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# FIRST VICTORY FOR U. M. W. OF A. THIS WEEK

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## ISLAND MINERS SECURE THEIR FIRST AGREEMENT

**Will Be Used As a Basis for Negotiating Further Impending Settlements.**

**SALIENT POINTS PROVE VALUE OF ORGANIZATION**

**All the Camps Under Military Control—One Hundred and Twenty-eight U. M. W. of A. Men Thrown Into Jail Up to Last Night, with No Bail or Knowledge of Charges Preferred—Ranks Unbroken and Union Miners Will Win Out.**

After many months of desperate strife, during which time the mine workers of Vancouver island have experienced all the abuses and sufferings incident to modern industrial disturbances everywhere, we have finally succeeded in negotiating a working agreement with the Vancouver-Nanaimo Coal Mining Company, applicable to their mine at Nanaimo.

This is highly gratifying for the reason that the agreement is the first ever secured on the island by our union and because it gives to the men working under it a complete union shop and a higher rate of wages, per hours worked, for inside day labor, than is received in any district over which we have jurisdiction, and because it is but a fitting reward for the men who fought so valiantly to secure it.

Furthermore, it is gratifying because it was won despite brutal opposition and in the face of studied and malicious attempts on the part of the press, governmental influences and selfish interests to prejudice the Canadian public in general, and Canadian workmen in particular, against the United Mine Workers of America.

In addition to the usual machinery provided for the adjustment of disputes, the essential features of some of the more important sections of the agreement follow:

"The company agrees to re-employ in their former positions all men employed when strike was called.

"They agree to employ none but members of the U. M. W. of A. at the classes of labor for which a scale is made.

"They agree to deduct union dues, assessments, fines and initiation fees from the earnings of the men.

"The old docking system, whereunder coal was confiscated, is substituted by the docking system prevailing in Washington.

"The men are to receive their powder, caps, fuse, house, coal and all mine supplies at the prices prevailing previous to the strike.

"Prices for narrow work and all dead work are advanced 10 per cent.

"A minimum wage of $3.63 per day is to be paid miners where deficiencies in their working place prevents them averaging the miners' scale of wages.

"The inside day wage scale is based on an eight hour bank-to-bank workday.

"The men are to be paid semi-monthly."

| | Old. | New. |
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| Tonnage rate coal, 4 ft. and under | $1.00 | $1.10 |
| Tonnage rate coal, over 4 ft. | .82½ | .91¾ |

**Inside Day Wages.**

| | Old. | New. |
|---|---|---|
| Fire bosses | $3.57 | $3.94 |
| Shotlighters | 3.30 | 3.63 |
| Brattice men | 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Timbermen | 3.30 | 3.63 |
| Timbermen helpers | 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Tracklayers | 3.03 | 3.63 |
| Road men and laborers | 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Driver, boss | 3.30 | 3.63 |
| Driver, single | 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Driver, double | 3.03 | 3.33 |
| Driver, boys | $1.50 to 2.25 | 3.15 |
| Pushers | 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Winch Drivers | $1.10 to 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Rope riders | 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Trappers | 1.00 | 1.50 |
| Miners, per day | 3.30 | 3.63 |
| Pumpmen | 2.86 | 3.63 |
| Stablemen | $2.86 per day, $95 per mo. | |

**Outside Day Wages.**

| | Old. | New. |
|---|---|---|
| Blacksmith | $3.50 | $4.25 |
| Blacksmith helper | 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Machinists | 3.50 | 3.85 |
| Machinists helpers | 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Carpenters | 3.50 | 3.85 |
| Carpenters helpers | 2.86 | 3.15 |
| Slope engineers | 3.30 | 3.63 |
| Compressor engineer | 3.30 | 4.00 |
| Firemen (Chinamen) | 1.65 | 2.00 |
| Teamster | 3.00 | 3.00 |
| All other outside labor (Chinamen) | 1.65 | 2.00 |

While this agreement has been negotiated, it must not be understood that the strike on Vancouver Island has been settled. It has not.

At this writing all the camps on the island are under military control, and 128 of our men, including District Vice-president Taylor, and International Organizers Pattison and Angelo have been seized and jailed, and up to now we have been unable to ascertain the nature of the charges against them, or to make any arrangements for their trial or release.

Consequently all workers should disregard newspaper reports and stay away from Vancouver island until notice of a complete settlement appears in the Labor press.

F. FARRINGTON.

### Which Czar?

The czar has created a ministry of sport, hoping to divert youthful thought from politics and revolutions to athletics. Will the sport pages escape the censor?—Daily Sun.

The News-Advertiser this morning has found the miners, now in jail on Vancouver island, guilty of all the crimes its lying reporters have been sending in for the past two weeks. This, of course, was to be expected. What has become of that old saw: Every British subject is innocent until proved guilty, etc.?

## BOSSES' SCAB HERDERS SOLIDIFY WORKERS

FRANK FARRINGTON

International Board Member of the United Mine Workers of America, the "big man" in charge of the big strike of coal miners on Vancouver Island, who "Our cause is a just one, and the presence of troops in the strike zone will not deter our unions from carrying on the strike till victory has been achieved," says Mr. Farrington.

"We view with indulgent calm" the action of Attorney-General Bowser in sending troops to Vancouver island. Inasmuch as the union miners which I represent have committed no breach of the peace or the laws of the country we have nothing to fear from the troops. That is to say, if the troops have been, as stated by the attorney-general, sent in to preserve order and neutrality only," said Mr. Frank Farrington, personal representative of President White of the United Mine Workers of America, on Monday morning last at the office of The Federationist in the Labor Temple.

"However, at this time it looks as though it were the obvious desire of the coal companies to create a condition that will have justified the mobilization of troops.

"But, of this and other phases of the situation it is, as yet, too early to judge. We shall see.

"Our cause is a just one, and the U. M. W. of A. will prosecute the strike as determinedly as ever, and we will feel justified in asking for and expecting the same treatment and protection of the militia as is extended to others. We cannot believe that we are to be persecuted merely because we are union men.

"Quite true, there are at least five times as many troops and special police as would be needed under any circumstances, but that part of the arrangement will have to be explained by Mr. Bowser.

"You can say as emphatically as you wish that the union miners of Vancouver island are going to win this strike. I am leaving for Nanaimo this afternoon to complete arrangements for the submission of an agreement which I have just made with one mining company, operating near Nanaimo, the Jingle Pot, and I hope to have some 200 men at work before the week is out, under an agreement the conditions of which are about the best ever obtained anywhere by the United Mine Workers.

"The others will follow. It takes time, you know, but we have the time, the men and the money, and we will win."

> No government official in Canada whose name has gone down in infamy because of his turning over the military forces of the state to corporations, to aid them in beating down their employees, ever acted so hastily and without cause as did Attorney-General Bowser, premier pro tem, two days after he assumed the latter office.

Bowser's government is not only supplying scab-herders at the coal mines. It is also feeding over 150 strike-breakers, right now, in Victoria, preparatory to shipping them over to the mine owners. Sirs Bill and Dan must have Bowser bought and paid for.

The big corporations of this province should be satisfied. They have succeeded in dividing the workers into two camps, those who are foolish enough to do the bosses' fighting and those who believe in peaceably fighting for themselves.

### SHALL WE BUY A UNIT OF A DAILY NEWSPAPER PLANT?

Shall the board of directors make a move to secure the unit of a daily newspaper plant?

Organized Labor in Vancouver, during the past three years, has builded a quarter-of-a-million-dollar Labor Temple, located in the centre of the city, which is now earning a net profit of $800 a month.

