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The Locals' Page

IS SOCIALISM A MENACE TO TRUE FAITH?

Interesting Subject Under Discussion at First Baptist Brotherhood Meetings

The Men's Brotherhood of First Baptist Church is holding a very interesting series of meetings on Sunday afternoons. The meetings take the form of a study class and the subject now under discussion is, "Is Socialism a Menace to Faith?"

E. E. Roper lead the discussion on Sunday last and ran the gauntlet of a score of questions from the men present. The discussion was opened by a question from Dr. W. E. Sheldon, the chairman, who asked: "What relation have the ideals of the Labor Party to the fundamental theories of Socialism?" In reply Mr. Roper stated that the ideals of the Labor Party were essentially socialistic. The party contended for the social ownership and control of the means of production and distribution. It was striving to bring about democracy in every phase of life's activities, and to give to every person the opportunity for the fullest development of their latent abilities. Social justice, social democracy and equality of privilege and opportunity were the guiding principle of the Labor Party.

Questioned as to the disposition of private property and compensation to the present owners, the speaker said that the Labor Party subordinated property to humanity and material things and their ownership were only taken into consideration insofar as they benefited or militated against the happiness or highest development of mankind. The administration or acquisition of property of all kinds would be accomplished in the manner that would best serve the interests of all the people.

The treatment of the main subject, "Is Socialism a Menace to Faith?" has been concentrated upon the gaining of a knowledge of Socialism during the discussion of the last three Sundays, but next Sunday afternoon the question of Christian faith will be taken up by Mr. Cook in a reply to T. Russell of the Socialist party, who will speak for fifteen minutes on "The Materialistic Conception of History." The discussion next Sunday should be exceptionally interesting.

The meetings take place in the church auditorium at 3 p.m., and all men are cordially invited to be present, and take part in the discussion.

At the conclusion of the present series the Brotherhood proposes to take up the subject: "Is Science a Menace to Faith?"

CIVIC SERVICE No. 52
"The system set up by our laws and usage doesn't work—or at least it can't be depended on; it is made to work only by a most unreasonable expenditure of labor and pains. The government which was designed for the people, has got into the hands of bosses and their employers, the special interests. An invincible empire has been set up over the forms of democracy." The New Freedom.

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At our next monthly meeting of our U.F.A. Local of which I am the Secretary-Treasurer, I will endeavor to get some of our members to subscribe to your paper. I believe that the Labor Class and Farmers should work hand in hand.

Yours sincerely,
JOSEPH NEVEU,
New Norway, Alta.

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LABOR AND THE CO-OP. MOVEMENT ATTRACTS NOTICE

Labor Is Fast Learning the Value of Co-operation in Fighting Capitalism

The co-operation movement is attracting widespread interest within the ranks of Labor and organized Farmers, writes Dr. Frederic C. Howe in the Journal of Electrical Workers. Mr. Warren S. Stone, grand chief of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, recently announced the proposed organization of a Labor bank through which upwards of forty millions of dollars would be mobilized in the interest of Labor.

The Maintenance of Way employees have recently purchased plants in Michigan and Ohio for the manufacture of knit goods, underwear, gloves and other clothing. The goods manufactured are to be sold to members of the various railroad organizations at cost.

A conference was called which was held in Chicago, February 12-15, and was made up of representatives of organized Labor and progressive farmers, which discussed a program of co-operation and joint action between the farmers, co-operative societies and Labor organizations. The movement for the co-operative production and sale of the necessities of life has received a great impetus within the past few months. It may sweep the country during the next few years.

Along with these big movements, consumers' co-operative stores are being opened as a means of attack on the high cost of living. This movement is particularly strong in Chicago, Seattle, Pittsburgh, and among the miners of Illinois. Wholesale co-operative depots are being organized for the purchase of supplies to be distributed to the local societies. New local organizations are being organized at the rate of fifty a week. Most of these societies are a success. Where they fail it is due to inadequate capital or careless management.

