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Majority Report Finds Gray Guilty

Fernie, B.C., 24th May, 1913

Mr. A. J. Carter, Secretary, District No. 18, U.M.W. of A., Fernie, B. C.

Dear Sir and Brother,—

We, the undersigned members of the Committee selected in harmony with the wishes of the disputants involved to investigate the merits of the charges lodged with the Executive Board of District 18, by ex-President Stubbs against District Board Member Gray, have heard all the testimony and considered all the documentary evidence introduced in connection with this controversy and in accordance with our duty as we understand it now file with you our report based upon the facts developed during the investigation.

In his brief of charges filed with the District Executive Board and later with this Committee, Stubbs accused Gray of the following offences:

First. Circulating and causing to be circulated false reports among the members of the organization as to the action of the Executive Board in connection with the candidature of District Vice-President Jones in the Alberta Provincial Elections, and

Second. Circulating and causing to be circulated false reports as to the action of the Board in connection with the District Ledger, and,

Third. Divulging matters of an executive nature to non-members, and,

Fourth. Circulating false reports as to the action of the Executive among non-members.

In support of the first charge Stubbs quoted a statement which it is alleged Gray made at a meeting of Michel Local Union. Said statement was said to have been as follows:

"The Officers and Board Members, excepting Thachuk and myself has resolved to endorse the candidature of Vice-President Jones as Liberal-Labor candidate."

Gray denies having made this statement as is evidenced by the letter which follows:

Lethbridge, Alta.,
April 30th, 1913

Mr. C. Stubbs, President, District 18, U. M. W. of A.

Dear Sir and Brother,—

Re the statement that I had reported to a meeting of the Local Union at Michel that the Board had endorsed the action of Vice-President Jones in accepting the Liberal-Labor nomination, I wish to state explicitly that I did not make such statement, but reported as I did in the Ledger, that they had granted leave of absence without pay.

(Signed) J. W. GRAY.

Witnessed: N. D. THACHUK.

Upon the presentation of the above denial, Stubbs agreed to drop the incident from consideration, and allowed his charge to rest on numerous articles that have appeared in the "District Ledger" over Gray's signature; the most misleading of which was as follows:

"No, they did not ENDORSE Jones' action directly in words, but as men of common sense and not

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Miners Imported Under Misrepresentation

Some Persons Will Probably Find Themselves Within the Clutches of the Alien Law

WINNIPEG, June 3. — Sixty-one English miners, from the old country, passed through Winnipeg last night en route to Vancouver Island. They have been engaged, they declared, on the assurance that there were no labor troubles at their destination, but were informed by the local labor men that there was a strike of miners on the island. All being union men, they declare they will not act as strike-breakers, but decided to go on to Vancouver after having come so far.

Local labor men affirm their intention of reporting the matter to the minister of labor, alleging the men have been brought in under misrepresentation in contravention of the act.—Exchange.

In connection with the above we received a telegram at this office on Tuesday morning informing us that these men would be passing through Calgary, and although Secretary A. J. Carter made every effort it was not until the men reached Vancouver and were met by officials from the Island that we heard from them again. However, International Organizer Frank Farrington seems to have handled the matter in his usual tactful manner and the sequel will be gathered from the following telegram:

Vancouver, B. C., June 6.—Miners imported from England now in our charge and refuse to go to work as strike-breakers. We will take care of them until able to find employment for them.—FRANK FARRINGTON.

No comment is needed upon this matter, but some day the operators will realize that the U. M. W. of A. is not the supine antideluvian organization's members have been active lieve, although, we regret to say, in creating this belief some of the organization's members have been active agents.

We have just received from W. R. Trotter, of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, Vancouver, "An History of the Island Strike" which we shall have great pleasure in reproducing next week. Mr. Trotter, being near the scene of disturbance, and having a thorough knowledge of labor matters deals with the strike at great length and we can assure our readers that this report will be found interesting and strictly accurate. Something that we have not been obtaining hitherto from the biased accounts of the situation printed in the coast papers.

WEDNESDAY HALF HOLIDAY IN MACLEOD

MACLEOOD, Ala., June 2.—Following a petition circulated by the business men and signed by nearly every one in town, Mayor Stedman has issued a notice to the effect that during June, July and August, all business places must observe Wednesdays as half holidays. The bylaw provides for penalties for any person failing to observe these holidays and they will be imposed in every instance.

Minority Report Exonerates Gray

Fernie, B. C.,
24th May, 1913

To the Members of the District Executive Board, District 18, U. M. W. A.

Greeting.—

As a member of the Investigation committee called together to investigate certain charges preferred against District Board Member Gray by ex-president Stubbs, I herewith submit the following report which contains the charges preferred, an analysis of the evidence of both sides, and certain findings and recommendations.

Charge No. 1 reads as follows:

"Circulating and causing to be circulated false reports amongst the members of the organization as to the action of the Executive Board in connection with the candidature of District Vice-President Jones in the Alberta Provincial Elections."

In connection with this charge certain evidence was furnished by Stubbs contained in the brief presented to the Committee, but, since the brief had been written, and copies made, this evidence had been withdrawn upon the strength of a signed statement by Gray, which statement was to the effect that he (Gray) had denied that he had reported to the Michel local that the executive board had endorsed the candidature of Vice-President Jones. The evidence referred to having been withdrawn was not therefore considered by the committee. Asked if he wished to withdraw charge No. 1 or submit further evidence Stubbs submitted the following, which is a paragraph taken from an article over Gray's signature in an issue of the District Ledger of May 10th,

"No, they did not endorse Jones' action directly in words, but as men of *commonsense* and not hair-splitting lawyers, we know that the leave of absence was so that Jones should run as a Lib-Lab candidate. This was the way I sized it up and my motion to suspend shows that too."

This was the only evidence submitted in support of charge one, and, therefore upon this evidence only can findings be made. I, therefore, find that the executive board did grant leave of absence without pay to District Vice-President Jones for a period of eighteen days, and also that this leave of absence was spent by Jones in the Lethbridge field, and that Jones did run for election as a Liberal Labor candidate; that, therefore, the matter contained in the above evidence is true in substance and in fact, and cannot be classed as a false report in any particular. On these grounds therefore I find that charge No. 1 has not been sustained and recommend that it be stricken off the charge sheet.

Charge No. 2 reads as follows:

"Circulating and causing to be circulated false reports as to the action of the board in connection with the District Ledger."

Evidence to sustain this charge was given as follows. "In an issue of the District Ledger bearing date of April

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Election For President

DISTRICT 18, U.M.W. of A.

Monday, June 9th, 1913

C. STUBBS, Bellevue

J. E. SMITH, Coal Creek

Toronto Unionists Have Quit Work

Men Will Not Return Until Increase In Wages Is Paid—Three Bosses Offer Increase.

Toronto, May 31st.—The following is a list of help affected:

Carpenters	3,000
Hydro linemen	250
Cabinet makers and mill hands	400
Garment workers	200
Structural iron workers	100
Glass workers	20
Tailors	15
	3,985

HOW IT WILL LOOK MONDAY

With the carpenters out and the Hydro linemen refusing to accept the latest offer of the commissioners, the strike roll will number nearly 4,000.

The carpenters' situation is this: Wages up to May 1st, 40 cents an hour.

May 1st offer from bosses, 42 cents an hour.

June 1st, men want 45 cents an hour.

The strike was begun at noon today.

The Amalgamated Society of Carpenters held their mass meeting in the Labor Temple last night, and for three hours discussed their position. It was decided by a unanimous vote to refuse the bosses' mandate of 42 cents an hour, and to declare a general strike on Monday, June 2nd.

It was also decided that no permits would be granted to the individual bosses for men to go to work.

"We have decided on this course," said one of the leaders, "because of our past experience. The strike will be general, and none of the men will return to work unless all bosses sign."

A few of the older members objected to this proposition, but they were out-voted. The younger men were for an immediate strike and no individual permits.

A roll call was demanded and 766 voted in favor and 76 against the granting of permits, and over 2200 of the men could not get their votes in on account of the Labor Temple being crowded to its fullest capacity.

CARPENTERS IN SESSION.

This afternoon the Brotherhood of Carpenters are holding a mass meeting in the Labor Temple, and like the Amalgamated Society of Carpenters, have decided on a general strike.

The leaders of the men agree among themselves that they will win and that the strike must be a short one.

"The carpenters of this city were never better organized than they are today, and never were men more determined to get what they believe they are entitled to—and that a living wage," said one.

STRIKE IS ON

The carpenters' strike was inaugurated at noon today and when the 3,000 union men left their jobs they did so with a full determination not to return until the bosses agreed to pay them 45 cents an hour. Business Agents Nichols of the Amalgamated and Clarke of the Brotherhood of Carpenters were kept busy, answering telephone messages from bosses carpenters stating they were willing to pay the increase in wages; in fact, three of the largest firms stated that money must not stop the men on their buildings from working.

SOME BOSSES WILL PAY.

The reply from the business agents in each case was that the men must report at the Labor Temple on Monday morning at 9 o'clock and that no single agreement would be made with any boss until the carpenters in mass meeting so decided.

AT BUILDERS' EXCHANGEE.

At the Builders'Exchange there was little discussion about the situation, and the few boss carpenters who were around stated that their men would receive 42 cents an hour and they could get all the men they wanted at that figure.

The large majority of boss carpenters are not members of the Builders' Exchange it is alleged by the men.

NURSES' STRIKE AROUSES CITY

Veritable Hornet's Nest Stirred Up in Moosejaw Over the Conditions Existing in City Institution.

MOOSE JAW, June 3.—Tonight the situation is far more acute concerning the strike of nurses at the City Hospital. Four others taken on since the strike was declared, have also walked out, demanding the resignation of Superintendent Wickshire and Matron Gallaher.

There was another meeting of the hospital directors tonight and it was decided to fill the places of the striking nurses. Mayor Pascoe siding with the nurses. There were several delegations, but they were not admitted.

The matter is being taken up by the Trades and Labor Council and several other organizations are about to step in.

Mr. Walter Nowten denied most emphatically statements made by hospital authorities and has directed Mr. O. R. Regan to at once issue writ for damages.

PACKING PLANT MEN ON STRIKE

SIOUX CITY, Iowa, June 3.—The strike in the Cudahy packing plant here, spread to the plant of Armour & Co., today, five hundred men in the latter plant quitting work. Fifteen hundred are now idle in both plants, and both are shut down. The laborers are demanding 20 cents an hour, and the butchers 30 cents an hour.

COMMUNICATION FROM J. E. SMITH

To the Members of District 18
U. M. W. of A.

Fellow Workers:

In a footnote attached to my election address of last week, the editor thought fit to allude to a certain passage therein, viz, that the District Ledger would not be used "As a medium to gratify the personal ambitions of any particular individual," and went on to say that during his (the editor's) term of office, the District Ledger had not been used for such a purpose. I wish to state, that the passage alluded to was not aimed at the present occupant of the editorial chair that had particular reference to a certain event which occured before his term of office commenced, but with which our members in general are perfectly familiar, and that is, that a telegram was sent to the then editor of our paper, ordering him to suppress certain particulars relative to the Alberta Provincial election in the Lethbridge Riding, wherein the District officials were interested in the capacity of individuals, and not as officers of our organization. Such action, as the editor is well aware, being equivalent to using the Ledger to "gratify the personal ambitions of certain individuals.") I am still of the opinion (and if elected will take steps to ensure that it will be so) that the policy of the Ledger ought to be along the lines laid down by our membership, as expressed through their delegates at the annual convention.

However, no amount of controversy can cloud the real issue, nor is that issue based upon the personality or popularity of individuals, but upon the broader outline, as stated in my article of last week, viz:

"Whether or not the membership of District 18 approve of the action of our District officials, and the tactics employed by them in the recent Alberta Provincial election.' This and this only, is the real issue and upon which I stand or fall, and although attempts may be made to wriggle out of this, no amount of wriggling will evade it.

Fraternally Yours,
JOHN E. SMITH

(Note.—As resident officer and acting in accordance with our District constitution, I have carefully perused an article which has been handed to me by the editor from J. E. Smith. I wish to state there are certain statements therein which are misleading and have consequently been cut out. With reference to the remainder that is herewith published, I would respectfully draw the attention of our members to the report of the committee who investigated the charges brought by Stubbs against Gray and also the report of the minority and ask them to make their own deductions regarding this controversy.

A. J. CARTER

TWO STRIKES AT MOOOSE JAW

MOOSE JAW, June 3.—The annual readjustment in the wage scale has brought about the usual strikes in the city building trades. Plumbers in the city have been locked out, while bricklayers have gone on strike. The master plumbers and builders are standing firm, as also are the men.

SWITCHMAN GIVEN $17,000 DAMAGE

SASKATOON, June 4.—The jury in the case of Staats vs. C. P. R., awarded the plaintiff $2,000 special and $15,000 general damages. Staats was a switch man, and in September last was badly injured while on duty. He lost his hand and his right leg was also injured. Negligence of other members of the train crew was alleged to be responsible for the accident.

NOTICE

First Annual Convention of the Alberta Federation of Labor will be held in Medicine Hat on the second Friday in July.

J. O. JONES, Pres.
L. T. ENGLISH, Sec.

Requests having been made for the publication of the nominations received from the different locals, the following is a complete list as dealt with by the Executive Board:

For Stubbs.	For Smith:
Fernie	Hosmer
Coleman	Michel
Lethbridge	Bankhead
Diamond City	Canmore
Kipp	Passburg
Beaver Creek	

A. J. CARTER
Secretary.

Frank Mines May be Reopened

Miners Will Get Their Pay Soon—Old Town Has Been Abandoned.

Frank, the town that moves, has promise that it will soon come into its own again. J. O. Jones, acting president of the United Mine Workers of America, who was in the city this morning en route to the city of Great Falls to attend the conference of delegates from all mining districts in Western America, intimated that Frank would shortly resume its usual busy appearance. Word has been received by cable from the liquidaors of the Canadian Coal Consolidated Co. that one of the liquidators will be in Frank next month. He leaves next week for Canada.

When the Canadian Coal Consolidated went into liquidation it left $40,000 or six weeks' pay owing the miners. So far none of this has been paid over, but the men have a lien on the mine which assures them their pay before operations are started again. The liquidators have assured the men through the executive of District No. 18, U. M. W. of A., that the money will be paid over immediately.

It is understood on good authority that the mine is to be re-organized. The liquidators have been working during the winter, interesting British capital, so that when work is resumed, new capital and new management will be behind the mine.

In the meantime Frank has moved. There is not a resident east of the danger line, although all the old houses have been left on the ground. A new Frank has sprung up in the vicinity of the Banff Sanitarium.—Lethbridge Herald.

To Increase Crow's Nest Coal Output

Oil Burners Have Cut Into Business, but Pre sident Rogers Figures on Heavier Production.

VANCOUVER, B. C., June 3.—The output of the Crows Nest Pass Coal company in recent months has fallen off 1,500 tons a day, owing to the competition of California oil used for fuel purposes on sections of the Canadian Pacific and Great Northern railways, according to Elias Rogers of Toronto, president of the big coal corporation. The mines in the Crows Nest pass will be visited on the homeward trip. Mr. Rogers is not alarmed over the displacement of a large coal tonnage by California oil, as he has been advised of the recent upward trend of oil prices; indeed, so confident is he that the situation will soon improve that his company is making arrangements to increase the present production of 4,300 tons to 6,000 tons daily before the end of the current year.

S. Alberta Mines Will Increase Output

Announcement of Full Capacity Shifts Brings Joy to the Merchants

LETHBRIDGE, June 4.—That the mines of the company in Southern Alberta and the Crows' Nest Pass will shortly resume working full shifts was the welcome announcement made this morning by P. L. Naismith, manager of the department of natural resources of the C. P. R., who is in the city for a couple of days. The announcement has been hailed with delight by the merchants who have heard it, for it will be considerably augumented during the summer months, at a time when a pay roll looks good to every business man of the city. Between half and three-quarters of a million dollars will be disbursed every month for the rest of the year.

Coal on the free list, that clause of the new tariff bill now before the U S. government, will be the cause of a change in the aspect of the coal market for the Southern Alberta coal fields. Mr. Naismith is of the opinion that it will greatly increase the demand and therefore the mines, the miners, and business men of this part of the province will welcome it.

A few years ago the mines here did a thriving trade in coal with Montana. However, the Montana mines are now being developed, but Idaho, Washington and Oregon still present a valuable market which will draw largely from Canada on the passing of the new bill

Mineworkers Receive $8,000

NANAIMO, B.C., June 4.—On Monday and Tuesday of this week the United Mine Workers of America paid out relief to the striking miners of Nanaimo and district amounting to $8,000. All miners who applied for relief, whether members of the union or not, were paid at the rate of four dollars per week for himself, two dollars for his wife, and one dollar per week for each child, the pay cheques averaging ten dollars per man. Relief was not paid in cash, but in orders on any business firm the applicant desired, by far the largest majority being on grocery stores.

