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WHAT THE FEDERATION  
ASKED; WHAT THE  
GOVERNMENT PASSED

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the injured person being away from his employment entirely but which require that he be employed at other work than he was doing at the time he was injured, while his earnings may be reduced as a result of the accident unless they are less than ninety per cent of what he was receiving when injured there is no compensation, and if less than ninety per cent he will then only receive fifty-five per cent of the difference. The amendment suggested by us would provide that where the earnings

are less he would receive the full amount of the difference, also that he would receive the benefit of any advances received by workmen doing the same work during the period of disability.

Section 53, paragraph 2, provides for a less payment to an injured workman under the age of twenty-one years who had no one dependent on him. This we believe to be wrong principle, the requirements of a person of twenty are as great as the person of twenty-two but we were not able to get a change.

The arguments advanced by the Government why increases should not be allowed were that the rates compared favorably with those provided in other provinces, which is open to question.

## CIVIC SERVICE UNION No. 62

The very successful invitation concert and dance which was held on the 15th inst. was a delight to the large audience that assembled in the Separate School Hall. The Social committee would do well to appoint an organizer of the vocal and instrumental talent. With very little effort, a splendid chorus could be formed.

Bro. P. Robson has been promoted to the position vacated by Bro. A. Spiller.

We are glad to report that Bro. A. Crandall is convalescent and hopes to be back at his work next week.

The "overall epidemic" is rapidly spreading over the North American continent. It appears that those persons who are the victims of the H.C. of L. are an easy prey to the microbe. The quacks who in 1917-18 boasted of a cure called "new era" have to acknowledge that the narcotic is worth less. In their frenzy they have tried crystal gazing, feasting, playing the ton-ton and threatening to hunger strike, but so far no antidote has been found for the cause of the complaint. The pious profiteer, with great modesty, would humbly suggest that this night more will be dispensed and all will be well if the worker produces more and receives less.

SPECIAL ELECTIONS MAY  
BE CALLED TO REPLACE  
FIVE SOCIALISTS IN N.Y.

NEW YORK.—With the announcement by Governor Alfred E. Smith that he is not empowered to call for special elections in the five assembly districts left unrepresented by the ousting of its Socialist representatives, the hopes of the disenfranchised voters turned to the calling of a special session of the legislature.

S. John Block of counsel for the Socialists declared that not only the election situation, but the housing problem, and the crisis in traction service and living costs, necessitated a special session. Gov. Smith has intimated that he might call special elections if authorized by an extraordinary session.

but as the financial reports of the various Boards for 1919 are not available as yet, it is difficult to prove otherwise. However, we intend to obtain copies of same and will then make the necessary comparisons.

## FIRE LIGHTERS' LOCAL, No. 209

We regret to report that Bro. G. Williamson, No. 2 Hall, has not been able to report for duty owing to sickness for the past few days, and all hope for his speedy recovery.

Bro. Cockle, No. 1 Hall, is convalescent, but shall not be able to report for some time.

Bro. Young, No. 1 Hall, is gaining gradually, but shall not return for some time yet. Bro. Young has been elected by acclamation for the office of president of our Local for the ensuing year. The other offices are not filled yet, elections taking place Thursday, 22nd.

Bro. D. R. Sutherland, No. 6 hall, forecasting weather variations has this to say: "The summer season in this, the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and twenty, shall commence August 3rd and terminate August 19th. He infers that owing to the high cost of living the sun has gone up above the clouds."

Invitations in the form of neatly printed booklets, in which the programme is arranged, are out for a benefit dance to be held at the Separate School Hall, on 27th inst. The committee in charge are, Bro. McRae (chairman) and McMahon, No. 6; Smith and Robertson, No. 1, and Blatchford, No. 2. The committee have been carefully selected, and it is generally forecasted that those who attend shall have a jolly good time.

FRENCH SOCIALISTS  
DEMAND STRIKE TO  
STOP RUHR MASSACRES

PARIS.—The general strike to stop the Ruhr massacres is demanded by the French Socialists, who bitterly criticize what they call Franco-German militaristic collusion to crush the proletarian movement of that province. The German social democrats are called "Kaiserist Socialists" and are declared to have been in collusion with the Mueller government and treasonable to the working classes.

