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TAG DAYS BECOMING POSITIVE NUISANCE IN VANCOUVER CITY

Growing Menace of Low Wages to Women Workers Being Accentuated by Idlers.

The W. C. T. U. had a tag-day in Vancouver last Saturday—and, by the way, the begging stunts are becoming a distinct nuisance in this neck of the woods, and none of them can be claimed to be in any good cause.

Holding a Saturday is an excuse to put the cost of maintaining an institution for the care of the mangled and diseased products of mine, mill and factory on to the shoulders of the generous inclined instead of making the employers bear it, as a portion of the machinery charges.

If that course was taken there would be less accidents for it would come too expensive, and more safety devices would be installed.

The Salvation Army "self-denial" week is another imposition that is only possible through the ignorance of the bulk of the contributors and the wisdom of others. After flooding the country with slaves during the summer months by false inducements they turn around and ask for charity to give their victims a Christmas meal. The working man who will help out on that proposition is densely ignorant, and the employer who does the same is wise, for he is helping to maintain and accentuate the bitter competition in the labor market, which means cheap help.

The latest stunt pulled off is an appeal for funds to—what do you think? To build an institution or home for working girls who are paid low wages! If the women of the W. C. T. U. gave one-tenth as much thought to the wage proposition as they do to the trimming of a new hat or the health of their poodles, they would readily see that their action is a direct inducement to the labor-skinner to maintain the low rate of wages and another impelling force to the recruiting of the red-light districts. Consider: The manager of a department store is always looking for the cheapest efficient labor he can find. Competition compels him to do so. Two girls present themselves and apply for the same job. One is a resident of the proposed home, and one is a stranger in the city. Both need the job badly, and each mentally resolves to quote a wage for her services that the other cannot go below. Competition compels them to do so. The girl from the "home" can work cheaper because her living expenses are lower than those of the girl who has just come to town, and she consequently gets the job. The other girl has quoted her lowest figure, a wage barely sufficient to enable her to maintain the requisite strength and her chastity. What is she to do? The home will not be able to accommodate all the girls who have the requisite qualification of starvation wages, but it will have the effect of setting the price for that class of labor. The "outside" girl will have to accept the wage that is just sufficient for the "inside" girl, and not sufficient for her, and make up the deficiency in other ways. If the idea of prostitution as a means of supplementing her income does not occur to her, it will most likely be suggested to her by the prospective employer—it is often done.

From this point of view the W. C. T. U. is driving girls to prostitution, and asking the general public for money to carry on the work.

Cement Workers, No. 140.

Nearly all members working and getting a few applications for membership now and again. We meet every Wednesday evening in Room 205, and a hearty invitation is hereby extended to all cement finishers and helpers to come and help us in trying to secure a living wage for our power to labor.

B. C. F. OF L. EXECUTIVE WILL NAME COMMITTEE TO MEET T. W. CROTHERS

Federal Minister of Labor Will Be Given Assistance of Federation in His Inquiry.

The executive board of the B. C. Federation of Labor held a meeting on Monday evening last, with Messrs. Wilkinson, Burt, McVety, Midgley and Pettipiece present.

President Wilkinson was authorized to name a committee to meet Minister of Labor T. W. Crothers upon his arrival here next month, and go over the provincial situation as to labor conditions with him.

Owing to the acceptance by President Wilkinson of the position of organizer for the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada for the territory west of Medicine Hat, on July 1st, the name of Board Member B. D. Grant, New Westminster, was substituted for that of the president, to be coupled with Jas. Roberts of Moyie, as the Federation's nominees on the proposed B. C. Royal Commission to inquire into labor conditions. Secretary Midgley was directed to advise Premier McBride of the change.

Secretary Midgley will issue the call at once for per capita tax for the July-December term.

The proposal of Vancouver Trades and Labor Council to allot 5,000 shares to the Federation in the B. C. Federationist, Limited, in consideration of the payment of $200 to cover the cost of incorporation, etc., was endorsed by the members present, and the matter will be submitted to the absent members for their consideration by letter at once.

EMPLOYERS RECRUITING CANADA'S UNEMPLOYED AT A TREMENDOUS RATE

Immigration to Canada via ocean ports during April was 41,437 as compared with 35,283 for April last year, an increase of 17 per cent. Arrivals from the United States for April numbered 21,494, as against 16,397 during April, 1911, an increase of 31 per cent. The total immigration for the month was 62,931. During the corresponding month last year it was 51,680.

Glass Workers, No. 40.

Trade is dull at present and some members idle. Bro. W. F. Herforth has gone to Seattle, owing to the conditions that existed here during the winter, he has been forced to seek a more congenial climate; as he was always an energetic worker for the union and his efforts in this direction did not meet with the approval of the employers. Our meetings are fairly well attended and we hope that the Building Trades Council will continue to send delegates to our bi-monthly meetings and help educate our members on the aims and objects of Trade Unionism.

"IMPARTIALITY" OF CITY POLICE COMMISSIONERS

As an evidence of the "impartiality" of the Police Commissioners of Vancouver, in connection with the "unlawful assembly" frame-up of January last, it might be mentioned that Alderman Williamson, one of the commissioners, lost a bet of $10 he had made that "Pettipiece would be sent over the road." Wires must have got crossed, or short-circuited in some of the material of which police commissioners are made.

TRADES AND LABOR CONGRESS PRESIDENT IN EASTERN CANADA

GLACE BAY, N.S., June 8.—The experiences of President Watters of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada and the working conditions obtaining in Cape Breton, has been, according to his own statement, a revelation to him. The long hours of toil, together with the low rate of wages paid, would seem almost incredible to the workers in other parts of the Dominion.

The feature that has struck him as being most significant surrounding employment in some parts of the Island is the scientific system to which the army of special police and spies has been reduced, making it next to impossible for the employees to improve their working and living conditions through organized effort. Should a few men have the hardihood to assemble together for the purpose of discussing matters of vital concern to themselves relating to their daily toil, their bread supply is immediately cut off by losing their jobs.

The repressive measures adopted by many of the employers and put into operation by their force of special police and spies has resulted in crushing out all spirit of resistance in very many of the employees. The tamers of wild beasts know the power of repression and hunger to induce docility. It would seem as though repression and the fear of want has had a like effect on many of the human animals in this land of absolute freedom (?) and liberty(?) So much has the fear of want and distrust of one's fellows been inoculated in the minds of the employees of the larger companies that one hardly dares mention organization.

Among the varied experiences of Mr. Watters during his sojourn in Cape Breton, it may be mentioned that at Dominion No. 1 it was impossible to secure a hall; at New Aberdeen, after the hall had been secured, notice was given that no labor meeting could be held, or if such a meeting was held the coal company would require the owners of the hall to remove the building from the company's property. Every effort to rent a hall at New Aberdeen for the purpose of allowing the president of the Congress to address the miners has proved fruitless.

The indignation of every trade unionist in Canada would have been raised to boiling pitch had they been witnesses of what occurred at New Waterford on the evening of the holding of a meeting there. Before the hour set for the opening of the meeting the general mine superintendent of that district, together with every mine manager and understrapper, backed by a very strong posse of special police, were lined up a few yards from the door of the hall and past which every man with more than the average amount of courage was forced to go to enter the hall. Around the corner, by actual count, something like 150 miners were lined up against a fence desirous of attending the meeting and listening to the address, but on seeing the bunch of preservers of the peace and bosses, their courage failed them, realising full well what it meant to themselves and families should they dare to run the gauntlet. They were compelled to be satisfied by looking at the hall from a distance. About forty men with superb courage braved the bunch of intimidators and constituted the audience addressed by Mr. Watters. Some of them are now suffering as a result; their bread supply being stopped by reason of losing their job. Five of the number were assisted to reach Northern Ontario where they hope to escape the blighting atmosphere and degrading influence of this darkest spot in the Dominion.

W. E. ARMSTRONG.
President, Vancouver Typographical Union No. 226—Delegate to I. T. U. Convention, Cleveland, Ohio—Delegate to Trades and Labor Congress, Guelph, Ont.

The opinion was expressed by the president of the Congress that to live in chattel slavery would be to live in Paradise itself in contrast to the Hades in which so many workers are condemned to eke out a miserable and inhuman existence in many sections of Cape Breton.

At every turn made by Mr. Watters outside of Sydney he has been dogged by the hirelings of the employing companies. He has been subjected to the indignity of being watched like a criminal, and his only crime is that of making an effort to eliminate suffering from the human race caused by poverty and assisting to raise the workers to a higher plane of being wherein life will hold out some joys to them and a ray of the sunshine of pure happiness enter their homes. Contrast the field work in which he is engaged with that of the specials and spies and comment is unnecessary.

Will the workers in the West and in the more favored portions of our Dominion respond to the cry of our workers in the extreme East by words of encouragement, by seeing to it that the facts relating to conditions here are made the common property of the public by doing all that is possible to promote an aggressive campaign of organization?

