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Radical Leaders in Montreal Get Little Sympathy From Ex-Service Men.

"An attempt to bring into disrepute he ex-soldiers' movement," is how reedent Flood, of the Ex-service fen's Association, characterizes the ery speech of P. J. Reid, an O.B.U. han, at the Montreal Labor Temple on Saturday night. Reid, and his ompanion, Hoby, attempted to get too the association wome time ago, aid Mr. Flood, and came to their eadquarters and harangued the hen, who would have none of them, owever, and quickly put them out it is simply an attempt to exploit no out-of-work returned man for purposes of the O.B.U.," he con-

LAPOR PRESENTS INTERIM REPORT ON TAXATION.

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group of industries," he said, "will text books for school children.

"Our great international debt is due to the obligations we undertook on behalf of our Allies. If we had had only ourselves to consider we should have been particularly free of external debt at the present time."

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BROCKVILLE LABOR RE- 37 OTTAWA AID TO UNEMPLOYED.

ouncil is memorializing the town uncil to grant free medical atduring the present period of unem-ployment. One delegate claimed hat there had been ndance for families in dist that there had been at least two deaths here lately through lack of medical care at the proper time. The family being unable to provide for such attention. The merchants of the town are to be canvassed by made goods exclusively. They also all gales and the upbuilding of the

BRITISH LABOR MAY ADOPT LITTLE GIRL

Daughter of Mary McArthur Left Alone in World.

Considerable support is forth coming for the splendid suggestion that the British Labor party should adopt as its ward Nancy Anderson, the five-year-old daughter of Mary McArthur, the famous Labor leader, who died last week.

Miss McArthur, who preferred

Miss McArthur, who preferred her maiden name for public purposes, was the wife of Mr. W. C. Anderson, Labor member for Attercliffe, Sheffield, in the last Parliament. He died about 18 months ago, and the proposal-is that the orphan child of these two tollers, who sacrificed their health and lives for British Labor movement, should become the ward of the Labor party, who would be responsible for the upbringing and education of this daughter of Labor.

At present the idea is no more

By regulation 93, of the Work-men's Compensation Act of Ontario, passed on December 14, 1920, coal, wood and lumber yards, and the builders supply businesses came un-der the operation of the Act, in Class 20, on January 1 of this year.

Secretary's Semi-Annual Report to the Ottawa Trades Council Encouraging One.

The undoubted continued loyalty In the above language, Secretary port to that body at its last meeting

womanhood, it has been received movement near which show with marked approval.

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37 are not only working under agreements but the closed shop principle also obtains with these unions ciple also obtains with these figure

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MORE IMMIGRATION FACTS.

of the Dominion Government.

nouncement that the British Government, to relieve the unemployment situation in Britain, would to in spirit as well as letter by all parties. have to devise some means of Empire immigration. This announcement, together with the advertisements to Government Immigration Agents, and other propaganda for Canadian immigration, is bound to have its efto come here. That farm labor is necessary in Canada ar fighting the employers' battle by means the emis recognized, but unfortunately most of the farm labor ployers themselves are reluctant in adopting. recruited in Britain remains but a short time on the land. There are many reasons for this, and we do not in protecting their rights is by strict adherence to the purpose going into this phase of the question at this particular time. However, "Outlook," published in port to the policies the workers themselves formulate. London, Eng., puts the case in its true light in a recent issue when it says:

'Canada's millions of untenanted acres cry aloud for human energy, not only for picked settlers but for any sort of healthy labor that will stay on the land. There lies the difficulty. What the Colonial Governments have to find is the means of inducing immigrants to re-main on their holdings instead of drifting into the cities. When this problem is solved the Empire can absorb all the healthy manhood which this country (Great Britain) can spare for a century shead. The three chief require ments are State organization, capital expenditure, and transport extension.

