

WORKERS' MISSTICIOUS COMMISSIONS

WHEN WILL WE GET REAL LABOR LEGISLATION?

Canadian Wage-Earners Demand Production From Various Governments. Canadian workers are anxiously awaiting the adoption of some of the recommendations made at the National Industrial Conference...

Workers' Right to Labor Union

Legislation has been drafted which is designed to impose severe penalties upon any employer who dismisses or in any way prejudices an employee...

POVERTY LINE IN BRITAIN FAYED AT \$8 A WEEK

At Dockers' Court of Inquiry Employers Defend This Figure With Great Ability. We have before us an official copy of the report by a court of inquiry concerning transport workers...

IN OTTAWA TO CONSIDER LABOR LAWS.



Above photo shows some of the delegates of the Dominion and various provinces representing the Government, employers, and Labor, now in conference in Ottawa...

CO-ORDINATION OF LABOR LEGISLATION CONFERENCE IN SESSION AT OTTAWA

Congress Head Says Unless Government Takes Action On Report Useless For Delegates To Waste Time and Money on Deliberations. President Tom Moore, of the Dominion Trades and Labor Congress...

HUGE BENEFITS PAID BY MOLDERS TO CANADIANS

\$87,610.12 Paid in Per Capita Tax; \$213,524,914 Received in Benefits. Advocates of the One Big Union and other destructive and reactionary organizations...

Hamilton I.L.P. Against Free Trade Policy

The Hamilton Branch of the Independent Labor Party, after hearing an address from Hon. W. R. Hofo, minister of labor, Friday last, passed a resolution protesting against the free trade plank...

THREE MISSIONS SOON TO VISIT SOVIET RUSSIA

Arthur Martel Will Be a Workers' Delegate on Int. Labor Office Mission. Before many months have elapsed the world will have some first-hand and accurate information concerning Soviet Russia...

CO-OP. "GOES BIG" IN ENGLAND.

Co-operation in England is growing by leaps and bounds. The Glendower Evans, who has returned from an extended visit to that country...

RAILROAD STRIKE HAS BEEN CALLED IN FRANCE

PARIS, April 29.—Orders for a general railroad strike issued by the executive committee of the Railroad Federation on Tuesday...

REPORT OF ONT. WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BOARD FOR 1919.

The report of the Workmen's Compensation Board of the province of Ontario for the year 1919, was handed to the Government on Saturday...

UNIONS MAY BE "APPROVED" IN JAPAN.

According to Associated Press correspondence from Tokyo the Japanese Government is gradually reversing its policy of outlawing trade unions...

WINNIPEG TRADES COUNCIL WAS RIGHT.

Some workers have questioned the wisdom of the Winnipeg Trades and Labor Council in withdrawing its support from the Winnipeg Defiance Committee...

CLAIM RENTS TOOK JUMP WHEN WAGES INCREASED

TORONTO, April 29.—An increase of thirty per cent. in wages is demanded by 150 employees of the Provincial Hydro-Electric Power Commission...

MUSICIANS' STEADY GROWTH DURING PAST YEAR.

The musicians in Canada have increased their membership 5,000 during the past year. There are now local in every city and town throughout the Dominion...

STEW FOR BOSTON P. O. CLERKS.

Post office employees in Boston held a "stew" in a awful wallow, since the city postmaster has announced that a good nourishing stew will be sold to the clerks...

WHERE DO COAL PRICES GO?

Coal miners at Titonville, Ohio, recently put this note in every car of coal sent out by them: "We miners got 60 cents a ton for our coal. How much did you pay for it?"

U. S. RAILROAD LABOR BOARD ORGANIZERS.

The United States railroad board created by the Esch-Cummings bill has perfected its organization by electing R. M. Barton chairman...

FRANCE RESTRICTS LUXURY IMPORTS.

France is a convalescent and must be treated as such. The government has decided to restrict the importation of luxury goods...

"MOVIES" OF REGISTRATION OF CHILD LABOR IN MONTREAL CITY "DOCTORED"

It is seldom that we visit the "movies" but one day last week we went to see a picture showing the registration of child labor in Montreal...

O. B. U. Exits Only in Theory

"There is nothing to debate about," said Tom Moore, president of the Trades Congress of Canada, while at Winnipeg last week...

BRITISH LABOR DELEGATION TO VISIT HUNGARY.

Headed by J. H. Thomas, M.P., a delegation from the British Trade Union Congress and the British Labor Party will shortly visit Hungary to inquire into the recent massacres and the present conditions of the Hungarian working classes...

FUTURE POLICY OF BRITISH LABOR PARTY TO BE FORMULATED IN JUNE

A preliminary statement for the British Labor Party in June when the coming policy of the party will be formally decided. The British Labor Party, unlike the older organizations in Great Britain, publishes a balance sheet of its income derived from the levy, now of twopenny, but soon to be three pence per member yearly.

"As a Representative of the Workers," said Tom Moore at Opening Session of Conference on Uniformity of Labor Laws, "I Want to Say Candidly That we Cannot Enter Upon This Commission With as Much Confidence or Enthusiasm as we Could Have Had There Been Some Tangible Result of Last Year's Commission or of the National Industrial Conference."

Editorial Page of The Canadian Labor Press

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A WEEKLY NEWS LETTER.

UNCOVERING THE ENEMY.

PRESIDENT TOM MOORE recently visited the western stronghold of the reactionary trade unionists, which by design or accident happens to be the City of Winnipeg at present. Any movement of this nature being of the mushroom variety may change its location at irregular intervals but just at this juncture the spotlight is being played on the Prairie City, and it is claimed as the radiating point for the activities of the antis.

To the workers seeking logical and lawful advancement the message delivered at the meeting of the Winnipeg Trades Council found a responsive chord. It went further in that the practical sense, as expounded by President Moore, made for encouragement in the determination of the rank and file of the representative trade unionists to continue in the progressive van of the International movement.

