

LABOR NOTES

CONDITIONS BAD FOR LABOR AT HOG ISLAND SHIPYARD

H. M. Brooks, business manager of the Harrisburg Building Trades Council, has returned to the city, after making an investigation of the conditions of work in Philadelphia and the Hog Island job, and presents the following report for the benefit of all classes of workmen:

"The job at Hog Island is anything but a rosy one, and any man expecting to go there and find an easy job will have another thought coming to him. Workmen have been brought into Philadelphia by hundreds with the idea of getting a nice job with big pay, and the result is there are about three to five men for every job. Men are walking the streets hunting places to sleep and board. There are no accommodations for the jobs for the men, except laborers, who are taken care of first at this time, so that they will stay and work, and the rest of the men are housed in hotels and lodging houses are over-filled and men have been sleeping in the cells of the station houses. It takes a truck going into the Hog Island job in the morning until night to get out, there being only one road. While there are about eight to ten miles of railroad on the job when done, it takes at present about two hours for a train to get men in on the job, and the same cars are not to be depended upon.

"Further, a very important thing is, a man coming out from the job on payday takes an hour to get his money on account of being held up and relieved of his envelope and its contents; so beware.

"The fault of so many men being here and stranded lies in the fact that some agents of employment who think more of getting a man's dollar than of his health, have painted elaborate pictures of the jobs and how much money a man can make and at the same time they cannot place him.

"Now, it will be advisable for any man, whether he is a union man or not, to get in touch with the business agent here and get full information before going after these jobs, and he will save that dollar as well as the railroad fare.

"While the business office is to take care of the members of the unions in its charge, we are by means selfish. We want to help the non-union men who are in the workman to better his condition in all ways, and we want them to feel a liberty to call on us at any time. This means that we are not to be an employer. As a further assurance that we mean legitimate business, we desire to inform all that at the conclusion of the conference on January 4 at Philadelphia, with E. C. Felton, Jacob Lightner and others, it was decided to combine the facilities of the office with the State Department of Labor and Employment, making a move that is going to bring the labor movement to a higher plane and have all our services ready at a moment's notice to aid our old Uncle Sam. Further details of the work to be done will be given later.

"We desire to state also that we have secured new quarters, having removed from Rooms 209-210 Park street to 210-211 Locust street, and again offer our services to both employer and employee, where they can get the news of what is doing in the line of work and get in touch with either. The Government jobs in the vicinity of Baltimore are overrun with men; 600 men were brought to Baltimore on the night of the 10th ago with promises of jobs. They found nothing and a great number of them, painters, plasterers, carpenters, bricklayers, were sent back to Detroit, Mich., from whence they came. While the demand for help has been beyond the limit, we have kept up the supply fairly well. A number of good jobs are open at present for good, first-class mechanics, and, if the men will respond to my requests and get on the job this year as faithfully as they did in 1917, we will show the country how we do it.

"In conclusion, will say that, while Harrisburg has a reputation for doing things, there is a big chance for a greater one by having a campaign of co-operation, education and fraternalism, and it's up to everyone to do his or her share.

"Will you do it?"

"Yours fraternally,
H. M. BROOKS,
Business Manager."

LOCAL UNION DOINGS

Carpenters' Union, No. 287, at the meeting held on Thursday evening, January 10, took up the subject of buying Liberty Bonds when the next issue comes, and also decided to buy some stock in the picture film that is being prepared, the subject of which will be of great interest to both men and women of all classes.

The financial secretary, David S. Wenrick, who is a vice-president of the State Council of Carpenters, was elected to delegate to the convention of above council, to be held at Bethlehem next February.

The new wage scale is being voted on and after the meeting next Thursday evening Business Agent Brooks will present the working rules and scale for 1918 to the contractors for their consideration.

Painters' Union, No. 411, held an interesting meeting on Tuesday evening, January 8, with almost the entire membership being present. Action on the new wage scale and the receiving of five new members was the cause. This local is arranging to take in a class of new members some time in February.

Plasters' Union, No. 34, met on Friday evening and started the new year by admitting five new members. This local has a good, live bunch of officers, who are doing their best to bring out the good points.

Electrical Workers' Union, at the request of Business Agent Brooks, are now meeting every Monday evening and a greater interest is being taken in getting together.

Plumbers' Union, No. 529, is still doing business; the only drawback is that there are not enough plumbers to meet the demand. This union is of the most important in the building trades, which has to have them. It meets every Wednesday.

The Trade Union News says: "Who is kicking about the high cost of living? Look at the Kaiser's prices in Berlin!"

"Butter, \$2.25 per lb.
Sugar, 56c per lb.
Ham and bacon, \$2.11 per lb.
Soap, \$1.12 for five ordinary bars."

Here you are. Get the habit. Thrift! Thrift! Thrift!
Of course you see the drift. When you see a quarter, Nab it.

