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WINNIPEG MAY SETTLE STRIKE

WINNIPEG AWAITS COMING OF CABINET MINISTERS

The Intense Strain Has Been Relaxed

SITUATION IS NOW ONLY CONCERNED WITH ORIGINAL STRIKE.

(Copyright 1919 by Toronto Star.) THIEF RIVER FALLS, Man., May 22. (By Main Johnson, Staff Correspondent.)—With the disappearance of most of the permit cards and the gradual quieting down of the movement about the migration of authority, the original intent of the strike is again becoming prominent from the minds. The latest issue of the Labor News puts before everything else "the absolute necessity of settling once for all the two points at issue: First the right to collective bargaining and, second, the right to living wages."

and the policy of neutrality reaffirmed, it is quite evident that the temper of the meeting was strongly in favor of labor and against capitalistic influence. This was shown not only in the decision to call for compulsory collective bargaining of a plenary nature but also in the vote to disassociate with G.W.V.A. from among others, that there was capitalistic influence in it. Questions which poured onto the platform from the body of the hall in reference to alleged strike breaking activities by certain members of the Veterans' Association, showed prevalent drift of opinion. The strike committee presented its case to the meeting both through President Wilmie, of the Trades and Labor Council personally and in a letter from the committee. The latter expressed regret for a communication appearing in the Labor News calling for the resignation of the executive of the G.W.V.A. The strike committee said they did not know such a letter was appearing in paper. Mr. Wilmie, who was given a tumultuous welcome at beginning of his speech and an even warmer reception at its close, declared the fundamental principle to be that of collective bargaining. The principle had been accepted at most tables by all war boards, and by most employers generally. The strike leader denied any thought of ulterior motive in the tie-up. As evidence in support of his views he said that the strike committee had been consulting with the mayor and another thing they had taken the permit labels off bread and milk wages. They had been put on in the first place by arrangement with the bread managers and dairy companies, so that deliveries would not be molested.



CHINA—LORD HELP THEIR ENEMIES.—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

ST. RY MEN ASK FOR AN INCREASE

WANT 38c PER HOUR INSTEAD OF 32c AND TIME AND A HALF FOR OVERTIME.

Schedule of New Power Rates Adopted. At the regular monthly meeting of the Light Commission held last evening and at which all members were present business of a routine nature was transacted. The Superintendent's reports on the different departments were received all going to show the departments are running along smoothly. In the Electric Dept. the recommendation to purchase a voltage regulator was left until more definite data could be secured from the Hydro Commission although the Commission favored the purchase providing it would improve the service. The increase of consumers, residential, commercial and of power was most gratifying. In the Gas Dept. a satisfactory increase in consumers was also noticeable.

MUNICIPALITIES ASKED TO CONSIDER QUESTION

Hydro Commission Calls Meeting for Next Week

A Strike Would Not Cripple The Hydro. In order to deal with the situation created by the demands of the employees in the Niagara district a conference of the representatives of the municipalities in the Hydro Electric zone has been called by Sir Adam Beck, the chairman of the Hydro Electric Power Commission in Toronto next Wednesday. This morning the following telegram was received by Chief Clerk A.H. Miller: "The Niagara District Trades and Labor Federation have demanded for the laborers in that district including those employed on the Queenston-Chippewa development an eight-hour day with 10 hours pay. Owing to war conditions and the increased cost of material, labor and duty, the cost of the development, notwithstanding the installation of special electric machinery to the purpose of economizing the total will exceed the 1915 estimate approximating \$7,000,000. If the demands of the Federation are granted it will seriously interfere with the completion of the work and will add another \$5,000,000 to the cost. The delay in completion will seriously affect the city of Toronto as the necessary power will not be available to provide for the taking over of the Toronto street railway system in 1921. The Commission's operations in the Ontario Power Company's plant and the transmission stations advise the Commission that, although they have no grievance as to hours

