

POLITICAL GOSSIP.

Vote for the best man.
 Give Word a big majority.
 Vote for Statement One, men.
 Chamberlain is good enough for us.
 This is an off year for party politics.
 Give Gantenbein and Ellis a big vote.
 Chamberlain has given all the people a square deal.
 "Plump" for Gessell and King, the others can take care of themselves.
 There are a few Rands in the local City council; keep your eye on 'em.
 A vote for Geo. E. Chamberlain is a vote for the workingman's friend.
 If you want two god union men at Salem "plump" for Gessell and King.
 The trade unionists of Omaha, Neb., are taking steps towards building a labor temple.
 Withycombe would suit the railroad corporations; the people want Chamberlain.
 For decency, good government and law-enforcement—Vote for Tom Word for Sheriff.
 Our enemies say that workingmen are ungrateful—watch the vote for Governor Chamberlain.
 Workingmen—You've got a man in the governor's chair now who is a friend; will you keep him there or take chances with a gold brick.
 The list of business concerns which oppose the granting of equal rights to women is practically the same which tried to boost the Standard Oil attorney into the United States Senate.
 We know some worthy gentlemen who are now breaking their necks in an effort to create a demand for "Oregon Made Goods" who would go out of their way to get a trust made cigar. "Consistency, where is thy jewelry?"

HAILEY THE MAN.

Most fair-minded men select their employes without regard to political creeds, and especially is this true in employing a doctor or lawyer. A judge is only a lawyer upon the bench, employed to serve the people fairly and impartially under the law, regardless of political ties. If then the judge is as he should be, non-partisan in his service upon the bench, why should the people not be equally non-partisan in selecting? Non-partisan service should be preceded by non-partisan selection.
 An able, conscientious, upright and industrious judge in office should not be discarded because he does not happen to affiliate politically with the majority party. No one has questioned the ability, integrity, learning or industry of Judge Hailey of the Supreme Court, and his only fault as a judge is that of being a Democrat. Two of the three Supreme Judges are Republicans and it is only fair and just that the other judge should be of some other political faith if he is otherwise qualified for the position. Why then not vote for Judge Hailey to succeed himself? The members of the bar concede that he is qualified and the right man in the right place.

The Point.

The shingle manufacturers of the State last week formed the strongest organization ever perfected by them. The purpose of this organization is to control the output and fix the price of red cedar shingles. A committee was appointed to go to St. Paul and work for better freight rates.
 This Shingle Manufacturers' Association or Union acts as a body and expects to be recognized as a body but the members of the association, many of whom, especially at Ballard, say to men who risk their fingers, hands and arms at the shingle machines and produce the famous red cedar shingle—"We will not treat with you as a body but as individuals. We hold

that you have no right to dictate to us the number of hours you will work or the pay you are to receive. We demand the right to run our business as we please."
 Don't you see the point?—Grays Harbor Post.

ADVANCE FOR BRICKLAYERS.

Builder's Association Raises Wages to \$7.00 Per Day.
 The Masons and Builders' Association of San Francisco has raised the wages of bricklayers and bricklayers' helpers, as the supply of skilled labor has been found entirely inadequate to the demand. The following statement has been issued by the association:
 "After application to the Building Trades Council for assistance in the matter, which, through no fault on their part, could not be obtained, it was decided that some inducement must be offered journeymen to come and help in the great rebuilding of the city. It was decided in order to obtain the desired end that commencing Monday, May 21st, the wages of a journeyman bricklayer be \$7 per day of eight hours. This is an advance of \$1 per day. Also that the wages of bricklayers' helpers be \$4 per day, an advance of 50 cents.
 "Great confidence was expressed in the future of San Francisco and the friendly relations existing between employer and employe, each having the best interests of the city at heart. The present advance was caused primarily by the fact that so many journeymen are repairing chimneys on their own account, and secondly, because many, as in the case of all other crafts, have left the city.
 "The advance, therefore, was deemed necessary for the purpose of inducing those who left to return and attract others to the end that work may be carried along with all possible dispatch, thus giving a guarantee to the owner and an incentive to the mechanic.

"THOS. W. BUTCHER, President.
 "JOS. J. PHILLIPS, Secretary."

