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DULUTH CARPENTERS MOURN THEIR CHIEF

James Kirby Was Near and Dear to Local Union—Had Many Friends Here.

James Kirby, late president of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, whose death is reported this week, was well known to Duluth and Superior union labor men.

His sterling qualities won for him hosts of friends among union men and contractors. He was then serving as president of the Structural Building Trades Alliance, from which office he resigned to become head of the carpenters' succeding William Huber.

Duluth Carpenters union, Local No. 361, will pass appropriate resolutions of sympathy for their late chief at the regular meeting to be held Tuesday evening.

SILBERSTEIN AGAIN CHOSEN PRESIDENT

Associated Charities Begins New Year With Much Promise. To Inform People.

The new board of directors of the Associated Charities met for the first time at the Commercial club Monday noon at which time officers for the year were elected.

Miss Edna Meeker was also re-elected secretary. No associated charities in the United States has a more efficient secretary than we in Duluth have in Miss Meeker.

Carroll F. Graff was re-elected treasurer. Mr. Graff is a very busy man and few people know how much of his time is required in raising money to finance the Duluth Associated Charities in order that it may conduct its great work.

W. E. McEwen was re-elected vice president. Mr. Silberstein announced his purpose to visit all the community and neighborhood clubs in the city during the fall and winter for the purpose of explaining to the people the main objects and functions of the Associated Charities.

Associated Charities is the clearing house of the several charity and relief societies in the city. There are many people, almost too many, in a constant state of dependency who pray upon several relief societies at a time, and no one of these organizations would be aware of what the other was doing if it were not that such an institution as the Associated Charities existed.

The Labor World urges its readers to study well the work of the Duluth Associated Charities before passing criticism upon it.

BOYS' NOBBY FALL CLOTHES FALL SUITS, \$2.45 TO \$15. OVERCOATS, \$2.45 TO \$18 AT THE BIG DULUTH.

CONGRESSMAN KENT FAVORS SEAMEN'S LAW

SANTA ROSA, Cal., Oct. 21.—In a speech before the California state federation of labor convention, Congressman Kent made the following declaration:

"I will never stand for the repeal of the seamen's act. It may be necessary for us to have a merchant marine, but I would rather see the American flag floating over a raft out in the ocean than to have a merchant marine of great magnitude where the men employed are treated like slaves."

Don't owe your neighbor a grudge; better cancel debt at once.

COMMISSION SHOULD RAISE POLICE PAY

They Have It Coming to Them. Salaries Not in Keeping With Important Work.

Duluth police want more money and there is no reason why the city commissioners should not comply with their request.

It is four years since the pay of the local police was increased. In 1911 each patrolman was granted an increase of \$5.00 a month.

It is said that the police of Duluth receive lower salaries than are paid to the police of St. Paul and Minneapolis, in spite of the fact that the cost of living in Duluth is higher than in most cities.

All things taken into consideration warrant the commissioner to find a way to give the policemen a deserved increase in wages.

The proposed demand will not increase the city budget over \$5,000 a year. Surely the commissioners can find a way to raise this amount of money.

AFRAID TO DEBATE; TO FIGHT IN DARK

Advocates of "Constitutional Government" Refuse to Meet Challenge of I. and E.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—The national association for constitutional government has declined the offer of the national popular government league to debate either the initiative, referendum or recall.

The constitutional folks, through David Jayne Hill, chairman, insists that their organization is "educational and not controversial."

The direct legislation official continues: "We are pleased that you now definitely state that you are opposed to the initiative, referendum and recall."

"Your attitude forces us to the belief that your association cannot stand the light of publicity, cannot stand open debate, cannot stand public scrutiny of your reasons; and, while we have not charged you with representing invisible influences, we say without hesitation that the minority rule which you advocate and your hostility to majority rule favor a form of government peculiarly subject to the control of invisible influences, from which this country has so keenly suffered."

ASSOCIATED PRESS DENIES FALSE STORY

WASHINGTON, Oct. 19.—Officers of the Associated Press in this city have written a letter to A. F. of L. officials against the inference that the Associated Press is the party to an alleged plan intended to weaken work being done by the federal department of labor, and also the statement that the railroad brotherhoods accept that portion of the Commons' report to the commission on industrial relations which favors a commission to enforce labor laws.

Associated Press officials say they did not send out this story, which was printed in the A. F. of L. Weekly News letter, issue of September 25, but that it was published by newspapers that had received this information in the form of a circular, issued by an information bureau in this city.

TO VOTE ON COMPENSATION PHILADELPHIA, Oct. 19.—The voters of this state will vote on a constitutional amendment at the coming election which provides for compulsory compensation. The present law, effective Jan. 1, is optional and may be rejected at will by employers if they prefer a lawsuit to paying injured workers.

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HIBBING ASSEMBLY ORGANIZED BY HALL President of State Federation of Labor Forms Strong Central Labor Body.

DISCONTENT AMONG LABORERS HEALTHY General President of Teamsters' Union States It Helps to Promote Progress.

HIBBING, Oct. 21.—Steps were taken last Friday night to organize a Hibbing Trades and Labor assembly. President E. G. Hall of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor addressed a joint meeting of the members, tailors and plasterers unions last Friday night for the purpose of forming such an assembly and for the further purpose of arranging for the holding of the Thirty-Fourth Annual convention of the State Federation of Labor which will be held in Hibbing next year.

Big Attendance Expected. The Hibbing meeting next year will be the first time that the State Federation of Labor has held a convention in this part of the state and it is expected that there will be as large an attendance as at Winona this year.

Mr. Hall, in addition to being president of the Minnesota Federation of Labor, is secretary of the Northwest Blue Conference composed of cigar-makers unions in Minnesota, North and South Dakota and is sixth vice-president of the International Cigar-maker's union.

