



LABOR'S CHOICE

For Cabinet Positions in Ontario's New Coalition Government.

At a conference of Labor members-elect and defeated Labor candidates at Toronto on Tuesday, Harry Mills, Labor member-elect of the Legislature for Fort William, was selected for the Cabinet position of Minister of Mines in the Drury Government. An Act of the Legislature will be necessary to displace the present portfolio of Lands, Forests and Mines and provide for the new position.

LABOR TO TAKE ADVANTAGE OF TECHNICAL EDUCATION ACT.

During the month of December two important conferences of organized workers will be held. British Organized Labor delegates are to convene at London, Ont., on December 9 to discuss the nationalization of the mines and what action the workers in the Old Land will attempt to force the Government to bring into effect the recommendations of the Shankey Commission that nationalization be effected.

PROHIBITION AIDS BOLSHIEVISM

According to Statement by Samuel Gompers, President A. F. of L. Samuel Gompers, president of the American Federation of Labor, was asked to express an opinion of the statement issued by the Association of Retail Clerks International Protective Association in London, England, that a survey of eleven western states where prohibition has been in force showed that restriction of personal liberty had worked out as an incentive to unrest among workmen.

N. Y. LONGSHOREMEN'S STRIKE ENDED.

The longshoremen's strike, which tied up the port of New York for a month, ended last week with the return to work of the "insurgent" faction. The strike was unauthorized by the international union and when Mr. Ben Tillet, M.P., of Great Britain, himself a member of the British Dockers' Union, in New York, he endeavored to persuade the dockers to return to work. The international president, Mr. Tom O'Connor, who is in New York, is endeavoring to persuade the dockers to return to work. The strike has been "officially" declared "clean up" of the radicals is expected.

WINDSOR TO CONTEST CIVIL SERVICE.

Preliminary arrangements to the bringing out of candidates for aldermanic honors in Windsor, were made at a special meeting of the elections committee of the Windsor Trades and Labor Union. Nothing definite as to the "slate" has yet been prepared but the labor movement will contest five wards. It is expected that the labor movement will be able to elect a number of members to the council.

WINDSOR TYPERS APPOINT ORGANIZER.

At the last regular meeting of the Windsor Typographical Union, Mr. Robert L. Gault was appointed organizer for that district and has already commenced his work. A new agreement in the Windsor Typographical Union, which was signed by the Windsor Typographical Union, was signed by the Windsor Typographical Union, which was signed by the Windsor Typographical Union.

UNtruthful Propaganda of the One Big Union.

From time to time the Canadian Labor Press has pointed out the unfair tactics of the One Big Union. Their untruthful propaganda continues and workers of Canada are warned to beware of the monster that would destroy the success that the International Trade Union movement has made in Canada during the past decade.

ST. JOHN TRADES COUNCIL.

President F. A. Campbell presided at the last regular meeting of the St. John, N.B. Trades and Labor Council. The council was organized to act jointly with one from the Board of Trade and the City Council with regard to street paving. The council was organized to act jointly with one from the Board of Trade and the City Council with regard to street paving.

INDIAN COVE WORKERS NEGOTIATE.

The workers of the Indian Cove Coal Co. recently organized in the U.M.W. are making a demand for a new scale of wages, which applies to the two collieries operated by the company. The miners are paid by the box and are demanding tonnage rates, or 25 cents additional per box. They are also demanding a standard schedule of wages for all classes of labor. The men claim the wages have not been revised since 1915.

CANADIAN WORKERS DELEGATE OBJECTION TO 48-HR WEEK

Gets Support From the European Workers' Delegates and a Lively Debate Follows—Whole Matter Referred To Special Committee With Three Canadian Representatives.

The International Labor Conference, called under the provisions of the Peace Treaty, continues its sessions at Washington. The press attention has been directed to the objection of the Canadian workers to the 48-hour week proposed by the European delegates. The Canadian workers' delegates are to convene at London, Ont., on December 9 to discuss the nationalization of the mines and what action the workers in the Old Land will attempt to force the Government to bring into effect the recommendations of the Shankey Commission that nationalization be effected.

