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"NOTHING TO ARBITRATE" SAY V. I. BARONS

BLUNTLY REFUSE MEDITATION OF VANCOUVER BOARD OF TRADE

"THIS STRIKE WILL BE SETTLED BY THE MEN." —ISLAND COAL MINERS

Greater Portion of Nanaimo Merchants Turn Traitor to the Hands That Fed Them.

By ROY I. MATTHEWS

This strike will be settled by the men who dig coal, if it is settled at all. This is the sentiment that seems to permeate the very atmosphere on Vancouver Island.

The peace which has settled upon the mining districts gives to the visitor an impression of quiet determination on the part of the men which does not admit of failure.

With a few firebosses digging enough coal to keep the pumps going, and a couple of Chinamen to shovel coal into the furnaces the mines at Nanaimo, South Wellington and Extension are surrounded by a Sabbath calm. This calm likewise extends to the grocery, dry goods and real estate business of Ladysmith and Nanaimo.

The merchants, especially of the latter place, are wriggling under the pain. They will do anything but gentlemen enough to admit that they have always been fed by the miners and should, therefore, line up with them for better conditions. With one or two exceptions, the merchants of Nanaimo would descend to almost the miserable action to defeat the men who have kept them alive. We hope that the police court will prove a shining oasis in the desert of business depression has been dashed. Only two cases of any note have arisen out of the strike, and in both the police and the magistrate had to go beyond even their own kind of reason to hit the strikers.

The first case is likely to prove worse for the police than for anyone else. Some of the younger spirits up at Extension got a keg or two of beer and proceeded to enjoy themselves after their own fashion. A provincial policeman was also on the job, and made away with his share of the beer. Evidently he got too much, for he arrested several of the boys who had done nothing to merit such attention whatever. The most likely outcome of the case at this writing is that the policeman will be charged with perjury.

Last Saturday a number of women turned out to serenade some of the scabs who were scabbing in the mine at Nanaimo. "Scab," in an audible whisper, is the worst of which they were guilty. Three of them were haled before the police court last Monday morning. One was allowed to go for lack of evidence. The other two were bailed upon by their lawyers to plead guilty and express regret. The lawyer figured it out that, being the first case of its kind, and the first time that the women had ever been in court, they would be dismissed as is the usual custom. He didn't know the magistrate. This gentleman is Mr. H. Simpson, a real estate agent, and the real estate business is in a bad way through the strike. In a speech as of one burying the dead, he addressed the ladies on the enormity of their crime, telling them they had broken "beyond respect," and "would lose the respect of their husbands" and such other insulting remarks. Then he fined them twenty and costs. Defense counsel said the sentence was outrageous. Whereupon the venerable old male dowager said he intended to soak all such offenders to the limit, or words to that effect. Up to date the fine has not been paid, and the ladies have not been locked up. It is not likely, however, that easy money will be allowed to pass without an effort to bring it in.

While the Western Fuel Co. is busy trying to keep out of the clutches of the law in the United States, its lickeys in Nanaimo are trying to divide the miners on the question of patriotism.

The "Herald," a little daily that is for the squealing for the company when it is hurt, has tried to turn the men against their officers, employing a rather strange method. It devotes a column or two every issue to pointing out how completely things are tied up and how eminently capable the U. M. W. A. officials are in the handling of a strike. It has so far succeeded in pointing out to the public the excellent generalship displayed by their leaders. Then it proceeds to remark that it is in favor of unionism but not that kind of unionism. In spite of this, the men may prefer the kind that wins. The Herald also has the loud pedal on the fact that the strike was called in the interests of the Washington mines. Speaking in regard to this, an old-time miner of Nanaimo and a settled resident of the city, remarked:

"If the story is true, and I don't know whether it is or not, then the mine owners and the merchants of this place must be half-witted, for all they have to do is to recognize our union and give us halfway decent conditions and they would settle the complexion of the Washington mines in a minute. Washington or no Washington, we are out on strike for a better brotherhood and for the protective principle of unionism, and we are going to stay out till we get them."

Anyone who does not know of the conditions prevailing in these mines on Vancouver Island is qualified to express an opinion on the strike. Coal miners are constantly liberating, as they work, a highly explosive gas that exists in "pockets," sometimes under high pressure. Their manipulation of the coal also releases minute particles of carbon which immediately unite with the oxygen in the air to form another gas which is deadly poison. One half of one per cent of this gas in the atmosphere means death to anyone breathing it.

The necessity for proper ventilation of a mine will be admitted by all.

What can we think, then, of a company which deliberately REFUSES TO SUPPLY ITS MEN WITH SUFFICIENT AIR.

The mine at Extension, near Ladysmith, was found by the government inspector to have a supply of air which was below the minimum provided by the Coal Mine Regulation Act, and the minimum is none too high.

In spite of this, the government did not prosecute the company or take any steps to see that the law was complied with.

IF THIS IS NOT CONNIVING AT MURDER, THEN WHAT IS IT?

Especially since it is a well-known fact that a small expenditure of money would make the mine fairly safe.

Besides the question of safety, the men were subjected to every kind of annoyance that the petty bosses could heap on them, and if any dared to protest he was instantly dismissed and blacklisted everywhere he could be followed.

After a careful investigation it must be concluded that conditions in these mines could not very well be worse.

That the company will use every effort to make them worse if the strike is broken, is a foregone conclusion.

Another instance of the attitude of the provincial government in the strike is seen in the makeup of the examining board which issues certificates of competency. This Board is supposed to be composed of one man appointed by the company, one by the miners, and an impartial member appointed by the government. When the strike was called at Cumberland, the company notified the government that the appointee of the men, being no longer in the employ of the company, was not qualified to sit. Thereupon the Chinamen employed in the mine as scabs elected one of the firebosses to the board. The company kept its own man on. THE PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT THEN APPOINTED A MINE SUPERINTENDENT AS THE IMPARTIAL MEMBER. The "Examining Board" is, then, owned body and soul by the Canadian Collieries, and acts accordingly. It issues certificates of "competency" to scabs as fast as they are brought forward, even if they never saw a mine before in their lives. The importance of this can be realized when it is known that mining requires a certain degree of technical skill and knowledge to even reduce the chances of death and injury.

What would the citizens of Vancouver say if street cars began to run at high speed without fenders, or if contractors began using dynamite in the centre of town without any regard for life and limb? Their protest and action would be sudden and swift. Yet when far worse conditions than these exist in the production of the coal they burn, it excites bare comment, or if there be any, it is in condemnation of the victims instead of the guilty. Is it because the public conscience is relieved by the fact that forty miles of salt water separates it from the scene of the crime? Or is it because THE GOVERNMENT OF THE PROVINCE IS A CONSCIOUS PARTY TO THAT CRIME?

There never was an industrial tyrant, drunk with power, but what at some time or other resorted to the historic retort, when their employees rebelled: "There is nothing to arbitrate!"

It is not a new thing in British Columbia. The latest use of the defiant term has been made during the past week by two Vancouver Island coal mine corporations, whose employees are on strike.

Last week Vancouver Board of Trade offered its services as a mediator in bringing the disputants together with a view to an amicable settlement.

The unbridled arrogance of the coal barons is fairly well reflected in the reply to the Board of Trade officers, reported in the daily press in these words:

> On the ground that there is nothing about which to arbitrate, the Canadian Collieries and the Western Fuel Company have written the Vancouver Board of Trade declining their assistance to settle the strike.—Daily Province, June 24.

The provisions of the Coal Mines Regulation Act have already been disregarded with impunity by the coal mine operators. In fact that was what started the trouble last winter. The government not only stood for the violation, but furnished police in an endeavor to break the strike which ensued after the union committee were fired.

"To hell with the constitution!" is a favorite expression across the tariff line; but the exclaimants have nothing on the coal barons of Vancouver Island.

"Nothing to arbitrate?"

Well, we'll see about that before the contest is over.

What will Minister of Labor Crothers have to say or do about it when he arrives next week?

Street Railway Employees Negotiating

The Street Railway Employees' Associations of Vancouver, New Westminster and Victoria are still negotiating a new schedule with the B. C. Electric Railway Co. The old agreement expired on June 1. The Lemieux Act may be used in an effort to bring about an amicable settlement, but there is still good prospects of a local agreement between both parties.

Optimist: The paid editorial writers of the local daily press.

ANOTHER WASHINGTON COAL COMPANY SIGNS UP SCHEDULE WITH U. M. W.

