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## Capital And Labor In Conference In Ottawa

### Industrial Congress Is Opened in Senate Chamber

#### SOME 200 ARE PRESENT

#### Liberal Leader Shows Way to New Spirit in Industry—Premier, in Message, Reviews Position of Canada Today

(Special to Times)  
Ottawa, Ont., Sept. 15.—The industrial conference opened at ten o'clock this morning in the senate chamber with about 200 delegates and a large number of vitally interested government officials and business men in attendance. Hon. Senator Robertson, minister of labor, president, and Hon. A. L. Sifton and Hon. N. W. Rowell were with him on the platform. The conference was opened with the national anthem.

Senator Robertson expressed the regret of the premier at being unavoidably absent and read a communication from him, outlining conditions now confronting the people of Canada and urging cooperation and confidence between capital and labor.

Hon. A. L. Sifton gave a review of what had taken place at the meetings of the peace conference in regard to the convention was gradually to raise the condition of labor in those countries where conditions were not equal to our own. Canada's desire was to have the labor conditions of the world put in a better condition so that they might be as good as a going as our own.

Trouble came when the first report was brought in, as it contained a clause discriminating against our position in the international convention, and it took six weeks' hard work on our part to get this righted and put Canada on an absolute equality with the others at the convention. He warned those present that there was not much idealism when it came to every step looking after their own interests, and those who went to the international conference would have to bear this in mind.

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Enormous sums, chiefly borrowed in the London market, have been brought into this country not only by the federal, provincial and municipal authorities, but by industrial and commercial institutions. The interest on these borrowings constitutes a heavy charge upon our future which can only be met by constantly increasing production of all commodities for which we can find a profitable sale in the markets of the world.

#### Huge Interest Charge

"Five years ago the interest charge upon the federal debt of Canada was less than \$18,000,000. During the coming fiscal year the interest payable on our federal debt will be at least \$115,000,000. In addition, there will be for many years to come an annual charge of from \$30,000,000 to \$40,000,000 to provide pensions for our gallant soldiers, and for the dependents of those who have fallen. Owing to the largely increased cost of operation on this continent, our extensive system of national railways will continue to require a heavy expenditure for an indefinite period; and, if, our railways are to be maintained and developed in any reasonable proportion to the needs of the people, a heavy capital expenditure will be necessary within a very short time. One grave government problem is to find some means of raising the enormous sums annually required for meeting these charges and for carrying on the ordinary administration of public affairs as will not drive away capital, restrict industry or hinder development."

"For many years before the war there had been an adverse balance of trade against Canada. During the war this condition was absolutely reversed, but the change was due in no small measure to the enormous production and exportation of munitions of war, and to the higher prices obtained for our grain, foodstuffs and other exports. Unless there is a largely increased production accomplished under such conditions as will enable us to compete in the world's markets, there is serious danger of an unfortunate return to pre-war conditions. There should be no such outcome, for we have at hand an abundance of the raw materials upon which a great industrial development should be based.

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## WHAT THEY ALL SAY

### PROFITEERING BILL

IF YOU ARE FOUND TO BE TOO FAT BEWARE!!



"We're not too fat; we're just comfortable."—London Evening News.

## Marshal Foch Seeks Body Of Son, Killed Early In War

Paris, Sept. 15.—Marshal Foch has recently asked the Belgian government to have a search made for the body of his son, who was killed in August, 1914, in the Belgian Ardennes.

Marshal Foch has religiously refrained from mentioning his lost son and few knew that the younger Foch was killed early in the war.

## THE ANNIVERSARY OF COURGETTE

For a large number of the members of the Canadian Expeditionary Force, today is a double anniversary, for it marks the date on which the Second Canadian Division landed in France four years ago, and also the capture of Courgette, during the 1916 operations on the Somme just twelve months later. Both these anniversaries are of moment to the people of St. John as the fighting 26th was concerned in both.