There are many signs that the dictation issue, which was the storm center for several days, is gradually receding. The permit signs have disappeared from theaters and from bread and milk wagons. Gasoline stations are reopening, water pressure is normal again and the permit signs are being torn down. Order is still well maintained, and although general business is absolutely at a standstill, there is noticed a slight relaxation of the intense strain that has prevailed. The president of the strike committee told the war veterans that there was a possibility of settlement within a few days but such optimism is by no means unanimous. There is a widespread feeling among thoughtful men that a crisis has been reached, not only in the stormy industrial life of Winnipeg, but in the whole question of industrial relations in Canada. These people, although experiencing as much inconvenience as any one and just as anxious for a cessation of the strike, feel that any settlement reached must recognize fundamentals. They do not want any patched up peace. Moderation among them are of the opinion that, in so far as the strike is concerned, it should be regarded not as a revolutionary body but as stabilizing institutions, which give employers a collective responsibility for the welfare of the community. Many of these Winnipeg men believe that our whole system of business is bound to change and that it may be the ultimate result that workers will control at least in some extent; that the people will rule in politics and that there will be responsible government in industry as well as in public affairs. Those who hold these views, however, do not think any such change is feasible at one stroke. Public opinion is not ready for it and any attempt to enforce it would mean a further breakdown. They think, however, that the old order can never be restored and that some direct, advanced step in the direction of industrial democracy must be made now as a result of the Winnipeg strike. That is why they deplore certain statements and acts of the strike committee as at least leaving the latter open to the suspicion of trying to establish a dictatorship at their very first attempt of power.

It was W. J. Wilson, M.P.P. for Assiniboia, and a returned officer, who also proposed compulsory collective bargaining and the plan was endorsed by the meeting. The proposal was contained in a letter he had written to the provincial government calling for a declaration by them that it was a refusal by certain employers to grant primary collective bargaining that had caused the strike, that the principle should be universally accepted and that the government should make it unlawful for employers to refuse to agree to collective bargaining. Mr. Wilson thought it was quite possible for such legislation would be passed. Vice-President Newton, of the G.W.V.A., said that most of members of the association were working men and were not in sympathy with all legitimate demands of labor. As an organization, however, he contended they must remain neutral.

SOCIALIST LEADER NOW AT VERSAILLES

CONFERES WITH GERMAN DELEGATION

VERSAILLES, May 22.—Carl Kautsky, the German Independent Socialist leader, has arrived here and has called for a consultation with the German peace delegation, notwithstanding the protest of the twenty million communists are made.

COUNCIL CONSIDERED SAAR VALLEY

PARIS, May 22.—The Council of four, of the people conference this morning considered the questions regarding the Saar valley, raised by the recent German note on this subject. The council will, this afternoon, take up the subject of reparations.

SOLDIERS AND WORKERS DEMANDING OF TREATY

BERLIN (via London) May 22.—Greater Berlin soldiers and workers council today adopted resolution demanding that the peace treaty be signed and appealing to the proletariat of allied countries.

CORONIA IS IN PORT

BROUGHT SEVERAL FAMOUS BATTLES HOME. HALIFAX, May 22.—The transport Coronia, which arrived here last night from England, with the 18th, 19th, 20th and 21st battalions, and the brigade, 2nd division on board, docked this morning shortly after seven o'clock. The disembarkation of troops was at once commenced.

ITALY AND GREECE SERIOUSLY DIFFER

Over Landing of Italian Troops in Smyrna. ORLANDA AND VENIZOS CLASH. NEW YORK, May 22.—The Associated Press this morning issued the following statement: Great Britain, France and the United States are reported from Paris to have sent a joint note to Italy asking for an explanation of the landing of Italian troops in Turkey. Premier Orlando answered the note and it is reported there was a personal clash between him and Premier Venizelos of Greece, which resulted in the latter withdrawing from the meeting of the council. The difficulty is apparently over the landing of an independent Italian force in the city of Smyrna, which the Allies are trying jointly to pacify, with a view to giving a mandatory to Greece for its administration. Pte. Chas. Simmons, of Stratford, was lost off the troopship Royal George. James Giovanazzo was found guilty of the murder of Alex. Dutka on March 30 at Guelph. The Canada, with Canadian troops, captured Halifax harbor at 22:30 this (Thursday) morning. Wm. Baker, of Bradford, a returned soldier, employed as caretaker of the City Hall, committed suicide through despondency.

