

THIRD DAY OF STATE LABOR CONVENTION

WANDALS AMONG THE SCIENTISTS

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Federation Takes Action on Many Matters of Vital Interest to the Workingmen.

(Journal Special Service.)
LA GRANDE, Or., May 6.—The third day's session of the State Labor Federation convened at 9:20 a. m. Resolutions thanking the citizens of La Grande for courteous treatment were carried by a standing vote.

The report of the executive board was submitted. Referring to recommendations as to fraternal delegates to Washington, the committee reported a plan of concerted action looking to uniformity in working conditions, wages and legislation.

By a rising vote the convention unanimously adopted a resolution thanking Dr. Hill for his sermon and declaring in favor of arbitration. Resolutions were adopted unanimously condemning the Los Angeles Times, approving the packing-house label, advocating an elective labor commission, advocating the appointment of a building inspector in Portland with power to inspect staging and working appliances, affirming allegiance to the American Federation of Labor, sympathy with the Portland Painters' Union, extending support to the Union Pacific strikers, favoring the appointment of union mechanics to state institutions, favoring the construction of Government vessels in Government yards. The constitution was amended, creating legislative and auditing committees, combining the offices of secretary and treasurer, and requiring delegates to the convention to be active workers at their trade or calling.

Consider Resolutions.
From 2:30 to 3:30 yesterday afternoon the convention adjourned to take a trip to the beet-sugar factory, where the delegates inspected the big plant, finding many things of interest.

Upon the return of the delegates to the hall the reading of resolutions was taken up, the following being introduced:

To increase union packing house label; appoint State Arbitration Board, who shall be free from political affiliation; favoring election of Senators by popular vote, and urging the next Legislature to pass a bill favoring same; endorsing painters' strike in Portland; endorsing Typographical Union fight against Los Angeles Times; to petition Mayor and Council of Portland to appoint Building Inspector; affirming the allegiance of State Federation to the American Federation.

J. H. Buck, special organizer for Eastern Oregon and Western Idaho, made a report showing the result of his work for the past year. His report shows 23 new unions organized.

Resolutions as follows were reported by committees and adopted: Favoring committee to cooperate with the State Child Labor Commission; against employing baggage by agents of transfer companies; favoring tailors' label and condemning mis-called unions in opposition to that union; against cigar trust and endorsing the "blue label" against issuance of franchise or public utilities to corporations; favoring W. S. Wadley of Rochester Typographical Union for United States Labor Commissioner; opposing McMonies' leather house and enlisting on the various unions to assist the leatherworkers in their fight.

Not Fight on Fair.

The resolution providing a board of arbitration from the State Federation that shall endeavor to secure arbitration of the difficulties in Portland, and possibly to effect a compromise caused a heated discussion. The sentiment of many delegates being favorably standing by the Building Trades Council and the Federated Trades. Those favoring the resolution thought that the resolution might possibly pave the way for a settlement.

The convention adjourned at 5:30 to reconvene at 7:30, with discussion of the foregoing resolution as a special order.

At the evening session the argument lasted an hour and a half, at the end of which time, on a substitute motion, the resolution of labor was adopted by the Federated Trades' Council was endorsed by a vote of 45 to 20.

The resolution of the Portland unions has already appeared in The Journal. To this the Federation added the following:

Resolved, By the State Federation of Labor in convention assembled, that we endorse these resolutions and order our secretary to carry out their provisions.

The convention then adjourned until this morning.

Salem Unions Are For the Great Fair

SALEM, May 6.—The Central Labor Union of this city held an interesting meeting last night, attended by representatives from all the unions in the city, when the action of the Portland Central Labor Union regarding the referendum on the Lewis & Clark Exposition came up for discussion.

The Salem central body soon decided that the action of their co-laborers in Portland was ill-advised and that it was opposed to the best interests of labor throughout the state and was determined to oppose the proposed action to the bitter end. During the evening it was brought out that the delegates from the Portland unions to the State Federation of Labor, now in session at La Grande, would bring their action before that body and ask that the state federation endorse the proposed referendum on the Fair and aid in the scheme to defeat the law.

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The Journal prints today's news today.

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OPINIONS OF LABOR ACTION

Mr. Adolph Wolfe—I do not care to make any statement at the present time. I would rather wait until the Board of Directors have a meeting. We will meet probably Saturday, and after a careful consideration of the entire affair, we will make an official statement. As to my personal opinion I say that if such a thing should happen it would do a great injury to the State of Oregon.

William D. Wheelwright—The resolutions as adopted by the State Labor Federation are all of errors and misconceptions. The Fair is by no means a graft and will benefit the laboring men more than any other one class. I do not fear for the result of the referendum vote, for I believe that the vast majority of the people are in favor of the Exposition and will vote for it. The entire labor opposition is unfortunate and evidently due to a misunderstanding, but I do not believe the Fair is in jeopardy. I think if the matter must be voted on, the sooner the referendum vote is taken the better we will then know where we stand.

