

GENERAL UNEMPLOYMENT IN WESTERN CANADA

FAIR WAGE SCALE FOR CIVIC WORK AT OTTAWA SET

City Council Refers Back to Board Clause Applicable to Plumbers.

OTTAWA.—After referring back reconsideration by the Board of Control the recommendation that the Fair Wage for plumbers and steamfitters be 85 cents an hour instead of 60 cents, as at present, City Council Monday night adopted the new Fair Wage scale of wages for workmen employed on civic jobs.

The Board will again discuss the Fair Wage for plumbers and steamfitters, and will bring in a recommendation at the next meeting of Council.

Comparative Wage Scale.

Trade or Class Work	hour per
Bricklayers	50
Marble and Tile Setters	39
Stone Masons	39
Carpenters	35
Electricians	35
Improvers	35
Stonecutters	30
Structural Steel Workers	30
Painters and Glaziers	30
Plasterers	30
Builders Laborers	30
Concrete Workers	30
Garbage loaders	25
Sewer pipe layers	25
Powermen	25
Ordinary laborers	25
Sidewalk finishers	25
Straightedge workers	25
Finishers	25
Asphalt rakers and tampers	25
Street sweepers	25
Teamsters	25

The fair wage scale of all engineers was renewed on the same basis of last year.

Miners Resume Work in All Coal Fields

Some Mines Crippled—Export Restrictions Are Off.

LONDON, Eng.—There was a general resumption of work Monday throughout the coal fields, even in Lancashire, where to the last the miners had rejected the terms offered by the owners.

SEAMEN ON GREAT LAKES RETAIN THE EIGHT-HOUR DAY.

WASHINGTON, D.C.—By a vote of 167 to 113, the House rejected a 12-hour work day for firemen, oilers and water tenders on the Great Lakes.

CALGARY CARPENTERS NEGOTIATE NEW AGREEMENT WITH CONTRACTORS

New Agreement Calls For 90 Cents an Hour and 44-Hour Week, and Will Remain Effective to March 31, 1922.

CALGARY.—The new wage agreement between Calgary contractors and carpenters has now been signed.

PAPER MILL GRIEVANCES TO BE ARBITRATED.

ALBANY, N.Y.—The paper mill strikers have voted to accept arbitration of the dispute.

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OPPORTUNITIES GREAT IN CANADA

Minister of Labor Paints a Rosy Picture For Future of This Country.

OTTAWA.—Hon. Senator Gideon D. Robertson, Minister of Labor, delivering a patriotic address in Knox Presbyterian Church Sunday evening said Canadians need not have any apprehension for the future.

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CO-OPERATION ALONE POINTS WAY TO PEACE

Shall We Cling to the Jungle Law and Cut Each Other's Throats?

WASHINGTON, D.C.—The term "co-operation" is derived from two Latin words—"co," meaning together, and "opero," which means work.

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Bolshevists' New Bourgeoisies

There is still, of course, a powerful element in the country (Great Britain) which opposes any relations whatever with the Soviet Government.

Everywhere there we find a state of patriarchism, of semi-savagery, and even a real savagery.

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C. B. OF R. E. TO MEET IN AUGUST AT WINNIPEG

Date Has Been Brought Forward—Congress Convention Meets Immediately Afterwards.

WINNIPEG.—Meeting for the first time in Western Canada, the call for the convention of the Canadian Brotherhood of Railroad Employees has been sent out to open in Winnipeg on August 9.

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Limitation of Armaments to Be Considered

LONDON, Eng.—The passing of the "Hush" amendment to the naval appropriation bill in the United States House of Representatives has given rise to expressions of great satisfaction in both official and unofficial circles in London.

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GENERAL POLICY OF ARBITRATION MUST CONTINUE

Policy of Strikes Would Be Fatal to Success of Shoeworkers.

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—Arbitration remains the only safe and solid foundation of our policy for the future.

