

IMPORTANT VISIT

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have met as fellow workers united in one aim, knowing no geographical surroundings, and saying: 'We are one.' In future world's trades union congresses we shall have, in addition to those delegates of the English-speaking race, delegates from France, Germany, Italy, and representatives from every country under the sun. There will be no division. The future safety of the world depends on the future of organized labor. When nearly all the world thought that war was brewing between the United States of America and Great Britain over the Venezuela question, British working men delegates said: 'If war is declared tomorrow we will not shoot down our American fellow workers. Let the American and British speculators—who started the trouble—fight it out. They started it.'

"Some day war will be no more and there will be universal peace. Armies will no longer be employed, and great navies will rust at their moorings. I say, if our moneyed men and politicians want to do any fighting, let them go ahead. There is nothing to prevent them. People like Lennon, myself and others are often accused of being people who stir up discontent. That is true. We are out to stir up all the discontent we can—about a good many things. I never see a man with his shoulders prematurely bent with the toil of many weary years and his hair whitened, working away as he makes wealth for others, and then thrown aside like a cast-off tool, but I am discontented. When I see little children working in the mines and in stilling factories, I am discontented. Laborers are often prevented by sickness, death of ones dear to them, loss of work and worldly misfortune, from laying up something for the inevitable rainy day, and then there is nothing for them but the poorhouse. I am again discontented.

"I would take children out of the mills and factories of the South and East and give them education. I would take idle men wandering the streets and give them employment in places of the children who would then have been withdrawn from employment. Satisfied? When I hear a man or woman say 'I am satisfied,' I put him, or her down for a 'chump.' Such people as those I have just mentioned are people who don't think, who do not make the most of life. Just as soon as we say we are satisfied, we take a step backward—never forward. There is no progress. It is said that we go on strike sometimes. We do. And it is said that we, in so doing, disturb the harmony existing between employer and employee. We are told that we interfere with the rights of the employer, which are like the handle of this water jug—the handle is all on one side. Yes, we strike, and strike to win—every time. In the coal strike in Pennsylvania we see the idea of a man appealing for his rights to another man who owns coal mines.

"We are going to fight against enslaving the young until justice is dethroned. Right must win. And we are not going to fight by means of revolutions, either. But we are going one day to get a little, another day something more, and so on. We will stop when we get enough. Newspapers used to roast trades unions and especially people like Lennon, Duncan and myself. We used to be treated like beggars. Now it is all changed. We have grown to be respected. In every city we want a newspaper we can rely on. If you want to be true to your obligations, be true to your trades unions. Let us nail our true union colors to the mast, as high as any banner ever flew, and if true to ourselves and to those dependent upon us, there will soon be a change effected for the better among the workers of the world, and every man and every woman will receive the full product of their labor."

Mr. Kidd concluded his remarks by urging every trades unionist to support the labor press. He told them that the labor press was the best friend they had, and was fighting their battles after everyone else had quit. They were the poorest paid institution because they fought the battles of the class that had no money, but a dollar here or 50 cents there would scarcely be missed and would help maintain the strongest arm of organized labor.

The last speaker was James Duncan, first vice-president of the American Federation of Labor and president of the International Association of Stonecutters. His address was scholarly and masterful. His delivery fluent and positive. He took up the historical phase of the question, commencing more than a thousand years B. C. The early struggles of the Grecian artisans and the advance of organized labor and its excellence down to the days of Caesar, when the finish of the crafts was disseminated and converted into munitions of war and military. He also described how unions of labor were converted by conditions and circumstance into unions of church, and unions of various character not always labor.

Mr. Duncan also told of the better

social conditions existing at the golden age of the teachings of Jesus, the carpenter of Nazareth, and of the 10 centuries when the nations only thought of conquest. He rapidly sketched Magna Charta time, the creation of trade guilds, co-operative groups, and trades unionism, as we know it today. The starting of the American Federation of Labor was next touched on, and arguments presented, showing how the hours of labor have decreased and wages advanced. Years ago, and not so very long, either, before trades unionism gave us shorter hours and more pay, the working man did not have so good a chance as now to be well informed. He usually came home tired out after his day's toil, and after supper he would take up the newspaper and light his pipe. Then in a little while he would fall asleep by the fire and the baby would likely play with the paper. Other similar days followed. But since those days, we have snatched an hour or two with extra compensation from the capitalist, and have the time now to buy a book and read it.

Mr. Duncan finished his address by an earnest appeal to trades unionists to stand firmly and faithfully by their unions.

LABOR NOTES.

