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## SILVERWOOD ASSAILS CIVIC COMMISSION

### Teachers To Quit Should Wage Cut Be Enforced

#### JOINT PARLEY FRIDAY, MAY BRING CRISIS

School Trustees Admit More Paring Must Effect Salaries.

INVITES COMPARISON

Teacher Urges Interested Citizens To Contrast Salaries in City and Elsewhere.

Should the board of education after its joint session Friday next with the other civic spending bodies deem it imperative to effect a 10 per cent reduction of teachers' salaries, as apparently determined advocated by Mayor Cameron Wilson and several of the aldermen, the inevitable result will be that several vacancies will be automatically created in the city's teaching staff.

While the board of education to date, led by Trustee Edwin Smith, has been steadfast in its determination that salaries shall not be tampered with, Mayor Wilson, following the initial meeting of the civic commission Wednesday, urged all civic spending boards to send representatives to a joint meeting Monday in a last effort to reduce the educational estimates to such a degree as will substantially lower the city's tax rate.

What developments will transpire is problematical, but as Trustee Silverwood, chairman of the collegiate institute committee, has already pointed out, the trustees, to conform to any appreciable extent with the mayor's suggestion, must tackle the salary problem. In this manner only, he reasons, can any real lowering of the tax rate be effected by the board of education.

It becomes quite evident, however, that should the mayor's wishes be adhered to, such action will precipitate several immediate resignations which are bound to have a disquieting effect upon the teachers as a body. What the ultimate result would be is difficult to contemplate. One of a number of teachers holding important teaching positions, whose names are withheld by The London Advertiser for obvious reasons, explained Thursday morning that "it actually made slight difference to him in the finish whether the board decided to institute the proposed reduction or not. I am satisfied personally that I will not be here more than a month after the trustees say that I am not worth what I am now receiving. While I am not anxious to leave London, there are positions I have been offered elsewhere that I can accept."

This teacher contended further that all citizens who are interested in the city's educational problems should study the salary situation carefully, not only locally, but in other cities.

"Let them consult the scale of wages elsewhere," he suggested, "and then they'll be able to note where London stands in comparison."

#### CLOSE DOWN C.P.R. SHOPS IN WEST

Calgary, March 23.—Between 800 and 900 employees of the Canadian Pacific Railway at Ogden shops have been notified that the shops will close tonight until April 3.

#### The Weather

FORECASTS.

Today—Fair and warm.

Friday—Fair; not much change in temperature.

Pressure is rising rapidly over the Western Provinces, while a trough of low pressure extends from Lake Superior to New Mexico.

Zero temperatures prevail in many districts of the West, and it is somewhat colder this morning in Quebec.

Fair weather prevails throughout the country.

Temperatures.

The highest and lowest temperatures during the 24 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were:

High. Low.

Victoria 50 36

Calgary 50 36

Winnipeg 38 16

St. Arthur 28 14

S. S. Marie 26 10

Toronto 26 10

Kingston 26 10

Montreal 26 10

Quebec 26 10

P. Point 28 22

St. John 40 20

Halifax 46 30

LOCAL TEMPERATURES.

The highest and lowest temperatures recorded in London during the 24 hours previous to 8 o'clock last night were: Highest, 32; lowest, 31.

The official temperatures for the 12 hours previous to 8 a.m. today were: Highest, 27; lowest, 14.

Barometric Readings.

Wednesday—8 p.m., 29.54.

Today—8 a.m., 29.51.

#### Officer Braves Death To Save Babe

MONTREAL, March 23.—Running into a burning residence above a drygoods store on Notre Dame street late last night, Constable Huleault seized a 2-year-old baby from its bed and carried it to the smoke-filled building in safety. The family had been driven out on to the street and were clustered together in a frightened group when the distracted mother suddenly remembered that her baby had been left in a room on the second floor. Without a second's hesitation the courageous officer dashed into the flaming house, emerging a few minutes later with the child in his arms.

#### LADY M. P. RAPS PARTY POLITICS

Miss McPhail Says Canada Needs To Learn Businesslike Government.

"CONVERTED CONVERT" Claims She Came Over Carefully to Wood's Economic Group Idea.

Ottawa, March 23.—"We want to learn to conduct national business in a businesslike way. It will be novel," declared Miss Agnes MacPhail, M.P., in an address delivered last night to a meeting of local and national progressives.