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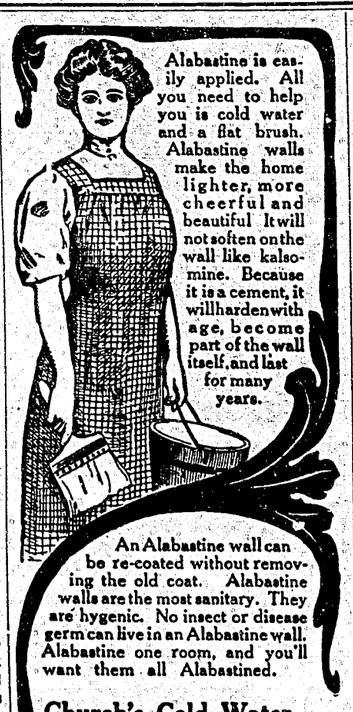

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hair-splitting lawyers, we know that the leave of absence was so that Jones should run as a Lib.-Lab. candidate. This was the way I sized it up and my motion to suspend shows that."

Judging from the foregoing quotation it must be plain that Gray sought to convey to the minds of the membership the false impression that the Executive Board had been guilty of some wrong-doing, when, as a matter of fact the only action taken by the Board in conection with Jones' candidature is embraced in the motion which follows:

That we grant Vice-President Jones eighteen days' leave of absence without pay.

By the adoption of the motion last quoted the Board committed no transgression of the organization's laws.

Furthermore, if Jones did use the time allowed him by the Board to improve his chances of election to office on any political ticket he was only exercising an inalienable right given him by Article No. 1 of the International Constitution, as well as Section 4 of Article 1, of District 18 Gonstitution.

Hence, we are of the opinion that Gray's article hereinbefore quoted is an unwarranted attack on the integrity of the District Executive Board and a deceptive distortion of the truth and we decide that charge No. 1 is sustained by the facts.

In support of charge No. 2 Stubbs introduced before this Committee an article which appeared in the District Ledger under date of April 5th, over Gray's signature, which reads in part as follows:

". . . . a resolution that he (the President) be given full power to instruct the Editor on what should be published and what should not be published was moved by Board Member Burke and seconded by Board Member Larson, voted upon by the same three as the former motion, Burke, Larson and Carter. Thachuk and Gray refrained from voting. . . ."

That Gray himself is in doubt as to the truthfulness of his published statement is shown by a letter bearing on the subject which he filed with Stubbs and which reads as follows:

May 1st, 1913

Owing to it being the wish of the Board that I should correct a statement which I made in the Ledger regarding a vote taken at the Frank Board meeting, on giving President Stubbs full power over the Ledger, it would appear to me that I was mistaken, as they inform me that the vote was to finish discussion. It would appear to me that I may have been mistaken seeing that the Board are of the same opinion.

(Signed) J. W. GRAY.

In further refutation of Gray's published statement made in the Ledger, Stubbs introduced the testimony of International Board Member Rees, who testified that he had presided over the Executive Board meeting during the time in question, also that no such a motion as stated by Gray was adopted by the Board. Next the Official Records of the meeting of the Board were introduced in evidence, which record shows that the only motion adopted was one that was necessary to stop an indiscriminate and informal discussion in connection with the policy of The Ledger, which motion was as follows:

Moved Burke, seconded Larson, That discussion cease.

So that in contradiction of Gray's statement published in the Ledger, April 1st, we have the testimony of International Board Member Rees, who was the presiding officer. The Official Record of the Board Meeting and Gray's own letter dated May 1st, in which he admits he may have been mistaken; while it is true that Gray asked permission of the committee to have his letter of May 1st withdrawn from evidence, the fact remains that he did sign the letter, which cast doubt on the truthfulness of his own statements, proves his memory to be of an independable quality and marks his testimony as uncertain and incompetent. In view of the above facts we must and we do, decide that the preponderance of evidence is against Gray, and that charge No. 2 is sustained by the facts.

In support of charges Nos. 3 and 4, Stubbs introduced a telegram which appeared in the Western Clarion, April 5th, and which reads as follows:

Fernie, B.C.,
April 2, 1913

Western Clarion, 516 Main Street, Vancouver, B.C.

The Board Meeting of District 18 held at Frank, Monday, some good intrigue work accomplished. Three officials implicated in Lethbridge deal out of seven. Only one member needed to get majority. After eighteen hours working over one man, succeeded in chloroforming him. Result, President is authorized to instruct Editor of Official organ, District Ledger, on political views. Editor now has hands tied well behind back. Instructions if one word is mentioned on the situation his head goes.

(Signed) J. W. BENNETT.

The authority for the above telegram is explained by the correspondence which passed between Stubbs and Bennett, and which follows:

April 15, 1913

Mr. J. W. Bennett, Fernie ,B.C.

Dear Sir,—

I have not yet received the promised letter re the statement touching upon our organization over your signature in the Western Clarion for which you stated Gray was your authority. Would like to have this at your earliest convenience.

Yours truly,

C. STUBBS.

Fernie, B.C., April 16, 1913

Mr. Clem Stubbs, Lethbridge, Alta.

Dear Sir,—

Your letter at hand. As per promise made I wrote the letter, but before sending it wished to consult Gray so that he could be informed of what I was doing. Did not see him that night as he was, I believe, on night shift, and it was only this morning that I learned that he was in Lethbridge.

The morning following our conversation I went West on business, returning on Monday morning. In view of the fact that Gray is out of town, and it is evident that you are anxious to have the information asked for, will keep my promise and state that the report of the Frank meeting was made from conversation that I had with J. W. Gray, District Board Member. Not being able to see him as I intended I am sending duplicate of this letter by concurrent mail.

Yours truly,

J. W. BENNETT

Inasmuch as Bennett is not a member of the United Mine Workers of America, and in face of Bennett's admission, and the fact that Gray admits that he did give Bennett the information upon which the telegram was based, and in face of the further fact that this investigation developed nothing that would warrant the vicious and villaineous insinuations conveyed by the language of Bennett's telegram we are bound to decide that Gray is guilty as alleged in charges Nos. 3 and 4, as well as is alleged in charges Nos. 1 and 2, and we do so decide, and we further decide that he is subject to punishment by his acts as provided in Section No. 3 of Article No. 20 of the International Constitution which reads as follows:

Any member guilty of slandering or circulating, or causing to be circulated false statements about any member of, or any member circulating or causing to be circulated any statement wrongfully condemning any decision rendered by any officer of the organization, shall, upon conviction, be suspended from membership for a period of six months and shall not be eligible to hold office in any branch of the organization for two years thereafter.

Investigator France dissents from the foregoing opinions and has decided to submit a minority report of his opinions, which report he has agreed to deposit with the District Secretary by noon of this day or as soon thereafter as possible. We have refrained from applying the penalty for the reason that under the agreement reached by the disputants involved, that duty devolves upon the District Executive Board.

In conclusion we trust that we will be pardoned for saying that we are of the opinion that this whole controversy is the result of a tendency on the part of self-seeking outsiders to meddle with the private affairs of our Union, and because some of our members and a lot of non-members seem to be imbued with the idea that the United Mine Workers of America is an institution created for the benefit of the Socialist Party of Canada, and because of a misunderstanding that seems to prevail concerning a resolution adopted by your last District Convention which reads as follows:

In advancing the interests of the mine workers of this District, on the political field, we would advise that our members endorse the platform of the Socialist Party of Canada.

While the District Convention had a perfect right to advise the members of District No. 18 to endorse the Socialist Party of Canada, we should not lose sight of the fact that the organic laws of our Union also gives to every member the privilege of using his own judgment as to whether he will or will not accept their advice.

The above declaration is supported by Article No. 1 of our International Constitution which reads as follows:

This organization shall be known as the United Mine Workers of America. It shall be international in scope, and as an organization shall not be committed to or favor any particular religious creed; neither shall affiliation herewith interfere with the religious or political freedom of individual members.

From the above quotation of our International Laws it will be observed that every member of our Union has perfect political freedom and when members acting individually or collectively set out to defame and discredit and denounce other members, who refuse to allow a restriction of their vested political freedom, then the guilty ones must expect to fall the victims of punishment.

In this controversy some of our members seem to have been unable to distinguish the difference between the meaning of advise and force, and set out to force instead of advise, hence the present controversy.

It is our further opinion that the sooner the members of District No. 18 realize that the United Mine Workers of America is an industrial and not a political organization, and notify meddlers to keep their hands off their internal affairs and then devote their united energy to building up the United Mine Workers of America, just that much sooner will they have a strong militant organization of United Mine Workers in District No. 18.

FRANK FARRINGTON,
WILLIAM LEES,
Majority of Committee.

Why West Virginia is Different

BY FRANK HAYES

International Vice-President of the United Mine Workers

The conditions in West Virginia are different from those in other states. The mining camps are situated in the mountains.

The coal companies own practically all of the land, the houses and the stores in the mining territory, making it necessary for the coal miners' union to feed, clothe and house the strikers upon the beginning of any struggle.

This condition does not obtain in the large industrial centers. Without taking this into account it is impossible to properly comprehend the problem presented by the West Virginia situation.

These conditions have developed a feudal state in the coal mining regions that find no comparison except in the feudalism of the middle ages.

It will take more than a few weeks or months to bring the West Virginia coal mining situation to a successful termination for the workers.

It is a long drawn out struggle that will take time, energy and perseverance to bring to a successful conclusion.

In fighting the situation in the New River district the miners' union has adopted a plan of taking care of every miner who is discharged because of his allegiance to and membership in the coal miners' union.

Every time a miner is discharged because of activity in behalf of the miners' organization we propose to make an organizer out of him and to keep him in the vicinity of the mine from which he is discharged.

Thus supported by the organization he will continue to talk unionism to his comrades in the mines. He will be a source of encouragement to the timid miner who fears discharge and discrimination. With the fear of starvation and eviction removed he will be in a position to enlist in the fight for the emancipation of his fellow workers.

We understand a splendid spirit for organization prevails among the miners in the New River field. If there is any great opposition to this plan of organization we will likely call out every worker in this particular region. We feel, however, that success will soon crown our efforts and that within the space of a few months the New River district will be one of the best organized under our jurisdiction.

We intend to pursue the same course with all the other coal fields in the state and feel satisfied that with the continued agitation and publicity splendid results will be achieved.

The resolution introduced into the United States senate has made a nation-wide issue of this struggle for human rights and it goes without saying that there will never be industrial peace in West Virginia until the miner's right to organize and to fully enjoy his constitutional rights is firmly established.

Every worker in the nation should be directly interested in this struggle because of the fundamental working-class principles involved.

These are now endangered unless the proletariat of the land awakens to the deep significance of the situation. We call upon the workers everywhere to lend us their hearty support and encouragement.

A HOUSING BILL FOR ONTARIO

The bill before the provincial legislature of Ontario for the encouragement of housing accommodation in cities and towns may be taken as an acknowledgement by the government that the housing problem has become chronic. . . . But after all it seems to be a most roundabout way to secure decent housing accommodation for a few, while houses privately built for speculation in the neighborhood will be increased in rent because of the increased land values resulting from the expenditures of the housing association. Apparently the provincial government is prepared to go to any extreme rather than grant local option in taxation. For then cities and towns might ultimately be able to free the land for building purposes; might be able to check the artificial inflation of site values; might be able to lower rents to every occupant of house, office or factory; by a tax to secure for the whole community a portion at least of the increased values created by the community. But as such a system of taxation might lead to the abolition of the tax on improvements, on business and on the income of the worker, it is much too modern and progressive for Sir James Whitney. The proposed bill is simply a palliative. No matter how worthy the motive behind it, the proposal will only shift the housing problem. It will not remedy it. The cause must be removed to do that.—Evening Citizen, Ottawa.

The Emancipation of Labor

The emancipation of labor is essential to the freedom of humanity. The sruggle for freedom is the history of the race; the fruit of the struggle, the development of man. The civilizations of Egypt, Persia, Babylon, Rome, Greece, Assyria and other ancient nations, and the royal robbers and privileged parasites that ruled over them, had their day and passed away with the wretched slaves who built the pyramids and obelisks along the tracks of the early centuries of the race. The feudal nations of medieval Europe, whose lords and nobles inherited all the vicious and heartless characteristics of the ancient ruling class, especially their parasitic disdain and brutal contempt for their outraged slaves, have followed in the wake of their predecessors, and nothing remains but the memory of their bloody reign—the midnight horrors of history. The working class may be robbed, tramped upon, crushed, broken, sabered, imprisoned, shot full of jagged wounds, "poor dumb mouths" to bear witness to the crimes it has suffered, but its majestic march continues towards the sunrise. The master and slave, the lord and serf of past ages, are gone, and the capitalists and wageworkers of our day must soon follow them. It is the historic mission of labor to free the human race. To free itself is to free mankind. Labor is life. Society would perish without the working class. The degree of labor's servitude is the degree of society's tribulation, defeat and shame. There can be no morals in any society based upon the exploitation and consequent misery of the loss whose labor supports that society. There can be no freedom while workers are in fetters. Wage servitude is fatal even to the true freedom of its most favored capitalist beneficiaries. They may be surfeited with gold and powers, but they are not free. They cannot sever the ties that bind them to their slaves and soar alone in the realms of freedom. It is written in the moral law with "iron pen in the lead and rock forever" that whosoever enslaves his fellow-man forges fetter for himself. When labor is emancipated, humanity will draw its first full and vitalizing breath of freedom. We are now in the transition period between individualism and collectivism; between brutality and brotherhood. Wealth will be for all; so easily obtained honestly that there will be no incentive to steal, and so abundant that proverty will disappear; and ignorance, disease and crime will follow in their order. Profits and wages produce palaces for parasites and workhouses for workers. An awakening proletariat is pulsing with solidarity, and turning its eyes towards the sunrise. Scarred and seamed are its rough and hardened features, and grim its determination, but no just man on earth need fear it. It has suffered a million crimes, but is animated by no spirit of revenge. Its mission of emancipation is darkened by no shadow of contemplated injury or injustice to its conquered enemy. It conquers that enemy but to free that enemy; and a victorious proletariat will celebrate the peace of the world. —Eugene Debs.

Doubtless blacklisting former employes will no longer be the favorite sport of the Shoe Manufacturers' association of Haverhill, Mass., since a referee appointed by the state supreme court found that organization guilty of the charge and assessed damages in the sum of $250 each in favor of certain union shoe workers. The manufacturers, it is claimed, not only inaugurated a blacklisting policy, but reported names of striking shoe workers to the local credit bureau, thereby cutting off their source of food supply as well as denying them the chance to secure employment at their trade.

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Minority Report Exonerates Gray

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5th Board Member Gray states that 'A resolution that he (the president) be given full power to instruct the editor on what should or should not be published was moved by Board Member Burke and seconded by Board Member Larson, voted upon by the same three as the former motion, Burke, Larson and Carter. Thachuk and Gray refrained from voting and reported to the same effect to the meeting of Michel. While it is true that the matter of the editor of the Ledger ignoring and acting contrary to my instructions was a matter of consideration by the board the only motion introduced in connection with this matter is taken from the records as follows, 'Moved Burke, seconded Larson, that discussion cease. This motion carried with Gray voting in the affirmative. Also at board meeting on May 1st Gray gave signed statement to the effect that seeing that the majority of the board disagreed with him as to the correctness of his statement above referred to, that it appeared to him that he may have been mistaken." This signed statement is one of the exhibits, but as it is at the time of writing in the hands of the stenographer I cannot give it in full. Before the committee Gray wished to withdraw this signed statement, but was not allowed to do so. In his evidence, however, he stated that he wished to repudiate the matter contained in the signed statement, and after due reflection and deliberation wished to declare positively that the report in connection with this matter, issued to the District Ledger and referred to above, was correct in substance and in fact, and he wished to adhere thereto. The chairman of the board meeting in question, International Board Member Rees was then brought in and examined upon this matter by myself. He stated (also positively) that no such motion as referred to by Gray had been introduced. Examined by Gray upon the time at which a motion to cease discussion was introduced, and Rees being of one opinion and Gray of another opinion, and both speaking from memory only, it is only fair to both sides, seeing the lapse of time since the board meeting in question, that the evidence given upon this point by Gray and Rees should be rejected. Upon these grounds, therefore, I reject this evidence and come to the official records. In connection with this matter the official record says "Moved Burke, seconded Larson, That discussion cease." A question then arose as to the manner of taking and entering up of the minutes, and District Secretary Carter was examined, and asked by myself the following question: "Was it your usual method to take notes upon slips of paper and afterwards enter them up as minutes in the minute book?" Carter replied to the effect that while he would not say that it was the usual method this was the method used on this occasion. Mr. Stubbs here interrupted and tried to modify this somewhat damaging admission, but I objected to the interruption, and Chairman Farrington sustained the objection. Carter further questioned by myself on the possibility of one or more of these slips being mislaid in the transfer admitted that it was quite possible, but very improbable. It also came out in cross-examination of Carter that the minutes of the board meeting in question have not yet been approved by the executive board, and this despite the fact that a subsequent board meeting has been held at Lethbridge, May 1st, which Stubbs stated was a special meeting and not a regular one, but the fact remains that at this subsequent meeting held on May 1st that Secretary Carter was instructed that the minutes must in future be entered up in the minute book in the board room.