## CAPT. H. E. C. STURDEE AND LIEUT. H. O. MORRISON ARE HOME FROM WAR

Arriving on the S. S. Minnehaha at Halifax yesterday was Captain H. E. C. Sturdee, who left on Aug. 28, 1914, one of the originals in the 12th Infantry Battalion and who has since been serving in various capacities overseas. He was with the 19th for a time and also with the 60th Infantry battalions in France. Captain Sturdee was a well known mainstay in St. John City, joining, having been an officer in the 62nd for several years. He is spending today in Halifax with some friends and will arrive here tomorrow.

Lieut. H. O. Morrison, son of Doctor and Mrs. W. S. Morrison of Hampton, was also a passenger on this steamer and returned to his home at noon today. He left in the ranks of the 60th Battalion from Montreal, where he was employed at the time of joining, was made quartermaster-sergeant and later got his commission. As a lieutenant he joined the 26th Battalion and saw much service with that unit. He has also been employed on special records work in England connected with demobilization.

## GREAT FIRE BURNS ITSELF OUT

New York, Sept. 15.—The spectacular oil fire which since Saturday afternoon has raged at the plant of the Stone & Fleming Company in Long Island City, with injury to more than fifty persons and property damage running into the millions, was gradually burning itself out today.

## BURIED TODAY

The funeral of Mrs. Sarah J. Duncan took place this afternoon from the residence of James Collins, 31 Gooderich street. Service was conducted by Rev. H. L. Eisenor, and interment made in Fernhill.

The funeral of Mrs. Charles T. Stackhouse took place this afternoon from her late residence, 175 Rodney street, West St. John. Service was conducted by Rev. Jacob Heaney, and interment made in Cedar Hill.

The funeral of Abram W. Craft took place this afternoon from his late residence, Prince street, West St. John. Service was conducted by Rev. W. H. Samson, and interment made in the Good Shepherd burying ground.

The funeral of Charles W. Wallace took place from his residence, Star Court street, this afternoon at 3 o'clock. Service was conducted by Rev. R. H. W. Pinkett, and interment made in Cedar Hill.

## WELCOMED HOME

Twelve men for military district No. 7 from the S. S. Minnehaha arrived in the city this morning at 6 o'clock on the Halifax train. There were also some American soldiers on the train this morning and they proceeded through to their homes during the day. Representatives from the citizens' reception committee and from the Knights of Columbus Army Huts were at the station to greet the lads and provide them with light refreshments and also with any information that would be of any benefit to them. The electric welcome sign was illuminated and the Union station presented a welcome appearance despite the early hour. The men left for their homes on the different trains during the day.

## RIOT STICKS TAKE BAYONETS' PLACE IN BOSTON

### Troops Still on Duty, But the Situation Better

### MATTER OF RE-INSTATEMENT

## Governor Coolidge Takes Firm Stand—His Reply to Comptroller Curtis Re-Making Police Force General Strike May Not Develop

Boston, Sept. 15.—(Canadian Press)—A definite campaign to regain for the striking policemen the places now officially declared to have been lost because of desertion was expected to be inaugurated today. The action was expected to depend upon the result of a conference between union labor leaders and Police Commissioner Curtis. The commissioner at the request of the union headquarters heads consented to the meeting on an unofficial basis, but the labor men said they hoped to obtain from it an exchange of views which might be made the basis of negotiations.

Those included in the proposal to meet with the commissioner were Frank H. McCarthy, New England organizer of the American Federation of Labor; President John F. McLaughlin of the Boston Central Labor Union; Mr. McCarthy, who came here for a conference in New York with Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was expected to advance several suggestions from the national leader.

The action to which the American Federation of Labor would support the fight for reinstatement and recognition as a union was in doubt today.

The police, who were threatened by the central labor union as its principal weapon in support of the policeman, appeared to be more slowly.

From New York, where President Gompers had been expected to favor the interests in the Boston situation, came word from one of his associates that there would be no general strike action. Officers of the Central Labor Union here, however, said they knew of no decision to warrant such a statement.

