

CARPENTERS' GREENS BEING SIGNED

Windsor Local Union Largest in Province Membership of 548.

Most locals this month report work better and prospects good for the coming season, says the monthly trade report of the Ontario Provincial Council of Carpenters and Joiners. St. Catharines reports a signed agreement with the Builders' Exchange for \$50 per hour, commencing May 1. Niagara Falls, Ottawa and Port Colborne have sent the office their proposed agreements which call for the \$1.00 per hour, also it is reported that most locals have submitted agreements, and it is hoped that with the large amount of building which is to be done this year that there will be no trouble in getting them signed.

Every one will be pleased to hear that Windsor has now got the largest membership of any local in the province; their report for this month shows 548 members in good standing. This is going some, considering that only a year ago this month only showed a membership of 38. Since Barney Alden got on the road he has certainly made things go. The greatest trouble has been members going there on travelling cards and not reporting before they start work. It is hoped that they will be able to go to any part of the province and start work with travelling cards. They must first report to the business agent or secretary in whose jurisdiction they are working, the same as is done when a member takes out a clearance card. These instructions then the local in whose jurisdiction they are working can make them take out a clearance card. It is hoped that the general office will be able to handle this.

All locals should now be getting busy on amendments to the general constitution. These should be sent to the Provincial Convention which will be held in Peterboro during the month of June, which will give ample time for the same to be sent to the general office during July, as called for in the constitution.

The executive of the Provincial Council held a series of executive meetings in Toronto on the morning of February 13, before the Furniture Workers Conference opened, the chief business of the day being the plans for the sending of delegates to the general convention. This question certainly gave your executive some trouble in that which was the fairest and best way to elect the delegates, so that everyone would have a fair show. After several days of discussion it was decided to divide the province into three sections as originally passed by the members, and to have one delegate from each section, the voting to be on the proportional representation system. The reason for the sending of six delegates in the past was because the general convention was to be held in St. Monty, and the three as was intended when the vote was taken by the locals, was because the general convention was to be held in Indianapolis, Ind., last year by a referendum vote of the entire membership. Therefore your executive would which would be saved on the railway fare and the time in travelling, should be utilized for the purpose it was substituted for.

BIG INCREASE IN BRITISH LABOR VOTE.

Discussing the recent by-elections, the Herald, London, Eng., publishes the following figures: The turnover in the constituencies contested since the general election is as follows:

Coalition	177,854
General election	158,879
By-elections	187,516

Decrease in Coalition vote 19,075
The total Labor vote in the constituencies contested since the general election has increased as follows:

General election	58,126
By-elections	143,372

Increase in Labor vote 85,246

AMERICAN LABOR'S NON-PARTISAN POLITICAL CAMPAIGN COMMENCES

"Wherever candidates for re-election have been friendly to labor's interests they should be loyally supported. Wherever candidates are hostile or indifferent to labor's interests, they should be defeated and the nomination and election of true non-partisan trade unionists of sound mind and body secured."

With the above object in view the Non-Partisan Political Campaign of Labor opened on Monday of this week. The American Federation of Labor now has a membership of 2,500,000. The four party vote for the benefit of the laborer is a definite tie up with the brotherhoods and with the Plumb League. Consequently, should all the railroad organizations cooperate with the American Federation of Labor, and there is every reason to believe they will, there will be perhaps as many as 1,000,000 votes that can be counted upon in behalf of the candidates friendly to labor. It is also announced that large organizations of farmers, with a membership of 750,000, will cooperate in the campaign. "Labor," says Mr. Gumpers, "will seek the election of fit candidates by a show of records and facts. Labor's fight is a partisan fight for the benefit of union men and all men. Union men need liberty and justice and the

Joint Industrial Council Formed At London, Ont.

At a meeting of the London builders' representatives from the building trades unions, held in the Builders' Exchange rooms last week, it was decided to form a joint industrial council of the building trades of London, Ontario, which will include five representatives of the employers and five representatives of the employees. Mr. J. D. Wallace presided.

Mr. E. G. Wilson told of the aims and objects of an industrial board, and said that the purpose was to conciliate the interests of the employers and the employees of local unions present were requested to put the matter before the members of their unions and a meeting was decided to have another meeting in three weeks for the formation of the industrial board.

Mr. Thomas Lazard, of Toronto, fourth vice-president of the Bricklayers' Stone Masons' and Plasterers' International Union, told the success of the industrial board in Ottawa.

Mr. W. Stephenson, of Toronto, representing the Bricklayers' International Union of Canada, stated that he was glad to see a move of this kind in London, as he had found that the industrial board had been a great benefit to employes and employers.

