

LABOR NOTES

The Machinists' Union of Seattle control 80 per cent of the trade in the city, and the Musicians' Union have the control of 90 per cent.

The labor unions of New Jersey cities are generally preparing to place tickets in the field for the Spring election.

The Cripple Creek Daily Press is the only daily paper in the United States owned and controlled absolutely by organized labor.

Mark Hanna has arranged for a dinner in honor of General Burnside at the Salvation Army hall, to be held in Washington February 12.

An effort is being made by organized labor in the State of Washington to secure an eight-hour law for all public work done by the state.

The local Carpenters' Union of Colorado Springs, Colo., has decided to build a \$200,000 memorial hall in honor of the late multi-millionaire, W. S. Stratton.

The plumbers and gasfitters of New York City have secured the Saturday half-holiday and an increase in the daily wage rate from \$3.75 to \$4.25 for eight hours.

The Barbers' Union of Seattle has a delegation at Olympia working for a Sunday-closing law. The union has also placed a card in the long unit shop under the Seattle Hotel, and also have good prospects of unionizing two other large shops.

During the past year the Butte Miners' Union has contributed more than \$100,000 to strikes in various parts of the country. It has \$100,000 in its treasury and its property and other assets aggregate almost \$500,000. It is the wealthiest, most resourceful, liberal and progressive local labor union in the world.

The Teamsters of Chicago, about 9000, will, on February 1, 1903, get an increase on their week's wages of \$1.75. This will, in the year, aggregate a sum of \$800,000 more money to them. The raise was brought about after a conference lasting over three weeks, and makes the Chicago teamsters among the best-paid men of any trade, the weekly wages now averaging \$18.

The Mountain strike at Keswick and Iron Mountain was declared off January 27. A conference between strike leaders and the company managers resulted in the strikers agreeing to return to work, providing General Manager Wright would sign a notice that he would not discriminate between union and nonunion men. The notice was signed and work was resumed at once. There is great rejoicing as a result.

At last Thursday's session of the International Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, at Memphis, Tenn., the report of the committee on subordinate unions showed \$705,703 in the hands of the treasurer. The total membership of the order is 77,236. The financial condition of all local unions in the United States and Canada is classified as follows: 70 per cent in good condition; 13 per cent in fair condition; 17 per cent in poor condition.

The United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America was founded in convention at Chicago, August 12, 1881. At first it had only 12 local unions and 2042 members. Now, in 21 years, it has grown to number 1300 local unions in 900 cities and has over 150,000 taxpaying members. It pays a wife's funeral benefit of from \$25 to \$50; members' funeral benefit, \$100 to \$200; and disability benefit, \$100 to \$200. In these general benefits, \$184,057 have been expended in the past two years and \$815,406 since 1883, while over \$100,000 was spent in that period for sick benefits by local unions, and \$201,318 donated locally by general office for strike purposes. This is fully \$2,000,000 expended for benevolent and charitable purposes. It has raised the wages in hundreds of cities, and placed fully five and one-half million dollars more wages annually in the pockets of the carpenters in those cities. It has reduced the hours of labor from 10 to eight a day in 283 cities and to nine hours a day in 525 cities, not to speak of many cities where have established the eight and nine-hour day on Saturdays. By these means 25,000 more men have gained employment.

CO-OPERATIVE LAUNDRY.
The Tacoma Trades Council has, by unanimous vote, decided to go into the laundry business. It is to be a purely union affair, and to be operated on the co-operative plan. It is the purpose of the laundry to compete with the laundries already established in business there. Recently the employees of the various laundries in Tacoma were organized into a Laundryworkers' Union, and became affiliated with the Trades Council.

The entire move on the part of the Trades Council seems to have grown out of the statements of members of the Laundryworkers' Union that some of the employing laundries had shown a disposition to make trivial excuses for the discharge of the girls and some of the men who had joined the new union.

The capital stock of the company is to be \$10,000, divided into \$1 shares. A committee was appointed to look up quarters and to purchase machinery. The movers in the enterprise hope to have the new laundry in operation in 30 days.

This is the result of the arbitrary opposition of the Laundrymen's Association to the Laundryworkers' Union.

BITUMINOUS BILL OF PRICES.
At the convention of the United Mineworkers of America, held at Indianapolis, Ind., the report of the miners' wage scale committee to the convention of the United Mineworkers, January 23, fear was expressed that trouble may be precipitated in the bituminous field.

The report was returned to the convention assembled in executive session. It was met with demonstrations of approval that indicated in a measure that the convention would vote the organization's approval to the committee's recommendations.

The bituminous operators will be asked to make the following concessions:
First—A 20 per cent increase.
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Fourth—A flat differential of seven cents a ton between pick and machine-mined coal.
Fifth—A flat increase, if put on that basis, of 12 1/2 cents per ton.
The flat rate in Indiana bituminous district is 40 cents on mine run and 80 cents for screened coal. It is the same on the basic point in Illinois. In Ohio the rate is 57 1/2 cents on the basic point and in Western Pennsylvania it is 52 1/2 cents.

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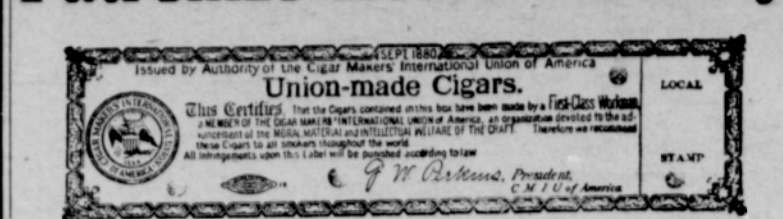
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Amalgamated Meatcutters and Butchers Workmen, Local 14—Meets every Thursday at 4 P. M. in Engle's Hall, corner Second and Yamhill.

