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**VIOLENCE IN LABOR CONFLICTS**

In the forthcoming number of the Outlook a writer has compiled statistics of violence in labor conflicts in the United States. He shows that during the 13 months ended January 30, 1904, 198 men were killed, 1966 were wounded, and 6044 were arrested by reason of labor conflicts.

These losses bear an alarming resemblance to real war, and the facts make it clear that this war fare is between opposing camps of workingmen rather than between labor and capital. Of the killed, 125 were nonunion men, 56 were union strikers and 17 were officers of the law. Of the injured 1626 were nonunion men, 173 were union strikers and 167 were officers of the law. Of those arrested, 415 were non union men and 5629 were union strikers.

Judging from these statistics organized labor has frequently assailed the law as well as the forces of nonunion workingmen, for it appears that union men who were arrested outnumbered the nonunion men by more than 13 to 1. Right here is where the public rights are involved, for when union or non

union workingmen resort to violence, their offense against orderly society is the same as that arising when two farmers, for example, try to settle a boundary dispute with clubs or shotguns.

Woolen mills for Baker City is an enterprise that is being inquired into by eastern capital.

Chief Horticultural Inspector McPherson of Idaho reports there are now 45,000 acres in fruits in Idaho, an increase of about 3600 acres in the past two years.

When a fire starts in a business block at night it heats the imagination of the reporters. The Minneapolis fire loss was reduced to \$500,000 from \$3,000,000, when the boys cooled off.

"The birth of a female child having two faces is reported from Somerville, Massachusetts. What a politician it would make if it was only of the male sex," remarks an exchange. But by the time she is grown, woman suffrage will be in force and she will be right in line.

The way to boom your town is to boom your newspapers—by liberal advertising. No business man has a right to expect business unless he advertises and no city has a right to expect good newspapers unless they are liberally supported.—Baker City Democrat.

The Tidings reports that the Ashland Preserving Company of Ashland, Oregon, is making rapid growth in business from year to year. The output for 1904 has been 6,700 cases compared with 4,400 cases in 1903. The number of tons of the several fruits and vegetables used

for canning was about as follows. Tomatoes, 110; peaches, 35; pears, 14; blackberries, 14; strawberries, raspberries, and Loganberries, 7; plums and apples, 8; pumpkins and squashes, 10; string beans and peas, 8; miscellaneous, 10; total 220 tons. The company has already established such a reputation for its products that its brand is a valuable asset.

Logs, the raw material of the saw mill man, ranges in price from \$8.18 a thousand feet, on Puget Sound and Gray's Harbor, down to \$3.71 in interior Oregon. The labor and labor cost of lumber at the mills is from \$11.89 at Gray's Harbor down to \$7.33 on the Columbia river.—Walla Walla Union.

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Interest on all warrants on General Fund from No 3840 to No 4026 inclusive ceases from this date.

E J Walsh  
City Treasurer  
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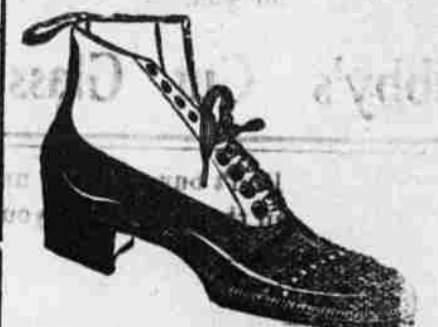
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