PETITION FORM READY

Elsewhere in to-day's Record there will be found an official announcement concerning the Municipal Housing petition. The advertisement defines the conditions on which citizens may apply and announces that the City Clerk will receive them from to-day until noon of Thursday next, May 29.

ADMITTED

Those who desire to share in the provincial housing loan and have homes erected and can comply with the regulations drawn by the Council are recommended to sign the petition.

A NEW G.W.V.A. MEMBERSHIP RULE

All Who Volunteer Even if They Did Not Get to Front to Be Admitted. At the regular meeting of the Great War Veterans, I. cal branch, last evening it was decided to amend the membership regulations. All men who volunteered for service, regardless whether they served, will be admitted to membership, even if they never got overseas, provided they can satisfy the committee that it was through no fault of their own that they did not see active service. The local branch will send a delegate to the Vancouver convention but will vote by proxy through another branch.

TIVERTON FARMER DIES IN MOTORCAR

WHILE ON WAY TO TORONTO. BRAMPTON, Ont., May 22.—Charles Stephen Wood, a wealthy farmer of Tiverton, engaged suddenly last evening in the motorcar in which, with his youngest son and a brother from British Columbia, he was proceeding to Toronto for the purpose of settling the estate of another brother. The car was hit by seven miles north of Brampton when Mr. Wood, who was 73 years of age, suddenly died. The body was brought to Brampton where Dr. Lawson coroner for Peel pronounced life extinct.

CLEMENCY PLEA FOR F. McCULLOUGH

PASTOR ASK LIFE IMPRISONMENT. Special To The Record. TORONTO, May 22.—Rev. R. Bertram Nelles, pastor of the Western Congregational Church, and wife, I. advised in Frank McCullough, who was last night from Ottawa, where he pleaded a plea with the representative of the Minister of Justice to have McCullough's death sentence commuted to one of life imprisonment. "There is nothing to be said at present," Mr. Nelles told a reporter. "The plea will probably come before the council when the acting minister returns from Winnipeg. Chief Justice a national holiday today in honor of the anniversary of the battle of Juniper.

WIRE NEWS IN BRIEF

From Many Quarters

MRS. CASEY OF NAPANEE IS DEAD. KINGSTON, Ont., May 22.—Mrs. Casey, wife of the late Thomas Casey, for many years publisher of the Capital the official organ of the Independent Order of Good Templars in the seventies and eighties, died very suddenly at Napanee aged 82 years. A family of four daughters and one son survive. A funeral will be held at Napanee.

NUPTIAL EVENT

Rock-Yankie. A nuptial event of interest took place in the city at three o'clock this afternoon when two well-known young people of the city were the contracting parties. The groom was Mr. Clayton Beck and the bride Nellie, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Yankie, 280 Frederick Street. The event was solemnized at the home of the bride by Rev. J. Maurer, pastor of the First English Lutheran Church. The bride was prettily attired in a white gown. She was attended by her sister, Miss Mimi Yankie, who also was gowned in white. The groom was supported by Mr. Sanford Beck, a brother. The dining room was prettily decorated with ferns and the tables with pink and white. About forty guests from the city, Toronto and Warsaw, N.Y., and other places were present. Mr. and Mrs. Beck left on a honeymoon trip for the East after which they will take up their residence at 15 Hildah Place, city. The congratulations of many friends go out to them.

BUSINESS OPENED THIS FORENOON

WINNIPEG MAY 22.—An aggressive resumption of commercial enterprises in Winnipeg which had been paralyzed by the general strike began this forenoon, while high government officials were conferring with union leaders regarding a settlement of the industrial disagreement. A general strike has been in progress one week.

