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## ORGANIZATION OF SHIRT WORKERS TO BE UNDERTAKEN

Throughout U.S. and Canada By Amalgamated Clothing Workers

By Ira W. Bird

(Written for The Federated Press.)  
New York—Organization of the shirt workers of the United States and Canada is to be undertaken by an extensive campaign by the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, according to an announcement by the international office of the union in New York City. It is planned to reach more than 50,000 unorganized shirt workers through literature and mass meetings during the next three months.

August Bellanca, member of the general executive board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, is in charge of the organization drive. A large staff of organizers will be assigned to work in the shirt manufacturing centres of the United States and Canada. Two organizers are to be stationed in Troy and Albany, New York, the centre of a shirt

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# The Woman's Page

## HIGH TARIFF OF NO USE IN FREE TRADE MARKET

"Buy in Canada" Slogan Is Subject of Argument on the Tariff Question

In regard to a recent article in *Woman's Century* dealing with the "Buy in Canada" slogan, the editor of the *Countrywoman's* page in the *Grain Growers' Guide* makes the following comment. *Woman's Century* says "look at our neighbors, the United States, Australia, and New Zealand. They are all like Canada, lands of great spaces depending as much, if not more, on agriculture, for their national life, as on city industries or commerce. And they are all fortified with high tariffs."

"That might be a convincing argument to 'Quadrach,' as the writer in *Woman's Century* is termed by the writer in the *Grain Growers' Guide*, but some of the rest of us are from Missouri and have to be shown.

The editor in the *Grain Growers' Guide* goes on to say: "Quadrach thinks that there is always someone around the corner to exploit the Canadian consumer and it might as well be the Canadian manufacturer as anyone else. Quadrach and *Woman's Century* are terribly frightened that by taking the tariff away from the Canadian manufacturer the Canadian consumer will buy from the American manufacturer who is protected."

"It is a queer logic. Consumers are not fools even if they have stood for exploitation for the last forty years, but they usually have sense enough to purchase the thing they want in the cheapest market. Quadrach refers us to the Canadian exports of agricultural implements, and names Australia and New Zealand, countries 'all fortified with high tariffs' in Quadrach's own words."

"Doesn't it look as if the Canadian manufacturer were doing a little unnecessary exploiting of the Canadian consumer when he can export his product to a country that has a high tariff wall to climb and then be satisfied to have his product sell for a smaller figure than it does in Canada, the country in which it was manufactured?"

"That the United States and other countries have a high tariff if they are exporting countries and we are the consumers of their product does not matter to us since we are not helping their manufacturers to exploit us. They would simply have to compete for our custom on our free trade basis, in which their tariffs would not help them in the least."

"How can Canada's high tariff directly help her manufacturers when they compete in the English free trade market? That is a place where Canada's tariff is of absolutely no use to her, and how the American tariff could any more help the American manufacturer should he have to compete in a free trade Canadian market, is beyond our understanding."

Manufacturing field in which there are more than 20,000 shirt workers; two will be assigned to Baltimore and vicinity, where there are 10,000 shirt workers; one to New Jersey and Long Island, to co-operate with the big staff of the New York Joint Board of the shirt workers' unions; two will work in Schuylkill County, Pennsylvania, where there are many contractors for New York manufacturers; and one organizer will be assigned to St. Louis. More organizers will be added as the campaign will be extended to all important manufacturing centres.

Organization of the shirt workers will greatly increase the percentage of girls and women in the Amalgamated Clothing Workers. About half of the 200,000 members of the Amalgamated are girls and women, ranking in ages from 14 to 75. With the addition of 50,000 shirt workers, most of them girls, the Amalgamated probably will have the largest organized group of women workers in America.

## NONPARTISAN BANK SHOWS PROSPERITY DESPITE DIFFICULTY

Fargo, N.D.—Despite the fact that members of the Non-Partisan League have succeeded in holding up \$13,000, 000 of state bonds to provide loans to farmers, the monthly statement of the Bank of North Dakota, issued May 15, shows a general increase in business.

Not only the institution for the first four and one-half months of 1920 are \$85,000. The profits were made in spite of the fact that the bank has saved the farmers who borrowed money from it \$50,000 in interest charges and paid interest on all public deposits.

