

J. C. AINSWORTH, President
R. LEA BARNES, Vice-President

R. W. SCHMEER, Cashier
A. M. WRIGHT, Ass't Cashier
W. A. HOLT, Ass't Cashier

THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL BANK

CAPITAL - \$ 500,000.00
SURPLUS - 250,000.00
DEPOSITS - 6,500,000.00

THE UNITED STATES NATIONAL BANK OF PORTLAND HANDLES BOTH MERCANTILE AND BANK ACCOUNTS. ITS EQUIPMENT AND CONSERVATIVE MANAGEMENT INSURES TO BOTH MERCHANT AND BANKER THE PROMPT AND CAREFUL TRANSACTION OF THEIR BANKING BUSINESS. IT SOLICITS THE ACCOUNTS OF BANKS, CORPORATIONS AND INDIVIDUALS, GRANTING THE UTMOST LIBERALITY OF TREATMENT CONSISTENT WITH PRUDENT BANKING.

CORNER THIRD AND OAK STREETS

PORTLAND, OREGON

Labor in the Chicago Stockyards.

"The fact that Mr. Armour is only following ordinary business principles in the hiring of labor does not alter or mitigate the other fact that Mr. Armour's employes have wretched homes and live wretched lives. Mr. Armour is not responsible for the fact that in his business he needs three common laborers for every skilled artisan. But the consequence of the fact is that the district immediately surrounding the stockyards is a common labor district living on common labor wages.

"It is in that district, of all district in America, that common labor can be seen in nakedest form and in largest mass. There the concentration of an enormous industry has created an almost feudal domain of central factory castles and of hoveled industrial peasants. There the development of scientific methods of

reduction has almost eliminated the skilled artisan, and has left a sodden, monotonous heap of mere breathing muscle.

"If the fifty-cent man worked ten hours a day six days in the week throughout the year he would have an average weekly wage of \$30. If the seventeen-and-a-half-cent man worked steadily in the same way he would have a weekly wage of \$10.50, but the actual wages fall far below this level.

"Work in the stockyards is irregular. The shipments of cattle vary. There is a daily variation and there is a seasonal variation. The daily variation runs from, say, thirty thousand cattle on Wednesday to, say, three hundred on Saturday. Therefore the men will work full time on Wednesday and hardly at all on Saturday. The seasonal variation is an even greater hardship. In summer

there are comparatively few animals to be slaughtered. Therefore the average work day is much shorter in summer than it is in winter.

"A common laborer, a seventeen-and-a-half-cent man, would of course be subject to the same daily and seasonal variations which reduced the earnings of the fifty-cent man from \$30 a week to \$14.11 in a bad year and \$21.70 in a good one. The actual wages of the seventeen-and-a-half-cent man now become clearer. With shortened work days every week and every summer he earned an average weekly wage of \$4.94 in 1897 and of \$7.60 in 1902. He fell to just that extent below his theoretical wage of \$10.50.

"This wage, about \$5 in 1897, and about seven and a half dollars in 1902, is the wage which applies in general to all common labor in the stock yards district. And common labor is three-fourths of the total.

"Nevertheless, we have not yet reached rock-bottom. We have been considering a common laborer who was kept in the gang throughout the year whenever slaughtering was being done. But frequently the supply of animals sinks so low that a great many men have to be laid off altogether. A shortened work day during the winter is now supplemented by an absolute lack of employment during the summer. In the case of certain packing houses a full third of the force have been laid off during a slack period. When such a disaster happens the common laborer's average weekly wage of from \$4.94 to \$7.60 is again pared to the quick."

—From The Outlook, June 16, 1906.

It is reported that every city in Canada will place Labor candidates in the field at the next national and provincial elections.

ATLANTIC CAFE

MYSTERIOUS BILLY SMITH, Proprietor

Finest Liquors and Cigars. Choice Olympia Beer on Draught

Telephone Main 1628
61½ Third Street

Best of Service
PORTLAND, OREGON

TAKE HOME

A Beautiful Souvenir of Labor Day, 1906. Visit the

BOHEMIAN RUBY GLASS STAND

at THE OAKS, and win a Souvenir with your name engraved on it Free of Charge.

Phone East 2345

D. W. FAIRCLOUGH

THE RESORT

FINE WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS

375 E. Burnside St., cor. Union Ave.

PORTLAND, ORE.

Headquarters for Auctioneers
Stockmen and Horse Dealers

Phone Main 2882

JOHN A. WATTSON'S

YAMHILL CAFE



246 Yamhill Street

PORTLAND, OREGON

FRED NELSON

Phone Main 2303

HARRY EMDE

The Plaza Bar

FINE WINES, LIQUORS AND CIGARS

215 Third Street, cor. Salmon

PORTLAND, ORE.

Use Only the Celebrated

Wood Fiber Plaster

and

"Crown Brand" Hair Fibered Cement Plaster

Manufactured by

The Adamant Company

Telephone Main 2109
Factory Foot of 14th St.

Telephone Main 718
Office 3½ First St. North

PORTLAND, OREGON