Strangely Enough Same Shareholders Heavily Interested in J. P. Mine at Nanaimo

Walter Baals, general manager, and J. R. Watkins, superintendent, on behalf of the Issaquah & Superior Coal Mining Company, Limited, operating in Washington state, have entered into an agreement with T. W. Russell, president of District 10 of the United Mine Workers of America, which gives full recognition to the union and goes into effect on November 1st next. Meantime only development work is being carried on.

In connection with above it is interesting to note that Mr. von Alvensleben of Vancouver is president of the Issaquah & Superior Coal Mining Company, as well as president of the company, which operates the Jingle Pot mine at Nanaimo, where the union miners are now on strike. It is also stated on authoritative sources that the company owning the mine at Issaquah owns 40 per cent of the stock in the Jingle Pot mine.

Rather strange that the press and company lackies, who have been sustaining this company in their refusal to recognize the United Mine Workers of America will longer allow these companies to demoralize industrial conditions because of their refusal to recognize the United Mine Workers of America without raising a vigorous protest, or will they continue to allow themselves to be placed in a ridiculous light before thinking people?

CRIMINAL DECEPTION OF LYING ADVTS. IN OLD COUNTRY NEWSPAPERS

Despite Acutely Overstocked Labor Market in Canada Immigration Vultures Busy

If the hundreds of idle new arrivals in Western Canada could lay hands on some of the persons or agencies responsible for their being landed here, under the greatest kind of misrepresentation, the chances are such advertisements as the following, clipped from a recent issue of The Staffordshire Weekly Sentinel, would be cancelled forthwith. Read this from the "Situations Vacant" column:

> CANADA.—Urgently: Building Tradesmen, Labourers, Brickyard Hands, Gardners, Farmhands, Coachbuilders, Blacksmiths, Lathe Hands, Vertical Hands, Fitters, Machinists, Moulders, Drillers.—Union Transit, 38, South Castle-st., Liverpool.

"Urgently" is good. It is also a malicious falsehood, a deception and a fraud. It is more. It is criminal and contrary to every conception of common decency.

Such bare-faced treachery to the working class, at a time when thousands are unemployed in Canada, could only be conceived in the minds of human hyenas, who will stop at nothing in an effort to filch the remaining pennies from labor market victims of the old land.

THE U. M. W. SCORES WESTERN FUEL COMPANY FIGURES IN CALIFORNIA CUSTOMS CRAFT CHARGES

Dislikes "Foreigners" at Home, But Plays the Game at San Francisco

"By the way, is this Western Fuel Co. we hear and read so much about just now in the daily dispatches from California the same Western Fuel Co. we know so much about on Vancouver Island?"

Yes, gentle inquirer, the same patriotic flag-wavers you read and hear about.

"Why, you don't mean to say that such opponents to 'foreign agitators' and everything foreign would be guilty of selling their coal to foreigners and then bilking the foreign country's treasury out of thousands of dollars of customs duty, do you?"

Sorry, but facts are facts. Same bunch. If the California district attorney's resignation causes the necessary stench at San Francisco there may be something to "arbitrate," after all; so let it go at that for this week.

At least one minister of the gospel—Rev. J. H. Howe—has the courage of his convictions. He has dared to take his coat off and line up with the striking miners; much to the chagrin of the Nanaimo Herald, official press champion of the coal barons.

EVEN IDLE WORKERS REFUSE TO BECOME FROM THE C.N.R. CAMPS

Men Prefer Remaining Idle to Working for Worse than Nothing and Walking Back.

News-Ad: "There are no idle men in Vancouver. If there are they are not seriously seeking work, judging by the failure of the Canadian Northern railway to secure men in the city for construction work just north of Kamloops.

"The company is in need of 1500 men. They informed their agents to secure as many man as possible in Vancouver at $2.75 per day, with free transportation. The men were not asked to pay a dollar upon application for work either. The company proposed to charge $6 per week for board, but the men had the privilege of boarding themselves if they wished to do so.

"After securing the city and enlisting the aid of the employment agencies, the company was only able to secure from Vancouver thirty men, certainly a small percentage of the number required."

Yes, the workers of Vancouver plead guilty to the charges made in Wednesday's News-Ad. "There are no idle men in Vancouver"—who will accept the wages and conditions offered by the C. N. R.

Thank Heaven they have still retained sufficient manhood to refuse to become peons, even if they do need the permission of the boss to accept it.

A ten-hour day of killing work for a measley $2.75; more than half time lost by wet weather; nothing going on but a board bill; sleep in lousy bunk-houses; eat saw-belly and beans; pay for medical service they do not receive; pay exorbitant prices at the company van for overalls, tobacco and other articles commonly used by the slave; be driven like mules by a rough-neck mule and labor skinner, at work that even Orientals refuse to tackle; paid in time checks when fired, which are no good for days to the recipient, and herded like cattle.

True, "they are not seriously seeking work"—at least such kind of work.

All of which is the one redeeming hope of the working class in this province, whether the madams of the corporate daily press like it or not.

If such insults are spit into the face of the working class often enough by press apologists for railway contractors they may some day strike back. That the removal of a few such worts on the body politic would do good no decent person will deny.

Many More Men Than Jobs.

Rev. H. Fane Edge, local immigration and hospital chaplain of the Church of England, called on The Federationist Wednesday, relative to the report in the News-Ad, that the C. N. R. were unable to secure men for grading work in their construction camps. He knew the statement to be false, inasmuch as he himself had interceded for some 30 or 40 men only a few days previously, and the contractors' agents here had refused them work saying they had already more than they needed.

From another source it is learned by The Fed, that 1500 Russians en route were refused work by the same contractors for the same reason, and were thus refused entry at Portland, Maine.

How would you like to be one of the kiddies again? No school for six weeks.

UNION MEETINGS AT LABOR TEMPLE FOR COMING WEEK

Sunday, June 29—Typographical Union, 2.30 p.m.

Monday, June 30—Street Railwaymen's Executive; Electrical Workers, No. 213; Bro. of Carpenters; Teamsters; Cigarmakers.

Tuesday, July 1—Union Label League; Organization Committee; Sign Painters; Cigarmakers; Shinglers; Tailors, Amal. Carpenters; Railway Firemen; Bricklayers.

Wednesday, July 2—Home and Domestic Employees; Steam Engineers; Tile Layers; Photo Engravers; Amal. Carpenters; Street Railwaymen; Plumbers; Tailors.

Thursday, July 3—Retail Employees; Ship Carpenters; Painters; Sheet Metal Workers; Railway Carmen; Trades and Labor Council.

Friday, July 4—Upholsterers; Pattern Makers; Culinary Trades; Hod Carriers and General Laborers; Iron Molders; Letter Carriers; Building Trades Council.

Saturday, July 5—Nil.

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The campaign for the use of British Columbia made goods, and the products of the farms of this province in the homes of Vancouver to be undertaken by the Progress Club, is rapidly taking form. A letter has been drafted which will be sent to every women's organization in the city, urging them to use, insofar as possible, only goods made in British Columbia, and also asking for their support in this movement.—Daily press news item.

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MASK TORN FROM NANAIMO PRESS ROUSTABOUT OF COAL OPERATORS

REV. J. H. HOWE STRONGLY REBUKES MODERN HIGH PRIESTS AND PHARISEES

Trades Unionism Organized Expression of Individual Worth Against Courtier.

Synopsis of speech delivered by the Rev. J. H. Howe, First Baptist Church, Nanaimo, B. C., to the local branch of the United Mine Workers of America, on June 11:

Mr. Chairman, Ladies and Gentlemen: Permit me in the first place to express my pleasure in being asked to address you at this time of test and trial. I am going to address you on the subject of "The Religion of Revolt." It is obvious to the most superficial student of the times that the most significant fact in the world of men today is a certain temper of spirit and thought, and of action, that could only be defined as revolt. This temper possesses the entire labor world. It is their religion, for revolt is religion. That is a phase of religion not often dealt with.

In fact, the first thing evidenced in a really Christian man is revolt. Revolt against individual sin; revolt against organized sin, whether it be in the private domain of a man's life, or organized social sins.

Christianity is revolutionary. The prophets of the Old Testament were all revolutionists. Micah, a yeoman farmer, headed a revolt of the crofters of Palestine against the combined powers of capitalism and priestcraft. Jerusalem, where these oppressors of the poor dwelt, was a most luxurious and licentious city. Micah denounced the debaucheries of the rich and the unholy alliance of the priests. Capitalism had absorbed even the priesthood of the country. The priests were present, and even acquiesced in some of the most awful lustful practices. Micah aroused the people and the unholy alliance was for a time dissolved. But capitalism in its spirit is ever the same and the modern church has succumbed to its influence.

Too many of our modern preachers are alienated from the workers and unblushingly ally themselves with despotic capitalism. Micah, if he were here today, would unhesitatingly head a revolt. The apostles would raise their voices in the streets and denounce the oppressors, whether priest or capitalist.

