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DE FACTO AND THE BANKS.

Carranza has closed the Banco Nacional and the London and Mexico banks of Mexico City because they are involved in a movement to depreciate the Carranza currency.

ORGANIZED LABOR AND THE ADAMSON LAW.

We hold no brief for organized labor. It owes us nothing and we owe it still less. When a political party, however, is moved to prejudice against the labor movement because, after years of continuous humbugging, that movement has discovered itself and declines to be humbugged any longer, our position is that it is at least entitled to a square deal.

DIDN'T KNOW MARK MUCH.

"Mark Hanna couldn't run a campaign today and keep out of jail," declares Wm. F. McCombs, who has made some effort to run things himself.

the pretense that what congress did to avert a strike, can be of benefit to no one else save the organized railway trainmen!

We have it right from the most strenuous of them, for example, that the Illinois Central was less than half organized; that wise son of James J. Hill declared that his roads were only fifty-one per cent organized, and "Boss" Ripley of the Santa Fe, could count only sixty-three per cent of his men in the unions.

It is the same way throughout the entire history of organized labor. They have to fight the battles of the entire labor world in order to win those battles for themselves, and the entire labor world reaps a general reward quite equal to that enjoyed by the unions themselves.

AS TO "TANKING" UP.

The great "tanks," the armored cars used by the British in the recent assaults on the Somme front with such deadly effect, were made in Peoria, Ill.

ONE APEICE.

A man from Kansas City, Mo., was held up for a day in Topeka, Kan., the capitol city of the mid-west prohibition state. Meeting a native on the street, the Missourian said:

La Follette Defends Adamson Eight-Hour Law—Raps Hughes

News-Times Special Service: MADISON, Wis., Sept. 26.—Declaring that the eight hour law for railway trainmen has been much misrepresented and that it saved the business and the farmer from disaster, Sen. Robert M. La Follette of Wisconsin, the only republican senator to vote for the law, is out Monday in a signed editorial in the September number of his magazine defending the passage of the law.

Not a Force Bill. Sen. La Follette denies the eight hour law was a "force bill" as Charles E. Hughes contends. He says that the railroad employees made their demands of the railroads and not upon congress and it was only when a strike became probable that the president and congress stepped in and averted the disaster.

No Demand on Congress. The senator says that the trainmen had no such resources for a publicity campaign to shape public opinion in their favor, nor did they have the additional flamboyant placards upon the walls of waiting rooms at railway stations to influence their case with the traveling public.

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ADD-WHISK-BROOM of Supreme Court. "I almost believe in ghosts when I think of Hughes' chance for election," commented old Cynic L. Kuss.

DRUFFFUL. Said Montgomery Schafer; "I tried to raise a mustache But I only raised a laugh!" —Springfield Union.

"I, too, am sad and dreary", Quoth mock Melinda Meeds, "I tried to raise a garden, And but only raised some weeds".

YOU nomenclaturists may be interested to know that a man named Lust is producing a photograph in Washington. The name of the picture is "Purity".

IF you expect to rate quite high And climb atop ambition's wall, "Twere better far, my son, that you Should not expectorate at all.

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