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General President's Report

Your President left Toledo, from which city his last quarterly report was submitted, and journeyed to Chicago, at which latter city he conferred with Business Agent Kennedy of Local 17, on subjects of general trade interest. While at Chicago, your President conferred upon Brother Henry Holland the appointment of International Vice-President, as per Constitution covering existing vacancies on the General Executive Board. (At this writing this appointment has been officially confirmed by the G. E. B. and Brother Holland has bleen pledged). It might be well to remember that Brother Holland, who has been the Financial Secretary of Local 17 for a number of years, takes office on a footing of equality with all other Board members, according to law enacted at last convention, which did away with law of seniority number. Then came St. Louis and a few days work at headquarters with Secretary McNamara on business of general routine, in addition to reviewing certain trade issues referred to your President by the G. E. B. Kansas City came next, where, at a special meeting of Local 27, your President heard the official appeal of Brother James Lawrence, after which a retrial was granted. Your President presided at this latter proceeding, which resulted in a verdict of guilty and an imposed fine. This meeting listened to the thoughts of your President on the subject on trial proceedure and the impartial imposition of fines, after which Local 27 enacted laws to govern themselves accordingly. Then a return trip to St. Louis for an additional day's work at headquarters, after which a start was made for New Orleans. Local 10 of latter city had previously ceased per capita payment for a period of over one year, during which time, as before, they had financially benefitted through trade agreement recognition and wage increases obtained wholly and solely by I. A. effort. Recently, however, Local 10 made application for a new charter by a payment of fifteen dollars, the granting of which, of course would have absolved it from all previous per capita debt. The cause of their sudden revival was a newly-proposed trade agreement that called for negotiations with their employers and the strength of international affiliation. At a meeting of Local 10, your President denied New Orleans a new charter issue and succeeded in having the membership awake from their general apathy and agree to get together in both a trade and financial sense with a result that, at the present writing, Local 10 has made good its back per capita debt and is in the possession of a new trade agreement, secured by your President, which calls for a sixty-cent rate, making a daily wage increase of eighty cents. Houston was next visited, where, in conference with President "Tom" Reed, the newly-proposed trade agreement of Local 22 was given consideration and received the endorsement of the I. A. Dallas was next in line, where, at a meeting of Local 21, nothing worthy of mention came

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the surface except that which showed, as in Houston, that fine trade conditions prevailed, with full membership at work. Then to Los Angeles, the one and only city in which our craft still slumbers. Your President will not waste any valuable Journal space to describe his short visit, but will conclude in the hope that the late recorded quake shocks in lower California have, at least, made the Asbestos Workers in question turn over [illegible] if not awaken. Then to Frisco, where, at a meeting of Local 16, our President succeeded in showing the membership the error committed in the acceptance of Brother McGarvie as a new member, during a time when the latter was recorded at the general office as a delinquent member of Local 17, Chicago (at this writing Brother McGarvie has been refunded his initiation fee by Local 16, has settled with Local 17, and has been regularly transferred by latter local to Local 16 of Frisco). On certain other executive phases of the visit to Frisco, your President will report in full to the G. E. B. Our craft work was booming at Frisco with a wage rate of $5.80 a day. Portland was then visited, where at a meeting of Local 1 certain past trade actions were reviewed and a general understanding reached on probable future trade issues. Seattle, the "seven-dollar city," was next visited, where your President spent a very strenuous five days, in company with Vice-President Wiggins and Business Agent Lewis of Local 7, during which time a meeting of Local 7, in addition to an eight-hour session of the Joint Trade Board, succeeded in a measure, at least, in having employers and local "get together" for the best interests of our trade, to say nothing of your Uncle Sam. Seattle was at that time making a non-too-satisfactory effort in grappling with the volume of work that threatened to overwhelm it. (At this writing your President has instructed Vice-President Wiggins along certain lines that if not acted upon promptly will have a reactionary effect on Local 7.) Spokane was next in line, at which city no local meeting materialized, due to the fact that the Secretary had migrated. However, your President left everything in shape for the signing of a standard trade agreement, which included a wage rate ($5.00) as already agreed upon and now being paid to the membership of Local 47. Minneapolis came next, where at a meeting of Local 34 certain conditions were reviewed and advised upon, in addition to decision being given by law interpretation in a trade complaint hearing, in which the home local appealed in an issue that involved the membership of a sister local at work within the jurisdiction of Minneapolis. This decision permitted members of Local 14, Philadelphia, to complete an operation at St. Paul. Then came Milwaukee, at which place your President failed to meet the Executive Board of Local 19, as per his request communicated to Secretary, no doubt, failed of delivery. Your President then immediately proceeded to Chicago, at which city he arrived in time to be an interested listener to the progressive report of the Local Trade Agreement Committee on the then-pending negotiations with the Employers' Association (at this writing Chicago Local 17 has not signed). At the time of this visit, your President assigned to Executive Board Member Holland the request of Rock Island for charter rights with instructions to immediately

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...tigate and recommend. (Vice-President Holland later submitted his ... to the G. E. B. with a recommendation of non-issuance, which was ...ed.) On this occasion at Chicago your President also referred to ...ther Holland the matter of certain membership delinquency to proceed ... as he deemed advisable. Then to Detroit, at request of Vice-Presi... Brinker, to appear before the Joint Trade Board on then-impending ...e issues. This conference was held and a trade understanding reached. ... next stop-off was at Cincinnati and a meeting of Local 8 attended, ...which several matters of local importance were discussed and advised ...n. Then to Buffalo, at which city both local and I. A. issues were ...e over in conference with Vice-President Rice. Local 4 had more ...n its share of work at that time and still has at this writing. Then Rochester, where a meeting of Local 96 was next in order. This meet... disposed of a few minor local issues, after which the newly-proposed ...le agreement received consideration and endorsement, before presenta... to the employers. Syracuse was then visited, where at a conference ...th President McGill, instruction and decision was given on matters ...ncerning the welfare of Local 30. Then came Albany and attendance ... a conference of Labor Representatives of the Empire State that con...rned legislation enactment. Then to Washington, where a meeting of ...ocal 24 was declared "open" in order that some dozen new applicants might participate. This meeting ironed out a few local trade wrinkles, as well as endorsed a newly-proposed form of trade agreement. Norfolk came next, where your President investigated the question of charter ...suance as requested by certain "Asbestos Workers" in that particular ...icinity. Your President officially informed Organizer Creekmore, of the ...A. F. of L., that the charter at Portsmouth (across the river) had jurisdiction over Norfolk-Portsmouth and vicinity within a thirty-mile radius and further informed him that all asbestos workers who could pass an ordinary MECHANICAL EXAMINATION could affiliate with Local 9 for a special initiation fee of $5.00. While on this particular subject, your President wishes it most distinctly understood that the I. A. does not intend to fatten on the per capita of men who are not bona fide mechanics and who will both humiliate and handicap our progressive trade efforts, after the present war has finished. At Norfolk (as at Rock Island) what was known as "straight section shooters" were badly in need of a charter to boost their wages on one operation which, when finished, would automatically torpedo the charter and leave our trade beach strewn with a lot of "dead" mechanics with I. A. cards in their pockets. During the stay at Norfolk a meeting of Portmouth Local 9 was held and the membership was very plainly told by your President that very much more energetic action must be forthcoming on their part if Local 9 was to control the trade jurisdiction covered by its charter. Baltimore was the next stop, and a meeting of Local 11 attended, at which several local questions that called for decision were disposed of. Then to Springfield, Mass., and a conference with President Johnson of Local 43 on the subject of trade agreement radius which not only involved Local 43 directly but Local 33 as

