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DULUTH Labor Notes.

The Labor World wants a correspondent in every labor union in the city. Send us a short letter after each meeting. Anything that is of interest to your members is news. It is desired to make this a feature of the Labor World, believing it will be mutually advantageous to both parties. All matter should reach us by Thursday noon to insure insertion in Saturday's issue.

Cigar makers' union No. 294 will hold their annual ball about two weeks after Easter. A committee of arrangements consisting of A. M. Jones, Matt Ettlinger, Jacob Patkowsky, Jos. Schwartz and Ed. Shubittze have been appointed and a good time is expected.

T. R. Hancock, well known in Duluth labor circles, has opened the butcher shop formerly owned by the J. B. Sutphin Co., at 109 W. Superior St. The Labor World joins with Tommy's host of friends in wishing him success in his new venture.

Geo. Kinney, of Tower, deputy game warden for St. Louis county, was in Duluth during the week on business pertaining to his department.

The Theatrical Stage Employees union were to hold their regular meeting on Sunday last for the purpose of electing their officers for the ensuing year. A quorum not being present the meeting was postponed for one week.

An effort is to be made in the near future to organize the Stationary Firemen of Duluth into a trade union. Organizer B. J. Hawley, of Minneapolis, has written to Duluth requesting the A. F. of L. organizers to do their utmost to bring about an organization of Firemen.

The National Association of Marine Engineers held their regular meeting last Friday evening at their hall in the Hunter Block. Business of importance to their craft for the coming season was transacted. The Marine Engineers' local union was never in better condition than it is today. Every marine man in the harbor is a member of the organization.

T. W. Hugo is the first member of a labor organization who has ever occupied the position of mayor of this city. He is an active member of the National Association of Stationary Engineers. Although the organization is not recognized generally as a bona-fide labor organization, yet it in fact is the largest in point of membership of the organizations of engineers. The difference between the Stationary Engineers association and the National Union of Steam Engineers, which is chartered by the American Federation of Labor, is that the former is purely an educational organization while the latter is more on the line of a trade union, especially relating to the wage question. Mr. Hugo is also an honorary member of the Marine Engineers' association.

Alderman Haven, of the Seventh ward, is a wood worker, and when he was an active worker at his trade was an enthusiastic union man. He was the first president of the Duluth Woodworkers' union, and was at one time a delegate to the Trades Assembly.

George Thrana, a member of the Stone Cutters' union, has opened a monumental and stone decorating works on his own account. It is expected that he will meet with much success as there is no better monumental worker and carver in the city than George.

The Chicago firms who have strikes in their machine shops have advertised quite extensively for men in Duluth. It is not expected that they will find any here, because there are not a sufficient number of machinists in this city to fill the home shops. Besides, Duluth machinists are loyal men and are not anxious to in any way injure the chances of their fellow craftsmen in Chicago.

Walter W. Thompson, the newly elected city clerk, is a member of the American Agents' association, and is also a trustee of the Trades Assembly.

The Tanners' union will hold their next meeting on Thursday evening at which matters of interest to their trade will be discussed.

W. L. Heywood, of Minneapolis, a prominent figure in state labor matters, is in Duluth putting in the central energy system for the Zenith Telephone Co.

The Plumbers met in regular session Thursday evening, and after disposing of routine matters discussed the condition of their trade. Business is dull and a committee was appointed to wait on the weather man to ascertain what is the matter.

The Building Trades council held a regular meeting Thursday evening. President Hensley presided. The delegates from the Trades Assembly were accepted. A. W. Jones, of the Trades Assembly, made a good and impressive speech congratulating the council on its accomplishments and urging a closer affiliation of unions in order that the best results of organization may be obtained. His remarks were greeted with applause. Trade was reported among the trades as fair.

The Carpenters' union at their last meeting petitioned Senators Davis and Nelson to support the eight hour bill now pending in congress. John Hensley, S. Kiley and G. M. Davis were appointed as a committee to wait on the Congressmen Morris upon his return and endeavor to secure his support for the measure.

John W. Hays, president of the Minneapolis Typographical union and district organizer of the International Typographical union, was in Duluth and Superior during the week, investigating matters pertaining to the craft. Mr. Hays is a leading candidate for the office of first vice president of the International union.

John S. Holding, formerly a prominent member and worker in the Machinists' union of Duluth, has recently joined the Machinists' union of Salt Lake city, where he now resides. The Duluth union has felt his loss for some time, where his wise counsel and sound advice was so often given.

The Tailors held their regular monthly meeting at Kalamazoo Hall last Tuesday evening. The meeting was largely attended. They report work as very brisk.

Fred Miller, of the Minneapolis Tailors' union, has been removed to Duluth and secured employment in one of our leading tailoring establishments. He will transfer his card to the Duluth union. Fred was a delegate to the Winona convention of the State Federation of Labor and is well and favorably known among the union men of the state.

W. E. George returned this week from Rock Island, Mich., where he has finished several plastering contracts. He was accompanied by R. Callahan, of the Plasterers' union.

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FRATERNITIES.

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The stupendous growth in membership of the Modern Woodmen society is without a parallel in all history. During January 153 new camps were chartered, and 15,736 new certificates issued. March is always the month of the largest growth, and if the ratio of 1899 continues, over 30,000 new certificates will be issued during March, 1900. It is confidently expected that for the entire year 160,000 new certificates will be issued, and an access of this number would not be surprising.

