

St. Thomas News

LABOR DAY CELEBRATIONS. PARADE OF LABOR UNION.

Three Members of Colonial Council and Prominent Merchants of this Town Honor Parade.

At about 9.15 the parade left the Hall, bound to the Field via Government Hill. On its arrival in front of Government House, the parade halted in honor to Governor Kittelle, who in addressing the members said, "I heartily appreciate your Union, and I hope that every member will stand united for the defense of your union."

Cheers were then shouted for the Governor, the Flag, and the Labor Union, after which they proceeded to the Field.

At the Field the parades formed a semi-circle, and Mr. C. Corneiro was the first to speak. Among other things he said, "To-day is a great day in the annals of the Civilized World." He gave the origin of Labor Day, tracing it back to the founders, the Knights of Labor of the United States who in 1866 decreed this day be ever respected as a day in commemoration of labor. He also remembered when, in 1916, a band of laborers, led by G. A. Moorehead, started the Labor Union that today is like unto a tree, and without this tree St. Thomas would have no practical existence (Applause.) He exhorted the members to place all their trust in their indefatigable leader, as the whole of St. Thomas feel proud of the Labor Union, through which means the members of themselves should be proud. He concluded up his remarks by saying that as long as St. Thomas exists, the Labor Union shall ever exist in our midst.

Mr. A. Smith was the next to speak. He expressed his sentiment of pride of being present among the members in such an esteemed Institution of the island of St. Thomas. He recited a few verses in which he encouraged all the members to keep on being faithful to their Institution, even though others may even defame it. He closed up with the wish that the Labor Union may live long.

Mr. A. B. Burnet was the next to speak. He said, "Members of the St. Thomas Labor Union, you all remember this Union that was started just about five years ago, and the good it has done in our midst. Let us hope that as each cloud has its silver lining, there is a silver lining for the members of this Labor Union."

Mr. J. G. Somersall was then called upon to speak, in which he said he was proud to be among the members of the Labor Union on so auspicious an occasion, and hoped that when next Labor

Day arrives, the Institution and its members may be multiplied in their membership. He further encouraged them to stick down to the job in being faithful to their Institution of which they are members.

The President of the St. Thomas Labor Union, Mr. G. A. Moorehead, summarized the various speakers, and had cause to quote the motto of Kentucky, "United we stand, divided we fall," stating that there is no other motto in the world to be compared with this one, as it means all that it could stand for. He exhorted all the members present to be united one with the other in the uplifting of labor. "For," said he, "as the Churches of the various denomination all point heavenward, so also each laborer should unite for the uplift of labor."

The parade then formed up, and left the Field, returning by the Main Street down to Mosquito Bay, where the members of the Institution enjoyed themselves in picnic and feasting.

Mr. Axel Holst, as a token of appreciation and esteem, presented four dozen bottles of aerated drinks to the Labor Union.

At the Big House in Mosquito Bay covers were laid for Messrs. Abram E. Smith, C. Corneiro, G. E. Audain, J. G. Somersall, Henry and R. de Chabert of the St. Croix Labor Union, and the ten musicians that rendered the musical part of the day. Mr. C. Corneiro presided at the table in making his formal speech and in concluding nominated Mr. Somersall as toast-master who called on Mr. G. E. Audain. Next were Messrs. R. de Chabert and Henry, respectively, of the St. Thomas Labor Union. After toast-making was over the gentlemen arrived at 3.25 p. m. The balance of the day was spent in divers other amusements.

On the whole the day was enjoyed by all who took part in the parade, and we beg to congratulate the President and members of the St. Thomas Labor Union for so ably carrying out their aims and achieving success of the day.

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EDUCATIONAL.

Conducted by EDWARD NORMIL.

The department of Education has received a supply of musical instrument for three orchestras—one in St. Thomas and one in each of the towns in St. Croix. Membership will be confined to students of the Junior and Senior High School in both Islands, it is learned.

The Department has fully received a supply of books on vocal music, a quantity of Shorthand manuals and half a dozen typewriters. There have been no startling doings in Congress during the past weeks.

The members are discussing items. All private schools are now required

under the new laws to keep the same registers and to use the same report and record cards as the Public Schools. Miss Ruth Waterbury, our highly esteemed school nurse is expected back from the States where she went for her vacation in a few days. Dr. Horgan, the Municipal Dentist, has just received a complete and highly up-to-date dental outfit. Everything is now being done electrically.—The Emancipator, Sept. 10th.

American Red Cross

Washington, Aug. 12.—In accordance with custom President Harding has been elected President of the American Red Cross. The election was by the Executive Committee, acting for the Central Committee, which is the governing body of the organization, and today a sub-committee of the Executive Committee, accorded an ordinance at the White House, notified the President of his election which he accepted. This sub-committee consisted of Dr. Livingston Farrand, Chairman of the Central Committee; Assistant Secretary of the Treasury Elihu Wadsworth; Maj. Gen. Merritt W. Ireland; surgeon general of the Army; and Rear Admiral Edward R. Stitt, surgeon general of the Navy.

The election of President Harding as head of the Red Cross followed the recent resignation of former President Wilson.

The Executive Committee also elected as Mr. Beck, solicitor general of the United States, as counselor of the Red Cross, succeeding William L. Frierson recently, and he also today was notified of election, accepting the post.

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