The Canadian Labor Press has ofttimes stated barrier in the way of any worker in Great Britain, or to solve our industrial problems. At the last session elsewhere, from bettering his or her condition. We do of the House of Commons a certain sum of money say, however, that all intending immigrants should be was set aside for the purpose of holding a National officials, who are more concerned in producing a large willingness to participate in such a conference. The quota of immigrants than in the welfare of the immi- employers, for reasons best known to themselves, regrants and the workers of Canada.

the earnest consideration of the Canadian Governsidered. The International Labor Office has established an International Emigration Commission to study of Nations, relative to the matter. Already many of the nations have sent in their replies. Canada is per-haps the most vitally interested of all countries for we the greater number of immigrants will seek admittance. It is, therefore, necessary that the Canadian Government and the Provincial Governments consider the question of immigration as a matter of paramount

SECESSIONISTS FIGHT FOR OPEN SHOP.

HILE many of the empleyers in Canada and the

WHILE many of the employers in Canada and the United States are working overtime devising means of destroying the International Trades Luion movement, we have in Canada, unfortunately, some organizations of working men playing the game for the employers.

In Toronto a national labor organization has applied for an injunction "to restrain the International Union of Steam and Operating Engineers, the Toronto Building Trades Council, and their officials, from attempting to procure or from procuring the dismissal from employment of, or the refusal of employment to the plaintiffs and members of the plaintiff union, by threat, intimidation, picketing, strikes, and other unlawful means."

The matter is now before the courts, and we do not purpose going into the legal aspect of the case. However, we wish to draw to the attention of the working men and women of this country seme features of the move on the part of this so-called labor organiations at a chool after their classes and some risk, are also 14 been early sort the sort of the early poor wages which are paid to very long the dismissal from employers countries. In this industry should are employed too son rich, are working to the very poor wages which are paid to very long the part of the very poor wages which are paid to some r

A. P. HAYDON, M.C., Ednor. .: A. H. BLACKBURN, Circulation Mgr. | zation. The Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, which is the legislative body of the International Trades Union movement in Canada, has protested time and time again against the use of the injunction in industrial disputes. Yet we have so-called labor organizations applying in court for the use of a weapon they themselves have condemned. That is not all. The Labor movement of Canada, in common with workers' organizations in all parts of the world, has fought for employer and the employes. The union shop is necessary in the establishment of democracy in industry.

If workers are unorganized or if the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry what guarantee hove the union shop does not exist in industry. not exist in industry what guarantee have the workers conditions may be found in the inthat the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent the men selected to represent them will present auguration of a comprehensive that the men selected to represent the men selected the men selected to represent the men selected the men selecte their views? None, absolutely. Under non-union shop conditions the employer may employ members of the Communist Party, the Canadian Federation of Labor, the National Catholic Union, the One Big Union, in-N many occasions during the past few weeks the dependent unions, and non-union men. When the shop Canadian Labor Press has presented facts con- committees are selected, if the workers are permitted cerning the activity of Canadian immigration to do so which we doubt very much under non-union agents in Great Britain. Apparently the Canadian shop conditions, who will be the men's representatives? Government is giving the matter consideration, and has Each and every one of the above mentioned organizaat last recognized the fact that there is no need for tions have policies that in no way agree. The National further immigration to Canada at the present time. Catholic Union, for instance, believes in individual Rt. Hon. Arthur Meighen, P.C., Prime Minister of agreement and compulsory arbitration. The One Big Canada, has drawn to the attention of Mayor Church, Union believes in sabotage. And so on down the line. of Toronto, an advertisement which has appeared in There can never be harmony in industry operated a number of British newspapers over the name of Dr. under these conditions. Yet that is exactly what the George C. Creelman, Agent-General of Ontario, an non-union shop means. The union shop provides that nouncing that "Ontario wants 50,000 farm workers and all employes engaged in a particular industry be memdomestics next spring." The Premier has done this bers of the International Trades Union movement. so that if there is any blame later because of the ar- Through union shop conditions the members elect their rival of immigrants, who have been influenced by this own representatives to look after their affairs. All advertisement, the blame will not be laid at the door questions in dispute are submitted to arbitration, and no strike can occur until after every means of peace-It is recognized by everyone that the British ful settlement have failed. However, the point we wish Government is anxious to unload its surplus to make is that the union shop is established by mutual labor on the Colonies. Mr. Lloyd George, Prime agreement between the employer and the employe. Minister of Great Britain, recently made the an- However, once that agreement is made the Intrnational Trades Union movement insists that it be lived up