I said, Christianity is revolutionary. Jesus Christ was the greatest revolutionist that ever lived. He, himself declared that he came not to bring peace but a sword. He was in revolt against organized and ever legalised sin. He came to establish a revolutionary society. He denounced the oppressors of the poor and fiercely rebuked the priests in league with them. Of course, He was crucified. They would unhesitatingly do the same today with your leaders. But there is a force in the world which Christianity has produced which cannot be overthrown. It is that personal sense of worth, that personal sense of consciousness, which causes the spirit of revolt so manifest today. The sense of individual worth is now so strong that men refuse to be coerced as hitherto. The universal revolution is a demand for personal and corporate recognition. To obtain that recognition the workers have to combine. Without combination they are helpless. Society is conservative; capitalism is despotic; human life unimportant; profits essential.

The class consciousness of labor has grown tremendously. It demands adequate recognition. That class consciousness is expressed in Trades Unionism. It is its organized expression. All thinking men will agree that the present commercial code is immoral; that it places in the hands of the capitalist class a power absolute and oppressive. To protect themselves, the workers of the world have to organize. Every organization is an evidence of the spirit of revolt. In this spirit of revolt we see the master mind of the Christ whose spirit still travailleth amongst the poor and oppressed. His principles are bearing fruit. His kingdom is gradually extended.

"How and why?" These questions are answered by the presence of the spirit of revolt. It is of His spirit. Unionism is Brotherhood. It is the weapon of brotherhood. It spells security and defence. It is revolt's legitimate form of expression. It is the worker's weapon of defence. What other weapon can workers possess and employ? None whatever. Revolt has always an objective point. The trades union objective point is the same as Micah's. When Micah spoke to the crofters of Palestine he painted a picture of industrial happiness and freedom. "In that day every man shall sit under his vine and under his fig tree and none shall make them afraid." That is what Trades Unionists of the world are fighting for: the right to live, and the right to live rightly, not in bondage, not in a state of fear, but in the fulness of economic security.

Unionists aim at attempting a goal, that goal, security. "And none shall make them afraid." Let that be our watchword. Then oppression will be sternly fought and the days of despotism, absolute capitalist control, will pass away. No cruel discrimination then. I knew personally, Mr. Richardson, who was compelled to leave this country for no other crime know the story of his cruel, forced return to England. He was a magnificent man; an earnest, manly, Christian, well-read, with a character unexcelled in this province, in my opinion. Yet, economically speaking he was a doomed man, for work was denied him and, turn where he would, the octopus of discrimination caught him. If such a man as Richardson should have such treatment as that meted out to him what chance have you. I don't want to appeal to any class prejudice, but I want to warn you to be careful, lest your enemies may succeed in their plan, viz., that of causing a division among you. If they succeed, you would betray the labor of the world. Remember your watchword, "And none shall make them afraid."

By FRANK FARRINGTON,
International Board Member U.M.W. of A.

"Do the miners of Nanaimo have to be told how they should run their affairs?"

This is the pointed question asked by the Nanaimo Herald.

Judging from the volume of advice so freely given, and its frantic efforts to betray the miners into the clutches of the Western Fuel Company, we would say that the Herald seems to think so.

Has the Herald been subsidized by the Western Fuel Company, and is it only playing the part of a well-trained parrot and mouthing the wishes of that company? There is an old axiom about, "Men who bend the venal knee that thrift may follow fawning." Is the Herald of this type? We do not know, but the fact that the Nanaimo miners refuse to be influenced by its absurd attempts to persuade them to return to work would indicate that the miners are a bit suspicious.

Presumably moved by mercenary motives, or because of being too dwarfed in brain to understand the evolution of society or to know that the miners are struggling to force recognized necessary protective rights, the Herald has worked itself into a raving frenzy and is trying to convince the miners that wrong should prevail over right, by vomiting vile insinuations and false indictments against the United Mine Workers of America. Having but little constructive genius of its own this champion of the coal companies is compelled to depend largely upon clippings taken from other publications. It seems to be a sort of a scrap book rather than an organ of originality, and anything that is intended to reflect discredit on the miners' union is conspicuously posted therein. So it is that we see in the columns of the Herald stereotyped accounts of some defeat suffered by the U. M. W. of A., but what of the victories won by the same organization? If the Herald is not actuated by sinister motives why does it put the defeats so prominently to the forefront and remain silent on the victories? This defender of corporate greed seems to find great satisfaction in telling of what it terms our defeat in Nova Scotia, but what of the poor wretches who, as a result of that defeat, are now helplessly toiling in the mines of Nova Scotia for $1.35 per day, and who, in order to ward off starvation, are actually eating flesh of dogs? Has the Herald no word of sympathy for them, or would it dare give expression to it if it had?

However, in order that our enemies may be enlightened we advise that the U. M. W. of A. did not suffer a defeat in Nova Scotia. It was the miners of Nova Scotia who allowed themselves to be divided and deluded by such evil influences as the Herald, who suffered a defeat, and it is they who are now paying the penalty for their foolishness.

Again, we find the Herald throwing more "limelight" on the U. M. W. of A. and attempting to discredit us by flourishing the fact that suit has been entered by the West Virginia mine owners against our union. Therefore, we presume that we may ask the Herald what of the suit now pending in the federal court of San Francisco against certain officers of the Western Fuel Company, who are alleged to have swindled the U. S. government out of $450,000. Has the Herald no "limelight" to throw on this fact, or why its deep silence on this subject? It is common practice for predatory interests to invoke legal entanglements to hamper the growth of the organized labor movement, but the United States government does not usually sue to recover stolen goods unless it is reasonably sure it has the thief with the goods.

In furtherance of this campaign of obstruction, we find the Herald proclaiming that "wages and working conditions in the Nanaimo mines were better than those prevailing in the union mines in Washington." To prove how empty of truth this declaration is, we submit the following proposition: If the Herald can induce its masters to concede, not better but the equivalent of the prices and conditions of employment that apply in the Washington mines, we will agree to meet them and sign an agreement any time it suits their convenience to do so.

In their mad efforts to stampede the Vancouver Island miners and decoy them into the snares of oppression and greed, our defamers have

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COSMOPOLITAN AGENCY [illegible] AND OTHER OFFENDERS

Federal Inspector P. F. Quinn Assumes Duties and Promises Strict Enforcement of Law

After many months of agitation on the part of organized labor in general and Vancouver Trades and Labor Council in particular a government crimp has been put into at least one employment agency. And others will be placed on the carpet within a week to show cause why they too should be permitted to filmflam hapless job-seekers.

The Federationist has been officially advised that the license of E. Welch of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, Vancouver, has been cancelled and will no longer be permitted to do business.

New Inspector Busy

Frederick P. Quinn, a Vancouver man, assumed the duties of federal inspector of employment agencies under the recently-enacted order-in-council on Wednesday last. The appointment of Arnold F. George, as Ottawa had announced some weeks ago, was not confirmed.

Inspector Quinn paid a visit to the Labor Temple and secured information concerning complaints recently made by the council. He also went over the situation with the mayor and chief of police, with a view to thoroughly acquainting himself with conditions prevailing in local and other employment agencies.

To The Federationist Mr. Quinn expressed himself as determined to enforce the provisions of P. C. 1028. "The department has given me very wide powers and I propose to eliminate some of the evils complained of by immigrants and others who have undoubtedly been victimized," said Mr. Quinn. "And in this determination I have the backing of the department."

Affidavits Forwarded Department.

That persistency sometimes secures results is evidenced by the above. At last meeting of Vancouver Trades and Labor Council it will be remembered that Delegate McVety [illegible] of [illegible] ed to W. [illegible] immigrati[illegible] which are [illegible]

In the matter [illegible] Order-in-Council 1028, and in the matter of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, E. Welsh, proprietor.

I, Christopher Pattinson, of the city of Nanaimo, in the province of British Columbia, national organizer of the United Mine Workers of America, make oath and say, as follows:

1. That on Wednesday, the 4th day of June, 1913, when the train bringing the sixty-one miners from England en route to Cumberland, British Columbia, arrived at Revelstoke I entered the said train for the purpose of advising the said miners of conditions at Cumberland, and that there was a strike on at the mines there. I was accosted by one, George Cave, in the employment of the Cosmopolitan Agency of Vancouver, B. C., of which E. Welsh is the proprietor, and the said Cave endeavoured to prevent me from interviewing the said miners, and assaulted me by grabbing me by the throat and stating that he would choke me and he desisted on the intervention of the men.

