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Motive of Western Radicals Was to Elevate Labor Into State of Dictatorship.

The Commissioner finds that the great mass of the workers, intelli-gent and loyal to British institutions, did not acquiesce in all that was said to the latter that the motive of the radicals was not that of obtaining the right to a mode of collective bargaining for a group of workers, but that their purpose was to elevate labor into a state of dictatorship." eport of the Robson Royal Com

report of the Robson Royal Commission, released for publication by
Premier T. C. Norris this week.

The report also states that "the
Commissioner finds that the charciter of the Western Labor News
rom its inception in August, 1918,
was toward radical Socialism, rather
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Touching on the general loss to be commissity, the Commissioner has that this was practically universal. Building operations were starded or abandoned, and clear widence was obtained that the sulfiding of at least 150 dwellins community through the strike of softent curvives in Western Canada was particularly damaging to this class of the community.

"It is immossible to estimate with any annovach of accuracy." the report adds, "the financial loss to tware earners: the financial loss to the earlieultural and dairying communities.

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ANTERNACITE COAL MINERS' NEGOTIATIONS STILL ON.

Suspension of work in the anthractic coal fields April 1, when the present ware agreement between operators and workers expires, was averted hast week, when owners notified the hard coal diggers that they would agree to make any wage increase decided upon, the new agreement being drawn up retroactive to that date.

Indications are that the subcommittee of miners and operators a pointed to nesotiate the new agreement will not complete their work before the middle of next month, and the men threatened to suspend work until the pact was signed, unless the owners would make the award retroactive. The rely of the owners was received at a meeting of the sub-committee.

VICAR'S OPINION SAME AS MOST OF US.

The Rev. Basil Bourchier, vicar of Hampstead Garden suburb (England), who incidentally has just reput report cannot be meeting against the idea of a garden suburb wanting to force prohibition upon the nation.

"I have seen that prohibition in America is not for the rich and poor allke, because the rich have their drink and the poor are deprived of it. It becomes us of the clergy ill to scorn the brewer when we are indebted to him for so much support of the churches.

"I would have emblaxened on banners 'God Save the King and beer for the British people."

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THEATRICAL WORKERS WANT COMPENSATION

Gov't Orders Closing Houses Cause Loss to Workers,

40,000 LOCAL UNIONS ASKED TO NAME COMMITTEES FOR LABOR'S GREAT CAMPAIGN.

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POSTAL CLERKS VOTE LABOR AFFILIATION

Important Resolution Adopted at Ottawa Convention.

the Dominion Postal Clerks in an-nual convention assembled at Ottawa, last week, decided to affiliate

wa. last week, decided to affiliate with a labor body in order that proper progress might be made in the future. This action has been seriously considered by the delegates representing the Postal Cierks for the past 18 months, and the decision to affiliate with labor was practically unanimously carried on the first hallet.

The resolution adopted is as follows:

"Inasmuch as this association has consistently supported the idea of the application of the principle of Whitney Councils in the operation of the Civil Service of Canada and Inasmuch as we have consistently agitated for a Board of Arbitration and Conciliation to deal with Civil Service grievances, which has not yet been conceded and in further view of the fact that we believe enactment of legislation along these lines is in the best interests of the operation of postal service, the greatest public utility involved, and in further view of the fact that Dominion. Trades and Labor Congress of Canada has consistently supported these reforms be it therefore resolved that the association do promulgate and put into effect the expressed will of the membership of our association by affiliating with the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress of Canada."

The resolution was carried by a vote of 38 to 13, and on a second vote it was carried unanimously.

CONGRESS CHIEF NOT ANX-IOUS TO PAINT COUN-TRY RED.

(Hamilton Herald.)
In the opinion of J. C. Watters, the last meeting of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress held in Hamilton some monthe ago, did not represent Canadian labor because it was not radical enough. But it is a mighty good thing for Canadian labor that Mr. Watters was deposed from the presidency of the congress in favor of a man who is not so ambitious to paint this country red.

deposed from the presidency of the congress in favor of a man who is the congress in favor of a man who is the congress in favor of a man who is the congress in favor of a man who is men and working the congress of farmers and working men are similar and that both must guard against "gamblers, exploiters, and profiters," who are trying to make the pay out-of-work benefits was rill. The British Government's plan to pay out-of-work benefits was rill. The british Government's plan to pay out-of-work benefits was rill. The british House of Commons by J. R. Clynes, British for one mons by J. R. Clynes, British for one of the man and the war. "In a time like which," he said the wear are so much in arreant of work, and when there is a cryst of commodities and the needs of life work of the work of the common of the work in the profit of the common of the work and when there is a cryst of the create a feffort to protect the protection for gread and for it is a pathetic thing that we are question of how to turn labor to money in order that idle labor shall have been as the common of the work of the work of the work of the common of the work of the common of the work of the common of the work of the work of the common of the work o

Addressing a meeting of the Springfield Brotherhood at Springfield Hall. Wandsworth, on "The Carlisle Drink Experiment," Harry Gosling, president of the National Transport Workers' Federation, said that if he were asked to vote on the question, he would plump for prohibition. In public life, however, one did not always follow one's own inclination.

