

Industrial Edition Rocky Mount Machinists' Union.

The cause of Union Labor—Organized Labor—is the cause of humanity, emphatically. The cause of every man, woman and child who earn their bread by the sweat of their brow. Let us combine all workers into local union and all local unions into State Federations, and all State Federations into National Federations, and liberty, equality, fraternity in their essential essence and substance will prevail because universal industrial peace, founded in humane conditions will be triumphant.

SAMUEL GOMPERS, President American Federation of Labor.

ROCKY MOUNT MACHINISTS' UNION,

Lodge No. 270 meets every Monday in Red Mens' Hall at 7:30 o'clock.
Officers: Paul Bradley, President; B. W. King, Vice-President; J. W. Weisiger, Past-President; C. N. Blankenship, Recording Secretary; B. Moore, Financial Secretary; H. B. Goodknight, Treasurer.

EDITORIAL DIRECTORY.

Business Firms of Rocky Mount Who Cater to The Working Men.

These firms are public spirited, are friendly to organized labor, have helped make this issue a success, and are worthy of our patronage and the support of the general public.

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 - The Rocky Mount Shoe Co.
 - W. D. Cochran.
 - H. E. Brewer & Co.
- The above firms are endorsed by the Rocky Mount Machinists' Union.
- C. N. Blankenship,
Sec. Rocky Mt. Machinists' Union.

Rocky Mount Savings and Trust Co.

There has been considerable comment on all sides during the past several weeks concerning unsettled business conditions. Exaggerated reports in the newspapers have led many unthinking persons to believe that the country is on the verge of an industrial panic. Never has a more erroneous impression gained credence among intelligent people. Panics are caused by over-production, drought, and other unavoidable circumstances that occasionally visit the country as a whole; but with conditions more favorable than ever before in the history of the country, the farmers abundantly prosperous, and factories, mines and work-shops unable to meet the demand for their products, an industrial disturbance of long duration is a positive absurdity. It has been reported that many misguided persons in various parts of the country have withdrawn their deposits from sound and substantial banking institutions. Considering industrial conditions as they exist at the present time, such a course is radically wrong. We are pleased to note that the people of Rocky Mount have shown the part of wisdom and continued to repose in our strong banks that measure of confidence that is due to the public as well as themselves. In this connection we take pleasure in calling special attention to a banking institution in our midst that is as solid as the Rock of Gibraltar, namely, The Rocky Mount Savings & Trust Company. This bank has stood the test of time and today stands out in the limelight as one of the most substantial pillars of finance in the entire south. The names of men behind it alone constitute sufficient proof of its stable and substantial character. We wish to state, however, that from a careful investigation of its affairs, at the present time, no bank in the State shows up to better advantage. This bank has always been known as a friend to labor as well as to the public of Rocky Mount generally. Labor has every reason to continue to extend to this splendid banking institution its heartiest support and confidence. We trust there will never be any evidence of doubt on the part of our people as to the strength and stability of The Rocky Mount Savings & Trust Co. We are pleased at this to wish this bank, during the coming year, an era of unprecedented success.

Calhoun & Calhoun.

At 124 Tarboro street is located the firm of Calhoun & Calhoun, one of the most prominent stores which is identified with the commercial interests of the city. Calhoun & Calhoun, who have been established in business for quite a while, bear a reputation of the very highest, and they are strictly reliable in all their business transactions. They are doing a general dry goods, clothing, ladies' and gents' furnishing goods and have the best at all times. We wish for the above concern a continued success. The above store is where you can buy anything you want in the above line for men, women and children at reasonable prices. This firm has always treated our people with courtesy and consideration and is especially worthy of support.

The Planters Bank.

It has always been one of the cardinal principals of unionism to support to the fullest extent every institution that is known to be absolutely sound and worthy of confidence. With this object in view, we have made a most careful and thorough investigation of conditions as they exist at the present time, and we submit herewith our recommendations

of the institutions that particularly merit the continued support of the thousands of wage earners of Rocky Mount and the surrounding section. The Planters Bank is a thoroughly reliable concern, whose attitude toward labor has always been most friendly and considerate, consequently it is entitled to the hearty support of the thousands of working men of the city and surrounding section. Owing to its broad minded and public spirited manner of dealing, this bank has built up a large and substantial business, and we take pleasure in placing it foremost among the prominent public spirited concerns deserving of the combined support and encouragement of the thousands of wage earners throughout the coming year.

Bailey, Draughn & Co.

