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## ELECTION OF OFFICERS.

Typographical Union, No. 555, Holds Regular Monthly Meeting--Will Honor Printer-Soldiers in Appropriate Manner.

The regular meeting of Wilmington Typographical Union, No. 551, was held Thursday evening and officers for the coming year were elected as follows:

President—P. Vaughn.  
Vice President—C. H. Cronenberg,  
Financial Secretary—H. D. Stanland,  
Sergeant-at-Arms—W. H. Register.  
Delegate to I. T. U. Convention—R. J. Villere,  
Recording Secretary—Chas. H. West.  
Delegates to Allied Printing Trades Council—C. H. Huband, D. P. Finney, George W. Cameron.  
Delegate to Label Products Committee—Geo. W. Cameron.  
Delegates to State Federation of Labor—J. H. Curtis and George W. Cameron.

A most enthusiastic meeting was held and a committee was appointed to arrange for an entertainment in honor of those members of the union who have enlisted to serve in the army and navy during the war with Germany.

They will be given a send-off at an early date.

The members who will be the honored guests of the union at the entertainment are:

Mr. R. J. Villere, retiring president.  
Mr. A. J. McLeod.  
Mr. Frank J. Ward.  
Three of the "finest yet."

## UNION BREVITIES.

Wilmington Trades Council will meet in regular session in Odd Fellows' Hall Tuesday night, June 12.

The Label Products Committee will meet in regular session Monday night at 7 o'clock at the usual place.

The Carpenters and Joiners are meeting regularly these days, and are adding to their membership roll many new names.

The I. A. T. S. E. is now negotiating a contract with the local playhouses and moving picture management. Let it be finished soon.

That brother unionist in Washington, Mr. Charley S. Bell, who drew the \$5 union emblem in Wilmington Trades Council raised the bet and brought a \$15 emblem. Some union spirit that old boy evinces.

Mr. W. L. Washburn, who has been absent from the city for several months, has returned to the city and is now enjoying the usual hearty welcome from his many friends. We are glad to have "Wash" with us again.

## Union Label Benefit Supper.

The Label Products Committee and the Allied Printing Trades Council entertainment committee met in joint session on Wednesday night and have under way arrangements for one of the greatest union label demonstrations and benefit suppers ever held in the South. Get your appetite sharpened up for we are going to demonstrate to you what a "good feed" is, and then you will hear a few things about the union label and its many benefits to the workers.

Remember the date, Thursday, June 28. It is expected that Finney and The Saturday Record's comic artist will render several duos accompanied by the "obo" or is it "hobo" orchestra.

## Union Street Car Conductor Is Victimized by the Tide Water Power Company.

### Street Car Conductor Suspended For 60 Days For Assisting Mrs. E. J. Sheehan in Depositing Her Fare in the Street Car Till on June 1st-- A Letter From Mrs. Sheehan--The "Committee of 10 Should Get Action.

The following, which is an exact reproduction of a letter written to Superintendent Baird, of the Tidewater Power Company, by Mrs. E. J. Sheehan, expressing her regret that Mr. Raynor had been suspended for extending her the courtesy due her on the morning of June 1, 1917, stands out for itself as evidence of the gross injustice done the conductor. Mrs. Sheehan mailed a duplicate copy of her letter to Mr. Raynor. It is as follows:

Wilmington, N. C., June 5, 1917.

Mr. T. J. Baird, Superintendent Transportation Tidewater Power Company--City:

Dear Sir: I learned through one of the employees of your company that you had suspended Mr. Raynor, conductor, for sixty days on account of putting my fare in the cash box the morning of June 1st, at Ninth and Princess streets.

