

UNLUCKY THIRTEEN

The men who voted against Organization and the Rights of Citizenship. We will carry them in this frame until next January if the stain is not wiped out before that time.

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LABOR WORLD

News and Views of the Ever Advancing Army of Workers

Masses Hall, Friday, April 24th.

The Berlin Woodworkers will appeal against the decision of Justice Meredith.

The carpenters hold a joint meeting on Saturday afternoon, April 25th, in Victoria Hall.

The bricklayers of London have settled the question of wages for a term of two years.

D. Stamer, of the Freight and Baggage Handlers, organized a local in Ottawa recently.

Samuel Gompers, President of the A. F. of L., is billed to speak in Ottawa on April 30th.

Hear Sam Gompers, John Mitchell, Jim Duncan and others at Massey Hall on Friday, April 24th. Tickets only a quarter.

The banquet to the A. F. of L. Executive Board given by the city will be held at McConkey's on Wednesday evening, April 22nd.

Don't fail to hear John Mitchell at Massey Hall on Friday, April 24th. He will be there with several others of the A. F. of L. Executive Board.

The woodworkers hold a mass meeting on Tuesday, the 21st, in Victoria Hall, which will be addressed by Thos. I. Kidd, D. D. Mulcahy and others.

Sam Moore left on Wednesday for a trip west. He expects to form unions in Clinton, Berlin and Listowel under the Piano and Organ Workers.

The bricklayers have issued a hand-some membership card, which the Canadian locals take some objection to on account of there being nothing emblematic of Canada included in the design.

The situation in the building trades is looking somewhat serious just at the present moment, and unless something gives way, there is liable to be trouble for the unions, notably the carpenters, bricklayers and painters.

The Imperial boardinghouse, at 52 Jarvis street, is unique in that it is run by M. J. Costello, a union moulder, and all the regular boarders are said to carry cards, while the staff served at the table bears the union label where possible to obtain it.

Prof. Yates Johns, of 286 Spadina avenue, has a unique way of advertising his barber shop. It is in the nature of an inviting summons, and bears the union label as well as the barber shop carrying a union card. If the blue paper is as good a drawing card to his shop as it is to the court, the professor should do a rush business.

If I thought the trades union movement depended on lawlessness for its success, if I believed strikes dependent on lawlessness for their success, I would abandon the trades union movement. I do not believe that a strike was ever won because of violations of law. I do know that strikes have been lost because laws were broken. I do know that a striker is injured if the law is broken. John Mitchell.

The general offices of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America are now located on the fifth floor of the Stevenson Building, Indianapolis, Ind. Communications, such as appeals, grievances, by-laws, etc., should be addressed to William D. Huber, P.O. Box 520, Indianapolis, Ind. All other matters, such as reports, money orders, bank checks, drafts and the like should be addressed to Frank Duffy, P.O. Box 520, Indianapolis, Ind.

There are no more persistent advocates of trades unionism and agitators for union label goods than the members of the Cigar-makers' International Union. You rarely find a cigarmaker asking in this or that manner the unfair list for about a year, on account of accepting "struck work," applied for a meeting with a committee from the Toronto Association of the P. M. L. of N. A., to adjust, if possible, the differences between the said association and himself. A committee was accordingly appointed and waited on him on Monday, March 20th, and, although he was not inclined to accede to their demands at first, he decided on further consideration to comply with every condition asked, and is now at peace with the association. We trust that union bodies will note this, and if it lies in any of your power to give Mr. Joselva a "boost" why do so, and thereby show all the employers of labor that when they are willing to come to terms with us, we can be the same with them.

All the team drivers in the employ of the great Barrum & Butler circus have formed a local union of the Team Drivers' International Association at Bridgeport, Conn. It is said that before the circus season, all of the circus chariot drivers will be organized into unions affiliated with the T. D. I. U.

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The eastern philosophers say that "we should live only in the present." This is excellent advice for Chief Thompson to take, for while we wish him a real good time when he comes to the great divide, some of the interesting time will not be so pleasant for him as the very satisfactory now.