A concern such as Baily, Draughn & Co. dealers in dry goods, clothing, boots and shoes, is certainly worthy of a foremost position among the leading institutions of Rocky Mount. This concern deals in superior goods at their well equipped place at 127 South Main street. This well-known firm has always been conducted in the most conservative manner, and they have built up prestige and patronage that extends far and wide throughout the city of Rocky Mount. The forces of labor are specially pleased to call attention to broad minded and public spirited men that command the admiration and respect of all classes of people.

Rocky Mount Furniture Co.

One of the most exceptionally popular furniture stores of this city is that of the Rocky Mount Furniture Co. This concern is deserving of unlimited patronage. The gentlemen at the head of this firm are gentlemen in every sense of the word and enjoy the patronage of a host of friends who are always sure to be treated in the most fair and courteous manner. We point with pride to this popular establishment and predict for it continued success on a large scale. We hereby recommend the enterprise to wage-earners as well as to the public in general. The above firm is one of our leading furniture stores and is located at 127 Main street.

Queen City Pressing Club.

Prominent among the business establishments of Rocky Mount which combine to give it its metropolitan character, we desire to place the name of Queen City Pressing Club. We are pleased to note that they are held in the highest esteem. It is a pleasure to know that an enterprise of this character takes such a kindly interest in labor. The constantly growing of the Queen City Pressing Club is due to the fact that they do business in a strictly business way, giving careful attention to all work on hand and satisfying their many patrons. Their service is always prompt and painstaking. E. W. Williams is the experienced proprietor and he is located at 122 Railroad St.

Griffin's Drug Store.

The Drug Store conducted by Mr. Griffin, corner of Main and Tarboro streets, fully justifies its proprietor in claiming to conduct a strictly first-class and up-to-date establishment. A better or more complete line of drugs could not be found. Particular attention is here paid to the carrying of a fine assortment of toilet articles and druggist sundries. The goods purchased from this firm cannot be depended upon to be as represented—substantial, lasting and the best for the price paid. We therefore find pleasure in recommending Griffin's Drug Store to our union men, since, in addition to conducting their business on sound principles, they have ever been friendly to our cause.

E. Epstein.

The immense and increasing business of E. Epstein goes to prove his ever increasing popularity, and the fair dealing of this firm. The citizens of Rocky Mount should most heartily patronize this firm, and aid it in becoming a still better success, and we trust that the business of this firm will continue to prosper and increase. He handles the best grade of hats and men's furnishings and the latest styles to be found in the city. The firm has maintained a most favorable attitude towards labor and the cause of labor, and we take pleasure in placing their name among the leading concerns of the city who may be depended upon as a staunch, substantial and considerate friend of organized labor. Spend your money with him and get value received every time. He is located in Masonic temple building.

Pearl Steam Laundry.

The working people are deeply interested in knowing the firms that can be depended upon for a certainty to deal with in a fair and honorable manner, and it is, therefore, a pleasure to cite the above firm as a conspicuous example of the kind of laundry that maintains at all times a policy of the strictest integrity towards the public. Pearl Steam Laundry located on the corner of Western Avenue and Howard street, make it a fixed policy to turn out nothing but the highest class of laundry work. They have by this means established a most favorable reputation among all classes of people. Their plant is well equipped to meet the increasing demands of the public for the first class work in a manner that never fails to please. They are worthy of the patronage of thousands of wage-earners of Rocky Mount and the Rocky Mount district.

R. W. Rawls & Company "Head to Foot Outfitters for Men and Boys."

The immense and increasing business of R. W. Rawls & Co. goes to prove their wide popularity for fair dealing with the public. They conduct a man's and boys' store. They deal in Hats, Shoes, Clothing and Furnishing. Their place is the headquarters in Rocky Mount for everything coming under this important head of business. R. W. Rawls & Co. have always maintained a favorable attitude towards labor and we take pleasure in placing their name among the leading concerns of the city, who may be depended upon as staunch, substantial and considerate friends of organized labor.

They are located on Main St. Call on them and you will never regret the patronage you give them.

F. D. Woodruff.

Among the prominent jewelers of this section is F. D. Woodruff, Washington St. We are pleased to note that this place is held in high esteem, not only by the best business men of this city, among whom are so many of his customers, but by the thousands of members of organized labor in this district. Mr. Woodruff has a complete stock of watches, jewelry, etc. He is well deserving the support and patronage of the wage-earners.

The Kyser Drug Company.

