



Tisdale, Sask.

To the Forward,
Dear Comrade,

We have got our local reorganized again and the comrades have conferred on me the coveted honor of president. I held this position in the old local, but somehow when the war started we could not hold together. I talked this matter over with Comrade Stirling, the organizer, when here, and spoke of delivering a short address on some topic of interest in an effort to get more interest into our meetings, he agreed this would be a great help, and I am enclosing a paper I delivered, which was heartily discussed by the comrades.

Yours, etc.

To the Editor,
Dear Comrade,

The Montreal group of Social Revolutionists (Maximalists) notifies to all "labor organizations" that the first group of volunteers leaves for Russia on April 15th to help the revolution.

A. Veroff,
Secretary.

Ft. William, Ont.

Dear Comrade,

I am glad to tell you that we have resuscitated Local Fort William. Last election steal has done good work, the near-Socialists have been driven in. We helped in the I.L.P. campaign here and had a chance to shoot some good ammunition for the revolution. Result is, a good number are saying Socialism or nothing.

I am instructed to ask you if possible to allow us to retain the old charter, No. 51.

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Yours in Revolt,
H. Bryan,
Secretary.

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Labor and New Social Order

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cern of the government of the day to see to it that there shall be, as a result of the gigantic "General Post" which it, will itself have deliberately set going, nowhere any degradation of the standard of life. The government has pledged itself to restore the trade union conditions and "pre-war practices" of the workshop, which the trade unions patriotically gave up at the direct request of the government itself; and this solemn pledge must be fulfilled, of course, in the spirit as well as in the letter. **The Labor party, moreover, holds it to be the duty of the government of the day to take all necessary steps to prevent the standard rate of wages, in any trade or occupation whatsoever, from suffering any reduction, relatively to the contemporary cost of living.** Unfortunately, the present government, like the Liberal and Conservative parties, so far refuses to speak on this important matter with any clear voice. We claim that it should be a cardinal point of government policy to make it plain to every capitalist employer that any attempt to reduce the customary rates of wages when peace comes, or to take advantage of the dislocation of demobilization to worsen the conditions of employment in any grade whatsoever, will certainly lead to embittered industrial strife, which will be in the highest degree detrimental to the national interests; and that the government of the day will not hesitate to

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