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Purity And Steves' Dairies Placed On Unfair List

Trades Council Urges Publicity—Unemployment Committee Does Good Work—Woman Organizer to be Asked from A. F. of L.—Labor Day to be Held in Mahon Park—Chinese Earn More Than White Mechanics on C.P.R.

AT the regular session of the Trades and Labor Council held in the Labor Hall on Tuesday evening, both the Purity and Steves dairies were placed on the unfair list. This action was taken after several attempts had been made to organize the dairy employees. The matter has been laid over time and time again, giving the employers every opportunity to allow their men to organize, but last week the employers refused to meet the Trades Council committee who were told to mind their own business with the result that the Milk Wagon Drivers and Dairy Employees Union asked to have these two dairies placed on the unfair list.

The Trades Council requests all union men to give all the publicity possible about these dairies.

Credentials were received for delegates from Brotherhood of Carpenters and Machinists Lodge 182. Delegates obligated.

Secretary Bengough reporting for the committee on unemployment said that Dels. Crawford, Fraser, Ald. Pettipiece, Neelands, M.P.P., Nixon and Bengough interviewed the city council on the subject of obtaining immediate relief for the many unfortunates in our midst. The delegation suggested a tag day, an appeal by City Council, through the daily press for donations to be used for providing work by improving public play grounds and parks, etc. This was unanimously endorsed by the Finance Committee. Various kinds of work has since been provided which has greatly relieved the situation.

Visit to Victoria.

The city council also delegated Aldermen Pettipiece and Scribbens to proceed with the Trades Council delegates to Victoria to interview the Provincial government to urge the immediate commencement of public works. The committee spent the whole day with the Attorney General, the provincial secretary, the deputy Minister of Labor and officials of the Departments of Agriculture and Public Works and resulted in the adoption of many suggestions and plans put into operations for the carrying out of public works.

Del Bengough pointed out how Mayor Tisdall had changed his opinion since last year on the question of doles. He was now in favor of providing constructive work. The Attorney general was also opposed to the dole system.

The report was received and dels thanked for their good work.

Workmen's Compensation.

In reporting for the parliamentary committee Del. Bartlett introduced recommendations from the Carpenters' Union for amendments to the Workmen's Compensation Act to cover casual laborers who were not properly covered by the act. In the opinion of several of the delegates this amendment was not satisfactory because it did not cover fully enough the needs of the workers, and was therefore referred back to the committee.

To Organize Women

The committee also proposed that the council ask the A. F. of L. for a woman organizer to help organize the women in the various industries in the city. Del Bartlett pointed out that it was impossible to enforce the minimum wage because the girls were afraid to speak out for fear of losing the job even though miserable wages were paid. Once organized these women would be able to enforce the wages provided under the Act. The recommendation was adopted.

The Parliamentary committee also requested the Trades Council to ask the Provincial government to appoint a trades council official as a Notary Public and a commissioner for registering voters. Recommendation was adopted.

Del Herriett reminded the council that he was a commissioner for taking affidavits.

Del Mrs Dolk reported meeting with a committee from the New Era League to request the appointment of an innspector for meat and milk.

Labor Day in Mahon Park

Del Bartlett reporting for the Labor Day Committee said that arrangements were being made to hold sports and picnics in Mahon Park on the first Monday in September. All unions are requested to send delegates to a meeting to be held on this subject in the Labor Hall, Wednesday, May 31. Del Showler said the Dairy Employees Union had a good baseball team and would be willing to play any other union team on Labor Day.

Thanks From Brewery Workers

Del McKenzie, Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union informed the council that the International Brewery Workers extended sincere thanks to Dels Crawford and Bengough for their services in reorganizing the workers of the four breweries in the province. Del Crawford said that he wished he had as much leverage over the dairies as he had over the breweries.

Less Pay Than Chinese

Under the heading of reports from unions it was pointed out that notices had been posted up in the C. P. R. shops of another close-down from May 18 to 29. These mechanics are not earning enough to keep body and soul together, the closing down and short time having been going on for two years. When the men were receiving their last pay it was noticed that the Chinamen working for

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HOW THE CHINESE WAGED BIG STRIKE

Quickest and Most Successful General Strike in World's History

SEATTLE. — First-hand accounts of the gigantic industrial upheaval, which shook South China to the core, successfully challenged British power in Hongkong and won for seamen more wages and freedom to organize, are reaching America slowly through this port.

Not only Chinese printers, but guilds of molders, patternmakers, electricians, boilermakers, street car men, harbor boatmen and shipyard workers went out en masse and the outpost of the British Empire was reduced to impotency by their refusal to turn the wheels of industry.

