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BRITISH LABOR ASKED TO

SUPPORT TEACHERS.

Arthur Greenwood in London, Daily Herald.

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Is the first place, I want to appeal to organized Labor to put the whole weight of the Labor movement behind the demand for a living wage for the teachers. The cause of the teachers is the cause of the workers, or, to put it more accurately, the cause of the excelers is the cause of the workers or, to put it more accurately, the cause of the workers child.

The men and women in the public elementary schools have been entrasted with the education of the children of the working classes. Those children are entitled to the best possible education which the community can provide. The quality of our educational system does not finally depend upon education with the committees or elaborate equipment; it depends upon the quality of the teachers.

achers.
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It is obvious that to get the best teachers in our schools we must of ler adequate remuneration and reasonable conditions of employment at the present time the situation is of the gravest possible kind. It is necessary not meself to heep us follow man flow of entries into the teaching profession, but getually to increase the number of entrains. We want much smaller classes in the people's achools. We want children to enjoy a longer school life. But neither is possible unless the supply of teachers is increased.

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The sad fact is that the new entrasts are not forthcoming in anything like sufficient numbers. It is becoming more and more difficult to get potential teachers of any kind. Yet we ought to attract into the profession the best material we can get. This unfortunate state of affairs must react upon the public elementary schools. It is obvious that Labor ought to insist, in the interests of the children, upon such conditions of the children, upon such conditions of service as will attract and keep in the profession the finest and most auitable people.

"Local politics, which really do

"Local politics which really do control important issues are treated with consummate apathy." —Ivor Brown,

13 Second avenue, Ottawa. April 28, 1920.

AMERICAN FEDERATION CONVENTION CALL

40th Annual Convention Will Be Held at Montreal Be-ginning June 7, 1920.

To all affiliated Unions, greeting:
You are hereby notified that the fortisch annual convention of the fortisch convention to the fortisch conven

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e eligible as delegates from Fedal Labor Unions.
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their election.

Delegates are not entitled to seats in the convention unless the tax of their organization has been paid in full to April 20, 1320.

It is, of course, entirely unnecessary here, to enumerate all the important subjects with which our forthcoming convention will see the control of the course.

questions of equal importance will, of necessity, occupy the attention of the Montreal convention.

Therefore, the importance of our movement, the duty of the hour and for the future, demand that every organization entitled to representation shall send its full quots of delegates to the Montreal convention. June 7, 1929.

Credentials in duplicate are forwarded to all affiliated unions. The original credential must be given to the delegate-elect and the duplicate forwarded to the American Federation of Labor office, A. F. of L. Building, Washington, D. C.

The committee on credentials will meet at the headquarters of the American Federation of Labor six days previous to the opening of the convention, and will report immediately upon the opening thereof at Montreal, hence secretaries will observe the necessity of mailing the duplicate credentials of their respective delegates at 'the earliest possible moment to Washington, D. C.

Resolutions—Time Limit.

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Revolutions—Time Limit.

Under the American Federation of Labor Constitution resolutions of any character or propositions to change any provision of the Constitution can not be introduced after the second day's session without unanimous consent.

Under the law no grievance can be considered by the convention which has been decided by a previous convention, except upon the recommendation of the exacutive council, nor will any grievance considered where the parties thereto have not themselves held conference and attempted to adjust the same.

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Headquarters of the executive council will be the Windsor Hotel.

Fraternally yours,

Attest: SAML GOMPERS.

President.

Trades and Labor Congress of Canada—J. A. McClelland, Vice-President, International Association of Machinists, 104 Coronation Building, Montreal, Quebec.

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gates chosen to attend the convention of the American Federation of Labor to be held at Montreal, June THEY CANNOT ELECT MORE THAN JUST REPRESENTATION UNDER P.R.

If Labor Polls Four-Tenths of the Vote in a Grouped Constituency

number of nominations to be made should be based upon their probable polling strength. For example: Suppose 50,000 valid ballots are cast. Ten members are to be elected. The number, or "quota." of votes necessary to elect one member will be a fraction more than one-eleventh of 50,000 (for only ten candidates can receive that number). or 4,546. If the Labor party could poll about 19,000 votes it would be certain to elect four members. But the party need not limit its nominations to this number; it could nominate as many as it pleases without weakening its chances of electing its four members, provided only that each Labor voter marked on his ballot preferences for all the Labor candidates. This would ensure that if the ballot could not help the voter's first choice, it would be transferred to his second choice, and so on; in other words, the ballot would finally help to elect one of the Labor candidates.

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