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Unity Desired

The unification of the Social Democratic party of Canada and the Socialist party of Canada seems likely in the near future. Cotton's has received many letters from members of both parties declaring their desire for unity.

The Creston, B.C., Local No. 76 of the Socialist Party of Canada has appointed a committee composed of Comrades A. Lindley, J. A. Lidgate and Jas. Adlard and have initiated a movement to unite the parties. In the resolution submitted to the S.P. locals, the local says, "We the members of Creston Local No. 76 S.P. of C. feel that the time is ripe for the fusion of the two Socialist forces in Canada." The local requests other S.P. locals to unite with it in asking for a referendum on the matter of bringing about fusion. Failing to get a referendum, the local suggests calling a convention of the Socialist party with the object of securing similar ends.

Comrade W. H. Baker, Recording Secretary of Hamilton, Ont., Local Social Democratic party, has given notice that at the next general meeting of that local the question of a referendum of the whole party be taken up to test the opinion of the party upon amalgamation. He points out that the process of concentration in capitalist society is proceeding at a tremendous rate. The theatres of America are falling under the control of a small bunch of capitalists. The newspapers are being trustified and absorbed by a few owners. Individual initiative is driven to the wall by systematic specialization. The shipping and transportation interests have abolished competition. Even in the realm of experimental science huge and completely equipped laboratories replace the individual researcher and investigator. The world wide wide sweep of class rule is consolidating. And in the face of this gigantic organization of the master class the Socialists of Canada remain divided. No wonder the fleeing dukes of England and the capitalists of older countries are rushing to Canada as a splendid field of unrestricted exploitation.

The Duke of Connaught, Governor-General of Canada, is much preturbed over the report that the Boy Scout movement is anti-religious. He gives out a statement to the press that this is not so, and proves it by saying the head of the Boy Scout movement is our gracious king and one of his titles is Defender of the Faith. When the armies of the king mow down thousands of darker skinned people we can know they are performing a religious exercise for they are doing it in the name of the Defender of the Faith. No wonder the capitalist class keep the royal family muzzled as much as possible by writing their speeches for them when they show themselves prone to utter such gems of nonsense.

A Comrade of Gilbert Plains, Man., writes, "Subs are hard to get here. They say Socialists are not united enough." Unity of the two parties will make the Socialists more powerful.

Notes From Owen Sound, Ont.

Just you keep on in your own illuminating way. Your article in reply to an Ottawa Comrade on the militia gets to the bottom of the question raised, and if the comrade was a little bit foggy in his think tank when he wrote his letter, I am sure when he reads your reply to it he will be honest enough to admit that he was somewhat befuddled, and will never give his consent to his four boys joining a band of organized capitalist strike-breaking thugs for the purpose of reforming them.

Vote working class representatives into parliament, get a majority in the House, cut off the money supply for military supplies, and the military organizers of the boy scouts, cadets, navy and militia, will collapse like a house of cards.

Owen Sound has a bunch of four labor members at the council board, the other members tell one another; "Why, those labor fellows are not a bad bunch at all. It don't look as if they were going to tear things up very much after all." So they calmly vote one of them in as chairman of the benevolence committee, a no pay job which occupies the spare time of the fortunate or unfortunate councilor after his daily ten hours have been put in—from 7 o'clock to 11 o'clock p.m. As it does not seem right that the town taxes should be given in benevolence and charity to these unfortunates for nothing, a number of cords of four foot wood was purchased and piled on the public square and able-bodied unfortunate men were requested to put in some time cutting wood on part payment of food they were in need of. Surely it was sufficent punishment for an able-bodied man to be obliged to solicit charity to keep himself and family from starvation during the winter without the added degrading and humiliating conditions being thrown in of advertising the fact, by putting himself on exhibition in the central part of the town bucksawing wood. When paid jobs are to be given to a member of the council which draw $3.00 per day, the council sees that the labor members are overlooked, and it does not look good to see a labor councillor putting in his time for nothing and scabbing it on his fellow members, when the union pay for councillors is $3 per day.

