

WANT HIGHER DUTIES Printers' Deputation Will Wait on Tariff Commission.

Typographical Union No. 91, at their regular meeting on Saturday night, received the report of the committee in charge of the convention here last August, and it was a very favorable one, with a surplus, it is said, of \$1,400.

The Tariff Commission recommended that the Tariff Commission be approached with a request for increases of the duty on certain commodities, which they at present decline to make public. A committee was appointed consisting of A. Powell, chairman; John Armstrong, and John Chinn.

Sheet Metal Workers

The Sheet Metal Workers held a rousing meeting on Friday night last. Several new members were initiated and several new ones proposed. The S. M. W. were never in a healthier condition than at present.

Mr. A. Gariopy, of Montreal, delegate to the Convention to the American Federation of Labor will join Mr. W. V. Todd the fraternal delegate from Toronto and party on their way to Pittsburgh. Mr. Todd will use every endeavor to have the next convention held in Canada.

Barbers Union

The Barbers held their regular meeting on Tuesday night. This union is in a growing and healthy condition.

Builders' Laborers

The Builders' Laborers held their regular meeting on Tuesday night in the Temple. Eight new members were admitted and forty-five applications were received. This union is growing the most rapidly of any in the Toronto district.

Brass Workers, No. 53

The Brass Workers, Local 53, at their regular meeting on Tuesday night, passed a resolution handing over their membership list to the Tribune as subscribers.

Tile Setters and Helpers

The Tile Setters and Helpers at their meeting last Friday reported the affairs of their local in a flourishing condition.

Structural Ironworkers, No. 4

The Structural Iron Workers, Local No. 4, held a successful meeting on Tuesday night. Five new members were added and five applications read.

A resolution was passed to consult with the different firms, asking for a raise in wages. This proposition was discussed last spring, and the time was then thought opportune, but at present the conditions in this line are so good it was considered a favorable time to get better conditions.

Photo Engravers' Union, No. 35

Photo Engravers' Union No. 35 met in Room 6 of the Temple on Monday night. A large attendance of members were present for the nomination of officers for the coming year. A resolution was passed closing three shops that were on the open list, and a fight in those shops may be expected.

Brotherhood of Teamsters No. 495

The Brotherhood of Teamsters, Local 495, at their meeting on Monday night initiated fourteen new members and received twenty applications. A discussion was held on the rate of wages being too small in comparison to living expenses and house rents, and people were now forced to live in shacks.

Glovemakers' Union, No. 8

Mr. J. C. Little, recording secretary of the Glovemakers' Union, Local No. 8, has left the city, and has been succeeded by W. L. Murphy.

Kindly notify us at once if you do not get your paper on time. We are paying for a good delivery, and there is no reason why we should not have it.

Appointment

Mr. Charles Bishop, vice-president of No. 4 Branch Amalgamated Carpenters has been appointed business agent for his union while Mr. A. C. Saunders is at Pittsburg attending a convention.

Initiations

Last month the total initiations in organized labor amounted to 320 in the Toronto District, and this month bids fair to be larger. This proves that the wage earners are waking up to the knowledge that in union there is strength.

Silver Workers

Bro. of Silver Workers, Local, No. 13, held their regular monthly meeting Wednesday night, a good attendance a healthy interest and good financial condition is the report.

Machinists Local 689

The Machinists Local, 689, at their meeting on Wednesday night, their Delegate to the Boston convention finished his report. He said among other things that it was the best convention ever held, and a great amount of good work was accomplished. The report that the G. T. R. men were asking to get back was false, the offer coming from the G. T. R. themselves. The report that the engines are getting into bad shape, making it unsafe for the public to travel makes the machinists position all the stronger. Canada Foundry Strike is still on. The finances of local 689, are in a flourishing condition and numbers are constantly being admitted.

Local 66, W. I. U. L. L.

Held a very successful Progressive Euchre party Wednesday evening, Nov. 8th, about one hundred being present. The gentlemen's first prize was won by Mr. Warden; ladies' first, Miss Wristen. Mr. S. Peyton gave a song; Master Peter Glockling, recitation; Miss Hardmeyer, song. Refreshments were served, after which dancing was indulged in until a late hour.

These social gatherings will be held once a month during the winter. All union men and their wives are invited to be present. The Local is growing rapidly, taking in many new members each meeting.

Contract Labor Law

Announcement is made of the arrest in New York City of eleven members of the Tile, Grate and Mantel Association for violation of the Contract Labor Law. It appears that these men sent one of their number to England, who caused advertisements to appear in English and German papers for workmen to take the place of strikers, soon after the workers' strike of August 6th. It further appears that in response to these advertisements fifty expert tile workers were secured, imported into the United States and set to work in the strikers' places. It still further appears that these tile workers were instructed to swear falsely when they passed Ellis Island, and were thereby enabled to gain admission to this country. The tile workers thus stand charged not only of violating the Contract Labor Law, but of conspiracy to violate it and of subornation of perjury.

"What's worth doing is worth doing well." What's worth organizing is worth sticking to.

Knockers

Interested parties have been industriously circulating false statements to our advertisers and others to the effect that THE TRIBUNE IS NOT THE OFFICIAL ORGAN of the Toronto District Labor Council. We, therefore, publish an excerpt from our agreement made with the Council by the publisher and duly signed and sealed before the paper was started.

Whereas, the parties of the Second Part are desirous of having a weekly newspaper published in the City of Toronto in the interest of organized labor as represented by the Toronto District Labor Council, have requested the party hereto of the First Part to publish such newspaper as the official organ of the Toronto District Labor Council, with the support of organized labor bodies represented by the Toronto District Labor Council.

We propose to sell to the employer eight hours out of twenty-four, and we will do as we please with the remaining sixteen.

Success sanctions everything. Push the Tribune.

Union men have thousands of papers, writers, and speakers defending their position. Did you ever hear of a "scab" starting a paper to defend his position? Did you ever know of a "scab" writing an article or making a speech in behalf of himself or his fellow workmen? No; the employers do the talking, the writing, the publishing favorable to those fellows.

Tool insurance is to be granted members of the Pattern Makers' League of North America as a protection against loss of tools by reason of fire.

The fellow who gets what he wants generally feels that he might just as well have wanted more. And the more union labeled goods you get the more you want. It is altogether a habit—a very good one.

President O'Connell of the International Association of Machinists reports that since the last convention 150 new lodges had been organized and 65 additional lodges received through the amalgamation of the Allied Metal Mechanics' International.

Six hundred and fifty canal laborers, brought to Colon from Martinique, French West Indies, were landed at the former port against their will. One hundred and fifty men were seriously beaten by the police. The laborers objected to the unsanitary conditions on the Isthmus.

The union worker represents the highest class of labor and the most skillful species of artisan. His unionism stands for fairness toward himself, his family and his employer; and the good union man stands just as ready to see the employer treated fairly as he does the members. The union must be equitable in its decisions if it is to prosper and grow, and the more extreme its fairness the greater its prosperity. Justice to all must be its watchword, and from this there must be no deviation.

Methodist Episcopal ministers of Pittsburg and vicinity have just completed plans for a closer affiliation between the churches and the workingmen.

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