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ORGANIZATION DOES NOT CRUSH AMBITION plished fact."

(American Pressman.) The advantages of bargaining collectively along the lines of trades unionism are being recognized more by all classes of employees. Technical, scientific and professional men and women of the employee class have organized under the American in one peach. Likewise, there are Federation of Labor plan. This progressive step was taken because of the realization that legitimate trades unionism is the only method at their command to gain the recognition so necessary to their future protection and advancement.

Within the past few years organizations of college professors, teach- crushing process before. We have ers, reporters, editors, draftsmen, architects, engineers, etc., have been formed and are rapidly making head- no matter how carefully we investiway. Organized labor welcomes this gate or how hard we think, we canhitherto unrecognized class into its not see the point. If we had the ranks and realizes that their entry will be mutually advantageous. The formation of unions of reporters and editors has caused our esteemed contemporary, The Fourth Estate, much concern. The editor of this excellent "newspaper for the makers of newspapers and investors in advertising" does not take very kindly to the idea of having reporters and editors present their claims through an organization. We quote from an editorial appearing in that magazine recently:

"From many cities in this and foreign countries comes news of the formation of unions of reporters and editors, or agitations looking to the formation of such unions, the aim wage for the minimum effort.

Without presuming to argue as to the merits or the faults of unionism. we desire to call attention to one or two points in which the writers' unions differ from those of the MR. TODD WRITES skilled laborers in technical trades.

"The leveling, the ambition-crush-I life to unionism, cannot be so type. This is recognized by the men through the columns of your paper? behind the move to organize the To the Rev. G. A. Page, writers when their rules call for a minimum wage only, leaving the publisher free to pay as much over that as he may think the writer is worth. . . A man may take up the work of writing purely for the love of it-in fact, that is usually the case—but the proportion of newspaper writers who look forward to getting up out of the ranks and into the posts of chief editors or

chanical trades. But a serious question for them to tains the remains of that young man most sweeping investigation." consider is whether the situation can of 19 years of age, and saw the . They deny the claim that shoe best be remedied by unionism that father bowed in grief, heard the sobs prices will range from \$25 to \$50

manual workers. . . . before any widespread organization malice in their hearts; every one wear.

of writers' unions becomes an accom- that went, went to see what the

Begin to See in It Their Only Hope editorial than the above; in fact, he water. Better still you being a of Securing Just Return for Their is recognized as a man of unusual minister of the Gospel will underin this instance is that he has the wrong perscrective. None of us are infallible. We cannot get the correct perspective on all things. all sometimes prefer to observe the fly-speck on the window-pane instead of appreciating the beautiful scenery outside. Some of us denounce the those who condemn the labor movement because of the action of one man or union.

The points presented in the above editorial are not "well taken." have heard the argument of trades unionism being a leveling, ambitiontried to look at it from the viewpoint of those who claim it to be such, and, slightest idea that trades unionism was an "ambition-crushing process," we would certainly adopt some other 'ism." If there is any such thing as a maximum scale of wages-if there is any law made by a union to prevent the employer from paying an employee above the scale on account of his unusual ability, we do not know of it. Certainly there is none in our organization. There are some men in the union who seem to expect to receive the maximum wage for the minimum effort, and so are there men out of the union who expect itboth workers an demployers.

The employers organize-does it level them? They sometimes have being, of course, to get the maximum a minimum price, but do you often see a manufacturer who would refuse to sell a higher grade article for more than an inferior one-onecarrying a minimum price?

COMMISSIONER PAGE

ing process which is the very breath To the Editor of the (Charlotte)

Commissioner of Safety. · Charlotte, N. C.

By way of introduction, I will say that I am an elder in the Presbyterian Church, and that I supported you in the recent election. These are indeed sad days for our fair city. have just returned from Mr. Aldred, a neighbor whose son lies cold owners is very much higher than in in death, a victim of, I cannot call it the case of those who serve long a fight for it was a too one-sided af-apprenticeships in one or another me-"There is no doubt whatever that so I cannot say from first hand in-

other fellow would do. I believe The editor of The Fourth Estate that you could have dispersed the People of the "Professional" Class is capable of writing a more logical crowd with one hose and a stream of experience and ability. His trouble stand my language, instead of using machine guns and riot guns with vile words, as is said your men used, why did you not use personality against that crowd, the sword of the Spirit. Mr. Page, I consider that you had the opportunity of a life time, to try the strength of that sword, you aveteran soldier of the Cross should be familiar with the handling of that weapon, and know full well the power of it. I feel sure, Mr. Page, had you selected some scripture suitable to the occasion, for there is scripture for all occasions, as you, know. You were expecting a crowd the proof of which lies in the preparations that you did make, had you met this crowd with the sword of the Spirit in your hand, which is the word of God, and read to them some of its sacred pages, had you gone down on your knees in the dust of the street before that crowd and in the arms of faith carried them to a throne of grace, for you can do all things through Christ that strengthens you. When you arose to your feet you could have announced, we will sing the Doxology and be dismissed, and it would have been so, and those people would have gone home wondering at the power that thus influenced them to do so, and oh, the sorrow and heartaches these homes, would have been spared, humble though they may be and the bitterness and enmity that is now filling the hearts and lives of some of these good citizens of this fair city would never have been born. Remember the Bible says that "He that puts his hands to the plow and

Yours truly,

turns back, is not worthy."

E. C. TODD. Charlotte, N. C., Aug. 28, 1919.

AN INQUISITIVE EDITOR.

Madison, Wis., Sept. 2.-Editor Eviue, of The Capital Times, is askreadily applied to writers as to those Will you permit me to address a let- ing embarrassing questions regardwhose work is largely of a manual ter to Commissioner G. A. Page, ing the Mexican situation. He wants to know "why did these Mexican bandits bother us so little while the European war was in progress?"

"Surely," he says, "that was the time t ocarry on their depredations, while the attention of this country was turned in another direction.

"Why is it that these troubles put in an appearance so quickly when peace is again restored and our soldiers are coming back?"

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Atlantic City, N. J., Sept. 2 .- Ofcan learn not being present myself, ficers of the National Shoe Retailers' Association are angry at the profwriters have been, and are now, in formation as to that, however, as I iteering charges made against shoe some cases, very much underpaid, stood beside the easket that con- retailers. The dealers welcome "a

carries with it subserviency to other of the broken-hearted mother, this this winter. The dealers say this older and stronger unions made up of thought came to me, that you person- story was started by their enemies, ally might have prevented this. Per- and they assue the public that shoe "We believe it will behoove both sonally I don't believe that there was prices will only be between \$8 and writers and publishers to give some but very few people gathered at the \$12, but prices will be higher for good hard thought to this matter car shed that night that really had those who want "expensive" foot-

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