

## FEWER "STRIKES" ON RECORD

Authorities Point With Pardonable Pride to Good Work Done Since Beginning of War.

According to statistics just completed by the department of labor, there had been reported to the government since April 6, 1917, when a state of war with Germany was declared, no less than 500 strikes and other "industrial disturbances."

These statistics cover a period of almost exactly six months and show that 1,029,871 working men were affected. In the same period in 1916 only 144 strikes occurred.

The government's record shows that of the 500 strikes to which official attention was called, 100 are still in force, 50 were given up as impossible of adjustment and 48 are in a quasi-adjusted condition. The remainder were settled in one way or another.

Realizing that labor disturbances, especially such as would affect work upon war contracts, would constitute a material weakness in the effort put forth by the United States, the war industries board has under consideration a form of contract which will give the government power to act as arbitrator without waiting for an invitation from either side and which binds the contractor to abide by the decision made in each case. For its part, the government will agree to revise the contract prices to meet any revision upward in labor costs resulting from such arbitration awards.

## WOMEN TURN FROM HOUSEHOLD LABORS

Woman engine wipers at Spokane and at other division points on the Great Northern and the Northern Pacific railroads in the state of Washington like their work and prefer it to housework, C. H. Younger, state labor commissioner, declared recently after an inspection trip to the railroad shops of the state. The women in the employ of the Northern Pacific at Spokane work ten hours a day, but receive time and a half for the last hour, he said. In Pasco and Ellensburg women engaged at the same work for the Northern Pacific work eight hours a day, as do women coach cleaners in the employ of the Pullman company.

## Demand Union Pay for Women.

Widespread introduction of women into men's work has aroused the American Federation of Labor. Plans are being developed to combat replacing men with women at less than union wages.

The question of unionizing new women workers will be taken up in connection with the whole labor shortage problem at the American Federation of Labor convention in Buffalo.

Generally the organization denies shortage of labor. "There is some shortage of labor in specialized branches called into greater activity in consequence of the war, but otherwise there is no real shortage," said J. W. Sullivan, acting head of the defense council's labor committee.

If it is necessary to employ women in some trades the association will insist they be allowed the right to organize the women so that there will be no reduction in the working wages or living standards of the men.

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## SOME THINGS LEARNED

In perusing the reports of the officers of the International Typographical Union to the Colorado Springs convention of 1917 we find:

That the gross earnings of members were \$66,652,431—an increase of \$3,940,625 over the year 1916.

That the old age pensioners were paid \$351,505.

That mortuary benefits were paid to the amount of \$298,476.88.

That the Union Printers Home received \$156,726.69.

That the strike expenses were only \$4,684.50 for the year 1917.

That the strike expenses for the year 1907 were \$1,531,496.07.

That for strike benefits and special assistance \$12,281.35 were paid for the year 1917.

That the amounts paid for strike expenses, strike benefits and special assistance "are the last word in the argument in favor of the principles of arbitration as a method of adjusting disputes between the union and the publishers."

That the receipts for the year were \$1,090,362.87 and the expenditures \$1,022,982.34.

That the increase in earnings in 1917 over the gain in 1916 was \$2,384,106.

That the increase in earnings per member for 1917 was \$1,086.24.

That the balances of the various funds total \$1,064,349.85.

That the subscriptions to the Liberty Loan of the International and the various local unions, so far reported, were \$108,150, which does not include the subscriptions of individual members amounting to many thousand dollars.

That the average paying membership shows a gain of 1119 over 1916, the present membership being 61,350.

That 214 unions negotiated scales with increases.

That of the enormous receipts totaling \$1,090,362.87, the sum of \$812,099.72 were returned to the members and beneficiaries in the form of mortuary benefits, strike benefits, special assistance, old age pensions and the Union Printers Home.

That the death rate was 13 per 1000 members.

That the average age at death was 50.42.

That the state of Ohio has the largest number of unions, 53; Illinois second, 51; New York and Pennsylvania tied for third place, each having 45.

That the largest union is New York (No. 6), with a membership of 7625; Chicago (No. 16), 4573, second; Boston (No. 13), 1877, third, and Washington (No. 101), 1808, fourth.

That the smallest union is Red Lodge No. 273, with a membership of 3.

That the International Union must be put in the bond-holding class, having funds invested in gilt-edge government, state, county and municipal bonds to the amount of \$674,466.98.

That the International Union is a business organization, doing business at a cost of less than one-third of 1 per cent on a total sale of the labor of its members, \$66,652,431.

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### ORGANIZED LABOR OF NEW YORK CITY.

There is an awakening all along the line on the part of the working class in regard to education. Organized Labor of New York City has taken an active interest in the Public Schools of that great city. A recent conference of Organized Labor presented a petition to the Board of Aldermen asking for an investigation of the educational situation. In accord with this demand the Board of Aldermen is beginning a searching investigation of the schools of the city. Public School matters will be thorough parts of the city at which these Public School matters will be thoroughly discussed. Parents' Organizations, Mothers' Clubs, Educators, School Boards, Organized Labor, Employers of Labor, will be called before these hearings. Various charges concerning the sinister influence of wealthy foundations, the inadequacies of the housing and teaching system and other material defects in the educational system will be made the basis of a thorough inquiry. It has been charged that the executive manager of the Board of Education is paid by private interest. This, and similar charges will be thoroughly investigated.

