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I desire to announce my candidacy for the office of county judge at the primaries September 3, subject to the will of the republican voters.

P. JAMES COSGRAVE.

I hereby announce that I am a candidate, subject to the will of the republican voters at the primaries September 3, for the office of judge of the district court,

FRANK R. WATERS.

I am a candidate for the office of clerk of the district court for Lancaster county, subject to the approval of the republican voters at the primary election, to be held September 3. WALLACE L. CRANDALL.

I hereby announce myself as a candidate for county assessor subject to the decision of the republican voters THOMAS CARR.

I desire to announce myself as a candidate for the republican nomination for county coroner.

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LABOR DAY CELEBRATIONS.

The practice of observing Labor Day by extended parades is all right, except that there may be better ways of celebrating the holiday. It is an expensive procedure, and ordinarily a parade calls attention to the fact that while organized labor makes a big showing when it comes to marching solidly it usually makes the mistake of scattering on election day. When the parade marches by the politicians stand on the curbs and smirk and smile, knowing full well that the solid ranks of marchers will be hopelessly divided when it comes to something tangible in the way of work for organized labor. For twenty years or more the editor of this humble little labor paper has marched every year in the Labor Day parade, and he enjoys it. But he is getting a little tired. What's the use of four-flushing on Labor Day and not making the bluff good on every other day of the

Every night for the next four weeks committees will be meeting in every organized city in the country, fixing up plans for a Labor Day parade. The same amount of work put into political organization would result in something worth while. The men who ex ploit labor are always willing to let organized labor "shoot in the air" by parading and having pienies. It is when organized labor begins organizing for political action that the polltician gets busy and proceeds to appeal to partisanship and tell us that pells.

politics will disrupt the unions." The Wageworker is oppose! to continuing this parade business, although the editor will parade if his union and other unions decide that it is the thing to do. He'is getting wise to the fact that the parade brings a lot of business to men who care nothing for er ganized labor save to exploit it. He knows that one-half the energy consumed in getting up a parade would, if properly centered, elect a half dozen square-toed union men to office in nearly every city in the country. He has figured out that the more spent in parading would buy a site for a Labor Temple in nearly every organized city in the country.

Let us make Labor Day a holiday in fact as well as in name. Then let es do all of our parading on election day, marching in solid ranks to the polls and voting like men, not like political chattels.

THE CHILD LABOR LAW-

A few small boys having lost their obs by reason of the Clarke child labor law, the opponents of the law are throwing a series of fits about "boys being forced to grow up in idleness." Of course there is nothing in the law that prevents a child of any age from working at any occupation that a child should work at. It is significant that in the instances thus far cited the boys who have been discharged were small boys who had been employed by huge corporations that make a specialty of low wages and long hours.

The Wageworker cheerfully admits that the Clarke child labor law is not perfect. It could not be for the simple reason that it is the product of fallible men. But The Wageworker insisted while the law was under consideration that it be not emasculated by amendment, and it insists now that it be amended only by experience of actual operation of the law. The fact that an apparent injustice is done in isolated cases furnishes ne worthy reason for amendment. No law of any moment fails to work a hardship somewhere, but the welfare of the many far outweighs the welfare of the few. The future welfare of the child is a matter of prime importance, but the present welfare of the family is of equal, if not greater, importance.

The newspapers that are complaining because a few boys have been thrown out of what may seem harmless, or even beneficial, employment, take good care not to present instances of boys being forced to give up employment in harmful places.

The Wageworker expects to see the Clarke law amended in time. It belleves that it should be amended. But it must be amended only in the light of experience of its actual operation, and not because a few opponents of the law throw fits because a few boys seem to have been forced to give up light and easy jobs.

Ever notice it? When men grov rich and arrogant and begin to look down upon workingmen, and refuse to recognize union labor, they grow rotten morally. When Post got rich he at the primary election to be held Sep- threw over his faithful wife and married a blooming stenographer whose charms were fresher. When Corey of the steel trust waxed rich and powerful he divorced his faithful wife in order to revel in the charms of a variety actress. The rich aristocracy of New York has divorced and married and dovorced and married among themselves until it is a wise child that remembers its mother's or its father's name.

> Now comes the wily candidate with smile so broad and bland, and grasps the sweaty workingman and shakes his horny hand. He calls him "brother" and declares with voice as smooth as oil, that he is just the Members of Clerks' Union Told to greatest friend of all who have to toil. And thus the wily candidate pursues his honeyed way, but will forget the workingman after election day.

The men who talk loudest in favor of war are the men who are violently opposed to unionism. And when the war comes these opponents of unionprofits, while union men and their fellow workers go to the front and shed all the blood necessary to preserve the country.

The Commercial Telegraphers have listened to the siren voice of the employers and have gone back to work under a promise of having their grievances adjusted. The employers will be entirely satisfied with the adjustment and the telegraphers will have

In the meanwhile the candidate for office in Lancaster county will, if wise, announce his candidacy in The Wageworker and thus get it before the men who hold the balance of power both at the primaries and at the

Of course all American workingmen who have been blessed with an increase of 15 per cent average increase in wages will be enabled to spend a few weeks at the seashore with their

When a notoriously labor-baiting by others. corporation declares that it has nothing to arbitrate, what can the employes do but strike for fair treat ment? Will some opponent of strikes

The people who have to pay the costs of litigation are the ones who should have all the say about who shall be the judicial candidates.

President Ellis Corey of the United States Steel trust is back from Europe with his actress bride. "Please say something decent about us for moved from his neck.

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once," he pleaded of the reporters. The reporters could easily do that, Q but it would be treason to their employers, for reporters are employed to gather the news.

The husband of the stenographer should be compelled by law to put his breakfast food dope up in red pack-

Strikes are bad things, whether lost 2 or won. But a union without a strike clause is about as strong as a rope of

The Lincoln Distraction company O realizes now that at last the worm

BURLINGTON FIRES 'EM.

Take Their Clothes and Go. The Burlington's real attitude to-

ards organized labor is shown by the treatment accorded to clerks who have had the hardihood to join the Railway Clerks' Union. Just as fast as the recalcitrant clerks are discovered they are told to take their coats and go. Secretary Dunison, who was and go are the Omaha freight house, was fired just as soon as his connection with the union was made public.

One of the "head men" in the Burlington freight department gave it out cold the first of this week that membership in the union certainly meant discharge from the company's employ The other railroads are not making any particular stir about the matter but it is noticed that every clerk laid off is one whose name appears on the membership rolls of the union. The Omaha local was organized about three months ago, and it is said to now have a membership of about 800. Work of recruiting is still going on, but a lot of weak-spined have wilted before the arrogance of the Burlington officials

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The Burlington railway clerks should be wise. Let them organize quietly and perfect their organization until it is in a position to throw down every other brotherhood on the system provided it gets what it wants. Let it develop a lot of shrewd political manipulators who can lobby around legislatures and plug conventions-ai! on company time-and then it can secure recognition. That's the way the game has been worked elsewhere-

Mangled By a Train.

An unknown negro was killed on of Wymore. The supposition is that the man was stealing a ride and fell rom a train onto the tracks. The body was horribly mangled.

Hangs Himself.

George Heitkamp, living at Belmont, a Lincoln suburb, committed suicide by hanging himself to the rafters of his barn with a strap. He was found by his wife soon afterwards and was cut down by neighbors. He died in a few minutes after the strap was re-

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