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Brotherhood of Clerks Is Standing Firm.

Several New Points Called Out—Members of the Union Doing Effective Picket Duty—Additions Made to Membership Roll at Every Meeting—General McWade Returns—Petition Circulated Among "Scab" Clerks by Officials.

After two weeks have elapsed since the members of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks walked out of the A. C. L. offices which meant ultimate victory for the Brotherhood in its struggle with the railroad system for the rights of its employees, during which time the government representative sent here to bring about a settlement of the trouble was absolutely ignored by the railroad company and returned to Washington, where he made a report of the conditions of the strike; the government has again sent the same representative back to this city in a last effort to settle the strike.

As a counter to the act of the government in sending the representative back to the city to bring about a settlement, the officials of the A. C. L. have been circulating a petition among the "scab" clerks during the week for their signatures, appealing to the government not to interfere in the struggle between the Brotherhood and the A. C. L. railroad, and grant to the clerks their constitutional and human rights, but to withdraw their representative from the scene of action and leave them to the "tender" mercy of their industrial masters. But our Uncle Samuel is looking out for the interests of his people, and we fear that petition will find a cozy corner in some government waste basket.

During the week many points along the A. C. L. system have been called out by the union and freight traffic is badly congested over the entire system.

As we stated last week, notwithstanding the appeal of the faithful "scabs" who remain at work, if the A. C. L. does not come to an agreement with the Brotherhood of railway clerks in a few days, the government will force a settlement, as there has been much government material delayed in delivery on account of the general congestion.

As to our classification of the faithful as "scabs" we refer our readers to the definitions given by several authors in their strike jingles.

During the past week the strikers have been doing some very effective picketing, and have won over many of those who remained at work when the strike was first called.

Unions Endorse Stand Taken by Railroad Clerks.

The following endorsements by the various trades unions of this city of the organization movement by the clerks of the A. C. L. system, as a protest against invasion of their rights to organize as American citizens, by the officials of that railroad, were adopted at special meetings held during the week:

"The Wilmington Trades Council hereby wish to express ourselves as endorsing the action of the local Railway Clerks' Union and also the Carpenters' and Joiners' Union in their stand for human rights and pledge them our loyal support.

"WILMINGTON TRADES' COUNCIL"

"Whereas, We, the members of the members of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, Local Division 708, of the city of Wilmington, N. C., are strong believers in the rights of all free men to organize for their uplift and advancement; and, whereas, we believe that the Atlantic Coast Line officials have over-stepped their rights in forcing their employees to walk out because of having become members of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, and are therefore responsible for the conditions prevailing in their freight department, which has caused much delay in delivering material that is essential in the government work in preparing to wage war for international democracy and humanity.

"Therefore, be it Resolved, That we, the members of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, in meeting assembled, do hereby extend our moral and financial support to them in their efforts to maintain their fundamental American principles.

(Signed)
Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, Local Division No. 708."

"We, the undersigned members of the Wilmington Typographical Union, conscientiously feeling that we are sacrificing no degree of patriotism, which we have proven by our actions in the war for democracy, do hereby pledge our most loyal support to the local Railway Clerks' Union in their noble fight for the principles which our organization stands for.

(Signed)
W. E. Aud, G. W. Cameron, L. L. Jones, Henry L. Hewlett, D. E. Dixon, G. E. Megow, Henry A. Stalls, G. W. Curtis, L. W. Lawrence, G. G. Moore, J. H. Hewlett, W. C. Tippet, Paul Vaughn, Jr., W. E. McGhee, S. A. Cronenberg, J. W. Booth, J. T. Howard, Paul Vaughn, Sr., W. H. Register, C. H. Huband, W. L. Washburn, J. H. Darden, Chas. L. Swett, J. H. Curtis, B. F. Ozment, R. W. Pridgen, G. S. Webb, W. G. Perkins, Roy J. Dyer, G. E. Nichols, Thos. E. Davis, R. L. Pittman, W. S. Royster, Charles W. West."

"Whereas, the clerks of the A. C. L. Railroad are out on a strike, and, whereas, they are striking for all union men, as well as for themselves, the American principles of Liberty, be it

"Resolved: First, that we, as true union men and women, will never allow any foe to destroy that Liberty.

"Second: Liberty belongs to all men, and no one can deny their God-given principle.

"Third: That we, as members of Local 186, I. P. P. & A. U., do hereby stand shoulder to shoulder with the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks, and pledge our loyal support to them and to all others who stand for the immortal principle of American Freedom.