CONFERENCE ON TOWN PLANNING AT THE FALLS

Chairman W. H. Bretherton of the City Planning Commission introduced a request from Mr. Thomas Adams, Town Planning expert, to have representatives attend a meeting on Town planning at Niagara Falls next Monday Tuesday and Wednesday. The Chairman will lay the request before the Commission and before the Mayor and Aldermen. A further reference will appear in tomorrow's issue.

HIGH WINDS STOP HC-4'S FLIGHT

WILL NOT MAKE ATTEMPT EARLY TO-DAY. WASHINGTON, May 22.—High winds to-day again prevented the naval seaplane N. C-4 from leaving Point del Gada for Lisianski, the second leg of her trans-Pacific flight. Canada is to remain dry for another year at least.

STRIKE SITUATION IS MORE HOPEFUL AT WINNIPEG TODAY

SOME BUSINESSES HAVE RESUMED. (Special To The Record.) OTTAWA, May 22.—The Winnipeg strike situation has assumed a more hopeful aspect and there are indications that business may be resumed on at least a partial scale at a near day. From Kenora, the Department of Labor is in receipt of a message from Hon. Senator Robertson, the Minister, stating that the situation does not give the grounds for apprehension which it did during the early days of the strike, and that law and order still prevail. The Military Department is also in receipt of a message to the effect that several businesses have resumed, without interference from the strike committee or the soldiers, and that certain placards placed in windows of the committee have been removed without disturbance. News from distant Northern Ontario, the Drumboiler coal region, indicates that the miners are again preparing to take a strike vote at some future date.

WINNIPEG CORPORATION RESUMING CHARGE

OTTAWA, Ont., May 22.—That the corporation has again pretty well taken charge of the city of Winnipeg and that running it now which has been received in Ottawa. It is stated that General Kelso, commanding the Winnipeg military district, has indicated that when the city starts running he will see to it that they continue. The complete demoralization of his

ABOUT \$700 LESS FOR STREET LIGHTING

The new schedule of hydro rates to be charged to consumers of power for manufacturing purposes and for street lighting has been received by the head Light Commission from the Hydro Commission. The new rates mean a reduction of 11.3 per cent. for power consumers and a reduction of 6 to 10 per cent. for street lighting to the city. Regarding the rates for street lighting there will be a reduction of nearly ten per cent. for the larger lamps per year, and the present rates of which are \$27 to \$33. For the smaller lamps it will be about six per cent. The rates will drop from \$9.00 to \$8.50 per lamp. It will mean about \$700 per year reduction on street lighting.

RATES TO DOMESTIC AND COMMERCIAL CONSUMERS REMAIN AS THEY ARE.

The arrival of Ministers of Meighan and Robertson is greeted with interest. The government delayed so long in taking any appreciable notice of the Winnipeg trouble that many citizens grew entirely disgusted at what they looked upon as either shirking or apathy but now that cabinet ministers are actually near here there is interest as to what they will suggest or try to do. Popular interest centers in the mass meeting of the G.W.V.A. members, which was crowded to the doors and which brought forth long debates and close arguments, but which finally did result in certain definite decisions. Although the executive was indured

IRISH WORKERS MADE THEIR OWN MONEY, Limerick, Ireland, Trades and Labor Council issued its own currency during the recent strike of protest against establishing of martial law by British authority. The Limerick shopkeepers readily accepted the notes, of which this is a reproduction.

Advertisement for 'The Workers of Limerick' featuring a 10/- ten shillings note.

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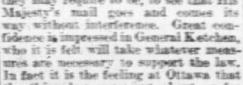
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LIUT. BROOKE HEDGE-PEARSON

Canadian aviator, who has done a year's instructing at the Central Flying School, England, and is now a test pilot in France.



FOR 'OLD SOL.'—Photo shows one of Toronto's letter carriers, garbed in the sunnier clothes that have been provided by the Government for its "outside" men in the postal service. The hat is a soft felt, the shirt a light flannel of khaki color, with flaring tie. The trousers are the regulation kind of blue serge with red stripes. The new uniforms are a perfectly "dick" the posties think.