Amalgamated Sheet Metal Workers' International Association, No. 18—Meets every second and fourth Tuesday at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Amalgamated Woodworkers' Union No. 68—Meets every second and fourth Thursday at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Barbers' League meets every Tuesday evening at G. A. R. Hall, First and Taylor.

Beer Drivers' Union, Local No. 201, National Union of Brewery Workers, men, U. S. A.—Meets every first and third Saturday, corner Eleventh and Morrison streets.

Blacksmiths' Union meets every 1st and 3rd Monday at 22 1/2 Yamhill street, corner of Commerce Building.

Bricklayers' International Union No. 1—Meets every Wednesday at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America, Local No. 10—Meets every Thursday, 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen, Sunset Lodge No. 23—Meets every first and third Sunday, at 2 P. M., in Auditorium Hall.

Broom Makers' Union meets every 1st and 3rd Monday at 12 1/2 First street.

Building Trades Council—Meets every Monday evening at 23 1/2 Morrison street.

Carpet Layers' and Upholsterers' Union meets every Wednesday night at the corner of Second and Yamhill.

Cigar Makers' International Union of America, Local No. 202, meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday night at 22 1/2 Yamhill.

Cooks' Alliance meets every Monday evening at corner of Third and Columbia.

Expressmen's Union—Meets every Tuesday evening at 23 1/2 Morrison street.

Glass Workers' Union, Local No. 18, meets every 2d and 4th Saturday at the corner of Second and Morrison.

General Longshoremen's Union No. 236, meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday in Union Hall, corner of Stark and Second.

General headquarters 29 North Front.

Grain Handlers' Union, No. 262—Meets at Schrantz's Hall, corner Knott and Delany streets, every Tuesday evening.

I. L. A. No. 264—Meets every first and third Saturday in Union Hall, Second and Stark streets.

International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers meets every Saturday night at the corner of Second and Yamhill.

Journemen Horseshoers' Union meets every 1st and 3rd Tuesday night at 12 1/2 First street.

International Association of Machinists, Local No. 42—Meets every first and third Friday in Alisky building.

International Association of Marble Workers meets every Saturday in room 20 and 4th Thursday at corner of Second and Yamhill.

International Association of Ship Builders, Local No. 66—Meets every third Tuesday evening at 23 1/2 Morrison street.

International Brotherhood of Bookbinders, Local No. 66—Meets every third Tuesday evening at 23 1/2 Morrison street.

International Brotherhood of Bricklayers, Local No. 26—Meets every first and third Thursday at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

International Union of Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers International Union, No. 43—Meets every first and third Friday in Alisky building.

International Union of Steam Engineers meets every Saturday in room 20 Alisky Building.

Iron Trades Council meets every 2d and 4th Monday in room 27 Chamber of Commerce Building.

Iron Moulders' Union No. 123—Meets every first and third Thursday at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Journemen Barbers' Union, No. 75—Meets every Monday evening in Engle's Hall, corner Second and Yamhill streets.

Journemen Plumbers' and Gasfitters' Association, Local No. 6—Meets every Monday evening at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Journemen Tailors, Local No. 74—Meets every second and fourth Monday in Union Hall, Second and Stark streets.

Laundry Wagon Drivers' Union No. 419—Meets every first and third Wednesday evening at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Laundry Workers' Union, No. 90, meets every Monday evening at A. O. U. W. Hall.

Lumber Mill Workers, No. 248, meets 1st and 3rd Sunday afternoon at 2:30 in Foresters' Hall, northwest corner Second and Yamhill.

Mount Hood Lodge of the Brotherhood of Boilermakers, Local No. 100, meets every 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 2 P. M. in room 24 Chamber of Commerce.

Musicians' Mutual Association, Local No. 90—Meets every first Tuesday at 2 P. M. in room 24 Chamber of Commerce.

National Association of Letter-Pressmen meets every 2d and 4th Wednesday of the month in the Post-office building.

National Union of the United Brewery Workers of the United States, Local No. 2—Meets every second and fourth Saturday at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Portland Labor Protective Association meets every Friday night at 22 1/2 Yamhill.

Portland Printing Pressmen's Union meets every 4th Tuesday at 12 1/2 First street.

Portland Bakers' and Confectioners' Union—Meets every first and third Saturday, at 9 P. M., at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Portland Theatrical Stage Employees' Union—Meets every second Thursday of the month at Corday's Theater.

Retail Clerks' Protective Association, Local No. 245—Meets every Wednesday evening at Alisky Hall, corner Third and Morrison.

Shipwrights', Caulkers' and Shipjoiners' Association of the Port of Portland—Meets every first and third Saturday at 22 1/2 Yamhill street.

Stablers' Union, No. 419—Meets every Monday evening in room 22, Alisky Building, President C. T. Davis, Secretary, W. T. Vinson, 411 Couch st.

Team Drivers' International Union, Local No. 12—Meets every Tuesday evening in Union Hall, Stark street, between First and Second.

The International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers, No. 125—Meets in Caledonia Hall, Second and Yamhill, every Wednesday evening.

United Brotherhood of Leather Workers meets every 1st and 3rd Thursday at A. O. U. W. Hall.

United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, Branch No. 90—Meets every Wednesday night in Engle's Hall, corner Second and Yamhill streets.

United Brotherhood of Railway Employees, Division No. 4—Meets every second and fourth Saturday evening at Alisky Building, corner Third and Morrison.

Water Front Federation meets every 2d and 4th Monday at 12 1/2 First street.

Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers International Union, Local 14—Meets every Thursday evening in room 24, Chamber of Commerce Building.

Woodworkers' Local Union, No. 68—Meets every Wednesday night at Trades Union Hall, Second and Yamhill.

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