The next undertaking of Vancouver unionists, this time supplemented by the unionists of the rest of the province, should be the establishment of a DAILY NEWSPAPER OF OUR OWN, in our own building, and printed with our own plant.

The B. C. Federationist, Ltd., is capitalized at $20,000. Of these, Vancouver Trades and Labor Council owns 5,000 shares, and the B. C. Federation of Labor now holds 5,000 shares. For these holdings no real money, except $200 which was paid by the latter to the Trades and Labor Council, was ever put into the treasury.

The Federationist has paid its own way from the start.

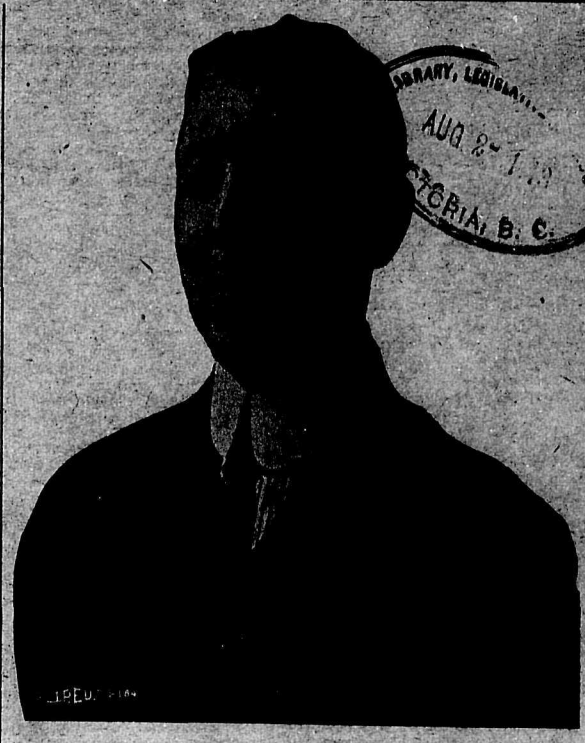
What the company needs now is a plant of its own; one that will make a unit for a daily newspaper plant later on.

For this purpose the sum of at least $5,000 would be required.

The company still has 9,995 unalloted shares.

If the unions of the province would consent to purchase these, The Federationist can be made a much better paper. When it comes time to make The Fed. a daily, then if more money is needed the capitalization could be increased.

The manager of The Fed. thinks the unionists of the province are ready for such a move. The columns of The Fed. are open for a discussion of the subject.



F. M. DRAPER

Executive Board Member and Secretary-Treasurer of Trades and Labor Congress of Canada—At present in Great Britain as the first fraternal delegate sent by the Congress to the British Trades Union Congress—Will return in time to assume the duties of his office at the Montreal convention, opening Sept. 23.

## TENSE SITUATION FOR THREE STREETRAILWAY EMPLOYEES' UNIONS

The Street Railway Employees' unions of Vancouver, Ne wWestminster and Victoria, embracing a hundred per cent. organization which had a working agreement with the B. C. Electric Railway Company up till June 30th, covering some 3,000 employees, have each held mass meetings during the past week.

The report of the federal investigation board, appointed under the provisions of the Lemieux Act was read to the membership and a general discussion followed.

A referendum shop vote was taken during the two days following the mass meetings.

Both parties to the dispute are now anxiously waiting for official advice from Minister of Labor Crother's department at Ottawa, and pending the receipt of this both company and employees are giving out nothing for publication.

### ROYAL CITY LABOR DAY COMMITTEES MAKING THINGS FAIRLY HUM

**Prize List Growing Daily and Programme Replete for Big Day's Sport.**

"We have succeeded in securing quite a number of new donations to augment the prize fund for our big Labor Day celebration," said Mr. Harry Gibb, chairman of the Royal City Labor Day committee, to The Federationist last night.

"The sub-committees are all working hard and we figure on making good in every detail.

"We have had a little trouble over the supply of music. Some time ago we organized a new local and forwarded an application for a charter to headquarters, but it was refused, because of the objections made by Vancouver union, which claims jurisdiction. However, we are hoping to get matters amicably arranged before Labor Day, otherwise we may have to do without a band. But unionists can depend upon it, we will have a programme worth while, and we are looking for them all at New Westminster on Monday, Sept. 1st."

### IS "DE WET" ATTACKING MILITIA IN NANAIMO

**Militia Escorts Bale of Hay Through Streets.**

The action of "our" most efficient military organization verges very closely on the ridiculous.

Tuesday the citizens of Nanaimo were enlivened by the spectacle of thirteen of "our" "gallant defenders" escorting a bale of hay through the streets.

All was done in true military fashion, a la South Africa. There was an advance guard of cavalry, then the before-mentioned convoy with an escort of infantry, and behind them the cavalry rear guard. "'Tis true, 'tis pity, pity 'tis, 'tis true."

This is about all they are fit for; escorting fodder for wiser animals than themselves; threatening unarmed men, brave, in possession of the knowledge that the men they are hounding do not possess means of retaliation.

One hears them bragging of what other half-clad barbarians have done. But others also know a little of what they did, say at Magersfontein.

### Protest Meeting.

A mass protest meeting was held at the Arena last evening, under the auspices of the B. C. Federation of Labor executive. Resolutions similar to those published elsewhere, under a Victoria date line, were passed.

### WAVE OF SERVILITY SEEMS TO PERMEATE EMPLOYING CLASS

**Cope, Member Vancouver Branch Manufacturers' Association, Lives up to Rules.**

"Cope is certainly determined to run the open shop," said H. L. Mills, a member of the Painters' union, to The Federationist on Tuesday morning.

There were quite a few organized workers employed in the metal polishing, buffer and plating department, and an effort was being made to organize them in the Metal Polishers, Buffer & Platers' Union of America.

Immediately Mr. Cope became aware of this fact he fired the man whom he thought was responsible for the agitation. On the men assembling to discuss the question as to why one of their number was discharged, Cope fired the bunch.

The chances of his being able to run his place non-union are very slim, and it is expected that he will very soon come to his senses. The same wave of temporary senility which has affected Bowser appears to be affecting others of his ilk.

None of the militiamen who refused to go to Vancouver island, to act as scab-herders for the coal barons, to make it possible for the latter to introduce Oriental labor in the mines, have been court-martialed. Or at least no action has yet been taken by Butcher Bowser's military officers to that end.

Now that the play on Vancouver island has been staged to meet requirements, and the scab-herders have arrived on the scene, the mine-owners, with the permission and assistance of Bowser et al., will endeavor to start the mines going with Orientals, negroes and the usual variety of two-legged products of the world labor market.

### SECOND VICTORY IN TWO DAYS FOR MINERS OBSERVES MR. FOSTER

President Robert Foster of District 28, U. M. W. of A., was in Vancouver yesterday. He told The Federationist that the day previous 125 men, including machinists, molders, electricians, shopmen, linemen, carpenters, construction workers and all skilled mechanics, who had been working as strike-breakers for the Canadian Collieries Company at Cumberland deserted their work and joined forces with the United Mine Workers of America. Consequently the company is badly crippled and unable to work the mines.

## COUNCIL WILL AWAIT STRIKE DEVELOPMENTS BEFORE TAKING ACTION

Last night's meeting of Vancouver Trades and Labor Council was fairly well attended, and credentials were received for new delegates, as follows:

Buildings Trades Council—D. Gallagher, W. T. Griffiths and Morrow.