Denunciation of the "practically unexecuted agreement between the French annexationists and the Berlin government, which is shown in the savage repression of Ruhr workmen" is contained in resolutions adopted by the French Socialist party committee.

## C.N.E. MACHINISTS

Local 517, I.A. of M. meets Friday, 28th at 8 p.m. Come and make it interesting. These meetings are getting more and more interesting all the time. Come, accelerate!

Headquarters has moved into the new building in Washington. The grand lodge business will be delayed for a short period until the transfer of the staff is complete. We are told, however, that a sufficient staff will now be maintained so that better results will be attained in the future as regards matters pertaining to subordinate lodges. More office space, you know.

Now, all together, you merchants, boost the price of overall! the doggone thing we mechanics need in our business. Someone is always taking the joy out of life!

The only things we want to see go up are the profiteers and the thermometer; the profiteers by means of a charge of moon-reaching projectile impulse; the other by means of the only thing the profiteer cannot corner, the sun.

Sunny Alberta is rather apathetic these days in maintaining traditions.

Beneath the greasy engine,  
The nutty splitter crawls;  
The nut has just put on a pair  
Of clean, new overalls.  
He climbs between the brake-rods,  
He monkeys with the links;  
I wouldn't dare tell the engineer  
Or the foreman what he thinks.

This poem granted by one who does not like to see the devil hog the market. The editor promised not to give him away. (Is he bashful or afraid of assassination? Ed.)

AMALGAMATION  
AND O.B.U. ARE  
NOT IDENTICALAmalgamation of Kindred Trades  
vs. Industrial Form of  
Organization

(By Wm. Schenberg in Machinists' Journal)

Recently a certain element evidently seeking the destruction from within of the bona-fide labor movement in America, using their new slogan of the "One Big Union," had with great emphasis made it appear as if those who were, and still are, advocating the amalgamation of closer affiliation of the related craft organizations, were the same, or at least identical with the advocates of the O.B.U., which is the latest edition of the I.W.W.'s.

It is futile to attempt to explain the difference between these two distinct, tactical views in the Trade Union Movement, to this disrupting element, and it is not done to argue with any leaning towards the Industrial Workers of the World, but intended to crystallize the minds of our own members, some of whom were led to believe by the O.B.U. advocates that both views have the same meaning.

The closer affiliated form of organization in the trades union movement, advocated by the International Association of Machinists, under the caption of "Amalgamation of Kindred Trades" while it may appear new to some, is as old as the trades union movement itself, had been tried, and is at present still in vogue in many countries, especially in Continental Europe. Most all trade unions in these countries are organized on similar lines as advocated by the I.A. of M., and in connection with this argument it may be interesting to know that all of these organizations have developed from what we find previous to the national or State term craft organizations. In fact, we find previous to the national or State organizations on craft lines, small craft organizations on local lines, in which, of course, the local or provincial character was predominant. As modern industry developed and cities and states became dependent on each other, local craft unions became affiliated with each other, thereby composing national trades unions on craft lines. These organizations were fairly successful in their time, but the aspirations of labor during those days were more of an idealistic character, and if engaged in battle with the employers it was always of a defensive nature; nevertheless they have found through bitter experience that trades in identical occupations, especially on work where it was difficult to draw jurisdictional lines to determine where one craft ends and the other starts, should amalgamate, or affiliate closer with each other. This was done for various reasons such as co-operation and strength during strikes and lockouts; assistance in organizing companies, also for financial reasons and many others too numerous to mention.

In this group form of organizations we find that all metal workers such as blacksmiths, horseshoers, boilermakers, machinists, metal pattern makers, electrical workers, metal polishers, structural and architectural iron workers, elevator constructors, engineers, molders, core makers, plumbers, steam fitters, gas fitters, and several others, are

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organized in one international organization, generally known as the United Metal Workers' Union.

Generally the second largest group is found to be the woodworking crafts, composed of carpenters, cabinet makers, wood pattern makers, pile drivers, wood shipbuilders, carbuilders, carvers, cooper, timber workers, boxmakers, and all other workers engaged in the use of wood.

