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Proceedings of the Central Labor Council

Official Minutes of the Last Meeting of the Working Head of Organized Labor for Portland and Vicinity.

Central Labor Council was called to order at 8 P. M., December 18, 1914, by E. E. Smith, vice-president.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved. Credentials were received from the Blacksmiths for Brothers H. C. Paulsen and E. R. Nelson and, on motion, same were accepted and Delegate Paulsen obligated and seated.

Communications—Communications were received and disposed of as follows: From City Commissioners Bigelow, Daly, Brewster and Deick, filed; in regard to a telegram sent by the secretary to the Oregon Senators urging the support of the La-Follette seamen's bill, action of the secretary was, on motion, approved; from Oliver Typewriter agency, filed; from Salem Building Trades Council, filed; from Umbrella Workers, New York, referred to Labor Press; from A. F. of L., urging contributions for the Glove Workers, referred to Labor Press; from Sailors, enclosing a resolution, moved and seconded to concur, and same was carried and the resolution adopted; from C. W. Barzee, moved and seconded to refer to the State Federation of Labor, carried.

Bills—Following bills were allowed and warrants ordered drawn: P. A. Nordstrom, banner carrier, \$18; W. U. Telegraph Co., two messages to Washington, \$2.02; Everett Logan, treasurer's salary, \$14; M. L. Pipes, attorney for eight-hour committee, on account, \$100; total, \$134.02.

Reports of Sections—Building Trades, no report; Metal Trades, no report; Waterfront, no report; Printing Trades, good; Brewery Trades, fair; Label Trades, no report; R. R. Section, no report; Civil Service, no report; Amusements, fair; Electricians, fair; Carpenters, quiet.

Reports of Officers—Trustees read a report showing financial condition of the Council and making recommendations, which were acted upon as follows: Recommended that a warrant for \$100 be drawn, payable to M. L. Pipes, as attorney for eight-hour committee; concurred in. Recommended that a warrant for \$14 be drawn in payment of back salary due Everett Logan as treasurer; concurred in. Recommended that a warrant be drawn on ex-Treasurer Logan for \$189.72, amount found to be in his hands as treasurer by the trustees' report; concurred in. Report was approved as read.

Standing Committees—Executive Committee reported progress on the Baltimore Cafeteria matter and asked for more time. Request was granted.

Organization Committee—No report.

Board of Control—Mackenzie said he tried to attend a meeting, but none was held because the secretary of the board held there was not a quorum present. After further discussion, it was ordered that the board of control hold a meeting during the coming week and make a full and complete report at the next meeting of the Council, and regularly thereafter. Board announced a meeting for Wednesday evening, Dec. 23, at 7 o'clock.

Special Committees—Pender committee: Moved and seconded that this committee be requested to make a written report. Carried.

Unemployment Committee: Members reported on results of consultation with various civic and business organizations and public officials, and Pollock outlined a proposed plan for lodging and feeding the unemployed during the Winter, and after much discussion, it was finally moved and seconded that the secretary be instructed to prepare and send out to all affiliated unions an appeal for funds to carry out the proposed plan for caring for the needy members of organized labor during the Winter months. Carried.

It was moved and seconded that the Unemployment Committee be authorized to expend necessary sum for immediate relief, but not for equipment. Amended that this be left in the hands of the committee. Motion as amended was declared carried.

Moved and seconded that the Labor Temple be asked to furnish a room for donations which might be brought in. Carried.

Moved and seconded that the Council go on record as being in sympathy with the efforts of the unemployed to organize and uphold wages and conditions. Carried.

Boycott Committee: Committee appointed to push the boycott on Lipman & Wolfe reported and asked power to appoint a sub-committee to call on the firm and request a conference, the committee suggested being Jeffrey, Harder and Smith. On motion, the request was granted.

Unfinished Business—Moved and seconded that election of delegates to the State Federation of Labor be laid over till next meeting. Carried.

EMPLOYEES GIVE QUEER ANSWERS

Numerous unique replies have been received by the State Industrial Accident Commission from beneficiaries of the Compensation Act to the question asked by the board: "How in your opinion could such accidents be avoided?"

E. A. Dahl, employed by the Pacific Brick Company, lost 14 days from work because of an injury to an eye caused by a fellow workman striking him with a mud ball. "Such accidents may be avoided," he writes, "by workmen attending to business and not playing when they should be at work."

"Don't follow a dump-cart over the dump," is the suggestion of John Kelly, employed by the J. W. Sweeney Construction Company, who with his cart tumbled down hill and was incapacitated for work for several days.

C. C. White, an employee of the Gambrinus Brewery, suffered injury to four digits on his right hand, causing permanent stiffness, by allowing his hand to be caught between two beer kegs which he was rolling. He thought such injuries could be avoided by persons keeping their hands away from beer kegs.

