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TORONTO STRIKE POSTPONED PENDING OTTAWA CONFERENCE

Seaplane Arrives at Lisbon and Transatlantic Flight Now Accomplished Fact EMPLOYEES OF CITY ARE STRUCK FROM WINNIPEG PAY ROLL

Must Apply for Old Jobs, Agreeing Not to Take Part in Sympathetic Strike—City's Postoffice Resuming Work With a New Staff.

Winnipeg Strikers Issue a Statement

First Message From the Strike Leaders to Toronto Labor Temple States Claims of Men Who Are Out.

Winnipeg, May 27.—Every leading development in the Winnipeg general strike situation today which came to the surface was related to the governmental movement to deal directly with the great body of union workers.

The first news of the Winnipeg strike to be sent out by the labor leaders there was received last night by the Metal Trades Council here from the Labor Temple at Winnipeg. The wire read as follows:



Lieut.-General Baden-Powell yesterday presented several military decorations. He is here seen pinning the military medal on the breast of Pte. J. C. Ressor.

TRANSATLANTIC FLIGHT SUCCESSFULLY ACHIEVED

Lisbon En Fete as American Seaplane Arrived, Completing Last Half of Long Ocean Journey to Europe.

Lisbon, May 27.—The American seaplane NC-4 arrived here this evening. The achievement of the first transatlantic air flight, with Lisbon as the first European stopping point, has aroused the enthusiasm of the Portuguese as no event has stirred them for many years.

CABINET COMPLETED IN NEWFOUNDLAND

St. John's, Nfld., May 27.—The ministry of Premier Cashin, which came into power recently as a result of a division in the former Newfoundland cabinet over the influence of the fishermen's union, was completed today by the addition of John Currie, formerly opposition leader, as minister without portfolio.

THE POLITICAL SITUATION AT OTTAWA.

Strange things political may be brewing at Ottawa—to spread later into the affairs of the provinces. Ontario politics, as we know them are over for ever. Something new has to come. We cannot say at this moment what will follow in Ottawa.

FEDERAL ATTITUDE DEFINED BY BORDEN

Government Determined, He Says, To Preserve Law and Order in Country.

FURTHER STATEMENT

On Receipt of Report of Royal Commission He Will Decide Labor Policy.

Ottawa, May 27.—Sir Robert Borden made his first speech in the commons today since his return from the peace conference. It was a statement relative to the government's position on the strike situation, based upon a question by Major Andrews, of Winnipeg, who desired the prime minister to explain the attitude of the government towards collective bargaining as proposed by the strikers.

Collective Bargaining.

Sir Robert dealt with the action taken by the peace conference in regard to labor and indicated that the government policy would be more definitely defined, the prime minister made it clear that it is the duty of the government to preserve law and order in the country and that government employees who have gone on strike must resume work or lose their places.

Strike Committee Defers Action Until Friday, 10 a. m.—President Board of Trade, G. O. C., Employers and Employees Go to Ottawa at Premier's Invitation.

The threatened general strike in Toronto has been postponed until ten o'clock Friday morning pending result of negotiations with Sir Robert Borden at Ottawa. A deputation of all concerned leaves for the capital tonight, and the conference takes place Thursday morning. This decision was reached after a prolonged conference with metal workers and employers, and the result was not definitely known until after one o'clock this morning, when members of the Metal Trades Council consulted with the committee of 15 in charge of the threatened strike, and arrived at a conclusion, after the employers had agreed to go to Ottawa.

been in progress for about an hour and a half it was learned that headway was being made and that there was a disposition to accept the prime minister's offer and proceed to Ottawa for a conference. According to the mayor, 21 out of the 22 points could be adjusted, the one on which there was the real contention being the 44-hour week. The attitude of the employers was stated to be that if such conditions were granted it would handicap them in competition with manufacturers in the United States and parts in Canada where no such hours were in vogue.

Hopes Entertained

Before the conference at the city hall prospects of a settlement were not at all promising, but when the parties got together and as time sped on there was no sign of a breakthrough, hopes were entertained that the difficulties might be successfully navigated. After the negotiations had

BOGUS TELEGRAM STOPS STRIKE VOTE

Meat Cutters Adjourn While Executive Confers With "Judge Snider."

The butchers at their meeting at Ravina Rink decided to postpone the strike vote because a telephone message was sent to Lou Braithwaite, business manager, to confer with Judge Snider at the Prince George Hotel. Mr Braithwaite went to the hotel, found no Judge Snider, went then to the Queen's hotel and discovered that Judge Snider knew absolutely nothing about any such conference. The discovery was made too late to continue the meeting and take the strike vote. Thus a bogus telegram at least postponed the strike vote at Ottawa at least postponing the Toronto's many threatening strikes.

Those Present Among those present at the conference, besides the mayor, who presided, were: Hon. J. E. Lavan, attorney-general; Hon. W. D. McPherson, minister of justice; Commissioner Brundage, Commissioner Harris, K. Dunstan, president of the board of trade; A. O'Leary, president of the Trades and Labor Council; Controller Maguire, Controller Robbins, T. G. Merrick, Mrs. Findlay, T. A. Russell, Hon. W. Inglis, president of the R. C. Brown, J. C. Macdonald, J. Muldoon and others representing the men.

