

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, Ore., April 6, 1906.

Meeting of Portland Federated Trades Council called to order at 8 o'clock by Vice-President Ziegler.

Minutes of previous meeting approved as read.

Credentials—Photo Engravers, F. M. Day, Steam Engineers; J. B. Slater, Cooks and Waiters Alliance; Wm. Vande Carmel, Teamsters; A. Cox, Machinists; Sam Tracey and E. V. Jones.

Communications—From Typographical Union of Erie, Pa., asking that theatrical companies be requested to demand the label on their lithographs; referred to Label committee. From H. M. Calk, candidate for U. S. Senator, stating his position on trusts; fled. From Collar Starchers Union of Troy, N. Y., with subscription cards enclosed for benefit of striking members; the cards were passed among the delegates. From the Central Body of Astoria, a resolution regarding the congressional election; read and filed.

Reports of Committees—The Organization committee reported that the committee called on Electrical Workers Union No. 317 for the purpose of having them affiliate with the Council, but without success.

Special Order—The matter of the Council changing the time of meeting to Sunday was taken up and after a thorough discussion a motion to make the change was lost. A motion was adopted that Thos. L. Wilson, Fourth Vice-President of the Machinists Union be invited to address the Council.

New Business—A motion was made and seconded that hereafter no campaign literature be admitted to the meeting hall; motion lost. A motion was adopted that hereafter all political pamphlets be placed on the center pedestal for benefit of delegates who care to avail themselves of them. A motion was adopted that action on the Plumbers' unfair list be deferred one week. A motion was adopted that a committee be appointed to draft resolutions to be sent to the City Council commending the heroic work done by the Fire Department at the Chamber of Commerce fire and deploring the inadequate fire apparatus the department is compelled to work with. The President appointed Brothers F. E. Newberger, Harry Gurr and Thos. M. Leabo. A motion was adopted that the Council give the Structural Building Trades Alliance official recognition.

At this time Thos. L. Wilson, with a large delegation of Machinists was admitted. Brother Wilson delivered an address that was very interesting and instructive.

Reports of Organizations—The Musicians reported that Toelle, the unfair musician, was no longer employed at Arion Hall and that hereafter the Wednesday night dances at Arion Hall will be fair and employ union musicians.

The musicians also reported that they intended to send a delegate to the National Convention of Musicians to be held in Boston, with instruction to work to have the next convention meet in Portland.

The Bartenders reported that Ben Woldt's saloon at the corner of Second and Morrison streets is unfair and union men were requested to take notice.

The Cigarmakers asked that a letter be addressed to the retail cigar dealers requesting a more liberal patronage of union made cigars; request ordered complied with.

A notice was received from the Teamsters that the Oregon-Auto Dispatch was now fair to their union and asked that they be stricken from the unfair list, which was granted.

Receipts—Cigarmakers, \$6.00; Typographical Union, \$3.00; Painters, \$3.00. Total, \$12.00.

Meeting adjourned.
W. H. FITZGERALD,
Secretary.

POLITICAL POINTERS.

If there is a department in our system of government that needs broad and competent men it is the judiciary. The qualities of equity and industry are especially essential in the composition of the judiciary. That a man has been elected and re-elected to the bench should not be sufficient to make him a pensioner in the office. What the country needs is active, studious, fearless men who are quick to exact justice from all alike whether rich or poor. In Multnomah county there are two judges to elect. The people will choose the men they want at the primary election on April 20. For Department No. 4 there should be a change. Judge George has not filled the bill satisfactorily to all people alike. So much so in fact that his decisions have been reversed more times by the State Supreme Court than any other member of the Multnomah bench. He has discriminated against organized labor several times. This fact may be denied by his friends but the records prove the truth of the statement. Organized labor does not ask for privileges but it wants justice. In this Judge George has fallen short to our people. And since this is true the curtain upon his acting should be rung down.

During the past five years two political machines have been broken in Multnomah county, known as the Simon and the Mathews machines. The former was defeated by the latter and the latter has been put to route by the people with the direct primary law. Now these bosses feel the impotency of their existence in the community because they are deprived of special privileges. They are itching to regain their lost power and in order to get it they are figuratively, moving heaven and earth to elect men to the Oregon Legislature that will repeal the people's will. Simon is behind a hybrid ticket that can be identified by these words after their names upon the official ballot: "Promises to vote for Republican voters' choice for United States Senator." "Politics makes strange bed fellows," is an old saw, but a true one, as is now currently reported that Mathews is aiding Simon to defeat the law, after which there will probably be another war of the bosses for political supremacy. And behind these men are the trusts and big combinations of wealth. A defeat of the direct primary law means a return to the old system when the voice of the people was a "two spot." It means the enrichment of a few individual bosses and the impoverishment of the people's property by extortionate taxes and theft and graft in public enterprises. To elevate these men again to power is a step backward in matters of public policy.

