

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, Aug. 2, 1902. Meeting called to order at 8 o'clock by President Mickle. Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Credentials — Laborers, Al Carter; Leather Workers, J. J. Coughlin, C. F. Provost, J. B. Lorch; Laundry Workers, L. D. Crowder, F. Clark; Waiters, John W. Goertz; Planing Mill Workers, N. Amunds, J. T. Guentette, E. J. Harlan; Express Drivers, — Anderson, G. A. Rutherford.

Communications — From Weinhard & Gambrian Brewery and from Holmes Ice Company; referred to business agent, A. E. Tooley, of Sand & Fuel Teamsters. From Express Drivers, taking Gilman Auction House from unfair list; complied with. From Cooks, regarding Waiters' cards in house employing Chinese; referred to arbitration committee, with instruction to try and bring a close affiliation between these organizations. From Butchers, requesting Fulton Market removed from unfair list; complied with.

Bills—Rent Water Front Federation, \$4; rent Cordray's, August 4, \$30; rent A. O. U. W. hall to August 21, \$10; Grant McDonald, salary July, \$5; A. R. Lawton, July salary and expense, \$27 50; G. Y. Harry, committee work, \$2; G. B. Thomas, committee work, \$2.

Special committee on Fuel Teamsters' grievance against Am. Laundry reported that the company expressed their friendliness toward organized labor and were willing to use "fair" fuel if they could procure it at no additional expense. The committee endeavored to get the company to use sawdust for fuel, but were unsuccessful, and stated they did not get a promise from the company to quit using Banfield's fuel. Committee on finances for Planing Mill Men gave complete report of receipts and disbursements to date, showing a balance on hand of \$18 55, which was on motion turned over to the Planing Mill Men. Labor Day committee reported that they would arrange for a monster parade of union men, and would give a hall in the evening at the Exposition building. Tickets for the ball and Labor Day buttons will be on sale at Labor Press office, 232 1/2 Washington street, second floor, also at Jones' cigar store, 133 North Sixth street. The committee has decided to visit each union with tickets and buttons, and as money received from this source will be the only revenue for expenses of parade, they hope to sell large quantities to each union. Brother Booth having left the city, Brother Webster, of Plasterers' Union, was appointed to fill vacancy. Committee recommended that President appoint a committee to visit business houses and induce them to close all day September 1. On motion, the matter was left to the committee on Labor Day, with the instruction that a sub-committee of two be appointed by them and to be paid for their services. On motion, \$25 was donated by the Council for first expenses of the Labor Day committee. Committee on arrangements for mass meeting August 4 reported everything complete for the meeting, and they hoped to see a crowded house on that evening.

It was moved and carried that new delegates be instructed by their unions to be on hand at the Council at 8 o'clock sharp, and that in the future delegates arriving late would have their credentials laid over one week, but would be given seats in Council as visitors. Laborers will give a picnic at Jefferson Garden August 10. Butchers will give a barbecue at Troutdale August 17. Laundry Workers will give a picnic at Lady Island August 24. Union

men and their families and friends are invited to all of these. At the instance of business agent of the Waiters, the names of all unfair restaurants were removed from the blackboard. The Waiters desire that union men remember the restaurants that have been fair to them in the past, and state that they will endeavor to get every waiter in Portland into their union in the near future. Most of the unions report business good.

CIGARMAKERS' UNION.

Besides transacting the usual routine business at the regular meeting Tuesday evening, the union voted to purchase 25 tickets for the Labor day ball. A donation was also made to a union in Eastern Canada, now on a strike.

Alex Cheyne was elected delegate to the Federated Trades Council in place of C. Harenbery, resigned, who has taken up his residence in Astoria.

The business of the meeting was hurried through so as to receive Messrs. Gompers, Mahon and Morris, who promised to make the union a visit. A committee consisting of R. W. Rasmussen, Chas. Gaittere and W. R. Rader was appointed to visit the gentlemen at the hotel and escort them to the union hall. The meeting was adjourned and stood in readiness to receive the distinguished visitors. They soon arrived, and in presenting them President Jones stated that as there was no orchestra to disseminate music between speeches refreshments would have to suffice.

