

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. Bartenders of St. Joseph, Mo., have reorganized.

Union made shoes are sold by Rogers & Perkins. "Blue Ribbon" cigars are union made, Lincoln made and well made. Sold by all dealers.

Butte, Mont., miners have been granted an unsolicited increase from \$3.50 to \$3.75 per day. St. Paul painters have asked for 42 1-2 cents an hour beginning April 1st.

Practically all the building trades in Spokane, Wash., are going to seek a general advance in wages.

Russell Jones, a street car conductor at Kenosha, Wis., has been elected county clerk.

The Methodist Book Concern is still on the unfair list. But—well, the lamp yet holds out to burn.

The "Piano and Organ Worker" says: "Shun the Kimball." It is scab and therefore unfair to organized labor.

Woodworkers' Local No. 158, Cincinnati, were successful in getting an increase of 10 per cent, also strictly union shops.

The Von Boeckman Printing Co., a Typothetae shop in Austin, Tex., has signed a two-year agreement with the Typographical union.

The 2,000 employees in the Aurora, Ill., shops of the Chicago, Burlington & Quincy have been granted a 10 per cent increase in wages.

Practically all the large cotton mills in New England are paying increased wages to their employees. In most instances advances were voluntary.

Spokane, Wash., chamber of commerce has donated \$2,000 to secure the next convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners.

The "Piano Worker" for December says: "The working children of Pennsylvania would, if put shoulder to shoulder, form a line twenty-two miles long."

Master House Painters and Decorators' Association of Reading, Pa., decided to advance wages of journeymen painters 2 1-2 cents an hour after April 1.

Chicago machinists are enjoined from intimidating strikers, but barring this, in the language of the judge, "they may talk their heads off," if they wish.

The Erie, Pa., Dry Goods company has shown its sympathy for organized labor by conceding to its employees an eight-hour day for the first five days in the week.

H. W. Libbey, of Winona, first vice-president of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor, was elected a member of the state legislature at the recent election.

Over in Montreal nearly 100 machinists joined the union in one night. It created so much talk that at the next meeting 200 got in line. And they are still a-coming.

Three firms at Baltimore, Md., against whom papers of injunctions were filed for the illegal use of the United Garment Workers of America label are unionizing their factories.

The district over which the Chicago Carpenters' Union extends contains about 12,000 men, exclusive of about 2,000 woodworkers in the mills who have lately joined the carpenters.

U. S. Judge Kahlsaat, acting as arbitrator in the demand of 1,000 steamfitters and their helpers in the Pittsburgh district, rendered a decision that an advance of 25 cents a day be granted.

The annual convention of the Structural Building Trades' Alliance of America will take place in New York City February 9. The organization has a membership of 200,000 workers outside of New York.

Adult women in the hosiery mills in Pennsylvania earn an average of \$5.10 per week; under the age of 16 the weekly wage is \$2.82. The cost of keeping a boy in the Huntingdon (Pa.) Reformatory is \$4.79 a week.—Buffalo Press.

An agreement has been arrived at by the Rhode Island Superintendents'

Association, an organization of educators, not to allow any child under fourteen years to work in a mill, whether or not the child had been given a certificate entitling it to take such employment. This new rule went into effect on January 1.

Union men! please your wife and your pocketbook by purchasing a Riverside Base Burner. There is absolutely no stove on the market that will furnish as much heat for the amount of coal consumed as will the Riverside. Sold exclusively by Hoppe at 108 North Tenth street.

This bit of cheering news comes from Minneapolis regarding the machinists: "At the present time we have over 1,400 members in good standing in District No. 48. At the present rate of increase we will have this part of the country in pretty fair shape at no distant date."

Organized labor in Los Angeles, Cal., is planning to establish a bank. It will be financed and operated wholly by trades unionists. Instead of running it on co-operative principles, the bank will be organized as a stock company. The projectors are sanguine of the success of the project.

A proposition is on foot to unite the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen with the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen. The firemen have a membership of upwards of 60,000, and the brotherhood musters about 90,000 men. The treasuries of the two combined would amount to nearly \$2,400,000.

The newsboys and bootblacks of Cleveland, O., are developing a plan to raise \$5,000 for the purpose of guaranteeing an education to any member who desires to take advantage of the fund. An effort will be made to increase the membership to 500 in order to make the plan a success.

The International Association of Machinists have recently entered into agreements with the Great Northern railway, Canadian Pacific railway, Otis Elevator Co. of Yonkers, N. Y., C. B. & Q. railroad, Minneapolis, St. Paul & Sault Ste. Marie railway, Union Iron Works, B. & O. railroad, Minneapolis & St. Louis railroad, Anheuser-Busch Brewing Co., and Coleman Nail Co.

A signal victory was won by the printers, pressmen and feeders of Cleveland, O., last week when the Circuit court dismissed the application of the Master Printers' Association for a permanent injunction against the unions at the request of attorneys for the masters. It was an admission of defeat, an admission that they could not sustain the action brought by them by law or evidence.

Every member of the Billposter's Union in America has been assessed \$1 to create funds for the purpose of finding, if possible, the body of Chas. Littlefield of Georgia, who was lost when the Rock Island passenger train plunged through the Cimarron river bridge at Dover, Okla., several weeks ago. Littlefield was a member of the union and was employed at the time of the wreck by a circus.

According to a statement of Edgar T. Davies, State Factory Inspector of Illinois, there has been a reduction in the employment of children in the Chicago sweatshops from 14.5 per cent to 9 per cent. The percentage of children employed in Illinois has been reduced from 8.2 per cent in 1893 to 1.5 per cent. Within the last three years there has been a decrease in child labor in Illinois of 80 per cent.