F. Dresser—I think the action of the Federation is shameful. It is most unfortunate. I fear it is liable to greatly injure the entire project. It may be that the entire labor vote will go against the Exposition, as the leaders have directed, but I believe that many of the workingmen will favor the project and will understand that there is no one profession or business that will profit solely. The argument that prices have been forced up is, I think, untrue. I have found nothing advanced except rents and general necessities seem to me as cheap as they were a year ago.

C. E. Ladd—I have not noticed the report of the Federation's action, and any way I do not care to discuss the matter outside of the board.

Paul Weasinger—The action of the Federation is a very delicate matter and before any statements are made, the entire affair should be carefully considered. I believe that it interests the general public more as it does the Fair directors and that we, as the representatives of the people, should investigate fully before taking any stand. I think that after the excitement has passed and general necessities seem to me as cheap as they were a year ago.

BOILER BURSTS IN MILL

with no insurance. The damage will not exceed \$2,000.

REAMES ON NATIONAL QUESTIONS

Urges Prompt Action on the Trust and Tariff Reform Questions.

SMALLPOX AT PRINEVILLE

PRINEVILLE, Or., May 6.—The daily bulletin, issued every morning by C. M. Ekins, chairman of health committee, giving the condition of all smallpox patients and suspects, is as follows for Monday:

RICHARDSON ON REFERENDUM

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BONDS FOR EUGENE.

EUGENE, May 6.—The school board directors opened subscriptions for \$25,000 bonds for the new high school today. It was found that \$46,000 had been offered.

SQUADRON AT 'FRISCO.

SAN FRANCISCO, May 6.—The Pacific squadron, consisting of the cruisers New York, Marblehead and Boston, was sighted at 10 o'clock this morning, eight miles off shore. It will arrive in the harbor this afternoon.

Preferred Stock Canned Goods.

Allen & Lewis' Best Brand.

Popular Man Buried--Other News

Notes of Oregon City.

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Funeral services over the remains of Joseph Fromong will be held this afternoon from the Woodmen Hall under the auspices of the K. of P., assisted by the Workmen. Interment will take place in Mountain View cemetery. Mr. Fromong died in the Good Samaritan hospital after a short sickness. He is survived by a wife and four children, two of whom are very sick at their home in Gladstone. For many years "Joe" as he was familiarly known, worked in the paper mills. He was one of the best known men of this city, being a friend to all and admired for his jolly disposition. In the passing of "Joe" Fromong, Oregon City and Gladstone suffer a distinct loss.

Circuit Court Notes.

In the Circuit Court, Judge McBride has been kept busy of late. The case of the Gladstone Real Estate Association in which it tries to have its property which was sold for taxes to Judge Ryan, has been argued and is now in the hands of Judge McBride. A condemnation suit instituted by the O. W. P. & Co. against H. Nachand was before the jury yesterday. For one-half an acre near the Clackamas, just north of the Sisters Home, the defendant asks \$4,000. Other condemnation suits will be heard when this one is finished.

Short Items.

George F. Nichols, 22 years of age, is dead at his home in Highland. He will be buried today in the Clackamas Cemetery.

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General Feeling That Great Northern Is Secure From Attack by the Commerce Commission.

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LABOR TROUBLES REACH THE COURTS

George W. Gordon, a Non-Union Contractor Must Show Cause for Driving Union Carpenters From Building.

George W. Gordon, the contractor, who is constructing the building opposite the Baker Theatre on Third street, said this morning that he employed non-union carpenters for the reason that by so doing he was able to get lumber from the mill men. By this statement he admitted that the mill owners' attitude in the present strike, was one of enmity to organized labor, and that alone.

A. Shapiro, Owner of Building Opposite Baker Theatre Will See That No More Men Will Be Locked in Cellar.

The serious difficulty between A. Shapiro and his contractor, who landed both parties in the State Circuit Court, and by the complaint filed by Mr. Shapiro, the owner, it appears that there were some interesting features of the present strike brought out, including several almost pitched battles in the new brick building now under construction opposite the Baker Theatre on Third street.

Prevented by Force.

"That at the present time the said defendant and his agents are preventing by force the plaintiff's employees from working on his own building."

G. W. Gordon Talks.

Contractor Gordon said this morning that he had non-union carpenters at work because if he employed union men the mills would not furnish him lumber.

Reading of Complaint.

On February 17, 1903, the plaintiff entered into an agreement with George W. Gordon to erect a brick building on Third street between Yamhill and Taylor streets, City of Portland, to be finished on or before April 4, 1903.

Barricades Building.

"That the said defendant is now at work upon said building, and has barricaded the front thereof with a high board fence by which there is no door that is kept locked by the defendant."

Lands a Quartet of Hoboes in Jail

---One Pulled a Revolver.

SEE KEEPS CHILDREN.

BUFFALO, May 6.—The executors of Edwin Burdick's will this morning withdrew the petition from court in which they asked the custody of the children. They will lay no claim, thus leaving Mrs. Burdick the custodian of the children by virtue of her being his legal widow.

BROKE HIS LEG.

About 8 o'clock this morning Bradford Mauer, a 12-year-old boy residing on Vancouver avenue, near Beach street, broke his leg in jumping off a Williams avenue car.