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### MORAL AND MANNER OF MORE IMPORT- ANCE THAN LAWS

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If you and I and all union men called for union-made goods each time we made a purchase, our fight would be much easier.

### DEMOCRATS ARE FIRM FRIENDS OF HONEST LABOR

#### Many Labor Benefits Established Under Democratic Administration

With respect to labor and industry, the Democratic party is now, as ever, the firm friends of honest labor and the promoter of progressive industry. It established the department of labor at Washington and a democratic president called to his official council board the first practical workingman who ever held a cabinet portfolio.

Under this administration have been established employment bureaus to bring the men and job together; have been peaceably determined many bitter disputes between capital and labor, were passed the child labor act, the workman's compensation act (the extension of which we advocated so as to include laborers engaged in loading and unloading ships and in interstate commerce); the eight hour law, the act for vocational training and a code of other wholesome laws affecting the liberties and bettering the conditions of the laboring classes. In the department of labor the Democratic administration established a women's bureau which a republican congress destroyed by withholding appropriations. Labor is not a commodity; it is human. Those who labor have rights and the national security and safety depend upon a just recognition of those rights and the conservation of the strength of the workers and their families in the interest of sound-hearted and sound-headed men, women and children.

Laws regulating hours of labor and conditions under which labor is performed when passed in recognition of the conditions under which life must be lived to attain the highest development and happiness, are just assertions of the national interest in the welfare of the people.

At the same time the nation depends upon the products of labor; a cessation of production means loss and, if long continued, disaster. The whole people, therefore, have a right to insist that justice shall be done to those who work, and in turn that those who labor creates the necessities upon which the life of the nation depends must recognize the reciprocal obligation between the worker and the state.

They should participate in the formulation of sound laws and regulations governing the conditions under which labor is performed, recognize and obey the laws so formulated and seek their amendment when necessary by the processes ordinarily addressed to the

### WINNIPEG TYPOS REJECT CONCILIA- TION BOARD AWARD

In the wage dispute between the Winnipeg Typographical Union and the publishers, the award handed down by T. McGrath, chairman of the conciliation board composed of three publishers, and three members of the Typographical Union No. 191, making the award of \$44.50 for day work and \$47.50 for night work, was rejected by the union at a special meeting held on July 5th.

The matter has been placed in the hands of the executive council of the International Union for final adjustment.

The members of No. 191 feel that the scale asked for was barely sufficient pay to meet the increased cost of commodities during the war. The scale of wages of the Typographical union, was increased by a very small margin, in addition to which the members of the union paid the international dues for 110 of their members who were on war service.

Laws and regulations affecting the other relations of life.

Labor, as well as capital, is entitled to adequate compensation. Each has the indefensible right of organization, of collective bargaining and of speaking through representatives of their own selection. Neither class, however, should at any time, nor in any circumstances, take action that will put in jeopardy the public welfare. Resort to strikes and lockouts which endangered the health or lives of the people is an unsatisfactory device for determining disputes, and the democratic party pledges itself to contrive, if possible, and put into effective operation, a fair and comprehensive method of composing differences of this nature.

In private industrial disputes we are opposed to compulsory arbitration as a method plausible in theory, but a failure in fact. With respect to government service we hold distinctly that the rights of the people are paramount to the right to strike. However, we profess scrupulous regard for the conditions of public employment and pledge the democratic party to instant inquiry into the pay of government employees and equally speedy regulations designed to bring salaries to a just and proper level.

It will be noticed that the language used is clear, concise, bold, emphatic and free from ambiguity or evasion, says the Butte Free Lance. You will also notice that they declare that labor is human and not a commodity, which declaration sustains the language of the Clayton law, and is the Magna Charta of labor of this nation and beacon light of hope, of the ideals of labor of the world.

### INTERNATIONAL PROPAGANDA IN TRANSCONA

#### Organizers Trying to Round Up Membership That Has Been on the Fence

During last week the International organizers have been carrying on a campaign in Transcona to round up the membership that has been sitting on the fence, says the Western Independent. The worst feature of the split of last year is the number of men who have just sat back and are watching the struggle between the Internationals and the O.B.U., and who without agreeing with them are in this way assisting the fanatical O.B.U.'s in their effort to disrupt the organized labor movement.

