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COMPANY UNION AGAIN SPURNED

Railroad Labor Board Repeats
Ruling Against Pennsylvania
Read on Own Unions.

CHICAGO, Sept. 1.—The United States railroad labor board has again opposed the Pennsylvania railroad's company "union," this time as the result of a protest by the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks. The dispute started over methods by which the railroad and the union would negotiate working rules, and the railroad launched its company "union."

"The evidence shows," said the labor board, "that a large majority of said employees either did not participate in the election held by the carrier or their votes were thrown out. The representatives elected by a minority of the employees have since been negotiating new agreements for rules and working conditions to apply to all employees of that class, including the majority, who did not vote, or those whose votes were thrown out."

The board orders another election to be participated in by all employees, regardless of affiliation, to select representatives to negotiate working rules.

The labor board also rules that the railroad company was wrong in refusing to allow the name of any organization to go on the ballot.

"There is nothing in the transportation act to justify this course," said the board. "Said statute recognizes the existence of organizations of railway employees, and the right of the men to belong to such organizations is no longer seriously questioned in any quarter."

WOULD HAVE UNCLE SAM ABOLISH "BARGAIN DAYS"

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—The theory of "less government in business" is favored by retailers, but these business men believe Uncle Sam should aid them in abolishing "bargain days." They have attempted to enlist the department of commerce in a campaign to persuade merchants to abandon this practice and maintain a general level of prices which, they say, should be "stabilized."

It is stated that the department of commerce will take no part in the movement.

HIGH TAXES ANNOY.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 1.—Income and excess profits taxes are extremely annoying to textile manufacturers in this city, who object to government agents questioning them on their returns. The Textile Manufacturers' association has written to President Harding urging that these investigations be stopped.

WATCHES LEGISLATION FOR RAILROAD FIREMEN



FRED E. TILLQUIST.

Mr. Tillquist is legislative representative for the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen in Minnesota. He is active in the councils of the Minnesota Working People's Non-Partisan league and is popular with union labor men and women throughout the state.

MORE MORTGAGED FARMS IN U. S. THAN IN 1910

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Mortgaged farms in this country more than doubled between the years 1910 and 1920, reports the United States census bureau. The increase in mortgage charges against farms owned by operators was 132.5 per cent or from \$1,720,173,851 in 1910 to \$4,012,711,213, in 1920.

The mortgages amounted in 1920 to 89.1 per cent of the value of the farms, against debts of 27.3 per cent of the values in 1910.

The average amount of mortgage debts per farm for the United States in 1920 was \$3,361 against \$1,715 in 1910.

8,000,000 WOMEN ENGAGED IN GAINFUL OCCUPATIONS

CLEVELAND, Sept. 1.—There are 8,000,000 women in this country engaged in gainful occupations, said Dr. Amelia Henry Reinhardt of Oakland, Cal., in an address to the National Federation of Business and Professional Women's clubs.

She said that 50 per cent of the women are teachers and 37 per cent occupy secretarial positions. Only 1,600 have graduated in law.

UNION TENANTS HIT LANDLORDS

New Orleans Workers Find Novel
Way to Oppose Anti-Union
and Open Shop Foes.

NEW ORLEANS, Sept. 1.—A mass meeting called by trade unionists resulted in the formation of a tenants' rights association. The call for the meeting stated that it is necessary to protect against the forces of oppression and "do-nothingism" which now prevails and which seeks to continue the conditions and "make no change," so that "250,000 of our men, women and children may be flayed to the bone next year in an unhindered orgy of rent greed, with wholesale evictions on a scale never before seen in the south."

The state legislature meets the first week in September and the law makers will be urged to take action against present conditions. Wages have been reduced in the building industry because of a propaganda that these rates made building construction impossible. The wages were cut, but the expected. The wages were cut, but developed. Those who insisted on wage reductions are maintaining high prices for building material.

CITY GOVERNMENT GOES BACK TO OLD STANDARD

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 1.—The city recently approved a bond issue of \$250,000 for park purposes, and now the park board has taken advantage of industrial conditions to "sweat" the workers as would the meanest exploiter. Wages have been cut to 30 cents an hour and hours are increased to nine a day. Private employers are asking, "If the city can do this, why not we?"

HAYS RESCINDS ANOTHER EX-CZAR BURLESON EDICT

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—Postmaster General Hays has notified first and second class postmasters to grant leave of absence to clerks to attend the annual convention of the National Federation of Post Office Clerks, if the services of the clerks can be spared without impairing the service. Such absence will be charged to the employees' annual leave of vacation.

WHO GETS SHOE PROFITS.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 1.—"The hide of one animal will make the upper part of 43 pairs of shoes, and the entire hide is now selling at \$4.20," said Congressman Towne of Iowa in a speech in the house last week.

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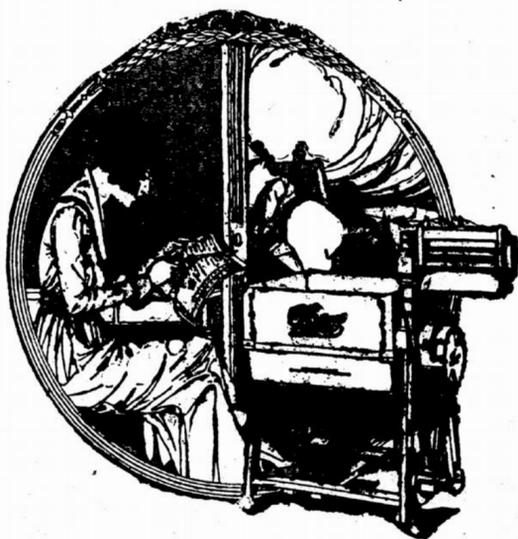
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