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IDEALS LABOR IS STRIVING TO REALIZE

None Can But Command Them and Give Aid In Their Attainment

AIMS ARE HUMANITARIAN

Labor a Great Force for Good and is Deserving of Support of Everybody

There is much misunderstanding in regard to what Labor is trying to do. From charges made both by our supposed friends, in the ranks of Labor, and by unscrupulous employers, one might think that Labor was a destructive agency. To its friends, and to the public at large, its worth and its nature should be emphasized.

To superficial observers Organized Labor's ideals consist of nothing more than higher wages, shorter hours, more and more control, and additional rules and regulations affecting employment. We want the public to understand the ideals that guide Organized Labor and influence it more profoundly than anything else.

Directing Ideas

For generations Labor has been struggling for recognition of its services. It knows and is trying to make the world know that without it human life cannot continue. The struggles of Labor have been bitter and long. The failures have been many and its successes all too few. But steadily Labor has grown more enlightened. Now it asks its right for a share in its results, that shall enable the laborers to develop themselves as women and men, as mothers and fathers, as sisters and brothers.

Essentially Humanitarian

The labor movement is essentially humanitarian. We are opposed to waste, against waste of human life, of human abilities, it supports the possibilities in the way of intellectual and moral development. It sees great rewards going to the few and a bare living or no living at all, going to the multitude. Moreover, it sees the few weakened and degraded by surfeit. We now offer our hand for the betterment of the whole race.

International Scope

We are International in character and scope. The boundary line to the south does not exist. Delegates of the United States and Canada meet as members of one organization. They have but one trade constitution, one set of officers. There is but one treasurer into which they pay their dues. And so far as the activity as trade unionists is concerned, they are the members of but one organization.

Appreciate Education

No group in the community has realized more keenly that education is essential to their welfare, and that without education their ideals are unattainable. Trade unionists look upon education as one of the corner stones upon which the structure of the labor movement is created. Education in its truest and broadest sense, is one of the ideals of Labor.

What are wages and what do they mean to the wage earner? They are the man life; they are the factor that determines what measure of decency, of comfort and opportunity in life. The amount of wages says whether the home shall be a back room or shack, or a modern home with all the necessary conveniences surrounded with pure air and sunshine, and conducive to health and comfort. The dollars' which come in the pay envelope determine the quantity and quality of food which shall enter the home. Wages are also a real factor in determining the physical, the mental and moral standards of the overwhelming majority in all cities.

Why Shorter Hours

We desire shorter hours so that we have sufficient vitality left to enjoy the society of our families and our fellow workers. The exhausted bodies caused by long tiresome toil cry out for rest. Unless man has time for self-development the standard of life of the mass of the people will go downward and backward instead of upward and forward.

The Russian situation is a real object lesson of an oppressed and degraded race.

Morality will not thrive in unsanitary habitations; neither will it develop on bad or unwholesome food. If we are to have a better generation and consequently a better nation, we must prepare better surroundings in which the future citizens are born and reared. Let us keep a watchful eye on the introduction of sweatshop conditions into the community, for the boys and girls of the sweatshops will be the parents of a generation of unskilled workers.

AFFILIATIONS ARE EVER INCREASING

Many New Union Men Added to Co-operative Efforts of Organized Labor

HIGHER WAGES, LOWER COSTS RECOMMENDED

Manufacturers' Association Sees Necessity for Readjustment of Economics

MEANS TO PROSPERITY

No Danger of Over Production of Commodities Are Within Reach

Speaking to the associated manufacturers and merchants of New York state, at Syracuse, Vice-President Barcalo, of that organization, urged that the federal government create a board composed of an equal number of manufacturers and workers engaged in manufacturing processes to consider "those matters which are comprehended in the term 'industrial relations,' and which have caused what we know as industrial unrest in an effort to compose these difficulties which have grown up."

"While the war has been won so far as fighting is concerned," he said, "it will not have been really won until there has been set up a means for reasonably adjusting, in each country, those matters of a social nature which cause the greatest unrest."

Purchase Wage Is Low

"Dollar-wages are now high, but the purchase wage is low, so that what has been gained by the workers in comparatively high wages has been lost through the higher cost of commodities."

"How much better it would be if both high wages and lower costs prevailed. This is the thing to work to."

"The present industrial supremacy of this country is largely due to finding a way to accomplish things and I am not prepared to admit that the limit has been reached."

"Except in abnormal periods like the present there is never over-production; I believe the trouble is under consumption and that unemployment results therefrom."

No Danger of Over-Production

"I do not believe that there will be over-production until human wants in the way of material things are supplied and this need never trouble this generation."

"We have known all these years that if people had more dollars and if things cost less more purchases would be made."

"It is time for us all to see to it that we work toward this end, for we are doing now the very opposite and the industrial world is in chaos."

ENDORSEMENT OF AMALGAMATION

The Executive Committee of the Alberta Federation of Labor unanimously reaffirmed the stand taken by the Medicine Hat Convention, where they endorsed the executive recommendations on the question "The Necessity of Closer Relationship Between Members of Craft Unions." Believing that the interests of the workers in allied craft unions would be better served by closer relationship, we recommend that our members use every effort to bring about a consolidation of activities by an amalgamation of different allied international organizations.

RAILROADERS HEAR METHODS DEBATED

The meeting this week called by the G.T.P. federation to which the E.D. and B.C. and C.N.R. federation were invited to attend was occasioned by a debate on the One Big Union question between Joseph Knight and A. Farmilo. The meeting was well attended. Mr. Knight claimed much progress toward the movement he is advocating, while the Secretary of the Trades and Labor Council pointed out the advisability of uniting the forces of Labor under organization in an affiliation in preference to tearing down all that Labor has gained throughout the years and seeking to build a new structure upon the ruins of the old.

