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WAGE EARNERS OF LEADING NATIONS UTTERLY AND WHOLLY OPPOSED TO ANY FORM OF SOVIET ASSISTANCE

REMARKABLE ORGANIZATION OF CARPENTERS' WAGE EARNERS CO-OPERATE IN 'SAFETY' WORK

United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners Has a Membership of Over 400,000—Wage Standards Increased—Huge Sums Paid in Benefits—Officers Re-elected.

Last week the 29th general convention of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America concluded its sessions at Indianapolis, Ind. General President Wm. L. Hutcheson, First Vice-President John P. McGovern, Second General Vice-President George H. Mackey, General Secretary Frank Duffy, Executive Board Members T. M. Guerin, D. A. Post, Arthur Martel and W. A. Cole were elected to their respective offices by acclamation. In three of the districts there is opposition for the Executive Board members, but it is anticipated that the present officers will be re-elected on the referendum vote.

O. B. U. CONVENTION A DISMAY FAILURE

Four organizers besides the executive board members are permanently in the Canadian field, and the membership has never been so large as at the present time. Sixteen delegates refused to reveal identity to committee.

COAL OPERATORS TREAT AGREEMENT AS SCRAP OF PAPER

When workers violate their agreements the daily press are loud in their condemnation of the wage-earners. However, employers sometimes break agreements, but little is ever seen about these things in the daily press.

TRUE VS. FALSE DEMOCRACY

Jealousy of power honestly gained and justly exercised, envy of attainment or of possession, are characteristics of the mob, not of the people; of a democracy which is false, not of a democracy which is true. False democracy shouts, "Every man down to the level of the average." True democracy cries, "All men up to the height of their fullest capacity for service."

WESTERN SECESSION MOVEMENT THRIVES ON MEN'S IMPRISONMENT

E. Robinson's Statements to Windsor Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada Confirmed by First Declaration of R. E. Bray.

ADVOCATE HYGIENE IN BARBERS' SHOPS

The Barbers' Union is preparing legislation which they hope to have put through during the approaching session of the Provincial Government to improve the hygiene of barbers' shops, and to introduce an apprentice system such as according to G. Dumara, business agent of the Montreal union is held in 17 states across the line.

GOOD ADVICE

Four the oil of encouragement on the wheels of progress and match 'em whirl; but don't pour coal oil on a fire to light or quicken it. It may cost you your life.

LABOR DEPARTMENT'S STATISTICS SHOW LIVING COSTS AS SLOWLY DECLINING IN CANADA AND THE U. S.

Government Statement Issued This Week Says Decline in Prices Beginning of Downward Movement to Pre-war Level.

Further gradual declines in the cost of living throughout Canada are to be expected. A statement from the Labor Department this week says that the declines in prices already noted appear to be the beginning of a downward movement toward pre-war levels.

HALIFAX LABOR PAPER FALLS FOR O. B. U. YARN

Having No Representative at Windsor the Cause.

Notwithstanding that they were allowed the privileges of the press the One Big Union writers have sent out some misleading and untrue statements of the proceedings of the Windsor Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

MINISTER OF LABOR SEES SOME UNEMPLOYMENT AHEAD OF US

Speaking of the industrial situation in Canada today, the Minister of Labor, Senator G. D. Robertson, in reply to a question put to him at Calgary last week, stated that conditions were more satisfactory than in any other country in the world that participated in the war.

THE AIM OF THE BRITISH LABOR MOVEMENT

The British labor movement is a movement consolidated over many years; it works slowly and surely. We are not out to secure a dictatorship of the proletariat or by any other name.

ABOUT THE "OUTSIDE AGITATOR."

Certain employers who are trying very hard to keep their industrial peace, are anxious to see an "outside agitator" of the type of pointing to the "outside agitator."

INADEQUATE FIRE-FIGHTING EQUIPMENT

There is still much to be done in the way of organizing fire companies throughout the country. The lack of a properly trained fire-fighting organization with the necessary apparatus and equipment is a serious menace to any community.

