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The trusts and corporations are returning to the good, old days before the days of Roosevelt, when they basked in the smiles of the White House rulers and were admitted to the throne room while the common people cooled their heels in the outer darkness. We have had several demonstrations of Mr. Taft's corporation proclivities but his latest judicial appointment is an eye opener. Mr. Lurton, of Tennessee, if you please. A notorious railroad attorney and judge for the past thirty years A man wearing a corporation halter so plainly visible that he is known throughout the state of Tennessee as "Private Car Lurton." Yes, the feeling is growing upon us that we have taken a last, sad farewell of "My Policies."

Mr. Taft, in his annual message to congress, recommends that the postal rates on magazines be increased. We have become a nation of magazine readers and are depending upon a few standard monthly publications for facts regarding questions of national import. The ablest writers in the country, men and women who are thinkers and students, have been engaged by these magazines and are giving to the nation the results of their study and investigation. A tremendous public sentiment is being aroused by these appeals to the public conscience, as with clearness of vision these writers trace the connection between corporation evil and public officials. Does Mr. Taft wish to narrow the scope of these publications by higher postal rates? Does he wish to lessen the number of magazine readers by compelling the publishers to raise their selling price to the reading public? Is this a threat to the publishers that the "muckrackers" must be muzzled if these magazines would continue to enjoy their wide circulation? Or does the President have solely in mind that postal deficit? The public is not to be blamed if it inclines to the former view of Mr. Taft's recommendation.

The railroads continue to claim that the strike is virtually broken. But the obstinate fact remains that they are not moving freight. Mills are closing down because they cannot get cars. The docks of Seattle are so congested with freight that several vessels had to postpone their date of sailing this week so that they might get aboard a portion of this great amount of freight awaiting shipment. Local merchants can testify to delayed shipments which they are waiting for with as much patience as they can muster. Notwithstanding the importation of strike breakers and the monumental bluff that traffic conditions are about normal, it is apparent to everybody that the strikers have the railroads in a hole.

Citizens of Everett should carefully study the plan of commission government as it is not unlikely that at the next city election the voters will be called upon to give the plan their approval or disapproval. The recent address of Mr. John Z. White has undoubtedly set the people thinking along that line and they should investigate everything bearing upon that question. It seems at first thought a tremendous centralization of power in the hands of a few men, even though the people have the right of recall and the initiative and referendum into the bargain. the recall feature is democratic in theory but we have had a demonstration of how hard it is to put into practical execution And yet the fact remains that in nearly every case where the commission plan of government has been tried it has given very good satisfaction. Several labor exchanges published in cities where the commission has been tried are outspoken in their praise of the plan. It would seem that the success of the compulsion plan must lie with the personnel of the commission. We would again urge that the voters of Everett give the matter much thought and investigation to the end that we may all vote intelligently upon the matter whenever it shall be made an issue in a municipal election.

The present strike of the switchmen will be productive of much good to the general labor movement. It will bring the railroad organizations into closer touch with the trade union movement and solidify their own ranks. The sympathy and help which the different trades have extended to the switchmen in their present trouble is appreciated by them to the fullest extent and they realize how necessary it is for all workingmen to stand together. The trade union movement of the country needs the help and sympathy of the great railroad organizations no less than the railroad boys need the help of the trade unions and out of the crucible of the present trouble will come the pure gold of mutual understanding and aid.

NO ROOM AT THE TOP.

Mitchell Says the Command Is a Futile Echo of the Past.

In the course of a recent address at Atlantic City John Mitchell, former president of the United Mine Workers of America, declared there is no more room at the top.

"The schoolteacher's advice to her pupils and the mother's command to her son to climb to the top," said Mr Mitchell, "is a futile echo of the past for there is no more room at the top I do not mean that men should not take advantage of every opportunity for self advancement, but I do insist that no man has a right to go up by treading upon the bodies of his fellow men."

Mr. Mitchell said the great mass of workingmen would always remain the mass they are today He denied that labor unionism had contributed to this result by leveling men to a common standard in respect to compensation

"In establishing a minimum wage organized labor has not deprived the employer of the privilege of specially recognizing exceptional efficiency where he finds it."

A Church For Laboring Men.

