

Railway Commission Chairman in Wrong

GENERAL GOVERNMENT CENTRE OF CALLS FOR RELIEF

...that unemployment and a reports have been considered... and that the idea in distress... and that the idea in distress... and that the idea in distress...

EMPLOYMENT SHOWING IN ANGRY MOOD IN NOVA SCOTIA

...body of 200 workers raided the... and carried away... and carried away... and carried away...

MINION UNEMPLOYMENT INCREASED LAST MONTH

...employment as reported by... and the labor department... and the labor department... and the labor department...

STATES OFFICIAL SAYS STRIKE IS STAGED

...warning of an impending general... in the country coal industry... in the country coal industry... in the country coal industry...

ONTARIO CONGRESS EXECUTIVE MEET CABINET

...Thursday, Jan. 28, has been... arranged for the regular meeting... arranged for the regular meeting... arranged for the regular meeting...

SOUTH AFRICAN CONFERENCE ABORTIVE

...The conference between the South... African Chamber of Mines and the... African Chamber of Mines and the... African Chamber of Mines and the...

FEDERAL MINISTER DENIES ADVOCATION OF PATRONAGE

...Hon. W. R. Motherwell, federal... minister of agriculture, denied... minister of agriculture, denied... minister of agriculture, denied...

AGRICULTURAL WAGES

...The deadlock between the National... Union of Farmers and the Agricultural... Union of Farmers and the Agricultural... Union of Farmers and the Agricultural...

WAGES BOARD

...The National Wages Board is now... hearing the case for the railway... hearing the case for the railway... hearing the case for the railway...

SEIZE HOSPITAL

...Unemployed occupied the hall and... rotunda of the Dublin Hospital... rotunda of the Dublin Hospital... rotunda of the Dublin Hospital...

ATTACKS SOCIALISTS

...Austen Chamberlain, Government... leader in the House of Commons... leader in the House of Commons... leader in the House of Commons...

LABOR CANDIDATE

...The liberation in the Transworth... division of Warwickshire which was... division of Warwickshire which was... division of Warwickshire which was...

TRADE COUNCILS IN ACTIVE ARRAY AGAINST MRS-STATEMENTS

...Hon. Frank Carvell Has Incensed The Labor... Movement... Hon. Frank Carvell Has Incensed The Labor... Movement... Hon. Frank Carvell Has Incensed The Labor... Movement...

OTTAWA TRADES COUNCIL IN SESSION

...At the regular meeting of the... Ottawa Trades Council, after the... Ottawa Trades Council, after the... Ottawa Trades Council, after the...

DEPT. OF LABOR'S COST RETURNS

...A slight reduction in the cost of... the average family budget, at the... the average family budget, at the... the average family budget, at the...

HAMILTON SCENE OF LABOR MINISTER'S ADDRESS

...Hon. Walter Rolfe's address was... the feature of the session of the... the feature of the session of the... the feature of the session of the...

COMPENSATION BOARD APPOINTMENT UNDER SIEGE

...Complaint that the recent appoint-... ment of Henry J. Halferd, Laborite... ment of Henry J. Halferd, Laborite... ment of Henry J. Halferd, Laborite...

QUEBEC GOVERNMENT AGAINST WOMEN'S SUFFRAGE

...Women who are asking for the... provincial vote have been definitely... provincial vote have been definitely... provincial vote have been definitely...

INTERNATIONAL PRESIDENTS TO BE CALLED TOGETHER

...Samuel Gompers, president of the... American Federation of Labor will... American Federation of Labor will... American Federation of Labor will...

NOVA SCOTIA MINERS CONCILIATION BOARD

...After criticizing the finding of the... British Empire Steel Corporation, J... British Empire Steel Corporation, J... British Empire Steel Corporation, J...

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PATHWAY TO COURTS

The Federation in its review of incorporation energy from opponents states that:

Trade union incorporation is deprecated by modern feudalists and their retainers, who insist that as "capital" (they mean capitalists) is incorporated, trade unions should do likewise, that they may be held responsible for their acts.

This reasoning indicates the low value greed places on the people's intellectual capacity.

Corporations are not formed for the purpose of being "held responsible." The purpose is to evade liability.

Under the partnership form of doing business such partner can contract debts in the name of the company and all other partners are liable for the full amount.

Under the corporation form of doing business this danger is removed. An officer of a corporation can contract debts in the name of the corporation, but only the property of the corporation is liable.

In a partnership each partner has the fate of his associates in his hands. In a corporation the bylaws and constitution of the corporation define the limits of officials.

Corporation stockholders invest what they are willing to lose and can not be held for other damages.

Business men are not compelled to incorporate, but they do so because persons will invest money without being held responsible.

It is now proposed to compel trade unions to do what is optional with business men.

If trade unions were incorporated they would be constantly menaced by the receivership process whereby their property and treasury would be at the whim of hostile courts.

This danger to a corporation does not exist. Its activities are clearly defined in its charter.

The activities of a trade union can not be defined because it is a social institution. It can not be separated from the human beings who compose it.

If a trade union were incorporated it could be thrown into court by any detective, spy or "company man" who is a member of the union, and a property-worshipping judge would decide that the union's activities are not sustained by its incorporation declarations.

With the changing of social viewpoints and the adoption of new methods to meet industrial situations, no militant trade union could function under this system of court espionage.

Aside from reasonable hours, wages and working conditions, which affect the national life, there are high moral reasons for the trade union. The reasons for the corporation are efficiency, profits and limited liability.

