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LABOR GOV'T OF NEW SOUTH WALES IS AID TO WOMEN

Many New Laws for Health and Working Conditions To Be Instituted

(By W. Francis Ahern, Australian Correspondent The Federated Press) Sydney, N.S.W.—In allotting the portfolios of the Labor government of New South Wales, provision was made for the appointment of a Ministry of Motherhood. The main duty of this new ministry is to arrange special scientific instruction to girls of suitable age, preparing them for the great responsibilities of motherhood. The Labor government also proposes to establish maternity hospitals throughout New South Wales, attached to which shall be an outdoor depart-

ment in every district to render aid to the expectant mother. The prenatal and aftercare of mothers will be especially provided for. Ample funds are to be placed at the disposal of the Ministry of Motherhood, to test the success of this most important branch of administration by the natural increase in population, infant mortality, and the welfare of the mother. Adequate living allowances for widows and deserted wives left with the care of young children is to be provided, while old age and invalid pensions already paid are to be supplemented in order to meet the increased cost of living. In the matter of public health, the state government of New South Wales proposes to nationalize health activities, and to arrange that the state by equitable taxation shall provide for the maintenance of public hospitals. Hospitals are to be decentralized, and increased in number until there is ample accommodation for all. All restrictions and obstacles upon medical

The Locals' Page

TYPOGRAPHICAL UNION No. 604

The July meeting of the above union was held on Saturday last, the 3rd inst., in the Trades Hall. By resolution at the previous meeting this was declared an open affair to enable the members to bring their ladies, and there was a good sprinkling of the fair sex present. A social hour, brightened by the serving of dainty cakes and ice cream, rounded off a profitable gathering.

Business of prominence was conspicuous by its absence. However, there are a few things a little above the average. For instance the union asked Bandmaster Daly (you all know him) to round up the budding musicians in our ranks and let us have some kind of a band—I presume it will be an orchestra. And we have the talent if they will come out and quit the shame-face stunt.

The matter of the changing of the control of the Free Press from the Free Press from the Trades and Labor Council to the Alberta Federation of Labor was discussed and our delegates were instructed to move that no decision be arrived at until all unions affiliated had been subject to referendum on the question.

A committee was appointed to consult with the Women's Auxiliary in regard to a joint picnic this summer. The Scale Committee were instructed to get printed the by-laws passed at a recent special meeting.

No deaths among the members during the month; no sickness reported; everybody sober; news scarce.

The union label enlists the unions, their members and friends, in the interests of the employer.

practitioners who desire to practice their profession in the public hospitals are to be removed. The Labor government also proposes to institute dental hospitals for the care of the people's teeth.

The pay and working conditions of nurses are to be improved and regulated. Medical examination, to be followed by free treatment, is to be provided for school children. Encouragement in the practice of medicine will be given by provision and extension of bursaries, while doctors and undertakers will not be allowed to make exorbitant charges in general practice. The Labor government also proposes to undertake the scientific treatment for the combating of venereal diseases.

PRINTING PRESSMEN

The Printing Pressmen's Union at its regular meeting on Friday last, heard a very interesting report from Leon Mercer who was the union's delegate to the convention of the Western Canada Conference of Pressmen which was held in Medicine Hat last month. All the cities of the west were represented at the conference.

The union voted an assessment of ten cents per member to assist in the proposed recreation scheme.

A resolution was passed favoring the turning over of the Free Press to the Alberta Federation of Labor with a view to making it a provincial paper with a wider circulation and influence.

P. Giles, T. Williams and Secretary Southern were appointed as a scale committee in connection with the job agreement, which expires on October 31st.

PLUMBERS AND STEAMFITTERS No. 685

(Too late for last week's issue)

Regular monthly meeting was held in Labor hall Friday evening, June 25, of Local 685 Plumbers and Steamfitters, with a good attendance. We had a very busy evening dealing with various communications. One from Division No. 4, as to whether we hold a convention at an early date prior to the convention month of November, in case our schedule, committee don't come to an agreement at an early date, which was voted in favor of in the usual manner, leaving it in the hands of the executive board to decide when and where the said convention shall be held. We would like to have our west end brothers at our next meeting. I guess they were all working overtime, sick, or gardening, some sponging, which was it. Come boys, it is only once a month. You have all been doing good of late, keep it up. Don't have any more fines to pay; the cost of living don't allow for fines. Our next monthly will be held Friday evening, July 23rd.

CORRESPONDENCE

The Free Press takes no responsibility for any opinions expressed in letters to the editor. No letters can be accepted for publication, and will not be printed unless accompanied by name and address of writer.

