

WAGELABORER

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LABOR'S WATCHWORD.

We will stand by our friends and administer a stinging rebuke to men or parties who are either indifferent, negligent or hostile, and, whenever opportunity affords, secure the election of intelligent, honest, earnest trade unionists, with clear, unblemished, paid-up union cards in their possession.

ONE MORE WEEK.

One week from next Tuesday the people of this state will be called upon to elect congressmen, a legislature and various county and state officers. One of the brightest signs of the times is the fact that people are fast losing their partisanship and coming more and more to vote independently. The Wage Worker wants to make an especial appeal to laboring men, and point out to them the wisdom of voting intelligently and independently for their own interests, and the folly of longer allowing themselves to be led around by a partisan string held in the hands of some pin-headed party boss.

On November 6th workingmen of Lancaster county will be given an opportunity of voting for two workingmen for the legislature—workingmen who are personally interested in securing legislation in the interests of the men and women who toil for a daily wage. The laboring man who allows party prejudice to influence him in this matter is making a grave mistake. The Wage Worker has been given plenty of opportunities to profit by getting into the campaign and urging workingmen to support this man or that man for office. But it is not in business for the purpose of boosting mere office-seekers. It is not in the habit of dealing with mere politics. It doesn't care a rap who you vote for for governor, or for any other state office. But it is asking all workingmen to vote for the two union men who are candidates for the legislature, Harry W. Smith and George F. Quick. It is supporting these men because they represent the principles believed in by this little newspaper. They stand for all that this paper stands for—justice to those who toil. Their politics, from the mere standpoint of party, does not concern The Wage Worker a little bit. If they were making the race as democrats, or as republicans, The Wage Worker would pay no attention to them whatever.

The workingman who believes he is entitled to a square deal, who believes he is entitled to some legislation in his interests, who believes he ought to be represented in the framing of the laws under which he must live and toil, should lay aside his partisan prejudice and vote for the two legislative candidates whose interests are his interests, and whose aims are his aims.

We can elect Smith and Quick hands down if the workingmen of the county will get behind them and give them their votes. Their election will serve a double purpose. It will give the workingmen representation, and it will compel the political managers of the county to give the labor vote due recognition in the future.

Come, on boys!

ANOTHER FEDERAL JUDGE.

Labor gets another blow from the federal judge who is appointed for life. The federal judge in America today has more absolute power than the czar of Russia. He can deprive men of liberty without due process of law, he can enact any law he wants to by disguising it as an injunction or a mandamus, and he can set aside any law that displeases him or the corporations that secured him his seat on the bench.

A federal judge at Louisville has

just decided that the law prohibiting the "blacklist" is unconstitutional. According to this federal judge a corporation is allowed to hound to death any workingman who offends the powers that be. The workingman who joins a union against the wishes of his employer may be "blacklisted," and other corporations warned not to employ him because he is a "bad and dangerous character."

And while this federal judge was declaring the law against blacklisting unconstitutional, it is a fact that by federal court decree the law prohibiting the boycott is constitutional. By federal judicial ukase a workingman may be sent to jail for boycotting a business enemy, but as a corporation or a corporation's agent, may not be punished for blacklisting.

Lovely state of affairs, isn't it? And who is to blame for it, Mr. Workman?

Why, the laboring men themselves. No one else. They have been "party mad" so long that the other fellows have got everything their own way. And the only way to cure it is to first cure the "party madness" and then go to voting intelligently and in their own interest.

And bear this in mind all the time: If the federal judiciary as it is now constituted is allowed to continue, our boasts about living in a free country, and our boasted self government, will be mere memories.

The federal judge appointed for life must go!

The retail clerk who tries to tell you that "this is better than the labeled goods" needs a turning down. And the harder he is turned the better. What if organized labor in Lincoln made a concerted demand that the retail stores keep open until 10:30 every night? It might teach the clerks a lesson in trades unionism and affiliation therewith.

The Citizens' Street Railway Co. has started a car. A union button on both the motorman and conductor would create a lot of enthusiasm among Lincoln unionists that would result in increased patronage for the new line.

If every union man in Lincoln, Havlock, University Place and Bethany will spend 50 cents each during the Union Labor Fair it will be a magnificent financial and social success.

If the laboring men of Lancaster county will wisely make their presence felt in politics this trip, they will have no difficulty in getting recognition hereafter. Get wise, boys!

The union man who expects fair treatment from the average daily newspaper is just foolish enough to believe that he can guess which shell conceals the cute little pea.

Isn't it funny how a \$30-a-month dude clerk will turn up his nose at the greasy mechanic who happens to be making his little old \$4 or \$5 a day working eight hours?

A lot of daily newspapers still continue to roast "Chewing Gum" White that never dared to print a line of criticism of "Grape Nuts" Post. Funny, isn't it?