DISPUTE STILL UNSETTLED

The dispute between the Alliance Power Company, operating the municipal power plant, and the machinists and helpers, stands practically where it has been lingering, following argument of the case by men and company before Fair Wage Officer Harrison on Saturday last. Managing Director Taylor, Superintendent Copé, Assistant Superintendent Thompson, Time Keeper Gold, and the company solicitor, H. H. Hyndman represented the company. For the men three machinists along with the grievance committee of Lodge No. 817, and Mr. Sommerville, Grand Lodge representative. The issue revolved around the McAdoo scale and the date of its inauguration.

BETTER WAGES

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NOVA SCOTIA MINERS ENTER AFFILIATION

Beginning June 1st, the organization of miners of Nova Scotia will become a district affiliated with the United Mine Workers of America, according to announcement of J. B. McLaughlin, secretary of the A.M.W. The action of the Nova Scotia mine workers is particularly pertinent at this time, owing to the great activity in that locality to bring those miners into the One Big Union which it is hoped to organize. The Nova Scotia workers apparently have decided to attach themselves to an organized going concern.

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ALL LOCAL UNIONS TO GIVE ATTENTION

So that every week regularly we may get a line on the activities of every Local Union, we would earnestly request that local secretaries or a correspondent in every local furnish us with news of happenings every week for publication in the Trades and Labor Council Paper. The Edmonton Free Press. We desire to feature Local Labor News, and that we may be accurately informed, Locals are asked to furnish this matter and hand it in to Secretary Farmilo. Please give this matter prompt attention and oblige.

Please give home address and phone, if any, of person from whom this news is to be received. Cut this out and present at Union meetings.

PRESS COMMITTEE,
Trades and Labor Council.

PRINTING TRADES MOVE CLOSER AFFILIATION

Mass Meeting Decides to Submit Referendum to Various Locals

IMMEDIATE PROPOSAL

Believed That New Step Will Be Factor of Strength and Benefit

At a well attended and enthusiastic mass meeting composed of the membership of the four unions connected with the Allied Printing Trades Council, held on April 26th, it was decided to take immediate action toward a federation of the Typographical, Pressmen, Bookbinders and Stereotypers Unions of this city.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the Allied Printing Trades Council and was presided over by President W. L. Francis of that body. The following resolution was passed before the meeting and was adopted without a dissenting voice.

"Resolved that this Mass Meeting composed of members of Edmonton Locals of the Typographical, Pressmen's, Bookbinders' and Stereotypers' Unions, request the Allied Printing Trades Council to take a referendum Vote of all its affiliated membership as to whether or not they are in favor of the formation of a Federation of Printing Trades Unions in this city, for the purpose of negotiating (subject to ratification by unions affected) all agreements at the same time and collectively, as agreed upon by representatives of the five International Unions at a recent conference; and be it further resolved that a two-thirds majority of those voting on the referendum will be necessary for sanction to proceed with the formation of the Federation, provided, however, that there must be a clear majority in each of the affiliated unions; and be it further resolved that the referendum be carried in the affirmative, the basis of representation on the Federation be the same as that prevailing on the Allied Printing Trades Council."

The referendum vote is now being taken and if carried in the affirmative the federation will be formed in the course of the next few days.

The Typographical and Pressmen's unions have already commenced negotiations for a new agreement with the employing printers and publishers of the city.

PASS THREE-PLATOON BILL

The New York state assembly has advanced their minimum rates to 70 cents an hour, effective May 1. The agreement was secured without serious differences with the employers.

STATEMENT OF METAL TRADES

Calgary Workers Consider Position Imposed as Hardly Just

The Metal Trades make the following statement to all concerned, covering the facts relative to their position in the present trouble. A notice was sent the employers giving 60 days in accordance with agreement, that we wished to negotiate a new schedule. This was sent February 10th, and they had until April 10th but during said time refused to discuss it, so a meeting of the Metal Trades was called, at which it was resolved to notify the employers that we would work 44 hours per week starting April 14th if they refused to discuss same.

The employers still refused to discuss schedule, so the Metal Trades went on eight hours per day April 14th, but on April 15th they were locked out. The Fair Wage Officer, Mr. F. E. Harrison then called a meeting of Metal Trades and employers to discuss their differences at which meeting the employers agreed that the employees could go back to work on the 44-hour week pending a settlement in Toronto and Winnipeg also that they would take the schedule under consideration by June 1st. The above proposition by the employers is grossly unjust, inasmuch as they want to make us subservient to Toronto and Winnipeg, seeing that the employers are all working in conjunction from East to West, but would keep Calgary apart from taking concerted action by binding us to stay at work until June 1st.

CRITICISMS UNFOUNDED

One of the members of the editing committee of the Free Press has received a communication from a correspondent to the effect that the paper is giving support to the Moderation League. Also a number of personal accusations are made at the same time. The criticisms are unjust, untrue and unfounded. The Free Press stands for nothing but advancement of the cause of Labor, first, last and all times. Nobody can utilize it directly or indirectly for personal, political or any other kind of aggrandizement. Be not unduly concerned.

CARPENTERS SECURE INTERNATIONAL CHARTER

The first International Charter to arrive at Renfrew, Ont., has been secured by the Brotherhood of Carpenters. The new union starts off with the elite of trade on its membership roll, including the mayor of the town.

