

Minutes of Central Council

President Trullinger called the meeting to order at 8 p. m., Friday, July 26. Bingenheimer and Raven being the absentees.

Credentials: Shingle Weavers, F. J. Ruddy; Bartenders, Chas. Grassman, Jack Gillan, Harry Sheridan, Harry Fleming, R. C. Inmand, Harry E. Rogers, Jno. R. Foreman, George Vollum; Carpenters No. 808, B. W. Sleeman, O. E. Hibbs; Sheet Metal Workers, V. Robinson, Carl Collins; Cooks, J. H. Crain.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Following are the communications: Label Trades Section, to new business; Secretary of State, to new business; San Diego Central Council, to executive committee; Railroad Lodge to executive committee; Massachusetts Home for Consumptives, to new business; Paper Makers to Labor Press.

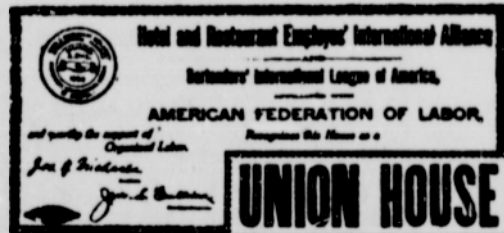
Bills as follows were audited and warrants ordered drawn: For Schwab Printing Company, \$4.50; secretary's salary and postage, \$23.25.

Building trades reported work in good shape and the boycott against the Log Cabin saloon being prosecuted with vigor. Labor Trades report was referred to new business. Brewery trades reported everything in good shape. Cooks reported on success in organization work. Garment Workers announced the postponement of their picnic to Sunday, July 28.

Secretary reported on the financial status of the Council, which was referred to the trustees. Also made the following announcement: "Warning—Because of the known presence of advertising solicitors in this city for whom warrants of arrest have been issued in a neighboring state, and who bear credentials from Seattle locals, all local unions are warned to not enter into negotiations with advertising solicitors until after thorough investigation by the local or through the Central Labor Council."

Executive Committee's report was accepted as progress. Organization committee reported on the work in behalf of the Cooks. The Legislative committee reported on the filing of the negative arguments to the two bills and reported expense account. Special committee on hospital plan reported and by motion the report was laid over as a special order of business at 9 p. m. next Friday. Labor Day committee reported progress and asked an appropriation of \$25.00 for incidental expenses which was ordered drawn.

Under unfinished business Chas. Grassman and Dan Conley were appointed tellers, ballots were distributed on roll call and after the ballots were collected the secretary and tellers retired to canvass the ballots. The Council then took a recess and listened to an able discussion of the proposed tax measures by Hon. W. S. U'Ren. On motion the Council extended



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an invitation to J. W. Bengough to make a chalk talk to the Council on his arrival in this city.

The tellers and secretary then reported the detailed canvass of the election and the following were declared the officers-elect for the coming term: R. O. Rector, president; M. W. Petersen, vice-president; E. J. Stack, secretary; Everett Logan, treasurer; W. A. Randall, reading clerk; P. D. Markell, conductor; L. Jamieson, warden; Arthur W. Lawrence, James Maguire, Philip Pollock, trustees; W. A. Randall, S. P. Rearick, executive committee; Arthur W. Lawrence, Mrs. J. Merriam, M. W. Petersen, organization committee; T. H. Burchard, James Maguire, legislative committee.

Shingle Weavers' request to place shingle mills on unfair list was referred to the executive committee. Label trades report was adopted and secretary instructed to comply therewith. On motion secretary was instructed to secure signatures to the anti-boycott petition. Motion to publish names and amendment to postpone publication until after election were defeated. Secretary was instructed to comply with request of Consumptives Home. On motion warrant was ordered drawn in favor of W. A. Marshall for \$35.15 account of expenses incurred in filing negative arguments. Motion prevailed to appoint committee to exploit anti-boycott and free speech bills. Madison, Mackenzie, Burchard, Petersen and Pollock appointed.

Council adjourned for one week.

ARTHUR W. LAWRENCE,
Secretary.

LINGERIE WORKERS POORLY PAID

Washington.—In one of the recent consular reports from Italy a section is devoted to reciting the wages paid to women workers in the lingerie industry. In the Palermo district women's muslin underwear and lingerie waists are manufactured, the hours being eight or nine per day, with a wage of 12 to 25 cents per day, and 30 to 60 cents for skilled labor. Where piece work obtains 20 to 25 cents is paid for making a woman's plain skirt, selling at \$1 to \$1.20, requiring fully a day's work.

In Florence laces and lingerie are also manufactured. The work day established by law is ten hours, and the wages paid range from 40 to 50 cents per day for hand work and 30 to 40 cents per day for machine work on underwear and waists. Hand embroiderers receive 40 to 50 cents and lace makers 45 to 55 cents per day.

In the Leghorn district seamstresses working for dressmakers receive 15 to 20 cents per day for hand work on linens. Working in cloth, either by hand or machine, seamstresses are paid 16 to 22 cents per day, the working day in this district being ten hours. Those who work in these occupations in families receive 30 cents per day, board included, and their hours are from 8 in the morning until 8 at night.

