SCHOOL FADS AND FRILLS GET A SOUND RAPPING

Candidate Ball Hits Out at Useless Expenditure by School Board—Mayor Church Urges Big Vote for the Hydro Clean-Up.

Mayor Church at last night's meeting in Roden School, Ashdale avenue, urged the electors to stand solidly behind the tried friends of the Hydro-Electric Commission and solidly against all those interests opposed to the solidification of public ownership enterprises in the city. Ex-Controller Sam McBride, who also spoke, claimed to have stood shoulder to shoulder with Sir Adam Beck in the recent Hydro-Electric clean-up with the Mackenzie-Mann interests, but at the same time he placed himself on record as unequivocally opposed to handing over to the Hydro-Electric or any other body full rights over the Kingston road from West Hill to Queen street. The ex-controller paid tribute to the campaign now being waged by the board of education for more money with which to provide better accommodation for the children. Mayor Church, on the other hand, stated that it was not more money but more educational brains which were needed in the matter, and that a campaign was needed to bring the board of education to its senses.

The mayor ridiculed the statement of Mr. McBride that neither he nor the board of control nor the city council were entitled to any credit for the consummation of the great Hydro-Electric clean-up, and stated that if the representatives of the city council had not repeatedly made demands upon the authorities at Ottawa in connection with the matter Sir Adam Beck would never have been enabled to put the deal over.

Mr. McBride challenged Mayor Church to prove his statement of recent date that he, McBride, had received a tender for a harbor contract from the harbor board at any time without competition. The ex-controller touching upon the bylaws, expressed approval of them all, and was the only speaker present who expressed approval of the daylight saving bylaw.

Victory for Clean-up.

Controller Maguire in a short, pithy address stated his belief that ratepayers' meetings should be held once a month, and members should thus keep a tab upon the aldermen and possible candidates for the following year. He favored all the bylaws, but paid special attention to the clean-up bylaw which he believed the whole of Toronto would vote in as one man. No question, he said, had meant so much to the welfare, present and future, of the city.

The speaker had had the whole matter of the clean-up under investigation for at least eighteen months, and during that time had been in constant touch with Sir Adam Beck. There was no doubt, he said, as to the stand Mayor Church had taken, and the work the mayor had done to bring about the glorious consummation for which sole credit was allotted solely to Sir Adam Beck by those who had not before been particularized by any sense of friendship for him. The Hydro schemes had not cost the Toronto ratepayers a cent in their taxes.

Touching upon the T.S.R., the speaker said that at present power for that system cost $25 per h.p.; after it was taken over by the city this would be reduced to $18. On the 60,000 horsepower used every year for the maintenance of this system, this reduction would be worth consideration.

Sail for Rational Schools.

Ex-Alderman H. H. Ball, candidate for the board of control, strongly championed the cause of public ownership, and also congratulated Rev. H. A. Berlis, candidate for school trustee, for his strong stand against the present campaign for frills and fads. Mr. Ball severely criticized the present school board for spending money upon useless adornments and practices, and failing to spend money upon the most needed improvements in accommodation. He pointed out that altho the school rate in 1918 was only 7¾ mills on the dollar, and the rate for 1920 had risen to 10 mills, the system was in an even worse condition than had been the case years ago. In a strong address the ex-alderman pointed with pride to the deal consummated by Sir Adam Beck co-operating with the city council. He recalled the day when some members in the city council would have bought the Metropolitan system for $590,000, and at the same time have handed over a perpetual franchise to the Mackenzie-Mann interests. He and others in the city council had prevented the consummation of a deal so detrimental to the best interests of the city. Mr. Ball also referred to the plebiscite for assessment reform coming up for vote on January 1, and stated that he was largely responsible for its consideration.

Hammered the Fads.