Property owners in Owen Sound are very anxious to make this the terminus of a system of hydro electric railway, converging from Southern and Central Ontario, and a large delegation were financed by the council to attend at a conference in Ottawa recently. One of the labor members was appointed and was present at Ottawa. It would be interesting to learn on what grounds a labor representative can justify lending his assistance to further the interests of the property owners of the town in this project. If Owen Sound is made the terminus of the electric railroad system, the population of the town may be doubled. But this would not benefit the workers; on the other hand it would injure them, for the most of them being tenants, they would be obliged to pay more rent to hold the houses they lived in, and wages would not increase, for if there was a scarcity of men here, they would come in from outside points to supply the demand. The doubling of the population would not help laborers, for the conditions of laborers in the cities is even worse than in small towns.

It is, I admit, a very hard thing for a labor member of a council to decide what action to take on the many questions which come up for settlement in the council. As all taxes are paid out from that part of wealth that labor has created, but does not get under the wage system, why should labor councillors endeavor to make every dollar go as far as possible? Would it not be more to the interest of the workers if the council were extravagant and spent the money recklessly? Then at least some worker would have a chance to some of it back again.

A WAIL FROM THE SUNSET

"What is happening in labor circles in British Columbia?" This is the wail of the Vancouver Saturday Sunset of April 4th. "Are the Socialists gaining supreme control over the responsible union elements?" It asks in alarm. The occasion of its outburst is that union labor in the Pacific Province is lining itself up against union men joining the militia.

The Sunset goes on to characterise the Socialists as a "noisy, discontented element." "Blustering talkers." It suggests that the government lay a charge of treason against the anti-militarists, to refuse to employ union men on government work, and for the dominion government to pass a law enforcing compulsory military training and making evasion a criminal offence, which in the opinion of the Sunset "would have the effect of deciding the argument for all time."

Poor old Sunset. Poor feeble, doddering editor. Queer what boneheads the capitalists get to run their junksheets.

The capitalist system is getting on its last legs. The plutes who rob and plunder the working class are the enemies of the great portion of the people. The working people object to robbery. The capitalist class enforce it with soldiers. The ruling class know if they have no soldiers they are done for. The union men refuse to become soldiers. Wherefore the Sunset editor is in a blue funk.

The remedy is simple and will soon be applied. The ruling class will be forced off the backs of the workers.

Compulsory military training will not settle the question. You cannot make a unwilling soldier shoot the way you want him to.

The wage slave portion of society are getting strong enough and united enough to seize the political power. When conditions are ripe, a revolution comes. Conditions being ripe, all the howlings of the capitalists press in Canada will not stay it. If soldiers oppose the revolution, the army becomes discredited. If the press oppose it, the press becomes an object of scorn.

Climb down, you fatheaded plutes, climb down.

An Ontario Comrade writes, "Getting quarters for subs just now is like trying to get blood out of a stone. The workers are sure getting it in the neck in Toronto." The working class is the only class Cotton's relies upon for support. If Cotton's is put down and out by the poverty forced upon you slaves, the masters of your bread will consider a great work done. For Cotton's is building revolutionary sentiment. From its sub list is being formed many locals. I want every one of you slaves with a spark of the spirit of revolt in you to go out and gather up a list of subs. The field is white unto the harvest. Go to it and garner the workers into the subscription list and into the movement.

As soon as the western crops are harvested, armies of implement house collectors enter the agricultural districts and practically ravish the country.

American Notes

Bouck White held a meeting in New York, at which over one hundred people signed a convenant of faith in the principles of Socialism and real religion.

Gov. Ammons, of Denver, has ordered the release of Mother Jones from prison. Whenever the miners are about to be granted a writ of habeas corpus ordering the release of Mother Jones, she is set free and recaptured in a few days. This method, so far, has satisfactorily upset all the machinery of the law and served to keep her almost constantly in jail.