Demand Big Increase

Briefly, the strike was to gain a 30 per cent. wage increase for seamen earning over $3 a month and a 40 per cent. increase for those earning under. The strike grew in volume for several weeks before it completely permeated the south Chinese ports. Suddenly it came to a dramatic climax about March 4, when the British governor ordered the Chinese Seamen's hall closed.

Immediately great boatloads of the strikers sailed away from Hongkong for Canton, under Chinese rule, nearby, and refused to return until their hall was reopened. Thereupon fellow workers in other guilds, principally workers in the three Hongkong shipyards, and well organized city workers in transportation, electricity and other vital industries, sent formal notice to the government of the colony that unless the strike was settled the seamen's demand satisfied and the union hall opened, all industry would cease.

8-Hour General Strike

The government was given 48 hours' notice to repeal the order in council declaring the seamen's union an unlawful society and to meet the other demands. When the government failed to meet the situation the guilds went out, practically to a man, closing down all Hongkong activity.

The answer of the government follows:

"Notice is hereby given that as the government has issued a notification announcing a complete settlement of all the seamen's demands and an agreement has been signed by both parties, members should resume work at once."

That marked the closing of what is probably the quickest and most successful general strike in the world's history. The aftermath of the strike was marked by scenes of great joy and enthusiasm among the Chinese workers. Great crowds surrounded the seamen's headquarters on Des Voeux road on the return of the union's signboard from police head quarters.

First the red flag, the union flag and then the Chinese five-color flags were hoisted and dipped three times.

Then up went the symbol of the union's strength, the signboard, accompanied by great roars of applause. But something was missing. An enterprising Chinese soon supplied the want ,a package of firecrackers.

SEEING CHICAGO IN UNION TAXIS

Convention Delegates Demonstrate to Combat Silence of Daily Press

CHICAGO—The workers of Chicago and a good many other citizens were informed that the convention of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers was in progress by a spectacular dash over the city's 52-mile system of boulevards today of a fleet of 125 union taxis in which were packed the delegates and officers. It was a big boost for union labor and counted in a large measure to overcome the silent treatment that the local newspapers are according the convention.

It was a boost in particular for the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, Chauffeurs and Stable Men which has built up a local of 3,000 chauffeurs in a winning fight against the non-union concerns. In this fight Chicago's militant West Side district has backed the union taxi drivers to the hilt. It was also a boost for the metal trades, since the taxis were made by union labor in local shops.

HORSESHOE BAY SCENE OF OUTING

Junior Labor League Takes Pleasant Sunday Hike—Membership Campaign Now On

On Sunday last the Junior Labor League held an outing which was by far the most enjoyable of the several successful ones organized this season.

The party left at 11:3$ by the West Vancouver ferry, and proceeded from Ambleside along the North Shore to Point Atkinson. Walking easily, the hikers soon put Atkinson behind them and arrived at Horseshoe Bay a little before 4 o'clock. The weather was ideal and the surroundings most delightful, the picnickers enjoyed themselves to the full, until a halt was called at 5 o'clock for supper.

Pleasant hours were spent in boating on the quiet waters of Howe Sound until preparations were made for return. The homeward journey was made by way of the P. G. E. connecting with the West Van ferry and on arrival in Vancouver all voted the day a very pleasant one.

The secretary is now receiving applications for membership, and will give full information to those interested on receipt of a postal to 148 Cordova St. W., or a phone call to Fair 1610. The League's executive has an eye to the summer season and it is said that they intend to let nothing go by in the way of summer pastimes.

The League meets tonight (Friday) at 929 Eleventh Ave., W., and as there is no time like the present to get acquainted a hearty invitation is extended to all to drop around and meet the members.

DETROIT—By combining their voting power the workers made an almost clean sweep in the municipal election held at Niles, Mich., last week. They elected the mayor, city clerk, city treasurer, three supervisors, and one alderman. One of their candidates for alderman was defeated by only three votes and a recount was ordered. The labor ticket was bitterly opposed by the only daily paper in the city.

The Edmonton Branch of the Labor Party has changed its name to the Canadian Labor Party.

STATE INSURANCE GREAT BENEFIT

Queensland Labor Government Pays Out $155,000 in Mine Disaster

BRISBANE, Queensland.— That State-owned insurance offers more benefits to the people than the privately-owned insurance companies is instanced by the recent payment by the Queensland Labor Government under its State-owned insurance scheme, of compensations to the dependents of the victims of the Mount Mulligan mine disaster which occurred last September when 75 men lost their lives.