Buy a stamp—Get the habit. Every stamp shoots a gun. Ends a Hun! Sooner will the war be done. Thrift! Thrift! Thrift!
Of course you catch the drift. Signed, W. S. S. Thrift.

The delegates of the various trades affiliated with the Building Trades Council will meet on Saturday January 19, at 3 p. m., at 211 Locust street. Routine business will be taken up and the question of making up an honor roll of the members of the different unions who are in the service will be decided.

Business Manager Brooks, who also is president of the Federated Trades Council, has been selected as chairman of the advisory committee of this zone in the Department of Civilian Service and Department of Labor, consolidating the labor movement with the Government in furthering the interests of Uncle Sam, has appointed D. S. Wenrick, of this city, and Elmer Spahr, of York, Pa., state president of the Bricklayers' Union, No. 287, on the committee and in a short time will call the committee together for a conference with Jacob Lightner, of the Department of Labor.

TO DISCUSS MOTOR ROUTE

The merchants committee, of the Harrisburg Chamber of Commerce, has taken charge of the project to establish a motor truck freight route between this city and Philadelphia, New York and intermediate points. The committee will meet to discuss whether or not the idea of a motor truck route is feasible.

MAJOR GARDNER DIES AT CAMP IN HARNESS OF WAR

Bay State Apostle of Preparedness Succumbs to Pneumonia



MAJOR A. P. GARDNER

Washington, Jan. 15.—Major Augustus P. Gardner, former Congressman of Hamilton, Mass., died yesterday at the Camp Wheeler base hospital, after a short illness from pneumonia.

His death is directly due to his desire to serve the United States as a fighting man. He held a colonelcy, but it was a staff position and he wanted to get into active service. Accordingly he took a reduction in rank and was assigned to Camp Wheeler, where he contracted pneumonia.

In 1914 August Peabody Gardner's voice was crying in the wilderness for American preparedness. Probably to him more than to any other pioneer is due the present state of United States preparedness, while when Gardner first began his "evangelistic campaign" national conditions can best be described by a recollection of the fact that when he gave a dinner at the National Press Club in Washington to the "United States Reserves" only thirteen appeared.

It was the preparedness fight that brought him into national prominence, but before that time he had proved himself unafraid to attack any evil that earned his hatred, no matter if the whole course of events seemed calculated to defeat him. With that fearlessness there was an intellectual honesty which compelled him to scorn conventional political tricks.

His fight in Congress for the restriction of immigration caused him to be defeated in the 1913 race for governor of Massachusetts. Later, he was elected to the House if his advocacy of immigration restriction had had any effect upon his candidacy. Grimly, he replied: "I was the worst beaten man that ever ran."

Every word he used was a "punch." In the earlier days of his preparedness for evangelism he described the United States as "a listless egotistical, helpless giant, shamefully unready to defend himself if attacked."

Boy Scouts to Distribute Patriotic Pamphlets to Aid Nation's War Policies

The National Committee on Public Information Plans to make wide use of the Boy Scouts of America in a country-wide service of distributing circulars and printed matter bearing on the issues of the war.

The first pamphlet to be sent out through Harrisburg scouts will be "The President's Flag Day Address, with evidence of German plans." These booklets are now being received and headed up by the Boy Scouts and the distribution will begin Saturday in accordance with the national plan.

To facilitate the work of the boys in Harrisburg, now and for future occasions of this character, the city has been divided into twenty divisions, as follows:

Troop 1, from Third to Front, Chestnut south to city limits.

Troop 2, from Broad to Reilly, from Sixth to railroad.

Troop 3, from railroad to Twelfth street, Mulberry to Steelton line.

Troop 4, from Cameron to Sixteenth, Walnut north to city limits.

Troop 5, from Sixth to railroad, Forster to Broad street.

Troop 6, from Sixteenth street to city limits, Market street south to city limits.

Troop 7, from Reilly to Peffer street, Fourth to Front.

Troop 8, from Cameron to Sixteenth, Walnut north to city limits.

Troop 9, from Reilly to Peffer, Wallace to Seventh.

Troop 10, from Broad to Reilly, Front to Sixth street.

Troop 11, from South to Chestnut, Third to Front.

Troop 12, from Walnut to Derry, Cameron to Sixteenth street.

Troop 13, from South to North street, Front to Third.

Troop 14, from Third to Cameron, Walnut to Mulberry street.

Troop 15, from Emerald to Division street, Front to railroad.

Troop 16, from Broad to Forster, Front to Sixth.

Troop 17, from Market street north to city limits, Sixteenth street to city limits.

Troop 18, from Peffer to Emerald, Front to railroad.

Troop 19, from North to Forster, Front to railroad.

Troop 20, from Reilly to Peffer, Fourth to Wallace.