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C. N. R. EMPLOYEES VOTE ON WAGE CUT

Two Propositions Are Being Submitted to Stationary Employees By Management.

OTTAWA.—Arrangements are being made for the taking of a quick poll amongst the stationary employees of the Canadian National Eastern lines as to whether the men will accept the proposal of the management for a reduction in salaries and wages according to the schedule made out by the company.

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OPEN SHOP MEANS NATION OF TRAMPS, SAYS "FATHER TIM."

ST. LOUIS, Mo.—In his address to the convention of the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union, Rev. Timothy Dempsey, known as "Father Tim," has this to say of the anti-union shop.

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END OF BRITISH ENGINEERING DISPUTE NEAR

Wages Will Be Reduced 6s. Per Week Instead of 16s. as Threatened.

LONDON, Eng.—Provisional settlement of the engineers' wages dispute was reached between the negotiating committee of the workers and employers last Thursday.

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NO STRIKE ON U.S. RAILWAYS OVER WAGE SCHEDULE

National Agreements Are to Remain in Force, According to Board's Award.

CHICAGO.—There will be no strike of railroad employes on account of the 12 per cent. wage reduction ordered by the United States Railway Labor Board, which went into effect on Friday.

When the conference are finally concluded, the question of acceptance of the board's decision, which brought the Labor representatives to Chicago, will be submitted to the membership of such organizations as have not already taken a referendum vote.

Indications are that any further voting will be influenced by the fact that the board is opposed to a general walkout.

James J. Davis, Secretary of Labor, has indicated his willingness to confer with the railroad Labor officials and that he is not in any way dissatisfied with the board's decision.

Reputation of the Railway Labor Board as a means of settling disputes and a return to the old method of direct negotiations with the railroads in the matter of wages and working conditions may be the outcome of these conferences.

Many of the union leaders agree in expression of dissatisfaction with the recent decisions of the board and have voiced their determination to work out a plan which will eliminate the board as a factor in settling disputes between the railroad managements and their employes.

According to the assertion of union officials, if the question involved had been merely that of a conference, these conferences would have disposed of that with a formal protest, but as the working agreements presented to the board were not in line with the interests of the workers, they were not inclined to give up what they had gained in that time.

SYDNEY, New South Wales, Australia.—In urging 100 per cent. support by labor of its press and other publicity, the Australian Worker says:

"We have reached a stage in our existence which renders it imperative that we should be able to cope with the lies by which we are assailed on all sides, and efficiently refute the slanders of our unscrupulous enemies.

"Capitalism has organized falsehood to a point of amazing effectiveness. It has created an Ananias press that insinuates itself into the homes of the working class and by its ironical perversion of the truth actually in many instances fills them with hostility to their own interests and with an angry distrust of those who are fighting against the odds that they, the workers, may enjoy the fruits of victory.

"The rulers of men have always understood the value of falsehood. They have paid it the greatest tribute in every period of history, have encouraged organizations for its dissemination, subsidized them lavishly and granted them great privileges.

"But never before have the rulers of men had a liar like the capitalist press.

"Undoubtedly the daily papers of capitalism have been the greatest obstacle in the path of labor. They have kept the people politically ignorant. They have saturated them with falsehood. They have intensified their bigotry and dulled their brains with the ethics of slavery.

"Where labor's gospel is spoken, the people hear it gladly. Where labor's truths are uttered, they are acclaimed by the multitude. All that is needed is the machinery of publicity. Provide it and success is in adequate measure and its triumph is assured.

LONDON, Eng.—Viscount Grey, in a statement issued on the eve of the great League of Nations demonstration in Hyde Park, renews his advocacy of the league. Referring to President Harding's declaration that the United States could not join, Viscount Grey says: "I believe the President and people of the United States have the same desire for world peace as those in this country, who are the strongest supporters of the league. We know the influence of the United States must be very great and very likely to be decisive in a world crisis. We shall welcome that influence in whatever way the United States decides to exercise it, but we cannot escape the league."

