

TROUBLE IN OMAHA.

Claimed That Imported Labor is Used on New Court House.

Claiming to represent union men, B. H. Betebener has complained against Caldwell & Drake, the contractors for the court house, to the board of county commissioners, that nonunion workmen are employed on the steel work. Betebener is chairman of the Building Trades Council and is business agent of the Painters' and Decorators' Union, No. 109. He charges that the nonunion men have been imported from Chicago and Indiana to do the work. Caldwell &

Drake say that no men have been imported, but that all skilled applicants for work have been given jobs. The contractors are under verbal promise to pay the union scale for all work on the building and there is no charge that this promise has been broken.—Omaha Daily Bee.

CENTRAL LABOR UNION.

Small Meeting But Considerable Important Business Was Transacted.

The Central Labor Union met Tuesday evening at Bruse's hall, and while the attendance was smaller than usual considerable business of importance was transacted. It was decided to have a delegate at the Toronto convention if possible as it was deemed necessary to have some one on the ground to help protect the interests of a loyal lot of unionists now in trouble. Will M. Maupin was unanimously elected to the position.

The announcement that meetings are already being held in the Labor Temple was greeted with applause, and the Central Labor Union will hold its first November meeting under the roof of the unions. Rent for Bruse's hall was ordered paid until January 1, 1910.

Members of the Labor Temple Association directory present reported on the progress of the work and considerable interest was manifested.

A report for the American Federation of Labor was filled out. It shows twenty-three affiliated unions in the city, two not affiliated, not including the railroad brotherhoods, and six trades that are not organized, but might be with proper effort. The average hours for the various trades was a fraction over 9, and the average wage a fraction over \$2.90 per day.

It is the hope of the faithful delegates that when the central body begins holding regular meetings in the Labor Temple the attendance will be much larger. There was but a handful at Tuesday night's meeting, and as a result there was an air of chilliness about the whole of the proceedings. Trades that should be represented by live delegates because of self interest were unrepresented. It was explained, however, that the attendance would have been larger were it not for the fact that a number of men were working at the Labor Temple.

THE BARBERS.

Delegate McBride Tells About the Big Milwaukee Convention.

R. L. McBride, who represented the local union at the national convention of the Journeymen Barbers' International Union of America at Milwaukee on October 8, has returned and again taken up his work. Speaking of the trip and of the convention, Mr. McBride said:

I left Lincoln Sunday, October 3 for Milwaukee, and was in Chicago all day Monday. Saw the Cubs and Pirates play the last game of the season, and it was a great game and I was one of a mighty big crowd. I left Chicago on the "Barbers' Special" as the guest of the Chicago members. There were about 450 of us on the train, and it was a swell affair. This was the first train ever run especially for union barbers and we were rightfully proud of it. At Milwaukee they met us with a big crowd and a brass band and escorted us to the St. Charles hotel.

"Local No. 50 of Milwaukee proved an excellent host. We were given a smoker on Wednesday evening and a theatre party on Thursday evening. We also had various sight-seeing trips around Milwaukee. I also had the pleasure of hearing Dr. Cook lecture on his polar expedition.

"We had seven days of hard work to take care of the accumulated business of five years. We made some changes in the sick and death benefits, and amended other laws. It was a splendid convention and I believe we performed service that will be of vast benefit to the organization as a whole and to the membership individually."

Since returning Mr. McBride has taken a chair in the Chaplin & Ryan shop on South Twelfth street.

The union barbers of Joplin, Mo., are fighting a proposition to lengthen their hours.

Nearly 700 delegates, representing 27,000 members, were in attendance at the convention of the Barbers' International Union held in Milwaukee last week.

Five years having elapsed since a convention had been held, the meeting was the most important in the history of the organization.

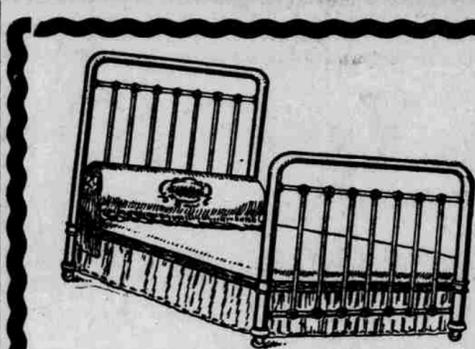
Hours of labor, scales of wages and how to extend the union in cities and shops organized were the chief topics considered.

The honor of traveling farthest to attend the convention went to Abraham Pena, Mayaguez, Porto Rico.

DOUGLAS TROUBLE SETTLED.

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and the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. has been settled. By the terms of the agreement the union wins practically every contention. Douglas resumes the use of the label, the wage scale will be what the union insisted it should be before the trouble, and Douglas will again center his manufacturing business at Brockton and give union men every preference.

It developed during the course of the negotiations that Mr. Douglas had left the whole matter to subordinates, and that they had caused the trouble. As soon as Mr. Douglas took hold of affairs there was an end to all the controversy.

The settlement is a distinct victory for President Tobin and Vice President Loveley, and it puts their opponents up against it in the matter of explanations.

IN TORONTO.

Labor Temple Has Proved to be a Profitable Investment.

The annual statement of the directors of the Toronto Labor Temple shows that the year's business was a profitable one. The receipts amounted to \$13,568.33, leaving a balance of \$1,856.18. The assets of the company are the building, \$35,888.34; furniture, \$7,500. The profits show an undeclared dividend of over 13 per cent. The excess of assets over liabilities is \$17,309.87. The original allotment of stock has been taken up, and the single transaction of \$5.00 for the year closed the final allotment. At present there is no stock on the market, and the company will not issue any more, as the stock as it now stands is worth more than double what was paid for it.

UNION BENEFITS.

Last year the organizations comprehended in the American Federation of Labor paid \$1,257,244 in death benefits, \$593,541 in sick benefits, \$205,254

to the unemployed and \$2,594,759 strike benefits, a grand total of \$4,500,000 paid by men to most of whom a dollar means more than a hundred times that much to many of those who are making it the business of their lives to "down" labor unions.

UNIONS TO ORGANIZE.

Crafts in Lincoln That Should get into the Union Fold.

There are several crafts in Lincoln that should be organized, and it is high time that the American Federation of Labor gave some attention to this part of the country. Twice within the last seven years an organizer of the Federation has appeared in Lincoln—and he actually spent two hours on one visit and about a half-day on the other. Apart from this absolutely nothing has been done along the lines of organization work in the second largest city in Nebraska by the American Federation of Labor.

There are upwards of 150 people engaged in the garment making industry in Lincoln. No attempt has ever been made to organize them.

There are upwards of 100 people in Lincoln working in laundries. No attempt has been made at organization for the last seven or eight years. There are five or six hundred retail clerks working in Lincoln, but no attempt at organization has ever been made.

The sheet metal workers are unorganized, although there are enough of them in the city to maintain a strong union.

The freight handlers used to have an organization in Lincoln, but it petered out about five years ago and has never been revived, chiefly because no effort has been made in that direction.

There is a big field for organization work right here in Lincoln, and the international of the crafts mentioned, together with the American Federation of Labor, ought to get busy.

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