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... Your President reached the partial solution at this conference (latter ...epted by employers) which is now embodied in a new trade agreement ...ether with a wage scale, now in effect, of sixty-five cents, a daily ...rease of seventy-five cents. A permanent satisfactory radius clause in ...ringfield, Hartford and vicinity cannot be made possible until after the ...piration of the now-existing trade agreement held by Local 33. Then ... Boston and a conference with Business Agent Olsen of Local 6, at which ... concerted efforts of Local 6 and the I. A. were agreed upon in an ...tempt to establish our trade standards upon operations under supervision ... several government departments. Thence to Providence and a meeting ... Local 31, at which nothing worthy of note developed except noting the ...ct that your President's last visit to Boston was reflected at Providence ... the shape of a daily wage increase of seventy-five cents. In concluding ...is report your President would suggest that certain of our port locals ...pecting a labor demand on shipwork exceeding their supply should call ... outside help through the general office or General President in order ...at our inland idle membership may have a chance to make hay while ...e sun shines and thereby make it possible for us ALL to exist on "regu-...ar" time, instead of a chosen few hogging it for the overtime and having ...overnment ships go to sea uncompleted. Trusting that a word to the wise ...hall be sufficient, I remain,

Fraternally,

Joseph A. Mullaney

I PROTEST

To sit in silence when we should protest
Makes cowards out of men. The human race
Has climbed on protest. Had no voice been raised
Against injustice, ignorance and lust,
The inquisition yet would serve the law,
And Guillotines decide our least disputes.
The few who dare must speak and speak again
To right the wrongs of many. Speech, thank God,
No vested power in this great day and land
Can gag or throttle. Press and voice may cry
Loud disapproval of existing ills;
May criticise oppression and condemn
The lawlessness of wealth protecting laws
That let the children and child-bearers toil
To purchase ease for idle millionaires.
Therefore, I do protest against the boast
Of independence in this mighty land.
Call no chain strong which holds one rusted link.
Call no land free that holds one fettered slave.
Until the manacled slim wrists of babes
Are loosed to toss in childish sport and glee;
Until the mother bears no burden, save
The precious one beneath her heart; until
God's soil is rescued from the clutch of greed,
And given back to labor, let no man
Call this the land of freedom.

—ELLA WHEELER WILCOX.

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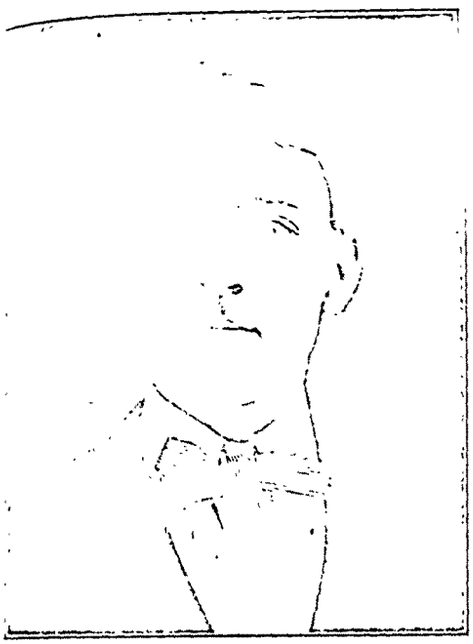
Pittsburgh, Pa., Local Union No. 2, Baseball Team.



Reading from left to right—Pitcher Zip, Ray, Catcher Tony Schatzel, Manager Frank [illegible]Parland and Captain George Smith.

The above is the picture of the Batteries, Captain and Manager of the Pittsburgh, Pa., Local Union No. 2 Baseball Team, which ran second in the League of the Building Trades Council last year, and who have gone off at a wonderful start under the new management. They expect to win the pennant. The League is composed of all Building Trades and the prizes are awarded by the Building Trades Council.

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BRO. JACOB SEHERS.

It is with most profound regret that we are compelled to announce the death of Brother Jacob Sehers, Local Union No. 1, St. Louis, Mo.

Brother Sehers was one of the oldest members of the Local; in fact, he was one of the organizers and a charter member, and had always taken a very active part in the Local's affairs. At the time of his death he was Financial Secretary and a delegate to the Building Trades Council.

Brother Sehers contracted a cold while working for the Government at Camp Pike, Little Rock, and which developed into pneumonia. He leaves a wife and daughter.

GUS SCHMITTERS,
Secretary Local Union No. 1.

Does any Local know the whereabouts of the following:

TRAVELING CARDS.

Reg. No.	
470	J. D. Lynn, mechanic, Detroit, Mich.
475	G. F. Marten, mechanic, Detroit, Mich.
2155	Herman Horn, mechanic, Omaha, Neb.
2158	Lee Stafford, mechanic, Boston, Mass.
617	Gus Smith, mechanic, Minneapolis, Minn.
502	Wm. Cook, mechanic, Detroit, Mich.
599	W. H. Hawley, mechanic, Minneapolis, Minn.
846	Arthur Hickman, mechanic, Philadelphia, Pa.
331	C. Swegman, mechanic, Cincinnati, Ohio.
100	J. England, mechanic, Indianapolis, Ind.
907	Jos. Reynolds, mechanic, Detroit, Mich.
912	S. Hecker, mechanic, Omaha, Neb.
632	C. A. Krenzer, mechanic, Omaha, Neb.
1690	M. S. Lanchor, mechanic, Hartford, Conn.
2099	Sidney Skaggs, mechanic, Spokane, Wash.

TRANSFER CARDS.

Reg. No.	
1280	M. Vickewich, helper, New York, N. Y.
1078	J. Jarolimich, mechanic, New York, N. Y.
491	Chas. Swanson, mechanic, Detroit, Mich.