(Signed)
"International Printing Pressmen's and Assistants' Union, No. 186."

UNION BRIEFS.

The American Federation of Labor convenes in Buffalo, N. Y., on Monday.

Organizer James P. Ogletree, of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, who has been here in the interest of the union, left Thursday for Buffalo, N. Y., to attend the convention of the A. F. of L.

Brother F. J. F. Richter, one of the most popular members of the Seage Employees Association, has accepted a position as brakeman on the A. C. L.

Miners' Chief Resigns.

Indianapolis, Nov. 8.—John P. White has resigned as president of the United Mine Workers of America, and Vice President Frank Hayes is now chief executive of that organization, while Statistician John L. Lewis succeeds Hayes as vice president.

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NEWS OF THE LABOR WORLD.

Uncle Sam Starts an Educational Plan.

Washington, Nov. 8.—Even though Uncle Sam is spending vast sums for airplanes, cannon and ships these days he has just loosened his purse strings and handed out nearly half a million dollars to seven States which have agreed to work with him on a joint vocational educational plan. The government's total amount available for this fiscal year is \$1,800,000, and as the States must duplicate this sum, it means that \$3,600,000 will be used in this country the first year to instill a knowledge of industrial training, home economics and agriculture in the youth of our country.

Annual appropriations are provided by Congress until 1925, when the seven million mark will be reached.

This law—known as the Smith-Hughes vocational training act—was passed by the last Congress, and is intended to supplement the public schools as it is shown that only 18 per cent of America's boys and girls over 14 years of age are going to school.

This law is enforced by a commission known as the Federal Board for Vocational Education, which consists of the secretaries of agriculture, commerce and labor, the federal commissioner of education and three private citizens. The last three are Arthur E. Holder, former legislative representative of the A. F. of L., representing labor; Charles A. Greathouse, of Indiana, agriculture, and James P. Munroe, of Massachusetts, commerce.

To build up a solid vocational educational system and check State boards from wandering off into the field of faddism, the law provides that before a State is entitled to federal aid, its plan must be endorsed by the federal board. With this endorsement, the government, through its board for vocational education, will give that State one dollar for every dollar it appropriates for this purpose.

Plucky Girls Raise Wages.

Sapulpa, Okla., Nov. 6.—Plucky telephone girls tied up the system of the Southwestern Bell Telephone company and forced that corporation to establish a minimum wage of \$40 a month instead of the former average rates of \$5.10 and \$6 a week.

At a public meeting in the court house, trade unionists and other citizens gave pledges that would guarantee the girls a weekly strike benefit and it was declared that no homes should be open to strikebreakers. For a week Sapulpa was without telephone service and citizens drove five miles to secure long distance service.

OUR ADVERTISERS.

Please mention this paper when patronizing advertisers.

Try an order of those delicious Norfolk oysters as served at the Coast Line Cafe. They are fried in Norfolk style and are fit for a king—the finest to be had anywhere. Don't fail to try them.

See the attractive ad. of Sellers' New Cash Grocery on the sixth page. They are now open for business with a complete line of groceries at Front and Dock streets.

Bon Marche offers navy blue serge and silk dresses for \$12.95 to \$22.95, beginning Monday and continuing until the 17th. The sale begins at 9 a. m. See ad. on the 6th page.

The Wilmington Furniture Company invites Record readers to visit their store. See their attractive ad. on the sixth page today.

Sue Gary, of Eastover, S. C., who has been under treatment of Dr. Nielsen, has returned to her home completely cured by the Doctor's wonderful treatment.

Always insist on the union label.

Carpenters' Trade Movement Effective

Only One Contractor, the Nauli Shipbuilding Company, Fails to Accept the Carpenters' Terms—More Than One Hundred Men Walked Out of the Nauli Shipyard on Monday—Settlement Expected at an Early Date.

Monday morning, November 5, the trade movement of the Carpenters' and Joiners' local union became effective and, as had been anticipated by the leaders of the organization, every contractor in this vicinity employing the members of the organization granted the conditions embodied in the movement—the eight-hour day, 50 cents an hour, time and half time for overtime and double time for work on holidays and Sundays—except the Nauli Shipbuilding Company, whose plant is on Eagles Island, where about 100 members of the union walked out.