An important group is the clothing workers industry, composed of garment workers, tailors, hatmakers, capmakers, glove makers, etc. We know of group organizations of the transport workers, printing trades, culinary employees, also the building trades, such as brick layers, masons, stone cutters, marble workers, brick and clay workers, granite cutters, hod carriers, building laborers, roofers, cement workers, tunnel and subway workers, and others occupied in building or construction work.

I do not wish to explain here the benefits of this form of an organization, although realizing that education along these lines is necessary. My desire at present is to show that closer federation or amalgamation of related craft organizations is far different from industrial form of organization. The industrial form of organization as advocated by the mouthpieces of the 50 various types of industrial workers, embodies all employees in a given basic industry into one organization. For instance, in a department store all employees from top to bottom, such as janitor, elevator operator, engineer, salesman, machinist, floorwalker, butcher, carpenter, stenographer, painter and the hundreds of others as they exist now-a-days in the modern department store, would belong to the department store employees' union. Similarly the same would apply to the bakery, to the factories, railroads, mines and most every other basic industry.

Can anyone imagine a more chaotic condition in the labor movement if such movement could still be called labor movement, and what would this kind of a union mean to the individual craft? For an illustration we will assume that a machinist employed in a printing press manufacturing company, this being a basic industry, is controlled by the Machinists' Union—so I presume at least—the printing trades may then claim it as their jurisdiction. His next job takes him to an automobile manufacturing shop, and he must then join the Automobile Workers' Union, this being a basic industry. His next job is in a railroad shop, and the outspitter then has to join the Transport Workers' Union, and as time goes on this machinist will get into the Miners' Union, the Printers' Union, the Garment Workers' Union, and dozens of other unions, although always working as a machinist, but at every turn in a different basic industry, and while at present the wage rates of the machinists, which at least are uniform in a given locality, might and undoubtedly would be different, being then based on the wages paid in that particular basic industry, and if, of course, that basic industry is unorganized then the machinist, regardless of his skill, experience and possibly a dozen or more former affiliations with so many industrial unions, would find himself at the mercy of the employer as he had never been before.

This is a chapter of industrial unionism, and those who preach this gospel are desirous to first tear down the present trade unions, sailing under the

ALBION HALL  
CROWDED TO  
HEAR DIXON

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vails at Ottawa. One clause provides that "Any person who is suffering from venereal disease in a communicable form, who knowingly or by culpable negligence communicates such venereal disease to another person shall be guilty of an offence, and shall be liable upon summary conviction to a fine not exceeding five hundred dollars or to imprisonment to a term not exceeding six months or to both fine and imprisonment."

Another clause provides that "every one is guilty of an indictable offence and liable to imprisonment to a term not exceeding two years and not less than one year who steals any automobile or motor car."

"By the same bill a clause safeguarding the rights of freedom of speech has been deleted. There was a clause in the code which permitted criticism of the government or constitution, or the administration of justice, provided such criticism was intended in good faith. That clause was stricken out on the 7th of July, 1919.

"The defence committee will endeavor to secure the release of the men in jail; it will care for their families and dependents; and it will also carry on an agitation for the restitution of those ancient constitutional safeguards which have ensured the rights of free speech and peaceable assembly."

"Once the Machievellian politicians who have committed these atrocities are exposed in all their hideous nakedness there can be no doubt about the result. The descendants of a race of men who have curbed the power of lords and kings will not long submit to the tyranny of politicians and profiteers."

guidance of the American Federation of Labor, and then build from its ruins their Eldorado, the industrial union, or as they please to call it lately, "The One Big Union." Let us all understand that this is not what the International Association of Machinists has advocated. Closer affiliation means to build up from the present, to improve the one or the many which we now have to simplify and strengthen where the present structure is faulty, to help the weak or smaller crafts, and in this direction we are marching onward and doing our bit.

The different departments "in the American Federation of Labor, such as the Metal Trades Department, are a step in the right direction. Local Metal Trades Councils, Allied Printing Trades Councils, Building Trades Councils, with all their faults and shortcomings, mean natural development and evolution in the American trades union movement. What we need is education—education at home. Let us spend some of our time and energy in educational work, in other words let us for a while at least take care of our members on the inside. We have probably made too rapid progress in the past year or two; new men came into our ranks faster than we could enlighten and assimilate them and make them acceptable to the principles of the trades union movement of America.

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