The Labor Statesman

Owned by the Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council

Official Organ of The Canadian Labor Party

No. 41—EIGHT PAGES | VANCOUVER, B. C., January 30th, 1925 | FIVE CENTS PER COPY

Council Continues to Help Spread Contagious Diseases

Diphtheria Rampant in Alaska—Vancouver Had Tremendous Number of Cases Last Year—Rat-infested Garbage Dumps Still Being Used by City Council — Children Rummage Among Debris—Voters Appear to Be Satisfied.

DIPHTHERIA is raging in Alaska and strenuous efforts are being made to check it. There was more diphtheria in Vancouver last year than ever before in its history. There were a great number of other contagious diseases in the city, yet the city council continues to dump disease producing garbage all over the city, while a costly incinerator rusts for want of use. Hundreds of disease breeding rats are infesting these garbage dumps and children rummage among the debris for all manner of truck.

Last year, just prior to the civic election, the Labor Statesman drew attention to the dump at Grandview highway and Slocan and to the idle incinerator. We told of the rats and the rat virus and of the children rummaging for eatables and whatnot. That dump is still in existence but the aldermen who no sit in office at the city hall informed the public from the platform that the incinerator was being used, thus misleading the public. **It is only being used at the present time to burn up refuse from Water Street.** But the garbage from houses all over the city is being dumped elsewhere. This week we visited a dump at the rear of Hastings Park, where a road has been made across a small ravine. For several months garbage has been dumped at this place, and dozens of rats can be seen at any time rummaging around the refuse. Children make visits to the place after every wagon load of garbage has been dumped. We then wonder why diphtheria is on the increase. Just across the road from this dump is a hill of land that could be cut down in two days to fill the dump which the city has been trying to fill with garbage for the past six months. The other garbage dumps all over the city are still in operation and the rats have possession of them.

The city is spending great sums of money to cope with contagious diseases, yet at the same time it aids in the spreading of them by dumping garbage of every description in various parts of the city. These aldermen should not be in the city hall, they should be in Essondale. Of course, the average voter would not say that, they would sooner give them another term in office.

ALDERMAN ECONOMIZES ON STARVING MEN

At the meeting of the relief committee of the city council held on Monday afternoon, Mr. Ireland, city relief officer, was questioned relative to some expenditures that had been made in his department by Alderman Garbutt. Mr. Ireland explained that it has been incurred by allowing the price of a meal to men who were actually starving before sending them out to work in the city relief gangs. Ald. Garbutt replied that he had never heard of such a thing as paying men wages before they had done their work, and requested the committee to introduce a motion instructing the city relief office not to pay out any money until the men had at least done a day's work. This speaks volumes for the intelligence of an alderman who would send a starving man out to compete with a rock crusher.

No Smoking Latest--- Protest to Manson

Can this be true—is Attorney-General Manson being influenced by the United States Anti-Tobacco League, in addition to being biased by the anti-rum crusaders of Uncle Samland? It rather looks that way when one considers the many tight rules being tied in a knot around the proposed measure for beer by the glass (if the people will ever really get it).

Where's the Sense of It?

One of the laws is that there will be no sale of cigars in the draft beer places. Whatever in Tophet reason there is for this amazing law is too opaque for anyone to see through. It is an affront alike to the patrons of the draft beer places and to an honest and worthy class of tradesmen—the union cigar makers. Perhaps Mr. Manson himself does not smoke. He doesn't drink beer, of course. Well, is that any reason why thousands of honest citizens should be choked off from a comforting cigar with their glass of beer that has been voted by citizens who placed the Attorney-General in office? The wonder is why he did not prohibit pipe smoking while he was about it.

Every Possible Chance

The utmost stringency surrounds the rules governing the proposed glass beer measure. In fact, it would seem that conditions have been gone over with a fine tooth comb to see if anything has been left out in making the draft beer measure as much of a hardship as possible. The strength, or rather the weakness, of the beer has been watered down to a weakness that makes it almost no beer at all. The unhappy hotel men are niched with regulations that will leave theme broke for a year to come if all the damphool regulations are enforced.

Yanks Ridicule Us

Then, as an apparent after thought, to make it all the harder for the working man who wants his comforting glass of beer, he is told that he must not buy a biscuit or a peanut or a sandwich to go with his glass of beer!

Is it any wonder that the Seattle papers are ridiculing B. C. with the solacing thought that we, too, are making a mess of our prohibitive beer laws that seek to ape Yankland's Pecksniffian prohibition.

Cigar Makers Protest

The Cigar Makers' Union of Vancouver has made a protest against forbidding the sale of smokes in the draft beer parlors. The secretary of the Trades Council has also wired a protest to Mr. Manson and Mr. Davidson calling attention to the waning cigar industry of the province and urging them to help protect the local industries instead of helping to crush them.