Pattern Makers—Floyd Ford, vice R. C. Samson.

Laborers—Bro. Gerrard.

Business Agent Wilkinson reported upon work since election, covering a number of accomplishments.

Delegate McVety reported regarding the arrest of two advertising agents who had been doing business in the name of organized labor. They had been committed for trial.

Upon motion the convention call of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada was filed and Delegate Trotter given credentials to represent the council.

Reports of unions indicated dull trade conditions generally.

The Amalgamated Carpenters reported that hereafter members of the militia would be debarred from that organization.

A number of members of the Home and Domestic Employees' Union were present, the ladies desiring to get acquainted with the procedure of the council previous to regular affiliation at next meeting.

Delegate Burkhart reported for the Label League and asked for a larger hall in which to hold meeting. Good progress was being made. The League will meet hereafter on the second and fourth Fridays of each month.

D. S. Cameron, president of New Westminster Trades and Labor Council, was present and addressed the meeting. Everything was in readiness for the Labor Day celebration, and with a good turnout from Vancouver and fine weather there was a big day for organized labor on the boards. President Cameron referred to the mix-up with the Musicians' Union in Vancouver, the latter having refused to relinquish jurisdiction in favor of a new local in the Royal City. He thought the time had arrived when New Westminster was big enough to go it alone and asked for the good auspices of the council in bringing about an amicable settlement. They were not looking for trouble, but the alleged unreasonable attitude of Vancouver musicians was not in the best interest of organized labor. The matter was referred to Business Agent Wilkinson.

Delegates Pipes and Mowat were appointed as an auditing committee.

Under good and welfare a general discussion followed, covering the strike situation on Vancouver island, and it was made plain that the council was ready to assist the miners in any way possible as soon as the U. M. W. of A. district officers intimated the best method of accomplishing that object.

The meeting adjourned at 10 p.m.

### "TAKE CARE!" SAYS BOWSER'S HIRELING TO MINERS' COUNSEL

**Intimidation and Implied Threat of Magistrate Fails to Cow Either Defense or Press.**

". . . No other interruption of the even course of things came till the case of William English. Bail was asked, as he had two sick children, one near to death's door. The magistrate refused to listen to the appeal; he said no doctor's certificate was produced. Asked if he would not consider the matter if a certificate were produced, he assured in the negative. Mr. Leighton said he hoped the newspapers magistrate warned the lawyer to would report this statement. The take care. Mr. Leighton insisted that the magistrate had the power to grant bail. Later when all the remands had been made, Mr. Shoebotham said that the police were willing to let English out and later in the evening he was allowed to go to his home."—Sun.

The above report from the Sun of Wednesday morning denotes to what extent the hirelings of the ruling class would go, if they were able to muzzle the press, in the same arbitrary manner, and for the same fictitious reasons as they have prevented the right of free assembly.

Here one finds the solicitor for the defense threatened, because he expressed a hope that the press would report the action of the magistrate, in refusing to grant bail to a striker, one of whose children was dying.

It will be noted, however, that later in the day, the man was released, thus showing that the fact of the breaking point being reached, had penetrated even the marble dome of the police magistrate.

They are pushing the workers on Vancouver island very hard, but there IS a limit to even the patience of the workers.

### CHINATOWN, "THE LAND OF A BILLION FLIES," SAYS WRIGHT

By Chester M. Wright.

An even billion of flies swarm from the refuse of the horse stalls the wagons ten feet away. On the feet of each fly is an even million of germs. And the flies light feet foremost on the fruit and vegetables on the wagons. Some hours later the good housewife goes to the curb in front of her home and buys these delightfully fresh vegetables and the juicy fruit from the Chinese peddler who owns the horse and lives down there in Chinatown, the Land of a Billion Flies.

That the U. M. W. of A. is going to make a clean sweeping victory is now a certainty. Nothing can defeat the striking miners at this stage of the fight. One company has already signed up. Another will be added to the list inside a week. And even the raving maniac in charge of Matson's Daily Herald has started hedging and looking for a soft place to fall. After all, it may be that Bowser has hastened the crisis. The miners are going to win a complete victory, and that very soon.

A number of the militiamen, now on Vancouver island, are worried. They receive $1 per day from the bosses to do the dirty work. Their employers, in some cases locally, have filled their jobs with others. Some of the militiamen have returned to town, on leave of absence, only to be ordered out of the house by the landladies. Meantime, the jailed miners are adjudged guilty before trial, given very little to eat and treated as the most desperate sort of criminals.

## FRANK FARRINGTON IS A VERY BUSY MAN THIS WEEK

**Met Hon. Robert Rogers and H. H. Stevens, Member for Vancouver, On Monday.**

**MINERS' MASS MEETING RATIFIES AGREEMENT**

**First Victory for U. M. W. of A., Finally Signed Up in Vancouver, Despite Bitter Active Opposition of Other Coal Company Influences and Presence of Militia in Strike Zone. Work has Already Been Resumed at Jingle Pot Mine with Union Men.**

Mr. Frank Farrington, in charge of the miners' strike on Vancouver island, was in Vancouver on Monday, in response to a request that he meet the Hon. Robert Rogers, minister of public works, along with Mr. H. H. Stevens, M. P., to discuss the Vancouver island situation. The meeting took place at the Hotel Vancouver. No definite action was taken, aside from the fact that the honorable minister of public works promised to investigate and do what he could towards bringing about a settlement of the strike.

Mr. Farrington went back to Nanaimo on Monday evening and there submitted the draft agreement he had secured with the Vancouver-Nanaimo Coal Mining Company to a mass meeting of Nanaimo district miners, which was held under military supervision, and wherein the miners unanimously ratified the agreement as recommended by Representative Farrington and decided that the Jingle Pot miners should return to work immediately.

Mr. Farrington returned to Vancouver on Wednesday to secure the signature of Mr. Alvo von Alvensleben, president of the company, and to finally close up the agreement.

"Considerable opposition to the agreement was encountered from the other mine owners," said Representative Farrington to The Federationist on Wednesday, "who were working desperately to prevent the Vancouver-Nanaimo Coal Mining Company from entering into an agreement with the United Mine Workers of America. As a matter of fact I was informed while in Nanaimo that the special provincial police were warning our men that they would see that the Jingle Pot men were not allowed to go to work under the agreement.

"With these influences working in opposition to us it makes it exceedingly difficult to restore industrial peace and secure a settlement of the strike. However, the agreement entered into with the Vancouver-Nanaimo Ciol Mining Company is the entering wedge that will be used as a basis for future settlements and which will eventually permanently establish the United Mine Workers as an organization on Vancouver island.

"Greatly overdrawn and highly sensational press reports, which have no foundation in fact, are coming from the island, and a studied effort is being made to connect the socialists and I. W. W.'s with the miners' strike, for the obvious purpose of attaching to the miners any odium that may be felt towards these two movements, and to detract from the merits of the miners' strike.

"As a matter of fact the United Mine Workers of America is purely a non-political organization, composed of men of all shades of political opinions, and has no relation whatever with the I. W. W.'s."

Asked about the Western Fuel Company's threat to flood their No. 1 mine, Mr. Farrington said "the threat was a huge joke, devised by Mr. Stockett to deceive the public and perhaps induce the miners to return to work, rather than see the mine flooded.

"As a matter of fact the purpose in flooding a certain section of the mine is to quench a fire which has been raging in that section of the mine for almost two years, and Mr. Stockett is a huge joke, devised by Mr. period of idleness to put out this fire, which could not be extinguished through any other means.