Private insurance companies would have been liable for only $25,000, because they had a fixed disaster limit. The Queensland Government paid out $155,000. In addition, large sums of money were raised by popular subscription and invested in trust funds by the Government for weekly distribution amongst the children of the deceased men to provide for their education.

Boost the Baseball Competition.

HAWAIIANS NOW FACING EXTINCTION

White Men's Ways Have Not Proved Healthful to That Easy-Going Race

WASHINGTON—Efforts are being made in Hawaii to save the remnant of the once populous native race which during a century of contact with the white man has steadily been diminishing until now it is threatene with extinction.

White men's ways have not proved healthful for the islander—simple, kindly, easy-going Polynesians—and they now number not more than 23,000. When Capt Cook discovered the islands in 1778, he estimated the population at 400,000, a figure probably too high. A century ago, American missionaries in the islands estimated the population at 142,000.

Trying to Check Death Rate.

Queen Liliuokalini's plaintive song "Aloha Oe" has proved a prophecy. Disease and vice, imported by the white race, have taken a fearful toll among the island people.

JAPANESE LABOR BEING PERSECUTED

Militarists Are in Absolute Control of the Japanese Government

MILWAUKEE, Wis.,—"Socialists and radicals in general in Japan are being persecuted and hunted down by the militarists who are in absolute control of the government," said Mrs. Victor L. Berger, back from a trip through Japan, China, the Phillipines and Hawaii.

"The common folk themselves are indifferent to the imperialistic ambitions of their ruling class and have become thoroughly awake, politically speaking," said Mrs. Berger.

"China," she said, further, "is not as backward as one might think. Labor organizations there are well developed, especially in South China. Internal strife is preventing a healthy growth in that direction. The power of the Chinese labor union was evidenced by the success of the recent seamen's strike; which tied up 165 ships in the Hong Kong harbor .

"Even the Phillippines has a federation of labor, although it still has more the form of a benefit society. Labor conditions there are hardly of the best. Street car conductors in Manila are getting 75 cents a day As far as I was able to ascertain wages in the provinces range from $7 to $15 a month."

A Saving Clause.

"Pa, why is a wife called the better half?"

"In order, my son, that she may not get the impression that she's the whole thing."

James Larkin, the Irish Labor leader, has been released from the New York prison, pending another trial. Steps are being taken to have him deported before the second trial.

American Unions Finance Russian Clothing Factories

Amalgamated Clothing Workers Will Help Finance a Million Dollar Corporation Comprising Workers--Factories Worth Five Million to be Turned Over to Corporation—Russia Needs Capital

THE FIFTH biennnial convention of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America assembled in Chicago last week, unanimously approved a plan submitted by Sidney Hillman, general president, to help finance a million dollar American corporation which workers will control to finance a group of clothing factories and textile mills in Russia worth $5,000,000, obtainable as a concession from the Soviet Government.

The offer was made to Hillman during his visit to Moscow and Petrograd last fall, where he conferred with Lenin and other Russian leaders. Hillman was silent o nthe matter until a practical plan to finance it was devised.

Union Votes $15,000 for Shares.

The Amalgamated voted $10,000 for the campaign to get 100,000 workers in America to buy one share of common stock at a par value of $10, to buy $15,000 in shares for the organization. About $10,000 in shares was subscribed by individuals on the spot.

"We are our brothers' keeper whether we like it or not," Hillman declared in a remarkable address of one hour and half duration which worked the delegates up to a high pitch of inspiration.

"I appeal to you in the name of humanity to set loose a new force, overturn the obstacles that have been placed in Russia's path and get others to follow your example that civilization may be saved for labor and everybody else alike.

"Let us serve notice that economic help of this country to Russia and to sources other than Wall Street and the channels of banking."

He made a plea for support from all men and women in the country who desire to help those living under conditions impossible to describe and thus to put the whole world back on a way of reconstruction.

No Partisan Issue

After his recommendation had been sanctioned in a remarkable demonstration that lasted for 15 minutes, in which cries of "Three cheers for Soviet Russia" were heard amidst the clapping and stamping, Hillman warned the delegates:

"I warn all those who are thinking that they can make this action a partisan issue that they are not helping Russia. We have our differences of ovinion about political theories, but we are united first to put a stop to famine and starvation and then to help reconstruction."

Hillman predicted that the union would be severely criticized and its action misinterpreted. He denounced as cowardly those who were attacking Soviet Russia rather than helping her at the present time of peril to the entire civilized world, which, he asserted, would go under unless Russia was helped to her feet.

The curse of the peace made at Versailles, as well as the cause of the war in which millions were slaughtered, was due to the fact that the people of the world permitted a few to do their thinking for them.

