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CANADA NORMALLY OUGHT TO HAVE AN EIGHT HOUR DAY

EASTERN MINERS CONTINUE IN CONFERENCE

Efforts Being Made to Avoid Tie-up in Eastern Mine Fields.

Conferences are being held in Montreal between the mine operators of Eastern Canada and the representatives of the United Mine Workers of District 26 and a representative from the Mine Workers' headquarters in an endeavor to avoid a tie-up in the eastern coal fields.

Recently a royal commission made an investigation of the coal industry in Eastern Canada and its findings were not acceptable to the miners. A strike vote was taken and a conference was held at Montreal two weeks ago between the Deputy Minister of Labor, representatives of the mine operators and President Baxter and Secretary McLachlan of the United Mine Workers of District 26.

PHILADELPHIA TEXTILE WORKERS HARD HIT

Amalgamated Clothing Workers Responsible For Situation.

The Amalgamated Clothing Workers, an industrial organization from the cotton fields to the consumer, is responsible for a serious situation in Philadelphia in the textile industry.

HOW ABOUT "HIGH" WAGES?

Edridge R. Johnson, president of the Victor Talking Machine company, discusses present prices in a Philadelphia newspaper, and seems to have overlooked which wages are the cause for present conditions.

MANY RETURNED MEN COMMUTING THEIR PENSIONS.

The monthly pension bill for soldiers is being reduced about four thousand a month on account of returned men with disabilities from 8 to 14 per cent, commuting their pensions and cashing in instead of drawing a small monthly allowance.

LIVING WAGE FIRST SAYS DIRECTOR CATHOLIC WELFARE COUNCIL.

A decent living for wage earners and no interest for stockholders should be the first consideration of industry, says Rev. John A. Ryan, D.D., in his pamphlet, "Capital and Labor." The writer is director of the social action department of the National Catholic Welfare Council of the United States.

GENERAL TRIPLE CANADIAN PEOPLE.

J. P. Bell, general manager of the Bank of Hamilton, stated recently that the abnormal conditions of the past four years have resulted in a thrift in the average Canadian home, rather than extravagance, as is generally supposed.

FOUR DAY WEEK FOR FORD EMPLOYEES.

Sharp retrenchment, involving the discharging of large numbers of employees and the curtailment of production, is the logical result of the policies announced by several of the big Canadian industrial concerns.

MANITOBA TO BE BONE DRY JAN. 4.

Manitoba will become bone dry Jan. 4 as a result of the prohibition referendum held Monday, according to opinions held in Government and prohibition circles.

PRESIDENT MOORE VISITING WESTERN ONTARIO.

President Tom Moore of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada left on Sunday evening last for a tour of Western Ontario. He addressed the Canadian Club at Hamilton and will address the Toronto District Trades and Labor Council this (Thursday) evening on the general labor movement.

COMPULSORY LABOR SCHEME IN GERMANY.

It is announced that the German government has completed a scheme for the introduction of compulsory labor into Germany, with a view to taking the country from financial ruin and restoring the national reconstruction. The scheme, which will shortly be submitted to the Reichstag, is believed to be very drastic.

British War Office Issues 3,000,000 Medals to Date

3,000,000 War Office medals have now been issued to British War Medals, and 25 Victory Medals have been issued to Overseas Dominions and Colonies.

Union Will Build Factories

The Industrial World has just witnessed a manoeuvre in the triumphal struggle of progress that has perhaps accomplished more toward the future welfare of labor than any in the past. Like all great enactments it was a countermove, a checkmate that has blocked off for all any attempt on the part of big interests to force "Open Shop" upon their employees.

RETURNED MEN WANT BUREAU FOR UNSKILLED LABOR.

A deputation of war veterans, representing the G.W.V.A., G.A.U.V., Army and Navy Veterans and British Imperial Association, waited on Hon. Walter Rollo last week, asking that the Government establish special employment bureaus for returned men and women.

DANGER IN ARMY GAS MASK.

The United States Bureau of Mines has again issued a warning against the indiscriminate use of army gas masks as an alleged protection against poisonous gases.

BULLETINS WILL BE ISSUED FROM J. L. O.

Plans for carrying forward the Maternal and research work of the International Labor Office have been outlined by Dr. Royal S. Meeker, who has recently gone to Geneva to take charge of the office.

Valuable Information Will Be Compiled at Geneva.