Mayor Church has had an uphill fight in his endeavor to successfully negotiate a nasty situation, and the result is a feather in his cap. His words, since the situation became serious, has shown the indefatigable efforts to ward off a general strike. While the conference at the city hall between union labor, the employers' representatives and the mayor was in the midst of the deliberations the following telegram was received by Mayor Church from Premier Borden, inviting a conference with him at Ottawa of all interested parties. Ottawa, May 27, 1919.

TARIFF AND STRIKES EMBARRASS CABINET

Spread of Labor Trouble Might Break up Government Within Thirty Days, Says Prominent Unionist—Three Ministers May Resign Portfolios at Time of Budget.

Special to The Toronto World. Ottawa, May 27.—The strike situation dominates public attention, but it is still much gossip and speculation as to the future of the government. Indeed the two are so interlaced that a prominent Unionist said to The World reporter today that a party of the cabinet members, however, is the tariff. The subject is under constant discussion, and will occupy the attention of the council meeting called for Thursday, Thursday being Ascension Day, the house will not be in session, and the members of the government will have an opportunity to exchange views, and if possible get together on the contents of the budget speech.

TAKE STAND ON TARIFF.

This being the case, members and supporters of the government with low tariff views, find themselves forced to take a definite position. They might have subordinated their views for a time under some arrangement after demobilization, and a return to the old party system, but as matters now stand they seem to have no choice but to frankly express their views on the permanent tariff policy of the country, which means the withdrawal of their support from the government.

Postoffice Reorganization

Reorganization of the postoffice on a permanent basis has been begun. Volunteers were released this morning and the distribution of mail was stopped. Postmaster McIntyre announced that deliveries at the wickets will be open and for the first time since the strike was called general deliveries will be resumed.

Police Must Sign

Members of the Winnipeg police department were instructed today by the police commissioners that a sympathetic strike must not occur in that branch of the service, and that conditions of employment are similar to those in other civic departments.

Ready to Feed Petrograd When Bolsheviks Are Expelled

London, May 27.—The allied and associated powers have made arrangements to feed Petrograd and render assistance to the starving population after the expulsion of the Bolsheviks. Herbert C. Hoover, the head of the relief, has the details in hand. It is hoped that relief will be in the city in 24 hours after the Bolshevik withdrawal.

THE CONQUEST OF THE AIR.

One of the seaplanes of the American navy completed its flight across the Atlantic by landing in Portugal yesterday. New York to Nova Scotia; Nova Scotia to Newfoundland; Newfoundland to the Azores; the Azores to Portugal. Her two companion planes were left at stages on the way. American airmen have thus been the first to fly across the Atlantic in the same seaplane—by stages. Hawk and Grieve tried it in a single flight, got more than half way over, and had to drop in the sea.

We therefore gladly congratulate the Americans on their success, due largely to careful planning and unlimited resources in machines, airmen, navigators, patrol boats stationed across the ocean. Great things in transportation in the air over the sea will follow from now on, based as they will be on organization, speed and knowledge of weather, and navigation of air currents over the sea, construction, etc.

It will not be many weeks, more likely before air ships carrying five tons of passengers and express will be going over the Atlantic as a regular thing. The little machines that we know now will remain in the carrier pigeon class at best. But their glorious record in the air will last. So will the adventure of Hawk and Grieve. And some following in their wake will make a successful flight any day.

IN A NEW ADVENTURE

Lord Shaughnessy going into politics. Yes; but I trust not as understudy to Lord Althelstan.

MANY MEN ON STRIKE IN CITIES OF THE WEST

Sympathetic Demonstrations Expected at Several Points, While Some Are Already in Progress

Calgary, May 27.—The charge was made today by the Hon. Gleason Robertson, Canadian minister of labor, in a telegram to Mayor Marshall of Calgary, that the present strike situation in Canada is a move by radicals to assume control of governmental affairs.

Calgary, Alta., May 27.—Only 1,500 workers were suit to have answered the general strike call here yesterday, the men representing the postal workers, Dominion Express employees, flour and cereal employees and the Canadian Pacific Railway men at the Ogden shops and roundhouse. By a vote of 119 to 48 the street railwaymen refused to "quit work." Other unions which have signified their intention of remaining at work are the railway clerks, bakers, city hall employees, teamsters, outside civic employees and barbers.

As Calgary is the distributing centre for the whole province in the matter of remittances for relatives of soldiers, it is said that thousands of cheques

To Present Budget in Commons On Thursday of Coming Week

Ottawa, May 27.—Sir Thomas White announced in the commons tonight that the budget would be brought down on Thursday of next week.

RECEIVES C.P.R. POST.

London, May 27.—E. T. Stedding has been appointed passenger manager of the C. P. R. ocean service in Great Britain, succeeding R. S. Carmichael, resigned.

STRAWS AND PANAMAS

It is straw hat time now in earnest—"Old Sol" came in with a rush yesterday and gave straws and Panamas first call. The Dineen Co. Ltd. boasts of the best selection ever shown in their store at any time. The variety is worthy of the closest scrutiny. Straw sailors \$2.50 to \$7.00; Dunlap and Heath \$8.00. Extra quality Japanese Panamas, \$5.00. Genuine South American Panamas \$8.00 to \$15.00. Dineen's address is 140 Yonge, corner Temperance street.

Vancouver Will Vote.

Vancouver, B.C., May 27.—The general strike, in progress more than

