WAGEWORKER

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"Printers' Ink," the recognized authority on advertising, after a thorough investigation on this subject, says: "A labor paper is a far better advertising medium than an ordinary newspaper in 36 comparison with circulation. & A labor paper, for example, having 2,000 subscribers is of more value to the business man who advertises in it than an ordinary paper with 12,000 subscribers."

A 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 36 ARE YOU A "SCAB?"

Are you a "scab?"

That is a fair question, and it deserves a fair answer. Now, don't get mad and fly off the handle and cuss the editor for asking it.

O, you've got a paid up union card in your pocket, have you?

Well, a paid up union card does not make a union man of the man who carries it any more than the sign of the cross makes a Christian or a long prayer means piety.

It takes more than a paid up union card to make a union man-a whole lot more. Now let's see if you've got it. You insist on union men patroniz-

ing the members of your craft when they want work done, don't you? And if they fail to do so you holler your head off and talk about "scabs."

That's all right-you've got a "holler" coming.

But how about you? Are you patronizing "scabs?" Just "frisk" yourcelf before you answer that question.

isn't it? O, you forget to look for the "holler" if anybody employs a "scab" at your trade, do you?

And that's a "scab" suit of clothes you have on, isn't it? O, you couldn't you, eh? Well, you are a "scab" just the same. You "scabbed" on the garmeat workers when you bought it, and you are not a bit better than the "scab" garment workers that made the

And your shoes? Made in a peni-

tentiary. Your shirt? Made in a sweat shop Collar? "Scab" like the rest of you. And yet you claim to be a union

"O. I can't get union made goods! You are a liar, as well as a "scab." You can get union made goods. It may can get them. Every time you buy "scab" goods you lie, for you break your obligation as a unionist. The "strikehreaker" is a nickleplated angel compared to the union man who wears 'scab" clothing, "scab" shoes or "scab" anything else.

The merchants of Lincoln are laughing at you. You are "easy marks." They can make a bigger profit on 'scab" goods because they can buy them cheaper and charge as much. And then they gull you union men into buying them by telling you that the union made goods are inferior, that this or that line gives better service for the money, or some other kind of "con" talk, and then you swallow it and act as if you like it. As long as the merchants can play you for "suckers" like that they'll do it. As soon as you get wise and refuse anything that isn't labeled, the merchants will tear their salk underwear in their efforts to get the labeled goods. And if you unionists don't make the merchants tear try. their silken underwear in this rightecus cause, then you are not the right kind of union men.

Don't you think it is time to quit "scabbing" on your fellow unionists? Get right!

IS THIS TRUE?

One day this week the editor of The Wageworker put this question to a merchant in this city:

"Is it not true that the demand for labeled goods is greater now than it was two years ago?"

And the merchant instantly replied: "No, it is not true. The demand is less today than it was two years ago."

Now, one of two things is true either this merchant is mistaken, or

doing their duty.

year who asked for labeled goods.

taken, union men of Lincoln are acne. 'scabbing" on their fellow unionists in other trades.

And if these two merchants are correct in their assertions, is it not about time that union men and women in Lincoln wake up, pay some attention to their union obligations and quit patronizing their industrial enemies.

FUNNY, ISN'T IT.

There are some funny things counected with our postal department, For instance, we pay the railroads eight carrying the mails as the express companies pay. And we pay a rent for mail cars equal to an annual interest of about 100 per cent on the cost of the cars.

Under our postal laws we can not mail a package weighing over four pounds to any point within the United able to see it. States. But you can send an eleven pound package from Lincoln to New Zcaland by mail for \$1.36, and at the New Zealand destination it will be delivered at the door of the party to whom it is addressed. If you want to send an eleven pound package from Lincoln to any other town, no matter how close, you either have to send it by express, freight or special messenger. The postoffice will not carry it. But it isn't so funny, after all.

The railroad companies and the express companies manage it. The express companies carry the four-pound package cheaper than the postal department will. But when the package weighs over four pounds the express companies stick it onto us in fine shape. The railroad hand appears when you know that the express companies are merely side lines for the railroad companies.

Last year we paid the railroads approximately \$40,000,000 for transporting the mails. Think of this for a minute, and then perhaps you can understand why the railroads are so interested in controlling congress and the postal department.

Uncle Sam borrows money and pays issues bonds as an evidence of his in- of capital. debtedness. Great Britain maintains That's a "scab" hat you have on, a postal savings bank, paying about 2 if the husband and father is a genuper cent interest on deposits, and most ine unionist, label eh? But you never forget to of the interest goes to working people. at his command at a less rate of inter- that and he squirms. est than Uncle Sam pays. John Bull has a percels post system, too, but get a union made suit that pleased that is because the British express companies can not run the British poiltical machine like American express companies do in this land of the free have at least four union labels on his and home of the suckers.

> We'll not get a change, either, until workingmen quit being governed by partisanship and begin voting intelligently.

