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LABOR LEADER
OF SYDNEY, N.S.
ON RADICALISM

Reform and Sanity Instead of
 Revolution and Radicalism Is
 Best Battle Cry.

The labor leaders in Cape Breton will be well advised if they do not depend too much on extreme Radicalism to win victories for them in this constituency. While it may be cheered to the echo by many it yet will be found wanting as a general strength proposition when the whole electorate is taken into consideration. It will be well if those who are in the forefront give due consideration to the whole people and what they think of this or that extreme Radical idea before dwelling too long on its virtues. Free and intelligent Independence and Radical ideas may be two very different things and in all probability will be judged by the electorate on their respective merits. It is not enough to get the horse to the well, we must have him drink. To have our pet Radical ideas is not worth one hair's-breadth if we cannot get the masses to follow us in it. Very often such ideas give rise to a very pronounced and determined opposition by those who are all too ready to get an opportunity. Safe, sane and sure are three words that should be mailed to the mast and never removed until Labor wins its victory. Let Labor stand on a platform so much more sensible than the old time parties that the common sense of the people will give them that support so necessary to win elections. Reform and sanity instead of revolution and radicalism will prove to be a better battle cry to carry Labor's banners to its goal.—Labor Leader, Sydney.

LOCAL OPTION MAY
BE ESTABLISHED
IN GREAT BRITAIN

The text of a local prohibition bill, applying to England and Wales has been made public. The measure will be introduced in the House as a private bill, whose author states he has the backing of a small portion of members.

The object of the bill is to "enable parliamentary electors in prescribed areas, by direct vote, to prohibit the issue within such areas of licenses for the sale of intoxicating liquors and also the common sale or supply of such liquors in licensed premises, clubs or elsewhere."

The principal clause provides that during September, 1923, and in the same period in subsequent years, one-tenth of the parliamentary electors of any parish in a rural district or a borough, or ward thereof in any urban district may address a written requisition to the borough, urban or district council demanding a poll of the electors on the question of a grant or issue of licenses to premises within the area for the sale, wholesale or retail of intoxicating liquors.

When the poll is decided, for prohibition or against it, another poll may not be taken before the lapse of three years.

The age of romance for a woman is anywhere between 6 and 65.

FORTY REASONS FOR
VOTING SCHOOL BONDS

When the San Antonio union school district of California sought a bond issue, an enterprising school official secured a photograph of the 40 children who attended the school. Under this photograph he placed the words "Forty Reasons for Voting School Bonds," and sent each voter a postal card. The vote was almost unanimous for the bonds.

INTERNATIONAL
CONFERENCE OF
TEACHERS' ASSNS

Effort for Co-operation of Public
 Schools of All the Great
 Democracies.

An international conference of teachers organizations of the allied and associated nations will be held at Cleveland, Ohio, February 24-29, under the auspices of the National Educational Association of the United States. In its announcement the association says:

We believe that the public schools of all the great democracies of the world can, through co-operative effort, do much to conserve and promote the great ideals for which the war was fought and won. We hold, indeed, that a distinct responsibility rests upon the teachers of the allied and associated nations to fulfill on a broader plane than ever before their great function as trustees of the human heritage—to see to it that what has been gained at so great and so terrible a cost is sedulously safeguarded and transmitted without loss and without taint to each new generation.

So important is this problem and so great are the possibilities of international co-operation in effecting its solution, that the National Education Association has urged the creation of an international bureau of education in the league of nations. As a step toward the establishment of such a bureau, and as the nucleus of an international association of teachers, it is desirable that an international conference of the teachers associations of the free nations be held at an early date. Representatives of the Teachers' Federation of France have requested that the National Education Association of the United States take the initiative in calling this conference.

PLAN OF TRAINING
FOR WHOLESALE
CLOTHING TRADE

Plan Inaugurated at Leeds Under
 Auspices of Minister
 of Labor.

Adoption of a plan of training for the wholesale clothing trade of Leeds is reported by Consul Percival Gassett in a recent dispatch. The plan was inaugurated under the auspices of the Ministry of Labor and at the request of the local Clothing Trades Advisory Committee. It is hoped by the new plan to reduce unemployment among unskilled women, to enable manufacturers to get back to the prewar capacity of production, or to develop their resources, to raise the standard of technical skill, and to set off by preliminary training the adverse effect of the minimum wage clauses affecting women of 18 years of age and upwards.

