

THE LABOR WORLD

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THE CONDITION OF THE COUNTRY

The condition of business throughout the country immediately prior to the day on which the storm burst upon the stock exchange in Wall street was good. Crops throughout the West and South were excellent and all products commanded a high price.

Except for the distrust caused by the panic there has been no development since then to indicate that the resumption of activity should be long delayed. There is an abundance of money everywhere.

EMPLOYERS' FOOLISH MOVE

With thousands and thousands of men out of employment we read in the daily papers that a number of manufacturing concerns have added an hour or two to the day's work of their employees.

"OPEN" VERSUS UNION SHOP

"Open shop—destruction of trade unions—unchecked competition for the opportunity to work—consequent loss of wages—increased working hours—decreased purchasing powers of the masses—less employment in store and factory, making still more difficult the struggle for existence.

QUEER TRAITS OF HUMAN NATURE

We often hear it said that one half of the world does not know how the other half lives. This is but another way of saying that a man seldom looks beyond the sphere of his own welfare.

pelled to agree to things that appear extremely unreasonable to the average man, and then when that same man becomes a "boss," in less than a year's time, he goes to the other extreme and wants to know why he can't run his business to suit himself without any interference or dictation from others.

It explains why some employers condemn the boycott while they use the black list; why the lawyer cannot see justice in the demand for a union shop while he insists that it is just and necessary for all lawyers to be in the bar association.

ASK FOR THE LABEL

When union men buy goods and do not ask for the label they really denounce their principles, says Justice. When they call for the union label they help unionism, wages and conditions, too.

SENATOR LA FOLLETTE

The reception of Senator La Follette by his colleagues of the United States senate when he took the floor for the first time was marked by a disrespect unbecoming the "American House of Lords."

That was the beginning of a senatorial career that has never ceased to keep things interesting for the gentlemen in the big Washington law factory. Last Tuesday the senator from Wisconsin took to task the currency bill fathered by Senator Aldrich of Rhode Island.

With this enormous centralization of business it is possible to create artificially periods of prosperity and periods of panics. Prices can be lowered or raised at the will of the 'system.' When the farmer must move his crops a scarcity of money can be ordered and prices lowered.

the industrial world and pocketed in Wall street. "If an effort is made to make one of these great interests obey the law it is easy for them to enter into a conspiracy to destroy whoever may be responsible for the undertaking."

AN EXPERIMENT

Why does the union man stand so resolutely for the closed shop? It is not that he has animosity towards his non-union fellowman; not that he wishes to see him and his family suffer or have their inalienable rights curtailed to the slightest degree; not that he would monopolize and control the labor market.

Let union men remember that every time they purchase the anti-union article they are contributing to the displacement of the union manufacturer, the union workman and ultimately to the extinction of the laborer or union article entirely.

Doctors call non-union doctors "quacks," lawyers non-union lawyers "shysters," and yet when some of these same lawyers and doctors hear a union mechanic call a non-union mechanic a scab they would have him sent to jail.

The way to build up the labor movement is to spend your money to employ union workers. The power of organized workers is great, but the power of the workers' wives is greater. A consistent demand for the labels will work wonders.

It was Mr. Gladstone, who said shortly before his death: "I painfully reflect that in almost every political controversy of the last fifty years the leisured classes, the educated classes, the wealthy classes, the titled classes, have been in the wrong."

"Robert Ingersoll said: I do not know what inventions are in the brain of the future; I do not know what garments of glory may be woven for the world in the loom of the great ocean of discovery; I do not know what science will do for us. I do know that science did just take a handful of sand and make the telescope, and with it read the starry leaves of heaven; I know that science took the thunder bolts from the hands of Jupiter, and now the electric spark, freighted with thought and love, flashes under the waves of the sea; I know that science stole a tear from the cheek of unpaid labor, converted it into steam with tireless arms the countless wheels of toil; I know that science broke the chains from the human limb, and gave us instead the forces of nature for our slaves; I know that we make the attraction of gravitation work for us; we have made the lightning our messengers; we have taken advantage of fire and flames and winds and sea; these slaves have no backs to be whipped; they have no children to be sold, no cradles to be violated; I know that science has given us better pictures and better books; I know it has given us better wives and better husbands, and more beautiful children; I know it has enriched a thousand-fold our lives; and for that reason I am in favor of intellectual liberty."

CHRONOLOGY OF INVENTIONS

The torpedo was first made in 1777. Billiards were invented in France in 1471. The first horse railroad was built in 1828. The folding envelope was first used in 1839. Brandy was first made in France, in 1310. Bombshells were first made in Holland in 1495. Iron pavements were first laid in London, in 1817. Coal oil was first used as an illuminant in 1826. Barometers were first made by Torricelli in 1643. The first almanac was printed in Hungary in 1470. Roller skates were invented by Plympton in 1863. The first American paper money was made in 1470. The first plaster cast was made by Verocchio in 1470. Alcohol was discovered in the thirteenth century. Advertisements first appeared in newspapers in 1652. Covered carriages were first used in England in 1580. The first iron wire was drawn at Nuremberg in 1351. Shorthand writing was the invention of Pitman in 1837. Stem winding watches were the invention of Noel in 1851. The first pipe organ was made by Archimedes in 220 B. C.