In view of the above facts it is apparent to anyone that some doubt as to the reliability of the records existed in the minds of the board members themselves, and it so appears to me, and as it is usual in Courts of Enquiry to give the benefit of the doubt to the defendant, and in following this very wise procedure, I must, therefore of necessity exonerate Board Member Gray, and find that charge No. 2 has not been sustained, and recommend that it be stricken from the charge sheet.

Charge No. 3 reads as follows:

"Divulging matters of an executive nature to non-members," and evidence to sustain this charge was given as follows: "From the Western Clarion of the 5th I take the following:

"Fernie, B. C., Apr. 2nd, 1913

"Western Clarion,
"516 Main St., Vancouver, B. C.

"The board meeting of District 18 held at Frank, some good intrigue work accomplished. Three officials implicated in Lethbridge compromise deal out of seven. Only one member needed to get majority. After eighteen hours working over one man succeeded in chloroforming him. Result. President is authorized to instruct editor of official organ, District Ledger, on political views. Editor now has hands tied well behind back. Instructions if one word is mentioned on situation his head goes. (Signed) J. W. Bennett.

"On Wednesday April 7 I asked Mr. Bennett who was his informant as to matters of business discussed by the executive board of District 18, and he informed me his information was gathered from Board Member Gray. That on the night of April 2nd Gray had wished to send the information contained in the above dispatch without signature, but that he, Bennett, had undertaken the responsibility upon definite statement from Gray that the matter contained was absolutely true and authentic, and that he would let me have that statement over his own signature after he would confer with Gray." The other matter contained in the brief is correspondence between Stubbs and Bennett, and is omitted as not throwing any further light on the point at issue. Gray does not deny that the information contained in the quoted dispatch was given to Bennett by himself, but claims that matter contained is of a political and not of an executive nature. Mr. Bennett, examined before the committee, stated that he and not Gray had composed above dispatch, that it was Editor Nerwich of The District Ledger who had wished to send matter contained therein without signature and not Board Member Gray. That he, Bennett, did not think he was doing anything wrong in sending dispatch as the matter contained was of a political nature, and that the information was going into the District Ledger in its next issue, as he, Bennett, had reconstructed and typed a letter from Gray containing this information, and the which was going into the next issue of the Ledger. Taking into consideration the relations between Bennett and the District officers, that he was, if anything, more intimate with Stubbs than with Gray; that Bennett was, until little more than a year ago, the editor of our official organ, The District Ledger, and that he is still deeply interested in our afffairs, we can hardly look upon him as an opponent (which is, I take it, the essence of the unwritten law relative to divulging matters) also the fact that matter contained in Gray's letter to the Ledger was submitted to censorship of Secretary Carter, in accordance with the district constitution (article 11, section 3) and passed by him, and that it was published in our official organ (thereby becoming public property) before the issue of the Western Clarion of April 5th. Whilst admitting that the act of divulging matters of any nature, to an opponent, is reprehensible, I cannot agree that there has been on Gray's part, in this instance, a direct violation of this unwritten law. Further that the matters divulged by Gray were not of an executive nature, is, to me at least, palpable on the face of it. Chairman Farrington asked by myself what he would consider as "matter of an executive nature," stated as his opinion that any matters discussed by an executive board were matters of an executive nature. I cannot agree with this definition as it is obvious to me that the field of possibility thus opened up would be too wide; matters under discussion would become vague and non-relative, that our officers and board members could, if they chose, bring matters up for discussion at executive board meetings of a private nature, or to gratify the personal whim or ambition of themselves or of any individual member of our organization, thereby imperilling the very existence of this organization in this or any other district. Webster's definition of executive is "having the quality of executing or performing, as executive power or authority, an executive officer; hence in government, executive is used in distinction from legislative and judicial. The body that deliberates and enacts laws is legislative; the body or person who carries the laws into effect, or superintends the enforcement of them is executive." Taking this definition, therefore, the legislative body in our movement is the district convention, the executive body is the executive board. At our last district convention the following law (which is the only one bearing on the question at issue) was passed "In advancing the interests of the Mine Workers of this district, on the political field, we would advise that our members endorse the platform of the Socialist party of Canada. Without dilating upon the advisability or otherwise of the passing of such laws as above, nevertheless, this particular law was passed. It is therefore evident that had the executive board been discussing the manner of putting this law into effect, and even although that discussion may have had a political trend, the matter would then have been of an executive nature, no matter what the outcome of the discussion may have been, but as the matters under discussion at this board meeting were not covered by the above passed law, and were, moreover, in direct opposition to same, then it naturally follows that the matters then discussed were not of an executive nature, and the which charge No. 3 accuses Gray of divulging. On the above stated grounds, therefore, I cannot agree that charge No. 3 has been sustained, and recommend that it be stricken off the charge sheet.

Charge No. 4. reads as follows:

"Circulating false reports as to the action of the executive among non-members."

The evidence contained in the brief to sustain this charge is as follows:

"In this matter I would draw your attention to the statements that I have previously referred to as being published through the Ledger and the Western Clarion and circulated by other means which do not require repetition, having been already referred to."

From the foregoing it is evident that Mr. Stubbs thinks that charge No. 4 is covered by the three preceding ones, and as the whole of the committee, Chairman Farrington, Representative Less and myself, were also of this opinion, it was agreed by the three of us that the pros and cons of this charge need not be argued, and that our findings on the other three charges would determine our findings upon charge No. 4. With this understanding, therefore, I find that charge No. 4 is not sustained, being governed by my previous findings, and also that it was not even entertained by the committee, and for these reasons I recommend that charge No. 4 be stricken off the charge sheet. Before the committee Brother Stubbs argued to the effect that not only the charges themselves but the circumstances leading up to and emanating therefrom should be carefully considered. Being fully cognizant of the facts surrounding the case I have, as my report shows, carefully avoided any matters not relative to the case, and have, in the interests of our membership generally and not to the interest of any particular individual, carefully considered same, and conscientiously reported on same. In his summary contained on the last page of the charge sheet, Brother Stubbs says "It must be conceded that such action on the part of any member of the board, leaving out of consideration altogether the fact that the executive board is for the purpose of transacting executive business, is entirely unwarrantable and should be made a matter of serious consideration by the board within the bounds of our constitution. That these statements and false reports were only made for the purposes of slander and villification, and with a view of stimulating the agitation that has been carried on for the purpose of discrediting and injuring the officers and board members in the eyes of our members generally, is fully proven by the action of Board Member Gray." In the above is contained the crucial point of the whole situation, and singularly enough in the fact which Brother Stubbs wishes us to leave out of consideration, viz, that the "executive board is for the purpose of transacting executive business." In referring back to my findings under charge No. 3 you will find that I am in perfect agreement with the quoted sentence, and I wish to further stipulate that any officer or board member starting any discussion in an executive board meeting which is not of an executive nature is guilty of a very grave indiscretion and should be reprimanded by the executive head, but when the executive head himself brings non-executive matters up for discussion, it is a very flagrant offence indeed, and if he insists upon these non-executive matters being discussed, (as is the case in this particular instance) then he renders himself, his fellow officers and the board members who are in agreement with such tatics, liable to censure and even dismissal by the membership at large. Taking into consideration this fact, and also the fact that all such tactics must result in the division of our membership into factions. I find that Board Member Gray was perfectly right in bringing these matters before the notice of our membership, and although the manner of his doing so could have been done to better advantage it was not done "for the purposes of slander and villification" and whilst Board Member Gray's report may have resulted in "stimulating the agitation" the "agitation" itself had been started by Gladstone local union (the largest in the district) by a resolution passed at a regular meeting, (at which Gray was not present,) previous to the board meeting at Frank on March 31st. That, to my mind this resolution passed by a local in Gray's sub-district asking for the resignation (or recall) of District Vice President Jones was authority for Gray's action at the Frank board meeting, and that he was bound to report to his sub-district the result of the deliberations of the executive board at said meeting. Furthermore, the agitation once started, could only end in an exposure of the whole of the facts of the case, and whilst the exposure has resulted in the "discrediting and injuring the officers" it is the logical outcome of the action of those officers, and the stand taken by the membership at large (which is evidenced by the fact of the resignation of President Stubbs, and the recall of District Vice-President Jones and District Secretary Carter.) This cannot, therefore be put upon the shoulders of Board Member Gray as an individual. I find, therefore, that the summary of the charges has not been sustained against Board Member Gray, and recommend that it be stricken off the charge sheet.

This completes my report on the charges themselves, but I wish to venture the opinion that the charges were only preferred against Gray by Stubbs in order that the district officials should escape from Article nine Section seven of the District constitution which says, "No district officials shall use any political influence by being members of committees or speakers for any political party that is opposed to the interests of labor."

If this be the reason why these charges have been preferred, (and I am confident this is so) I will close my report with a few words of advice to our membership, viz: The only friend of Labor is Labor itself. That when Labor is intelligent enough to know what it wants Labor will take it itself without the aid of any political party, no matter of what color or of what platform, and until such time arrives we should be very chary of all political parties, unless such party is formally approved by the majority of our membership and is subject to our dictates.

Following are a few recommendations for consideration by the district executive board, and I trust that by the adoption of most (if not all) of these recommendations that a repetition of this "washing of dirty linen" in public may never recur in the annals of District Eighteen.

RECOMMENDATIONS

(1) That the whole of the charges preferred against Board Member Gray be thrown out.

(2) That the next district convention be asked to give a specific ruling on what shall be considered matters of an executive nature.

(3) That the incoming president be instructed that in addition to the routine business of the district, matters coming up for discussion by the executive board must be in line with the laws passed at the last district convention and covered by the district and international constitution, and all such matters not governed by the foregoing shall be ruled out of order, pending the ruling given by the next district convention.

(4) That as District Vice-President (now president) Jones and District Secretary Carter are also deeply involved in this case, and in accordance with the expressed wishes of the electorate, the incoming president be instructed to expedite the recall of these officers.

(5) In addition to the action recently taken by the board relative to the recording of the minutes of their proceedings, I would recommend that no discussion shall be allowed without a motion duly seconded before the board. This is a rule of order laid down for conventions but should be used on all occasions by the board.

(6) That the names of members taking part in the various discussions, together with their views upon the matters under discussion, should be recorded.

(7) That in future sessions the board shall, if possible, rise in time to allow the minutes to be read and approved, signed by the secretary and countersigned by the presiding officer in the presence of a quorum of the board. If time does not allow of this being done the minutes may, of course, be so approved at the opening of the next session, but this latter practice ought to be discountenanced for these reasons; that the minutes may be objected to at the next session; that a considerable period of time may elapse between sessions, and that minutes which are not approved are not considered as official records.

(8.) That after the minutes have been so approved no officer or board member shall be allowed to publicly use the whole, or any part thereof, unless in the case of an officer carrying out instructions contained therein, or in the case of a board member who goes on record as intending to use the whole or part thereof, and then only for the purpose of reporting to his individual local, his sub-district, or to the membership at large, through our official organ, or unless the board mutually agree to use the whole or part thereof, through the same mediums, and the secretary should be instructed to furnish, upon written application, exact copies of the whole or part thereof so required.

(9) If any changes in any policy laid down by the previous convention is considered necessary, or if any new policy is outlined (although strictly speaking this latter is not the function of an executive board) the matter should be brought before the electorate for endorsation before action is taken thereon.

(10) In order to eliminate the possibility of the recurrence of the farce (as has been the case in this instance) of any officer (except the presiding officer, who has a casting vote) voting upon issues which affect the whole of the membership, when he himself represents no part of that membership, the board should ask the next district convention to lay down a law regarding the roll-call vote, or the district board themselves should fall in line with the international executive board (vide Int. Const. Art. 3, Sec. 28.)

In conclusion I wish to state that although some may take umbrage at the contents of this report, it is nevertheless a true and conscientious report, both as to the evidence given to the committee, and a correct knowledge of the facts of the case. It is not given to gratify any particular individual, but is given in order that the membership of District Eighteen may be made fully aware of the true state of affairs in order that they may adopt measures to prevent the recurrence of any actions which tend to the disintegration of our organization.

I am, Yours fraternally,

THOMAS FRANCE,
Representative on behalf of District Board Member Gray.

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Notice is hereby given that a dividend at the rate of Seven per cent. (7) per annum upon the paid-up Capital Stock of this Bank has been declared for the three months ending the 31st May, 1913, and the same will be payable at its Head Office and Branches on and after Monday, June 2nd, 1913. The Transfer Books will be closed from the 17th to the 31st May, 1913, both days inclusive.

ANNUAL MEETING

The Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the Home Bank of Canada will be held at the Head Office, 8 King st., West, Toronto, on Tuesday, the 24th day of June, 1913, at 12 o'clock noon.

By Order of the Board,
JAMES MASON,
General Manager.

Toronto, April 16th, 1913.

BY-LAW TO INCREASE CAPITAL

It is the intention at the above Meeting to submit for the consideration and approval of the Shareholders a By-Law to authorize the increase of the Capital Stock of the Bank to $5,000,000.

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THE FUTURE!

"If history without chronology is dark and confused, chronology without history is dry and insipid."—A Holmes.

THERE are people in every movement today who would make history; who in their sincere and earnest desire to uplift society will tell you in eloquent and glowing terms what reforms can be accomplished; who draw glorious and beatific visions of a future state, and attempt to measure or computate the various periods and stages through which we must pass before we enter this earthly paradise.

Webster's definition of chronology, in brief, is: the science of time; the method of measuring or computating time by regular divisions or periods. History we accept as a narration of events.

To explain. We can, of course, to a certain extent arrange chronologically future events, but directly we go beyond this limit—and it is, as a matter of fact, very limited—the tendency is to prophecy. And we can understand and excuse this tendency, knowing as we do that the future is just as insipid as the past if we cannot presume when, where and how. Human nature is selfish, and in its selfishnes looks to an immediate return for all its efforts. To satisfy this very human craving the prophet comes along with his prophecies—one of the easiest and at the same time most foolish methods of deluding individuals, but safe so long as he does not commit himself chronologically.

The foolishness of this can best be grasped, however, by the briefest survey of history and a knowledge of how we are progressing along scientific lines today. What we conceive to be the most perfect state of society today may, in the course of a few years be analogous with the Stone Age Our actions of today must of necessity be based upon our knowledge of the past and our interpretation of same, but what science and historians accept today they may reject tomorrow. Even their interpretation will change. The necessities, as we accept them today will, undoubtedly, become unnecessary tomorrow. If we reject this we accept stagnation. In every age man has adapted himself to his surroundings and he will continue to do so in spite of the academic philosophies of the saviours of the human race.

The greatest trouble with society today is that we wish to escape from the irksonness of evolution; there is a desire to hasten matters. The discipline of nature which compels the beast of the field to await her dictates is not present. It may be that our state is unnatural, but if this is so society has created it and therefore the remedy should be with society. To us the greatest enemy to the worker is himself. Before he can escape from this thralldom he must discipline and educate himself, and he must do so intelligently. He must realize his immediate requirements and not travel beyond; he must accept the concrete facts and necessities of today, and it is only thusly that he can hope to remove the evils of present day society.

In the unions of today, be they the craft or industrial, will be conceived that disciplined solidarity that will makes for progress. Mark you, it is only the conception—the birth; but he must accept a beginning if he would have a being.

And the disciplining of himself shall mark the order of his advancement.

Bellevue, like Fernie, has decided to celebrate July 1st. The former promises a good program with $1,000 in prizes, and from the preliminary announcement it is the intention of the Alberta town to give all a right royal time. The Fernie Athletic Association promise to have the City Park fenced and levelled for the sports on July 1st and as the program is far in advance of any previous year, given fine weather, there should be a record gathering.

