

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEETS

STATE FEDERATION HOLDS EXECUTIVE MEETING—ELECTS NEW SECRETARY FOR BALANCE OF TERM.

Pursuant to fixed rule, the executive board of the Oregon State Federation of Labor held its regular monthly meeting last Monday evening—the first Monday in the month. The members present consisted of President Gram, First Vice-President Leabo, Fourth Vice-President Edison.

Secretary Pitschke having resigned from that office, it was necessary to elect a successor to Brother Pitschke. On motion, Brother Leabo was nominated and elected as secretary for the balance of the term.

Much other executive business was transacted, and arrangements were made for the discussion of many important legislative measures at the next meeting, to be held at headquarters, 167 1/2 First street, on the first Monday in September.

The president urged upon the board the necessity of getting the full membership together at next meeting so as to have a general expression on the proposed measures to be advocated by labor in the next session of our state Legislature.

The second vice-president, Brother H. M. Lomsten, of Astoria, a gentleman of more than ordinary experience and ability in the labor movement, will, if at all possible, be present at the next meeting to especially represent the interests of labor in his growing city down the mighty Columbia; Mrs. F. Ross, third vice-president, who was unable to be at the last meeting, will make it a point to be present and assist the board in its deliberations relative to labor laws. Brother Goodwin, of Troutdale, fifth vice-president, is now absent from the state and it will likely become the duty of the board to elect a member to succeed to the fifth vice-presidency. Were it in order for an outsider to offer suggestions, the Labor Press would intimate that no more capable man than Brother Ott, of the Butchers Union, Troutdale, could be named to fill the vacancy.

Goodwin, of course, that Brother Goodwin does not return to Oregon. There never was a brighter future for the O. S. F. of L. than looms up before it at the present time. Organized labor in Oregon commands more prestige today than it has ever been able to boast in the past; this being true, it logically follows that the central body of the state's labor movement must be greater in influence and effectiveness than at any period in its past history. Central bodies grow in power and usefulness in the ratio of development of strength in their component parts, hence, we say of the Oregon State Federation of Labor that its present capabilities for good and its measure of influence in this community far exceeds its brightest days in years gone by.

To make the State Federation just what it ought to be, the revenue should be materially increased; not that this organization is intended for a money-making institution, but, in this age of severest commercialism—dollars and cents, so to speak—it is utterly impossible even for the religious movement to succeed without the necessary funds to finance its glorious undertakings.

The members of organized labor in Oregon will remember that at the last convention held in January, 1907, the per capita of the State Federation was reduced from 2 to 1 cent per member per month of the locals affiliated. This reduces, with one fell swoop, the revenue just one-half, and if the unions do not respond promptly to the regular call, where is the organization going to find its source of supply with which to meet its legitimate obligations? True, the expenses will be largely reduced through the generosity of the present secretary in declining to accept any salary for his services, but there are other expenses which must be met, and it is only through the promptness of the unions affiliated in remitting the per capita that the Federation can make good its financial responsibilities.

There are several locals in the city, not affiliated with the State Federation, for whose welfare much has been done by the efforts of this organization, and for whose non-affiliation there exists not the shadow of an excuse. Why should any powerful trades union in this city or state, well supported by the co-operation of the general movement, remain outside the fold when its presence within the ranks would greatly aid in the advancement of the noble cause? Think it over,

brothers, and resolve to urge your union to "put the shoulder to the wheel."

W. J. Bryan is quoted on the verdict at Boise, Idaho, as follows: "I am glad to learn of the verdict, and that it was not guilty. I watched the trial and did not see how any one could be found guilty on Orchard's testimony. Every crime he charged was one he himself suggested, and it was shown he was in communication with the mineowners and attempting to induce the defendants to engage in crime. The manner in which the prisoners were taken from Colorado was hardly in keeping with a fair prosecution."

GOMPERS WRITING A BOOK. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, is now engaged in the preparation of the manuscript for a work on the origin, rise and progress of organized labor in this country, giving a complete review of union labor and what it has accomplished for the good of laboring man. In all probability the work will take up two or three volumes.

THE COATMAKERS' STRIKE. Our members at large who have during the past ten days noted newspaper reports of a strike of tailors are no doubt disappointed at not having seen a detailed account in this week's Bulletin, but owing to the absence of General Secretary Larger from the office, who at time of writing is at Westminster, N. Y., attending a meeting of the Union Label Clothing Manufacturers' Association, and the editor of the Bulletin is acting secretary, it has been impossible to find time up to the present to prepare such a detailed report as is demanded. Next week we will place before our readers, members and friends the exact situation.

Exaggerated and untruthful reports are being made from time to time in the press that are inspired by men whose ambition is to injure the organization. The strike was incited by an agitation ostensibly for the benefit of the tailors, but behind the apparent purpose there exists a group of ambitious marplots whose hope is to build up their own influence by trying to destroy that of others.

The position of the General Executive Board in declaring the strike illegal in the label shops is one that must receive the support of every honest trade unionist, and it cannot fail of having the support of the public and all friends of the labor movement.—The Weekly Bulletin.

