

LABOR DEMANDS INVESTIGATION OF CANADA'S PENITENTIARIES

Representation of Labor On Commission Investigating Conduct of Prisons, Etc., Part of Demand—Attempt by Ex-President Watters To Reopen Attack On President Moore Defeated by Vote of 235 to 101—Ballot Preferable To Direct Action, Says J. E. Davidson, British Fraternal Delegate.

Windsor, Sept. 16.—By the Canadian Press.—A decision to request an investigation of the conduct of all the prisons, jails and asylums, including the disposal of the output of prison labor, and that at least one representative of organized labor be included on the board making such investigation, was approved by the convention of the Trades and Labor Congress this afternoon.

It was decided to give any representative of the congress who might be appointed to such a commission authority to use his own judgment as to what class of prisoners, even though it might conflict with the platform of the congress regarding the competition of the product of prison labor with free labor. The subject was introduced with the report of the executive council, and the convention sat until 6:30 to pass the completed report and avoid a night session.

Attack on Moore Fails.
Other features of the afternoon were an attack on President Tom Moore by former President J. C. Watters, arising out of the trip of the Canadian labor delegation to the peace conference, in which the latter failed to have the question, which was thought closed at the Hamilton convention, reopened. The roll call resulted in a record of 235 to 101 against reopening the question.

The adoption of the executive council's report of the cost of living, in which the opinion was expressed that the primary cause of the increased cost of living was due to speculation, manipulation and profiteering, was approved without discussion, except by Peter Leckie of Ottawa, who characterized the inflation of currency as criminal, and offered the removal of financial institutions of the world from the hands of private interests as a solution. An unsuccessful attempt was made by James Simpson of Toronto to have the high tariff interests included in the report on tariff, which was passed two days ago.

Fraternal Delegates Heard.
Perhaps the most important session of the convention since it opened was the one held this morning, when fraternal delegates were heard and noted addresses delivered by J. E. Davidson, national organizer of the Iron Founders of Great Britain; D. J. Shea, representing the American Federation of Labor; and Eugene C. Brock, representing the Detroit-Michigan Federation of Labor. Mr. Davidson came out strongly for the use of the ballot in preference to direct action as a means of securing the objects of organized labor, for which he was cheered to the echo by the delegates, who also cheered him when he declared that the British Labor Party was determined to gather the full fruit of their industry to themselves and not let the capitalists have it.

Defended British Miners.
He defended the British miners, claiming that their loyalty was unquestioned, but that they objected to excess profits, which were being produced during the war had created, going into private bank accounts instead of developing the industry of the empire. He intimated that the visit of the British Press Association and financial magnates to Canada was worth watching, as it was no doubt planned to use the excess profits made during the war in exploiting Canada's natural resources.

Mr. Davidson also made a slashing attack on Hon. Winston Spencer Churchill, whom he alluded to as "the gambler of Gallipoli; the raider of Russia; the founder of industrial armies; the hero of the Liberal, and finally a Coalitionist; the Jack Cade of politics; the hero of the Dardanelles."

D. J. Shea and E. J. Brock declared that union labor in the United States was being used by the capitalists to exploit the workers of the open shop, and declared that employers were laying off hundreds of thousands of workers with the intention of glutting the labor market and reducing wages. Mr. Shea also told the convention that the United States Congress was elected by the moneyed interests and represented views unfriendly to labor. He said that was why the United States was still outside of the League of Nations, but he predicted the election of Governor James Cox, whom he characterized as a friend of labor, and said that the United States would then take its place in the league.

A resolution favoring proportional representation was laid over until the next convention, and one asking for a change in the election of officers was not concurred in. The election will take place tomorrow morning.

Women Delegates.
Miss Kathryn Derry, Hamilton, fraternal delegate of the International Congress of Working Women, and Miss Mabel Gillespie, Chicago, fraternal delegate of the National Women's Trade Union, also spoke briefly, expressing fraternal greetings.

In opening his address John E. Davidson, M. P., fraternal delegate of the British labor unions, told the convention that he conveyed greetings from 6,000,000 organized workers in the British Isles, and he hoped to be able to inspire them to emulate the great things that had been done by the organized workers of Great Britain. British organized labor had been built up by the loyalty of the rank and file to the leaders that they had selected, and he advised the congress to select the best possible men to lead them and give them men loyal support.

Ninety-Four Workers.
He had been reading in the papers in Canada since his arrival here that the clergy, while not seeking to direct, had suggested a line of action for workers. In Great Britain they had an eminent statesman who made an appeal to the workers to arise to assist the Empire in her great hour of peril, and union labor had responded by sending to the front 90 per cent of the soldiers who manned the trenches. Then an appeal was made to speed up production of war materials, and 90 per cent of the men and women who responded patriotically to this call were union workers. But this eminent statesman who had appealed to them to save the Empire now says that they are unfit to govern it. If they were not it was the fault of the two great political parties who had governed the country for a century.