LABOR IN POLITICS

The theory of substituting the strike for political action is based upon the assumption that society and the State have no resources with which to meet the strike. No greater fallacy was ever propounded in connection with the working class movement. I know the value of the strike, what it has accomplished and what it still can achieve. So long, however, as the State is in the hands of, and under the control of the capitalist class, the strike will, I fear, prove insuperable. The upshot, therefore, is that sooner or later the workers will be forced into political action. There are many drawbacks associated with a reform secured by act of parliament, but the conclusion is that such reforms are likely to be permanent and abiding. Political action is not so showy as the other and calls for more trained preparation, but the working class must develop the necessary qualities if in the end it is to win freedom from economic bondage.—J. Keir Hardie in the Metropolitan Magazine.

A COSTLY STRUGGLE

The Paint Creek strike bids fair to go down in history as having brought about the determination of more than one vexed question of constitutional law, as well as having brought a beginning of the end of the feudal regime of the mine guard in West Virginia. It has been a costly struggle, but human liberties have always to be gained and maintained at tremendous cost.—Morgantown Post Chronicle.

Last Tuesday a wire was received in this office from an official labor source stating that sixty one English miners from the old country, passed through Winnipeg on the previous evening en route to Vancouver Island. It is alleged that they were engaged on the assurance that there was no labor troubles at their destination, but the Winnipeg labor men disillusioned them and informed them of the conditions prevailing on the Island. All the men are unionists and were naturally indignant at the alleged deception practiced, and declared that they would not act as strike-breakers. They decided, however, to go on to Vancouver, after having come so far. Secretary A. J. Carter immediately got into communication with International Organizer Frank Farrington at the coast, with the result that the men will be looked after by the organization and will not go to work.

If the men were brought out here by misrepresentation it will be interesting to see how the present Federal and Dominion authorities handle this opportunity of showing, not their "friendship for labor," but their justice.

It has often been contended that low wages was one of the chief causes of immorality among female employee, and while we are quite willing to accept this, we do so with the reservation that it is by no means the only one. In our opinion the long, dreary hours and the awful monotony of their occupation is responsible for this state of affairs, and more so than any question of wages can every be. The girl who has spent ten or twelve hours in a store or factory looks forward, with an expectancy which youth alone can appreciate, to the hours of relaxation and amusement that the night affords, and whether that recreation be the dance hall or other seemingly innocent amusement, she is determined to compensate for those awful hours of detention and restraint. Tomorrow will bring but a renewal of the torture. Therefore, we maintain that while it is necessary to increase wages the most solid advance can only be made by reduction of hours. And if we can secure a little more daylight for our amusement the logical result will be that our girls will be enabled to indulged in the more healthy pastime of outdoor exercise.

In Lethbridge and Macleod the shop clerks have claimed what they are justly entitled to—a weekly half holiday—and they will get it. But when, Oh! most progressive Fernie! When? Verily is it a case of ask, and ye shall receive.

At Ottawa recently Senator Bostock, of the upper house, introduced some interesting figures to show the extent of immigration among the Hindus, which he placed at 5,000. Senator Davis also got busy with figures, placing the immigration of Chinese last year at 7,705, who each paid a head tax of $500, $3,450,000 of which British Columbia received. This is part of the prosperity of this great and glorious province—the introduction of cheap Oriental labor—but for the worker who has to compete—well, he must be content with the "good intentions" of a paternal government and a "White B.C." But for how long?

First Lion Trailed and Bayed by Paul J. Rainey's Pack of Hunting Dogs—Shown in Motion Pictures at the Grand June 11 and 12.

News of the District Camps

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HILLCREST NOTES

Harry Lemment suffered a painful injury while following his employment in the mine on Monday. A fall of rock fell on him breaking his leg below the knee. He was immediately removed to the hospital in Frank. He is doing as well as can be expected.

Mrs. William Reid met with a painful accident last week while riding to Bellevue in company with Miss Fuches and Miss Barnes. It appears they decided to run a race as to who had the best horse but unfortunately Mrs. Reid's horse fell and she sustained a broken wrist. The other two returned home feeling no ill effects from this excitement, but they swore by all thing to keep away from the race course in the future.

Harry Carr is confined to his bed since a few days, suffering from a severe attack of congestion of the lungs. His many friends hopes to see him around soon again.

A sad accident occurred a few days when Mrs. Tom Jenico's six-year old son attempted to cross the Old Man River and was drowned. He left his home to visit some relatives who live across the river and at which point there is a large log lying across the river. The unfortunate boy fell from the log and was carried away by the stream. A few weeks ago his father was killed in the Bellevue mine. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved mother and family.

William Robinson left on Tuesday for Hedley, B. C.

The Misses Jennie and Emelia Thomas, who have been visiting friends in Hosmes, for the last week, returned home on Tuesday.

Tom Hale and Albert Morris returned home from a two months' trip to the north. No place like home.

Mr. Sydney Thomas left for the Brazan coal fields last week. Mr. Thomas is an old resident in Hillcrest. We regret his departure.

Arnold Martell and family left for Glace Bay, N. D., on Tuesday night.

Mr. John Brown, manager of the Hillcrest Collieries, left on a month's visit to Oklahoma.

The many friends of James Gorton who was injured in the mine some time ago will be pleased to see him around again.

Mr. Meyers, of the Lethbridge Brewing Co., was a Hillcrest visitor on Tuesday.

We regret to say that our football and base ball teams are getting the small end of the strike these days.

Dick Letcher and his son, Alanzo, well known in Hillcrest, arrived from Nova Scotia last week. Dick says no more fish for me.

John A. McNeil moved into his new house on Saturday.

Jno. Welsh and Tom Boyle, of Bellevue, were visiting friends in Hillcrest on Sunday.

Mr. J. B. Allouby, of Bellevue, was a guest at the Union hotel on Tuesday.

HOSMER NOTES

Members of the local are requested to take notice that voting for the election of District President will take place on Monday at the Athletic hall from 9:30 A. M. to 2:20 P. M. and from 6 P. M. to 8:30 P. M. All members are expected to vote.

Hosmer footballers journeyed to Coleman Saturday last to fulfill the league fixture and took a strong team. The game while it lasted proved to be a tough one with Hosmer surprising the Colemanites who were figuring on an easy win. However, Hosmer retired from the field. We did not mind being beaten by a better team or when the play warrants it but we do object to being handed the rough stuff—there's a limit. The incident occurred about two minutes from half time with the score 0-0. We understand Coleman placed the ball in an unguarded goal and will claim a victory (a famous one at that) but Hosmer don't intend letting it go that easy, and will endeavor to get a replay with another referee.

The tipple machinery broke down Monday afternoon causing the 4 o'clock shift in No. 9 to lay idle.

The Misses Thomas of Hillcrest were visitors at the home of Mrs. Lynch last week end.

The Bank of Montreal building is being repainted. Front Street Hosmer will rival Broadway when it gets finished.

Mr. A. Wellington intends shipping in a large supply of strawberries from his ranch and hopes to convince Hosmerites that the Kootenay Landing district is it when it comes to growing strawberries.

We thought that the defunct Hosmer Board of Trade was being resurrected, now it looks, as if the resurrection had been postponed indefinitely. They are waiting until a few more brokers get into town.

Hosmer plays Blairmore Saturday, June 7. Kick off 6:45. Come and boost; the players will do the kicking.

Quite a number of Hosmerites have joined the L. O. O. Moose and journeyed to Fernie last Monday to be broke in. All report having a good time and claim to have created a good impression in Fernie Moose circles.

Mike and George Unkrinitz were charged before his Honor J. P. Brown with violating the game laws. They seem to have been caught red-handed hunting beaver with dogs and were found guilty and soaked $25 and $10 respectively. There is some talk of an appeal. The citizens of Hosmer or the Board of Trade will soon have to appoint an appeals and grievance committee.

Miss Grace Miller, of Blairmore, was taking in the sights of Hosmer this week and stayed at the home of W. R. Anderson during her sojourn here.

John Bossio was the lucky owner of ticket No. 52 which won the rifle raffled by the Hosmer Civilian Rifle Association.

Hosmer local will hold an important meeting Sunday. It is hoped that all members who can possibly do so will make it a point to attend. Renewing agreement with D. will come up for discussion and it affects you, as well as the rest.

The Adult Bible class gave an ice cream social in the Odd Fellows hall Wednesday night. From reports to hand an enjoyable time was spent.

A quiet wedding took place at Fernie Monday, June 2nd, the contracting parties being Mr. R. S. Gourlay of Hosmer and Miss Tradelle of Pincher Creek who were the recipients of hearty congratulations from their many friends. The occasion is to be fittingly celebrated in the near future.

BEAVER MINES

During the month of May the mine has worked steady. Further changes have been made by the management, John Prentice having been made fire boss and John Crawford, shot lighter. The slope at No. 2 mine has been started up again and several pairs of men are now at work. The company are making every effort to fully develop the mine and several fresh men have started work here during the last few days.

FOOTBALL

Crow's Nest Pass League

Coal Creek vs. Fernie

Played at the Creek and resulting in a win for the home team by 4-1. J. Mitchell was referee.

Fernie—Shields, Gregory, Gorrie, J. Corrigan, M. Cullen, Reilly, Tavener, Grant, Porter, Conroy, Brown.

Coal Creek—Banns, goal; McLetchie and W. McFegan, backs; A. McFegan, J. Yates and Whyte, halves; Harper, Booth, Partridge, P. Armstrong, B. Johnson, forwards.

Blairmore vs. Hillcrest

Played at Blairmore and resulted in a draw of 1-0.

Referee, John Beveridge.

Blairmore Finnis; McGaw and Love; Lambeth, Bartlett and Griffiths; Dunlop, Joyce, Fraser, A. Fraser, Williams.

Hillcrest—Paton; L. Marples and Padgett; T. Dawson, J. Petrice, W. Rochester; J. Greenshaw, R. Petrice, J. Knowles, H. Adlam, D. Hall.

Bellevue vs. Michel

The kick off was arranged for 5:30 P. M. to allow Michel to get back home on the "Local," this fact being much appreciated by Michel folks and also shows that Bellevue are good sports. The game can best be described as a game of two halfs, Michel with the sun and a slight breeze behind them in the first half scored twice, both well taken goals and a glorious chance went abegging for a third. The second half was Bellevue's and right from the restart they began in earnest, and though Michel put up a stiff fight Bellevue scored three goals, the second from a penalty, and thus won. The result was Bellevue, 3 goals; Michel, 2 goals. It was a very exciting game as the winning goal for Bellevue was scored only four minutes from time. Both teams played the game as it should be played. John Moore, referee.

Bellevue—H. Fisher, T. Dugdale and R. Dugdale; H. Jepson, W. Miller, A. Tristram; I. Hutton, F. Parker, T. Sloan, T. Marsh and H. Varley.

Michel—J. Moore; S. Hampton and W. Samuels; R. Stewart, R. Hampton and S. Weaver; F. Beddington, J. Littler, H. Brown, B. Davies.

Coleman vs. Hosmer

Played at Coleman, Geo. Robertson, referee. The referee gave a penalty against Hosmer just before half time and Coleman scored. The Hosmer team then left the field.

Coleman—D. Sudworth, Moore, Cawley, W. Roughead, T. Jackson, I. Hunter, A. F. Short, A. Easton, J. Killock, J. Emmerson, Roughead.

Hosmer—W. Balderstone; McGovernor and Evans; Rice, McQueen, Bateman; Murray, H. Adamson, Thornton, Salt, Paterson.

League Table Corrected to Date

	P	W	L	D	For	Agst	P
Coal Creek	4	4	0	0	15	1	8
Coleman	4	4	0	0	12	1	8
Bellevue	5	4	1	0	17	4	8
Michel	5	2	2	1	9	7	5
Hillcrest	5	1	2	2	7	6	4
Blairmore	5	1	4	1	3	22	3
Hosmer	5	0	4	1	2	6	1
Fernie	5	0	4	1	3	13	1

PAUL J. RAINEY'S AFRICAN HUNT

At the Grand, Wednesday, Thursday, June 11 and 12.

Paul J. Rainey's marvelous motion pictures and new facts about one of the greatest hunting trips of modern times will be at the Grand next week. This is one of the most costly films ever produced and will be but another of the splendid entertainments that the management have provided lately for the Fernie citizens.

In order to secure the results shown on the screen in less than half an hour, Paul J. Rainey and his party spent six weeks at the water-hole in the African wilderness. For days the operator would not be able to secure a foot of film and on other days he was kept busy until the heat of the sun drove him to shelter.

A curious way nature has of protecting some of her creatures is shown in the Paul J. Rainey African Hunt pictures. It is the rhino bird which rides around and stays constantly on the back of this great animal. The rhino is very short sighted and can only see about 35 yards, but at the slightest sign of danger, the bird leaves his back and even though he be asleep, he is instantly on his feet looking about for the enemy.

Wednesday and Thursday, June 11 and 12.

THE ISIS THEATREE

The picture show habit becomes irresistible when patrons are assured of a really good selection of films for their amusement and instruction, and The Isis has become the criterion for this popular recreation. The program presented Friday and Saturday features a spectacular western film "The Frontier Providence." In addition the always interesting presentation of the happenings of the world by the Animated Weekly, as well as various comedy subjects, and King Baggot in "The Bearer of the Burden" promises an attractive entertainment, not to mention the really good music that is rendered in conjunction with the films.

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LIQUOR LICENSE ACT

(Section 45)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that on the 20th day of June next, application will be made to the Superintendent of Provincial Police for the transfer of the License for the Sale of Liquor by Retail in and upon the premises known as the Wardner Hotel, situate at Wardner, British Columbia, from R. H. Bohart, of of Wardner, British Columbia, to Grant Downing, of Fernie, British Columbia.

GRANT DOW
Applicant for Transfer.

R. H. BOHART,
Holder of License.

Dated this 23rd day of May, 1913.

Classified Ads.--Cent a Word

FOR SALE—Cabbage Plants—apply A. Lees, Blk. 73, Annex. 42-1tp

GIRL WANTED—Apply to L. A. S. Dack, McPherson Avenue. 40-n.p.

FOR SALE—Four roomed House and half-acre of land. Cameron Ave., West Fernie. Apply, A. Luke. 30-3tp

FOR SALE.—14 dozen Aylesbury Ducks, three days old, 35 cents each. Mrs. A. Davies, Fernie Annex. 39-3tp

CABBAGE and Cauliflower plants for sale. Joe Dodd, Annex Extension, Behind School. 42-1tp

GOOD BUTTER and EGGS FOR SALE—by Farmers. Address Thos. Fitzgerald, Sec-Treas, No. 471 United Farmers of Alberta, Crossfield, Alta. 42-4tnp

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FOR SALE—7 acres, house and barn one mile from Fernie, two creeks, well, etc. Easy terms. Apply to C. Ferguson, Gateway, B.C. 38-6tp

HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE FOR SALE—Apply Mrs. Fred Ingram, Pellat Avenue, north (opposite Home Bakery). 39-3tp.

All kinds of Household Furniture bought in large or small quantities, also gents' cast-off clothing. Second-hand Store, Victoria Avenue North.

TAXIDERMY—As I am leaving for the old country on June 6th I am unable to accept any further orders for taxidermy work until my return in August. Con. Reese, West Fernie. 39-3tp.

FOR RENT—Four-roomed House; meat kitchen, clothes closet, electric light, water, etc. Apply, Wm. Barton, agent Singers Sewing Machine Co., City. 40-3tp.

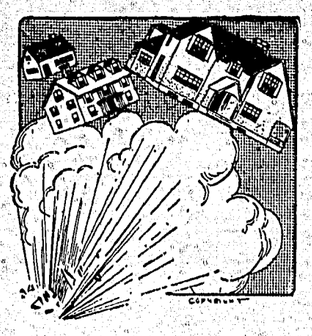
FOR SALE CHEAP—Ten-roomed House in centre of Fernie; Lot 1, Block 49, N.W. corner, Hanson and McPherson Avenue. Apply, C. Stephenson, next door to property. 40-3tp

FOR SALE—HOUSE of four rooms on half lot, Block 49, Dalton Avenue. Apply, J. Beveridge. 41-p

SEE! It's Coming! Spring! Someone will want those lots in Cedar Valley. Better see Evans about them.

FOR SALE—A Snap; corner lot 60x120 and two houses on Howland avenue. Lot is level and houses are one storey frame and one and a half storey block house and in good repair. Apply to Mrs. Dorothy Hamilton, No. 142 McPherson avenue. 42np

FOR SALE—A profitable Poultry Ranch with five-roomed shack, incubators, brooders, brood-coops, chicken houses, over 400 head of purebred chickens, ducks, geese and turkeys; creek running through; an ideal place for poultry raising; an average of $50 per month profit for the last two years. This could be raised by devoting more time to the business. On terms to reliable party. Apply Mrs A. Davies, Fernie-Annex, B. C.