MR. GOMPERS AGAIN

(Leading editorial in the Christian Science Monitor, a neutral international newspaper published at Boston, Mass.)

Either ability for leadership or ability for political control is in evidence when the chief of an elective body like the American Federation of Labor is kept in office for 45 out of 47 years since the beginning of the organization. No doubt Samuel Gompers is not without some power to control the destinies of the federation, but it is not his political methods, but it is his Gompers machine in existence within the federation, one may remember that great political machines usually feel the compulsion of popular opinion, as time runs on, and no Gompers machine would be likely to have continued functioning for so long a period in the wilderness of labor unionism unless the Gompers control had accorded pretty well with the desires of the rank and file body of federated members.

That it has accorded with them, and still does so, is indicated by the magnitude of the endorsement given to Mr. Gompers at the recent convention of the federation in Denver. Though there had been widespread prediction that he would be displaced by John I. Lewis, the enthusiasm shown over this result was something wholly different from what might have been expected from voters who had felt the least touch of coercion.

The truth seems to be that the members of the American Federation of Labor have more confidence in the methods and policies of their old leader than they have in those of any other. The members have seen Mr. Gompers in all sorts of situations. They have heard him and watched him and followed him under varied conditions. They know what state he is in, and they know about what he is likely to do. In times like the present, when organized labor is being seriously tried, and when it is doing its best to hold fast whatever it gained during the war, the federation is obviously reluctant to change its captain. No doubt the distinction had as much to do as anything in securing Mr. Gompers' reelection. But there is not much doubt, either, that his policies are in favor of the majority of the members. He was one of the founders of the American Federation, in 1887. He has shown the same qualities in his long term in the presidency that made him influential in getting the organization under way. Under his direction the federation has steadily increased its power in the industrial world. It includes most of the stronger and more advantageous unions with similar unions in other countries. But it has built up its position by supporting constitutional government, instead of by opposing it, following the counsel of Mr. Gompers, the federation has exerted its political influence indirectly, steadfastly refusing to unite with any political party. It has been aggressive in seeking the advantage of labor unionists, consistently with loyalty to the government and the maintenance of wages and working conditions amid the industrial agitation.

It is incidental to the war were no less traceable to this general policy than was the failure of ultra-radical labor groups to win a foothold in the American industrial world after the armistice. It has been the Gompers influence, to a marked degree, that has made the American Federation at once a progressive development and an instrument of the status quo. It has been the Gompers influence, as well as a power for conservative opposition to Socialism and Bolshevism. Thus it appears that the re-election of this leader by an overwhelming majority of his followers is essentially a declaration in favor of typically American methods of working out the Labor problem.

More than is generally realized, perhaps, it amounts to a vigorous protest against un-American influences and methods in the handling of Labor affairs. Not that Mr. Lewis is believed to be the intentional agent of anything of this sort. Rather the supposition is that subtle influences undertook to use his candidacy for their own ends, and in the breaking of this sort of Gompers strength and the possible perversion of the federation's influence in the American Labor movement.

The political work of the Gompers machine was not done in the open. Mr. Gompers believed, centered in William Randolph Hearst, it is no new thing for the Hearst influence to be brought to bear quite heavily upon the Labor movement and those who speak for it. With a chain of newspapers reaching from coast to coast, the Hearst influence has the means of bringing the power of the press to his aid, whether for the spread of personal opinion and political plans or for some significant purpose. It has been the Gompers influence, has been outstretched to close over him, but each time the federation's president has refused to yield himself to the grasp of Hearst. And just as the Gompers influence has favored Labor's advancement in harmony with American ideals, the Hearst influence has often appeared to exert itself in sympathy with those who have tried to break down the American Labor movement, or break into it from other camps. The shadow of the Hearst hand was over Mr. Gompers in this latest contest, and out of this fact, rather than out of any triumph over Mr. Lewis or the Mine Workers, comes Mr. Gompers' chief satisfaction in his reelection.

