

## INCREASES MADE BY AWARD OF R.R. LABOR BOARD

### Relations in Canada May Be Largely Governed By This Award

The award of the Railroad Labor Board was handed down on the 29th of July at Chicago as advertised. It concedes about 60 per cent on the schedule demanded by the men, making an addition of some \$600,000,000 to the railroad payroll of the United States.

The increases made are as follows: Passenger service: Engineers and motormen, firemen, helpers, 80 cents per day. Freight service: Engineers, firemen, helpers, \$1.04 per day. Yard service: Engineers, firemen, helpers, 18 cents per hour. Passenger service: Conductors, ticket collectors, baggage men, flagmen and brakemen, \$3.25 per month. Suburban service: Passenger employees, \$30 per month. Freight service: Conductors, flagmen and brakemen, \$1.04 per day. Supercharging rates established by the railroad administration the board fixed the following schedules: Yard service: Foremen, \$6.96 per day; helpers, \$6.48; switch tenders, \$5.04. Hostler service: Outside hostlers, \$6.24 per day; inside hostlers, \$5.60 per day; helpers, \$5.04.

The following increases were authorized for shop employees: Supervisory forces: Machinists, boilermakers, blacksmiths, sheetmetal workers, electrical workers, powermen, moulders, cupola tenders and core-makers, including those with less than four years' experience, all crafts, 13 cents an hour. Regular and helper apprentices and helpers all classes, 13 cents an hour. Car cleaners, five cents an hour. Telegraphers, telephone operators, agents, townmen, levermen, tower and train directors, block operators and staff men, 10 cents an hour. Agents at all small non-telegraph stations, five cents an hour.

For Maintenance of Way Men The following increases were granted maintenance of way and unskilled forces: Construction forces, their assistants, section track and maintenance foremen and assistants and mechanics in these departments 15 cents an hour. Laborers employed in shops and roundhouses, 10 cents an hour. Mechanics' helpers in bridge and building departments, track laborers, common laborers, bridge tenders, hoisting firemen, pump engineers, crossing watchmen or flagmen and lamplighters and tenders 8 1/2 cents an hour.

Train dispatchers are given an increase of 13 cents an hour, and yardmasters and assistant yardmasters, 15 cents an hour. The following increases are added to the established rates for clerical and station forces: Storekeepers, chief clerks, foremen and other clerical supervisory forces, clerks with one or more years railroad experience, train and engine crew callers, assistant station masters, train announcers, gate-men and baggage and parcel room employees, 13 cents an hour. Janitors, elevator and telephone operators, watchmen, employes operating office appliances and similar work, 10 cents an hour.

Unskilled Labor All common laborers in and about (Continued on Page Five)

## GENOA LABOR CONFERENCE ON CHILD LABOR

### No Children Under 14 Years of Age Shall Be Employed on Sea-Going Vessels

The International Labor Conference, which has just concluded its sessions at Genoa, adopted a convention providing that no children under 14 years of age shall be employed on sea-going vessels.

The Genoa conference was called primarily to consider the application to seafarers of the labor conventions adopted at Washington in November. Further advice received indicate that the conference appointed a special commission to consider the preparation of this children's charter of the sea. It came unanimously to the decision that no children under 14 years of age should be permitted to work on sea-going vessels with two exceptions: (1) On vessels which "only members of the same family are employed," and (2) In the case of children working on training ships under the supervision of public authorities.

## TEACHERS PLAN TO DOUBLE 1914 SALARY BASIS

The newly organized Canada Teachers' Federation on Tuesday, at Calgary, decided by unanimous vote to inaugurate a campaign to double the 1914 basis of salaries for teachers. Miss Arbutnot, of Toronto, gave agreement that there shall be no encroaching on Ontario teachers. The conference in session endorsed the principle of cumulative sick pay. Creation of boards of reference to decide disputes between school boards and teachers was urged, the board to consist of one member of the Alliance, one of the school board and a third mutually agreed on.

## G. T. P. WILL ACCEPT AWARD OF LABOR BOARD

### Schedule Adopted Within a Fortnight - Increases Date From May 1

According to information from high officials of the G.T.P. railway given to representatives of the men's brotherhoods, following the announcement of the award of the United States Labor Board in Chicago last week, the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway will accept the award and a new schedule will be adopted within the next two weeks and the increases will be antedated to May 1.

