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A WEEKLY NEWS LETTER.

Halifax Citizen Assisting in the Campaign of Destruction.

When the Canadian Labor Press a few weeks ago drew attention to an O.B.U. falsehood that found its way into the columns of the Halifax Citizen we were of the opinion that the official organ of the Halifax Trades and Labor Council had merely made a serious error. However, subsequent events would lead one to believe that the Halifax Citizen has joined the forces that seek to destroy the International Trades Union movement.

MORE O.B.U. YARNS.

In its last issue the Citizen published many stories emanating from One Big Union sources, namely, the B. C. Federationist and the Searchlight. For the benefit of the Halifax Citizen and some others we offer this information. The B. C. Federationist is the official organ of the One Big Union in British Columbia, and the Searchlight is the official organ of the miners' section of the One Big Union.

O.B.U. NEEDS FUNDS.

Readers of the Canadian Labor Press are well informed on the policies of the One Big Union. At the Port Arthur convention held in September of this year it was learned that the O.B.U. was a dead issue in the West. Its funds are exhausted and if it is to continue to preach class warfare it must secure funds. As the vast majority of its members refuse to contribute to its expensiveness it must seek new battlefields. Having a knowledge of recent events in the East it is natural that the O.B.U. would attack on this front.

In the last issue of the Citizen its editor states that it is a "free and independent paper," excusing the O.B.U. propaganda that appears in its columns. An O.B.U. falsehood, emanating from an O.B.U. writer, at Windsor, found its way into the columns of the Citizen a few weeks ago, and we drew attention to the fact. Apparently this was but the beginning for an almost every page of its last issue we find O.B.U. propaganda.

SECESSION!

Dangerous propaganda indeed is being carried on against the International Trades Union movement. In these stressful times of peace when we are preparing to combat the "open shop" campaign of the employers we have those self-styled leaders of the "working class" come forward, and preach secession. The Halifax Citizen is assisting in the campaign and submits a secession proposal from the Searchlight for the "careful consideration" of its readers.

Some few weeks ago the Searchlight was responsible for the statement that the Nova Scotia miners were ready to throw the United Mine Workers of America into disarray. The editor of the Searchlight is a former resident of Nova Scotia and the Citizen says he "is in touch with some of the leading officials of the Miners' Union in Nova Scotia." The story from the Searchlight is produced in its entirety and the Citizen submits it for "careful consideration" to its readers, stating that it is "home news from abroad with a vengeance."

MINERS IGNORED.

The office of the United Mine Workers of District 28 is within telephonic distance of the Halifax Citizen and it was the duty of the Citizen, as an International Trades Union newspaper, to communicate with the officials of that organization. If the Citizen still insisted on publishing the O.B.U. yarn then why in the name of all the International Trades Union movement stands for did it not combine with it a declaration from the officials of District 28?

We are co...nced more than ever that Lennie has his agents in Halifax.

LABOR'S POWER IN POLITICS.

In Canada the workers have an entirely different political policy than the American Federation of Labor. However, the following editorial from the columns of the Christian Science Monitor, an independent, international newspaper, gives an unbiased opinion of the political position of the workers in this country.

"A casual review of the activities of the American Federation of Labor in the present political campaigns in the United States must tend to convince even the most confirmed partisan of whatever political faith of the power of the great mass of American voters who maintain and exercise the right to vote as they see fit, despite the dictation in favor of one party. It is doubtful if ever heretofore in the history of national and state campaigns in the United States there has been a more complete and determined non-partisan voting unit as that which now seems to be voluntarily committed to the purpose of defeating those whose records, in Congress and out, are not approved by the affiliated labor unions. The few conservative leaders who regarded the action of Samuel Gompers and other American Federation of Labor officials in refusing to co-operate in the campaign outlined by the Farmer-Labor Party at the bipartisan convention in Chicago as disloyal to labor, were almost unanimous in forecasting the failure of the non-partisan plans of the Federation. They were still apparently obsessed with the belief that partisan power is the only potent power in politics or at the polls. They failed to recognize the fact, perfectly apparent to Mr. Gompers and his immediate lieutenants, that in nearly every national election in the United States within the last quarter of a century at least, as well as in many of the state and congressional districts in the north-east and west, the results have been dictated by the unattached or non-partisan element. This unattached or non-partisan element has often been found to constitute the balance of voting strength.