Rev. H. A. Berlis, candidate for school trustee, was one of the most able and most popular speakers of the evening. He tore the arguments of the fads and frills campaigners into shreds, and ridiculed the institution of a ministry of motherhood and fatherhood, school bathing tanks, school folk-lore, and dancing academies under civic administration, and safety-first leaflets for parents, as useless expenditures, in consideration of the needs of improvements in school accommodation, of baths in the homes, of essentials as against non-essentials in the school curriculum and life of the children at school. Common-sense and free air as against fads and vitiated atmosphere, was his slogan.

Other speakers were: Controller Ramsden, who championed the new administration of the civic abattoir; Ald. Nesbitt, who championed the Hydro-Electric and all the bylaws; Ald. Hiltz, who championed the cause of a municipal hospital; Ald. Baker, who has done much for Ward 8; Harry Ingram, who expects to do much for this ward; ex-Controller Robbins, who, as an expert in T.S.R. matters, and as a champion of all things Hydro-Electric, believes he should again represent the citizens in the council chamber.

SHIPYARD DISPUTE IS COSTLY TO PUBLIC

Estimate Gives $10,000 Per Week as Cost of Dominion Plant Labor Troubles.

An estimate of the cost to Canadian citizens of the labor difficulties at the Dominion Shipbuilding Yards were placed yesterday by one in close touch with the situation, at $10,000 per week. This figure, which includes principally the salary of executives, office workers, time-keepers and other non-mechanical employes, is being borne by the public in consequence of the cost-plus contract under which the work in the yard is being completed.

The overhead of the plant, prior to its assignment some months ago, is declared by the same authority to have been approximately $20,000 per week. The yard at present is practically fully manned as regards executives, and it is stated to be bearing the same overhead that would characterize it when producing to its capacity.

"At the present rate of work, the plant is taking six weeks to accomplish a normal two-days' production," stated a former employe of the yard.

Settlement Not in Sight.

Yesterday, despite considerable activity upon the part of labor union officials and executives of the Collingwood Shipbuilding Company, gave little promise of an early solution of the dispute. The sole development that gave hope of even ultimate adjustment was the despatch thru Mayor Church by the Shipbuilders' Union of a request to Ottawa for a local conference of Premier Meighen, Hon. C. C. Ballantyne and Senator Gideon Robertson.

"We believe that the matter can be settled if we can secure this conference," stated Herbert Wright, business agent of the union.

Messrs. John Leitch, J. McPherson, James Playfair, D. L. White and D. S. Pratt, officers of the Collingwood concern, arrived in town during the day and held various conferences. They announced, however, no modification of their stand.

The labor pickets were on duty at the yards during the morning and reported that 68 hands were engaged in the completion of the work on the vessels.

Dundas Street Garage Man Is Injured by Motor Car

Percy Stevens, who runs a garage at 19 West Dundas street, lies in the General Hospital suffering from a compound fracture of the left leg and bruises and lacerations about the body as a result of being struck by an automobile last night on West Dundas street near Yonge.

Frank Keeler, 137 Gilead avenue, who was driving the car that struck down Steven, reported the accident to the police of West Dundas street station, but was not detained there.

According to the police, Keeler was driving east on Dundas street, when, near Yonge street, Steven suddenly stepped from the sidewalk into the path of the auto. He applied the brakes, but the slippery condition of the street interfered with their effectiveness, with the result that Steven was struck and knocked to the pavement. He was removed to the hospital in a passing automobile.

WHEAT BOARD MANAGER GETS PRESENTATION

A Christmas surprise in the nature of a handsome presentation was made by the staff of the Canadian wheat board yesterday afternoon to their general manager, Mr. R. D. Lewis. The presentation, which was made by Mr. K. Jowett, was a handsome leather club bag, in which reposed a box of cigars and a box of candy for Mrs. Lewis. Miss Gladys Nicholson further added to the Christmas gift by presenting her chief with a kiss, under the mistletoe. The work of the wheat board will terminate after the new year.

CATTLE BUYER DESPONDENT.

Sarnia, Ont., Dec. 22.—Despondent over financial losses, R. D. Delmage, a prominent Lambton cattle buyer, hanged himself in his barn at Camlachie today. He was 55 years of age and married.