The degradation of the workers here is the degradation of all the workers of the Dominion; the indignities to which the president of the Congress has been subjected applies with equal force to every organized worker in the Dominion. Let us hasten the day when there will be no East and no West, where the struggle of the workers in any part of the Dominion will be the concern and become the struggle of the workers in every part of the Dominion.

C. N. R. STRIKE, LIKE BANQUO'S GHOST, IT WON'T STAY DOWN

For the three hundred and sixty-fifth time the Daily Province has announced with reference to the C. N. R. strike that the "disturbing element has disappeared from the C. N. R. grade. In fact, this time the "I. W. W. men have vanished." But some how or other the strikers don't seem to know anything about it. And, judging from the frantic efforts of employment agency sharks to secure strike-breakers for the work in question, there has been much reason for the inspiration of the local daily press.

Prince Albert Carpenters Want Raise.

The Brotherhood of Carpenters of Prince Albert, Sask., has unanimously decided to demand 50 cents for a nine-hour day.

W. F. OF M. IN B. C. VOTE TO AFFILIATE WITH THE CONGRESS

Incomplete Vote Indicates Big Majority of District 6 Members Favoring Affiliation.

Semi-official reports to hand from interior points give justification for the belief that the membership of District 6 of the Western Federation of Miners will cast an overwhelming majority for affiliation with the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

J. W. Wilkinson, president of the B. C. Federation of Labor, took the initiative in putting the proposition up tohe miners. Ballots and circular letters were prepared and printed and supplied to District Secretary-Treasurer Andy Shilland, Sandon, who in turn submitted them to the membership, with the probable result forecasted above.

With the affiliation of the metalliferous miners with the Congress practically every union in this province is now identified with the national legislative expression of the Dominion, as well as with the international trade organization, the American Federation of Labor.

Just how far-reaching the result of the miners' action will be upon the future personnel and policy of the Congress is hard to say, but there is nothing problematical as to the splendid influence the new affiliation will have for the good and welfare of the trades union movement of Canada. Both their sterling qualities and the miners speak for themselves.

It is to be hoped that the W. F. of M. will be represented at the Guelph convention in September next, but, owing to the heavy expenses recently in connection with the Kruz vs. Crows Nect Coal Co. case, it is more than possible that no delegates will be sent this year.

British Columbia miners have done their duty, both by the B. C. Federation of Labor and the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

Here's to them—and The Day!

PROMINENT LIBERAL HAS BEEN CONDEMNED TO HANG FOR MURDER

J. P. McConnell, Home-Destroyer, May Be Asked to Assume Serious Charge of Hangman

It is true there is to be a man hanged at Regina on July 1. He voted the Liberal ticket at last election. And that Jack MaConnell may be asked to officiate as hangman is an assumption as fair and warranted, from a "news" standpoint, as one of the sensational announcements made on page one of The Sun last Wednesday morning.

$100 to C. N. R. Strikers.

The C. N. R. strikers are still effectively keeping the contractors busy endeavoring to secure slaves willing to accept less than $3 per day and put up with other conditions that would make a blind-folded mule kick. The local strike committee report encouraging support from Vancouver unions, among the latest to contribute being the hard-shelled Bricklayers, who voted $100 at last meeting. The employment sharks are having the time of their lives getting strike-breakers.

B. C. UNIONISTS' ORGANIZATION CAMPAIGN IS ON

The organizing campaign is on. Every local should appoint a live committee to "ginger up" all delinquents. It will surprise you how many indifferent members can be inspired with new enthusiasm, and be made to feel the responsibility attaching to membership, through a showing of earnestness on the part of fellow members. Try it. The ambitious field man is coming to be more and more appreciated. He is constantly engaged in persuading men to do that which is always straight and manly—to better provide for themselves and dependents. And every officer has a right to expect the co-operation of individual members in making the organization progressive and successful.

THE LOGGERS' UNION MAKING GOOD PROGRESS ALONG PACIFIC COAST

Organizer Geo. Heatherton Working Hard to Build Up Strong Union of Sturdy Workers

The charter for the Federation of Loggers and Lumber Workers' Union has been received during the week by Organizer Geo. Heatherton from the American Federation of Labor, along with a portion of the supplies, etc.

Room 216, Labor Temple, headquarters for the new organization, has been visited by members and applicants for membership during the past week to an extent that augurs well for the future. And to judge from the many expressions of appreciation of the new "home" by the visitors there seems to be no reasonable doubt but that the blanket stiffs, wearers of hob-nail boots, frequenters of bum bunk-houses and participants in the most isolated "he" life of the industrial field of this province, will take a fresh grip and endeavor to do something for themselves.

There are still many difficulties and obstacles to be overcome, but that is what they are for and the men who will solve and remove them will the better be able to build up an organization that will give them some degree of protection from the ever-increasing consolidation of the big timber interests.

The executive board of the B. C. Federation of Labor is lending a helping hand in the work, and an effort will be made at next session to have an amendment made to the Workmen's Compensation Act that will enable the Loggers and Lumber Workers to come within its scope and jurisdiction.

The measure of success, however, largely depends upon the men themselves. The organization will be what they make it.

The Civic Employees' Union has voted $10 towards the Central Labor Body's Free Speech Defense Fund.

UNEMPLOYED TO BE USED IN CITY CHAIN GANG AT BURNABY

Anything "Cheap" Justified in Opinion of Mercenary Minds of Police Commissioners

The Trades and Labor Council has protested to Mayor Findlay, as the chairman of the police commissioners, against the revival of the chain gang. His worship replied that the "commissioners do not recognize that a chain gang exists."

The police commissioners have a weakness for "not recognizing" things. They did "not recognize" the new red light district until the agitation against it had reached such a pitch that Findlay's bluff would no longer serve to hide his hypocrisy.

With regard to the prisoners who are now in the temporary jail at Burnaby, his worship says it is a very profitable arrangement for the city to have the men out there clearing land for the city for the bare cost of their keep. He is the true "Manchester mind." Anything which is cheap would be justified in his sight for that reason without any regard for other aspects of the matter.

Formerly the class of prisoners who are now out at Burnaby were taken to work each morning chained together. At one time the chain gang was essentially a winter institution, but now that there are men who are out of work all the summer through, the gang is an "all the year round" proposition, and it has been found to be "cheaper" to build a temporary jail out at the job than to carry the men back and forth each day, and that is the reason why "the commissioners do not recognize that a chain gang exists."

It does exist, and before next winter is over it will exist more than it has ever done before in the history of Vancouver.

Hordes of men are being shipped over here from Europe to this province, and the emigration laws as applying to unskilled labor have been suspended for the benefit of the railroad contractors against whose iniquitous conditions the railroad construction workers have been on strike for the last three months.

All of which means that next winter when the work is shut down these men will come into town in crowds to augment the army of unemployed which is already here. A few weeks of that kind of thing finds many of them destitute; then it pays better to do something by which the authorities will have to feed a man than it does to starve. Last winter was a record one for holdups, but The Federationist makes the prophesy that next winter will be worse than last.

With no poor-law machinery to provide sustenance for the foodless in return for work worth three times the value of the food, there is nothing but the jail and Findlay's chain-gang.

Sheet Metal Workers, No. 280.

There is a large number of clearance cards coming and going all the time and in fact it looks as if it was moving day with the "tinkers" any and every day. Trade is fair and that is all that can be said about it. As we have no agent in the field at present our members have taken it upon themselves to be each and all of them a business agent.

As we vote so shall we reap.

DUKE OF SUTHERLAND TO REVIVE FEUDALISM IN BRITISH COLUMBIA

Will Transplant Crofters on the Lordly Duke's "Estate" Near Fort George.

The Duke of Sutherland, by kind permission of the firemen of the Olympic, has at last reached British Columbia again. In the course of an interview with a local scribe slave he has assured the people of this country that he has not come out with the idea of attempting to revive the feudal system, but that it is his intention to bring emigrants out to take up land from his holdings at his price.

This would almost seem like bringing coals to Newcastle for his own shire in Scotland consists of 1,297,846 acres, or 2,028 square miles and only one-fourth of this area is under cultivation. The great mass of the surface is grazing ground and deer forest. This fellow has a deer forest for nearly every day in the week, for he own Reay, which is 64,840 acres, Ben Armine and Coirna-fearn, 35,840 acres; Glen Canlah, 34,490 acres, and Dunrobin, 12,180 acres, making a total of 147,110 acres, or more than one-ninth of the whole of Sutherlandshire.

How did the family get all this land?

