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WILL M. MAUPIN, EDITOR



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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.

A WORD WITH LINCOLN MERCHANTS.

Gentlemen, this matter of patronizing home merchants and home industries has several phases, and it would be well for you to look at all of them. If the wage earners of Lincoln take hold of the home patronage movement it will be a vast benefit to you. Now you ought to meet the wage earners half way in this matter.

It is considerably easier to get union-made goods in Lincoln than it was three years ago. But it is not easy enough yet, by any means. There is no use mincing words about this matter. You are not doing the right thing by us. You have a pernicious habit of buying a few labeled goods—usually the poorest of the kind you can buy—and then hiding them away somewhere. When a customer insists on having the labeled goods you manage to dig it up, but you do it unwillingly, and you can truthfully say it is not good, either in make or quality. Then you try to palm off the non-union stuff, asserting that it is better than the shoddy article you have bought with the label in it. Of course you can get shoddy and poorly made stuff with the label thereon. We know it just as well as you do. But you can also get the best.

We are getting mighty tired of this sort of thing. We want you to tote fair with us. We are spending two and a half million dollars a year with you, and we'll spend more if you'll give us a chance. But we are going to quit buying your "scab" made goods, and if you don't hustle around and put in stock goods, reliable union made goods, you are going to lose a big bunch of customers.

You needn't think you are fooling us. We were wise to this label game before a whole lot of you were engaging in the merchandise business. We know your little trick of keeping a few labeled goods of inferior quality so you can say you carry labeled goods, and we know your little trick of trying to sell the "scab" article by calling attention to the poor quality of the labeled article. We've stood for it as long as we are going to. Now you get busy and meet us half way on this home patronage business. Buy union made goods that are good. They are just as easy to get as good goods in any other make. We understand you can not make quite as big a margin on the union stuff as you do on the "scab." That is not to be wondered at. It cost more to make labeled goods for the reason that the people who make them receive fair wages. God only knows how much margin the manufacturer and the wholesaler make on the "scab" and sweat shop goods before they come to you.

We are your best customers. Without us one-half, or two-thirds, of you would go out of business. Now, why not realize the justice of our demand and proceed to get the kind of goods we want? You can sell them to non-union men just as easily as you can sell them to the other kind, and you can sell us more of them and give us better satisfaction. We are a patient lot of people, but we are getting just a bit tired of the way you have been handing it to us. Some of these days we may get real mad. We can feel it coming up in our necks right now.

THE CITY ELECTION.

If organized labor wants representation in the next city council it is high time that the wage earners sat up and took notice of things political. The politicians and the men with selfish interests to serve are already setting up their pins, and candidates for councilmanic honors are becoming as thick as flies in August. Lincoln is a republican city, therefore it stands to reason that the council will be republican. Republican nominations are made at primaries, and the wage earners who affiliate with the republican party should see to it that men of their own number are put on the primary tickets. Failing that, they should see to it that they have an opportunity at least to vote for candidates who are known to be friendly to trades unionism.

With possibly one or two exceptions the democrats stand no show, therefore it will be easy to secure the nomination of union men on the democratic ticket. Democratic nominations will not be sought after, but on the contrary the democratic convention will go out looking for victims.

If the wage earners will take the proper interest there is no reason why they can not secure the nomination of three or four trades unionists for the council. We'll never get anything unless we go after it. It seems useless to nominate men because they are zealous trades unionists. Partisanship still cuts too much figure. Suppose we center our efforts on nominating trades unionists who happen to be republicans or democrats.

Ten years ago the hod-carriers throughout the country worked ten hours a day and received \$1.75 a day. Now they are organized, work eight hours a day and receive an average of \$2.50 a day. Lincoln street railway men are still unorganized, and the best wage is less than \$2.25 a day for twelve or thirteen hours' work.

Of course the Journal-News is not expected to treat Mayor Brown fairly. Mayor Brown never said that the saloons made Lincoln a good city. He did say that the system of regulation of saloons resulted in making Lincoln a better city than others that had no such strict and sensible regulations.

The plain, honest truth is that organized labor has more friends in the present legislature than it ever had in any previous legislature. This is evidenced by the number of bills favorable to labor interests that have been introduced and fought for by capable and earnest supporters.

The stuff appearing in The Wage-worker may not be worth much, but it is the best the editor has in stock, and if it is worth using by other papers it is worth crediting to this paper.

Mrs. Potter Palmer is a very kind woman, and undoubtedly means to do the right thing, but what she knows about the hardships of the poor wouldn't make a very big book.

The crafts that work the shortest hours receive the highest wage. And the crafts that work the shortest hours for the highest wage are the ones that are best organized.

The Schneectady, N. Y., Leader continues to print some splendid editorials on labor topics. Some of them are taken from The Wage-worker with our credit.

Senator Gibson's employer's liability law is being bitterly fought by the railroads, but it is meeting with favor among the fair minded legislators.

The International Typographical Union assessment has been reduced to 3 per cent. Assessments are not reduced unless battles are being won.

The Bishop sign ordinance is receiving scant consideration. Mr. Bishop's efforts to regulate the universe are not meeting with glittering success.

The Baltimore Labor Leader is widely quoted among labor papers, but the Leader is a little careless about giving credit to others.

Education is solving the liquor question. To rush in with a lot of law at this time will be merely to begof the issue.

If you think the lawyer's union is not a closed shop arrangement, just try to practice law without being admitted to the bar.

Only \$5,000 for park improvements. That insignificant sum is a disgrace to Lincoln. It ought to be \$12,000 or \$15,000.

The usual attempt to change the garnishee law is being made. Look out for it!

The jolt that Rev. Charles Stetzie handed to Chancellor Day is calculated to hold the chancellor for a while.

