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SOCIALISM EXEMPLIFIED.

Contemporary newspapers of British Columbia are publishing the story of the triumph of J. H. Hawthornthwaite, M.P.E., over the members of the Socialist Nanaimo local of which, up till the time of his expulsion therefrom, he was a member. The reasons given by the Nanaimo local for the expulsion of Mr. Hawthornthwaite were that he had failed to carry out the wishes of its officers that he do some work in the interests of the society and organize Vancouver Island voters along Socialist lines. The member apparently employed his leisure in studying social economy and specializing in real estate, from which combined occupations he succeeded in realizing a munificent fortune. Failure to carry out the wishes of his local that he do some work for the order, that, together with the McBridge government, had made him what he is—transforming him from a nonentity in society to a member of the legislature and then enriching him—resulted in a demand that he place his resignation in the hands of the speaker of the House. Violated promises to do this and repeated snubbing of the authority of the order whose sacred vows he had espoused left them no course, at least no honorable course, but his expulsion and this followed in due and ancient form.

The parliamentarian, however, was not easily disposed of. Though he had availed himself of the conditions prevailing in society and existing political economy to become wealthy, he was still a Socialist at heart and would remain one actually and he so recognized. He understood the proletarian monistic philosophy sufficiently well to be aware that a man may be wealthy, evasive, true breaker and some other things and still remain a consistent member of the Socialist organization. He, therefore—so it is published—appealed from the action of the Nanaimo local to the executive of the provincial society, and not only is he reinstated as a member in good standing, but the local which sought to discipline him and enforce the rules of the society suffers the cancellation of its charter and additional insult in the declaration that the charges upon which they took action were "frivolous, malicious and unwarranted."

With the quarrel we have nothing to do, but the case presents a clear and well-defined illustration of Socialism as she is worked. The Nanaimo local has been one of the most faithful and consistent of the Socialistic organizations in the province. Its members have worked harder than any other branches of the order to advance the tenets of the cult and, save for the two men who have stood at the head of their affairs, there has been creditable loyalty to the creed exemplified by its members. In the report of the committee which dealt with the Hawthornthwaite expulsion it was stated that the members did all the active work in connection with the election of that gentleman to the legislature. They also claimed to have put up the money that it cost to conduct the campaign, and they must have done so, for if any financial assistance was received from outside it must have been from the agents of the McBridge government. Mr. Hawthornthwaite had no private funds upon which to draw and it was their bounden duty either to put up the money themselves or take it from the only other fountainhead from which it could be obtained. If McBridge funds were used as liberally as has been rumored, these were not handled by the Socialist committee.

Now, after all these years of toil and self-denial, when they found their representative in parliament a traitor to their cause, defying them and every principle of their order, betraying his oath of membership, promising resignation and deceiving them, they expelled him for contumacy and are in turn themselves expelled from their provincial fraternity by the cancellation of the charter.

It is a pity that it should be so, and our sympathies, such as we have, are with the outcasts. They have been singularly unfortunate during their whole history. Never anything else than a lot of good-natured, honest, hard-working men, believing as far as they have understood, in the possibility of a new order of social economy and working for it, they have been successively and successfully duped by every leader they have given their confidence outside of their local faithful ones. They have repeatedly picked men with the gift of the gab and cunning beyond safety up from the ranks of the "not-working" class, put them in places of authority and leadership, only to be spat upon when these men got far enough along on the road to capitalism to be able to spurn them. And now these very men, constituting the heads of the star chamber of the

order in British Columbia, add the last straw to the stigma of their degradation by cancelling their charter and telling them that it will probably be handed to others more fitting.

The whole story, stretching over a period of some fifteen years, affords a striking commentary on the sameness of the grafter, whether he is found in the ranks of the Socialist or in those of a political party. The Socialist demagogue proclaims that under Socialism there will be no jealousies, no quarrels, no cause for disputes, perfect harmony and good will among men; and the Socialist party, by its executive, says to a local of men who are trying to live up to its teachings that it cannot have its way and because it does not like base and false treatment is politely requested to crawl off the face of the earth. Could degradation be greater?

