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## OUR ADVERTISEMENTS

Please mention this paper when patronizing advertisers.

E. E. Russ is again offering specials in flour. See ad. on 6th page.

Troy Laundry offers summer specials in his ad. this week. See his ad. on the third page.

Cromwell offers 350 dozen eggs as today's specials—wholesale or retail. Read his ad. on the 6th page.

"In Union There Is Strength." Sterchi-Bancroft have a "union" of thirteen stores and buy for less and sell for less, for cash if you have it, credit if you want it. See their attractive ad. on the sixth page.

Rubin cures your sole troubles by his new electric sole repairing process, and issues coupons which he redeems with a pair of rubber heels with each pair of half soles. He has up-to-date equipment and guarantees all work, which is of the highest class.

There are positions now awaiting every girl graduate of a business college for "The Boys Are Going to War and the Girls Must Take Their Positions in Offices." Jones' Business College, corner Front and Princess streets, offers the best opportunity possible for ambitious young ladies. See ad. on sixth page.

The eye is probably the most wonderfully ingenious and complex organ of the human body, and being proportionately delicate, requires to be guarded with the greatest care. Few catastrophes are more grievous than that of total blindness, and most people would rather lose all the other senses than be deprived of sight. Dr. Miles W. Maloney, who has 18,000 satisfied customers, is a high class oculist and will add all who he treats to said list of satisfied customers. See ad. on sixth page.

Why send your money away from home to buy scab products when you can spend it at home for union products? Many people do this and get the worst of it all the way through. For instance, a citizen recently ordered a head stone for the grave of a deceased relative from a scab marble yard and when it came the inscription that should have read "In God We Trust" was scattered about on the stone—that is, "In God We" was on one side and the word "Trust" was on the other. The stone is at the head of a grave in Bellevue cemetery. Patronize home industries especially those that produce union label goods. Read the ad. of Meier & O'Neal on the 6th page. They employ union labor and do first-class work.

## ARE UNFAIR TO ORGANIZED LABOR.

The Wilmington Amusement Company Has Been Declared Unfair to Organized Labor—Refused to Sign Contract With Stage Workers' Union—Broke Oral Agreement With a Committee of Wilmington Trades Council.

At the regular meeting of Wilmington Trades Council Tuesday night the Wilmington Amusement Company, Howard & Wells, proprietors, was declared unfair to organized labor.

For some time this company has been operating their shows with non-union employees, with one exception, and the business agent of the local branch of the I. A. T. S. E. (Stage Workers) has been making every effort possible to get the management of the company to enter into a contract with the union; but having failed in his effort, about two months ago he appealed to Wilmington Trades Council for their assistance in the matter, and that body put the case in the hands of the Label Products Committee, which committee, in company with the district organizer, consulted with the Howard & Wells management and succeeded in securing oral agreement by which they agreed to unionize their amusement houses and sign a contract within sixty days with the Stageworkers' Union, to continue in effect for one year. When the business agent of the union, in company with the organizer, called on the management to close the contract they met with a positive refusal and when the matter was reported back to the Wilmington Trades Council that body voted unanimously to declare the Wilmington Amusement Company unfair to organized labor, and instructed all delegates to report the action to their respective unions and urge them to remember their obligation and give their moral support to their brother unionists of the Stage Workers' Union in their effort to unionize the amusement houses of the city.

### "Join Your Central Body.

Chicago, July 12.—"We receive numerous complaints," says The Tailor, "about our locals not being represented in central labor bodies; and we also receive some apologies from the unions complained about. There is no apology good enough to excuse a journeyman tailor not being a member of the union. The apology some tailors offer is that the union is not run right. The local unions that are not affiliated with the central labor unions and state federation make the same excuse.

"If the tailor who refuses to join the union because the union is not run as he thinks it should be is right, so is the local union that refuses to join the central labor union. In our humble judgment, they are both wrong. The labor movement consists of local unions, central bodies, state federation and the American Federation of Labor. If we believe in the labor movement, we should be a part of it."

### Slave Bill Killed.

Annapolis, Md., July 11.—A compulsory work bill has been unfavorably reported to the general assembly. This measure was intended to make it a crime for a person to be found busily engaged in some sort of labor. War "efficiency" stuff.

## Conscript Exemptions.

Washington, July 11.—President Wilson has announced the regulations to govern the selection of the conscript army. The following classes of persons will be exempted from the draft by local exemption boards:

Officers of the United States and of the several States and Territories and the District of Columbia.

