Workers Win Through Organization

Progress of Efforts for Shorter Day and Better Conditions of Labor, Throughout the Nation.

ganized at Roswell, N. M.

eration of Australia will comprise cents. about 30,000 solid unionists.

per hour. With the assistance of the government a night school for workingmen

charter to a union of tanners in St. waiting list.

sition.

Johns, Newfoundland.

The unions of Gloucester, Mass., are increasing their membership rapidly, The Clerks' Union, of Danville, Ill., lot; (6) failing to provide proper pub- to operate and which was not intended five new unions having recently been has gained an early closing agreement licity for measures submitted. oganized, the combined membership with 34 stores in that city. The stores reaching nearly 1500.

man Company, to the number of 2500, is to made for holidays. received an increase in pay from 6 per cent to 12 per cent, the increase taking effect January 1.

and the Gary Connecting Railway Com- than 24 hours a week for 30,000 men, pany entered into an agreement with and without reduction in wages.

A central labor council has been or- the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes, granting an increase of five cents per hour The coming Transport Workers' Fed- to carmen, making the maximum 35

Motormen and conductors to the has been established in the city of number of 250 on the lines of the street this little magazine that are the rerailway at Yonkers, N. Y., went on liance of the opponents to the initia. tiative and referendum up to date. The strike because three men were dis-The Amalgamated Leather Workers' missed for refusing to break in a new limiting the initiative to laws only; ture to pass an "emergency" clause. Union of America has just issued a man. One hundred men were on the (2) the provision requiring a majority Enfranchisement of women and pass-

agree to abide by union regulations

Shorter hours of work have been persistently fought for by the barbers' international. Sunday work has been Recently the Goshen, South Bend and eliminated and an average of more

Farm Treatment for the Insane

an experiment with its insanc which respect and contentment. much more uncontrollable.

Recently a large farm of nearly 900 acres, near Philadelphia, was obtained and colony treatment for the insane begun. There are about 25 colonies on the farm, each the home of some 25 men who are harmless and willing to make themselves useful. Each colony is under the supervision of a man and his wife, the latter acting as tiff?" matron, and each one has its owr farming implements, horses, cows, pigs and general equipment. A total of about 300 persons mildly insane have been transferred to this farm from West

very kindly to farming and develop a special fondness for animals. This latter fact is true of those who suffer real of the witness, "Ise skeered. That's why "majority at the election" clause in the witness, "Ise skeered. That's why "majority at the election" clause in the enabling act. Measures receiving as high as 58,000 majority in 1910 were with a mild form of mania, although it nal. is known that some of the violently insane are cruel and vicious toward animals. The observations of the physicians thus far seem to bear out from the First South Dakota listrict the contention that this is the most spent 2 cents for his campaign, .ccordrational method of treating defective ing to his report to the senate. This and delinquent classes, and that the was the price of the stamp that brought patients have found the atmosphere of his expense statement.

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Are Unfair To Organized

Labor In Portland.

of union men, should do as they would be done by under

similar circumstances. "The road to a corporation's heart is

through its pocket book."

Union men, and the wives of union men, and the friends

The city of Philadelphia is making the farm conducive to greater self-

will be watched with great interest by The State of New York, since it took those connected with eleemosynary in- over the care of its insane some years stitutions for the care of unfortunates ago, has made several experiments of of this character. It is said that these this character, and follows the plan of afflicted persons have hitherto been placing its institutions for the care of kept in overcrowded quarters, where the insane where as many as possible there was not sufficient fresh air nor of their inmates may have farm work good sanitary conditions. Under these in the fresh air, under the supervision conditions any kind of successful of overseers or guards. It has been treatment of the patients was prac- found to work admirabily. The same tically impossible. Those lightly plan that is now being tried with the afflicted with mental disorders were insane of Philadelphia has been aprarely benefited and generally became plied to the boys' corrective institu- dum, adopted in 1905, and the initiation at Industry with excellent results.

Why His Color Changed.

A union butcher workman was suing a packing firm to recover damages for last election to gain a good direct priinjuries sustained in a Kanass City establishment. A colored laborer in the plant was called as a witness. "Did you work with Jones, the plain-

"Yessah.

"Do you know the foreman and the other officers of the plant?"

"Yessah."

"What are your relations with

The Socialist candidate for congress

The Voice of the Common People

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Portland, Ore., Jan. 8.-Editor Labor and permitting cities to issue bonds, Press: The progress of the initiative and the referendum to defeat a tax and referendum, the recall, the pref- law. A referendum vote has been taken erence vote and other methods of mak- Colorado has used the initiative with Bangor, Maine, Railway and Electric by the Cleveland, O., local unions of ing the ballot effective and respond a number of measures. A state pamph-Company has conceded an increase in carpenters on the proposition to in- sive to the people is very ably told in let instead of a newspaper publication wages which approximates two cents crease the minimum wage scale from 45 the January "Equity," published in of measures; pensions to widows with to 50 cents per hour next Spring. The Philadelphia. The 15 cents charged for dependent children; recall of judges increase will be inaugurated April 15. the issue would be a good investment and other officials, are among the reserved to the insurance of the January Paperty, published in dependent children; recall of judges BARTENDERS No. 142—Alternate Sundays, increase will be inaugurated April 15. for every statesman and labor leader forms gained by the people.