Pursuant to agreement to refer their differences to a board of arbitration, of Richmond, Va., have returned to the 600 striking street railway employees work.

The strike at the Carr coal mine, where 200 men went out on the 16th because the company refused to employ a weighman whom the men had displaced, has been declared off.

The strike of the Southern Pacific shopmen has spread to San Antonio, where 90 machinists and their helpers walked out after their demand for a 10 per cent wage increase was refused.

An agreement was reached at Topeka, Kan., July 10, between the grievance committee of the Santa Fe Carmen's Association and George R. Henderson, superintendent of motive power of the road.

At a meeting between Big Four machinists and General Manager Schaff, at Indianapolis, a compromise was effected in regard to the demands of the men. The company granted every demand made, excepting the 30 cents per hour rate.

Twenty-two hundred union laborers in all branches of the building trades went out on strike July 18, at Jacksonville, Fla., because the contractors refused to accede to a demand for an eight-hour day. Practically all building operations are suspended.

All the striking machinists of the Montana Central shops at Great Falls, Mont., returned to work on July 18, in consequence of a settlement by which they get an advance in wages of 15 cents a day. The strike has been in progress for nearly two months.

After a strike of nearly two months' duration, 1000 men and girls employed in the glove factories of Chicago returned to work July 21. President P. H. Boe, of the Glovemakers' Union, announced that the organization had won a victory and that the factories whose employees had struck had signed the union scale.

The 14th annual convention of the Boilermakers of the United States and Canada began at Atlantic City, N. J., July 21. Addresses by Henry J. Hartley, of the William Cramps Ship & Engine Building Company, and Colonel E. D. Mier, of New York, were followed by the annual address of President Richard Hammond.

Ex-Commissioner of Immigration Powderly is at the head of a company which has begun opening up, near Tremont, Pa., what will be the largest colliery in the anthracite region. Over \$1,000,000 will be spent by the company in opening up the workings. The concern, the Black Diamond Anthracite Coal Company, was chartered in New Jersey.

Charles A. Sturms, a plumber, of Fort Scott, Kan., who is unable to get into the Master Plumbers' Association of Kansas or to buy goods without being a member of the association, has filed a suit preparatory to a prosecution of its officers under the anti-trust law. Sturms alleges that wholesale houses will not sell to him without the consent of members of the association who are in business; that these members refuse their consent, and he cannot get a stock.

About 200 members from the principal cities of the United States and Canada are attending the 10th annual convention of the National Theatrical Stage Employees' Association at Norfolk. The organization is affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and the officers' reports show that it is rapidly increasing its numerical and financial strength. The principal business before the convention is the hearing of grievances concerning the theaters and giving of charters.

Representative barbers from various parts of Illinois went into session at the St. Nicholas, Springfield, July 21, to perfect a permanent state organization. The principal purpose of the movement is to formulate the wants of the barbers into a code, which will be put before the next General Assembly. One of the changes in the laws which will be requested is the abolishment of the barber schools, which are considered frauds and detrimental to the craft, and compelling the licensing of barbers.

The local Retail Grocers' Association of Des Moines, Ia., has indorsed the telephone girls' strike of that city and ordered all Iowa telephones removed from their places of business. A strike of electricians and linemen at Davenport was ordered today, and it is expected this order will also affect the Bell system in Rock Island. The central girls in these cities are being organized for the purpose of going out in sympathy with the Des Moines operators, linemen and electricians, who are fighting the Iowa Company.