Workers in Canada will never arrogate the right establish democracy in industry, and the recent acof the Ontario Government, addresses by Canadian tion of this secessionist organization in Toronto is being watched with interest by the International trade unionists of North America. These secessionists, maskfect in influencing a large number of people in Britain ing under the name of a Canadian Labor organization,

The only guarantee that workers of Canada have

MONTREAL, like all other cities in Canada, is suffering from lack of housing. The Monta in a front page editorial, on Saturday, suggests that a conference of the employers and employes be held at once to devise ways and means of providing houses. The Star says "the trade unions and the makers of brick and other materials can solve the problem if they will face it.

The Labor movement of this country is at all that labor in this country does not desire to place a times ready to co-operate with capital in an endeavor told of the actual conditions that prevail in Canada, Industrial Conference. The Labor movement, through and not as they appear in the minds of immigration the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, signified its fused to take part, with the result that up to the The question of immigration is one that calls for present time no conference has been held.

In Montreal the International Trade Union movement, the Provincial Governments and the Imperial ment is just as anxious to have industrial peace and Government. No doubt at the next meeting of the harmony as in other industrial centres. The Canadian Imperial Conference the question of Empire immigra- Labor Press believes that the International Trade tion will be one of the most important questions con- Unions will be only too willing to participate in a conference on the question of housing. However, a short time ago when a proposal was made at the Montreal this important question, and in September a question-naire was sent out to all nations, members of the League tion Industries for the establishment of an industrial council the members of the employers' association voted against such a move. The Montreal Star's proposal is one that might bring results, but we are conhave the "last great west," and it is to Canada that vinced that the establishment of democracy in the building industry of Montreal will be equally as bene-

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given before their conndence can be gained.

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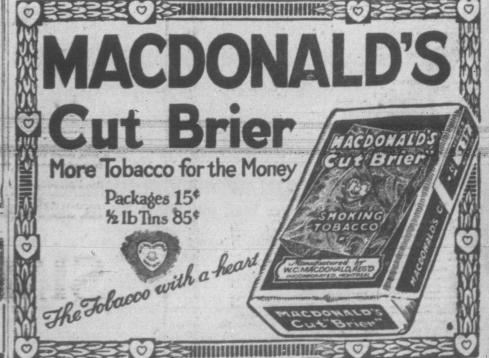
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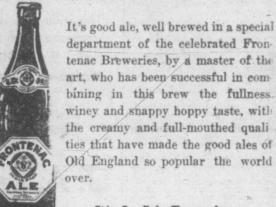
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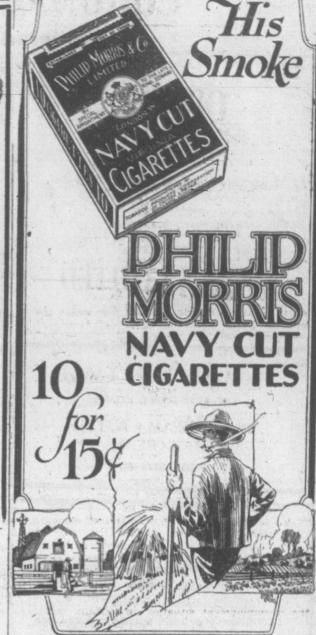
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Many Governments Have Answered Questionnaire,

Some months ago the Internalous Government, workers and em-Emigration Commission. In a recent bulletin the International Labor Office says that the present position with regard to these replies is as follows:

with regard to these replies is as follows:

1. The following countries have remitted official replies, comprising statistical information, accounts of their public and grivate institutions interested in emigration and the texts of their legislation on the matter: Austria, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Czecho-Slovakia, the Dutch Colonies, Finland, France, Great Britain, Greece, India, Luxemburg, Norway, Poland, the Kingdom of the Serbs, Croats and Slovanes, South Africa, Spain and Switzerland.

date.