2. On the 6th day of June, 1913, I met the said Cave in the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, when he threatened me that he would "get me yet, his exact language being: "I will get you yet Pattinson; I got the Dago, and I will get you."

3. His reference to the "Dago" was that there was an Italian organizer at Cumberland by the name of Joseph Angelo, who was assaulted by the said Cave.

4. I have read over the affidavit of Robert Foster, sworn this date, relative to the conversation between him and the said E. Welsh. I was present when the said conversation took place, and corroborate the statements in the said affidavit.

Sworn before me at the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, this 9th day of June, A. D., 1913.

"CHRISTOPHER PATTINSON."

"J. W. DE B. FARRIS,"
A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia.

In the matter of Order-in-Council 1028, and in the matter of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, E. Welsh, proprietor.

I, James H. McVety, of the City of Vancouver, in the province of British Columbia, make oath and say, as follows:

1. That I am an officer of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council, and that part of my duty is to assist working men in securing payment of their wages and the return of fees paid to employment offices where the fees have been collected under false pretences.

2. That during the last twelve months more than five hundred men have made complaints to me about the misrepresentation of conditions by Vancouver employment agencies; that at least one hundred of the complaints have been directly against the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, particularly by men who have been sent to districts where strikes existed and who refused to work under such conditions and demanded a return of their fees for such employment.

4. I believe that the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency is one that should not be granted a license under Privy Council 1028, on account of the said misrepresentations that are made by it, in particular to immigrants that speak in foreign tongues.

Sworn before me at the City of

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UNIONISM OR REVOLUTION?

If the big corporations, mining companies and other employers of this country even temporarily make good their determination to "utterly smash unionism" they can surely look for something a great deal more to be feared in its place.

The workers of this continent will refuse to starve to death.

And it is impossible for them to lower their present standard of living without serious consequences to the nation.

If this province is to be run by Sirs Bill and Dan, with the government as an auxiliary to their machinations the sooner the workers know it the better, for the sooner will there be a remedy devised.

The unemployed and other workers are already obout fed up on endeavoring to maintain decent living conditions in the face of a glutted labor market for which the government is directly responsible as the result of its "liberal immigration policy."

With big strikes on in both the coal and metalliferous mining industries of the province; with the building trades demoralized, and every other source of employment jammed full of Orientals and cheap foreign labor of every description it is about time for the English-speaking workers of British Columbia to make a noise like men.

If the old axiom that "necessity will compel the workers to do the right thing" has any longer any significance the corporations and employers of this province had better have a care.

The breaking point is not far distant.

After all it were better to die fighting like men than starving to death like a bunch of mollycoddles.

The governmental powers should have a care.

The responsibility is upon their heads; not those of hungry men, women and children.

A "BUGOLOGY" FABLE

A great beetle fell crushed and wounded to the earth. Barely had it time to commence feebly dragging itself along the ground when it was set upon by a number of ferocious ants. Grasping the unfortunate with their powerful jaws, they commenced to tug horribly at legs, broken wings and mangled flesh. Happening that way, a solemn caterpillar paused before the sorrowful sight, and thus addressed the ants:

"You terrible creatures! Do you not see the suffering you so thoughtlessly increase? Why do you not succor your wounded fellow creature? See, he writhes in agony. I beseech you, be just! be merciful!"

Whereupon the Ants made an end of the Beetle and rushed suddenly upon the Caterpillar, beginning to pull and tear its flesh as they had done the Beetle's. But the Caterpillar, being healthy and vigorous, struggled violently to escape. Seeing this, one of the Ants rose up and said:

"How now, friend; why do you seek to make life difficult for us? Do you not know that our colony suffers for food? Many of us are starving and the pangs of starvation are a thousand times worse than the bites of our sharp mandibles. Behold your friend, the Beetle, lying still, past all pain and trouble. Misery has left him. At no more cost to yourself than this, you give life to many. I beseech you, be just! be merciful!" But the Caterpillar struggled more violently than ever.

Moral: There are no such words as Justice and Mercy in the Struggle for Life.

EXPLOITATION OF LABOR.

Since the working people do not receive the full value of their products—because a considerable profit is made by the employing class on everything the workers produce—can they be expected to buy back these products? Their numerical strength makes them the chief consumers of the country and those on whom production mainly depends.

In this way, by the laboring people not being able to consume enough, and by the planless way in which production is carried on in general, the so-called overproduction is created.

Of course, no matter how much or how little the toilers of a nation create, they always create more than they are able to buy with their wages, because they have never received the full value of that production.

In this way the so-called industrial crises originate. They have come upon us about once in every twenty years, roughly speaking, since capitalist production began its sway. At such times the trade and the manufacturing of a nation come to a standstill, because "there is too much on hand."

And the working people have to stop work and go ragged and hungry because there is too much on hand.

Statesmen, newspapers, lawyers, and so-called reformers on such occasions claim that it is either too much silver, or lack of confidence, or what not, that is the cause of the industrial crisis, or panic, as it is sometimes called.

But hard times are really hard only on those whose subsistence depends on their having work to do.

For the poor people the times are always hard.

During "hard times" the wives and daughters of the capitalists, however do not leave off attending balls, parties and operas, in their silks and diamonds.

On the contrary, if the times are very hard, the wealthy and charitable people simply arrange one more amusement and call it a "charity ball."

As far as security of work is concerned, the workman of the present time is worse off than any of his predecessors in history. In fact, the irregularity of his employment, the frequency with which he is out of work, is the most alarming feature of the workingman's condition. The toiler of today can not work when he wants to, or when he ought to, in order to support himself and family. He can work only when it is to the profit of the employer that he should do so.—Victor L. Berger.

Railway commission "decisions" in Canada are no longer decisions.

How many union labels have you on your person?

Better a "hair-brained labor agitator" than a smooth-tongued sermonizer in the employ of the bosses.

Men who do anything must expect criticism. The latter is a privilege exercised mostly by those who do little else.

The Eastern Labor News, published by Percy D. Ayer at Moncton, N. B., has received quite a boost. It has been debarred from the public library at St. John, N. B.

The "McBride" theatre is to be opened at Victoria in November next, says a news item in the daily press. Presumably referring to a special session of the legislature or something of the sort.

We do not believe it is the function of ghosts to make laws for the living. While we respect ancestral wisdom, we do not propose to substitute it for the evidence of our senses.—Bainbridge Colby.

"If you always demand the union label on your purchases you will soon be known as a union man, and not merely as a member of a union. Three-fourths of those who call themselves union men are only members of unions. A union man always demands the label."

The emancipation of woman side by side with the emancipation of labor is the next great step in the evolution of the race, and when it is achieved we shall breed men in place of the monkeys who now delight in disturbing suffragette meetings.—W. T. Horn, Whonnock, B. C.

"Hungry mobs do not think." Therefore it is the duty of every unionist to become an organizer and a teacher. Get the workers into an organization, where they can be reached collectively and the future will care for itself. Organize!

Eight federal cabinet minister will visit the Coast during the next few months, including Premier Borden, Hon. W. T. White, Hon. Robert Rogers, Colonel Sam Hughes, Hon. L. P. Pelletier, Hon. Louis Coderre, Hon. Thomas W. Crothers and Hon. Frank Cochrane.

"When a man works overtime he usually gets paid for overtime. Some men get time and a half or even double time for overtime. When a woman works overtime she gets a pain in her back, cramps in her limbs, ache in her head, wrinkles in her face and a grumble from hubby."

If the suffragettes should happen to accept the old biblical injunction which runs something like this: "An eye for an eye," etc., the responsibility will rest upon a few old women of uncertain sex at present lording over the property interests of the glorious hempire.

British immigration to Canada is heavier this year than ever in the past. From January to April the newcomers from the United Kingdom numbered 66,911, or more than half of all the emigrants from that country. Up to the end of May 36,000 emigrants had sailed from points on the Clyde, all of them bound for the Dominion.

Pastor Russell addressed an audience of some 3,000 in the Arena rink last Sunday. He arrived in Vancouver by a special train of Pullmans, accompanied by some 200 attendants and celebrities of his cult. The creaking loose boards of the arena lent local color to the publicity pastor's theme: "Beyond the Grave."

What looks like a new "criminal" charge under the folds of the U. S. Starves and Strikes is this week introduced at Paterson, N. J. A labor editor has been thrown into jail and will be tried for "aiding and abetting hostilities to the government." Huly gee! If Bowser gets hold of this precedent it's all off.

Whew! Listen to this, and from such a source: "One of the curses of British Columbia is the manner in which natural and other resources are tied up by speculators who will neither do anything themselves for the development of the resources they control nor allow anybody else to utilize them," says a recent issue of The Mining and Engineering Record. "There should be some means of brushing aside these barnacles to progress, either by taxation or restrictive title."