A continuance of the unfair tactics, today anticipated, it being now a habit, was in generous evidence from the reactionaries. Decrying of the Trades Congress and its elected officers is a part of the opportunists' propaganda, their unreliable and biased sheet being made a vehicle for misrepresentation of President Moore's statements, charging betrayal and treachery to the doctrine of the straight trade unionist principles he preached.

One splendid feature of this visit, however, has been the drawing out of the antis to further show their colors they attempt to hide, and this continued baiting will deprive them of their discreet policy to date carefully practised of beclouding their revolutionary objective when attempting to make converts of the unwary.

It was after the Calgary convention that one of the western representatives wrote in the International Journal of his organization in the following strain: "Did any of your members attend the Calgary convention, elected and sent to represent your local to what was considered a Western Trade Union Congress? If so you were not long in attendance to find out that what was being dished up to you was a lot of Socialist bunk."

President Tom Moore in his utterances at Winnipeg followed out the platform of the Trades Congress, enunciating the policy which was endorsed by his selection unopposed at the last convention at Hamilton. There can be no deviation from this course of rational progress. To those who oppose co-operative policy it will have the salutary effect of continuing to show effort minus result, whilst the leaders of the International movement continue to produce the goods in tangible form.

CONFERENCE AT OTTAWA.

THIS week the conference on the co-ordination and unification of Labor legislation is in session at Ottawa. The Canadian Labor Press published a short summary of the proceedings up to Wednesday evening. The conference got down to business on Wednesday when it reached the committee stage. Next week we hope to be in a position to publish some of the conference's decisions.

Here's To Woman.

Once Our Superior, Now Our Equal.—Can.

U. S. CIVIL SERVANTS' WIVES DEPRIVED OF POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.

The depriving of political activity by federal employees has been extended to the wives of these employees by the United States Civil Service Commission.

The commission has changed the Anglo-Saxon theory that a man is innocent until proven guilty by his accusers by holding that where the wife of a federal employe is politically active the husband must prove that he is not engaged in political activity by proxy.

Under this order if John Jones, a postal employe, is married, and his wife takes time from her household duties to solicit votes for a congressman who is pledged to favor better conditions for postoffice employes, John Jones is guilty of entering into collusion with his wife to evade the order against political activity and can be dismissed from the service.

The post office department has notified postmaster and employees of this order, which follows: "Prohibited political activity by an employe does not consist exclusively in direct, open, personal participation in political affairs. What a classified employe is prohibited from doing independently and directly he may do indirectly and by collusion or co-operation. Collusion is a fact always open to proof and often presumed from the relationship of the parties and the manifest motive behind the supposed beneficial results to the persons involved.

Reports of the Washington International Labor Conference and the Working Women's Conference were made. A resolution was passed endorsing the Washington Conference and calling upon the Government immediately to introduce legislation giving effect to recommendations therein contained.

WOMAN PRESIDES AT SHOP ASSISTANTS' CONFERENCE.

The 25th annual conference of the National Amalgamated Association of Shop Assistants and Clerks was opened at Glasgow on Easter Sunday. Miss Mabel A. Talbot presided, this being the first time that the Shop Assistants have had a woman president at their conference.

INADEQUATE WAGE STANDARDS OF MONTREAL WOMEN WORKERS.

The problem of finding living accommodation within their means for the vast army of business and working girls of Montreal, who are without homes in the city, is becoming every day more acute, owing to the scarcity of houses, the increase in rent coming into force with the first of next month, and the consequent upward trend in the cost of food, and other living necessities.

BRITISH LABOR PARTY WILL HAVE MANY WOMEN CANDIDATES.

When the next general election for Parliament is held—some say in three months and some three years—the Labor party will have at least a dozen prominent women in the field as candidates for the House of Commons.

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Across the Atlantic.

What Our Brothers in the Motherland Are Doing.

BRITISH MINE STATISTICS.

The total number of persons ordinarily employed at mines and at the quarries under the Quarries Act in the United Kingdom and the Isles of Man during 1918 was 1,072,903 (1,029,687 at mines and 43,215 at quarries), or a net decrease of 12,568 persons as compared with the preceding year—a decrease of 12,152 at mines and 416 at quarries.

The death rate per million of tons raised at mines under the coal mines act during 1918 was 5.86, as compared with the average of 5.08 for the decennial period 1908-17.

INSURANCE IS COSTLY.

The British Government's unemployment insurance bill, which increases the worker's contribution, is being vigorously protested, and figures prove that overhead charges consume about 75 per cent of the total income.

WORKERS' PUBLICITY WINS.

Wide circulation is being given the story how railway workers' publicity defeated the Government in the recent strike of these employes. When the strike started practically every newspaper in England was against the strikers, who were charged with being bolshevik revolutionists, etc.

HATCHING.

"Talking of hens," remarked the American visitor, "reminds me of an old hen my dad once had. She would hatch out anything from a tennis ball to a lemon. Why, one day she sat on a piece of ice and hatched out two quarts of hot water."

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testation, which shows the door wide open. Widows, orphans and mothers of the fallen are to be given life honorary membership. Fees were settled on the basis of \$2 for initiation and \$2 per year.

He lay by the roadside, groaning and writhing with pain. A policeman came up and asked him what was the matter.

"Well, what did you eat?" gently inquired the constable. "You bilking ass," retorted the sufferer. "I didn't eat anything!"

The Salvation Army Lassies in many cities saved hundreds from death during the influenza epidemic—went into the homes and cared for the children, cleaned house, brought food and fuel wherever needed.

CHICAGO.—Charles Tegtmeyer, contractor, smashed the pay telephone to bits when it continued to take his calls and gave him the wrong parties. He paid for the damage.

One of the unsatisfactory things of this world is a sensible love letter.