There is equal opportunity here for satisfaction on the part of Labor and of the American public. The Labor movement is not properly the field for unprincipled manipulation for personal gain. It is a movement of the people, in or out of the American Federation of Labor, can hope for nothing better than to see the Labor movement work out its proper destiny in the United States, enjoying fair protection from the established government and giving to the established government its fair protection. The interests of popular government and the Labor movement are fundamentally the same. Inasmuch as Mr. Gompers has performed his leadership pretty closely to this conception, it is reassuring of an American spirit among federated labor unionists, and of the upholding of their old leader in spite of a disrupting propaganda.

ageddon.—Its shadow is receding backward into history. The proper occupation of the living is, first, to honor the dead; next, to repair the havoc human and material, that surrounds us; and, last, to apply the lessons of the war.

Sheathed Sword of Devotion.—Here in the heart of Europe we meet to unveil the memorial to our country's dead. In the earth which has resounded to the drums and trappings of many contests, they rest in the quiet God's Acre, with the brave of all the world. At death they shed their heroic sword of devotion, and now from off stricken fields they hold aloft the cross of sacrifice, mutely beckoning to those who would share their immortality.

"No words can add to their fame so long as gratitude holds place in men's hearts never can our forgetfulness be suffered to detract from their memory. Just as the war dwarfed by its magnitude all the contents of the past, so the wonder of human resource and the splendor of human emotion has reached a zenith never witnessed before.

"Danger to 'Common Things.'—Ours we thought were prosaic days when the great causes of earlier times had lost their inspiration. At that time, in many hundreds of plots throughout these hills and valleys, all the way from Flanders to Picardy, the fifty thousand of our dead, their resting places have been dedicated to their memory forever by the kindly and grateful heart of France, and will be tended and cared for by us in the measure of love we bear them.

"Around and over all are being planted the maple trees of Canada. In thought, her sons will rest the better in the trees which they know so well in life. Across the league of the Atlantic the heart strings of our Canadian nation will reach through all time to these graves in France. We shall never let pass away the spirit bequeathed to us by those who fell.— Their names live for evermore."

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WOULD DIVIDE WORK FOR HULL EMPLOYEES

Alderman Says Engineer Did Not Follow Out Wishes.

HULL.—City Engineer L. Lanctot, of Hull, was the storm centre at the city hall on Monday evening, at the conclusion of the city council meeting, which was of brief duration. He was taken to task by Ald. Talbot, who complained bitterly at the engineer's method of dealing with the unemployment situation in the city. It seems that owing to the Quebec Provincial Minister of Municipalities having shut down on the city's expenditure, many of the civic laborers have been thrown out of employment. Ald. Talbot has been urging that those who are still employed should share what work there is with their more unfortunate brethren by laying off every other week. The city engineer, however, has not followed the suggestion made by the alderman, who gave vent to his feelings in an uncertain manner.

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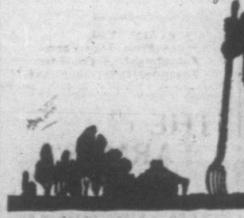
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A. F. of L., With Ladies' Garment Workers Dissenting, Unanimous in Decision.

Special to Labor Press.
DENVER, Colo.—The American Federation of Labor, in convention, by an overwhelming majority endorsed the report of the Executive Council on Russia, approving there-by the council's unwavering opposition to bolshevism and bolshevism, repeating the pledge of friendship to the Russian people.

On Soviet Russia the convention adopted the following committee report:

Your committee has read with absorbing interest the illuminating, instructive and vivid portrayal of the conditions in Russia under the present regime.