Strangely enough the "old-time" miners of Nanaimo are compelled to seek strike pay after being out of work less than a month. A tribute, surely, to the "splendid wages and treatment at the hands of the coal companies" in the years gone by. It is not a condition peculiar to coal miners, either. It is equally true of the whole working class. Hence the world-wide unrest and rumblings of revolt.

The labor press Judas of Vancouver Island, the "Labor" Advocate, published at Nanaimo in the alleged interests of a few Conservative snide politicians, is still tendering inspired advice to the striking coal miners, all of which is relegated, by other than the scabby variety of the human species, to the oblivion it so fittingly deserves. If the Advocate is not on the payroll of the coal barons it is scabbing on the Pinks and Thiels.

"There are several hundred million dollars invested in church property on this continent. Most of this money has come from the lean pockets of the working class. If even a quarter of it had been spent with a view to social salvation, the individual would be better able to work out his eternal salvation. The truth intended to be conveyed here is that salvation, social or eternal—any sort of salvation or emancipation—must be bought and for."

A steamship merger designated as the Canadian Transportation Co., with a capitalization of $25,000,000, to "meet American competition," is the latest development in financial circles at Montreal. It will make very little difference to the employees, however, whether they are shortchanged in the pay envelope by a good patriotic Canadian or a bad foreign American company. The difficulty of trying to make ends meet at the end of the month will be none the less.

A few days ago the daily press was emphasizing the necessity of more school teachers for the province of Saskatchewan. Yesterday the same press tells us 73 woman teachers have practically gone on strike for a higher "schedule of salaries," as the dispatch delicately puts it. Thus is the news service of the A. P. and W. P. used as a means of misrepresenting the true conditions affecting the interests of those who must ask for the privilege of earning a living.

"You must give in order to receive. If you want shorter hours and more wages, you must pay for them through your unions. If you want social legislation and ultimately social emancipation, you must support the labor movement and its right arm—the labor press. There is no escape from these facts. To do one's duty may entail sacrifices, but the way is clear. The road to the co-operative commonwealth is not going to be paved with roses, and the sky, as we travel on, may seem gray more often than it seems blue."

Says the Nelson News editorially: "Works on the electrification of the Canadian Pacific railway between Castlegar and Rossland is to be commenced at once, according to announcement made at Montreal yesterday by Mr. J. G. Sullivan, chief engineer of western lines. . . . It is probable that the policy of the Canadian Pacific railway in this respect will be determined to a large extent by results obtained on the line between Castlegar and Rossland. To those who have given any thought to the matter, however, it will not be surprising if the electrification of this piece of road is but a first step toward the adoption of electricity as motive power on the company's lines in British Columbia generally." It is also probable that this move on the part of the railway magnates may have a far-reaching effect in railway "brotherhood" circles; one that will give the membership ample food for thought and action.

The Federationist has always insisted that the best example of collective ownership of things used collectively on the Pacific coast was Stanley park. By way of confirmation the Daily Province this week thus editorially advises its readers: "The first opportunity you get, and the earlier the better, go to the west end of the city and visit the dark green native forest. You will be refreshed in mind and body. It will make you forget the thousand and one vexations of life for an hour. There is a mysterious attraction about the wild forest up there that lends itself readily to nature's everyday needs. Stanley park primeval is one of Vancouver's noblest assets, and as time passes will become a priceless heritage. It matters not what your quest—whether you be amateur botanist, health-seeker, explorer, adventurer, lazy man, poet or hard-headed business man, half an hour a day spent there will lift you out of the old routine and make life again worth while."

"Wanted — Fifty Russians"—read the chalked sign on a Water street employment bureau last week. It is reported that a certain firm who carries out public works contracts for this city and suburbs is now calling for workmen of that nationality. Further, that this class, who are willing to work any old hours a day—10 to 16 being the popular ones—are the pets for the occasion.

"Casey," said Pat, "how do yez tell th' age of a tu-urkey?"

"Oi can always tell by the teeth," said Casey.

"By the teeth!" exclaimed Pat. "But a tu-u-rkey has no teeth."

"No," admitted Casey, but Oi have."

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"BANFF"

Did I lay claim to literary ability I would write of Banff as the "Place of Plain People," for diligent though I and my companions were in the search for human beauty we were, perforce, compelled to be content with the beauty of mountainous scenery amid which the town is situated.

Luckily I am not expected to draw a word picture of Banff but simply to state the conditions enjoyed, or otherwise, by the workers engaged in the construction of the C. P. R. hotel in that place.

I had heard before going there that the men were working nine and nine and one-half hours per day, but as there was a considerable number of organized workers on the job I had conceived the very foolish, as I afterwards discovered, idea that the extra hour and a half would be paid for at overtime rates. I had a very sad awakening—with the exception of the Lathers and Tilelayers. All the crafts engaged on the work were working from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. straight time, with a half hour interval for junch. The bricklayers were an exception—they worked nine hours only.

The bricklayers, however, were working under a very insane rule. They were not allowed to work overtime, but could work a double shift, a day and a night shift of nine hours each for straight time.

I asked several of the members of the various crafts why they were not adhering to the eight-hour day and the Saturday half holiday. Some replied that they had no local in Banff, giving one the impression that they drop all the principles they are supposed to uphold immediately they are out of touch with the organization. Others excused themselves by saying "We might as well be putting in the time as lying in the bunk." I suppose if some of them were shoveling coal in hell they would want to put the time in because they couldn't go to Heaven for the evening's amusement.

Out of the 120 carpenters employed on the job about 30 were union men, and they didn't advertise the fact. The steamfitters were card men, and when I've said that I've said it all. Their unionism didn't go beyond their card. The laborers were mostly from the south of Europe.

During my first day on the job I had occasion to ask the superintendent to get me English-speaking laborers. He said that he had not found one of that kind of any good all the time he had been on the job. I gently intimated that one could always get good men if the price was paid for the same.

The bunk-houses are not to be taken lightly; for a permanent camp they are a disgrace to civilization and an insult to the supposed intelligence of those who inhabit them. The food was repulsive, yet to see the crush at the doors of the dining-room would give one the impression that a feast fit for the gods awaited those who were manifesting their desire to enter.

A few minutes previous to the meal hours a crowd would begin to gather at the entrances to the dining-room and immediately the doors were unbarred a mad rush would take place in an attempt to be first inside. The only thing resembling it is the crush at the doors of a departmental store during a bargain sale.

Once inside one's attention is drawn to signs placed about the building. One reads, "Mechanics," another "Laborers," and still another bears the notice: "This table is for carpenters and plasterers only." In such a manner is the common herd made aware that they are of a different species than the mechanics, and so do the employing class try to divide the workers even more than at present. It is true that all pay the same for the meals, but such is the meekness of the slaves who are not class conscious that they consent to be ordered about even by a flunkey.

Just above the camp, distant about 400 feet, is the hotel. The windows of the dining-room are open and within can be seen tables laid for the next meal, silver, glass and snowy linen, all the appurtenances of civilization—all of them the product of the workers—and yet members of the working-class, supposedly intelligent members of that class, seeing these things, longing for the comfort the possession of them indicates, are yet content to go down to hog-like food, in surroundings more fit for hogs than men, without a sound of protest coming from their lips.

I am of the opinion that the worker who is not conscious of his class interest is the meekest, and the cheapest organism that survives on this planet.

We were on the job nine days. We struck three times in that period and then we left. I am not sorry. It is heart-breaking to be confronted too closely with the density, the lack of a spirit of revolt, the ox-like contentment of one's own class.

J. KAVANAGH.

District 18, U. M. W. of A. Election

The official count, in the election of a president of District 18, U. M. W. of A., at Fernie, confirms the election of J. E. Smith against ex-President Clem. Stubbs by a vote of 2333 to 1095, a majority of 1238. A number of daily newspaper rumors have been floating round concerning the future movements of Mr. Stubbs, but so far without confirmation. It is probable that Vice-President Jones and Sec.-Treas. Carter will resign.

Letter Carriers Get Wage Increase

Local members of the Letter Carriers' Association have received their first pay day carrying with it the recent tilt in wages of as high as four bits a day to some of the junior grades. The smile produced is alone worth the money. It brings cheer to the office at least four times a day in the down-town sections of the city. Another four-bit raise would most certainly cause a general feeling of "prosperity." The ever-faithful carriers deserved the tardy recognition.

Bakers' Union is Active.

Int. Org. Marcel Wille, of the Bakers, returned to Vancouver from Victoria this week, where he installed the officers of the new local recently organized in the Capital City. He is confident that the boys will have a 100 per cent. union in the course of a few weeks.