Recruiting Officers to Use Y. M. C. A. to Keep Fit

Lieutenant Robert W. Leshar, in command of the recruiting party for the Harrisburg district, is taking steps to keep his men physically fit, so that the change from their recruiting duties to fighting service at the front will not work any hardship to them. Lieutenant Leshar has directed that all the men in the Harrisburg office, 325 Market street, report for physical exercise in the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium at Second and Locust, three nights every week for setting up exercises. The war department has furnished the men in the party with six medicine balls. Setting up exercises will be in charge of Sergeants Young and Hoagland.

AMUSEMENTS

ORPHEUM
Tonight—"The Marriage Question."
Monday night, January 21—"Marbury and Comstock present 'Very Good Eddie,' with original company.
Coming soon—John Drew and Margaret, Illington, in "The Gay Lord Quest."

COLONIAL
To-day—Ethel Barrymore in "An American Widow."
Wednesday and Thursday—Constance Talmadge in "The Honeymoon."
Friday and Saturday—Mae Marsh in "The Cinderella Man."

MAJESTIC
High Grade of Vaudeville.

REGENT
To-day—Charles Ray in "The Son of His Father."
Wednesday and Thursday—Fannie Ward in "On the Level."
Friday and Saturday—Billie Burke in "The Land of Promise."

VICTORIA
To-day—William Farnum in "The Heart of a Lion."
Wednesday and Thursday—Herbert Rawlinson in "Come Through."
Friday and Saturday—Virginia Pearson in "The Steal Honor."

For the first time since entering the realms of the silent drama, Ethel Barrymore has been given the opportunity of a lifetime, and she is supported by a competent cast, including Irving Cummings, a popular screen player.

To-morrow and Thursday—Charming Constance Talmadge will be starred in her latest, sensational picture, offering, entitled "The Honeymoon."

The Maxwell Quintet is one of the big features on the vaudeville program at the Majestic theater. These five men are presenting an up-to-the-minute comedy offering entitled "A Night at the Club." The piece abounds in bright and snappy dialogue and these claps know how to put their material over to big laughs. It is one of the most refreshing comedy turns presented here this season. Attractive stage settings add much to the success of the act. Another number of interest on the bill is the eccentric comedy act offered by Frank Dobson. Mr. Dobson is assisted by a charming young woman and together they present a neat little skit that is pleasing. The comedy variety entertainers, Harris and Lyman, keep things moving at a lively pace with their tuneful songs, dances and nonsense. Two other comedy winners round out the bill.

A feast of bright comedy, tuneful music, and dancing numbers and "Very Good" choruses ever assembled in one place is coming with its No. 1 cast, to the Orpheum next Monday evening. Much has been heard of this musical comedy success during its run of over a year in New York and during its stay of four months at the Adelphi theater, Philadelphia. Its musical gems have been sung and whistled here for months and have been among the most popular dance numbers. But the rendition of the music by the people who first made them popular, and with the augmented orchestra, to say nothing of the chorus accompaniment, is sure to be a revelation. "Very Good Eddie" is now playing a return engagement in New York, and it is coming direct to this city, with its splendid cast of farceurs, singers, and dancers, including Denman Staley, Georgie Mack, Harry Meyers, Helen Raymond, Florence Earle, Theodora Wardell, Lavinia Winn, Harry Linker, Jean DeBria, Big Boy Ford, Ralph O'Brien and the Princess chorus.

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MARRIAGE PLAY IS INTERESTING

Usual Story Told of the Conflict of Money and Love

There is nothing sensational, little originality and no wonderful climax to "The Marriage Question," played at the Orpheum last night, but in spite of this the story is interesting to a certain extent, as all such romances are.

The usual tale of a man with money winning away a girl from the man she loves is told just as the program states, "in a modern way." The girl marries because she thinks she can have everything her heart desires, but when she finds an ardent lover as her husband, discontent starts—an old sweetheart appears, there is a near tragedy, and then the story ends the same as many more. She leaves her husband, and finally they are reunited and find they love each other.

Patti McKinley, as "Billie," the girl who is sold in the matrimonial market, has a rather attractive personality, but in some of her strongest lines did not make the impression which is intended. Jack Boyle, as her husband, and S. H. Thomas, as an old sweetheart, at times did well, but the tragedy, and then the story ends the same as many more. She leaves her husband, and finally they are reunited and find they love each other.

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MEN IN FIRST CLASS TO GET FIRST AID LESSONS

In line with its policy of providing the best instruction at every opportunity, the local Y. M. C. A. will open a first aid course for registered men in the first class for the next Army call.

The plan was suggested to the association by Mrs. James I. Chamberlain, of the local Red Cross Chapter. Dr. F. Franklin Royer has been appointed chairman of the men's division. Professor C. W. Miller, physical director of the Y. M. C. A., and Dr. R. Phillips will have charge of other details of the work. Registration of men will be held at the local Y. M. C. A. Drafted men of class A are urged to present themselves and secure instruction in first aid work.

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Also a Return Engagement of
"THE ADVENTURER"
Friday and Saturday
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