We do not believe the members of the late Nanaimo local are the men to submit to this sort of treatment. If they were polite and chivalrous enough to keep to themselves the innerness of their quarrel with their late chieftain, this last action of the executive in flouting them may be all that is necessary to goad them to a disclosure of the real causes of their discontent. Perhaps other copies may prevail, but the average Socialist is not one who takes overwhelming defeat easily, especially when he is conscious of the fact that he holds all the strong cards in his hand and can play them when the stakes are big enough. We should not be surprised if this incident should be but the beginning of the end of a tolerably sizable matter.

UNCOVERING THE METHODS.

It would be uncharitable to impute motives of a sinister kind to the investigator of the present insinuation, but the present insinuation, against the honor and integrity of Hon. Frank Oliver, and his folly can best be attributed to his disappointment in life, which may have been sufficiently oppressive to make him politically sore. We have known men who have attempted that which was impossible in the way of patronage, and their disappointment has left them with a grudge which accounted for years of after grouching.

The persistency, however, with which most all of the Conservative organs repeat the insinuations, elaborate the fictitious grounds upon which these are based and keep up their continuous farce performance is a weariness to the flesh.

Everyone knows, of course, that the alleged photographs of a bank account of the minister were denied authenticity by the manager of the bank in question, but the method by which this, seemingly convincing, fraud was perpetrated is not generally known. We had not seen in print, until the arrival of the Monetary Times of Toronto, an explanation of the method by which the dishonorable connivers in this gigantic fraud carried out their nefarious purpose to slander a public man for personal and political ends.

The Monetary Times piques itself on its record as a non-political paper, but explains that the attack on Hon. Mr. Oliver is of a kind the last of which might be expected. It says it regards Mr. Oliver as one of the strong men of the Dominion, a man who has actually hewed his way as a pioneer across the prairie and as a statesman through the labyrinth of politics.

It then takes up the question of the forgery, and for the first time discloses what is known of the mode of procedure. We read its account as follows: "There is a serious aspect of the Oliver incident which has not received due attention, and is the relation of a bank to its customers, and in turn to curiosity mongers. A photograph is said to have been taken of a certain bank's ledger page showing part of Mr. Oliver's bank account. If that photograph had really been obtained it would reflect little credit upon the institution guarding the account. The photograph was apparently faked in a clever although clumsy manner. So far as we can learn, a minor official of the bank which had Mr. Oliver's account was approached by a certain gentleman whom we need not name with an offer of a substantial cash payment and a remunerative and permanent position elsewhere. The bank official, whose method of address is usually of the best, was so astounded at the request, that his reply may be recorded as a matter of history. The applicant was told to 'Go to hell.'"

"The branch bank manager was informed as to what was happening. In the meantime by some, up to the present, inexplicable manner certain items of Mr. Oliver's account had been seen, noted, and apparently copied upon a ledger paper, then photographed. This was the photograph which Mr. D. R. Wikie, general manager of the Imperial Bank, stated in the most emphatic terms was not an exact photograph of Mr. Oliver's account, as had been stated. A comparison of the original with the spurious at once reveals this fact."

With this generally known, as it must be through the east, it is extremely difficult to excuse the misconduct of the rabble political press that is hounding Mr. Oliver and demanding that he account for the moneys which the fake bank account says he received. It is sometimes necessary to resort to detective methods in order to secure evidence against a criminal, but the sleuth who manufactures evidence in order to make a case is one of the most contemptible and despicable of all the human cattle allowed to live. There is nothing but him anywhere in decent society for execration. And to deny

that "there is a principle involved" in the demand that Mr. Oliver should disclose where he got this money is to compel the question as to what principle is involved.