U. S. COAL STRIKE DECLARED OFF

The United Mine Workers of America, through its general committee, decided early on Tuesday to obey the mandate of United States District Judge A. E. Anderson, which means the recall of the order for a strike of 425,000 bituminous coal miners of the nation. The decision was reached at 4:10 Tuesday morning, after more than 11 hours' discussion.

WOMEN'S CONGRESS FINDS ITS SESSIONS

The International Congress of Working Women which was in session at Washington for ten days brought its session to a close on Friday last with a dinner at which the principal speakers were the newly elected officers, and a resolution favoring the regulation of emigration was adopted unanimously.

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GENERAL STRIKE OF POSTAL EMPLOYEES THREATENED.

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A WEEKLY NEWS LETTER.

OLD AGE PENSIONS.

PRESENTATION of the Departmental Committee's majority report on old age pensions in the British House of Commons, has not raised the same storm of protest or denunciation as the initial adoption of the first scheme by the Mother of Parliaments.

With the five shillings allowance to those qualified the cost to the British Government in the fiscal year 1916-17 was around the £12,000,000 mark and with the suggested changes the estimate calls for an expenditure of £41,000,000.

How glibly the subject of Old Age Pensions is discussed at this period of time, but harking back some thirty years ago that pioneer of the movement, M. Atkinson, surely knew what it meant to have stones placed in his path.

By many of those who knew him least he was considered as a misfit in his profession, lacking clients, but the real truth was that his adherence to the propaganda of pensions for the aged allowed of no time for the practise of law, and those who would seek his aid in a legal way realized they were looked upon as interlopers save and except they were prepared to listen to his very soul-mate.

It is readily realized how this pioneer was a model of sincerity when it is known that this world's goods and the old lawyer were strangers, with a frugal life as a necessity.

Perhaps delay in legislation of this kind may mean for this dominion even more advanced protection, and the workers have not effaced from their memory the report of the Mathers' Royal Commission which recommended immediate enquiry by expert boards into the following subjects, with a view to early legislation: State insurance against unemployment, sickness, invalidity and old age.

MISTAKEN ZEAL.

THERE is in evidence among a certain section of workers an ill-defined plan to place the Winnipeg strike leaders in an embarrassing position if the course suggested by them of all charges being withdrawn was successful.

It is not only in a personal sense that withdrawal of the charges would not be to the best interests, as whilst the arrested men necessarily stand in a pronounced position, the rank and file placed them in the position of directors of their affairs with a responsibility attached thereto.

These men were arrested rightly or wrongly, the onus of proving the charges is on the prosecution, a fair trial with no favors should rather be the policy to pursue, and it can be safely assumed that this course of vindication is the only one that will be generally accepted by the rank and file of Winnipeg as well as elsewhere.

Magna Charta, dating from A.D. 1215, guarantees fundamental rights and privileges and it would be an abuse of these rights if a fair trial was not held for these men, and if innocent, allow the words "not guilty" to be pronounced that no odium shall rest upon them for the unfortunate Winnipeg happenings, with their ally of bloodshed.

SPEEDING THE PLOW.

"SPEED the plow" was at all times a favorite expression and one which could be assured of unity in thought, wherever expressed or echoed. We are apt to be getting dangerously near a regrettable discord, as the plow is seeking new fields to cultivate.

Across the Atlantic.

What Our Brothers in the Motherland Are Doing.

LABOR HALL FOR LONDON.

Considerable progress has been made in connection with the proposal to build a Labor Hall in the centre of London as a war memorial in accordance with the resolution of the International Labor Conference.

Arthur Henderson, M.P., is chairman, and C. W. Boverman, M.P., hon. secretary of the Labor trustees, who have the matter in hand, while a scheme has not been prepared by the Co-operative Union, Limited, whose proposal is for the erection of a big hotel and restaurant, with a hall for the Labor offices.

OLD AGE PENSIONS RECOMMENDED BY COMMITTEE.