Regularly ordained ministers of religion.

All students of divinity preparing for the ministry on May 18, 1917.

Persons in the military or naval service of the United States.

Subjects of Germany residing in this country.

All other resident aliens who have not taken out their first papers.

The following persons will be discharged by local exemption boards upon investigation:

County and municipal officers.

Custom house clerks.

Persons employed in the transmission of the mails.

Workmen employed in the arsenals, navy yards and armories of the United States.

Persons employed by the United States designated as exempt by the President.

Steamship pilots.

Mariners actually employed in sear service of any citizen or merchant within the United States.

Any married man whose wife or child is solely dependent upon his labor for support.

Any son of a widow solely dependent upon his labor for support.

Father of a motherless child of children under sixteen years of age solely dependent upon his labor for support.

Brother of a child of children under sixteen years of age who has or have neither father nor mother and is or are solely dependent upon his labor for support.

Any person who is a member of a well-recognized religious sect organized or existing May 18, 1917, whose creed forbids its members to participate in war.

All persons morally deficient, such as criminals.

All claims for exemption must be supported by affidavits.

## Cheaper Potatoes.

Washington, July 12.—Reports coming in from various sections of the country indicate that the price of potatoes is rapidly tumbling and the prediction has been made that \$1 a bushel will be the prevailing price shortly, wholesale prices on June 30 showing a reduction from 40 to 50 cents per bushel.

## Employes Accept.

Denver, Colo., July 12.—After the newly formed union of street railway employes was betrayed by the committee appointed to conduct negotiations with the manager of the company, the management offered to advance wages of the men 2 cents per hour as a war bonus and one cent an hour for the maintenance of certain coasting averages on the various divisions. The men rejected this offer, asserting that it had strings attached. The company finally conceded the 3 cents per hour advance. The union was betrayed, but the influence of its short life made an impression on the company which is historic in all such situations.

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## UNION BREVITIES.

The Label Products Committee will meet at 8 o'clock Monday night.

The Bricklayers' and Masons' Local met on Wednesday night in Woolvin Hall.

The Carpenters and Joiners met in regular weekly session Thursday evening Bonitz Hall.

The Allied Printing Trades Council will meet Tuesday evening at 6 p. m. A full attendance is urged.

Mr. J. R. Kennedy is a new delegate to Wilmington Trades Council from the Federal Employees Union. Dick is on the job, too.

Mr. H. L. Jones, of the Federal Employees Union, has been elected to succeed Mr. H. H. Ford, resigned, as recording and corresponding secretary of Wilmington Trades Council.

The B. R. C. of A. held their regular meeting Wednesday night. There was much interest manifested in the proposed increase in wages. Stick to the original proposition, brothers, you deserve the amount asked for.

Messrs. Clark and Murphy, of the Bricklayers' and Masons' local, attended the Wilmington Trades Council on Tuesday night. We were pleased to have them with us, and hope they will be with us as delegates at an early date.

Dave Finney, of the Dispatch linotype force, has been a little "under the weather" for several days. A little "recreation" will do the work, Dave, if you pour it on straw, like the old-timers used to do, and take a trip to—

Mr. Charles H. Bell, of Washington, N. C., who is a popular member of the local branch of the I. A. T. S. E., and who has been working for the past four years as chief operator of the New Theatre, of that city, has accepted a position with the water and electric plant of that city.

Mr. H. H. Ford, president of the Federal Employees' Union of Eastern North Carolina, and corresponding and recording secretary of Wilmington Trades Council, who has been employed in the United States Engineer Department, in this city, for several years, has been transferred to the headquarters of the American Expeditionary Forces, in France, where he will act in the capacity of confidential clerk, with the privileges and compensation of a captain. While Brother Ford has served as secretary of Wilmington Trades Council for only a few months, he has been a valuable and most faithful officer, and the Council accepted his resignation with regret. We wish for him much success in his new position, and may he return to us after completing his service in France.

## Texas Guards Children.

Austin, Texas, July 10.—The new child labor law, passed by the last legislature, is now in effect. No firm or corporation or their agents shall employ any child under 15 to labor in or about any factory, mill, workshop, laundry, theatre or other place of amusement, or in messenger service in towns of more than 15,000 population.

The Illinois Legislature has amended the workmen's compensation law by making compensation compulsory for employers, instead of optional.

Insist on the Union Label on your purchases.