Well, in the same way that most of the aristocratic families of the old country acquired their landed estates—by robbery. In 1034 A. D. the Norse jarl Thorfin was master of that part of Bonnie Scotia and the Scandinavians who came with him called it Sunderland—"the southern land" or Sutherland. Then the Scottish kings conquered the district and Sutherland was conferred on Hugh Freskin for his share in the business. Hugh Freskin had a son William, who was created Earl of Sutherland in 1228 by Alexander the second. Between the years 1811 and 1820 the Lords of Sutherland evicted hundreds of the crofters on the estate to make way for the deer forest. These people were driven down to the seashore and told that they could go to Canada on two ships which were hired to take them. Some came, but others crept back to their little stone hovels, only to be rooted out again by the bailiffs of the lord. This time there were no huts left to crawl back to, for the bailiffs burnt them to the ground, and the wretched cotters were reduced to eating the shell-fish on the shore to keep themselves alive.

The lord was not satisfied at that, so he claimed his right to the shore above high-water mark and those which had not already died from starvation and exposure were scattered abroad. Since then attempts have been made to re-people some of the estate—for instance, the Glen of Strathraven—but without success. So the Duke who cannot build up a shire is hailed out here as a Builder of Empire and his ancestor is that one was a land pirate. Really he is only another addition to the real estate sharks that infest the West.

The only difference between him robber, whilst he is just a land jobber.

Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers.

As we have been unable to fake much of an impression on the large number of alleged lathers who have blown in here from all parts of what is supposed to be a civilized world, in search of the elusive job, we have dispensed with the services of a business agent, and the members are each doing their part in building up the union. Trade is dull and the prices to be obtained for work is decreasing every day. A large number of bosses have gone back to work in order that they may be able to have enough to eat on, and every one of them is trying to look happy.

W. R. TROTTER AND J. W. WILKINSON AS ORGANIZERS

J. W. Wilkinson, president of the B. C. Federation of Labor, and W. R. Trotter of the Typographical Union, well and widely known throughout the empire labor movement, have been appointed organizers for the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada for the territory west of Winnipeg. According to directions of the Congress executive council, they are to begin work on July 1st and conclude in September. Mr. Wilkinson will cover Vancouver Island and all the territory west of Medicine Hat. Mr. Trotter will begin at Edmonton and work the field as far east as Winnipeg.

No more popular appointments could have been made by the Congress in Western Canada. They will both make good.

CIGARMAKERS GIVE EVIDENCE OF REAL LIFE AND JOLT OTHERS

Take Some of Their Own Advice and Prod Up Fellow Unionists in Passing

The order of business, reports from unions, is very often omitted in the Trades and Labor Council meetings, or else made so very brief that hereafter the columns of The Federationist will contain the Cigarmakers' report.

I consider the reports from unions should be the most important order of business in the council meetings.

How are we to know what firm is unfair, what house has had its card removed from it, what article bears the union label, etc., if this order of business is lightly passed over, or put on a par will the roll call?

If each union affiliated would send in to The Federationist a report of its activities then we could dispense with that order of business, reports from unions.

The council has so much business to attend to now that its sessions should be held weekly, or else every other Thursday. Three or four hours sitting and following closely the routine of business is too much of the good thing after a hard day's work. More sessions and shorter ones, with a full house when the bills are passed before adjournment is preferable to long sessions and a corporal's guard at adjournment.

International Convention.

The Cigarmakers will hold a convention in Baltimore in September. The last one was held sixteen years ago in Detroit. Local 357 has elected its secretary, John Peuser, to represent them. Needless to say some interesting things will happen at that convention. Matters of interest, like the the universal label, old age pension, political action and others will keep the old guard on uneasy street.

New Cigar Centre.

Kelowna, "the home of the big red apple," is developing into quite a cigar centre. The natives up there raise tobacco and a company with money has started manufacturing cigars out of it. With the protection the Inland Revenue Act gives them and the superior workmanship of the union cigarmakers, this company should make good. The company intend to employ twenty men soon, and all their goods will be decorated with the blue label.

Trade Conditions Fair.

Locally trade is fair, but nothing to write home about. It would be, though, if all the cigar stands in Vancouver contained as many union made cigars as Victor Midgeley's cigar stand in the Labor Temple. Vic is enterprising and a good friend of the local cigar makers and is deserving of the patronage of the union men of Vancouver. Show him that your taste is unionized. Cultivate the habit of assisting your fellow unionists, and the non-unionists or scabs won't find things so easy. Most of the cigars you see advertised on the bill boards are not union made.

Strike Donation.

We made a second donation to the I. W. W. strikers on the C. N. R. We have running assessments of $1 per month besides regular dues and spend it all. It takes money to make the mare go. Financial assistance has sympathy beat a mile. Most union men are heavy on sympathy, but slow to come across the table with the collateral. We should take a few lessons from the sky-pilots; they know how to get the coin from their membership. If we union men were as clannish as the Scotch and bought from one another like the Jews, that is, one unionist buy the work of another union man, and I could catch a big steelhead trout next Sunday, things would be coming right. Here's congratulations to you, Mr. Editor, that you are not working on the chain gang. Will repeat next time I feel real revolutionary

R. J. CRAIG.

Amalgamated Society of Carpenters.

All branches report members fully employed and the prospects indulged in earlier in the year as to increase in membership are now being justified. Our district office, wise in its day and generation, has placed another organizer in the field, in the person of Brother Denys. His territory will be the district of South Vancouver, Central Park and New Westminster.

Marble Workers, No. 92.

Trade is fair and most of our members are working. As we are a small local there is nothing startling to report, except that there are very few non-union marble workers west of the Rocky Mountains, but still there are enough marble workers on the Pacific Coast for the number of jobs to be had.

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"MEN WITH A PURPOSE."

"Men with a purpose" very aptly describes the officers and active participants in the international organized labor movement.

Slowly, but surely, handicapped by all the powers of government and employing class institutions of every sort, faced with the grim fearfulness of dependency while working like mules, and poverty and starvation when there is no master having use for a few more slaves to pile up profit for him, the members of the world's working class are striving for a goal.

They are beginning to understand what must be done and how to do it. all times protest against any en power increases. Today thousands, aye, millions of propertyless men and women are uniting for a "purpose."

Primarily the struggle is not for more wages and less hours. This is by the way.

The "purpose" of the intelligent working class is to take such steps as will secure to those who create wealth the wealth they create; to enjoy the full product of the "business" they make possible.

The "purpose" is to be accomplished by constitutional means, if possible.

A careful analysis of the methods by which the present employing class, few in number, hold the world's working class at their mercy, reveals the line of action that must be pursued.

The key to the world's storehouse lies in the possession of the law-making and hence law-enforcing powers.

The "men with a purpose" are learning this at a rate that is causing a good deal of anxiety on the part of as ruthless a ruling class as ever trod this old planet.

And there will be plenty of need for worry on their part. Their days are numbered as industrial kings, holding the lives of men in a far more merciles position than ever was the lot of a chattel slave.

The countless industrial workers of the world are rapidly catching a glimpse of the "purpose" of their own movement, a movement that is as old as the race itself.

Necessity is compelling them to do the rest, whether they like it or not.

And thus the present-day membership of organized labor is a part of an epoch-making economic force that, as Wm. MacAdams would say "will go clattering down the corridors of history."

Never was there a more interesting period in the international working class movement. This because of the men "with a purpose."

LABOR DAY.

At the last meeting of the Trades and Labor Council the executive were instructed to report on the desirability of holding a Labor Day celebration this year. The general consensus of opinion appears to be that some recognition should be given the occasion by organized labor of this city. It may be stated that that legal holiday was created for something more than an occasion for sport and recreation. It is a chosen anniversary upon which working people especially might come together for suitable and worthy suggestions, calculated to advance their interests. As an anniversary, commemorative and educative, it can be compared to the First of July. On Canada's natal day citizens join in the festivities not merely because it is a holiday, but because it affords opportunity to instill into the minds of the rising generation that the Dominion is a nation and that they must bear their share of the burden to help make it one fit for the humbiest to be proud to live in. Labor Day should be celebrated in a similar spirit—as a great day of justice. In an ideal world, in one of perfect freedom and equal rights, such celebrations would not be necessary, and labor unions themselves would have no use for existing. It is only the struggle between the two great conflicting interests of this sphere that render them necessary.

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Were it not for the dependent mother or wife and children at home the laborer would be quite willing to meet his oppressor, face to face, single-handed, and in case of gross provocation demolish him on the spot. The real object of labor organizations is not to take from capital its property, but to demand for labor what it has already earned and what, therefore, rightfully belongs to it. Unions are not formed merely to raise wages. If gaining an extra dollar were all that a workingman had in view, it would be easy for him to work on through the night and thus make money. But think of an honest workman getting up at 5 or 6 o'clock in the morning and hastening away to his day's work, leaving his children asleep and on returning home at night to find them again with their eyes closed, with no opportunity of even getting acquainted with his children. What right has any man or set of men to compel a human being to labor thus from day to day in order to be allowed the privilege of living? Is life, then, to be made a mere existence—like that of his co-worker, the horse? Is the laborer to have no knowledge of the great universe—the stars that twinkle above his head—of the earth—of the world of nature and of art that is around him on every side? He can not gain a knowledge of these things without opportunity, and he cannot have opportunity without time. It is for this reason and with this main object in view that labor unions address themselves to the task of securing shorter hours and better working conditions. Someone has said that the eight-hour day obtains in Vancouver—what more do you want? Does it? If every union in this city were to disband, it would not be 48 hours before the length of the workday would be increased and the wages decreased. Labor Day is, therefore, all important to the wage-working class, and should be heartily and enthusiastically celebrated in the Terminal City in September next.