THE MISSION OF UNIONISM. Just as long as men and women are forced to toil excessive hours for inadequate wages, just so long as little children are exploited in mill and factory, just so long as sweatshop conditions continue to foster vice and disease and the toiling masses are subject to unjust conditions, just so long will the flag of trade unionism float from the flag-staff to inspire the hearts of heroes to do and dare and battle for the uplifting of oppressed humanity.

TRAIN SAVED BY A DOG. Wabash passenger train due to pass Evona going east at 10:51 at night was saved from what might have been a most serious accident in a peculiar manner on Friday night last. Mrs. Wm. P. Stapleton, of this city, who was on the train going to Fayette to visit her father, wrote back the facts.

It appears that the train had been delayed by a freight wreck, and after getting under good speed and while running near Chillicothe not far from the midnight hour, the train was suddenly brought to a stop at a lonely place. The engineer and fireman saw a lantern swung across the track, and as they afterwards claimed, felt almost certain that bandits were preparing to hold up the train. They brought their train to a stop, as they were required to do under the rules, when a farmer approached them excitedly and informed them that the bridge just ahead of them and around the curve was on fire; that he had been awakened by his dog barking, and when he looked towards the bridge near his house he saw the flames leaping up through the bridge. Although the train was already due, he had not heard it pass and hurried with all his might to give a warning that it might not plunge into the stream by going upon the burning bridge unwarned. How many lives would have been lost had not the faithful watch dog given the warning no one can guess, but those aboard the train will never forget their close call.—Albany (Missouri) Ledger.

Boston Barbers' Union has reached the point of second in size in the country.

MILLIONS ENLISTED FOR LABOR.

(By the Rev. Charles Stelzle.)

The most significant action of the Christian Endeavor Society at its recent annual convention in Seattle was the hearty adoption of the following resolution:

"Recognizing the need for social service because of the unhappy physical conditions existing among many of our brothers and sisters throughout the world, and believing that the social question is fundamentally a moral and a religious problem, and that it will never be settled upon any other basis, the United Society of Christian Endeavor, representing 70,000 local organizations, and 3,500,000 members, and in the spirit of the Master, hereby expresses its sympathy with the toilers of all lands who are suffering because of unjust social conditions, and heartily pledges itself to render whatever service it may to right these wrongs, so that the principles of Jesus Christ shall be effectively applied to society in all of its ramifications.

"To this end, we urge upon our entire membership the importance of making an intelligent study of social and economic conditions nearest their immediate neighborhoods, and that practical methods of reform be introduced by local societies, or in whatever way may be considered most desirable."

A general increase averaging about 7 per cent on all schedules has been granted by the Boston & Maine Railroad to its car working department men.

More attention is to be given Southern states by the American Federation of Labor, which is planning to build up a stronger labor movement in that section of the country.

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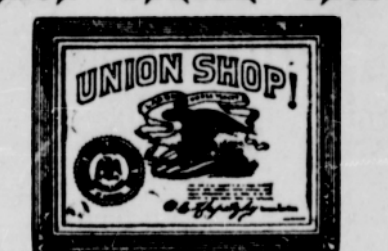
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Trade Union Directory

Following will be found a directory of Portland unions, giving the name, time and place of meeting, and wherever possible for the Labor Press to ascertain the name and address of the secretary. Secretaries will confer a favor upon the Labor Press by notifying the management of errors or changes in this list:

SUNDAY.
Shingle Weavers' Union No. 58—Every Sunday, 2 p. m., Fulton.
Photo-Engravers Union—Eleven o'clock first Sunday, Room 214, Goodnough Building.
Geo. Handley, Oregonian.
Railway Freight Handlers—Second and fourth Sunday, 2 p. m., Drew Hall. P. McDonald, 162 Second.
Typographical, No. 58—First Sunday afternoon, C. O. W. Hall, Selling-Hirsch Building. Geo. A. V. Journal.

MONDAY.
Building Trades—Meets every Monday night in Cooks and Walters Hall.
Bartenders' League—Every Monday evening, Bartenders' Hall, 164 1/2 Alder street. M. J. Conroy, 264 1/2 Alder.
Carriage and Wagon Workers—First and third Tuesday evenings, Drew Hall. Robert Ewing, 297 Morris St.
Cigar Makers—Second Monday, Drew Hall. W. H. Fitzgerald, 162 Second.
Electricians, No. 125 (Line Men)—Every Monday night, Drew Hall. W. S. Jensen, 248 E. Third.
Pattern Makers—Second and fourth Monday, Drew Hall No. 206. H. Lovridge, 225 Broadway.
Plumbers—Every Monday evening, Arion Hall.
Tailors—Every Monday night, 7:30, No. 40 Union avenue. L. W. Paul.
Shipwrights and Caulkers—Every second and fourth Tuesday, Drew Hall.
Structural Building Trades Alliance—Every Monday night at 128 1/2 Fifth street.
Web Pressmen—First Monday, Room 214 Goodnough Building.