The Kyser Drug Co. is a concern that believes and practices earnestly the doctrine that is worth doing at all is worth doing well. Certainly too much care cannot be exercised in the compounding of prescriptions containing as they do such drugs as would be injurious were an error permitted to occur in the mixing. Our working people can be satisfied that at The Kyser Drug Co., 103 Main St., the personal attention given by the proprietor insures accuracy in any prescription they wish filled. Their sympathy with the labor movement stamps The Kyser Drug Co. as a firm of the proper calibre, and we earnestly desire that their well merited success may continue.

B. F. Proctor.

The successful dry goods establishment conducted by Mr. Proctor proves the progressive character of the proprietor. The well-stocked shelves contain dry goods, shoes and hats in all the best grades, so that any customer may be satisfied. B. F. Proctor gives personal attention to the business and is an affable man with whom it is a pleasure to deal. He is among our most influential citizens, and is ever ready to lend a helping hand to the betterment of labor or labor conditions. We extend to B. F. Proctor our best wishes and trust the concern will continue to succeed and prosper.

Joyner & Rowland.

The success attained by the above company is proof positive that careful attention to details and handling of goods must eventually lead to success. No better goods are handled anywhere than those handled by this firm and the excellent methods of business pursued by them has spread their business to vast proportions. They do an immense business as wholesale and retail merchants and their trade territory covers a considerable section of the country. Their establishment is at 203-205 South Main street. We take pleasure in placing them on the list worthy of the patronage of our union people.

Gay & Arrington

It has been our aim in this issue to make an accurate list of those progressive and public spirited firms that have by fair and honorable business methods and able and efficient service won the esteem and confidence of all classes of people. In presenting this list, we have no hesitancy in placing the name of Gay & Arrington foremost on the list, prominent among the hardware dealers of our city and recognized as gentlemen of experience and integrity. This firm has made a host of friends and patrons among the citizens of Rocky Mount and the surrounding section. Their headquarters for hardware, building material and farming implements are located on Main street.

Standard Hardware Company

Among the industrial enterprises associated with the growth and make up of the city of Rocky Mount, there are none which occupy a more prominent position in relation to the general welfare than the well-established and successful hardware merchants, Standard Hardware Co. This business has been in successful operation for a number of years. It has ever grown with increased importance year by year. To-day it ranks among the leading and most prosperous enterprises of its kind in this section. It is strictly in accordance with the broad, underlying principles of unionism to foster to the fullest extent a commendable enterprise of this kind. Their establishment is located at 108 Main St.

W. E. McLemore

W. E. McLemore, located at 122 Main St. In the transaction of its vast volume of business, we are pleased to note that this concern is held in the highest esteem, not only by their own force of employees, to which is afforded the fairest and most courteous treatment, but also by conservative organized labor throughout the city. W. E. McLemore has always shown himself to be a broad-minded and public spirited citizen, and has always co-operated cheerfully to further the cause of labor and the labor movement.

X. T. Keel Dry Goods Company, "Ladies and Gents Furnishers."

The immense and increasing business of this establishment goes to prove their increasing popularity for fair dealing with the public. The citizens of Rocky Mount should most heartily patronize and aid X. T. Keel Dry Goods Co., and help this business in becoming a still greater success, and we trust their business will continue to prosper and increase. They handle the best grades of dry goods, clothing, hats, gents' furnishings and the latest to be found in the city. X. T. Keel Dry Goods Co. has maintained a most favorable attitude towards labor and the cause of labor, and we take pleasure in placing their name among the leading concerns of the city who may be depended upon as a staunch, substantial and considerate friend of organized labor. Spend your money at X. T. Keel Dry Goods Co. and get value received every time.

The Rocky Mount Shoe Co.

This concern is a credit to our city and its success is well merited. We take pleasure in naming this commendable concern as one representative of our city and commend it to our friends, as it can be depended upon to assist in upholding and promoting our success and our best wishes are for its unbounded prosperity. The Rocky Mount Shoe Co. will aid materially in making our edition the complete success we hope for. They carry a large and varied stock of shoes for men and women. The Rocky Mount Shoe Co. is located on Main St. We do not hesitate to commend them to the patronage and good will of the wage earners throughout the coming year.

A. B. Jenkins.

When patronizing the dry goods dealers of our city, it is well to stop and consider which are the most competent and worthy of patronage. They will make no mistake in placing their orders with Mr. A. B. Jenkins. He is careful and considerate, and carries the best grade of dry goods, notions, shoes, and hats with a full line of five and ten cent goods and the greatest precaution is thrown around his establishment so to transact business courteously and promptly that no proper complaint can be made. His establishment is located on Tarboro street, and is thoroughly modern and up-to-date.

