

AROUND TOWN

What the Union Men of Portland Are Doing.

A GOOD SHOWING IN ALL TRADES

A Compendium of the Various Local Organizations in the City--All in a Healthy Condition and Growing.

FEDERATED TRADES COUNCIL.

Portland, May 30, 1902.
Meeting called to order at 8 P. M. by President Gurr. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Credentials: Boxmakers, J. H. Holston; Laborers, C. A. Burton; Blacksmiths and Helpers, Mark Malarkey, John Foley, William Woodruff; Laundryworkers.

Communications: From Musicians' Union, stating that H. W. Toelle is now a member of their union; name removed from blackboard. From Barbers' Union, requesting the name of Nelson, 269 Burnside street, be placed on blackboard; referred to grievance committee. From Retail Trades Section, regarding Walk-Over shoe; to new business. From Leatherworkers, stating that there was a report current that John P. Sharkey Company is unfair to their union. The Leatherworkers stated that this firm was one of the first to sign their scale for the present year, and that they were fair in every way to the Leatherworkers' Union. From Astoria Council, extending their sympathy to the Planing Mill Men of Portland, and pledging support, if necessary. From Laundryworkers, thanking the Council for aid in settling strike. From Cooks' Alliance, calling attention to their house card, which is identical with the Waiters' card, with the exception of a red seal, which card shows the house to be union throughout. From Retail Section, stating that the names referred by Butchers should be placed on blackboard; accordingly the following were posted as unfair: Vince's market, Joseph Badura, Edward Stockline, Western market, Nudelman & Steinberg proprietors.

Reports of Committees: Legislative committee reported favorably on resolution of National Letter-Carriers for increase in salary. On motion the resolution was indorsed and secretary instructed to send copies to Oregon Representatives and Senators. Committee acting on communication from Port of Portland reported that they had examined the public dredge, and understood the numbers being used were not up to specifications, but seemed to them to be of good quality, and probably as good as can be procured here. The committee was discharged, and the matter referred to Shipwrights and Calkers, this union being requested to report back as soon as possible.

Bills: For typewriting, notary fees, etc., \$12 25; Judge Bennett, expenses, \$10 (Judge Bennett kindly donated his time in the injunction case, and the Council voted its thanks); L. Jameson, as picket for Waiters' Alliance, \$28; secretary, May salary and stamps, \$19. All allowed.

Communication from Retail Section was taken up, and it was decided that the Walk-Over shoes were no worse than any other nonunion shoe, and the name was taken off the board, but the attention of union men is called to the stamp when buying shoes. Bro. Thomas, of Machinists, was appointed on legislative committee to fill vacancy. The following was offered as an amendment to article 8: "All committees shall receive from the Council the sum of 50 cents per hour for all time actually lost while on committee work."

This to be section 13, and the present section 14 to be called 15. The attention of delegates was called to the advisability of their unions taking immediate action to financially aid the Planing Mill Men. Several delegates reported that their unions had donated liberally, and desired to know who to pay the donations to. It was decided that all money should be either turned over to the secretary of this Council or to the union direct, and as soon as possible. The hat was passed and \$23 25 was collected and turned over to the Planing Mill Men, together with \$10 donated by Laundryworkers' Union.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION NEWS.

The June meeting of the Typographical Union was called to order by President Howell. Mr. Price acted as reading clerk. Among the communications read were a letter from United Garment Workers saying that Neustadter Bros.' goods were now on the fair list; from Los Angeles Typographical Union, requesting that No. 58 ask certain firms in Portland to withdraw their patronage from the Los Angeles Times; report from delegates to State Federation of Labor convention with recommendation that per capita tax to same be paid, which was ordered, and affiliation blanks signed by president and secretary; from Brotherhood of Leather Workers, saying John P. Sharkey & Co. were now on the fair list.

Bert Goudzward and E. J. Schlegel were placed upon the exempt list by request; the former having gone out of the printing business, and the latter having entered into partnership with W. D. Torrey.

Auditing committee reported favorably upon the secretary-treasurer's books, and recommended an increase in salary of said officer on account of increase of work attaching to the office.

The membership committee asked further time on applications of William F. Grunow and H. L. Carlisle. The report being favorable on Walter A. Wyatt, he was elected. Andrew A. Hickey was by vote transferred from apprentice to full membership.

The committee on apprentices on daily newspapers was granted further time.

The executive committee reported having squared Frank Lee's office.

A number of members were excused from the meeting on account of going on the Federated Trades Council excursion to Salem.

Fifty dollars was voted to the striking Woodworkers.

An additional assessment of 1/2 of 1 per cent was levied on June earnings. F. W. Baltes & Co. installed a new linotype in their office a few days ago. It is of the latest pattern.

LABEL LEAGUE SOCIAL.

Thursday evening, May 29, the Ladies' Label Auxiliary League to I. L. A., No. 265, entertained their friends at Union Hall with music, dancing and refreshments. The interior of the hall was nicely decorated with ferns, flowers and palms, and a select orchestra kept the room full of harmony. Each number on the programme was rendered in an artistic manner, and was so highly appreciated that encores were persistently demanded from the performers. Fred Jones and Sydney Beck caught the house in a song and comedy sketch; Miss Bays became a favorite at once with a piano solo; Miss White recited very artistically; T. Wilson did a good song and dance; Mrs. Eva Holmes, C. W. White, Sydney Beck, and Mr. Haner sang solos, and each in turn are deserving of much praise.

Organizer H. A. Duke delivered an address upon the work the ladies had taken up and gave them good advice and instruction. A. Madsen, organizer for the I. L. A., also contributed a few remarks, mostly on the future workings of the League, and the nature of its obligations.

