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LABOR WORLD
News and Views of the Ever Advancing Army of Workers
BY EDITOR
Chas. Lavoie is in London this week working up a trade for union label tobacco.
The contest is getting warmer every day for the Typographical Union officers. The candidates are paying friendly visits to the different offices with the hope of getting the vote.
Sam Moore is holding a series of meetings in Cameron Hall of all the piano factories employed during this week and hopes to round up quite a number of new members for the Piano and Organ Workers.
Sam Landers addressed a meeting in Galt last week, and got a two column report out of it in both the local papers. Mr. Chas. Lavoie was also there in his capacity as agitator for union label tobacco.
The Bolt Workers were organized last Tuesday night in Temperance Hall, Bathurst street, by the Organization Committee of the District Council. Another meeting is to be held on Monday next to further perfect the organization.
William Ward is making quite an effort to get his trade all in line. He is holding meetings and bringing in new members for all the locals.
John A. Flott has been in Western Ontario this week, but will visit Quebec again the first of the coming week.
Robert Glocking paid a visit to Hospital during the week in an attempt to fix up a little difficulty there in the woolen mill. He thinks there is a probability of a strike there pretty soon if the members of the union discharged are not reinstated.

The Tailors' situation is now nearing a satisfactory conclusion. Before the week is out, it is expected that all the employers will have fallen in line with the possible exception of two or three. This will mean a strike for the Tailors, as their lowest scale now will be based upon a 20 cent an hour rate, while it will run up to 25 cents per hour on King street.
J. H. Kennedy, First Vice-President, has been in Chicago for a week or more with Hugh Pray and Frank Cole the other officers of the Sheet Metal Workers, making an attempt to settle matters between the independent local and the International Local of that city. The independent local have called a strike and things are somewhat desperate there just at present.
The Leather Workers have had the pleasure of welcoming their International President this week, who is here looking after them in their time of trouble. They have a strike on their hands just at the present time, caused by a demand for \$3 per week. They are, however, striving to win this time, and have a pretty fair organization now, with every prospect of winning.
The last meeting of the Stationary Engineers, Local No. 152, was a very interesting one. Bro. St. John read a paper. There has been between 20 and thirty new members added at each meeting since organization and the union now numbers most of the best engineers in the city. They are applying to the Legislature for a compulsory boiler inspection law, and for all engineers to hold a license.

The local unions of Brushmakers in different parts of the States, under federal charters from the A. F. of L., have under consideration the establishment of an international union. Should this follow, all the Brushmakers' union will go over to the new international.
The American Federation of Labor has published a bulletin containing exact facts in original colors of the union labels endorsed by all affiliated organizations. Copies may be had free, upon application to the American Federation of Labor headquarters.
The following crafts and callings, who have no label of their own, use the general American Federation of Labor label: Bottlers, Brushmakers, Badgenmakers, Cheiving Gun Workers, Coal Drift Workers, Egg Caddlers, Flour Millers, Glove Workers, Glass Workers, Horseshoe Workers, Miners, Tool Workers, Soda Producers, Soap Workers, Suspenders Workers, and Wire Workers, Medicine Workers, Coffee, Spice and Baking Powder, Stone polishers, Carpenters, Cloth Spicers, and Refinishers, Yeast and Vinegar Workers, Cereal Workers.

BONUSED INDUSTRY PAYS LOW WAGES
The Longs' Interests in Collingwood are Large But the Justice Meted Out to Employees is Somewhat the Opposite.
On the shores of the extensive and treacherous Georgian Bay, there is situated the bright little town of Collingwood, which, not to be outdone by any others in the province, must necessarily have a strike on its hands.
Labor up there has been unorganized up to the present time. The situation, however, is now changed, and Collingwood can boast of at least three unions, with bright prospects for several others in the near future.
The conditions surrounding the employees of the Ship Building Company and those of the Dry Dock laborers is responsible for the change from unorganized to organized. During the past couple of weeks the general discontent at the wages paid culminated in the Dry Dock laborers asking that their wages be increased from 15 cents per hour to 17 1/2 cents. The manager, Mr. Caulderwood, offered the men at the worst of Boland, Huddell and Co., but refused to do so. This was unsatisfactory to all alike, and resulted in the men demanding the increase for all, as they claimed that end almost any time, and it would be impossible to discriminate, and do justice to all.
The company not being willing to grant the increase all round, the whole of the Dry Dock laborers went out on a few days afterwards the yard men thinking the time ripe for an increase from 15 cents per hour to 20 cents and immediately quit work.
During the time this was happening ex-Mayor Silver made a trip to Toronto, and upon request from the strikers, took occasion to hunt up some of the labor agitators.
The agitators were found it is needless to say, on Friday. They were taken to a rooming house, and then took a trip up there to see what could be done for the workers of Collingwood.
You Toronto readers in the movement, better imagine the feelings of this trio than they can be described here, when upon reaching the station they were treated to three hearty cheers from several hundred throats.
Be it known right here the town of Collingwood is Willie Boland's native health and you can imagine the side he felt, even though he wasn't any bigger than usual, when confronted as he says, with a brass band, and a number of citizens to welcome the prodigal's return.
The enthusiasm displayed upon the arrival of the trio, was so great, that they suggested well for the success of the mission of the trio, and after partaking of supper the local committee were called together and the situation talked over. It needed such talking, too, to understand what nature of employees these men had, when they would work two weeks and draw in their envelope only \$10.
Three meetings were held and were attended by interested citizens, as well as the strikers, and those desiring were enrolled into an A. F. of L. Federal Union. Something over 450 were initiated on Saturday afternoon, and there promises to be long-roped up that way for some time to come.
All the workers are anxious to get