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...Men seldom fight for their personal ...rties until they have been taken ... from them.

...If you don't enjoy a practical joke yourself, you're not made of the ...t material to play practical jokes ...thers.

...The Sword may strike the shackles ...m the limbs of the slave, but it is ...ducation, Organization and Arbitra...n that make him a free man.

...Let us put every dollar and every ...nce of energy back of our boys in the field. The sooner we do it, and the more thoroughly we mobilize our resources and our power, the sooner shall victory be ours.

Mind your own business and people will quickly bring you theirs to mind and pay you well for it.

THIS AGREEMENT

Made and entered into this 9th day of May, 1918, by and between the International Association of Heat and Frost Insulators and Asbestos Workers and the Operative Plasterers and Cement Finishers International Association is in effect as follows:

1. That in all cases where the Asbestos Workers fail to provide sufficient mechanics "Emergency Men" shall be drawn from the ranks of the Operative Plasterers.

2. It is distinctly understood and agreed that such "Emergency Men" shall not be continued in employment in cases where Asbestos Workers are in idleness.

3. It is further distinctly understood and agreed that such "Emergency Men" shall be issued International permits by the Asbestos Workers, for which they shall pay two per cent of their earnings to the Asbestos Workers Local Union issuing same.

Signed by

JOS. A. MULLANEY,
For International Asbestos Workers.

ED. J. M'GIVERN,
For Operative Plasterers.

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To Red-Blooded Asbestos Workers

You are not asked to give up your business—your career—go into a training camp and drill, hour after hour, day after day, in rain and cold or boiling sun. You are not asked to sleep in muddy trenches, your body half covered with filthy, stinking water.

You are not asked to go over the top in the face of a hail of lead and bursting shells and fight hand to hand with a murderous Hun. You are not asked to shed your blood, to lose a limb and be a cripple for life, or your eyes and be forever blind, to spend agonizing hours, wounded, feverish, half crazed with suffering in no man's land, or to make the supreme sacrifice and give up your life for your country.

But you are asked—you are urged—**YOU ARE COMMANDED BY YOUR OWN CONSCIENCE** to do everything within your power to sustain, encourage and protect the brave boys who are making these sacrifices for you. Why, if you gave up every dollar you have in the world you wouldn't be doing half as much as those boys are doing.

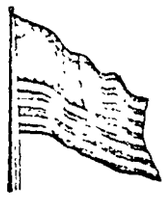
But we are asking of you **only** that you will help in the distribution of War Savings Stamps. Accept an agency for the sale of Thrift Stamps and War Savings Certificates. Don't be a slacker. Do your share. Make your place of business a Sales Station for the sale of these Stamps and push their sale. Every stamp sold helps to save the lives of our boys by bringing a victorious peace that much nearer. The time is coming when it will be a source of much pride and satisfaction for you to be able to say that you did your part.

It will be a disgrace that you will never live down if you fail to do all you can. The slacker is going to be a marked man when this war is over. Join the ranks of the patriots today. Very truly yours,

PRIVATE LEWIS F. STRIETER,
Utilities Detachment, Q. M. S. N. A.,
Camp Meade, Md.

Formerly Secretary of Local No. 24, Washington, D. C.

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ROLL OF HONOR

MEMBERS WHO HAVE JOINED THE ARMY OR NAVY

Reg. No.	
1918	John C. Cunningham, Phila., Pa.
1506	Hugo Stade, Minneapolis and St. Paul.
662	Robert Ray, Cleveland, Ohio (English Artillery).
501	Ed Smith, Cincinnati, Ohio.
2079	Louis Dany, Buffalo, N. Y.
168	Jas. McLaughlin, Buffalo, N. Y.
1836	Al Burns, Chicago, Ill.
1859	Al Thorsen, Chicago, Ill.
85	George Bricemont, Pittsburgh, Pa.
1508	Walter Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa.
2031	James Hendron, St. Louis, Mo.
2128	John A. MacLeod, Boston, Mass.
1838	N. J. Duiel, Chicago, Ill.
1428	Clyde Colwell, Cleveland, O.
1998	L. Wulfich, Cincinnati, O.
2025	Ed. J. Yost, Philadelphia, Pa.
1697	Albert Ross, Washington, D. C.
461	W. Barker, Detroit, Mich.
512	B. Chadopske, Detroit, Mich.
2041	Roy McMillen, San Francisco, Cal.
297	Richard Lindstrom, Boston, Mass.
2019	N. M. Oakes, Boston, Mass.
263	Arthur Sevilius, Boston, Mass.
282	Abram Goldberg, Boston, Mass.
86	Charles Walton, Pittsburgh, Pa.
2154	Peter J. Joyce, Detroit, Mich.
499	E. C. McGhee, Detroit, Mich.
326	F. Nehls, Cincinnati, O.
346	Arthur Meyers, Cincinnati, O.
1835	K. Fairbutton, Chicago, Ill.
2017	H. Fitzsimmons, Hartford, Conn.
1894	W. R. Cangelton, Dallas, Tex.
504	Albert Swift, Cincinnati, O.

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IN MEMORIAM

IN MEMORY OF JACOB SEHERS.

Once again the Supreme Ruler of the Universe hath summoned, through death, a Brother Member from the labors of this, our earthly Union, to the beautiful Union in New Jerusalem. He has completed his labors and faithfully worked with his fellow-members. He has relieved the cries of the distressed, and staunchly upheld our standard in ministering at the bedside of the sick. As a recompense for his labors under the banner of Unionism, he has received the plaudit, "well done," from the Great Father of us all.

Whereas, the all-wise and merciful Father has called our beloved and respected brother home, and he having been a true and faithful member of our great organization, therefore be it

Resolved, That Asbestos Workers' Local Union No. 1 of St. Louis, in testimony of our loss, tender to the bereaved family of our deceased brother our sincere condolence in this deep affliction, and that a copy of these resolutions be sent to the family, and that suitable record be made in the minutes of our Union, and that a copy be sent to the International Office for publication in the Journal.

WM. HAHN,
J. GROB,
J. KESTRENCH,
Committee.

IN MEMORIAM.

Brother Chas. O. Johnson, of Local 6, Boston, Mass.

Whereas, Our Almighty Father in His infinite mercy and wisdom has deemed it wise to remove from our midst our Brother Chas. O. Johnson and

Whereas, We mourn the loss of one who in life was a true friend and a loyal union man and a workman who was a credit to his craft; be it therefore

Resolved, That we extend our heartfelt sympathy to his bereaved family, and be it further

Resolved, That a copy of these resolutions be spread upon our minutes, a copy be sent to the bereaved family and a copy be also sent to our International Office for publication in our official Journal.

ABERAM OLSON,

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...VENTION CALL, AMERICAN ...EDERATION OF LABOR.