I remember the incident very clearly. I asked him to put the fare in the box for me for the reason that in turning the curve, especially when there is no other passengers getting on the car, I am almost thrown from my feet, or thrown up against passengers in such a way it is very annoying. If you remember the morning before I got on the car at this corner and was allowed to be seated without waiting for my change and to deposit the fare in the cash box; this incident also was for the same reason. I have been accustomed in the past to take my seat at any point on the line where the car lurches to avoid being thrown to one side or possibly from my feet, which is unavoidable, unless the car is at a standstill until the passenger is seated. I did not do this with the intention of breaking your rules, on either of these as well as other occasions, but acted, to my mind, for the welfare of your company as well as my own safety and comfort. I have noticed a number of ladies getting on the cars at different points with small children or an arm full of packages handicapped in the same manner as I, being compelled to drop the money in the box before being seated.

I feel it my duty to write this as an explanation in the matter. I think this suspension is wrongly given, and assure you I am very sorry it happened and trust that you will see your way clear to exonerate this man, as I cannot see wherein he is to blame at all.

Yours truly,

MRS. E. J. SHEEHAN.

Mr. A. B. Skelding, General Manager.

On the morning of June 1st, while acting in the capacity of conductor on one of the cars of the Tidewater Power Company, Mr. L. Raynor was requested to deposit the fare of Mrs. E. T. Sheehan in the till as she feared that if she attempted to do so she would be thrown from her feet and injured. As is natural with any one who has common courtesy and the proper respect for womanhood,

Mr. Raynor complied with the request, for which act he was suspended for 60 days by the superintendent. The matter was taken up by the officers of the local branch of the Amalgamated Association of Street Car Men and they were given but little satisfaction by the company officials as to the injustice of the action of the superintendent in suspending Mr. Raynor under such circum-

stances. Not satisfied to see a fellow worker so unjustly treated, with without proper effort being made to see justice done, the union officers waited on the chairman of the "Committee of Ten" with a view to having the committee take the matter in hand and satisfactorily adjust it; and as the officers of the union have up to this hour received no word from the chairman of the Committee of Ten, The Saturday Record deems it its duty, as the guardian of the workingman's interest, to call the attention of the public to the injustice of the suspension and demand that the Committee of Ten (according to the agreement entered into last summer by Organizer Commons and the Tidewater Power Company in bringing about an adjustment of the trouble between the Tidewater Power Company and the Amalgamated Association of Street Railway Carmen), take the case of the suspension of Mr. Raynor, and see that justice is done, and that the victimizing methods being practiced by the Tidewater Power Company cease. Let the public, who are interested in a square deal for the street car men, see that no man is unjustly treated, now, or they may expect more serious developments in a very short while. Let truth and justice prevail.

## OUR ADVERTISERS.

Read the card of Mr. J. Bradford Campbell, organist, pianist, accompanist, composer, and teacher of piano-forte, on the sixth page of this issue.

Cromwell's, 605 North Fourth street, phone 1268, has an attractive ad. on the sixth page today. He specializes in berries and vegetables today and Monday. Cromwell is an experienced groceryman and service and quality are his watchwords. Watch the columns of this paper for his specials each week.

The Label Products Committee has an ad. on the sixth page calling on union men and friends of organized labor to be sure they ride the car that is operated by a union conductor when riding a street car. Help your brother of the Street Car Men's Union by riding his car.

## Mr. J. Bradford Campbell.

A new and worthy addition to Wilmington musicians is Mr. J. Bradford Campbell, whose card appears in another column. Mr. Campbell has high endorsement of personal worth and musical ability, and his work as Pianoforte teacher, Organist and Composer is accredited by eminent musicians, publishers, critics, the press, &c. His compositions—numbering more than one hundred sacred songs, ballads, anthems and pianoforte pieces, are spoken of as among the best of their kind, and have been widely used and commended.

Mr. Campbell would be pleased to meet and confer with any persons at their homes, and he may be addressed as per card. We bespeak for him a warm welcome and good success in our city.

Mr. Harvey Jones, a member of the local branch of the I. A. T. S. E., No. 614, has joined the Wilmington Light Infantry, which makes organized labor's representation in Uncle Samuel's volunteers from our section still stronger. Mr. Jones is a firm unionist and will serve his country as firmly as he has his union.