"However, if it were actually Mr. Stockett's intention to allow the mine to be ruined there would be no necessity for hurrying the ruination by pumping water into the mine, unless it is that Mr. Stockett has gone entirely insane and is so anxious to see the mine destroyed that his impatience will not allow him to let the natural elements accomplish the work of destruction.

"Furthermore, if Mr. Stockett really is determined to actually destroy the mine and create business demoralization, rather than to concede to his workmen the measure of justice they are entitled to, that is Mr. Stockett's affair and not ours.

"So far as newspaper reports that the U. M. W. of A. have refused to allow Mr. Stockett to have a sufficient force of mechanics to protect the mine are concerned we deny the allegations absolutely. Mr. Stockett has been informed by the proper officers of our union that if he would make request from such officers for pumpmen, etc., to protect his property, his request would be granted. And that offer still stands. Mr. Stockett can accept it of reject it."

Who is going to pay the bills for all this cheap display of $1-a-day scab-herders on Vancouver island? Probably Mr. J. Songhees Matson.

The coast daily press reporters at the "front" will not require to wear kilts. They are prostituting themselves sufficiently without being further subjected to the dicatation of the coal barons' hired executive at Victoria.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## SOUNDING THE DEATH KNELL.

"Every Social epoch contains within itself the germs of its own destruction."—Karl Marx.

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Of all the enunciations of the great thinkers, none is more trenchant than that uttered by the great German philosopher.

The truth of his statement is becoming more apparent daily. We have had strikers shot down in South Africa, in West Virginia, in Louisiana, Michigan, and elsewhere, and we now find them threatened by the armed forces of the State in the strike zone on Vancouver island.

We find that while men are holding a meeting to discuss matters concerning the settlement of their dispute with the employers, the hall in which the meeting is being held is surrounded by militia, that they are taken out of the hall in batches of ten, marched to the courthouse and the more active workers placed under arrest.

All these happenings are forcing upon the workers the knowledge that the State is a class institution, the function of which is to repress and beat down the members of the working class any time they rebel against the conditions surrounding them.

The fact that the forces used to beat them down are composed of other members of that class, whose main asset is their ignorance and lack of initiative, in no way alters the position.

In the situation on Vancouver island, the question as to what was best for the people as a whole has not been taken into consideration. The only thing considered is that while the miners are striking for better conditions the coal operators are not making any profit; therefore "we" must either beat them back to work or drive them off the island.

For a time the miners thought that they would receive a little show of justice, enough to make a pretence at the same at least, but we find attorney-General Bowser issuing the following statement to the press:

Victoria, Aug. 15.—"When day breaks there will be nearly a thousand men in the strike zone wearing the uniform of His Majesty. . . . This is my answer to the proposition of the strikers that they will preserve the peace if they are left unmolested by the special police."

Every move of repression made by the ruling class, but digs deeper the grave into which it must fall.

"Napoleon" Bowser, the "strong man" of the McBride government, is rapidly digging his grave in so far as political life is concerned. While clashes between troops and strikers were occurring in distant lands, the workers in this province could not be brought to realize the true nature of government, but owing to the action of the representative of "Law and Order" their eyes are being opened and to that extent is the death knell of corporation domination being sounded.

The use of the troops on the island, not for the purpose as alleged, of protecting life and property, but for the purpose of harassing in every way any one connected with organized labor is bringing more workers to a realization of their position as such, than could ten years propaganda and for that we must be thankful.

Go to it, Bowser et al. You are digging deep and in the depths shall you and your class be buried.

## "ANARCHY"

We read much of the anarchistic utterances of the I. W. W. and other so-called disturbers of industrial peace, but not one word do we hear about the state of anarchy existing on Vancouver island, by virtue of the orders of Bowser.

Martial law has not been formally proclaimed; everything is supposed to be under civil rule. Yet we find the streets patrolled by troops, citizens searched and subjected to annoyance by militia and secret service men; trains stopped while militiamen, through the carriages and subject armed with rifle and bayonet, come everyone to inspection.

Men are met by the point of a bayonet in the hands of a member of the working class, in the uniform of a militiaman, and their destination demanded. Men holding peaceful meetings are marched out and kept under guard until it pleases the despots in command to release them. People are afraid to go abroad with valuable papers upon them for fear of losing the same. In short, a system of military oppression is in vogue at present, such as has not been known outside of the "bloody week" in St. Petersburg or the "massacres of Warsaw." How long the people of this province will be content to suffer under such rule and humiliation we cannot say, but we do know that if the people of the mainland were undergoing half of that endured by the miners of Vancouver island, the condition of affairs as at present would not be stood for twenty-four hours.

## "FOREIGN" INTERFERENCE.

It seems a pity that the citizens of British Columbia should have to submit to the outrages, inconvenience and insults heaped upon them daily by the alien mining companies doing business on Vancouver island. The people of Vancouver last winter suffered a severe shortage of coal; respectable citizens of Nanaimo and Ladysmith have been assaulted and driven from their homes by foreign scum, employed as strike-breakers; officials of the government and the general public have been openly flouted—all because a foreign mining company proposes to lag seventy-five years behind the times and refuse to Canadian workers the privilege enjoyed by Canadian workers elsewhere, that of belonging to the union of their choice.

The Western Fuel Company adopts one attitude today and another tomorrow. At one time it says, "there is nothing to negotiate." At another it says it is anxious to meet the miners if unaccompanied by union officials. If there is nothing to negotiate, why should the company be anxious to meet anybody?

In view of the effect upon the whole province of the Island situation, is the provincial government taking the stand of a true executive? Has it taken steps to point out to the company that its employees only ask what is recognized by industrial magnates and government officials all through Canada? Has it even taken business-like steps to apprehend those primarily responsible for the disorders that have occurred?

No, it has simply thrown onto Vancouver island enough troops to repel an international invasion, who do nothing at considerable expense to the people's treasury and are laughed at by the peaceful union miners who wonder why the rioters could not have been located without so much fuss.

Can it be that our esteemed attorney-general is crazed with the position of acting Premier.

## SINISTER SIGNIFICANCE.

"Military rule is lightly felt by those of Nanaimo who are peaceably disposed, and not a self-respecting man or woman will say that the militia came either too soon or too numerously. The great regret is that efficient official action was delayed too long. The opinion is freely expressed that had the troops arrived three days sooner the great No. 1 mine would be working, instead of being flooded to prevent complete destruction by gas explosion."—The "Sun" (Liberal) editorial.

What is one to infer from the above? Does the editor of the Sun mean to imply that had the militia arrived three days sooner the miners would either have been driven back to work at the point of the bayonet, or that the militia would have been used to work the mines?

The Federationist confesses its inability to unravel the intricate depths of the organ which, while always ready to slam Bowser, is even more anxious to cry aloud for plenty of force to be used in browbeating and defeating the claims of organized wage-workers.

## RECIPE FOR A SOLDIER.

Take one human unit. Add uniform and dangerous weapons. Let stand. Any remnant of independent ideas, decency or self-respect will come to the surface; skim with discipline. Add the authority to kill without question or provocation. The result can be used for any but an honest purpose.

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Bowser and the Bull-pen!

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Do you understand what the militia is for now, you doughhead?

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How do you like it, Mr. Wage-worker?

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Some workers' idea of fighting is to fight each other.

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What some people believe to be "firmness" is simply pigheadedness.

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One real live, active unionist is worth a jungle full of chair-warming philosophers.

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It will take more than Bowser's militia to feed the unemployed in Vancouver this winter.