The trade union is inseparably linked with each individual member of the union. The success of the union develops the intellectual and physical life of each member.

If trade unions were incorporated national and international organizations would be rather the jurisdiction of federal courts. This would permit injunction judges of the Anderson type to sit in judgment on a union's policies and ideals.

These are the reasons, rather than the professed purpose, why crafty feudalists, and their defenders want trade unions incorporated.

They would have the unions controlled by judges, whose property bias blinds them to an expanding, developing life, who are choked by their legalisms and who are without social vision.

Let no organized worker be lulled by the claim that trade union incorporators only desire unions to be held responsible. Tyranny and wrong never makes direct attack. Its cards are never on the table face up. Its method is stealth, misrepresentation and flank attack. It says one thing and means another.

Organized labor does not shirk responsibility. And even if it did, it can be reached by criminal, civil and common law.

Our opponents know this full well. What they are now aiming at is the heart of trade unionism. They would have their judicial tools pass on its activities, its purposes and aspirations.

They would kill the soul of the labor movement with their judicial dagger and wrap it in the dead parchment of court procedure, custom and judge-made law.

THE UNION IS DEAD LONG LIVE THE UNION

Time works its changes in all things unions not excepted and from 1887 up to the present year the Dock Wharf Riverside and General Workers' Union has been an active force in the organized movement of the British Isles.

"The Moving Finger writes; and having writ, Moves on: all thy Piety nor Wit Shall lure it back to cancel half a Line, Nor all thy Tears wash out a word of it."

With the passing of the year 1921 the old Dockers' Union ceases to exist as a separate entity and merges into the Transport and General Workers' Union.

"The signatory to this message had the honour of founding the Dockers' Union and remaining its General Secretary to the end."

BEN TILLET, General Secretary.

HARBOR TUGS TIED UP

New York—Tug boat owners are being resisted in their attempt to establish the 72-hour week and a wage cut of 20 per cent.

WILL FEDERAL FURNITURE

Washington.—The senate has authorized the federal trade commission to probe the prices in the home furnishings industry.

UNEMPLOYMENT AND WASTE

While it is necessary to bear in mind that the industrial machinery should not be employed, but rather the delivery of goods with a minimum expenditure of energy on its production, it is yet true that at the moment unemployment does for the industrial problem a double-edged sword.

To the extent that private capitalism in the old sense can be said to exist, this is just as great an evil to the capitalist as to the manual worker, although its incidence may not be so personal or so immediately tragic.

It is particularly important to notice the wastefulness of the system. The demand for goods is a snowball of goods; an enterprising manufacturer puts down a plant "at his own expense" as the misleading phrase goes.

NOVA SCOTIA COMPANY DESIRE TO MAKE SELECTIONS The Maritime Labor Herald, a weekly labor paper published at Glace Bay, N.S., reports that the Dominion Coal Company proposes to eliminate certain employees from the membership of the United Mine Workers' Union of District 26.

Both the employer and the employed are so familiar with this cycle that both take steps which they believe will protect them against its effects, but which in fact only make confusion worse confounded.

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Now, without for the moment, discussing the methods by which this defect can be remedied, let us imagine the remedy to be applied and consider its immediate effect on the unemployment problem.

There are still millions of persons wanting goods; the productive system can make these goods; the persons who want them can buy them, and those who make them can be paid for them.

It seems obvious that an enormous stimulation to production would be provided—a stimulation which would be propaganda on its desirability has ever succeeded in evoking; and that the immediate effect of this

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TORONTO VETERANS HAVE INTERVIEWS ON UNEMPLOYMENT

Mr. J. F. Marsh, Toronto, Dominion secretary of the Grand Army of United Veterans, was in Ottawa in connection with a conference with Hon. Dr. Beland, minister of soldiers' civil re-employment, and Hon. James Murdock, minister for labor.

Mr. Marsh requested the government, through the ministers, on behalf of the association, to extend temporary relief measures operated now by the D.S.C.R. on the basis of help only to the pensioner and vocational training man, to include all bona fide unemployed veterans in Canada.

It would seem, then, that although a reduction of prices in relation to purchasing power is not only vital in connection with the more fundamental problems of industry and society, but is the only effective method of dealing with the immediate problem of unemployment, we are not as serious pursuing this policy, but rather one which, if not diametrically opposed to it, is yet wholly inapplicable to the situation.

Mr. Marsh pointed out that the D.S.C.R. present employment service, on account of only having five centers in Ontario, resulted to a great extent in ex-service men leaving their districts and congregating in centres where D.S.C.R. employment is in operation.

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J. W. MacMILLAN, Chairman, Minimum Wage Board.

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MONTREAL PROPOSE PENSION FUND FOR CIVIC EMPLOYEES

The establishment of a civic pension fund, the basis of which would be a contribution of 2 per cent of salary by employees and an addition of an equal total amount by the city, was considered by a committee of the Montreal City Council, appointed to study the subject, which met yesterday.

A draft of the constitution of a pension fund was proposed by the Union of Civic Employees, but pending consultation with officials of the Sun Life Company who had offered their services in formulating such a fund a definite decision was not made.

The special committee to study the subject was formed in December, following a motion to that effect which was proposed by the late Ald. John P. Dixon, who was appointed chairman of the committee. Ald. Gibbins was elected to the chairmanship yesterday.

With the announcement by Gibbins that R. J. Dean, of the Life Insurance Co. had offered services and resources of his office in arriving at a suitable pension fund it was decided to postpone the meeting until the matter could make a report to the conference with the experts.

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