C. P. Mason, employed by the Coos Bay Times Publishing Company, sat on an oil can, puncturing the sciatic nerve. "Be careful where you sit," was his answer to the question.

"Wear wooden shoes like the Belgians," was the reply of an employee of the Nicolai-Nepach Company, who crushed his feet by dropping heavy timbers on them, and was unable to work for several days.

J. A. Allen, an employee of the Union Meat Company, while attempting to kill a hog, was kicked in the stomach by the animal. "Kill 'em first," writes Allen to the Commission.

"Keep away from the business end of a mule," is the suggestion of L. I. Griffith, employed on the Tumalo Irrigation Project, who was seriously injured because he did not heed his own injunction.

A man injured while working in a sawmill blamed a co-worker, who was of foreign birth. He said such accidents could be avoided by "keeping the foreigners out of the country."

The following peculiar accidents have been reported to the commission:

H. E. Marsh, employed by Kribs & McDonald, lost 17 days from work as the result of an injury caused by a piece of wood he was splitting striking him in the abdomen.

Earl Brack, employed by the Portland Corgage Company, sustained a fracture of his right thumb while closing a window.

Charles Hasson, employed on the Tumalo Irrigation Project, was riding a mule along a trail when a man stepping from brush frightened the mule and the rider was thrown. He lost ten days from work, but the commission refused him compensation on the ground that the accident was not in the regular course of employment.

D. Graham, employed by the George Palmer Logging Company as a blacksmith, while shoeing a horse, struck himself on the right knee. He was in the act of striking with his hammer when the animal jerked its leg from his lap. He lost 20 days from work.

While H. Stewart, employed by the Pacific Bridge Company, was partaking of lunch, the wind blew a post against him, making a deep cut above his right eye. He was incapacitated for work for six days.

P. McDonald, employed by A. S. Poulson, walked on a plank extending over a basement. The plank tipped and McDonald fell into the basement. He lost 24 days from work.

PUBLIC LIBRARY NOTES.

The Public Library will be open for reading only from 2 to 6 P. M. on Christmas day. The branches will be closed entirely.

The postoffice department has installed a letter box in front of the library entrance on Tenth street, which will be a great convenience to those visiting the building.

The following new magazines have just been received in the periodical department of the Central Library: Elite Styles, Social Hygiene Quarterly, Script, Ohio State University Lantern and Monthly, and the Fatherland.

Miss Mary Henthorne is in charge of the children's department during the leave of absence granted to Miss Jessie Millard on account of her severe illness.

An exhibit of chocolate of special interest to teachers and pupils may be seen in the lower lobby. All processes of growth and manufacture are shown by picture and sample.

The children's story hour at the Central Library will be held on Saturday afternoon of this week at 3:30 instead of at the usual hour on Friday. Christmas stories will be told. Miss Wood, school librarian, has recently been elected president of the National Council of Teachers of English.

Post cards and photographs of interesting places in America or Europe are very gratefully received by the school department of the library and good use is made of them.

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"The World Peace Movement and the War" will be the subject of Dr. Latourette's lecture in library hall on Tuesday evening, December 22, at 8 o'clock.

AT THE ORPHEUM.

The Labor Press takes sufficient interest in Portland's great union labor play house, the Orpheum, to announce that it has another great show for the Christmas holiday week.

It opened yesterday with the Bell Family as the headliner, a family of musicians who hail from Mexico, and are said to have been forced to flee from that country in order to escape being shot by one of the many rulers

of recent months. Aside from that interesting fact they are splendid musicians and offer a variety of selections.

The balance of the bill are up to Orpheum standard, and provide two hours of the very highest class of amusement.

There is the Avon Comedy Four, with their impersonations of the characters of various nations at a village school, their splendid singing and broad farce.

George McKay and Ottie Ardine are bringing some bright chatter and exclusive songs from Broadway, while in "Evolution," Florenz Kolb and Adelaide Harland have a catchy idea for presenting the songs and dances of the days of our dads as compared with those of this degenerate generation.

Alexander Brothers are the greatest ball bouncers in the world, while Hal and Francis have "The Farm," a skit in which are shown the ignorance of the city chaf of farm life and the ignorance of country people of city happenings. Lee Zarrell & Company are entertainers of unusual merit, and complete a bill that will be hard to forget.

Orpheum orchestral concerts are played for 30 minutes prior to raising the curtain at afternoon and evening performances.

Some time ago the wife of an assistant State officer gave a party to a lot of old maids of her town. She asked each one to bring a photo of the man who had tried to woo her. Each of the old maids brought a photo and they were all pictures of the same man, the host's husband.—Kansas City Journal.

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