

LABOR NEWS FROM COAST TO COAST

PREDICT PLENTY OF EMPLOYMENT IN N. S.

Mine Workers' District President Sees No Cause for Alarm.

That there should be ample employment for all workers in the mines of the Province of Nova Scotia, not alone this coming winter, but in the next two or three years, is the confident prediction made recently by Robert Baxter, president of the N.S.M.W., in commenting upon the statement made by Roy Wolvin, president of the Dominion Steel Corporation, on his recent visit to the Cape Breton coal fields.

"Conditions are such today," said President Baxter, "that Germany is greatly in need of material. Germany's purchases from Great Britain for one particular month were five million pounds as against one million pounds that Britain bought in return. There will be an overflow from this for a considerable time, owing to Germany's shortage. Nearly all Central Europe is in the same position, and if there was peace in Russia, or if the blockade about Russia was removed, Russia," declared President Baxter, "will buy greatly in excess of what she will sell."

Continuing, President Baxter stated: "The speed of reconstruction in Europe is measured by the amount of coal used. Coal supplies in Britain and Central Europe have been greatly reduced since pre-war days, therefore placing the American continent in a position to supply the needs that cannot be coped with in Europe. This favorable economic position would warrant an increase in the amount of employment for the coming winter," said President Baxter.

OTTAWA.

INSIDE WOODWORKERS LOOK FOR BETTER THINGS.

Our reports for the next few months will not be so favorable as some of the members who joined us during the strike are willing to say, but we will have with us the real union men. The old guard is on duty and will keep the ranks moving and preparing for better things next spring. We cannot say that the strike ended in our favor—we got an award (although it was a minority report). We received public sympathy, we had organized labor strongly behind us, practically everyone received an increase (although individually). The membership has risen some but the best men will be left, and we shall continue our fight for a decent living and better conditions, and that will be glory enough for us. Chas. E. Finlay, president of Local No. 446 (inside carpenters) in the Monthly Trade Report of the Ontario Provincial Council of Carpenters.

HAMILTON.

MACHINISTS PERFECTING THEIR ORGANIZATION.

The amalgamation of the Amalgamated Society of Engineers and International Association of Machinists is proceeding very satisfactorily, stated Business Agent R. Riley today. He mentioned that at last night's meeting of Local No. 414 the A.S.E. was held last week, when the going over to the I.A.M. was decided upon. The members of Local No. 414 intend to hold a number of educational meetings during the winter, at which points outside labor men will be speakers.

B. C. VOTES FOR GOVT CONTROL OF LIQUOR

Reaction of Prohibition Results in Big Win for "Wets."

British Columbia declared strongly "yes" in favor of more lenient liquor legislation. The Prohibition Act, which has been in force for the past three years, was overwhelmingly defeated in the provincial referendum vote in practically all parts of the province. In the cities, the rural municipalities in piling up majorities in favor of Government control and sale. It looks as if final figures will show that, if not two-thirds, majority in favor of the Moderationists, as the party which fought the battle against total prohibition styled themselves. The questions were put on the ballot paper, the first asking if the voter favored the continuation of the present Prohibition Act, or whether he favored the system of Government control and sale.

For weeks platforms throughout the province, bearing with denunciations and counter denunciations of the two factions, and to the very end the best judges were disinclined to say which way it would go. The general opinion was that the figures would be narrow either way, but on the whole prohibition, owing to the results of the vote, would carry the day. The result provided the greatest surprise of all from the latter standpoint. In 1918 prohibition was opposed by the male vote only, to be reversed today by hordes of women, many of whom entered the polling booths for the first time in their lives.

The last thing either side looked for, and certainly not the Moderationists, was a landslide such as has occurred in British Columbia. In the wet column as to make it doubtful that many years of effort will bring it back to its present aridity.

TORONTO.

TRADES COUNCIL.

There was more of the voice of reason to be heard throughout the deliberations of the Toronto Trades Council last night than has been heard for many a long day. This was due to the presence of a heavy representation of sound Internationalists, who did not allow the proceedings to be turned into a Red carnival by the radicals. There were storms aplenty, but once again the same forces held their own in the voting.