CLOTHING NEEDED FOR UNEMPLOYED

Many Men Awaiting Christmas Season Close Before Considering Farm Work.

Overcoats and underclothing are the essential needs of the relief authorities in the city today. It was stated at the Church street depot yesterday afternoon that they were not coming in very fast. As a result many men were still without the things which, outside of their meals, meant everything to them during the coming winter. They expressed their thanks for the benefits conferred upon the community by the weather. Rain was disagreeable, they said, but real cold weather was a condition which would now work untold hardship upon hundreds of men and boys, and many old men at that.

A new light on the present situation was the fact that the plants of the International Nickel Company at both Creighton and Copperclift had closed down, and that easily 1,500 men were let out in consequence. Another plant which employed large numbers had also closed down. This was the Espinola pulp and paper plant at Espinola. Three hundred men were let out at that plant. Many of those let out had made their way to both Toronto and Winnipeg.

Farm work is still short on both supply and demand. It was stated at the government employment bureau yesterday that on an average about 15 men were placed at farm work. There were hundreds of men applying for work every day, but out of this number so far, for some time only this average had been maintained for the farm industry. Rev. J. A. Miller, superintendent of this bureau, stated that the majority of men were waiting for the Christmas season to close before considering farm work, and that very likely after New Year both demand and supply would increase materially.

Majority Are Returned Men.

Yesterday the relief bureau at King street registered only 81 new names for relief as against a total of 202 for the previous day. Returned men, up to the day before yesterday, had comprised 75 per cent. of the total registrations. Yesterday the ratio was practically fifty-fifty, and this brought the average down to 78 per cent. While there were several cases reported of men selling tickets, there were also several cases of men doing the reverse. As, for instance, the case of a young man who was awaiting word and money from home in Montreal, which, arriving, he immediately returned the 90 cents for his day's meals, and also handed two dollars to the relief corps for distribution as the corps saw fit. Or again, take the case of a young man who returned exactly the amount of money his tickets cost the corps.

On the other hand, there was the case of a youth who sold three of his tickets, costing 90 cents altogether, for a place inside a theatre, thus sacrificing three meals. He had no money stored away so far as the authorities were aware. Another case was that of a youth whose parents are large employers in Western Ontario. He took his place in the bread line, and thought it great fun. His viewpoint is different today.

Another case of human interest was that of a man who is an expert showwriting artist up against it very badly. He executed a very fine card illustrating the benefits of a concert which is being held by the bureau.

Criticism assails the civic end of the relief from many quarters.

No Discrimination.

"Let me assure you that the bakery companies referred to have no reason for the criticisms they have leveled against this department respecting the apportioning of bread sales tickets. I may tell you that tickets are now being prepared in the printing press which, when given out to the 3,000 odd families affected by the present unemployment situation, will be redeemable at any bakery and for bread baked by any baking company. It was only natural that during the stress of the first movement of relief of distress in the city recourse was had to the most expeditious means of getting bread to the hundreds of families affected. We even then decided that just as soon as we had time to perfect details we would leave it to the families to choose bread from companies they dealt with or liked best."

This was the statement given out to The World yesterday afternoon by Dr. Mills, of the health department, who is in charge of the civic end of the relief work in the city. The statement was made in reply to criticisms made by certain company managements that tickets for bread issued by the city relief section were issuable only for bread made by one firm. The critic in the case, W. J. Carruthers, of the Ideal Co., told The World yesterday that in former years tenders for relief work and for the House of Industry had been given to several companies. The statement of the civic chief of relief work in the city will present the situation clearly, and will relieve any anxiety bakery companies may have had in the matter.

Work for Electricians.

Within a short period, possibly by the end of the year, about a hundred electricians who are out of work will receive employment. The citizens' unemployment committee, on motion of Mr. J. T. Gunn, recently asked the Hydro inspection department to make an inspection of old buildings to see if they were electrically up to the requirements. This is being done, and it is expected that the changes necessitated will give work to all the electricians who are now idle.

