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NOTICE OF ADOPTION.

In re-adoption No. 261 of Gladys
Anderson in the County Court of Lan-
caster County, Nebraska.

The State of Nebraska, to all per-
sons interested take notice that A. W.
Lindoo and Jennie Lindoo, husband
and wife, have filed their petition
and relinquishment of Jennie Lindoo,
Guardian, for the adoption of Gladys
Anderson, a minor female child, with
bestowal of property rights and
change of name to Gladys Lindoo,
which has been set for hearing before
this Court on May 7th, 1909, at 9
o'clock a. m., when you may appear,
object to and contest the same. Dated
March 22, 1909.

P. JAS. COSGRAVE,
County Judge.
[Seal]
By Walter A. Leese,
Clerk.

WAGWORKER

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LABOR LEGISLATION.

The legislature just adjourned per-
formed fairly good service for labor,
not so much by the laws it enacted as
by the laws it did not amend or repeal.
The only law enacted that directly
affects the interests of organized
workers is the "full crew" law,
which has been signed by Governor
Shallenberger. The law provides for
enlarged train crews, thereby making
for the safety of the traveling public
and adding to the comfort of the em-
ployees.

The proposition to amend the gar-
nishment law by increasing the amount
that might be garnished from 10 per
cent to 20 per cent, was killed in the
house after passing the senate.

The child labor law, amendment to
which was feared by the friends of the
law, was not touched.

As to the record of the legislature
on general lines it is not the province
of a non-partisan labor paper to speak.
Like all other legislatures it con-
tained men of commanding ability and
men of mediocre ability. It contained
men who sought by every honorable
means to represent the interests of the
whole people; and it contained some
men whose sole efforts were to
represent special interests. It had the
usual complement of "cranks," some
of whom were temperance "cranks" and
some of whom were intemperate
"cranks."

From the standpoint of party
pledges the majority came nearer to
carrying them out than majority parties
usually do.

For one thing the legislature is to
be commended—it refused to accept
the blood-stained money of Andrew
Carnegie.

There were numerous members who
loudly protested their friendship for
organized labor. Not one of them in-
troduced a bill in the interests of or-
ganized labor, with the single excep-
tion of Jerry Howard of Douglas. Mr.
Howard was anxious to do something,
but he was helpless.

The record of the legislature is now
before the people for their commenda-
tion or condemnation.

Labor Temple Day, May 12.
Be a Booster for the Temple.

STATE FEDERATION MEETING.

Deputy Labor Commissioner Maupin
has decided to call a meeting of dele-
gates from Nebraska union organiza-
tions at Lincoln on June 21 and 22,
the object being to organize a State
Federation of Labor. Mr. Maupin is-
sues this call because he believes such
an organization is needed and because
the Bureau of Labor Census and Indus-
trial statistics was created to serve the
best interests of the wage earners of
the state. Heretofore it has been used
largely for agricultural statistical pur-
poses. For the next eighteen months
it will endeavor to more nearly fill its
mission as a bureau created for the
benefit of wage earners. The work of
gathering crop statistics will not be
lessened, but a large share of the ap-
propriation and of the work will be
devoted to gathering industrial infor-
mation, enforcing labor laws and secur-
ing of information that is calculated
to benefit and protect the workers.

In its wisdom the legislature has
seen fit to appropriate but \$2,500 a
year to the Labor Bureau. With this
sum the management must pay office
expenses, postage, printing, express,
telephone, etc., enforce the fire escape
and hotel inspection laws, the child
labor law, the female employment law,
maintain a free employment agency,
gather and publish agricultural, man-
ufacturing and industrial statistics, as-
sist in the enforcement of the juvenile
court and truancy laws, the compul-
sory education law, gather real estate
and chattel mortgage statistics and
look after sanitation in mills and fac-
tories. Some of this work will have
to be neglected—and the neglect will
not be of those things of most interest
to the wage earners.

Not only is a State Federation of
Labor needed to advance the interests
of the wage earners, it is needed to as-
sist the Bureau of Labor in its work.
A well organized Federation can be

made of vast assistance to the Bureau,
and in turn the Bureau of Labor can
be of material assistance to the wage
earners.

The formal call for the meeting will
be issued in a few days, and in the
meanwhile every organization of wage
earners should begin making prepara-
tions to send representatives to the
meeting. The deputy commissioner
has seen fit to ask for one delegate
from each organization. The future
representation will be for the organi-
zation itself to determine.

Secretaries of the various organiza-
tions are requested to correspond with
Will M. Maupin, deputy commissioner
of labor, relative to the meeting.

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At the next noonday lunch of the
Lincoln Commercial Club a quartette
composed of Messrs. Whitten, Sel-
leck, Hardy and Foster will sing a
touching ditty, entitled, "The Dinner
We Did Not Get." The accompaniment
will be furnished by S. H. Burnham
on the swinet.

