

# Metal Trades Council

For the past several years the going has been rough for the metal trades in Portland. Between the strike in the contract shops for the eight-hour day and the strike in the railroad shops by the Shop Federation, the local Metal Trades Council has had more trouble than encouragement.

But thanks to the courage of a few of those made of the sterner qualities the Council is on a firmer footing than ever before and is getting busier every minute.

The Council meets regularly every first and third Thursday of the month at its offices, 401 Stock Exchange Building, Third and Yamhill Streets. The following unions are affiliated and are using the Council as a medium through which to obtain and maintain proper working conditions: Machinists, Blacksmiths, Boilermakers, Shipwrights and Joiners, Ship Caulkers, Sheetmetal Workers, Moulders, Pattern Makers, Plumbers and Steamfitters.

Arthur Burns, of the Moulders' Union, is president of the Council; E. R. Nelson, of the Blacksmiths is secretary-treasurer, and Joe Reed is vice-president.

The Council and affiliated unions are in the midst of an organization campaign at present.

## OPEN MEETING IS ROUSING SUCCESS

The time, Saturday evening of the 14th. The place, Eagles' Hall. The occasion, a rousing organization meeting held under the auspices of the Metal Trades Council. The purpose, to promote organization and betterment of conditions among metal tradesmen.

For weeks the delegates and officers and the affiliated unions of the Metal Trades Council have worked day and night, literature has been distributed, individual discussion by unionists with non-unionists has been the order and every thing done that could be done to make the meeting a success. And as a result of this conscientious and detailed work over 300 workers, union and non-union, assembled together and as a better understanding of each other and the labor movement has been reached by many of the men.

Of those present over 250 were unorganized workers, as only about 50 union men were in attendance. This was as planned for it was distinctly a meeting for the non-unionists called by the unionists for the mutual benefit of all.

Among the unorganized men present were those from the contract shops, the railroad shops, the foundries and steel works. All trades were represented and all unions were represented.

Arthur Burns, international organizer for the Moulders' Union presided as chairman of the evening and also delivered one of the addresses programmed. E. H. Misner, international organizer for the Machinists; Joseph Reed, international organizer of the Boilermakers; Anton Johannsen, international organizer of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, each delivered telling addresses on the benefits of organization and the aims and objects of the American labor movement.

W. H. Fitzgerald, cigarmaker and prominent trade unionist, now serving under Sheriff Hurlburt, spoke with emphasis, urging the unorganized men present to join with the ranks of the organized workers that all might progress.

Elton Watkins, who delivered the Labor Day address for the Central Labor Council, spoke to the non-unionists with clearness and force, bringing a trained mind to bear on the subject and making it plain to all how helpless the unorganized worker is under present day industrial conditions. Mr. Watkins is an attorney and one of the few professional men in Portland, who really understands the trade union movement. He was formerly a member of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

A member of the Musicians' Union accompanied A. W. Jones, cigarmaker, in several songs which were well received by those present. A. W. awakened the social instinct without which all meetings are flat. Cigars were served and smoked. The meeting was a decided success and those who worked so hard for it are spurred to greater efforts because of it, and its influence will be felt throughout organized labor and our city.

Vote for Wilson and Willison.

## To Guard The Ship Building Industry

The last meeting of the Central Labor Council instructed the president to appoint a permanent committee on ship building in Portland, the committee to consist of two members from each interested section, namely, the Waterfront Federation, the Metal Trades Council and the Building Trades Council, and three members from the Central Labor Council.

In making the appointments the president considered the matter to be of such grave importance that he will recommend at the next meeting of the Council that he be empowered to appoint three additional members to the committee thus increasing the sectional representation to three from each section, the same as from the Central Labor Council, and will ask for the approval of the following appointments:

From the Central Labor Council, Secretary Stack; O. R. Hartwig, delegate from Painters' Union, No. 10, and President of the State Federation of Labor; Wm. MacKenzie, delegate from Stationary Engineers' Union, No. 87, and International vice-president of that organization.

From the Waterfront Federation, E. R. Nelson and Jno. Furry, delegates from the Ship Carpenters' Unions; Irwin Baldwin, business agent of the Hoisting and Portable Engineers.

From the Metal Trades Council, Joseph Reed, International Organizer of the Boilermakers; Harry Long, of the Machinists; Phil Pollock, Business Agent of the Plumbers and Steamfitters.

