

# 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 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."

## UNCLE JOE CANNON, HUMORIST.

Uncle Joe Cannon, speaker of the national house of representatives, is a humorist. He doesn't know it, to be sure. But just the same Uncle Joe is clearly entitled to rank with Twain, Ward, Nye, Billings and the rest of the humorous bunch whose members have made us laugh in the years gone by. He makes us laugh. Just now Uncle Joe is trying to get away from his record of opposition to the so-called labor bills presented in congress, being fearful that the union men of the country will get his congressional scalp. He is playing both ends from the middle, trying to placate the labor vote and at the same time making a bid for the support of the union busters. In explanation of his opposition to the so-called labor bills Uncle Joe Cannon says:

"I opposed them because I believed them to be legislation in favor of a class, and I am unalterably opposed to class legislation."

If that isn't humor there is no such thing. Uncle Joe Cannon, the supporter of every bill introduced in congress during the last quarter of a century calculated to benefit the trusts and corporations at the expense of the people; Uncle Joe Cannon, the complaisant tool of the robber combines; Uncle Joe Cannon, the notorious advocate of a protective tariff so infernally high that it robs the millions to enrich the chosen few—this is the same Uncle Joe Cannon who explains his opposition to the demands of organized labor saying he is opposed to class legislation.

Wouldn't that sole your shoes? Is there some plan afoot to curb the rapacity of the corporations? Uncle Joe is right there to oppose it with all his might. Is there a scheme on foot to subvert governmental functions to benefit some gang of political and financial tricksters? Uncle Joe is right here to give it the powerful support of himself and his great office. Is there a demand from the great body of people for a reform that will prevent a gang of financial crooks from sweating fortunes from the people? Uncle Joe is always right there to help out he few at the expense of the many. And this is the blatant demagogue that says he opposes the righteous demands of labor because he does not favor "class legislation!"

O, fudge! Uncle Joe Cannon lives in a district peopled very largely by mechanics, artisans and miners. If they do not get together and retire Uncle Joe to private life they ought to spend the rest of their lives kicking each other.

## KEEP THE RECORD STRAIGHT.

Because The Wageworker gave the figures of the enormous expenditure of the Typographical union in the present strike, a few printers have argued that the editor of this paper is kicking on the assessment. Don't you believe it! The editor is paying his assessment without a murmur. He is paying it willingly, and he is ready to pay more if necessary. The figures were presented in order to arouse the membership to a realization of the fact that paying the assessment and spending it is not enough. Two million dollars in seven months ought to bring better results. If present methods are not productive of results after seven months of trial, something else ought to be tried. It is not the province of the editor of this paper to frame up methods. We are paying international officers and organizers to do that work—and paying them liberally, too.

Perhaps a study of the benefit list might help some. There are men on the strike benefit list drawing more every week as benefits than they averaged per week in wages during the

seven months prior to the strike call on January 1. It is contended in some quarters that it is necessary to carry these men in order to keep them from "ratting." That argument won't wash. The man who has to be paid a benefit to keep him from "ratting" won't hurt us any by becoming a "rat." That class of cattle is a detriment to any union.

The editor of The Wageworker is not kicking for a reduction of the assessment. He never kicked on an assessment in his life. He has paid more than 10 per cent a week, and is willing to pay it again. But like about 25,000 other union printers he wants to see results.

All this talk about Congressman Pollard accepting \$1,900 to which he was not entitled reminds us that if every congressman who has accepted money to which he was not entitled should remain away from Washington, the next session of congress would be about as lively as a prohibition convention in Peoria, Ills.

"Young man, keep out of politics," says Senator Thomas Platt. If Platt means the kind of politics he engages in the advice is good. Very few men are capable of turning the political tricks Platte has turned and keeping out of jail.

How can you expect to secure laws in the interests of labor as long as you persist in voting for the nominees of political machines who don't care a tinker's dam about the interests of labor?

As a rule the goods you order of the "mail order houses" are either made in penitentiaries or sweat shops. Buy of your home merchants, but insist that he handle union made goods.