An old age pension of ten shillings a week to be paid to every citizen reaching the age of 70, irrespective of his means, is recommended by the Departmental Committee, in a majority report presented to the British House of Commons recently.

RAILWAYMEN UNION'S OFFICIAL IS CHOSEN.

The National Union of Railwaymen has elected to the secretaryship of J. H. Thomas to £1,000 a year, and to give him the duties of the supreme administrative official of the organization.

MONTREAL POLICE UNION HEAD RESIGNS.

Capt. Albert Carle, president of the Montreal Police Union, has resigned. Capt. Carle was one of the promoters of the union, and came into the limelight at the time of a strike of the Montreal policemen some time ago.

POLITICS and PEOPLE THROUGH THE TELESCOPE OF LABOR.

By Special Correspondent.

Parliament is over. The members have scattered to their constituencies to explain to their voters their position on various issues to the embattled farmers, the angry soldiers and the rising Labor party.

LAST OF DEPENDENTS HOMEWARD BOUND.

Eight ships will, between them, carry 2,000 Canadian dependents this month, which will about complete this class of traveller.

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ARE YOU PROUD OF YOUR PRODUCT?

Whether you are producing machines or threshing machines, hairpins or automobiles, you should be proud of your product. The man who takes no pride in his work loses the joy of life as "there is no pleasure like work well done."

STOP, NO NEED TO OPERATE "It's It" THE ANTISEPTIC PAIN-RELIEVER

Antiseptic Chemical Co. Sales Agency—Drawer A, Room 110, 123 BAY STREET, TORONTO, CANADA.

Schrader Universal Tire Pressure Gauge

Advertisement for Schrader Universal Tire Pressure Gauge, featuring an image of the gauge and text describing its accuracy and ease of use.

Ontario Soap & Oil Co.

Advertisement for Ontario Soap & Oil Co., listing various products such as lubricating oils, greases, soaps, and metal polish.

Victory Bonds

Bought and Sold. Highest Market Prices. All Classes Stocks and Bonds Handled. Correspondence Invited. Baird & Botterell Grain Exchange, Winnipeg.

FRIENDS OF LABOR

Table listing various labor organizations and their representatives, including Union Drawn Steel Co., Hamilton Carhartt Cotton Mills Limited, Burlington Steel Co., etc.

LABOR NEWS FROM ACROSS THE CANADIAN COAST TO ACROSS

OTTAWA.

BAKERY DRIVERS TO HAVE HOLIDAY ON BOXING DAY.

The agreement of the Bakery Drivers' Union with the Master Bakers' Association for the holiday falls on a Saturday or on a Monday some other day shall be given to the members of the union in lieu thereof. A committee of the union met with a committee of the Master Bakers during the last week and it was agreed that December 26, or Boxing Day, as it is known in Great Britain, will be the day on which the holiday will be observed.

The Bakery Drivers' Union, which was organized only a few months ago, is making rapid strides and at their last meeting it was unanimously decided to inaugurate a sick benefit fund.

MILKMAN ORGANIZE.

A new International Trade Union was organized on Monday night of this city decided to apply for a charter. At St. Anne's Hall some 40 members of the union were present and after listening to addresses by William Lodge, secretary of the Trades and Labor Council, President R. Plaut of the Bakery Drivers' Union, and J. A. P. Haydon, M.C., editor of the Canadian Labor Press, they decided to apply for an International Trade Union charter. The men are very enthusiastic and expect to have a 100 per cent organization within the next few weeks. Men were present from the Milk Producers' Association. The every dairy man is seeking an increase in pay but are organizing for their own protection.

BAKERS' AND DRIVERS' COUNCIL.

The first monthly meeting of the Bakers and Bakery Drivers' Unions was held on Saturday last. The full executive councils of both unions were present and matters were discussed. The next meeting will be held on the 18th.

LEATHER WORKERS ORGANIZE.

Ottawa leather workers are now organized and will be known as the United Leather Workers' International Union. At a meeting in St. Anne's Hall recently the new union was formed, officers elected and installed in office.