An Open Letter re Fuel Situation

To Readers of The Canadian Labor Press:

The Oakoal Co. (Canada) Limited, whom we represent, are in receipt of a letter from the Fuel Administrator for Ontario, reading in part as follows:

"The assured shortage of anthracite coal during the coming season, consequent to abnormal demand, increased difficulties in mining and transportation, and accentuated by high prices, will undoubtedly force a large number of consumers in Ontario to depend upon substitutes for their requirements.

"Recognizing the important part your industry must take in stabilization, also in eliminating to the greatest degree possible seasonal difficulties, I would urge you to put forth every effort in the speeding up of your output, so that every ton possible may be available to meet the demand.

"In this period of unrest, the greatest possible co-operation is essential, and I will depend on the results of your efforts to assist me in successfully averting sufferings attending a coal shortage."

The plant will be producing in July or August, a fuel superior to anthracite coal—a fact attested by Government analyses as well as by hundreds of demonstrations given in this City, Ottawa and Montreal. Appreciating the seriousness of the situation, and the fact that the first plant will be producing approximately 200 tons per day, at an assured profit of \$1.00 per ton, which means a return of 30 per cent to you on an investment, we ask every reader of this paper to invest say one or two hundred dollars in The Oakoal Co. (Canada) Limited, to insure this increased production.

No other industry in Canada deserves such co-operation, and no other industrial that we know of will pay more steady and certain dividends. Co-operation is essential, as the Fuel Administrator says, and while co-operating to insure against fuel famines you are insuring yourself big returns on your money—which will multiply in value.

Shares are five dollars each, preferred and common. We advise you to secure at least ten of each before the price doubles, as it is certain to do.

Yours truly,

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LABOR NEWS FROM COAST TO COAST

OTTAWA.

STREET RAILWAY EMPLOYEES APPLY FOR BOARD.

Negotiations between the management of the Ottawa Electric Street Railway and the employees have failed to reach a settlement. The employees have applied to the Labor Department for a Board of Conciliation. At the time of writing (Wednesday evening) the formal application had not been made. It is expected that the board will be formed before the week is out. The employees, who are led by Fred Burt, whom the men have named as their representative, have not yet been able to reach an agreement with the management. It is not yet known whether the board will be formed in Ottawa.

Three main points of contention between the company and the men were: (1) the proposed increase in wages from 45 cents to 50 cents an hour; (2) the proposed increase in the cost of living allowance from 25 cents an hour to 30 cents an hour; and (3) the proposed increase in the cost of living allowance from 25 cents an hour to 30 cents an hour.

CIVIC EMPLOYEES MEMBERSHIP GROWING.

Over 1000 members of the Civic Employees Union, which was organized last year, are expected to meet at a meeting of the union on Tuesday night at a meeting of the union. The meeting will be held at the Ottawa Electric Street Railway building. The meeting will be held at the Ottawa Electric Street Railway building.

LABOR TEMPLE 'DRIVE' GOES WELL.

Sunday morning's joint meeting of the Hamilton Labor Temple Association and the Hamilton Trades and Labor Council was well attended. The meeting was held at the Hamilton Labor Temple. The meeting was held at the Hamilton Labor Temple.

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WINNIPEG INT. TRADE UNIONS NOW DESIRE CO-OPERATION WITH GOVT

O. B. U. Losing Ground in West and International Trade Unionism Rapidly Recovering, Says President Moor.

That the One Big Union is losing ground in Winnipeg where it is perhaps the strongest in the western cities, while International Trade Unionism is rapidly recovering its former place among the workers, the employers and the Government, was the statement of Mr. Tom Moor, president of the Dominion Trades and Labor Council, on his return from Winnipeg yesterday.

The International Trade Unionism are showing a desire to co-operate with the Government now, whereas a year ago they repudiated the Government and refused to appear before the Industrial Relations Commission, said Mr. Moor. "They have nominated a man to the commission which is to meet in Ottawa tomorrow for the unification of labor laws in Canada. The provincial Government has accepted their nomination to act with its own representatives and the employers. The trade unions are again drawing up agreements with contractors. The employers of the O.B.U. in Winnipeg are showing a desire to appear before the Industrial Relations Commission," said Mr. Moor. "They have nominated a man to the commission which is to meet in Ottawa tomorrow for the unification of labor laws in Canada. The provincial Government has accepted their nomination to act with its own representatives and the employers. The trade unions are again drawing up agreements with contractors. The employers of the O.B.U. in Winnipeg are showing a desire to appear before the Industrial Relations Commission," said Mr. Moor.

TORONTO.

GET WAGE INCREASES.

Three thousand five hundred clothing workers at a mass meeting in Massey Hall this week unanimously accepted the award of Dr. H. R. Brown, arbitrator in the wage dispute between the Toronto branch of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers and the firm. The award was for a 10 per cent increase in wages.

THREE BOARDS GRANTED.

The Minister of Labor has established three boards of conciliation for settling disputes between employers and employees in Hamilton. The boards are for the street railway, the shop and the street railway.

ENGINEERS AT STEEL CO. MAY STRIKE.

Unions something engineers soon may strike. The union is something engineers soon may strike. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

TORONTO JOB PRINTERS REJECT PROPOSED INCREASE.

At a mass meeting of compositors, typesetting machine operators, galley men and proofreaders in Toronto on Saturday night a 10 per cent increase in wages offered by the employer was rejected. The men had asked for 44 hours and a committee of the employers' representatives with this new demand. Their agreement with the employers does not expire until 1921. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

LONDON STREET RAILWAY MEN MAY STRIKE.

A unanimous vote in favor of a strike on Saturday, May 1, unless their demands are met, was cast by the London street railway employees at a meeting at midnight on Friday. The men had asked for 44 hours and a committee of the employers' representatives with this new demand. Their agreement with the employers does not expire until 1921. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

WESTERN CANADA CONDITIONS AT CALGARY.

