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MEN WANTED

Within the past ten days the writer picked up a trade journal and scanned the want advertisements and found five and a half full columns of small advertisements under the heading, "Men Wanted." This amounted to one hundred ten inches of ads aggregating about two ads to the inch.

These advertisements applied to one particular line of business but the thing that impressed me most was the wording of many of the advertisements. Here is a sample: "Will pay top notch wages for a first class man. Steady work. No loafers need apply." And another reads thus, "Wanted—Competent man who will stick and can produce. Highest wages, forty-eight hours. Bums and loafers are taboo." A similar sentiment was expressed in many other advertisements and without exception they made a demand for efficiency and were willing to pay good good wages to the man who knew his business and knew it well enough to get results.

The tone of these advertisements would indicate two things very clearly. First, that there is a demand for competent men, and that they can command good wages as well as have steady employment; and second that loafers and incompetents are not wanted at any price, and bums need not even apply.

This idea is mighty significant and should make us all thoughtful for our own preparation for our work, whatever line it may be. Preparedness is a word that has been much in use of late, and there is an insistent demand everywhere that men shall know how to do some thing well, and that is not all, there is a demand that there shall be no loafing on the job, which demand has unquestionably been brought about by loafing and inefficiency.

This country faces the greatest problems in its history. We have billions of dollars of debt to pay, and the annual interest on that debt is more than our total debt was ten years ago. Taxes are high and living costs have greatly increased. The man who said, "Nothing is accomplished without labor," made a statement that will live through all the years because it is so true; and our country will stand or fall depending upon how well we realize its truthfulness and apply the principle.

This is a time for every man to go to it and work with might and main to bring conditions back to normal. If every man will do his part and no one will loaf there can be no question about the outcome. But when we loaf, quarrel, grumble, and try to get something for nothing, we are blocking the wheels of progress and adding to the burden of those who do work. Let every man do his part all the time.

WANTED

God give us men! A time like this demands Strong minds, great hearts, true faith, and ready hands; Men whom the lust of office does not kill; Men whom the spoils of office cannot buy; Men who possess opinions and a will; Men who have honor,—men who will not lie;

Tall men, sun-crowned, who live above the fog In public duty, and in private thinking; For while the rabble, with their thumb-worn creeds, Their large professions and their little deeds,— Mingle in selfish strife, lo! Freedom weeps, Wrong rules the land, and waiting Justice sleeps! —J. G. Holland.

GOVERNMENTAL SUPREMACY

Opinions are at variance as to the merits of the various controversies between capital and labor that are paralyzing the industry of this country and injuring millions of people who are in no way responsible for the conditions that exist.

Without greater knowledge than we possess we would not presume to pass judgment upon the briefs of either side. There may be right and wrong on both.

But one fact stands out paramount to all others. The supremacy of the government must prevail, and any person who is not willing to acknowledge and abide by that supremacy is an undesirable citizen and should be treated accordingly.

We have seen too much of the bolshevistic effect upon Russia to ever countenance its control of this country, but if any organization or group of men, whether of capital or labor, is allowed to continually flout and defy the governmental authority, bolshevism, in its most virulent form is exactly what we must face—and sooner than we anticipate.

There is entirely too much of a tendency to ignore the government and apply the rule or ruin law of might. When the government reaches the end of its patience and says settle, it is time for the contestants to do just that very thing. The public, as well as the parties to the disputes, have rights that must be respected, although the scrapping minority appears not to be aware of that fact.

Stephen Decatur once said: "Our country! May she ever be right—but our country, right or wrong."

FOR CONSCIENCE SAKE

Don't be too hasty in condemning the fellow whose conscience troubles him. Possibly he is to be admired.

Wherever there is a normal mind there is supposed to be a conscience. But many of them do not function. Some, apparently, have even ceased to exist.

A conscience is a troublesome thing when it is in good working order. It is forever interfering with some long cherished plan or pet project. When we want to lull it to sleep it insists upon remaining wide awake.

Hence we kick it, and cuff it, and trample upon it until it becomes blunted and calloused from incessant abuse.