## HUMAN INTEREST SHOWN IN DUTIES BY WOMEN JUDGES

Some Beneficial Measures For Which Women Judges Are Sponsors

In a recent number of a magazine for women is given a brief outline of the work of some judges in the United States. It is interesting as showing the human interest that these women in variously bring into their judicial duties. Judge Beals of Seattle has been successful in having an act passed, providing a department in the courts for the trial of small claims. A case involving not more than \$20.00 can be tried at a cost not exceeding \$1.50. This enables small matters to be dealt with that otherwise might be dropped because of the high cost of court proceedings. Many claims are said to come before this department for settlement.

Judge Whitehead, also of Seattle, has done much for the unfortunate women of her state. A 200-acre farm is being provided where these women may be sent to get a new start and a fund is being created for the support and care of their children.

Judge Bartelme of the Juvenile Court of Chicago hears the cases of all girls up to sixteen years. She provides all her "Wards" with a fitted suitcase supplied by her philanthropic friends, and the court provides a made-to-order serge dress. The girls are then sent to a club house where they are able to stay for a time until they get a fresh start in life.

Judge Shontz of the Juvenile Court of Los Angeles has jurisdiction over girls up to twenty-one years and boys to thirteen. She holds her court in a comfortable sitting room and here boys and girls come, or are brought with their troubles. Judge Shontz has as aids, an excellent school for defectives, a fully equipped hospital and a fund from which payments may be made to poor parents to enable them to better care for their children, or if the home is unfit, the fund is drawn to pay the child's board in the country or his expenses at school.

## WHITLEYS NOT FUNCTIONED IN WORKERS' CONTROL

Councils Have Not Satisfied Workers In Demand For Share In Industrial Control

(By The Federated Press.)

New York—"The Whitleys have not functioned in 'workers' control' to any such extent as the creators of them hoped," says Arthur Gleason in the current issue of the *Survey* on the Whitley Councils of England. "Men like Mallon, J. A. Hobson, and F. S. Button fashioned them to be a training ground in responsible administration of working conditions, the processes of production, discipline and management, the allocation of raw material. Instead of expanding in these directions, the councils have been tardy in forming district councils and work-committees."

Mr. Gleason further states that the fair-minded student will give the scheme two more years before ruling it out altogether. The Councils have apparently not satisfied the workers in their demand for a real share in industrial control. Wages and hours have in many cases been improved in industries where the Councils are being tried out. "If the Whitleys survive," says Mr. Gleason, "they will demand an all-inclusive body to tie together their activities. They will demand some such body as the half-realized National Industrial Council."

Labor leaders in Great Britain are of various opinions regarding the future government of Great Britain. Ramsey MacDonald like Philip Snowden is a parliamentary constitutionalist. According to him, he believes that a second house in Parliament should be a chamber elected on a soviet franchise, representing the professions and trades. Tom Mann, leader of the engineers, on the other hand is content with the philosophy that when the workers have what they want in their own hands Parliament as it is now constituted is welcome to go on dealing with what is left.

## WOMEN'S TRADE UNION LEAGUE IN CONFERENCE

Are Laying Plans For a Vigorous Drive During Coming Year

(By The Federated Press.)

New York—The first joint conference of the women's trade union leagues of the east opened here June 4 in the offices of the New York Women's Trade Union League, to lay plans for a vigorous drive during the coming year. Officials of the Washington, Boston, Philadelphia, Worcester and Baltimore organizations composed the conference, called together by the New York City League of which Rose Schneiderman, State Labor party candidate for the United States is president, and Mrs. Maude Swartz, secretary.

Outstanding problems considered by the women were those of organization, legislation, finance and international relations. It was decided to concentrate the united forces of the eastern leagues on organizing the "weak" trades, in which unionism was least complete. It was also decided that the organizers throughout the east should concentrate on the same industries, thus making a more profound impression on the employers, and preventing to a large extent the use of one strike-breaking group against another.

How to keep the working women of the country, and especially, of the east, in close contact with those in Europe, was one of the big questions broached. Since the first international congress of working women which was held in Washington in October, 1919, an active sense of solidarity has been manifested by women of all parts of Europe, according to Mrs. Swartz, secretary of the Congress. The next conference will be held in Geneva, Switzerland, and it is hoped to establish a permanent international bureau for women workers.