In this political scramble for nomination there are a number of union men who should be given the support of union men. They are (upon the Republican ticket), George Orton, joint senator for Multnomah and Clackamas counties; Al Sandstrom and William Wanner, for representatives; Nathan Bird, for sheriff; Jack Day, for constable on West Side; and Geo. A. Tilden, for county commissioner. These men carry union cards in their pockets and are consistent workers for the direct primary law, including Statement No. 1. They are not pretenders, but genuine trades unionists. Mr. Orton is a member of the Pressmen's union; Al Sandstrom belongs to the Bricklayers' union; William Wanner is an active worker in the Barbers' union; Jack Day is an industrious worker in the Electrical Workers' union, and George A. Tilden is a tried and true soldier in the Bridge and Structural Ironworkers' union. These men not only carry a union card in their pockets, but they are fully competent to fill the positions they seek. If we were still under the old boss system of caucuses and unit and gage rule, they would not have a "look in." They belong to that class of men that the bosses could not use because they would not take program. Here is a chance to get men of our own into important offices. Let us get off our coats and get behind them. We can give them the nomination, and we must do it.

Amongst the Democratic candidates on the Legislative ticket there are two men who carry a union card in their pockets, and they are bona fide workers in the movement for the emancipation of the man who makes his bread by the sweat of his face. They are: E. A. Gessell, member of the Carpenters' union; and Fred C. King, secretary of the Boilermakers' union.

While Multnomah county is Republican by a large majority, under the old system of party domination, the operation of the direct primary law may change this condition somewhat. Messrs. Gessell and King are men who stand high in their occupations and neighborhood, and are honest men who would serve the people of the state not as politicians but men true to their convictions and responsibilities. They are workmen and mechanics and have the brains and character that would add value to the Oregon Legislature what might be profitably lost by men more versed in political intrigue and cunning. These men can be elected if the union men will get their coats off for them. Let us send them up to Salem with our Republican brothers. There will be no party lines drawn by these men upon measures in the interests of the people of the State of Oregon.

It is surprising what an awful "reputation" Jonathan Bourne, Jr., has developed since he has jumped into this political fight and took up the campaign for the people. For ten years he has been quietly developing the mining resources of the state, keeping out of politics, paying out thousands of dollars for labor, and contributing largely to a legitimate business that few men of money in the state have had the courage to attempt. No watered stocks in his; no wildcats; no robbing the people of their highways and streets; no flat gas; no franchise brigandage; but all at once he has developed an awful "reputation." Why, he is spending thousands of dollars to preserve to the people their direct primary law that his detractors are spending thousands of dollars to defeat. How terrible. What an awful "reputation."

Two candidates for the nomination on the republican ticket for the state Legislature declared themselves upon their petitions for Statement No. 1 and the direct primary law, but they failed to continue this pledge in the official ballot. They are A. A. Bailey, for joint senator, and Jos. W. Beveridge, for representative. On the ballot Bailey says he "Will work for the best interests of all the people of

the district." Beveridge says he will give a "Square deal to all." As these men have used one scheme to get names upon their petitions, and another to get votes, it is quite likely that the people will not believe them at all. The man who attempts to fool the people will be the worst one fooled in the end.

The safest way of defeating E. V. Carter, the anti-union candidate for State Treasurer is to vote for Ralph W. Hoyt who is not a candidate of any plutocratic clique or combination.

Samuel Conrell, an official of the Citizens' Alliance, and F. C. Barnes, another union-bater, are up for office. Union men and their friends will please take notice.

Samuel Connell, Citizen Alliance champion, and A. A. Bailey, are in the race to defeat Orton for Joint Senator. Connell is an open labor enemy and Bailey has been tried and found unworthy; turn them both down.

It is in very bad taste for a County Judge and County Commissioner to use their official pressure on bridge tenders and other county employes for the purpose of collecting money for their own campaign expenses. It is common talk that Judge Webster and Commissioner Barnes have passed the word among the workmen that it would be to the workmen's interest to aid these two officials to hold on to their official pap.

If their is any merit in a straw vote, the test made by County Clerk Fields Wednesday evening would indicate how the wind blows. A vote taken from the nine clerks who were being initiated into their work, showed five votes for R. R. Giltner, three for Webster and one for Lewis for County Judge.

The success of the Statement One legislative ticket will mean the finish of the bosses and grafters who have exploited the politics of Oregon for a generation. Vote the ticket down the line.

Remember the union boys on the ballot, don't overlook them.