The proposal for a general strike, however, would come with the completion of a poll of the several craft organizations. This poll is being taken secretly. It is not complete, several of the principal unions having yet to declare themselves. It is known that some of them voted to postpone action until they see how sentiment lays.

The fact that the Central Labor Union adjourned last night without calling a meeting in advance of its regular session next Sunday was accepted as an indication that union leaders looked upon the fight as a long one, in which they would take action only after mature consideration. The consideration is understood, will include the fight in this city as centering on the national question of police unions, which were approved by the American Federation of Labor at its last convention.

Governor Coolidge, in refusing President Gompers' suggestion that the action of Police Commissioner Curtis, suggested that the police might have recourse to the courts if they felt their rights had been invaded by the commissioner's action in discharging the union leaders, and declaring vacant the places of the men who left their posts. It is known that counsel for the policeman union has considered the matter of calling upon the courts, but whether the governor's suggestion will revive the proposal is uncertain.

## HOME AFTER EIGHT YEARS

A pleasant surprise was accorded Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. White, 7 Charles street, this morning when their son, P. Abbott White, arrived on a holiday visit after an absence of about eight years. He was accompanied by his wife and her sister, Miss Dorothy Marshall of Sydney, Australia. Mr. White was married about two years ago in Los Angeles. On first leaving here he went to the west and was engaged in various cities until about three years ago he became employed with the Ford automobile people in Detroit and has since resided there. To show his faith in the "old Ford" he and his wife and sister-in-law moved here in one and enjoyed the trip very much. They are being warmly welcomed by many friends.

## THANKSGIVING DAY FIXED FOR OCTOBER 13

Ottawa, Sept. 15.—Monday, Oct. 13 has been fixed by the government as Thanksgiving Day for the dominion.

## MORE DELEGATES HERE

Members of the Knights Templars from Montreal, Ottawa and Boston arrived in the city this morning to attend the convention opening here tomorrow in the Masonic Temple. They were met by a reception committee of local knights at a depot.

## SOME OF BOSTON STRIKERS ARE BACK AT POSTS

(Special to Times)—  
Boston, Sept. 15.—Regular police work was started today when fifty members of the metropolitan police department and fifteen of the regular force who had not gone on strike resumed routine work.

## MANY WANT A-HUNTING

Judging by the demand for game licenses the woods are going to be full of sportsmen taking advantage of the season opening today. Local dealers in sporting goods report a heavy sale of vendors of licenses say that there have been quite a large number issued. It is expected that many from outside parts will visit the province in quest of big game this fall.

## FROM THE CANARIES

The Canaries Trading Syndicate, an organization which was formed during the war but which has decided to carry on during the period of peace, has written a letter to the board of trade, asking for opportunities of extending its connection to this country. The syndicate reaches, besides the markets of the Canary Islands, those of West Africa and the West Indies.

## As Hiram Sees It

The Settlement, Sept. 15.  
"Mrs. Hornbeam," said the Times reporter, spreading some blackberry jelly on a piece of bread, "a visit to the city gives fresh charms to life in the Settlement. It's good to be home again."

"Oh, he'll be one of us soon," put in Hiram. "I've often said that to Hiram," said Mrs. Hornbeam. "I hope you'll never forget the road."

"Do you know," said the reporter, "I talked the other day with a bushman, but an intelligent and thrifty dweller in the Settlement calls no man master, and has a wider outlook than most of the people who are rushing about in the city absorbed in trivial affairs and calling it life."

"You newspaper fellows," said Hiram, "bring the world to us folks out here, and we'll see it without gittin' the dust of the streets in our eyes, an' I think about it as we feller the plough or get down for a quiet hour after the chores is done."

"And you have here," said the reporter, "the real home life. I talked the other day with a clergyman who had returned to the city after an absence of some years. He told me the thing that most impressed and saddened him was the change in social conditions and the decline of home life. Amusements and amusements are at every turn; the motor car is a tempter, and far from an unimproved blessing to young men and girls, I fear we are raising up a generation that will have scant mental rest and will be constantly rushing from one sensation to another to satisfy the craving for something which you here are able to find in quiet contemplation of the world currents and of the meaning and purpose of human life."