Mr. Gompers talked to the Cigarmakers as a cigarmaker and member of the international body. He reviewed the history of the international, giving dates when the first 10-hour day was secured, the 9-hour, and finally in 1886 in convention was the first union to declare that eight hours, and no more, should constitute a day's work. He stated that since its organization the International Union of Cigarmakers had paid out more than \$12,000,000 for benefits, and that now the union was on a solid business basis. In the strike in New York City two years ago, and an eight-month strike in the same city about a year ago the largest individual assessments were paid by the cigarmakers. The Boston union today carries a \$1 per week per member assessment for the purpose of advertising the label, and Mr. Gompers was glad to know that the Portland union stood the assessment of 50 cents per week per member for the same purpose. Mr. Gompers pronounces the Pacific Coast as particularly suited for the manufacture of cigars. The temperature being cool and soft was better fitted to keep the tobacco goods from drying out. He predicted that the time was not far distant when many large factories will be in operation upon this coast, "And Portland union," he said, "should have in the near future over 250 members."

Mr. Mahon's talk was of a general character. He looked upon the Cigarmakers' union as one of the leading, if not the leading, organizations in the country. It had been of great assistance to him in establishing locals of his own throughout the country, especially in New York, Philadelphia and other large cities. Mr. Morris devoted most of his time to the discussion of the label, and felt that the Cigarmakers could do much towards helping the Clerks' union in asking for the clerk's working card when purchasing goods. And in return, he said, the clerks, particularly the drug and grocery clerks, could aid the Cigarmakers in giving the labeled goods the preference.

BARBERS' UNION.

The meeting was called to order by the president, but owing to the mass meeting at Cordray's, where President Gompers and party were to speak, the union adjourned and the members went in a body to the meeting.

Treasurer James will return from the Seaside next Sunday, when President Hutchinson will take his vacation.

The committee on arrangements for Labor day reported, but its report was laid over until next meeting.

It is desired that the full membership be present at the next regular meeting to decide upon plans and report of committee on Labor day.

The Financial Secretary paid a visit to The Dalles last week and succeeded in placing the union shop card

in all the principal shops in the city. All those who were eligible became members of local No. 75 of this city. The secretary reports that The Dalles can be made a good union town.

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION.

At the August meeting of the printers Secretary De Yarmond called the meeting to order in the absence of President Howell and Vice-President Glen. W. H. Barry was chosen to preside and A. R. Lawton acted as reading clerk.

A committee from the Federated Trades Council addressed the meeting in the interest of Labor day. A short recess was taken, during which the members bought all the Labor day buttons the committee had. On being recalled to order the union voted to purchase 50 tickets to the Labor day dance.

On request of W. P. Scott, he was transferred to the exempt list.

The executive committee made the following recommendations, which were adopted: "In the matter of proprietors and stockholders holding membership, we recommend that a distinction be made between mere stockholders in a corporation and bona fide proprietors, and that each case be investigated and decided on its merits. In the case of R. C. Julien, your committee recommends that he be allowed to retain his membership in No. 58."

The membership committee reported favorably upon C. A. Bradley for apprentice membership. Further time was granted in the case of Irving L. Tickner.

A. R. Lawton, from the Allied Printing Trades Council, read the rules adopted by that body, and asked that the same be indorsed by No. 58. On motion the matter was laid over till September meeting, and rules ordered printed in the Labor Press.

Per capita to State Federation of Labor for August, September and October was ordered paid; also bill of J. K. Gill Company for \$22 50 for panoramas of Portland for use of delegate to L. T. U., advertising the 1905 fair. Secretary was instructed to pay bill for expressage on these pictures when presented.

A card was ordered issued to J. H. Copeland, an exempt member residing at Eugene. The resignation of Mr. McClane as sergeant-at-arms was accepted, but the election of his successor was laid over. On motion of Mr. Lawton, the pending amendment to apprentice laws was referred to the newspaper chapels, they to report at September meeting.

A motion favoring parading of members in a body on Labor day carried, and a committee of three authorized to be appointed to secure proper regalia. A fine of \$5 was voted to be imposed upon members not parading on Labor day, unless presenting a valid excuse, the latter to be passed upon by the executive committee.