The Executive Council's report, covering 12 pages, sets forth facts of vital interest from authentic and authoritative sources. Nearly all statements of facts are quoted from the official papers of the Soviet Government and acknowledged utterances of its leaders. We cannot quote even the most interesting phases. We commend this report to the careful reading and thought of all people who are interested in this all-absorbing question. Much is said in the report concerning the trade agitation in Soviet Russia, the absolute lack of democracy and the substitution of autocracy. This is especially referred to under the caption, "The War Against Democracy," on page 80.

Bolshevism Minority.

Under the same caption, same page, we find there are 60,000 members of the Communist party of Russia, and that this number is 89 per cent of the total membership of government or party officials, officers and soldiers, party employees, while only 11 per cent are workmen.

The report also calls attention to the fact that the Communist party and the Soviet Government have denounced and repudiated the International Federation of Trade Unions, and have attempted to establish the Communist International, which is known and generally referred to as the Third International Federation, and points out the activity of the representatives of the Soviet Government in our own American Federation of Labor movement, as well as in England, France, Italy and many other countries.

"We particularly note the concluding paragraph of the report on the subject:

U. S. Workers Friends of Russians.

"It should be understood clearly that between the people of the United States and the great masses of the people of Russia there has been, and will continue to be the most earnest and sincere friendship. We commend the people of the United States to express no sentiment to the contrary, except toward those in Russia who are destroying the opportunities of the Russian people for democratic self-government, but who, on the contrary, are imposing upon the Russian people a brutal, despotic autocracy. This friendship is the friendship of a working people and of all the people of our country for a great people, whose character and aspirations have ever justified the confidence, respect and friendship of all liberty-loving people, and the earnest hope that the situation in Russia may be changed that freedom, justice, democracy and humanitarianism may be the guiding principles of their everyday lives. For that time and opportunity American labor fervently anticipates that the true bond of international fraternity may be established between the workers of Russia and those of America."

"Your committee commends the Council for its splendid portrayal and masterly array of authentic facts and figures and the situation as it exists in Russia, and its relations to her own as well as other countries.

"Your committee concurs in the report of the Executive Council and recommends its approval by this convention."

Delegates representing the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union opposed the committee's report, but were able to rally practically no support.

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Nearly a score of races have contributed to the working force of seven thousand men that labor under the blazing sun or awaiting are light to a common end, Canadians, Old Countrymen, Russian, Italian, Polish, Hungarian, Australian, and Swede bend their backs side by side. The Jew, Chinaman, even the Turk, who, because he is Moslem, cannot eat the food that others eat and must needs cook his own. They are working for money—his money, which he must have to take the strain of the endurance of the strongest men; but they are putting more into it than the man who merely works for wages. The Commission has done more or less labor trouble but today when the demand upon every humble worker is greater than it ever was before, the labor problem has largely disappeared. The men have caught the enthusiasm that has been burning in the hearts of the superintendents, the engineers and foremen. They are out to finish the job and finish it on time.

At the top of the cliff is the forebay into which the water of the Niagara River is diverted through the bed of the Chippawa River, where the engineers have shown disregard of the laws of nature have so fashioned that the water will run opposite to its former course, will flow in an open canal across the peninsula to Queenston and there drop with terrific force on the giant generators below. On September 1st the largest ever installed in a power plant, will be waiting for the water that will descend upon them at the rate of 1,400,000,000 gallons an hour. Will the water be in the forebay at the top of the cliff by the beginning of September? The engineers say it will—or a very few days thereafter, and Hydro engineers have a habit of being right.

Great Progress Made.

To the layman there is a vast amount of what still to be done but it shrinks into unimportance beside the progress that has already been made. The pits and the outlets which had to be blasted out of the cliff and down into the rock 30 feet, and more below the level of the Niagara River, is nothing as large as wall-less but the wonderful concrete substructure that houses the generators—concrete walls nine to 15 feet thick where they take the pressure of the water as it meets the resistance of the power machinery, and tested to stand a strain of 1,100 pounds to the square inch—all this is ready. The pits and the outlets that will carry the water out into the river after it has done its task are practically completed. The generators in another, concrete is being steadily poured while Russian and Polish puddlers work, submerged to their thighs in the mixture work it up for added strength. The 12-foot steel penstock sections, made of steel 1-1/2 inches thick are being laid in place and the other is going in. Up the face of the cliff where the big tube, which the water will drop into, will be placed and covered with concrete, a big opening has been blasted.