LABOR BUREAUX.

Vancouver has a surfeit of employment bureaux, yet nearly every morning may be seen hundreds of men standing around these offices on Cordova, Water and Powell streets, reading announcements of "help wanted" posted on the blackboards. These out-of-works are mostly new arrivals from all points of the compass. They come here to better their conditions from places as a rule where organized labor is not strong. Thus they come without recognized certificates of membership in the unions.

Application to an employment agency for a job is made and the scheduled fees are paid for the privilege of securing work. If employment is accepted from these sources, whether it turns out as represented or not, the agent considers his contract fulfilled, and keeps the applicant's money for his services in finding him an alleged job. Of course, it hardly needs to be said that almost invariably the position thus given out is located outside the city and out of the jurisdiction of the union. And that is just where all the trouble arises.

After a few trials to secure a position this way, the workman discovers that all the best contractors and employers in and around this city hire none but union men. He finds this out to his bitter cost and unnecessary inconvenience that he was put to. In due course, he goes to the Labor Temple and consults a business agent of his trade or calling to air his grievances and to enquire about chances of getting work at wages enough to live on.

During the strike of the Industrial Workers of the World on the Fraser river the past couple of months scores of men were sent to the trouble zone, there to be disappointed and to lose what little amount of money they may have had. On their return to the city they are sadder but wiser men.

Some of the employment agencies here have connections with private labor bureaux at Seattle, Tacoma and other American cities. Men making applications at these points for work are often sent on to Vancouver. Before embarking for this city, however, they are each given a printed form, duly filled in and attested to by the agent there. These are presented to agents here, and the job-seekers are sent on to the railway contractor on contractors to be put to work at non-union rates and conditions.

Instances of this kind are of almost daily occurrence in spite of the fact that notices are circulated far and near by the unions regarding the state of trade at the coast.

It may be added that this does not apply to union men arriving from other parts of the country. They bring their traveling credentials with them, which show their standing as unionists, and then their names are accordingly registered in the out-of-work book. Each one awaits his turn to be put to work. Some mornings plenty of men are wanted and at other times they are not. Men applying for jobs this way pay nothing at all for the privilege of going to work.

When all the union men are engaged and no more can be supplied, the non-unionist may be given a temporary chance. The rules of the unions stipulate that a brother member must be given employment in preference to all others and this principle is rigidly adhered to.

After all it would be interesting to know the relationship between the necessity for "cleaning up" the city and the importation of hundreds of "domestic servants" under the auspices of the emigration department of the Salvation Army. This, combined with the miserable wages paid by church deacons operating departmental stores and factories of one kind and another, probably accounts for the present intensification of the social evil in Vancouver. The Good Government League and moral reformers never get any further than berating effects. The cause of it all is imbedded where they dare not disturb it. Hence occasional spasms and waves of morality that do nothing more than stir up the stink. So long as there is profit in sex or mental prostitution both will exist. Make it possible for men and women to secure the product of their toil and thus have homes and be economically free and the problem will solve itself. Women members of the Typographical Union receive the same pay and work the same short hours as men. Statistics will prove that less than five per cent of them ever sell their bodies. They don't have to. Here is a lesson, even under the present social system.

If union men did their duty on the job there would be need for fewer busines agents and the work of union officers would be made worth while. Some unionists seem to think that as soon as they elect and pay a fellow to do for them what they are too cussed lazy or unwilling to do for themselves, they have a license to do nothing but backcap all and sundry. If it were not for the officers of unions putting themselves up to the continual fight they do for those they represent there is no telling what the bosses would reduce the standard of living to. For all the spinal-column some wage-workers have they ought to be taken to Coquitlam or exhibited as somnambulists. All of which goes to show that unionists must fight not only their own battles, but the battles of the drones and cheapjohn cap-in-hand variety who participate in the results of their efforts. Wage-workers who refuse to join unions can scarcely be relied upon to do anything else when it comes to a showdown, industrially or politically.

Men who can qualify for the job of a policeman believe that the club is mightier than the pen. They are compelled to speak in language that they can understand.

If you want a thing done well, do it yourself. Capital wants labor done brown, and so tends to the job itself, by directing the laws and governments of the province and the Dominion.—The Wage-Earner.

A report of the activities of the local Conservative Association corroborates the claim recently made by The Federationist that the government payroll should be substituted for the voters' list. It would save a lot of unnecessary bother to the Beaver Club.

Time is the great adjuster. Premier McBride has struck his stride. On the 29th of this month he will "open" the Calgary exhibition. Frof there he will likely proceed to Illecillewaet, Spuzzum, Roseberry, Gladstone Inn, Coquitlam and Gibson's Landing. As an "exhibition" opener he will do.

According to the society columns of The Daily Province, a prominent member of Vancouver's West End has returned from Victoria, where she had been living (d)ecently. As shocking as this would seem, what the same paper had to say of a Pantages actress would not look well in this great family weekly.

The Federationist is compelled to admit that the policy of the Police Commissioners with reference to the segregation of the social evil is the only tenable position that can be assumed, so long as there is necessity for mental, physical or sex prostitution. The damning effects of the policy of scatteration will take years to eradicate.

Next week The Federationist will issue a special supplementary edition, upon the occasion of the opening of the new Labor Temple and the commencement of The Federationist as a weekly publication. It will be well illustrated and contain articles from the pen of George Bartley covering a number of local labor organizations. It has met with the hearty support of Vancouver and New Westminster advertisers.

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Keep cases on the unionist who is forever growling about the mistakes of the other fellow, and how the union would thrive were it not for so and so. He is a cousin to the fellow who complains of "the clique that runs the union." It will take more than bellyaching to solve the Labor problem. The wage-worker or officer who is so busy doing things that he has no time to chase down yarns concerning himself, circulated by defamers who are too jellybacked to make the same charges on the floor of the union, will vindicate himself sooner or later. "Men who makes no mistakes make little else."

In every community we find a number of old sages whose intellectual stock in trade consists in the hoary old chestnut, "It always was that way and it always will be that way." And yet, if modern science and the known history of our race teaches us anything at all, then it is that "nothing is eternal but change and interchange." To-day is the child of yesterday, and the parent of tomorrow. What was good enough for our father is not good enough for us. And what we regard as the sublime height of perfection will be thrown on the scrap pile by our children. The world moves ever onward and upward. Those who refuse to move with it are left behind. Thost who throw themselves in the path of progress are crushed to death. —Oscar Ameringer.

If the wage-workers of Vancouver and other school districts of British Columbia are wise in their day and generation they will take a leaf out of their German comrades' book and make up their minds to elect school trustees of their own class. At the present time there is a dangerous tendency in the policy of the public schools of this province, not the least of which is the pernicious military and flag-waving spirit being instilled into the minds of the workers' children. Another thing that requires the attention of the working class representatives on school boards is the ridiculously low "salaries" being paid to school teachers, janitors and other employees of the public schools. Pending the time when the workers secure possession of the provincial reins of government, which includes the Department of Education, there is much that could be accomplished as a result of having workingclass trustees on the school boards of the province. And right now is the time to prepare for such a programme.

An excerpt from a letter written to a Vancouver unionist by Christian Sivertz, secretary of Victoria Trades and Labor Council reads: "It maters very little whether a man works at driving nails or driving pigs, or whether a painter or a peddler, he is a working man and has an identity of interest with all the working men of every description and calling. The only man that is out of the Labor movement is the man (I mean the workingman) that has, in a moment of weakness, fallen a victim to the seductive ways of the agencies of capitalism, agencies of moral prostitution that every now and again catch some of the bright but ambitious and reckless members of the workingclass, and, having once caught them, hold them in bondage more loathsome than chattel slaves, for the purpose of leading the workers away from the paths of their own salvation to the shambles of capitalism. Any man has a chance and place in the Labor movement as long as they live and their sympathies are with it."