One labor agreement, that of the Typographical Union, expires before June 1. This union is something engineers soon may strike. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

CHILDLESS COUPLE ADOPT.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hitchcock, of Opeka, a village in Wisconsin, have no children of their own, but have assumed care of 15, ranging in age from six to 21. In order to do this systematically they became legally incorporated the other day. The name of this adoption firm is the W. H. Hitchcock Family, Inc. Each one of the adopted children holds stock in the organization. The capital consists of a farm and a healthy bank account.

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HOTEL AND RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES SEEK INCREASE.

Twenty to 30 per cent increase are being sought by the hotel and restaurant employees, members of the International Alliance of Culinary Workers of America. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

NO MAY DAY CELEBRATION IN OTTAWA.

There will be no May Day celebration in Ottawa, so far as we can learn, the wage-earners of the city. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

MANY AGREEMENTS PENDING.

It would be impossible at this time to make any definite statement in regard to the many pending agreements and employers in Ottawa. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

WEEK OF SAFETY FOR TORONTO.

The Ontario Safety League has prepared plans for an intensive drive against accidents, to take place in Toronto the week commencing Saturday, May 1. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

DEMANDS OF MONTREAL STREET RAILWAY MEN.

The demands of the employees of the Montreal Tramway Company are now in the hands of the company. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

EDMONTON TRADES COUNCIL.

Reaffirming its endorsement of the Saturday half holiday, the Edmonton Trades and Labor Council at the last meeting organized a strike in the retail trade for the week-end.

TYPO OFFICIAL VISITS NEW YORK.

Michael Powell, general superintendent of the Typographical Union, visited New York last week and while there attended meetings of the Typographical Union. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

BAKERS AND EMPLOYERS TO MEET.

No agreement has yet been signed by the Bakers and Confectionery Workers' Union and the master bakers and confectioners of the city. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

HAMILTON.

BUILDING TRADES.

Saturday night's get-together of contractors and building trades council committees, held on East Hunter street, to talk over matters in connection with the blanket wage agreement, lasted until midnight. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

HAMILTON LABOR IS AGAINST REFERENDUM.

The Hamilton branch of the Independent Labor Party passed a resolution on Friday night in opposition to the proposed referendum on the importation of liquor. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

TORONTO BUTCHER WORKERS APPLY FOR CONCILIATION BOARD.

Representing approximately 4,000 employees of Toronto packing plants, a delegation waited on the Minister of Labor last week with a request that he appoint a board of conciliation to investigate their dispute with the five meat packing companies of that city. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

TORONTO NEWSY BRIEFS.

W. J. Storey, secretary of the Plumbers and Steamfitters, reports that the plumbers are busy throughout the city and that the demand for their services is increasing. The union is something engineers soon may strike.

EMPLOYERS THREATEN SUMMARY ACTION AGAINST MEMBERS WHO GIVE IN.

The above headline in the Ottawa Journal on Tuesday carries the following story: "The action of a number of contractors in signing agreements with the carpenters at a minimum wage of 33 cents an hour, after Ottawa Branch of the Canadian Building and Construction Industries has been notified that the agreement is likely to be the principal matter for discussion at a meeting of the association tomorrow evening. Several of the contractors who signed the agreements are not members of the organization, but a proposal to take summary action against the signers of the agreement was discussed at a conference of the Building and Construction Industries last night." The union is something engineers soon may strike.

IRON, STEEL AND TIN WORKERS.

At the meeting of the Iron, Steel and Tin Workers' Union Saturday night in the building, the union is something engineers soon may strike.

GARMENT WORKERS WAGES.

Editor Labor Press:—Permit me to add a word in reply to Controller Gardner's "mad dream" of high wages being the cause of high prices for clothing. I am not going to discuss the statement that some clothing workers get from \$75 to \$90, but let me state that this is not in Hamilton, and moreover these kind of wages are very rare elsewhere, and are only paid to special operators. If Mr. Gardner will take the records of the various garment workers' associations for the past six years he will find that wages have been lagging behind "cost of living" prices all along the present decade, being 100 per cent higher than in 1911. Why my opponent tells me that wages have generally increased to that extent I have no doubt to know, who is responsible for the high prices, being in the retail men's furnishing trade himself. Retail clothing has been making as high as 100 per cent profit during recent years have a case to mind of which I need not say so far as Hamilton clothing workers are concerned. The average wage paid to 1,000 clothing workers in Hamilton is not more than approximately 60 per week. Sixty per cent receive less than \$22 per week, and the other 40 per cent receive an average of 25, or three receiving \$39.

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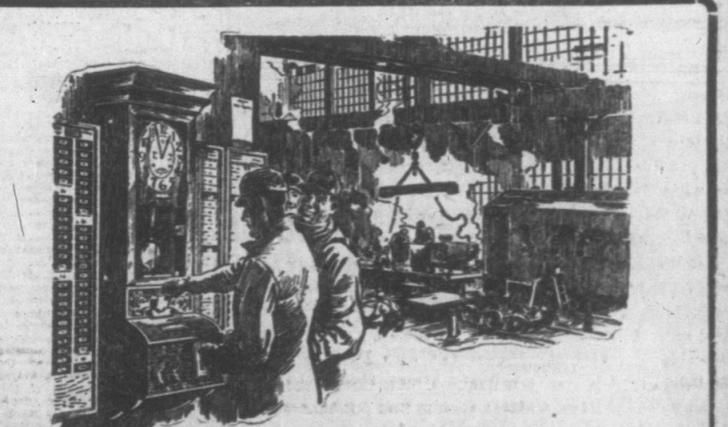
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WINNIPEG STREET RAILWAY MEN GET BOARD.

A Conciliation Board, appointed by the Department of Labor under the Lemieux Act, will deal with the deadlock between the Winnipeg Electric Company and its employees, which has arisen in the matter of new wage schedules and working conditions, according to an announcement by officials of the Street Railwaymen's Union today. R. S. Ward, a well known Winnipeg labor man, has been named by the union as its representative.