And then it droops and fades away, and we, being emancipated, proceed to prosper in the world of material affairs.

Every man wants his neighbors to be perfect. It leaves that much more devilment for him to absorb himself.

Don't be too hasty in calling the fellow who tricks you a trickster. He may only have beaten you to it.

Never give free advice. The other fellow values it according to its price.

When the unexpected happens everybody expected it to do so.

With Our State Contemporaries

UNION LOYALTY

"The Government will find few union miners who will be willing to enter the mines. At least 250,000 men are needed to turn out a useful amount of coal. This will be found utterly impossible while the men remain loyal to the union."—From interview with Joe Morris, head of Iowa's striking miners.

Perhaps Joe Morris is right. It may be impossible to get the necessary help to man the coal mines, under the Harding plan, "while the men remain loyal to the union." But there's another Union, worth a moment's thought, worth more than a moment's loyalty. It is the Union of States—representing the union of 110,000,000 people's vital interests—their livelihood now, and their very lives next winter. It is all very well for Joe Morris to talk about being "loyal to the union." But the first need today is for Americans who recognize a paramount "loyalty" to the greater "Union" which represents all that we are and all that we can ever hope to be.

The United States is the greatest Union in history. All other "unions" pale into insignificance beside it. The United States requires coal. All the mine owners and all the mine employees in the country put together can claim no "rights" paramount to the "right" of this one big "Union" to get coal. When this one supreme "Union" asks belligerents in the coal business to resume production—and submit their differences to arbitration under Government auspices—the only legitimate chance to talk of "loyalty" is the "loyalty" which supports the Government and the "Union" which represents us all. Joe Morris' men—and Joe himself, and all like him—would exhibit the most intelligent "loyalty" even to their own comparatively little "union" if they would demand of John L. Lewis a paramount "loyalty" (through agreement with the President) to the paramount "Union" which can acknowledge no super-sovereign. Their own rights would be sure of protection—surer than they have ever been before—and they would not be in the untenable position of asking the 99 per cent of us to go broke and then to freeze while we impatiently wait for belligerent 1 per cent to finish an illogical shindy. No sane man but wants the legitimate protests of the miners satisfied. No sane man but knows they would be legitimately satisfied under the spurned Harding program. No sane man but knows no operator, no employer, could succeed in standing against that program a single week if John L. Lewis & Company were to accede. Yet Joe Morris says Harding is trying to "break the union." On the contrary, he is merely trying to "save the Union." If he did less, he ought to be impeached. His duty is to "follow through." The duty of every American is to help him. In no other way can they help themselves. In a choice between "loyalty to the union" and "loyalty to the Union," can there be even a second thought?—Grand Rapids Herald.

Phool Philosophy BY Old Cy Collegy

In union there is strength, until the judge severs the knot.

Our sins find us out, but they don't always squeal.

To be sure, the laborer is worthy of his hire—when he earns it.

For a profitable vacation at low cost, spend it in your garden.

A young man never goes crazy when he is in love. He only gets dippy.

It is possible, though, that some people have to keep their good resolutions because nobody else wants them.

The smallest rung of the ladder is always at the top. There are not so many to occupy it.

Cheer up! You may be president some day. Every dinky organization has one.

You can't make an efficient reputation by watching the other fellow do it.

No, don't tell us your opinion of yourself. We don't print rough stuff.

Now is the time to do things you should have done yesterday, but it makes double work today.

Give your neighbor credit for keeping a secret. He hasn't told what he knows about you.

School teachers are continually a lap ahead of their times. They are teaching children many of the things they should learn at home.

Young people should never make light of gray hairs. The aged have learned the follies of youth.

Wedding bells ring merrily, but the siren of the divorce court is the one that makes the big noise.

Be an expert at one thing and the world will forgive you for what you don't know about the rest.

If people who fall in love at first sight would refrain from taking the second look there would be less divorces in the world.

Education enables us to realize the things we don't know.

The feeble minded, however, never worry over their affliction.