A committee of four, including two representatives of the employers and two of the employees, was chosen to visit local unions not represented at the meeting and to report on the success of the industrial board. The committee is as follows: Fred England, C. H. Gould, R. G. Wilson and B. Noble.

TO DECIDE LABOR'S BILL OF RIGHTS

Congress Will Issue Statement Re Winnipeg at Proper Time.

At the last meeting of the Ottawa Allied Trades and Labor Association last Friday night when Secretary Lodge had finished reading a communication from the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, in which was embodied the Dominion Government's formal reply to Labor's requests, Delegates McDevell took occasion to draw the attention of the delegates to the unsettled state in regard to the Winnipeg strike. He quoted extracts from Justice Curran's decision in the case of the Winnipeg strike, and stated that if such conditions existed it would be impossible to criticize the Government and Labor would be deprived of representation.

F. M. Draper, secretary-treasurer of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, reiterated his previous statement that the Dominion Trades Congress executive would have a statement to issue in regard to the Winnipeg strike leaders' trials at the proper time. "In the meantime," he asked, "would it be possible for the Dominion Trades Congress to issue a statement in regard to the Winnipeg strike?" He stated that the Dominion Trades Congress executive would have a statement to issue in regard to the Winnipeg strike. He stated that the Dominion Trades Congress executive would have a statement to issue in regard to the Winnipeg strike.

CARPENTERS RATIFY UNIFORM AGREEMENT.

According to information from the headquarters of the Ontario Provincial Council of Carpenters the following woodworkers' locals have ratified the agreement drafted at Toronto in February: Dundas, Preston, Southampton, Woodstock, Lanover, Meaford and Preston.

PLACES WOMEN ON EQUALITY WITH MEN

New Municipal Franchise Bill Before Ontario House.

TORONTO, Ont., March 25.—One of the most important franchise measures since the Hester Government extended the provincial franchise to women was introduced in the House yesterday by Hon. F. C. Biggs. Under the bill, which received first reading, the Government recognizes the principle of partnership in a family in respect to franchise rights. In other words, where the head of the family, either father or mother, owns property or is a tenant of property, all other members of the family of age, whether sons or daughters, will have newly franchised rights.

The law is an extension of the principle adopted by the former Government in giving the franchise to the head of the family, and the existing bill will be repealed to make way for the broader measure. The Government takes the position that the franchise should be given to the head of the family, and the existing bill will be repealed to make way for the broader measure.

INTERNATIONAL UNIONS IN PROVINCE OF QUEBEC DEMAND 8-HOUR WORKDAY

Montreal Trades and Labor Council, Representing 50,000 Workers, Calls On Government To Carry Out Peace Treaty Obligations.

While some politicians would have the people of Canada believe the workers of the Province of Quebec are not in favor of the adoption of a national eight-hour work day, the Montreal Trades and Labor Council, representing approximately 50,000 workers, has issued a resolution calling upon the Dominion Government to immediately put into full force and effect the peace treaty obligations of the Dominion Government in respect to the eight-hour work day.

FAMILY BUDGET IS UP, ALL EXPENSES HIGHER

Labor Department Summary Shows Steep Upward Trend.

The movement in prices was appreciably upward as shown by both the retail price food budget and the index number of wholesale prices. The index number of wholesale prices for the month of February, 1920, was 115.13, as compared with 112.41 in January, 1920, and 112.41 in February, 1919, and 112.41 in February, 1914.

UTICA MAYOR APPROVES FIRE FIGHTERS' ASSOCIATION.

After a thorough investigation, Mayor O'Connor, of Utica, N.Y., has approved the Fire Fighters' International Association, of which the Utica fire fighters are members. It is a non-strike organization, and has put its stamp of approval thereon.

LABOR PROBLEM TODAY NOT ONE OF WAGES, BUT OF REAL WAGES.

More power to the consumer was urged by several speakers at the American national conference on community organization called by the Federal Reserve Board at the Hotel, Washington recently. Community organization, it was said, would help to make this possible.

TYPO OFFICERS ELECTED IN VARIOUS CANADIAN LOCALS.

(Typographical Journal.)
St. Catharines, Ont.—President, F. Carl Schmidt; vice-president, John E. Booker; secretary, Lora Calcott; recording secretary, Milton Roddy; treasurer, Malcolm McSparran; sergeant-at-arms, Victor Hartman; auditors, J. Carroll, H. McGlashan; Journal correspondent, Stanley Wilson.
Stratford, Ont.—President, C. Dunn; vice-president, C. McDonald; secretary, H. Bruder; sergeant-at-arms, W. R. Jozic; recording secretary, E. V. Davis.
Vernon, B.C.—President, E. J. Brown; vice-president, Bert R. Campbell; secretary-treasurer, H. V. Arnold; executive committee, John Lockwell, A. R. Hillier, Everett Law, L. Russell Williams.