in Oregon. of all votes east at an election to carry age of the "advisory recall" of feda measure; (3) large petitions or diffi. eral judges and United States sena-A bill is being prepared for intro-cult requirements to obtain them; (4) tors placed that new state well in the CIGARMAKERS' UNION No. 425-Jos. L. The proposition to get the firemen duction at the session of the California emergency clause so framed that a bare lead. The people can "advise" judges of Holyoke, Mass., one day off in five Legislature which provides that all majority of the legislature, and a com- of United States courts to resign. ELECTRICAL WORKERS' UNION - First was submitted to the vote of the peo- work in the production of text-books placent governor, can set aside the ref. Perhaps they will use this advisory ple. Only one precinct voted in oppo- for the public schools, including com- erendum by declaring all important power. position, shall be done at the State laws "emergencies"; (5) placing an Printing office at Sacramento. arbitrary limit on the number of meas. lines up with Michigan as a faker state ures which may be placed on the bal- with a referendum that is impossible

South Dakota Pioneer.

only be operated by the consent of the available for state loans. legislature from time to time. This year it was operated, however, to gain a direct primary law that passed by a

the law in operation. Utah went for have killed it, and also the recall.

legislature, but this has not been endum. abused very much because of the at- Wyoming and Mississippi both had days unless we submit a measure "majority at the election" clause. through the initiative requiring a three-'emergency'' clause.

Nevada in Line Now.

Nevada has now both the referentive, adopted in 1912. In the latter the legislature first considers the proposed constitutional measure, but it must go to the people.

Montana used the initiative in the mary law, a corrupt practices act, direct election of United States senators and the presidential primary. For a state as corrupt as Montana has been, with an initiative provision intended; killed a Big Business military law with the referendum.

Oklahoma did nothing last year with The physicians who are in charge of them?" continued the actorney.

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> Maine has only power to pass laws with the initiative, and last year passed a needed ballot and election law and a good roads bond issue.

Missouri Lags Behind.

by the initiative and by the legislature choice has been applied to United all went down. Its people have no re- States senators, and in Wisconsin and liable means of securing widespread Minnesota to many officials. It preinformation on the measures, and any vents the nomination of candidates by thing that assails privilege is voted minorities and secures the nominee of down by scaring the uninformed the majority, thus putting another nail voters.

Michigan has a monstrosity requir- Business. ing 20 per cent of the voters on a petition and then the consent of the leg- followed and even passed by state after

1912 election to adopt the recall, lim- having some form of initiative and refiting the legislative session to 60 days, erendum.

Arizona Has Model Laws.

Arizona has the best form of ini- CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL-Second and tive and referendum. They are (1) law requires two-thirds of the legisla-

to work.

California defeated four initiative measures by large majorities, but South Dakota has the oldest initia adopted by large majorities two amendand to employ only union help for two tive and referendum in the United ments submitted by the legislature, Clerks, bookkeepers, stenographers years. The stores are to close Sundays States, it having been adopted in 1898. one providing for free school books and and other office employes of the Pull. and holidays, while no decrease in pay The law is very weak because it can the other making irrigation bonds

Nebraska and Washington.

Nebraska is in the people's column vote of nearly two to one, after a six with an initiative that will be someyears' struggle to get it before the what difficult to work, as the percent-Chicago Railway Company; the Valpa- than two hours a day cut from the people. The legislature submits meas- age for amendments is 15, and 5 per raiso and Northern Railway Company, other six days of the week, or more ures to the people, however, and ulti-cent must be in 36 counties of the mately the people will obtain full state; also an amendment must have 35 per cent of the total vote. This Utah is still a "dead one," as it has provision alone will probably defeat the initiative and referendum in its many measures. Such a condition apconstitution, but the legislatures since plied to the initiative amendment in 1900 have refused to pass an act to put Washington enacted in November would

Washington now has the initiative Oregon has the weakness of fake and referendum on laws only, but emergency clauses being tacked on "emergency" clauses by majority of measures by a bare majority of the the legislature may hold up the refer-

titude of both Governors Chamberlain amendments providing for the initiaand West. It will develop one of these tive and referendum defeated by the

In Wyoming the vote only lacked fourths vote of both houses to pass an 570 of a majority of all those voting at the election, and the affirmative vote was about 61/2 to 1 against it. In Mississippi the affirmative vote was twice the negative vote, but every voter who did not vote on the measure in any way was counted as voting no. Both measures were very poor ones, however.

Ohio Makes Good Record.

Ohio has sprung from the leash that held it tied to the supreme court, the legislature and Big Business. Before the adoption of its new constitution it could do nothing. The people now have could do nothing. Its cities have PLUMBERS, G. F. & S. F., No. 104—Meets
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CARPENTERS—A. R. Barnett, 801 Fulton street. to make it impossible of use, this is power to do things. Its cities have making progress. The people also real home rule and new charters are being formd all over the state. It is to be hoped that some of them will provide for proportional representation —A. Norder, secretary, Box 648, Hood River, Oregon. initiative.

The presidential primary has been adopted in California, the first to follow Oregon, and by Nebraska, New Jersey, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wisconsin.

In Arizona the direct primary, pref-In Missouri nine measures submitted erence system of second and third in the coffin of corrupt politics and Big

Within two years Oregon has been state. In less than ten years Oregon Arkansas used the initiative in the will be one of 52 instead of 19 states

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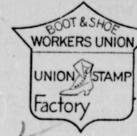
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