

LABOR NEWS.

The Brewers' Union in Germany has a membership of 13,600.

The pianomovers of Baltimore, Md., have organized a union.

The Roofing hat factory, of Philadelphia, has been made a union shop.

The Woodworkers' membership in Germany at the close of 1901 was 67,341.

The Workingmen's Political Club, of Los Angeles, has a membership of 4000.

Globe, Ariz., has a full union ticket in the field, and the two old parties will combine to defeat it.

Stone planer men in Chicago have formed a union and applied to the American Federation of Labor for a charter.

The Oregon Railway & Navigation Company's dock at San Francisco was been thoroughly unionized after a short skirmish.

The trappers and seiners of Astoria will organize a union, which will be affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

The Woods Milling Company, of Winnipeg, has been placed on the fair list, after a fight with organized labor for 10 years.

Seattle unionists of Seattle are making great preparations for Labor day. A picnic in the afternoon will be held in Woodland Park.

The boot and shoe operatives at Leicester, England, have opened a new trade union hall. It cost \$30,000 and will seat 700 people.

An effort is being made to reach an amicable settlement of the differences existing between the street-car men and employers of Chicago.

The brewers of San Diego have not yet signed the brewers' contract. San Diego is the only place on the Coast where this is the case.

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Notice is hereby given that the undersigned has been appointed executor of the estate of Albert L. Drentis, deceased, by order of the County Court of the State of Oregon, for Multnomah County. All persons having claims against the said estate are hereby notified to present them, with proper vouchers to the undersigned, at the office of Carey & Mays, room 410, Chamber of Commerce building, Portland, Or., within six months from the date of this notice.

GEORGE W. DUSTIN, Executor. Dated August 14, 1902.

The South Wales miners' fraternity has adopted a recommendation that the federation districts contribute \$50,000 to assist the striking miners in the United States, on the ground that they are contending for principles of international importance.

The Supreme Court of Missouri sustains the fellow servant law upon the statute books of that state, and gave Thomas Callahan \$6500 for damages received while on duty in the service of the Merchants' Terminal Railroad company.

The Conductors' and Railway Men's Association of Canada, representing some 20,000 employes on the Canadian railways, has adopted resolutions pledging its members not to handle or use coal mined by non-union labor.

The threatened strike of San Juan, Colo., miners has been averted, a compromise having been agreed upon by the union and the mineowners. The new scale of wages has been accepted by both sides for a period of three years.

The convention of metal buffers, polishers and platers, brass molders and brass-workers of North America, in convention at Bridgeport, Conn., will urge the nine-hour day. One hundred delegates in the convention represent 39,000 members.

Conductors and motormen employed by the South Chicago City Railway Company have secured an increase in wages from 17 to 21 cents per hour, and are no longer in danger of becoming involved in a prospective general street-car strike.

Two thousand employes of the American Tinplate Company, at Elwood, Ind., were notified last Friday that the plant would be shut down indefinitely. The notices posted state that the suspension of operations is because of a shortage of orders.

Two hundred carmen, including carpenters, coachbuilders and painters, employes in the Union Pacific shops at Omaha, unexpectedly went on strike Monday against the piece work system.

The leaders say that all the carmen on the system will be asked to quit work.

Once again an agitation is being started in union circles for the removal of American Federation of Labor headquarters from Washington. It is claimed that too much time is expended in lobbying for legislation that we never get.

They say the Legislative committee should be left in Washington. The matter will come up at the New Orleans convention.

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