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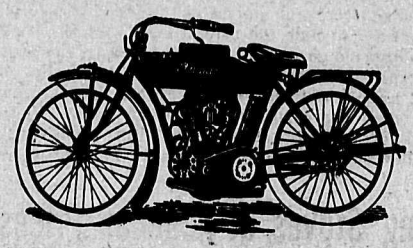

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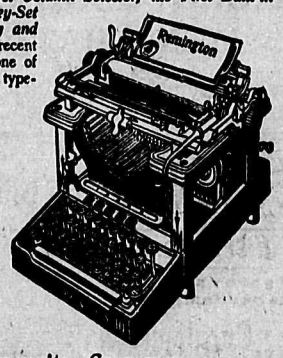

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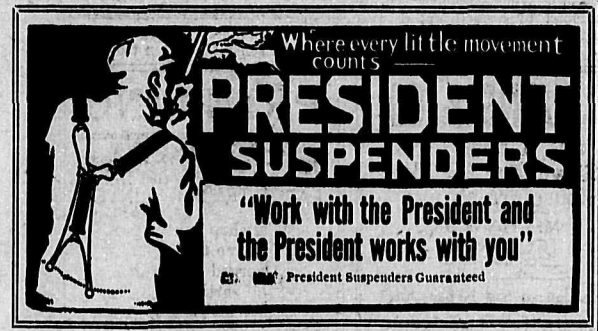

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UNION WAGE-WORKERS SHOULD USE THEIR PURCHASING POWER

The $25,000 Spent Every Day by Vancouver Unionists Should Be for Union Labeled Goods.

The Federationist cannot help but think, sometimes, that perhaps wage-workers are neglecting to use as they should their one best friend—purchasing power. What with so much political agitation, with so many theories as to what labor should and should not do, it looks a little as if union men are neglecting, in a certain measure at least, the old, true and tried friend—PURCHASING POWER.

In Vancouver at the very lowest calculation, the 8,000 members of organized labor spend at least $25,000 every day in the year. Is there a man so dense as not to know that, were the union workers to spend this intelligently, it would be an almost irresistible power for good—good for the unions?

Let's play politics just as much as we feel inclined to. It is an interesting game, a very fascinating game, but one we are just beginning to learn.

But while playing this game we are neglecting our old friend—our purchasing power. Getting just a little careless. We don't insist upon the Union Label at all times; we are not as careful as we might be in buying from men who are friendly to all unions. Suppose we take stock and see whether we are true to our union principles. Look over the clothes we wear, think about the tobacco we smoke and chew, think of the stores we patronize, think of the house we live in—think of everything conected with our purchasing power—and then decide whether we are are all doing our full duty as union men. If not, then we are injuring ourselves and injuring our loved ones. For remember, it is up to us. Few, indeed, are the business men who will not vie with each other for our trade, making whatever concession there might be necessary to get it, but we must impress upon them that we are union men and women—uncompromisingly so.

So, let's take stock, and if we have been neglectful or careless as to how we have been spending our wages then let's make a new start and forever after be consistent union men, so far as spending our money is concerned.

Now that Premier McBride has returned from the Old Country the executive board of the B. C. Federation of Labor may reasonably expect to be advised of the appointment of two of its nominees to the Royal Commission to inquire into labor conditions throughout British Columbia.

A writer who repines in fortunate obscurity recently stated that labor does not produce all wealth because there is a great quantity of labor expended in producing nothing. In other words because a baseball bat may be used to brain a man, or knock down a fence, it is not always necessary to have a bat to play baseball.

The secretary of every union in B. C. should be made a commissioner for taking affidavits within their several electoral districts for the purpose of placing the names of wageworkers on the voters' lists. The Beaver Club may control the government pay-roll, but the industrial pay-roll, if organized properly, will make it possible to put Mr. Bowser where he belongs—in some of the fine jails he is having built by the workers for the workers.

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OFFICIAL MINUTES VANCOUVER TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Routine Business Occupied Greater Part of a Well-Attended Busy Session.

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 6.—Regular meeting Vancouver Trades and Labor Council convened this evening at 8 o'clock, President Wilkinson in the chair, and other officers, except the statistician, present.

Minutes of previous meeting read and approved.

Credentials.

Bakers—C. G. Ferguson and A. M. McCurrach, vice present delegates.
Musicians—Chas. F. Ward, vice Evans.
Barbers—Michael Kalick, vice Sutliff.
Painters—A. W. Abbs, vice Davies.
Typographical—L. Hornett and J. Rankin, vice Armstrong and McMurray.
Credentials received and delegates obligated.

Communications.

From W. J. Pipes, secretary Parliamentary Committee, notification of absence of Council's representatives on that committee. Referred to election of officers order of business.

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES.

Executive.

Executive met evening of June 5th. Present: Dels. Wilkinson, McMillan, Kernighan, McVety, Kavanagh, and the secretary.

Communication from A. D. Cartwright, secretary Board of Railway Commissioners, Ottawa, acknowledging receipt of Council's letter of May 21st, re protection at Powell Street. Filed. Concurrence.

From Frank Morrison, secretary of American Federation of Labor, Washington, D. C., acknowledgment of Council's letter of May 21st, re Civic Employees' Union. Filed. Concurrence.

From W. J. Bowser, attorney-general, Victoria, in re Council's protest against re-establishment of chain gang in Vancouver. Filed. Concurrence.

From James Findlay, mayor and chairman of Police Commissioners, Vancouver, acknowledging receipt of Council's letter of May 25th, refusing to abolish chain gang and advising that "the Board purpose continuing to maintain it." Filed. Concurrence.

From F. A. Shaw, agent Chauteauqua Managers' Association, dated Portland, asking for a date for John Mitchell at $250. Recommended that offer be declined; secretary to acknowledge letter. Concurrence.

From Jas. H. McVety, secretary Vancouver Labor Temple Co., Ltd., calling shareholders' meeting for May 27th. Executive's action endorsed. Concurrence.

From Wm. McQueen, city clerk, Vancouver, acknowledging receipt of three communications from the Council. Filed. Concurrence.

From Victor R. Midgley, secretary B. C. Federation of Labor, Vancouver, proposal to have Federation take over the publication of the B. C. Federationist, now the property of the Council.

Your committee report as follows:

"In connection with the above communication from V. R. Midgley, secretary of the B. C. Federation of Labor, your committee cannot see its way clear to recommend that the Council permit the Federation of Labor to take over The Federationist; but submits the following for the consideration and approval of the Council:

"1. That the secretary be authorized to instruct our solicitor to proceed with the incorporation of a joint stock holding company, under the B. C. Companies Act, to be capitalized at $20,000; $20,000 shares at $1 each.

"2. That upon consideration of $200, to cover the cost of incorporation, etc., the Council will allot to the trustees of the B. C. Federation of Labor 5000 shares in the company, to be known as The B. C. Federationist, Limited.

"3. That in consideration of the name and goodwill of The Federationist 5000 shares shall be allotted to the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council."

McMillan-Kavanagh: That the recommendation of the executive committee be adopted. Carried unanimously.

Ward-Macdonald: That the executive be authorized to appoint its quota of provisional directors of The B. C. Federationist, Limited. Carried unanimously.

The following accounts recommended for payment: Bond & Rickett's, lettering door, $1.75; White & Bindon, office supplies, $3.90; Modern Supply Co., Ltd., office supplies, $3.25; R. P. Pettipiece, May wages, $10; telegram to Frank Morrison, Washington, $1.50; postage, $1; Jas. Campbell, May wages, $10; Cook Bros., lettering door, $2. B. C. Federationist: E. T. Kingsley, stock, composition, press work, folding, mailing and mailing list, issue No. 60, May 20, $87.50; 500 advertising contract forms $4; Carpenters' Studio, two proof sheet photos, $3; R. Baitson, com. on H. C. Co., advt., $26; R. P. Pettipiece (cash), P.O. Dept., $14.50; sponge, 25c; rubber stamp, 25c; $15.00; wages, May 18 to June 8, $90; G. Bartley, services on special edition, $40.00; J. H. Burrough, stenographic services, May 18 to June 8, $15.00; Cleland-Dibble Engraving Co., cuts for special edition, $8.75; total, $289.25. Concurrence.

Parliamentary Committee.

Secretary Pipes reported that at their last meeting credentials had been received from the Tailors, Electrical Workers, Bookbinders, and Tile Layers' unions and delegates seated.

The compound system prevailing in mining and lumber camps in British Columbia, and the Workmen's Compensation Act were among the questions discussed by the committee, but no recommendations were ready for submission to the Council as yet. Meantime Dels. Blumberg, Palmer and Partridge were named as a sub-committee to enquire into the Workmen's Compensation Acts of British Columbia, Saskatchewan, Manitoba, Ontario and Washington, with a view to framing suitable amendments for the B. C. Act.

Your committee recommends that inasmuch as the salaries of the judges, clerks, policemen and other officials of the government have been raised from time to time, and the remuneration to members of petit juries has remained the same, that this Council draft a letter to the Attorney-General asking that petit jurors' wages be raised from the ridiculous figure of $2 per day to $5 per day while attending assizes, whether called or not. Concurrence.

Organization Committee.

Del. McMillan reported taht an organization meeting of Stationary Engineers would be held on the evening of June 12, at Labor Temple.

Free Speech Defense Committee.

Del. McVety reported that at the recent assizes the secretary of the Council, with six others, had been acquitted of the charge of being participants in an "unlawful assembly," though others, who had chosen speedy trials before Judge McInnes, were sent to jail for from three to six months. Recommended that the Council vote $90, along with $60 already contributed by others to the fund, $150 in all, towards the payment of counsel's fees in connection with the case. Carried unanimously.

