

CIGAR MAKERS FIGHT UNIONS BY MOVING PLANTS

Agitators Running Chances
Says Sanborn—Plants Re-
open at Other Points.

By WILLIAM R. SANBORN.

When the owners of one of the oldest and best equipped cigar factories in the United States, a plant with a national reputation, are forced to abandon their buildings and remove from Boston on account of union labor troubles, it is time that irresponsible agitators take notice.

And when this company states that it "has been forced to realize the utter futility of trying to continue to deal with the irresponsible element in control of the Boston Cigar Makers' Union," the better and more thoughtful element among the employees, should take the matter into their own hands.

In a statement to the trade this company states that its experience with the union covers a period of nearly fifty years, but that they are now discarding the blue label; that their new factories at Newark, N. J., will be run as open shops, and that they "will be equipped with batteries of the wonderful new cigar-making machines, which have already begun to revolutionize the industry."

The fact that other large Boston factories are said to be contemplating a similar move shows that the arbitrary action and demands of many of the strikers in every eastern city, is likely to rebound to the serious loss and privation of the cigar makers and their families, for months to come.

Striking in New York.

The strike of the cigarmakers became general in New York about ten weeks ago. It rapidly spread to outlying towns and cities and at this writing less than fifty per cent of the average number of cigars per week is being turned out in the east, practically all of these being made by smaller concerns in interior towns.

This condition has seriously crippled the large manufacturers, who say they are standing with their backs to the wall, fighting against the confiscation of all their rights in their own plants, except the right to pay salaries as best they can." It is not merely an abnormal increase in wages they are fighting against, they say, "for the right to control the manufacture and sale of their own output." The cigarmakers at Denver are the latest to go on strike; they went out just a week ago.

The strike in New York seems no nearer a settlement than it was two months ago. This has caused a large New York City concern to notify their employees to call for their tools, that the blue label is to be abandoned, and that as soon as all evidence of unionism has been cleared out they will resume operations as an open shop. And this firm is going to the country dealers on that platform, and are asking that their old trade stand by them in this new move.

Dominance Endangered.

Should the action of the two Boston and New York firms be largely followed, as to discarding the union label and the installation of cigar machinery, the union men of the entire country will be practically forced to smoke non-union cigars or to go without their favorite brands.

As to that, however, everybody will be in the same boat. Very few of the smaller shops would be affected by the action of the great cigar combinations and the national factors in cigar production, but as these small plants have at best a limited field, the most of us would be shortly smoking non-union brands, or be forced to go without cigars. This would be the only alternative.

Your Husband Wouldn't Do It!

What would become of your husband's business if the typewriter companies and spring-water concerns operated on the Cash-and-Carry plan? If every time he wanted an eraser or bottle of ink he personally had to run out and get it?

The grocer has no more right to ask you to carry home your groceries, no more right to inconvenience you by demanding cash payments and personal marketing than your husband's tradesmen have to infringe on his time.

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1017 and 1019 Main

The dealers in cigar leaf are affected by the numerous strikes, and so, too, is the price offered to the growers. While we have discussed the strikes in the east it must not be forgotten that in many western cities similar conditions exist.

Chicago, for instance, is closed tighter than a drum, with the majority of the cigar retailers backing the manufacturers, because they say that "the demands of the union are unreasonable." Cigar makers are also out in Milwaukee, but they are only demanding a 25 per cent increase in the scale at that point.

The 1919 Crop.

The August Crop Report of the Department of Agriculture, estimates a total tobacco production for 1919, of 1,325,000,000 pounds. This estimate is within 5,000,000 pounds of that of December, 1918, as to the total production of leaf tobacco last year.

Our tobacco crop harvests according to the government August estimate, it will run about 250,000,000 in excess of the five year average, 1913 to 1917. This would not indicate a general reduction in acreage, despite the agitation in favor of such action last spring.

Cigar Leaf Outlook.

With reference to cigar leaf production, with which our readers are principally interested, the government supplies the following figures as to the strike of the dock workers, according to advices received from that city.

POSTOFFICE CLERK RESIGNS

OXFORD, O., Aug. 27.—Glenn Hilters, clerk in the local postoffice, has resigned his position, and will become instructor in chemistry in the Xenia high school next month.