From the Building Trades Council, Frank Hannan, Business Agent of

the Pile Drivers and Structural Iron Workers; B. W. Sleeman, Business Agent of the District Council of Carpenters; W. L. Sullivan, Business agent of the Sheet Metal Workers.

The purpose of the committee is to keep close watch on the ship building industry and to work in harmony with the sections and allied unions directly interested. All matters concerning this industry referred to the Council by any interested section or union will be referred to this committee for recommendations and with instructions to bring all unions into harmony and concert of action when necessary.

For this purpose the committee is admirably selected as all members are active officers and members of their respective unions and have knowledge of methods of procedure and conditions that will not only operate for the benefit of labor in the industry, but will have a good influence on the industry as a whole and assure its permanence to Portland is so far as such may be assured by labor.

The committee will in no way interfere in the work of any of the sections, but rather will bring the force of the entire labor movement of the city to bear on the efforts of these bodies. The policy of the Central Labor Council and allied unions will be to see that while Portland is not discriminated against in favor of competing yards in Seattle and San Francisco, to also see to it that labor in local yards shall be treated as fairly as in those ports. All good citizens can join with the Council in this policy and will do so.

## Bakery And Laundry Unfair To Engineers

The Crystal Laundry is the latest to join the ranks of the employers who believe that the best interests of all concerned are conserved when the employees are compelled to work long hours.

This concern has in the past been employing a union engineer. First they insisted that he work 12 hours per day, then they were not satisfied and wanted the man to come back after hours and do extra work.

The result was that the engineer refused, and we wish to take this occasion to remind organized labor that this concern is unfair to the Engineers' Union.

Another firm that has refused to have anything to do with the engineers' organization is the United States Bakery.

Some time ago the organization undertook to settle the difficulty with the bakery, but met with no success, and at the request of the engineers the Central Labor Council placed the bakery on the unfair list.

In order to acquaint the retail dealers with the facts in the case

Secretary Stack, of the Central Council has sent out the following letter to all retailers of bread in the community:

The Central Labor Council wishes to call your attention to the fact that the United States Bakery has been placed on the unfair list of organized labor at the request of the Engineers' Union, for the reason that the United States Bakery refuses to have any dealings with the union.

In our efforts to maintain living wages and decent working conditions, it is necessary for the Central Labor Council to take into consideration all of its affiliated locals.

We are compelled by necessity to spend our money with our friends and discriminate against those who deal unfairly with us.

We would appreciate the co-operation of the grocers in our efforts to have the United States Bakery employ engineers at living wages and reasonable hours. The Log Cabin and Royal Bakeries find it convenient to operate their bakeries under these conditions.

Thanking you for any assistance you can render in inducing this company to deal fairly in recognition of labor's rights to maintain better standards, we are,  
CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL.

## Building Trades Council

The Building Trades Council at its meeting of Monday night instructed Secretary McMasters to protest to the Mayor the action of the police in arresting Dr. Marie Equi the Saturday night before for what the Council believes to be the exercise of a citizen's rights of free speech.

The letter of protest adopted by the Council reads as follows:

Hon. H. R. Albee, Mayor of Portland—Dear Sir: At the regular meeting of the Building Trades Council, held Monday night, October 16, 1916, the undersigned was directed to advise you of our protest against the arrest of Dr. Marie Equi, Saturday, October 14, 1916.

We consider that the citizens of Portland should be afforded the same privileges and freedom of speech as was rightfully accorded the women visitors coming from the east on the so-called Golden Hughes Special.

Our information is that Dr. Equi was guilty of no offense except that of resenting the misrepresentations of these interlopers, who come from the far east to teach our citizens how to cast their ballots at the coming national election.

We respectfully request that your office make an investigation as to the cause of Dr. Equi's arrest, and if you find no legal grounds for such interference with her personal liberty, that the officers guilty of making the arrest be dismissed from the service of the Portland police department. Believing that you will deal with

this matter in a manner calculated to protect the lawful rights of every citizen and the common and constitutional rights for the exercise of free speech, we are, very sincerely,

BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL,  
CHARLES McMASTER, Sec'y.