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If there is anything more offensive to the sight of heaven than a militiaman it is two.

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The owners of the means of life can dictate the terms upon which all who are not owners are to be permitted to live.—J. Keir Hardie.

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Bowser is placing the last straw upon the back of the workers of this province.

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When the workers throw off their burdens some one is going to receive a terrific jolt.

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As the membership of organized labor increases so are the hours of labor reduced.

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"Hell knows no fury like a militiaman with a bayonet in his fist," especially when his opponent is unarmed.

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"The road to hell is paved with good intentions." And hell is block-paved with militiamen's heads.

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What is needed to-day is labor unionists who can make the labor movement move.

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The American Federation of Labor has a great deal more to fear from the Militia of Christ on the inside than from the I. W. W. on the outside.

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There will be no peace—industrial peace—on Vancouver Island until wage-workers have been conceded the right to organize.

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Striking wage-workers never have any "sympathy" to lose. The "public" is a myth. The workers get what the workers take.

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What the immigration department of the federal government in the old country probably means when it announces there are lots of jobs in Canada is jabs.

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The kilties ought to be proud of themselves. Chinese did the stoking that made it possible for them to reach the strike zone.

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For all the good the fisheries and timber industries of this province are to the people who live in it they might as well be located in China or Japan.

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"The fellows that seek to poke fun at the cause of women struggling for political rights will be the biggest 'me too,' shouters just as soon as the women are victorious."—N. Y. Call.

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One serious omission from the list of reptiles as published in the Encyclopedia Britannica is that series of invertebrates known as "Special Policemen," "Militiamen" and "Secret Service" men.

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The vilest, meanest and most loathsome reptile spewed up out of the abysmal slime is preferable to that spawn of filth generated by the capitalist system known as a militiaman.

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"The band's playing; the music's good; beat it." "You'd make a lovely corpse; get to hell out of here." These and other taunts are being hurled at the union miners of Nanaimo by militiamen, who are seeing their "first active service."

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During the past eight years the provincial government has practically given away over 6,000,000 acres of land. Mr. Workingman, how much land do you own?

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While it is probably none of The Federationist's business, it might be interesting to know just how much of other people's money the B. C. Telephone Company has on hand in the form of deposits, etc.

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Bowser as premier of B. C. for six months would mean an open rebellion. Without McBride sitting on his coat-tail he would rule or wreck even his own party in six months. Bowser is drunk with power. He needs sobering up.

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What would you think of a man who despises unions and union men and sometimes openly sneers at them both, who is at the same time a member of a union—yes, in Vancouver—simply because he has to to hold his job? Not even man enough to be a man of his convictions and get out.

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For the past several months the daily press has been assiduously cultivating a hatred of the I. W. W. undoubtedly with the purpose in view of branding every attempt of organized workers to better their conditions as the work of that organization, and so try to turn public sympathy against strikers.

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"In preparation for a strike, machine guns have been mounted on the factories at Barcelona. In Spain when men talk of the war between capital and labor they evidently mean real war, not the stump orator's kind," says the subtle morning Sun. When the latter fails the former method becomes compulsory. Evidently what the Sun and Butcher Bowser are anxious to see in B. C.

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So patriotic have they become that a number of employers in Vancouver have withdrawn from membership in the Canadian Manufacturers' Association etaoin shrdlu cmfwyp shrdlu mm tion and formed a new local "union." It will be known as the B. C. Manufacturers' Association. What the attitude of the new organization is to be towards their "fellow-unionist" employees is not stated.

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The News-Advertiser is advertising for newsboys to sell papers in the place of the strikers. The Tizer wants "High School boys who are ambitious for business training who will be given preference." here you have it to the King's taste—teaching boys to scab as a fundamental principle of a business education. It is to be hoped that no boy will "scab." If he does he will rue it the longest day he lives.

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"A legacy from feudalism, political representation will at length have to give way if representation is to be permanent, to a closer adjustment to industrial representation, and is why those who in the labor world are already organising according to industries, organising the labor power made use of in those industries, are in truth adopting lines which are sound economically, and sound for this reason from every point of view."

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No typewriter on earth can make it possible to express the contempt one feels for the stupidity of a working-class that has made possible the display of ruling class indiscreetness on Vancouver island during the past week. One would need to go down the skidway, drink squirrel whiskey and a chaser of home-brewed dynamite before any attempt could be made to fittingly describe the idiocy of Bowser as the hired flunkey of Sirs Bill and Dan.

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"Why should it be a felony to steal a nugget from a wealthy operator and no offense in the world to steal labor from the working man, which is all he has got in this blessed world? What reason is it that the one is treated so lightly and the other is made a penitentiary offense? Why is not the robbery as robbery treated alike? Why is the theft in one instance often regarded as a sign of smartness and in the other instance drags down upon the unfortunate all the terrors of criminal law?"—Nome Worker.

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"But there is no serious grievance in it (Hindu immigration movement)," says the News-Advertiser. It may not be taken seriously by the pap-fed boosters of the government, but to those who must undergo the daily grind for existence, it is a serious question. It means that if the great exodus from Asiatic countries to these shores continues much longer that another exodus must needs be undertaken by the white workingmen of this province for pastures new.

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A worthy canner remarks that were the whites to get out, there would be no trouble at all with the fishermen. Peace reigned on the Skeena river this year—vide, out of some twelve hundred fishing boats commissioned this season, there were about a thousand manned by Japanese. It may be news, however, to the poor harrassed cannery combine that their Oriental pets have started a syndicate to build a cannery next year—which will be owned and controlled exclusively by the Japanese, who will not object to buying fish from Indians and whites on the same terms as do the white cannery men now.

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If "publicity" is the aim of the federal Department of Labor, as repeatedly stated by Minister of Labor Crothers, will he now rise in his place and tell us why not a line of publicity was given by any daily newspaper to the fact that a board of investigation had been appointed to inquire into the grievances between the Street Railway Employees' Unions of New Westminster, Victoria and Vancouver and the B. C. Electric Railway Company? Even after the board had concluded its sessions not a line appears in the oftimes used Associated Press to tell us all about what a grand thing the Lemieux Act was. "Publicity." Yes, but who own the publicity?

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Hold my sides while I laugh. Now, for the next spasm, read this Associated Press dispatch to the Morning Albertan, Calgary, the same as was sent out all over the continent: "Nanaimo, heart of Vancouver island strike district, is in ruins; the little town of Extension, between dynamite and fire, is a mass of wreckage; miners sullen. . . . That is the situation in the strike district of Vancouver island tonight (Aug. 15). The arrival of the troops, who are endeavoring to patrol the affected section, has had a salutary effect, but the sullen spirit of the striking miners, yet unsubdued, breaks forth into violence whenever the soldiery happen to be out of sight or hearing." And so on, ad naseum, for a column or more. As a specimen of fiction this wild and w press "story" would be hard cate. Were it not of su moment to the union mi cerned it would be the las comedy. Mine gott, and t daily press supposed to mou opinion!" As a caricature in a class by itself.

### A Unique Opening.

A unique idea in advert carried out the other day by son's Bay Company at Calga pomp and ceremony the m new six-story store was ope public by Lieutenant-Govern The citizens, too, were tre free street car service d afternoon.

### Vancouver Island Comes

The West Virginia settle distinct union victory. The is now permanently and sol lished in that state, a cond never has been possible, an tal mine guard system has its death-blow.