...iliated Unions, Greeting:

...u are hereby notified, that in pur...ce of the Constitution of the Amer... Federation of Labor, the Thirty-...th Annual Convention of the Amer... Federation of Labor will be held ...he Auditorium, St. Paul, Minn., be...ing 10 o'clock Monday morning, ... 10, 1918, and will continue in ses... from day to day until the business ...he convention has been completed.

Representation.

...presentation in the convention will ...n the following basis: From Na...l or International Unions, for less ... 4,000 members, one delegate; ... or more, two delegates; 8,000 or ...e, three delegates; 32,000 or more, ...delegates; 64,000 or more, six dele...s; 128,000 or more, seven delegates, ... so on; one from Central Bodies ... State Federations, and from Local ...le Unions not having a National or ...ernational Union, and from Federal ... or Unions, one delegate.

Organizations to be entitled to rep...ntation must have obtained a certifi...e of affiliation (charter), at least one ...th prior to the convention; that no ...son will be recognized as a delegate ... is not a member in good standing of ...e organization he is elected to repre...t.

Only bona fide wage workers, who are ... members of, or eligible to member... in other trade unions are eligible ... delegates from Federal Labor Unions. Delegates must be elected at least two ...s previous to the convention, and ...r name forwarded to the Secretary ...the American Federation of Labor ...ediately after their election.

Delegates are not entitled to seats in ... convention unless the tax of their ...nization has been paid in full to ...il 30, 1918.

...t is, of course, entirely unnecessary ...e to enumerate all the important sub...s with which our forthcoming con...tion will concern itself, but the re...der is not at all amiss that every ef... must be made to broaden the field ... means for the organization of the ... unorganized workers to strive to ...ve to bring about more effectually ...n ever a better day in the lives and homes of the toilers, to defend and maintain by every honorable means in our power the right to organize for our common defense and advancement, for the exercise of our normal and constitutional activities to protect and promote the rights and interests of the workers; to assert at any risk the equal rights before the law of every worker with every other citizen; to aid our fellow-workers in the meshes of litigation before the courts in the several states; to make effective in our every day lives the principle declared in the law of our Republic (the Clayton law), "That the labor of human beings is not a commodity or article of commerce;" to arouse our fellow-workers and fellow-citizens to the danger which threatens to curb or take away their guaranteed rights and freedom; the tremendous world conflict now being waged and into which our Republic was ruthlessly dragged; to meet the new problems arising out of the war, and while serving, struggling and sacrificing for justice and freedom abroad, to safeguard these priceless heritages in our own beloved land; the maintenance of decent standards of life, work and home in war or in peace times; to help bring about an early yet desirable and permanent peace; how that peace can be secured with the establishment and maintenance of justice, freedom, and brotherhood the world over. These and other great questions of equal importance will, of necessity, occupy the attention of the St. Paul convention.

Therefore, the importance of our movement, the duty of the hour and for the future, demand that every organization entitled to representation shall send its full quota of delegates to the St. Paul convention June 10, 1918.

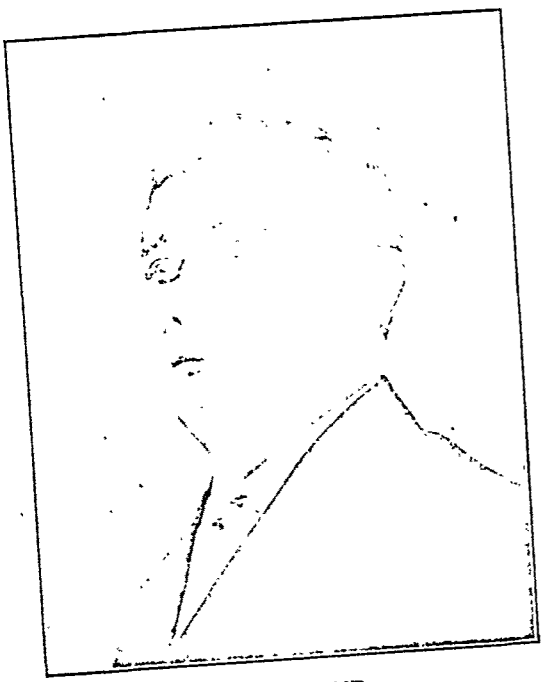
Headquarters of Executive Council will be St. Paul Hotel.

Delegates should notify Geo. W. Lawson in advance, of the time of their arrival in St. Paul, and over which road they will travel.

If there be any other information regarding the convention, or arrangements for the convenience of the delegates, it will be communicated in a later circular or through the American Federationist.

SAM'L GOMPERS.
President.
FRANK MORRISON,
Secretary.

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H. HOLLAND,
Vice-President

The above is a good likness of the newly-appointed Vice-President, Henry H. Holland, whose appointment has met with the approval of the International Executive Board. Brother Holland is a member of Local No. 17, Chicago, Ill., and has at all times been an active member, holding various offices and is at present their Financial Secretary. He is a very competent Pipe Coverer, and is highly regarded by all the members of the Local. He has been in the business for some sixteen years.

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HAT IS A STRIKE BREAKER?

PROMINENT CLERGYMAN CE GAVE THE FOLLOWING HIS VERSION OF A SCAB OR RIKE BREAKER:

fter God had finished the rattle- ke, the toad and the vampire, He some awful substance left, with ch He made a scab.

A scab is a two-legged animal with dirty, degenerate soul, a water- ked brain, a combination backbone de of jelly and glue.

Instead of a heart he is endowed h a carbuncle, filled with putrid tter.

When a scab comes down the street, nest men turn on their feet, and the gels weep in Heaven, the devil shuts e gates of Hell to keep him out.

The lack of a pool of water to own his decayed body in, or a rope g enough to hang his defiled car- ss, is the only real reason for the ex- ence of a scab in the place of an hon- st man.

Judas Iscariot had enough respect nd honor toward his fellow man, after traying his Master, to hang himself, ut a scab is devoid of respect and honor and is too cowardly to destroy is damnable existence.

Esau was a traitor to himself; he sold his birthright for a mess of pot- age.

Judas Iscariot was a traitor to God; he sold his Savior for thirty pieces of silver.

Benedict Arnold was a traitor to his country; he sold his country to England for the promise of a commission in the English army.

A common strike breaker, or a scab, sells his birthright, his country, his honor, his principle, his fellow man, his wife and children, his bread and butter, his religion and soul, to the cheap whelp who acts as a deceitful liar and assassin of character, who lives and thrives by virtue of coercion, bribery, under-handed tactics, unfilled promises and misrepresentation. A cold-blooded, low-down, unprincipled cur, acting as a parasite on the powerless human race, akin with the bedbug and the louse.