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MORE DESIRE TO FIND OUT HOW TO EVADE 8-HR. DAY LAW THAN TO PASS IT

Not Complaining Too Much Because We Have Not Provided Ourselves With All Machinery At Our Disposal, Says Congress Head.

"Perhaps if some of those who are today talking about wearing... change their ideas," stated Mr. Tom Moore, president of the Trades and Labor Congress...

President Moore's theme was on organizing as affecting all workers. He was of the opinion that it was time that trade unionism should consider taking stock...

Does Government Evade It? Regarding advanced labor and social legislation, Mr. Moore drew attention to the fact that the peace treaty provided for an eight-hour day...

RUSSIAN BOLSHEVISM.



As it is pictured. (This cartoon is the more interesting inasmuch as the Bolshevists is a Swiss paper, with radical leanings.)

WAGE STANDARD ESTABLISHED IN TEXTILE INDUSTRY AT LYON, FRANCE

Women's Minimum Varies From 9 to 15 Francs Per Day—Men's Minimum 15 Francs Per Day.

The Canadian Labor Press publishes the following award of a board of arbitration in the matter of dispute between the textile employers and their employees at Lyon, France...

According to a report from the American consul at Lyon, France, the strike of textile workers which was called on October 27, 1919, was ended on October 31 by the signing of a new wage agreement...

Table listing minimum wages for various textile workers in Lyon, France, categorized by gender and job type.

BRITISH GOVERNMENT ENACTS MUCH LABOR LEGISLATION DURING 1919

Rapid Progress Being Made By British Workers In Matter Of Social and Labor Legislation.

The British Labor Gazette for January, 1920, publishes the following summary of labor and social legislation enacted in Great Britain during the year, 1919...

Two acts dealt with special problems arising from war conditions. The Restoration of Pre-War Practices Act (August 15) restores the pledges given to trade unions in return for their withdrawal of restrictive practices during the war...

Four acts amended previous legislation providing for social services. The National Health Insurance Act, 1919 (August 15), increases from £160 to £250 per annum the rate of remuneration for the purpose of exemption from insurance under the National Health Insurance Act...

The Police Act (August 15) constituted the police federation, and prohibits members of police forces from being members of trade unions. In addition to the acts mentioned above, bills have been introduced by the Minister of Labor providing for the establishment of a minimum working week of 48 hours...

Employer's Tribute to Labor Leaders. International Leaders Can Handle O. B. U. in British Columbia.

EMPLOYER'S TRIBUTE TO LABOR LEADERS

Industrial peace reigns in British Columbia, according to Mr. John J. Coughlan who is here representing employers of Vancouver at the Royal Commission on the unification of labor laws...

Wages in the West were 20 per cent higher than in the East, Mr. Coughlan said, while the cost of living was not appreciably more. Individual differences between employees and employers had been pretty well adjusted with satisfaction...

FEAR CONGESTION ON BRITISH RAILWAYS. Employes Decide to Work on Strict "Work to Rules" Policy.

LONDON, April 29.—A labor development which may result in a more general stoppage of work throughout the United Kingdom on May Day has been considered likely, manifested itself this morning in an announcement that the London County Council of Railwaymen had decided that, beginning Saturday, its members would work on a strict "work to the rules" policy...

STEEL, BRIGGS SEEDS. BIGGER CROPS FROM BETTER SEEDS. SOLD BY LEADING MERCHANTS THROUGHOUT CANADA.

Schrader Universal Tire Pressure Gauge advertisement. Includes an image of the gauge and text describing its features and accuracy.

The Way to the West advertisement. Promotes National Railway routes to Winnipeg, Brandon, Regina, Saskatoon, Calgary, Edmonton, Vancouver, and Victoria.

Sanitaris Mineral Water and Dry Ginger Ale advertisement. Promotes health benefits and availability at the Ottawa Warehouse.

Pembroke Woollen Mills advertisement. Promotes high quality woolen goods from Pembroke, Ontario.

Trade Unions in Early Novels advertisement. Discusses the historical context of labor movements and their representation in literature.

NO "LAY-OFFS" advertisement. Promotes employment stability and fair wages for workers.

Canadian Shoes Limited advertisement. Promotes high quality women's high grade welt shoes.

SILVER advertisement. Promotes the purchase of silver and gold metal, highlighting the value of silver and the opportunity to invest in silver through Quebec Mining Corporation.

BRITISH DOCKERS' AWARD

An Interview With Ernest Bevin, "the Dockers' K.C."

The National Council of Port Labor Employers and the National Transport Workers' Federation of Great Britain, having failed to come to a settlement regarding the claims made by the federation on behalf of British dock workers generally on the subject of standard minimum wages and other conditions of employment, the Ministry of Labor was requested to constitute a Court of Inquiry into the whole matter. The Court of Inquiry was duly appointed by the Minister of Labor on January 22 last, and after sitting for 2 complete months, issued its award early this month.

The Court of Inquiry brought into existence a new form of investigation into the conditions of employment in a given industry. Hitherto negotiations have been carried on between representatives of the employers and workmen concerned sitting behind closed doors. Little or nothing transpired until the conference came to a conclusion by agreement on the points at issue, or through the break-down of the negotiations. The Court of Inquiry sets the conditions of dock employment has met under the chairmanship of Lord Shaw of Dunfermline, and its proceedings have been public throughout. The employer, represented by counsel in the person of Sir Lynden Macassey, K.C., and the men's case was championed by Ernest Bevin, the National Organizer of the Dockers' Union, who has become famous as "the Dockers' K.C." with James Sexton, M.P., as "junior counsel."

On the morning of the award, I had the good fortune to get hold of Ernest Bevin and secure from him a few observations and comments upon the inquiry. Our conversation, I need scarcely say, was frequently interrupted by telephone calls, messages of various kinds, and, in addition, the Dockers' Executive were in session, and Bevin had to attend to them as well. Naturally he was well pleased at the result of the inquiry, and, though the strain upon him dur-

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which we regarded the Court. These important points have got to be explained to the women who now have votes, if their support is to be gained for a Labor Government at a distant date.