It is bad enough to manufacture evidence and resort to crime in order to convict an outlaw who is known to be such, but to resort to forgery in order to attach suspicion to the name of a public man whose honor is as dear to him as his life is beneath contempt. The yelping pack of newspaper hounds who are baying at Mr. Oliver's shadow when they know how slender is the thread of insinuation by which they connect him with a malfeasance, in office are simply proclaiming their hypocrisy to the world, and to talk about principle being involved in a matter of this sort is a false alarm.

It is fortunate that these things happen in time to show the desperate hunger of the opposition for the place and power of office. Their estimate of Mr. Oliver is a safe guide to what they should ever come into possession of the treasury benches. And their resort to such demented methods to gain office is a safe index to the quality of the "principle" that will be requisitioned in their administration.

TO ERECT LARGE BUSINESS BLOCK

GRAND TRUNK FORMING PLANS FOR BUILDING

One of the finest structures in City Projected for Wharf Street Site.

Plans are being formulated, details arranged and every shortly tendered will be called for, by the Grand Trunk Pacific Company, for the erection of a large building on its site on Wharf street, adjoining the company's docks, according to Captain C. H. Nicholson, manager of the G. T. P. S. S. Co., who was in town this morning on a brief visit. The amount involved in this big undertaking is \$300,000 and the building, when completed, will be one of the finest of its kind on the Pacific Coast.

This new building is to be arranged for offices, stores and warehouses. It will be 300 feet in length and will extend back from the road for a distance of 40 feet. The company has not yet decided as to whether the structure will be three stories high or four. It is to be absolutely fireproof and will be modern in every respect. The officials are expecting that a large amount of the ground floor and basement will be taken by various local companies for warehouses, as it will be a very convenient place for the receipt and shipment of goods brought on the G. T. P. boats to the store houses.

Ever since the G. T. P. commenced operations in Victoria they were bent on erecting a building on their site at some date, but it was not expected that it would be so soon. However, business opportunities and the need here by firms for office in close proximity to the wharves have prompted the G. T. P. to build at once. The work of erecting has all been done and as soon as the contract is let work on the building will be rushed with all possible speed.

It is the intention of the company to leave the present ticket office where it stands and build over it. The front of the office is several feet inside of the street line and the second floor of the building is to come level with it, leaving the office in a sort of alcove. The building will cover an immense area of ground and will be one of the largest blocks in town.

It will also be a great improvement to the local waterfront. When this work is completed the Grand Trunk Pacific will have spent in Victoria alone over half a million dollars. Any concern that invests so largely in Victoria as the G. T. P. has done gives proof of its faith in the future of the city and its magnitude for this city.

Capt. Nicholson stated this morning that the work on the new building would commence in the near future and that it would be ready for occupancy early next year.

OBITUARY RECORD

(From Monday's Daily.)

One of the largest funerals seen in Victoria took place yesterday afternoon, when two brothers, William Sidney and James Matthews Macdonell, were laid to rest in Ross Bay cemetery. The cortege, headed by the Fifth Regiment band and accompanied by the members of the Fraternal Order of Eagles, proceeded from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing Parlors at 2:30 o'clock. There was a large attendance of friends and many beautiful floral wreaths were present. The hymn, "Nearer, My God to Thee," was sung in the chapel. The pallbearers were: J. J. Wachter, H. Siebenbaum, T. Stewart, J. Shin, J. M. Johnson, George Ward, George Irving, J. M. Hughes, W. B. Jackson, J. Todd, J. Ray and Capt. F. M. Cutler. Acting President Brother Steve Court, of the Eagles, conducted the services.

