

LABOR NOTES

Lather Workers of Kansas City are still on a strike.

The nine hour day has been secured by the molders in the foundries of Cincinnati, Covington and Newport.

Street car men of East Liverpool, Ohio, have secured the signing of their agreement without having to resort to a strike.

Fred L. Frick, a labor candidate, will be nominated for Congressman in the Twelfth Congressional District of Indiana.

Reatil Grocery Clerks of East Liverpool, O., will attempt to secure a 6 o'clock closing hour to take the place of the present 7 o'clock law.

The bill making it illegal to employ children under 16 years of age after 7 o'clock is now a law in New York, the governor having signed the law.

The Sugar Workers' Union of San Francisco have submitted a new agreement to their employers asking pay of time and one-half for overtime.

San Pedro, Cal., a city of 5,618 population, is reported to have but two Japanese residents. It is claimed that this is due to the local unions being so strong.

The labor unionists of Everett, Wash., are organizing a labor party. It has not yet been decided whether the party shall be launched directly from the Central Labor Council.

The Amalgamated Window Glassworkers will meet in Cleveland, O., July 10. The question of the affiliation of the cutters and the flatteners' association with the Amalgamated will be taken up.

The labor unions in Winnipeg, Man., will refuse to work with non-union men on and after July 1. That is an answer of the unionists to the union-smashing tactics of the Manufacturers' Association.

District Council No. 6 of the United Garment Workers is sending a personal letter containing a facsimile of their label to each policeman, letter carrier, fireman and street railway employee in the City of Chicago.

The tin plate workers, at their recent convention in Canton, O., re-elected George Powell, of New Castle, Pa., national president. Charles E. Lawyer, of Steubenville, O., is secretary-treasurer. Next meeting place, Columbus.

It is said that President Roosevelt will investigate, at the instigation of Santiago Iglesias, Federation of Labor organized in Porto Rico, the treatment by the authorities of the workers on the plantations there who are on a strike against the planters.

There is a hot fight on in Spokane between the Washington Water Power Co. and the labor unions on account of a strike of the electricians. The street car and lighting service of this company has been boycotted, and a determined effort will be made to come to terms.

The Street Railway Men of Youngstown, O., have secured an increase of 1 1/2 cents an hour. They were formerly paid 20 cents hourly for the first six months, 21 cents the second six months and 22 cents thereafter. For the next two years they will receive 21 1/2, 22 1/2 and 23 1/2 cents hourly.

The two unions of journeymen bakers at Montreal, Can., recently held a joint meeting for the purpose of discussing rates of wages and hours of labor. The men say they have not had an increase for twenty-four years and that the present rate of \$12 for 70 hours' work is out of the question.

The Seattle Union-Record says that business is picking up in the affairs or organized labor in that city to such an extent that one business agent of the central body can hardly look after it. Provisions were made at the last meeting of the council to give the agent assistance whenever it was necessary.

On June 12, 5000 union men affiliated with the Building Trades Council of St. Louis, Mo., went on a strike for better conditions. Building oper-

ations now are confined to structures where the stone and brickwork has been completed and to frame houses, where it is not necessary to employ stone masons or bricklayers.

The 17th Miners' International Congress at its session in London, England, last week adopted motions demanding the passage of laws totally prohibiting the employment of women in the mining industry, and employment of boys under 16 in underground work. The motions were supported by the American delegates.

Chief of Police Dinan of San Francisco along political lines. The miners' official organ recently threw out the hint that "the urban workers and the farmers, by combining as planned, could elect at least 100 Congressmen, 20 United States Senators and carry the Legislatures of 24 of the greatest and richest states this fall.

The Sacramento Tribune says that the demand for plasterers for repair work and rehabilitating class A buildings in that city is so great that master plasterers are paying journeymen plasterers \$7 for an eight-hour day, an advance of \$1 over the union scale. The journeymen have agreed not to work for less than \$7 a day. Some men are receiving \$8.

The supreme court of the United States has decided the case of the Santa Fe Pacific Railroad Company vs. L. Holmes, against the company. This was a claim for damages sustained by Holmes, who was an engineer on the road, in a collision near Franconia, Ariz., in 1901. The lower court awarded the unusual sum of \$9,000, and the railroad appealed.

Thus far the year 1906 has been marked by but one strike, being that of Division No. 99, Winnipeg, Man. Considering the number of applications for increased wage by various divisions this is a remarkable record for our association. It is to be hoped that the only strike to mark this year's history has already been had.

There will probably be no strike of freight handlers in Chicago. The Michigan Central, Wisconsin Central and Illinois Central railroads have made peace with the union and several other roads are expected to come to agreement. The Rock Island and one or two others have refused to raise wages, but the unionists have not yet given up hope of bringing them to terms.

The District Council of Carpenters of San Francisco, at a recent meeting, resolved that the Saturday half-holiday rule should be again enforced, commencing on Saturday, July 7th. The rule was suspended after the fire for relief and temporary work, and the organization now considers that such work is nearing an end and that its former trade conditions shall be resumed.