The C. P. R. Telegraph Company profess to give a new service for which the papers pay from coast to coast, but it certainly has not given the news about the strike it has on its hands out in British Columbia. This is no occasion for surprise, of course, but it is nothing else than obtaining money under false pretenses, just the same.

The Rev. Dr. Bose, the Methodist clergyman of Ottawa, who was the first to lay it aside on Sunday last in obedience to his church court, said in his opinion, "a gown invested the office of the preacher with dignity." Any clergyman who has to rely on his garments for dignity and influence with his congregation must have mighty little heart or head or any other Christianlike quality.

MUST NOT INCREASE WATER RATES

For the fourth time a sub-committee of the Board of Works met on Friday of last week to consider Ald. Curry's motion that the waterworks be placed on a paying basis.

The words indicating the character of the motion to prohibit the most severe comment that could be made on the undervaluing—or lack of that quality—of its doing.

Why does not Ald. Curry make more motion after this style?

That means to be taken to make the roadways and sidewalks pay the cost of keeping the City Hall clock dark.

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Any of the above proposals is quite as sensible as the back-numbered nonsense contained in Ald. Curry's motion.

It is to be presumed that his reason for wanting to make the waterworks "pay" is the same as other landlords—to evade his fair share of the taxes and shift them on or on those less able to pay. O, landlords are a high-minded, honorable lot of gentlemen, if you take their word for it!

In a city water is just as much a necessity as roads, street lighting, sewers, police protection, fire protection and scavenging. It is absolutely necessary to all the same things there be furnished to all in the same way as the other necessities and paid for out of the general taxes.

A fair way would be to supply water every dwelling and extend from among the rates for seven or eight months charge a fair price for all rooms in excess of that number, as well as for all supplied warehouses, stores, institutions and factories.

Has anyone a good argument against adopting this course? If so, we would be pleased to hear it.

In a report, City Treasurer Condy stated that there was a deficit of \$98,385 in 1902, and this is what Ald. Curry would like to make up by an increase in water rates. As a matter of fact, everything goes to show that the waterworks pay more than their share.

In support of our contention it may be mentioned that one citizen who put a meter in his house years ago, found that he had paid less than half the amount he had been taxed under the present tax system.

There are 3,110 hydrants in the city, for which the city is charged by the Waterworks department \$10 each. Figures given in the report of the charges per hydrant, in nineteen other cities, show an average of \$38 per hydrant per year, or \$28 more than in Toronto.

Taking this average, instead of what the city is now charged, the city would have to pay \$87,332 more than now, or within \$11,000 of the alleged deficit. Take from this interest on the investment, and the annual maintenance of the high-level pumping station, and we doubt if even an apparent deficit will be left.

As this should be done, because the consumer the high-level station is "of no more use than a fifth wheel would be to a coach, and yet all the charges in connection with it are included in general water expense account.

But this is not all to be charged against the city. The maintenance of the hydrants costs \$4,736 per annum, and special mains for fire purposes only cost \$88,292, while the quantity used for street watering can only be approximated, and as it is with fountains and horse troughs.

There seems to be a tendency on the part of the City Treasurer and the aldermen to keep the water rates up so as to avoid any increase in the tax rate. This course is narrow in the extreme and not in harmony with the "spirit of the age." The constant demand of progressive communities is for public conveniences furnished out of the general taxes rather than by specific levy, and it is to be hoped that the majority of the Council will by their action show that they are fit for the twentieth century and not wedded to ideas of the dark ages, as Ald. Curry seems to be.

No doubt the course of many alder-

men will be dictated by what they think will catch the most votes. Well, we do not believe in the kind of a member of Council who advocates or supports increase in water rates will be left at home with leisure to learn something.

MARVELOUS SILENCE.

When it was announced that it was the intention of the British Government to bring in a bill for the settling of the land difficulty in Ireland, the members of Council who advocates or supports increase in water rates will be left at home with leisure to learn something.

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