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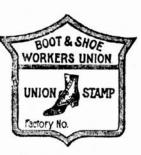
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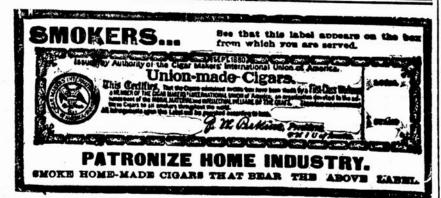
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PRIMARY PURPOSE OF LABOR ORGANIZATIONS

Frade Union Does Not Subserve its Chief Purpose in Strikes and Boycotts.

Fundamental Purpose of Labor Organizations Is to Elevate and Improve Labor.

The impression easily arises among workmen that a trade union, like an army, subserves its chief purpose in warfare; in instituting boycotts and carrying on strikes. We might as wisely think that the chief purpose of nation is to wage war. It may, indeed, be compelled to wage war, but it is not likely to do it successfully unless it has been previously diligent in devising and pursuing its highest interests. War is a choice between evils, and no matter how fortunate, is sure to carry its own evils with it. If a people is growing in prosperity, this is the best protection, both against war and in war. The trade union is most successful which stands for such an accumulation of power, of just and wide-established claims, as to pre-

Skill, economy and comfort ought to go together and tend to go together in the world. Skill and economy prepare the way for comfort; and comfort rewards skill and economy. This is the natural affiliation of growth; it is what we mean by civilization. The violence of men and the vices of men may interfere with this union, though it still remains the pre-determined concord of permanent forces in human life. These forces do not take on their natural and best results except in a peaceful and thoughtful atmosphere. If one class of producers is pushing another class to the wall. or if producers lack sobriety and intelligence in ordering their conduct, then this union of productive powers with productive rewards may fail for the moment and blind forces take its place. The employer may drive the employe down the steep declivity of poverty, or the neglectful and unthrifty employe may waste his opportunities of those about him.

The first and central purpose of the trades union is to secure and maintain this fellowship of skill, economy and comfort, each in its very best form. It works with natural forces to fulfill them, to anticipate and thrust back all contravening causes, causes which baffle the workman in the pursuit of prosperity. The trade union promotes peace among workmen and fitting counsel, which leave the natural and beneficent forces that promote growth in full play. It fulfills the law of love in pooling burdens, and in all helping all to bear them. The wisdom of the wise and the sobriety of the sober are contributed to the common resources, and that is done well and soberly which could not otherwise have been done at all. Without union, ignorance and indifference become, under competition, the ruling forces in defining the condition of There are no ranks and no reigments. Each man fights his own battle; and his flank is constantly uncovered by those equally indifferent to his welfare and their own. The question of civilization is settled for the workman by his power of resistance, by the aidfulness of his fellows, by their joint ability to maintain the conditions of progress. Good between workmen is the tecedent of all gain. Without it the workman is capable of collective progressive civilization. Those in the use of capital are constantly dividing workmen against themselves, the thoughtless against the thoughtful, the unthrifty against the thrifty, and so they are able to divorce comfort from skill and economy.

The trade union is established to prove the coherence of the industrial life—and its ability to make these three, skill, economy and comfort, travel together. The doctrine of Malthus, the doctrine of every economist who accepts the poverty of the poor, the defenseless of workmen in the processes of production, do it by regarding him as incapable of taking and executive council, as mere waifs on the stream of circumstances. The purpose of the trade union is to contradict these views, to show that labor, even if it gropes in obscure beginnings, can make for itself a path into the enjoyments of life; that it is the least intelligent and productive labor that s constantly sinking and carrying with it the hopes and fortunes of an entire class. It is no law of the world that those who labor shall not enter into their labors, the law that is being illustrated by the failure of workmen is that there must be an affiliation between them as a condition of success; that division is fatal to their common prosperity. Their experience s simply one more enforcement of the ethical obligations we owe each other. It is this truth which it is the primary purpose of the trade union to make plain. The union that is in fullest possession of it will have least occasion for warfare and most power to wage it successfully.

If skill, economy and comfort are in that eternal concord in which we believe them to be the position of the trade union is impregnable. The skillful are driven back by the unskilled, not because the best workman is not best worth his wages, but in the hope, on the part of the employer, of returning shortly to the good workman at a lower price. The best workman is the cheapest workman, but if he can be cheapened still further the operator is familiar with the method of doing it. A reasonable standard of living means and must be made every moment to mean, superior productive capacity. When all forces, conflicting and concurring; have been sifted, that fact remains as the last result. It is the business of the trade union, to believe in it, push it into the foreground and emblazon it beyond denial.

The different standards of living in widely separated nationalities at times obscure this relation. Our workmen rightly claim protection from the Chinese because a standard of living far lower than our standard gives them an immediate advantage. Scales



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The Farmers' union has begun a movement to secure both federal and state legislation to prevent speculation in crop futures. E. A. Calvin, president of the Texas branch of the

of productiveness and livelihood that have been for so many hundreds of years in formation cannot be laid at once side by side and applied indiscriminately with no disturbance of established equilibrium. The Chinese can be used as a wedge to split asunder our social organization, not because, on the whole, they are better productive agents, but because the intense poverty of their lives for the moment gives them a cutting edge. When the work was finished we would find that in sinking manhood we had sunk also skill and economy with it.

When the French peasant lives on a

farm which a Vermont farmer has abandoned, when the Japanese in the Sandwich Islands push American tradesmen out of employments in which they have hitherto prospered, the result may be chiefly due to the standard of living, but it also raises the question whether our farmers and our workmen have not something to learn in economy and skill, whether the opportunity does not sometimes make them indolent and improvident. So far as any nationality shows superior productive power, we have occasion to learn the lesson taught by it. In doing it we cannot afford to waste any portion of that most precious social inheritance by which we associate labor with its suitable rewards. It is this fundamental principle in our industrial welfare that is intrusted to trade unions, and for which, in the world's progress, they will be held responsible

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and force farmers to liquidate at prices below the cost of production. Later, when the crop is out of growers' hands, we learn that statistics were wrong, that the excess was fictitious rather than real, and have to witness the speculator pocket profits that, but for this vicious system, would have been ours.

"When, therefore, a year's supply of cotton is thrown on the market within three or four months, price levels naturally drop below normal, affording the speculative interest to intrude like a pack of wolves and take advantage of the lack of organization among producers and their consequent inability to influence the marketing of the crop. What the needs is the co-operation of business interests, of the banker and the man with the hoe, to properly market the chief staple of Dixie.

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Mr. Calvin compared the marketing of cotton in the South with that of grain in the Northwest. Statistics show, he said, that on March 1, 1907, 28.1 per cent of the grain crop of the Northwest was still in growers' hands, while at the corresponding time hardly 10 per cent of the cotton crop of the season was still retained producers, notwithstanding the fact that grain threshing time preceded the cotton-ginning season.

Deplores Child Labor. He also deplored the necessity for romen and children laboring in the cotton fields of the South, a condition that would not exist when organization had been effected and a reasonable 'margin of profit assured. "The Southland," added Mr. Calvin, "produces all the necessities and luxuries of life, and yet, by not properly marketing the harvest, it does not enjoy the actual earnings of its people, due directly to the lack of organization among producers of the great whitetop staple of the world.

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