LABOR WILL HEAR

MOORE AND BRUCE

Arrangements to be Made For Meeting When Commission Sits Here

SAILING WITH FALSE COLORS; IS RECOGNIZED

If 'By Their Works Ye Shall Know Them,' They Are False Proprietors

MERE CAMOUFLAGE

Time All Labor Makes Close Scrutiny of Actual Facts Re Publications

It is high time for Labor, whether organized or not, and for the workers and thinking people generally, to ask themselves how much longer publications of the "John Bull" and "Jack Canuck" type shall continue to find readers and to derive support from men of democratic sympathies and aspirations.

A large portion of the influence which papers of this type possess would appear to be derived from their readiness to "expose" evildoers in the political and commercial world. But a very little reflection should make it clear that their own high estimate of their power and usefulness in this direction is a ludicrously exaggerated one. Their own admissions in their answers to their various correspondents reveal this clearly. They tell one reader that "the threat of exposure in our columns was sufficient to make so-and-so draw in his horns," while another is informed that he has himself to thank for being swindled. "We have been warning our readers against this firm for ten years," and so on. If this be the case, what about the dread of exposure by this all-terrible censor! It clearly does not exist; for if it did, by this time, trade swindlers would have been "exposed" out of existence. Yet, as we all know, they flourish as mightily as though these all-powerful journals were unknown.

And what use do these publications make of the influence which is acquired by these spurious pretences? When the late Sir Wilfrid Laurier contended for the right of people to be consulted on the conscription issue, the front page cartoon of "Jack Canuck" reproduced him as trying to "throw a monkey-wrench into the machine." In one sense it was certainly right. He was trying to "throw a monkey-wrench into the machine" of Autocracy, by demanding that such a measure should be submitted to the people; and in this he was in strict accordance with the professed object of the Allies, in fighting Germany. It is vain to write "open letters" to offending persons, and domineering aldermen and cheating country storekeepers, if at the same time those men are to be slandered and vilified who are seeking to remove the systematic causes which create and foster these which are only symptoms.

This brings us to the consideration of the attitude of "John Bull" in the issue of March 29, 1919, toward the miners and their leaders in Great Britain. We find there an article entitled "Smillie's Smelly Sentiments," a shallow form in keeping with a shallow argument. We shall make no attempt to bring forth anything of our own in defense of Robert Smillie, further than to say that before any man attains to such standing as the head of a vast Labor organization, he has had to prove his capacity for high office, and has to run the gauntlet of a large number of competitors whose claims to the supreme position are in length of service and subordinate standing equal to his own. It has yet to be explained how a man so utterly negligible (according to the Prophet Bottomley) ever rises to the top. But it is interesting to note that Robert Smillie appears very differently to honest men who have met him face to face. As regards his intellect, and we might add, that of Labor representatives generally, he and his fellows have disposed of the clap-trap argument that the "lower classes," the workers, are "lower" by virtue of a species of survival of the fittest. That the "upper classes" are on top by reason of superior mental endowment.

And the same paper, March 27, 1919, contains a sketch of Robert Smillie which speaks for itself whether in face of some of the disclosures which have been extorted from reluctant witnesses, the "opinions and hypotheses" and "appeals to witnesses to say whether if they began life again they would prefer to be miners rather than accountants, manufacturers, ironmasters or coal merchants" are as "immortal" as the Christian World considers them to be, are open to grave doubt.

REPRESENTING LABOR BEFORE COMMISSION

Wheatley and Smitton Appointed by the Alberta Federation of Labor

At a recent meeting of the Executive Committee of the Alberta Federation of Labor, F. Wheatley and Secretary Smitton were appointed to appear before the committee on Industrial Relations, who will be in Calgary on the 5th of May.



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Professor W. H. Alexander of the University of Alberta, whose photograph we reproduce above, hardly needs an introduction to Labor circles in Edmonton. Even those who have not met him personally are aware that he has never hesitated to stand up for what he thought was right, even at the expense of all kinds of cheap criticism and abuse. He believes that Universities should of all places be leaders towards

EDMONTON FREE PRESS

Supports Amalgamation Plan as Means to Desired End

Robert Levett, International Board Member District No. 18 United Mine Workers of America, Explains Position and Reasons for Opposing So-Called 'One Big Union'

I am taking the stand of opposing the so-called "One Big Union" movement, as launched at the Western Conference of Labor, held in Calgary recently, let me distinctly state that I am not opposed to industrial unionism, or the ideals and aims of labor as set forth at the conference. I have been a member of the greatest industrial labor organization on this continent for many years, therefore could not logically oppose any real or sincere movement that had for its object the consolidation of all labor forces.

I am setting forth some of my reasons for opposing this so-called "One Big Union" movement, which, while it may accomplish a certain amount of good in arousing the membership and impressing upon our international officials the necessity of broadening their views, will certainly never succeed in uniting labor in Western Canada under "One Big Union."

I regard it as the acme of absurdity to talk of "One Big Union" with a succession of our international affiliations.

2. I cannot regard the present movement as anything more than a most deliberate attempt at disunion, and at a time when every nerve and effort should be extended to consolidate our forces. You will notice that practically no machinery has been created to carry out the so-called "One Big Union" beyond the "Central Committee" of five, the collection of a 2% per capita from the various Unions, and the taking of what is termed a "referendum ballot."

3. The method of taking this ballot and the absolute powers given the "Central Committee" in counting and tabulating same are something that finds no parallel in the annals of history or industrial unionism.