The citizens' unemployment committee did not hold its regular daily meeting today, but will convene this afternoon. The committee has so far received little promise of industrial work.

LOCAL HOLDS ELECTION.

Officers elected for the coming year by the Builders' Laborers' Union are: President, J. Worthy; vice-president, James Patterson; treasurer, S. Garland; recording secretary, W. Collins; financial secretary, C. Hunter; assistant secretary, H. Bailey; auditors, Messrs. J. Piston, and H. Anthony; trustees, Messrs. J. Picton, J. York and J. Patterson.

JOHN DOUGHTY GETS CONTROL OF ESTATE

John Doughty's estate was returned to him yesterday by virtue of an order made by Justice Hodgins at Osgoode Hall. This order will discharge the Chartered Trust Co. as trustees of the estate and restore complete control to Ambrose Small's former secretary.

It will issue upon an amendment to the affidavit of service upon Mrs. Doughty of the notice to set aside the absentee order made by Justice Kelly last October. An affidavit by Miss Jean Doughty identifies her brother, now in the Toronto jail, as the man whose estate was placed in charge of the trust company by the court order.

RUSSIAN FARMER SOVIET EMPLOYE

Victor Grant, Traveler, Tells Massey Hall Audience of Bolshevism.

Victor Grant, traveler and lecturer, speaking at Massey Hall last night, said that despicable Bolshevism has so changed Russia that there is no free speech, and owing to Lenine's exactions the farmer has become a Soviet employe in the city. Salt is $35 an ounce and bread $500 a pound. Lenine's following is only 800,000 and the entire population 180,000,000, yet he seeks to dominate not only Russia, but the world. That Lenine's doctrine is finding fertile soil in disaffected parts of England was the statement of the speaker. Sinn Fein, he stated, represented neither Catholic nor Protestant Ireland.

Mr. Grant, in concluding his address, said that legislation would effect nothing until a better feeling prevailed among the nations and classes. The master must see that the laborer is worthy of his hire. We must play the game, was his assertion, and learn the doctrine, "Love thy neighbor as thyself." Canada has much to be grateful for, and its people should try to appreciate the struggles of the old country and the difficulties of that great statesman, David Lloyd George.

BOYS ENTERTAINED BY ROTARY CLUB

Three Hundred Youngsters Enjoy Dinner and Diversified Entertainment.

The Rotary Club acted as host to 300 members of the Parliament Street Boys' Club, youngsters of from 5 to 14 years of age, last night. The boys were marshaled at St. Lawrence Market and marched to the Pompeian room on the third floor of the King Edward Hotel, which was beautifully decorated for the occasion.

The boys enjoyed a dinner in which turkey, ice cream and cake were leading features, and a number of prominent Toronto citizens, members of the club, acted as waiters, including the following: George O'Neill, R. U. Stone, Bert Applegath, Morden Nellson, W. Randall, Dr. F. A. Campbell, Fred. Brigden, F. H. Littlefield, Dr. Paul, Frank Goforth, Percy Milnes, R. Stockwell, George Scroggie, Max. Hodgman, Holt Gurney, R. J. W. Barker, M. A. Clarke, Frank Stollery, W. J. Carnahan, W. Ingram, E. A. Blackhall, John Ferguson, and F. Potter.

R. E. Patterson was chairman and he made the boys feel thoroly at home. Others who addressed them were Norman Tovell, Harry G. Stanton, and Taylor Statten of the boys' department of the Y.M.C.A. Millard F. Gibson was in charge of the entertainment which followed. This included a musical skit, in which J. C. Williams, Bert Trestrail, R. F. Coryell, H. Mosher and Roland Roberts participated, and a recitation of the perennial, "Casey at the Bat," by Charles Downey.

A vote of thanks was moved by one of the boys, D'Alton McCarthy, and seconded by another, John Silverstone.

