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United Mine Workers Declare Against Radicals

OPERATORS AND COAL MINERS SIGN AGREEMENT

Contract For Coal Miners Runs for One Year. New York.—Bituminous coal operators and officials of the United Mine Workers of America signed a new agreement running for one year covering the tri-state competitive field of Ohio, Illinois and Indiana. The agreement will be used as a standard for fixing wages and working conditions throughout the rest of the mining territory. The new agreement was announced, was virtually signed as that which expires April 1st on the federal fuel administration's findings in 1922. The agreement calls for \$7.50 for eight hours for day work and \$1.08 for night work for contract miners. The contract is for one year instead of six months as was sought. Agreement on the new contract was signed yesterday by a joint committee of seventeen and submitted to the whole conference. It has been in session here about a week after transfer of the party to Chicago.

OUTLINED THE BENEFITS OF THE INTERN'L UNIONS

Assistance Being Given Striking Typos Given as an Instance. That International Headquarters is still paying the sum of \$3,000 strike pay weekly to Ottawa's striking printers; there were still 139 printers on strike in the city, stated Mr. J. A. P. Hayden, president of the Allied Trades and Labor Council at a meeting of the United Mine Workers of America in the Union in Huckle's Hall. Another who spoke was Mr. John Noble, of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. The meeting was held for the purpose of revivifying the "red" spirit of the local No. 428, which had dropped off in membership and interest. Mr. Pat Green, representative of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, also spoke. Mr. Mick Cunningham presided.

OFFICIAL STATEMENT OF THE POLICY OF UNITED MINE WORKERS OF AMERICA ON THE RED INTERNATIONAL OF MOSCOW

Indianapolis, Ind.—The United Mine Workers of America, which is the trade union of the coal miners, is the first among the great labor unions of this country to take a positive stand and announce a definite policy against the Red International of Moscow and its attempt to destroy the American legitimate labor movement, and substitute therefore the principles of Bolshevism. This action has just been taken by the International Executive Board of the United Mine Workers of America, at a meeting held in this city. Several months ago the District Organization of the union in Nova Scotia decided to affiliate with the Red International and sent an inquiry to the International office of the United Mine Workers as to the right of the District to effect such affiliation. The matter was referred to a committee of the International union for investigation and report, and the report was filed at this meeting of the board and it was adopted by unanimous vote of the twenty-seven members, representing every District in America. By this action the United Mine Workers of America placed itself squarely on record in opposition to the Red International and all that it represents. The report, which is vigorous in its treatment of the subject is as follows:

QUEBEC VOTERS TO HAVE EXTRA HOUR TO CAST BALLOTS

All Arrangements for the Elections Complete. Many Nominations in Various Ridings Reported. Quebec.—Voters will have an extra hour in which to cast their votes during the provincial elections on February 5. An amendment to the Quebec Election Act, passed at the January session of 1922, provides that the polls will be opened at 9 a.m. and will remain open until 6 p.m. Under the law as it existed before that amendment the booths closed at 5 p.m. Nominations which take place on Monday, January 29, will close at 2 p.m. All arrangements for the elections have now been completed by L. P. Geoffrion, clerk in chancery and chief returning officer. All the returning officers and their deputies have been provided with the necessary instructions and documents and are ready for the elections.

FINES INFLICTED ON SIX GERMAN INDUSTRIALISTS

Prosecutor Was Inclined to Leniency Because of Patriotic Motives That Actuated The Germans. Competency of The Court Questioned. Mayence.—Fritz Thyssen and five other German industrialists charged by France with refusing to cooperate with the French plans for the delivery of reparations coal from the Ruhr valley were all found guilty by a court martial here. Fines were inflicted. Herr Kesten was fined 15,632 francs; Herr Wuestenboeffer, of the Essen Mine Association, 8,640 francs; Herr Tengelmann, of the Essen Anthracite Coal Company, 6,920 francs; Herr Thyssen 5,100 francs; Herr Oife, 224,300 francs; and Herr Spindler, 47,752 francs. Dr. Frederic Grimm, the Essen lawyer retained by Herr Thyssen, was assisted by Counselors Wallack of Essen, Alfred Friedmann and Herr Neumann of Mayence, and M. Leclerc of Nancy, the French attorney assigned by the French army as technical adviser to the Germans. Colonel Debeugnot, the ranking prosecutor of the French Rhine army, in opening court cautioned the spectators to refrain from demonstrations. The trial began immediately upon the arrival of Herr Thyssen, Kesten, Wuestenboeffer, Tengelmann, Oife and Spindler. When the defendants had stated their ages, their business, and answered other specifications, the charge was read and Dr. Grimm began his argument to establish the illegality of the arrests and the trial. He concluded with a demand that the court declare itself incompetent, basing his argument on the Hague conventions of 1899 and 1917 as well as the Rhineland convention. Captain Bodin, the prosecutor, replied, and the court after consulting in private for fifteen minutes, declared its competency and ordered the trial to proceed.

TO ERECT LARGE OFFICE BUILDING

New Edifice, Known as Montreal Insurance Exchange, in Heart of City. New York.—Announcement was made here that negotiations have just been completed for the erection of a new two million dollar office building in Montreal. The building, which will be known as the Montreal Insurance Exchange, will be situated in the heart of Montreal's financial district and will face on three streets, St. James, St. Peter and Notre Dame. It will be of the arcade type and will be ten storeys in height. The building is being financed by a \$2,200,000 bond issue purchased by S. W. Strauss and Company of New York. Announcement of the deal and its completion was made at the office of the Strauss Company this afternoon. This underwriting marks the first big Canadian real estate activity of the New York Company and was said to presage extensive United States financial support for the building industry of the Dominion.