COMPENSATION TO INJURED WORKMEN

Workmen injured by accident in their employment in Ontario, since July 1, 1920, are entitled, while disabled from work, to receive two-thirds of their average earnings, and the allowances not in any case to be less than \$12.50 per week.

NO HUSBANDS FOR 15,000-000 WOMEN BECAUSE OF WAR

Because 35,000,000 lost their lives in Europe and Asia during the world war, 15,000,000 European women will die old maids. These figures are given by Dr. Schweidtmann in the Zeitung Leipzig, and are considered official. For every 1,000 men between the ages of 18 and 45 years there are, in France 1,250 women; in England 1,175; in Italy, 1,225; in Germany, 1,180; and in Austria-Hungary 1,230.

FRENCH LABOR ADOPTS POLICY OF MODERATION

Resolution to Co-operate with Active Revolutionary Party Voted Down.

The French Federation of Labor Saturday adopted a majority declaration of policy by 1,478 votes against 663 for the minority resolution, which declared for the Moscow International and co-operation with the active revolutionary party.

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Month of September Was Turning Point in Industrial Life of the World—Bolshevism Condemned in Great Britain, France, Italy, Germany, United States and Canada.

In all parts of the world labor has arisen and is loud in its condemnation of Bolshevism. Those who saw in the "Russian Bolshevism" a world-wide movement to overthrow constituted governments are sorely disappointed so far as the workers are concerned. During the month of September, as in no other time, labor made its position quite clear.

LABOR GROUP IN ONTARIO LEGISLATURE TO MEET SOON

Mayor MacBride, M.P.P. Brantford, has written a letter to members of the Labor group in the Legislature, suggesting the calling of a meeting to discuss matters. In the course of his communication he says: "In consideration of a certain resolution passed at the Windsor Conference of the Trades Congress of Canada, in which the Government of Ontario was condemned, it has occurred to me that perhaps if the executive of the Trades Congress of Canada and the Labor group in the Legislature were acting in more direct touch with each other a better understanding would prevail."

BRITISH LABOR WOULD HAVE INDUSTRY PACT

The British Trades Union Congress has declared that unemployment should be met by a direct charge on the industry affected, and the responsibility for unemployment should be borne by industry. The decision was made at the annual convention of the congress in London.

BURNING UP CANADA

If the recent fire were not accidental, the burning up of Canada is still the favorite foolishness of the Canadian people.

CAUSES RUN IN PARALLEL LINES

The great cause of fire, and the great cause of disease is the same. Care and cleanliness are the antidotes for fire, as well as the antidotes for disease.

CANADIAN WAGE EARNERS CANNOT BE INDUCED TO RENDER AID TO RUSSIA

Under Pretext of Sending Medical Aid to Soviet Russia Revolutionary Group Call Meetings at Montreal and Winnipeg.

Even camouflage cannot bring Canadian workers into the shadow of Bolshevism. Under the auspices of the "Montreal Committee for Medical Aid for Soviet Russia," a meeting was held in that city last week by the "revolutionary workers of Canada." A similar meeting was also held at Winnipeg. However, if medical supplies are necessary in Soviet Russia, then Lenin and his clique should secure them. Gold is of little concern to the "revolutionary group" of Canadian workers.

C. N. R. and G. T. P. CLERKS SECURE INCREASES

Clerks, freight handlers, station and other employees of the Canadian National Railway and the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway will receive wage increases averaging about 25 per cent, and dating back to May 1, 1920, as a result of negotiations between a committee from the Canadian Brotherhood of Railroad Employees and representatives of the railway companies.

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Another Ballot Being Taken Returnable Oct. 16.

The British coal strike is again postponed. England has a breathing spell, this time until October 16, when the results of a new national ballot, to be taken by every miners' organization in the federation, will be made known.

The postponement was announced after a meeting Friday afternoon of the miners' executive and delegates. At which the colliery owners' latest offer was considered. Tension which had once more reached a snapping point, is consequently relieved, and it is felt that the situation is virtually cleared up. While it is possible that the miners may again suffer a strike, public opinion may have resulted in an appreciable change of viewpoint, particularly as it has been demonstrated that the Government will not compromise.

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