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FINE CIRCUS FRIDAY, July 11th

Free Circus Street Parade 10:30 a.m.

9 bands, 250 horses, open dens of wild animals, elephants, camels—400 people of all climes in native costumes will be shown in parade.

Two shows daily—afternoon at 2, night at 8, doors open at 1 and 7 p.m. Waterproof tents. Admission 25 cents to see it all.

News of The District Camps

COAL CREEK

All roads led to the football grounds on Saturday last for the local Derby day. Coal Creek vs. Fernie. Mr. J. Turnbull, of Hosmer, referee, failed to put in appearance and Joe Mitchell of Coal Creek was mutually agreed upon as knight of the whistle, a position he filled with credit, of the game itself. As the score implies Coal Creek had pretty much of their own way. Fernie bays put up a good fight but only found the net on one occasion. The result was Coal Creek, 4; Fernie, 1.

Coal Creek journey to Michel on Saturday to fulfil their league fixture. Negotiations were opened for a special train, but owing to certain conditions, the proposition cannot be entertained at present. The Coal Creek lineup is as follows: Goal, T. Banns; back, McLetchie and McFegan; half backs, Sweeney Yates and Whyte; forwards, Harper, Booth, Patridge, Armstrong and Joison; reserves, Manning and Logan.

The concent held up here on Monday evening for the benefit of Harold Atkinson was unanimously voted one of the best, the artists acquitted themselves creditably. While we have no desire to single out any particular artiste, we must accord credit to J. Hewitt whose getup as a female impersonator was simply grand. We expect to hear of him touring the states shortly. Quite a large number attended the concert and dance and it is hoped a nice sum will be the result. We are instructed on behalf of Harold Atkinson and friends to thank the artistes who gave their services and all who bought tickets or assisted in any way towards the success. Trites Woods kindly loaned stage furniture.

Mrs. John Williams and family arrived in camp on Monday from Kaffilay, South Wales. Jack is now wearing the smile that wont come off. Nothing like your own home and family, Jack!

Tommy Oakley arrived back in camp on Wednesday, after his trip to the old country. Tommy says there is no place like Coal Creek. Say, Tom, how did tho' find everybody a'whoam in the land o' the clogs and shaw!?

Mrs. Charles Perrio and family arrived in camp on Saturday last, from the land of cakes and heather, and are occupying a house on Riverside avenue. Charlie is quite contented now. We bid ye welcome.

Jack Lewis, game warden, was taking in the sights of this burg on Wednesday and incidently doing a little business.

We are pleased to report that Mrs. James Davison is knocking around again after her recent illness.

The children of the phonic primer class at the Coal Creek school, are wearing a rather sad expression those days, as a result of losing their teacher, Miss Livingstone, who during her term as schoolmam has certainly endeared herself to the hearts of her young charges. The parents of the children join in wishing her many success in the future. We learn that she intends returning to England shortly. Bon voyage.

The Frank Rich Co., now in Fernie, received a fair representation of Coal Creek support on Wednesday evening as evidenced by the state of the train.

Jack Appleby is handling the ribbons again for the Trites Wood team.

The Coal Creek candidates for the "Moose" report having had a swell time at the inauguration ceremony on Monday last. Well, ask Billy!

Dr. Workman has been appointed medical referee for Coal Creek candidates of the Loyal Order of Moose. Now boys, get busy before the charter closes. Lodge night held every Monday in the K. of P. hall, Fernie.

John Burrows is night watchman for the company during the absence of Frank Rizzuto who is away on a vacation.

The bird with the long leg was seen in camp again on Wednesday. In the morning he visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Buchanan of Morrissey cottages and left a fine daughter. He afterwards flew across the camp and settled on the house of Mr. and Mrs. Schope of Coyote street leaving a daughter there. Pleased to report all doing well. Oh you birdie!

We advise the shiveree band to keep their eyes open in the near future, for we hear that a certain individual is about to join the noble army of martyrs.

Soon the midnight walks will cease,
And all the world will be at peace,
For Harry says he'll take a wife
And then he'll settle down for life.
How's that, Harry?

John Primble, a driver employed in 1 East mine, met with an accident to his leg, through being caught between cars while following his employment on Saturday last. After being attended to by Dr. Workman he was removed to Fernie hospital where he is reported doing as well as can be expected.

The manager and brewer of the Fernie Forte Steele brewery, was visiting up here on Sunday. The boys were glad to see you. Come again soon.

Mrs. Relly Caldwell is occupying the office stool at Trites Wood store up here in the absence of Miss M. Lowe who has been indisposed for a few weeks.

The Frank Rich Company opened a four nights engagement at the Grand theatre on Wednesday night. The company more than fulfilled all the promises that their advance representative made, previous to their arrival in Fernie. The play that was used as their opening bill, "Variety Isle," proved to be a musical melange in two acts. The theme was light and airy, and the costumes worn by the company were especially elaborate, while the scenic and electrical effects left nothing to be desired. Mr. George A. Burton and Tommy Burnes are a pair of comedians, that are really funny. They don't strain to put their points over, but do so in a thoroughly pleasing and finished manner. Miss Marjorie Mandeville, in addition to playing one of the principal roles, contributed an acrobatic specially, that was easily one of the best we have ever seen here. The entire company is well balanced, and deserving of unstinted praise. Those who wish to enjoy a pleasing evening, where humor and laughter are the predominating features, can not afford to miss the Frank Rich Musical Comedy company. There will be a special matinee on Saturday at 3 P. M., and the prices will be of the popular variety, within the reach of all. The company, will conclude their engagement on Saturday night, with a brillant ministrel performance. "The Rich Ministrel Maids." This one of the very best of the company's offerings. The Chorus Girl's Contest will be an added feature on Friday night. This is a novelty offering that never fails to score a big hit, with the audience, and leaves them laughing when the company says goodbye.

BELLEVUE NOTES

There has been some stealing going on of late around Bellevue and some carpentering tools to the value of $150 taken from Mr. Wellers carpenter's shop some time between Saturday and Monday. The police are on the case but have failed so far to capture the guilty parties.

Master Joe Newton gave a party to a few of his young friends on Tuesday last, his eleventh birthday.

The local team met Mitchel on Saturday for the league fixture. The Michel team won the toss and with the wind and sun in their favor had things going lively for a time. They managed to score 2 goals in the first half and at half time the score stood 2-0 in favor of Michel. The second half opened with some fast football the Michel boys having the sun and wind to contend with. After the start of the second half Bellevue scored their first goal and that put new life in the boys and they scored the second goal that evened them. The winning goal was got just five minutes from time, the game ended 3-2 in favor of Bellevue. There was a big crowd to witness the game and the Bellevue band was in attendance.

The ladies that accompanied the Michel football team deserve credit for the way they boosted their team.

The new opera house is well under way and is expected to be finished for Pay day. It will be one of the best opera houses in the Pass.

Mr. David Hyslop occupied the pulpit at the Methodist church on Sunday last.

The band gave an open air concert to a big audience on Sunday afternoon on the lot adjoining the Burns market.

Mr. Mitchell, the real estate agent of Medicine Hat, who was here selling the Maple Leaf townsite, is in Camp on business.

Mr. Camerson who has been coal inspector in this camp for some time for the C. N. R. has left camp and gone to Coleman where the C. N. R. is taking their coal.

Mr. Harry Campbell journeyed to Coal Creek to represent Bellevue Athletic association at the meeting of the league there.

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for July 1st (Dominion Day) and come to Bellevue and witness the Monster sports and carnival. Watch this space next week for furrther particulars.

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Mr. Robert Conley, who has been visiting at Pincher Creek for some time, returned to camp on Friday.

It is understood that the Socialist hall is being fitted up for a moving picture show.

The people of the Camp were shocked on Monday when it was learned that the little four-year old son of Mr. Janigo while playing with some other little ones had fallen off a log and was drowned. When his little friends gave the alarm the little child was nowhere to be seen. The Mounted Police have been dragging the river since the accident, but so far have failed to locate the body. Much sympathy is felt for the bereaved parents, Mr. and Mrs. Janigo.

The regular meeting of local 431 was held on Sunday last when the Scrutiners for the election were appointed.

Mrs. William Straford of Diamond City was in Camp, visiting her sister, Mrs. Arthur Amos.

The schools are closed today, it being the King's birthday.

Mr. Johnson, the moving picture man, has moved his family to Bellevue. He is occupying the house belonging to the Dugdale brothers.

PASSBURG NOTES
By "Observer."

From the following financial statement it will be seen that the 24th of May celebration here proved an unqualified success and the committee are to be congratulated on their efforts. The support they received from the public must be very gratifying and the secretary wishes to express his appreciation of same.

The following is a list of events and prize winners:

(1.) Boys' race, under 6 years—Hugh Murphy, 1; Alfred Letherland, 2; Alfred Noughton, 3.

(2.) Girls' race, under 6 years—Katie Magdall, 1; Eva, Beard, 2; Irene Knowles, 3.

(3.) Boys' race, under 8 years—Owen Murphy, 1; Joe Muska, 2; Frank Kovatch, 3.

(4.) Girls' race, under 8 years—Doris Ryan, 1; Alice Jennings, 2; Mary Mottel, 3.

(5.) Boys' race, under 10 years—Bob Barnhill, 1; Joe Magdall, 2; Michael Murphy, 3.

(6.) Girls' race, under 10 years—Olive Goodwin, 1; Doris Beard, 2; Annie Klucarits, 3.

(7.) Boys' race, under 12 years—Harry Kask, 1; Joe Magdall, 2; Alfred Ryan, 3.

(8.) Girls' race, under 12 years—Bertha Knowles, 1; Annie Cawthorne, 22; Lizzie Magdall, 3.

(9.) Boys' race, under 15 years—T. Knowles, 1; Joe Knowles, 2; J. Semancik, 3.

(10.) Girls' race, under 15 years—Jesse Hamilton, 1; Gladys Knowles, 2; Mary Kenrick, 3.

(11.) 100 yard dash, open—Mike Seaman, 1; H. Haughton, 2; J. Roske, 3.

(12.) Old men's race, over 50 years—J. Murphy, 1; Mike Semancik, 2; D. Doubek, 3.

(13.) Married women's race—Mrs. Kenrick, 1; Mrs. Seaman, 2; Mrs. Magdall, 3.

(14.) Boot race—W. Young, 1; J. Thomas, 2.

(15.) Tug of war for boys under 15 years—Semancik team, 1.

(16.) Single women's race—Mary Kenrick, 1; Jesse Hamilton, 2; Grace Kenrick, 3.

(17.) 120 yards, miners only—Mike Seaman, 1; H. Haughton, 22; Scot, 3.

(18.) Girls' skipping competition—Ethel Goose, 1; Jesse Hamilton, 2; Debora Letherland, 3.

(19.) 440 yard race—H. Beard, 1; Mike Seaman, 2.

(20.) Football tournament—Passburg, 1; Burmis, 2.

(21.) Putting the shot—Nick Muchaluk, 1.

(22.) One mile race—M. Scot, 1; J. Daniels, 2.

(23.) Threading needle race—Mary Magdall, 1; Miss Murphy, 2; Miss Fabrian, 3.

(24.) Sack race, 100 yards—J. Powk, 1; Mike Seaman, 2; D. Phillips, 3.

(25.) High Jump—Mike Seaman, 1; J. Roski, 2.

(26.) Running jump—Mike Seaman, 1; J. Roski, 2.

(27.) Potato race, 16 spuds—J. Todcrello, 1; H. Haughton, 2; J. Hudirna, 3.

(28.) Men's tug of war, 7 aside—Passburg Italian team, 1; Burmis, 2;

(29.) Broad jump—H. Beard, 1; H. Haughon, 2.

(30.) Half mile pony race—Glovers pony, 1; Carson Polly, 2.

(31.) Half mile horse — Jones' horse, 1; Carsons Polly, 2.

(32.) Tag competition—Mary Taylor, 1; Lizzie Magdall, 2; Bertha Knowles, 3.

(33.) One-half mile consolation race for men—Nat Howless, 1; J. Smith, 2; Mike Nimck, 3.

(34.) Consolation for single women—Besse Thomas, 1; Sarah Thomas, 2! A. Maryancik, 3.

(35.) Consolation race for boys—Andrew Sekela, 1; Seve Rice, 2; Oscar Goose, 3.

Financial Statement of Sports held at Passbury, May 24th.

Subscriptions received	$447.00
Entrance fees and tags	66.25
Total to hand	$513.25
Expenditures	
Bartlett Blairmore Enterprise	$20.00
Duncan rig hire to Hillcrest	3.00
Duncan, rig hire to Blairmore	5.50
Duncan, dinner for committee	14.00
H. Beard & John Magdall	8.00
Rowells store	1.65
Kerr Bros.	1.75
Postal orders and stamps	.75
Football referee	4.00
Phone 6	1.00
Fernie Ledger	3.00
Refreshments, four men, packing lime	.50
Express	2.25
Total	$65.15
Prize Money	$447.00
Total expenditures	$512.15
Total receipts carried forward	513.25
Total expenditures in full	512.15
Total now to hand	$ 1.10

Contribution List for 24th of May Celebration at Passbury.

T. Duncan, $50! J. N. Rowell, $15; J. Kerr, $5; W. Kerr, $5; F. W. Fowler, $3; Thos. G. Harries, $5; A. Staucik, $1; H. Beard, $1; J. Twigg, $2; W. H. Ouderick, $1; A. Korach, $1; T. H. Manson, $1; Frank Allan, $1; J. Redfern, $1; F. W. Rundle, $1; J. Fabian, $3; Stercus, $3; J. Pisony, $2; T. Kacrmarcik, $1; M. Klepken, $1; J. R. Bell, $10; G. Westos, 50c; W. E. Woodward, $2; Fort Steele Brewery, $5; Concert & Smoker, $9.50; F. M. Rundle, $2; R. Bunkhill, $2; F. Bowsley, $1; J. Gamon, $2; A. Semancik, $3; J. Grafton, $10; J. D. Thomas, $5; Al Kyle, $5; Chas. Tucks, $2; J. M. Carter, $2; W. C. Wholesale, $1; J. Magdall, $1; J. Oliphant, $1; T. Martin, $1; J. A. Cullan, $10; A. Wickstrom, $2; Mr. Ferguson, $5; S. Benusik, $1; N. Benosky, $1; M. Lazurus, $1; M. Zomero, 50c; J. Tarabas, 50c; D. Cenate, 50c; R. Salradore, $1; J. Pout, $2; N. Nerchut, 50c; J. Michaluk, $3; S. Magdall, 50c; W. Musteka, $1; M. Semancik, $1; M. Nimck, $2; J. Smith, $2.50; G. Richards, $2; C. Parrotte, $1; G. Magdall, $1; J. Musteka, 50c; C. Jones, $1; T. Richards, $1; O. L. Knight, $1; M. Sekela, 50c; S. Davies, $1; T. Knowles, $1; J. Houghton, $1; R. Glover, $2; S. Michalut, $1; J. Klasart, $1; A. Gabora, $1; A. Arvo, $1; A. Hechor, $1; S. Payko, $1; T. Loyshon, $1; J. Jossotti, $1; A. Araledo, $1; D. Deffolice, $1; P. Colosino, $1; L. Vendrasso, $1; J. Pochino, $1; P. anose, $1; F. Roski, $1; H. Blake, $1; J. B. Thomas, $1; J. Chambers, $1; T. Lucas, $1; T. Castolino, $1; J. Castolino, $1; J. Williams, $1; T. Coram, $1; A. Phillips, $1; G. Samil, $1; F. Deffolice, $1; S. Cavsing, $1; J. Chivers, $1; L. Raffin, $1; W. Molydoun, $1; W. Philarchy, $1; A. Raffin, $1; E. Thomas, $1; F. Raffin, $1; J. Kostynuik, 50c; F. Adriggs, $1; P. Desfeno, 50c; D. Lizzo, 50c; A. Chala, $1; J. Galcock, $1; A. Harry, $2; S. Daniel, 50c; J. Roski, $1; J. Michaluik, 50c; A. Zuskar, $1; H. Hulsh, $1; J. Hudimo, 50c; S. Sekela, 50c; B. Seelepl, $1; D. Picton, $2; T. Bortolino, $1; C. Leniskn, $1; H. Houghton, $1.50; J. Jennings, $1; M. Molytino, $1; S. Howard, $1; N. Howard, $1; check numbers, 10, 50c; 48, 50c; 75, 50c; 181, 50c; 144, 50c; 36, 50c; 72, 50c; 15, 50c; 88, 50c; 6, 50c; 32, 50c; a Friend, $30; Frank Liquor store, $5; Charley Furrell, $2; G. Carson, $2; F. Burdett, $1; J. Vedrick, $1; J. Abellyo, $2; D. Amedo, 50c; J. Byron, $22; W. Derbyshire, $1; F. Richon, $1; F. Bordet, $2; M. Kinat, $1; T. Sloars, $2; S. Fisher, $3; G. Coupland, $2; H. Jepson, $2; J. Maron, $1; F. Schrang, $1; W. Lang, $1; A. Somero, 1; R. Mellis, 1; A. Duye, 1; A. Olson, 1; J. Solus, 1; J. Bowen $1; J. Lipelels $1; J. Janigo, $1; Davenport Coal Co., $25; O. Gosse, $1; J. Kulosky, $1; E. Jonesc, $1; G. Cantolins, 50c; A. Lathbury, $2; G. Green, $1; Mrs. Dayo, $5; Rowell & Chester, $5; C. Clague, $1; Butcher, $1; M. McRitchie, $1; S. McDonald, $2; D. Ennis, $1; C. C. Yarborough, $22; A. McDonald, $1.25; J. Chambers, 50c; W. Scott, $2; D. Audino, $2; J. S. Adams, $2; Q. Barbara, $1; O. Pedergnora, $2; A. Vunbery, $1; J. Kubin, $1; J. Murphy, $1; J. M. McColluck, $2; F. Gembala, 50c; M. S. C., 50c; B. Baratelli, $1; A. McColluck, $1; B. J. Lewis, $1; James Findlay, $5; G. Carlo, $1; A. Brunett, 50c; C. Vendrisco, 25c; S. Pitorello, 25c; G. Kiesken, 50c; J. Ollazolla, $1; B. Ascpacher, 50c; M. Chiararani, 50c; J. Rocco, 50c; M. Urbas, 25c; J. Tokiza, $1; J. Ascpacher, $1; A. Zat, $1; J. Billy, $1; T. Gluza, 50c; J. Polacik, 50c; Mrs. Rudd, $1; J. McGladrie, $1; M. Romeo, 50c; J. Aspacher, 50c; G. Zahinio, 50c; M. Polacik, $1; P. Roveri, 50c; J. Rubaset, $1.