Among the delegates to the conference were Mary Anderson, Director Women's Bureau, National Women's Trade Union League of America; Ethel Smith, national publicity director, Washington; Pauline Newman and Freda Miller, organizer and secretary of the Philadelphia League; Amy Guggenheimer, president of the Baltimore League; Mrs. Venzke and Alice Bergen of the Worcester, Mass. League; Mable Gillispie, secretary of the Boston League and a member of the Massachusetts Minimum Wage Commission, and Anne Winestock, organizer of the Newark Makers' union.

## WORKERS TAKING MORE INTEREST IN ECONOMIC AFFAIRS

Workers' Interest Taken As a Real Portent and Sign of the Times

To the intelligent observer in the ranks of Labor, here in Canada, there is at the present time a movement emerging from—no, not where—only to be likened to the awakening of a slumbering force, which is taking the keenest interest, with a general alertness towards the political end of Labor power to be and to do.

Go where one will, there are to be found gatherings of the workers; who previously disinterested, now listen to expressions, or discuss industrial problems with an avidity peculiarly their own. From one end of the country to the other, from the extreme east of Canada to the farthest west; this is the one thing above all others that is most in evidence. The more significant and remarkable because unknown before. This urge, impulse, Divine discontent; all it what we will, irrespective of its nature is, I believe, a real portent and sign of the times.

When the lowliest workers are discussing and aware of the economic and industrial problems of the industrial class, we may feel sure there are forces at work evolving in the consciousness of these, an understanding of their value and rights in the great fabric of human life.

That this world, at large is out of equilibrium.

The balance of good out of level and that justice goes with might and not by right, is becoming self-evident, by the inherent penalty which injustice inflicts.

For while science and invention has advanced, the means of production, by cheap electrical power, wonderful mechanical contrivances and utilities; while the human power of production has increased immensely. What do we find? This—that the poor are becoming poorer and the rich more rich.

Clear and distinct are the issues between Capital and Labor, and the great mass of toilers everywhere are perceiving that in no way can the interests of the ruling classes be the interests of the workers, while this is the outcome of it all.

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Viewing the present new born conditions with the past, we find then that the organized Labor movement cannot progress with the weapons used in the past, great as the achievements have been.

Circumstances are arising everywhere, which compel it to equip itself with new means and new weapons, wherewith to defend itself and win its way.

With conclusions and conditions such as these, the remedy will be seen to lie in political action. That political representation will be the future field of action I believe. To do this it will and must develop a political policy and purpose, wherewith to procure for itself means to make sure and secure, by constitutional means all that Labor has struggled to attain; that its victories in the future may be permanent and at least yield a greater measure of security, advancement and reward.

New lines demand new measures and new men; The world advanced and in time out grows. The laws that in our father's day were best, And doubtless after us, some purer scheme Will be shaped out, by wiser men than we Made wiser by the steady growth of truth—Lowell.

Alf. Barton in The Blacksmiths' Journal.

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## BRITISH LABOR DELEGATES BACK FROM RUSSIA

Deeply Impressed With Distress and Disorganization Which They Saw There

British Labor delegates who have just returned from an investigation of conditions in Russia, declare themselves deeply impressed with the distress and disorganization which they found there, and the dejection of the people and the extent of the government's interference with individual liberty.

The delegates' report describes the blockade as injurious to the world and disastrous to Russia and refers to the epidemic of disease which the absence of soap and medical supplies has given full sway, although great efforts have been made towards sanitation.

The report was brought by Benjamin Turner and Tom Shaw, members of the British Labor delegation which visited Russia for presentation to the Labor congress at Scarborough. They brought also a letter from Nikolai Lenin, the Bolshevik premier, exhorting the workers to revolution in England which has created a sensation.

Lenin criticizes the surprise expressed by the delegation at the "red terror" the suppression of freedom of the press and free assembly and declares that the "red terror" is the defense of the working men against exploiters, and that freedom of the press and assembly in a bourgeois democracy means freedom to plot against the working men.

Denouncing the Polish war, the report says: "The appeal for creative work is being once more set aside in favor of an appeal to military enthusiasts while the war conditions provide new pretexts for restricting individual liberty and preventing freedom of discussion."

The report says war rallies all parties to the defense of the country; it emphasizes the breakdown in manufacturers through lack of raw material and advocates the immediate recognition of Russia.

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