"Now, the problem of casual labor, which seems to me not one of easy solution, how is that to be dealt with?"

"Casual labor," said Bevin, "has always been the curse of dock work. I know there are some who appear to prefer it to regular employment; but, as the award says, it is preferred 'only among those who have sunk very far' and whom this system itself has demoralized. Again—this is also from the award: 'If men were merely the mere parts of an industrial machine, this casual reckoning might be appropriate'—this refers to the convenience which a reservoir of unemployed labor undoubtedly is often to dock authorities and employers—but, it goes on, 'society will not tolerate much longer the continuance of human beings on these lines'."

Remedies for Casual Labor.
What remedies are recommended?

"The award makes two recommendations: a system of registration of all workers at the docks, such as the 'casual' laborers at Liverpool; and the adoption of the principle of maintenance to form part of the registration. There are a few among the dock workers fearful of losing their liberty under the recommendation of registration, but the only liberty they will lose will be the liberty of going home to their wives and families—with nothing! That is what 'liberty' means to the 'casual' laborer."

"Were you met at all by the contention that, if a minimum of 16s. a day were adopted at all British ports, trade would go elsewhere?"

"Yes, the 'casual' laborer has prepared evidence of how Rotterdam and Antwerp would compete with British ports, but, as it turned out, the former could not put their witnesses in the box, the dockers at Rotterdam went out on strike for 16s. a day. So then they put Antwerp forward; whereupon the Antwerp dockers secured an advance which brought them up almost to 16s. a day. The only port left to them, therefore, will be one where their ships will meet as they enter!"

"Referring to witnesses," Bevin added, "that reminds me that one weak point has been revealed in the transport workers' inquiry. These courts will not be the success they could be if the method now employed is followed. The employers are represented by counsel. We presented our own case, and I was responsible for the facts we submitted. But counsel, of course, goes by his instructions, and is not personally responsible for any evidence he has to bring out on behalf of his side. Consequently a very great deal of time is taken up by counsel having to put all the statements through witnesses. This naturally tends to prolong the proceedings, and, in urgent cases, might easily weaken the power of such Courts of Inquiry for good."

The Trend of the Changes.
"What now happens to the award?"

"It goes to the Minister of Labor. Then the two parties will have to come to an agreement upon it. The transport workers' delegates accepted the award last night. It is now for the employers to accept it also. I am quite sure that it means the beginning of a new outlook. It will help to equalize the docks to be regarded as national institutions for the benefit of the world's goods. The changes now begun will tend to make our docks and our ports a means of real social transactions to the mutual advantage of all, until they are no longer run for the profit of the few."

There was another ring at the telephone, and as I had obtained the information I needed, I left after expressing the hope that Easter would afford Bevin a little relaxation from his labors of the last two months.—H. W. L., in Justice.

AFTER YEARS OF CLIMBING!



CO-ORDINATION OF LABOR LEGISLATION CONFERENCE

Continued From Page One.

had served a useful purpose, but it was just a question whether the time had not arrived when some of its clauses should be seriously reconsidered and amended. South Africa and Australia had already amended their original legislation with beneficial results, and their was much more recent than that of Canada. It was necessary for success that the deliberations of the conference should bear promptly result for, said Mr. Moore, "workers are becoming suspicious of commissions and committees devised by politicians for the solving of problems and whose deliberations and reports get nowhere."

When the Mathers Commission was appointed there was a very general feeling that it was a camouflage. I had the misfortune to be a member of that commission and our report was promptly made. It has never been challenged and yet up to the present time very little concrete legislation can be found on the books as the result of its labors.

Labor Wants Action.
"As a representative of the workers I want to say candidly that we cannot enter upon the work of this commission with as much confidence or enthusiasm as we could have if the workers had some tangible result of the last year's commission of the National Industrial Conference."

Mr. Moore then went on to say that the Government must regard the report of this commission as the pronouncement of a responsible, serious body, and act upon it without members of Parliament taking the time to thrash the proceedings out all over again for themselves. "Representatives of labor are prepared to remain in Ottawa as long as may be necessary to finish the work assigned to them. I do not demand any assurances but I do ask that when we have reported there shall be some definite action to justify our work."

On Tuesday morning's session of the board appointed to consider the unification of provincial industrial laws, Dr. W. A. Riddell, chairman of the business committee brought in a report, which was adopted, recommending daily sessions from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2.30 to 5.30 p.m.; that the press be excluded from the sessions, and all reports of the press be given out on approval of a committee representative of the Government, employers and employees; that consideration of unifying labor legislation be taken up in the following order:—(a) Workmen's Compensation; (b) Factory Legislation; (c) Regulation of Mines; (d) Minimum Wage Legislation; (e) Industrial Disputes Act; all these questions first to be considered by the committee as a whole, and then, if thought necessary, to be referred to sub-committees for further consideration and report.

The following committees were appointed after discussion of the broad features of each of the questions:—
Committee on Workmen's Compensation:—Messrs. Macdonald, Melvin, Evans, Hall, G. H. Iggall, Leckie, McNeill and McVey.
Committee on Factory Legislation:—Messrs. Logan, Robinson, Guyan, Reid, McGrath, Somerville, McCreath, McNeill.
Committee on Mines and Mining Laws:—Messrs. Gillis, McLean, Lowe, Halford, E. Robinson, Malloy, Striding and Coulson.
Press Committee:—Messrs. McNeill, McNeill and France.

Mr. Gerald Brown acted as chairman. Mr. Melvin was called away by official duties.

President Tom Moore, of Dominion Trades and Labor Congress, at Tuesday afternoon's session stated that he considered it would be a backward step for the Dominion authorities to lend themselves to decentralization of the powers which they have acquired through the provincial acceptance of the Industrial Disputes Act. He also expressed himself as favorable to standardization for the provinces through the medium of one law, which should be enacted by the Federal Government.