Upon the conclusion of the first part of the programme, the orchestra struck up a waltz and 100 couples were soon in motion, gliding about the room. About 11 o'clock a refreshing luncheon of sandwiches, cake, ice cream, lemonade and other delicacies was served. The affair from start to finish was a succession of delightful surprises and the ladies in charge, though working men's wives, for actual hospitality and receiving grace, were equal to the first ladies in the land.

The charter for the League has been sent for, and in a short time the ladies will begin to teach the importance of the label on goods to the many purchasers in the ranks of organized labor in this city.

THE EXCURSION.

The Federated Trades Council excursion last Sunday to Salem was not so successful financially as that of a year ago. There were several reasons for this. The weather was anything but agreeable, the strike in the building trades kept many from going, and politics was the all-absorbing topic, which kept many in Portland pulling political wires, where otherwise they would have spent a day out of the city.

An occasional shower during the day dampened the ardor of the excursionists and interfered largely with the sale of cooling drinks. One train of 13 cars

pulled out of Portland comfortably filled. Most of the people rode into the City of Salem for lunch and a stroll amongst the broad streets and visiting the State Capitol. Considerable unfavorable comment was expressed against the seeming negligence of the state officers, who had failed to appropriately drape the picture of the late Sylvester Pennoyer, which hangs in the House of Representatives. A flag on the state house was flying at half-mast, but it did not suit the visitors altogether.

At 1:30 P. M. the games were started on the race track at the fair grounds. Some were closely contested, and others more amusing for the contrast of the contestants.

At 2 o'clock many left the grounds for the state institutions, where they spent most of the time until 4 P. M. The penitentiary and asylum received the greatest attention.

The damp ground and wet grass at the fair grounds kept the crowd on the solid paths, sidewalks and in buildings. The basket picnic style was not in evidence for this reason.

At 5 P. M. the train started from Salem on the return trip under a heavy rain. Between showers, however, the people enjoyed themselves during the day.

BASKET SOCIAL.

A basket and ice cream social was given at the G. A. R. Hall Tuesday night by the Waiters' Alliance, which was largely attended and enjoyed by all. Miss Nettie Creswell recited a poem, "Pay Up," which was so elegantly done that had those who are in arrears with their dues been present, they could scarcely have resisted the appeal to "pay up." Miss Creswell was followed by an address from G. Y. Harry, president of the State Federation of Labor, who talked upon lines pertaining to organization and the benefits to be derived therefrom. He was followed by Ira Taylor, secretary and business agent of the Alliance, in a few remarks, in which he stated that other socials would follow, with the purpose in view of getting the members closer together. Dancing was then indulged in until midnight.

At the meeting of the Alliance Monday there were several initiations and a number of applications were favorably acted upon. Since Mr. Taylor's installation as secretary and business manager on May 5, he has signed up 13 restaurants. He was prevented from making greater progress by the threatened tie-up of the city in the recent strike, but he says the prospects now are very bright for his union.

B. OF R. T. NO. 130.

Sunset, No. 130, B. of R. T., gave their second annual excursion Sunday, May 25. All who attended voted it a

very enjoyable affair. Four trains, with a total of 53 coaches, carried 4500 people to The Dalles and return.

Brother H. H. Schroeder has decided to move to California on account of sickness in his family.

Bro. Robt. Stratton was unfortunate in getting his hand badly crushed while making a coupling. The doctors hope to save the hand and fingers.

Brother Bartley is away on leave of absence.

Brother Pharis has taken a run on No. 3-225 and 226, between Portland and Junction City.

Brother Jackson has been transferred to Spokane.

CIGARMAKERS' UNION.

Tuesday night the union voted 50 cents weekly assessment on members for the support of the striking Woodworkers. A great amount of routine business was transacted, besides the semi-annual election of officers, the meeting lasting until nearly midnight. The officers elected for the ensuing term were: President, A. W. Jones; vice-president, Chas. Gittere; recording secretary, G. K. Miller; financial secretary, H. A. Duke; treasurer, A. B. Heitkemper; sergeant-at-arms, O. Olsen; trustees, G. K. Miller, R. Schultz, H. A. Juchemich; delegates to Federated Trades Council, A. W. Jones, W. J. Kelley, H. A. Duke; delegate to Labor Press, A. W. Jones.

SPECIAL MEETING, I. L. A.

Special meeting of the I. L. A., No. 264, was held at 1 P. M. Tuesday, to take action in aid of the Amalgamated Woodworkers now out on strike for a nine-hour day. The meeting was addressed by Mr. Jones, of the Cigarmakers' Union, Brother Ammons, of the Woodworkers' Union, and State President Harry. The greatest sympathy was shown for the strikers and 264 will not be behind hand in their support of their striking brothers, but will render substantial financial aid, which will go far to encourage them in their heroic efforts to obtain better working conditions.

LAUNDRY WORKERS' UNION.

The Laundry Workers have forged ahead so rapidly since the strike that now they have all but six workers in the city in the union. At the meeting last Monday night, another new member was initiated and six applications received. The members are taking great interest in the union and there is a large attendance at each meeting. The strike taught them the very important lesson that in unity there is strength, and ultimately success.

Striking bakers in Kansas City have been restrained from carrying banners before unfair houses, by order of Judge John F. Phillips, of the United States Circuit Court.

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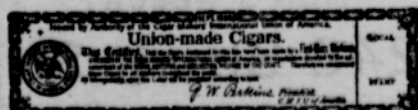
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