

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.

Meeting called to order at 8 P. M. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Credentials—Painters, F. R. Peterson, W. McCaustland, A. V. Naurtil; Boxmakers, Jeff Nelson; Blacksmiths, C. Wetteland, John Kernish; Butchers, Charles Eneix.

Communications—Fourth of July committee, inviting Council to turn out, Secretary instructed to respond and state that we have decided not to parade on the Fourth. From Labor Union in Butte, stating they had referred our boycott circular to their Building Trades Council.

The difficulty of the Street-Car Employees was reported. The action of this union was indorsed, and the name of the P. C. & O. Ry. Co. was posted as unfair. It was moved and carried that a committee be appointed to draft suitable resolutions condemning the abuse of the injunction, and the President and Secretary were instructed to sign same and forward to our Senators and Congressmen. Committee, Harry, Duke, Lawton. The difficulty of the Fuel and Sand Teamsters was reported, and the union indorsed, and the firm of Banfield-Veysey Fuel Company was posted as unfair. This union states that the following dealer in slabwood is fair: Fulton Fuel Company. The Steel Bridge Wood Yard and the Pioneer Fuel Company, dealers in cordwood, are fair. The following resolution was introduced by the Laundry Workers and Drivers, and was indorsed by the Council:

"Whereas, It is well known that many union people are patronizing Chinese laundries, thus injuring their own cause and depriving white people of the work that rightfully belongs to them; therefore be it

"Resolved, That we, the Federated Trades Council, declare all Chinese laundries unfair, and call the attention of all union men to that fact."

Bookbinders reported that the label of the Allied Printing Trades Council will be placed in blank books if firms are requested to do so, and that no union need use unfair books unless they choose, as there are several fair firms in the city.

Waiters again ask that union men insist on the waiters showing a paid-up card.

Bartenders call attention to union bar card.

Receipts—Strike fund, Pressmen, \$18; Bookbinders, \$4; I. L. A., No. 265, \$12.50; Tailors, \$38; Riggers and Shipbuilders, \$10; Beer Drivers, \$10; Stage Employees, \$5; Bartenders, \$63; Stablemen, \$15; Cigarmakers, \$23; Leather Workers, \$24.50; Boilermakers, \$10; total, \$233. Dues—Bakers, \$4.50; Sheet Metal Workers, \$12; Boilermakers, \$4.50; Blacksmiths, \$3; Beer Drivers, \$3; Shipwrights, \$12; Plumbers, \$13.50; Boxmakers, \$3; total, \$55.50.

THEATRICAL EMPLOYES.

The Theatrical Stage Employees of America, Division No. 28, met in the Marquam Grand Theater on Thursday last, and held their election for the ensuing term, and the following named brothers were elected:

President, H. P. Emery; vice-president, C. B. Miller; recording secretary, Elmer W. Quimby; financial secretary, O. Nelson; treasurer, H. Van der Wirth; sergeant-at-arms, James Rankin; executive committee, H. Van der Wirth, Thomas Huffaker, H. B. McCabe, W. E. Day; delegate to the National convention, H. P. Emery. The scale of wages will be raised on September 1 of this year.

BREWERS, LOCAL 7, BRANCH 10.

At the meeting of the Brewers last Saturday evening, officers were elected for the ensuing term, as follows: President, Henry Rossler; vice-president,

John Sehr; corresponding secretary, Fred Steiner; financial secretary, Louis Schott; sergeant-at-arms, L. Meinke; delegates to Federated Trades Council, Chas. Clase, Fred Steiner, J. Nugent, local executive board for Brewers' Section, Fred Steiner, Henry Rossler, J. Nugent.

A resolution was passed in the nature of a request that all union men ask for union labeled beer.

Business with the brewers is generally good, and every member of the union has employment.

BARTENDERS' LEAGUE.

No. 339, of Portland, Or., met in the G. A. R. Hall on Monday last. The business of this meeting was the election of officers for the ensuing term, and the following named persons were elected: President, William Miller; vice-president, Nick Burlaback; treasurer, Pete Linder; financial secretary, A. E. Swartz; corresponding secretary, Elmer W. Quimby; inspector, George E. Goodie; chaplain, Chris Grassman; inner guard, Phil Ruckert; outer guard, F. Galloway.