Each boy present was given a bank book showing a deposit of one dollar, a presentation speech being made by C. D. Gordon, manager of the Dominion Bank. A member of the club, who desired that his name be withheld, announced that he would give $100 to the boy who, a year hence, could show the largest percentage of savings out of earnings. As each boy left, he was given a canvas bag containing candy, nuts and oranges.

The music for the evening was supplied by Mosher's orchestra.

HOLIDAY SEASON INCREASES TRAFFIC

Railways Report Heavy Passenger Trains to Montreal and New York.

Union Station was a very busy place all day today, the in and out of town passenger traffic being much above previous years, especially the passenger service to Quebec and Montreal, where the prospects of a "wet" Christmas has attracted many travelers.

All the company's report brisk business, while many local residents have made the journey to New York and California. Passengers from the townships and counties in the province have greatly increased this year, and it was stated that the numbers who had visited the city from all parts for purely shopping purposes have exceeded all expectations, while on some local trains extra carriages had to be put on to cope with the increased passenger traffic.

Two Bank Messengers Robbed In Crowded Los Angeles Street

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 22.—A thief snatched a satchel containing $75,000 in checks and $6,500 in cash from two bank messengers today on a street crowded with thousands of Christmas shoppers and escaped.

DENIES VETERANS BEING EXPLOITED

Firm Whose Name Was Not Mentioned Has Now Issued Challenge.

Adverting to recent criticism of hosiery sold by its canvassers, given publicity in the press, the agency referred to was yesterday morning visited by The World. There in an interview with the manager, himself a returned soldier, it was learned that 55 ex-service men are employed by this firm, and that these men were taken from the ranks of the unemployed ex-service men, Sergeant-Major Crighton of the city hall having arranged for their employment as canvassers. The manager has issued the following challenge to the public with specific reference to the critics of a few days ago:

"We absolutely defy anyone to prove that the children's pure cashmere hosiery which we are selling thru our returned men from door to door contains any materials other than the highest grade of pure botany yarns from highly selected wool tops.

"And furthermore, we will forfeit $500 to any charity if the line of children's hosiery which we are selling is anything but pure wool."

In this connection the manager of the store stated that the result of publicity given to what he termed unwarranted criticism had had the effect of drawing off public demand, and therefore very directly affecting the chances of honest ex-service men out of employment of freeing themselves from the humiliation of seeking charity.

It is well to add that the assistant secretary of the Toronto G.W.V.A. did not specify this class of article nor any firm selling the article in the interview he held with The World a few days ago. His remarks were given in a very general sense, but with reference to the subscriptions for publications which were either out of print or which had never been in print. He had not seen the hosiery referred to, therefore could not make any criticism as to its value.

WOULD KNOW STRENGTH OF MUSCULAR ORGANS

Testing the strength of the muscular organs of the body is now the subject of researches being conducted by Dr. H. A. Cates and Dr. Miss Murrick, who have set themselves the task at the Toronto University of attempting to measure the relative muscular action and weight of strength of individual muscles of the body.

These experiments, which have been going on for some time, are being watched with keen interest by the medical faculty, as it is considered that when the fixed maximum strength of each individual muscle has been established and its isolated power measured up, the cause of medical and surgical science will have achieved in a great measure the solution of from what elements muscular power is derived from individual organs.

The experiments are being conducted at Hart House, where many students have offered themselves for examination in order to assist in the tests.

ALDERMEN QUALIFY FOR THE ELECTION

Board of Education Acclamations in Wards Four, Six and Seven.

Very few of the candidates for civic honors who were nominated on Tuesday had failed to qualify when the time for filing qualification declarations expired at nine o'clock last night.

There will be contests in every ward for aldermanic honors, and also for the board of education, with the exception of Wards 4, 6 and 7, where the elections have been by acclamation. For the council all the nominees qualified in Wards 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6. C. W. Mogridge dropped out in Ward 3 and will run in Ward 4, and in Ward 7 those qualifying were Ryding, Whetter, Chisholm, Davy and Simpson. In Ward 8, Lennox alone did not qualify. There are, therefore, 60 candidates running in the eight wards for aldermen.