A scab acting as a common strike breaker is a traitor to his country, to his fellow man, to his family, to himself, and to his God.

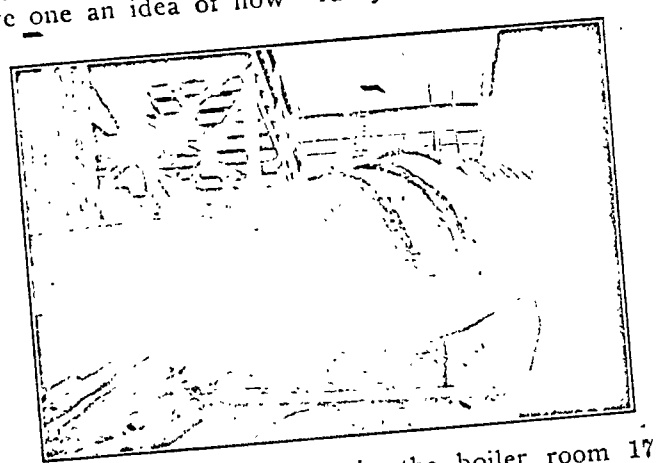
A real man is never a strike breaker, and an intelligent man never a scab, and an honest man never a parasite. One who has fallen below the recognition of a human being can only be classed akin with the bedbug, parasite or a dirty scab.

OUTSIDE OF THAT HE'S ALL RIGHT!

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Below Are Two Cuts of the Work Done at Camp Pike by Members of St. Louis Local Union No. 1, and Data Connected With the Job.

There were 126 individual boiler ...ses. Average size boiler was 5 sec... ...ns. Attached to each officers' quar... ...rs. Pipe covered under same was ...out 300 feet. The cement was 2 ...ches thick and canvassed. To do ...is work some of our brothers had ... walk about 3 miles morning and ...ght. The base hospital is some ...uilding. It is only one story high, ...ut it certainly does cover some ...round. To give one an idea of how essential part of a hospital. I was very plainly told at the beginning of the job that results was what was wanted there. I then set to work to devise an inculation that would come up to the government way of thinking. I know I have succeeded by the results that showed me that on Feb. 6, when the outside thermometer registered 30, the H. W. line (only half finished, the other half being temporarily covered) registered at the pump

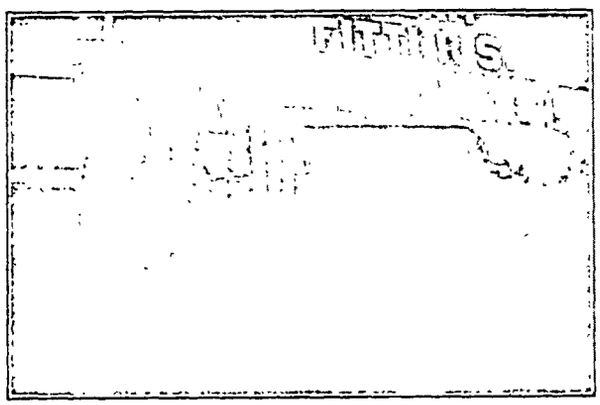


large it is I will say that if you start at one end of the corridor and walk through them all and come back to the place where you started you would have walked just 1¼ miles. Just picture that there are four lines to be covered running all around these corridors. The main boiler room consists of 8 boilers, 4 high and 4 low pressure, the tops to be covered 3 inches thick asbestos cement with a finish of asbestos and Portland cement 50-50. The main is 12 inches and enters the hospital at 8 inches. A word about the hot water line. All my readers know that hot water plays a very in the boiler room 170 degrees and after passing in the open (20 feet in the air) about one-third of a mile, it then traveled 1¼ miles inside and returned then ½ mile outside and registered 120. Some insulation and some material used. I would like to give my brothers a list of some of the material used, but as I think I am overstepping our worthy editor's allotted space I will ask to put it off to next edition. I was nearly forgetting to say that during the very severe weather last winter there were icicles on the main steam line over 3 feet in length, and boys, they stayed there till old

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Sol came out and melted them. . often heard it remarked by many ..e, army officers, steam fitters, and ..but not least, pipe laborers, that .. have never seen icicles so long .. stay for that length of time before. ..eve me, fellows, it was a feather the insulator's cap, of course. ..en you have the material you want .. men, a combination and the time. ..oes not come so very hard.

..ne of the many funny things that



. managed to get away with was, at .. time when I had 185 men working .. the lines, a pretty high civilian of-..ial asked me how many pipe cov-..ers I had, and while he was asking .. was looking at my time books and .. had eleven. He fairly jumped out of .. skin and he started, as I thought, .. call me, but he suddenly thought .. I knew I was right. He then tapped .. on the shoulder and walked away, ..-ghing. Needless to say he never .. ask me any more. Another time a military official wanted to know why I was wiring the roofing on instead of using lap cement. I looked up at him (he was about 6 feet 4 inches tall) and asked him if he thought it was possible the cement could be used to advantage. He apologized, shook me by the hand, and was a good friend of the pipe coverer thereafter during the time he stayed at the camp.

It would be unbrotherly on the part of the brothers and myself down here if we allowed the passing away of our dear lamented Brother Jack Sehers without mention, and we also desire to express to the other officers and brothers of Local No. 1 our sympathy and condolence in their recent great loss, and our only wish is that Local No. 1 will be able to fill the vacancy caused by our good, faithful and conscientious brother.

JACK LYONS,

Camp Pike, Little Rock, Ark.

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Secretary-Treasurer's Report

Since my last report quite a little bit of my time has been taken up with the Shipbuilding Labor Adjustment Board for the interest of our Locals upon the Atlantic Coast, and in which we have been very successful through our International President to enter into an agreement whereby all the Shipbuilding Yards in the East and the Great Lakes shall receive a wage of 65c per hour, which, I think, is a great victory for the Locals along the Coast, as most of the Ship Yards were having their work done for wages far less than the prevailing rate. This also places our craft in a classified list, as heretofore never was done. In some of the Yards we are rated as Pipe Coverers and others as Asbestos Workers, and in some no rating at all, but expect that in the entire Ship Yards our men will be rated as Insulators and Asbestos Workers.

NEW AGREEMENTS SIGNED.

Our Local at Chicago, Ill., has entered into an agreement with their employers for three years at 76¼c per hour.

Springfield, Mass., has signed up for 62½c per hour.

Wilmington, Del., has signed up for 65c per hour, and our Local at Philadelphia has signed up for 65c per hour.

LOCALS ORGANIZED.