We wish to call the public attention to Labor Councils, Labor Unions, Labor organizations are taking more interest constantly in this great question. We realize how fundamental this question is. The subject of education came in for a considerable discussion at the last American Federation of Labor Convention. The convention declared that the people should directly control educational facilities through the popular elections of boards of education; for a system of free text books; for adequate pension provision; for public school teachers to have a voice in the administration of the school system; that schools must be removed from politics by the merit principle of civil service to the employment, advancement, and dismissal of teachers; that teachers should receive financial recognition more nearly commensurate with the importance of their service in the community; that vocational education should be encouraged, and that the right of teachers to organize and officiate with the organized labor movement shall not be questioned. The convention directed that efforts be continued to organize school teachers throughout the country. It was recommended that every local, national and international union, central and state federation of labor be requested to do everything possible to secure the membership of every school teacher in a union affiliated to the American Federation of Teachers.

J. J. NEIMANN.

### Arbitrate Strike.

The strike of shipyard workers of the Harlan & Hollingsworth corporation, Wilmington, Del., involving about 1,000 men, was settled by arbitration.

### Roster of Local Unions

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL  
Meets 2nd and 4th Sundays, 9 a. m. at Trades Assembly Hall. Wm. M. Morgan, Pres., John J. Callan, Sec'y.

BARTENDERS INT. LEAGUE, 412  
Meets 1st and 3rd Sundays, 2 p. m., Fromholtz hall, Cor. E. Main & Webb. W. R. Jones, Sec'y and Business Agt.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS No. 172  
Meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays, Trades Assembly Hall, Wm. Hall, Pres., Sam Alsford, Sec'y-Treas.

Engineers Local 530, I. U. of S. & O. E.  
Meets 2nd Wednesday and 4th Sunday at their hall, 11½ E. Church St. Henry Kelley, Pres. C. R. Kinney, Sec'y. W. H. Cocanour, Fin. Sec'y and Treas., Masonic Bldg.

IRON MOULDERS UNION No. 152  
Meets 1st and 3rd Monday nights, Redmens Hall, Issac Pyles, Pres., E. A. Ringer, Sec'y.

LICKING LODGE No. 80, I. A. of M.  
Meets 1st, 3rd and 5th Tuesdays, Trades Assembly Hall, Chas. Buckingham, Pres., A. B. Uffner, Sec'y. J. P. Wolfe, Business Agent.

### News from our Locals

Secretaries and business representatives of the various labor organizations are requested to furnish weekly The Leader with the news from their respective organizations.

#### ENGINEERS LOCAL No. 530

Engineers Local No. 530 met Sunday afternoon, with a good number of the brethren present. The brethren were all pleased with the "Leader" and wish the paper the best of success. All the brethren are requested to be present at our next meeting on Wednesday evening, Dec. 12th. 7:30.

#### ELECTRICAL WORKERS No. 172

At the next regular meeting of Electrical Workers Union No. 172, Thursday, Dec. 6th, many matters of importance and general interest to the members will be presented, not the least of which will be the drawing for the set of books to be given the holder of the lucky number. Officers for the ensuing term will also be nominated. Be on hand promptly.

#### GLASS BOTTLE BLOWERS UNION

John Zahner, Webb Merrick, John Sullivan, Elmer Horton, Chas. Dover, Geo. Glausinger and "Skin" Wheeler left for Hawthorn, Pa., last week, where they will be employed in the large glass works at that place. The men are all expert bottle blowers and have been employed at the American Bottle Co.'s plant in this city.

#### Hold Sunstroke Industrial Accident.

The industrial accident board of Texas held that sunstroke is an industrial accident. This decision was reached in the case of Roy L. Stewart, who lost his life while in the employ of the F. A. Jones Construction company at Camp McArthur, near Waco, last summer. As such employee he was covered by insurance, the construction company being a subscriber to the employers' liability act, and on the date of the accident carried a policy with the Ocean Accident and Guaranty corporation. The construction company contended that it was not liable for death or injury of any of its employees from sunstroke. The order entered by the industrial accident board provides that Stewart's beneficiaries are to receive the sum of \$12.17 per week for 360 weeks, dating from July 27, 1917. Of this amount \$30 is to be paid for attorney's fees.

#### Shipbuilding Workers to Be Listed.

To aid the shipping board in carrying out its great merchant shipbuilding program the chamber of commerce of the United States has launched a movement to enroll all men formerly engaged in the shipbuilding trade so that they may be called to the yards as needed. The chamber's national war shipping committee announced that local committees are being formed in various cities to make a survey of labor resources and to secure the consent of employers to release former shipbuilding workers when necessary.

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