Mrs. Glen Fails.

All the candidates for the board of education qualified in Wards 2, 3, 5 and 8. In Ward 1, Wauchope dropped out. The acclamation in Ward 6 was brought about by the failure of Mrs. Dorothy Glen to qualify. The municipal act says the names of candidates must be on the last revised assessment roll as payers of school rates. Mrs. Glen's name is not on the roll.

Some time ago her husband assigned to her the property at 58 Melbourne avenue, to enable her to qualify, but the transfer was made too late to be entered on the last assessment roll. Mrs. Glen had appealed to the county judge to have her name placed on the roll, but Judge Denton took the view that he had authority only to add her name to the voters' list, which he did. She then appealed to the city authorities and the city solicitor ruled that additions could not be made to the roll at this time.

In Ward 4 John McClelland and Miss Constance Boulton are elected trustees by acclamation, and in Ward 7 Mrs. Groves and F. R. Edmunds are elected by acclamation. Trustees Stanley Brown and J. S. Laxton, therefore, go back by acclamation. Mr. Brown has been representing Ward 2, but he switched this year to Ward 6, to leave a vacancy for Trustee Hambly in Ward 2, his old constituency.

A FOUR-INCH EGG.

An English subscriber sends word that a poultry-keeper at Willesborough (Kent) has had from one of his hens an egg weighing three ounces. It is four inches long and six and a half inches in circumference. It was laid by a hen which is crossed bewteen a Houdan and a Black Orpington.

MARKS FOR MEMBERS' FOR GOOD ATTENDANCE

The members of council are entitled to marks for attendance in 1920 with the exception of a couple who were out of the city for some weeks and another who has been sick. During the year 25 meetings of council were held. Following is the record of attendance:

Mayor, 25; Cameron, 23; Gibbons, 22; Maguire, 25; Ramsden, 24; Baker, 24. Beamish, 24; Birdsall, 23; Blackburn, 25 Burgess, 24; Cowan, 23; Hamilton, 23; Hiltz, 23; Honeyford, 23; F. M. Johnston, 18; F. W. Johnston, 25; MacGregor, 21; Maher, 15; Maxwell, 23; Miskelly, 14; Nesbitt, 21; Phinnemore, 25; Plewman, 24; Risk, 19; Ryding, 18. Singer, 24; Sykes, 25; Whetter, 25; Winnett, 24.

MOTOR DEALERS WANT TAX REBATE

Complain They Have Prepaid Luxury Tax Public Will Not Return.

The motor car dealers are up in arms over the ruling of the government that no rebate will be made of luxury taxes paid by them on cars still in their hands. When this tax was imposed, the condition was made in the case of motors, as in musical instruments, that the tax would have to be paid by the manufacturer. This has been done and the manufacturer has passed the burden along to the dealers, who in turn added it to the price of cars sold to the public. Many dealers, especially in the big cities, carry large stocks of cars, and consequently some of them have as much as $25,000 tied up in advances on account of the luxury tax, which they cannot now collect from the public. The Automobile Dealers' Association has taken the matter up and a big delegation will go to Ottawa on the 29th inst. to impress upon the government the predicament in which the dealers are placed. If the government adheres to its ruling, it will mean an almost ruinous loss to some of them.

Special trains will carry the dealers to Ottawa on the 29th from east and west, and it is believed the deputation will number at least 500. They will have a conference with Sir Henry Drayton.

UNEMPLOYED MEN WILL BARADE TODAY

A demonstration by Toronto's unemployed men will be held this afternoon. The affair is being to a large extent promoted by ex-service men, it is said, but a general invitation to unemployed men to participate has been given. The men will gather in Queen's Park at 1.30 p.m., and will march to the Labor Temple.

DETECTIVE ON A TRIP.

Detective-Sergt. Frank Wickett left last night for St. John, N.B., to bring back O. H. Grimstead, of Chicago, on a charge of theft of an automobile, the property of Ernest Rankin, 601 Spading avenue.

