

LABOR NOTES.

Spain has ordered the eight-hour day for government work.

In England all branches of labor quit work at noon on Saturdays.

The census of 1900 shows that there are 5,319,912 bread winners in the United States.

The Central Labor Union, of Erie, Pa., has declared for municipal ownership of franchises.

Money for the labor temple fund in Topeka, Kan., is coming in rapidly to the Federated Trades Council.

The Horsehoers of San Francisco will have their wages increased on the first of the year to \$4 per day.

The 4700 engineers and firemen on the St. Paul system have been given an increase in pay of about 10 per cent.

It is said that the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers has decided to affiliate with the American Federation of Labor.

The bread forming machines, some of which can prepare 10,000 loaves an hour, are causing considerable trouble among the bakers.

Four hundred and fifty tube workers of Somerville, Mass., secured an increase in wages and shorter hours after a two days' strike.

In New York a recent law places an employer in jail for 15 days for refusing to pay a female employee wages when work is done.

Two thousand employees of the Chicago & Alton Railroad were given a Christmas present of an increase in wages of from 8 to 10 per cent.

During the past year the Ladies' Garment Workers' Union had 150 strikes, involving 4595 persons; 125 were won, 18 lost, and seven compromised.

A call has been issued for a convention at Everett, Wash., January 8, 1903, for the purpose of organizing a National Shingle Weavers' Association.

The Georgia child labor bill has been laid on the table by the lower house of the State Legislature. It is expected that the bill will be defeated if it comes to a vote.

It has been announced that the wages of all trainmen and station employees of the Alabama Great Southern have been increased from 15 to 10 per cent. This affects about 1500 men.

William Potter, of Schenectady, Pa., the member of Company E, Second Regiment, who was expelled from the local Painters' Union because of his service in the Hudson Railroad strike, has been reinstated by that organization, and he immediately applied to his former employers for work. His request was acceded to.

Judge Buckles, of Solano County, California, has practically made up his mind that the temporary injunction issued by him two or three weeks ago to restrain the Tanners' Union of Benicia from interfering in any way with non-union tanners employed by Kuhlman, Salz & Co., cannot be made permanent. Freight traffic on the Iowa Central is badly tied up in the yards at Marshalltown, a division point, because of a strike of the switchmen, who went out December 24, because of the failure of Superintendent Sweeney to reply to their demand for increase of wages. The demand was presented three weeks ago.

The Southern Pacific officials have given the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen and Conductors notice that the company would give them an answer to their demands for 20 per cent increase in wages in February. The company has an agreement with the two orders that it can take 60 days in which to consider their requests for increased wages.

The Cab and Carriage Drivers of St. Louis went out on a strike on Christmas day for an increase in wages. About 400 men out of 570 are out. Many of the members of the Liverymen's Association have signified their willingness to pay the wages called for, but will not recognize the union. That is now the principal question at issue, and the union officials feel confident that they will gain this, in addition to the raise in wages.

The strike of the Illinois Central Railroad freight handlers was declared off last night, and the men will go back to work today on the old conditions, but without discrimination. They were receiving 16 cents an hour for a 10-hour day, and 25 cents for all overtime. They struck for 20 cents an hour for a 10-hour day, 30 cents overtime, and 40 cents an hour for Sundays and holidays. In the contract signed the strikers agree not to bring up the question of wages for at least one year.

The difficulty which Western railroads are finding in keeping enough mechanical help is affecting, in a peculiar manner, the clerks they employ. Some of the roads, the Santa Fe included, have begun reducing salaries of the office employees. The high wages paid to mechanical help makes it necessary to retrench in expenses and the roads are doing this among their office forces. No organization exists among the clerks, but it is understood that steps will be taken to request the roads to discontinue the reduction policy.

Notices have been posted throughout the Connellsville coke regions of Pennsylvania, granting the 20,000 employees of the Frick Coke Company a voluntary advance in wages, averaging 8 per cent. The increase will take effect January 1. It means that the company will next year disburse in wages to its men \$1,600,000 more than it has this year, and that it will continue to pay the highest wages of any concern in the United States employing this kind of labor. The Frick Coke Company is a subsidiary company of the United States Steel Corporation.

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Amalgamated Association of Street Rail-

way Employees of America, Division

1st—Meets first and third Monday even-

ings at 8:30, in Union Hall, Union block.

Amalgamated Meatcutters and Butchers'

Workmen, Local No. 103—Meets every

Thursday at 8 P. M. in Eagles' Hall,

corner Second and Yamhill.

Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' In-

ternational Association, No. 16—Meets

every second and fourth Tuesday at

22½ Yamhill street.

Amalgamated Woodworkers' Union No. 44

Meets every second and fourth

Thursday, at 230½ Yamhill street.

Bartenders' Local No. 26—Meets every

evening at G. A. R. Hall, First and

Taylor.

Beer Drivers' Union, Local No. 201, National

Union of United Brewery Work-

men, U. A.—Meets every first and

third Saturday, corner Eleventh and

Morrison streets.

Blacksmiths' Union—Meets every 1st and

3d Monday evening in room 27, Cham-

ber of Commerce Building.

Bricklayers' International Union No. 1—

Meets every Wednesday at 22½ Yam-

hill street.

Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and

Paperhangers of America, Local No. 10—

Meets every Thursday, 24½ Morrison

street.

Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Sun-

set Lodge No. 130—Meets every first

and third Monday, at 2 P. M., in Audi-

torium Hall.

Broom Makers' Union meets every 1st and

3d Monday at 12½ First street.

Building Trades Council—Meets every

Monday evening at 24½ Morrison

street.

Carpet Layers' and Upholsterers' Union

meets every Wednesday night at the

corner of Second and Yamhill.

Cigarmakers' International Union of

America, Local No. 205—Meets every

1st and 3d Tuesday night at 22½ Yam-

hill street.

Cooks' Alliance meets every Monday even-

ing at corner of Third and Columbia.

Expressmen's Union—Meets every Tues-

day evening at 24½ Morrison street.

Glass Workers' Local No. 18—Meets every

2d and 4th Saturday at the corner of Second

and Stark streets.

General Brotherhood of Bookbinders, Local

90—Meets every third Tuesday

evening at each month at 30 Al-

ley Building, Third and Morrison streets.

International Association of Ship Riggers,

Linors and Painters meets every 2d

and 4th Thursday at corner of Second

and Stark streets.

International Brotherhood of Bookbinders,

Local 90—Meets every third Tuesday