CRAFT PARLIAMENT PROPOSED BY LABOR

Painters' Union Seeks to Introduce English Industrial Device.

A proposal to form in Toronto a building trades parliament, similar to that in operation in London and other English centres, was announced yesterday at the Labor Temple. The initiative in the matter is being taken by officials of the Painters' and Decorators' Union, and the details of the scheme will be discussed at the meeting on Monday afternoon next of the joint industrial council.

The sponsors of the device claim that it operates not only as a preventative of industrial disputes, but also that, by bringing together in conference representatives of the local unions and the employers, it fosters greater sympathy with the interests of the industry as a whole. It is also declared to have been successful in England in bringing about the dovetailing and elimination of seasonal industries and to the minimizing of unemployment.

The body will supplement the work of the present joint industrial council, which is formed from representatives of the building trades unions and the employers. This body is said to be at present weak in the fact that its functions are largely conciliatory and connected with the arbitration of disputes.

EARL HODGSON.
(On The World's Slate.)

A good man to support in Ward Six. Stands firm for the clean-up and Hydro. Has been eleven years in business in Ward Six, and knows what the ward needs. Will fight for the lowering of railway tracks to do away with level crossings at Bloor, Royce avenue and St. Clair, and says school funds should be spent on serviceable buildings instead of frills and fads. Stands for single fare thruout city.

MAKE GOOD PROGRESS ON KING EDWARD HOTEL

The steel construction of the new King Edward Hotel will be finished by the middle of January and all brickwork will be completed and the structure entirely closed in by the first of March. The mild weather of December has enabled the contractors to make splendid progress with the building, which acording to a forecast given to The World yesterday, will be ready for the public before the opening of the Exhibition next August.

The system adopted by the contractors of laying the floors as the steel goes up enables the sub-contractors to follow with the plumbing, tile-laying, plastering etc. Twelve floors have already been laid and most of the plumbing has been done in the lower twelve storeys. Inside plastering will be started in a few days. The stone and brickwork is now up four storeys. There are about 275 men employed on the building.

Asserts Co-operation Exists In Administering Relief

R. E. Mills, who is in charge of the administration of relief under the board of health department, has the following to say in reply to the criticism that he has declined to co-operate with the social service commission and other charitable organizations:

"My job is to administer this emergency relief, and any other agency that wants to get publicity by attacking us is welcome to do so. Those who want to bark and bite may go ahead, it's their nature. There is an absolutely perfect relationship with the Salvation Army and Brigadier W. J. Fraser, who is at the hostel."

At the outset, it is stated, when the board of control had decided upon the present organization, the social service commission wrote and offered to move the confidential exchange down to the Krausman Hotel and to supply 10 workers, which were available for the work. This offer was immediately accepted by Mr. Mills; but, in a subsequent letter, the commission withdrew its suggestion. It cut down its offer of aid to three workers, but later withdrew these also, stating that the commission was pressed in its own work.

ALD. GEO. BIRDSALL.
(On The World's Slate.)

As chairman of the committee on works, Ald. Birdsall acquired a wide knowledge of civic matters in 1920, especially of the big spending departments, and will undoubtedly be an outstanding member of the 1921 council.

RADIAL PURCHASE GREATLY LAUDED

Unanimous approval of the Hydro radial purchase, assessment reform, and extension of the water mains was expressed by a crowded meeting of ratepayers of ward four in Lansdowne School last evening. John T. Lester was convener of the meeting, and J. Stuart Bruce, secretary, and among those who voiced their views on the several subjects which will come before the electors of the ward tomorrow were Mayor Church, Controller Cameron, ex-Controller Robbins, ex-Alderman Ball, Ald. Cowan, ex-Ald. Mogridge, Mrs. Sydney Small, Lewis LeGrow and J. Shanahan, who spoke on behalf of Samuel McBride.

Alderman Ball declared himself as absolutely and entirely behind Sir Adam Beck in his proposed enterprises. He was also strongly in favor of public ownership, but he was determinedly against secession from Toronto.

Controller Cameron asked the meeting to accept him on his record.

OSTEOPATHS SEE DRURY.

A deputation representing the Ontario Association of Osteopathy waited upon the provincial cabinet yesterday and asked "the co-operation of the government in introducing a new medical bill the purpose of which is to safeguard the rights and privileges of the people of the province in securing adequate safe and sane medical attendance in all cases of sickness by practitioners of the medical school or schools which they may desire to employ."

FUNDS FOR CORK VICTIMS ARE AMPLY PROVIDED FOR

Wahington, Dec. 30.—All necessary arrangements have been made for relief work in behalf of the victims of the recent great fire in Cork, Ireland, and no assistance from the American Red Cross is needed, Sir Arthur Stanley, of the British Red Cross, said today in a cablegram to the United States organization. The message was in reply to an inquiry from the American Red Cross, which referred to the British organization for recommendation an appeal of Lord Mayor O'Callaghan, of Cork, for assistance.