All over Europe the co-operative movement has been developed by labor unions and socialists as a means of promoting the solidarity of the working class. It has been found that economic power adds materially to the strength of organized labor in its collective bargaining. In case of strikes the co-operative stores have handled the distribution of food and fuel. They have been the commissariat in labor's wars. Labor in Europe has its own banks, its own bakeries, breweries, boot and shoe factories. Labor does its own banking, and before the war the annual turnover of these banks ran into the billions of dollars.

Labor in America has been late in organizing co-operation. Once started, however, it should move with great rapidity. Labor should control its own economic life. The labor unions in this country control over a hundred million dollars of their own funds. In addition the workers receive wages in excess of twenty billions of dollars a year. These trust funds and wages are placed in the capitalistic banks. They are often used against Labor. They should be controlled by Labor itself in its struggle for self-protection and development.

The last twelve months have taught Labor many things. It has exposed the plans of capital to crush unionism. It has exposed the plans of many politicians to aid capital in crushing unionism.

Labor cannot afford to wait until it is wholly helpless. It should begin to organize itself as an economic unit and as a political force as well. Co-operation is the means of economic effort. It is a means for reducing the cost of living. It is a way to beat the profiteers. Far more important, it is a way to develop a sense of solidarity, a community of interest, a realization of the power of Labor, once it takes an inventory of its resources, and then uses its intelligence to bring these resources under its own control for its own advancement.

The distinguishing characteristic of the union label is its assurance against deception. When an article ceases to be union-made it ceases to bear the union label.

C.N.R. MACHINISTS
Lodge 817, L.A. of M. held their regular meeting March 12th and was well attended considering the scare among the members of the 'flu.

The shop committee sure stood the bawling out that, in the opinion of Bro. Bill Smith, was coming to them. "It used to be," he says, "that a man couldn't get inside the door unless he had his card."

Much dissatisfaction is caused locally by the interpretation, agreed upon by Div. 4 officers and board of railway management of Rule 60. It's really a small thing, but to be told that you must do a thing that more often than not you did anyway, and when such book-keepers "work logically and in the interest of the company" that it is done regularly by a bookkeeper, and you get an hour extra per week for doing it—why, Lord Harry, it's no concession by the company. You are being paid for doing company work after working hours; ten minutes per day. Where is your kick? Do you want something for nothing? That is not what Labor is after! Labor wants a fair day's living, or pay, for a fair day's work. There's your kick! If that extra hour is said to be a bonus, what matters it! It's only a name. You just keep right on making out your time-slip after the whistle blows. We know it's called a time slip, but it really is a voucher for the book-keeper on the charges against such-and-such an engine. For ten minutes per day you are a book-keeper. That camouflaged Rule 60 does not refer to your punching the clock a-tall! Oh no! depending on where you live of course, you walk four blocks extra on your own time for the beautiful, bounteous privilege of examining a specimen of the clock makers art and playing with it a few seconds and listening to the delightful music, ding! dingle! four times a day.

Listen here, youse! your kick isn't against the company; your kick is against your own little self, if you will only see it.

Then there is the overtime question, Rule 6 applied (and agreed to by Div. 4) to the round-house, or where three shifts are worked—but piffle! It's your kick and it's up to you to reason out why (?)

So you don't want any "Ladies' Aid," huh! Well how about this—"fraid the old might be a lemon—you're right, turn it down. There's not enough "kick" in lemonade. Might find out that in the garden of love where you expected only peaches grew you plucked a lemon. Bah! You're yellow. Next!

Cootie came behind before, he's coming rather soon of late. Did you notice the time he tapped the portal for admission to the last assembly of ye honorable 817?

Get this one—Ross Doherty is among us. Glory go to bbs, let the good work go on! Come on in Earnest!

Bolshe has a job on the Riverdale Community League. Wonder if he really has a red tie!

N.B. IS READY FOR INDEPENDENT POLITICAL ACTION

St. Johns T. & L. Council Appeals to Ontario for Help in Organization Campaign

A communication during the last week was received by the Provincial Secretary of the Independent Labor Party of Ontario from the St. Johns, New Brunswick, Trades and Labor Council, which conveys the information that the entire province is ripe for independent political action, states the Toronto Industrial Banner.