Indiana News Brevities

EVANSVILLE — Because one of their members was discharged for squirrel hunting, four union mill workers walked out at Akin-Erskine Milling company.

BRUCEVILLE—The Oliphant-Johnson company's mine here broke its record for an eight-hour day, when it loaded 3,115 tons of coal.

VINCENNES—Local firemen have been granted an increase of \$10 a month by the city council, effective September 1.

SHELBYVILLE—John G. Brown, state president of the Indiana Federation of Farmers' associations, addressed a meeting of farmers from the eighth district on "Why Farmers Should Organize."

BETHANY PARK—John W. David, son, 78 years old, was killed almost instantly Tuesday afternoon by a west bound Pennsylvania freight train at the crossing between Bethany Park and Brooklyn.

LAFAYETTE — Delegates from eight counties comprising the third district of the Indiana Federation of Farmers' association will meet here Thursday to perfect plans for raising Tippecanoe county's quota of the \$200,000 guaranteed fund to be raised in Indiana before the first annual meeting of the farmer's association in November.

ANDERSON—John F. McClure, ap-

pointed chairman of the fair price food committee here, has forwarded his resignation to Dr. H. A. Barnard, state food commissioner, at Indianapolis.

Fayette County Farmer, Despondent, Hangs Self

LIBERTY, Ind., Aug. 27—Wallie Nichols, 58 years old, and for many years a prominent Fayette county farmer, living five miles west of here, committed suicide Tuesday afternoon by hanging himself at his son's barn.

Boyd Nichols, the son, and wife left the farm about noon, returning at five o'clock to find Nichols hanging by a halter, which had been thrown over a beam in the barn.

He is survived by a wife, a son and one daughter, who was in Liberty at the time of his death. He also has one sister and an uncle living.

Despondency over his age is believed to have been the cause of Nichols' act.

WEST BADEN HOSPITAL ON BASIS OF PEACE

(By Associated Press)
WEST BADEN, Ind., August 27.—After a year of service as a reconstruction hospital of the United States army, the West Baden Springs hospital here is practically ready for its return to civilian life. Since its release from army occupation, the building has been restored and redecorated and the rooms, which were used as hospital wards, refurbished.

International Roque Series at New Paris

NEW PARIS, O., Aug. 27.—Eight matches were played Monday in the international roque tournament, which is being held here.

For the remainder of the present week, play will be held for entrants who reside in and around New Paris, and next week, entrants who have come greater distances will be allowed the use of the courts. Following are the results of Monday's matches:

Wagner, 32; Hawley, 18; B. Wisler, 32 and Wm. Wisler, 6; Pence 32 and B. Wisler, 16; Wagner, 32 and Wm. Wisler, 15; Kramer 32 and Pence 16.

The scores in the second division were: James, 23 and Reeves, 21; in the third division, Sheppard, 23, and Winkelman, 17; Eller 21 and Winkelman, 12.

The first fire alarm ever given by electricity was by the Boston system, from Box 7 of District 1, on the old Cooper street church, Boston, at 8:25 p. m., April 29, 1852.

JAP SENT TO RIGA.

PARIS, August 27.—The Japanese government has sent a diplomatic agent to Riga to take charge of Japanese interests there until the arrival of a permanent representative. It is reported the United States contemplates similar action.

CONSTIPATION

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Velvet is made for men who think there's no smoke like real tobacco. If you are that sort of man, listen:

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THE LAWS
OF VALUE AND MERCHANDISING PRECEDENCE IN A
THREE-DAY DRIVE TO ADD TO OUR LIST 100
NEW MEMBERS IN AUGUST

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Only Three Days of this Sensational Offer! Buy!
It's a chance you will never likely have again.

Furniture, like shoes, clothing and many other necessities, is hard to get and is bound to advance in price. This is inevitable and we who are in the business dislike it as much as the buyer, but we cannot help the situation other than to advise and urge that you anticipate your needs and buy now. To gain our 100 new customers we are offering for your approval a deferred payment plan that not only gives you the use and benefits of your furniture for two months without cost to you, but it makes easy and possible for every family to buy now and to buy before the next advance in price. Furniture Bought Now Will be Delivered at Once—Regular Payments Start October 25.

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