It was decided that the Executive Committee should examine the charges made by Carpenters Local 1820 that there are many delegates improperly sitting in the Council. James C. Higgins, a Solid Labor candidate in North-East Toronto,

SASKATCHEWAN LABOR GETS CONCESSIONS

Makes Strong Protest to Civic Income Tax.

REGINA, Oct. 29.—Four members of the Saskatchewan Trades Congress executive council were received at the Parliament buildings by Premier Martin today. They made a strong protest against civic income tax and other concessions to the Pastors' Act and the Cities Act. A number of minor matters affecting public health, mothers pensions and the Fair Wage Act were also discussed, and some slight amendments sought. It is understood that the Government conceded some of the points raised by the delegation, but the more important issues will have to be considered fully by the legislative council before any definite action is taken.

EASTERN CANADA.

SE. JOHN REFINERY CLOSED.

The closing of the sugar refinery at St. John, N.B., has established hardships upon the many employees, the full extent of which is beginning to be realized, says The Standard.

The five hundred or more men employed at the refinery were given no warning, according to the statement of one of them, that the works would be shut for not more than two weeks in order that needed repairs might be made.

It is pointed out that information of the men arranged for a two weeks' free and easy time, expecting to again resume their work. There are now rumors that the plant will be closed for an indefinite period, with very little prospect of starting for quite a time. Employees have endeavored to secure some definite answer from the management as to whether they were to have employment soon. The question has been evaded and the men have received no assurances of work in the immediate future.

As a result the younger men on the working staff have gone in search of new employment, and many have left the city in quest of their jobs. Some have been promised jobs when the winter season opens, and others, who have grown old in the service of the refinery and are not physically fit to undergo the severe strain of longshoremen work, are facing the oncoming winter with more or less certainty. The latter class of employees are the ones most seriously affected by the closing down of the plant.

WESTERN CANADA.

LONDON TRADES COUNCIL.

London Trades and Labor Council will purchase a Union Jack and display it at all meetings of the council in the Labor Temple hereafter. The motion to obtain a flag was made by Raymond Smith, and seconded by Delegate Simons. It passed without any dissenting vote. Mr. Smith in moving the resolution pointed out that in most halls and public meeting places the Union Jack adorned one of the walls. He raised the question whether it was proper or lawful to hold a public meeting without either displaying the Union Jack or singing "God Save the King." President McKay answered that the labor council was not a public meeting, but that displaying of the flag would be desirable in any event.

LONDON STREET RAILWAY EMPLOYEES TROUBLED.

Legal action against the Ontario Railway and Municipal Board on the grounds that it has failed to keep its wage agreement may be taken by London street railway employees, it was stated this week. Color is lent to this by the admission of the board that it is retaining part of the September surplus in order to meet possible deficits in the winter months.

Different means of securing the desired increase in wages are being considered by the executive. It is doubtful if it will decide on another strike. It may suggest a levy on the employees to pay the expenses of court action to secure the money.

ONTARIO SEEKING FARM LABORERS.

Greater care than ever is to be taken in the selection of immigrants to Ontario. The Drury Government is strongly of the opinion that no effort should be spared in endeavoring to secure an adequate number of agricultural laborers for the province, but the Government in England is going to see that its agents in European countries closely question any man before assisting them to Canada. The Hon. Manning Boherty, Minister of Agriculture for Ontario, has gone to London, England, where he will take up the problem of securing sufficient young men to immigrate to Canada to work as domestic servants. A scheme is now in course of preparation whereby householders needing domestic help will be assisted by Ontario Department.

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RENEW ORGANIZES TRADES COUNCIL.

Little over a year ago there was such a thing as a trade union in Renfrew. However, organizers went in there, and some four or five local unions were established. Rapid progress was made, and the textile workers were successful in securing increases in wages and a reduction in the hours of labor. The carpenters, bookbinders and laborers did likewise. However, the workers in the Creamery Town have learned the necessity of a central labor body where the common interests of all could be discussed, and this week made application for a charter to the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

EASTERN MINERS MUST ACCEPT DOCTORS' SCHEDULE.

With reference to schedules statements published about their difference with the mine workers as to medical fees, the C. B. Miners' Association state that they are not negotiating with the U.M.W. regarding this question. It is up to the latter either to accept or reject the doctors' proposal. In case of rejection there is nothing for the doctors to do but refer to private practice, says the Glace Bay Gazette.