At the top of the cliff is the forebay into which the water will flow from the canal and from which it is carried into the penstocks. This great cut is practically ready today. The concrete on its sides with granite, a patent cement preparation that prevents erosion of the surface, from the stream that trickles through. All the work in the forebay now centres about the concrete bulkheads. These bulkheads, nine in number, carry the water from the forebay and the cliff face there is 30 or 40 feet of rock the engineers are not trusting it to hold back the water. In the concrete of cubic feet of concrete will be poured, forming an inside wall. This section of the work being completed, necessarily, for the ultimate development of 500,000 horsepower, to be produced by nine generators, but work will stop at four of the steel lock gates until the demand for power opens the way for additional generators.

From the forebay the canal begins its long race across country, to the inlet at Chippawa. Out of this canal 11,000,000 cubic yards of rock had to be blasted and lifted, and 4,000,000 of earth. Of this rock cutting all but 900,000 cubic yards has been taken. The completion of this section of the work in time is the one worry of the engineers. Through the rock cuttings the walls have been faced with perpendicular walls of concrete, thirty feet high, while through earth and fill—in one section the engineers had to fill to make their channel—the completed canal will be a flat "V" shape surfaced with concrete. This part of the big job is so far advanced that the Commission will be able to stop up on it a little.

To Cost \$55,000,000.

So much the Chippawa development, that is to cost the Province of Ontario at least \$55,000,000, a work so vast that it requires sixty miles of concrete and steel, to carry it one, stone upon stone, through what is now a wilderness of materials of all kinds are housed and waiting to be shipped to the site. The material is being shipped in a sample. Here 1,435 men were living at the last count, sleeping in huts erected by the Commission, each in charge of a man and his wife, who supply the board for the men. In this camp are housed some fifteen nationalities. About a third of the men are English speaking workers, most of them returned soldiers while the others have representatives of practically every race in Europe, even Spaniards. The Russians and the poles are the lowest of the lot, the men who do the roughest and most unskilled work, who spend the least and live in most primitive fashion. Except when the bugle has got amongst them and left a generous share of bottle dynamite they are an easily handled lot.

Canadians have a right to pride in the Chippawa development and a greater pride in the fact that the

VICTORY NOT A PERSONAL ONE, SAYS GOMPERS

In Hour of Victory it Was the Movement of Which He Thought.

By Chester Wright.
DENVER, Col.—Samuel Gompers—President of the American Federation of Labor.

After two weeks of convention work, the like of which never has been known in Federation history, two weeks of intense suspense, two weeks of wearing, grinding strain on men and women, the election came.

Many triumphs have come to Samuel Gompers in his long career. Never has he had a greater one. But he refused to make of the victory a personal triumph. In the hour of victory it was the movement and not himself of which he thought.

The defeat of Hearstism, Carylism—the crushing overthrow of sinister forces from without—these were the things the grand old leader saw in the figures that were announced from the convention platform. Gompers, 25,822; Lewis, 12,324; Gompers' majority, 12,598; not voting, 1,984.

Immediately following the election for the presidency, during which George L. Berry, president of the Printing Pressmen Union, presided, the secretary, treasurer and other members of the executive council, were elected. All the incumbent members were re-elected, all but one by unanimous vote without contest.

J. P. Noonan, president of the Electrical Workers, entered the contest against Thomas A. Rickert. Rickert Gompers himself placed Rickert in nomination. The vote was: Rickert, 24,463 1-2; Noonan, 12,478 1-2.