Nebraska lost a pioneer and a splen-
did citizen when Col. Al Beemer died.
A faithful official, a staunch friend,
and open opponent, a loving husband
and father and a helper of his fellows,
Mr. Beemer left his impress for good
upon his generation.

Will somebody kindly give infor-
mation as to the whereabouts of Hon.
Dan Killen, republican floor leader and
whilom candidate for governor in
1910, when the state-wide 8 o'clock
closing bill was up in the house?

Jerry Howard of South Omaha did
not get much out of the legislature
save the satisfaction of having stood
manfully for what he thought was
the right thing. No man in the legis-
lature made more warm friends.

Here's hoping that the secretary of
the printing board who will be appointed
by Governor Shallenberger will not
continue the policy of discriminating
against the fair employers in the print-
ing business.

Rudy and Mayer can be elected by
honest and earnest effort. Will the
union men of Lincoln sleep away the
opportunity, or will they do their duty
to themselves and their comrades?

"Seven to 7" saloons in Lincoln
proved a step forward in temperance
regulation. The question now is, Shall
we try experiment or continue along
progressive lines?

Eight o'clock closing all over the
state! Gee, but that was an eleventh
hour crack at the interests who
thought they had everything cinched.

If there is a union man or woman in
Nebraska who is weeping over the side
swipe taken at the "scab" National
Biscuit Co., we'd like to see 'em.

The injured Greeks in South Omaha
have filed damage suits approximating
\$300,000. This is subject to a discount
of 97 per cent.

Every interest in the country is pro-
tected save the interests of the wage-
earners. There is no duty on foreign
labor.

The man who thinks more of his
political party than he does of his
union hasn't got a thoroughly clear
card.

Mayer and Rudy should be the pol-
itical rallying cry of the forces of or-
ganized labor in Lincoln this spring.

Central Labor Union meeting, next
Tuesday night. There'll be some do-
ings.

A vote for Mayer for city clerk is
a vote for a square man.

Experimentation or steady progres-
sion?

A vote for Rudy for water commis-
sioner is a vote for a man who will
reflect credit upon organized labor.

OPPOSED IT.

The Omaha Central Labor Union
adopted a resolution asking Governor
Shallenberger to veto Senate File 283
—the 8 o'clock closing law. The Lin-
coln Central Labor Union did not meet
in time to go on record either for
or against.

WILL GOMPERS COME?

**State Fair Management Issues Invita-
tion for Labor Day.**

Secretary Mellor of the State Board
of Agriculture is using every effort to
induce President Samuel Gompers to
deliver the Labor Day address in Lin-
coln this year. If President Gompers
can be induced to accept the invita-
tion the state fair management will
use every means at its command to
make the day the biggest in the his-

tory of the association. The associa-
tion will bear every expense and co-
operate with the workingmen of the
state in giving the head of the Ameri-
can Federation of Labor the greatest
audience he ever had.

Secretary Mellor invites the co-op-
eration of the union men of the state
in the effort to secure the presence of
President Gompers. He suggests the
union men write to Mr. Gompers urg-
ing him to accept the invitation.

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UNION MADE STUFF.

**Ground Out in The Wageworker Shop
by a Man With a Card.**

PREACHING VS. PRACTICE.
He declared that he was loyal to the
union workers' cause,
And he ranted of his staunchness with-
out any halt or pause.

He would spout of unionism from the
dawn till set of sun,
And he said that as a booster he would
surely rank A-1.

He would spout upon the corner and
he'd spout within the hall,
And he spouted in the barroom till
he'd make the ceiling fall.

When he saw non-union workers he
would, fairly writhe with rage—
But he clean forgot the label when he
spent his weekly wage.

He would rise up in the morning with
his talk works running free,
And he'd holler unionism till as hoarse
as he could be.

He would damn the "scabs" a plenty,
but he dearly loved the most
To heap curses loud and hearty on
VanCleave and Sawdust Post.

He was always loudly wailing that the
honest working man
Got the lemon handed daily by the
"scab" employing clan.

Early morning, noon and evening in
such talk he would engage—
But he clean forgot the label when he
spent his weekly wage.

"We are victims," he would holler,
"of the hosts of green and
graft!"

He would cuss the man who didn't
join the union of his craft.
"We've just got to hang together or
degenerate to slaves

And go down to death forgotten and be
dumped in unmarked graves!"

He would orate and palaver till the
atmosphere was blue
And insist that what he told them all
the working men should do.

In the union hall he'd rampage like
a lion in a cage—
But he clean forgot the label when he
spent his weekly wage.

Gentle Hint.

Miss Waiterly—"I understood that
you were a union man, Mr. Slowboy."

Mr. Slowboy—"So I am, Miss Wait-
erly. I am a great believer in unions."

Miss Waiterly—"Well, as yet I've
seen no evidence of your leaning to-
wards union."