"If I were sure he had bowed all his wild oats." —Morris for the George Thomas Adams Service.

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The Department of Labor of Canada show that approximately 50 per cent of the industrial workers of the Province of Quebec are working an eight-hour day, secured mainly through their economic organizations and further.

MATHIEU OPENS HIS CAMPAIGN MONTREAL

Labor Candidate For St. James' Division Outlines Platform.

Alphets Mathieu, the Labor candidate in St. James' division, Montreal, opened his campaign on Monday night at a meeting held at the St. James' School. Outlining his program, Mr. Mathieu said his main plank was the eight-hour day for workmen, old-age pensions, and the creation of a tariff commission that would be independent of political parties.

MANITOBA CONFERENCE FAILS TO AGREE ON COLLECTIVE BARGAINING.

The joint committee on industrial problems which was expected to have reached a recommendation for legislation acceptable to both Capital and Labor and designed to prevent recurrence of the numerous labor troubles which have curtailed production in western Canada, particularly Winnipeg City in the last few years has ended its conference. The negotiations to define terms under which "collective bargaining" would be made acceptable to all factions are to cease. It is understood that the legislature will be asked to make its own definition of what constitutes collective bargaining. The representatives of Capital and Labor not being able to agree jointly, and the Industrial Conditions Act, which was passed a year ago, will be put into operation with this addition. Under the act a joint conference of industry is to be set up as a semi-judicial mediating body before whom it will be compulsory for both sides to present their case before a strike or lockout. The passage of the act is the responsibility of the government, Labor or Capital, had been responsible for the failure to reach an amicable agreement.

DECREASE IN EMPLOYMENT IN CAR BUILDING IN U.S.A.

Figure compiled by the U. S. Bureau of Labor Statistics may account for the present difficulty experienced by street car companies in purchasing new cars. The number of men employed in the car building industry, which seems to be absorbed in the 36.9 increase in the automobile industry.

RECOMMENDATIONS FOR ONT. COMPENSATION ACT.

The executive of the Ontario and Quebec Conference of Typographical Unions has recommendations to make to the Ontario Workmen's Compensation Board in regard to the number of men employed in the car building industry, which seems to be absorbed in the 36.9 increase in the automobile industry.

BAKERS WANT NIGHT WORK ABOLISHED

Hon. Walter Rollo Calls Conference to Discuss Question.

Abolition of night work in bake shops is being sought in all English speaking countries. Canada is no exception and when organized labor, through the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress executive, waited on the various governments during the past few months this was included in the demands.

The demand of the journeymen bakers apparently meets with a good deal of sympathy from the Farmers' Labor Government at Toronto, and a reputation of union men waited on Hon. Walter Rollo, Minister of Labor and Health, a few days ago, and again put forward their demands for the abolition of night work in bake shops. The deputa-tion was headed by Organizer J. T. Wallace, executive of the Bakers' and Confectionery Workers' Union, and included contingents of bakers from Toronto, Hamilton, London and other parts of the province.

The meeting was called at the instance of Hon. Mr. Rollo, who sought a conference with both the journeymen bakers and the Farmers' Labor Government on the question of night labor. But the master bakers failed to put in appearance, claiming in response to the invitation from the department that they wanted more time to prepare their case. They will be given another opportunity when the minister will again invite them to meet the journeymen.

Strong arguments in favor of the elimination of night work were presented and evidence was brought forward that bread cooked the day before delivery was more wholesome than fresh baked bread. A representative of the Bakers' and Confectionery Workers' Union would prefer to have no Sunday work at all if it was possible to avoid it, but if it was necessary to do some work, they would not object to four or five hours on Sunday.

ONTARIO CIVIL SERVANTS GRANTED INCREASES.

Every provision in the employ of the Ontario Provincial Government, from charwoman to deputy minister, is to receive an increase in salary, as provided in the report on the salary schedule of the Civil Service, which was laid on the table in the Legislature during the past week. For months, the Civil Service Commission, which has been working on the report, and his work, containing hundreds of typewritten pages, is now before the Legislature.

AUTOMOBILE TIRE MANUFACTURED IN CANADA.

Figures made public in Montreal show that there were about 200,000 automobile tires manufactured in Canada last year, requiring about 3,000,000 square yards of 12,000-100 to 16,000,000 pounds of fabric, and that about one-third of the fabric required in the manufacture of these tires was made in Canada. The remainder came from the United States. The production of the fabric is now aimed at.