The Palace Pharmacy.

The management of The Palace Pharmacy of liberal ideas, and is well disposed toward organized labor. By strict attention to business, they have built up a large patronage at their store at the corner Main and Tarboro Streets, where they carry a complete line of drugs, toilet articles and druggist sundries, and where they are ever ready to give expert services as prescription pharmacists. We wish The Palace Pharmacy success. Our people will make no mistake in extending to The Palace Pharmacy their hearty support and patronage throughout the coming year. There is no class of business in which the public should exercise greater care in selecting reliable drug stores than in any other line of business.

Gaston G. Levy & Bro.

"Everything for everybody to eat." Considering that the larger part of our month's wages is expended for groceries and that such widespread fraud and deception has been practiced in the sale of food products, it certainly behooves our thousands of wage-earners and their families to patronize only such grocers as are known by their past conduct to be absolutely reliable and trustworthy. There is no grocer in Rocky Mount whom we are more pleased to commend to our people for unlimited support and patronage than Gaston G. Levy & Bro., located on Main street. His motto: "Good Things to Eat," as applied to the varied stock and superior quality of the goods handled by this enterprising merchant, is literally true. Levy & Bro. have ever shown a most commendable disposition to treat the broad underlying principles of unionism with courtesy and consideration. They number among our members a host of friends and patrons and well merit the continued support and confidence of our people.

Smith & Baker.

Our list of fair concerns would not be complete were the name of Smith & Baker not to appear. This concern has established for itself an enviable reputation for the liberality of its methods and the broad-minded character of its members. Ever ready to assist in the furtherance of labor projects, they

have proved themselves our staunch friends, and we are pleased to see the great increase of their business and hope the improvement will be steady and continued.

Smith & Baker are extensive dealers in dry goods, notions, shoes, millinery and furniture of the best grades are kept constantly on hand and the careful attention given by the manager to all patrons insure prompt and accurate service. Their establishment is on Main street. We heartily recommend them to the patronage of all our friends.

H. E. Brewer & Co.

Rocky Mount is fortunate in being the possessor of such an up-to-date clothing and dry goods store as that conducted by H. E. Brewer & Co. Their enterprise and progressiveness is shown by the reputation and appearance of the establishment. Their shelves are filled with a splendid assortment of clothing, dry goods, shoes and hats. H. E. Brewer & Co. also carries one of the finest lines of suit cases in the city and we recommend this company to the patronage of our people and the general public. This concern has been friendly in its attitude towards organized labor and we therefore hope that their remarkable success will continue.

Geo. L. Parker.

Our people should always patronize establishments of character. Geo. L. Parker located on Main street, is just such an establishment that meets all these conditions and requirements; known to be thoroughly trustworthy in regard to any transaction he may have, give every satisfaction in regard to filling orders for anything found in an up-to-date store. He handles high grade jewelry, watches, silverware, cut glass and optical goods and makes a specialty of repairing. He has always treated labor and its representatives with courtesy and consideration, and we are pleased to note that his record has always been clean and upright. Geo. L. Parker does an extensive business throughout this section of the country and are well worthy of the patronage of our union members.

Bulluck, Phillips & Co.

The fitting of the house is what makes the home. Pleasant surroundings afforded by a tasty selection of furniture give a feeling of contentment in the home. In the selection of furniture taste is required and the assistance of an experienced dealer will be appreciated. Bulluck, Phillips & Co. carry a most comprehensive line of furniture, and general housefurnishings. In all their dealings with the public, and especially the working public, they have proved themselves most fair and considerate. All goods are marked at most reasonable prices, of the best material and workmanship and are up-to-date in every detail.

We urge our many readers to patronize this company whenever the opportunity affords and to thus become acquainted with its many advantages. Store located at 115 Washington St.

T. A. Davenport

A substantial establishment, such as T. A. Davenport, which 132 Washington St., at shows a fair and friendly attitude towards labor, is worthy of the hearty support and co-operation of the thousands of working men of Rocky Mount and throughout this section of the country. His dealings with labor and the public have always been uniformly considerate and honorable. In extending to this enterprise our hearty co-operation we feel that we are but showing that spirit of reciprocity which is due those concerns which treat labor with the utmost fairness and consideration. He conducts an up-to-date furniture store.