TUESDAY.
Bartenders' League, No. 339, in Bartenders' Hall, 264 1/2 Alder street, every 1st and 3d Tuesday night, and every 2d and 4th Tuesday afternoon.
Blacksmiths and Helpers Union—Every second and fourth Tuesday, Drew Hall.
Bindery Women's Union, No. 112—First Tuesday evening, 162 Second street.
Bookbinders No. 96—Third Tuesday, Room 214 Goodnough Building. E. J. Sonnenburg, box 2 Woodlawn.
Carpenters—Every Tuesday night at 8 o'clock, hall 302 Drew Bldg., 162 Second.
Cooks and Waiters—1st, 3rd and 4th Tuesday at 8:30 P. M., and 2d Tuesday at 7:30 P. M., in Cooks and Walters' hall, 128 1/2 Fifth street.
Locomotive Engineers—First and third Tuesday, Drew Hall. Ira S. Hill, 1149 E. Main.
Stationary Firemen Local No. 118—Meet every second and fourth Tuesday in the month. Drew Hall 309, Sec. Otto Lecker, 212 Twenty-first St. N.

WEDNESDAY.
Allied Printing Trades Council—Second Wednesday evening, 214 Goodnough Building.
Bricklayers' Union—Every Wednesday evening, Arion Hall, 228 1/2 Yamhill. Chas. Stokes, Box 325.
Grainhandlers' Local 263—First and third Wednesday evening at Davis Hall, corner Russell street and Albina avenue. L. K. Day, 120 Sellwood.
Labor Party—Every Wednesday at 8 P. M., in Cooks and Walters' hall, 128 1/2 Fifth street.
Lathers—Meet every Wednesday evening at Cooks and Walters' hall.
Leatherworkers—Every Wednesday evening, 162 Second, third floor. Manley Davis, 214 Union avenue.
Meatcutters' Protective Union—Every Wednesday night, Drew Hall. Cecil E. Messinger, 844 E. Seventh, N.
Painters—Every Wednesday night at 8 o'clock, hall 302 Drew Bldg., 162 Second.
Plasterers' Union—Every Wednesday evening, Hall 127 1/2 First.
Riggers and Shipliners, No. 339—First Wednesday evening in March, Hall 300, Albina Building. Henry Arndt, 248 Barnside.
Stereotypers and Electrotypers, 48—First Wednesday evening, Room 214, Goodnough Building. Frank Land, Journal.
Street Railway Employees—Every Wednesday, Drew Hall.
Journeyman Tailors' Union, No. 74—Second and fourth Wednesday, Union Hall, Second and Stark. J. M. E. Endroth, Box 122.

THURSDAY.
Barbers—Second and fourth Thursday evening, 162 Second. T. M. Leabo, secretary, 167 1/2 First; phone, Pacific 1501.
Women's Union Label League—Every Thursday night in Hall 302, Drew Building, 162 Second street.
Boiler Makers' Union—Second and fourth Thursday evening, Arion Hall 228 1/2 Yamhill.
Coppers' Union—First and third Thursday evenings, Bartenders' Hall, 264 1/2 Alder.
Garment Workers—First and third Thursday evening, 162 Second.
Longshoremen's Association, 265—First and third Thursday evening, Union Hall, Second and Stark, 128 1/2 Fifth street.
Printing Pressmen, Local 43—First Thursday, 127 1/2 First. W. H. Gerdes, American Type Foundry Co.
Retail Clerks—Second and fourth Thursday, Drew Hall No. 20.
Teamsters' Union, Local 162—Every Thursday night, 128 1/2 Fifth St. P. O'Mara, 553 Jefferson St., Secy.
Theatrical Employees, Local 28—Second and fourth Thursday, 228 1/2 Yamhill. C. M. Campbell, Star Theatre.
Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers Union—Thursday evening, Lathers' Hall, 214 1/2 First.

FRIDAY.
Carpenters' Local—Friday evening, 230 1/2 Yamhill. H. C. Brown, 453 Florence.
Electrical Workers, No. 317—Friday, Drew Hall. J. L. Crockett, box 644.
Federated Trades Council—Every Friday night at 8 o'clock, hall 302 Drew Bldg., 162 Second.
Inside Electrical Workers—Every Friday evening at 8 o'clock in Cooks and Walters' hall, 128 1/2 Fifth street.
Machinists, Williamette Lodge, No. 63—Friday evening, 162 Second. W. A. Daisell, 1004 E. Yamhill.
Steam Fitters—Every Friday, Drew Hall No. 200.

SATURDAY.
Bakery and Confectionery Workers, Local 114—First and third Saturday, 8 o'clock P. M., 228 1/2 Yamhill. A. Dupuis, 259 E. Main.
Br. Drivers and Bootlers—First and third Saturday, Drew Hall. G. C. Goldenberg, 811 Kelly.
Brewers' Union—Second and fourth Saturday evening, 228 1/2 Yamhill. Arion Hall.
Bridge and Structural Iron Workers—Saturday evening, 220 1/2 Yamhill.
Longshoremen, Local 264—At call of president, Hibernian Hall, Second and Stark.
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