The officers, who were installed by Mr. Donald Dear, assisted by Mr. P. Lafortune and Mr. J. A. P. Haydon, M.C., are as follows: President, Mr. T. Cuthbert; secretary, Mr. J. Chaboussier; recording secretary, Mr. C. Harris; treasurer, Mr. E. A. Milton; marshal, Mr. Brisbois; guide, Mr. Donald Dear. The union will meet the first and third Wednesday each month.

462 PERSONS TO BE LAID OFF BUREAU.

Hon. Hugh Guthrie explained the amendments to the Public Printing and Stationery Act, which were up for second reading in the House on Friday. The bill was introduced at the instance of the Civil Service Commission and provided for the reduction of the staff of the printing bureau and for a change in the control of purchasing, as recommended by the commission which investigated the bureau last year.

Mr. Guthrie said that 462 persons employed in the printing bureau could be dispensed with and save the country \$500,000 a year. The estimates which he believed would be before the House today would provide for the supersession of these employees, some of whom would be retained on half pay. This would cost \$276,000 over the next year, but would save \$500,000 yearly.

In the future one man will do the purchasing for the printing bureau instead of three.

CIVIC EMPLOYEES ASK INCREASE.

Protesting against the institution of a bonus system and asking for a straight salary increase, the Federal Union of Civic Employees of Ottawa has written Commissioner of Works Macaulay, presenting their demands for wage increases. They have their demands on the ever increasing costs of rent, food and clothing and ask immediate consideration. The letter will be referred to the Board of Control and will probably be settled in committee.

The Federal Union asks an increase of ten cents an hour for laborers, teamsters, pipe layers, etc. Teamsters who are now getting \$1.10 a month are asking \$1.20, and \$2.50 a month additional, while the hypo operators are seeking a jump of \$1.00 a year. They now receive \$1.15 and are asking \$1.25.

The letter to the Commissioner

HAMILTON.

TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL.

Last Friday's session of the Hamilton Trades and Labor not only attracted a big delegation, but brimmed with interest and good action. There was a big agenda, and happy to state, the business was terminated in a reasonable hour. At 10:30 O'Connell presided.

With regret the delegates were apprised by Walter R. Rolie, member-elect for West Hamilton, of the resignation of the late Mayor, Arthur Dickson. Mr. Rolie, who was elected to the Hamilton City Council, on account of the meager wages paid by the contractor. There are very many large contractors in and around Hamilton under construction. In a few days the new big Firestone plant will start operations.

PREMISES OBJECT TO RECLASSIFICATION.

At the meeting Monday night of the Printing Pressmen's Union, Local 327, the proposed reclassification and dismissals in the Government Printing Bureau were discussed at length. The position of men under 65, who have served as long as 20 years, was thought to be worthy of better treatment than that proposed on the pension scheme of the Government.

A committee of between three and five, to be chosen by President P. E. Watters, will interview the Civil Service Commission regarding more considerate treatment for men under 65 years, who have served the Government a long time.

I. L. P. TO CONTEST CIVIC ELECTIONS.

A regular meeting of the Independent Labor Party, Ottawa Branch, was held in Peterkin Hall on Monday night with a fair number of the members present. After the organization of ward chairmen some discussion took place in regard to the civic election. The members present, unanimous in their belief that the election should be contested, but the number of candidates to be placed in the race caused some little discussion. However, it was finally decided that two I. L. P. men would be placed in the field for the Board of Control. A convention will be held on Monday, November 24, when the candidates will be selected. It is altogether possible that candidates will be placed in the field to contest the various offices on the Council, but this matter was left in the hands of the ward executive. It was also announced during the meeting that a French-Canadian section of the I. L. P. would be organized in East Ottawa. Another meeting of the I. L. P. will be held on Sunday next.

TRADES COUNCIL.

For the first time in the honorable history of the Trades Council in the Capital a persistency to interrupt resulted in the meeting being brought to an abrupt conclusion. This arose directly from a discussion introduced by the reading of a communication from a local committee, dealing with the Winnipeg situation.

