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**PREMIUM SYSTEM IS OPPOSED BY ORGANIZED LABOR**  
**Shipyards Workers Along Atlantic Coast Are Experiencing Trouble Over This System.**  
 Shipyards workers along the Atlantic coast are experiencing some trouble with the new yards, where the officials are trying to introduce a premium system. The Hog Island Yard is one place where this system is held up before the men.  
 The system is to give a man or a group of men a certain space to do, and they will get so much for doing it. The amount is set by a rate setter, and if you are not satisfied you can go to the foreman, and if he feels like allowing you any more for the job, he will do it, but can you imagine what objections the last man on the job will make against any rate that is set for them? Or what they will be willing to do the work for. If this system should prevail it will be dog eat dog.  
 Many of the members are not giving the proper support toward resisting this system. They can only see the immediate relief in the way of a dollar or two they might receive for the time being. It seems they are unable to see the dishonest and degrading effect it has on men who work under these systems and at the present time charges are being investigated where it is held that the foremen have been receiving presents from some of the men so that they might get jobs that pay the highest price, also that they may receive higher prices on their work.  
 With these things going on, besides the dishonest methods of the management in the reduction of established rates of prices, it is hard to see why men are willing to encourage such systems.  
 Many of the men believe labor organizations are opposed to these systems because employers hold it is done to restrict production. Such is not true. It is opposed for the reason that it is dishonest and degrading, and the additional reason that it affords opportunity to the foremen to favor his friends and punish his enemies. It is not the purpose of labor organizations to assist in obtaining better pay for its members and to secure better working conditions, but they are pledged to work for the uplift and conservation of humanity and to make a better people. There are many reasons why Organized Labor should oppose these systems.—Blacksmiths Journal.

**UNION BETWEEN CO-OPS AND TRADE UNIONISTS IS STRENGTHENED**  
 Unity between the co-operative movement and trade unionism in Great Britain has been strengthened because of the nine-days' nation-wide railroad strike which started September 26 last. Certain railway companies withheld strikers' wages and several co-op societies stepped in and supplied these workers with credit. The strike was ended before this plan was generally applied, but the matter was discussed at a meeting of the local point advisory council of trade unionists and co-operatives. It was agreed that the national advisory council should immediately secure a national agreement with the unions representing workers engaged in the production and distribution of food, with the co-op movement as the food distributing agency to trade unionists and members of the co-op, societies and to establish trade union and co-op emergency committees to make this decision effective.  
 The co-op societies are now supplying food to iron molders who are on strike for wage conditions.

**TEXAS EDITOR SAYS OPEN SHOP FUNDAMENTAL TENANT OF I.W.W.**  
 The Fort Worth, Tex. Star-Telegram declares against the anti-union wage in that state that is being cloak by the so-called "open shop." The editor says: "We want no such movement in Fort Worth, for to start such a movement is simply beginning an aggressive fight on trade unions. It is a fundamental tenant of the I.W.W. that the workers should have no contracts with the employers, but enforce conditions by strikes whenever they have the power. The system of contract between employers and organized workmen is the system of industrial peace. We must not join with the I.W.W. in declaring against that system."

**ALBERT THOMAS FRENCH LABORITE HEADS LABOR BOARD**  
 At the closing session of the international labor conference at Washington, Albert Thomas, French laborite, was chosen director general of the international labor office, with headquarters at the seat of the league of nations.  
 The labor conference made several recommendations regarding the welfare of workers which will be considered by the various nations affiliated with the league of nations. The international labor office will compile statistics and carry on an education in behalf of declarations of the conference, which was attended by representatives of nearly two score of governments, and employers and employed of those countries.  
 The union label signifies the application in industrial life of those rules which every good citizen applies in individual life.

**PURPOSE OF BRITISH NATIONAL INDUSTRIAL CONFERENCE BLOCKED**  
 The British national industrial conference, called by Premier Lloyd George last February, has not lived up to its widely advertised purpose to settle industrial unrest.  
 The conference included representatives of employers and employed. A joint committee was appointed and among the declarations was a demand for legislation that would establish a universal 48-hour week. The full conference accepted this declaration. Now the government wants to exclude agricultural workers, seamen, the police and other persons. The trade union section of the joint committee has refused to continue, under these circumstances, and is arranging to meet the employers' section of the committee. If satisfaction cannot be secured the workers will insist that the national industrial conference be again convened.