Since my last report I have been successful in organizing three new Locals, namely, Charleston, S. C., which shall be known as Local Union No. 48; Casper, Wyo., which shall be known as Local Union No. 49, and Tacoma, Wash., which shall be known as Local Union No. 50, and from all accounts their membership is increasing and they are in a flourishing condition, and reports that each is a 100 per cent organization. Also have a few more prospective Locals, which no doubt I will report as organized in the near future.

NEW MEMBERS.

You will also note from the membership that our International is increasing quite considerable, as you will note on page 17.

FINANCES.

The Finances of the Association are far above normal, as you will note from the report recently sent out.

EXECUTIVE BOARD.

Nothing much came up before the Executive Board except the regular routine of endorsing several Agreements, which were placed in the hands of our International President, and who has been very successful in having them signed.

VISITS.

Owing to the fact that our International President was in the West and unable to immediately attend to the new Agreement of our Indianapolis Local, I visited that city and was successful in having same signed, which calls for an increase in wages and runs for a period of two years, and from all accounts the same has been satisfactory to all concerned.

I visited Cincinnati, at which time our International President was in that city, to take up several important questions, which I will report to our International Executive Board at their next regular meeting.

Following are the members who have transferred, withdrawn or been expelled:

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NEW MEMBERS.

(March, April, May)

No.
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Leo Pennington, Washington, D. C. (by old withdrawal card).
S. J. Downs, Cleveland, Ohio.
Carl Lohr, Milwaukee, Wis.
John A. Johnson, Boston, Mass.
Victor E. Erickson, Boston, Mass.
Alfonse Westlund, Boston, Mass.
Brar. E. Sylvin, Boston, Mass.
Theodore Erickson, Boston, Mass.
John P. Boyle, Boston, Mass.
John Hartnett, St. Louis, Mo.
LeRoy Wood, Portland, Ore.
Wm. Finedore, Grand Rapids, Mich.
Richard Dalrymple, Erie, Pa.
Fredrick S. Bierley, Erie, Pa.
August Youngblood, Phila., Pa.
Frank M. Doyle, Phila., Pa.
H. A. Taylor, Denver, Colo.
M. B. Wiggins, San Francisco, Cal.
F. Dalpint, San Francisco, Cal.
John McMalon, San Francisco, Cal.
P. W. Baker, Seattle, Wash.
Harry Krause, Seattle, Wash.
H. L. McKnight, Seattle, Wash.
John Lark, Providence, R. I.
Edgar C. R. Anderson, Providence, R. I.
Robert Egan, Providence, R. I.
Carl Johnson, Boston, Mass.
F. C. Briston, Baltimore, Md.
W. Burgess, Detroit, Mich.
Joseph Tulley, Chicago, Ill.
Andrew McGarvie, Chicago, Ill.
James C. Clark, Omaha, Neb.
G. Bullard, San Francisco, Call.
Colon J. Roscoe, Charleston, S. C.
Donald Seely, Charleston, S. C.
Charles J. Bilgene, Charleston, S. C.
H. E. Miller, Charleston, S. C.
Leo A. Craven, Charleston, S. C.
James Henry Noland, Charleston, S. C.
Albert H. Hanson, Charleston, S. C.
W. B. Puckhaber, Charleston, S. C.
Sam Filita, Conn.
Peter J. Kluck, Conn.
A. Belaraich, Conn.
C. S. Conk, Seattle, Wash.
P. T. Games, Seattle, Wash.
Wm. A. Conner, Seattle, Wash.
L. B. Thoy, Seattle, Wash.
Frank Baker, Seattle, Wash.
Richard A. Stoeckle, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Harry Sweeney, Phila., Pa.
Samuel S. Rhodes, Washington, D. C.
Edward Bohn, Washington, D. C.
James H. Cheek, Washington, D. C.
Harry Hunaker, Washington, D. C.
Bryant O. Butler, Washington, D. C.
H. H. Miller, Washington, D. C.
John W. Mace, Washington, D. C.
Edward Jordan, Washington, D. C.
D. J. Flynn, Washington, D. C. C.
Robt. Costello, Washington, D. C.
Edward J. Murray, Washington, D. C.
Clarence E. James, Washington, D. C.
Geo. T. Hunaker, Washington, D. C.
K. O. Dwyer, Washington, D. C.
F. McMahon, San Francisco, Cal.
C. M. Dermond, San Francisco, Cal.
W. Bettit, San Francisco, Cal.
D. Quinn, San Francisco, Cal.
J. Finnegan, San Francisco, Cal.
H. Mathiesson, San Francisco, Cal.
J. Malloney, San Francisco, Cal.
Thomas Gould, San Francisco, Cal.

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.63 H. Sheridan, San Francisco, Cal.
.64 George Jelenich, Boston, Mass.
.65 P. M. Lindsays, Cleveland, O.
.66 R. W. Escoffier, Charleston, S. C.
.67 Frank J. Brennan, Pittsburgh, Pa.
.68 Peter D. Schnur, Pittsburgh, Pa.
2269 J. Ulrich, Hartford, Conn.
2270 Elmer Wagner, Pittsburgh, Pa.
2271 C. E. Smith, Washington, D. C.
2272 John Costello, Washington, D. C.
2273 Geo. Knussi, Washington, D. C.
2274 Ellsworth R. Schrader, Detroit, Mich.
2275 Manuel Ward, St. Louis, Mo.
2276 Joseph Slater, St. Louis, Mo.
2277 Alexander Ulsas, St. Louis, Mo.
2278 Ed. Montie, Detroit, Mich.
2279 William Lonergan, Buffalo, N. Y.
2280 Wm. F. O'Conner, Phila., Pa.
2181 A. Kelly, New Orleans, La.
2182 Rine Castorede, New Orleans, La.
2283 A. Graner, Jr., New Orleans, La.
2284 A. J. Willy, New Orleans, La.
2285 James Doiler, New Orleans, La.
2286 Miles C. Dodds. Seattle, Wash.
2287 Joseph Kehr, Omaha, Neb.
2288 Carl Lee, Boston, Mass.

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Reg. No.
2190 Leo Pennington, Washington, D. C.
787 John Peterson, Phila., Pa.
1967 John Alvers, Chicago, Ill.
1372 J. H. Meyers, Baltimore, Md.
1364 P. J. Ryan, Baltimore, Md.
1428 Clyde Colwell, Cleveland, Ohio.
1444 Amos Gumash, Cleveland, O.
733 Geo. W. Stewart, Phila., Pa.
249 Chas. Olson, Boston, Mass.
1576 W. Mathews, San Francisco, Cal.
1664 Harry Morris, Cleveland, Ohio.
499 R. E. C. McGhee, Detroit, Mich.

TRANSFER CARDS DEPOSITED.