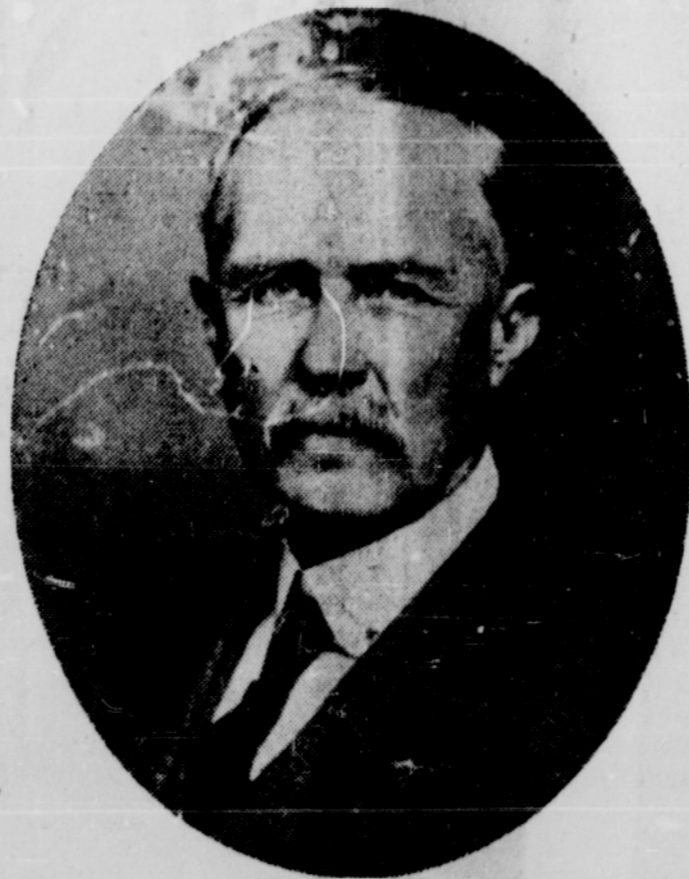
Regarding this action of the master masons, F. L. Hadley, secretary of Journeyman Bricklayers' Union, No. 7, said: "There are enough journeymen bricklayers to supply the demand existing, and whenever more are required in the rebuilding of San Francisco the union will see that they are brought here. The raise of wages offered by the employers is all right. Whenever they are ready to start any new buildings we will furnish all the bricklayers they need."

P. H. McCarthy, president of the Building Trades Council, said:
 "The minimum wage adopted by the Bricklayers' Union and the Building Trades Council for which the union had to fight several weeks in order to obtain, still remains as the minimum wage of the union, and if there is a scarcity of bricklayers or other mechanics in any other department of the building industry, we are more than willing, able and ready to bring them here.
 "The employers can at any time raise or give any sum over the minimum they see fit to give, but it must not be understood that the journeymen or the Building Trades Council have made any efforts to change the established minimum."

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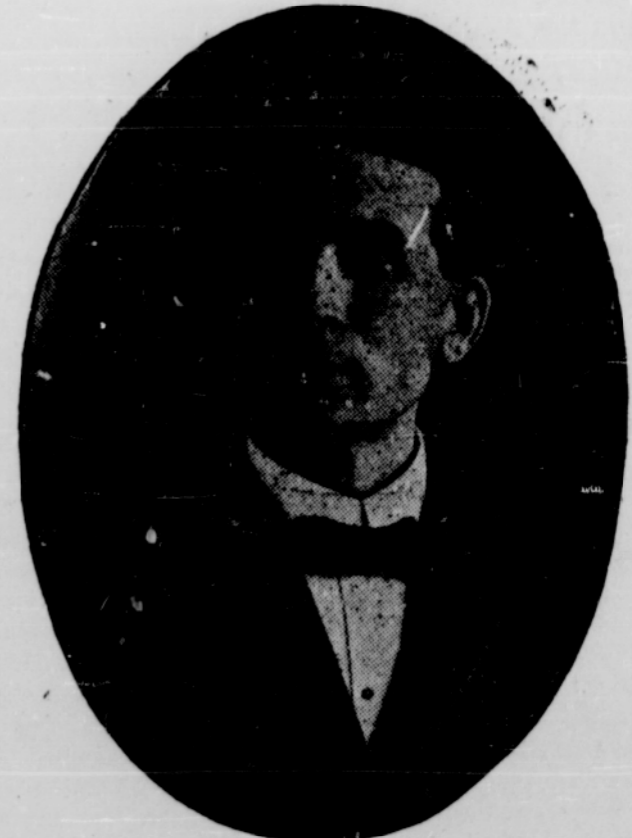
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