MANY SUBJECTS OF IMPORTANCE TO BE FULLY CONSIDERED

Sixteenth Annual Convention of the Social Service Council of Canada Opens in Ottawa Jan. 29 and Continues to Feb. 1. Many subjects of importance and public interest are on the agenda for the sixteenth annual convention of the Social Service Council of Canada which will open in Ottawa on Jan. 29 and close on Feb. 1. The feature of the first day of the convention will be a great public meeting in the evening in the Collegiate Institute assembly hall at the capital, where addresses will be given by Very Rev. Dean L. Norman Tucker, D. C. L., president of the Social Service Council, and the Rev. Dr. Richard Roberts, of Montreal, formerly of New York and London. Immigration will be one of the subjects discussed by the convention. A committee report will be presented recommending that admission to Canada should be granted only to the classes of immigrants actually needed, and the numbers received should be determined by the Dominion's capacity to incorporate them into the body politic, and that preference should be given to those who are able and willing to settle on the land or desiring to enter domestic service. Equal Pay for Equal Work. Industrial life will be considered, and in this connection recommendations will be made embodying the principle of equal pay for equal work without regard to sex, and recognizing the right of employees and employers to organize and bargain collectively through their respective representatives. Amendments will be recommended to the criminal code making it a crime; suppressing the gambling betting houses on Canadian tracks and the publishing of betting odds and other information which can be used by handbook men; making a crime for the owner of a motor vehicle to include or allow any girl or woman to resort to or be upon such motor vehicle or vessel for immoral purposes; raising the age of consent for boys and girls in cases of indecent assault from 14 to 16, and removing the phrase "of previous chaste character" in the clause protecting girls between 14 and 16 years of age against carnal knowledge. Maternity Benefit Scheme. A maternity benefit scheme will be brought up for discussion and action. With a view to protecting women before and after childbirth, a draft bill to be presented to the various provincial legislatures, to be known as the Maternity Protection Act, will be considered by the convention. This bill provides that women shall not be employed for a certain period before or after confinement, and it also provides for a system of compulsory insurance for all women affected by the proposed bill, which will carry with it not only cash benefit, but medical and nursing service as well. Child Welfare will be one of the subjects brought before the convention. In this connection the necessity of accurate statistics will be emphasized, through a fuller enforcement of the law relating to birth registration and the recording by municipal assessors of the name, age and residence of every child up to 18 years of age. The traffic in habit-forming drugs will also be dealt with by the convention, which, it is anticipated, will pledge itself to continue cooperation with the department of health and police officials in seeking the suppression of this traffic. Rev. Dr. John G. Spence, president of the general assembly of the C.N.E. EMPLOYEES KILLED

COAL MINE PROBE WILL ORGANIZE THIS WEEK

Proceed in Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg to Inquire into Allegations. Organization of the committee to be into the alleged combine of shipping will take place here this week. The inquiry will proceed afterwards to Montreal, Toronto and Winnipeg, and will cover charges of stock watering. Most of the evidence, however, will be at Winnipeg, where the political activities of the alleged combine were most in evidence, and which quarter an abundance of money is promised. It was the Winnipeg Grain Exchange that was prominent in the charges last season.

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A CONSERVATIVE IN EVERY RIDING QUEBEC PROVINCE

Arthur Sauve Promises a Stiff Fight When Addresses Large Montreal Audience. Montreal.—Three thousand people listened to Arthur Sauve, leader of the opposition when he spoke here in favor of the candidature of Alfred Duranleau, K.C., Conservative candidate in Laurier division. Mr. Sauve, in referring to the government majority with which he has been at grips in the provincial house, said: "Behind that majority there is the people. The people see and take note of what is going on. It is for the people that I stand and that I am working, and it is from the people that I want justice."

TO RESIST WAGE CUT.

Hon. Secretary, Right Hon. C. Bragden, Chief Commissioner, Police Howard and the assistant commissioners of police, London, held a meeting at Kensington, at which there were four thousand men of the police force, who passed resolutions to resist a further cut in wages and a proposed alteration in conditions under which they

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CALIFORNIA VIA CANADIAN NATIONAL ROUTE.

In this season of the year, many plans are planning to visit California. Of course there are many "back with their backs to the west," but, besides that, the fact of education, why not take the way through Canada. It will give you an opportunity of knowing our country better, a chance to visit the finest mountain scenery in the west, and to visit our own all-land resorts on the Pacific coast, Vancouver, and Victoria, where there is green and flowers bloom, golf, motor, and all out-door sports may be indulged in throughout winter months. Discuss this tour any agent of the Canadian National Railways, before concluding plans. "The Continental Limited" which runs daily between Montreal and Vancouver is one of the finest all-steel equipment trains in America. For full particulars, apply to the city passenger office, Canadian National Great Trunk Railways, north-west corner King and Queen streets, Toronto. Telephone 4239 and A.S. 5179.

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In Louisiana a man was riding with a young ducky in his backboard. A hornet buzzed around the old horse and lit on his ear. Sambo gave a deft snap of his whip and the hornet disappeared. Later the process was repeated. At noon they stopped under a tree for lunch. The man stepped a hornet's nest in the tree and said: "Let's see you nigger off that hornet's nest with your whip, Sambo." Sambo scratched his head. "Noddin' 'bout 'em," he said, "Den he 'nests am 'ganized."

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