Reg. No.
493 N. Rendon, Pt. Providence, R. I.
2220 Andrew McGarvie, San Francisco, Cal.
1453 Chas. Kalcoonas, Cleveland, O.

EXPELLED.

Reg. No.
310 George Selmer, Boston, Mass.

CHANGE IN RATING.

Reg. No.
325 F. Minchell, from Improver to Mechanic.

MEMBERS TRANSFERRED.

Reg. No.
2190 Leo Pennington, Washington, D. C., to Portsmouth.
2015 Algot Johnson, from Providence, R. I., to Boston, Mass.
672 E. J. Kelly, from Hartford, Conn., to Boston.
40 M. E. Bloom, from St. Louis, Mo., to Chicago.
588 James Breslon, from Boston, Mass., to St. Louis, Mo.
493 Nic. Randen, from Boston, Mass.
1423 A. H. Budd, from Cleveland, Ohio, to St. Louis, Mo.
492 Ed. Comber, from Cleveland, Ohio, to Buffalo. N. Y.
502 Wm. Cook, Detroit, Mich.
2200 LeRoy Wood, Portland, Ore.
312 W. Arbogast, Detroit to Pittsburgh.
619 L. J. Wylie, Minneapolis and St. Paul to Seattle, Wash.
612 J. E. Swartout, Minneapolis and St. Paul to Seattle, Wash.
589 Chas. Bloom, Minneapolis and St. Paul to Seattle, Wash.
1876 John Friday, Chicago, Ill., to Cleveland.
1969 Joseph Briggs, Chicago, Ill., to Cleveland.
817 Leonard Hurd, Phila, Pa., to Baltimore, Md.
482 A. Sturgen, Detroit, Mich.
580 Algot Olson, Boston to Providence, R. I.

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Frank Spear, St. Louis, Mo., to Seattle, Wash.
Albert Morrison, St. Louis, Mo., to Seattle, Wash.
J. Jarolemich, Hartford, Conn.
M. Vickowich, Hartford, Conn.
Chas. Swanson, Boston, Mass.

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No.
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H. R. Ferguson, Pittsburgh, Pa.
George Bricmont, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Walter Hall, Pittsburgh, Pa.
William C. Landis, Pittsburgh, Pa.
Jas. McLaughlin, Buffalo, N. Y.
Louis Dany, Buffalo, N. Y.
H. Angelo, Washington, D. C.
John Peterson, Phila., Pa.
James Hendron, St. Louis, Mo.
John A. MacLeod, Boston, Mass.
B. Chadopki, Detroit, Mich.
E. J. Kane, Minneapolis, Minn.
Wm. Barker, Detroit, Mich.
Chas. H. Grimes, Youngstown, Ohio.
Henry T. Wright, Phila., Pa.
Wm. MacNichol, Phila., Pa.
D. W. Dolan, Omaha, Neb.
A. Reando, Milwaukee, Wis.
Oscar Johansen, Boston, Mass.
Frank J. Turey, San Francisco, Cal.
Arthur Sevilius, Boston, Mass.
N. M. Oakes, Boston, Mass.
Richard Lindstrom, Boston, Mass.
Harry Ryan, Boston, Mass.
Charles Walton, Pittsburgh.
Chas. Kalcoonas, Cleveland, O.
John Fauls, Chicago, Ill.
K. Fairbutton, Chicago, Ill.
Alfred Hayes, Boston, Mass.
Harold Lindberg, Boston, Mass.

DUE BOOK LOST.

No.
Nels A. Johnson, Springfield, Mass.
James O'Hara, Rochester, N. Y.
427 George Harward, Washington, D. C.
568 Chas. Johnson, Boston, Mass.
302 Chas. E. Nelson, Boston, Mass.
Vincent Coil, Phila., Pa.
1372 J. H. Meyers, Baltimore, Md.
2001 LeRoy Goodrich, Washington, D. C.
2018 Charles Maloney, Detroit, Mich.
1848 Michael Grady, Chicago, Ill.
1973 Walter Thompson, Chicago, Ill.
1862 P. Burns, Chicago, Ill.
1851 James Donegan, Chicago, Ill.

TRAVELING CARDS ISSUED AT.

Reg. No.
2158 Lee Stafford, Boston, Mass.
312 Wm. Arbogast, Detroit, Mich.
43 A. F. Weiss, Cleveland,, Ohio, to St. Louis, Mo.
2220 Andrew McGarvie, Chicago, Ill.
488 G. Yost, Detroit, Mich.
495 C. Cassidy, Detroit, Mich., to Phila., Pa.
2171 James Broch, Detroit, Mich., to Phila., Pa.
100 John England, Indianapolis, Ind.
617 Gus Smith, Minneapolis and St. Paul.
614 George Sparks, Minneapolis and St. Paul to Phila., Pa.
2099 Sidney Skaggs, Spokane, Wash.
331 C. Swegman, Cincinnati, O.
846 Arthur Hickman, Buffalo, N. Y.
599 W. H. Hawley, Minneapolis and St. Paul.

MEMBERS LAPSED FOR NON-PAYMENT OF DUES.

Reg. No.
2114 Leonard Kennard, Pittsburgh, Pa.
1966 Charles Muyusky, Conn.
174 Jas. Colburn, Pittsburgh, Pa.
905 Harry Krause, DeNoil, Mich.
2140 C. Rosincrans, Hartford, Conn.
296 W. J. Lane, Boston.

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1688 O. V. Dunsworth, Kansas City, Mo.
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327 J. Owens, Cincinnati, O.

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American Federation of Labor News

U. S. SHIPBUILDING BREAKS ALL RECORDS.

New York, April 6.—While Americans have been regaled with stories of inefficiency and corruption in the building of ships, Edwin N. Hurley, chairman of the United States shipping board, showed the other side of the picture in a speech in this city.

"It took Germany 40 years to build up her military machine," he said. "In less than eight months we have built up a shipbuilding machine which, when it gets into full swing, will defeat the military machine of Germany."

He disclosed the fact that there soon will be 730 ship ways in this country upon which to build steel and wooden vessels, which will be 521 more ways than Sir Eric Geddes stated England has, and that the government's shipbuilding program was for 8,205,708 capacity tons on March 1, of which 28 per cent was completed. There actually had been put in service 655,456 tons, or 8 per cent of the vessels ordered.

"When we took hold of this job of shipbuilding," said Mr. Hurley, "we found there was no ship yard in existence with which we could place an order. The old yards, with their trained force of shipbuilders, were filled to capacity. Seventy per cent of their space was taken by the enlarged naval program. The remainder of the space was taken by American and foreign owners.

"We were faced with the necessity of creating an entirely new industry. We had to undertake a job that would have daunted anyone but America."

