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ABITRATION OPENS FOR METAL WORKERS IN WINNIPEG STRIKE

Situation There Greatly Improves—Chances for Agreement Appear to Be Much Better—Many Strikers Ask to Be Reinstated.

Winnipeg, Man., May 30.—Senator Oliver Robertson, federal minister of labor, today sent the following message to the mayor of Ft. William and Port Arthur, Ontario:
"It is currently reported that a joint meeting of Fort William and Port Arthur trades councils has been called for this afternoon for the purpose of taking sympathetic action with Winnipeg workmen now on strike."
"After carefully going into the whole situation here, I am fully convinced that the general strike at Winnipeg deserves no sympathy from organized labor outside. The underlying motive in calling the strike is, in my opinion, undoubtedly intended to be a blow at international trade unions and in support of the 'One Big Union' movement, and with the probable intention of seeking to overthrow constitutional affairs and government both as to federal, provincial and municipal affairs."
"Emphasis cent east and west this week for purposes of obtaining sympathetic strike action in other cities is, in my opinion, wholly without justification, as the citizens of points outside of Winnipeg are in no way responsible for the strike here, and central action would be inconvenient as a result of this conflict."

Winnipeg, Man., May 30.—With arbitration of the differences between striking members of the Metal Trades Council of Winnipeg and employers in progress today, crowds of idle workers, for the first time since the general walkout, May 10, paraded the business district, jeering non-union workers but offering no violence. Officials of the railway brotherhoods are acting as mediators.
Because of the possibility of an agreement between the metal workers and their employers, municipal authorities made no effort today to operate street cars. Members of the citizens' committee postponed their proposed cleanup of the city streets and alleys and the dismissal of policemen who refused to sign the anti-sympathetic strike pledge was left for decision at a later meeting of the city council.

COMMONS ON MONDAY WILL DISCUSS STRIKES

Special to The Toronto World.
Ottawa, May 30.—There will be a race Monday between Dr. M. R. Blake, Unionist member for Winnipeg, and Ernest Lapointe, Liberal member for Kamouraska, as to who can catch the eye of Mr. Speaker first, and move the adjournment of the house to discuss the strike situation. Dr. Blake is likely to be recognized as Mr. Speaker's left eye is not always so keen as his right. Mr. Blake's motion reads as follows: Mr. Speaker—I have the honor to ask leave to move the adjournment of the house under rule number thirty-nine for the purpose of discussing a definite matter of urgent public importance, namely, the strikes in Winnipeg and other Canadian cities, together with all the circumstances, conditions and causes near and remote having any bearing on or connection therewith.

EX-EMPRESS AND SON MEET IN HOLLAND

Spent Several Hours Alone Together, and People Were Not Aware of Meeting.
Amerongen, May 30.—The former German empress returned to Amerongen castle late on Thursday evening after having met her eldest son, Frederick William, at Amersfoort, for the first time in two years. The mother and son went to the meeting place by auto from Amerongen and Wieringen, respectively.
On the outskirts of Amersfoort the autos were met by General Wrangel of the Dutch army. The former empress and her son had lunch with General Wrangel, Secretary-General Kaan of the Dutch cabinet, Bureau-master Peeterboom of Wieringen and several others.
After the luncheon the former empress was alone with Frederick William for several hours. The inhabitants of Amersfoort were not aware of the presence of the visitors, nor did the public of Amerongen know that the former empress had left the castle.
Yesterday was a national holiday in Holland, it being the religious festival of Ascension Day. The former German empress abstained from his usual occupation of sawing logs and attended services in the chapel at the castle at which Rev. Broer Weiss, a Moravian clergyman of Ziestal, preached.
The village of Amerongen was crowded with excursionists who were invited to obtain a glimpse of the famous refugee, but although he walked in the gardens he was completely hidden by the heavy foliage.

ASK LUCAS.

The Plug Hat: Would you mind telling me, worshipful sir, who is doing this free delivery?
The Fur Collar: Ask Lucas to appoint another royal commissioner, Peter White will take the case. And it may have been just another indignation!
The Plug Hat: That won't go any more, minister!

POLICE IN ENGLAND AREA FREE STRIKE

Liverpool Has Already Decided in Favor, and London Force Balloting.

London, May 30.—A strike of policemen in London and in Liverpool, and in other provincial cities, is threatened. The metropolitan police of London are balloting on the question, while the men at Liverpool already have voted to stop work next Monday midnight.
The result of the ballot being taken by the metropolitan police will be announced Sunday. The ballot will decide whether the strike will begin Tuesday. A majority of the metropolitan force is said to be in favor of a strike.