If you want your wife to forgive you, spill the beans before some one else beats you to it.

There is no fool quite so foolish as the fool who thinks he is wise one.

A Chicago girl has been winning fame by breaking all records at swimming. As a fitting climax to her career she may eventually learn to bake bread.

OFFICIAL CALL FOR REPUBLICAN STATE CONVENTION

The Republican State Central Committee directs that a State convention of the delegated representatives of the Republican Party of Michigan be held in the city of Muskegon, Wednesday, September 27, 1922 at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, (eastern standard time), for the purpose of nominating candidates for State offices, and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the convention.

The voters of the several counties who are in accord with the principles of the Republican party, believe in its declaration of policies, and are in sympathy with its aims and purposes, are cordially invited to unite under this call in the election of delegates to said State convention.

Pursuant to law and the action of the Republican State Central Committee, each county will be entitled to representation in the State convention in accord with the apportionment of delegates hereto attached, being one delegate for each 500 votes cast at the November election of 1920 for the Republican candidate for Secretary of State.

Delegates shall be duly qualified voters, men or women, of their respective counties.

Under the resolution of 1858 no delegate will be entitled to a seat in the State Convention who does not reside in the county he or she proposes to represent.

The Republican county convention for the election of delegates to the State convention shall be held on Thursday, September 21, 1922 throughout the State.

Each township, ward or precinct shall be entitled to such number of delegates in the county convention of its county as shall be certified in the call issued therefor by the Republican county committee.

The Chairman and Secretary of each Republican County committee are requested to send to the Secretary of the Republican State Central Committee at Muskegon, by first mail after the county convention is held, a certified list of the delegates chosen by said convention to the Republican State Convention hereby called, (giving the postoffice address of each delegate) so that the temporary roll of the convention may be prepared.

The delegates to the State Convention from the several counties of each Congressional district will meet in district caucus at 9:30 A. M., (eastern standard time), and select persons for the following positions, to be presented to the State convention for confirmation:

- One Vice-Chairman; One Assistant Secretary; One member of the Committee on Credentials; One member of the Committee on Permanent Organization and Order of Business; One member of the Committee on Resolutions.

By order of the Republican State Central Committee.

Burt D. Cady, Chairman. Dennis E. Alward, Secretary. Dated, Lansing, Mich., July 20, 1922. Gratiot County is entitled to 13 delegates in the state convention, according to the apportionment of delegates.

Weather and Crop Bulletin

Light rains the first of the week were insufficient, and more is needed in most sections. The temperature was moderate to cool, sunshine ample except rather deficient in the upper peninsula. Previous heavy rains have rotted some potatoes, which otherwise are doing well. Many are spoiled, also. The cool nights still retard corn somewhat, but it is looking well. Small fruits are mostly picked in southern counties. Cherries and berries have been a good yield. Early apples are ripening in southern counties. Nearly all fruits are in good condition. Pasturage is fair to good, and most hay is now in, a little being lost from previous heavy rains. Vegetables and garden truck are doing well. Sugar beets are fair to good.

Wheat is all in and threshing under way in southern and central counties, and much is cut in northern counties. The yield is rather disappointing. Oats are fair, and ripening; some are being cut. Rye also is mostly harvested, and some threshing being done, with but a fair crop.

Vegetation as a whole is reported as ahead of the season, with farm work but average. Grasshoppers in the upper peninsula are the worst insect pest reported this week.

Expoted Daily "Run" of Babies. Baby had prayed for a little brother and was disappointed when a sister came instead, but the nurse explained there were four babies born in the hospital that day and they were all girls. The next day he was somewhat reconciled and asked the nurse: "Well, how are they running today?"

