

SOCIALIST DIRECTORY

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Cotton's Block, Cowansville P. Q.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the Annual General Meeting of the Shareholders of the RUTLAND AND NOYAN RAILWAY COMPANY will be held at the Head Office of the company, at Noyan Junction, in the Parish of St. Thomas, County of Missisquoi, in the Province of Quebec, on the 3rd day of September, 1913, at 11 o'clock A. M.

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7. The Socialists (Lectures)
8. Revolution (Jack London)
9. Involuntary (Dante)
10. Akshara

TAPE-WORM

A strike in London threatens to cut off the water supply of Buckingham Palace. Poor King George may have to go dirty. Weep, ye high heavens. But when thousands and tens of thousands have to go dirty in the crowded cities so royalty and nobility may have much revenue to spend, that is simply the will of God. That is the kind of our "upper classes" believe in. Pinheads, are they not?

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The Spirit of Solidarity

The spirit of solidarity is strong in the movement. When one meets a brother Socialist for the first time there is something in the hand-clasp more expressive of mutual fellowship and soulfulness, than is to be found in the empty conventionalities of capitalist supporters. For instance, when Charles O'Brien spoke in Woodstock several years ago I went in to hear him. Approaching the market square about 8 o'clock, I saw half a dozen men in a group. I went up to the group and said: "Has anybody here seen Charlie O'Brien?" A short thick set man with clear-cut features and a jovial countenance stepped forward. "That's me Comrade," and he shook me by the hand with a grip of steel as if he had known me all his life.

Is This Why English Beauties are so Fair?

(From London Herald) Ever since the discovery that mercurized wax would absorb and remove a solid complexion, its use by ladies as a substitute for toilet creams has grown rapidly. A perfect complexion can be maintained indefinitely if this remarkable substance is used. Its beneficial, clearing and preservative action is quickly apparent, and ladies who have been paying as high as a guinea a jar for "special cream" from beauty specialists, soon recognize that mercurized wax outranks them all. It has become so popular that it can be obtained at all chemist shops in the British Isles. American druggists also have great demand for it, in original one-ounce packages. The favorite way of using it is to apply it, like cold cream, before retiring, washing it off in the morning. The saxolite lotion for wrinkles and the facial contour has also become extremely popular. One ounce powdered saxolite is dissolved in one-half pint witch hazel. Bathing the face in this has a splendid effect in erasing wrinkles and improving contour.

THOUGHTS TO BID US PAUSE

G. Prager, Berlin, Ont. According to statistics compiled by a German physician, the mortality during the first year of infant life (in large cities) amounted to 8 per cent. among the wealthy, and to 51 per cent. among the working class. There is a reason. Steal a loaf of bread and loose your liberty! Steal millions and that as Kipling says, is another story. "The soldiers of war are pensioned; the workers, soldiers of peace, are in their old age thrown on the scrapheap. Why? Why should women have less right to political expression than man? Is she less human than he? Why owns the worker, the producer, nothing, and the shirker, the capitalist, everything? The boss loves a pious, ignorant, contented worker. But at that only as long as he can ring a profit out of his toll.

The Truth About the Strike

Dear Sir - I take the opportunity of bringing to your notice the facts leading up to the present disturbance. Some eleven months ago, two men, Isaac Portrey and Oscar Mottishaw, members of the gas committee at the Extension mine, (a mine where a few years ago about thirty men were blown to eternity by an explosion of fire-damp) were discharged for doing their duty and reporting gas in dangerous quantities. Mottishaw went to Cumberland to seek work, and as these mines were owned by the same bunch of labor skinners, he was promptly fired.

The men sent a deputation to the officials of the company to try and get him a square deal, but nothing doing. Finally they took a holiday and held a meeting as a protest against such unfair treatment, and when they went to work on the following day they were locked out. The same proceedings were taken at Ladysmith, with the same result, and the final result of the violation of the B. C. mining laws is the tie-up of the Vancouver Island coal mines.

The McBride-Bowser combination were appealed, to uphold these men in their actions in reporting explosive gases, with the old time result - nothing doing; but finally they interested by sending their armed thugs, i. e. the militia, to protect the Coal Barons and their Usiatic strike-breakers in a white force. The strikers adopted peaceful and lawful methods, and were met by thugs in the shape of special police, who, in conjunction with the dregs of humanity, the strike-breakers, subjected the strikers to insults, with the result of the strikers retaliating at times and getting arrested and soaked by another capitalistic thug in the form of a police magistrate, while the strike-breakers got off scott free.