While the question of wages is the reason for the threatened strikes in London, the government has agreed to increase the wages of the metropolitan force to be retroactive to April 1. The policemen want recognition of their union and the reinstatement of certain men who were dismissed. The government has refused these demands.
General Sir C. F. N. Macready, commissioner of the metropolitan police force, today issued an order that any officer or man failing to report for duty will be dismissed, and under no circumstances will he be permitted to rejoin the force. The commissioner announced further that he will not accept the excuse that the men are unable to parade because of intimidation. The order concluded: "Officers and men will, if necessary, defend themselves by all legitimate means if they are interfered with."
The police trouble presents a serious conflict between the government and organized labor. The police union objects to the police being subjected to semi-military discipline, and claims the right of the union to organize on the same basis as labor unions, to join such unions in sympathetic strikes, if it so desires, and also to strike in the event that the police are ordered to enforce laws which the police disapprove of. This, the critics of the police say, would make the police the most powerful branch of the government.
The home office concedes the right of the police to have an organization, but not on a trades union basis. It also claims that the police union is composed largely of discharged policemen and professional agitators.
The police have arranged to hold a large demonstration in Hyde Park Sunday.

MRS. J. BRUCE ELECTED PRESIDENT I. O. D. E.

Montreal, May 30.—Mrs. John Bruce, lately treasurer of the Independent Order Daughters of the Empire, and wife of Col. John Bruce, registrar of the admiralty section, Toronto city hall, was elected president of that order, vice Mrs. Gooderham, retired, at the convention meeting last night.

OMISSIONS AND RESERVATIONS IN AUSTRIAN PEACE TERMS

Greater Part of Summary is Devoted to Clauses Practically Identical With German Treaty.

Paris, May 30.—A summary of the skeleton of the Austrian treaty submitted to the smaller nations Thursday for examination, is remarkable chiefly for its omissions and reservations. Subject after subject heading is followed either by a non-committal display of blank paper, resembling a Swiss flag, or by the southern frontier is not determined in the treaty.
Part three contains political clauses including also some of the reserved geographical provisos, and clauses establishing mixed commissions to determine the latter. The sections referring to Italy are all omitted. Others deal with the future relations of Austria with Czechoslovakia, Jugoslavia, Poland, Hungary and Rumania. Here are found the stipulations for the protection of racial minorities, which, so far as the minorities in Austria are concerned, are to be embodied in a "bill of rights" as part of the Austrian constitution.
Then come parts dealing with Austria's renunciation of all rights outside of Europe; military, naval and aerial armaments, which hereafter will entail virtually no expense for Austria, and the return of prisoners of war.
Part eight on reparations, is blank. Part nine, dealing with finance, may be changed as a result of the representations of the new states. The economic clauses and aerial navigation regulations are identical with those in the German treaty.
Part twelve, on ports, waterways and railways provides for commercial outlets southward by water and rail. These details already have been covered in the report of the inter-allied ports, waterways and railways commission. Part thirteen contains the international labor convention, and part fourteen various miscellaneous provisions of minor importance.

Returning Soldiers

Troops from the Carmania and Regina are arriving today. The first train from the Regina reaches Exhibition Camp at 10:30 a.m. Trains from the Carmania are due during the afternoon at hours not yet specified. Names will be found in yesterday's issue on page 11.
The soldiers who were on board yesterday with wounded and sick on board. List will be found on page 5.

Senator Robertson To Leave Winnipeg

Situation There Is So Much Improved That Labor Minister Can Go Back To Ottawa

"We have had very reassuring telegrams from Senator Robertson at Winnipeg," declared Sir Robert Borden in the house this afternoon. He went on that Senator Robertson reported that conditions in Winnipeg were improving; that the railway mail clerks to the number of 110 had returned within the time limit; that there were many applications, very largely from returned soldiers, to fill the vacancies in the postoffice. Further than that, a great many of the active employees had returned to work the clerical in a body. The situation was greatly improved, Senator Robertson proposed to leave for Ottawa tomorrow morning.
Mr. McKenna asked for information regarding yesterday's conferences with employees and informed in the Toronto Globe. Sir Robert, in reply, outlined the proceedings of the conference, stating that what was urged on the two sides was that either the question at issue should be submitted to the investigation of persons appointed by royal commission or submitted to arbitration. No agreement was reached, although a great many proposals were made. The final result was that the employees made a proposal in writing that the question of the 44-hour week should be referred to arbitration. The proposal was submitted by the men's representatives to the men in Toronto, but they did not accept it. "We endeavored," added Sir Robert, "to have the offer accompanied by other conditions, but it was not acceptable, but it was presented finally to the royal commission. I understand that a considerable number of men have gone out on strike."

STRIKE STOPS POLICE LEAVE

Chief Grasett Given Free Hand to Swear Specials.