ORGANIZED BANK CLERKS HAVE SUBMITTED DEMANDS TO EMPLOYERS

Bank clerks at Toronto some few months ago organized themselves into a labor union, and already they are on a fair road to better conditions. While at first there was a determined effort on the part of the banking institutions to resist their employees organizing, the popular wave swept over the banks and the bank employees are almost everywhere in the process of organizing. In Montreal the campaign is also progressing satisfactorily and the bank clerks in many other cities are seriously considering similar action.

MACHINISTS ADOPT PROPOSAL TO BUILD HUGE STRIKE FUND.

By a referendum vote, the membership of the International Association of Machinists adopted the proposal of the executive board that an assessment of \$1 per month per member be levied, the fund of approximately \$2,000,000 to be used for the payment of strike benefits only. The machinists have made a great numerical growth during the past three years, and the establishment of a substantial treasury serves notice upon those employers who believe that the striking members can be starved into submission. They are reckoning without their host.

Good Advice to All Canadians

At a recent meeting of the Kingston Branch of the National Council of Women a resolution was unanimously adopted calling on all affiliated societies to urge their membership to practice thrift and economy, and to buy "Made-in-Canada Goods" whenever possible.

NEW WAGE SCALE FOR METAL WORKERS

Affects 400,000 Workers in Marine Engineering Firms.

MONTREAL, March 23.—The new wage schedule and terms of working conditions of men employed in the metal industry, marine engineering firms and shipbuilding plants, from Halifax to Port Arthur, affecting 400,000 workers, has been adopted by the 169 delegates who assembled in convention at Montreal.

The terms to be presented at once and in some cases to go into effect April 1, in others on May 1, embrace an eight-hour day or 44 hours a week, with Saturday half holiday. The wages demanded are 90 cents an hour for mechanics, 80 cents for helpers, and 48 cents for laborers. Arrangements are also in progress to extend the jurisdiction and demands of the Metal Trades Council to include all metal workers in the amalgamation of the metal and marine trades from Port Arthur westward, so as to include all Canada.

The new organization will operate in conjunction with the metal trades department of the American Federation of Labor.

G. T. R. OFFICE MEN ARE GIVEN A BOARD

Brotherhood of Railway Employees Seeks Increase.

Office and station employees of the Grand Trunk Railway who are members of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railway Employees, have been asked to elect a Board of Control and Investigation under the Industrial Disputes Act to probe a dispute between the company and its employees. In addition to the Board of Control, an opportunity will be afforded by the department to have such organizations submit their views on the board and be named as the representative of the employees. The members have not yet been selected.

LABORERS' DEMANDS TO BE FORMULATED

Annual Convention Will Be Held at London on April 2 and 3.

Delegates are being elected by the local branches of the I.L.P. in all parts of Ontario to attend the annual convention of the independent Labor Party of Ontario which meets in the Labor Temple, London, on April 2 and 3, 1920. The convention promises to be the largest in the history of the party, and many important questions will be discussed. The tariff policy of the Independent Labor Party will be decided upon and preparations will no doubt be made for the forthcoming Dominion elections.

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It is expected that the 11 Labor representatives of the Ontario Legislature will present and important announcement as to proposed legislation will no doubt be made.

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One of the resolutions that will be brought before the convention comes from the London branch of the party. It is as follows: Moved by Ex-Ald. Henry B. Ash-pall, London: Whereas it is in the interest of the political state of Canada, desirable that steps be taken by representatives of the organized working class to remove causes of social unrest and to make effective democracy in industrial administration real and permanent, thereby providing security for the integrity of legitimate investment and industry; Whereas in order to make industrial democracy effective, light and correct information on matters of fact in the industry is essential, as in the "Genesis" of Creation it is shown in Scripture that clear light is a first condition for bringing the state of chaos to order, thereby establishing a solid basis for production and further creation of wealth; and Whereas industrial workers, who are kept all the time in the dark, must work under great disadvantage when in competition with others in the same industry who are working in the light; and such persons in the dark are apt to pursue a wrong direction in ignorance of the right path to follow; and Whereas: Under past and present industrial practices, all books and documents containing essential facts as recorded by accountants in industry are removed from the capital class, as private records of the capitalist class, not available for the information and guidance of the productive working class democracy; in the very industry in which they invest their vital energies; Therefore: We, the accredited representatives of the working class democracy of Ontario in provincial convention assembled, declare our selves in favor of the enactment of such legislation as may be needed to make effective the following principles: Principle (1) That in all, and any, industrial organizations for production, transportation, exchange and distribution of commodities or services where 10 or more citizens of 18 years and over, are associated as employees; the right of access to such records, in which are kept the details re-