At South Wellington the men in company houses were given notice to quit, but I am pleased to say that they are still hanging on, until a County Court Judge gives the order to evict them. The strike-breakers have been in the habit of insulting the strikers on every possible occasion by inviting them down to the bull pens for meals with a few words of what houses they were going to live in when they had driven the strikers out, and numerous insults of a like kind and the strikers had only to open their mouths to get arrested. A short time ago the strike-breakers at Cumberland came out to protect them, with the intention of driving the strikers out of the town. A strike breaker by the name of Cave met the President of the Union, Joe Naylor, and started calling him vile names, but Naylor, being of a peaceful disposition kept his temper; but another striker came up and got into an argument with Cave, a fight resulted, and the outcome was the union man and Naylor and two more being sent to Nanaimo under a charge of being a member of an unlawful assembly.

At the time strikers wives were out shopping and they came in for their share of the indignities, the special police prodding them with their clubs and telling them to get home. The rioting which culminated in the present martial display was not a premeditated affair, it was the coal barons and their disciples would have us believe. It was simply the spark in the powder magazine and the spark was the Western Fuel Co. throwing their mine open for work and deluding about 8 or 10 unfortunate men into believing that 300 men were going to work. These eight or ten men were the so-called union men who drew their relief money and went away and swore in as a special police, were met by a huge crowd of strikers and the fat was in the fire, with the result of the embryo policemen resigning, and a large demonstration in front of the home of one of the strike-breakers in one family, the youngest of which was beaten by his father and brothers to make him go to work. The next scene of revolt was at South Wellington, where a body of some three hundred strikers went out to drive the strike-breakers away when some of the strike-breakers on showing sight, were slightly damaged. The damage to property was very slight, due no doubt to the efforts of the residents of that place. The report published in the Montreal Daily Star about the Nanaimo River Bridge being blown up is an absolute falsehood.

The attack on Extension took place the following day, when after being asked in a perfect manner to quit work, the strike-breakers opened fire on a body of men who were crossing the tippie, and the strikers had to procure fire arms to protect themselves. There being no fire arms immediately available, it was some time before an attempt could be made to capture the culprits. Eventually their fire was silenced, and a body of men proceeded across to the other side of the town, where some irresponsible parties started a fire, and it is quite possible that some non-union parties did it to throw the blame on the strikers. On the following day about 30 of the strike-breakers were brought in from the militia by the strikers and not by the militia as reported, and the majority of them were armed to the teeth, and those that were unarmed had thrown their arms away. A story obtained from one of the strike-breakers was to the effect that manager Cunningham, who, by the way, was a special policeman, told the strike-breakers to fire, and then he made his get away in a locomotive that was waiting for him. The reports that the soldiers searched the tunnels for refugees was also false, for as long as doing useful work was concerned they could have stayed away.

The writer, with three other men, thought that men women and children were inside the tunnel, and they were told that by the officer in charge of the militia. So with his sanction we explored the tunnel to assist any one in there to regain their freedom, and with the exception of a small piece of paper which gave evidence of having contained food and a motorcycle, nothing was found for 1 1/2 miles inside to prove that any one had been in so far. The piece of paper was found about thirty yards inside.

At the present time the police, assisted by the military, have made about 100 arrests, but we haven't heard of any of the 75 men at Extension, who presumably were armed and instructed by the emissaries of Sir Bill and Dan, being arrested. Oh my, no! that would be interfering with the rights of organized capital, and I suppose that the militia is here to protect organized capital and oppress organized labor. Two men of the militia were talking to some strikers at South Wellington when a Quarter-master Sergeant called to him: "You men of the 6th, come over on your own side," meaning the property of the capitalists.

A citizen of Nanaimo was walking on the side-walk that he had helped to pay for, when a soldier in petticoats caught him by the arm and ran him into the road saying "that is the place for you." The miners were holding a meeting in the athletic club in Nanaimo for the purpose of discussing an agreement with the Vancouver-Nanaimo Coal Co., when the hall was surrounded with soldiers and fixed bayonets and loaded rifles. The commanding officer requested the presence of the chairman outside and the chairman came in with the message that we were to start out in single file in two minutes or he would drive us out with bayonets and shoot us; but finally we were allowed to proceed with our business, which finished about 11.45 p. m. We were then allowed to leave the building in batches of 10, and it is a wonder that the staging did not collapse, as every one crowded to the door expecting to get out and were stopped by the bayonets of the soldiers. We were then allowed to proceed between a double line of fixed bayonets to the court house, where we had to give our names and subject ourselves to a search and the scrutiny of a mob of special police and strike-breakers, finally leaving for our homes two hours later. The Daily Colonist, a government bought paper, reports that the soldiers saw strikers flourishing firearms and heard them planning to come out and rush the soldiers. We were told that a man (?) had been sent to the Daily Herald from Vancouver, for the purpose of sending out exaggerated reports of the strike, and I guess this is the one for I have never seen a greater conglomeration of lies in my life and the man who circulated that story should be placed in the lunatic asylum, for six months twice a year, yours etc., UNION MAN.