Hon. G. D. Robertson, Minister of Labor, who arrived shortly after the resumption of the sitting, defended the position which was held by the Government in respect to labor legislation. He stated that no Government could attempt to legislate progress in that class of legislation until it had been carefully investigated and the sentiment of the classes concerned had been ascertained. When this had been done the Government was prepared to go ahead and enact reasonable legislation but it could not accept one-sided suggestions. He discussed the proposed inadequacy of the Industrial Disputes Act, regarding industries not covered by the public utilities clause, and thought machinery should be established to deal with them.

Mr. F. A. Acland referred to the position occupied by police and firemen, who were outside the provisions of the act by a Department of Justice ruling, but he thought that something ought to be done to remedy their inclusion. Mr. Acland dealt with the conflicting points between federal and provincial legislation. He pointed out that the Dominion Government could not exercise powers which had been delegated to the provinces. In spite of much discussion, the department had received no representations from the different provinces.

Mr. Tom Moore then dealt with the question of the police, who at present occupied a unique position, as their disputes could not be settled by board, since they were not classed as public utilities, although their work was that of the police. The only way in which they could rectify their present position was by resorting to a strike, which they did not wish to do. Consequently there was necessity for some arrangement by means of which they could receive impartial consideration of their demands. The full list of members of the board is as follows:

Dominion of Canada.
On behalf of the Government: F.

Melvin, secretary N. B. Federation of Labor, St. John.

Quebec.
Government—Louis G. Gagnon, Deputy Minister of Labor, Montreal.
Employers—John Lewis, President of Montreal Cottons Limited, Valleyfield.
Employees—Gustave-Francoeur, editor Labor World, Montreal.

Ontario.
Government—Dr. W. A. Riddell, Deputy Minister of Labor, Toronto.
Employers—Samuel Harris, President of Harris Lithographing Company, Ltd. Toronto.
Employees—H. J. Halford, vice-president, Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, and fifth vice-president, International Union of Industrial Union, Hamilton.

Manitoba.
Government—E. McGrath, Secretary Bureau of Labor, Winnipeg.
Employers—H. B. Loyal Manitoba Bridge and Iron Works, Winnipeg.
Employees—E. Robinson, Secretary Trades and Labor Council, Winnipeg.

Saskatchewan.
Government—T. M. Malloy, Secretary Bureau of Labor, Regina.
Employers—R. K. Lecky, Regina.
Employees—James Semerville, International Association Machinists, Moose Jaw.

Alberta.
Government—John T. Stirling, Chairman Workmen's Compensation Board, Edmonton.
Employers—Walter P. McNeill, Commissioner, Western Coal Operators' Association, Calgary.
Employees—Robert McCrae, Edmonton.

British Columbia.
Government—J. B. McNeill, Deputy Minister Labor, Victoria.
Employers—John J. Coughlan, Vancouver.
Employees—James H. McVey, Vancouver Trades and Labor Council.

MAKING THE ROUND TRIP.

In one of the leading churches of the city the pastor took for the text of his sermon, "Better Church Attendance."

The pastor held that the automobile has taken more people away from church than any other thing. He concluded with the exclamation: "The Ford car has taken more people to hell than any other thing that I can mention." Whereupon an old lady in the congregation began to clap her hands and moan: "Praise the Lord! Praise the Lord!"

"Praising the Lord," said the pastor.

The Ford never went any place that it couldn't make the round trip, and I am sure that all of those people in hell will be back. So praise the Lord.—Springfield (Ill.) Register.

ENOUGH TO GO ON WITH.

As a gentleman walked along a quiet country road, he noticed smoke and flames issuing from the upper windows of a secluded house.

Running up, he pounded on the door hastily, till an old woman opened it.

"Madam, your house is on fire!" he exclaimed, in great excitement.

"Oh!" she said.

"I say your house is on fire!" He raised his voice several degrees.

She put her hand to her ear and leaned towards him.

"What?" she demanded.

"Your house is burning!" he roared.

"Oh! Is that all?"

"That's all I can think of just now, madam," he gasped.

—Answers.

NO ELECTION FOR VACANCY TO BOARD

Act Amending School Laws Introduced by Hon. R. H. Grant.

PARLIAMENT BUILDING.
TORONTO, April 28.—An act amending some of the school laws was introduced in the Legislature today by Hon. R. H. Grant, Minister of Education. The five amendments of the act are:—

1. To obviate the necessity of holding a special election in the city divided into wards where a vacancy occurs in one of the wards on the Board of Education, and leaves the vacancy to be filled by the board in the same way as in municipalities not divided into wards.

The bill makes an amendment to the High School Act by providing for the establishment of more than one high school district in a town or in the neighborhood of a large city where conditions as to population justify the formation of a separate high school in the opinion of the minister.

There is also an amendment to the Continuation Schools Act which will provide for the participation by these schools in county aid in the same manner as high schools.

Legislation is also provided enabling cities to acquire property in adjacent townships which will be within the urban zone and in the course of time may become part of the city.

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Joint Industrial Councils are growing more popular in Great Britain as time moves onward. Recently a Court of Inquiry upon which were seated representatives of the employers and representatives of the workers' organization, whom in this particular case were workers, met and decided on wage standards, hours of work and general working conditions of all employees engaged in that particular industry, not of one port, as one might suppose, but of every port and every harbor in Great Britain.

How many Canadians realize the magnitude of this undertaking? Reference to this Court of Inquiry is made elsewhere in this issue. What is true of the dockers is true of many other industries. In this respect a special conference of the National Federation of General Workers of Great Britain was held recently for the purpose of discussing whether affiliated unions should continue to associate with the Whitley Councils, which is the name generally given to Joint Industrial Councils in Great Britain. At this conference J. R. Clynes, M.P., president of the Federation, according to a report of the proceedings in the Daily Herald, said that there were in the Labor movement people who did not favor any kind of coming together on the part of employers and workers, but they were mostly people with no trade union work to do. Some of the big trade unions preferred their organizations to the machinery of the Joint Industrial Council, and although these large organizations could perhaps afford to set aside the machinery of the Industrial Councils there were three million wage-earners outside these organizations covered by the Joint Industrial Council. The conference discussed the matter and passed a resolution regarding the general principle of the councils.