Reports of Unions.

Building Trades Council—Del. McMillan reported all the union building tradesmen fairly well employed, but there were still too many men for the available jobs. Membership all along the line growing. The Council was holding a series of open educational meetings the first Monday of each month, and judging from the results of the first one the experiment would prove a success.

Civic Employees—Del. Bunce reported organization doing well; Business Agent Trainer doing good work; membership increasing.

Musicians—Del. Ward reported Franklin's orchestra as unfair to their union. The Sixth Regiment and City Bands were also non-union. The Seventy-second Highlanders and the Musicians' Union Bands were the only two union bands in the city.

Painters—Del. Freckelton reported trade conditions rather dull.

Barbers—Del. Burkhart reported progress; three more shops unionized since last meeting; lost one; trade fair.

New Business.

After considerable discussion as to time, a motion prevailed fixing Sunday, June 16, at 4 p.m., as a date for the delegates of the Council to meet at the new Labor Temple for the purpose of having an official photograph taken.

McMillan-Freckleton: That this Council endorse the demand of the Painters, asking the City Council to introduce a clause in the civic health bylaws providing for the removal of all old paper or kalsomine before fersh coats are put on; and that a committee be named to co-operate to that end. Carried.

During the discussion ex-Del. Nagle was given the floor.

Del. Pipes introduced a resolution protesting against the proposal to have the Park Commissioners becoming parties to the making of an artificial lake of Coal Harbor, and submitted a plan that he felt wage-workers would be more interested in. Upon motion the question was referred back to the Parliamentary Committee, the plan endorsed, and the committee authorized to send a sub-committee to meet the Park Commissioners at their next meeting in support of Del. Pipes' proposal.

Del. Harlock raised the question of the Brockton Point recreation grounds being leased to Con Jones, but no action was taken.

Freckelton-Burkhart: That the executive committee be instructed to take up the question of a celebration in Vancouver on Labor Day. Carried.

Del. Scarlett wanted to know what the Council's Label Committee was doing. Referred to Chairman Burnham.

Gow-Pipes: That this Council hold special mass educational meetings from time to time to discuss trade unionism and its meaning.

Amendment—Ward-Knight: That the motion be laid on the table for four months. Carried.

Receipts: $66.75; disbursements, $182.40.

Adjournment, 10:30.

Sixty-seven delegates present.

J. W. WILKINSON, President.
R. PARM PETTIPIECE, Secretary.

CURSE OF COWARDICE AND SERPENT-LIKE STING OF THE BACK-GAPPER

Says a writer in the women's column of one of the local daily papers, which has equal application in the Labor movement:

It is remarkable how easy it is to fall into the habit of casting reflection on the character or the methods or the motives of some one. Do we ever reflect how this habit grows on us until we rarely fail to call attention to some defect in each person who may be mentioned? It may be without malicious intent; it may be without any realization on our part that we are detracting from the good name of some friend or acquaintance; it is certainly without stopping to consider that we are doing ourselves an injury, for these things must sooner or later react on the accuser—whatever their effect on the accused. If we could avoid making rents in the character and reputation of our neighbor, at least with such care as we would now avoid making rents in his or her garments, there would be fewer cases for the courts to decide. Most of us are quick to protect the tangible property of a friend, but we ofttimes allow the flames of insinuation to destroy a good name, with never an effort to extinguish them.

Such condition will come only when the unkind or thoughtless remark is condemned by public and private opinion, at least to the extent that we now condemn the destruction of goods and chattels that belong to another. It will be brought about when we realize that we cannot hurt others without hurting ourselves—that helping others is the one and only way by which we may help ourselves.

Firemen to Meet at Calgary.

If the efforts being made are successful, Calgary will be the scene of the 1914 convention of the Brotherhood of Firemen and Engineers.

Revelstoke Blacksmiths Affiliate.

Revelstoke local of the Blacksmiths and Helpers have voted in the affirmative on the proposition of joining the B. C. Federation of Labor.

Lowery's Fine Distinction.

In Vancouver they put your name in the paper if you get drunk, but if you rob a bank they keep it out, for fear it will break your mother's heart. No one should rob a bank in Vancouver who has a mother living.—Greenwood Ledge.

Rossland Miners to Elect Officers.

Rossland Miners' Union will vote next week for officers of their Local, and for officers of the Western Federation of Miners, whose headquarters are at Denver, Colo.

Those nominated for office in the Rossland Local are:

President, Messrs, Sam Stevens, Ezra Campbell, T. P. Mulligan.

Vice-president, Messrs, James Anson, Albert Richards.

Financial secretary, H. Varcoe, (no oppposition.)

Province of Alberta Leads Way.

The Attorney-General of Alberta, speaking at Edmonton on May 15 at a campaign meeting, promised that the "thirty-foot clause" in the Compensation Act would be eliminated. This ridiculous provision, which provides that no compensation can be claimed for injuries suffered by a workman who falls from a building thirty feet or less in height, is also incorporated in the B. C. act, and judging from the results of the late provincial elections it meets with the approval of the working class voters of the province.

Calgary Painters' Schedule.

Calgary Painters have secured an agreement with their employers, of which the increase of 5c per hour is the least important gain. It includes the Saturday half holiday, overtime at the rate of time and a half to midnight and double time after, bi-weekly payment of wages, one apprentice to every four journeymen, to serve not less than three years; foremen on jobs valued at $1000 and over to receive 5c an hour extra; no mixing of paints or carrying of material outside working hours; traveling expenses to work outside the city to be paid both ways; time while traveling; extra living expenses incurred, and all expenses outside of the city for less than six days. Business Agent Taylor is to be credited for the successful manner in which he conducted the negotiations. The agreement expires on the last day of March, 1914.

Painters and Paperhangers, Local 138.

It has often been said that Painters rush onto a scaffold where bosses fear to tread, and there is quite a lot of truth in the statement. At present there is a number of our members who have not the opportunity to do so, and with the cut-rate prices prevailing, by a number of alleged boss painters, the outlook is none too bright, but, with our present membership, "we are satisfied" that we are able to hold our own with anything that looks like a boss painters' organization, all other statements to the contrary notwithstanding. At last meeting the delegates to the Trades and Labor Council were instructed to introduce a resolution to be forwarded to the Health Department, asking that a Health Bylaw be enacted providing that before any place that is used for housing human beings be repapered or recalsomined, that all old paper or calsomine be removed from the walls or ceilings of such places. While this may look to some unenlightened individuals as if the Painters were trying to secure more work for their members, we take this opportunity of reminding them that the states of New York and Illinois have made this a state law, the infraction of which is punishable by fine or imprisonment or both, and we have yet to learn that either of these legislatures are composed of members of the Painters or any other union. So hide your little hammer and take lessons in the art of Eugenics instead.

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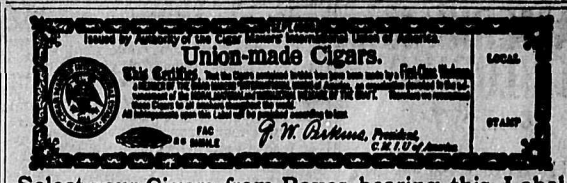

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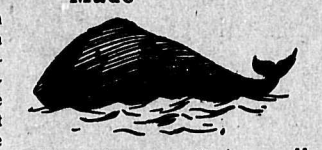

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MUSINGS

(By the Poor Scotchman.)

A. Y. T., Savona, B. C.—Yes; Mayor Findlay was at the Kirmess, dressed in Georgian costume, but, judging from the record of his doings at the city hall, cap and bells would be more appropriate.

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Seeing that the Allied Printing Trades have started an educational campaign on having the Union Label on all printing, why not start with the members in the Province chapel?

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"Roosevelt carries South Dakota." Strong man, eh?

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M. V. R., city—Sir William McKenzie, the distinguished railway builder, says "that Vancouver is the objective point on this coast of the Canadian Northern Railway." After the C. N. R. gets here it will be the subjective instead. And the meeting of the progress club concluded with that favorite hymn: "Praise Sir William McKenzie from whom such blessings flow."

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J. R. K., N. W.—A strong committee has been appointed to make arrangements for the opening of the Slaminall Canal; Uriah Heep, Fr. Facing-Both-Ways, Mr. Alwys Talkin.

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Carpenters rush on to a scaffold where prominent building contractors fear to tread.

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The Labor Educational Publishing Co,. Ltd., with headquarters at Toronto, is among the latest ventures in Canada to undertake the publication of a weekly paper and the carrying on of a general printing business.

The new company is capitalized at $40,000 divided into 40,000 shares at $1 each, and limited to $1,000 for organizations and $100 for individuals.

The provisional board of directors is made up as follows: Chairman, Joseph Gibbons; secretary-treasurer, James Simpson; directors, Joseph Marks, H. J. Halford, J. D. Jacobs, Hugh Robertson, W. J. Driscoll, Thomas Hall, A. Plummer, J. C. Coles, Andrew Millar, I. H. Sanderson, Frank McCann, the addresses of whom are pretty well scattered over the province.