To Mayor Brown, greetings: The union men of Lincoln are still waiting in patience for you to shake the Crabtree. The "scab" fruit is overripe.

Join the union of your craft. It will enlist the aid of your fellows in your behalf, and will put you in a position to aid your fellow craftsmen.

Mr. Post is overdue. We expected his wall early this week. Perhaps the stenographer has kept him busy buying new things.

If the Cannons and the Littlefields run congress it is because the men who toil and pay the taxes permit it.

Now is as good a time as any to begin the work of putting the political bosses out of business.

Get out of the partisanship game, and jump into the political game!

Begin boosting now for the Labor Fair—and keep on boosting.

UNION LABOR FAIR.

Central Labor Union Decides to Hold One Next Month.

The Central Labor Union took hold of the Union Labor Fair proposition in earnest last Tuesday night and decided to undertake it. The enthusiasm of the delegates was marked. When it was stated that the rent of the auditorium would have to be paid in advance the delegates began jumping up to pledge their unions to specific amounts towards raising the guarantee. "And if my union doesn't back me up I'll put up the money myself," was the assertion of each one. The spirit that brings success was mani-

festated on every side. The fair will be held in the Auditorium the first week in December, and the merchants of the city will be asked to make displays of the union made goods they handle. There will be contests of various kinds, amusement attractions galore, and dancing every evening. W. M. Maupin was made manager of the enterprise and empowered to draft such help as he needs. The volunteers were numerous. If there is anything in signs the enthusiasm of the delegates portends a nice bunch of money to put into a Labor Temple and General Organization fund.

Secretary DeLong was absent and George Bush was appointed to officiate. It was reported that the clerks in one of the large retail stores were ready to organize, and General Kelsey, local organizer, was instructed to get busy. He said he would, and that means there will be something doing if the clerks do not "renege."

Delegate Huette of the Cigarmakers was instructed to visit all unions to explain the labor fair plans and ask them to lend a small sum to the guarantee fund. This money will be returned to the unions as soon as the fair closes.

The attendance at the meeting was larger than usual, and the awakened interest portends some lively and profitable times at the meetings of the body during the winter.

Mr. Maupin reported that the Commercial Club was anxious to take hold of the proposition to secure the 1907 meeting of the American Federation of Labor, and the announcement was greeted with great applause. Mr. Maupin was elected delegate to the Minneapolis convention, with T. C. Kelsey alternate.

BLACKLIST UPHELD.

Federal Judge Evans Says It Is Constitutional.

Louisville, Ky., Oct. 23.—Judge Evans of the federal court, this morning held unconstitutional that section of the interstate commerce act making it a misdemeanor for a person or corporation engaged in interstate commerce to discriminate against employees because of membership in labor unions. He sustained a demurrer to indictments against J. M. Scott, chief train dispatcher of the Louisville & Nashville road, charged with dismissing telegraph operators because of their membership in national telegraphers' union. The case will be carried to the United States supreme court.

UNION MEN TO JAIL.

Asserted Freeman's Right and a Judge Cinched Them.

Chicago, Oct. 23.—Four members of the United Garment Workers of America must serve four months' sentence each in the county jail, according to a decision in a branch of the appellate court, on a specific charge that they violated an injunction by which the national wholesale tailoring association was protected from interference from pickets representing the garment workers.

THE MACHINISTS.

Some News Notes About the Men Who Handle the Lathes.

The Omaha Western Laborer pays the present management of the Union Pacific a high compliment for its attitude towards the machinists. Four years ago the Union Pacific machinists went on strike and the war was long and bitter. Finally the strike was settled, but not until a new management took hold. Then the slate was wiped clean by both sides, and today everything is peace and harmony. The men most active in managing the strike are still at the Union Pacific shops and no discrimination has been practiced. General Manager Mohler seems determined to forget all past differences and date everything from the settlement of the strike.

The Manufacturers' association refused to grant a conference to machinists who are asking an eight-hour day and 40 cents per hour. Now there is something doing in Pittsburgh and Arthur E. Ireland is among the agitators. Machinists of Williamsport won a nine-hour day and control of apprentices.

Machinists of San Diego, Cal., have organized.

A movement to organize the machinists at the naval gun factory, Washington, D. C., is meeting with success. The Trades Unionist, organ of the Central union, is leading the agitation, and, despite strong Parry organization, are bringing the competent workmen into line.

It is rumored that the strike on the Southern Pacific is nearing a conclusion and that the agreement will be satisfactory to the men.

THE LABEL MISSING.

Secretary of the treasury, Leslie M. Shaw, spoke at Hamilton, O., recently, and members of organized labor in that city ascribe the reason for the smallness of the attendance to the

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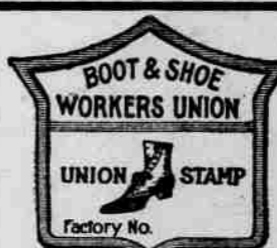
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