The strike of the Michigan copper mines has been officially called off. The miners will go back under the lash of the masters under conditions as bad and probably worse than before the strike. The masters keep the workers just one step from the bread line with the bare living wage. There is nothing left over for a strike or subsistence till the strike is won. There are always thousands in as poor a condition as the strikers. They are practically forced by hunger to take the places of the strikers and help to win the battle for the masters.

Big plans to win women for Socialism are being made in Chicago. The recent elections showed that John C. Kennedy, the Socialist candidate in Ward 2, was defeated by the vote of women. He received a plurality of the men's vote getting 5,206. Now the Socialists are out after the votes of the women.

A Socialist church is being established in New York city. It will be called the church of the Social Revolution. Many prominent New Yorkers are behind the movement.

Thomas Tynan of the Colorado State penitentiary, telegraphed to Governor Glynn of New York, protesting against the murder of the four gunmen by the state of New York recently. "Punishment of the underdogs by courts and governors and letting the big crook go free is making for Socialism and anarchy in America, and coming at Eastertide, it shows how far we are drifting from mercy and Christianity," wired Tynan.

American poultry dealers are feeding their birds a mash in which ground stone and pebbles are mixed, adding about one-fourth to weight. This is what competition does in the crazy thing called business.

Judge Neil put through a mothers' pension law in Illinois, and is now working to put a similar law on the New York statute books. He is bitterly opposed to organized charity, and likens it to the continued employment of an opiate to relieve pain.

The entire labor ticket in the recent elections in Denver, Col., was elected by large majorities over the candidates on the Citizens' ticket.

World Wide Notes

Maxim Gorky, the Russian Socialist writer, after receiving official assurance, that if he returned to Russia he would be molested in no way, has been practically driven from the country again by Russian officialdom. He is very ill, with little hopes of recovery.

The International Socialist Bureau at Brussels, Belgium, has announced that all arrangements for the tenth congress of the International Socialist movement, which will be held in Vienna from August 23rd to 29th have been completed. Thousands are expected to attend the general sessions. Socialists will be present from nearly every quarter of the globe. The largest hall in the Austrian capital has been engaged for the deliberations.

The British Socialist Party opened a conference in London on April 12th. The object of the British Socialist Party is the abolition of the wages system and the substitution of a co-operative commonwealth.

The Italian government has more trouble on its hands. Tobacco manufacturing is a government monopoly in Italy, and 180,000 employes of the state tobacco factories are out on strike for a larger wage, and shorter hours.

There is a strike on amongst certain sections of European royalty. The princesses are objecting to the made to order matrimony which they are forced to undergo. Many of the royal dowagers who have been acting as matchmakers, place the blame on Princess Patricia, who, they say, acquired certain odious ideals not at all in harmony with her exalted station during her residence in the new world. But the strike is not confined entirely to feminine springs of royality. It is even said the prince of Wales has turned up his nose at the suggestion of a union with a very high placed but extremely unattractive princess.

A fine of $5,000 has been inflicted on a trade union federation in New Zealand on account of the alleged insulting of a strikebreakers' leader.

Strikes in Russia are spreading with remarkable rapidity in spite of police and governmental oppression.

Belgian Socialists have established a special branch to extend the use of the moving pictures as a means of educating the working class. In Holland the Socialists have made a very successful use of the movies in propaganda work. At Berlin a central library of educational films has been formed, which has prepared more than 70,000 feet of films for use in the schools. The Bohemian Socialists have made use of the moving pictures of the Balkan war, using the horrible scenes of that war in a very effective anti-war campaign.

A Great Industrial Centre

By E. Nesbit.

Squalid street after squalid street.
Endless rows of them, each the same,
Black dust under your weary feet,
Dust upon every face you meet,
Dust in their hearts,too—or so it seems—
Dust in the place of dreams.