Must Foster Reconstruction

"The world has paid a terrible price for these mistakes," Hillman declared, but it can take this opportunity to save civilization by adopting a real policy for reconstruction.

"This is not to take a position for or against Bolshevism, but against starvation in Europe and to give hope to all the peoples of eastern Europe and Germany," he declared. "Europe is only divided today between the great masses looking for life and a small clique that would rather see the whole world go under than see a new theory of living tried out."

What Russia needed most now, he said, was capital and investment, such as he hoped the American workers would make in the proposed million-dollar co-operative corporation, would be secured by the Russian Government.

Hillman asserted that the actual value ofthe properties that the Soviet Government would turn over to an American co-operative was 10,000,000 gold rubles, that preference would be given in supplies of raw materials and labor power and that the Russian Government would guarantee the return of the American money invested if the enterprise was not successful.

Will Send Experts

Experts, he said, would be immediately sent over to check up the reports already made by engineers and economists upon the practicability of the project.

Banking on his intimate knowledge of the American clothing industry, particularly about the Chicago and Rochester clothing markets, which have been phenomenally successful under the joint administration of the factories by the union and manufacturers under the collective bargaining practice in vogue here, Hillman asserted that the linking of American capital and administrative ability with Russian brawn would be successful.

Predicts Success.

He said that with poor materials millions of units of clothing were already being turned out by the Soviet factories under great handicaps. The possibilities of the situation, he declared, were limited only by the ability of the corporation's executives, which, he said, would always be in labor's control.

SO. VAN LEAGUE HAS GOOD START

Young Folks Building up a Social and Educational Organization

Last Friday night, a most encouraging meeting of the newly formed South Vancouver Labor League was held at its clubrooms, 6262 Chester Street, when a good number of new recruits joined up. Conveners of committees were elected and the enthusiasm shown at the meeting speaks well for the young people who are desirous of carrying labor propaganda into a working class district like South Vancouver.

The members are all active trying to get recruits but there must be hundreds of people in South Vancouver who do not come in contact with them and if these people would send along their young people to the meetings at 6262 Chester Street—just off 49th Ave. E.—it would be very much appreciated. Anyone wishing information about meetings should phone Fraser 397Y1 or 190X1. Notes of activities will appear from week to week in this paper.

On May Day, the 24th inst., the members of the League intend going on a hike and picnic on the North Shore. Anyone wishing to go along should get in touch with B. Lindsay at Fraser 326L3.

CHICAGO UNIONS MAY CALL GENERAL STRIKE

CHICAGO—Referendum ballots on a proposed strike May 22 have been submitted to the 32 unions in the Chicago building trades council by unanimous vote of the delegates to the council at a meeting on May 5. The resolution calls for a strike on all jobs where non-union men are employed or where men are working under police protection.

It is a blow at the so called Citizens Committee to Enforce the Landis Award which has been importing non-union workers and spending $65,000 a week and more on guards and "investigators" employed in connection with non-union jobs.

MONTREAL—According to recent statistics compiled by the industrial establishment inspectors, there are 13,188 children between the ages of 14 and 16 employed in the industries in Montreal.

Boss—Here, where have you been?
Plug—Getting me 'air cut.
Boss—Wot! in my time!
Plug—Lor' blimme! It grew in your time, didn't it?

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LLOYD GEORGE FAILS.

The failure of the Genoa Conference to arrive at any definite reconstruction, by no means signifies a defeat of the progressive element. When the conference was first proposed by Lloyd George he saw an opportunity of reviving his lost prestige and of being returned at the head of the government in the next general elections. As time went on, the Tory element clipped his aspirations, by demanding what practically amounted to aggressive action against Russia. This he finally agreed to, but when the conference opened the initiative of the Russians completely upset his calculations. He was beaten from the start with his program of enslaving Russia, while appearing to help her.

Being a so-called diplomat he saw a way out of the predicament by throwing the blame over to France. France, dogmatic and militaristic to the last, easily fitted into this place, but even this did not give Lloyd George his place in the sun.

The demands upon Russia were far too raw. The Allies wished to enslave the Russians just as they have done their own people and the people of other countries. They demanded the payment of the debts of Imperial Russia and the restoration of private property, overlooking entirely the fact that property confiscated from the Entente, during and after the war, still remains in the hands of the Allies. If it is reasonable to expect Russia to return the property of capitalists, surely it is reasonable to expect the same from the Allies. But this does not work out to the satisfaction of the would-be diplomats. They want to see Russia crushed, because she is experimenting with a new idea, that if successful, would mean the bringing about of the collapse of the capitalistic system in their own countries. This naturally, they intend to fight tooth and nail, but it is funny to note that at the same time capitalists and their agents of all countries have been extremely busy trying to get concessions from the Russians. In many cases these concessions have been granted, and to-day Russia is making faster progress for economic reconstruction than most other nations.