"The Irish joint committee of the Red Cross and St. John's Ambulance reports," the message said, "that all necessary arrangements for relief work in Cork have been made after interviews with the corporation and the Roman Catholic and Portestant bishops and other leading citizens. No need for assistance kindly offered by the American Red Cross."

$100,000 PLEDGED.

Boston, Mass., Dec. 30.—The sum of $100,000 for relief of distress in Ireland was pledged today by the Massachusetts directorate of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic. The state branch also voted to cable $10,000 immediately to Lord Mayor O'Callaghan of Cork for relief of sufferers in that city.

Pilsudski, Polish President, Accepts Invitation to Paris

Warsaw, Poland, Dec. 30.—General Joseph Pilsudski, president of Poland, has accepted an invitation of the French government to visit Paris. He will depart after Jan. 15, accompanied by the ministers of foreign affairs, war and finance and other officials.

The trip is generally regarded here as a step toward furthering the proposed Franco-Polish treaty and military agreement.

MORE GOLD FROM LONDON.

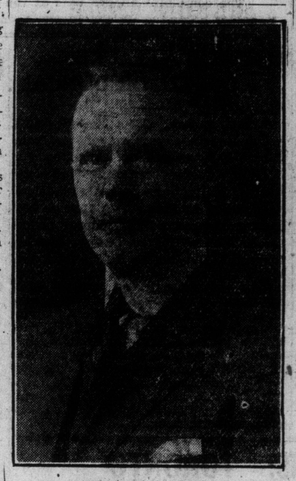
New York, Dec. 30.—Gold valued at $1,650,000, sonsigned to Kuhn, Loeb and Company, arrived here today on the steamship Kroonland. This shipment brought the firm's gold imports for 1920 up to approximately $90,000,000. The metal originally came from South Africa and was purchased in the London open market.

PLANNING TO START RISING IN NORWAY

Labor Party Reported to Be Intending to Seize Capital First.

Copenhagen, Dec. 30.—The Politiken says that The Christania Verdensgang reveals a sensational plan for a revolution in Norway. According to the newspaper the labor party which it says, in 1918 joined the Moscow internationale, would start the uprising by setting on fire enormous timber stores in Christiania, reckoning this would draw the whole attention of the capital. As soon as the fire would be raging, the newspaper states, the revolutionists would occupy the barracks, the police headquarters and the telegraph and telephone stations, arrest the cabinet members and generals, and then would telegraphically advise the provinces of the revolution and of the successful conquest of the capital.

It was expected, The Verdensgang is quoted as saying, that the conquest of the provinces would be easy, being only a question of courage, discipline and arms. The newspaper states that the plan leaked out and the authorities were informed. It is said the chief of police refuses to say anything in the matter except to declare that the plan for an incendiary plot was new to him. No definite date was given for the execution of the alleged plan, it being said that it was set merely for a convenient moment.



ALD. BROOK SYKES.
(On The World's Slate.)

Ald. Sykes belongs to the force in the city council which is safe on public ownership. Ward Six would make a mistake if it exchanged him for anyone else in sight.

CARUSO UNDER KNIFE; OPERATION SUCCESSFUL

New York, Dec. 30.—Physicians attending Enrico Caruso, tenor, who is ill with pleurisy at his apartment here, announced tonight that he had been successfully operated upon and that his condition is satisfactory. A bulletin signed by six doctors attending him said:

"Mr. Caruso has been successfully operated on by Dr. John Erdmann for empyema. His condition is satisfactory."

Japan to Commence Trade Negotiations With Soviet

London, Dec. 30.—It is expected in the near future that full relations will be entered into between Japan and the far eastern Russian Republic, says a wireless communication here today from Moscow.

The communication adds that trade between Japan and the far east already is proceeding and that in the near future Japan will begin trade negotiations with Soviet Russia.

Spanish Deputies Deprecate Color Line in United States

Paris, Dec. 30.—In the chamber of deputies today during a debate on Algeria, Deputy Andre Berthon said he regretted that the nations had not rallied to the doctrine of President Wilson.

"He ought to have commenced by regulating the question of the blacks in the United States," interjected Deputy Molinie. "There is no such question among us."

M. Berthon, in reuly, said:

"There is also in the United States a certain imperialism. I was pained during the war at seeing United States officers refuse to salute black officers who were fighting in the same cause for civilization and justice."

GOVERNMENT LINE HAD GOOD YEAR

The operations of the T. and N. O. Railway for the year ending October 31 were a financial success.

Commissioner George Lee, who was in the city yesterday, stated that the railway's profits were about $300,000, almost $250,000 more than last year's.