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AGRICULTURAL PRODUCERS' AND INDUSTRIAL WORKERS' INTERESTS ARE SIMILAR

Samuel Gompers Asserts That Farmers and Workingmen Must Guard Against "Gamblers, Exploiters and Profiteers," Who Are Trying To Drive Them Apart.

Labor is being attacked and misrepresented in such a way as would
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an editorial on "rical Farmers," by Samuel Gompers, in the current number of the American Federationist, in cut down." Mr. Gompers then quotes a farm fournal as saying that farmers must cut down "both expenses and production or operate at a heavy loss,"

subject which is one of the most important and fundamental with which statesmen can deal.

"In the minds of the masses of men and women of this country there is no greater fear than that of being out of work."

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HALCROW'S PLEA FOR LIGHT BEER

Thinks Civilian's Child Needs Help as Well as Soldier's Widow.

desire, but there are four years ahead of us," said G. G. Halcrow, Hamilton East, in continuing the debate on the speech from the throne in the Ontario Legislature last week. in the Ontario Legislature last week.

"I cannot see why pensions should
be provided for soldlers widows, and
no provision made for the civilian's
child. I was very glad to hear members say how favorable they were
to Hydro, but words count for nothing when actions point the other
way. In 1902 the City of Toronto
made application to use certain of
the waters of the Niagara, and were
refused.

"The very next year the Liberals, who were in gower, gave the right to exploit 415,000 horse power to a private corporation. In 1908 11 municipalities contracted for one hundred thousand horse power. No Government should claim the credit for what the municipalities have done. In 1918 Sir Adam Reck appeared before Cabinet practically on his bended knees to ask the Conservative Government to allow him to develop. Chippewa. In 1916 the demand for power, owing to warcauses, was so great that they allowed him to go ahead. Name one Cabinet Minister who has stood on the Hydro platform during the past ten years. I certainly do not think the same and Premier Drury on the tariff, and if he expresses his views I consider that I have the same right.

"We Labor men do not believe in the conscription of flesh and blood, and allowing everything else to go free. We did content that every

"For one thing the statement that juniors started at \$250 four years ago was entirely wrong," declared the spokesman. "This was raised to \$200 in 1911, or nearly ten years ago."

"A man starting in at the present minimum of about \$400 would barely receive \$1,000 in five years at the present rate," he continued. "It would take from ten to twelve years for a man of good ability to reach \$2,000 or more per annum. I don't know of any man in the service who has a salary of \$2,000 and who has only served 10 years."

The specific case of one member of the deputation was cited as follows: He joined the staff of his bank ten years ago at a salary of \$100 per annum. Since then he has received an annual increase of \$100, with an extra \$100 paid last year as a special grant to meet the increased cost of living. Exclusive of his bonuses, his present salary is \$1,100 per annum, or about \$21.25 per week, from which are deducted pension and guarantee dues.

OPPOSE TEACHERS' UNIONS, A report by the United States bureau of labor statistics does not support the claim that high wages in are responsible for increased litting costs.

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Public Ownership In Glasgow

A Success

Thomas A. Irwin, a member of the Town Council of Glasgow, Scotland, while addressing an Edmonton audience recently reviewed the operation of the Glasgow tramways, one of the big publicly owned utilities. The city took over the tramways from a private company in 1894. Immediately the business done increased by 38 per cent. "In my view, a utility which

done increased by 38 per cent.

"In my view, a utility which is a necessity for the whole community should never be in private hands," declared Mr. Irwin. "It should be operated for the public convenience, for if in private hands it will be run for profits only."

Efficiency under public ownership was entirely feasible and possible, he thought. He foresaw great possibilities for the future in Edmonton's publicly owned utilities.

During the whole war, said Mr. Irwin, there was never a 60-second cessation of work over labor disputes among the 20,000 civic employes in Glasgow.

SHOULD GET TOGETHER

Master Bakers Protest Against Abolition of Night Work.

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posed campaign, which is declared to be the most gisantic that was ever attempted in this country.

The plan is to place a large number of organizers in the field. These will work under a general committee. Publicity will be used to a greater extent than ever before and every unorganized wage earner in the city will be reached.

Ture. The amendments were unoposed by Labor, represented by L. J. Muray, who declared that labor people were confidently looking for measure for the employers. The opposition was on the ground that the amendments concentrated too much power on the joint council.

District 26, U. M. W. of A., Will Hold Convention at Truro, April 5.

The rumor that wage increases of at least 25 per cent. will be sought by the miners of Nova Scotia, following the forthcoming U. M. W. convention at Truro, was confirmed by Silby Bärrett, International Board member, upon his arrival at Sydney Mines last Saturday—The 25 per cent. Increase recently awarded the American miners will be rais. J by increasing the price, and such action will put our Canadian operators in a position to pay better wages to our men," he said.

JOINT COUNCIL OF INDUSTRY FOR MANITOBA.

Amendments to the Manitota In-ustrial Disputes Act setting up the oint Council of Industry, were ap-roved practically as drawn up at campaign, which is declared ture. The amendments were

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