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OFFER OVERTURES TO NORTH TORONTO

Mayor Prepared to Meet People With View to Reaching Understanding.

An effort is being made by Ald. Risk to have the leaders of the secessionist movement in North Toronto meet the board of control. Mayor Church said yesterday that he was prepared to meet the North Toronto people and, if possible, come to an understanding. He was opposed to secession, and he feared that the movement would prejudice the bill confirming the transportation clean-up. It would not be good business for Toronto to go to the legislature with two rival bills, one for secession and the other for the clean-up on Yonge street in North Toronto.

The secessionist movement, said the mayor, will hurt the clean-up deal and will not help North Toronto. Transportation was the key to the whole North Toronto situation. It was the intention of the city to go ahead and double-track Yonge street and pave it. He would be willing to go ahead with urgent improvements at once and, in fact, to treat North Toronto in a generous way. They had a great residential district up there which the clean-up deal and better transportation would develop.

HELD ON O.T.A. CHARGE.

Fannie Tinzon, 175 West Dundas street, was arrested last night by P. C. Clarkson, (537), on a charge of selling liquor illegally under the O.T.A. The woman is alleged to have sold Clarkson a small pop bottle of alcohol. A search of the house is said to have revealed an additional quart of the liquid.

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UNSUCCESSFUL BI

The names of the u tenderers for the Engli limits were announced ye new departure for the g It was felt that it would public interests to give t out. The names and the a are as follows: Geo. M New York, $25,000; Nati Co., New York, $5,000, Pendleton, Red Gap, B. C The successful tenderer, Backus, as already annou $50,000.

Premier Drury also gave view to The World yesterd ing the sale of the limits.

"It will be a matter of m faction," he said, "to the Ontario that the departmen and forests has succeeded i at a complete solution of tion which has for years industrial stagnation in t of Kenora, and quite recent the town to the verge of b Now that a large and thriv ry is assured, the commun believe, enter upon an era perous development, whi fail to contribute to the the whole province.

"The situation with whic partment had to deal was, least, very difficult and c just before the war brok late government sold by Lake of the Woods pulp li E. W. Backus, coupled wit dition that he would establ pulp industry at Kenora. ditions and international tions as to the water supp ed the development. The t

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SOCIALISM IS CU JOBLESS ARE

Several Hundred Me From Queen's Par Labor Temple.

"DIRECT ACTION"

A highly-colored prese the case for socialism, wa to some 400 unemployed m the anticipation of further for their own relief, atten day afternoon's unemplo demonstration in Queen's P speakers all stated frankl gathering their socialistic and, in the process of t their views, referred to th solution for the present si "The desire was to exp worker his position and just where he stood." wa per in which one speaker the object of the organize meeting.

In view of the chilly w swept Queen's Park, the following its assembling, a the Labor Temple. There ed to the message of pro alists in the Toronto Tra movement, and accorded ceptions to the sentiments several of the gathering l following the speech of peaker and, after the thi ded, the tendency towar dus was so great as to ca appeal from the chairman tic sympathizers, however predominant element in t and expressed their appro speakers by calling for "di and the "One Big Union."

Calls For Force

Herbert Lewis, busines the Machinists' Union, gav

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OWEN SOUND WO DIES, AGED 105

Owen Sound, Ont., Dec. 2 Brown, the oldest resident ject and probably the oldes died at noon today within of being 105 years of age. in Yorkshire, Eng., on Janu and on the death of her hus Canada with her five childre new home in a then very ne Brown had the distinction o first at the coronation of Q in 1837. A week ago she f ing about the house, and from the shock. She is sur son and three daughters, Brown and Miss Julia Brow She made her home, and Kennedy, wife of a promin civil engineer. Until her was enjoying excellent hea

OBSERVES 100TH BI

Ottawa, Dec. 23.—Mrs. Percy, of Colborne, On celebrated her 100th birth with in good health and active. Mrs. McElrry wa Ottawa on December 2, 18 the distinction of having t white child born in the v