To the Members of Organized Labor of Oregon

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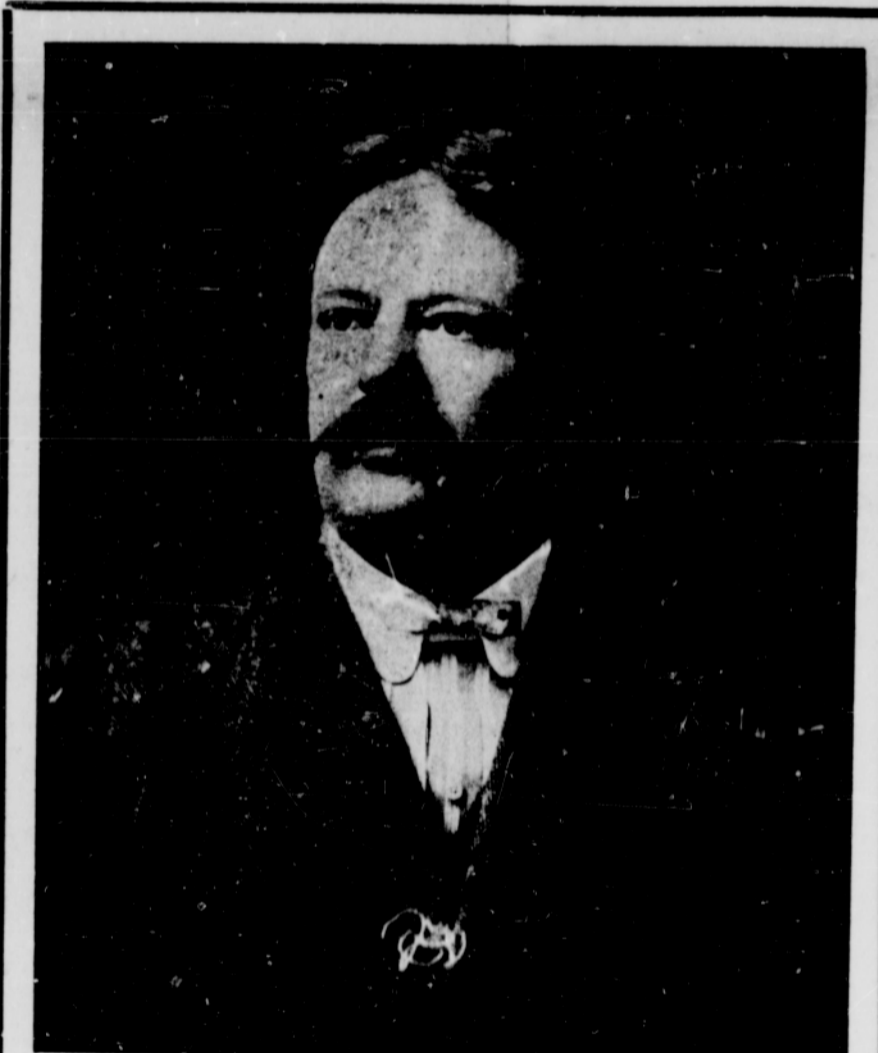
CANDIDATE FOR STATE TREASURER ON REPUBLICAN TICKET. FARMER, STOCK BREEDER, ACCOUNTANT. HIS RECORD:

He was Chief Clerk of the Lower House at Salem for five terms and a member of that body two terms. His acts as a legislator were endorsed by many of the Granges and farmers organizations at that time and some of the most prominent members (Judge Boise, Vorhees, Fairson and others), who are familiar with his record are supporting him today.

Some of the measures he supported were S. B. 8, a bill to protect laborers in their claims for wages; H. B. 74 to compel employers to make prompt payment of wages; H. B. 9, to protect employees of private corporations; S. B. 214, limiting hours of labor. Also bills to secure liens for miners and for men who worked in logging camps. Introduced and passed House H. B. 204, to compel interchange of traffic by railroads at a pro rata basis. The Dalles Times-Mountaineer, March 25, 1891, says of this bill: "This is the measure the railroad influence of the state marshalled its forces in Salem to defeat and succeeded." If this bill had become a law, there would have been no discussion on portage roads, but the question would have been settled at no expense to the state. It would have solved this problem completely and would have turned to the benefit of producers. The Capitol Journal of same date says of Mr. Jennings, among other good things: "Mr. Jennings was always watchful and worked hard to secure economy and the passage of such measures as were demanded by the mass of the people. He exposed and defeated more jobs than any other man in the House during the session. He laid aside all personal ambition of popularity and devoted himself solely to duty as he saw it. He secured the adoption of H. J. M. 1, providing for election of U. S. Senators by direct vote of the people, also valuable amendments to the school and tax laws. We can conscientiously say that Mr. Jennings was a faithful representative of the people. He was a Republican. He was more. He sought truth and unselfishly to consider the welfare of the whole state in all his actions."

His record as a Civil war veteran is an honorable one, having twice received honorable mention and recommendation for promotion for meritorious services in line of duty." He is the only Grand Army man a candidate for a state office and has almost the unanimous support of the thousands of G. A. R. men of the state, who think that one of their number should be given a place on the direct vote of the people—Republicanism as interpreted by President Roosevelt. There are six candidates for Treasurer his name being fourth in the list. The first three: Altlin, Carter and Hoyt are bankers of large wealth. Is it safe to nominate a banker for a state officer? The Republican party has tried it twice in recent years for governor and in both cases have lost to the Democrats.

Primary Election April 20th, 1906



TOM WORD

Candidate for

DEMOCRATIC NOMINATION

SHERIFF

OF

Multnomah County