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A WEEKLY NEWS LETTER.

MANITOBA ELECTIONS.

OLLOWING the lead given by the Ontario workers, Labor has made it mark in the Manitoba Provincial elections, having even gone a shade better in the number of representatives elected. If the elections in Ontario were considered in somewhat of the freak nature, an almost parallel result has been reached in Winnipeg, disproving any idea that it is of any character other than one of permanency. The the Ontario Provincial Council of former government, whilst having the largest number hald the last week of June at Peterof seats, must needs depend upon coalition or support boro. Brief mention was made of from other party candidates to carry on the government. There are still five seats to be contested, but whatever the result in these constituencies the general situation will remain unchanged. Favorable decision with its resultant addition to opposition forces merely adds to the difficulties of the former government. With these contests to take place the workers have nothing to lose and considerable to gain.

The contest for the ten seats in Winnipeg under the proportional representation system, was quite naturally the centre of general interest, and from the results the system on its trial trip, in Manitoba elections, has found a general consensus of opinion that it was a gratifying success, giving a correct reflex of the opinions of the electors, something which would have been unattainable under the old method of selection. There was one outstanding figure in the matter of first choice preference in the person of Fred Dixon, and it shows the popularity of this candidate who was given first place with a majority of more than 7,000 over the next contender.

Reverting to the Ontario elections there was a difference in regard to the U.F.O. party who made no special effort in this election, deciding to reserve their strength for the next Federal election. Irrespective of this passive attitude taken, eleven seats stand to their credit, and it is fair to surmise that had the U.F.O. party taken up the issue actively a duplication of Ontario results would have been the situation, with allies similar making for coalition government.

Insofar as the workers' success is concerned, it carmot be said that it was a surprise, as a city which sent a Federal representative some fifteen years ago, in the person of Arthur Puttee, was surely expected to show strength at this period of running tide. This Federal seat was only lost to Winnipeg workers through division in the ranks itself. Whilst much has been gained in the present elections a commonsense constitutional platform is all that is necessary to ensure from the Manitoba capital a solid representation from the workers' ranks.

Trade union ethics and constitutional method belong to the majority of the Labor candidates elect, and history may repeat itself with those whose advocacy is of the dreamy or unsatisfactory nature, that their entry in the school of legislation the difference between the attainable and impossible may become apparent. The actual contact may allow the grasping of the lesson which proves progress is best attained through the evolutionary path. Or as our overseas brother Ramsay MacDonald admits, through present legislative channels.

The workers in provinces other than Manitoba extend full-hearted felicitations and congratulations to the workers of the prairie province. The Ontario section welcome the newcomer to direct representation. For a greater usefulness the trust has been placed in the hands of those selected by the workers and initiated movements to the common weal alone will make for that desirable permanency of the workers' party in Manitoba, who have no royal road to the maintenance of position attained, other than the power which comes from service given to the best interest of all the units comprising the community. If a message could be given it is that the best coalition to be formed is the one which makes for fusion of all workers, applicable equally to all sections as it is to Manitoba.

NOT KISSES.

R.J. R. Hugg of evenmery fame, in the Murdock resignation, has no affinity to the famous frantic telegram of W. T. R. Preston "Hug-g the machine," although, temperamentally, they appear of the same family.

"Wars must go on so long as all existing States are not transformed fitto Boishevik Republics." — A people."—Cecli Palmer. Boishevik Commissar. And they talk of peace.

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Minority dictation in a democratic state is war not on the particular Government, but on all Government administration.

It is a great misfortune that we cannot get back to pre-war tolerance in national affairs.

"Make yourselves complete mas-ters of that which you have learnt, and always continue to learn."—Con-fucine.

"Seek knowledge from the cradle to the grave." - Mohammed.

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The new Pacifism is strangely like

If we are to have freedom we must learn how to value it.

PROROGATION—1920.

(Apologies to R. K.)

Gold of our Masters, known to all, Lords of our far-flung railway line— Beneath whose awful hand we call Dominion over Luxury and kine— Gold of the Indemnity, stay with us yet, Lest we forget—lest we forget!

If drunk with grip of power we loose Wild threats that do not fool the troops. Such boastings as Remittance Men use, Or lesser breeds, who fought the foe. Masters of the Interests, be with us yet, Lest we forget!—lest we forget!

In broken pledge which Unionist ma To the last man and the last crust— Knowing not where to seek for aid, is frantic in her misplaced trust, In worshippers of the golden dust.

CARPENTERS' ANNUAL CONVENTION.

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The eighth annual convention of the Ontario Provincial Council of Carpenters (U. B. C. & J. of A.) was held the last week of June at Peterboro. Brief mention was made of this convention in our last issue.

Secretary Jackson's eighth annual report showed forty new locals during the year and a total number of local unions in the province of sevenity-seven. The membership had grown from 5.294 to 7.451 with some eight locals from which no report had been received.

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Across the Atlantic.

What Our Brothers In the Motherland Are Doing.

LABOR SITUATION CALM. With the exception of the strike of 3,000 builders and electricians employed at the London docks, the Labor situation is exceptionally calm, says a Reuter despatch. The partial truce which was called in the gas workers' dispute toward the end of last week gives a strong indication that the matter will be settled, and that the strike notices, which have been suspended, will be cancelled.

The Typographical Association situation, which almost reached the breaking point last week, has had a happy ending, when the men, on the second ballot, accepted the employers' offer.

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Committee of the Trades Union Congress.

In the course of a resolution embodying this decision it is stated:

"The exective council, having considered appeals from various trade unions for sympathetic action being taken by this union to assist them in winning their battle with the different employers, desires to point out that the executive council has not withheld support in the direction sought, but notes that many of the industrial disputes are lost in consequence of the lack of organization at present existing in the hands union of a single trade union to be the custodian of the disputes of the other trade union movement organizes lifelf along the lines of creating a fighting fund to meet the expenses of any union or group of unions who may be involved in disputes necessitating withdrawal of labor."

The executive will take no action on appeals for sympathetic action "until the T. U. C. has given its decision on this important matter."

Here's To Woman.

Once Our Superior, Now Our Equal .- Cain.

WOMEN'S WAGES LAW PROVES
INEFFECTIVE.
Trade unionists in Washington
State who have urged working women to organize and depend upon
themselves to raise wages rather
than on some office holder, are pointing to the State Industrial Welfare
Commission's refusal to sustain the
recommendation of an \$18 minimum
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President Short of the State Federation of Labor denounces Governor Hart. The trade unionlet says "there is only one way out for the women workers and that is organization in the trade union movement, where their interests can be permanently conserved without being subject to the fickleness and trickery of politics."

manently conserved without being subject to the fickleness and trickery of politics. The cards are at last face up on the table. The women of our state new know the political jugglery that has been practiced to pervert the State Industrial Welfare Commission and make it subservient to the interests of the employers against the interests of the women wage workers of our state. Some time ago i issued a public statement in which I charged that the Governor, at the betiest of the employers, planned to change the entire personel of the commission so that the \$18 minimum that had been established for our women workers could be discarded."

President Short charged that one woman was removed from the commission the state of the commission of the commission of the state of the woman was removed from the commission.

VOTED DOWN BILL TO GRANT WOMEN SUFFRAGE.
A bill granting suffrage to the women of Belgium was defeated by a vote of 89 to 74 in the Chamber of Deputies at Brussels, last week.

LADIES' GARMENT WORKERS WILL PULL ALL MEM-BERS' TEFTH.

In order to care for the health of their members the New York locals of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union have purchased a house at 131 East 17th street, which will be equipped with the most modern medical and dental apparatus.

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