An assessment of one-half of 1 per cent was levied on August earnings, in addition to regular dues.

A. P. T. C. Rules.

1. The Portland Allied Printing Trades Label, being the trademark of union labor, shall not be used on any product of the printing or binding trades unless such product is produced in its entirety by union labor, and in the various departments of the trade classed as fair in rules 4, 5 and 6.

2. To obtain or retain the loan of label of the Allied Printing Trades Council, a firm must agree to conduct each and every department of their business in the manner prescribed by the unions having jurisdiction over the respective branches of the trade. The working hours, scale of wages and apprenticeship rules must be strictly complied with.

3. A firm operating less than three departments of the craft and sending work to be done in a department of the craft separate and apart from their own plant, must agree to send such work to a firm that conducts all their departments according to rules 4, 5 and 6 respectively.

4. A composing room, whether it be run in connection with either press-

room or bindery or both, must employ at least one union journeyman compositor to be entitled to do work which is to carry the label, and the firm operating such composing room must agree to send no work to a pressroom or bindery that has been declared unfair by these rules or the rules of the Pressmen's or Bookbinders' Unions.

5. A pressroom to be entitled to do work with label must employ at least one journeyman pressman and comply in all respects to the rules of the Pressmen's Union.

6. A bindery shall be considered fair and entitled to do work with the label thereon, where the rules governing members of Local Unions Nos. 90 and 113, of I. B. of B. are complied with: Where a firm of bookbinders who do all their own work themselves and with the assistance of not more than one apprentice, in a nine-hour day, comply with the regulations of Locals Nos. 90 and 113, I. B. of B., and agree to send all their printing to composing and pressrooms entitled to use of the label, they shall be entitled to bind work carrying label.

Be it understood, however, that should all or any of the members of a firm described in the above paragraph have been proven guilty of a violation of or antagonism to union principles, they shall not be considered fair until they have made satisfactory arrangements with the local unions of the I. B. of B.

7. A firm having been unfair toward one or more unions affiliated with this council shall conduct their business according to the rules of council for 60 days before label may be issued; provided, the label may be issued at the first regular meeting of council if there shall be no dissenting vote.

8. A number will be given to each firm granted the use of the label, and this number must always appear with the label when imprint is not used.

COOKS' ALLIANCE.

At the last meeting of the Cooks' Alliance four new members were initiated and one application read. The question of taking all kitchen help into the alliance was settled in the affirmative, and hereafter all who help of good character, are eligible as members in the alliance.

Phil Arden, the secretary, has placed a phone in his house—Oregon, Green 604, and he will be at home mornings until 10:30 o'clock, and again between the hours of 4:15 to 5:30 P. M. Members can save steps by bearing this in mind.

BUTCHERS' UNION.

At the meeting of the Butchers on July 31, there was a good attendance and much interest created in anticipation of the barbecue on August 17. Two new members were initiated and three applications read. The committee on Labor day will meet Sunday, the 10th, to devise a plan of turnout for the union. It is already agreed that the 164 members are to march in uniform. The Butchers will flaunt a beautiful float to cost \$100.

UNION MEN ROBBED.

The house of A. Anderson, secretary of the Pressmen's union, was entered by burglars last Monday night and relieved of \$80 and a gold watch. The same evening the residence of Peter Holm, a street-car conductor, on Washington and Sixteenth streets, was broken into by house-breakers and looted. As the two houses are in the same neighborhood it is presumed that the same robbers did the two jobs. In the latter place, however, only \$250 was secured, and in their hurry the thieves overlooked a considerable amount—the day's receipts of Mr. Holm's car, which was in sacks placed on the refrigerator.

No clew has yet been found to the burglars, although the matter has been reported to the police.

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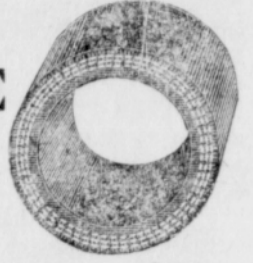
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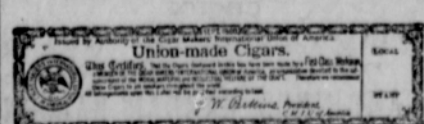
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