In Vancouver the union label campaign is being pushed with vigor. Some 10,000 stickers have been posted all over the city drawing the attention of wage-workers and their friends to the fact that the Woman's Bakery refuses to employ union bakers.

Calgary, Lethbridge, Edmonton and Medicine Hat are points on the prairie, just east of the Rockies, which will probably receive the attention of Org. Wille during the next few months.

STEAM ENGINEERS CALL OUT VANCOUVER ISLAND STRIKE ZONE MEMBERS

Building Trades Still Very Quiet Is Unanimous Report of Delegates to Central Council

At last regular meeting of Vancouver Building Trades Council delegates from the Steam Engineers made a report which will have an important bearing on the Vancouver Island coal miners' strike. All members in the strike zone have been called out in an endeavor to assist themselves and the miners in establishing once and for all the right to organize and have an intelligent say in an industry which the workers alone make possible.

President McDonald presided, and a fairly good attendance of delegates were present.

Communications from Hodcarriers and Building Laborers. Received and laid over until report of committee investigating dispute between Locals 230 and 65 is received.

From President B. T. Department re Hadding Island stone. Received and filed.

From G. S. T. Painters and Decorators. Received and filed.

From A. F. of L. Organizer C. Perry Taylor re revocation of charter of Seattle. Received, filed and secretary instructed to comply with request.

From Portland B. T. Council. Received and placed upon blackboard in hall.

From head office, Sheet Metal Workers. Received and filed.

From Kansas B. T. Council re bricklayers. Received and filed.

Reports of Committees.

Teamsters' organization. Committee reported progress.

Visitors: Messrs. Swift, T. Maloney; Peterski, of Laborers 230; Head and Young, of Plumbers.

Reports of Unions.

Painters—Trade dull.
Cement Workers—Trade quiet.
Marble Workers—Trade fair.
U. B. Carpenters—Trade dull.
Steam Engineers—Trade fair. B. C. Association undercutting their wage scale. Winnipeg union out on strike. Men working in mines on Vancouver Island called out last Tuesday.
Lathers—Trade poor.

Delegate Haberbush elected to committee to meet Laborers' union, vice Kelly, out of town.

Meeting adjourned at 9.30 p.m.

THREE IMPORTANT DECISIONS RENDERED UNDER WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT PROVISION

Judgment has been given by Judge Thompson in the action brought by the widow of "Billy" Maftichuk, a foreign miner, against the Crow's Nest Pass Coal Company.

Mrs. Maftichuk was seeking compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act, her husband having been killed by a snowslide while shoveling snow outside of the carpenter shop of the respondents at Coal Creek on the morning of December 30, 1912.

Among the defences entered by the company was one to the effect that the risk assumed by Maftichuk was not connected with his regular employment. Another line of defence was that the widow had not suffered financially, as she had subsequently married the brother of the deceased, who was earning larger wages than her former husband.

His honor, in giving judgment for the widow on all the disputed points, found that the accident did arise out of the man's employment, also that at the time of her husband's decease Mrs. Maftichuk was dependent upon him.

A third question as to whether an unborn child was a dependent was also decided in the affirmative by the court.

CALGARY LANDS B. OF L. F. AND E. 1914 CONVENTION

The next convention of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers will be held in Calgary. The news was brought by Engineer William Crowe, Calgary delegate, who has just returned from the Washington convention. It is estimated that fully 5000 delegates and visitors will attend the convention. It will be made up of delegations from all portions of Canada, the United States, and Mexico. It will be the biggest convention of any kind ever held in Western Canada. It will convene August 3, 1914, and the session will continue for a week.

T. W. CROTHERS, FEDERAL MINISTER OF LABOR, WILL INVESTIGATE BIG STRIKE

The members of organized labor on the Pacific coast will watch with considerable interest the movements of Hon. T. W. Crothers, minister of labor, who is scheduled to reach here next week to "investigate personally the labor troubles in the mines of Vancouver Island."

He can count on the assistance of local union representatives, the miners' in particular; provided, of course, there is no effort made to administer terms that will not permit of an honorable settlement with striking miners as members of the U. M. W. of A.

Carpenters' Officers in the City.

W. A. Cole, member general executive board of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, with headquarters at San Francisco, accompanied by District Organizer Pete W. Dowler, of Tacoma, was a visitor in Vancouver during the week, en route to Victoria and other Coast points.

Mr. Cole is anxious to familiarize himself with local conditions before proceeding to headquarters at Indianapolis next month to attend a board meeting, and with this in view his time in Vancouver was occupied in meeting local U. B. officers, including Organizer Watchman. Mr. Cole paid The Fed. a fraternal call and talked interestingly of the labor movement in general and San Francisco and Los Angeles in particular, the latter providing a number of experiences that happily are not so brazenly in vogue in this territory. His first-hand knowledge of the despicable operations of Burns and other slimy detective agencies to disrupt and divide union forces would provide data for a book, the contents of which should be known by every wage-worker.

WAGE WORKERS' FORUM

Miners' Strike.

Editor B. C. Federationist: Vancouver Island is still the battle ground of a civil war between capital and labor. The coal miners at Chemberland and Ladysmith were ordered out on strike over eight months ago. This was a protest against the unsafe and dangerous conditions that existed in the mines. A few weeks ago the employees of the mines at Nanaimo, Jingle Pot and South Wellington followed suit. It may be stated that since the beginning of hostilities the fight has raged fiercely, though not in a militant sense, inasmuch as no wilful damage to property has been done.

The men believe that they are right in their demands, and were confident that when their representatives had approached the managements of the different companies involved that they would have been met in a gentlemanly and frank manner. But instead of this any attempt at a fair settlement was insolently refused and "turned down" by the managers. There may be method in their actions, who knows? This czar-like attitude, however, has been deeply resented not only by the employees but by the great mass of citizens of this province. For it showed an unwillingness on the part of the employers to even entertain the project of arbitration of the dispute, which, to say the least, was a gross injustice. To those who have a desire to see employers and employed settle their differences amicably, in the best interests of all concerned—which they should do to advance the welfare of the community—it will be readily conceded that in this instance the strikers are quite justified in the stand they have taken. They made no arbitrary demands, but asked that their grievances be at least given a fair and proper investigation open and above board. This is not unreasonable. All that the miners want is that a joint agreement will be entered into by the operators and the United Mine Workers of America, to guarantee the enforcement of the Coal Mines Regulation act.

The government should enforce the law.

In putting forward these modest demands the demandants occupy a strong, prima facie position in their offer to submit all the points at stake to a fair tribunal for adjustment. It is to be regretted that a similar proposition is not forthcoming from the affected companies. Large public gatherings from time to time have been held; and with the general sentiment so strongly on the side of the men they must ultimately win.

These strikes should teach the government and the people of British Columbia that in giving away valuable coal franchises or, in fact, any other franchise, that the charters should contain specified stipulations as to what remuneration the workmen shall receive from time to time. If this were law there would be fewer conflicts of this kind, that only tend to demoralize business and cause a feeling of unnecessary bitterness all round.

GEORGE BARTLEY.

It Beats the Dutch.

The official returns for the general elections for members of parliament in Denmark are now in and they show substantial gains for the socialist party, the increase in its seats amounting to 25 per cent.

English Regains Alberta Federationist

L. T. English will have undisputed possession of the Alberta Federationist, Calgary, on and after July 1st. Mr. Bramwell, who has been identified with the paper, under an advertising agreement, which put "Lew" rather up against it, for some months past will drop out with the termination of the agreement.

Mail Clerks Want Investigation.

Railway mail clerks, between Vancouver and Calgary, have protested to the Postmaster-General at Ottawa, and ask for an investigation of the unfair treatment of Superintendent J. O. McLeod, of this city, who, it is alleged, has so routed the men under his supervision that they have to maintain homes in two towns; and they claim he disapproves of their organization.

How Workers Are Bilked.

If the recent federal order-in-council covering employment sharks and deception, practised daily all over Canada by employers, means anything at all, here is a case, cited by the Edmonton Daily Capital, which should provide a test case: "After having worked for twenty days, at a daily wage of $3, sixteen men who had come West from Toronto, on false promises of employment, found that their pay cheques only amounted to $9, instead of $40. The men returned to Edmonton, and complained to the police, by whom they were directed to apply to the attorney-general's department. L. F. Clarry, deputy attorney-general, however, was unable to take up the case, as the contractor by whom the men allege they were cheated, operates in British Columbia. Mr. Clarry added that the case was a hard one, but was one for the Dominion government to take up."

Metalliferous Miners' Minglings.