Spokane Walters' Alliance, through H. McAlpine, has secured a warrant for the arrest of Wm. A. Smith, business agent, accused of misappropriating \$500. The alliance offers a reward of \$50 for the apprehension of the man, "dead or alive." The police of the surrounding cities have been notified of his disappearance. Smith is of medium height, with blue eyes and curly hair and weighed about 150 pounds. He is an affable talker and makes friends rapidly.

FRANKLIN ANNIVERSARY. Fittingly Celebrated by Capital Auxiliary Last Monday Night.

Capital Auxiliary No. 11 to Typographical Union No. 209 celebrated its fourth anniversary Tuesday evening, January 21, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Will Bustard, 2536 H street. The event took the form of a Benjamin Franklin birthday party, and was attended by a large number of printers and their wives. Each guest was given a list of questions concerning Benjamin Franklin's life. For the men's prize C. E. Barngrover, Geo. Locker and Wm. Maupin tied on the number of questions correctly answered, while the ladies' prize was carried off by Mrs. J. E. Marshall. Mr. Barngrover won on the "cut." High five and fitch were played, prizes being awarded the winners.

The committee in whose charge the arranging and so successfully carrying out the fourth anniversary celebration of Capital Auxiliary were comprised of Mesdames Barngrover, Bustard and Norton.

Mrs. G. H. Freeman is reported to be slightly indisposed. The last meeting of the Auxiliary was held at Mrs. Fred Ihringer's and

was largely attended. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ernestine King, Tenth and South streets, Friday, February 1st. Miss Verna Leonard of Plattsmouth is with her sister, Mrs. Jay E. Worley. Miss Leonard has a legislative appointment as stenographer.

Miss Clara B. King is visiting relatives in Missouri.

Following are the committees for the ensuing term: Label, Mrs. Barngrover and Mrs. McKinnie; hustling, Mrs. Locker and Mrs. Ihringer; flowers, Mrs. Turner, Mrs. Maupin, Mrs. Hebbard. The committee appointed to confer with a committee from the union in regard to the anniversary is composed of Mrs. Bustard, Mrs. Barngrover, Mrs. Smith and Mrs. Turner.

PRINTER NOTES.

New Rooms in Holmes Block Ready for the Boys to Meet Therein.

The Allied Printing Trades headquarters in the Holmes block, on Twelfth street, between O and N, are now open and the members of the craft are cordially invited to spend all their leisure time there. The work of fitting up the rooms still goes merrily on, and in good time will be as comfortable as money can make them.

The Independent printing plant has been sold to the State Journal company and was dismantled last Wednesday. The machine will be added to the Journal's already big battery, and the type will mostly be sold as old metal. Much of the furniture will be catalogued and sold in lots to suit the purchasers. The Independent will be printed by the Journal company, and will be published by the Independent Publishing Co. It is understood that George W. Berge still retains his interest in the paper.

Roy Kennedy, who had his independent job sold out from under him, is now working at the New Century.

Henry Bingaman, foreman and operator at the old Independent shop, is not going to be in a hurry about locating. He has several good things in view and money enough to live on until he can make a calm decision.

Charley Barngrover, after sixteen years' service with the Journal, is now fingering the English "Merg" in the Free Press office. The Free Press has taken the Commoner contract.

Young Meyers, who was found dead in a room with a woman in a rooming house on O street, was not a printer, as stated in the daily papers. He was an apprentice in the New Century shop and lacked considerable time of being eligible to membership in the union.

Herr und Frau Langenheim wurde am 17. Januar eine Tochter geboren. Mutter und Kind befinden sich wohl. Wir gratulieren.

W. E. Moore, an honorary member of Lincoln Typographical Union, who is representing the American Typefounders Co. on the road, is just recovering from a severe illness. He will be able to take out his sample case again in a very short time.

Manager Traphagen of the State Journal Co. could write an interesting article on the various newspapers and printing plants the Journal has bought during the last thirty years.

"Ted" Righter is "apprenticing" in the office of the Righter Linotype Composition Co.

H. W. Smith was off duty the first of the week on account of illness. Born—to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Langenheim, January 17, a daughter. We extend congratulations.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

Printers Preparing to Celebrate 26th Union Anniversary.

Lincoln Typographical Union No. 209 will celebrate on February 25th the twenty-sixth anniversary of the issuing of its local charter. A ball will be given at the old Fraternity hall, and Quick's orchestra will furnish the music.

The committee in charge of the affair is moving with energy to make the celebration the greatest in the twenty-six years of the union's existence, and there is no doubt about the success they will achieve.

COUNCILMAN DUNN RESIGNS.

It is to be regretted that Councilman Dunn has felt impelled to resign from the council on account of pressure of private business. He has given the city good service, and his ability as a business man has stood the municipality in good stead.



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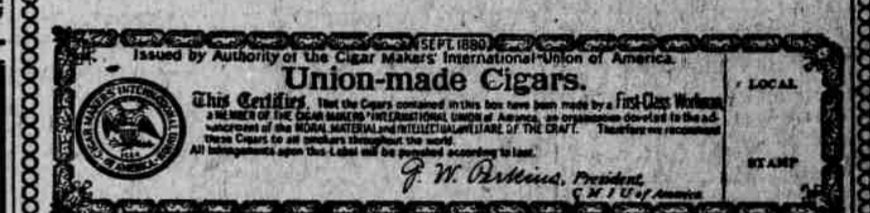
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