3. The Danish, German, Italian and Netherlands Governments have already forwarded statistical and egislative documents, and their final replies are expected shortly. The International Labor Office has already commenced the preparation of the reports which will be submitted to the International Emigration Commission at its meeting immediately before the International Labor Conference of 1921.

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4. The mayor to be chosen by the councillors from their own ranks.

5. A general manager, appointed by the council only, to administer the city.

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2. A recall clause for disbured contributes.

to frende of departments to be ap-pointed by the council on the recom-mendation of the city manager.

9. Extension of the franchise to women and to all persons who have paid at least \$10 in taxes and who are not aiready qualified as land-lords or tenants.

18. The abolition of the election

the about the obligation for a undidate to have at least 100 signatures of electors on his number.

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eager to go to any lengths if he can only put himself at ease with his audience, or them with him, is really funny. The Hon, N. W.

of oratory which does not need even the best of jokes to establish a properly receptive contact.

And yet it was Mr. Rowell who entertained the members of the Canadian Club in New York City recently with a remark that persuaded even the newspaper men, hardened by long disappointment never to await the crack of the joke breathlessly, to laugh upreartously. The former President of Canadia's Privy Council and delegate to the Assembly, was following an interesting speech by E. W. Beatty, president of the Canadian Pacific Railway, With Mr. Beatty on his left and Lord Shaughnessy, of Montreal, Mr. Beatty is predecessor, on his right, Mr. Rowell prefaced his own stirring appeal for world cooperation with a few remarks about the advantages for advancement offered by the Canadian Pacific Railway, as evidenced by Mr. Beatty's rapid rise to its highest office.

"But I might add," Mr. Rowell continued, without the trace of a smile, that there may be other aons of the Canadian Pacific Railway of whom Lor'l Shaughnessy is not so proud. And yet those very men are further proofs of the imprincion to advancement which Canadian Pacific Railway of the Canadian Pacific Railway of whom Lor'l Shaughnessy is not so proud. And yet those very men are further proofs of the impriried to advancement which Canadian Pacific Railway training seems to provide."

Mr. Rowell paused for a moment

Pacific Railway training seems to provide."

Mr. Rowell paused for a moment and even Lord Shaughnessy began to move about a bit, as though he was doubtful of the efficacy of what Mr. Rowell might be preparing to say. But the speaker went on, undaunted:

"I might refer to one Canadian Pacific Railway man in particular who has travelled far and high since he left its employ. For," and here his simile began to break, "probably none of you know that; while he was in New York Mr. Leon Trotzky was an employe of the Canadian Pacific Railway."

And when the laughter had begun to subside:

"Let me add that Lord Shaughmessy reminds me that the Canadian Pacific Railway still owes Trotzky \$46, too."

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STRIKE LOSSES ARE GUESSES; FIGURES NOT BASED ON FACTS

An approximate cost of strikes closed for a time by a strike of its cannot be estimated, except in isolated instances, says Edson L. Whiteger, writing in the Monthly Labor later, the first shop profits since we will be a strike at the second shop.

Review, issued by the United States
Bureau of Labor Statistics.