Miss MacPhail claimed that under the old system of party, and cries raised by clever publicity agents, members were elected to the House of Commons that could just as well have been represented by a photo and a rubber stamp. She thought Ontario and Alberta were nearer to each other in their ideas than even the two other prairie provinces were in agreement with the third. Miss MacPhail said she was getting a little tired of people speaking as though the only farmers' movement was in the west.

Ontario was on the map, too, in that respect, and it should not be overlooked that the largest progressive representation of any province went from Ontario. Miss MacPhail thought that Ontario farmers perhaps went into politics too soon, and she said impressively that personally she was a "carefully converted convert to the economic group idea of Mr. Wood."

But Ontario also had a Mr. Wood, only he was called J. J. Morrison. He was the only man she had ever praised publicly, said the speaker, amid laughter. The fact that J. J. Morrison and H. W. Wood had both turned down premierships constituted them two of the most talked-of men.

#### VIOLATING GAME LAWS IS COSTLY

Nine cases were tried at Blenheim on Wednesday on information laid by Col. R. Emerson, game warden for Western Ontario, for violation of the Ontario game and fisheries act, in that they were using chicken wire netting, which is prohibited, and also operating without a license.

All nine defendants were found guilty and a fine and costs assessed.

Seven other cases will come up for trial at Port Stanley on Friday, in which defendants are charged with operating without licenses.

#### WILL CELEBRATE CANADIAN WEEK

Chicago, March 23.—The city council today designated the week of April 2 to 8 as a Canadian week to celebrate the one hundred and fourth anniversary of peace and uninterrupted social and business intercourse.

#### SEPOY MUTINY.

The only widespread revolution in recent times in which the majority of Indians took part and which really threatened the just rule of the British government in India was the Sepoy mutiny.

This began at Meerut, near Delhi, May 10, 1857. Its immediate cause was the furnishing of rifle cartridges, greased with pork fat, to Mohammedan troops. It is unlawful for a Mohammedan to taste pork.

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#### TRY ELEVENTH HOUR PLAN TO STOP STRIKE

Arbitration Committee in Coal Dispute Meet in Union League Club.

#### LABOR LEADER TALKS

Operators' Representatives Retain Secrecy On Wage Reduction Program.

BULLETIN. Washington, March 23.—Warning that the federal government would tolerate no use of violence to prevent coal production during the threatened coal strike, was issued today by Attorney-General Daugherty.

New York, N. Y., March 23.—In an eleventh hour attempt to halt preparations for a nation-wide strike in the coal industry, the arbitration committee of anthracite miners and operators. With them will sit two non-voting neutrals, a chairman and a secretary. John L. Lewis, president of the International Organization of Mine Workers, will head the miners' delegation. The spokesmen for the operators will be S. D. Warriner, of the Lehigh Coal and Navigation Company.

Upon today's conference will depend whether the 200,000 anthracite workers shall proceed with their 400,000 brethren in the bituminous fields, and prepare to drop their tools April 1, while their 19 wage demands are given consideration. The miners' representatives will enter today's conference with little expectation of reaching an agreement which will avert the strike.

"Of course we have hope," said Mr. Lewis.

"It would be possible for us to conclude an agreement within 40 minutes. Such a thing might happen. But I recall that similar wage arbitrations in previous years have taken from four weeks to several months.

"There is no reasonable doubt but that the general strike will be called April 1, as scheduled."

Representatives of the operators refused to make any predictions as to the outcome of the conference. They continued to maintain strict secrecy concerning the program of wage reduction which they will offer as the basis for a new contract, as opposed to the wage demands of the miners.

#### APPEAL TO HARDING.

Washington, March 22.—Fearing the effect of a general coal strike upon agriculture, by the crippling of transportation facilities, leaders of the House Agricultural bloc plan to appeal to President Harding to call at once a joint conference of miners and operators at the White House in an attempt to avert the strike called for April first.