"What are your political affiliations, Mr. Gilruth?" asked one of the watchers at the primary election polling place.

"I am a member of the Society for the prevention of Cruelty to Hound Dogs," answered the man.

It was a little irregular, but they classified him as a Champ Clark Democrat.—Chicago Tribune.

TRANSPORT STRIKE SPREADING.

New York.—With about 6,000 long-shoremen deserting their posts on the Morgan Line, the Ward Line, the Mallory Line, the Old Dominion Line, the Clyde Line, the Savannah Line, the Porto Rico Line, the Panama Line, the Red D Line, the Hamburg-American and the North German Lloyd Line piers in obedience to the strike order, the transport workers' strike has begun to assume all the earmarks of a labor struggle which will long be remembered.

Over 30,000 men are out now, and encouraging reports of additional walkouts everywhere along the Atlantic and Gulf coast ports continue to come into the union headquarters. Many more long-shoremen promised to join the ranks of the strikers today.

United States officials went on record as being purveyors of strike-breakers when fifty bluejackets were put to work on the steamship Crystabel, which sailed for Panama in place of the striking firemen and sailors who walked out following a refusal of the managers to grant the union's demands. The bluejackets taken from the warship North Dakota and made to man the Crystabel.

TELEPHONE GIRLS WIN.

Boston, Mass.—It is reported that 1200 girl members of the Boston Telephone Operators' Union have won their first big concession by threatening a strike. The telephone exchange officials have posted this notice:

"Beginning tomorrow, July 15, operators will be given an eight-hour day without reduction in pay; time and a half for all overtime and Sundays and holiday work. Half-hour overtime allowance for work five minutes after the regular hours. One round-trip carfare per day for girls who work 'split tricks' and the elimination of compulsory 'split tricks' for girls who have been in the employ of the company 18 months or over."

The telephone company is now considering the question of wages. At present the rates range from \$4 a week for beginners to \$10 per week after one year's service.

SPECIFY UNION CONDITIONS.

Vancouver, B. C.—The board of school trustees of South Vancouver recently awarded contracts aggregating over \$100,000 for the erection of additions to three of the school buildings. In the specifications for these buildings was inserted a clause which requires that union conditions, in so far as wages and hours, existing in the several building trades at the time of signing the contracts shall prevail through out the construction of the additions.

This result was attributable in a large measure from the fact that the secretary of the local typographical union is a member of the board of trustees, having been elected last spring as a member of the board by the working men of South Vancouver.

The Minister (reprovingly)—Johnny, did you catch those today

Johnny—Ye's sir. That's what they get for chasin' worms on Sunday.—London Opinion.

MILITARISM GAINS VICTORY.

Washington.—Militarism gained another victory when the House Committee on Military Affairs last Friday reported favorably the militia pay bill, which is designed "to increase the efficiency" of the National Guard by compensating the officers and enlisted men.

It is estimated that the bill will entail an expenditure of approximately \$6,000,000 a year on the Federal Government. Under its terms enlisted men will receive about \$45 a year and captains will receive about \$300 a year. The bill authorizes the Secretary of War to fix enlistment requirements.

The pay of the guardsmen is based on a percentage on the sum now paid to officers and enlisted men in the regular army. The maximum pay to enlisted men is to be 25 per cent of the salary of privates in the regular army, and enlisted men are required to attend at least twenty drills a year.

WORK FOR UNEMPLOYED.

If the United State government deemed it wise to assist the bankers during the "rich men's panic" of 1907, why is it not wise and proper for the government to provide employment for willing workers during the impending industrial depression?

This question is asked by Representative Victor L. Berger, the Socialist member of the House. And Berger himself answers that it is not only proper for the government to give work to the jobless but also it is its plain duty to do so. So to that end, the Socialist Congressman has introduced a bill in the House "to provide for the employment of all willing workers and for other purposes."

TAYLOR SYSTEM TABOOED.

Washington, July 20.—Congressman Wilson, Chairman of the Committee on Labor, on July 15, made a favorable report to the House of Representatives on the Pepper bill, prohibiting the officials of the army, navy and other manufacturing departments of the Government from instituting the stop watch, "Taylor" or other high-speed working systems in shops, navy yards and arsenals of the U. S. Government. Senator Borah, of the Senate Committee on Education and Labor, has also been authorized to report this bill favorably to the senate.

HOBOS HOLD CONVENTION.

New York City.—Over 1,200 men and women stood for three hours last Thursday afternoon at Union Square listening attentively to the speakers who spoke under the auspices of the hobo convention, which concluded its three-day session in this city yesterday. About 300 marchers, among whom were the delegates, paraded through the Bowery up to Union Square. On the way new recruits fell in line and were initiated by having a card pinned to their hats with the motto, "We demand work." By the time the line of march had reached the square their number was more than doubled.

Nicholas Klein, of Cincinnati, the legal adviser of the convention, opened the

meeting and explained the magnitude of the unemployed problem. He told of the great work accomplished by the hoboes of other cities where they have organized and established a home for themselves by their own efforts and which were maintained by their own contributions.

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