Much has been said by those unfriendly to organized labor about the act of the carpenters in demanding the 8-hour day and an increase to 50 cents an hour being unpatriotic, but when it taken into consideration that the Nauli Company is a private concern and that the government is in need of thousands of carpenters, at better wages and with far better conditions, on emergency work, it appears to us that the carpenters are doing their patriotic duty when they accept such employment.

There has also been several rumors that the Nauli Company would move the work to other points or shut down for an indefinite period, but we have been informed on good authority that it is very probable that the trouble will be amicably adjusted in a few days, and work resumed on the vessels now under construction.

Asheville Central Labor Union Did Good Work.

(Special to The Record.)

Asheville, N. C., Nov. 9.—With a total of \$8,900 to its credit, the committee representing the Central Labor Union in the flying squadron selling Liberty bonds made a good report to the Central Labor Union of this city. President Hemphill appointed his committee from the various locals, and while many of the men named could not get away from their work to give full time to the selling of bonds, all worked as much as they could after hours. The employers of the men named co-operated with the movement wherever it was possible, but on account of pressing work it was impossible for some of the men to get off. Several members of the unions subscribed for bonds before the committees were appointed and these amounts did not show up on the committee's work.

Other union men were in the territories allotted to other teams, and subscribed through them, this, too, detracting from the total which the central committee hoped to turn in.

The Street Car men's union, of this city, bought \$500 worth of Liberty Bonds. This does not nearly represent the amount of bonds bought by the individual members of that organization for near all of the boys are now creditors of Uncle Sam.

Southeastern Fair Eclipses Events of Past Years.

The Fifth Annual Southeastern Fair, which opened in this city on Tuesday, and which was participated in by enterprising representatives of ten counties, completely eclipsed all previous fairs, and was indicative of the great progress made by our people in all lines of industry, especially in agriculture and live stock raising.

So many and interesting were the exhibits that it was almost impossible for our representative to do justice to all, but we mention several of those that were the most attractive:

Food exhibit of New Hanover county, by farmers and truckers.

"Country Store" exhibit, by the Sorosis Society.

The Cattle and Poultry exhibits were of the highest class.

Educational Exhibit.

Exhibit of U. S. Bureau of Fisheries—the uses of shark meat and other fish as an aid in winning the war.

The exhibit of toys by J. H. Rheder & Co. was one of the finest.

John S. McEachern Sons had an elegant exhibit of seeds and grains.

M. W. Divine's display of paints and oils was of the highest order.

Among the leading automobile exhibits were the "Saxon Six," by the Wilmington Motor Company, and the "Cole 8," and the "Willys-Overland by the Cannon Auto Company. The \$2200-prize-winning Willys-Overland car was one of the handsomest ever exhibited in the South.

Most attractive exhibits were those of "Morning Glory" and "N. O." coffees.

The shoe exhibit of Wm. Otersen was very attractive.

There were many other exhibits that were worthy of mention and were a credit to those presenting them, but on account of limited space we cannot give a full list.

Many valuable prizes were given by the fair committee to the exhibitors.

The fair closed last night after one of the most successful events in the history of the association, and much credit is due the officers of the association and the respective committees for their enterprising efforts to boost the industrial and agricultural progress of our section.

STREET CAR STRIKE IS STILL UNSETTLED.

Chattanooga Men Standing Firm For Rights of Collective Bargaining.

Special to The Record.

Chattanooga, Tenn., Nov. 9.—Chattanooga union men say the strike situation is in a more hopeful condition now than at any time since the second strike was called, when, the men say, the company broke its contract. The company has attempted to keep the officers of the union from talking to the members of the organization about striking, by getting out an injunction against the officers. The attorney for the men says the right of free speech has been denied them by the terms of the injunction.

The Chattanooga News published the statement of the men, together with the writ of injunction.

W. T. Kennerly of Knoxville, was ordered by the Department of Justice to investigate the strike conditions in Chattanooga, and some folks intimated that he was trying to find an I. W. connected with the strike.

General Manager Hoover has been considering the advisability of placing women conductors on the cars. It is said he threw out a feeler to see how the people of Chattanooga would take to the idea. The people didn't take—so that plan was abandoned.

There is very little trouble in Chattanooga now, it is said. A green motor-man, some of the men claim, turned a car over at a curve, injuring several people. The company officials claimed the tracks had been greased. The men are standing firm, and there is at present no indication of an early settlement. The people in general are supporting the men.

Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Bessch, 513 So. Fourth street, were visited by the stork during the past week, who presented them with a baby boy. May he be a blessing to them and grow up to a manhood of usefulness to his country.