#### UNIONISTS ABANDON HOPE.

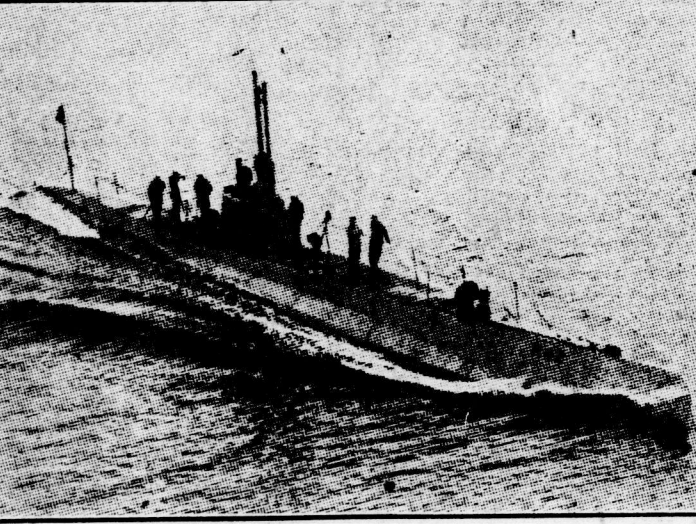
INDIANAPOLIS, March 22.—No hope was held out in union circles here today that the coal strike set for April first might be averted by government officials, who have not entirely abandoned their efforts to get a settlement, particularly in the soft coal fields, in advance of the day set for nation-wide suspension of work.

Even an unexpected division on the part of the operators of the central competitive field to meet the miners was said to be doubtful of stopping the strike which, it was pointed out, was authorized to be effective unless a new wage contract had been made by union officials and approved by a referendum vote of the miners. With only ten days intervening until April first, the time was said to be too short for carrying out the union's program for reaching a settlement.

#### RAILROADERS ENTER ALLIANCE

ST. LOUIS, Mo., March 22.—More than 730,000 union railroad employees already have entered the alliance of railroad and mine workers, E. J. Turn to Page 13, Column 3.

#### Sinks In Mediterranean In Collision



SUBMARINE H-42.

LONDON, March 23.—The British submarine H-42 has been lost with all hands in the Mediterranean, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Gibraltar today. She collided with a destroyer during manoeuvres.

The British submarines of the H class were all built under the war emergency program, most of them in the years 1918-1919. They are of the single hull "Holland" type modified by the admiralty, 164½ to 171 feet long and 15½ feet beam.

They displace from 440 to 500 tons and are equipped with two sets of Diesel engines, giving a speed of 13 knots on the surface, and carrying four torpedo tubes.

Their ordinary complement is 22 men.

#### LABOR PARTY TO HEAR ALDERMEN

Will Invite Ashton and Watkinson To Explain Stand On Annex Vote.

#### TO MEET ON SUNDAY NEXT

Laborites Opposed to Policy Followed by Conferees in Council.

In an effort to throw further light upon the "annexed school tax issue," now only second in importance to Mayor Wilson's 10 per cent salary reduction, members of the executive board of the London Labor Party will meet in special session Sunday afternoon next.

Invitations to attend will be sent. It is explained, to Aldermen John Ashton and Fred Watkinson, two of labor's three representatives in the city council.

Since the regular meeting of the party Friday last not a little disturbance has been visible among the rank and file of the labor men. Ald. Watkinson was vigorously attacked at Friday's meeting because, it was said, he had seemingly drifted from his labor conferees.

Since Ald. John Ashton failed to support Ald. Ashplant at the city council Monday, when the latter introduced his motion to collect additional taxes from factories in the annexed districts, another storm of protest emanated from the Labor Temple.

While Ald. Ashton takes the attitude that any promises made to the people in the annexed districts in 1911 should be rigidly adhered to, members of the party appear reluctant to accept this policy at its destination. It has been decided, however, that both aldermen be allowed an opportunity to defend their position again.

#### PASSENGERS AND PLANE MISSING

Miami, Fla., March 23.—The flying boat Miss Miami, which left here at noon yesterday for Bimini, was reported today not to have arrived at its destination. The craft, carried, besides its pilot, Robert Moore, five passengers, Mr. and Mrs. August Baite and Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Smith of Kansas City, and a Mrs. Dixon of Memphis, Tenn.

#### J. B. McKILLOP, CROWN COUNSEL IN LONDON, DIES

Loses Heroic Battle For Life When Pneumonia Follows Paralysis.

#### LONDON DEPLORES LOSS

Officials and Public Point to Him as "Four Square" Man.

Crown Attorney James B. McKillop, K.C., one of the outstanding members of the Middlesex Bar, died at his residence, No. 8 Hayman Court at 4 o'clock Thursday morning.

His death had not been unexpected, as he had been waging a long fight for life for several days. Early last week he was stricken with paralysis and contracted pneumonia on Monday. Then he lapsed into unconsciousness, and only then did he cease the battle with death.

Mr. McKillop was first taken ill about three weeks ago. His condition at that time was serious, but he recovered sufficiently to resume his practice.

Although at that time his physician advised a long period of convalescence Mr. McKillop insisted that he was able to return to an active life. He was never content to rest, but aimed at accomplishing something each day whether it was on his own behalf or in the interests of others.