The police commissioners at a special meeting yesterday afternoon favored giving Chief Grasett a free hand in the way of expending money for the taking of special constables during the strike should an emergency arise and the police unable to handle the crowds. The police are not anticipating trouble with the strikers, but Mayor Church asked that a special session be held in order that everything would be in readiness to provide adequate police protection. Chief Grasett does not intend taking on any recruits other than soldiers returning from overseas at present. An order was issued to all police diversions yesterday afternoon cancelling the annual holiday leave. Thirty-two members of the department who have been on the annual vacation of 14 days are due to return to duty today, and the men who were scheduled to commence their two weeks' holidays have been notified to continue on duty. It is understood that the leave has only been cancelled for a few days pending strike developments. The men will continue to have their "week day off."

PARTITION OF TURKEY INCENSES ALL TURKS

Paris, May 30.—Constantinople advices received here are that the effect of the partition of Turkey is being discussed over the proposed partition of former Turkish territory, and that a nationalist movement has started in which both the old Turks and the young Turks have joined.
The advices add that the Russian Bolsheviks, under cover of this nationalist movement, are starting an agitation of their own.

Jugo-Slavs Are Successful Against German-Austrians

Basle, May 30.—An official statement issued at Laibach by the Jugo Slav officials concerning the operations against the German-Austrians, says:
"The German-Austrians at the beginning of May surprised our weak garrisons in Carinthia without reason, rebelled them and crossed the line of demarcation. Our attempts to induce them to evacuate this territory failed during negotiations, and later they bombarded our advanced posts incessantly. Our soldiers received the order to attack on Wednesday, the attack is developing successfully."

Fifty-Fifty in Some Things!

Stoort: Macpherson and McGarry are handing out a brave lot o' jobs at vendin' Ontario whisky til' th' sick an' perishin' on doctor's prescriptions—handin' th' jobs out among th' workers.
Josephus: Workers in the prohibition cause, I hope?
Stoort: Nae; nae; workers fur th' auld flag an' th' auld party.
Josephus: The returned soldiers fought for the old flag.
Stoort: But nae 'w' th' Auld Brigade like Hilly-an' th' lads.
Joe: But I understood from N. Westley that everything was to be fifty-fifty.
Stoort: The only fifty about it is yin' fifty th' bottle. In fact McGarry says th' only thing fair 'll be th' measure o' th' speerits.
Joe: We are entitled to a full share of the vendishments and the ceteras.

PREPARING PLANES FOR TRIAL FLIGHTS

Vimy-Vickers' Crew Hope to Be Ready by King George's Birthday.

St. John's, Nfld., May 30.—Assembling of the Vimy-Vickers machine for the transatlantic flight is progressing favorably. The crew is trying to complete the work in time to give an exhibition flight next Tuesday. King George's birthday, but it is doubtful whether the plane will be ready before Wednesday or Thursday. Preparations for building a hangar for the bomber also are advancing.
Admiral Kerr of the Handley-Page outfit arrived here today from Harbor Grace to remain until Monday. He said he hoped to have his machine ready for a trial flight by the end of next week and to take off for the transatlantic trip the following week.
Frederick P. Raynham, pilot of the Martinsyde plane, is making progress in repairing the fuselage of his plane, injured when the machine crashed to earth in attempting to hop off with Harry G. Hawker Sopwith. Raynham and other parts of the new engine and other parts of the Vimy-Vickers by steamer yesterday.

PARLIAMENT TO MEET AGAIN IN THE FALL

Ottawa, May 30.—Continued delay in the signing of the peace treaty will probably mean an autumn session of the Dominion parliament. Following its formal signature by the various plenipotentiaries, the treaty will have to be ratified by the various legislative sessions of the Dominion parliament under the treaty is signed, as now seems likely, a special session for Canadian ratification might be necessary to avoid delay in the formal proclamation of peace.
The official intimation of a fall session of parliament came as a surprise. It is interpreted in some quarters to mean that a compromise in the tariff question is being arranged. The western Unionists, it is believed, will be greatly relieved in dealing with the budget this session by the assurance that parliament will be called together again in a few months.

VERSAILLES OR BERLIN; TAKE YOUR CHOICE

London, May 30.—Premier Lloyd George in his speech to the Welsh division at Amiens last Sunday, declared, according to the South Wales Daily News: "We ask of the Germans: 'Gentlemen, you must sign. If you don't do so at Versailles, you shall do so at Berlin. We are not going to give away.'"

PACIFIC COAST UNIONS ARE VOTING ON STRIKE

Winnipeg Delegates Appeal for Support—Government Criticized and British Rule in Ireland Denounced—Bolshevism Defended.

