

GENERAL MENTION.

Interesting Items Mostly Swiped from Bright Labor Papers.

Demand the label.
The union label—that's all.
Look for the union label.
If it is not labeled, refuse it.
Typographical Union meets next Sunday.

Union made shoes are sold by Rogers & Perkins.

Go to Capital Beach and take your girl for a moonlight ride on the lake.

Bryan portrait in fireworks next Wednesday night at Capital Beach.

Dancing every night except Sunday at Capital Beach. Bruce's orchestra.

Insist upon seeing the blue label on the box from which you select your cigars.

"Blue Ribbon" cigars are union made, Lincoln made and well made. Sold by all dealers.

Journeymen Barbers of Wheeling are to ask for a half holiday during the state fair week.

The labor unions of Memphis, Tenn., have a printer and a sign writer as candidates for legislative honors.

Go to Capital Beach next Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday nights and see the great naval battle on the lake.

The Interurban is regularly running cars to Bethany. The cars are models of their kind and the trip is an enjoyable one.

If the working children of Pennsylvania were placed shoulder to shoulder they would form a line twenty-two miles long.

The strike of union chain makers in York, Pa., has been approved by the executive council of the American Federation of Labor.

Twenty-four iron molders and core-makers struck against unsanitary conditions in the Mechanic's iron foundry at Roxbury, Mass.

Under the arbitration court's award, delivered recently, the New South Wales Tobacco Workers' Union is to get an increase of wages.

Gold Beaters struck at Chicago and the strike has spread all over the country. There are now 4,000 on strike demanding an increase in wages.

Blacksmiths employed on the Rock Island railroad system have made a new agreement for the ensuing year. A slight increase in wages was granted.

Managing Editor Gale of the Star is visiting in Colorado. He is accompanied by Mrs. Gale and has been taking in the convention of Press clubs at Denver.

The foreigners employed in Chicago will sign their name by a thumb print in the future. This Sherlock Holmes method is considered superior to his X mark for identification.

The New Jersey Board of Prison Inspectors are considering the advisability of placing electric lights in the prisons in order that the convicts may work a longer number of hours.

Read the Labor Day program and see where your union forms for the parade. Every union owes it to itself and the movement to be promptly in line and prepared to make the largest possible showing.

It is reported that President Roosevelt has issued an order requiring the observance of the national eight-hour law by the contractors on government work. The effect of the order will be far-reaching.

The Philippine Commission has adopted a resolution favoring the scheme of the Hawaiian Planters' Association to transport Filipino laborers and their families to Hawaii to work on the sugar plantations.

Having sold the Eleventh Street lunch counter, I opened a table restaurant on South Twelfth street. I have now removed the tables and put in a lunch counter; open at 6 a. m. and dinner from 11 a. m. til 2 p. m. Quick service. Don Cameron, 110 So 12th St.

Six hundred men were placed at work Monday by the starting up of then ten remaining idle mills of the American Sheet & Tinplate company at South Sharon. There is every prospect of continued work for a long period, not only in this plant, but in the iron and steel mills throughout the country, as fully 80 per cent have already sold their full output to the beginning of next year.

At a meeting of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council a resolution was

passed that no member of the I. W. W. be allowed to speak at the Moyer-Heywood-Petibone protest meeting to be held in the hall of the Labor Bureau on August 5.

Chicago union labor is making a fight against the school readers of Rand, McNally & Co., and want the book thrown out to be replaced by a union print. Rand McNally & Co. are one of the few firms that are still opposed to the eight hour day.

During his western trip last week, from which he has just returned, President P. J. McArdle, of the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers succeeded in settling disputes at East Chicago, Ind., Moline, Ill., and at Youngtown, O. He is hopeful of an early settlement of the strike in the eastern division.

The former unemployed workmen, for whose benefit the City of Moscow, Russia, recently inaugurated municipal works, have struck, demanding a reduction in the hours of labor from ten to eight. The aldermen voted to decrease the laborers' pay in accordance with this reduction in the hours of work.

Much interest centers about the meetings of the wage scale committee of the Amalgamated Window Glass Workers' association and of L. A. 300, both of which are scheduled for this week. The window glass manufacturers are endeavoring by voluntarily offering a substantial advance over last season's rates, to induce the workers in that branch of the industry to consent to a continuation of the close down in the factories until November 1, in order that the immense supply of glass on hand may be reduced.