T. W. Crothers, minister of labor, is expected on the Coast at an early date. Mr. Crothers will have the opportunity of conferring with the Britannia Miners' union, Local 216, W. F. M., who have been on strike since last February. As the troubles involve no question of wages the men simply demanding the right to organize and recognition of their union, it is not unlikely that the government may find some means of settling the dispute.

Wm. Davidson, executive board member for the Western Federation of Miners, left early this week for the Kootenay district. Mr. Davidson will tour British Columbia in the interests of the W. F. M. and will then very likely depart for Missouri.

Al. Gill, late president of Local 216, W. F. M., is now working at the Bluebell mine on Kootenay Lake.

Kerr MacNeil, ex-secretary of Britannia Miners' union, is at Big Creek, Fresno Co., California.

Bob Murray, well-known to all miners on the Coast, left for Ontario last week. Bob is paying a hurried trip home; the first in twenty years.

A. C. Webb, one time secretary of Local 216, W. F. M., is now in Nelson, B. C.

Joe Thorton left for Hazelton last week.

Joe Curtin and Don Cameron are in the vicinity of Ketchikan. Curtin is working at the "Jumbo" mine; Cameron is prospecting.

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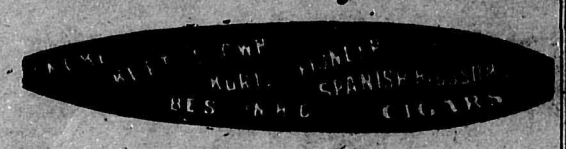

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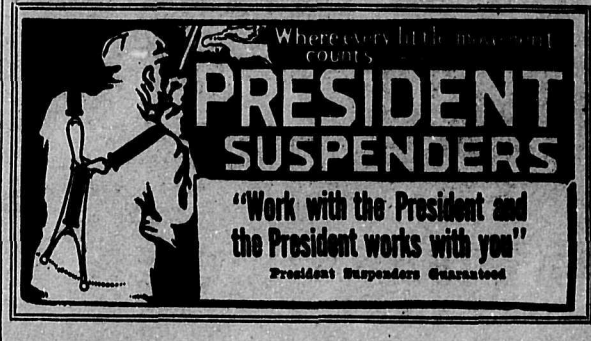

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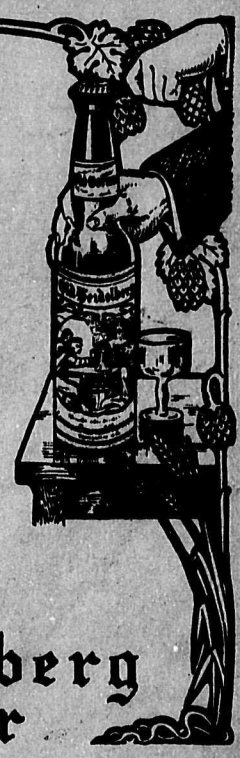

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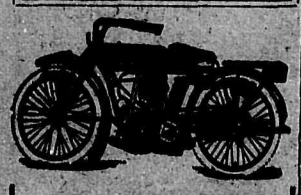

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THE U. M. W. OF A SCORES A SIGNAL VICTORY THIS WEEK AT TAYLOR, WASH.

After Eleven Months' Strike Organized Miners' Demands Are Wholly Conceded

That all coal mine operators do not belong to the medieval age, when employers insisted on doing business with individuals rather than dealing with their employees collectively, is this week evidenced by the signing of still another agreement with the United Mine Workers of America.

On Monday last International Board Member Frank Farrington successfully negotiated a working agreement, applicable to the mine at Taylor, Wash. The new schedule gives local members of the U. M. W. of A. complete recognition and the same prices for labor and conditions of employment as prevail among the miners in other unionized coal camps in Washington.

The schedule ends a strike of more than eleven months' duration, and is a victory in every detail for the coal-diggers.

Incidentally it should provide an object lesson for the coal barons of Vancouver Island.

Bowser's New Regulations

Counsel (to talesman): "Have you any knowledge of anything in this world or the world to come?"

Talesman: "I have not."

Counsel: "Do you know enough to come in out of the rain?"

Talesman: "I do not."

Counsel: "If you were standing on a railroad track and an express train approached at a speed of ninety miles an hour, would you step out of the way?"

Talesman: "I would not."

Chorus of Lawyers: "Step right into the jurybox!"

Dr. T. P. Hall will speak in the Labor Temple on Sunday evening, June 29th, under the auspices of the S. D. Party of Canada. His subject will be, "Principles of Education."

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W. R. WALKER
Who Returned This Morning from the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Convention at Denver, Colo.

MASK TORN FROM NANAIMO PRESS ROUSTABOUT OF COAL BARONS

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sent out the hysterical cry that the United Mine Workers of America is a "foreign union." To show that we do not stand alone in this respect we quote below the names of a few other "foreign unions" having jurisdiction over Canadian workmen, every one of which has its headquarters in the United States. The names follow:

American Society of Carpenters and Joiners.
Amalgamated Society of Machinists.
American Brotherhood of Cement Workers.
American Federation of Musicians.
Bricklayers and Masons.
Bakers and Confectionery Workers.
Boiler Makers and Iron Workers and Shipbuilders of America.
Brotherhood of Bookbinders.
Brotherhood of Electrical Workers of America.
Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.
Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen.
Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.
Brotherhood of Railroad Conductors.
Brotherhood of Railroad Section Hands.
Brotherhood of Railroad Car Men.
Coopers' International Union.
Electrical Railway Employees.
Federal Labor Unions.
Horseshoers of the United States and Canada.
Hotel and Restaurant Employees and Bartenders' Union of America.
Hod Carriers and Building Laborers' Union of America.
International Brotherhood of Blacksmiths.
International Association of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers.
International Association of Glassworkers.
International Association of Granite Cutters.
International Association of Marble Workers.
International Association of Sheet Metal Workers.
International Union of Steam Engineers.
International Union of Elevator Constructors.
International Union of Cigar Makers.
International Union of Wood, Wire and Metal Lathers.
International Alliance of Stage Employes.
International Brotherhood of Stationery Firemen.
International Typographical Union.
Journeyman Barbers' Union.
Journeyman Tailors' Union.
Molders' Union of North America.
Moving Picture Operators' Union.
Painters, Decorators and Paper Hangers of America.
Pattern Makers' League of North America.
Photo Engravers' Union of North America.
Plasterers' International Association of United States and Canada.
Plumbers of the United States and Canada.
Printing Pressmen's Union.
Quarry Workers' Union of North America.
Steam Fitters' Helpers of United States and Canada.
Sailors' Union of the Pacific Coast.
Shinglers' Union.
Stereotypers and Electrotypers' Union.
Stone Cutters of North America.
Tile Layers and Helpers' International Union.
United Carmen Workers of America.
United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners.
Western Federation of Miners.

In addition to these the United Mine Workers of America have had jurisdiction over the coal miners employed in the mines of Eastern British Columbia for a number of years. If any of our adverse critics are doubtful as to the truthfulness of the above claim they can verify the same by reference to the "Report of Labor Organizations in Canada," published by the department of labor at Ottawa.

In view of these facts we would ask can any one rightfully lay claim to friendship for the Vancouver Island miners, who tries to create prejudice and division among their ranks by cries of "foreign union?" The evil intention of the Herald and its ilk is so obvious that their actions need no further comment. However, we say for their benefit that the United Mine Workers of America have always had to contend with their kind; we have always had to combat the puny efforts of company lackeys; we have ever had to fight injunctions and legal enthralliments devised for our defeat; we have had to deal with imposters and traitors; barriers erected by selfish greed to we have had to break down mighty stay our progress; we are the creature of oppression and cruel injustice, but we have fought the game of men and our defeats are outnumbered a thousand-fold by our victories, and we have struggled on and on until today we have grown into an organization which has brought hope and happiness and protection into the homes and the lives of our 400,000 members and the millions of women and children who are dependent on it for protection, and we are now arrayed behind the men of Vancouver Island, who are struggling for the sacred right to protect their homes against the invasion of corporate greed.

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By order:
Exe. L. U. No. 2155, U.M.W. of A. Sec.
Nanaimo, B. C., June 26, 1913.

What's the matter when one doesn't know what's the matter?

In view of such evidence the less the News-Ad. has to say of labor market conditions the better for all concerned.

"That was a fine talk put up by Hon. Sir Richard at the Progress Club one day this week. But it takes a lot of it to make a meal," observed the boob, as The Fed. man passed that way.

"Strikes should not be resorted to until all efforts to settle by conference, conciliation and arbitration have absolutely failed. To provoke and engage into strikes for trivial grievances, which can be settled by peaceable methods, is neither heroic nor worthy of emulation. It is a waste of energy, an expensive experiment and detrimental to the best interests of the wage workers."