Record Directory FOR READY REFERENCE

President and Congress President, Warren G. Harding, Ohio, salary \$75,000, with allowance for traveling expenses up to \$25,000 extra, and \$150,000 more for clerk hire and White House expenses—\$260,000 in all. (Subject to change) Vice-President, Calvin Coolidge, Mass., salary \$12,000. President pro tem of senate, Albert B. Cummins, Iowa. Speaker of House, Frederick H. Gillett of Mass.; salary \$12,000. The 96 Senators and 435 Representatives of 67th congress receive \$7,500 salary each, with mileage extra at 20 cents a mile each way, each session, figured on distance between their homes and Washington; also \$125 extra for stationery, newspapers, etc. Each is also allowed \$2,500 a year for clerk hire. Ratio of representation, one member to each 211,817 population. Party Division in 67th Congress: House 301 Rep., 133 Dem., 1 Soc. Senate 69 Rep., 37 Dem.

The Cabinet Arranged in order of pre-idential succession: Sec'y State, Charles E. Hughes, N. Y.; Treasury, Andrew W. Mellon, Pa.; War, John W. Weeks, Mass.; Atty-Gen., Harrold M. Daugherty, Ohio; Postmaster-Gen., Will H. Hays, Ind.; Sec'y Navy, Edwin Denby, Mich.; Interior, Albert B. Fall, N. Mex.; Agriculture, Henry C. Wallace, Iowa; Commerce, Herbert C. Hoover, Calif.; Labor, James J. Davis, Pa. Salary of each \$12,000.

The Supreme Court Chief Justice, William Howard Taft, salary \$17,500. Associate Justices, salary, \$14,500 each: Jos. McKenna, Calif. (Ret.); Oliver W. Holmes, Mass. (Ret.); Wm. R. Day, Ohio (Ret.); Willis VanDevanter, Wyo. (Ret.); Mahlon Pitney, N. J. (Ret.); James McReynolds, Tenn. (Dem.); Louis D. Brandeis, Mass. (Dem.); John H. Clarke, Ok. (Dem.)

Michigan Government Governor, Alex. J. Groves, salary, \$5,000. Lieut. Gov., Thomas Reed, salary, \$3,000. Secretary of State, Charles J. Deland, salary, \$2,500. State Treas., Frank E. Gorman, salary, \$2,500. Auditor Gen., Oramel H. Fuller, salary \$2,500. Attorney Gen., Martin Wiley, salary \$5,000. Supt. of Public Instruction, Thomas E. Johnson, salary, \$4,000. State Highway Com., Frank E. Rogers, salary \$750.00. Senator of District, Aaron Amon, salary \$600.50. Representative of District, David G. Locke, salary, \$800.00. Supreme Court Judges, salary \$7,000.00; Joseph E. Moore, Joseph H. Steere, Howard West, Grant Fellows, John W. Stone, Geo. M. Clark, John E. Bird, Nelson Sharp.

County Officers Circuit Judge, Edward J. Moinet, salary \$3,500.00; Judge of Probate, James G. Kress, salary, \$2,400.00; Sheriff, A. F. Willert, salary, fees; Clerk, Bernie Case, salary, \$1,500; Treas., Sidney Evey, salary, \$1,000; Pros. Atty., Romaine Clark, salary, \$2200; Register of Deeds, Chas. Heister, salary, fees; School Com., Howard Potter, salary, \$1,500; Circuit Court Com., Archie McCall, Wm. A. Bahlik, fees; Drain Com., Erva Laycock, salary \$1,500; Coroners, W. K. Ludwig, Dr. Hall, fees.

City Government Mayor, Chas. R. Murphy, salary, \$300.00. City Commissioners, John C. Chick, Floyd Glass, A. Archer, Philip Crocker, salary, \$200.00; City Manager, Wm. E. Reynolds, salary \$500.00; City Clerk, Francis C. Hayward, salary \$300.00; City Treasurer, D. W. Adams, salary, \$180.00; City Attorney, Jim. A. Bahlik, salary, \$120.00; Health Officer, Dr. John N. Day, salary, \$150.00; Chief of Police, James R. Campbell, salary \$175.00; Supervisors, 1st ward, Jesse E. Fuller, 2nd ward, Nicholas E. Saad, 3rd ward, Albert P. Cook, 4th ward, Jacob D. Helman, salary, \$3.00 per day on actual time.

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