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### WINNIPEG, MAN.

The Young People's Socialist Organization are holding their fifth anniversary this year, date not yet fixed. Comrade Rose will represent party, and speak on this occasion.

The desirability or otherwise of holding a May Day parade was discussed at the last meeting of the Central Committee, and it was decided to get opinion of Trades Council as to whether they co-operate or not. Some of the comrades feel it is time we were doing something to supplement the efforts of the I.L.P. comrades in England, and the minority factors in the other belligerent countries. Other comrades think that it is impossible at the present time. We would like to see an expression of opinion from comrades from all over Canada through the medium of your columns.

The financial statement of the Central Committee showed a deficit of \$273 over assets. A determined effort is being made to reduce this.

The first series of meetings for propaganda purposes will be held in the Labor Temple on Sunday, March 18th, when Comrade Queen will speak upon "Economic Waste Under the Capitalist System." Comrade Veitch will occupy the chair.

The question of sending a delegate to the international conference in June of this year has been referred to the locals for further discussion. We understand the German local has asked the Dominion Executive Committee to act in the matter, and we are waiting a reply. We are going to arrange a meeting for the reports from Comrades Rigg and Queen to their constituents, as to their work in the Legislature and City Hall respectively.

One of the Ruthenian comrades who has just returned from the west reports the urgent need of a permanent organizer for that part of the Dominion, where we believe it will be possible to build up the movement. This comrade was out collecting funds for the Ruthenian paper which the comrades are publishing in Winnipeg. He succeeded in raising \$445.65 during his four weeks' trip. One other comrade obtained \$1,100.00 for the same purpose in the east, and they now have a capital altogether of about \$2,000.00. They have a linotype, and intend publishing twice a week. This is an object lesson for the English comrades, and all we can say to ourselves is "Go thou and do likewise."

The Duke omitted to invite Rigg and Dixon to travel with him in state to Brandon, a matter which Rigg mentioned in the house, remarking that he was content to occupy the same relationship to Government House as Hardie did to Buckingham Palace.

When our time comes we certainly shant forget to invite the Duke to do his bit.

S. J. ROSE.

There can be no real social comradeship without economic comradeship.

### PARTY

## Announcements

The Toronto S.-D.P. Educational Forum have been able to procure the services of

**MR. LUKE NORTH**

to address them on

**APRIL 1st, 1917**

The meeting will take place in  
**The MUSICIANS' TEMPLE**  
at 8 P.M.

Mr. North hails from Los Angeles, California, and is associate editor of *Everyman* (a single tax publication). He is also the leader of the "Great Adventure" movement in that state. Make a special effort to be present and bring your friends

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At the Revelstoke convention of the B.C. Federation of Labor, the statements of Hon. R. B. Bennett, director-general of the National Service Commission, and Hon. T. C. Norris, premier of Manitoba, which imputed base motives to labor officials who dared to question the card registration plan, was discussed.

The convention directed that letters be sent to the parties requesting that they either publicly retract the statements or furnish evidence showing that the remarks were justified.

In accordance with this direction, Secretary A. S. Wells forwarded on February 28th, personal letters to Mr. Bennett and Premier Norris, which read as follows:

"At our last convention held in Revelstoke, B.C., during the present month, the following resolution was passed by a unanimous vote:

"Whereas, Mr. R. B. Bennett, director-general of National Service, and Mr. T. C. Norris, Premier of the Province of Manitoba, have in public meetings stated that the members of organized labor who have opposed the registration scheme of the Dominion Government, were traitors to their country and in the pay of Germany or their agents.

"Therefore be it resolved, That Mr. R. B. Bennett and Mr. T. C. Norris be called upon to make good their charges or retract same."

"As the officers of the Federation have opposed the registration scheme, we would be glad if you will either produce the evidence that will prove your charges as stated above, or, just as publicly as the charges were made, retract the same and apologize to the men who, because they do not see eye to eye with the Government, are condemned by men who hold responsible positions, in an irresponsible manner. I remain, your, A. S. Wells, Secretary-treasurer."

It will be remembered by our readers that the B. C. Federation of Labor voted unanimously against filling in the registration cards, and went on record as opposing all forms of conscription.—Ed.

When a man loses his temper in an argument his arguments are not worth the energy expended in making them.

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