Hope chapel, on the lower east side of New York city, owned by the Fourth Avenue Presbyterian church, after a series of troubles, including the sudden dismissal of its minister in charge by the mother church, has been turned over to the board of home missions of the Presbyterian church for a term of five years at an annual cost of $5,000. The purpose is to build up a church for laboring men and their families, with services in several foreign languages. The Rev. Charles Stelzle, superintendent of the labor department of the board, is making the plans. He was a Sunday school pupil at the chapel years ago and more recently the pastor.

Canadian Unions Would Go Alone.

Several of the trades unions of Ottawa, Canada, with a membership rising 20,000, recently effected an amalgamation into what they termed a federation of labor. They take the ground that Canadian union men should act independently of the international bodies and accordingly have passed strong resolutions aimed at such international organizations.

They will ask Sir Wilfrid Laurier to help put legislation on the statute books which will prevent American firms or individuals from working or taking contracts in Canada, and they will also ask the minister of militia to help legislate to prevent members of Canadian military bands from belonging to the International Federation of Musicians.—Brooklyn Eagle.

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SHARING PROSPERITY.

A Proceeding Not Relished by Some Employers of Labor.

A short time ago when the employees of the Westinghouse works, near Pittsburg, were paid many envelopes were found to contain from $100 to $1,000 more than the amount due according to the timekeepers' records. The recipients of this extra money, about $40,000 all told, were salaried men in the employ of the company who suffered loss of time and earnings when the company encountered hard times in 1907 and had a serious slump. More men will be remembered in like manner during the immediate future. An official of the company stated that the firm did not deem it necessary to publish the names of the employees being benefited and added:

"The company desires to show its appreciation of the men. They lost money through no fault of their own or ours. The plant is large and has been working double time for some time. It is only fair that the men who stuck to the company should benefit in the great new rush of prosperity."

Records of such transactions and of such declarations make pleasant reading for all people except a few—those typified by John Kirby of Dayton, O., president of the National Association of Manufacturers. As Mr. Kirby says, the "working people depend naturally for subsistence" upon the "employing class" and voluntarily to increase "subsistence" rations above a point demanded by law and the requirements of keeping body and soul together must be, according to his theory, nothing short of criminal. Anyhow, what business has the management of a great big employing concern like the Westinghouse to prove by the "money talks" method that it tries to do the very best it can for those who help make it grow and earn wealth?—Pennsylvania Grit.

NEW PER CAPITA TAX PLAN.

Illinois Federation Has a Scheme to Increase Membership.

President Edwin Wright of the Illinois State Federation of Labor thinks labor organizations are the best business institutions in the world, the trades unionist the best business man and the trades union official a director in a corporation of tens of thousands of stockholders who draw from 1,000 to 10,000 per cent interest on their investment. President Wright made these statements in his annual report.

He dwelt at length on the necessity of labor organizations. He also advocated a new plan of collecting the per capita tax and promulgated a new idea for its reduction. Under the present plan the per capita tax of 1 cent per month per member is collected by the State federation officers. About 50 per cent of the labor unions in Illinois do not belong to the state organization, but are affiliated directly with the American Federation of Labor. President Wright's new plan is to have the American federation collect the per capita tax from members of each state and then pro rate the money so collected to the state organizations.

There are about 387,000 members of the Illinois State Federation of Labor. If all the unions in the state were affiliated with the state organization the membership would be increased to over 500,000. The report of President Wright shows that 338 new unions were affiliated with the state organization last year and the revenue increased from $5,475.10 in 1908 to $9,688.43 in 1909. The increase was due to the decrease in the per capita tax from 1½ cents per member per month to 1 cent per month.

Noted Woman Labor Leader.

Miss Mary R. Macarthur, secretary of the British Women's Trade Union league, who recently came to this country to attend the convention of the National Women's Trade Union league at Chicago, is said to be the most successful woman organizer in the world. She was born in Glasgow, Scotland, in 1880, and for a time was engaged in newspaper work. She was assigned to write up a meeting of working girls in the town of Ayr and became so impressed with the stories of conditions she heard that she resolved to devote her life to the organizing of working girls. She went to London and at the age of twenty-three years was elected secretary of the league. She founded and edited the Woman Worker, a magazine devoted to the interests of working girls. Miss Macarthur is at the present time the only woman on the national administrative council of the independent labor party of Great Britain and the only woman delegate to the London Trades council, an influential labor organization.