The International Labor Office plans to publish regular bulletins and special studies. For the purpose of convenience, Dr. Meeker has divided these publications into six groups, as follows:

EASTERN MINERS GIVE OFFICERS OPPOSITION

Secretary-Treasurer Only Officer Not Opposed.

Opponents of considerable strength will run against Pres. Robt. Baxter of District 26, at the Annual U. M. W. election, nominations for which closed last week.

CARPENTERS' SCHEME TO OFFSET OPEN SHOP CAMPAIGN.

The United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America. This union, with a membership of over 400,000 and the general executive board has power, granted to them by a bylaw of the constitution to raise a fund for the purpose of promoting the use of the union label.

ONTARIO GOVERNMENT SHOULD LEAD THE WAY IN 8-HR. DAY LEGISLATION

Provincial Executives of Trades and Labor Congress of Canada instructed to Press For This Important Measure.

U. S. TO RECOGNIZE NEW GOVERNMENT OF MEXICO.

Due largely to the American Federation of Labor the United States Government, according to an official statement of the Secretary of State, are about to recognize the Obregon Government in Mexico.

ARMISTICE DAY NOT PUBLIC HOLIDAY.

Thursday, November 12 (Armistice Day), will not be declared a public holiday by the Dominion Government. The matter was under consideration by the Cabinet last week and it was decided to issue a proclamation calling upon the people of Canada to suitably observe and commemorate the anniversary of the cessation of hostilities.

FRATERNAL DELEGATE HOMEWARD BOUND.

General Organizer Ed. O'Dell, of the Boot and Shoe Workers' International Union, who attended the 22nd annual convention of the British Legion Convention at Fortmouth, as the fraternal delegate from the Trades Congress of Canada, is expected home this week.

MAY AMALGAMATE ALL EX-SOLDIERS' DEPARTMENTS.

A department of ex-soldiers may be created when the question of cabinet and departmental reconstruction is tackled.

LABOR MARCHES ON; CAN NOT BE SWERVED

It is impossible to kill the Labor movement, because it is a religion that is deep-rooted in every life of man on this planet.

AGENDA ANNOUNCED FOR THE THIRD INTERNATIONAL LABOR CONFERENCE

Agricultural Questions Will be Discussed at Geneva Conference Which Opens on April 4, 1921.

The third International Labor Conference, established under the League of Nations, will meet in Geneva, Switzerland, on April 4, 1921. The International Labor Office has announced the following agenda for this conference:

CENTRAL TECHNICAL TRAINING SCHOOL FOR ALL PROVINCES.

Last week's sitting of the first interprovincial conference on technical education revealed an unanimous desire on the part of all representatives present to co-operate to the fullest extent in finding a common basis for the development of technical education in Canada.

VICE-PRESIDENT WILL ATTEND I. F. T. U. MEET.

Workers From All Countries to Meet in London, Eng., Nov. 22.

One of the vice-presidents of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada will attend a meeting of the International Federation of Trade Unions to be held in London, England, on November 22. This was decided at a meeting of the executive council last week.

SHORT HOURS ARE BEST.

A man can produce more for his employer in an eight-hour day than on a 12-hour schedule, earn as much money, do better work, be more cheerful, and have more time for recreation.

THE PRINCE OF WALES' HIGHWAY.

Official sanction has been given to the naming of the Ottawa-Quebec Highway as the "Prince of Wales Highway." The decision of the Governor General is contained in the last bulletin issued by that body.

BUILD UP INDUSTRY 'STEAD TARIFF WALLS'

Tom Moore pleads for co-operation labor and capital.

WILL DRAFT REGULATIONS FOR PRISONS OF CANADA.

Colonel O. M. Figgart, W. F. Kitchin, M. J. Draper, secretary of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, have been named a royal commission to draft a new code of regulations for the penitentiaries of the Dominion.

BRICKIES STAY ON GROUND.

Organized bricklayers, masons and plasterers refused to take part in a convention of this organization held in Toronto.

BRITISH OVERWORKED WILL SOON BE RARITY

The overworked British workman will soon be a rarity, is the opinion of the chief inspector of factories and workshops, who says the shorter work-day is rapidly replacing the old system of long, monotonous hours.

Factory Inspector Says Shorter Workday Best.

It is stated that shortened working hours has had a beneficial effect on wages-earnings, more so than any other recent improvement in industrial conditions.