In promoting the Labor Educational Publishing Company the provisional board of directors propose to transfer the headquarters of the "Industrial Banner" from London, Ontario, to Toronto, Ontario, with a view to making the paper both a local and provincial paper. The possibilities of such a company are unlimited as will be seen by the large number of trade unionists in the leading industrial centres of the province. Toronto, the second largest city in the Dominion, is without a labor paper officially endorsed by the Central Labor Council, while all the large towns and cities, with the exception of Hamilton and the twin cities of Port Arthur and Port William, are without a paper to voice the aims and aspirations of the labor movement (not including the socialist and labor papers which have subscribers in all parts of the province, but which are not published in the province and do not meet the local needs.) Trades unionists feel the need of a strong and aggressive labor press, and are prepared to give their support to such an undertaking as outlined in the prospectus. To give it effect assurances have already been given from important towns and cities that the labor forces will support the undertaking and success is inevitable. The Toronto District Labor Council has already endorsed the plan and the members of the Executive Committee of the Labor Educational Association of Ontario have given it their hearty endorsation.

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South Vancouver Local 1208.

We expect at our next meeting to have a record turnout at Ashe's Hall, on Twentieth and Fraser avenue on Friday night, it being election of officers, and several other matters of importance to the members are to be discussed. We hope the members will turn out in great numbers and come and do their share of the work necessary to get what they are looking forward to, that is, better conditions and a living wage; don't leave it to the officers of your local, it's up to the members to attend the meetings and bring some of your non-union mates along with you. Do you ask for the card? Do you tell them the advantages of being a union man? Do you tell them what they will be up against this fall if they don't get together. Perhaps they don't know. Put them wise to their conditions and in all probability they will begin to realize that they have got to do it, or take what the bosses like to give them instead of being able to make their demands to the bosses. The unions have raised the wages in hundreds of cities, therefore placing more wages into the pockets of the carpenters of those cities than they would have received if they did not belong to the organization at all. At the same time the non-union man gets the same benefit but does not do anything to help to get it. It has shortened the hours of labor to eight hours a day and has established the Saturday half holiday. By this it means that more men have gained employment. We could tell you of a lot more the unions have done to elevate the conditions of its members, to furnish aid in cases of sickness, disability, etc., so if this should appeal to you as a non-union man, come to the Labor Temple and talk it over. Let us get acquainted. It's to your own interest to hold membership in our union. South Vancouver Local meets every Friday at 8 o'clock at Ashe's Hall, corner of Twentieth and Fraser avenue, and all carpenters wishing to become members should ask for Business Agent Phillips or writte to G. W. Dickieson, financial secretary, South Vancouver P. O. Members, please note change of meeting night.

B. T. P.

Woman Socialist Speaker.

Mrs. Kate Sadler of Seattle was the socialist speaker at a crowded house in the Empress theatre last Sunday evening. It was her first visit to Vancouver and the audience expressed their appreciation of her splendid lecture in no uncertain manner.

Kingston Plumbers Compromise.

Kingston, Ont., plumbers, who have been on strike since May 1 for increased pay, returned to work on condition that they receive $2.75 for eight hours until May 1 next year, and then $3.

RINGING APPEAL TO THE WAGE-WORKERS OF VANCOUVER DISTRICT

Building Trades Council Sends Greetings, and an Invitation to Join Labor's Forces.

Be a man among men. You cannot stand alone. The intellectual standard of the twentieth century work is as superior to the primitive understanding of the lick-spittle proletarians of ancient Rome, as the busines blow of a 50-ton steam hammer is to the playful stroke of an infant's fist. Rome fell. Why? Because there was no element in Roman society strong enough to save it. Shall we also go to smash? In answer we roll up our sleeves. How about you?

You know that all the good things in life that you enjoy, or ought to enjoy, as free assembly, free speech, free press, religious liberty, habeas corpus, trial by jury, etc., were not given to you for philanthropic reasons, but had to be wrung from the ruling class at great sacrifice of life and blood. Therefore, it is your duty as a man, not only to defend these rights, but to leave this world a better place to live in than you found it. This is the ultimate aim of organized labor.

You know that unionism has advanced the worker's standard of life. It is true we have made mistakes in the past, but what of it? We are only human. Read, if you care, the records of any legislative assembly throughout the world and note the constant struggle of organized labor to help humanity. Read, if you dare, the court records of any civilized (?) land and count the bitter fights waged to make oppressive cliques respect the law. Note, if you must, the continuous smash and crash of battle, to save the child from greed and profit. Tears have been shed, and blood, times untold, to help—what—ourselves! Yes, and thereby also you. You cannot deny it. But the battle is on and it can never cease, until the smile of beautiful mother earth can be seen by all her children. This is our position, and who will may know it.

The world moves fast, and unionism today has greater tasks than ever, but it waves the torch of progress far in advance of the circling throng starving either or money mad. We have passed through the formative period of our growth and have other work to do besides haggling for wages. Our future arena is the planet itself from poles to antipodes. Listen! Are you contented with being a mere cipher (0) in the world's advance, idly standing by and looking on, or probably unconsciously tearing down what we are building up. We will not believe it. But alone you can do nothing. Of whatever philosophy, color, creed or clan, whether you hail from Timbuctoo or Misolunghi, whether from the sunkissed banks of the Ganges or the frozen shores of the Yukon, for you, Mr. Worker, organization is imperative, as upon labor alone depends the welfare of the race, and organized labor stands for manhood and womanhood, but while struggling with its titanic task, extends the hand to you to lead you on to higher planes. Will you grasp it? If there is a drop of warm, red blood in your body; if you possess a spine, then we appeal to you; no, we are not a trust. It's up to you to be a member. Don't heed the idle prattle of the jellyfish. Don't be a blooming barnacle. But leave the groping mob and joinn the ranks in front, where there is light among the men, a man!

Hear me! Within the sacred precincts of our temple there is room for thee, the portals are ajar and Labor's mighty host are round the flaming torch on yonder shrine will bid thee welcome. Enter thou. Obey that noble impulse. Don't be afraid. I wish thee well. With head erect, step in. Now, to the light my lad, stride boldly for'ard. "Among the men, a man." A firm and hearty hand shake, neighbor; they are a lively crowd and a thousand throats proclaim thee brother. Thou art no more alone! A. H.

Journeymen Stonecutters.

The fight for the possession of Haddington Island stone is proceeding and who is to be the winner it is hard to determine. The Granite Cutters and ourselves claim it; the executive boards of both organizations have referred the matter to the local branches to settle and with all the intelligence we possess we are going to have it settled "right." It will be settled "right" when we win, and not before. This matter was referred to the Building Trades Department for settlement, but they, with their usual aptitude for doing nothing unintelligently, have appointed committees to sit upon the matter, and it has been anything but a soft seat. With this exception trade is fair and the attendance at our meetings excellent.

Elevator Constructors No. 26.

Trade is fairly good and all members active in spreading the gospel of organization and education. We have had a long and uphill fight against some of the shops, but it looks as if we are going to be successful, and considering that we are one of the youngest unions in town, we always have our meetings well attended. At our last meeting we donated $10 to the C. N. R. strikers.

St. John's T. & L. C. Doing Things.

St. John's, N. B., Trades and Labor Council has voted financial aid to the striking plumbers of Fredericton and the Garment Workers of Toronto. Plans are afoot for the formation of a provincial Federation of Labor.

Sign Writers, Local No. 805.

We held a very successful smoker in Labor Temple on Tuesday, June 4th, at which there was in attendance some of the non-union sign writers, and we have no doubt but that our social evening will result in an increase in membership.

The Price of Corporate Ownership.

The Department of Labor reports that 289 industrial accidents occurred to individual workers in April, 62 of which were fatal, and 227 resulted in serious injuries.

Carl Legien at Seattle.

Carl Legien, the German secretary of the International Trades Union movement and Socialist member of the Reichstag, spoke in Seattle on Friday evening last.

"High Cost of Living."

The cost of serving nine prisoners with forty-seven meals cost the South Vancouver municipality the enormous sum of $11.75. Comment needless.

Nelson Painters Organize.

The painters of Nelson, B. C., have organized and a charter of the Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers has been received.

JOS. A. CLARKE
An ex-Yukon attorney who made good as a disturber of the right sort, and who is now making good as an alderman in the City of Edmonton.

ROYAL CITY TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL WEDNESDAY NIGHT

Civic Employment Bureau Proposed, and Progress Club Scored for Setting Bad Example.

NEW WESTMINSTER, June 12.—Regular meeting this evening in Labor Hall, President Christie in chair. Minutes previous meeting read and approved. Credentials received as follows:

Barbers—Chas. E. Allen.
Letter Carriers—John Gough.
Typographical Union—W. E. Maiden, C. E. Shaw, H. Gibb, R. A. Stoney.
U. B. Carpenters—G. H. Wardrope.
St. Ry. Employees—R. Tomkinson, E. O. Donovan.
Bartenders—W. Archbould, A. Hardy.
Plumbers—I. S. Townsend.

