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**NOTICE.**

With this issue of the Journal, we sever our connection therewith, having disposed of the same, with the good will and patronage to Messrs. J. E. Campbell and E. P. Marsh, who will assume full control thereof from this on. In retiring from the ownership and control of the Journal, since its conception, six years ago, we take this means of thanking our many friends and patrons for their patronage and support and bespeak a continuance of the same, only in a more loyal manner, for our successors, who are too well and favorably known among the patrons of the Journal to need any introduction at our hands, further than to assure them that the paper will receive their undivided attention and be improved according to the support it receives, which should be liberal and unflinching, if the course it stands for, is to be espoused as it should be.

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**UNIONISM VS. POLITICS**

(From Weekly Bulletin.)

We frequently hear some well meaning person say "The day of trade union is past. It has reached the zenith of its utility and can no longer be a factor in industrial progress. What we want nowadays is political action."

This is not alone the mistaken idea of the novice, for many advanced radicals express the same opinion. The Bulletin believes action on the part of the wage earning class is very necessary, but not so essential as economic action, in the securing and maintenance of good wages and in the upbuilding of trade and labor organizations.

Political action should be entirely apart from economic or industrial action. There are countries in which successes in the political movement have been a detriment to the trade union movement, and has manifested itself to the extent that trade unionism, which was the recruiting station and educational society for the political movement in the industrial field through the trade union movement were lost, and it was soon found that while much was to be gained by political action, yet the trade union movement must be kept up and

prosecuted with the same and even greater than ever.

Leaders in Great Britain have noticed the dangers from a neglect of the trade union movement from political success, and have sounded a note of warning. The Australian labor leaders are doing the same. Since British and Australian labor leaders have had practical experience, it would behoove the leaders in America to profit by their experience.

The leading labor journal of that country, recently contained an editorial along the line, entitled "Back to the Unions," which said, in part:

"We are really devoting too much time and attention to politics and neglecting fields of action more vital to our wellbeing.

"The secretary of the Australian Labor Federation, in his annual report to the affiliations, throws out a strong suggestion that we are, 'Back to the Unions' should be our cry.

"Unionism and parliamentarianism must go together if each is to be effective in its sphere. One must supplement and support the other. Neither can attain the highest efficacy alone. That the best results may be obtained from each, a true balance must be preserved between them, a reciprocal equality, a perfect interchange of service.

"It is in the growing preponderance of political action that the danger lies. This it is that render the warning necessary—'Back to the Unions.'"

**CULTURE FOR WORKINGMEN**

Culture for everyday workingmen—that would at one time have seemed a far-fetched idea. Perhaps it still seems a little extravagant to the mole-eyed souls who think that the grinding round of his daily task is all that a workingman can know or needs to know; but it is pleasant to note that such is not the idea of the authorities of Oxford University, one of the oldest, most scholarly, and incidentally the most aristocratic in existence.

The matter is brought to the public attention by a report from a joint committee of seven representatives of Oxford University, appointed by the vice-chancellor, and seven representatives of the working classes, appointed by the executive committee of the Workers' Educational Association. This joint committee was charged with the task of determining whether any attempt to provide university training and culture for workingmen was desirable. The committee has deliberated and advised over the question for a year, and now we have the result in the form of a report in which the fourteen members unanimously recommend a scheme by which it is hoped to put the desired culture within the laboring man's reach.

The scheme provides, firstly, for the holding of "tutorial" classes in local centres, to be conducted by university men of high academic standing and teaching experience, but to be managed largely by the working people themselves; and secondly, for admitting to the university as full members all members of the "tutorial" classes who are deemed fit for further university training.

There will be sneers for this project, of course. Perhaps the workers of Great Britain will lose their interest in it. But they have shown sufficient progressiveness in other directions to warrant the belief that they will make the most of this educational opportunity, which reflects credit on Oxford and is a far advance on the university extension courses now common in this country. Some people seem to think that culture is rightly the exclusive privilege of the rich. It is doubtful, however, if the poor could possibly make a worse use of it than the sons of some rich men who might be called to mind. The best part of this English experiment is the broad and helpful spirit of it, which fully typifies the best instincts of true Christianity.—Bulletin.

**EQUAL PAY FOR BOTH SEXES**

Salaries of all civil service employes in Chicago are to be equalized and grades of service readjusted. Salaries will be fixed in direct proportion to the value of the work performed—some increased and some lowered. The market price of labor in the commercial world will be the standard by which city employes will be paid. All men and women doing the same kind of service, or service of equal value, will receive the same sized check. Mayor Busse and the council finance committee have given their approval to the innovation.

**TOO MUCH OF A SURPRISE**

During a speech on "Marriage and After," the lecturer said that old married men should kiss their wives as they did when they were a year or two married.

Meeting the lecturer the next day, an old man said: "It's no good, maister." "What isn't?" asked the lecturer. "Weel," said the man, "when I went home after the lecture last night and kissed my wife, she said, 'What's gone wrong with you, you old idiot!'"

Remember the ball given by the Cooks, Waiters and Waitresses, on March 17, in Masonic Hall. Music by Creece's orchestra.

**GRAND BALL**

The Cooks, Waiters and Waitresses, of this city will give one of their popular dances on the eve of St. Patrick's day, March 17th, 1909.

The committee in charge have been busy completing arrangements and nothing will be left undone. Let every union man be represented either by his presence or by the purchasing of a ticket, which will tend to make the affair a grand success.

**SUMMONS NO.**

In Justice Court before William Sheller, Justice of the Peace, in and for Everett Precinct, Snohomish County, Washington.

M. SELLER & COMPANY, Incorporated, a corporation, Plaintiff; vs. W. B. STROWBRIDGE, Defendant.

To W. B. STROWBRIDGE, the above named defendant:

In the name of the State of Washington, you are hereby notified that M. SELLER & COMPANY, Incorporated, a corporation, the above named plaintiff has filed a complaint against you in said court which will come on to be heard at my office in the Court house in the City of Everett, Snohomish County, State of Washington, on the 26th day of March, 1909, at the hour of ten (10) o'clock A. M., unless you appear and then and there answer, the same will be taken as confessed and the demand of the plaintiff granted.

The object and demand of said complaint is to recover the sum of thirty-three and 30/100 dollars (\$33.30) for goods, wares and merchandise heretofore sold and delivered to you at your instance and request by said plaintiff, complaint filed February 25th, A. D., 1909.

WILLIAM SHELLER, Justice of the Peace. BELL ANDERSON & McLAREN, Attorneys for Plaintiff. Office and Post-Office address: Realty Building, Everett, Snohomish County, Washington. Date of first publication, Feb. 25-09, 3t.

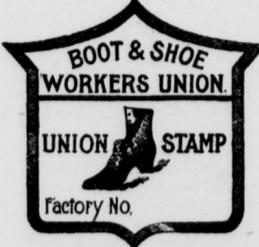
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OLYMPIA, March 9.—Snohomish county gets a quarter of a million for her reformatory out of the divy of the state's money. And at the close of the session this evening about all the state's money has been divided, for the total appropriations then stood \$8,304,239.61. And there are calls yet to go through that are pretty certain to add a couple hundred thousand more to this.

In the past week the bars that had until then withstood the extravagant legislators were pulled down, and since that time the raid has been unchecked. Seeing that economy was impossible, the guardians even turned in with the others and scrambled to get their share of what was going.

The omnibus item, which was finally settled this morning, alone carries a total of \$5,939,000.