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TUESDAY MORNING, SEPT. 2.

President Wilson's Conference on Capital and Labor.

Conventions may not be in favor among a certain class of politicians, but they are growing in favor with statesmen. In fact there is no other way in which large and important bodies of public opinion can be harmonized, or brought into the practical relationship which is necessary for progressive action.

Of course, the question occurs whether progressive action is welcome, and we must judge it is not in such quarters as take pains to bar the steps that would bring it about.

There is a decided "get together" tendency at work in all sorts of directions, and those who ignore it politically, socially, nationally or in any other way are pretty certain to meet the usual fate of obstructionists.

It is quite characteristic of the times that President Wilson should call a conference of representatives of labor and capital. Reasonable men can always work out a solution of their problems. The only important conference that has failed in recent years to arrive at a solution has been judged to have failed through unreasonableness. In a meeting of representative American labor men and capitalists there is certain to be enough sound common sense to insure a satisfactory settlement. Nothing more important, nor more essential to the welfare of the race can be imagined at the present time than a thorough understanding between capital and labor, and such an adjustment of their mutual interests, and the creation of some kind of automatic sliding scale establishing a definite relation between wages and the cost of living, as would end all future conflict, and bring about an era of constant and steady production.

The demand of the human race for all manner of commodities is practically unlimited. All that is necessary to make it so is a properly regulated distribution of labor over the fields of production, and an adequate system of transportation for the distribution of the products. National and racial and sectional feeling may interfere with the full realization of such co-operation, but the more fully it is accomplished, the less difficulty will arise out of the various local problems that arise among the nations.

A commercial internationalism of this kind is quite compatible with strict national limitations and restrictions, and it may be the function of the league of nations to work out the principles on which the better regulation of world-labor and world-capital in co-operation may be founded. Such interplay of capital and labor is already a world problem, but local politics has tended to obscure its significance. President Wilson's conference may reveal new phases of the whole situation with bearings far beyond considerations solely of the United States.

Go to the Exhibition.

Another wonderful attendance thronged the Exhibition grounds and buildings yesterday, and the weather was almost perfect. The slight shower in the early afternoon did no more than freshen up the air and the grass. Apart from the attractions of the Prince of Wales, Gen. Currie and other special visitors, the Exhibition is the most remarkable of the splendid grounds have ever held. If there were nothing else than the war relics, this alone is a unique feature, and never again will it be possible to see this extraordinary collection of souvenirs of the great war, fresh from the battlefields, out of the hands and often of the persons of the enemy.

The war pictures are another revelation which no one who values his country should neglect seeing. They make realizable something of the magnitude and the peril of the struggle in which we were so long engaged.

And all the arts of peace present their old attractions. The photographic exhibit from the United States is one of the most beautiful collections ever brought together. The Canadian artists have an excellent showing, including examples of F. M. Bell Smith, John Russell, Robert Gagen, G. A. Reid, Mrs. McGilivray Knowles and others at their very best. Much of the best is abundant.

The soldiers' vocational training exhibit is one of poignant interest, and there are many other things that appeal to those who had to stay at home and watch the war from this side of the ocean, as well as to those who went overseas.

The vast manufacturing, transportation machinery and implement exhibits are on a bigger scale than ever. Farm produce, live stock, horticultural and ornamental sections display an amazing wealth of variety and high quality. Here is all Canada in miniature, and yet in superlatives. It is an education to see and know what our country can do.

THE DAY AT OTTAWA

By TOM KING

Ottawa, Sept. 1.—To the inspiring strains of "O Canada," the cornerstone of the tower of the new parliament building at noon today descended into place and we know on the authority of H. R. H. the Prince of Wales, that it was well and truly laid. The sun was shining brightly and a great crowd was assembled on Parliament Hill. Upon the platform were the heir to the throne, his excellency the governor-general, the Duchess of Devonshire, the prime minister and members of his cabinet, and many high dignitaries in the ecclesiastical, financial and political life of Canada. Hon. Mackenzie King, who he has no seat in the house, managed to find a place on the platform. Hon. Robert Rogers, who was minister of public works when the new building was projected and took an active part in superintending the work of construction, was also on hand, smiling and debonair, but credited by many with some other mission to Ottawa.

The prince's voice carries well, he could be heard more distinctly by people at a distance than could Sir Robert Borden. Sir Henry Drayton, who spoke last, made a poor third in this respect. As minister of finance, however, he showed true business instinct in seizing upon the occasion to advertise the Victory Loan of 1919. He read a brief address to the prince, thanking his royal highness for giving his standard to be used as the Victory Loan honor flag.

Sir Robert Borden's speech was appropriate to the occasion. He naturally recalled the fact that the cornerstone of the former building had been laid by the prince's grandfather, the Prince of Wales, in 1860. He traced the history of Canada from confederation and paid tribute to the statesman who believed in her high destiny and made it possible by wise legislation. Then he asked the Prince of Wales to lay the cornerstone for the new and grander parliament house within whose walls the statesmen of the future would labor to make the Dominion even greater than she is today.