C. BEARD,
Secretary-Treasurer

MICHEL NOTES

Mr. Tom Williams, the government mine inspector, was in camp lase week, making his usual inspection of the mines here.

The I. C. S. representative, Mr. Tom Griffiths, was also in camp doing business with some of the boys.

There was a slight accident here on the C. P. R. railway track the other day. The "derail" was found to act allright too, for it put a flat car loaded with rails, also a box containing furniture in the ditch. Fortunately no one was hurt, and the Cranbrook Auxiliary crew soon had things in shape again.

Michelites were treated to a lady baseball match last Friday evening, played on the football ground, although a few of the ladies seemed in earnest, much fun was caused at some of their capers; but oh! you hobbles!

Mr. Alf Baker, the man who controlled the weighing machine for the main line trucks and box cars, loaded by the coal company, has severed his connection with Michel and gone to stay at Fernie, where he will join Mrs. Baker.

Bob Hampson, the local grappleer, went to Pincher Creek last week to wrestle a match with one Miller, late of Seattle. Bob was too good for him but could not win, for after having his man down on at least five different times with his shoulders to the mat, he never got one decision, and after nearly two hours wrestling the refree declared it a draw. The conditions were best two out of three throws with strangle hold barred, but Bob thinks they have a different way of defining the strangle hold in Pincher, seeing that he was debarred from putting his hand on his opponent's neck, even at the back. Our advice to those concerned at Pincher is that such tactics "kills" good sport

Jim Watson, bratticeman and late full back for Michel, left the camp for good last week and is residing at Bellevue for the present where he hopes to help out the football club to win the cup and medals either in the league or cup ties. What's the matter with Coal Creek, Jim?

The Michel football team journeyed to Bellevue last Saturday and met with defeat from last year's champions of the league. There was a rumor that the defeat would be something like 10 goals to nil before the game started, seeing that Michel had gone down where Coal Creek had won 7-0 but the Bellevue team must have had some thrills and felt a little out in their calculations when they found the Michel boys leading 2-0 at half time. However, Michel having to contend with the bright sun in their faces and also the wind against them as their opponents had in the first half, found themselves beaten in the end by 3 goals to 2. Both Michel goals were scored by Joe Littler. Bob Stewart's handling caused the penalty from which Dugdale, of Bellevue, converted. It was a good game throughout, and if honors had been even i twould have been a credit to Michel.

On Sunday morning last, while trying to give his buggy a good scrubbing, etc., in the creek, an unfortunate accident occurred. The high tide carrying the buggy down the stream. It was lost. Too bad, isn't it, Jim?

During last week Wm. Whitehouse was acting pit boss in No. 3 mine east, on account of Tom Cunliffe being away for a little vacation, attending the convention of the Knights of Pythias held in Vancouver.

We notice a start has been made on the old ruins of the late stores which were destroyed by fire, the debris is being cleared away and we hope to see ere long the carpenters and other workmen busy building up a new store. It is badly needed. Mr. O. Wood of Natal has the contract for clearing away the debris, but only few men are employed on the job as yet. Better get a move on whilst the weather is good.

On Saturday evening last a quiet wedding took place here, the contracting parties being Miss M. A. Hall and Joe Travers, of New Town. Even the Shiveree band didn't get there, so it must have been quiet. We wish them joy on their new adventure.

On Sunday morning a meeting was called for contract miners, but judging by the attendance there are very few contract miners in Michel. Must all be on company work. Come boys, it's to your own interest to make a better attendance than that.

Henry Bridge, the man that peddles real estate, was in camp this week. How's business these days, Harry, it seems the dentist has been busy with you.

The output in old No. 3 mine, must have decreased considerably, seeing that the Coal Co. have reduced the official staff, three fire bosses going at once. Work as commenced on the grading over No. 8 side to reach the new prospects opened up some time ago, and where two tunnels are being driven.

The local Derby comes off on Saturday, between Michel and Coal Creek, so turn out and boost for the boys in blue.

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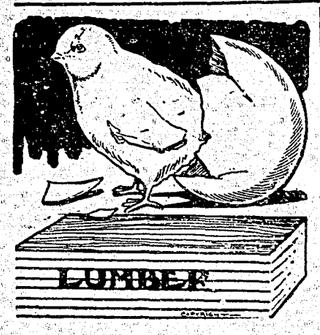

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A member of the British parliament who has been investigating conditions in the United States, has reached the conclusion that "the idea of liberty in the United States is a gigantic hoax." The statue of liberty greeting the new arrival to our shores, is characterized by him as a joke. He tells us that "social conditions in the eastern part of the United States are more backward than in any country I have ever visited." It is the conviction of the English statesman that the United States is on the verge of a violent revolution.

It is probably true that there is no civilized people that are less free than the American people. There is no government in which the rights of the minority are as carefully secured by constitutional provision and legal enactment as in the government of the United States and the states of which it is formed, and no country in which the rights of a protesting minority find less consideration at the hands of the dominant forces in our social and political life than in the United States.

The breakdown of what Macauley sneered at as "paper guarantees," "all wind and no sail," has not come as he apprehended through the despoiling of the rich by the poor and the exalting of "the mob." The constitution and the laws are ridden down by those in whose very interests they were created and who ultimately have the most to lose through appeal to force, to violence and disorder.

We shall quote from the dissenting opinion of a justice of the supreme court of West Virginia in protesting against the overthrow of constitutional government and civil law by the mine owners and their allied capitalistic interests:

"Is it not a spectacle for the notice of a people who rest their liberties on our form of constitutional government that in one of the states of the union a section thereof is given over to an independent military rule, which admits no power of the civil courts to enter, and which claims cognizance as against all found therein of every imaginable accusation from mere words spoken to perjury or murder?

Does the peaceful mountain farmer residing therein realize that he is subject not to the civil law but to the will of a military commander who may hear no excuse as to any accusation against him? Do citizens of this republic passing through that district on one of the great transcontinental lines of railway, realize that for a time to say that a majority of this court has held that such authority exists. The majority has held that martial law—the law and usage of public war—can and does exist in that district. Then that martial law "overrides and suppresses all existing civil laws, civil officers and civil authorities, by the arbitrary exercise of military power; and every citizen or subject, in other words, the entire population of the country, within the confines of its power, is subject to the mere will or caprice of the commander. He holds the lives, liberty and property of all in the palm of his hand. Martial law is regulated by no known or established system or code of laws, as it is over and above all of them. The commander is the legislator, judge and executioner." In re Egan, 5 Blatch. 321.

"The persistency with which a military rule heretofore unknown has been sanctioned, has demanded this second protest on my part. Unfortunate indeed is the generation that forgetteth the memories of its fathers."

There is no civilized government in the world under which such a state of affairs could exist as now exists in West Virginia. To find a parallel we should need go to Darkest Russia.

The farcical nature of "our liberties' is emphasized whenever there is a clash between the workers and the dominant capitalist class. Present-day capitalism, which is the child of liberty, like many another wearer of the purple emerged from a humble ancestry, is forgetful of its past. It would out-Nero Nero to retain its privileges and power. The spirit which animates it is the spirit which animated the slave owning oligarchy and its "doughfaced" dependents. They hanged and they mobbed, they persecuted and destroyed, they made a mockery of the constitution and the laws. They ran their course. They took up the sword and they perished by the sword.

No privileged class ever yet in the history of the world has been able to overcome the masses of the people.

The workers are the one enduring fact in the annals of the human race. Kingdoms have arisen, mighty empires have held sway and fallen, great cities have been builded, where industry and civilization flourished, and have disappeared. Dynasties have come and gone. Great families have ruled with iron hand and passed away. But the mighty river of human life coursing through the viens of the masses ever has flowed on unchecked.

Whatever may happen to the American republic, whatever turn our civilization may take, whether we shall be plunged backward by internal strife and violence and destruction or shall go forward in the paths of peace to new and greater achievements, to the masses will come the ultimate victory. For in the simple annals of the poor, time is a negligible factor.

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But when one policeman meets death there is scarcely enough equipment in the printorial department to scareline the event. The editorial reflex also immediately shifts from "the risks of capital" to the "hazardous risks" assumed by those responsible for the "preservation of law and order," consisting mostly of jailing innocents for daring to resent orders to "move on,' helpless drunks, unemployed "without visible means of support,' or suppressing free speech and clubbing strikers.

No sensible person will condone the shooting of even a policeman, if they act with any degree of decency. But just why the violent death of a policeman should occasion any more furore than that of hundreds which take place in the industrial world in Canada every month is plain only to those who understand the class nature of governmental machinery.—B. C. Federationist.

LABOR'S TIME TO RISE

"Labor has been the underdog too long. It is time that the men and women of labor were up and doing. It is time that they were taking intelligent steps to get together. The hour of awakening is here. Those who rule the world fear this awakening. They know their days of power are numbered the moment the workers unite. To destroy that spirit of unity the cunning servants of the capitalists will resort to any means, fair or foul. The press of the day is pretty much at their command. They can use it to spread the seed of dissention in the ranks of labor. They have an army of professional hirelings that they use to fool and befuddle the workers. It is high time that the workers ceased to allow themselves to be swayed by such means. It is high time that the workers began to seek their information in their own press instead of depending upon the poison and falsehood dished out to them in the press controlled by interests that desire to keep labor ignorant, helpless and, above all things else, divided."

NO TUBERCULOSIS CURE NOTICEABLE

London, Ont., Medical Superintendent of Tuberculosis Sanitarium, Says Friedmann Cure Has No Results

LONDON, Ont., June 3.—"The Friedmann cure had no effect one way or the other, so far, I have observed. I have not noticed that the serum has accelerated the disease; in fact, I don't think it has, nor has it proved of any benefit to the patients."

The above statement was made by Dr. Ross, medical superintendent of the Bryon sanitarium, yesterday, in discussing the charge made by Dr. O'Connell of New York, who maintained that the serum had aggravated tuberculosis.

"Our patients at the sanitarium have done well," he said. "They were doing well before Dr. Friedmann came and have continued to improve. I attribute the progress, not to Friedmann, but to the treatment they have received before and after the injections. I understand that some of the patients not under my control have done well, but I have no definite information on that subject."

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Examination Questions For Fire Boss Papers

The following questions were set before candidates at the recent examination held in the province of Alberta under the coal mine act, May 22, 1913.

FIRE BOSS

Candidates must obtain 60 per cent of the allotted marks to pass. Paper No. 1, time—one and a half hours.

COAL MINE ACT

1. State fully what are the qualifications and duties of (a) a fire boss and (b) a shot lighter as laid down by the Coal Mines Act. (14)

2. What are the provisions of the Coal Mines Act regarding—
(a) Fencing of machinery?
(b) Boilers?
(c) Ventilation? (12)

3. State fully the provisions of the Coal Mines Act respecting the care and handling of explosives. (16)

4. State the privisions of the Coal Mines Act respecting the employment of persons. (10)

4. State the provisions of the Coal Mines Act with reference to safety lamps. (14)

6. What report books are required by the general rules to be kept at a mine? Explain clearly the purpose for which they are used and what entries should be made in them. (12)

7. What are the provisions of the Coal Mines Act respecting man-holes on underground roads? (12)

8. What are the provisions of the Coal Mines Act regarding ambulances? (10)

VENTILATION AND SAFETY LAMPS

1. How would you as fire boss proceed to make an examination of a mine and its equipment with a view to securing the greatest efficiency and safety of operation. (10)

2. What is a regulator and when can it be used o advantage in a mine? (9)

3. If an explosion occurred in a safety lamp or if the lamp should suddenly fill with flame, what would you do to insure safety? (8)

4. Sketch and describe some form of safety lamp with which you are familiar and discuss the advantages of having safety lamps fitted with internal ignitors. (10)

5. What are the causes of mine fires? Explain how a fire may occur in a mine spontaneously and what means you would employ to prevent this, or, if started, how would you extinguish it with safety to the men employed? (8)

6. Specify the conditions that must be fulfilled in order to secure good ventilation in a mine employing a large number of men. Why is the ventilation of a mine necessary? (7)

7. Explain the principle of the safety lamp also what regulations you would adopt for the use of safety lamps in mines. (6)

8. Describe the action of the flame of a safety lamp when exposed to the different gases found in coal mines. (8)

9. Describe fully the anemometer and water guage and say for what purpose each is used in mine ventilation. (8)

10. An airway 1400 feet long is 8 feet high by 10 feet wide. What is the rubbing surface? (6)

11. In a mine ventilated by one continuous current of air, what would be the effect of splitting the current into several splits? Explain how it can be done and why such result is obtained (8)

12. Make a neat sketch of a district of a mine with which you are familiar. Show by arrows the course of the ventilation marking on the positions of all doors, brattices, etc. (12)

GASES AND SHOT-FIRING

1. Discuss the relative advantage and disadvantage of—
(a) naked lights in mines,
(b) mixed lights,
(c) safety lamps. (9)

2. Describe fully the chief noxious gases met with in mines in the Province. In what percentage is each dangerous to human life and how much would test for the presence of each in a mine? (12)

3. If you found an accumulation of fire-damp at the face of a place in the rise section of stoop and room workings, describe with sketches how you would proceed to remove it and state the precautions you would adopt before doing so. (8)

4. Write a clear account of the occurrence of fire-damp in mines in (a) the Lethbridge District and (b) the Crow's Nest Pass District. Point out the sources from which it may be given off and the ways in which it may occur. Explain the importance of this as far as the working of the mine is concerned. (10)

5. State in detail what you would do to remove or reduce to a minimum the dangers due to coal dust. (7)

6. What precautionary methods would you adopt to prevent loss of life in mines where sudden outbursts of gas occur? (8)

7. Why is shot-firing in main roads dangerous and what precautions are necessary in doing so? (6)

8. Name the constituents of some high explosives, explain in what way it differs from black powder and under what conditions would you advocate its use in preference to black powder? (8)

9. Sketch and describe how you would ventilate a level tunnel 12 feet wide and 7 feet high to be driven 1800 feet through strata where outbursts of gas are liable to be met with. How would you deal with blowers of gas in the intake at intervals along the tunnel? (10)

10. What effect will a sudden fall of the barometer cause on the ventilation of a mine? (6)

11. Sate the difficulties to be overcome in removing huge quantities of black damp from a section of workings. (7)

12. Describe fully the process of firing shots in a dry and dusty mine by means of the electric battery. State what explosive you would use and also give a description of the principle and action of the battery you would use. (9)

PRACTICAL WORK

1. How would you secure the safety of workmen who have to traverse haulage roads to and from their working places whilst the machinery is in motion? (8)