Paternal delegates to the British Trade Union Congress are: William J. Spencer and J. J. Forrester. Delegate to the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada: John O'Hara, United Hatters.

Cincinnati was selected over Fort Worth as the next convention city. Uncertainty Vanished.

Few careful observers have had any doubt as to the result of the election since the convention began its work. The contest for a two to one victory for the president. With the beginning of the second week whatever of uncertainty there may have been vanished completely. But the constantly augmented supply of rumors, the claims and re-

petition of claims, continued to keep excitement and interest high. Another factor that helped to create in some quarters an impression that there might be possible surprises was the presence at all times in the convention hall, even among the tables occupied by delegates, of more non-delegates than have in recent years at least been seen in attendance.

But it all came to one thing—Campaigning was carried on quietly and campaigning was carried on noisily, between sessions and during sessions.

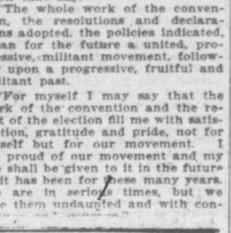
"There is a great gratification in the result of today's election. Our trade union movement has demonstrated that it will not submit to dictation from the forces of corruption or greed—that neither the Hearsts nor the Gays can chart our course or select our leaders.

"Our movement is united. It is prepared to be aggressive in defense of our land when corrupt and intriguing interests can either divide our movement, change our course or destroy its leadership. The vote today has demonstrated to the world that we have not yet come upon that day.

"The whole work of the convention, the resolutions and declarations adopted, the policies indicated, mean for the future a united, progressive, militant movement, following a committee of action.

"For myself I may say that the work of the convention and the result will probably be met with satisfaction, gratitude and pride, not for myself but for our movement. I am proud of our movement and my life shall be given to it in the future as it has been for these many years. We are in serious times, but we face them undaunted and with confidence."

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ST. LOUIS, Mo.—The executive officers of the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union, in their report to the Fifteenth Convention, which was held in this city recently, offered some sound advice to the workers in the purchase of goods bearing the union label. The report states:

"The union stamp is the emblem of collective bargaining in our industry. It signifies that those bearing it were made by members of this union. More than that, it signifies that the members of this union, so employed, were privileged to negotiate their wages and working conditions, collectively, as an organized body, instead of individually as unorganized and defenseless workers as the open shoppers desire."

"The union stamp is the medium through which the workers of other crafts can help us and have helped us. Every time a worker in any industry goes into a shoe store and calls for a pair of union stamped shoes, it is a call for the employment of members of this union at union wages and conditions. Multiply those calls sufficiently and we win more and more influence."

"The union stamp enables us, through the support we can get from other trades, to make a market for our own labor. In some measure, we have received that support and are receiving it now even though

production is somewhat stagnant. "We have received many calls for information of late as to where certain kinds of union stamped shoes can be obtained. "Wholesale and retail dealers are giving more consideration to union stamped shoes in times like these when trade is dull and one customer is more important than two customers in ordinary times. For this reason anything we can do for the strengthening of union stamp demand is most vitally important at this time."

"The support we receive from other crafts implies that we shall support them likewise. Let our locals everywhere be known as most aggressive in support of every union label and of all other affiliated crafts. As each of our members pledges expenditures of wages for purchase of union made and union labelled products of other trades, we deserve that the workers of other trades shall employ us likewise."

"This is the true principle of organizing the purchasing power of all union workers for their common good. Let us try to have each of our local unions become most active in this cause. Let us boost the union labels of all crafts and let them know we are doing it. It is our duty and it is good advertising for our own union stamp."

FEDERAL LABOR PARTY PROPOSED BY CONVENTION

Ontario Section of Canadian Labor Party Endeavoring to Co-ordinate Forces.