In pursuance of the company's policy since the announcement of the McAdoo award, the increases will be put into effect on the Canadian lines of the G.T.P. so that the wages will be uniform with those on the United States lines of the system.

W. G. Dewar, general chairman of the brotherhood of locomotive engineers for the G.T.P. system, and John Maloney, general chairman of the brotherhood of railroad trainmen for the same system, returned on Saturday to Ottawa from Chicago, where they represented the men of the G.T.P. so that the wages will be uniform with those on the United States lines of the system.

## N.S.W. LABOR GOVT DISTURBS THE CAPITALISTS

### Elimination of Middlemen First Problem of Labor Government

(By Francis W. Ahern, Australian Correspondent The Federated Press) Sydney, N.S.W.—Capitalists in Australia are greatly disturbed at the expressed intention of the Labor government of New South Wales to extend the state-owned industries of the state and make them of profit to the state instead of to private enterprise. Labor members in New South Wales state, quite logically, that they can run industries more efficiently and economically than private enterprise with its wasteful competitive system.

It has already been demonstrated in the Labor State of Queensland, Australia, that the production and distribution of all public utilities are well within the capacity of the state, when the different projects are placed in the right hands and the workers receive encouragement to do the best that is in them. And with the profit from such enterprises going into the state treasury instead of into the pockets of the private capitalists, it becomes apparent that the high cost of living problem can be dealt with in an effective manner.

The day is not far distant in Australia when labor governments will turn their attention to the creation of state manufacturing and distributing agencies on a large scale. It has been established that the most excessive profits are being made by the least essential branch of industry—the middlemen, who come between the producers and the consumers. To eliminate these unnecessary gentlemen will be the first problem. Then, in turn, will come the more far-reaching matters of the state taking control of production for the public good and cutting out the unwholy trinity of rent, interest and profit.

## LABOR IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR THIS CRIME

Seattle—Seizures of unfit canned salmon in local warehouses by federal agents during the last seven months total more than 1,250,000 pounds. Improper packing methods are given as the cause by U. S. chemists.

## JOINT PICNIC OF C.N.R. AND G.T.P. R.R. EMPLOYEES

### Will Go To Alberta Beach On August 14th For Day's Outing

On Wednesday evening last a committee of G.T.P.R. employees met with employees of the C.N.R. to arrange preliminaries for a joint picnic to be held at Alberta Beach on August 14.

Very little business was done beyond organizing into a general committee and selecting the most necessary business committees.

Bro. H. P. Beal of the C.N. engine-men was chosen for chairman and Bro. C. A. Cairns of the C.N. machinists as secretary. Until further information is gathered for the committees to work on nothing can be done. Dan Powers is to get the information required, and all railroaders in Edmonton know Daniel of the C.N. engineers. He is to head the transportation committee and a more enthusiastic worker is hard to find.

A publicity committee was struck off to see to the gathering, together with a representative committee from every department of the two roads for Monday evening, August 2. As there will most likely be a great deal of business to conduct, the meeting is called for 8 o'clock sharp; and of course the Trades and Labor Hall is the natural meeting place for labor.

## DETAILS OF NEW CONTRACT AGREED UPON

### Coal Operators and District 18 Reach an Agreement

Calgary.—After continuous sittings for the last month, the joint conference of the special scale committee of coal operators and miners in district 18, have now completed all the details of the new contract. This was officially announced Wednesday.

The details arranged are on the basis of a 27 per cent increase in contract tonnage rates in the bituminous fields and 20 per cent on "dead" work, which includes the erection of timbering and the handling of refuse; twenty-four cents a ton increase in the lignite fields, and twenty per cent on "dead" work, and all day wages increased 27 per cent.

These new rates are retroactive to April 1, and will remain in operation until March 31, 1922. The agreement is between the Western Canada Coal Operators' association and district 18 of the U.M.W. of A.

The miners are also to receive \$1.10 a day cost of living bonus. The increased rates will mean that a contract miner can earn between \$7.00 and \$10.00 a day, while day workers will run from \$2.75 to \$5.58 for boys, and \$5.58 to \$7.00 for men.

The 8-hour day will be observed on the surface and 8 hours from bank to bank in the mines.

## C. N. R. LINES WILL ACCEPT BOARD'S AWARD

### Minister of Railways Declares It Will Mean Increase in Profits

Hon. J. D. Reid, minister of railways, announced Tuesday, at Vancouver, that the Canadian National lines will accept the schedule of wage increases for railwaymen granted at Chicago by the American railway labor board.