4. So far as I am able to gather this "Central Committee" can manipulate the vote so as to create a majority or minority; whichever it regards as expedient.

5. That we have not exhausted the possibilities of international industrial unionism, and that all future organizations, whether conceived in Canada or the States, must be international in character and scope—not national.

6. That absolutely no solid or logical argument has ever been adduced to prove the ineffectiveness of the international union. All arguments have been directed at the officialdom of same. And it is neither strange nor wondrous that the officials (or "Central Committee") of the so-called "One Big Union" are already receiving their share of criticism.

7. That Industrial Trades Unionism must first start with the organization of the various crafts and trades in each industry.

8. The "One Big Union" movement is not new; it has been tried on this continent before, and failed. It is at present in force in Australia, and I have yet to discover (and the Australian worker, too) that it has secured for him "the full product of his toil," or even a greater share than his Canadian brother enjoys. Further, it would be well to remember that Australia has no United States adjoining.

9. That the autocratic dictatorship relegated to that body known as the "Central Committee" is such that they may never be called to account for their actions—funds spent or ballots submitted.

I do not wish to make any personal attack upon the individuals comprising the "Central Committee" or those who displayed so much zeal in promoting this movement, but most of these men (until quite recently) regarded the trade union movement and industrial union movement as something so antiquated and obsolete that they deserved their most scathing sarcasm to condemn it. They never neglected an opportunity to abuse and discredit the officials of any trade organization, while honesty of purpose and sincerity they regarded as so much sentiment and nonsense—except, of course, when they found themselves involved. After years of these tactics we find them out to save the worker through the medium of "One Big Union," ready to take the funds of these unions to propagate their ideas.

I am of the opinion that the last thing they wish to do is to form any union, but that they do most sincerely hope to disrupt our present organization in the foolish belief that "they must disrupt and destroy before they can build." The old moss-grown philosophy of the dismalist, "That conditions must be made worse before they can be made better."

Personally I have sufficient confidence in the commonsense of the worker, who will not be stampeded into pulling down the shack—leaving himself at the mercy of the capitalist elements—until he has built his house.

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Manual Training Educational Value in Public Schools

Purpose is Not For Pupil to Learn a Trade But to Develop Accuracy of Observation, Co-ordination of Brain and Muscle, Perception, Diligent Habits, and Sense Control

(By T. E. Hughes, Supervisor Manual Arts in the Public Schools)

One of the most welcome signs of the new ideals arising among the civilized nations of the earth, is the interest aroused in educational affairs.

The aspirations, needs, limitations and welfare of the children, the future happiness and prosperity of the human race, together with the general unrest among all classes of the community have given a new urge to educational effort and have shown clearly that a sane, safe democracy cannot be maintained without a broad satisfying policy in education. This policy must be shaped to meet the requirements of the many, not the few; must give equal opportunities for the development of health and character in all directions; and must promote to the fullest extent the ideals of mutual-dependence, fairness and justice, and an appreciation of the duties and rights of citizenship.

The endeavor to formulate and put into operation such a scheme of train-

or written word expresses our thoughts; music, our emotions; art, our spirit; handicrafts, our creative constructive soul."

Another writer says "Man is essentially a tool-using animal, and has only developed as rapidly as he has improved the tools with which he has carved out his destiny." We may not agree with these quotations, but the fact remains that all of us use our hands in some constructive or artistic pursuit. It may be that our fingers and brains are pursuing pleasure, or on the other hand we are gaining our livelihood by these means. The divine law demands from all men labor. This truth does not apply to any one class; the surgeon has need of delicate co-ordination; the violinist or pianist wants delicacy and precision of touch; the skilled workman requires strength and mastery over the tools of his craft.

Hand training in conjunction with a thinking brain is the finest of the gifts that education can bring to the majority of our pupils, and must be of great importance in any plan aiming to fit them for the highest type of citizens. The slogan of the Empire must become: "Every man, a skilled man!" if we are to retain our supremacy in world affairs, and complementary to this must follow: "Every woman a trained woman!" Every member of both sexes must be free to choose their like work, but once the choice is made there should be adequate training for them.

The public schools of this city have classrooms equipped for benchwork and during the school year September, 1917 to June 1918, 930 boys from Grades VI, VII and VIII passed through these centres. The work done showed the interest and enthusiasm which the pupils brought to bear on their shop problems, and every effort which can be made in the limited time is put forth to link up the other studies with the woodwork. To handle these lads there is a supervisor and three instructors.

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The question may arise in the minds of the readers, as to what are the specific benefits accruing from this study. They may be briefly summed up as follows:

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- I. Training in accuracy of observation, of careful comparison and of manipulation.
- II. The reader-co-ordination of brain, hand and life which will form a basis for technical and industrial training if required later.
- III. An experience in the expression of his active constructive nature, using various substances, incidentally increasing his store of knowledge by learning about these mediums.
- IV. A quickening of perception, of interest, of enthusiasm, of memory and of the sense of power and mastery.
- V. By obedience and careful attention to directions.

VI. A strengthening of the habits of diligence, perseverance, love of order, neatness, self-reliance and truthfulness.

VII. An understanding of the dignity and worth of honest labor and a pride in his own achievements.

VIII. A chance for the boy who is not gifted in academic subjects to find himself and to gain self respect.

I. The thoughtful teacher is not unaware of the many debatable points in school work. Neither is she or he "asleep at the switch" as some seem to think. The teacher, school board or other educational agency is facing tremendous obstacles without the support of a strong, reasoning public opinion, prepared to give helpful, constructive criticism, and when satisfactory conclusions are reached prepared also to provide the necessary funds.