Spring in her beauty thrills and thrives,
Here men have hardly heard her name.
Work is the end and aim of their lives—
Work, work, work! for children and wives;
Work for a life which, when it is won,
Is the saddest under the sun!

Work—one dark and unending sound
In black, dull workshops, out of the light;
Work that others' ease may abound,
Work that delight for them may be found,
Work without hope, without pause, without peace,
That only in death can cease.

Brothers who live glad lives in the sun,
What of these men at work in the night?
God will ask you what you have done,
Their lives be required of you—everyone—
Ye, who were glad and who liked life well,
While they did your work—in hell!

Michigan barons are now training the college students to become murderers. 2,000 young Americans, college students or, recent graduates, gathered at Ludington, Mich., are to undergo military training. Uncle Sam is the supposed educator, but then Uncle Sam is owned by the capitalists.

The Price of Peace

Is it a nightmare, or is it true, that the miners of England, United States, Canada and several other countries are on strike, that workers in British Columbia are doomed to die by slow and barbaric process in their prisons, that the workers of South Africa are in revolt, that the downtrodden portion of Ireland are demanding Home Rule, that the metropolitian police of England are organizing a great labor union with the object in view of smashing a blow at their bluebottle officials?

The workers the world over are growing defiant of the unequal laws of a capitalist class, the administration of which is more unequal.

Is it true that armies and navies are getting saturated with Socialism, that it is impossible to pick up a paper, book or periodical, without seeing an article for or against the revolution? Have I dreamed that millions are out of work and starving, that elevators are bursting with grain, that thousands are almost naked, notwithstanding there are lots of clothes, that thousands have almost been frozen to death this past winter, notwithstanding millions of tons of coal are in our midst? Have I dreamed of trouble in Mexico, of slaughter by the wholesale? Is it possible that the industrial workers of the world have been looked upon as something alive? Did I hear of Kings and Queens fearing Socialism? Is it possible that the twelve million socialists I dreamt of are only imaginary?

To the reader of the capitalist press, to the contented slave, to the intellectually blind it truly appears to be scepticism. But it is true. Why all this unrest? Have the people not enough to eat? Are they not contented with the clothes they wear? Is it not acting the christian spirit to be contented with your lot? Have the people forgotten their future reward? Is it not in order for the brainy men to have the very best this world can provide? Why strikes, lockouts, murder and arson? Can't the world go round without them? Twelve millions socialists reply, yes. You that see not the trend of the times, that hear not the cries of hungry children, of the agonies of the workers cast into prison; you that forget the solitude of the workers banished to far off Siberia, for trivial offences. The workers of the world are growing desperate. Conditions have forced them to it. Humanity is put down below the level of the animal kingdom. The blood of the workers cries out against the tyranny of capitalism. The workers of the world want peace, and will have it at any price. All they ask is the possession of the mines, forests, railways and machinery of production. Anything that is socially used must be socially owned. These people are willing to pay the price; they love peace, but are prepared for war.

What are you going to do about it? The workers have been robbed and their live blood has been sucked from them; their liberty is a farce, and their lives are not their own. Society is being built over a volcano which before many moons will burst forth and destroy Capitalism, nevermore to come into existence. The workers want peace with honor. Mr. Capitalist, we want peace, we are going to have peace. Its up to you whether you take the medicine yourself, or shall we pour it down your throat—its immaterial to us.

Workers unite, and help administer the dose

Chas. Retsof, Brockville, Ont.

KARL MARX AND RELIGION

How the kept henchmen of the master class within the folds of the churches yelp at Karl Marx and his religious views!

Karl Marx was a revolutionary. He fought for the working class and for the oppressed of all lands.

In poverty and sickness, in strength and in weakness he gave himself unsparingly to humanity.

In verity and in truth he laid down his life for humanity's sake.