He declared that this would mean increasing the railway deficits from about forty-seven millions to seventy million dollars, which would have to be met by increased passenger and freight rates.

## WINNIPEG TYPOS GET INCREASE IN WAGE SCALE

The Winnipeg Typographical union held a special meeting in the Labor temple on Wednesday, July 22nd, to receive the scale committee's report on the newspaper section. The meeting was the largest ever held by No. 191. The proposition presented was as follows: Day work \$45.00 per week; night work, \$48.00 per week, with an adjustment clause that on the first of January, 1921, the cost of living increase as shown in the Labor Gazette would be the basis of an automatic increase to the amount indicated.

The union was assisted in its negotiations with the publishers by Bert G. Brady, of Boston, who is representing the International executive board. The increase granted is \$10.00 per week. The job and book section of the printing trade is still under negotiation and a settlement is looked for in this section.

## LABOR SECURES FIVE SEATS IN N.S. ELECTIONS

### Get Five of Thirteen Contended For; Farmers Get Seven Out of Fifteen

In the Nova Scotia elections held Tuesday, Labor secured five seats out of the thirteen seats for which they contended. The Farmers took seven out of fifteen seats contended for.

The Labor men elected are: Cape Breton, A. R. Richardson, Jos. Steele, F. Way, D. W. Morrison, Cumberland, A. Terris. The seven Farmers elected are: Cumberland, G. M. Allen, D. G. G. McKenzie, Hants, John McDonald, Yarmouth, Howard Corning, Antigonish, A. J. McGillivray, Colchester, Robert Smith, H. Taggart.

No great public question was involved in the contest, but owing to the entry of the Farmer and Labor parties, together with the introduction of the women's vote, the result was generally regarded as uncertain until the returns began to come in.

The Conservatives seemed to be the losers in the entry of the Farmers and Labor to the field. They had a membership of eleven in the late house under the leadership of W. L. Hall, who won defeat in Queens county, and returned but two representatives, Dr. J. A. Macdonald, in Richmond, and J. Leblanc, in Richmond. The Liberals elected 23 representatives which gives them a majority of 15.

## STRIKERS PLAN TO OPEN THEIR OWN SHOPS IN N.Y.

### Fur Workers Have Begun Third Month of Battle For 40-Hour Week

New York (N.Y. Bureau).—With also won defeat in Queens county, and returned but two representatives, Dr. J. A. Macdonald, in Richmond, and J. Leblanc, in Richmond. The Liberals elected 23 representatives which gives them a majority of 15.

The plan to have the strikers subscribe enough from their savings to establish co-operative shops to produce neckpieces, muffs, fur coats and other garments was received with enthusiasm at strike mass meeting.

The proposal was made by the chairmen at the meetings in answer to the threat of several fur houses that they would rather sacrifice the profits of an entire season than concede the five-day work week. Morris Kaufman, manager of the joint board, reported a dozen new settlements.

The cloak and suit industry may become indirectly affected by furriers' strike as the result of action taken by the Joint Board of the Cloakmakers' Union, which issued an order calling upon all cloak and suit workers to refuse to make up any garments with fur trimmings. This step was clearly taken by the Joint Board for the purpose of aiding the fur workers in their strike against the fur manufacturers.

## HAMILTON NAMES DELEGATES TO DOM. TRADES CONGRESS

H. G. Foster, H. J. Halford and C. I. Aitchison will represent the Hamilton Trades and Labor Council at the 26th annual convention of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress. Much interest was taken at the last meeting of the Hamilton Trades and Labor Council, in the Congress convention call, particularly the paragraph relating to the Congress' intention to guard against O.B.U. activities making inroads on the international organized labor movement on this side of the line.

## Preparations Well Under Way For Labor's Monster Celebration On Civic Day

### CAN. TEACHERS' ALLIANCES FORM A FEDERATION

#### Representatives of the Five Western Provinces Meet in Calgary

Delegates representing 14,000 organized teachers belonging to the Alliances of the five western provinces, at a conference held in Calgary on Monday, effected a Federation of Canadian Teachers' Alliances.

The officers are: President, H. Charlesworth, Victoria; vice-president, H. W. Huntley, of Manitoba; secretary, Miss Arbutnot, of Toronto. The executive council will consist of at least one and not more than three delegates of each province to be appointed. Each province will have one vote only.