AMUSEMENTS

"Tige" in "Buster Brown." "Tige" in "Buster Brown." Company which comes to the Lyceum, April 10 and 11th, we are promised among other improvements in the cast, the best animal impersonator who has ever essayed to play the difficult part of "Tige." Buster's faithful canine companion. The advance representative while mentioning the many improvements in the cast this season, said: "Edwin Lamar, a man who has made himself famous playing dog, is playing the part of "Tige." "Buster Brown" without "Tige" would be like "home without a mother." Mr. Lamar certainly knows dogs. His reconstruction of "Tige's" quizzical countenance is a masterpiece in paint, paper-mache and canvas. Ferocity, amiability, curiosity, even that peculiarly subtle and elusive "doggy" emotion called humor is fitted clearly and easily across his canine mask. He wags his tail, licks his chops, tracks footprints with tremendous energy, worries the tramp's boots, and "just plays dog."

"A Galley Slave" Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Matinees Tuesday and Thursday.

Sunday afternoon's performance will mark the first and only appearance here this season of the "Cherry Blossoms," a jolly aggregation of comedy dispensers and musical purveyors who claim to have an entirely new and original up-to-date entertainment to offer. They will hold forth at the Metropolitan for the week of April 5th. The management has been careful in selecting its present season's company and securing the best that can be contrived in the way of topical interesting amusement. "The Cherry Blossoms" is one of the later day burlesque organizations, and is not wedded to the ancient idea that an audience can only be provoked to laughter by the aid of horse play and slap sticks, both of which are conspicuous in this company by their absence. The united efforts of John Perry, Goff Phillips, Eddie Markey, John Moran, Eddy Mack, John Nelson and Gene Jerge keep the comedy going at a fast and furious rate in both the opening satire "About the Yacht Skidoo" and the closing skit of "Three Old Cronies." Both are written on original lines and contain just enough plot to make them interesting, and are interspersed throughout with original musical numbers, executed by a score of pretty girls in elaborate and gorgeous costumes. In the olio, which is of unusual merit, will be found an entertainment equal to any vaudeville house in the city, including as it does Markey and Moran, the scotchman and Tommy Atkins on guard, Granville and Mack in a nonsensical absurdity, Goff Phillips, monologist, Jerge, Alene and Hamilton, acrobatic song and dance, Lilly Perry, the chic little soubrette, and others.

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POLICIES THAT MUST IN TIME PREVAIL

Excerpts From an Address Delivered at Omaha by William Jennings Bryan.

Democrats Face the Future With a Hope Based on Sure Foundation.

Mr. Bryan, after showing that the Republicans fall lamentably short in their efforts to give effect to Democratic ideas, said in part as follows: "Our trouble used to be to persuade the Republicans to accept Democratic policies; our work now is to expose the limitations by them of Democratic ideas and to point out wherein they come short in their effort to appropriate Democratic doctrines. Take for instance the trust question. We had difficulty convincing the Republicans that trusts exist. Now they admit trusts exist; we had difficulty convincing them that criminal law should be enforced against trusts; now they admit it should be enforced but fail to enforce it. Insofar as they have acted against the trusts at all they have acted along the lines laid down by the Democrats, but the trust magnates are still at large, the trusts are still flourishing, and even the supporters of Mr. Taft have no specific remedies to offer for relief, and trusts arise while Republicans are basting of their crusade against them."

Exterminating the Monopolies.

"They propose regulation of monopolies instead of extermination, although they have reason to know that regulation has failed and that any one of a number of trusts can afford to contribute ten times as much to a campaign fund as can be collected from all the voters who are outside the privileged circle."

The Tariff Question.

"On the tariff question the Republican leaders now admit that tariff reform is necessary, but a careful reading of their promises show that they use language identical with that employed in former platforms which have been the basis for the present extortionate rates. The advocate of the McKinley tariff and of the Dingley tariff never asked for more than enough to cover the difference of the cost of labor here and abroad, but under the pretense of protecting labor they built up the present oppressive schedules. What reason, then, have we to believe their promises are worth any more now than they have been in the past twenty years?"

Railroad Regulation.

"The Republicans now admit that railroad regulation has been needed, and yet for ten years the Republican party allowed itself to be overawed by the railroad lobby at Washington and having, with the aid of the Democrats, secured a little relief. The present financial stringency is an illustration of Republican incompetence. In the full possession of power, it has allowed the country to be run by Wall street financiers and in the crisis is impotent to do more than furnish money out of the public treasury to support the market. It has made no effort to stop gambling—the fruitful cause of panics—it has made no effort to furnish government notes for an emergency and it has made no effort to protect depositors. While it demands security for government funds when deposited with banks, it has left the individual depositor to risk his scanty savings without protection against mismanagement by bank officials."