He turned his back upon wealth and position. The exile's portion was his lot. His mighty intellect and giant energy was flung into the movement for the emancipation of all peoples.

He saw with clear vision. He saw the skulking, sneaking preachers and religious male prostitutes sucking the lifeblood of the working class, living high, smirking upon the lords of misrule and thundering against the oppressed in the name of him who came to bind up all broken hearts and remove all burdens.

Karl Marx was a Jew. He was of that race which, in proportion to its numbers, has given more famous men to the world than any other race of history, with perhaps the exception of the Greek.

His father turned Christian, not from conviction, but in order to be able to practice law.

Marx wrote, and his writings cut to the heart the hireling shepherds of the rulers of this world.

How they squirmed under the lashings of his tongue. How his writings bite to the heart the modern hirelings in the pulpits of Canada and elsewhere. He hit straight at the mark.

One of his treatise he called "The Holy Family." The "Holy Family" was rent, interest and profit.

He declared the Anglican church would rather give up its whole thirty-nine articles than one-thirty-nine of its revenues.

If there is any judgment and any future life, I will take my chances with Karl Marx in preference than to chance it with the church dignitaries whose lips drip the words "Lord, Lord," and whose bellies are full of the miseries of the toilers of Canada.

G. M. Elliott, secretary of the Canadian Defence League, an organization financed by ten labor skinners of Toronto, is trotting around Canada howling for more guns, more soldiers, more spirit of murder. Before the Port Arthur Canadian Club, which is composed of the labor skinning class and their henchmen, he declared, "the strong govern the weak." Elliott talks rot. The strong do not govern the weak. We all have seen hosts of brawny strong workingmen producing tremendous engines of steel and iron, producing immense quantities of wealth to be enjoyed by little, squat, pothellied plutes whose flabby muscles are the derision of their servants. The soldier does not govern. He is governed. He goes and get shot to serve the potbellied class. The plutes know their weakness and so depend on hired murderers to protect them in their stolen luxuries. We are in a decadent age where a weak, corrupt, immoral class plunder the strong and produce hell upon earth. There is no remedy until the strong working class rise and hurl the little ruling beggars into the ranks of the working class.

When the workers learn how to vote for the whole people instead of for a master, they will have learned more than in their whole past life.

What Bouck White Thinks of it

That the theological seminaries of the country, and those professors and ministers who teach the higher criticism are doing more than perhaps any other class to advance the social revolution was the startling statement of Bouck White, author of "The Call of the Carpenter," whose new book, "The Carpenter and the Rich Man," is just published. Mr. White's "The Call of the Carpenter," it will be remembered, created a great controversy at the time of its publication a little less than three years ago, and his new book, although out less than a month, is already beginning to attract widespread attention.

As Mr. White is both an active Socialist and a graduate of Union Theological Seminary, New York, he is capable of speaking with authority, and no doubt considerable inside information, as to the workings and aims of both bodies.

"I am a graduate of Union Theological Seminary," said Mr. White "and wish to speak a word for that institution. Some of my Comrades of the revolution look coldly on the seminary up there shouldering Columbia University; they regard the men engaged in modern biblical scholarship as a set of academic owls, quite blind to and unconcerned with the economic upheaval of our time. Vastly in error. The professors at Union, and whosoever teaches the higher critism, are doing more than perhaps any other one group to advance the social revolution.

"Christendom reposes upon a book, the Bible. So long as that Bible was supposed to teach peace and quietness, Christendom had piece and quietness. But now comes biblical scholarship. And shows by cool, masterly science that the Bible is one long cry for human and popular rights, against the arrogance of the moneyed mighty. Professors Hall, McGriffert, Fagnani and Adams Brown, at Union; yes, and President Brown himself, are deserving a place alongside Karl Marx. For in their discoveries as to the real—the social—meaning of the biblical writings, they are planting mines of dynamite underneath this civilization of massive property rights to blow up the whole apparatus.

