



That Changeable Phantom Called Style is Again With Us for Fall Who Can Define Style?

THIS year in suits it's tight-fitting models that are mostly in evidence, some with belts and waistline, others not so tight, and for men of conservative taste the semi-close 3-button model is quite correct. In overcoats there is also a wide range of styles and models, some men want the big storm ulster, others the slip-on, and again others will wear no other than the time-honored Chesterfield that has always been with us, and, so far as we can see, will be till the end of time.

Then there are the 3-button through model and the form-fitting but all stylish coats. So we say again, "Who can define style?" It's just a matter of fancy after all, with special features added from season to season to catch the fancy and incidentally the dollars--and speaking of dollars reminds us that we have divided our price range on suits from \$23.50 to \$85.00, and our overcoats from \$18.00 to \$100.00, and dollar for dollar you cannot beat our values anywhere.

Men's Furnishings

We are offering some very special values in Men's Winter Underwear Combinations and two-piece, \$3.95 a suit, regular \$5.00 and \$6.50 values. We specialize in Gloves, Caps, Hosiery and Sweaters. This department, under the management of our furnishing expert, is getting to be a very busy centre. See our Shirts and Mufflers.

OAK HALL Clothiers

Cor. Yonge and Adelaide Streets

Store open till 10 Every Saturday night

J. C. Boombes
MANAGER

LOOKED LIKE ARSON

Cushion Saturated With Coal Oil Found by Firemen at a Fire.

Provincial Fire Marshal E. P. Heaton opened an investigation at the city hall yesterday into the supposed incendiary fire at the home of Mrs. Fanny Fincks, at 46 Murray street, on September 8 last. The house was insured by Muntz & Beay, the Toronto agents for the Union Insurance Society of Canton, on July 9 last for three years, at a risk of \$7,000 on the contents.

At the time of the fire several firemen who were fighting the flames, which were in the front part of the

house, smelt coal oil and investigating found a cushion saturated with this fluid in one of the rooms, according to the evidence given yesterday. District Chief Corbett, who was in charge of the brigade at the fire, said he smelt the fumes and when he searched the house after the fire he could find hardly any trace of occupancy, such as clothes in the clothes presses or provisions, articles of use of any kind. The chief was corroborated by Capt. A. Dean and Lieut. H. Smith, the latter of whom testified to finding the cushion.

Adjuster David Carlyle, who attempted to adjust the loss, said he placed the total loss at \$782.50, while Mrs. Fincks requested \$1,845. He placed the value of the contents of the house at between \$1,700 and \$2,000 without including a player piano in

the house valued at \$800. No examination had been made of the contents of the house when the risk was taken on according to Robert Wright, who had acted as agent for Muntz & Beay.

SQUIRREL SKINS MISSING.

Charged with theft of 200 squirrel skins, Louis Brooks, colored, 140 Peter street, was arrested last night by Detective McMahon, Herbert Deas, 710 Gladstone avenue, was also taken into custody charged with receiving. Brooks was employed as a driver for Nathan Schipper, fur dealer, 104 John street. It is alleged that Brooks stole 200 packages containing the skins and disposed of 100 of them to Deas for \$50.

GRAND JURY'S TRUE BILLS

The following true bills were returned by the grand jury yesterday: James B. Connell, false pretence; William H. Baker, attempting to kidnap; W. Weingart, theft and receiving; Sarah Hoffman, assault; Robert Matthews, theft and receiving; John S. McDonald, theft and receiving; William Underwood, criminal negligence. No bills were returned against Austin Forham, criminal negligence; Albert J. Shannon, bigamy.

CAPTAIN LEE LAID TO REST

Captain Clarence Lee, late of the 8th infantry brigade, was buried yesterday with full military honors from his parents' home, 22 McMaster avenue. The firing party was provided by the R. C. D.

CABINET MEN TONIGHT.

Cabinet Workers' Local 1820 will meet at the Labor Temple tonight, and a large attendance is anticipated in view of the interest manifested in a number of problems which are to be discussed at this meeting. The cabinetmakers are among the most highly skilled members of the trade.

MURINE'S Rests, Redresses, Soothes, Heals—Keep your Eyes Strong and Healthy. If they are Smart, Itch, or Burn, If Sore, Irritated, Inflamed or Granulated, use Murine often. Safe for Infant or Adult. At all Druggists in Canada. Write for Free Eye Book. Murine Company, Chicago, U. S. A.