But Russia does not intend to allow these concessions nor Allied diplomacy to become the means whereby her masses will be enslaved by the capitalistic system. Her compromises are merely the means by which the Russian masses will be freed for all time from the bonds of slavery.

THE CHICAGO BOMBINGS

Over 200 men identified with the Chicago unions are in jail, suspected of being implicated in the bombing of several buildings and the slaying of two policemen. This results from the attacks made upon organized labor by a so-called Citizens Committee who want to force lower wages on the building tradesmen.

We have had so many instances of terroristic tactics of a like nature being carried out by provocateurs, that we are inclined to that theory in the Chicago case. In fact a day or two before the bombings, news reached us to the effect that employees of strike breakers were responsible for the bombs which created a panic in the Blackstone Valley Textile strike zone of Pawtucket, Rhode Island. The bombs exploded in the Jenekes Spinning Mills. These charges were made by the president of the United Textile Workers of America.

It may be true that some of the Chicago unions are officered by ex-convicts. Decent and progressive men have been waging a losing fight against a type of criminal who has fastened himself upon some unions. They have continued in power through terrorism maintained over members. The active member who rebelled against the criminal type often took his life in his hands and many such men have been brutally beaten by sluggers.

It must also be borne in mind that this type is also the reactionaries. They sometimes pose as loud-mouthed radicals. They are the tools of the bosses during peace and use insane tactics against them during strikes. The class-conscious radical is never involved in these tactics. He realizes that nothing can be accomplished of a beneficial nature by destroying life or property ,but the reactionary bosses tool, who becomes a power in the union, incites to violence whenever the whim dictates.

Such things cannot always be avoided, the agent or provocateur is a slippery customer who often soft soaps the members of his union into placing him in high office where he can successfully watch the interests of the bosses. They are to be found in most cities where organized labor is strong. There are suspects in Vancouver, but it is not an easy matter to prove. It is important however that whenever such conditions prevail in any city the membership owe it to themselves and the future of their organizations to "clean house." To permit such a situation to drift is to invite disaster and defeat.

DIPLOMACY AND WAR

The American and Allied capitalist class have gained right and left from the war which they so constantly told us was holy. They have got rid of the strong competition of German commerce by placing control of Germany's industrial life in the hands of the Reparations Commission. They are getting control at very cheap prices of German and Austrian industries and are using the starvation wages which are all that the German and Austrian workers can force them to pay, to beat down the standard of living of the Allied and American workers. They have completed the process of getting control, for use as valuable fields, of the backward lands and weaker peoples of the earth, by dividing up the German colonies among themselves, just as thieves would divide up the loot of any other robbery. The French capitalists have got the iron of Alsace-Lorraine, and the coal of the Saar Valley, and not content with that, are taking still more coal from Germany as a tribute at below the world's market price. The German ships and cables have been divided up among the victors as loot of the holy "war for democracy." The capitalists of the different nations have got valuable parts of Turkey, including especially the rich oil region of Mesopotamia, which has gone to Great Britain, and is of especial importance to her because oil is the most efficient fuel for ships.

Not satisfied with the "fruits" of the last war, threats and insinuations of another war have been eminating from the Genoa Conference. Thus we see that the one hobby of diplomats, no matter what the consequences to others, are always looking forward to wars to clear up their troubles.

In the meantime the workers look on. They produce the commodities for the markets over which wars are fought; they fight the wars in order that the ruling class might continue their plunder, and when the war is over the workers either stand guard over the conquered territory or sweat and toil to produce goods for the new market.

Will the workers continue to look on while this state of affairs continues? Every once in a while a ray of light appears that seems to indicate that the workers have learned their lesson and will not fight another war, but the trickery of governments and diplomats is still to be contended with, hence no one can say what the workers will do in the next crisis.

Now for the Hague Conference and the same demands upon Russia.

The ex-Kaiser is now gardening for a hobby. Maybe he is trying to discover why the worm turned.

As long as labor is willing to vote for a "living" wage, as advocated by politicians, that is all they are going to get.

Making the world safe for petroleum seems to be the permanent task of those who warred to make it safe for democracy.

Chicago police are given orders to kill all suspicious persons in the labor trouble. We wonder if that means labor spies and stool pigeons?

It seems that the sun shines brighter on pay day than at any other time. This is right, for it makes it possible to put a little sunshine into the lives of tradesmen and creditors.

The miners in the United States and Canada are standing firm. There is no truth, however, to the rumor that the mine owners will dig coal to keep the home fires burning.

