

## Local and General

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The Maintenance of Way Employees will be represented at the convention on June 10th in Trades Hall.

Don't forget the date of the convention of labor to be held in Trades Hall—June 10th and 11th—all the forces of labor should meet on this occasion. The country workers are ready for political action, and the city workers are ready, so that the issue will not be long in doubt.

The Maintenance of Way Employees intend making their headquarters at Regina and are seeking accommodation in Trades Hall.

It is expected that the Regina branch of the Canadian Labor Party and the Regina Trades and Labor Council will be represented at the forthcoming convention of labor to be held in Regina Trades Hall on June 10th and 11th.

A deputation from the Regina branch of the Social and Moral Reform Council waited upon the provincial government on Wednesday morning last, praying for the consideration of a bill for local veto and also with respect to the report that the bridge over Broad street was to be built by prison labor.

If the \$1,500 grant made by the provincial government to the Salvation Army had been devoted to furnishing work for the immigrants already here, the murmurings of the unemployed would become less persistent, and the meetings of the unemployed in Germantown to discuss what is to be done next would have a less sinister significance. Presumably, the Salvation Army is only bringing out men who are prepared to go on the land, where there is abundance of employment for all, but it has hitherto derived its recruits from the large cities, who have gone on the land all right on arrival, but who have in the majority of cases found their way into the cities sooner or later, some to find employment others to join the ranks of the unemployed. When Commissioner Coombs, the acknowledged leader of the Army in Canada, can make such a statement as he is reputed to have made in Glasgow, namely, that it is better to be unemployed in Canada than unemployed in England, because the soup is thicker, it is time for the government to put a veto on such agencies, and make grants for the maintenance of citizens, in preference to furthering a policy to bring such men here in such times as these. It is better to maintain a high social level and a permanent prosperity with a small population, than a lower social level with spasmodic prosperity and a multitude of half-fed people.

Winnipeg and Toronto have had their monster parades of unemployed carrying banners bearing the sinister inscription, "we want bread." Brandon has held its mass meetings to consider the question of the unemployed, Edmonton has had its soup kitchens to relieve the destitute, Vancouver has had its own peculiar unemployed problem, but Regina so far has not been forced into the lime light. Every loyal citizen, every man in the limits of the city, proud of his city's greatness, prosperity and expansion is conscious of the fair name of our city and hopes that it may come through this period of depression with its name unsullied. But the murmurings of the unemployed are becoming more persistent; the conditions of things in Germantown are becoming more serious; fifteen cents a day will not furnish a family with food for long, and in order to avert a catastrophe it is the devout hope of all true citizens that the government and the city council will do all in their power to provide work to alleviate distress. The soup is thicker in Canada than in England—"Glory be."



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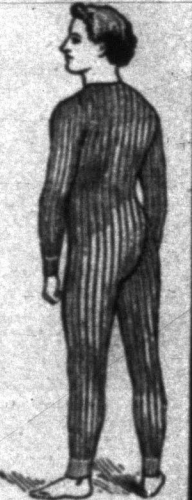
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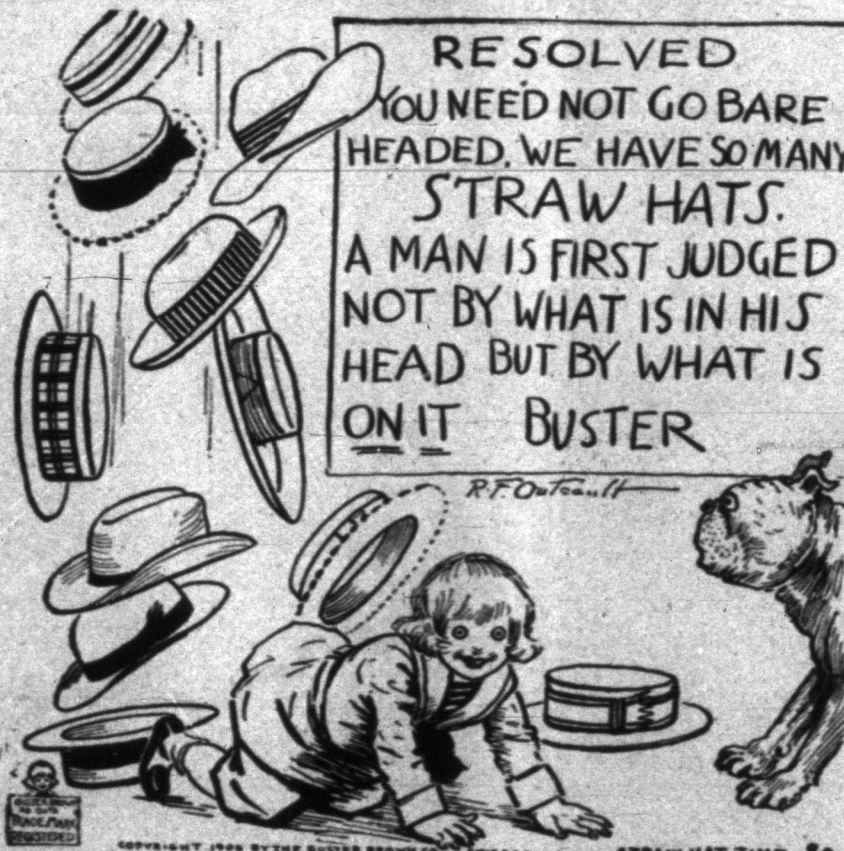
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