His fairness in court practice was one thing that won for him a place in the hearts of the court officials and attendants. He never asked for a decision in a case until he had personally investigated it and learned the circumstances. He was at all times willing to give the prisoner the benefit of any doubt that might arise.

His work as crown prosecutor was exemplary, and gave London and Middlesex courts unrivalled prestige throughout Canada.

Mr. McKillop was a four-square man, both in business and social circles. Fellow-members of the profession and the public in general held him in great esteem.

His word was as good as his bond, and in all his dealings kindness was his first thought.

Held 33rd Degree.

Mr. McKillop was prominent in fraternal circles of London, being an indefatigable devotee to Masonry. In this regard he held the coveted 33rd degree, which is the highest rank obtainable in the Royal Arcanum.

In addition he was an officer in the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite, and an active member of London Chapter of the Rose Croix.

During the past decade Mr. McKillop attended every reunion of Scottish Rites in the Valley of London, and assisted in conferring degrees upon candidates. In fact many of his Masonic brothers recall him at attendance at the Scottish Rite reunion held in the Masonic Temple last February, when he was congratulated on his recovery from a previous serious illness.

The blue lodge of Masonry was a source of delight and instruction to Mr. McKillop, and at the time of his death he held the office of treasurer of Tuscan Lodge No. 195. He was also a past master of this lodge, and a member of the Royal Arcanum.

Mr. McKillop was ever ready to serve and accomplished much in the interests of the craft.

"He was well-known and held in high esteem in all Masonic circles outside the city, and his advice and counsel were always at the disposal of his brethren," said A. E. Cooper of this city, a fellow Scottish rite, who has been intimately acquainted with Mr. McKillop during the past 40 years, when informed of his death.

#### Bar Deplores Loss.

Members of the legal profession in Ontario deplore the death of their outstanding colleague.

Speaking as a barrister who has associated with Mr. McKillop in this

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#### Defends Treaty!



MICHAEL COLLINS.

DUBLIN, March 23.—If the Irish Republican army convention is held Sunday it will be "contrary to the orders of the general headquarters" staff, declared Michael Collins today.

The Irish champion of the British treaty said nothing, however, indicating any further steps to try to prevent the meeting, which was recently forbidden by Arthur Griffith, president of the Dail Eireann.

#### FATHER SEEKING CHILDREN GONE

George A. Brewé Fails To Appear When Justice Calls Case.

#### THINKS SON WITH PARENT

E. T. Essery, Counsel For Mother, Believes Pair Will Soon Return.

George Albert Brewé, of London, asking for the custody of his children, Cora and John, at the spring assizes, failed to appear when the case was called by Chief Justice R. M. Meredith at the court house on Thursday morning.

It was believed that Mr. Brewé had decided not to wait for the action to come to trial, but had gone to Simcoe street school Friday morning and induced his son John, 12 years old, to accompany him instead of going back to the home of his mother at 322 Hill street.

Thursday night, Mrs. Brewé stated, that John had not come home to dinner last Friday, and that a neighbor had received a telephone message from her husband at noon stating that he had taken John to get some new shoes and clothes. He said he would meet his wife at the court house that afternoon with the boy, when he and his wife were to be examined for discovery by E. T. Essery, K.C., and P. H. Bartlett.

"I was quite worried about the matter," said Mrs. Brewé, "but I thought that my husband and John would put in an appearance. However, they did not come and I am hoping against hope that they will be in court tomorrow."

"My little girl Cora has been home sick and was not at school last Friday."

"My husband came last Wednesday afternoon to the house and went round to the back and got John's bicycle out of the shed. I did not say anything about it," as he had given the boy the wheel."

E. T. Essery, K.C., counsel for Mrs. Brewé, stated Thursday that his client had received a letter from her husband, postmarked Cincinnati, stating that the boy was with him.

Mr. Brewé in the letter did not say when he would return to London, but Mr. Essery ventured the

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#### REFUSES TO BE JACK-IN-BOX IN CITY'S AFFAIRS

School Board Trustee Thinks New Civic Body Is Near Its End.

#### DISAGREES WITH VINING

Resents Action of Other Civic Bodies Against Board of Education.

Should the other civic spending bodies persist in their dictatorial attitude toward the board of education, the newly-created civic commission is destined to an early grave.

Such is the belief of Trustee A. E. Silverwood, chairman of No. 3 committee, Collegiate Institute, replying to a volley of criticism hurled at the trustees since they have declined to date to accede to Mayor Wilson's urgent request to reduce all salaries 10 per cent.