It is said that Russell Sage's coffin cost \$22,000. If Uncle Russell knew it he would kick the lid off and protest against such a sinful waste of his hard earned money.

Funny, isn't it, that no effort to enforce the national eight-hour law was made until after organized labor decided to take an active part in politics?

The union label on an article guarantees that it is union made. It should also be a guarantee that it is well made.

With two national tickets, "Bryan and Mitchell" and "Roosevelt and LaFollette"—say, wouldn't that make you smile?

Think right, vote right and demand the union label. There's a combination nothing can beat.

Russell Sage is dead. He left \$80,000,000 and a memory that no man will respect or covet.

If you can't see the label don't consult an oculist. Look at some other brand of goods.

We would rather be a live labor editor than a dead millionaire.

## STRICTLY UNION MADE.

Short Stuff That Exchanges Are Cordially Invited to Swipe.

If it isn't union made, "tell the wife." Union made ought to mean "well made."

If a strike breaker is a hero it is honest to lie.

If unionism means anything at all it means unselfishness.

A union man is known by the goods he buys, not by the talk he makes.

Too many men leave their unionism in the hall when the meeting adjourns.

A dollar spent for union made goods is better than seven weeks of street corner oratory.

Every time you vote without thinking you help to destroy the usefulness of labor unions.

The union man who buys non-union goods has no moral right to call another man a "scab."

"Kickers" strive to do something. "Knockers" strive to prevent the doing of any good thing.

We would rather sweat doing work for \$2 a day than to sleep in a \$22,000 coffin and leave \$80,000,000 for heirs to fight over.

The best way to kill a union is to charge that the men who are trying to accomplish something worth while are trying to "work a little graft."

The man who steals the play time of youth to enrich himself will find a special corner in hell heated a little hotter than the rest just for his special benefit.

Unionizing the Home.

"Mr. Workerly," remarked Mrs. Workerly as she came in from doing the supper dishes, "I know you are a great advocate of the eight hour day and time and a half for overtime."

"You bet I am, my dear!" shouted Mr. Workerly, rolling over on the couch and dropping the evening paper with a yawn.

"And you think that all workers

# Here Are the Men's Clothing Bargain Opportunities Which Are Made Possible Only Thru Our Great August Stock Clearing Sale

Not a man who is within trading distance of this store can afford to overlook this exceptional chance to secure for himself a goodly supply of clothing while these prices hold good.

## All Men's Suits Are Embraced In This Sale With the Exception of Blacks

### Men's Suits at \$3.40

Here we give choice of Men's Suits worth \$8.75, \$7.50 and \$5.00. You will find all wool Cheviots and Cassimeres in neat and pretty designs, also quite a showy line of dark patterns. They are all honestly made, and will give splendid satisfaction.

### Mens' Suits at \$13.40

This division takes in none but our finest makes. The suits formerly sold at \$22.50 and \$20. Plenty of Serges, plenty of gray Worstedes, plenty of dark patterns. Every suit offered was made for this season's selling, and bears the stamp of the latest fashion plate designs.

### Men's Suits at \$6.40

Here we offer you Suits that are worth \$12.50 and \$10, for only \$6.40. The fabrics employed in these suits are, to start with, all wool, and we mean what we say. You may have them in fancy or quiet patterns, in Cheviots and Cassimeres, also in blue Serges.

### Men's Suits at \$16.40

This is the last division of our stock, and embraces all our finest suits made from imported Wools that formerly sold at \$30, \$27.50 and \$25, making in all an opportunity so unusual and altogether liberal, that men can afford to travel several hundred miles in order to supply their needs.