S. D. P. Executive Meeting

Berlin, Ont., July 21, 1913. Regular meeting. Members present Morrish, Quirnbach, Smith, Allister and the Secretary. Comrades Quirnbach in the chair. Minutes of previous meeting read and adopted. Correspondence dealt with from: Finnish Exec.; Toronto English; Stratford; Guelph; Hamilton; Galt; Niagara Falls; Bushey, Kingston; B. C. Exec. Com.; A. Ponner; Kincorth; Tor. Jewish; Cotton's Weekly 3; North Bay; Blackfoot; Port Arthur, Eng.; Ben Wilson; Brockville; Rutherglen; Chicago; McKel; Ukrainian Exec.

On motion the Guelph amendment together with the Cowansville resolution to be published in Cotton's Weekly suggesting that the party membership give their views through Cotton's and in this way a more intelligent vote may be expected. That \$25 be sent to Cotton's Weekly to enable the editor to make an appeal to the hustlers. Receipts \$391.45. Expenses \$34.90. Adjourned to meet August 4th. Regular meeting. Members present Smith, Morrish, Allister, Quirnbach, Smith and the secretary. Correspondence dealt with from many locals. On motion charter was granted to Finnish Comrades of Welland, Ont., as local No. 56. To Edmonds, B. C. as local No. 32. That the Finnish local at New Finland be permitted to reorganize under the old charter. That \$7 be sent to Stratford to assist in defraying expenses of two meetings held by Comrade Wayman. Receipts \$14.90. Expenses \$31.55. Adjourned to meet August 18th.

Regular meeting. Comrade Morrish in the chair. Correspondence dealt with from numerous locals. On motion dates for Comrade Ben Wilson's tour approved as follows: Niagara Falls Aug. 20, Cobalt 21, Timmins 23, Porcupine 24, North Bay 25 and Berlin 26th. On motion the secretary was instructed to see what could be done to raise \$500.00 by sale of Chas. H. Kerr Co. bonds at \$20.00 each for the publication of a history of Canadian wealth. That five shares of stock in Cotton's be taken from the contributions received from locals for this purpose. Receipts \$66.50. Expenses \$70.50. Adjourned to meet Sept. 2nd. H. Martin, Secretary

From our Supporters

"After reading your article in July 31st issue on local justice, I just feel I cannot resist contributing to the Battery." Garden Plain, Man. "I am sending you money to continue my bundle. Don't stop it any time." Port Albernie, B. C. "Enclosed find fifteen dollars for my bundle. You should be here. Before long there will be unemployed mobs and bread riots. The Pacific coast is where the real fight begins." Vancouver, B. C. "I had a hard fight to get the following names. Union men here are such strong Conservatives. The lamb fighting for its own rights and fighting for the wolf at the same time, wouldn't it make you laugh?" Bridgewater, N. S. "I am a poor wage slave working twelve hours a day for two dollars a day and have to support a wife and four children. Rent and living are high here in the breadbasket of the world." Edmonton, Alta. "Enclosed find \$5. Rush me sub cards. Go on." Brussels, Ont. "I am glad you are going to publish the work of Comrade Barnes. How refreshing it is to know there is one man in Canada who is not afraid to expose the humbug of these degenerate times." Selkirk, Man. "I think the last two issues - particularly good. If we could only keep it up we would have a dandy paper." Toronto, Ont. "Enclosed please find \$5 as I promised that last month. Have got rid of all my sub cards. So this goes to the Battery." Port William, Ont. "Your splendid exposure of monstrous injustice handed out by local police magistrates to unfortunate workmen are bound to set many slaves thinking." Dundas, Ont. "Please renew my subscription. It is a university education for the worker's point of view, and its policy is the only true progress." Carnforth, Alta. "Please send by airships, or lightning express twelve sub cards. Have to have them. Had Ben Wilson Wednesday night. Great meeting. big success." Niagara Falls, Ont.

HOW TO ORGANIZE

"How to Organize" is a little sixteen page pamphlet published by Cotton's. It contains the platform and constitution of the Social-Democratic Party of Canada. It is written by Comrade Morrish, secretary of the Dominion Executive. It tells how to start a local of the party. Socialists are an organized political party who are aiming to capture the Dominion and Provincial Legislatures bodies. The local is the unit of the organization. You who have read Cotton's no doubt are anxious to get busy in your locality to capture your own constituency either federal, provincial or municipal. This pamphlet shows you the way to begin. Cotton's sells this pamphlet 4 copies for 5 cents, 8 for 10 cents, 16 for 20 cents. The following places have ordered and have purchased copies: Berlin, Man.; St. Catharines, Ont.; Port Arthur, Ont.; Toronto, Ont.; Guelph, Ont.; Niagara Falls, Ont.; Athabasca Landing, Alta.; W. N. Kominia, Sask.; Kamistokivis, Ont.