If Edward Rosewater is elected United States senator from Nebraska union | And when he fails to see the mark man. There is no more unionista men will have the pleasure of know- He loudly shouts, "Nay, nay. bout you than there is religion about ing that they are represented by an I will not take your 'scabby' stuff; Satan. Your unionism is all selfish- advocate and practitioner of the eighthour day who has paid out hundreds of thousands of dollars to union men and women as wages, and who never icses an opportunity to say a good worl Upon his cuffs and collars, too, cost you a little extra effort, but you for unionism. This is worth thinking about.

> A lot of Lincoln merchants went on "business getting" excursion this week. And they took along a whole lot of cigars made in "scab" factories New, Mr. Union Man, hark ye! down east instead of taking along cigars made under fair conditions in Lincoln. The consistency of some Linceln business men is wonderful.

Union men in Lincoln spend \$3,000, 000 a year with Lincoln merchants. if they spent it according to their union obligations they would have every merchant in Lincoln jumping sideways to get union goods. Why not put them to jumping?

The beef trust is putting out some tig display advertisements in the daily papers-and the daily papers are not saying a word about the horrible discicsures in the packing house indus-

A million union men voting as a urit in their own interests, regardless cí partisan bias, would put a big army of political grafters out of business.

If there are no reserved seats in neaven forwomen like Jane Addams ing for help. and Mary McDowell, then heaven isn't what it ought to be

Yes, The Wageworker advertised a "scab" cigar in its "Friendly List Edition." Read the apology on Page 1.

The Wageworker still has that \$150 forfeit posted and waiting for Charles W. Grapenuts to cover it.

If any merchant in Lincoln tells you tin, Mahoney, Peabody, McPartland, is the minimum.

the union men of this city are not be does not know where to get labeled Bell, and the whole crew of union shoes, shirts, overalls, brooms, gloves, busters, Another merchant in the same line neckwear, jewelry, work shirts, reefof business declared that there had ers, caps, etc., tell him to call up Bell not been two men in his store in a 835 and ask the editor of The Wageworker. The merchants of Lincoln If this merchant, too, is not mis- have no excuse for remaining in ignor-

The average wage of the union men of Lincoln is more than \$12 a week, and the average workday is less than nine hours. The retail clerks have no union, work an average of sixty-four hours a week, and it is doubtful if their wages average \$8 a week. There's a reason.

Mr. Post is not advertising his "dope" any more. He is merely advertising the collosal egotism of Mr. times as much, pound for pound, for Post. And union printers and pressmen are getting the money.

> Wouldn't it look nice to see about 100 square-toed union men standing on the floor of congress, fighting for the rights of the producers of this country? If you'll vote right you will be

> swipe at the free seel graft, and for that one act is entitled to the thanks

Congressman Pollard took a side

Stay away from the Pacific coast

Here's a way to make Post sweat biood-boom "Egg-O-See."

until you are asked to go out there.

The union label. That's all-and it is enough.

PROPERLY LABELED.

Manufactured in The Wageworker Office and Subject to All Shears.

A paid up card is better than union conversation.

If the demand is manifest the mer-

chants will get the goods. Union talk from a "tanked up" doesn't do unionism a bit of good. The foolishness of so-called leaders

from 31/2 to 4 per cent on it. He has hurt us more than the aggressions A union home is always a fair one

The tenderest spot about the unfair And John Bull always has millions business man is his pocketbook. Touch

By the time you have done all the boosting that you should do you'll have

no time for knocking.

When a union man starts out in the morning for his work he should person-shoes, clothes, hat and shirt.

All Right.

There is a man in our town. Named William Johnnie Wise Who always looks for labels with The strength of two good eyes.

He has the label on his shoes His clothing and his hat: Likewise on his cravat.

He has a paid-up union card, A conscience that is clear: For on all goods that he doth buy The label doth appear.

We earnestly advise That you make haste to emulate Good William Johnny Wise.

Don't "scab" upon your fellow men And all the while insist That just because you hold a card You are a unionist.

Opposite.

"We try to treat our employes right." "Yes, by giving them what's left."

To Be Sure.

"I hear that Mr. Graball takes great interest in children." "You bet he does. And he takes the!" lives, tco."

"What! A murderer?"

"Well, that isn't what the world calls it. He operates a big cotton mill by child labor and the people call it 'shrewd business ability.'

Book Definitions.

"The Call of the Wild"-Post yell-

"The Jungle"-Parryite argument. "Captains Courageous"-Gompers, et

"The Castaway"-The strikebreaker. "The Little Minister"-Rev. Charles Stelzle.

"The Master of the Mine"-John Mitchell. "We Two"-The union man and his

"Lying Prophets"-Post, Parry, Mar-

"Loyal Hearts and True"-The members of the Woman's Label League. "The Game of Life"—Hustling for

food and clothing. "Soldiers of Fortune" - Carnegie, Rockefeller and Morgan.

"The Grafters"-Perkins, Depew, Hyde, Alexander, et al. "The Man Without a Country"-The

'scab."

The Hypocrite. There was a shirtmaker named Jones Who prayed in the loudest of tones One day out of seven To win himself heaven,

On six he starved women to bones,

LIST OF UNFAIR MAGAZINES IN

NEW YORK. American Inventer (M.). American Machinist (W.). American Museum Journal, Muesum of Natural History (M.).