in line and make the conditions of the labor better than they have been.
The Longs are the men behind the big interests of the town, and it does seem somewhat peculiar that after all the bonusing their interests have received, they are unable, or unwilling to pay their employees decent wages.
It is expected that before this week is ended the company will realize their position and succumb to the inevitable. If such should not prove the case the laborers and citizens of the town will no doubt make it quite interesting for Mr. Long and his brother, in their many business interests in that town.
While the manager of the company stated to the men that the price at which the contracts were taken would not permit of a higher wage being paid, at the same time, it seems possible for Mr. Long to live in his fine house in Toronto, and sweat the cost out of his laborers in Collingwood.
You workers of Toronto, can just imagine what your existence would be working for the magnificence of \$7 per week. The Collingwood laborers pay out for rent from \$5 to \$12 per month, coal has been \$12 per ton, while wood is at \$7 per cord all winter. Those are but a fair sample of the relative prices of everything else in Collingwood, and for a man who would allow men to work for the sum stated there should be nothing other than contempt.
This civilization of ours looks with too much leniency upon employers who are content to stand by and see their employees almost starve, so long as they are revelling in the good things this life affords.
Just fancy for a moment what it must be to the man whose wages are not good enough in the way of wages to satisfy the wants of his little ones. This is actually the case with some of these men who in their desperation, decide it is better to starve doing nothing than working for an inhuman corporation and letting it get fat while they starved.
We have had instances innumerable of the evils of the bonus system, but notwithstanding this fact, the people of the towns are still content to go on bonusing people like these in Collingwood and placing the power in the hands of the few with which to oppress the many.
It would be unkind to close this review of the situation without having a good word to say of those who are giving practical evidence of sympathy with the strikers.
Ex-Mayor Silver was the foremost citizen in assisting the strikers to the best of his ability. Mayor Hogg, extended his sympathy by saying a few kind words on Saturday morning in the Opera House, and endeavoring later with the assistance of the Committee to attempt a re-union of the opposing parties.
School Teacher Ward gave some sound advice, and a good talk at the Opera House on Saturday morning. Several of the citizens expressed themselves very strongly in private upon the wrongs of the men. We are pretty safe in saying that the great majority of the town were exceedingly anxious that the men should get their demands.

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The Scab Los Angeles Times Being Hit From All Directions.
The American Federation of Labor and the International Typographical Union are giving the notorious scab Los Angeles Times a fight for its life. Nearly every day for thirteen years that paper has maliciously attacked organized labor, and has done everything in its power to disrupt unions men the Pacific Coast. Shortly before the last convention of the American Federation of Labor, President Gompers visited Los Angeles and endeavored to secure an audience with Gen. H. G. Otis, the proprietor of the Times. The President of the American Federation of Labor not only was refused an interview, but was subjected to a vile and cowardly attack through the columns of that infamous paper.
As a last resort, organized labor has decided to fight the Times to a finish. For this purpose \$25,000 has been raised. The battle is now on, and is raging fast and furious. As a result of the hearty co-operation of unionists everywhere, the following advertisers have withdrawn their patronage from the Los Angeles Times:
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"Dr. Knapp, Medical Co."—3156 Hull Bldg., Detroit, Mich.
"Bambana Bitters"—Naber, Apts & Bldg., 323 Market St., San Francisco, Cal.
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The Trades Council of Watertown, N. Y., will publish a weekly paper called the Bulletin.
Smith's Falls Trades and Labor Council is considering the question of affiliating with the Trades Congress.
The "National" Congress, which is composed of four K. of L. assemblies in Quebec and an independent Bricklayers' union at Vancouver, B. C., has adopted a universal label.
The A. F. of L. has now 1,050 elector and general organizers in the field. The Porto Rico organizer has organized a Typographical Union and two unions of Masons of Mayaguez, Carpenters and Masons of Mayaguez, Painters and Blacksmiths of Ponce, and several federal unions at different places.
The President of the Dominion Trades Congress wrote some time ago to Inspector Noxon of the Central prison, Toronto, asking him for information as to expiration of contracts now in force in the different works, and as to what classes of goods were being made there, etc. After a six weeks' wait, the President received an answer of about a dozen words, to the effect that the contracts all expire in 1905. No wonder how Mr. Ross was so quick to promise that the "prison made" label would be put on as soon as the present contracts expire, and this was before the last provincial election.