He then mentioned the eminent statesman by name, referring to him as the Right Honorable Winston Churchill, grandson of the Seventh Duke of Marlborough.

Post Toasties

sell faster
and eat better
than any corn
flakes made

—says
Bobby

borough, who came into his property by subterfuge.

Gather the Fruits.
Speaking of present conditions in Great Britain he said that the Labor party says that the workers will gather the full fruits of their industry to themselves and would not allow the capitalists to have it. The present unrest in Britain was attributed by statesmen to cause arising out of the war. This might be true, but these conditions had been internally aggravated. They had in Britain a condition not possible here. They had there an old feudal landed system that owned the earth, and not only the earth but every individual that existed upon it. That system had failed in its duty and about the beginning of the nineteenth century came the new industrial era with get-rich-quick methods. The leaders of this era believed in buying in the cheapest market and selling in the dearest. They took children of five and six years to work in the mines and the factories. The men and women of Great Britain had not forgotten. They had decided that they can govern much fairer.

Miners the Target.
The miners of Great Britain had been the target of a great deal of criticism, but he pointed out that previous to the war they were the poorest paid workers in Britain. During the war, however, they were not loyal, but because the profit of their industry was going into the pockets of private individuals instead of to assist the empire in time of stress. No man put the minerals into the bowels of the earth, and no man had the right to control them. It was essential that increased profits should go towards national development and not to swell private bank accounts.

Defends British Miners.
Mr. Davidson defended the action of the British mine workers, declaring that previous to the war they were the poorest paid workers in the British Isles. They had forced the situation during the period of the war not because they were disloyal, but because they objected to the profits from their extended energies to produce for private individuals instead of towards assisting the empire in its hour of danger.

Two other important speeches from fraternal delegates from United States labor organizations also stirred the convention to a pitch of enthusiasm. D. J. Shea, representing the American Federation of Labor, and Eugene C. Brock, representing the Detroit-Michigan Federation of Labor, both emphasized the danger to union labor in the United States through the introduction of the Americanization plan of an open shop. Mr. Shea declared that the present United States Congress had been elected by the moneyed interests and represented their views, while Mr. Brock declared the state of Michigan the centre of the open shop movement and classified the manufacturers of that city as Bolsheviks.

Flood Labor Market.
He stated that the automobile industry had thrown 60,000 workers out of employment in Detroit alone, and charged that their scheme was to create a crowded condition on the labor market and reduce wages. The manufacturers, he said, had declared a strike on their employees. Mr. Shea declared the United States would come into the League of Nations when Governor Jas. Cox was elected president, and predicted that the workers of the United States would see to it that Mr. Cox was put into the presidential chair.

Constitution Unchanged.
Delegate William Varley of Toronto resumed the debate on the resolution for revocation of membership when the convention reconvened, taking exception to that part of it which fixed the number of delegates the same for all trades and labor councils and favored leaving the constitution as it is for the present. The congress voted to elect officers, Chairman R. W. Kennedy, Niagara Falls, Ont., then presented the report of the committee on auditors, showing assets of \$35,107.82, with no liabilities.

The Anglican Order of Business.
The Anglican order of business was then suspended to hear fraternal delegates. The first speaker was D. J. Shea of Kentucky, representing the American Federation of Labor. He said that the workers of the United States with the Americanization plan of an open shop, and it was a most vital question. After the signing of the constitution, the moneyed interests decided to control congress. While the workers were in the trenches, the armistice, the moneyed interests started on their aims and the workers found they could not throw any legislation which sought as the moneyed interests had secured the election of representatives of their views. The only thing that the present United States Congress had done was to pass the Cummings bills, legislation not in harmony with the tenets of organized labor.

Will Elect Cox.
Mr. Shea stated that a rubber company in Akron, Ohio, shortly after the signing of the armistice, had closed down their plant, throwing 29,000 employees earning \$9c to \$1.10 per hour out of work, and shortly afterwards opened an employment bureau re-engaging them at 40c an hour. This sort of thing was going on all through the United States. There had been a great deal of criticism of the United States, because it had not yet joined the league of nations, but he predicted that the workers would elect Governor James Cox, who had never failed to meet the requests of labor, and he would see that the United States entered the League of Nations.

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Windsor, Sept. 17.—Evidence that the Steel Corporation is quietly extending its activities at Ojibway is supplied by real estate deals. During the week Mrs. John Simpson, who is over 100 years of age, disposed of 60-acre farm on the Malden road, Sandwich West to the Steel Company at \$1,050 per acre, receiving a check for \$63,000. Mrs. Simpson has refused all inducements to part with her land ever since the company located there, up to the present.

MANY FARMER CANDIDATES.
Frederick N. B. Sept. 17.—Thomas Caldwell, M. P. for Carleton and Victoria, and president of the United Farmers of New Brunswick, said today that he believed there would be United Farmer candidates in many of the counties in the forthcoming provincial elections. A numerous agrarian group is expected in the next legislature.

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