Canada is going to retain its navy. Maybe the boats will be used to smuggle whiskey into the United States. Discarded American subchasers are being used for that purpose.

There is one thing the flood around Winnipeg did not do, and that is drown the aspirations of the political parties. There seems to be every likelihood of a four-cornered fight in many constituencies.

France is going to discuss the payment of her debts with the United States. In other words, she is going to find out how long a period she can be given in which the workers of this and several other generations can be urged to toil and sweat in order to pay the vast sum.

The Amalgamated Clothing Workers convention turned down affiliation with the Third International and favored affiliation with a united Labor party for political action. Taking into consideration their past efforts on behalf of Russia, it shows that the Amalgamated is working along sane lines.

The defeat of the British Cabinet over the question of pensions for teachers is not the first defeat the government has met over the Geddes committee report. This report has been used to a very large extent by the Labor Party in the last four or five by-elections, and Labor defeated the Coalitionists. The next defeat will be a big one at the general elections.

LABOR IN AUSTRALIA MAKING BIG GAINS

The recent elections in Salzburg, Austria, for the provincial Diet showed an increase of 2 per cent. in Social Democratic strength and a decline of 60 per cent in the strength of the pan-German. These results, political observers in Vienna say, indicate that a general election held at the present time would result in a decided Socialist victory.

This opinion seems to be concurred in by the pan-Germans, for recently two men belonging to that group, both army officers, were arrested for organizing a conspiracy to assassinate various Social Democratic leaders .

If brevity is the soul of wit, the present style in skirts is deserving of much mirth.

Edmonton plumbers are still on strike against a proposed wage reduction.

The Winnipeg Builders' Exchange have locked out their mill hands in an attempt to reduce wages.

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The Bakers' Union of Calgary is conducting a strike against Shelly Bros who are seeking to run an open shop.

Whist Drive and Dance at F. L. P. Hall, Saturday evening, commencing 8 p.m. Admission 25c.

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ODD BITS

(Conducted by Sydney Warren)

The Knockout

"I am of the opinion that Capitalism has received a mortal injury, and can never regain its pre-war strength and vitality."—Leonid Krassin, Soviet Trade Commissioner.

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Bees and Men

The world is said to resemble a bee hive. We flatter ourselves. Bees have many characteristics which we have yet to develop and just now many of these are quite unknown to us. For instance, bees keep their drones only until they have served a purpose and then do away with them. We create drones that serve no useful purpose and then pension them off together with most of their relatives. No bee that works starves and all bees have a chance to work. Consider our topsy-turvy economic system, with its appalling waste in unemployment with consequent destitution and degradation, and you will readily see that this world only resembles a bee hive in the noise it makes. Its organization is far less efficient and certainly more cruel.

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DO YOU KNOW—

A Frenchman said he had to kill someone, so he chose a journalist. And they said he was crazy!

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Chief of Police Anderson says the city cannot discriminate between beer clubs and social clubs. Neither can the members.

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A Vancouver furniture company advertises a new line of baby cribs in the following informative way "Get ready for the Rush, etc."

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Two Royal City youths were sentenced to two years hard labor for attempting to steal money out of milk bottles. They would have met with better success had they operated on a larger scale.

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The proposal to cut the salaries of judges, refusing to retire, to $1 a year is good, but why not superannuate them without the option. Science says a man's mental faculties increase even after his physical powers are fully matured, but in the case of some of our judges, their brains become fossilized with legal technicalities and the only remedy is compulsory superannuation.

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Which?

Among the "nabobs" and people who are in good circumstances generally, the birthrate is low, while among those who are least able to rear their children in a proper manner, the stork is as frequent a visitor as unemployment. Is it because the former prefer poodles to babies and the latter go ahead on the theory that misery loves company, or is it because our wealthy classes are good or careful—or both?

DEFENDS TRADE UNIONS

PHILADELPHIA—In an address in this city Lady Astor, the first woman member of the British parliament, announced herself a strong advocate of trade unions—"institutions that pull up society."

In explaining that England encourages trade unionism, she urged "continuous consultation between capital and labor" as being far more desirable than "international lockouts and strikes."

MINERS' LEADERS ARE SERVING WITHOUT PAY

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—Officers of the United Mine Workers of America are today serving voluntarily without pay. The executives, both elective and appointees, have agreed they will aid the miners' cause financially by serving in their capacities without drawing any salary until the nation-wide coal strike is settled.

The Allen Theatres in Calgary have been placed on the unfair list.

The Noes Have It!

They are now proposing a 13-month year. All in favor of 13 rent days say "aye."