### International Secretariat

The A. F. of L. executiv has decided that President Perkins, of the Cigar Mak national Union, be selected gate to represent the Amer eration of Labor at the meet International Secretariat a Switzerland, September, 1913

### "A White B. C."

From present indications, will, to a great extent, repla dian in the Chilliwack and A fields this season, and al Chinamen have been engage on the Horst ranch at Agas comprises 600 acres. The rapidly driving the Indian fishing grounds, are now inva other field of labor, and co the latter are now forced to the railroad.

### The Process of Assimila

It has just come to light the advertising columns of papers that there has taken Victoria, a marriage betwee woman and a Hindu. Th was a Miss Maude Alice Cro comes from Union City, Indi groom was Baboo Singh, w from Sharfar, India, and is n dent of Victoria. The wed a quiet one and was perf Rev. Wm. Stevenson, of Baptist church on July 21.

### The Rand Hell.

More tales of the horribl phthisis are being told. Out miners examined in 1911, 4 found to be suffering from whole reef is a veritable blacks in the compounds die flies." Botha would have well of humanity had he blo whole of that hell out of Rand capitalists extract man of profit annually. It is a q not many years when the m give out, but during that t will be lost, disease will flou bloody revolts take place."—

### On Strike for Eight-Hour

Discontent with long hours which has existed for some among the workers of the Ladies' and Misses' Suit & 1206 Homer street, came to Saturday morning, when the the tailors and pressers an siderable proportion of the enced tailoresses refused to work until their demand for day was granted. A fully and enthusiastic meeting of ers was at once held at t Temple, at which plans were giving publicity to the disput

### Anniversary Celebratio

President Lynch of the Inte Typographical Union says few local unions and only o international organizations a continuous existence of m fifty years, and when local un brate these events they attra attention to the union and it and the fact that a local u been in existence for fifty ye will do more to justify uni the public mind than could plished by weeks of agitatio vertising of a different nat strongly commends these cel and urges local unions to observe their anniversaries. or banquet offers a best me suitable souvenir of a p character, or a nicely pri torical booklet will also be and give a lasting value to an observances not otherwise o

### Militia To Do the Dirty

"Any working man who know what militarism is fo pretty good object lesson be in the Nanaimo, B. C., coa There we find one set of work dressed up in fancy uniform up with maxim guns and all ply of war with the object o the workers of White (?), accept the wages and conditi are satisfactory to Chinese breakers. Facts such as teaching the workers the real of militia battalions, and in Country it has been found n to disarm the militia regiment event of trouble in their distr the whole of the workers have learnt the lesson, and the Gov can still find sufficient membe working class to do the dir required by such individuals and Dan.—"Working Card" in Leader.

### "Our" Wonderful Countr

We have here, ladies and men of the excursion party, a ful country. You have probab told this long before now. No can be on Alaskan soil ten before this fact is testified to ens of experienced Alaskan ought to know. The resource the eloquent testimony of mother's son that ever sough litical position from Alaskan are unexcelled the world over is a great pleasure to think th of these resources are alread specially providential dispensa the hands of men who will di keep them for themselves. these resources are merely wai the arrival of some fairy godm the shape of a capitalist of less bloated bank account w open them up and scatter through the smiling ranks of men. It is most fervently tru guished visitors now in our "fa these latter that among the to use another political phrase are many such representat Nome Daily Worker.

### Those Bad "Foreigners."

Following is a sample of torial rubbish being used by M son's trio of coast "newspaper

## AGE WORKERS' FORUM

**Mongolian Defender.**

or B. C. Federationist: In this ce very little, if any, progress has nade with that hoary old question, al immigration. The fact of the is, that from the very beginning been made a political football by liticians in order to scramble into

before any legislation, affecting ngal pets of the mine-owners and ne has become established in the ture, all intensified public feeling s it vanishes into thin air, like h smoke—and thus the question ever gets beyond the routine

the past forty years the govern- f British Columbia has been prac- run by a compact for the en- nt of a gang of cosmopolitan fi- g "whose consciences are dead, honor is non-existent and whose re, and anxiety is the accumula- wealth, regardless of the health piness of those who must needs for wages that will permit no of a decent living.

long series of strikes that have place in this country are ample that this is a true state of af- The strikers, who must contend Asiatic and other foreign strike- rs and scabs, are not hot-air agi- or sedition-mongers, as a large of the daily press would have ple believe.

very occasion that special police diers have been called out to pro- e and property, Mongolians and heap foreign laborers have been ef and only refugees needing al- rotection.

so in Vancouver in 1887, in the ays in 1898, at Steveston in 1901 aimo in 1889 and again in 1913, er instances of lesser note.

whole procedure is one monstrous ep: it is a frame-up against hu- it is a frame-up against free- d progress. The Nanaimo coal operators know very well that kers realize how they are being upon and exploited, and that y protection and defence left for their union and themselves.

men are goaded on and treated han dogs and are, consequently, to resist by illegal actions.

they do that, the next move of re-drivers is to persuade the at- general to adopt repressive meas- d call out the soldiers, which is lished with little or no bother.

here is where the government he mailed-fist every time in fa- heap coolie labor like they have ng Kong. Every time the people exasperated and turn loose, the power at Victoria rally to the of the Mongols.

lo and behold, the local daily ago-like, print inspired rot that ier will go to Ottawa to confer other premier on the large influx tair into the province.

political buncombe has been re- egularly through the press since

time McBride will see Borden, l, about what can be done to e Japs and Chinks in without the ising up.

all, and if the politicians really to do away with Asiatic and cab labor they could do it in four hours. They know all about East knows as much as the bout it, but the greed of gold, l-God of plutocracy, won't have ifferent.

G. B.

**Camp Life at Anyox.**

r B. C. Federationist: A copy of per of July 25th has been re- at our church reading room at On the first page I notice you ven a column of news to your re the situation of camp life itions at Anyox, B. C.

sume after reading the article, have received much of the in- on from unreliable quarters. my purpose of answering it is to into details in describing camp in pointing out what is right or n the article, only that which to myself and work here, and ive anything that may affect or them to answer.

is no doubt but those who told at the situation wished to paint ck as possible through the col- the press, and in the height of ation exclaimed: "A church ed by the company," which is more than a black lie. At pres- e is no church building, but ser- e being held in a tent that is y the company. In no way is ch maintained by the company. uch a statement as that one apt to think the church was a affair; the missionary a com- n, whose salary and support m the company, and could say thing but what the company di- m to do. The only church that stationary work here at present esbyterian church and the mis- s supported by the people and byterian Home Mission Board. managers of six has been ap- ome time ago by the congrega- at present they are in posses- lans of a church, which will be maintained by the people of unity.

dear editor, that you will find ious place in your paper for er, and thanking you in ad- publishing it, I am,

Respectfully yours,

N. D. PATTERSON,

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Aug. 15, 1913.

**The Orpheum.**

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re especially attractive for the s will be "Sammy Watson's ," wherein will be found roos- geese, a little pink ping and onkey, all of a high order of e and trained to droll antics. Frane brothers, head-to-head and acrobats, contribute a m act to the next show.

er of an unusual sort will be harles Gibbs, who will make his pearance in this city at the next week. He imitates all animals, birds and sounds, and o be unusually clever in his r pictures will be shown by the cope and the orchestra will be a number of popular numbers.

**vidence, R. I., Wins Out.**

whirlwind campaign, which e cost about $4,500, the Cal- os lost out on the 1914 con- of the International Typo- Union, to Providence, R. I., rrow margin of 14 votes.