Jurisdiction Question Settled.

At the convention of the Shirt, Waist and Laundry Workers' International union recently the jurisdiction question was brought up, it being decided that the shirt workers will give up jurisdiction over all members who are employed in stock factories—those establishments in which shirts and waists are made and laundered—being made ready for the wearer in the one factory. It will retain jurisdiction over all members employed in commercial laundries, where work is done for the public. The employees in the stock factories will go to the Garment Workers' International union, but the change will be made gradually as local agreements expire in the various cities.

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No. _____
NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH.

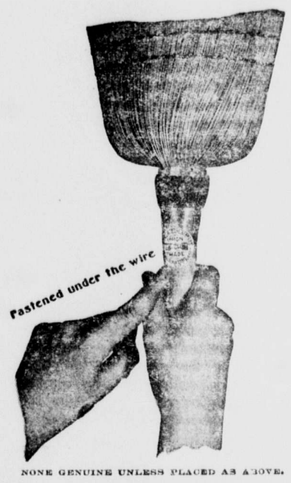
In the Matter of the Estate of Sarah E. Fleming Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Thomas C. Fleming, administrator of the estate of Sarah E. Fleming, deceased, to the creditors of and all persons having claims against said deceased, to exhibit them, with the necessary vouchers, within one year after the first publication of this notice, to said administrator at the office of Coleman & Fogarty, Walsh Block, Everett, Washington, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate in the County of Snohomish, Washington.

Dated this 2nd day of December, 1909.

THOS. C. FLEMING,
Administrator.

Date of first publication, December 3, 1909. 4t



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Charles S. Smout, Plaintiff, vs. Iowerth Jones and Jennie Jones, his wife, Defendants.

The State of Washington to the said Iowerth Jones and Jennie Jones, his wife, defendants:

You are hereby summoned to appear within sixty (60) days after the first publication of this summons, to-wit: Within sixty days after the 5th day of November, 1909, and defend the above entitled action in the above entitled court, and answer the complaint of the plaintiff, and serve a copy of your answer upon the undersigned attorneys for plaintiff at their office below stated; and in case of your failure so to do, judgment will be rendered against you according to the demand of the complaint, which has been filed with the clerk of said court.

This action is brought by the above named plaintiff against the above named defendants to recover judgment against the above named defendants for the sum of Thirty-six and 35-100 Dollars ($36.35) together with interest on the same at the legal rate from the 19th day of July, 1909, the same being a balance due for goods, wares and merchandise, sold and delivered by Smout Grocery Company, (a co-partnership consisting of Charles S. Smout and Annie Seifer), at the special instance and request of the defendants; and the said balance having been prior to the commencement of this action assigned by said co-partnership to this plaintiff.

SHERWOOD & MANSFIELD,
Attorneys for Plaintiff.

Office and Postoffice Address, Suite 7, Colby Bldg., Everett, Snohomish County, Washington.

Date of first publication, November 5, 1909. 7t

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON, IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH.

In the matter of the estate of Peter J. Peterson, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, Maria Peterson, administratrix of the estate of Peter J. Peterson, deceased, to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within one year after the first publication of this notice, to said administratrix at the office of Noah Shakespeare, Rooms 19 and 20, Diefenbacher Building, Everett, Washigton, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate.

Dated this 15th day of December, 1909.

MARIA PETERSON,
Administratrix.

NOAH SHAKESPEARE,
Attorney for Estate.

Rooms 19-20 Diefenbacher Building, Everett, Washington.

Date of first publication December 17th, 1909. 5t

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.

IN THE SUPERIOR COURT OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF SNOHOMISH.

In the matter of the estate of Robert Davis, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given by the undersigned, E. C. Baker, executor of the estate of Robert Davis, deceased, to the creditors and all persons having claims against said deceased to exhibit them with the necessary vouchers within one year after the first publication of this notice, to said executor at the office of Noah Shakespeare, Rooms 19 and 20, Diefenbacher Building, Everett, Washington, the same being the place for the transaction of the business of said estate.

Dated this 18th day of November, 1909.

E. C. BAKER,
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