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BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL—Chairman, G. C. Thom, Secretary, Roy Massecar, Office 210 Labor Hall. Meets first and third Wednesday in month at Labor Hall.

BAKERY SALESMEN, Local No. 371—President, J. Brightwell; Secretary, W. Bowron, 2849 Burns Ave. Meets at 319 Pender Street West on second Thursday of each month at 8 p.m.

BREWERY, FLOUR, CEREAL AND SOFT DRINK WORKERS—President, F. P. Gough; Secretary, W. H. McLean, 2035 Broadway West. Meets at 319 Pender Street West at 8 p.m. every third Tuesday in month.

BARBERS' INTERNATIONAL UNION, Local No. 120—President, C. E. Herrett; Secretary, A. R. Jennie, 320 Cambie Street. Meets Room 313, 319 Pender Street West, at 7:15 p.m. on second and fourth Tuesdays in month.

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7. In marking coupons place cross in column provided, denoting whether you think that team will win or lose.

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9. No two capital prizes will be paid out in any one week to any one subscriber.

10. Employees of the B. C. Labor News cannot compete.

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12. Prizes are awarded on the results announced by Associated Press and names of prize-winners will be published in the following issue of the B. C. Labor News. As soon as possible thereafter checks will be issued to the prize-winners.

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Salt Lake C	San Francisco	X	
Sacramento	Los Angeles		X
INTERNATIONAL LEAGUE			
Syracuse	Reading	X	
Buffalo	Jersey City		X
Rochester	Newark	X	
WESTERN INTERNATIONAL			
Vancouver	Edmonton		X
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LIST OF PRIZE WINNERS.

Coupon No. 1.

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No competitor submitted twelve correct forecasts.

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Notes From Ottawa

By J. S. Woodsworth

During the past week the most important matter, from the standpoint of Labor, was the motion introduced by myself, calling upon the Government to assume responsibility in the case of unemployment. The discussion occupied a considerable portion of time, but was rather crowded out of the papers by the sensational motion of Mr. McMaster, which came later on the same day.

It was rather interesting that several of the Liberal members endorsed my motion. It eventually went through without division. This will doubtless fix a larger measure of responsibility upon the Federal Government, and will have its weight in determining the policy which will be adopted at the forthcoming conference on unemployment and kindred questions, which has been promised by the Federal Government.

Tom Moore Writes:

Among other comments on this debate I quote the following letter from Mr. Tom Moore :

"Allow me to extend on behalf of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, our thanks for the assistance rendered by your introduction, yesterday, of the resolution on unemployment.

"It was very noticeable that immediately you started to deal with this question that all except thirty-six of the Liberals left their seats, showing their lack of interest when matters affecting labor are to be discussed.

Definite Remedial Action.

Your presentation of the case was so clear and forceful that all present must have been impressed with the need for action. This, to my mind, was fully demonstrated when the Prime Minister apparently changed his attitude and finally decided to support your resolution.

Though the passing of this resolution may not result in immediate remedial action, yet, I am convinced that the cumulative effect of discussion on the floor of the House, of the problems with which the workers are faced, cannot help but ultimately bring about definite remedial action.

At any time that I can be of assistance in furnishing additional information you may require on these subjects, I will be only too glad to do so. Assuring you of our appreciation of the assistance you are rendering."

Down to Business

Some of the old timers tell me that there is more intelligent discussion in this House, than there has been for a great many years. In the past, much of the debate has been purely political; now questions are being discussed on their merits. While there are few men of outstanding ability, the general level is higher than before. There is also, I am informed, more serious attention given to business. One French gentleman, an official of the House, in discussing the situation, summed it up in these very significant words: "There is now no bar in the House."

Of course no one can tell, under these circumstances, what a day may bring forth. The government must proceed very warily. There may come a time when on some particular question, the Conservatives and the Progressives may unite, or perhaps more likely, when a section of the Liberals may unite with the Progressives. This must be the nightmare which frequently disturbs the quiet hours of the Premier.

Amendment to the Immigration Act

Our amendment to the Immigration Act has gotten one step further, and is now to be sent to a special committee. The same action was taken in regard to the amendment to the Criminal Code. In the discussion in the committee of the whole, I urged that Canadian-born Britishers, whether English Canadians or French Canadians, should unite to relieve their own British born fellow citizens ,of the disadvantages under which they now labor, on account of their being born in England or in Scotland.

Curiously enough, the first to come to my support was Mr. Jacobs, by nationality a Jew. The House appeared on the whole, quite favorable to the resolution.