Too often criticism has been destructive, disheartening those who are diligently and painfully striving to give their very best to the wonderful little people under their charge, every one of whom has great possibilities hidden away. These children will inherit our gains, profit by our experiences but unfortunately suffer from our mistakes.

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in every sense of the word, and Edmonton

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The Woman's Page

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TWO WOMEN ON CITY POLICE FORCE

Deputation From Local Council
Women Secure Promise From
Commission

The police force of Edmonton is to have two women members in the near future. A deputation from the Local Council of Women waited upon the police commission Monday afternoon and secured a promise to the effect. The Local Council of Women has been working to attain this end for some months and much of the success of the undertaking is due to the efforts of Mrs. W. R. Howey, who has worked untiringly on the scheme. The deputation consisted of Mrs. Howey, Mrs. Gibson and Mrs. Underwood.

Even when doing identical work, women do not receive the same pay as men. Why? Ask something easy. Simply because women have not and do not demand the same pay. They accept lower wage scales. This fact is due to several circumstances. Women are awaiting to the realization of this discrimination and are seeking to remedy it. They are naturally turning to trades unionism as the only remedy.

Low wages paid women workers may be accounted for by the number of workers who take employment as a temporary expedient. Upon leaving school they get a job expecting to work for a few months or a year or two pending such time when they may marry. A great number live at home and are satisfied with wages that will provide clothes and a little spending money. This class is not forced by necessity to receive even a living wage. Fathers and brothers contribute to their support. As a consequence girls who have no fathers and brothers to aid in their support are forced to compete with them and the wage scale creates precipitates a multitude of social problems.

Many of these same girls who accepted employment as a temporary expedient fail to wed as anticipated and find themselves in a few years forced into the class of women working through necessity. They are then victims of their own folly. If women as a whole would demand wages comparable to a good livelihood a whole host of problems confronting society would be solved forthwith. Quite recently a woman's union organization in Iowa passed a resolution relative to a movement to raise money for the establishment of a girls home wherein they said: "Pay us decent wages, and then you will not need to worry about a home for us." And therein lies the solution. If all the forces that are engaging in girls' welfare work exert their energies to readjusting business and economic conditions to provide a proper livelihood for girl workers, a solution to their problems would be solved.

To the argument that an unskilled girl just entering a trade or business is not worth a living wage, the only reply is that any human being of normal mind and body must be worth enough to give her sufficient food, proper shelter, the comforts and a few of the little luxuries of life.

"HANDICAP" BUREAU
A "Handicap" bureau has recently been established by the U.S. Employment Service of the Department of Labor for the purpose of finding employment for men and women past middle age and for those who through physical disability have difficulty in finding employment. In Massachusetts, where the work is already under way, the first monthly reports show that 1,367 men and women past the prime of life have been placed. The youngest so placed was 50 years and the oldest 72 years. The Illinois bureau has placed 412 crippled soldiers.

The Women's Auxiliary of the Edmonton Typographical Union are holding a whist drive and dance in the Albion Hall next Tuesday night, May 6th. They extend a hearty invitation to all Trades Unionists and their wives and friends to be present.

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CLOVERS AND ALFALFA AS FORAGE CROPS

Clovers Have Not Yet Established Themselves Successfully in Alberta

ALFALFA STRONG CROP

But Conditions Not Yet Provided Whereby Alfalfa is Grown Generally

The large and varied growth of native wild leguminous plants in Alberta such as the pea-vines and vetches would lead one to expect that the tame clovers and alfalfas would become standard fodders. The importance of these plants on the side of feed resources and also on the side of conservation of fertility can not be over estimated. The leguminous crops such as beans, peas, vetches, alfalfa and the clovers all convert the free nitrogen of the air to the enrichment of the soil by the work of the bacteria in the nodules in the roots of these plants. It is not safe to prophesy what will happen in the way of plant improvement anywhere. Corn for example is a southern plant but it seems to yield to education and has made successful adjustment through Wisconsin, Minnesota, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta to the extent of ripening its seed and producing both good table corn and good fodder.

The clovers do not seem to have established themselves as general forage in the Province. Under properly arranged conditions red clover has succeeded under experiments but its general introduction is not by any means in sight. The resources of inoculation have perhaps not been fully exploited yet and we may see large development of clover growing in the future. White clover does very well and most people use it with their seed mixtures. The fact that white clover thrives well on damp or even rather wet soil indicates that probably the dense undersoil that we have keeps the heavy and wet condition in our land which may be unfavorable to clover. The lands of Ontario are more rolling than the lands of Central and Northern Alberta, the soil contains more limestone, it is more porous, it drains and dries more rapidly perhaps than the heaviest soil of Alberta and admits air readily which favors bacterial action. The soil of the Edmonton District is rich black soil but it is not all as loose as its black appearance would lead one to expect. It is not loose open humus. Some of it is rather heavy clay. In soil of this kind there is not the same drainage, ventilation and warmth that there is in more porous and sandy soils. All these conditions of course have their compensations. Light soils have not the durability that the strong soils have.

In the southern part of the Province the soil is of more porous texture. It usually has a clay subsoil but on account of the rapid evaporation in the south the soil does not get sufficient moisture to reach the condition of saturation. The rains of the south go down three or four feet then they make their return trip by capillary action and either evaporate freely or find their way into the roots of the crop if a mulch is kept on the surface of the soil. This kind of land seems to be highly favorable for the growing of alfalfa but the supply of moisture on the other hand during the growing season is not always sufficient to produce a good crop on unirrigated land.

