

COME HERE TO IMPROVE TRADE WITH FRANCE.



Photo by American Press Association.

The French commercial commission which is now here to prepare for trade after the war. They are headed by Maurice Damour, secretary of the committee of appropriations of the chamber of deputies. The others are M. Chouffour of the Credit Francais, E. Delasalle-Thiriez, delegate of the French spinning industry; Jacques Lesueur, agricultural engineer and official delegate of the department of agriculture, and Louis Trincano, director of the Horological School of Besancon and official delegate of the department of commerce. Left to right in the picture are M.M. Chouffour, Damour, Delasalle, Thiriez, Lesueur and Trincano.

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LABOR BRIEFS.

Painters of Batavia, Ill., have raised wages from 37½ cents to 42½ cents an hour without a strike.

Every shop in Billings, Mont., has signed the Horseshoers' union scale, which is eight hours and \$5 a day.

Meat cutters and butcher workmen of Bloomington, Ill., have organized a union and affiliated with the international of that craft.

Teamsters have secured the passage of an ordinance which provides for the union rates for drivers employed by the city of Steubenville, O.

A committee representing Big Four railroad telegraphers has rejected the offer of a 2½ per cent increase. The wire men have presented a demand for increases that average 15 per cent.

FAVORS TRADE UNIONS.

Southern Newspaper Declares For Collective Bargaining.

The Columbia State has again shown it is in the forefront of thoughtful southern newspapers by a defense of the workers' right to organize. Manufacturers are called upon to reckon with the spirit of the times, and in referring to the discharge of several cotton operatives in Greenville because they joined the United Textile Workers' union the editor says:

"Collective bargaining by labor is recognized nearly everywhere in the United States, and in opposing it there is no more wisdom than there would be in opposing the movement of the tides or the march of the seasons.

"To say that textile workers of the south," continues this paper, "are peculiarly situated, that they and their work differ from other laboring men and their employment, so that unionizing them would not help them, is to challenge the plain facts of labor's history.

"If the mill workers of South Carolina have in politics flocked together, if

they have sometimes stopped their cars to the appeals of their real friends, if they have fallen an easy prey to demagogues opposed to every reform designed for their betterment, the explanation is not hard to find. They have felt that they were neglected and forgotten. A sense of helplessness and hopelessness has depressed them, and they have groped for and grasped at anything that has promised relief and strength. Why should any one oppose their unionizing? Why should they not join forces? Let them do so, and as sure as day comes after night they will become self reliant and gain freedom from a demagogic domination. They will learn and know that fellow citizens engaged in other work are not their enemies and oppressors.

"The mill workers have the right to unionize. Their unionizing cannot and ought not to be prevented. It will make them better citizens and better men. It will in time make them freer and stronger. That is enough for the state."

Often it is difficult to run the rod through freshly laundered sash curtains. This can be made easier by placing an old glove finger over the end of the curtain rod.

Often a comparatively new hot water bottle will get a little hole in it. The hole can be mended by covering it with several applications of court plaster, allowing each application to dry before another is added.

A teaspoonful of common salt placed in the bottom of a kerosene lamp will make it give a clear light and prevent it from smoking.—Woman's Magazine.

Pictorial Wash Lists.

Pretty old inventions are our modern wash lists. The old German housewife had an odd way of keeping track of the garments she gave out to be washed. She had a picture of each article and wrote down the number of everything opposite to it with a piece of chalk, which was rubbed out when the article was returned, to be used again the next week. It was really a pictorial and perpetual wash list.

TO WORK FOR LABOR.

New Walsh Committee Aims to Help the Trade Union Movement.

Frank P. Walsh, chairman of the United States commission on industrial relations, the three labor members of that commission and others active in industrial reform have organized the industrial relations committee to continue the work of the industrial commission, which expired by legal limitation on Aug. 23.

The new committee is composed of twelve members, of whom seven are labor leaders. The others are Chairman Walsh, Amos B. E. Pinchot, Immigration Commissioner Frederic C. Howe, Bishop C. D. Williams of the Episcopal diocese of Detroit and Dante Barton, a Kansas City newspaper man.

The labor members are John B. Lennon, treasurer of the American Federation of Labor; James O'Connell, president of the metal trades department; Austin B. Garretson, president of the Order of Railroad Conductors; John P. White, president of the United Mine Workers; John Fitzpatrick, president of the Chicago Federation of Labor; Helen Marot of the Women's Trade Union League of New York, and Agnes Nestor of the Women's Trade Union League of Detroit.

The committee, it was announced, will open headquarters at Washington and exert pressure upon congress to procure the enactment of the Walsh report of the commission on industrial relations and other legislation desired by labor unions. An important part of its work, it was declared, will be to bring about "a revulsion of opinion toward trade unionism."

When He Was Lavish.

"I presume you still remember your wedding trip?"

"Yes, indeed. And I often wish that my husband had continued to care as little for money as he seemed to on that first journey we took together."—Detroit Free Press.

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