In the majority report of the Royal Commission (Matters) on Industrial Relations, we find the following: "85. In order to allay suspicion, the employers should not prepare a plan of joint council recommendation in a completed form to the employees to be accepted or rejected. Employees should be invited to cooperate with the employer in formulating the plan. It would thus be the joint product of both, and would consequently be received by the employer without the suspicion that so often attaches to something which emanates from the employer alone. "86. Every council, or by whatever name it may be known, must be the result of the unfettered choice of both the employer and the employee concerned. Any attempt to force a definite plan upon either would be foredoomed to failure. Some machinery should, however, be established to take the initiative and bring the parties together. "At the National Industrial Conference held at Ottawa on September 15 last, a unanimous recommendation was made to the Federal Government in respect to the establishment of Joint Industrial Councils. The report of the committee and the recommendation follows: "Your committee is of the opinion that there is urgent necessity for greater co-operation between employer and employee. We believe that this co-operation can be furthered by the establishment of Joint Industrial Councils. Your committee does not believe it is wise or expedient to recommend any set plan for such councils. "We therefore recommend that a bureau should be established by the Department of Labor of the Federal Government to gather data and furnish information whenever requested by employers and employees or organizations of employers or employees that whenever it is desired to voluntarily establish such councils the fullest assistance should be given by the bureau. "While the question of Joint Industrial Councils has been placed before the Dominion Government some months ago, as yet we have to learn of any serious attempt to put the idea into practice—J. A. P. H.

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Activities of German Trade Unions.

Membership of General Trade Union Federation.

In September, 1919, the German General Trade-Union Federation, the central organization of the Free (Social-Democratic) Trade-Union, had a membership of approximately 5,400,000 organized in 54 federations. Of these 5,227,000, or about five-sixths of the total, belong to 12 federations, each of which has 100,000 or more members. Federations of the German Free Trade-Union with a membership of 100,000 or over in September, 1919:

Table with 2 columns: Federation, Membership. Rows include Metal workers, Factory workers, Transport workers, etc.

With respect to the membership figures given in the preceding table it should be noted that the railwaymen's federation was not established until July, 1916, and that the salaried employees' federation was formed in 1919 by the amalgamation of two other federations. Commenting on the rapid growth of the membership of the Free Trade-Union in an article in Correspondence says: "The German Free Trade-Union membership is making rapid strides from the sixth into the seventh million. Considerably more than half of the members are persons who have joined a trade-union for the first time. These must be trained to be good trade-unionists. This training has for many years been the task of the trade-unions, but it has never been so big and difficult a task as it is now. Hitherto the old members were in the majority in the local unions, the district councils, federations and conferences. Now the new members are in the majority. The minority has to teach the majority. The new members have been in the ranks for four years, and their experiences have left a mark. They are not shy and retiring as new members were in the old days. The character of the masses of the workers today is a deep-seated feeling of bitterness and mistrust toward everything and everybody. All this must be taken into consideration. New members must not be called "November Socialists" and must not be referred to as "babies" who have just crept into the organization." The youthfulness of the new members must not constitute a cause of reproach.

POVERTY LINE IN BRITAIN FIXED AT

Continued From Page One. to be for some years what might be called a reasonable expectation of a substantial cheapening of the cost of living. In the schedule of family expenditure put forward the figure for rent was stated as high as 10s. or \$2.50 per week. We venture to say that not a dozen workers in the city of Ottawa pay anything like \$10 a month for rent. Twenty dollars would be nearer the mark. The establishment of a poverty line is bound to have a far-reaching effect on the industry generally in Great Britain. The Court of Inquiry in the Dockers' dispute was the first of its kind held in Britain and affected every port, dock and harbor in the Kingdom and a laboring population of about 125,000 men. The report says both parties showed a business-like determination to make the investigation helpful by its thoroughness.

The majority report, which was signed by nine including the workers' representatives of the court's eleven members, recommends the following: (1) That with a view to establishing a national minimum standard the minimum for day workers and pieceworkers shall be 12s. per day on the basis of the national agreement for the 44-hour week. (2) That a system of registration of dock labor should be introduced into all the ports, docks, and harbors of the Kingdom. (3) That the principle of maintenance of unemployed casual labor is approved. (4) The wages of dock labor should be paid weekly, and that this system should be introduced at the earliest possible date. (5) That the constitution of a national joint council and its correlative and local bodies should be undertaken for the dock labor industry on the lines of the Report of the Whitley Committee. (6) That these bodies should, failing agreement by the parties, be charged with the settlement of the incidental matters mentioned in this Report, and of the remaining items of claim.

TORONTO NEWS ITEMS.

The Amalgamated Association of Sheet Metal Workers has refused to arbitrate on its wage demand of 90 cents per hour, following the action of the general organizer, Mr. John H. Kennedy. John Munro, president of the Toronto Trades and Labor Council, reports that a number of firms have granted 90 cents per hour to their workmen. Local 1250 of the Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, by a vote of 24 to 17, decided to protest against the inauguration of daylight saving in Ontario. Secretary W. J. Storey, of the Plumbers and Steamfitters reports that the plumbers are still keeping busy, and that conditions in the trade are good. The Master Harbers report that there is an increasing scarcity of men throughout the city, and it is stated that when the summer resort season gets well under way that conditions are liable to be worse. Business Agent J. J. Gibbons, of the T.S.R.U. reports that conditions among the street railway men are good at the present time, and that the union has been showing increases for a number of months in the matter of initiations.

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