

Trades and Labor Councils

OTTAWA.

Mr. J. A. P. Hayden was elected president of the Ottawa Allied Trades and Labor Association at the semi-annual meeting of officers on Friday night. Delegates Freeman Rowe and W. Robinson also contested the office. On the first ballot Delegate Hayden received 19 votes, Delegate Rowe 17, and Delegate Robinson 12. On the second ballot Delegate Hayden received 33 votes and Delegate Rowe 27.

The only other ballot was on the selection of the executive committee and the municipal committee, the officers of vice-president, secretary, treasurer, recording secretary, sergeant-at-arms, trustees, and organizing committee being elected by acclamation.

Ottawa's Allied Trades and Labor Association officers for 1921 follow: President, J. A. P. Hayden; vice-president, A. A. Aubrey; corresponding secretary, W. Lodge; treasurer, D. McCann; recording secretary, R. Plant; executive committee, M. Kavanagh, M. Beaudet, R. W. McKee and C. W. Lewis; organizing committee, Mrs. A. J. Johnston, J. A. P. Hayden, C. G. Goss, Controller J. Canmore, P. Plant, P. Davis; municipal committee, D. McCann, H. Cain and R. Polvin; trustees, J. J. Bennett, T. Cuthbert and J. Eadie; auditors, W. Jennings, J. Robinson and C. Messick.

For the first time in its history the association placed a female delegate on its board of officers, and the innovation was at the suggestion of President Hayden, who stated that the female workers had acquired such strength that he thought it in the interests of the association that they should have representation.

In retiring from the president's chair, which he has occupied for two terms, Mr. Frank Laforaine expressed his regret at having to leave the council board, where he had gained much experience which had proved beneficial to him in his position of International Organizer for the Leatherworkers' Union. During his travels in other cities, the impression had been gained by him that nowhere could there be found a more constructive and moderate body of men than those who comprised the Ottawa Central Labor body, which he thought ranked amongst the best in the Dominion.

The new president, J. A. P. Hayden, upon taking the chair, was greeted very enthusiastically and said that he hoped all the delegates would co-operate with him in making the Allied Trades and Labor Association a constructive legislative body for organized labor. He stated it was up to the delegates to show they were true members of the International Trades Movement, and to realize that they could make the council either a constructive or destructive body.

He concurred with Secretary Lodge in expressing hearty appreciation of the work which had been accomplished by the retiring president on behalf of the association and the International Trades Movement, and led in extending a hearty vote of thanks to Delegate Laforaine.

The association went on record as being strongly opposed to the City Council granting any permit for the re-building of the Sachs Bros. junk factory, recently destroyed by fire, causing the death of one of the firemen. It was pointed out by one of the delegates that a door-to-door canvass of the district in which this factory was located had shown that there were 118 children there.

Advocacy of trade with Russia as a solution of the unemployment situation was embodied in a resolution which was passed by the Toronto Trades and Labor Council at the Labor Temple last Thursday night. The resolution was introduced on behalf of the Machinists' Union, who had previously passed this resolution.

After heated criticism of the Dominion Department of Labor in its attitude toward the shipyard dispute in Toronto, a resolution which had been introduced by the executive committee asking for the resignation of Hon. Gideon Robertson, was carried as follows:

"Having regard to the importance of the right being waged by the striking trades unionists and returned soldiers at the yards of the Dominion Shipbuilding Company,

Iron, Steel and Tin Workers, was named president by acclamation. Organizer Harry Harper, Toronto Machinists' Union, conducted the installation, assisted by International Organizer E. W. O'Dell, Boot and Shoe Workers' Union.

The new officers are as follows: President, Bert Furey; vice-president, H. Longfellow; corresponding secretary, H. O. Foster; financial secretary, Matt Price; recording secretary, left open; treasurer, J. Pryke; sergeant-at-arms, W. J. Snively; trustees, Delegates Longfellow, Furey, Foster, auditors Delegates Snively, Hay Eastbury; hall committee, Delegates Pryke, Lawrence, Harrower, Forcell; executive, Delegates Thompson, AW Hughes, Hurst, Hardy, Blackwell, Longfellow, Furey, Martin, Wille; organization committee, Delegates Furey, Longfellow, Long Walker, Lawrence, Bruton, Marsh Corrigan; Building Trades Council, Delegates Long, Furey, Furey.

After an interesting discussion regarding the changing of the date for municipal elections, the delegates voted to petition the city council that the elections be held on the Saturday following the New Year instead of January 1.

With but few dissenting the council decided to circulate the provincial central labor unions and L.P. branches, urging that the Drury Government be asked to enact eight-hour day legislation at this session of the Legislature. Speakers stated that labor had been put off long enough regarding the establishment of the short work-day education to take a forward step and help mankind to find ideas. Professor Petrie.

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Those who are neither troubled without money nor troubled about it have the mind most free for the activity of originating and executing. Organizers E. W. O'Dell and Harry Harper supported the motion. The delegate who sponsored the resolution said that it was about time that the Lord's Day Alliance got busy and protested against employers working their hands on Sundays.

The speaker mentioned that not only had he seen Chinamen washing on Sundays, but also hanging out their clothes to dry.

The council accepted the report of the executive against raising the per capita charge and agreed that all unaffiliated trade unions should be urged to join the T. and L. C. Delegate Sam Lawrence having stated that the Dominion Government intended to have the monuments in honor of Canadian soldiers killed in action cut in France, a motion was passed asking Secretary Foster to communicate with Ottawa asking that Canadian industry be patronized. Delegate Lawrence said that were this done in Canada, it would be provided for granite workers and stone cutters, who at present were on short time, or unemployed.

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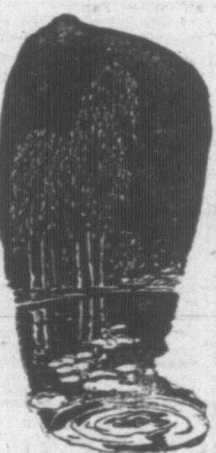
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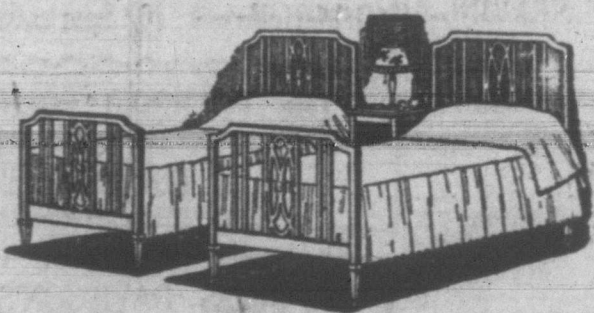
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