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## MASS MEETING HELD PROTESTING AGAINST USE OF MILITIAMEN

### Victoria Unionists, In Monster Gathering, Make Speeches and Pass Resolutions.

VICTORIA, Aug. 20.—One of the most successful public meetings that has ever been held in this city took place Sunday evening in the Empress theatre. The meeting was called by the resident members of the executive of the B. C. Federation of Labor, for the purpose of protesting against the use of the militia in the island strike zone.

Pres. Siverts occupied the chair, supported by Vice-Pres. A. Watchman and Geo. Burns.

The feature of the meeting was the address of Thos. Doherty, of Ladysmith, who represented the strikers and gave a most interesting chronological account of the experience of the miners in building up their organization, from the days when Jas. Dunsmuir ruled the island alone down to the present hour. The more exciting incidents of the previous week were vividly portrayed and the people of the Capital City were, for the first time, enabled to learn the facts of the case. Bro. Doherty, although disclaiming any talent for platform work, had the closest attention from the audience for three-quarters of an hour, and received frequent applause during his speech.

He was followed by A. Watchman, who read the resolution appreciating the action of the crew of the S.S. Patricia, which had been handed to the platform from the audience.

Putting the question at once, it was unanimously carried amid great applause.

F. Perriott, president of the Trades and Labor Council, and G. Turner were the next speakers, while Parker Williams, M.L.A., who came to the city at the special request of a number of the citizen of Ladysmith, who are interested in the events now developing in the coal fields and particularly in the arrest of J. J. Naylor, closed one of the best two-hour discussions that a Victoria audience ever listened to.

In one of his most emphatic and incisive speeches, Bro. Williams pointed out, in unassailable logic, how the government was directly responsible for the unrest and breaches of the peace that have taken place in connection with the coal strike.

The appended resolution was adopted without a dissenting vote, the audience remaining till the last, while hundreds were turned away:

"Whereas a strike has existed in the coal fields on Vancouver Island for the past several months, and is still in progress, with much hardship and privation to the strikers and their families:

"And whereas the striking miners have throughout the Island obeyed law and preserved the peace of the communities in an exemplary manner during the whole period of the said strike;

"And whereas certain disturbances to the peace have recently occurred within the strike area as the results of provocations by strike-breakers:

"And whereas the authorities have thought fit to reject the offer of the striking miners to restore and preserve the peace, and have instead sent armed force into the strike zone;

"And whereas the workers have learned through bitter experience that armed intervention in labor disputes at other times and places operates as a partisan act, in favor of the employers, engendering much ill-feeling and distrust.

"Therefore be it resolved that this mass meeting is of the opinion that tranquility would have been restored sooner in the disturbed area by the strikers and other citizens of the communities affected, and therefore emphatically protest against the use of the militia by the Government in the present coal strike, and demands the immediate withdrawal of the forces now stationed at the different points in the mining area; and that the Government institute a full and impartial inquiry into the causes and progress of the recent disturbances:

"And be it further resolved that in the opinion of this meeting organized labor in this province should take steps at an early date to form plans for a general strike of limited duration throughout the province as a protest against the use of armed force in industrial disputes; also that copy of this resolution be forwarded to the B. C. Federation of Labor and Dominion and Provincial Governments."

"Resolved that we, the members and representatives of the class-conscious labor bodies of this city, in mass meeting assembled, wish to express our warmest admiration and sincerest thanks to those members of the crew of the C. P. R. steamer Princess Patricia, who refused to be party to the transportation of the militia from Vancouver to Nanaimo on the night of August 14th, for the purpose of aiding in the breaking of a strike, and we commend their manly action to the attention of all labor organizations throughout the province of British Columbia."

#### The Arrest of Taylor.

The statement published on Sunday morning, giving an account of the arrest and imprisonment, at Russell's Station, on the previous evening, of J. J. Taylor, of Ladysmith, vice-president of District 28, U. M. W. of A., and a vice-president of the B. C. Federation of Labor.

Bro. Taylor has always taken a prominent part in struggle of the workers and has earned for himself the esteem and confidence of his fellowmen. The news of his arrest created a feeling of surprise and disgust among union men in Victoria, and immediate steps were taken by officers of the Trades and Labor Council, and the Federation, with a view to having him released; but on consulting the magistrate, and a lawyer, it was found that nothing could be done, as he was arrested on a warrant issued in Nanaimo.

Taylor and Doherty left Ladysmith Saturday in response to a wire from Pres. Siverts, urging one or both to attend this mass meeting on Sunday evening.

A decoy telegram was sent to the train, to Taylor, directing him to leave the train at Russell Station, in the western suburbs of Victoria.

As soon as the train slowed down and Taylor stepped out, he walked into the arms of two city detectives.

Indignation over the action of the government in connection with the strike is very manifest among the working people of the city.

Another meeting, in the Victoria theatre, is being talked about.

I don't believe in capital punishment, Hinnissy, but 'twill never be abolished while th' people injie it so much.—Mr. Dooley.


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## MISREPRESENTATION AND MILITIA HAS ONLY SOLIDIFIED MINERS

### Coarse Work of Government Has Revealed Real Purpose of Mine Owners.

NANAIMO, V. I., Aug. 21.—For the last week throughout the length and breadth of "our" glorious empire, which, by the way is also "our heritage" from a heroic historic past, has gone forth from the hired press of capitalism shrieks of anarchy, riotous disorder, reign of terror, etc., and mob law, with all its attendant horrors of bloodshed and arson, has been vividly pictured by "paid and fertile imagination" for the one set purpose, and that is to imbue the minds of all law-abiding citizens with the idea that in the coal region in and around Nanaimo such a condition of affairs exists as can be best expressed in the three words, "Hell let loose."

To cope with the ominous situation, supposed to be prevailing in Nanaimo, Czar Bowser has flooded the district with soldiers, militia and plainclothes gunmen.

What local authority demanded that such interesting gentlemen should be sent here, in order that they may be held in readiness to shoot and bayonet the miners into a state of subjection, is an unsolved mystery and none seem to be willing to shoulder the responsibility.

It is a well known fact that the coal barons on Vancouver island ignore the laws of this province, dealing with the working of the mines; that the local authorities have done their level best to browbeat the striking miners; that they have endeavored, with every means in their power, to carry to a successful conclusion the system of scabbing which had prevailed in Cumberland, Extension and South Wellington.

When the miners appealed to the Dominion or Provincial government they were either ignored or put off by the inane platitudes from a McBride or a Crothers. And to add the bitterness of gall to the lot of the revolting miners the caricature of manhood responsible for the "Islander" and the Daily Herald continued daily and weekly to spew out a tirade of abuse against the elected representatives of the men, and their international organization, the U. M. W. of A.

The campaign of abuse, misrepresentations and distortion of facts dealing with various phases of the strike had for its sole object the causing of dissention among the men, for the purpose of breaking the strike, and defeating the men in their noble struggle for better conditions and the right to live as intelligent human beings aspire to live.

All the methods of the operators and their hirelings to coerce the miners into going back to work, under old conditions, has had the opposite effect from that intended.

#### Vancouver Exhibition Association.

Editor B. C. Federationist: An article in the columns of your paper of August 16th regarding the Vancouver Exhibition contains some misstatement of fact, and seeks to place the Vancouver Exhibition Association in the position of being unfriendly to labor, and for that reason deserves some comment, which we trust you will be able to give the same publicity to as the article in question.

At a meeting of the Progress Club a month ago, two members of our Parades Committee asked the endorsement of the Progress Club for the parade. At this meeting Mr. McVety and Mr. Wilkinson two delegates from the rades and Labor Council, stated positively that the Trades and Labor Council would have nothing to do with our parade.