LABOR NEWS

AMERICAN MINERS DEMAND INCREASE

Both Sides Adjourn to Hold Caucus After Heated Discussion.

Buffalo, Sept. 29.—The reply of the operators of the central competitive field to the demands of their miners for increased wages and a shorter working day was submitted at today's conference of operators and miners. Although the text of the document was not made public, it is said to have contained no counter proposals, dwelling chiefly on the operators' contention that the war-time agreement is still in force and effect, and that the miners' delegates lack definite authority from the United Mine Workers to conclude a new agreement.

To this Acting President John L. Lewis replied in conference without asking for an adjournment to consider the operators' reply. The reasons advanced by the operators, he said, were not sufficient to sweep the miners' demands from the table.

The discussion was heated, but the communication from the operators did not close the door to further negotiations, and when both sides adjourned to hold a caucus it was understood that a further communication would be submitted by the operators at tomorrow's meeting.

BANK CLERKS STRIKE

Sixty Walk Out in New York and Will Ask Others to Discuss Sympathetic Strike.

New York, Sept. 29.—Sixty employees of the Bank of the United States, members of the Bank Employees' Union, walked out today when officials of the institution refused to recognize their union and reinstate a discharged union employee.

The strikers declare that the union has enrolled more than 2,000 members since its organization last month and will call a meeting at which bank employees throughout the city will be invited to discuss a sympathetic strike.

DEAD FOR ALL TIME

O. B. U. Has Lost All Friends and Has No Influence Anywhere.

William Varley stated yesterday afternoon in The World that the O. B. U. was dead and very dead, dead for all time in Canada. He had returned from a visit to the various centres in the great northwest, and his observations led to no other conclusion. The only place in which the movement had prospered was Winnipeg east of Vancouver, and in the prairie city it had served only to kill the organizations affiliated with it. Its influence in the sympathetic strike having been proved beyond a doubt with the result that the bodies had become practically moribund. While it was true that O. B. U. did flourish in Vancouver, this was true only in degree, and so far as Saskatchewan was concerned that province would have none of it.

Corporal Varley is one of the general organizers of the American Federation of Labor who have been selected specially to investigate the influence of the O. B. U. movement in the west.

BRITISH UNREST GRAVE

Local Labor Men Believe Situation May Prove Menace Everywhere.

Many labor men express agreement with the opinion of Premier Lloyd George that the strike of the railwaymen in Britain has attached to it something political as well as economic. One well-known representative of the international movement stated yesterday afternoon that there was no doubt of the fact that the idea back of this most recent strike was the nationalization of all industries. "You say that J. H. Thomas, spokesman for the strikers, is the great dictator of the movement," he said. "You in America the real leader is the labor leader; in Britain the real leader is the rank and file of the movement, and its representatives do not in any sense be considered as dictators of policy. J. H. Thomas does as he is told, and as he is told by hundreds of thousands of men and women who go to make up the unions all over the country. He may go just so far and no further and I should gather that is 'one step at a time, but no lagging behind.'"

Another labor leader ventured the opinion that the strike was by far the most distressing event in the industrial field which had rent the country in many years. He believed that the British had yet much to learn, and that co-operation was the only royal road to real progress.

The general opinion as expressed at the Labor Temple was that the situation was exceptionally grave, and that it held possibilities of menace not only for Britain, but also for America which was after all a reflex in view of the movements which are to be discussed at this meeting. The steel strike was taken to be merely an economic fight in which recognition of the American Federation of Labor was the chief bone of contention.

CONTRACT CONTINUES.

Philadelphia, Sept. 29.—The existing contract between the anthracite mine workers and operators, including the supplemental agreement providing for the payment of bonuses entered into last November, will continue in effect until March 31, 1920. It was so decided at a conference here today between the presidents of the three anthracite districts of the United Mine Workers of America and the committee of anthracite operators.

TOM MELLILIEU TO HAMILTON.

Tom Mellilieu, well-known in Toronto labor circles, has been invited to address a mass meeting of machinists in Hamilton, the avowed object of which is organization. It is understood that the O. B. U. is still a bone of contention in the mountain town. The meeting will be held on Thursday evening at Moulders' Hall, King street east, and Walnut.