This was opposed by C. H. Fraser of Toronto, who proposed representation on the membership basis. The executive has power to deal with all matters affecting all provincial organizations in common. Unanimous vote of the executive is necessary for action by the organization. The five provinces will act together in case of disputes with school boards.

## NEW "FARMER-LABOR" PARTY IN CAMPAIGN

### Candidate For President Says His Party is Most Truly "American"

Chicago.—"A nation-wide twenty-four hour day, seven day week, town hall, street corner and front porch campaign" will be waged by the Farmer-Labor Party according to Parley Parker Christensen, its presidential candidate, in a statement issued as he left Chicago for Denver and Salt Lake City to arrange his business affairs preparatory to a speaking tour of every state in the country. Undisturbed by the defection of "coupon-clipping intellectuals" and "pink-tea uplifters," Mr. Christensen declared they did not represent the Committee of Forty-eight, the great majority of whose delegates to last week's convention he asserted voted in the affirmative on the platform and candidates chosen by the combined Farmer-Labor-Forty-Eight convention.

Returning to Chicago on next Sunday or Monday, Mr. Christensen will confer with a general committee representing the various groups within the Farmer-Labor Party and proceed at once with the campaign in accordance with plans to be determined at the conference.

Following is Mr. Christensen's statement in part: "Numerous confusing and, in some cases, utterly misleading statements and impressions disseminated through the press concerning the character and composition of the Farmer-Labor party lead me to ask the newspapers to publish my statement that the Farmer-Labor party is the most truly American and most thoroughly democratic political party in the United States. Contrary assertions by a quartette of coupon-clipping intellectuals from New York express only the attitude of individuals whose arteries run ice-water when what they intended to be a pink-tea for the uplift got lost in a convention of the plain people. Out of fifteen hundred delegates attending the conventions merged into the Farmer-Labor party, a total of six individuals complain of the atrocity of the majority and one of them, proclaiming his zeal to form a new party and save the country, piled up a total of fifty-four signers to a petition with that achievement in view. But, as it stands, if he can take fifty-four votes away from Harding and Cox, I say give him the larriat. However, I wish most emphatically to state that none of this little group of rise-or-quit reformers represent the Committee of Forty-Eight when they undertake to repudiate the action of the combined convention of which the Committee of Forty-Eight delegates were an integral and active part. The vast majority of the Forty-Eight delegates voted to enter the Farmer-Labor party conven-

## AT EXHIBITION GROUNDS

### Big Concert To Be Held In Memorial Hall On Same Evening Beginning at Eight o'Clock

All Edmonton people can look forward to a real outing with sports meet and picnic (frivolity at the exhibition grounds and in addition to that—a high-class concert in the evening of the same day. This big combined event is staged for Edmonton on civic holiday, August the 9th and the big show is being put on by the Dominion Labor Party.

Track and field events galore are on the program and the competitions should draw out large entries. The sanction of the C.A.A.U. has been received for this occasion and the local officials of that body are co-operating to bring about a successful sport meet. Special features of the program are confined to members of the labor party and trades and labor council, and as the hanging up of new records always was "easy street" for these makers of history we can look for repeat orders on August 9.

Track and Field Sports. 100 Yards Handicap (open). 1 Mile Cycle Race (open). Obstacle Race. 75 Yards Race for married women. 100 Yards Race for members of D. L.P. or T.L.C. Motor Cycle Race, three miles. 250 Yards Handicap (open). 1 Mile Walk. Throwing 16-lb. Hammer. 2 Mile Bicycle Race for boys under 15 years. Sack Race. 440 Yards Handicap (open). Motor Cycle Race, two miles. Tag-of-War, 6-men teams (Inter-union or D.L.P.). Children under 8 years (50 yards). Prize for every child. 75 Yards for boys under 12 years. 75 Yards for girls under 12 years. Motor Cycle Race, five miles. 880 Yards Handicap (open). Running High Jump (open). Running Broad Jump (open). 880 Yards Relay (Inter-union) four men to team. Open to men holding union cards or bona fide members of the D.L.P. 100 Yards for boys under 15 years. 75 Yards for girls under 15 years.

## BARBERS WILL HOLD ANNUAL PICNIC AUG. 9

At the regular meeting of the Journeymen Barbers held on Tuesday evening it was decided to hold their regular annual picnic on the Civic holiday, August 9, at the exhibition grounds.