This credit balance was achieved, despite increased wages entailed by the MacAdoo award, high price of material, labor and other factors.

REOPEN LONDON FACTORIES.

London, Ont., Dec. 30.—The unemployment situation in London appears to have shown no decided change in the last three weeks.

The factories that closed in November have resumed operations since the cancellation of the luxury tax. The mayor has made it plain tho that only work can be secured for London citizens and warns outsiders that it will be useless for them to apply.

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UNDESERVING MEN GET CITY'S BOUNTY

John Barnes and Two Companions Have Money to Buy Liquor.

It is not always the deserving who receive shelter at the House of Industry or the means of sustenance from the civic unemployment fund.

A case of this nature was brought to the attention of the police last night with the arrest of John Barnes, aged 48, whose address for some time past has been the House of Industry. Barnes was arrested along with two other men by Plainclothesmen Harper and Skinner in the bathroom of the institution. All three were at various stages under the influence of liquor.

When searched at the station Barnes had a government employment ticket on his person which would have provided him with work, also 24 city meal tickets, equivalent to the sum of $1.20, and $2.31 in cash.

William Mullens, aged 48, and Percy Elliott, aged 35, were the two men arrested with Barnes. Both have been securing lodging for the night at the House of Industry for some time. On Mullen were found 7 meal tickets and $3.05 in cash, while Elliott had $3.95 in cash.

BRANT COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTED BY ACCLAMATION

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 30—(Special).—The entire Brant county council was elected by acclamation, save in the case of Reeve Douglas, who has a fight on in Onondaga. It is expected that Reeve Eddy will be warden this year, it being twelve years since that township had the honor.

Given an alternative of $300 fine or three months, Mary Kostiuk, charged in police court with selling liquor, chose the vacation period.

CANDIDATE PEART SUFFERS SEVERE COLD

Hamilton, Dec. 30.—The many friends of John E. Peart of Barton, will regret to learn that as a result of a strenuous election campaign he is confined to his home, suffering from a severe cold. He will not be around for a few days, but his condition is not serious. Mr. Peart is at present second deputy reeve of Barton, and is running for the first deputy reeveship this year.

SEVEN OF FAMILY BURNED.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 30.—Seven members of one family were burned to death early today in the fire which destroyed their home in Fairfield, a neighboring town. The only survivor of the family is a 16-year-old girl, who has been living at another house.

HAMILTON

HAM REWRITE

Hamilton, Dec. 30.—Loss, which could not be stated, but which will be several thousand dollars, was done in a fire tonight, which completely gutted the James street store of the Model Cloak and Suit Co. The whole stock was cleaned out, and the cause of the fire is not known. The firemen had a bitter three-hour struggle with the blaze.

William Hazel, Hamilton Beach, formerly constable of the Beach, died tonight, aged 85 years. He retired three years ago.

Tigers won from the Rowing Club basketball team in tonight's semi-final for the city basketball championship.

The Tiger Club held its annual dinner tonight in the Royal Connaught Hotel. There was a good attendance of members.

Fire Chief Ten Eyck was hurt tonight while fighting the blaze at the Model Cloak and Suit Company's store. While directing his attention to the blaze in the cellar, he fell down a hole, and his side was hurt. After examination, it was found that the ribs were not broken.

Investigating the circumstances surrounding the death of Fred Kameniski tonight, a jury returned a verdict of accidental death, and did not attach blame for the man's death.

TWO ARRESTED ON FRAUD CHARGE

William H. Andrews, 118 West Front street, and Frank McKinley, 13 Havelock street, were arrested yesterday afternoon by Detective-Sergeants Thomson and Charlie Young on charges of fraud. They are alleged to have passed worthless cheques on the Robert Simpson Co., the T. Eaton Co., and the G. A. Burns Co., Danforth avenue, to the amount of $111.50.

The two men were arrested in the gents' furnishing department of the T. Eaton Co., where several days ago one of them is alleged to have purchased an overcoat valued at $35, and presented a worthless cheque to cover the amount. Yesterday they returned to the department, one of them wearing the coat, and one of the clerks recognized it. He summoned the police and had the two men arrested.

KINGSTON ROAD CLAUSE CAN BE CHANGED LATER

"There is not now, and never was, any intention to secure under arrangement any right to acquire for the Hydro the exclusive use of either the street or street railway tracks along Kingston road to the Woodbine," said Hon. I. B. Lucas on the provincial Hydro commission yesterday. "That cannot be made too clear. The formal agreement will, of course, with the consent of all, give the Hydro commission such proper control of their lines within the city as may be necessary, and the same agreement would properly protect to city control of their own streets. As the city solicitor, Mr. Johnston, has pointed out, this agreement must be in a form satisfactory to the city council, otherwise they need not execute it."