"HOLD BACK, BOYS," SAYS THE MAYOR

Bread Drivers to Remain at Posts—Blame Lord's Day Alliance.

"Hold your horses, boys, hold yourselves in, tomorrow I shall continue conferences with the master bakers of Toronto, and we are still hopeful that much good may result from them."

Such was the injunction given by Mayor Church at last night's largely attended session of the bread drivers of Toronto held at Occident Hall. The drivers, by a vote of 183 out of a total of 198 ballots polled, voted to remain at their posts, following addresses from Mayor Church and the president of the Bread Drivers' Union of Ottawa.

Many members of both the Bread Drivers' Union and the Bakers' Union blamed the Lord's Day Alliance for the present state of affairs, and despite the action taken at last night's meeting the opinion was unanimous that day shifts for the baker-employees formed the only sane basis of labor. While the bakers did not openly accuse the Lord's Day Alliance of causing the trouble at the moment, they were not slow to point out that had it not been for the legislation which prohibited work on Sundays many of the firms would have found little difficulty in acceding to the demands of the unions.

In New Light.

J. H. Dempster, proprietor of The Staff of Life Bakery, 1131 West Dundas street, last night in an interview with The Toronto World placed the bread dispute in a new light. He stated that the Master's agreement was entered into to hold conferences between the unions and master bakers to determine the best means of finally carrying out a system of daylight baking in lieu of the system now largely adopted of night work, so that by next May a full agreement might be possible whereby night work in all Toronto bakeries might be abolished. "Let me say that in the first place the government will not allow any baking on Sundays, and that until this permission is granted it will be impossible for us to entirely abolish night work in our bakeries except at a loss," said Dempster. "We are working half night, half day shifts as the only means of meeting the present situation. The unions up to now, despite agreements to that effect, have sought no conferences upon this matter. On the contrary, they suddenly and without warning served notice upon us that within a week (Sunday) their men would come to work on Sunday at 2 o'clock instead of 10 o'clock, as usual. And this in face of the acknowledged fact that if they were caught working at the bakeries on Sundays they or the bakeries would run into legal law. It is the returned men who have stood by the mothers and children and remained at their posts so that they might get bread to eat."

Mr. Dempster Wrong.

Tom Watt, general organizer for the Canadian Federation of Labor, in reply, stated that Mr. Dempster was wrong in his belief that no conferences had been held between the unions and the master bakers. "It was a fact," he said, "that conferences had been held for weeks past, and that not three weeks ago the master bakers in conference with the representatives of the unions at the Kingsward Hotel, absolutely refused to touch the question of day shifts. It is not that in itself evidence of exactly what I have pointed out the past few days? Neither Mr. Dempster nor any other master baker can say that they have not received inkling of our action. Mr. Watt further stated that the baker employees themselves were lined up in solid strength.

Only Five Foreigners.

George Lawrence, master baker, stated that the statement attributed to Mr. Watt in yesterday morning's issue of The World, that his firm employed thirty-five foreigners, was totally incorrect. "As a matter of fact," said Mr. Lawrence, "we are using only five foreigners, and none of these is baking bread. I may say that bread drivers, some bakers and seven Lawrence's (members of the family) worked like Trojans last night and succeeded in getting much bread out for sale. I will say further, that several of the smaller bakeries intend, so I have heard, to return to the nightwork shifts. It was only last week that the Ideal Bread Company was working night shifts. Indeed, they commenced to work only today."

Head officials of Webb's Bakery stated that they had worked day shifts for many months, and would continue to do so right along. They had encountered no difficulty in selling the bread so baked. Officials of the Ideal Bread Company stated that they were also working on the day-shift plan.

In the meantime the battle goes merrily on. It was stated last night that there were forty returned men, out with the union out of a total of 150.

STRUCK BY TRUCK

William A. Parsons was injured about the head last night when he was struck by a motor truck on Front street near York. Parsons was taken to the General Hospital. He was unconscious at midnight and his address is unknown to the police or hospital authorities. Parsons was crossing the street when the truck hit him. Bertram Hardill, 108A Cumberland street, was driving the truck.

BEN TILLET HERE SOON.

Steps will be taken to have Ben Tillet, the well-known British labor leader, who was so strong an advocate of the win-the-war policy in England, address a meeting of the Labor party in Toronto, at an early date. It was to have spoken in Toronto early this week, but engagements in New York prevented this being carried out.

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