"It is no doubt, true that never in the history of American politics has this unattached, or non-partisan, element been so great, numerically, as at the present time. This increasing strength was apparent long before the enfranchisement of the women of the United States, though it will probably be proved that the addition of this great independent mass of voters has multiplied, many times, the power of the unorganized or non-partisan voting forces. It may be true, and probably is true, that while the appeals of so-called class voters in the past have frequently been unheeded by those who assumed the right to direct and dictate partisan politics and platforms, it is equally a fact that in the final analysis, especially in congressional elections, which in recent years have included the popular election of United States senators, the appeal for party solidarity and party loyalty has usually been effective. The time has come, in the estimation of labor, when this partisan appeal should no longer be heeded. Labor leaders point to a record of alleged broken promises, made in the name of the workers, and the great mass of voters allied with the labor unions have apparently become convinced that they have been unfairly dealt with by the national legislators. For the moment it is not to be considered whether their conclusion is correct or otherwise. It is sufficient to realize that in many pre-election contests it has been made apparent that those in whose behalf the claim has been made were satisfied that it was well founded. A recent indication of this sort, cited by labor leaders

ARMY AND NAVY VETERANS FOR TEMPERANCE.

Present prohibition acts in Canada do not meet with the approval of the Dominion Command of the Army and Navy Veterans in Canada. The national convention in session at Victoria last week declared that it was unanimously resolved that the convention is not in favor of prohibition, but it is a strong advocate of temperance.

QUEBEC APPOINTS FUEL ADMINISTRATOR.

Quebec is the first province to name a fuel administrator under the provisions of the recent order of the Board of Railway Commissioners, which make it optional for a province to take this step to provide for conservation of fuel. The administrator for the province is J. W. Lewis, who was provincial fuel controller before, when Dominion control was exercised by C. A. McGrath.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS HAS BEEN SUCCESS.

John W. Davis, United States Ambassador to England, declared in a speech at Cooper Union, New York, last week, that the League of Nations up to the present time has been entirely successful. "It was never designed to take over and solve by mere magic the multiplied troubles which the great war has brought," he said. "It has worked no miracles, but for an organization so newly born it has fully justified the highest hopes of its founders."

SUGAR ORDER MADE PERMANENT.

The Government's order-in-council suspending the order of the Board of Commissioners affecting the price and importation of sugar, issued October 13, the effect of which was to restrict the importation into Canada of cheap American sugar, has been made permanent. As a result, there is no barrier against buying sugar wherever it can be secured at the lowest price.

CANADIAN PRINTERS' INCREASES.

(I.T.U. Journal.)
Winnipeg, Man.—Board of arbitration has settled the wages of the job printers. The men are to receive \$44 a week for day work and \$41 for night work. This is an advance of \$9 a week over the old schedule and reverts to June 1. The 44-hour week is retained. Recently the newspaper competitors and the management decided on a scale of \$45 for day men and \$48 for night men.

Sydney, N.S.—Newspaper, book and job—Handmen, operators, \$22. Eight hours. The contract covers a period of six months—July 1, 1920, to December 31, 1920. Increase—Newspaper, book and job—Handmen, \$7; operators, \$5.
St. John's, Nfld.—Newspaper, book and job (day)—Handmen, operators, \$21. (Night)—Handmen, operators, \$22. Eight hours, day or night. The contract covers a period of one year—July 1, 1920, to June 30, 1921, and provides for the inauguration of the forty-four-hour week in job offices on May 1, 1921. Increase—Newspaper, book and job (day and night)—July 1, 1920, \$6; October 1, 1920, \$1; January 1, 1921, \$1.

CANADIAN MERCHANT SHIPS WILL CARRY PASSENGERS.

The Canadian Government Merchant Marine, Limited, will enter the passenger business. It was announced at the company's office at Montreal this week. The passenger business will begin in January next to the Bahamas, Jamaica and British Honduras from St. John N. B. Each of the Government vessels will have accommodations for 30 passengers, the remainder of the space being reserved for cargo. The vessels allotted to this new venture are the Canadian Farmer and the Canadian Fisher, now nearing completion at Three Rivers, and are to be ready to sail before the ice closes river traffic.

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