2. Describe with sketches the more important methods of supporting the roof and sides of main haulage roads. State which method you prefer and give reasons. (10)

3. State from your own experience the effects produced on the roof, coal and timbers as the results of imperfect packing in long wall working. How does this effect the safety of workmen employed at the face? (9)

4. Describe the Fleuss Mine Rescue Apparatus and state what experience you have had with it. (12)

5. Describe with sketches how you would extract pillars in stoop and room workings with a fairly good roof and state what are the chief points to be aimed at and what to be avoided in order that as little coal and timber may be lost as possible. (10)

6. Sketch and describe the various modes you are familiar with of setting timber both in stoop and room and along wall workings and under what circumstances you would prefer one mode to another. (10)

7. Describe the modes of erecting brattice partitions with which you are acquainted and the circumstances in which each is applicable. (7)

8. Describe with a sketch an arrangement for lowering cars from six landings on a road with an inclination of 1 in 8 by means of a back balance. (8)

9. Sketch and describe the different methods with which you are acquainted of attaching mine cars to an endless rope and under what circumstances each may be applied to most advantage. (7)

10. Describe the method of working at the mine at which you are employed giving a section of the seam with 4 to 6 feet of roof and pavement. (11)

11. What precautions would you adopt to prevent fires in mines in the lignite field? (8)

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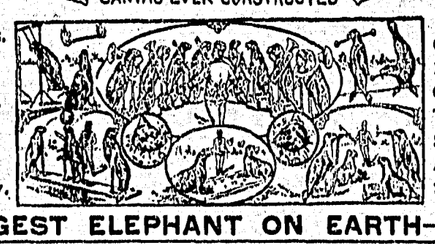

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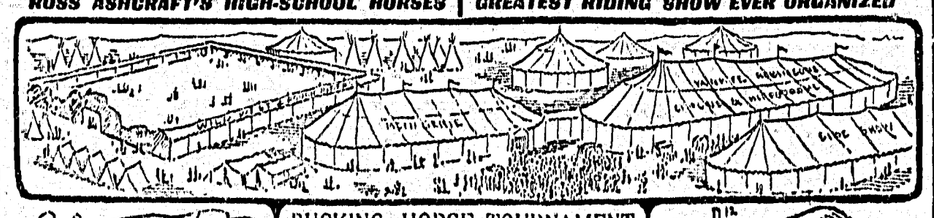

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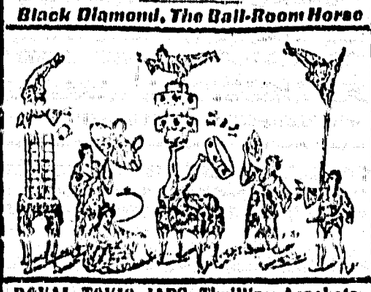

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I cagnotti e gli sbirri delle compagnie intanto seguitano a commettere ogni genere di sevizie, di soprusi e d'infamie, e a mezzo della stampa prezzolata, falsa e bugiarda, con promesse senza termine e coll'assicurazione che lo sciopere è ormai cessato, continuano ad arruolar crumiri.

Compagni lavoratori, se non volete perdere la vostra liberta, se non volete divenire schiavi, se non volete perdere la vostra dignita d'uomini, state lontani da questo Distretto, dove il capitalismo impera, dove lo sfrutta-menta piu vergognoso è generale. Fra qualche giorno saranno publicati sui giornali del Canada e degli Stati Uniti i nomi di tutti i crumiri ed a tutte le locali ne verra inviata una copit, onde tutti sappiano chi sono i traditori della causa operaia.

La lotta è aspra e forse durera molto tempo ancora; ma la speranza di una decisiva vittoria alberga nei curoi di questi forti scioperanti.

Lettori ed amici tutti! Aiuta teci nell'ardun ed impari lotta collo star lontani, sino a che dura lo sciopero, da Vancouver Island, B. C.!

JOSEPH ANGELO,
Organizzatore U. M. W. A.

LO SCIOOPERO DI SHAMOKIN

I minatori appartenenti alla United Mine Workers ed addetti ai lavori di parecchie miniere della Reading Coal and Iron Company nel distretto di Shamokin, Pa., decisero in una recente rnunione di unirsi e bloccare tutte le vie che portant alle miniere, e cio' allo scopo di impedire il passaggio a tutti quei minatori che vogliono andare a lavorare. In tal modo essi tenteranno di sapere da ogni minatore se appartiene o no all'unione, se è in regola coi pagamenti mensili e se intende pagare nel caso che si trova in arretrato. Quelli che non appartengano all'unione, saranno castretti ad iscriversi ad essa o ad abbandonare le miniere, altrimenti gli unionisti continueranno a restare in isciopero.

I minatori di Merritt, B. C., hanno lasciato il lavoro perchè da tre o quattro mesi non venivano pagati. Il padrone delle miniere, intanto, è andato all'Est per "affari."

200 Armed Guards Flee Jersey Strike

Two hundred armed guards marched out of Wharton, N. J., last night after one day's strike duty.

They made no secret of the reason for their departure. They were 'scared stiff,' as one of them expressed it, at their reception at the hands of the mine strikers in Mount Hope and the strike sympathizers in Wharton.

"We won't fight dynamite," said one of the departing guards.

They marched into Morristown, boarded a train and went back to Newark and Paterson, whence they came. Twelve New York detectives remained behind, the sole guards of the property of the Empire Steel and Iron Works mine in Mount Hope and the four mile track of the Mount Hope Mineral railroad.

Sheriff Gillen of Morris county washed his hands of the whole affair, saying he had passed it up to the Governor, and militia had not been forthcoming. Morris county folk in the last seven weeks have been pretty well broken to warfare, but last night the prospect seemed more threatening than ever before.

The sheriff last night placed a force of deputies on guard at the county jail, following rumors that an attempt would be made to free strikers under arrest. Each deputy was armed with a shotguns, with instructions to use if necessary. Strikers began drifting into Morristown last night. They said they came merely to be present at the trial of the strikers today, but Sheriff Gillen was not satisfied with their explanation.

Recently New Jersey got another taste of violence in the Paterson silk strike. Strikers dynamited the home of a strike-breaker in Hackensack. No one was injured, and no great amount of damage was done, but the event enlivened the day for Robert N. Heath, under-sheriff, and took his mind from the work of guarding the Erie railroad, where two attempts have been made to wreck passenger trains.

Strikers Battle Guards

There is a different temper to affairs in Morris county, however. Where in Paterson the violence had been secret in the main—bomb-throwing and attempts at train wrecking and beating up a lone strike-breaker here and there—in the miners' strike the conflict is open.

A pitched battle early yesterday, in which about 1,000 shots were fired, six private detectives wounded and seven strikers made prisoners, preceded the retreat of the guards today.

The work of guarding the line of the Mount Hope Railroad had been turned over to J. F. O'Brien, head of a Paterson strike detective agency. A dozen men from a New York agency protected the main works of the company.

It was the presence of these alien men, sworn in a special deputy sheriffs and armed for duty, that enraged not only the 200 strikers but hundreds of others in Wharton and surrounding towns. Frequent brushes between the guards and the strike sympathizers strengthened the animosity. Yesterday the strikers began hurling dynamite.

None of the guards was injured by this, but it broke their nerve. Yesterday, after the night's battle, one hundred of the men were brought in from Wharton to Morristown and lodged in a hall there.

Withdraws Guard.

O'Brien, who had maintained all along that he was able to keep the mine region quiet, and that he would break the strike in four days, explained the force was to be held in Morristown as a reserve, and the hundred men still in the mine district would keep things in order until 200 more men would be kept on duty at the mines all the time, working in four shifts.

But yesterday the 100 who had been left at the mine joined the detachment in Morristown. O'Brien held a consultation with all the men. Then he called up Wilbur Sadler, adjutant general of the New Jersey militia, who had been investigating conditions in the mine regions, and announced he was through. Soon afterward he withdrew with his men.

The local authorities of Wharton have maintained all along if the mine guards were removed there would be no trouble. Sheriff Gillen has insisted troops be called. Sadler reported to Governor Fielder he did not think they were needed. The situation now seems to be that the Wharton authorites will be given a chance to make good their statements before the troops are called out.

Shots Fired in Night Battle.

Yesterday's battle was brought about when Edward Dwyer, one of O'Brien's lieutenants, led a party of fifty guards, all sworn in as special deputy sheriffs, took possession Thursday night of what remains of a locomotive and passenger coach, wrecked on the railroad about a mile from Wharton, last Tuesday.

Shortly after midnight an attack was begun on this force. It lasted until daylight, volley after volley being fired by the strikers, who were aided by other Wharton citizens. The presence of the paid guards excited great animosity throughout the country side, and hundreds who had no direct interest nn the mine trouble joined in the fight. Several dynamite explosions occurred.

Most of the bullets went wild, as the guards remained in darkness and hidden in the wreck of the passenger coach, offered a scant target for the marksmanship of the invading force. One of the deputies, J. A. Brauman, was shot in the face. He probably will lose his eye-sight. Five others were hurt less seriously.

The full extent of the damage done to the opposing force could not be learned, but it is thought several wounded strikers were carried away by their friends. Six wounded strikers and the six guards are patients in All Souls' Hospital in Morristown.

Dynamite on Prisoner.

The strikers who were captured were brought to Morristown also. They registered as O. H. Wilson, Daniel Mahar, William Smith, William Palmer, John Darcy, Michael Acutz and George Noyes. Palmer, the deputies say, had two sticks of dynamite on him when he was arrested. Noyes, they say, had a loaded revolver. All were held to the Grand Jury.

After several hours of fighting the guards left the wreck and returned to Mount Hope, followed by a jerring mob, which included a hundred or more women and girls.

The Hackensack dynamiting was in No. 35 Bergen avenue, the home of Herman Hutting, a foreman in the Cramer & King silk mills, in Paterson. Hutting had received a number of threats following his refusal to quit with the other workers.

Hutting, his wife and their seven children were asleep early yesterday when an explosion tore off the porch of their home. A fence 200 feet away was struck by a piece of flying rock, but the damage to the house itself was not great, and no one inside was injured.

Besides investigating the dynamiting, Under Sheriff Heath is continuing his search for the men who attempted to halt an Erie passenger train in a cut between Rutherford and Carlton hills Thursday night by throwing rocks down on it.—New York Press.

The above story is taken from the columns of the New York Press and shows that industrial conditions at Wharton, New Jersey, have become so unbearable that men who have borne outrage and insult have arose in rebellion against the brutal thugs imported by a mining corporation.

The mining company, through a detective agency, equipped a private army made up of convicts and criminals, gathered from the "bad lands" of New Jersey and New York, and these armed Hessians were brought to Wharton with the understanding that they were licensed to commit any outrage that might awe or intimidate men who were waging a fight for a shorter work day and an increase in wages.

The strikers were patient, and for a time bore in silence the criminal conduct of lawless blackguards, who were recruited and paid by a mining corporation to break a strike. But strikers can be driven to a point where "patience ceases to be a virtue," and the thugs imported to Wharton discovered that men battling for a living wage can be aroused to defend themselves against the infamies of a mob instructed to kill to maintain the supremacy of industrial tyrants.—Mine Workers Journal.

THE BIGGEST GAME OF ALL

A man is born into the world. He develops physically, acquires a certain degree of mentality, according to his opportunity and according to his opportunity and pre-natal endowments. He comes in one way or another by a certain smattering of knowledge. When he gets somewhere near maturity, if he be of the propertyless class, gifted only with his muscles and his brains, he becomes a worker—a wage-worker, or a wage-slave. But always as a producer he produces far in excess of his own needs. The surplus value he creates is appropriated, in a complex fashion to be sure, but nevertheless it is wrested from him, and passes into the modern ways that has built up the most comprehensive scheme of getting something for nothing that the world has ever seen.

And they sit in the places of power, and despise the doers of the earths work. And when the worker who has spent the strength of his sinews and the best of his brain in producing much that he may secure a little, when he is no longer capable of producing a surplus to be appropriated, what happens to him? He goes on the scrap heap. He can starve or eks out his miserable existence on bitter bread of precarious charity. If he becomes diseased, as some of them do, he goes into the discard, and although of his activities as a worker he may have created a thousandfold the value of what he has consumed, it makes no difference, he is no longer a profitable slave. "To Hell with him."—Popular Magazine.

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AN APPEAL FOR ISLAND WORKERS

To all Trades Unions, Central Labor Bodies, Building Trades Councils, District and Allied Councils in British Columbia.

Friends and Fellow-Workers:

As you are no doubt aware all the coal mines on Vancouver Island are tied up as the result of a decision arrived at on May Day by the workers of the several mines comprising District 28, United Mine Workers of America. Not a pound of coal is being produced on the Island, except what little is being dug by several hundred orientals, assisted by a handful of white strike breakers. The miners are asking for a conference between the mine operators and representatives of their unions. So far the managements have arrogantly refused, claiming it as their right to deal with the miners as they think fit. It is hardly necessary to say that the miners have been forced to adopt their present attitude as a measure of self-defence, as their right to be organized, and consequently their chance of enjoying living conditions at their employment were at stake. The fight now in progress on this Island concerns not only the men immediately affected, but every breadwinner and wage-worker in the Province. The miners are fighting our battle. They are making sacrifices for all the rest of the workers of the Province. Their defeat would seriously affect the prospects of organized labor in British Columbia.

With this aspect of the present strike in view and moved by a desire to show our appreciation of the splendid solidarity exemplified by these brave men and women involved in this fierce struggle, I recommend and urge that the earliest opportunity be taken by each organization to adopt resolutions, expressing sympathy with the strikers and calling on the government to exert its influence and authority in bringing pressure to bear on the mine owners to meet representatives of the organizations of the strikers, for the purpose of discussing bases of agreement, copies of such resolutions should be forwarded to the government and to your respective M. P. P. Small, demanding them to wake up and use their influence with the government.

Trusing you will attend to this at once, I am,

Sincerely yours,
CHRISTIAN SIVERTZ
President

BRITISH COAL STATISTICS

According to advance proof sheets of government satistics (the figures in which are subject to correction), the largest coal production of any county in England for the past year was for Yorkshire with 38,491,000 tons. Durham was second in production with 37,890,000 tons; Glamorgan was third, with 33,727,000 tons. Northumberland produced 13,381,000 tons.

Each of these districts showed a decrease in yield from the previous year, due, of course, to the strike, but this falling off is less than might be expected when the duration of the stoppage is bourne in mind.

The number of miners in Yorkshire slightly exceeds 161,700; Durham has 169,600 and Glamorgan has over 151,700 miners.

AMERICAN COLLIERY ACCIDENTS

At a recent meeting of the Indiana Mining Institute, a paper on mine accidents by Mine Inspector F. J. Pierce was presented, in the course of which the author said: Every one interested in the coal mining industry and particularly those having the life, limb and health of themselves, as well as others in their keeping, should be deeply concerned in the cause of mine accidents and the best means to prevent them. Heretofore our main interest has been centered in exploiting our enormous coal resources. We have exceeded in this beyond our highest hopes and expectations. Competition, however, has been keen and as a result safety in operation has not been as important a factor as it should have been. The enormous loss of life in coal mines in the United States has brought us to our senses. For convenience let us classify mine accidents as occurring under two heads—avoidable and unavoidable. The unavoidable accidents are those which occur through errors of judgment. The avoidable accidents are those that are the result of ignorance and carelessness, or, where the risk is taken with a full and complete knowledge of the result that is liable to occur, and against the better judgment of the party taking it. This is one of the fruitful causes of the accidents in mines and cannot be effectively dealt with by any legislation. The man most responsible for the safety of the mine, instead of looking after the getting out of the coal, should be spending his time looking after the working places in the interior of the mine. Too much has been taken for granted in the past, and the penalty has been severe. Very much stricter discipline and a closer supervision of the working places is very essential in the climation of avoidable mine accidents.—Science and Art of Mining.

CIGARMAKERS WIN LONG FIGHT

Over three years ago the cigarmakers of Peoria, Ill., entered into negotiations for an adjustment of the scale. The scale at that time had been in force for nearly eighteen years, and no material change had been made, although there had been innumerable changes in the conditions under which the cigarmakers worked. The new agreement, containing the new scale and the better conditions, was presented to all of the manufacturers, most of whom signed up, but one firm refused to agree. Of course, the union men struck against this firm, and now, after having been manufacturing non-union cigars for three years, the firm has entered into an agreement with the Cigarmakers' Union, paying the advanced scale and employing members of the Cigarmakers' Union only. An interesting incident of this long strike is that when the strike first occurred quite a body of cigarmakers were employed, but at the settlement only one-fifth of the original number was employed by the firm signing the agreement.