Alfalfa

Alfalfa is naturally a succulent, fast growing plant. Under good conditions it will produce three to five tons per acre in a season and will grow sufficiently to permit of three cuttings, consequently dry conditions are not good for this kind of crop. Grain will do better than alfalfa will under scant supply of moisture. On irrigated land on the other hand alfalfa is at its best. On the irrigated lands around Lethbridge the alfalfa crop is a very important feed resource for the south country. It is used for dairy, cattle, sheep and particularly for the fattening of old ewes and lambs. Last year it reached a price of \$30.00 per ton. It is perhaps the most valuable forage plant in the world but it has not the adaptabilities that some of the common grasses have. Where alfalfa is grown on unirrigated

lands it is usually sown in drills about thirty inches apart and is cultivated with a scuffle two or three times in a season. This is quite an expensive way of growing a fodder crop. This method is employed usually in the growing of alfalfa seed. Good alfalfa seed is very scarce and is now worth between twenty and thirty dollars a bushel.

Sweet Clover

The plant that is coming into very sudden popularity is white sweet clover. In the Eastern Provinces it used to grow rather luxuriantly around the barns and barn yards and live stock did not pay any attention to it. It was regarded as a weed. However where the clovers and alfalfa can not be grown sweet clover is in rather general use. Like the other clovers it requires two seasons to mature. It is commonly sown with a nurse crop and requires about ten pounds of seed per acre. It is best not sown with other grass seeds such as timothy.

When it is used for hay it should be cut early for if it is left to ripen it becomes bitter and woody.

In mowing sweet clover the cutter should be set rather high. In pasturing it should be pastured rather heavily especially in the early part of the season.

It is usually considered wise to keep the stock on the clover alone.

It appears to be perfectly palatable to dairy and other cattle and it should be made the whole ration in order to get rapid profitable grazing from it while the plant is young.

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BASEBALL LEAGUE READY TO GO

Great War Veterans, Knights of Columbus, Grotto and Y.M.C.A.
Comprise League

Edmonton amateur baseball league is away to a good start with four teams entered. The initial games will start early this month. Knights of Columbus, Great War Veterans, Dekan Grotto and the Y.M.C.A. constitute the league. Each management is now signing players and baseball interests is running high. Some teams have already been indulging in initial workouts, and showing some form. Games are to be played at Diamond park which grounds are being put into condition. The league is arranging for proper caretaking. Everything is placed on an orderly business basis. Edmonton promises to have great sport this summer in baseball, and impetus given to amateur sport such as has never been possible in the past.



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Returned veterans should make good baseball umpires. They wouldn't even duck.

The lacrosse players will soon be displaying the latest in sport lingo.

"DEACON" WHITE PENS EPISTLE FROM CHICAGO

Hunted Up a Ball Game on First Sunday in the Windy City

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Says Amateur League Provides Good Ball and Draws Full Bleachers

Dear Henry: As I wheeled into my old home town, Chicago, after eighteen years absence, I was surprised to find that it really was a windy, hard-looking dirty city, as most people said. And these qualities were emphasized to me after I recently came from England where tidiness and order seems to be the rule even in the large cities. Chicago has grown a million since I left her—and it always was hard to keep a growing kid clean.

(Well, it did not take me very long to find out where a ball game might occur and that proved to be on Sunday between the Logan Squares and Rogers Parks, two so-called amateur teams. I had no scruples against Sunday baseball myself, having seen a lot of it in the army, but the old folks simply think it one of the cardinal sins, and it took some manoeuvring for me to get away.

I was anxious to see the brand of ball that Chicago City League teams played and get my standards readjusted for sizing up a ball player. I found our old friend Harley, centre-fielder for Saskatoon in 1914 and for the Cleveland Feds in 1915, favoring in the middle pasture for the amateur (?) Logan Squares, and he was flanked by two ex-big leaguers. Their infield was composed of ex-minor leaguers of mostly class A caliber, and they boasted an ex-big league

The Rogers Park team was much the same in composition, and considering the earliness of the season and a cold day, a nice game of ball was dished up, Logan Squares winning 7 to 6. Both teams showed good fielding ability throughout and the wisdom of experience; but I say only three players who shaped up like hitters, and all three had had a trial in the big show.

After watching these players closely for nine innings, instead of thinking less of some of my players in France, I thought all the more of them. Bill Harley was greatly pleased to see me, and he is going to scout for me this summer for young and promising material for 1920.

There are ten or twelve teams in the City League here, and their season opens April 27th. They play Saturday afternoons and Sundays, from now until October. The players as a rule hold down a good job during the week and receive a regular salary or so much a game for their ball playing. In this way they make more money than they could get by playing ball exclusively, and are laying a foundation for occupation after their baseball days are over. The games draw large crowd and deserve the patronage as the class of ball is really on a par with the minor league brand—DEACON."

A glance through any representative old country labor paper will convince the reader that people in America are far behind Great Britain in the matter of Trades and Labor Unions. It is hard to conceive of a class of workers in Great Britain who have not now a Labor Union through which to express their desires with respect to wages and working conditions. Workers engaged in lines of endeavor wherein the labor movement has not as yet made any more than a spasmodic effort at organization in this country, are in the United Kingdom recognized as a stable and essential part of the Trades and Labor movement.

Those who are enthusiasts along the line of political action by the workers are inclined as a rule to minimize, or at least ignore, the advancement of industrial organization, when referring to Great Britain as an example of progressive action by the working people. As a matter of fact only those who are not in possession of the facts can hold the view that British labor men are relying upon political action alone to bring about better conditions in Great Britain for the toilers.