Automobile Topics (W.), Benziger's Magazine (W.). Bookman (M.). Burr-McIntosh (M.). Century, The (M.). Christian Advocate, The (W.). Country Life in America (M.). Cuba Review (M.). Delineator, (M.). Designer (M.).

Engineer and Mining Journal. Now! it is the Commercial Telegra-(W.). phers who are talking about building

Forum (Q.). Garden Magazine (M.) Gentlewoman (M.). Homilitic Review (M.). Journal of the Telegraph (M.). L'Art de la Mode (M.). Literary Digest (W.). Magazine of Mysteries (M.). Marine Engineering (M.). McClure's (M.). Mode and Review (M.). My Business Friend (M.). Nautical Gazette (W.). Navy League Journal (M.). New Idea (M.). Outdoors (M.). Paragon Monthly. Photographic Times (M.). Power (M.). Power Boat News (M.). Rudder, The (M.). Smart Set (M.). St. Nicholas (M.). Tales (M.).

Tom Watson's Magazine (M.). Town and Country (W.). Town Topics (W.). Trust Companies (M.). Typewriter and Phonographic World

Vogue (W.). World's Work (M.). Brooklyn Reporter. Brooklyn Weekly News. Seaside Publishing Co. And the following patterns: Ban-

ner, Butterick, La Belle, New Idea, Martha Dean, Standard, Home Dressmaker, Metropolitan Fashions and Little Folks. *Abbreviations used-M, monthly;

W, weekly; Q, quarterly. THE BUYER'S UNION.

Every Wage Earner Should Form One of His Own.

Buyers' Union are being organized in chief purpose of which is to see that union earned money is not spent for strike breaking purposes, nor to encourage the employment of cheap labor and the open shop.

The organizers of the Buyers' Union act upon the fact that the union member who purchases non-union goods is throwing away the greatest advantage labor has in placing its purchasing power where it can do the most good; that the complete solidarity of labor depends as much upon the refusal of OSOSOS the union member to buy non-union goods as upon the faithful adherence to any other union principle.

The Buyers' Union pledges its members to buy none but Union Labelled goods, and takes measures to secure the introduction of such goods in all friendly stores, and by earnest work of education and agitation for the Union Label, can win better results for labor than can be secured in any other

Every union member ought to act on the principle of the Buyers' Union, anyhow, whether there is such an organization in his own locality or not. for the "sllent strike" is the most effective strike, and the "silent strike" cannot fail to win.—Streator Trades and Labor Gazette.

TALKS PLAINLY.

The Lincoln, Neb., Wageworker has way of putting things so that there s no mistaking their meaning.-Kansas City Labor Herald.

The convention of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers convened in Cincinnati May and will last two or three weeks.

Bakers' Union of Brooklyn has 49 shops signed, a gain of three over last year. The new agreement provides for eight and a half hours with \$21 for ovenmen and \$17 for bench hands

Happy Homes

May Always be Found When the Furniture Comes From The

Star Furniture 6.

Cash or Credit The Wage-Earners Furniture Supply House.

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208 South 11th St.

....THE OLD RELIABLE CINCINNATI SHOE STORE

As a money saving proposition, we call especial attention to our

UNION MADE AMERICAN LINE

Satisfaction guaranteed. We cordially invite you to personally inspect the goods we carry. WOLFANGER, WHARTON & CO.

1220 O Street

SPRING SUITS

It suits us, and we have Suits for Spring. There are many good points about our Spring Suits. We name a few: Quality, style, fit, price. Our Spring Suits will suit you on all of these points.

\$7.50 to \$17.50.

We ask a fair price for good Clothing, and nothing for the manufactu.ers' label. Our goods are the best for the money.

STRAW HAT SEASON

Lots of Straw Hats; latest styles and weaves, and we bought them to such good advantage that you can secure Straw Hat Bargains that are surprising.

UNION MADE GOODS

We have lots of them: Suits Hats, Shoes, Overalls, Jackets, Work Shrts, etc. We want union men to see our union lines. Come in.

Lincoln Clothing Company,

Buy all the Tumblers You Will Need For a Year to Come

ATURDAY is the last day of the Great Special Sale. We are offering a choice of thirty different styles of Tumblers-water glasses, iced tea glasses, wine glasses, sherbet glasses and goblets, in many shapes, and every weight-from the thinest to the heavy varities for hotel use. Some are plain, some are needle etched, some are sand-blasted, some have the new silver leaf decorations and others are pressed in various styles to imitate cut-glass. Regular price 75c to \$1.00 a dozen. Your Choice 50c a dozen.....

Our Store Closes at 6:00 on Saturday Night.....

Miller & Paine

Kensington Suits Are Suits That Fit

To many men, all suits look alike. Those are not the men who are buying the "KENSING-TON." The "Kensington," with their handshaped collar, well rounded out shoulders and stay-in-shape fronts, are so different in fit and appearance from other makes that they at once attract well-dressed men. It is the men who appreciate the many points of superiority in the "Kensington" that are coming to us for their clothes. Is you've nevertried them, it's a good

Union-Made Suits \$15 to \$30.

Magee & Deemer

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