"Recognizing that all will not be of one mind in the management of the business affairs of the union, it is agreed and made mandatory in the laws of the organization that the majority rule. It is therefore becoming of every member to peacefully abide by the will of the majority and perform his full duty under such recrees, in order that the purposes may be realized to the fullest extent."

Cemetery Notice

Persons wishing their lots in Cemetery kept in good condition for the season, at a reasonable charge, can make arrangements with the undersigned.

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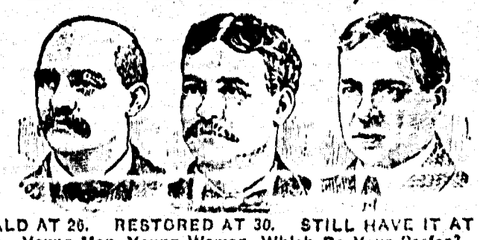

BALD AT 26. RESTORED AT 30. STILL HAVE IT AT 55.
Young Man, Young Woman, Which Do Your Prefer?

A NICE FULL, HEALTHY Head of hair on a clean and healthy scalp, free from IRRITATION, or a BALD HEAD and a DISEASED and irritable scalp covered with scales commonly called DANDRUFF?

SCALES ON THE SCALP, [illegible] irritation is POSITIVE PROOF your hair and scalp is in a DISEASED condition, as scale, commonly called DANDRUFF, originates from one of the following PARASITICAL DISEASESof the CAPILLARY Glands, such as (Seborrhea, Sicca, Capitis, Tetter, Alopecia or Eczema) and certain to result in absolute BALDNESS unless cured before the GERM has the CAPILLARY Glands destroyed. BALDNESS and the LOSS of hair is absolutely unnecessary and very unbecoming.

ALL DISEASES OF THE HAIR [illegible] the DEW under my scientific treatment, and I positively have the only system of treatment so far known to SCIENCE that is POSITIVELY and PERMANENTLY curing DISEASES of the hair and promoting new growth. The hair can be fully restored to its natural thickness and VITALITY on all heads that still show fine hair or fuzz to prove the roots are not dead.

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The assortment offered here will appeal to every person who wishes to purchase the best at the most economical prices. Here you will find nothing but the highest grade fabrics by the yard and in the lines ready for service. In the long run it is true economy to purchase the very best in these goods—to insure long service, good quality is essential. See us for the best in household cottons and beddings; it will pay you.

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Twill sheeting 9-4 wide 50c
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INDIA LINEN, 36 inches wide at from 15 to 40c.

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NEW BED SPREADS. We have just placed in stock and especially fine collection of Dimity Marsailles and honey comb bedspreads. These come in single and double sizes at various prices.

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To make a small boy look smart and dressy he must have a good classy shoe. A few lines will be seen in the front of our shoe window this week that will add considerable to your boy's appearance. The following are a list of the prices and sizes we have in these shoes:

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The Finest in Selection in the District

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Fine Cashmere Sox
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Fine Near-Silk Pyjamas
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SEE OUR WINDOW DISPLAY

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We make Clothing to your measure. Perfect fit and style guaranteed. We are agents for the famous 20th Century Clothing People. Don't miss these latest styles.

BOOTS AND SHOES

LITTLE GENTS PATENT LEATHER BLUCHER with dull top, sizes 8 to 10 1-2, price .. $2.50
LITTLE GENTS GUN METAL BLUCHER, sizes 8 to 10 1-2 ..... $2.50
LITTLE GENTS GUN METAL BUTTON, a nice dressy shoe for the small boy, sizes 8 to 10 1-2, price $2.50
LITTLE GENTS GUN METAL, BLUCHERS, sizes, 8 to 10 1-2, for $2.35
LITTLE GENTS' TAN CALF BLUCHERS, sizes 8 to 10 1-2, price $2.50
LITTLE MEN'S BOX CALF BLUCHERS, 5 to 7 1-2, price $2.00
LITTLE MEN'S TAN CALF BLUCHERS, 5 to 7 1-2, price $2.00

OUR GROCERY SPECIALS

2 in 1 shoe black	3 for	.25
Gilt Edge shoe dressing	per bottle	.20
Shredded Wheat Biscuits	each	.10
Rival Wheat Flakes	5 lb. with china	.35
Cowan's Maple Buds	per lb.	.40
Lowney's Cream Chocolates	per lb.	.35
St. Charles Hotel size, Evaporated Milk	per doz.	2.55
Braids Big Four Coffee, fresh ground	2 lbs.	.75
Blue Ribbon Coffee	per lb.	.40
Tetley's Cocoa	1-2 lb. tins	.35
McLarens Imperial Cheese	per pot	.30
Silver Label Extract	2 oz.	.10
Mazda Electric Lamps 25 Watts	each	.45
Seeded raisins, 12 oz.	2 for	.15
Evaporated Peaches	2 lbs.	.25
Robin Hood Flour	98 lb. sack	3.25
C. and B. Jam	4 lb. tins	.65
Roses Lime Juice	pints	.35
Assorted Soft Drinks	pints 3 for	.25
Enos Fruit Salts	per bottle	.75
Angelins Olive Oil	1-2 gal.	1.25
C. and B. Mangan Chutney	qts.	.65
Queen Quality Pickles	20 oz.	.25
Simcoe Pork and Beans	small size, 4 for	.25
Pure Cane Granulated Sugar	20 lb.	1.20
Van Camps Assorted Samples	2 for	.25

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BRANCHES AT FERNIE, MICHEL, NATAL AND COAL CREEK

LOCAL AND PERSONAL

Mrs. G. M. Miller returned from her vacation in California last week end, and is once more discoursing sweet music at the Isis Theatre.

All members of Mt. Fernie lodge, I. O. O. F. are requested to assemble in the lodge room on Sunday, June 15th, at 2:30 p.m., to attend the annual Decoration Day services.

June 3rd was the King's Birthday, but on looking over the honors list we have not noticed any knighthoods or other titles bestowed upon any of our loyal citizens of the Crows Nest Pass. Merely an oversight, perhaps!

In addition to the sentence of fifteen days given Murphy in connection with the trouble of arising from the stealing of a ticket at the C. P. R. depot, a further thirty days was handed out on the charge of stealing.

The "Vets." have arranged a grand program for the First of July, the object being to raise funds for the erection of a suitable memorial in the city of Fernie to all the victims of the disastrous explosion at Coal Creek, May 22nd, 1902. Mr. W. R. Wilson has kindly consented to preside, and a special train will be run for Coal Creek visitors.

J. W. Bennett returned this week from the Coast after having attended the Convention of Knights of Pythias and was re-elected to the position of Grand Vice Chancellor. E. H. S. Winn of Rossland was also re-elected as Grand Chancellor, and R. J. Steele of Nelson as Grand Prelate. The convention next year will be held at Kamloops. The supreme Lodge K. of P. will hold its session in 1914 at Winnipeg, which will be the 50th anniversary of the order, and this will be the second time they have met in this country.

CITY COUNCIL

The City Fathers held their regular meeting on Thursday night and confirmed the agreement of an option to C. H. Burgess & Co. of Toronto on $45,000 Debentures at $95 and interest. Letter from the laundry regarding repairs to roof was filed. Neil McCallum was engaged as Assistant Fire Chief for four months at a salary of $90.00 per month. The smoke stack of the Power House is to be painted at a cost of $12.50.

The offer of the Provincial Government to pay half the cost of building the Fairy Creek bridge was accepted. The By-Laws dealing with Traders' Licenses and Sewer Connections were finally passed. These matters and the usual routine business completed their deliberations.

Mysterious Death of an Italian

On Sunday, May 25th, an Italian by the name of Dominico Forner, left the shack where he was staying on the hill above the coke ovens. Several other of his countrymen were living together in the shack with him and in the afternoon of that day began to get anxious as to the non-appearance of Forner. He had drawn his savings from the bank a few days before but in view of the fact that the missing man had not left as if to undertake any lengthy journey a search was instituted and for several days no trace could be found of their companion. On Sunday, June 1st whilst two men were walking along the shores of Coal Creek they observed some empty kegs under a stump in the water, and one of them, an old friend of the missing man, was reaching over same and saw the legs of the deceased sticking out of the water, and recollecting that Forner had been wearing light clothes came to the conclusion that this must be the missing man. After the body was taken from the water his fears were confirmed.

An inquest was held on Tuesday, June 3rd, and no reason could be found for foul play as there seemed to be no knowledge of his having any enemies and whilst there was some hint as to an old love affair in the Old Country it could not be shown that the deceased had been morbidly disposed prior to his disappearance. The jury rendered a verdict that Dominic Forner was found dead between May 25th 10 A. M., and June 1st 12 noon, from drowning. Cause of death unknown.

YANKEE ROBINSON CIRCUS COMING HERE SOON

Amusement lovers need only to know that the Yankee Robinson shows are to exhibit here to see that a rare treat is in store for them. Better in every way than ever before, this old circus will, without doubt, leave a trail of universal approval behind it from the start of the season to the end. Circus, menagerie, wild west, museum, hippodrome and trained wild animal exhibition, every department strong, no department neglected the Robinson program will be a wonder. Among the other features the trained wild animals are worthy of special comment—the Robinson show carrying more of the educated wild beasts than all others combined. Performing sea lions, leopards, pumas, tigers, bears, goats, dogs, ponies, monkeys, jaguars and elephants, featuring the only bareback lion riding in the world today. Among the features of the menageries that are sure to appeal, especially to the children, are the two baby elephants, "Mutt" and "Jeff."

This old circus has ever been famous for its bareback riders. It offers this year Albert Davenport, champion rider of the world, Fred and Bessie Costello, the world champion jockey riders, Marie Davenport and Minnie Sweeney, the acknowledged champion lady principal equestrienne, and Ralph Howser, England's famous jockey and somersault rider.

The big show comes to Fernie next Tuesday.

C.P.R. RAISE WAGES OF SHOP TRADESMEN

C. P. R. RAISES WAGES am-Eere Ten Thousand Men Will Receive an Increase of Ten Per Cent.

MONTREAL ,June 4.—Ten thousand C. P. R. employees, covering the Eastern division, are to receive a ten per cent increase, commencing Monday next.

As a result of the negotiations which have been in progress for the past two weeks between the thirty-five delegates of the federated shop trades and the officials of the C. P. R. arrangements have been arrived at whereby all the employees of the mechanical and car departments employed on the eastern lines will receive increases amounting to about ten per cent over their present rate of pay. Time and a half will also be allowed for all overtime and legal holidays and other concessions for the benefit of the employees have been granted.

The men affected by the changes, which will go into force on Monday next and remain in effect for one year, are machinists, boilermakers, blacksmiths, brass-workers, buffers sheet metal workers, steamfitters, plumbers, general car builders and car men employed in the running department, etc., approximately 9500 men in the shops from Port Arthur to St. John, N. B.

Visitors at the Calgary fair this year will be treated to one of the best arranged list of attractions which this exhibition has ever presented. Music by the 91st Highlanders' band of Hamilton and some of the best western bands in addition to the famous Titus Grand Opera Quartette will appeal to the lovers of melody. Two diving horses, one which takes a daring plunge into a tank of water with a lady on its back, will furnish a thrill which will be remembered. Ramona Ortez does things on a slender steel wire that the ordinary person would not attempt on a six foot sidewalk. These are only a couple of the nine big acts which will be imported for the exhibition, and in addition there are several gorgeous spectacles which will be prepared by westerners.

TO CORRESPONDENTS

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EDMONTON FEELS THE MOONEY SQUEEZE

Work on Big Buildings Tied up and Many Men are Out of Work.

Edmonton, June 3.—The money tightness is being felt in Edmonton by business men who are erecting new blocks. While last summer most builders were complaining that they could not get enough men and the city construction program was limited by shortness of laborers, there are more men than jobs in the city at the present time. The most noticeable feature of the situation is that work on several large buildings in course of erection has been suspended temporarily owing to the scarcity of money. The big McLeod building at the corner of McDougall and Rice, a nine story erection to cost half a million dollars, is at a standstill. For several days not a tap of work has been done. The Brown building which is to be ten stories at the corner of Second and Jasper, has steel up as far as the second story and no further progress is being made. Work on the eight story Tegler block on First street is going ahead slowly. The reason given for the cessation of work on various buildings is that the loan companies who had undertaken to finance the enterprises have stopped lending except at high rates of interest and on first class securities. In some cases they had counted upon turning over real estate while the present state of the realty market makes it unprofitable to sell.

LABOR COMMISSION

Sittings of the Provincial Labor Commission will be held as follows:

Golden—Friday, June 6th, 10 a.m.
Athalmar—Monday, June 9th, 10 a.m.
Cranbrook—Tuesday, June 10th, 10 a.m.
Kimberley—Wednesday, June 11th, 2 p.m.
Fernie—Thursday, June 12th, 8 p.m.
Michel—Saturday, June 14th, 11 a.m.
Creston—Monday, June 16th, 8 p.m.
Kaslo—Wednesday, June 18th, 2 p.m.
Nelson—Thursday, June 19th, 4 p.m.

The Commission is empowered to inquire into all matters affecting the conditions of labor in British Columbia. All persons interested are invited to attend and give evidence.

H. G. PARSON, Chairman
F. R. McNAMARA, Secretary.

LLOYD GEORGE CANCELS TRIP TO DOMINION

LONDON, June 4.—Because he will be "too busy at the time," Chancellor David Lloyd-George has cancelled his proposed whirlwind tour of Canada in September. It had been planned for Lloyd-George to make twelve speeches in Canada and the United States.

MOOSE LODGE INSTITUTED

On Monday last, June 2nd, the Fernie lodge No. 1335 L. O. O. M. was instituted at the K. P. hall. The opening charter list was read by the District director, Wm. Erler of Cranbrook, and comprised a list of 121 names, of this number 102 were initiated into the mysteries of the order of Moose. After inauguration ceremony the officers of the ensuing term were elected as follows: P. D., Chas. W. Claridge; D., T. Uphill; Vice., J. Anders; P., Jas. Wilson; S. A., A. Boles; O. G., Jas. Clarke; I. G., W. Worthington; Sec., F. Vance; Treas., Wm. Mills; Trustees, D. W. McDougall, Wm. Simpson and R. Gourlay.

The officers were duly installed.

Immediately on conclusion of the aforementioned ceremonies the lodge was opened to friends of the members and visitors, and a social evening was enjoyed by a large number. Refreshments were served and a number of songs given by the members while the Moose orchestra rendered several fine selections. The director, Wm. Erler, in a speech, mentioned that the opening night was far beyond his expectations and thanked all who had worked to make the opening list so large. He urged all the members from now until the charter closes to work hard to bring members with a view to making Fernie lodge 1335 the largest in the East Kootenay. It was nearing midnight when Auld Lang Syne and God Save the King were rendered, and all dispersed after having had a thoroughly enjoyable night.

STRIKE MORE ORE AT SLOCAN STAR MINE

SANDON, June 3.—More ore is being struck every shift at the Slocan Star. Some of the directors are expected in this week. C. B. White, M. E., son of O. V. White, superintendent of the Slocan Star, is expected shortly to take charge of an important mine in the Slocan.

VETERANS ASSOCIATION

Minutes of meeting held on June 1st, 1913.

The meeting was called to order at 6:45 P. M. Col. J. Mackay occupied the chair.

The minutes of the last meeting were read and adopted.

A report was given by the executive committee re the interview of the city council in connection with the erection of the memorial in the city. It was stated in this report that the city council were practicallyy unanimous on the question. A short discussion followed and it was finally moved and seconded that a hearty vote of thanks be tendered the city council for their co-operation in this matter. (Carried.) It was also moved and seconded that the action of the executive committee be approved in the above question. (Carried.)

A report was given by the executive committee in connection with the postponment of the Memorial Concert which should have been held on May 24th, 1913. After a short discussion it was moved and seconded that this meeting uphold the action of the executive committee in postponing the concert. (Unanimously carried.) It was decided to hold the concert on Dominion Day, July 1st, 1913. The executive committee to make the necessary arrangements and prepare a suitable programme.

A statement was made by the president that it was the intention of the executive committee at headquarters to slightly alter the name of the association. The question was not finally settled at this time so no action can be taken in the matter until such time as final arrangements are made. He also stated that the returns from the organizing officers throughout the Dominion show that there are over 50,000 Veterans organized at the present time, and that in the near future it was possible that this number will be increased by 100 per cent.

G. O'BRIEN, Secretary.

FERNIE VS. BELLEVUE

Bellevue will visit Fernie to fulfil League fixture. Kick off 7 P. M. Get busy and boost.

MARRIAGE LICENSES

June 2nd—R. S. Gourlay of Hosmer and Albertine Trudell of Pincher.

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