John Harper, senior, aged 83, passed away on Saturday evening at the residence of his daughter, Mrs. C. F. Bamfield, 402 Skinner street. The deceased came here from his native place, King's Clear, New Brunswick, over twenty years ago. He was a carpenter by trade. Besides his widow, six sons, Fred, John, Wesley, Ernest, George and Charles, and four daughters, Mrs. S. Ruttan, Mrs. D. S. Day and Mrs. M. Harper and Mrs. C. F. Bamfield, survive. The funeral has been arranged to take place to-morrow from the house

\$25 Suits For Women at \$14.75

Special Sale of Women's Suits in the Latest Styles and Newest Serges, Fine Poplins, Novelty Suitings and Panamas, lined with good quality Silk. Some are in Cream Serge with Black Hair Stripe, made Semi-box Style, with 26-inch Coat. The Skirt is in Plain Gored Style with panel back and front, well finished throughout and lined with good quality Silk. Tuesday, \$14.75. Many other styles at this price. SEE WINDOW DISPLAY

Dainty One-Piece Picnic Dresses \$2.25 to \$4.50

A splendid line of ONE-PIECE PICNIC DRESSES in an assortment of dainty plain colors, checks and dots, in Chambrays, Gingham, etc., with Dutch necks, short sleeves and trimmings in a variety of styles. Some are finished with embroidery frills and fasten down the side, others with pique piping, or Valenciennes lace, while the skirts are deep pleated, plain gored styles, or trimmed with biased bands of material. In all sizes. Prices from \$2.25 to \$4.50.

Men's Tweed Suits From \$10

We invite you to examine our new summer models in ready-to-wear suits. Note the texture of the fabrics, the cut, style and care as to every little detail of finish. We are proud of this clothing and so are all who wear it. You can pay a much higher price, but you cannot buy better value for your money.

MEN'S SUITS, in fine imported English worsted and tweeds, in all the new shades and patterns, and the very latest cuts, in two and three-piece styles. Prices from \$32.50 to \$125.00. MEN'S SUITS, in tweeds and mixed worsteds, in a large assortment of patterns and shades, in all the latest novelties. Well tailored and trimmed. Special price, \$10.00. WORSTED AND TWEED SUITS, in all the latest shades and patterns. Made up in the very latest styles, in two and three piece. The goods in the above suits are equal to any \$18 suit on the market to-day. All go at one price \$12.50. SPECIAL HOLIDAY SUITS FOR BOYS—A large assortment of the newest and snappiest styles. Tailored and made as our men's suits. In tweeds, fancy worsteds and homespun. Week-end selling up from \$3.50. ONE THOUSAND BOYS' WASH SUITS, in a large assortment of up-to-date patterns, in fancy ducks, drills, prints and piques. In all shades and colors. Russian and sailor blouse styles. Prices up from \$1.50. BOYS' FANCY HATS AND CAPS, in fancy ducks, cottons, khaki and straws. In all the latest shades and blocks. Prices, up from \$1.50. MEN'S OUTING HATS IN WHITE DUCK, laid and water. Mexican straws and a large assortment of straws in various blocks and shapes. Special selling, up from \$1.50. MEN'S FANCY VESTS, in fancy ducks, piques and fancy worsted, in stripes, dots and fancy overchecks. Special, \$4.50 down to \$1.75. MEN'S LOUNGING COATS AND DRESSING ROBES, of all shades, weights and patterns, of broadcloth, fine merino wools and cashmeres. Prices from \$25.00 to \$57.50. MEN'S TROUSERS, in fancy worsteds, of fancy stripes and overchecks, in a large assortment of shades and patterns. Cut in medium and full peg. Prices, \$6.75 to \$25.00. PANAMAS, in three different blocks. Special at \$6.00.

500 Pairs of White and Colored Dressy Canvas Shoes, at \$1.45

This is your opportunity to secure ideal holiday footwear at a great saving. They are reliable, and comfortable shoes with a smart appearance, a perfect fit and a most economical investment. They are easy to clean, and if we sold them for \$2 they would be good value, but at \$1.45 they are exceptional bargains.

GIBSON TIE SHOES. A very popular model with flexible soles and covered heels. Special at \$1.45. TWO STRAP WHITE CANVAS SHOES, a very dressy style with covered heels. Special \$1.45. ANKLE STRAP PUMPS, in white canvas, with ribbon bow, covered heels and flexible soles. Special \$1.45.

CANVAS SHOES, in white, brown and black, fine flexible soles, dainty models with covered heels. Special, Monday, at \$1.45. OXFORD SHOES, with plain leather heels, in white, brown and black canvas. A splendid shoe for holiday wear. Special \$1.45.