Manager Rolston did not refer in his office or in any other place disparagingly of the Trades and Labor Council, but has referred to them in the highest possible terms as, for instance, in his dealings with the Teamsters' union. But what he did say in his own office about the two delegates to the Progress Club meeting was that they acted like snakes in the grass, when they persisted in repeating statements to which they both had a satisfactory explanation by Alderman Crowe, and other members of the Exhibition Works Committee.

In referring to the fact of the Exhibition Association giving to what you choose to term "foreign" contractors we would like to call your attention to the fact that the following are the "foreign" contractors to whom work was let this year on the Exhibition grounds: Gibson & McKay, Leadingham & Cooper, McKenzie, Broadfoot & Johnson, Wm. McNee, J. L. Lund, and A. V. Alder, all of whom have lived in this city for at least two years. The Exhibition Association has always stipulated in all its contracts that a fair wage clause be inserted in all its contracts and that the going rate of wages in every instance be paid. All the contracts let were identical in every particular with that made in other civic departments spending city funds.

Aug. 20, 1913. H. S. ROLSTON.

The foregoing was shown to Messrs. McVety and Wilkinson, the delegates in question.

"It is refreshing," said Mr. McVety to The Fed., "to see Mr. Rolston expressing such tender solicitude for labor in general and the Trades and Labor Council in particular.

"He says he did not speak disparagingly of the Trades and Labor Council, but referred to them in the highest possible terms, but he admits in the same paragraph that he did refer to the vice-president and secretary, delegates from the Council, as 'snakes in the grass,' which may be the 'highest possible terms' Mr. Rolston refers to, or is capable of using.

"The report to which Mr. Rolston takes such serious objection is based on what occurred at the July meeting of the Progress Club, where ex-Alderman Enright asked the endorsation and assistance of that body for a parade to be organised for Labor Day by the Exhibition Association. The chairman of the meeting asked, 'What is the Trades and Labor Council going to do?' Mr. Wilkinson replied: 'The Council is not likely to hold a parade, and in any case is not very enthusiastic about having anything to do with a parade organized by the Exhibition Association.' This reply caused a further inquiry as to cause, which was answered by a detailed explanation of the attitude of Mr. Rolston towards organized labor in connection with the erecting of the new buildings on the grounds and the repairs of those already erected.

"It was explained that there was only two or three union men on the entire work; that the wages had been reduced 25 to 50 cents per day; the hours lengthened to 9 and 10 per day; working Saturday afternoons, and a general violation of the trade rules of the various building trade organizations, which made it impossible for union men to work, resulting in the contractors giving the employment to men imported from other places. These statements were substantiated before the works committee of the association, Alderman Crowe expressing himself as very much dissatified with the way in which the contracts were violated and instructing the manager, Mr. Rolston, to see that a change was made immediately.

"While on the grounds, Mr. Barr, the superintendent, was asked how many carpenters he had working in his department; his reply being twelve, and his attitude to the union was that he did ot care whether a man belonged or not. It was significant, however, that he knew that not a single member of his crew belonged to the carpenters' unions, and he agreed it was a peculiar coincidence that he should have all non-union men and know that they were all non-union, if he did not care whether they wre members or not.

"Just how well Mr. Rolston carried out the instructions of the Works committee regarding work on Saturday afternoons and holidays is shown by the fact that men worked on some of the buildings on July 1st, and a number of Saturday afternoons since," continued Mr. McVety, "and there is a well defined suspicion that the trouble is not with the Exhibition Board, but with Manager Rolston and the yarns he spins to the Board at its regular meetings.

"As far as 'fair wage clauses' are concerned, they amount to little or less, unless there is a determined effort made by the management to enforce them, and Mr. Rolston, to say the most, is certainly for from enthusiastic about their enforcement.

"If his grievance against the delegates is so serious, he had every opportunity to ventilate it at the August meeting of the Progress Club, when both were present and where a fair discussion could have been had as to whether men who say what they have to say in the proper place is more of a 'snae in the grass' than a man who maes such references to strangers in the absence of the men referred to."

## MEN FINED ON SWORN EVIDENCE OF BOWSER'S THUGS AND GUNMEN

### Jailed First and Beat Up, Then Tried on All Sorts of Phony Charges.

CUMBERLAND, V. I., Aug. 19.—Last week was a very time for the police magistrate in Cumberland, trying charges against union men, concocted by Bowser's thugs. Before proceeding with the cases he gave a short address, telling us he was only doing his duty and making everybody happy in the belief that they were going to get "justice." In fact his speech was enough to melt a snowball.

The first case tried was for resisting arrest, supposedly. The evidence, given by the thugs, was of such a nature as would be put in a waste paper basket in Siberia. The evidence produced by the defendant would aquit him in any court of justice, but nevertheless the magistrate had to do his "duty" and fined him $50 and costs. The thugs swore they were roughly handled, but nevertheless could identify everyone that was there, about 500, and some that were not there they swore positively were present.

The next case was that of the local president of the union. He was charged with being with three others, standing on the street, a ficticious charge; yet the thugs knew every one on the street, but did not know the other three. Nevertheless he was indicted to the assizes and transported to Nanaimo jail, in the middle of the night. The only obvious reason for his indictment was for belonging to a labor union and helping to make this old world of ours a better one than he found it.

Three more cases went through the same routine. The thugs not being satisfied with their performance in these cases had to arrest one of the union men on the street. When inquiries were made we were told that he was arrested for vagrancy, being on the street at 1:30 in the morning, coming from a dance. We made inquiries what time the trial would be. We were told the time and it would be a closed court. Three or four of our men got permission to attend, but when the man was taken from the cell he was beyond recognition, having been badly beaten by the jailer with a bunch of keys. The charge of vagrancy was dismissed, and a charge of assault jut against him. This man had no marks on him when arrested. However, the case is adjurned until we can precure legal assistance. The only reason we can see for this man's arrest was that he was a Russian and instrumental in getting a number of his countryman to quit work. Some of us understand the kind of British justice to expect in a strike. To others it is new to them, but they are feeling the effects and are straightening up their knees and using their brains in conformity with their economic condition.

Bowser has some worthy subjects here that he can present with the medals that the Indians in the Lillooet district refused.

#### Newsboys' Union.

As a result of the newsboys' strike against the New-Advertiser about 100 of the boys have organized a union. They have applied to the A. F. of L. for a charter and will meet regularly hereafter in the Labor Temple. Del Lambert has been elected provisional president, while Harry Miller will act as secretary. The new union will also apply for affiliation with the Trades and Labor Council.

#### Org. Heatherton in Vancouver.

George Heatherton, A. F. of L. general organizer, working in the interests of the International Union of Shingle Weavers, Sawmill Workers and Woodsmen, arrived in Vancouver on Wednesday. Org. Heatherton, who has spent the last five months in the territory to the south, paid a visit to New Westmintser yesterday, where there is already a local union, and will return again to Vancouver tomorrow. The old Loggers' Union, which Mr. Heatherton organized here some months ago, will be reorganized and a charter secured from the new international, of which he is now the provincial representative. The union is industrial in nature and its jurisdiction will be broad enough to include all men engaged in or about the lumber industry.

#### Labor Day Phone Exchange.

The Labor Temple Co. directorate has completed arrangements for the installation of a telephone exchange. It should be in action by the end of the week. It will prove of inestimable value to the business agents in Labor Temple and the unionists they represent.

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