The writer discounts claims by those who estimate the cost of strikes down to the last dollar. He says it is impossible to estimate the last dollar. He says it is impossible to estimate the last dollar. The writer discounts claims by those who estimate the cost of strikes down to the last dollar. He says it is impossible to estimate to employes in related industries and that figures is such a loss and that figures is such a loss and that figures is such a loss and that figures is there any loss of time in doubtedly, soon made for lost time, if the slack season that industry was not at hand. "While it may be possible to employes in related industries with the cost of a few small strik to employes in related industries with the cost of a few small strik to employes in related industries with the cost of a few small strik to employe in related industries with the cost of a few small strik to expect the cost of time. If the slack season that industry was not at hand. "While it may be possible to employe in related industries with the cost of a few small strik to employe in related industries with the cost of a few small strik to employe in related industries with the cost of time. If the slack season the cost of the strike undoubtedly, soon made for lost time, if the slack season that industry was not at hand. "While it may be possible to employe in related industries with the cost of time. If the slack season the cost of the strike undoubtedly. The strike undoubtedly soon made for lost time, if the slack season the cost of the strike in the cost of the cost of the cost of the cost of the slack season the cost the loss and that figures issued on this subject "are but mere guesses by the compiler, not statistical in character, and frequently incorrect

in their conclusions."

Despite the machinery established by the Bureau of Labor Statistics and the various states complete information of every strike cannot be obtained, nor is it possible to say that the information is correct in every particular, especially since statements of employers and emthat the information is correct in every particular, especially since statements of employers and employes are frequestly streatly at variance. The recent steel strike litistates this point. On the first day of the strike, says Mr. Whitney, the union officials announced that 279,-600 men were fale; the next day the number was given as 227,000; two days later as 340,000, and on October 27 as 370,000. On the other hand the employers denied that over 40 per cent. of the above number actually went out. On Ootober 13 the finland Steel Company, at Indiana Harbor, announced that 3,000 of their employes had returned to

union officials said that the strates were standing firm.

It is shown by these figures that the steel atrike resulted in a loss of 2,000,000 man-days or 40,000,000 man-days, according to one's view-point. From the standpoint of statistics, however, the figures mean nothing.

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The loss resulting from strikes is largely mythical, according to the writer, who says:

"Most industries are seasonal to a certain extent and when, after a short strike, the men return invigorated and rested as a result of their vacation, they will, in the course of the season, do as much work as they would have done had no strike occurred." Instances in the steel industry are cited to prove this point. It is also stated that a miners' strike does not necessarily reduce the amount of yearly wages received, as "it may divide the slack season into two parts, and in estimating their loss in wages this condition should be borne in mind."

In discussing strike losses by employers. Mr. Whitney says "very few who estimate this loss explain their method of figuring. "Except in very long-continued strikes, however, it seems to be limited mainly to the loss in profits something very difficult to figure, for profits are clustive and may dispense are in the absence of a strike, since they are generally dependent upon market conditions at the time of the sale, rather than at the time of manufacture.

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NO EIGHT-HOUR LEGISLATION IN ONTARIO THIS SESSION

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Hon. Waiter Rollo will bring in no eight-hour day legislation this session. Before the orders of the day were called in the Legislature on Tuesday, M. M. McBride from his new place to the "left" of the Speaker asked Mr. Rollo if in view of the fact that the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada had asked for eight-hour legislation this session, and the further fact that the eight-hour principle had been accepted in the articles of the Peace Treaty, he would bring down a bill dealing with the question. "Personally I have no intention of bringing down such a bill," replied Mr. Rollo.

However, Mr. J. B. Cunningham, Labor member for Sault Ste. Marie, has introduced a resolution in the Legislature in which it is proposed to call a conference which should help in the solution of a question for which Labor will never cease to struggle. Mr. Cunningham's proposal is one that the Canadian Labor Press brought forward immediately after the Canadian Government sent the various Provincial Governments the draft conventions of the Washington Conference. Mr. Cunninghan seeks a conference of the Canadian Government with the Provincial Governments with a view of having the eight-hour workday and other democratic measures, concerning the welfare of the workers, enacted simultaneously throughout Canada. To this proposal there should be given the whole-hearted support of all the various groups in the Ontario Legislature. We believe, also, that the Canadian Government and the various Provincial Governments will co-operate in the ways.

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