"Union Seminary, and all other institutions committed to the higher criticism, are under suspicion by the orthodox wing of Christianity. And with reason. The heresy trials were to have been expected. Scientific biblical scholarship is going to prove the most upheaving thing ever introduced into the world. To suppose that a revolutionary force of this magnitude could come without opposition were a child's fancy. My 'Call of the Carpenter,' I see, is being compared to Rosseau's 'Social Contract.' And once more, my 'Carpenter and the Rich Man' is getting me under fire.

"But the two books are simply a scientific setting forth of the life of Jesus as it is now coming to light. He taught that to be rich is to invade the public tranquillity; for it sunders the fellowship which ought to cement the human family into one.

"A grim dogma? Yes. But it is the dogma of Jesus, as modern scholarship is bringing into light. Readers are uttering amazement at what they term the originality of my insight into those records. But it is not much originality on my part. I am but popularizing the results of biblical scholarship The fact that my books are so charged with high explosive is but to say that the higher criticism, upon which my work is based, is a direct and magnificent coadjutor of social revolution."

As Mr. White paused, his questioner asked, "What does scholarship, as formed at Union and elsewhere, teach?"

"Its reconstructive work starts at the Bible's threshold," he answered. "It teaches that Moses, with whom the authentic narrative commences, was a labor leader—commissioned by the Most High to organize the brick-makers in the Goshen plant. He was a sabotager, too; he slew, in that strike, one of the Egyptians, the master class. Thus the Book of Exodus is the story of a labor walkout. The people of Israel, taking their origin from that event and from such a leader, became the industrial nation of antiquity. The God they reveal to the world is the arouser and advocate and defender of the poor against millionairic oppression. The Bible is one long argument of the thesis that the working class is God's elect.

"These results of Old Testament scholarship are now fairly well accepted. My books carry the discoveries into the New Testament. I show that the Carpenter of Galilee was, if anything, a more intensely class conscious revolutionist than the Old Testament agitators. The common people heard him gladly. And the charge upon which he met his death was, 'He stirreth up the people.'

"'The Carpenter and the Rich Man,' is a study of the parables, and shows the terrific seed of revolution in the carpenter's teaching.

"And where got I these dynamic results? From Union Seminary, and the superb scholars in her faculty. They are men who deserve high place in our ranks, and I am making plea with my red-flag Comrades to give these men an enthusiastic recognition."—New York Call.

Sheriff Lemieux and two other gentlemen are the Board of Censors for moving pictures in the Province of Quebec. Recently the board banned the showing of a seven reel feature depicting incidents in the life of Christ. Lemieux gave a public explanation that the life of Christ was too sacred and the subject was too reverend to show in a moving picture house. The House of Bondage, a reel showing the white slave traffic was also banned because dealing with a taboed question. If Lemieux keeps on, all we will be allowed to see will be pictures of Mutt and Jeff. Imagine Lemieux, a Sheriff, the judicial custodian of convicted tramps, murderers, prostitutes, and the flotsam and jetsam produced by the exactions of the capitalist class, being set up as a sensor! Still, he suits the masters fine. No doubt if Pontius Pilate were alive and in Montreal, the big thieves would put him on the Censor Board with Lemieux.

A Comrade from Port Arthur sends us an extract from the Daily News of that city, telling of the horrors of the war in Mexico. Old men and boys lie wounded on the floors of vermin reeking cars. The capitalist press is fond of telling about the horrors happening a couple of thousand miles away, but they keep mum about the horrors of the railway camps of Canada, the terrors of the steel mills, the grinding day to day slavery of the working class. Big business has them muzzled on home conditions.

We are a political party seeking to control of the public powers. It is the duty of every local in Ontario to get busy and run candidates in the coming provincial elections. If there is no local an individual Socialist should put himself up in the constituency. How long, slaves of Ontario, are you going to be bamboozed and led by the nose by Whitney and Rowell and the other politicians who serve your masters to your harm?