The prince delivered a carefully prepared speech and delivered it well. He spoke with interest and was frequently interrupted with applause. There were some, however, who thought that the speech which must have been submitted to and approved by both the imperial and Dominion governments, skirted once or twice on the edge of controversy. The Liberals, for example, have been contending all along that Canada's consent was not abandoned all hopes of an Ontario constituency but assembles in any event they can elect their new leader at the coming by-election in Prince county, P. E. I., a seat made vacant some months ago by the death of Capt. Joseph Read.

prince in his speech, however, spoke of the coming session of parliament as having been called for the discussion and ratification of the treaty, and more than intimated that the submission of the treaty for ratification by the Dominion parliament would be an historic landmark in the evolution of the empire.

At 2 o'clock in the afternoon parliament assembled for the despatch of business. Ordinarily the opening of the session is a grand event in Ottawa, but the prince's visit and the ceremonies on Parliament Hill rather shunted today's opening to a side track. However, some members of the house were in their places and Mr. Speaker in the chair when the gentleman usher of the Black Rod summoned the commons to the senate chamber to hear the speech from the throne.

The speech itself was what the fate of Sir John A. Macdonald used to call a skimpy chicken. No legislation was foreshadowed except the ratification of the peace treaty and legislation made necessary by its adoption. Some pleasing incidents occurred while the members of the house were waiting for their summons to the senate chamber. Ham Burham was loudly cheered by the opposition when he took his seat on the cross benches and Hon. Jacques Bureau shook hands with him heartily. Sir George Foster, who was not in his place during the last session, was cheered by both sides when he entered the chamber. Some of the opposition members called for a speech in French but Sir George at the time only bowed and smiled his acknowledgment. A few moments later, however, when he moved that his excellency's speech be taken into consideration tomorrow, he spoke in French to the great delight of the deputies from Quebec. Emanuel Danjou of Rimouski, who has been married since the last session, was also cheered when he entered the chamber.

The real business of the day, however, was the discussion by Unionist members in groups of two and three of the political situation. The members were in close touch with Hon. Robert Rogers and tonight there is in progress an informal conference among the hard-boiled Tories who are opposed to the formation of a Unionist party and who want to bring about a reorganization on Conservative lines of the Union government. They are looking forward to the formation of a national committee representing the old line Conservatives of every province to assemble in Toronto before the close of the session and possibly to call a national convention.

The Liberals seemed in good spirits today and are confident of finding a seat for Hon. Mackenzie King. They have not abandoned all hopes of an Ontario constituency but assembles in any event they can elect their new leader at the coming by-election in Prince county, P. E. I., a seat made vacant some months ago by the death of Capt. Joseph Read.

JUST ABOUT "THINGS."

BY IDA L. WEBSTER.

After 31 years' service on the police force, and after obtaining more than one merit mark, Constable Noble John Craig has retired. His is one of the remarkable records which have done his duty to the last letter, and yet promotion is kept from within their reach. It looks like it has been a most marvelous police force in its day.

And, by the way, thinking of the police force just reminds us that we have never been told or in any way heard a rumour as to whether Deputy Chief Dickson and Assistant Deputy Chief Geddes ever received an advance in salary with their promotion. Long after the announcement of their official "boost" had been made public, we were given to understand that the advance was merely one of story. Knowing something of the manner in which the police commission works, we rather feel that the same thing goes for now. If our surmise is correct, is it not time that the money was forthcoming?

Answering a message from a woman whose small child came near to receiving a severe bite from one of the dogs in the show at the Exhibition, we can only say that, after watching the manner in which mothers allow their children to shove their hands at the animals, we are greatly surprised that some one of them did not lose an arm. It must be remembered that the dogs are under a severe strain, and when people go up to them and paw them around, they very naturally resent it, and one of these bright days something is going to happen. It is reasonable to expect that those who like dogs well enough to go into the show like them well enough not to annoy them.

To our correspondent who signed "American on a Visit," we might say that we did not receive your letter until the prince had left the city, and, therefore, could not ask the citizens more cheers when he passed, as you suggested we should do. Like you, we think that the folks in Toronto are not very demonstrative, but perhaps they feel even more deeply than those who are. You see, it is terribly hard to expect more of people than it is their nature to give, and, after all, the prince knows that some hearts in this country are too full to cheer, while others are not just born that way. Personally, we thought that everyone did mighty well in that respect, but, then, we are not an authority, by any means. Write again some time.

Still the asylum at Orillia continues to do business, and still we continue to ask W. D. McPherson if there are any sane children incarcerated there?

A letter from a "bank clerk" asks our help to get them more pay. We ask why not form a union? It is being done in the best-regulated businesses, and, as for people engaged in that particular capacity being willing to work longer hours, we can only say that if all bank accounts resembled ours they would not have to work at all.

S.O.E. AND TRAFALGAR DAY.