MONTEAL MUNICIPAL EMPLOYEES WAGES.

The Municipal Employees' Union will in a few days present to the Administrative Commission its claim for higher wages, says Arthur Bouchard, president of the organization. Information from the various departments has been collected, which will be used in supporting the request for consideration. Mr. Bouchard, who is also president of the Federal Workers' Union of Policemen, declares that it is merely the low wages paid that makes it difficult to fill the vacancies in the Montreal police force.

of Agriculture. The householder will be required to deposit the sum of five with the department to pay the transportation of the girl from England. This amount may be deducted in instalments from the girl after she has entered the employ of the householder. The department undertakes to keep a watchful eye on the girls to see that they are well treated by their new employers.

SLEEPING AND PARLOR CAR EMPLOYEES GET INCREASE.

Dining, sleeping and parlor car employees of the Canadian National Railway have been granted an increase of 10 per cent. as a result of negotiations with representatives of the road which have just been concluded at Toronto. The increases date back to May 1. While the percentage of increase is not so large as that granted to other employees on the road, it is quite satisfactory to the men. In view of the fact that they were already receiving more than men employed in similar capacities on other Canadian railways and have better privileges.

CANADIAN SHIP BUILDING ADVANCES.

A sudden increase in shipbuilding activity in Montreal is indicated in the announcement made by the Canadian Vickers Company, Limited, namely that another 3,400-ton vessel, the Canadian Communist, will be launched October 30. The new freighter is built for the Canadian Government Merchant Marine.

The general manager of Canadian Vickers also states that the Canadian Communist will be followed a fortnight later by the Canadian Leader, also for Government service, and of the same tonnage. It was further stated that also, that owing to the slow delivery of steel plates and other material from the United States, there would be no further launching at the local yards this season.

The two new freighters will bring the Canadian Vickers' constructed tonnage in 1920 up to the total of six ships, with a gross tonnage of 50,000 tons. Two other large cargo carriers for foreign Governments are also on the stocks, but will have to be held over to the spring of 1921. The launching of six vessels of over eight thousand tons each in one season is easily a record for any Canadian shipbuilding yard.

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MAKE IT DOMINION-WIDE.

The following editorial from the columns of the Civilian is self-explanatory. Sufficient evidence is submitted to convince anyone of the urgent necessity for all civil servants to join in the movement that stands for the progress of all wage-earners.—Editor.

Three groups of federal employees in Ottawa have organized and affiliated with Labor. Already results show the wisdom of the move. Complex problems have begun to be solved, cruel discrepancies and injustices to be eliminated, the just demands of civil servants to be hearkened to with more than mere politeness. But this is only Ottawa. What about every other city, town and hamlet from coast to coast where there is a handful even of Government employees? Have you considered the tremendous energy for right action that would be generated by Dominion-wide organization and federation—federal, provincial, municipal? Have you compared your present state of futility and weakness with what such a future might bring? Have you thought of the privations, present and future, that loom so large before you with hitherto apparently no way of escape, and that might be averted by the gradual, inexorable, steady, but sure, advance of the class of Labor, built gradually, inexorably, stone by stone, solely for the noble purpose of self-defence against the insupportable enemies of humanity? Men and Women of Canada, remember, scattered and helpless you fall; united and powerful you stand! Life's tragedies have proved this! Let Life's future prove that we have profited by the past!

Bankers Should Not Control Credit.

Credit is the life-blood of modern business. At present, under the control of private financiers it is administered, not primarily to serve the needs of production, but the desire of financial agencies to levy a toll upon community activity as high as "the traffic will bear."

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Credit is inherently social. It should be accorded in proportion to confidence in production possibilities. Credit as now administered does not serve industry but burdens it. It increases unearned incomes at the expense of earned incomes. It is the centre of the malevolent forces that corrupt the spirit and purpose of industry.

We urge the organization and use of credit to serve production needs and not to increase the incomes and holdings of financiers. Control over credit should be taken from financiers and should be vested in a public agency, able to administer this power as a public trust in the interests of all the people. (Declaration by conference of trade union executives at Washington, December 13, 1919.)

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