"A pup chasin' its tail," said Hiram, "is about as useful an occupation as lots of 'em has in their spare time. An' some of 'em has nothin' else but spare time—yes, sir."

## FATHER GARNEY SPEAKS ON PROHIBITION MATTERS

(Special to Times).  
Fredericton, Sept. 15.—In a sermon in St. Dunstan's Catholic church, Rev. E. L. Garney made pointed reference to the carrying out of the prohibition act and said that a physician who would issue a prescription to a person whom he knew to be a habitual drunkard and the druggist who would fill a prescription for such an individual were in the same class as the old-time liquor seller. Father Garney also attacked the use of Jamaica ginger and lemon extract as beverages, warning that they were likely to cause death.

The Fredericton exhibition is getting away with ideal weather conditions. The midway attractions and amusement features arrived at noon, some coming from Ottawa, where they had been in the exhibition, and others from Coney Island and other exhibits are all in position and the interior arrangements as well as the outdoor concessions are ready for the public. Fredericton is now full of people and thousands more are expected. Special accommodations are being provided. Many visitors are arriving by motor.

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## D'AUNIZIO PROCLAIMS UNION OF FIUME AND ITALY

### Troops Refuse To Obey Order To Intercept His Force

### DAY'S NEWS FROM EUROPE

## Situation in Austria Bad—And Approaching Chaos—Expulsion of Large Number of Galician Jews—The Serbian Crisis

Rome, Sept. 14.—Premier Nitti, in a statement in the chamber of deputies today regarding the Fiume raid, announced that the commander of the sixth army had been ordered to intercept and disarm Gabriele D'Aunizio's troops but that these troops refused to obey the commander's orders.

Genoa, Sept. 15.—Gabriele D'Aunizio, supported by the force of Arrivi which accompanied him into Fiume, has proclaimed a union of Fiume with Italy, according to advice received by the Serbian press bureau here from Belgrade.

## MOHAMMEDANS MAKE PROTEST

Sofia, Sept. 15.—Mohammedans in Eastern Thrace have addressed a memorial to the peace conference at Paris enjoining protesting against oppressive measures taken against them by the Bulgarians, who it is charged, have been torturing Mohammedans. It is said that if the conference decides that Bulgaria's control is retained in Thrace the Mohammedans will leave the country.

Belgrade, Sept. 15.—Lionba Davidovic, premier, on Saturday made public his letter to Prince Regent Alexander by which his ministry resigned. The letter, which was dated Friday, Sept. 12, says the latest news from the peace conference has been unfavorable and the "cabinet has been unable to obtain the suspension or attenuation of the clauses dealing with minorities which infringe upon national sovereignty, and cannot sign a document of an international character which does not prescribe reciprocity."

Vienna, Sept. 15.—Austria continues to drift toward an internal situation approaching the chaotic and prominent men in the cabinet are beginning to voice apprehension as to what may follow unless a strong central government can weld the country into a more harmonious national whole.

At the present time it is apparent that each region or district is for itself and that all of them are against Vienna. At the bottom center of the peace conference—the continued decrease in the value of the crown and fear of famine.

Expels Galician Jews  
Stockholm, Sept. 15.—An order has been issued by the Austrian government expelling 100,000 Jews, mostly Galician Jews, from the country, according to advice received here. The order will be a hard blow for the refugees, who are unable to return to their devastated homes.

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## WEATHER REPORT

Issued by authority of the Department of Marine and Fisheries, R. F. Stupart, director of meteorological service

Synopsis—On Saturday showers occurred in many parts of the western provinces and on Sunday in northern and western Ontario and the Ottawa Valley. The weather is now fine throughout the west.

Cloudy; Cool; Showers.

Maritime—Northerly winds, fair and cool; Tuesday, moderate northeast to east winds, cloudy and cool followed by showers.

Gulf and North Shore—Fresh northerly winds, fair and cool today; Tuesday moderate northeast to east winds, cloudy and cool followed by showers.