**Rowdy Meetings**  
Three meetings were held by organizers McCutcheon, Hewitt and Hoop, but argument and open discussion was impossible. A few of the more boisterous O.B.U. adherents howled their heads off refusing to listen. Had they all been capitalists they could not have fought free speech any harder.

On Tuesday W. H. Hoop was given ten minutes. He began by saying "It is no use fooling around with two organizations. One of them has got to go. We are the laughing stock of the capitalist class. I have taken the position that the O.B.U. is wrong and am prepared to do my best to show up its nature. With me it is either lick the damn thing or get licked."

This was as far as he got. The brethren of Transcona however, had been led to believe that the International men would not debate the issue of the secessionist movement. Neither they would when raising it might prejudice the vindication of the imprisoned men, at the polls. With that cleared out of the way they are ready to debate the merits of the two movements at any time and place.

**A Debate to be Arranged.**  
A counter challenge was received by the Western Labor News from C. W. Foster, secretary of the Railroad Workers Unit of the O.B.U. for a joint debate, and this debate will be held as soon as arrangements have been perfected. The challenge has been accepted by McCutcheon, and a committee of three from each side asked for to arrange the rules of the debate.

The battle-cry of every trade unionist should be, "We want the union label and will accept no other." If it were used an honest, emphatic and consistent manner, non-union products would soon be a thing of the past and the workers would be getting what justly belongs to them.

### F. J. DIXON IS LEADER OF LABOR PARTY

The principal features of the caucus of the Dominion Labor party, Winnipeg branch, held Saturday, were the appointment of Fred J. Dixon, M.L.A., as the leader of the Labor party in Manitoba; decision to contest the deferred election in The Pas, and the carrying out of arrangements for an organization campaign among workers in the province.

### POLICE QUITTING AT RATE OF THREE A DAY

#### Low Pay Causing Demoralization of Philadelphia Police Force

Demoralization of the police force at Philadelphia is feared. The men are quitting at the rate of three a day because of the small pay. Many are forced to seek work outside in order to support their families. It is impossible, they maintain, to live on the present wage scale.

Even those who intend to remain with the department are forced to work instead of rest in the vacation period to earn enough money to live. Approaching vacations for members of the police force are expected to bring the number of resignations to an alarming height. As a rule, the men intend to get positions for the two-week period and, it is expected, a large percentage of those who obtain outside work will hold on to it when the vacation time is ended. Officials are worried at the prospects and every effort is being made to persuade the policemen to agree to return to their posts.

**Better Pay in Factories**  
Scarcely a man is planning to spend his vacation other than at work. Three men from one of the West Philadelphia stations, one of them a sergeant, returned to their posts a few days ago after having spent their two weeks working in a munition factory. There they made from \$60 to \$70 a week. It was a great temptation, they said, to remain at the high-paying work, but they finally decided to return in the hope of increased pay from the department. Wholesale resignations are expected, however, from those who have been planning to get away from the force, but who have not had time to look up other positions.

Estimates are to the effect that from one-third to two-thirds of the members of the force are compelled to take outside work in their free hours in order to support their families.

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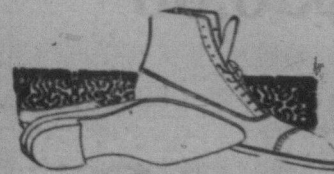
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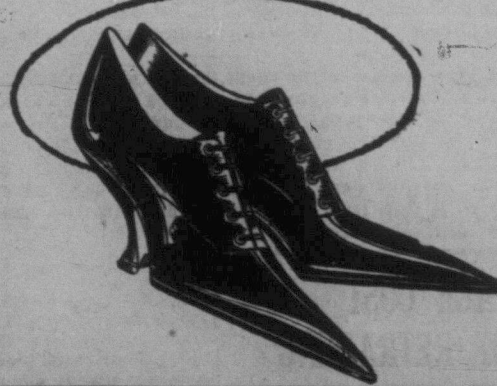
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