"Organized on practical lines by the head of the clothing trades department of the Leeds Technical School," says Consul Gassett, "The syllabus of instruction consists of courses in hand sewing, pressing, and machine work, and meets the demand that a trainee must be taught a trade, and not merely a part of one."

"Mr. James Graham, director of the training department of the Yorkshire division of the Ministry of Labor, points out that as the primary object of the scheme is to provide skilled operatives, it is desirable that manufacturers should co-operate by providing work and any other assistance which may be necessary, and also by notifying of vacancies, in order to give guidance as to the number of operatives to be trained. It has been agreed by the Technical Advisory Committee that the department shall obtain exactly the same rates for the work done as firms pay to their own operatives, plus any bonus award which may be in operation."

U.S. CATTLEMEN
LIKE PROSPECTS IN
WESTERN CANADA

Robert R. Smiley, who has a 3,000-acre farm near Monmouth, Ill., has been looking over the northern portion of the province with a view to securing a tract of land and following up cattle feeding and breeding in Alberta. Land has got to such a value down in some states that he believes it would be more advantageous to sell at around \$400 an acre and get more land in Western Canada. He had been referred to W. F. Stevens, provincial agricultural representative in the northern part of the province and will thus be in a position to get in touch with conditions. Mr. Smiley has been handling feeder cattle from Alberta which he bought from the Winnipeg and St. Paul yards and finds they are splendid stock to handle. He has been handling about 1,000 head of feeders each year and if he should decide to take up land in Alberta will be a regular contributor to the beef market.—Market Examiner.

ENGLAND'S METHOD
OF ELIMINATING
THE PROFITEERS

Great Britain Appears To Be
 Much More In Earnest Than
 Is Other Countries.

Great Britain appears to be much more in earnest about eliminating the profiteers in necessities than is the United States, where the fight has consisted mostly of talk and big headlines in the newspapers.

According to a record recently made public during October 7,350 alleged offenders were haled before the tribunals and 1,320 convictions were secured.

This may seem like a small proportion of convictions to arrests, but the prosecutions have had a salutary effect upon the avaricious, and although the cost of living generally was declared to have risen 5 per cent. during that period, the experts figured that it would have risen much faster had it not been for the determined drive of the Government.

Not the least important feature about such a campaign is the unfavorable publicity the profiteering dealer gets through prosecutions in the courts. In this country, where public opinion is more feared probably than in Europe, a real drive against those interests known to be making unreasonably large profits on necessities would counteract strongly the rising tendency of prices by discouraging greedy dealers from following their inclinations.

Legislation and courts, of course, can not change economic laws, but through them economic laws may be enforced and their violation prohibited, and a measure of protection accorded the people.

KANSAS GOVERNOR
WANTS GOV'T SUCH
AS LINCOLN LOVED

In a message to the special session of the legislature Governor Allen of Kansas rose to heights that pass as "statesmanship" in some quarters. He wants a law that would penalize strikers and called for "government such as Lincoln loved." The Kansas executive overlooked the fact that the great commoner gloried in a governmental system that permitted workers to strike as a last resort. Governor Allen also revamped the old libel that railroad brotherhood officials held a stop watch on congress when the national lawmakers were considering the Adamson law.

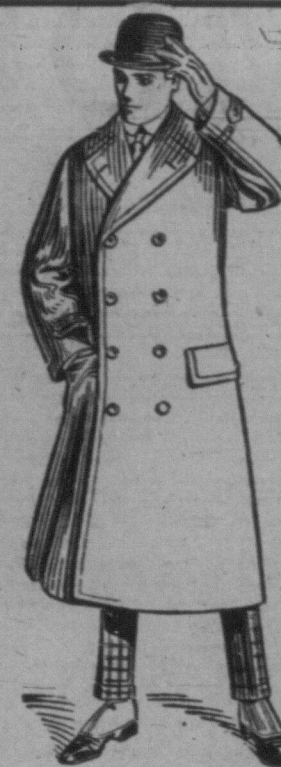
These brotherhood officials have repeatedly declared that they did not ask congress to pass this law, that they did not favor it, and no declaration to the contrary can be shown by their opponents.

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