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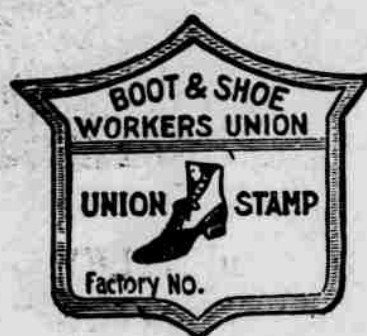


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THE TRADE UNION

Teaches Workers the Power of
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MOVEMENT IS NOT NARROW.

Federation of Labor Represents and
Voices the Aspirations of the Toiling
Masses—Proud of Its Past and
Hopeful of the Future.

From the annual report of President
Samuel Gompers of the American
Federation of Labor we excerpt as fol-
lows:

"The narrowness of trade unionism"—this phrase passes current, at full face value, in every camp and even in every grouplet of "Intellectuals." In going the whole round of the "isms," sociological, ethical, legal, political, reformatory, played out popular crazes or "just out" social panaceas, one will hear expressed by the leaders a sentiment that the trade unionists are hidebound conservatives because they decline to rush in a body to take the magic medicine for social ills offered by the particular "ism" advocated by the critic in each particular case.

It is a fact that trade unionism in America moves on in its own set and deliberate way. In so doing it has outlived wave upon wave of hastily conceived so called "broad" movements that were to reconstruct society in a single season. And it has sufficiently good cause for continuing its own reasoned out course.

A full defense of trade unionism against the charge of narrowness would require many volumes were each to be separately devoted to counter statements and argumentation addressed to every critic advocating his own special "ism" as against trade unionism. But there is one broad bottom fact underlying all the criticisms of trade unionism based on its alleged narrowness. That fact is that trade unionism is not narrow.

The locomotive engine is, not "narrow" because it is not fitted to run on highways and byways and waterways as it is for railways, nor is the steamship "narrow" because it cannot be made to run on land. But steam, the motive power, can be so applied that it is effective on both land and water. An engine is adapted to a special use. Steam in its applications is universal.

Similarly a trade union is not a machine fitted to the work of directly affecting all the civic, social and political changes necessary in society. But it first of all teaches the working classes the power of combination. Thenceforward it disciplines them, leads them to perform tasks that are possible and permits the members of any of its affiliated bodies to attempt any form of social experiment which does not imperil the organization as a whole. The spirit of combination has the immediate effects of self confidence for the democratic elements in unions, of growth in the loyalty of workingman for workingman, of constant progressive achievement not confined to restricted limits. It is therefore a motive power continuously and variously applicable as the masses move forward and upward in development.

The spirit of combination in the wageworkers has as a motive power many points of resemblance to that of steam (or, for that matter, electricity) in the mechanical world. One of these points is that the machine to be moved must not be too big or too complex for the engine. Theorist social reformers beyond enumeration have in vain offer-

ed their utopian inventions to the masses because the latter, endowed with common sense, have on due observation refused to supply the needed wasteful power to make the inventions go. If they had done so for a time they could but have exhibited the folly of going to greater pains and troubles than the present social machinery requires. The history of the United States is plentifully illustrated with millennial experiments, illusory for the reason that their maintenance in some way overtaxed their supporters, accustomed to making progress in the freedom and opportunity of America even as it is.

No other mechanism for carrying out the will of the wageworkers in the domain in which they can especially benefit themselves has equaled the trade union and the trade union movement in bringing desired results. No other has equally stood the test of time. No other has thrown anything like the light upon the state of mind of the masses with respect to their economic education. No other has been able to show how intensely practical the workingmen are, nor how devoted they can show themselves to a clearly defined principle, nor how ready they are to trust to their own leadership, nor how they invariably refuse as a class to embark in fiction born utopian ventures. The trade union has been broad enough for all practical purposes.

The trade unions are the historically and naturally developed labor movement of our time, clime and conditions. Our federation of trade unions represents and voices the struggles, needs and the aspirations of the toiling masses of our continent. It helps bear their burdens and makes them lighter. It bears the scars and pain of battle and shares in glorious triumphs already achieved and makes ready for the brighter and better day now, tomorrow and tomorrow's tomorrow. Nothing daunted, but straightforward and courageous, our labor movement, proud of its past, faces the future with an abiding faith and confidence that that future is ours.

What He Wanted.

A young Baltimore man has a habit of correcting such carelessness as comes to his notice.

The other day he walked into a shop and asked for a comb.

"Do you want a narrow man's comb?" asked the clerk.

"No," said the customer, gravely. "I want a comb for a stout man with rubber teeth."—St. Paul Dispatch.

Something to Look Forward To.

Schoolmaster—Come to my room after school, and I'll give you the soundest thrashing you ever had!

Pupil (who suffers from lapse of memory)—Yes, sir. I'll tie a knot in my handkerchief to remind me.—Pearson's Weekly.

Hard Labor.

Hobo—Madam, you muster misunderstood me. Dis here piece o' meat ain't what I ast fer.

Lady—Didn't you beg for something to eat?

Hobo—Yessum; not for work.—Cleveland Leader.

Cabbage Soup.

Take one small or half a large head of cabbage, chop quite fine and cook in about a pint of water until done. Drain and put in enough hot milk to make as thin as desired. Season with pepper, salt and butter, or adding a little cream will be an improvement.

Irish Moss Blancmange.

One-third cup moss, four cups milk, one-quarter teaspoon salt. Soak moss in cold water to cover, drain, add to milk and cook in double boiler thirty minutes.