JOLTED FROM SEAT ON BREAD WAGON

Robert Malcolm, aged 41, of 696 Dufferin street, was severely injured about the head and face yesterday when he was jolted from his seat on a bread wagon at Avenue road and Bloor street, and he was caught thru the forehead by the hook on the roof of the wagon.

Malcolm was released from his position by P.C. Shelby and others and rushed to the General Hospital in the police ambulance. At the hospital last night, The World was informed that Malcolm's condition is regarded as serious.

AWAITING NEGOTIATIONS IN CALIFORNIA LAND ACT

Tokio, Dec. 30.—The statement is made in official circles that Japan had not protested the California land measure in view of the negotiations which are pending. The declaration made on December 27 by Representative Kahn of California that he believed reports were true that the Japanese government had withdrawn its opposition to the California land law, it is believed, was due possibly to misapprehension over the speech made by Viscount Uchida, the foreign minister, before the diet on December 24, in hich he expressed the opinion that a new Japanese-American freaty would be concluded leading to nullification of the California land law.

WINDSOR POLICE TELL OF LANNIN'S ORDERS

Windsor, Ont., Dec. 30.—In a joint statement issued by J. P. Smith, Walkerville chief of police, and ex-Constable Hannah, with reference to their having been suspended by Inspector Lannin from the provincial police force, they declare that Inspector Lannin himself on Nov. 26 had asked them to watch Mousseau and his men, reporting anything they were not doing right. They stated further that they protested to Lannin about this, also pointing out to him that "Mousseau was a man who was beyond watching."

HAND BACK MUCH LIQUOR.

Edmonton, Alta., Dec. 30.—As a result of a decision of the special sitting today of the appellate court of Alberta handed down tonight, the Nat Bell Co. are given back possession of the $50,000 worth of liquor which has been the subject of litigation for some months past.

SOVIET RECALLS ENVOY TO LONDON

Claims That Britain Has Completely Altered Its Position.

London, Dec. 30.—A Moscow wireless message says today that as Great Britain, which recently accepted the July agreement for a resumption of trade with Russia, has now completely altered its position and is clearly evading the obligations which it undertook in July, the Soviet government has decided to recall from London Leonid Krassin, Bolshevik minister of trade and commerce, in order to consult with him.

The latest British trade project is preceded by a preamble in which both parties agree to refrain from hostile relations towards each other or from conducting any propaganda against the state institutions of each other. Russia is to undertake, in particular, to refrain from any inimical action in the Caucasus, Asia Minor, Persia, Afghanistan and India.

Obligation is imposed on the Soviet government to recompense British subjects for goods or for services rendered to former governments of Russia.

M. Tchitcherin, the Soviet foreign minister, answering Lord Curzon, says that the present conditions do not accord with those established in the preliminary negotiations last summer. He objected to the preamble and the article respecting the payment of old debts. He says that independently of the agreement there should be a conference to settle all political questions between Great Britain and Russia, and expresses the hope that Great Britain will accept the conditions imposed.

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Educational Publicity Campaign

Toronto's School Taxes

Are they high compared with other Ontario Cities? Here are the figures

FACTS:

1. **Tax Rate for School Purposes Only**

	Mills.		Mills.
London	17.0	St. Thomas	12.7
Sarnia	16.1	Woodstock	12.7
Owen Sound	15.7	Galt	11.9
Stratford	14.5	Chatham	11.7
Windsor	14.2	St. Catharines	11.0
Belleville	13.9	Welland	10.8
Brantford	18.6	Kitchener	10.7
Guelph	13.6	Hamilton	10.2
Niagara Falls	13.2	TORONTO	10.0
Peterboro'	12.8	Kingston	9.6

2. To show that the heavier school rates in the other cities are not offset by low property assessments, note the following table. **It shows the percentage of the total tax that is devoted to school purposes in these cities:**

City.	Proportion for schools.	City.	Proportion for schools.
Guelph	42.5 %	Kitchener	35.1 %
London	42.2	Belleville	34.7
Windsor	41.9	Woodstock	34.4
Niagara Falls	40.6	Brantford	34.3
Sarnia	40.3	Welland	32.8
Owen Sound	39.2	TORONTO	32.4
Chatham	37.9	Galt	30.5
St. Thomas	37.3	St. Catharines	30.5
Stratford	36.7	Hamilton	29.1
Peterboro'	36.6	Kingston	27.1

All these rates and percentages include the interest and sinking fund charges on school debentures, so that they provide in each case for the school building program as well as for maintenance.

NOTE: The charge of extravagance cannot be laid at the door of Toronto School management in view of the figures from neighboring and smaller cities, where all costs, overhead charges, etc., are held to be lower than Toronto's.

QUESTIONS:

1. Are our school authorities spending too much money, or are they really spending too little in order to maintain Toronto's leadership?

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