The long and bitter fight is still waging between the Watch Case Engravers' International Association of America and the Keystone Watch Case Co., of Philadelphia, Pa., manufacturers of the Jas. Boss case, details of which have been given to union men from time to time, and also the following manufacturers who are on the unfair list and we don't patronize list of the American Federation of Labor: Keystone Watch Case Co., of Philadelphia, Pa.; T. Zurbrugg Watch Case Co., of Riverside, N. J.; Crescent Watch Case Co., of Newark, N. J.; Jos Fahy Watch Case Co., of Sag Harbor, N. Y., and the Wadsworth Watch Case Co., of Dayton, Ky. The Association asks that members of labor organizations write the above firms stating that until an agreement is reached they regard it their duty to transfer their patronage to firms more fairly inclined.

REASON'S WHY.

Arguments That Convince You That You Should Join the Union.

1. Because it tends to raise wages. This is proven by all sorts of evidence.
2. Because it prevents a reduction in wages, reductions rarely come to well organized labor.
3. Because it aids in getting shorter hours. Ask the union men who are working eight hours, they can prove it; they can show a union card also.
4. Because in union there is strength. This is as true of wage earners as of states.
5. Because it makes labor respected. Power wins respect from employer as from all men.
6. Because it gives men self-reliance.
7. Because it is a good investment. No other investment gives back so large a return for expenditure of time and money.
8. Because it makes thinkers. Men need to rub intellect together in matters of common concern.
9. Because it enlarges acquaintance. This world is too restricted for most wage earners.
10. Because it reaches co-operation. When laborers co-operate they will own the earth.
11. Because it curbs selfishness; the grab-all is toned down by the fear of the opinions of his fellows.
12. Because it makes the job a better place to work. The bully foreman can't bully the union card.
13. Because it helps the family to more money, more comforts and a better opportunity to improve your social condition.
14. Because it helps the state. Unorganized and discontented labor is the parent of the mob. The trade unions stand as a rock between the government and anarchy.
15. Because it is legal. The state has been forced to take off the conspiracy ban.
16. Because your own common sense approves it. What argument can you bring against it?
17. Because it is not an experiment. A century of tests has demonstrated its ability.
18. Because it is revolutionary. It seeks no miracles, but goes on, step by step.
19. Because it means business. It grasps at tangible results and does not spend its force in speculation.
20. For the enemies it has made. When you see people outside the wage class fight trade unions, put it down that unions are desirable.
21. Because it is philosophical. It takes human nature as it is, not as somebody says it ought to be.
22. Because it is universal. The

trade union ideal is co-existent with civilization.

24. Because it pays you benefits when you are on strike for better conditions, or to prevent unfair conditions being imposed upon you.

25. Because it pays you sick benefits when you are sick or disabled.

26. Because it pays death benefits of from \$50 to \$100.

27. Because it stands for arbitration of all differences between employer and employee.

28. Because everybody is interested in our cause, but it cannot be permanently won unless we ourselves become thoroughly interested. As tradesmen of a worthy calling we should unite intelligence, our efforts, our sympathies and our genius to the furtherance of the noble objects of unionism.—Reading Labor Advocate.

29. Because a union man's card is treated with respect and consideration by all union men, and the bearer of a card is never without friends, and can always get assistance if in needy circumstances.

SENATOR CLARK.

Men Who Made Him Rich Still Live in Shacks.

In a short skit about Senator Clark of Montana, a Saturday Evening Post writer says: "He was a producer; what he has he took out of the ground." Say, wouldn't that jar you? Took it out of the ground—rats! He took it out of the blood, bone and muscle of the working class. Mr. Clark holds title to millions of wealth, and he never produced a dollar of it. The workers are easy; they believe in "dividing up," and so Mr. Clark has the finest residence in New York, while the fellows who produced it all live in shacks and keep on voting the old party tickets. Took it out of the ground! All Mr. Clark ever took out of the ground would go in my vest pocket and still leave room for my week's pay. And who ever heard of one man building a railroad? Some of these space writers are too funny. There is one thing, however, to be said about Clark and all his kind—they know enough to work and vote for their class. Pity the workers are not as wise.—E. N. Richardson, in Appeal to Reason.

AN INTERESTING TOPIC.

Next Sunday morning at 10:30, at the Second Presbyterian church, Twenty-sixth and P streets, the pastor, Rev. B. M. Long, will preach a sermon on "The Workingman and the Church." A cordial invitation is extended to every wage earner to be present.

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