TORONTO.—The formation of a Dominion Labor Party, designed for the purpose of unifying the action of the various Labor organizations in the next Federal election, was officially endorsed at the second convention of the Ontario Section of the Canadian Labor Party on Dominion Day at the Labor Temple here. Delegates were present from London, Hamilton, Kingston, Stratford and a number of other places besides the city. The meeting elected James Simpson and Harry Kerwin, of Toronto, and H. J. Halford, of Hamilton, as delegates to attend a convention to be held in Winnipeg, where the movement to form a Dominion organization originated. At this convention it is proposed to complete the organization of the central body with which all the different existing provincial bodies will be affiliated.

Not Dominion Wide. While this action might appear a duplication in view of the name borne by the Ontario section of the Canadian Labor Party, such is not the case. Up to the present the Ontario section has been practically a body without a head, the organization of the Canadian Labor Party not having been consummated.

Practically the only other business transacted by the convention was the adoption of an imposing-looking constitution for the Ontario section of the Canadian Labor Party. The purpose of the organization was detailed as one of organizing the Labor forces for political action and promoting the nomination and election of Labor candidates. At the present time special

emphasis is being placed on organization for the purpose of contesting the various constituencies in the next Federal election. Provision was made in the constitution for affiliating with the Ontario section of all Labor bodies organized for political action with a view to centralizing all such efforts and preventing overlapping. Provision was made also for a party convention to be called annually in January.

Election of Officers.

The following officers were elected: President, Harry Kerwin, of Toronto; vice-president, Miss McNab, Hamilton; secretary-treasurer, James Simpson, Toronto, and Executive, J. F. Thompson, London; James Scott, Toronto; B. Furey, Hamilton; William Fleet, Kingston; E. A. Focock, London, and Mrs. L. MacGregor, Toronto.

Stratford was selected as the place of meeting of next year's convention.

RAILROAD UNIONS TO VOTE ON WAGE CUTS

Chairmen of Labor Organizations Declined Responsibility.

CHICAGO.—The membership of 16 railroad labor organizations, including the big four brotherhoods, will decide through a referendum vote by September 1 whether to accept or reject the 12 per cent wage reduction that went into effect on railroads throughout the country July 1, it was decided Tuesday night by the chief executives and general chairmen of the organizations.

The general chairmen decided that they could not assume responsibility for the wage reduction that was ordered by the Railroad Labor Board. E. H. FitzGerald, president of the brotherhood of railway and steamship clerks, freight handlers, express and station employees, said that "nothing can be expected of the railroad employees interested in the decision of the Labor Board except to resist to the fullest extent the reduction of rates of pay and the proposed abrogation of certain favorable working conditions."

KRASSIN TO QUIT LONDON IN HUFF OVER SOME RAID

British Troops' Actions in Constantinople Appear To Have Upset Bolshevik Envoy.

LONDON, Eng.—Leonid Krassin, Russian minister of trade and commerce, last week asked the British government whether it was true that the staff of the Russian trade delegation at Constantinople was arrested and deported, says the Daily Herald, the labor organ, but up to the present has received no reply. The newspaper adds that M. Krassin now has received confirmatory information from other sources and has made an official request for an explanation. M. Krassin, the Herald understands, is leaving for Moscow Friday.

Late in June Constantinople advices reported that British soldiers there had raided the offices of the Russian Bolshevik government and arrested an assistant to a Soviet commercial delegate and other members of the Bolshevik mission. In British official circles in Constantinople it was announced this raid was carried out because the presence of Bolsheviks in Constantinople menaced the security of allied troops there.

Stockholm reports that the Rosta Agency, official news agency of the Russian Bolshevik government, has issued an emphatic denial of reports that Soviet agents are involved in a plot against the emperors at Constantinople. It says no Soviet agents are in Constantinople and denies Soviet troops are supporting the followers of Mustafa

Kemal Pasha, the Turkish Nationalist leader. The discovery by the allied authorities at Constantinople of a Turkish-Bolshevik plot of vast proportions was reported in recent Constantinople despatches.

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