Long drawn out statements with reasons advanced by Delegates Williams and Leckie occupied a major portion of the session. Executive Board members, Delegates Smith and McDowell, also being heard, with M. Kavanagh of the Carpenters, who explained that his local had been expelled from the union, but eliminated the second.

In the secretary's statements he was subjected to interruptions, a point of explanation resulting in a long speech. President Green stated that further interruptions would cause him to adjourn the meeting. This warning had no effect and with Delegates Leckie and Jennings both on their feet, the president dropped the gavel and adjourned the meeting.

It was apparent that the Council would have favored asking the withdrawal of the amendments to the Immigration Act, but as to the withdrawal of charges against the strike leaders there was a very evident objection.

President Green received generous sympathy from many on the firm attitude he had adopted as the only means to ensure a decorous working of the Council in the observance of the rules.

BUY MADE IN CANADA GOODS.

Every dollar spent on foreign goods represents loss in work and wages to Canadian workmen. Every dollar spent at home improves the domestic market for manufactured and domestic products and stimulates national development.

TORONTO.

TORONTO UNIONS BUY VICTORY BONDS.

On behalf of the International Union of Musiciana, Executive Officer D. A. Carey was advised recently to purchase \$10,000 worth of Canadian Victory Bonds.

On Monday, Nov. 11 of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, has purchased \$5,000 worth of Canadian Victory Bonds. The Toronto Bricklayers' Union have also invested \$2,000 in Victory Bonds.

TORONTO CLERKS TO ORGANIZE.

Over 1,000 clerks in the downtown offices are ready for organization. It is claimed by these men and women that the wages of the men range from \$17 to \$25 a week, and that the wages of the female clerk from \$11 to \$18 per week.

A letter read by Secretary Rolie from the Los Angeles Trades and Labor Council demonstrated the truth of the old maxim "that dealers feel as they sell." The delegates were told that despite voluminous advertisements in American newspapers regarding the prosperity of Southern California, much poverty, unemployment and strikes were in vogue in the warmer climate. Furthermore, the wages offered were insufficient to combat Mr. High Cost of Living. So labor unions were urged to "keep away from Los Angeles" unless they wanted to be the mercy of the greedy "powers that be."

CLOTHING WORKERS GET WAGE INCREASE.

The threatened strike of clothing workers didn't materialize. A compromise was reached between both parties. This was avoided a complete tie-up of Hamilton's clothing factories, employing between 1,000 and 1,500 male and female help. Besides a 15 per cent. all round wage increase, effective November 1, those receiving between \$10 and \$19 per week now also \$11.50 per week more, and those receiving between \$20 and \$40 per week get a \$1 extra. Recognition of the union was also secured.

A meeting of nearly 800 clothing workers, held in the L. O. O. F. Temple last Thursday afternoon, decided to accept the terms of the agreement. The men strongly object to this "that makes every man an informer," stated one fireman.

FIREMEN ASK CHANGE IN RULES.

Toronto fire fighters are dissatisfied with two of the new rules governing the discipline of the department. The men strongly object to the new rule that the men should be allowed to clean the stables and sweep the floors before being relieved at eight a.m. by the day shift.

As the shifts change every six days the men on both shifts object to the night men having to do this work. They maintain that it should be done by the day men.

The other rule is: "It shall be the duty of every member of the department to know the location of the violation of any of the rules." They report same to his immediate superior officer, giving member or members names and witnesses thereof, and that on the day of their failure to do so will warrant punishment equal to that of the offence committed.

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HAMILTON'S NEWSY ITEMS.

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MANITOBA COMPENSATION BOARD ENFORCE LAW.

Officers of the Manitoba Workmen's Compensation Board continue to find employers who are failing to comply with the act with regard to the filing with the board of a policy of insurance to cover their liability to pay compensation to workmen who may be injured while in their employ.