While some of us are inclined to wonder if we are getting anything done, we are informed by Old Timers that there is an altogether different atmosphere in the House this year that the older politicians are at their wits' end to know how to steer through under the new conditions which prevail. I fancy that few of the common people of Canada have realized just how easy it has been in the past for corporations to "put it over."

PRINCE RUPERT TRADES COUNCIL

First Lady Delegate Welcomed To Trades Council from Civic Employees

The Prince Rupert Trades and Labor Council welcomed its first lady delegate at the meeting on Tuesday night in the person of Miss H. E. Hilchey representing the Civic Employees' Union.

G. B. Casey gave a report outlining the plans and policy of the newly formed union. Seven unions in all were represented at the meeting.

It was decided to ask Hon. A. Manson, minister of labor, to take the necessary steps towards adopting and recognizing the Union rates in all parts of the province as the fair wage standard for all government work and all other undertakings, public or private, subsidized by the government.

A committee of three was appointed to wait upon the hospital board, the city council and the Central Labor Council asking them to endorse a plan for the operating of all public hospitals and medical attendance as provincial institutions supported by the government along lines similar to the operation of the schools.

Conference on Labor Matters.

President S. D. Macdonall gave a report telling of a cordial reception received and success achieved at the conference with the Board of Trade when he had asked for a joint committee with the board on labor matters. It was decided that President Macdonald, Ald. R. A. McLeod and Len Dewhurst would represent the Trades and Labor Council on the joint committee with the Board of Trade.

Hospital Resolution.

Following is a copy of the resolution presented by the Civic Employees Union and adopted by the Trades Council.

Whereas a number of hospitals in this Province are reported to be in a penurious condition owing to the lack of finances necessary to the proper and efficient maintenance and operation of the institution,

And whereas the charges for the treatment of patients work a decided hardship in many cases, apart from those who are unable to pay at all,

And whereas there is a persistent demand on the part of many that the Government should become responsible for the maintenance and operation of all Public Hospitals,

And whereas the services of the Medical Profession is inseparable from that of the Hospitals,

Therefore be it resolved by this body in regular meeting assembled that we petition the Provincial Government to immediately appoint a commission under the chairmanship of Mr. E. S. H. Winn of the Workmen's Compensation Board to make a thorough study of this question. We believe the experience gained through the administration of the Workmen's Compensation Act would enable a commission under Mr. Winn's direction to outline an effective policy or plan to the Government. If feasible we would recommend that the scheme be financed on an Income Tax basis arranged to cover all costs in connection with Medical or Hospital treatment.

Be it further resolved that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to the Hospital Board and the City Council.

To Prince Rupert Readers

In our Baseball competition exception to our rules will be made in the case of mail received from coast points between Alert Bay and Stewart. Coupons coming from such places will be accepted up to 6 p.m. Saturday.

France very frankly tells the United States Government that it can never pay the $5,000,000,000, for the very good and sufficient reason that it hasn't the money to pay with. fifty.

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PUBLIC OWNERSHIP

The Public Ownership League of America announces the publication, henceforth, of a regular monthly magazine devoted to "public utility problems and social progress." The magazine began publication with the February number and enlarged to a sixteen pager in March and will hereafter be increased to 32 pages.

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PURITY AND STEVES PUT ON UNFAIR LIST

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the C. P. R. were receiving more wages than the mechanics. They were car cleaners and in spite of the fact that the Railway Carmen and Returned Soldier organizations had taken the matter up with the C. P. R. Chinese still displaced white men and were now earning more money, through steadier work. It was pointed out that the Canadian National Railways employed white men for car cleaning. The council decided to take the matter up with Mr. Grant Hall and the Board of Directors in London, Eng.

Del Oliver informed the council that extra gangs were being hired for 30 cents and hour and charged $1 a day for board.

New Westminster Strike

Del Moodie said the New Westminster Carpenters were still on strike against wage reduction. Another meeting was being held with the bosses.

The Musicians reported being determined to stick out for the $5 wage scale as against the $4 offered by the Parks Board.

The Painters Union reported most of their men working.

Maryland Cafe Off Unfair List

Del Graham reported negotiations for the placing of a Union House card in the Maryland Cafe, was again being made and asked that this place be taken off the unfair list should the house be signed up. This cafe has now signed up and is off the unfair list.

The parliamentary committee has been reorganized and chairmen appointed to take up various matters that came before the council at various times. The chairmen were: G. Hardy, Workmen's Compensation; Mrs. Mahon, Minimum Wage; Mrs. Dolk, Mothers' Pensions; P. Bengough, immigration; J Nixon, Unemployment Insurance; Ald Pettipiece City Council; W. Bartlett, School Board; R. H. Neeland, New Legislation.

The Parliamentary Committee will meet on the first Thursday in June

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