

THOUSANDS SEE LABOR ON PARADE

Celebration Yesterday One of
Best Ever Brought Off by
Central Labor Union

PICNIC DRAWS BIG THROG

Contests, Band Concert and Ad-
dresses Give Variety of
Entertainment

Because of Intense Heat All the
Marchers Appeared in "Un-
dress Uniforms"

Organized labor in Evansville ex-
perienced a red letter day yesterday.
Thousands took part in the celebration
which turned out to be the best from
all standpoints in many years. In the
morning hundreds took part in a
shirt-waist parade. The marchers pre-
sented a striking appearance without
their coats and were cheered along
the line of march.

The crowd which took part in the
celebration and picnic at Garvin park
in the afternoon was almost a capac-
ity one. The park was thronged with
the celebrants from 11 o'clock in the
morning until late in the afternoon.
There was hardly a dull moment for
the union men and their families who
declared they had never enjoyed a
better day's outing. Many families
brought their baskets with them and
partook of their meals on the grounds.
Thousands secured their lunches on
the grounds from the concession
stands. Hundreds of sandwiches of
barbecued meat were disposed of,
while hamburgers were popular.

William Rainey, of Princeton, Ind.,
was the principal speaker of the day.
Others on the speaking program were
Fred Range, of Knightstown, Ind.,
and E. E. Baker, of Lafayette, Ind. A
large audience listened attentively to
the remarks of the speakers.

Much Interest in Contests

There was much interest manifested
in the athletic and other contests for
prizes. The contests took up the great-
er part of the afternoon. Following
the program of oratory a number of
first-class vaudeville attractions were
given on the large stage in the center
of the park. The attractions were fur-
nished by the Galligan Amusement
company, Cook's park, including the
Three Tabor, jugglers, Gale and Gale,
singing and talking, Kawana Brothers,
Japanese jugglers and the Five Mal-
vina, society acrobats.

The committee on entertainment
consisted of Joseph Keppel, W. F.
Jaus, William Kamm, George Linden-
schmidt and Fred Rushmeier. W. F.
Jaus was chairman of the speakers'
committee; Henry Reese, chairman of
the parade committee and Ed. Schuerer
of the ground and privileges commit-
tee.

Crowds View the Parade

Defying the hot rays of the sun ov-
er fifteen hundred participated in the
parade formed at Third and Division
streets at 10 o'clock. The parade
moved promptly and was witnessed by
probably 25,000 along the line of
march. It took the parade forty min-
utes to pass a given point.

Accepting the advice of marshals
and officers of the C. L. U. the march-
ers, to a man, discarded their coats
and marched triumphantly in their
shirt sleeves. The precaution was
probably timely for it is not unlikely
that otherwise a few might have been
overcome with the intense heat.

"I consider the parade to have been
the equal of any in recent years," de-
clared Chief Marshal Robert Leigh.
"It was pretty warm to march and the
heat accounted for the fact that at
least 2,000 did not participate."

Thirty-two local unions were rep-
resented in the pageant. A number
joined the local celebrants from out-
side localities including Boonville,
Newburg and Mt. Vernon.

Aside from the good representation
of the many unions the feature of the
parade was the "natty" marching
clothes worn by the marchers. The
onlookers also made note of the uni-
formity of the dress of the respective
unions.

Fire Department in Lead

Leading the procession was the Ev-
ansville fire department with Fire
Chief Grant, Assistant Charles Wilder
and several hose captains in front.
Each hose company was out with at
least one fire vehicle. Next came the
platoon of police headed by Sergeant
Pete Herr and with "Billy" Fuchs as
flag bearer. Chief Marshal Robert
Leigh, Aides Charles Newmann and
Oscar Heck and Color Bearer Fred
Bergdolt preceded Warren's band. Fol-
lowing these were two carriages carry-
ing the speakers of the day and of-
ficials of the C. L. U. Next in a large
van came fourteen members of the
Women's Labor League; twenty-two
officials of the Evansville and Boon-
ville C. L. U.; twenty-seven members
of the Sheet Metal Workers, three of
whom led the procession carrying um-
brillas fashioned out of large sheets
of tin; forty members of the Paper-
hangers and Decorators No. 164, wear-
ing white caps and shirts. Crown Pot-
ters No. 72 and Sanitary Potters No.
72 had the largest representation of
the first division. Sixty marched in
white shirts, trousers and caps. There
were also eight plumbers, 19 of Mould-
ers No. 51 and 12 of Stove Mounters
No. 2. There were 275 in the first divi-
sion.

Marshal William Arney and Aide
Noah Sommers led the second division
followed by a band. Miners Nos. 1,963,
1,442, 390, 1109 and visiting miners
were represented by 175 marchers.
The socialist drum corps followed. No
better showing was made in the pa-
rade than that of the Brewery work-
ers and bottlers of the two local brew-
eries. The brewery workers wore black
caps and uniforms, while the bottlers
wore all blue. There were 260 in all.
Painters and Decorators No. 156, with
65 in line and the Structural Iron
Workers with a dozen in a float com-
pleted the second division in which
approximately 550 marched.

Third and Fourth Divisions

Fred Ulsas was marshal of the third
division and George Stroebel, aide.
Following a band came Carpenters
No. 1057 with 150 in line. Then came
Clerks No. 142, with 75 marching;
Electrical Workers Nos. 16 and 604,
sixty marching; Cigar Makers No. 54,
sixty-four marching and Coopers No.
12, forty marching. The prettiest float
of the parade was carried by the Re-
tail Clerks. Eight lady members of
the union were in the float. There were
approximately 415 in this division of
the parade.

R. M. Van Daly was marshal of the

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