There was a large attendance and much interest manifested.

Dick Boulton, one of the members of this union, who committed suicide, was buried by the union.

We are doing all we can to help the boys of the different unions who are now on a strike to better their conditions, and each member of this union is taxed 25 cents per week to assist the boys that are out on a strike.

BARBERS' UNION.

At the last regular meeting of the Barbers' Union there was a large attendance, and the meeting did not adjourn until a late hour.

One application for membership was read and accepted. I. E. Guthrie was initiated, and J. H. Jones received by card.

Bros. J. A. Goldrainer, G. Weber and Wm. Guthrie were elected for the ensuing term delegates to the Federated Trades Council. Bro. Frank Labell was elected as guide.

Treasurer C. B. James was granted a leave of absence of four weeks. Himself and family will rusticate at the beach.

S. H. Howard has been receiving considerable attention of late, and there is no question but that it's getting tiresome to the members. Mr. Howard should have more regard for his signature.

STREET-CAR MEN'S UNION.

The Street-car Men's Union held a special meeting in their hall in Union Block Monday night, June 30, President Renshaw was in the chair. Minutes of the last regular meeting were read and approved. It was a large and enthusiastic meeting—in fact, in point of numbers, it was the largest meeting ever held by the union. Eleven new members applied for admission, were voted on, elected and initiated.

Several communications and telegrams were read from the International President, Mr. Mahon, and placed on file. The minutes of the last meeting of the Federated Trades Council were read and placed on file. Also a communication was read from the committee on the Fourth of July arrangements, asking the union to take part in the parade on that day; placed on file.

The committee on the excursion to Multnomah Falls on June 15 made their final report; it was accepted and committee discharged and a vote of thanks was extended to said committee for their good work.

The strike committee made a lengthy report on the condition now prevailing on the P. C. & O., that so far everything was satisfactory and that all the men were still firm and determined to hold out; and that the public were well pleased so far with the accommodations now provided, and that the boats between Portland and Oregon City and intermediate points were doing a good business.

G. Y. Harry, president of the State Federation of Labor, being present, was called on for a speech. Mr. Harry made a few remarks regarding the present aspect of the strikes now on in the City of Portland.

Charles Mickley, treasurer of the State Federation, was also present, and was called on to make a few remarks. Mr. Mickley spoke of the condition of labor in the past and present and showed by historical facts that the condition of labor at present was the best of that of any age, and that these conditions had been brought about by labor organizations, and that strikes had oc-

curred, and that it had been the only plan whereby these organizations could be kept intact.

H. A. Duke, district organizer A. F. of L., gave the union some wholesome advice for the good of the order; that they must stand together and that the people would be with them in the present trouble.

"STAND FIRM."

The Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees of America, Local Division 181, has received the following telegram through A. A' Bailey, from Division No. 205, of San Francisco:

San Francisco, Cal., July 1, 1902.

Division No. 205 sends best wishes to striking car men. Stand firm and you are bound to win.

R. CORNELIUS,
President Div. 205.

NEW UNIONS.

J. H. Buck, of Baker City, district organizer A. F. of L., has organized a Wool Sorters and Graders' Union at Pendleton, with a membership of 19. By the time the charter arrives the number is expected to be increased to 40. Chester Beagle was elected president and Sam L. Neil secretary. This is the second union of its kind in the United States, the other being at San Francisco. Mr. Buck has also under way of organization the Waiters, Bartenders, Carpenters and Blacksmiths, all of Pendleton. Mr. Buck is a hustler and is doing excellent work in the eastern part of the state.

PERSONAL.

Frank Westphal, an energetic and valued member of the Butchers' Union, has taken up his residence in Seattle, where he will follow his trade.

A. R. Lawton, secretary of the Federated Trades Council, has undergone an operation at Good Samaritan Hospital, and will be on the inactive list for several days.