The cards will be out next week.

Blessed Privilege.

"Hello, Binks! What have you got
under your arm?"

"Receipts for my union dues."
"What do you mean?"

"I mean that I've just bought three
pairs of children's shoes, a couple of
little dresses, a pair of shoes and some
stockings for my wife and a nursing
bottle for the baby."

Misunderstood.

"Look here, Jabman; I understand
you've deserted the union."
"That's a lie."
"But Jockerly told me you were
"scabbing."

"O, I've just got over a case of
smallpox. That's what Jockerly
meant."

Cards.

Unionism has lost more through the
neglect of its advocates than it has
through opposition of its enemies.

A lot of men who insist upon eight
hours for themselves never think of
helping their wives to get through the
day with less than sixteen.

If the church is not doing enough for
the workers it may be that the work-
ers are in part responsible.

A label on a candidate's card is no
sign of unionism in the candidate's
heart.

Genuine unionism is of the heart,
not of the mouth.
Poverty and industrial degradation
are the parents of intemperance.
Unionism is genuine charity in ac-
tive operation.
Unionism asks for justice, not for
privilege.
We'd give a lot for a wage envelope
that couldn't be opened until we got
home.
The man who is in love with his
work is the one who soonest finds the
easy task.
One demand for the union label is
better than multiplied columns of res-
olutions of sympathy for oppressed
workers.

WILLIAM A. POYNTER.

**Sudden Death of Ex-Governor Shocks
the Entire Commonwealth.**

William A. Poynter, ex-governor of
Nebraska, dropped dead at the state
house Monday morning, immediately
after concluding an eloquent address
in which he urged Governor Shallen-
berger to sign the eight o'clock closing
law. The body was immediately
taken in the office of the adjutant gen-
eral and physicians called. But death
had been instant.

The death of Governor Poynter came
as a personal bereavement to the edi-
tor of this paper. More than thirty
years ago "Will" Poynter, was a stu-
dent at Eureka college, Illinois, and
boarded with the writer's mother. To
him she was "Aunt Sally," and to her
he was one of her boys—of whom she
had many—boys who looked upon her
as a second mother and relied upon
her as they would their own.

A man of exemplary Christian char-
acter, his influence for good was a
constant factor in the moral uplift of
every community in which he lived.
Mr. Poynter came to Nebraska soon
after graduating from Eureka college
and purchased a farm in Boone coun-
ty. He represented his district twice
in the legislature and in 1898 was
elected governor. Since leaving the

executive office he has made his home
in Lincoln, and had engaged in the
insurance business. He leaves a wife
and two children. Of William A. Poynter
it may truthfully be said, "He
made the world better by having lived
in it."

WHAT THE LABEL MEANS TO UNIONISM.

The label is the life of unionism.
If these manufacturers, who may
be behind the hatters in this strike,
think that they can wipe out the label
without a fight, they are wrong.

To fight for the label is to fight for
the basis of unionism.

A label is a guaranty. It is a guide
to prove that the ware on which it is
found is of union manufacture.

The label is the very opposite of
the boycott. The boycott says, "Don't
buy." The label says, "Buy, and sup-
port this union."

We can't print our boycott lists any
more. It would even be wrong, I sup-
pose, to display the old list.

But no one can stop me or anybody
else from telling his friend that this
or that article of manufacture is un-
fair.

I'm going to use my speech in this
way, just as I please.

We must fight for our sixty-four
union labels to the last ditch.—Ex.

UNION PRINT SHOPS.

**Printeries That Are Entitled to Use
the Allied Trades Label.**

Following is a list of the printing
offices in Lincoln that are entitled
to the use of the Allied Printing
Trades label, together with the num-
ber of the label used by each shop:

- Jacob North & Co., No. 1.
- C. S. Simmons, No. 2.
- Freie Presse, No. 3.
- Woodruff-Collins, No. 4.
- Graves & Mulligan, No. 5.
- State Printing Co., No. 6.
- Star Publishing Co., No. 7.
- Western Newspaper Union, No. 8.
- Wood Printing Co., No. 9.
- George Bros., No. 11.
- McVey Printing Co., No. 12.
- Star Printing Co., No. 15.
- VanTine & Young, No. 24.
- Dairyman Pub. Co., 139 No. 14th.
- Graves Printery, No. 5.
- New Century, 213 South Thirteenth.

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- Borax, per lb.25c
- Borax Chloralum, per bottle.22c
- Moth balls, per lb.8c
- Sulphur, per lb.8c
- Cedar Camphor, per box.20c
- Insect Powder, per lb.35c
- Chloride Lime, per box.5c
- Formaldehyde, per pt.25c
- Tar Moth Paper.5c
- Bed-bug killer, big bottle.25c
- Naphthaline Flake, per lb.15c
- Roach Food, per box.25c
- Sulphur Candles.8c

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