"We of the board of education have certain responsibilities," continued Trustee Silverwood, "and I can say right here that we do not intend to be a 'jack-in-the-box' ready to jump whenever somebody on the city council passes the word. Regarding salaries, these other bodies have not the right to dictate to us. We have the control of our situation until such time as we see fit to change."

Touching on the suggestion by Jared Vining, chairman of the public utilities commission, that "some boards take the bull by the horns and tell the provincial department of education that they are going to run their own affairs as they see fit," the head of the Collegiate Institute committee declared: "I do not know whether Commissioner Vining is speaking without knowing the real setting of conditions or not. It may be that he has studied the local educational problem as intimately as he has conditions in his own department."

"It does seem unfair to me, nevertheless, for a commission called with a view toward co-operation, to launch all its energy upon the board of education. Vining or others on other civic boards. I still think that all the brains are not confined to the city council or the public utilities commission."

"We have been quite willing to co-operate. We gave evidence of that when we almost eliminated our 1922 building program. But if they are going to 'take us by the throat,' I for one say it is all off."

Questioned as to the suggestion that he resign and run for mayor against Dr. Wilson, should the latter deem it expedient to go to the people, Mr. Silverwood replied that he would rather stand aside for Trustee Edwin Smith, chairman of the board.

#### VENICE FLOODED BY TIDAL WAVE

London, March 23.—A Central News dispatch from Venice says that a tidal wave late last night inundated the city, the water rising to a depth of more than three feet in some of the public squares.

Venice, situated as it is virtually at sea level and threaded by canals, is subject to periodic inundation due to unusually high tides and spring freshets. The squares, such as St. Mark's, are under water at such times but the rise seldom exceeds a few inches.

#### Aids "Poor Women" To Win Divorce

LONDON, March 23.—Poor women of England are to be given increased facilities for using the divorce courts by new rules before the supreme court.

Heretofore, a wife could not be admitted as a "poor person" in a matrimonial case if the combined income of herself and her husband exceeded \$20 a week, even if they were living apart.

Moreover, the wife could not bring action unless she deposited \$25 with the court. Under the proposed rules a "poor person" may obtain the benefits of the rulings if her own income is less than \$20 a week. If unable to deposit \$25 with the court, it will be possible for her to obtain an order for her husband to pay the amount.

## HOW BOLSHIEVISM FOSTERED PRESENT UNREST IN INDIA

Special to London Advertiser.

LONDON, March 23.—The disturbances in India, which now have culminated in the sentencing of Gandhi to a six-year jail term, are manifestations of bolshevism which have been smoldering steadily since the British first entered India in 1757.

Past disturbances have usually been localized in limited sections of India or participated in by limited groups of the population while the rest of the Hindustan peninsula remained quiet.

India's vast population—between 300,000,000 and 400,000,000—is split into a half dozen different racial groups and a score of widely varying religions.

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#### STRIKES FREQUENT.

These things have kept India in a continual turmoil. Many strikes took place in 1921—notably that of textile workers at Bombay and that of tram employees in Calcutta.

Armed uprisings and riots also have been frequent. The most important was the Moplah uprising in North India late in 1921. This resulted in six districts being placed under martial law.

Since the war the British government has made strong efforts to pacify the peninsula.

The Earl of Reading, former lord chief justice in England, was sent to India as viceroy. One of his first actions was to confer with Gandhi, nationalist leader.

The interview, however, bore little fruit, for Gandhi continued his passive resistance activities.

Early in 1921 a limited kind of self-government went into effect in India under the government of India act.

#### NEW LAW'S PROVISIONS.

India was given a national Parliament, modeled

along the lines of the British Parliament. It consisted of a council of state, made up of princes and nobles, corresponding to the House of Lords, and a Legislative Assembly, similar to the House of Commons.

This national Parliament met at Delhi and similar provincial Parliaments were set up in various parts of India.

The great bulk of India's population is made up of low caste cultivators, who take little part in political activities and have little political consciousness.

POLITICAL PARTIES.

Active political parties in India today are:

EXTREMISTS, consisting of Gandhi's non-co-operationist followers, together with radical direct-action revolutionists.

MODERATES, who want freedom but are determined to get it by political action.

INTELLECTUALS, consisting of high caste Hindus and educated natives, many of whom favor British control as the only just means of educating the people.

Srinavasa Sastri, British delegate to the Washington arms conference, is representative of this group.