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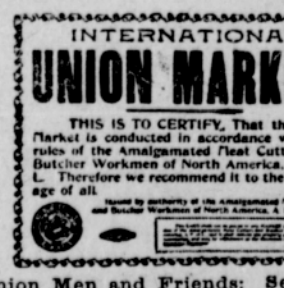
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Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Employees of America, Division 181—Meets first and third Monday evenings at 8:45, in Union Hall, Union block.
Amalgamated Meatcutters and Butchers' Workmen, Local 145—Meets every Thursday at 8 P. M., in Eagles' Hall, corner Second and Yamhill.
Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' International Association, Local 16—Meets every second and fourth Tuesday at 22½ Yamhill street.
Amalgamated Woodworkers' Union No. 68—Meets every second and fourth Thursday, at 230½ Yamhill street.
Beer Drivers' Union, Local No. 201, National Union of United Brewery Workmen, U. S. A.—Meets every first and third Saturday, corner Eleventh and Morrison streets.
Blacksmiths' Union—Meets every Wednesday night at 23½ Morrison street.
Bricklayers' International Union No. 1—Meets every Wednesday at 22½ Yamhill street.
Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America, Local No. 10—Meets every Thursday, 23½ Morrison street.
Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Sunset Lodge No. 130—Meets every first and third Sunday, at 2 P. M., in Auditorium Hall.
Building Trades Council—Meets every Monday evening at 23½ Morrison street.
Bartenders' League—Meets every Monday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock, at G. A. R. Hall.
Cigarmakers' International Union of America, Local No. 202—Meets every first Tuesday at 22½ Yamhill street.
COOKS' ALLIANCE, LOCAL NO. 139—Meets every Monday evening in G. A. R. Hall, First and Taylor streets. G. C. Rollman, secretary, No. 33 North Sixth street.
Expressmen's Union—Meets every Tuesday evening at 23½ Morrison street.
General Longshoremen's Union, No. 266—Meets every Thursday evening at Union Hall, Union Block.
Grain Handlers' Union, No. 283—Meets at Schrantz's Hall, corner Knott and Delay streets, every Tuesday evening.
I. L. A., No. 254—Meets every first and third Saturday at Union Hall, Second and Stark streets.
International Association of Machinists, Local No. 1—Meets every first and third Friday in Alsiky building.
International Brotherhood of Bookbinders, Local 90—Meets every third Tuesday evening of each month at 300 Alsiky Bldg., Third and Morrison streets.
Iron Moulders' Union No. 139—Meets every first and third Thursday at 22½ Yamhill street.
Journymen Barbers' Union, No. 75—Meets every Monday evening in Eagles' Hall, corner Second and Yamhill streets.
Journymen Horseshoers' Union, No. 4—Meets every first and third Thursday in room 21, McKay building.
Journymen Plumbers and Gasfitters' Association, Local No. 53—Meets every Monday evening at 23½ Yamhill street.
Journymen Tailors, Local No. 74—Meets every second and fourth Saturday in Union Hall, Second and Stark streets.
Lumbermill Workers' Union of the Northwest, No. 1—Meets every first and third Sunday, at 2 P. M., in Alsiky building, corner Seventeenth and Marshall streets.
Mount Hood Lodge of the Brotherhood of Boilermakers and Iron Ship-Builders, Local No. 72—Meets every second and fourth Thursday in Alsiky Hall.
Multnomah Typographical Union, No. 58—Meets every first Sunday of the month at 2 P. M., in Auditorium Hall.
Musicians' Mutual Association, Local 99—Meets every first Tuesday at 2 P. M., in room 21, Chamber of Commerce.
National Association of Letter-Carriers, Branch No. 82—Meets every second Wednesday of the month in the Post-office building.
National Union of the United Brewery Workmen of the United States, Local No. 7—Meets every second and fourth Saturday at 22½ Yamhill street.
Portland's Bindery Women's Local No. 113, I. B. of B.—Meets every first Tuesday evening in the month in Hall No. 300, Alsiky Building.
Plasterers' Union, No. 1—Meets every Friday evening at 23½ First street.
Portland Laborers' Protective Union—Meets every second and fourth Sunday, at 2 P. M., at 23½ Yamhill street.
Portland Printing Pressmen's Union No. 43—Meets every second Tuesday of the month in McKay building, room 21.
Portland Bakers and Confectioners' Union—Meets every first and third Saturday, at 6 P. M., at 22½ Yamhill street.
Portland Theatrical Stage Employees' Union—Meets every second Thursday of the month at Corvay's Theater.
Retail Clerks' Protective Association, Local No. 249—Meets every Wednesday evening, at Alsiky Hall, corner Third and Morrison.
Shipwrights, Caulkers and Shipjoiners' Association of the Port of Portland—Meets every first and third Saturday at 23½ Yamhill street.
Stabliemans' Union, No. 914—Meets every Monday evening in room 22, Alsiky Building, President, C. T. Davis; Secretary, W. T. Vinson, 411 Couch st.
Team Drivers' International Union, Local No. 162—Meets every Tuesday evening in Union Hall, Stark street, between First and Second.
The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, No. 135—Meets in Caledonia Hall, Second and Yamhill, every Wednesday evening.
United Brotherhood of Leatherworkers on Horse Goods, Branch No. 56—Meets every Wednesday evening in Union Hall, Union block.
United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Branch No. 60—Meets every Wednesday night in Eagles' Hall, corner Second and Yamhill streets.
United Brotherhood of Railway Employees, Division No. 4—Meets every second and fourth Saturday evenings at 8:30 in 234 Third street, President, Frank Bean; Secretary, M. F. Pike, 294 Third street.
Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers International Union, Local 34—Meets every Thursday evening in room 21, Chamber of Commerce Building.
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