Regarding the political activities in Britain, we in Canada, because of an insufficient knowledge are likely to assume that all the efforts of the Labor Party are expended in the desire to elect representatives to the House of Commons. This is not the case. Local branches of the party are very active indeed in local affairs, and the representatives of labor are to be found sitting on Town and County Councils, Boards of Education, and all elective bodies for the administration of public affairs. The experience of British labor men has been that in local councils, on Education boards, etc., good service is accomplished in the interests of the workers through the more detailed business transacted by such bodies.

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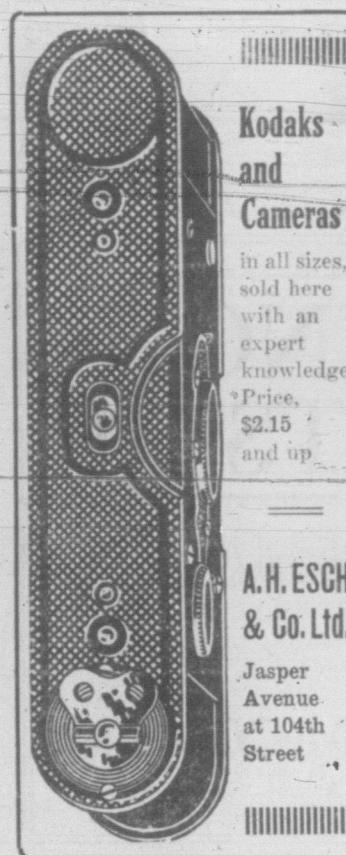
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THE RIGHT TO EXIST

Every business, every industry, whatever it may be, must be prepared to pay wages, work hours and provide desirable working conditions compatible to the health, welfare and happiness of its employees. Otherwise it is not a legitimate business and has no place and no right in the business world. An undertaking that is not sufficiently sound to meet these requirements should not exist.

Wages, hours and working conditions compatible with the health, welfare and happiness of employees is the cornerstone for Reconstruction. Erected on any other basis, it will fall. Beginning there, readjustments must be made.

Wages have been governed heretofore by the law of supply and demand. So has the world been governed by the law of the survival of the fittest. That is recognized, as improper, unjust, detrimental. A new principle arises in the new order of things. So with wages, hours and working conditions.

Business and industries exist through organization of society. Without that organization they would cease. If three grocery stores in a community cannot pay adequate wages and work healthful hours there should be but two such stores. Or the profit margin on groceries must be increased. One section of the public is not entitled to profit unduly at the expense of another section. While competition is the life of trade it is too often the death of human beings.

Once organized on a basis of proper wages and hours, business and industry could carry on better than now. To arrive at that state is not difficult. Fluctuations in costs of commodities and Labor are continual. Let the social welfare of humans determine the wage scale instead of supply and demand, and the end has been achieved. The Factory Act, however improperly administered, is a step in this direction. Increase the wage minimum to guarantee a proper livelihood. Despite protestations that this Act would close businesses and industries, experience has proved the contrary. A Dominion regulation would put all provinces on a footing as equal as before. Whether by legislation or by other means the desired end be attained is not here nor there. The fact remains that the end must be attained. And when a desirable standard has been set, the ability to meet that standard determines the right of any business or industry to exist. If it cannot meet the standard, it is a detriment to the community. And the community cannot suffer for the profit of the individual.

It is not sufficient argument that one's employee at the time being are satisfied with wages, hours and conditions below that standard. While some circumstances might enter which would satisfy that particular set of workers, their lower scale affects not only themselves but others not so situated or disposed. Business and industry must compete on something like an equal basis. Recognition of this principle justifies Organized Labor to seek the elimination of the Open Shop.

SITUATION DELICATE

Employers show a more affable willingness to consult Labor in matters of mutual concern than formerly. It is well. Strong arm methods once common practice among employers have had their day. Any attempt to revive them now would precipitate disaster. Organized Labor is in no mood to trifl. And unorganized and unskilled Labor generally is not the patient and long enduring ox it has been in the past. Labor, organized and unorganized, has its back to the wall. Heretofore its back has been mostly on the ground. But it has struggled to its feet through craft unionism. Organized Labor stands amid other upstanding and outstanding factors of social, industrial and economic reconstruction, seeking by sane, scientific and progressive means to realize that greater world wide democracy. It is anxious to co-operate. But Labor will not be driven. As the day of human slavery had to pass, so has come to pass, and is coming to pass, the day of wage slavery. In this transition stage, the situation is delicate. Organized Labor realizes this by activities from within and especially from without. The employer generally realizes it. If the employing classes of society will cause their ranks to pursue some, sound, just and sensible procedure and keep step with the procession in the march of events, Organized Labor will not be found failing in the function it has to perform.

PROGRESSIVE SUGGESTIONS

Edmonton promises to move forward a step in public education, provided the Public School Board finds it practicable at this time to inaugurate some of the suggestions made in a report of the schools superintendent. The superintendent has recently returned from a trip to eastern centres where active efforts are being made to cause the schools to function in a practical manner. The crux of the report hangs on organizing the schools to focus on the needs of the individual. To that end more emphasis is laid upon the teaching staffs and the direction of the educational work. While proper plants are recognized as essential they are secondary. Reorganization of curricula, more time for school principles to guide and direct educational effort in practical channels, utilization of intelligence tests as a guide to determining fitness and adaptability of boys and girls, and use of standard tests to measure results obtained, are a few of the fundamentals proposed.

WHICH SHALL IT BE?