An application from the Musicians' Union for affiliation was received, accompanied by credentials for J. Innes as delegate.

The following delegates were obligated and seated: Painters, Chas. E. Allen; Letter Carriers, John Gough; Teamsters, A. G. Robson, H. Foster; Bartenders, W. Archbould; Plumbers, I. S. Townsend.

Communications read and filed as follows:

City Clerk, stating that Sunday band concerts had been referred to Finance Committee.

P. M. Draper, acknowledging receipt of capita tax to Trades and Labor Congress.

The committee appointed to investigate the complaint of carpenters against managers of Columbia street moving picture theatres reported that they had interviewed the proprietors and had been assured that the statements reported had never been made by them, and in fact they were on the whole favorably inclined to the unions. The report was adopted.

All unions were reported as having all members at work and progressing favorably. The Street Railway Employees reported over 50 new members during last month, and the Teamsters 16 at last meeting.

Re the sending of the plumbing inspector to the convention, Del. Dodd reported that a special meeting of the council had deemed it inadvisable.

Nominations were made as follows, to be continued at next meeting:

President—R. A. Stoney; A. B. Christie.

Vice-President—A. Hogg; D. S. Cameron.

General Secretary—B. D. Grant.

Secretary-Treasurer—J. B. Chockley.

Sergeant-at-Arms—H. Corder; A. McLaren.

Trustees—C. E. Shaw, D. A. Hunter, D. S. Cameron, W. Dodd.

Under new business the Painters protested against two unqualified men being engaged to paint the city library, several delegates stating the job was a disgrace to the city. One man employed on the job had stated he had never handled a brush before. The secretary was instructed to write to the city council protesting against the Library Committee having city work done in this manner.

A committee was appointed as follows: Dels. Grant, Stoney, Cameron, Maiden and Christie, to interview the city council to request their co-operation in opening an employment bureau, to be conducted under the auspices of the Trades and Labor Council.

Del. Dodd made an appeal to the delegates for the support of the unions to the hospital and gas plant bylaws to be voted on June 26th, as both these matters were of vital interest to the workers. The parks bylaw is also worthy of the workingman's support.

The meeting, on motion, endorsed the gas plant and hospital bylaws.

The matter of several teamsters having been fined for taking the wrong side of the road was brought up and gross discrimination was charged against the police in allowing autos to stand for hours in front of real estate offices and business places on Columbia and Front streets without a protest, while one storekeeper who had his delivery rig standing on a side street had been ordered to remove it. One workingman had been ordered to get a load of wood off the road at once, while factories and business firms can litter the streets with impunity. The poor man seems to be the special object of the police activities at all times.

The Typo delegates brought up the matter of printing being done by the Publicity Commission and Progressive Association outside the city, stating they had evidence to show that many of the business men, who are the chief boosters of the Progressive Association, have all their business printing done either in Vancouver or Eastern cities. The secretary was instructed to write the secretary of the association regarding the matter.

Del. Cameron introduced a notice of motion to amend Sec. 4, Art. 8, of constitution to provide for election of officers every six months instead of annually, as now.

Receipts, $108; expenses, nil.

B. D. GRANT,
General Secretary.

P. O. Box 934.

"Bill" Davidson Here.

Wm. Davidson, president of District 6 of the Western Federation of Miners, with headquarters at Sandon, B. C., arrived in Vancouver on Tuesday. He came here in response to telegraphic instructions from President Moyer to adjust certain matters in connection with Britannia Miners' Union, the headquarters of which are located in the Labor Temple.

Labor Conventions at Toronto.

Two conventions opened in Toronto on June 3rd. They were gatherings of the International Association of Marble Workers and the International Ladies' Garment Workers.

Concrete Appreciation.

The Milwaukee Daily Leader, the socialist paper, has a circulation of over 40,000 daily.

Waitresses Local No. 766.

At the regular meeting of the above Local, held on Wednesday last, the following officers were elected: President, Miss Madge Dunn; vice-president, Mrs. B. Wright; chaplain, Mrs. Alma Matthews; inspector, Mrs. Washburn; inside guard, Miss Fern La Monde; recording secretary, Mrs. R. L. Gardner; treasurer, Miss T. King; executive board, Miss McDonald, Miss Elliott, Mrs. Collins; local joint board, Miss A. Domms, Mrs. Callavan, Mrs. R. Gardner; delegates to Trades and Labor Council, Mrs. R. L. Gardner, Mrs. A. Matthews; sick committee, Miss King, Miss M. Dunn, Miss Elliott, Mrs. Collins. It was also decided that in future we meet only on the second and fourth Wednesdays in the month, and every member not attending at least once per month will be fined 50 cents for each offence. It is hoped that every member will make a special effort to attend next meeting, June 26th, when business of importance will be discussed.

ROSE L. GARDNER,

COUNCIL PROTESTS AGAINST $2 PER DAY PETIT JURYMEN IN B.C.

Asks Attorney-General Bowser to Raise the Remuneration to $5 per Day.

Vancouver Trades and Labor Council has endorsed the recommendation of its Parliamentary Committee in a demand for increased remuneration for petit jurymen in this province.

Following is a copy of the letter addressed to Mr. Bowser:

Re Petit Jurors.
Vancouver, June 11, 1912.

The Hon. Attorney-General, Victoria, B. C.:

Dear Sir: At the regular meeting of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council, held on June 6th, I was instructed to draw your attention to the ridiculously insufficient remuneration allowed to members of petit juries, and to ask that the amount be raised to $5 per day, whether their services are required or not.

Inasmuch as the salaries of judges, clerks, policemen and other officials of the government have been raised from time to time, it is a flagrant injustice that petit jurors' wages should be allowed to remain at the ridiculous figure of $2 per day. It comes particularly hard on wage-earners, who are summoned for this duty, for it means in many cases the loss of remunerative employment for which the uncertain chance of receiving $2 cannot be considered adequate compensation. The hardships inflicted upon petit jurors in the court sessions just closed have been commented on freely by the provincial press, and I will not recount them, as they must be familiar to you, and I only refer to them here as evidence that the members of the organized labor movement in Vancouver are not the only people in Vancouver and the province at large who are convinced of the justice of the complaint now being voiced.

Hoping that you will remedy the injustice of the situation by providing the increased compensation asked for, I remain your,

VANCOUVER TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL,
Per R. P. Pettipiece, Sec.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS MAKING GOOD PROGRESS

Three new locals of the Electrical Workers' International Union (Reid) have been organized in Canada during the past month, namely, at Hamilton, Ont.; Moose Jaw, Sask., and Brandon, Man.

The Canadian District Council, recently in session at Winnipeg, has decided upon a progressive policy and will push organization work in every quarter of its jurisdiction.

In the province of Alberta the Electrical Workers enjoy the distinction of having a union agreement signed with the provincial government, where such utilities are owned and operated as they should be, by those who use them.

Distict Board Member E. C. Knight of Vancouver expressed himself this week, to The Federationist, as being of the opinion that the coming international convention of both sections of the Electrical Workers at Springfield, Ill., on July 15th, would result in the membership coming together, regardless of the difference between officers.

Clem Stubbs Wins His Point.

The protest lodged by President Stubbs, of District 18, U. M. W. of A., against the appointment of Harry Bentley of Lethbridge, as chairman of the Board of Enquiry to sit on matters in dispute between the miners and owners, has been effective, the Ottawa government having appointed Justice L. Walsh of the Supreme Court of Alberta to act in that capacity.

Labor Market Fluctuations.

The labor market in Regina is well supplied, so don't think of going there. In Woodstock, Ont., there is said to be a demand for good mechanics. Hod Carriers organized last month and gained 2½ cents an hour without strike, and Electricians and Teamsters are organizing.

J. W. Bennett Returns to B. C.

J. W. Bennet, late editor of the Fernie District Ledger, is back in Fernie, after a visit to the Old Country. He attended the convention of the Knights of Pythias in Nanaimo last week.

Rossland Miners to Celebrate.

Rossland Miners' Union will hold their annual celebration on July 16, and have invited J. W. Wilkinson of Vancouver Trades and Labor Council to be present and give an address.

Lethbridge Bricklayers on Strike.

The Lethbridge striking Bricklayers are still out for 75c. per hour. The "masters" are offering 71c., as the highest they can afford to pay.

Necessity Talking to the Workers.

The tailors of Lethbridge, Alta., are organizing, and in Galt, Ont., a number of trades are talking of organizing.

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Secretaries of all unions in British Columbia are requested to assist The Federationist by acquainting it with items of interest to wage-workers.

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It is to meet the workingman's case that the B. C. E. R. Co. has arranged for week-end trips, at reduced rates, over the Fraser Valley division of its lines during the summer. Special tickets on sale Saturday and Sunday, good to return Monday.

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