**COLLEGE GRADUATES FORM TRADE UNION FOR PROTECTION**  
**N.Y. Technical Graduates Learn That Not Exclusiveness But Co-operation Wins Success.**  
 There is an impression that the technical professions are very well paid. Young men by thousands are fitting themselves to become mechanical, electrical, and civil engineers.  
 But there are so many young technical graduates that they cannot obtain adequate pay and hence they create a kind of educated proletariat. In New York they have been so underpaid by profiteering employers that they have organized a trades union and are asking salary increases of \$500 a year.  
 This affects 3,100, including junior engineering assistants, chemists, architects and inspectors in engineering work. The present college system tends toward an over-supply of educated workers and a killing competition among them.  
 If young men realized how poorly paying the technical professions are, especially at the outset, far less would go to college but would enter the more remunerative and useful trades.  
 The value of college education is greatly overestimated. Now that the workers are well paid, there is not the reason that formerly existed for spending four years and several thousand dollars for something that no longer guarantees a good income with relief from hard work.  
 In breaking with all college traditions and lining up with the working people the young technical graduates of New York have learned that not exclusiveness, but co-operation wins success.

**CHICAGO CO-OPERATIVE CONFERENCE MOST REMARKABLE ONE**  
 The recent co-operative conference in Chicago was the most remarkable gathering of its kind ever held in the United States. Representatives of Organized Labor, the railway brotherhoods, co-op societies and organized farmers were present, and every speaker emphasized the necessity of unity between these forces. President Gompers forwarded this message: "May I say that the American Federation of Labor is whole heartedly with you in your work for co-operation, both in buying and selling, and trust that it may grow and expand."

**LABOR BUREAU REPORTS BUTCHERS' WAGES ARE LOW**  
 In a 1,000-page volume, the United States bureau of labor statistics has compiled wages and hours of labor in the slaughtering and meat packing industry in this country for the year 1917.  
 It is shown that 3,441 workers were employed as cattle killers and that 49 per cent, or approximately one-half, were paid under 27 1/2 cents an hour and only 1 per cent were paid 60 cents an hour or over.  
 The report shows that 62 of the 74 establishments which pay employees weekly have employees who slaughter cattle.

**MONTREAL CARPENTERS ADVANCED 7 1/2 CENTS ON DECEMBER 1ST**  
 Starting with the first of the month carpenters at Montreal have been paid 67 1/2 cents an hour. After a several weeks' strike they returned to work at the old scale of 60 cents with the understanding that they would be advanced 7 1/2 cents on December 1.

**HON. WALTER ROLLO NOT IN FAVOR OF CLASS LEGISLATION**  
**Before Becoming Ontario's Minister of Labor He Was Editor of Hamilton Labor News.**  
 Hon. Walter Rollo, Hamilton, who was recently selected as minister of labor in the new Ontario government, has for some time been editor of the Labor News and much of the success of the labor candidates at the last Ontario election was due to his hard work and splendid organizing ability.  
 The new minister of labor is unassuming, clear-sighted and thoroughly dependable. He takes the surprising victory of the farmers and labor men calmly, realizing that their work is just beginning. He agrees with his chief, Premier Drury, that there will be no class legislation under the new regime and although most of the new party are inexperienced in legislative work, he feels that the platform of the Independent Labor party will have a material effect in simplifying things.  
 Mr. Rollo is 44 years of age and until he became editor of the Labor News was a broom maker. He was born in Scotland, but came to Canada in 1882 and since he was a young lad has made his living by sheer hard work. For 23 years he has been in the labor movement and has held every office in the local union at Hamilton and the same in the Trades and Labor Council. He has been secretary of the latter body for the past 10 years and has been a representative from Hamilton at 10 conventions. He was active in forming the Labor party in 1907 and was president of the organization.  
 The first work of the newly formed party was the election of Allan Studholme. Mr. Rollo strongly favors technical schools or the training of children in Ontario.  
 Mr. Rollo said that he had never cast a partisan vote but always supported the best man.  
 Mr. and Mrs. Rollo are very unassuming people and have no wish to become social leaders. Their minds are occupied after their home with the service they can render others.

**W. VA. MINERS ASK FOR FEDERAL INVESTIGATION**  
 Organized Miners of West Virginia have asked for a federal investigation of conditions in the Guyan valley coal fields.  
 The resolutions declare that coal owners in that section compel miners "to work under the most inhuman and unjust conditions; that the miners are denied the right to have their coal weighed; that they are paid wages greatly below those paid in the union fields," and that "the operators of the Guyan valley, now and for some years past, have maintained a private army of thugs and gunmen for the purpose of preventing any attempts of the men to organize into a union."  
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