"Police! soldiers! cannon!" yell the poor, multimillionaire mineowners of Vancouver Island because their slaves refuse to be blown to pieces by gas in the mine. Poor plutes. They must be protected. So the troops are rushed to the mines, and miners families are turned out into the street, and the miners themselves are rushed to jail for "rioting." This is what every workingman in Canada voted for when he voted Liberal or Tory in the last election.

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LET US KNOW QUICK

People who read this statement must be interested in it, or they would not read it. Well, here is some interesting news for you: Every week in August brought a loss to the circulation of your paper. Socialism is growing stronger week by week in Canada, and your propaganda paper is growing weaker and weaker. If we are not printing the right dope, write and tell us so, and send some subs with your letter. Before our heads disappear under the quicksands you might at least let us know why you have pushed us in the bog. The following is the statement for the last week in August, and may we never see another like it:

Table with columns: Ont., Sask., B. Columbia, Alberta, Nova Scotia, Quebec, Manitoba, Foreign, Yu. Terr., Newfoundland. Rows: On, Total.

Loss for week - 647 389 27582. Total edition last week - 30,000.

The Masters' Butchers are Busy

By a South Wellington slave. Editor Cotton's Weekly - Dear Comrade - I ask for space in our valuable and fearless paper for a few truthful remarks on a meeting of the U. M. W. of A. in Nanaimo on the night of August 18th. The main purpose of the meeting was to ratify an agreement with the Vancouver-Nanaimo Coal Co. Y.

Shortly after starting of meeting word was got that the building we were in was surrounded by the tin militia of Col. Hall and a regiment of men in petticoats (some people call them kilts). After the meeting had been in session a short time some officer of the militia sent for the president of the meeting and informed him that if we did not adjourn the meeting and come out of the hall in two minutes it would be BULLETS and BAYONETS for us; also that if we did not come out in SINGLE FILE we would be SHOT DOWN. Shortly after this order some pompous officer came into the hall and told us that we could take all the time we wished to settle the business before the meeting. (Probably some misar that has forgot more than he ever knew showed him where he was making a grand and glorious mistake) as we have the Lemieux Act (Lemon Act) which is to stop us from coming on strike, and the acting Premier of B. C. and the tin pot soldiers to stop us from holding a meeting to ratify an agreement with above mentioned Company, and starting its mine to work with nothing but union men employed.

Surely it is pitiful to see such soft-brained men at the head of affairs. The meeting adjourned at 11:30 p. m., after transacting much important business, and we were again reminded to come out in single file or be shot down (we the workers the only class on earth who make it possible for all other parasites to live). As we got outside we were formed in bunches of ten and marched through a lane of soldiers to the Court House and the searched for what I am not in a position to say. Each man was asked his name and address and a police officer was asked "is there anything against this man?" Said policeman would look at a list of names, and failing to find name of man in question, he was told that he could go, but when we got out the door we found that was as far as we could go, as there was another guard of soldiers' bayonets shining from the lights of the street lamps. How long we had to stay no one seemed to know. (Do I hear some one say I must have been dreaming; that I was in Russia) Exactly at two o'clock a. m. we were told that we could go, and I tell you we lost no time. There were quite a number from South Wellington, which is about seven miles from Nanaimo, at the meeting, and they had to walk home. Of course they lost no time on the road, and when they reached South Wellington they were again stopped and held for one hour. One of the crowd was arrested, and the main body of the soldiers went away leaving us under a small guard, and woke two citizens out of their beds at 4:30 a. m. and placed them under arrest. When they had made these arrests they allowed us to go home, and I want to say that it is too warm here on Vancouver Island around 4 a. m. in the month of August.

In spite of all these threats and inconveniences there were very few men who complained; the chief talk through it all was: Is this not grand education? This will teach the workers to know and understand the class struggle.

I venture to say that there was more work done in those few hours to the coffin of the Conservative party than has been done this last five years. For information of East-ern and Central Canada readers I want to say that B. C. has done quite a lot of grave digging and burying, as we have buried every political party that has not stood for the working class, and this incident, coupled with others, will be the means of enabling us to bury the Conservative party in their political grave.

Then raise the scarlet standard high Beneath it's folds we'll live or die; Though cowards shrink and traitors sneer, We'll keep the red flag flying here.

There are many of the union workers of the capitalist making uncomfortable. Scandal the police where. but even the noses something their rea. There are many of the union workers of the capitalist making uncomfortable. Scandal the police where. but even the noses something their rea.