The financial report of the Labor Press asked for by the Council was rendered at this meeting. Delegates Smith, Sullivan and Pollock discussed the report and the Labor Press and its management at some length and the discussion resulted in a better understanding by the delegates of the Labor Press, its virtues and its faults. The expressed opinion was that more local news could be put in the paper with the result of a better support by the movement. Editor Rynerson will appear before the Council next Monday evening to go into the matter further with the delegates.

Vice-President Hannan brought the lack of funds for the defense of Brother Schmitt on trial in Los Angeles to the attention of the delegates and after remarks by President Willison and Anton Johannsen, organizer for the carpenters, the Council voted to send the Defense Committee seventy-five dollars. Every union man in the city should interest himself in this case is the belief of the Council.

## MARSHALL DANA FOR COUNTY CLERK.

Marshall N. Dana, Independent candidate for the office of County Clerk, was born in Washington County, Ohio. Before coming to Portland he was engaged in the newspaper business in Ohio, and later in Kansas City, Mo.

He has been a member of the staff of the Oregon Journal since 1909,



MARSHALL N. DANA. Independent Candidate for County Clerk.

specializing on administration of municipal and county affairs. In the course of his work he has been identified with many practical movements for public good.

He is the sort of man who believes that a public office should be administered solely from the standpoint of efficient and honest service thereby guaranteeing to the taxpayers 100 cents worth of service for every dollar in salary received.

Referring to his candidacy Mr. Dana said:

"The office of County Clerk is the largest and in many ways the most important in the county.

"All deeds and mortgages are recorded there.

"All complaints and other papers connected with the Circuit Courts are filed there.

"All business relating to Circuit Court jurors is handled by this office.

"All election officials are appointed by the County Clerk.

"It is the office where the highest efficiency is required for the protection of public business.

"It is the greatest 'plum' that spoilsmen politicians can hope to grab in Multnomah County.

"Do you want the office to fall into the hands of self-seeking politicians?"

"I do not. If you elect me to the office, business efficiency will be the sole consideration in conducting the affairs of the office."

His only opponent is Joe Beveridge. Nuf sed.

"MEPHISTO" AUGER BIT IS UNION MADE.

To all affiliated organizations, greetings: The Union Label Trades Department of the American Federation of Labor desires to officially inform the local unions, their officers and individual members, that the "Mephisto" auger bit is strictly union made. Every "Mephisto" auger bit bears the union label which has the endorsement of the Metal Trades Department of the American Federation of Labor.

The "Mephisto" auger bit is made by the W. A. Ives Mfg. Co., of Wallingford, Conn. Every department in their factory is thoroughly unionized, which includes the metal polishers, machinists, blasksmiths, drop forgers, etc.

These bits are used by carpenters, electrical workers, pattern makers, plumbers, and many others. Every one is guaranteed.

The Manufacturers' Association is trying to prevent the sale of this bit. This was to be expected. But it is even going so far as trying to cripple the business of the Ives Company by urging both jobbers and retailers not to handle them. But the dealers will handle them and so will the jobbers if the union men will demand them.

## THE SOCIAL MOVEMENT IN THE CHURCH.

Have the religious forces of the world kept pace, in any sense, with the other progressive developments of the times? Can the religious institutions be saved from complete defeat? Can the spirit of science become completely devoted to the social welfare?

The above are the questions which will be considered before the Young Men's Forum of the First Methodist Church, Sunday at 12:15 P. M., October 22. Dr. Joseph K. Hart is the leader in the above discussion, this being the last talk he will give before the forum upon the Social Movements in the Church. His direct subject Sunday is to be, "What Is the Real Significance of

the Social Movement in the Modern Church?"

The general public is invited to hear this forceful, clear-cut, fearless analysis of present-day church activities.

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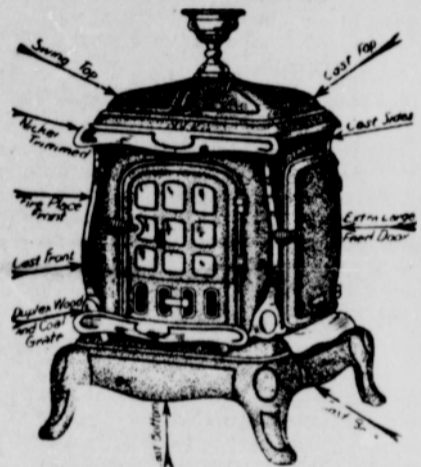
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