Under Lord Stanley, Conservative postmaster general of the Balfour ministry, employees of the British postoffice department were not allowed to organize in labor unions, but under the new ministry they are accorded full right to form unions for the betterment of their condition and wages and to confer with the postmaster general through delegates from their various unions.

The possibility of a strike of the street car employees of Detroit, Mich., was averted last Sunday when the men at a mass meeting of their union

voted to accept the offer of the Detroit United Railway of 25 cents per hour for all men now in the employ of the company and 23 cents per hour for the first year of employment for men hired after June 1, 24 cents the second year and 25 cents thereafter.

They're after John Mitchell again. Ever so often some enterprising reporter has him appointed to a political office. Now press dispatches have it that Mitchell will soon resign his position to enter the law office of Clarence Darrow, in Chicago. One paper says that Mitchell has already been admitted to the bar. But these stories are all exploded by Mitchell's declaration that there is no truth in them.

That it is proposed for San Francisco to get into the business of providing homes for the needy of the city has been suggested by Mayor Schmitz. The mayor outlined a plan for investing \$3,000,000 in houses and lots, the scheme being to have the city enter the building and loan business on an immense scale. It is designed to have the purchasers repay in the form of nominal rents and a low rate of interest.

There have been since January 1, 1906, five explosions in West Virginia, in which the total number of dead miners was given as 102. There are ugly rumors floating around to the effect that the dead numbered over 500, but that the truth has been suppressed. It is stated that where Italians or Slavs are killed no mention is made of them in the aggregate of dead, but only those who speak English are counted.

Chicago is using uninspected eggs for the first time in many years. All members of the Egg Inspectors' Union, who have been demanding an increase in wages, were locked out last week, and all the egg houses in the city with the exception of two have agreed to make no terms with the union without the sanction of their association. About 2,000,000 eggs are inspected in the city daily, and all the inspectors are idle.

Twenty thousand tailors on the East Side, New York, are preparing for a general strike for a uniform wage scale and a shorter workday. The rank and file are clamoring for a strike, and are liable to go out without orders. They say that wages are being reduced and that the working hours have been increased from 10 to 12 and 15 hours a day. About 800 tailors have gone out on a strike on their own initiative.

Boston Typographical Union is agitating for the publication of a city directory by the municipality, all the work to be done by direct employment, without the intervention of contractors or other profit-takers. A feature of the plan is to exclude advertising from the book. The adoption of this plan would guarantee the eight-hour day and Union wages, which some private employers are fighting. Boston has a municipal printing plant.

The settlement of the Southwestern coal strike, agreed upon late last Friday night by a sub-committee of the miners and operators, assisted by John Mitchell, president of the United Mine Workers of America, has been ratified by the full conference. Orders to clean up the mines have been issued and work will be resumed June 18th. The settlement covers Kansas, Indian Territory, Arkansas and Missouri, and involves more than 32,000 men. The 1903 scale is to pre-

vail for two years, and small difficulties at several mines are to be arbitrated. Mr. Mitchell aided very largely in securing the agreement, being called in after the conference had reached a deadlock.

Secrets of the Greek padrone system of slavery and oppression of young boys in Chicago, for years state investigators and officials, have been revealed by an intelligent boy who was "saved" by the agents. The young victim of the system declared that at least 3000 young children are kept in virtual bondage in the Greek fruit stores, restaurants, saloons and shoe shining establishments of the city. Their masters, it is asserted, beat them if they complain against working as many as 19 hours a day. The children are kept from the police and factory inspectors by frequently changing the lodging places of the older ones and keeping those of tender years locked up in rear rooms for days at a time.

The District Council of Painters of San Francisco has adopted a practical method of aiding journeymen painters who have been burned out, its plan being to erect cottages for all such members. The council has about \$6000 which was donated by the Brotherhood of Painters and Decorators of America, which it will spend in lumber and other material necessary for the erection of the homes. Mayor Schmitz has given the council a permit to use a block at Point Lobos and Thirteenth avenues, which the city recently acquired as part of the Panhandle extension to the Presidio. At a meeting of the council a few days ago 100 members volunteered to give their services on

Sundays to erect the cottages. Each cottage will have three rooms and will cost \$100. Arrangements have been made for the building of thirty of these houses, and thirty more will probably be erected later. A number of carpenters will assist the painters.

At Clearfield, Pa., the miners cut loose from the Republican and Democratic parties, invited unions of other trades and the organized farmers in the neighborhood to a convention, and a legislative ticket was placed in the field. It is said that 8000 organized workers were represented in the convention. News comes from several sources that national officers of the miners are encouraging the members to make common cause with the cisco has issued an order restoring the eight-hour watches for policemen. Since April 18th all policemen have been standing twelve-hour watches. They have performed the extra work uncomplainingly. Chief Dinan says he believes that there is no longer any need of the twelve-hour watch. Under the eight-hour watch system there will be fewer men on duty at one time, but Chief Dinan says that the peaceful conditions obtaining throughout the city make it needless to have the added men provided by the twelve-hour watch.

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