The speaker said that the 37 steel ship yards in this country at the beginning of the war have been increased to 118, while 18 other yards have been expanded.

"We are building," he said, "in the new and expanded steel yards 235 new steel ship ways, or 26 more than at the present exist in all of the steel yards of England. The new industry we have created will make America the greatest maritime nation in the history of the world."

TO OUTLAW I. W. W.'S.

Washington, May 11.—The senate has passed a bill which is frankly aimed at the I. W. W.'s. The act outlaws any organization which favors the use of physical force to bring about "any government, social, industrial or economic change." Membership in any such organization is penalized by a fine of $5,000 and imprisonment for 10 years.

The owner or agent of any building that permits a meeting of such organization in his premises shall be imprisoned not more than one year and fined not more than $500.

The act will apply during the term of the war. The senate rejected an amendment to have the act apply after the war, as it was shown that "we have no power to pass such a law except the war power," and that the various states have jurisdiction in peace times.

In voting for the bill Senator Borah

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...ecessary for the govern... this time to take such strong ...but that this did not commit ...dealing with this problem as ...anent proposition.

...e disease must have a broader, ...humane and patient treatment," ... "We must remove some of ...uses before we expect the trou... disappear."

...FT AND F. P. WALSH ON U. S. LABOR BOARD.

...shington, March 2.—The five ...lists and five trade unionists ap... by Secretary of Labor Wilson ...rmulate a national labor policy, ...tive during the war, have each se... a prominent citizen who will ...d the interests of the public.

...e employers have named ex-Presi... Taft and the unionists have ...d Frank P. Walsh, of Kansas ... chairman of the United States ...ission on industrial relations, ...h recently passed out of existence ...statutory limitation.

...e trade union members of this na... labor policy commission are: ...idents Hayes of the mine work... Hutcheson of the carpenters; ...sion of the machinists; Rickert ...e garment workers and Victor ...ler, second vice-president of the ...an. President Johnston replaces ...ident Franklin of the brotherhood ...iler makers, who resigned to ac... a position under W. S. Carter, ...ident of the brotherhood of loco... firemen and enginemen, who is ...iated with Director General of ...roads McAdoo's wage commission. ...e brotherhood executive handles ... conditions.

The employing members of the national labor policy commission are: L. A. Osborne and L. F. Lores, New York City; Charles F. Brooks, Ansonia, Conn.; W. H. Van Dervoort, East Moline, Ill., and C. Edwin Michael, Roanoke, Va.

CAN'T STAY UNIONISM.

St. Louis, Mo., March 23.—The world has got beyond the stage of individual bargaining in labor, writes William M. Reedy, editor Reedy's Mirror.

"Collective bargaining is here and it has come to stay. Only the trades powerful enough to enforce the principle of collective bargaining are getting the best wages. Trade unionism is getting what it demands. Unorganized workers are lagging behind in raise of pay. The worker cannot depend on generosity. He is given nothing. He gets what he can win; no more.

"The individual worker cannot do much to better himself. In combinations with others he can do much. Therefore they organize. They bring to bear against the employer coercion. It is their answer to the employers' utilization of the individual worker's necessities to coerce that worker into acceptance to the lowest wage consistent with subsistence. The employer appeals to 'natural law.' There 'ain't no such thing' in the situation, with the employer in control of the job. To correct that unnatural law trade unionism has come into existence and it will remain until there comes into action another method of making natural law natural."

Correspondence

Washington, D. C., April 12, 1918.

Mr. Thos. J. McNamara,
803 Holland Bldg.,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir and Brother:

President Mullaney paid a very-much-appreciated visit to our city last Monday, April 8, and in honor of the event regular proceedings were dispensed with and an informal session held. As usual, he, like a skilled physician, felt out our ailments and administered the antidote most needed in the form of a highly interesting and instructive talk on the various phases of local government.

Among his most urgent requests was one in which he bids each and every Asbestos Worker to stand solidly behind the U. S. Government. and not to do anything that in any way would retard it in its effort to stem the tide of Imperialism.

Our Local takes this means to express their thanks, and wish him continued success.

Fraternally yours,

V. E. McLelland,
Secretary.

Mr. Thomas J. McNamara,
803 Holland Building,
St. Louis, Mo.

Dear Sir:

Replying to your letter of April 30, I am glad to advise you that this Board has decided to include a rate for asbestos workers in all of its future awards. The rate fixed is 65c an hour.

Very truly yours,
H. R. SEAGER,
Secretary.

Thomas J. McNamara,
803 Holland Building,
St. Louis, Mo.

This is to inform you that Private Jeremiah J. O'Connor, one of the first members of the St. Louis Local who enlisted has returned, owing to an operation being performed which proved unsuccessful. Although discharged, Private O'Connor is utilizing his time at night on the Blue Jay campus training the drafted men in that vicinity and expects to make Corporals and Sergeants out of most of them. He has been successful in training Patrick Mullen, who went last Sunday, and who it has been reported has advanced to Sergeant.

Hoping that Jerry will keep up the good work. G. S.

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ABOR'S MAGNA CHARTA.

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the cardinal points in the agree-
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nt board attached to the agree-

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resort. Employers have con-
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of labor since it left its swad-
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dous energies of capital and labor that the Republic might be nourished with their titanic strength.

WHERE PRICES ARE HIGHER THAN OURS.

From the World's Work.

Sweden before the war used to import about 5,000,000 tons of coal and coke per year. This supply, of course, has stopped. One result is that coal in Sweden now sells at $100 a ton, and is difficult to obtain. In Denmark, also, the coal shortage is acute. In Copenhagen's finest department store clerks wear big straw slippers and woolen blankets because there is not coal enough to keep the place properly heated.

Automobile tires are scarce in Denmark and consequently have sky-rocketed in price. A single tire sold for $540 there last October.

Tea in Sweden is $8 a pound. Coffee is practically unobtainable. Woolen clothing has increased more than 200 per cent in price since the beginning of the war. Chocolate sells for $3 a pound, ham for $1 a pound.

Gasoline, likewise, is difficult to obtain, and the price of it is prohibitive—last October it was $2 a gallon.

The length of the midwinter day in Sweden is approximately four hours. Lighting, therefore, is an essential. Kerosene is practically unobtainable, so the people have had to depend largely upon candles. In August, 1914, candles were 15 cents a pound; in January, 1917, 34 cents a pound, and last October, 58 cents a pound.

The scarcity and consequent abnormal prices of motoring necessities—tires and gasoline, for example—have necessarily affected the use of pleasure cars. Recently there were only seventeen taxicabs operating in Stockholm.

In the spring of 1916 ordinary low-grade walking shoes in Sweden had increased in price to $11 a pair. They are now $25 a pair.

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