Hon. Wm. J. Bryan, the Democratic leader, was at one time, before he went to congress, a deputy organizer for the Modern Woodmen society. He has been a delegate to its national conventions, and whenever lecture engagements permit, always attends its local lodge meetings. After addressing a monster Democratic meeting in Harrisburg, Pa., the evening of January 25th, he went to the meeting of Harrisburg camp, and was prevailed upon to make another speech for Woodcraft. Mr. Bryan was accorded the "grand honors" of the fraternity before leaving.

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ENGLAND'S ARMY IN SOUTH AFRICA.

Indications That Its Actual Strength Was Overstated by Mr. Wyndham.

The statement made by Mr. Wyndham, the undersecretary of state for war, in the British house of commons that the British forces in South Africa comprised 142,800 unmounted and 37,000 mounted men, with 452 guns, of which 36 are siege and 38 naval guns, seems susceptible of considerable modification when analyzed. On January 20 the total force of regular troops actually in South Africa and on their way there from India and England was 15 regiments of cavalry, 9 batteries of horse artillery, 44 field batteries, 2 mountain batteries and 83 battalions of infantry. Putting these different organizations at their full strength, they would work out as follows:

The 15 regiments of cavalry at 500 horses each, which is more than some of those in the field have, gives 7,500 effectives.

The 9 batteries of horse artillery with 120 men and 80 horses each, give 1,170 men and 720 horses.

The 44 field batteries with the same complements of men and horses give 7,720 men and 3,520 horses.

The two mountain batteries with 100 men and 70 horses or mules, each give 200 men and 140 horses or mules.

The 83 battalions of infantry, reckoning them at their full war strength, would give 83,000 men, but it is doubtful if the average effective of the number of those of the mounted infantry can be reckoned at much more than 850 each. This would reduce the total to 70,550 men.

The entire strength, then, of the regular forces would be by the above analysis 87,140 men and 11,820 horses. To the number of horses, however, should be added those of the mounted infantry actually in the field. What the number of these may be cannot be stated with certainty, as no definite report of their number has appeared in any account of the forces in the field. From the fragmentary accounts of the forces engaged on different occasions, they cannot be estimated at much more than 6,000. This would bring the number up to 77,800.

The total of the colonial contingents does not come up to more than 5,000 men, with perhaps 3,000 horses, and the local Natal and Cape Colony corps, though officially put at 20,000, are, from the accounts published, not much

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more than half that number, probably 12,000 men with, say, 10,000 horses. Then there are the naval brigades numbering about 1,000 men altogether, their guns being moved about by country oxen.

This would bring the fighting force up to about 105,140 men and 27,880 horses. The rest of the men and horses of the 180,000 men and 37,000 horses of which Mr. Wyndham spoke are still in the air, the Eighth division, the 10,000 yeomanry and the 15,000 volunteers and militia being only in process of organization and a large part not even yet enrolled.

Then, out of the force of regulars given there are a full squadron of cavalry, one mountain battery, and the strength of more than three effective battalions of infantry prisoners of Bloemfontein and Pretoria. Drafts to fill up the vacancies caused by death, disablement and disease are on their way out from England or being got ready. None of the English papers as yet at hand has published a clear, tabulated statement of the various corps and organizations actually in the field in South Africa; and it is quite certain that the statement of the undersecretary of state for war errs by overestimate rather than by underestimate.—New York Sun.

THE LARGE KNIFE SOCIETY.

Band of Outlaws Said to be Promoted by New Emperor's Mother.

We have received the following extracts from letters of the Rev. Sydney Brooks, who was murdered recently in the province of Shan-tung. Writing from Ping-Yih on November 13, Mr. Brooks says: "In a letter which I wrote last week I mentioned the rising of a sect called the Lark Knife society. They first caused a disturbance in Ching-chow last year, after which they moved to the Yellow river, at the beginning of this, but they have never been so near us as now. The official has gone to intercept on behalf of a Roman Catholic village fifty or sixty miles south of here. I, about fifteen miles, and a village next to Wang-chuang, the center of our work there. I hear there are about 150 of them or more, with that number, though it is not much, according to our view, still with the people not only assenting to their doings, but helping in many ways, they can do a lot of damage. I thought for some time that they were robbers, but, from all reports, they are anything but that, as being offered any amount of money by the people and the officials if they will desist, they refuse and order the people out of the way as quickly as possible and forthwith begin to set fire to the dwellings, etc. I trust they will not visit us here; we are defenseless. Of course, neither the officials nor the military officials will be able to do anything for us, which means that they have done their work, and then come back to view the damage done. I glance uneasily round my room to see how much I have to lose; it is not much, but, naturally, I am not anxious to be deprived of what I have, and pray that the disturbance may pass over without harm to ourselves beyond that of not being able to continue our work." In an earlier letter, dated a set, called "Tatao-Hut" or Large Knife society, which is now very powerful, being supported in an underhand way by the governor of the province. They are serious enemies of the Roman Catholics and are attacking them right and left, so that they are flying in every direction and hiding. They have not attacked us yet and I rather think they intend leaving us alone.—London Times.

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