On Thursday last before Magistrate Evans, Donald Campbell, carpenter, Pipestone, and James Townley, auto repairer, Weston, were charged with failing to comply with the requirements of the act. Both employers were found guilty and fined in the amounts of

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EASTERN CANADA. DISTRICT 26, U.M.W. OF A. OFFICIAL RESIGNS.

It is officially announced from the U.M.W. headquarters, Glace Bay, that Adam Scott, district board member of District 26, has tendered his resignation to the executive and the locals have been notified that Angus McPhee will perform the duties of the board member on this date, pending the election to take place early in the new year to elect a successor to Mr. Scott, who retires an account of failing health.

ONTARIO INDUSTRY INCREASING.

Taking the reports of industrial accidents as the measure, industrial activity in Ontario has largely and steadily increased since midsummer, according to the figures of the Workmen's Compensation Board. October, 1918, not only exceeded the monthly average for 1918.

FREDERICTON TO ERECT LABOR TEMPLE.

The Fredericton Labor Council has within the past few days, completed negotiations for the purchase of the Adams property on Regent street, between Queen and Campbell streets, which was a month ago under mortgage, was bid at a figure slightly above the mortgage, and the Labor Council are now the owners of the property. Having paid it is understood, between \$1,500 and \$1,600 for it.

It is the intention of the Labor Council to erect a brick or concrete building to be used as a hall and also to contain offices and stores.

HALIFAX TEAMSTERS STILL NEGOTIATING.

The matter of the new schedule submitted by the Halifax teamsters, chauffeurs and drivers to their employers has not yet been completely adjusted. Through a number of the employers are paying the wage increase asked.

ST. JOHN TEAMSTERS SEEK INCREASES.

A peculiar situation has arisen with regard to the wages of teamsters in the employ of the City of St. John. They are receiving union

in-offence for a mother-to work in an industry while children in the home were being neglected. This view met with popular favor, but no action was taken.

A committee of 500 members was appointed to gather data to present to the Board of Commerce when it sits again in Toronto.

CIVIC EMPLOYEES AGREE.

The following settlement has been arrived at regarding conditions of employment in the civil service by heads of departments and representatives of the Employees' Union:

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REFERENDUM RETURNS.

Referendum returns for the City of Toronto show indisputably that the "noes" have it. The majority was registered on the fourth. The total vote cast was: Yes, 195,737; No, 228,227. No majority, 19,470. On the four questions the vote was: Question 1, Yes, 74,593; No, 89,814. Question 2, Yes, 12,792; No, 11,952. Question 3, Yes, 72,291; No, 86,980. No majority, 7,689. Question 4, Yes, 84,492; No, 79,758. Yes, majority, 4,734. Question 5, gives an official except in the case of Northeast Toronto, the official returns from which are not yet available. Parkdale, East York, North and Northwest Toronto gave dry majorities on all four questions, and Riverdale, Southeast, and Southwest Toronto wet majorities on all four.

TORONTO I.L.P.

The following have been selected an organization committee for the I.L.P.: James Miller, James Gunn, J. Watt, James Herbert Wright, William Stephenson, J. G. Bell, Walter Brown, William Fordham, W. J. Storey, J. Doggett, C. Toihurst, and T. Brooks.

The executive of the Independent Labor Party met at their next meeting a number of applications for membership, including W. J. Hevey, R. J. Stevenson, A. Connor, Alvin Macdonald, and James Simpson. President John Vick, in discussing the future of the party, said "Every member must follow the straight trade union line for the future. A policy will be laid down and while I am a member there will be no falling down on it."

CIVIC EMPLOYEES MEET.

The civic employees do nothing by halves as evidenced by the turning out of 1,000 in the Labor Temple recently to consider the agreement between themselves and the city. The agreement granted three-quarter holidays and sick pay to employees of nine months' consecutive employment and full holidays and full sick pay to many with a year's more continuous employment to their credit.

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Ty-Upp, Dick-Tator, General Disorder, Ann-Archy, Miss-Understanding, Hy-Sterics, Ad. G. Tator, Tommy Rot, and Reddy Flagg.