## All Mens' Two-Piece Outing Suits Go at Half Marked Price

# Armstrong Clothing Co.

Good Clothes Merchants

### NATIONAL CONVENTIONS.

Where Unions Will Meet to Enact Their General Legislation.  
August —, Toronto, Ont., United Garment Workers of America.  
August 6, Chicago, Ill., International Brotherhood of Teamsters.  
August 6, —, National Association Insulators and Asbestos Workers.  
August 7, Milwaukee, Wis., International Glove Workers' Union of America.  
August 12, Colorado Springs, Col., International Typographical Union.  
August 13, New York City, International Stereotypers and Electrotypers' Union.  
August 20, Boston, Mass., United Gold Beaters' National Union.  
September 3, —, Elastic Goring Weavers' Amalgamated Association.  
September 3, Toronto, Ont., International Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees.  
September 6, Toronto, Ont., Saw Smiths' Union of North America.  
September 10, Milwaukee, Wis., International Union of Steam Engineers.  
September 10, Danville, Ill., International Alliance of Brick, Tile and Terra Cotta Workers.  
September 11, Buffalo, N. Y., American Brotherhood of Cement Workers.  
September 13, Boston, Mass., Cotton Mule Spinners' Association.  
September 13, Hartford, Conn., Table Knife Grinders' National Union.  
September 17, New York City, International Wood Carvers' Association.  
September 17, Niagara Falls, N. Y., United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.  
October 1, Minneapolis, Minn., International Photo-Engravers' Union.  
October (first week), Toronto, Ont., Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers' International Union.  
October 8, Milwaukee, Wis., Coopers' International Union.  
October 16, Paterson, N. J., United Textile Workers of America.  
November 5, East Bangor, Pa., International Union Slate Workers.  
November 12, Minneapolis, Minn., American Federation of Labor.  
December 3, Boston, Mass., International Seamen's Union.  
December 3, New York City, National Alliance of Bill Posters and Billers of America.

### UNION CONTRACTORS.

If You Want Building Done, Here is a List to Patronize.  
The following employers and contractors have been declared fair by Carpenters' Union, Local 1055, and we request all parties contemplating building or repairs of any kind pertaining to our trade to please take notice and consider the following reputable contractors and builders before letting your work:  
S. W. Baker, 2237 R street.  
S. W. Brown, 1750 South Fifteenth street.  
H. E. Chappell, 1624 O street.  
L. Drybba, Lindell Hotel.  
S. R. Copeland, 110 North Twenty-seventh street.  
H. Dobbs, 329 South Twenty-seventh street.  
T. P. Harrison, Brownell block, room 12.  
W. B. Hester, 820 North Twenty-seventh street.  
Howe & Atterbury, 2025 Vine street.  
Hammond & Burford, 3136 Dudley street.  
Alex Hutton, 1436 N street.  
Jewell & Marsh, 2331 South Tenth street.  
A. Klewit, 1620 N street.  
A. L. Myers, 223 North Twenty-eighth street.  
Mitchner.  
Chas. Mellor, 2149 South Fifteenth street.  
F. G. Odell, 1335 North Twenty-fourth street.

### J. W. Russell, 1527 North Twenty-fourth street.

C. W. Ryman, 1112 Pine street.  
D. A. Rush, Normal.  
T. K. Townsend, 1328 South Fifteenth street.  
Turner Bros., 1401 Rose street.  
O. W. Vanderveer, 154 South Eighteenth street.  
S. A. Webb, 2743 W street.  
Lincoln Sash and Door company for mill work.  
This bulletin is issued by authority of Carpenters' Union, and is subject to revision at their order. Firms and contractors can have names and place of business inserted by applying to Carpenters' business agent, at 130 South Eleventh street, or by phone, Auto 3824, Bell L-1154.

### TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

Lincoln Typographical Union No. 209 will meet next Sunday, and as it considerable importance will come up. It is suggested that all members wishing to make donations of books to the home library at Colorado Springs bring them to the meeting. Delegate Peat is making the collection and is meeting with good success.  
**E. E. Clark Visits President.**  
President Roosevelt's callers Saturday included E. E. Clark, the newly appointed member of the interstate commerce commission. He came to talk over the railroad rate law and to get in touch generally with the president's ideas regarding the enforcement of this law.

## YELLOWSTONE PARK

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