought to the city. Never before have I been able to offer such genuine bargains in the Millinery line. It will give me pleasure to show you my goods.

SADIE PUCKETT