Decorations---Flags from 5c. each, Bunting 5c. Yard, Flagging from 15c.

David Spencer, Limited

at 2:30 and fifteen minutes later from St. Saviour's church, where Rev. Robert Connell will conduct services. Interment will be made in Ross Bay cemetery.

The death occurred on Saturday afternoon at the Jubilee hospital of Robert Richard Gillespie, aged 15 years, a native of Victoria. The deceased is survived by a father, William Gillespie, five brothers and one sister, residing at Swan Lake. The funeral will take place on Wednesday at 2 o'clock from the Hanna chapel, proceeding from there to the Cedar Hill church. Rev. H. A. Collinson will conduct services. Interment will be made in Cedar Hill cemetery.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Sarah Bellan took place this morning from the B. C. Funeral Furnishing parlors at 8:45 o'clock and fifteen minutes later from the Roman Catholic church. Rev. Father Dwyer conducted services. The pallbearers were: J. Alexander, C. Mitchell, W. Dick and W. Phillips. Interment was made in the Ross Bay cemetery.

Mary Grassie Raymur, aged 82, widow of the late Captain Raymur, passed away at the family residence, 100 Kingston street, on Saturday night. She was born in Halifax and came to Victoria from England, where she lived for a number of years, in 1884 on the steamer "Brother Jonathan" around the Horn. Her husband died in 1882. She is survived by a brother-in-law, City Comptroller Raymur. The funeral will take place on Tuesday morning at 10:30 o'clock from the house and shortly afterwards from St. Andrew's Presbyterian church. Rev. W. Leslie Clay will conduct services. Interment will be made in Ross Bay cemetery.

The remains of the late Mrs. Hannah Dodge were laid to rest in the

Ross Bay cemetery on Saturday afternoon. Services were conducted at the family residence, 262 Edward street, by the Rev. R. Connell. The following acted as pallbearers: C. W. Kirk, A. W. Semple, T. Redding, H. James, A. B. Oldershaw and C. Jenkinson. Interment was made in the Ross Bay cemetery.

FIVE GIRLS ARE BURNED TO DEATH

Perish in Fire Which Follows Explosion of Gasoline—Parents Injured

Utica, Kansas, May 22.—Five daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Roche, ranging in age from 7 to 16 years, were burned to death Saturday night in a fire which started in the Roche restaurant. The parents were burned badly.

The mother of the girls filled a lamp with gasoline by mistake. Preparatory to ascending to the second floor where her daughters were asleep she applied a match to the lamp. An explosion followed, the fire being communicated to the staircase to the children's back room. The woman's dress caught fire, but the flames were extinguished by her husband, who had been asleep in an adjoining room. He rushed up the burning stairs and caught his youngest child, 7 years old, in his arms. Calling to the other girls to follow him and leading his family he ran to

a rear window and jumped to the ground, the little girl safe in his arms. He stood with upraised arms to catch the others as they jumped, but for some reason they failed to follow him, and a few minutes later the bedroom in which the girls had slept was discovered to be a mass of flames. Half an hour later the bodies of the girls were taken from their charred beds. All had died where they lay. They were buried together in one grave to-day.

IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

London, May 22.—The Imperial Conference was formally inaugurated by a luncheon at Buckingham Palace to-day at which King George and Queen Mary entertained the visiting colonial premiers, and their wives and daughters. Most of the members of royalty who are now in London were present, as were Premier Asquith and Mrs. Asquith and the officials of colonial offices.

King George, who is intensely interested in colonial matters and who is personally intimate with them through his visits to the colonies, was markedly attentive to the visiting statesmen.

The conference will open to-morrow at the foreign office, when Premier Asquith in his address of welcome will outline the government programme.

RETURNS WITH SON.