Mr. Hall spoke to the meeting at some length upon labor conditions throughout the state and declared that the outlook is more promising than for some years past. He will be in Hibbing for some days.

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DOCTORS' UNION IN WAGE SCALE FIGHT

KOKOMO, Ind., Oct. 19.—The "union" of doctors in this city, known as the Kokomo Medical association, protests against a lowering of wages by compensation insurance companies.

"We will not sign nor subscribe to any schedule of fees of any kind or nature whatsoever as has been or may hereafter be prepared by said liability insurance companies."

The doctors further declare: "Such interference by the said insurance companies would be unbecomingly and detrimental to the medical profession and grossly unjust to the public at large to whom the said insurance companies owe no liability."

BRIDGE WORKERS TO ARBITRATE GRIEVANCES

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 21.—The various unions employed on the free bridge have agreed with city officials to arbitrate differences. The workers are demanding the removal of the assistant superintendent, who, it is charged, discriminates against organized workers and who boasts of his association with strike breakers.

UNIONIZE ST. LOUIS THEATER

ST. LOUIS, Mo., Oct. 19.—The Grand Duchess theater management has ended the two months' strike at that place by agreeing to employ members of the Picture Machine Operators' and the Stage Employers' unions.

TO MAKE ARKANSAS 'PEN' MORE HUMAN

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 19.—A special committee appointed by Governor Hays to investigate the Arkansas penal system has made a report in which is included several important recommendations.

It is urged that a reasonable amount of stationery and postage be furnished each prisoner; that bedding be more closely looked after; that more soap and towels be supplied; that bake ovens be built at each convict camp; that the cooking and serving of food be carefully watched; that the supply of home grown food stuffs be increased and that prisoners be worked no longer than ten hours a day.

It was found that but one physician looks after 1,300 men and women at seven camps, and the committee recommends that a complete hospital be maintained at administration headquarters, with emergency hospitals at each camp.

Bath houses in each camp of 200 prisoners is favored, and it is urged that stockades or bunk houses erected in the future should be of masonry high enough for three stories of bunks, which should be made of stock pipe, and all structural parts of stockades should be fire proof and vermin proof.

STATE BUTCHERS MEET

OAKLAND, Cal., Oct. 19.—The fourth annual convention of the California state federation of butcher workmen proved a successful gathering. A more thorough organization of this calling was discussed as was the proposed butchers' home and a strict enforcement of Sunday and holiday closing.

CARELESS SUBWAY BUILDERS BLAMED

New York City Officials Reports on Loss of Life at Recent Cave-ins.

NEW YORK, Oct. 19.—Commissioner of Accounts Leonard Wallstein has made an official report to Mayor Mitchell in which the construction company is blamed for the two recent subway cave-ins that resulted in the loss of many lives and the injury of over 100 persons.

"As to the physical causes of the accidents, my conclusions as to both is that the progressive collapse of roadway were due to inadequate supporting structure beneath the surface."

The Central Federated Union, representing organized labor in this city, had previously declared the accidents were caused by cheap labor and to the "greed avariciousness and criminal carelessness of contractors and city officials alike."

IF YOU MOVE YOU CAN'T VOTE

SACRAMENTO, Cal., Oct. 19.—The state supreme court has ruled that a voter in this state who moves from one precinct into another within 30 days before an election loses his residence and does not gain a new one, thereby losing his vote at that election.

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LA FOLLETTE BACKS UP SEAMEN'S LAW

Declares Insidious Power Works to Defame Safety Measure. Strong Indictment.

MADISON, Wis., Oct. 21.—Practically on the eve of the date when the Seamen's law which bears his name is to become effective, Senator La Follette today issued a long statement characterizing the campaign being waged against the law as a "combination of ignorance and dishonesty."

"The same power which organized the press of the country to force from the interstate commerce commission a decision favorable to the railroads in the one hundred million dollar advance rate case, is behind the nationwide newspaper raid on the Seamen's law," says Senator La Follette in a long editorial statement today.

The same self interest has inspired both attacks. The same power which controls transportation by land controls transportation by water. In the advance rate case, its literary bureau printed thousands of pages of "dope" news articles and editorial comment in the leading dailies, the great weeklies, and the monthly magazines.

The opposition to this measure is a combination of ignorance and dishonesty," declares Senator La Follette in conclusion. "Its defeat session after session, by the steamship companies, aided by the corporation press of the country, has been the cause of many horrifying disasters at sea and on the Great Lakes. The effort to repeal it, involving as it does a great majority of the newspapers and periodicals of the country is a shame and a reproach to the American press."

PLUMBERS' FORMER SECRETARY VISITOR

L. W. Tilden of Cleveland, Ohio, former general secretary of the United Association of Plumbers, Gas and Steam Fitters, was a visitor in Duluth Wednesday. Mr. Tilden is now a salesman for a Detroit brass goods manufacturing company.

Mr. Tilden was in Chicago when news of the death of James Kirby, president of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, was received in that city. He states there was general mourning among union labor leaders of the big city. A special train was engaged and 200 prominent labor men went to Indianapolis to attend the funeral.

UNION LABOR WAGES FREE SPEECH FIGHT

WORCESTER, Mass., Oct. 19.—Trade unionists and sympathizers are resisting the proposed city ordinance which is intended to "regulate" public speaking, but which, in fact, gives the chief of police complete authority over all public speaking.

The objectionable section in the ordinance provides that: "The chief of police shall issue written permits authorizing any person or persons to hold a public meeting for such purposes, at such times and in such places in or near any street as he considers reasonable and proper; and such meetings, when conducted in an orderly manner, shall not be deemed in violation of the foregoing section."

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