A committee was appointed to work in conjunction with the general picnic committee of the Dominion Labor party and the Trades and Labor Council who are now busy preparing things for a big field day on that date.

A number of the local unions in the city are making this day their regular picnic day. The track and field sports are sanctioned by the C.A.A.U. and in view of this, many interesting contests are expected, as numerous trades unionists hold amateur cards in the athletic union.

## QUEBEC CARPENTERS ELECTED OFFICERS

Last week Quebec carpenters, in session in Hull, elected the following provincial officers: President, N. Arcand, Montreal; vice-presidents, J. A. Picard, Quebec; J. A. Proulx, Montreal; J. B. Thivierge, Hull; J. Lepine, Lachine; J. W. Ward, Temiskaming; recording secretary, J. Lefebvre, Montreal; treasurer, E. Primeau; fraternal delegate to the Ontario carpenters' conference, J. E. Gagnon. Next year's convention will be held in Quebec City.

## I.A. OF M. HAVE NEW UP-TO-DATE PRINTING PLANT

It is reported that at International headquarters of the International Association of Machinists, a complete printing plant with up-to-date machinery will soon be installed in the new \$500,000 office building at the corner of 9th street and Mt. Vernon Place, Washington, D.C. For the present the union monthly journal will be printed as usual.

tion, voted for the creation of the Farmer-Labor party, voted for the platform of the Farmer-Labor party and voted for the candidates of that party."

## Putting 28-lb. weight. Shoe and Stocking Race for Boys under 16 years. Hat Men's Race (over 200 lbs.) 75 yards. Two-mile Bicycle Race for men holding union cards only. Unmarried Ladies' Race, 75 yards. Entry forms may be had at Joe Driscoll's Store. Entry fee, 25 cents each event.

Tickets are on sale at the following stores: Mike's, Joe Driscoll's, Dominion Clear store and at the Labor Hall every evening.

Airplane and parachute stunts are on the agenda. Captain Keith Talloyer and Parachutist Derbyshire will be right there in the air, and these, with the other varied events, mean the biggest affair yet in going to be staged on terra firma and in the air that the home town and the home town folks have experienced.

There will be races for fat men and lean men, whether or not they are in the single or double harness classes does not bar entry. The handicap in the fat men's race may be according to the waist line or the length of the pant leg, but if necessary the metric system of measurement will be used.

Races for the ladies are also a feature, and of course we have races for the boys, naturally to remind the grown-up men of their palmy days when they smashed all the records ever established in their Sunday school picnic days and were the talk of the home town till they put on long pants and became world beaters.

The girls are also afforded the opportunity of showing mamma how fast they can run to school after holidays are over, and run back home to do the housework after school hours. Bicycle races and motor cycle races will lend real variety to the program. These events form part of an all round field day that should prove one of Edmonton's own best outings. A handsome list of prizes will be on display at Joe Driscoll's store on Jasper Street.

## CHI. STRIKE ENDS WITH A COMPROMISE

### Both Sides Give Way In Street Railway Dispute in Windy City

Chicago.—The local street car strike has ended with compromises on both sides.

The south side shops, which were the bone of contention, will remain open to both union and non-union men. On the other hand, the workers gained the following: Work in the south side shops was transferred from piecework to eight hour time day, the hours to be equalized within the next ninety days. Overtime in both south and west side shops will be on an equal basis, time and one-half. Trackmen and machinists will be placed on the same ratio of pay, but a raise to 70 cents an hour asked is still under consideration.

The union chiefs were defeated on demands for an increase of the two groups of class B electricians to a standard rate of pay. The same was true of the tinner's. Their wages will remain at the \$4.95 an hour ratio, as heretofore.

Metal workers received an increase of 5 cents an hour on night shifts. Blacksmiths gained nothing. They will receive \$8.16 a day, the same figure offered by the company during the pre-strike conferences. Helpers in these trades will receive 80 cents an hour instead of their demands of 97 1/2 cents an hour.

Trackmen under the new schedule will be given 54 cents an hour. Pavers will get 68 cents and 70 cents an hour, depending upon their length of employment. Workers in these trades employed in the shops will receive the same rate of pay as those outside.

Substation men will receive \$120 per month during the first year of their employment, \$125 the second, \$129 the third, and \$145 the fourth. Operators will get \$210 and \$200—again the same figures offered by the company when the union demands were \$225.

Join the Labor Party