Saturday or Wednesday for a half holiday is a live question of the day. Merchants of the city largely favor Wednesday. There are some exceptions. Employees largely want Saturday. There is argument on both sides. With Saturday half holiday a more advantageous week-end would be provided. The whole population could have a better play-day Saturday afternoon at ball games, parks, lakes and various places of amusements. With the stores observing Wednesday afternoon as a holiday, a large proportion of people now enjoying the Saturday half holiday would have Saturday afternoon to purchase requirements. They have little other time. Saturday is the busiest business day of the week as it is. How it could be crowded into a half a day appears a question. Handling and caring for perishable foodstuffs also involves a problem. It is recognized further that it is impracticable for everybody to holiday at the same time. So there you are, take your choice.

SINS OF THE FATHERS

Edmonton's present city administration is suffering from the sins of its predecessor. With the exception of hereditary complications proper and sound principles and procedure are adjusting grievances and differences with municipal employees, particularly the street railway men. Improper undertakings assumed by the past administrations are sought to be foisted upon the present one. Hence the difficulty. Right must prevail eventually. It might as well be now as later.

The Edmonton Printing Trades are taking a referendum this week on amalgamation. This is a step in the general march of Trades Unionism toward amalgamation into a closer international unit.

It is unfortunate when Labor becomes so concerned as to method to attain a desired end that well meaning energies are diverted from the goal. There is plenty of room to build new constructive policies and structures without tearing down the work of fellow builders.

Calgary Trades and Labor Council seems to be somewhat perturbed over recent deliberations of the Edmonton Trades Council. The Edmonton Trades and Labor Council appreciates all fraternal council and accepts it in the spirit given. However Edmonton will probably be able to conduct its affairs with reasonable saneness and the alarm felt to the south may be over emphasized. A man once made a fortune by minding his own business.

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Anniversary Celebration Sale

THE HUDSON'S BAY COMPANY celebrates its 249th Anniversary with a six-day selling event, May 1st to 7th. Special reductions on seasonable merchandise are offered to mark our appreciation of past favors on the part of Citizens of Edmonton and district.

We have been planning this sale for months past. A great quantity of merchandise has been bought, which will go on display for the first time during Anniversary Week.

We invite you to visit the Hudson's Bay Store and participate in the many wonderful economy offerings that are being handed out daily.

MAYPOLE DANCE DAILY

4 to 4.45 p.m.

Arrangements have been made with Mrs. M. A. Pimlott to stage a Maypole dance each day on the Second Floor. Eight young school misses will execute this beautiful dance. It will be a performance well worth seeing.



MERCHANDISE OF MERIT

JOURNAL CIRCULATION MANAGER 'FLU VICTIM



Rex Leitch, circulation manager of The Journal, who died Sunday

The death of Rex Reginald Rex Leitch, at the General Hospital Sunday afternoon, of influenza after a short illness of ten days, Edmonton loses a valuable citizen.

Mr. Leitch had for eight years, been circulation manager for the Edmonton Journal, and during that time proved himself a thoroughly capable and well-liked manager. He was a member of the Board of Trade and of the Canadian club, and vice president of the Western Canadian Circulation Managers' association, having been elected to the latter position at a convention held in Edmonton last summer.

His two main policies in regard to his department were first that he must have something of quality to sell and second that the boys who delivered the paper should be treated as integral and important parts of the paper itself. To the execution of the policies his success was probably due in the building up of that paper.

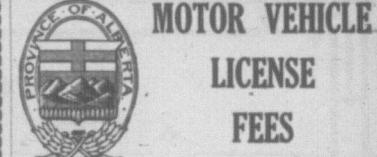
His wife was taken ill shortly after his husband and now lies in a critical condition in the same hospital.

RED TRIANGLE CAMPAIGN NEXT WEEK

A campaign to raise in Edmonton \$25,000 as a part of the National Red Triangle Campaign will be conducted from May 5th to the 9th. The Y.M.C.A. is asking the citizens of Canada to provide \$1,100,000, and of this amount over \$900,000 will be spent in providing comforts and service to returned soldiers in Canada. None of this amount will be spent overseas, for while the Y.M.C.A. will continue its work among Canadian soldiers in England, France, Belgium, Germany and Russia, it is estimated that the profits from the canteens in operation, plus the surplus already on hand will take care of the expenditure for overseas work.

So far as the work in Canada is concerned the great bulk of the \$900,000 which is to be spent for the soldiers, is represented by the cost of erection and maintenance of Red Triangle Clubs and huts of which there are already a number in operation in various cities, one being erected in Edmonton. Locally over \$18,000 will be spent this year in providing facilities for returned men. This is represented by \$14,600 for erection and maintenance of the Red Triangle hut and \$3,500 for furnishings in the association building to provide extra dormitory accommodation for soldiers, the whole of the dormitories having been turned over to the use of the returned men.

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Exceeding 120 inches but not exceeding 125 inches 27.50

Exceeding 125 inches but not exceeding 130 inches 30.00

Exceeding 130 inches but not exceeding 135 inches 32.50

For every motor vehicle exceeding 135 inches 35.00

2. The foregoing fees shall include the cost of one set of number plates.

3. The fee, payable after October 1 in any year, shall be one-half of the fee above prescribed.

4. Fire engines and fire patrol apparatus, police patrol and municipal owned ambulances shall be exempt from payment of the above fees, but such motor vehicles shall be registered and number plates issued on payment of one dollar for each pair of number plates on filing of the statement required under section 3 of "The Motor Vehicle Act."

E. TROWBRIDGE,
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