Winnipeg, May 22.—After searching the continent for the past six years for his missing son, Rev. J. J. Roy of St. George's Anglican church has returned to Winnipeg with his son, whom he had located in the city jail at Seattle, Wash. While under the influence of morphine he had shot a bartender in a saloon in Seattle and then turned the revolver on himself. His father immediately went to Seattle and after explaining the circumstances was allowed to bring his son back here. Some years ago the boy underwent a serious opera-

tion and morphine was given him to relieve the pain. Since then he has been a morphine fiend.

TWO DEATHS FROM HEAT AT MONTREAL

(Special to the Times.)
Montreal, May 22.—Two deaths have resulted here as the result of Saturday and Sunday's intense hot weather. On Saturday afternoon Francois Xavier Ladeucour, farmer, dropped dead as he was attending to some monetary business on St. James street, and John Laren, aged 71, night watchman at the Canadian Rubber company's office, succumbed to exhaustion from the great heat.

It is extremely hot to-day the temperature registering 76 at 3 o'clock and rapidly crawling up toward the 90 in the shade point with much humidity in the air.

BODY FOUND IN PARK

New Westminster, B. C., May 22.—The decomposed body of George Wilson, who is thought to have committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor, was found yesterday hidden in the bushes. The dead man had lived in this city for several years and came from a famous English family. He was 40 years of age. The inquest was held to-day.

The largest bed of soil in the world is said to have been discovered at Fort Murray, Manitoba. It is two hundred feet deep, and extends for three hundred miles.

DIED.
GOLD—On May 17, 1911, Hannah Gold, wife of Wm. Gold. Deceased was born in London, Eng., and in her 83rd year.

COUNTRY CLUB ORGANIZED

Club Rooms Have Been Erected—Officers Elected—Fees Are \$18.

Duncan, May 20.—Adventure holders forming a club in Duncan will be called the Club. The meeting was held in the report of a pro who had been elected rules for the constitution, meeting, and to elect trustees.

The townsand pro the west end of the been selected as the and alterations and put in hand to make a club on acquisition. The rules adopted follow on the lines Union Club, Victoria variations, and the fee set at \$20, and an \$18.

Mr. Maitland-Duncan, President, or in the acceptance of the Hinch, Messrs. Mait and W. H. Elking Trustees, and the following members of the A. Lane, W. Bonded, H. Beavan, G. Rothward, F. Maitland-Duncan and A. Finlays consented to act as on the undersigned committee should appear as soon as possible.

Socialist Party Member for N City Charter

Vancouver, May 22.—Hawthornthwaite, member of the Socialist party, but is extinct, its charter away from it, to be and by to another Socialist, who, if the party on the grounds his lack of orthodoxy sons given was that it having been defeated minor in an argument wardness of the mo He was also ordered Ignation as a memb

As might have been more than the month upset. Mr. Hawthornthwaite promptly appealed committee of the Br of the party, which and found that the member for Nanaous, malicious and that in the best into the charter of the local should be cancell

CHINESE FAN

With grateful thanks acknowledges the flowers, Sutherland, \$5; Mrs. Glover, Victoria; St. Saviour's Church, \$5.

Miss Macklem was pleased for more help, ple, and may I expect the news is better of China, it does not in the yet been given our contribution. He told that there seem of one. We still hope, and that more be but dear friends, if more sympathy still your purses when the feed. Please send y ask others to help. tributions to Miss 1126 Richardson street at the office of this p

CRUSHED TO

Vancouver, May 22.—Old son of Mr. A. A. of the board of pe while rolling a mill the slope at Kitas drawn in the path of ber and had his head that he died in the h later. The accident presence of the father for to save the lad which the victim w he grasped it before pulled out of danger

CAMORRIS

Viterbo, May 22.—Sonnino and Signor and Chinfanti, all for of the Camorra trial. DeAngeli with Gaet Ascritto with being murderers of Cuoco the Camorristas are is alleged by Ascritto which DeAngeli had received during his f DeAngeli by his t chiefly to demonstrate in the sea at Ustica, slipped and hurt his l

The length of the more than seventeen ference of the earth a