Democracy Gaining.

"The Democrats face the future with hope and the hope rests on a firm foundation. Democratic policies have grown in popularity as the voters have become better acquainted with the evils to be remedied. The Democrats have been looking at public questions from the standpoint of all the people, while Republican leaders have been looking at them from a standpoint of a few. As the strength of a party must in the long run be measured by the strength of its principles, Democrats have reason to believe that their prospects of success have been greatly increased by the widespread acceptance of Democratic remedies."

PROTEST AGAINST THE NAVY.

Some two hundred and seventy-five clergymen of New York City have sent to congress the following protest:

"We, the undersigned clergymen of New York City, voting, as we believe, the sentiments of many thousands of American citizens, earnestly protest against the extravagant demand for an addition of over \$60,000,000 in the form of four new battleships, cruisers, etc., to the naval budget of last year, inasmuch as no danger threatens the country not known last April when President Roosevelt told the world: 'We are no longer enlarging our navy. We are simply keeping up its strength. The addition of one battleship a year barely enables us to make good the units which became obsolete.'"

"Sixty-five per cent of the national income is now expended on war past and present. The increase of our naval budget has recently been used in the French assembly as a reason for increasing its own, is largely responsible for the increase of armaments among the Asiatic nations, and is well-nigh certain to retard that reduction in the armaments of the world for which we have so long been waiting."

"The growing discontent throughout the world at the appalling increase of waste of national resources must be heeded. We feel that this protest is the more necessary inasmuch as there are various new and effective methods now available for promoting international friendship and rationally settling difficulties, which these new demands seem to ignore." That is a well-worded and well-timed protest. To expend sixty-five per cent of our revenue for war purposes is criminal folly, especially at a time when hundreds of thousands

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Order For Hearing on Claims. STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, In Probate Court. In the Matter of the Estate of Joseph Trudo, Decedent. Letters testamentary this day having been granted to Racael Trudo. It is Ordered, That the time within which all creditors of the above named decedent may present claims against his estate in this Court, be, and the same hereby is, limited to six months from and after the date hereof; and that Monday, the 5th day of October, 1908, at ten o'clock A. M., in the Probate Court Rooms at the Court House at Duluth in said County, be and the same hereby is, fixed and appointed as the time and place for hearing upon the examination and adjustment of the claims of all persons claiming against the estate of said decedent, and for the allowance of such claims as shall be presented within the time aforesaid. Let notice hereof be given by the publication of this order in the Labor World as provided by law. Dated at Duluth, Minn., April 1st, 1908. J. B. MIDDLECOFF, Judge of Probate, (Seal, Probate Court, St. Louis County, Minn.) Labor World—Apr. 4, 11, 18, 1908.

Order of Hearing on Petition For Adjudgment of Final Account and for Final Decree of Distribution. STATE OF MINNESOTA COUNTY OF ST. LOUIS, In Probate Court. In the matter of the estate of Peter Nelson Deceased. The petition of S. G. Nelson as representative of the above named decedent, together with his final account of the administration of said estate, having been filed in this court, representing, among other things, that he has fully administered said estate and praying that said final account of said administration be examined, adjusted and allowed by the court, and that the court make and enter its final decree of distribution of the residue of the estate of said decedent to the persons entitled thereto, and for the discharge of the representative and the sureties on his bond. It is Ordered, That said petition be heard, and said final account examined, adjusted and allowed by the court at the Court House in the City of Duluth in said County on Monday, the 27th day of April, at ten o'clock A. M., and all persons interested in said hearing and in said matter are hereby cited and required to attend in person to show cause, if any there be, why said petition should not be granted. Ordered Further, That this order be served by publication in the Labor World according to law. Dated at Duluth, Minn., March 27th, 1908. J. B. MIDDLECOFF, Judge of Probate, (Seal, Probate Court, St. Louis County, Minn.) Labor World—April 4, 11, 18, 1908.

REPUBLICANS ARRANGS THEMSELVES. The Taft convention in Ohio calls for some governmental reforms? Why? Why, if needed, have they not been brought into existence long since? What was there to prevent it? The Taft convention wants a special session of congress to revise the tariff. If the tariff needs revision, and even the standpatters are beginning to recognize that the demand of the people and not the trusts must soon be recognized, why has the work been left undone for these past dozen years, or for the past four years Congress has now been in session since December last, and according to the admissions of its leaders, it has done nothing, and proposes to continue to do nothing. Why was not the time utilized in revising the tariff as now called for by Ohio? The Taft convention demands a "sound financial system in harmony with the achievements of the Republican party." Why, then, have we