Since the civic authorities and local daily press have evidenced such manifest interest in the case of a policeman's widow during the last two weeks, will they kindly inform the public what has been done for the widow and seven children of the civic employee killed by an auto on Granville street bridge, last January, or for the other victim (a civic employee) who has been laid up ever since, with a family to support and big hospital and doctor bills to pay? More anon.

Cotton's Weekly is the name of an alleged socialist paper, published at Cowansville, P. Q. Last week's issue contains an arm-waving attack upon J. H. McVety, who recently appeared before the provincial labor commission on behalf of the B. C. Federation of Labor, based upon a clipping from some of the at other times much-despised capitalist dailies. The only trouble with the text for the story is that it is absolutely false, and McVety was never even accorded the decency of being asked as to the truthfulness of the newspaper report before the unwarranted attack was written. Such is the conception of "justice" of a certain variety of warped and self-opinionated individuals.

Moving Picture Operators

A member of the Typographical, Local 226, Mr. Britton by name, is employing non-union men in his theatre.

We also wish to inform the various locals of the unfair houses in Vancouver. Do not patronize the following theatres:

Fairview, Dominion, Granville, Province, Lyric, National, Royal, Princess, Star, Sun.

By a careful canvass we can safely say that all union houses are doing good business while others are not. With a little more help from the brothers we are sure we can adjust this matter to the satisfaction of all concerned.

We can also inform you of the I. A. T. S. E. convention to be held in Seattle, July 1st. Our president, J. H. Fletcher, will represent Local 233 of Vancouver. Members from all over the United States and Canada will be present. This convention will undoubtedly be the largest one ever held.

The Orpheum

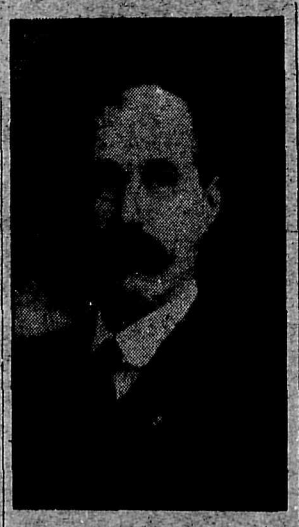
A magnificent scenic and musical production, "The Cavaliers," will be a special feature of next week's bill at the Orpheum theatre.

The engagement of George E. Richards in a delightfully funny sketch, "Easy Money," will be the added feature on the new bill.

Lacey Sampson and Douglas have earned the reputation of being one of the best if not the best laugh producers that have been along the S. and C. Circuit.

Those who have never had an opportunity of visiting behind the scenes of a theatre will get a glimpse of the doings of the actor folk in witnessing the performance given by Walter Daniels in "It Happened at Rehearsal."

Some new dancing steps are promised when Golden and West make their appearance here next week.



A. C. WEBB
Who has resigned as Secretary of the Britannia Mines Union, W. F. of M., and is now located at Nelson.

The "Belgian Tons"

Prussian workers are likely to follow the example of the Belgians and inaugurate a mass strike to force the government to grant a fair electoral system.

New Labor Temple For Toronto

Almost concident with the report that the last payment had been made announcement that the Toronto La- and the mortgage retired, comes the bor Temple company has practically decided to dispose of its present building and erect a new and more commodious structure.

More Trouble for Bowser.

"Woman suffrage is a western movement and has been won on the Pacific Coast by sane Western methods and not by spectacular work. The women of the Pacific seaboard used pacified methods and inaugurated a campaign in the nature of a personal canvass, and with the help of the press were able to convince the voter that wherever woman suffrage had been tried, in Australia and New Zealand, it had always been a complete success," said Miss Adela Parker, in speaking before a large body of women assembled in Mrs. John Percival's residence at 1055 Burnaby street Tuesday evening.

Miss Parker is the editor of The Western Woman Voter, a magazine printed in Seattle in the interests of the women's movement on the Pacific slope. Miss Parker is here lecturing under the direction of the Pioneer Political Equality League of British Columbia.

Awkward Questions

Editor B. C. Federationist—You ask "Shall the unemployed parade their poverty?" By all means! But there are other questions to be asked, too! The question I would ask of both employed and unemployed is:

When will you take an intelligent interest in your own affairs so that at the proper time and place you can have a say in creating conditions where unemployment and poverty will be unknown?

When will you cease to wait for common sense to find entry to your mind through an empty stomach; through your own stomach; through the stomach of your wife; through the tiny stomachs of your little children, and by means of their tears and their cry for food?

Are you always going to wait for suffering before you bestir yourselves? Are you always going to wait until you are turned from your homes, and you and those who are dear to you have to seek the shelter of charity's cold and cheerless abode?

You men, who are out of work at the busiest time of the year; you who at any time may lose your jobs, and you who are almost sure to know suffering this coming winter, what have you done in the past to avert the hard times that are upon you?

I appeal to you to ask yourself these questions, and to see that from now on you make it your duty to yourself; to those who are dependent upon you, to take your full share in placing those in authority who will see that your interests, and the interests of the great working class, receive the attention they demand.

ONE OF YOU.

COSMOPOLITAN AGENCY LICENSE IS CANCELLED AND OTHERS ON WAY

(Continued from Page One.)

Vancouver, British Columbia, this 9th day of June, A. D., 1913.

"JAS. H. McVETY."
"J. W. De B. FARRIS."
A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia.

In the matter of Order-in-Council 1028 and in the matter of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, E. Welsh, proprietor.

I, Robert Foster, of the City of Nanaimo, in the province of British Columbia, President of District 28, United Mine Workers of America, make oath and say, as follows:

1. That on the 5th day of June, 1913, at the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, I had a conversation with E. Welsh, proprietor of the Cosmopolitan Employment Agency, relative to his attempt to bring in from England some sixty-one miners to work in the mines of the Canadian Collieries (Dunsmuir), Limited, at Cumberland, British Columbia, in place of striking miners. The miners referred to in our conversation were sixty-one miners, who came from Durham County, England, by way of Portland, Maine, United States of America, and arrived at Vancouver on the date of our conversation, and who on discovering that there was a strike at Cumberland and that they had been brought out under the false assurance that there was no strike, had refused to go to Cumberland from Vancouver.

2. Upon my statement to the said Welsh that he had failed to get these men in to work as strike breakers he stated to me that if he had been at Revelstoke when Pattinson went on the train he would have had one of his men on each foot board of the car and had them kick the face off him or beat him up that they both would have been arrested; if he could not do it in that way he would accuse him of being a pickpocket or a thief; if he could not have got his man to do it he would have done it himself; that he would not have cared what the fine would be for his man, he would have paid as long as he detained Pattinson.

3. The Pattinson referred to in the above conversation was Christopher Pattinson, national organizer of the United Mine Workers of America, and the incident referred to at Revelstoke was when the said Pattinson entered the train on which the said miners from England were travelling, and informed them of the conditions at Cumberland and that they were being brought out as strike-breakers.

Sworn before me, at the City of Vancouver, British Columbia, this

"ROBT. FOSTER."
"J. W. De B. FARRIS,"
A Commissioner for taking affidavits within British Columbia.

"There are three or four agencies in this city that require attention," said the accompanying report from the Council to the department, "but the worst from the standpoint of fraud and deception is undoubtedly the Cosmopolitan."

Warning to Others

That the cancellation of the Cosmopolitan will do a world of good no wage-earner will deny. It had resolved itself into a nefarious strikebreaking agency and stopped at nothing to secure its victims.

Real Employers Untouched

It might be noted, however, that the corporations and employers, especially on Vancouver Island, for whom the Cosmopolitan was acting, are left untouched. A case of the bribe-taker going Scot free while the bribe-receiver gets soaked. The mine operators of Cumberland were accessories both before and after the fact, as the lawyers put it, and they should not be allowed to ruthlessly disregard the provisions of every law of the land in an effort to break down a privilege they themselves enjoy—that of organization.

Next on the Carpet

In passing. There is another bunch of employment agency sharks that need investigating, the agency of Messrs. Jakobsen & Lindberg. And it will be forthcoming.

Labor Temple Wants Evidence

For the purpose of facilitating the efforts of union officials in an endeavor to stamp out this sort of scullduggery and rascality, victims are invited to bring information covering their cases to the Labor Temple. There will be something doing soon after, if the goods are shown.

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We believe there is more efficacy in electing working-class representatives to write the law than by supplicatory methods; and our efforts will be more in that direction in future.

We are firmly convinced that the future belongs to the only useful people in human society the working-class.

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