Vancouver, May 30.—If Vancouver is to suffer a general strike, it will take effect at 11 o'clock Tuesday morning next, June 3. This is the decision of the strike committee appointed by the Trades and Labor Council, to deal with the question, but the decision of organized labor in Vancouver as to the advisability of calling a sympathetic strike cannot be known until Sunday evening at 9 o'clock. This is the hour set for the meeting of the strike vote which the various unions have been asked to take amongst their members in Vancouver.
No details can be obtained meantime as to what unions have commenced balloting on the strike question, but it is presumed the vote has been called in general way since the majority of the delegates to last night's meeting of the Trades and Labor Council were agreed on the immediate necessity for such a strike vote.
Defend Bolshevism.
The meeting in Trades Hall last night was an animated one. Such questions as whether Bolshevism should be deprecated in the public schools came in for serious discussion. A committee of five prominent labor

MANY CITY UNIONS HESITATE TO STRIKE WHEN CALL COMES

Barely a Ripple Mars Placid Surface of Toronto Life When Small Minority of Organizations Called Out Respond to Committee's Orders for Walkout.

"Things are not always what they seem," said a youthful Athlon who, after speaking to a young, well-dressed lady, found that she well might pass for 58 in the dusk with the light behind her."
And so it may be with the Toronto general strike—it may pass for a general strike in the dusk, with the lime-light behind it.
The public are solemnly informed by fifteen dictators sitting in constant conclave at the Labor Temple that a general strike of labor is in effect in Toronto. No one would, of course, be so rude as to doubt their word that at least 11,000 men of the Queen City have quit their jobs, and more are expected to join the ranks before the night is out.
A well-known judge once said to a lawyer who was pleading on a particularly weak case before him: "Give me evidence. Evidence is the only thing that speaks here." The judge's remarks are very applicable to the present so-called general strike in Toronto. There was little or no evidence yesterday that the calm bustle of the city's commerce was in any way disturbed. Church street must, however, be excepted from that statement, for there was a certain amount of excited animation in that vicinity.

NO EVIDENCE OF STRIKE.

A walk along the river front, beside the railway, along the large commercial streets, then to the residential streets of the workers, next to the meaner streets of the day laborer, then to the Jewish streets, and finally to the streets inhabited by the foreign element and there was no evidence that anything out of the ordinary was taking place in the people's lives, no evidence that a general strike had overthrown the city.
The big event of the day from the strike committee's point of view was the walk out of some 600 men from the Massey-Harris plant. These men, however, were nearly all new hands, the older employees refusing to leave this plant, and will stand by the firm to the end, although a great majority of them are union men. As the firm employ over 2000 hands the plant will not be greatly upset by the walk-out, and the collection yesterday being made for the firm's employment office for work by men not interested in the strike. Furthermore, it was stated yesterday that the firm's employees had adopted an eight-hour day for all their employees.
The Employers' Association held a meeting yesterday and issued a statement to the public defining their attitude and position. J. C. Merrick, the secretary said the offer made the men to arbitrate was automatically cancelled by the calling of a general strike. The next move on the chessboard of the strike was up to the employers' committee. The employers' committee, however, had not yet done their bit and were not prepared to do any further.
A citizens' committee to protect the public utilities, to act as police, firemen, garbage collectors or street motormen, has been quietly formed during the past week and already has a membership of over 10,000. Practically every privately-owned motor car in the city has been placed at the disposal of the committee. This committee, coupled with the mayors appeal to citizens to observe the law, provides for a calm, peaceful and orderly Toronto, even should the strike develop to serious proportions. If you don't do it, the Canadian Alliance-Chalmers decided to close down their plant until the end of the strike. At the Willis-Overland one solitary striker refused his way through the gates to the street. The firm employ 350 men. Some men walked out from the A. F. Williams Company and were considerably annoyed when 45 machinists refused to join them. There was talk of "feeling" them out, but wiser counsels prevailed.
The street railwaymen are to meet tonight to decide on their action. They are fairly evenly divided in opinion, and their leaders will be able to sway the vote either for or against a strike. Last night it seemed that certain private negotiations which had been carried on during the day between the interested parties to the dispute would develop satisfactorily. If that is so the car men will remain at work.
The World is informed there is no anticipation that the telegraph operators, the telephone maintenance and repair men, the steamboat men, the printers or the railway men will join the strike. The men of the C.N.R. express service, at a meeting yesterday, (Concluded on Page 13, Column 5).

POLICEMEN'S CHORUS

When constabulary duty has been done, Has been done!
The prisoner's lot's a most happy one, Happy one!

PANAMAS, \$5.

The Dineen Company are showing some excellent value in men's Panama hats. Panama hats in the Algonquin or fedora shape are most comfortable headgear for summer wear. As well as the special line quoted above, Dineen Company have extra quality of South American Panamas from \$8 to \$15, a full range of all the latest in straw sailor hats, notched and plain, \$2.50 to \$5. All straw and Panama hats are made specially for Dineen's by the best makers in England, the United States and Canada. Dineen's store is 140 Yonge St.

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