Home patronage and the label—two bully good weapons in the labor arsenal.

And now a big boost, and all together, for the label!

THE GARNISHEE LAW.

Usual Move Made to Amend it in Interests of Selfish Men.

Representative Scudder has introduced a bill making radical changes in the garnishee law. The Evening News refers to the bill in the following language:

"The present law exempts from execution sixty days' wages of the head of a family, while the Scudder bill merely exempts seventy-five per cent of the amount a wage earning family head has due him. Thus a creditor could garnishee a man for one-fourth of his wages every week, depriving him of sufficient income for the support of his family and of course losing him his position. It must be apparent that such a law would put too much power in the hands of the unscrupulous collector who would be enabled to drive the impecunious debtor from any position which he might secure without giving him any chance to get sufficiently ahead to pay off his obligations. The creditor is certainly entitled to protection, but no more so than the debtor."

Every time the legislature meets an effort is made to amend the garnishee law and do away with the protection afforded workingmen against the greed and rapacity of creditors. If the garnishee law merely protected dead beats no honest man would be in favor of it. But the law as it stands prevents injustice to honest but unfortunate workingmen. It is true that the law does benefit some dead beats, but at the same time it protects honest workingmen. Through sickness or other misfortune an honest workingman may find himself unable to pay his grocery or meat bill promptly. Without the protection of the garnishee law the creditor could take that man's wages and leave his family to suffer.

Representative Scudder's bill looks like a small amendment, but it is enough to work a great injustice on the unfortunate but honest workingman. Almighty few wage earners are receiving a sufficient wage to enable them to live comfortably on 75 per cent of it.

The merchant should not be allowed to make a collection agency of the state. He has his credit man, and he ought to be willing to take his chances. Certainly he should not ask for the privilege of making honest men suffer in order to cinch the occasional dead beat. The Scudder bill should be killed the minute it comes up, and it will be killed if those most interested—the workingmen—will get busy.

WILL LIST WAGE WORKERS.

Chicago Employers Will Keep Tab on Employees.

Chicago, Ill.—To list all wage workers in the United States; and absolutely starve to death any man or woman who strikes for higher wages in the plan of the Chicago Employers' association and other allied organizations throughout the country.

"Employment agencies" have been established in every city in the United States by these class conscious employers. The one in Chicago is at Dearborn and Quincy streets. Employers now organized in Chicago now employ perhaps 500,000 wage earners.

HATTERS ON STRIKE.

All the hatting industries of the Oranges, in New Jersey, which are known as the hatting center of the east, are at a standstill, and 4,000 persons are idle through a general strike ordered by the national committee of the United Hatters' Union until an advance in wages to \$20 a week as the minimum scale can be secured. The strike has a noticeable effect on the business enterprises of Orange, and unless an adjustment is made in a few days and the men and women return to work, many families will suffer hardships.

A POOR WORKMAN.

Business Agent Benson, of the Steamfitters' Union, it is said is responsible for this: "Wot ails ye?" asked Casey of Kearney. "Tis a bad nose bleed, I have," replied Kearney, the plumber. "Huh! 'Tis a poor plumber ye are if ye can't stop a leak in your own face."—Detroit Union Advocate.

CAPITAL AUXILIARY.

Capital Auxiliary No. 11 to Lincoln Typographical Union No. 209 will meet Friday, 2:30 p. m., February 15, at the home of Mrs. J. Kinkead, 1114 Q Street.

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| Bakers and Confectioners. | Machinists. |
| Boilermakers. | Metal Polishers. |
| Blacksmiths. | Metal Workers, Sheet. |
| Boot and Shoe Workers. | Molders. |
| Brewery Workers. | Painters. |
| Brickmakers. | Paper Box Makers. |
| Broommakers. | Paper Makers. |
| Brushmakers. | Piano and Organ Workers. |
| Carriage and Wagon Workers. | Plate Printers. |
| Carvers, Wood. | Powder Workers. |
| Cigarmakers. | Pressmen, Printing. |
| Cloth Hat and Cap Makers. | Print Cutters. |
| Coopers. | Rubber Workers. |
| Engravers, Watch Case. | Sawsmiths. |
| Flour and Cereal Mill Employees. | Shirt, Waist and Laundry Workers. |
| Fur Workers. | Stove Mounters. |
| Garment Workers, United. | Tailors. |
| Garment Workers, Lady. | Textile Workers. |
| Glass Bottle Blowers. | Tip Printers. |
| Glass Workers. | Tobacco Workers. |
| Glove Workers. | Travelers' Goods and Leather Novelty Workers. |
| Gold Beaters. | Typographical. |
| Hatters. | Upholsterers. |
| Horseshoers. | Weavers, Goring. |
| Jewelry Workers. | Weavers, Wire. |
| Lathers. | Wood Workers. |
| Leather Workers on Horse Goods. | Leather Workers. |

ORGANIZATIONS USING CARDS.

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| Actors. | Meat Cutters and Butcher Workmen. |
| Barbers. | Musicians. |
| Clerks. | Musicians. |
| Engineers, Steam. | Stage Employes, Theatrical. |
| Firemen, Stationary. | Teamsters. |
| Hotel and Restaurant Employees. | |

The following crafts and callings are using the American Federation of Labor label: Artificial Limb Makers, Costumers, Badge and Lodge Paraphernalia Workers, Bottlers (Soda, Mineral Water and Liquor), Coffee, Spice and Baking Powder Workers, Cloth Spongers and Refinishers, Carbonic Gas Workers, Cigar Makers' Tools, Nail (Horse Shoe) Workers, Neckwear Cutters and Makers, Oyster Workers, Paint Workers, Photographic Supply Workers, Soap Workers, Soda and Mineral Water Workers, Starch Workers, Suspender Makers, Steel Case Makers.

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