Editor Free Press: The Ontario and Manitoba elections are showing we are getting there. Also the federal election will soon be here. Why not get going on an organization campaign. Weed out fence leaders, drop all radical differences, connect up with the farmers, this is essential, to successfully combat the federal government, at the stage the ground lays at present, and why is it, there are such a lot of unorganized workers about.

You have a labor hall, located in the best situation in the city; yet it is a fact that I met a bricklayer who had been looking two weeks for it. Many come in and out of this city, pass it hundreds of times, yet don't know it exists. Yet for a few dollars you could let it be known by painting a large sign on the alley, about 12 feet up, where the employment boards were, placarded similar, to say:

Workers' Labor Hall—Come in; get acquainted; don't be a slacker; read and argue; don't be lonesome. All workers are socially equal.

I know a great many think labor here has fallen, but remember the principle, not the individuals. Once the system is secure these can easily be eradicated. The same trouble occurred in England, men of ability paid to straddle the fence; who by getting into power as labor's representative, then cause disruption, fire married employees, who naturally in leaving the city, gives labor a jolt—fetch in unorganized sympathizers as overseers with cliques. At present however just take notes of such, bend your energies to organization, then bring your notes, for it is the only means labor has to ferret them out, but don't do it until your organization is complete.

Sincerely,
J. GARDNER.

TYPOS WILL NOT ISSUE CHARTERS TO NEWS WRITERS

Have Found It Impossible to Conduct News Writers' Union Under Present Laws

For a good many years the International Typographical Union has been issuing charters to newspaper writers in various cities and jurisdictions. During the past three or four years more such charters have been issued than were ever issued previous to that time. Notwithstanding this fact, there are in existence at this time only ten such unions in good standing. For some reason or another practically all of the charters that have been issued in the last few years have had to be suspended because of non-payment of dues of the organizations holding them. A number of reasons are assigned for the failure of success in most of the newspaper writers' unions.

The executive council has found that it is impossible to conduct successfully a newspaper writers' union under the present laws of the International Typographical Union. These laws were made especially for the printers in the composing room, and nearly all of them are inapplicable to the position of the newswriters.

Then again, we have to meet the question of the strike. We find that in most instances where an application for a charter is made for a newswriters union it is expected that a strike will be at once authorized, and that unless the conditions the members of that organization have in mind are at once conceded by the publishers, that the members of the typographical union in that jurisdiction will cease work, and that they will at all times decline to set any copy except such as is produced by the members of said newswriters' union.

Then again, we have the idea expressed by members of newswriters' unions that a newspaper should publish nothing except such matter as has been o. k'd by the officers of the newswriters' union.

Because there have been so many failures in the efforts to successfully conduct newspaper writers' unions the executive council has determined that it will issue no more such charters until after the meeting of the convention of the International Union in Albany next August, and that this entire question will then be presented to that gathering and the delegates given an opportunity to either adopt laws that can be made applicable to the writers' organizations or surrender jurisdiction over newswriters' union.—Typographical Journal.

According to the Chicago Tribune correspondent at Gary, 88,000 men employed in steel and allied industries in the Calumet region face unemployment on account of the coal and car famine and a prolonged period of widespread stagnation is hinted at.

Saturday Bargains

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THIS GROCER THOUGHT HE RAN HIS OWN BUSINESS

Man Who Didn't Believe In Labor Unions Because They Wanted to Run His Business

"I do not believe in labor unions," said a grocer to a trim little woman who had handed him a union paper. "Men have no business telling their employers what to do. I run my own business as I please and I'll have no one dictating to me." After he had told her the price of salt pork she asked: "Why have you raised the price?" He answered "I am not to blame for that; the packers have raised it." "And what about the increase in sugar?" "I had nothing to do with that; the Sugar Trust put up the price."

"Why do you have so much cob in the canned corn?" "I am not to blame for that; it is the way the canneries put it up." "Why are your canned tomatoes so highly colored?" "That is the doings of the canneries again." "Why do you put that small boy to work?" she asked when she saw his helper was so small that he had to stand on a box to reach a shelf. "I hate to do it," he replied "but the margin of profits which the trusts permit me to make is so small that I can't afford to hire a man." "How is trade?" she then questioned. "Oh, poor. Getting worse every day. My customers grumble at the poor goods, and every time the prices are raised some of them drop off." "Perhaps," she said and she looked him in the eye as she spoke slowly—"perhaps your customers believe that you run your own business just as you please."

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