It states that steps are being taken to organize the I.L.P. in all the urban centers, while the farmers will organize the rural districts for the purpose of taking independent political action.

The communication asks that all possible information be forwarded from the Ontario I.L.P. in order to assist in the work of organization that is to be immediately launched. The feeling between the urban and rural workers and the returned soldiers is of the most cordial nature. All three are desirous of combining their forces for political action, and at several conferences already held it has been found that there will be no difficulty in accomplishing this move.

It is probable that a member of the Ontario I.L.P. may take a trip to New Brunswick to help in the organization work, and from the present outlook the prospects are that in the next provincial and Federal general elections the Labor-Farmer-Soldier combination will sweep the province.

If a person speaks the truth today he is a "Bolshevist." Tone it down and gloss it over and he is "safe and sane."—Industrial Banner.

The price of motor cars is going up and many workers who thought they might soon own a Ford can see it skidding away from them.—Industrial Banner.

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THE SATISFACTION SHOP FOR MEN

B.C. FEDERATION OF LABOR HAS BEEN DISSOLVED

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are our various parliaments filled to overflowing with working-class representatives.

A very astounding fact to one who was in attendance both at the Western Conference in Calgary and at the B.C. Convention, was to find in the report of the Executive Committee, that representations had been made to the prime minister of British Columbia to have an investigation into, certain mines, as they were alleged not to be safe for men to work in. And these supplementary efforts directly after the close of the Western Conference. Ye Gods!

That the Federation was utterly destroyed through the activities of those who were in charge since the last convention held twelve months prior in Calgary, is an outstanding fact, for both the President and Secretary recommended in their report the dissolving of that body. This was not really the intention of the President, at least whilst debating the Pritchard resolution dealing with the change of the constitution, at the Calgary, B.C. Federation Convention 12 months prior. For when one delegate brought out that the adopting of the resolution would abolish the Federation, Kavanagh stated as follows: "This will not break down the B.C. Federation of Labor as I see it, but it will change it for the better." He goes on to say "Our organization is in the habit of sending representatives to Victoria to talk to the ministers there for half an hour or so, and while they are talking, half of those ministers are asleep, and at the end they promise to take into consideration what our representatives have said and go away and forget all about it." If he really believed this, why did he allow supplementary methods to be made to Victoria on behalf of the mines, through the Federation of which he was then President? And further why does he now

recommend the dissolving of the B.C. Federation of Labor when he had made the statements as quoted, at a previous convention.

There is no provincial organization of the O.B.U. in British Columbia. There are a few isolated units, and in fact both the President and Secretary of the Federation hold on still to their international cards. Why? The facts are these: The Longshoremen's organization of Vancouver reversed its stand on the O.B.U. question as have most of the unions in British Columbia, and the only thing for those to do who had ridden the horse to death was to bury it by the wayside, ably assisted by a few of their friends from the O.B.U. units. And true to form they ran.

The office equipment is to be sold and all available cash after bills have been paid will be returned pro ratio to the organizations that have paid per capita tax for the first half year. It was a sad convention. The enthusiasm of a year ago was not there. They were like the expression of the young man who had endeavored to take a short cut to emancipation and were in trouble, and unlike their actions of a year previous, they had no desire to re-construct the Federation. They wanted to get rid of it, so they recommended dissolution.

And so we workers must learn our lessons after years of time and service, as well as money, has been spent in bringing into being an organization to assist ourselves. Several got together and scheme to dissolve it. Why?

NEW YORK WAITERS ASK NON-AFFILIATED WORKERS TO BEWARE

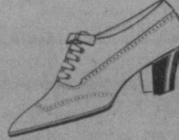
Waiters' union No. 1, at New York, is asking non-affiliated workers to think when they read the harangues of a dual organization that professes to be "radical." The dual organization shouts "no compromise" with the employer while urging employers to accept its wage scale, which is lower than that of the bona fide trade union. The dualists favor strikes because "large amounts of money are spent under 'secret' funds and no accounting can be given." These funds are raised by appealing to recognized trade unions.

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