At a meeting of the Sons of England Benefit Society held last evening at headquarters, 18 Richmond street, fine arrangements were made in connection with suitably commemorating the anniversary of the battle of Trafalgar. In Toronto, this event will take the form of a monster concert in Massey Hall, on Tuesday evening, October 21. The following artists have been engaged: Frank Oldfield, baritone; Albert Downing, tenor; Lillian G. Wilson, concert soprano; Jessie Alexander, entertainer; Joe Williams, comic vocalist; Arthur Lee, flautist; Mrs. F. E. Webb, A.L.C.M., and Charles Musgrave, pianists, together with the Royal Grenadiers Band. The proceeds accruing from the concert will be devoted to the war relief fund of the society. The following officers will look after the detail work: E. J. Otter, D. D. S. P. chairman; H. W. Watson, D. D. S. P., secretary; W. G. Jones, D. D. S. P., treasurer; together with John Scott, P. E., acting as stage manager.

LIFE AFTER DEATH

Articles By Conan Doyle Appearing in Toronto Sunday-World Attract Much Attention.

The series of articles which began in the issue of The Sunday World of August 21, and in which Sir Arthur Conan Doyle describes his discoveries in his investigation into the problem of life after death and communication with departed spirits, has awakened a wide public interest. Sir Arthur has found out so much in this line of investigation that to him the regions of the dead are no longer an unknown country. In the next issue of The Sunday World Sir Arthur gives the conditions of existence left behind by spirits that have recently left this life. He devotes his vast literary ability, charm of expression and knowledge of science to the elucidation of the facts which he claims that he has substantiated by means of research among clairvoyants and mediums.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY SYSTEM TIME TABLE CHANGES SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 1919.

Train No. 46, now leaving Toronto 11:30 p.m. daily except Saturday and Sunday for Scotia Junction, will be cancelled (last trip from Toronto Friday, September 6).

Train No. 47 will leave Toronto 11:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays (last trip, September 2), arrive North Bay 9:10 a.m. Wednesdays and Fridays.

Train No. 48, leaving Toronto 1:30 p.m. Saturdays only for Scotia Junction, will be cancelled (last trip Saturday, September 6).

Train No. 49, leaving Huntsville 5:30 p.m. and Muskoka 7:40 p.m., for Toronto Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, will be cancelled (last trip Saturday, September 6).

Train No. 50, leaving Huntsville 5:15 p.m. and Muskoka Wharf 7:10 p.m., Sundays only, for Toronto, will be cancelled (last trip Sunday, September 7).

Train No. 23 (steambot special), leaving Toronto 12:10 p.m. Mondays, Wednesdays and Saturdays for Sarnia (Point Edward dock), will make last trip Saturday, September 6.

Train No. 22 (steambot special), leaving Sarnia (Point Edward dock), 8 a.m. Sundays, Tuesdays and Fridays for Toronto, will make last trip Sunday, September 7.

The Toronto-Algonquin Park sleeping car, now leaving Toronto on train No. 49, 11:30 p.m. daily except Saturday, Sunday, September 7, leave Toronto on train No. 3, 9:15 p.m. on Sundays, Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, and train No. 47, leaving Toronto 11:30 p.m. on Tuesdays and Thursdays, arriving Algonquin Park 11:10 a.m. Southbound same at present.

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CANADIAN NATIONAL EXHIBITION

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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 AMERICAN DAY

Canada's War Trophies

Living evidence of Canadian valor in France and Flanders. Mammoth collection of dearly bought war trophies to be broken up after the Exhibition. The first and only chance to see this assemblage of trophies.

THRILLING, SPECTACULAR, SENSATIONAL. COL. BARKER AND OTHER FAMOUS ACES IN DAILY FLIGHTS AND STUNT EXHIBITIONS IN ENEMY AIRCRAFT. 6 O'CLOCK SHARP EACH EVENING.

Victory Festival and March of Remembrance. Grand Stand Spectacle Rich in Historical Significance. 1500 Performers, Superb Musical Treatment.

The Star says—The management of the C. N. E. have spared no pains or expense to make the grand stand spectacle one worthy of the year of peace.

Telegram—Imposing scenic effects, magnificent patriotic spectacle delights thousands of spectators. The applause never ceased until "God Save the King" brought to its close the most famous day in the history of the Exhibition.

Mail and Empire—There is something back of it far more significant of the hearts of the people than any amount of outward display.

Globe—One of the most outstanding features was the singing of the hidden choir, which rendered "The Holy City," and "The Chant of Freedom" most artistically, the voices blending with excellent effect.

JOHNNY J. JONES SHOWS

SOMETHING TO SUIT EVERY TASTE AND NOTHING TO OFFEND. HALF A MILE OF HILARITY AND WHOLESOME FUN. VISIT THE BUG HOUSE, SEE THE SAUCER OF DEATH, STELLA, HOUSE OF WONDERS, SUPERBA, JUNGLE-BRED WILD ANIMAL SHOW, DAKOTA MAX WILD WEST AND A HOST OF OTHER UNUSUAL FEATURES.

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