Henry Phillips, who was drowned some time Sunday night, was a member of the Grainhandlers' Union, and will be buried by that organization today at 2:30 P. M. The remains will be interred in Lone Fir Cemetery. It is supposed that Phillips, who was employed on the steamer Ruth at the time, stepped off the boat during the night.

Ben Biglan, who has been appointed Harbor Master by Mayor Williams, is a charter member of Local 265, I. L. A., and at the time of his appointment was corresponding financial secretary of the union. Mr. Biglan stands well amongst the members of his organization, and was indorsed for the position by many of the best citizens in Portland.

SALEM TO THE FRONT.

Salem, Or., June 25, 1902.

To Portland Labor Press:

The labor union movement has taken Salem as by storm. The city has surrendered the keys, and the average member of the union is about the most important personage upon the street. Salem was ripe for such a movement, and wage earners of every kind are falling into line rapidly and with an enthusiasm that means success.

The veteran worker here is W. E. Miller, a cigarmaker, who is president of the Federal Labor Union here, and special organizer for Salem and vicin-

ity. He is a zealous and tireless worker and deserves much credit for the present splendid status of union sentiment and progress here. Organizer Miller launched the organization of the clerks and salesmen on Saturday night last, and on Monday night the Salem Central Labor Union was temporarily organized. Salem now has six trades unions, a Federal Union, and a central body—eight in all. How is that for about three months' work?

Business men generally are outspoken in favor of the unions, and vie with one another in showing favors to the union men. Union-made goods are coming to the front in show windows and advertisements, and the term "scab" is beginning to have a meaning which workmen dislike. Grievances thus far have been of minimum consequence, though there are a few places where the practical work of the union is needed. It is sincerely hoped that both the unions and the operators will ever seek to be just and reasonable, that each will try to reason from the other's point of view, and avoid all strikes if possible.

The Federal Union is just now directing special effort toward inducing the wood-working mills here to unionize their works, but so far have been unable to get any satisfactory expression from the operators. The union has notified Portland Labor Council that our mills are nonunion mills and are shipping finished lumber products to Portland, evidently to assist the unfair mills there.

Committees are in the field upon every conceivable line of practical union work, and it is needless to say that good results are already appearing from their efforts.

R. A. HARRIS,

Chairman Press Committee Salem Federal Labor Union.

Dooley on the Label.

"Did ye say 'Wot's the union label?' Hogan? Listen t' me fer a short space and ye'll know."

"Th' union label, Hogan, is a sign that th' trusts don't make everything. T' use the words of what's-his-name, th' label is th' 'bright an' shinin' stor that shows t' th' world th' strength uv th' workin' man an' also a club t' knock th' divuls out in th' scab fac'trys. When ye see th' label on th' shoes ye buy ye can make up yer mind that th' man that made thim had pie fer dinner last Sunday. When ye see th' same on yer clothes ye know that ye won't ketch th' smallpox from wearin' thim. Whin, Hogan, ye see th' label on th' paper ye read, ye know that no matter whither its Raypublican or Dimmyerat or Middle of th' Road Prohibitionist, th' gang set it up had a few pennies in their pockets Saturday night. I tell ye, Hogan, 'tis a great thing. Whin ye go t' buy yourself a hat, Hogan, don't let th' man tell ye that 'ye look nice in that wun, sir,' until ye's looked fer th' hat-makers' label. 'Wot good will all this do ye,' d'ye say, Hogan?"

"Hogan, ye're an ass. Don't ye see that whin th' gang gets paid \$10 a week they can pay ye fer more groceries thim they cu'd on \$6? Hogan, ye're a dead head."

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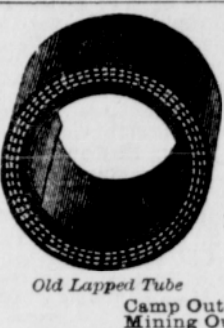
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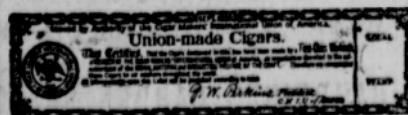
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