W. T. Williford.

The above firm is a thoroughly reliable concern whose attitude towards labor has always been most friendly and considerate. Consequently it is entitled to the hearty support and confidence of the thousands of workmen of the city and surrounding section.

We are pleased to state editorially that it has always co-operated cheerfully to further the conservative labor movement and has never failed to set the seal of its approval upon the broad underlying principles of unionism.

Owing to its broad-minded and public spirited manner of dealing, this firm has built up a large and substantial business, and we take pleasure in placing it foremost among the prominent and public spirited concerns deserving of the combined support and encouragement of the thousands of wage-earners throughout the coming year. He deals in general merchandise. Located on Washington street.

May & Gorham, The Five Points Drug Store.

This prosperous concern is one of those that have made rapid strides since its establishment and has served to fill a much needed want in the homes of the workmen. It is now regarded as one of the most useful concerns in our city, is doing more than ordinary work in catering to the demands of those who appreciate pure drugs and first-class prescription service. This company handles the best quality of drugs, toilet articles and druggist sundries. We trust that they may enjoy a more extended share of union men's patronage, as well as that of the general public. We are pleased to state there is no firm in Rocky Mount that numbers more friends or patrons among the well paid wage earners of the city. May & Gorham well merits the continued support and patronage of labor throughout the coming year.

Geo. F. Harrell.

We take pleasure in placing on the list of firms known to be friendly in their attitude towards organized labor, the name of Geo. F. Harrell, who conducts one of our leading stores at 209 South Main street. We are especially proud to promote the business of the thrifty and industrious merchant of our city, to know those who hold a kindly interest in the welfare of organized labor, whose industrial career should be protected by our patronage. Geo. F. Harrell carries a complete line of Edison Phonographs and records, Victor Talking Machines, bicycles, guns, sporting goods and razors.

Hub Clothing Company "The Up-to-Date Clothing Store"

In giving the names of a few carefully selected concerns in the city we wish to draw particular attention to Hub Clothing Co., located at 107 Tarboro street, which is a credit to the commercial make-up of Rocky Mount. This business is well established and is on a firm basis and we are pleased to note that it has always exhibited a fair and reasonable attitude towards questions pertaining to labor. There is every reason why the goods of this firm should be popular with workmen. Hub Clothing Co. carries a full line of clothing, shoes and men's furnishing goods. See their goods before buying anything in this line.

E. P. Hicks & Co.

Located on Washington street, is the popular dry goods and clothing store of Rocky Mount. They carry a magnificent line of clothing, gents' furnishing, dry goods, shoes and millinery with prices to suit the purses of all. They are capable business men, having mastered the minutest detail connected with their business. They are honorable and upright, treating all customers most cordially. Their aim is to please and they do please. It behooves union men in return to co-operate in making the business of E. P. Hicks & Co. a greater and even more substantial success. E. P. Hicks & Co. has shown by all their dealings in the past that it is their purpose to deal at all times in a strictly reliable manner such as to merit the constant patronage and support of the public.

The First National Bank of Rocky Mount, N. C.

In discussing the present condition of business affairs from the standpoint of banks and banking, we wish to impress it as firmly as possible at the outset, that no city in this section of the country, can justly boast a more formidable list of strong and substantial banking institutions than the six members of the Carolina Clearing House. We wish to cite in particular, the First National Bank of Rocky Mount, whose condition has been thoroughly investigated and not found wanting in anything that contributes toward making a sound, substantial and conservatively managed banking institution. Banks of this character are little affected by temporary furries in business. The First National Bank of Rocky Mount is regarded by all who are at all informed as to banking conditions in this part of the country, as one of the safest depositories in the South. All well informed people from President Roosevelt to the plainest merchant has called attention to the mistake that is made by persons who withdraw their accounts from sound and solvent banks. The only effect it can have at the present time is to retard business because of the lack of necessary amount of currency in circulation. The present lull in business is only temporary, but all our people should see the importance of co-operating to the fullest extent in dispelling any foolish notions of the effect that our country is about to experience a commercial and industrial panic. Such a condition of affairs at the present time, when the country is in the flood tide of its greatest prosperity, is a positive impossibility. We should, however, in order to accelerate business and restore all business to its normal condition, do everything possible to foster and encourage such sound institutions as the First National Bank of Rocky Mount. This concern has always been found most fair and reasonable in its attitude toward labor and has never failed to set the seal of its approval upon underlying principles of unionism. We earnestly trust the First National Bank of Rocky Mount will continue to receive the combined support and confidence of labor throughout the coming year.