Big Crowd at Ash Hall Labor Party Social!

Ash Hall was overcrowded last Saturday at the social and dance of Wards Five and Eight Groups of the Canadian Labor Party. The affair was such a success in every way that the committee has made arrangements to hold the next one in a larger place. The Ash Hall not being available for the next event the committee has secured the Belvedere Court at 10th Avenue and Main Street. This is a larger hall with better accommodations and a good floor. The date of the next social at this place will be Saturday, February 7th, commencing at 8 p.m.

"Billy" Dunn acted as chairman at the Ash Hall last Saturday and after a few brief remarks the programme and community singing was started. Among those who took part in the programme were Mr. Jack Morgan, Horn Solo; Miss Olive Frith, Ballet Dance, and Miss Ivy Frith, Scotch Dance. Quite a number of ladies brought cakes and sandwiches and these were served with coffee and tea, by the refreshment committee, composed of Mrs. Skinner and Mrs. Henry, assisted by Mrs. J. Montgomery and Mrs. W. Sharp.

The dance music was donated by an orchestra composed of Miss Nettie Enman, pianist; George Ellis, saxophone, and Percy Winston, traps. The next event will be free, but ladies are requested to bring a small cake or some sandwiches.

SO. VANCOUVER UNEMPLOYED

South Vancouver unemployed to the number of about one hundred met at the Municipal Hall last Tuesday evening. Various phases of the problem was discussed and increased efforts made to obtain further aid for those in distress. The organization is getting stronger and help of other kindred organization is invited.

E. D. BREWER,
4854 James Street.

The stage is being set for the Federal Elections to be held some time in July according to the latest inside information.

For Optical Repairs See Pitman!

Vancouver School Trustees Back Down

The Vancouver Board of School Trustees has come to the conclusion that meetings not open to the public are too strenuously objected to, and will be used against them at the next election. The Labor Statesman was the only paper that gave any publicity of the meetings being held in camera and this caused such a tempest that the board has decided to have open meetings in the future.

So. Vancouver Labor Party Social Saturday

The South Vancouver Group of the Canadian Labor Party will hold its regular social and dance in the I. O. O. F. Hall, at 30th and Main, this Saturday evening, commencing at 8 p.m. Ladies are requested to bring a small cake or some sandwiches. Admission is free but a collection will be taken up. You are assured of the same good time as previously.

Classified Ad. Columns of Dailies Used By Exploiters

Fake Promoters Continue to Get Suckers—Business Opportunity Firm Helps to Fleece Widow — Overworked and Underpaid Girls Become the Victims of Female Swindler.

COMPLAINTS are being received by The Labor Statesman from poor poeple who are skinned out of their last cent by unscrupulous schemers who are using the advertising columns of the daily press for the raising of easy money by all sorts of fake projects. One elderly man tells us he borrowed money on his little cottage to invest in a wood yard that turned out to belong to somebody else. The promoter fled. Another man, who has a paralyzed arm, says he "invested" in a sash and door factory, on the understanding that it was a going concern with many orders. But he found others were also partners; and at the forced sale by creditors, only $90 was realized for distribution among four men who had jointly "invested" $650.

Widow Is Fleeced.

A business opportunity firm, which had, until recently, offices on east Hastings street, sold a grocery and delicatessen to a widow who was poor and well along in years. She believed the agents, but found there was no trade, nor any prospect of trade, as the store was in a remote part of town. She lost her all—$325.

Girls Are Fooled

Something along the same line is the classified ads that are choking the columns of our dailies, with calls for girls to learn a highly paid profession and earn big money. These include Salesman Courses, a "millinery college," a school of photography, a school of "expert canvassing", various door-to-door schemes and a lot of other dodges designed to make easy money for the organizers.

An overworked little girl who says she was employed by a 15-cent-store, and who informs The Labor Statesman that she was not making enough to support herself decently, tells this story:

One Girl's Story

"Father is out of work; mother is not very strong; we have four at home going to school; the poor kiddies have not proper clothing or shoes, and often have to go to school in the wet and cold without half a breakfast. I am the only one earning anything just now, and you can imagine how far $14 a week goes in supporting seven people, including four children with healthy appetites. My own health is not good and I have been told that I must get more fresh air and better nourishment, or I cannot expect to keep up long.

Overworked in Store

"Work at the store was hard. In rush hours us girls are on a constant rush until closing time, without a chance to sit down and rest for a moment. It takes a strong girl to carry on, and if the girl is not strong she goes home "all in." Usually I am too tired to go to a dance or a movie with my beau, and often I throw myself down on the bed and go to sleep fully dressed, sometimes without even having supper. We don't have very much to eat, either. I can get married, but what will become of our folks, if I do? My sweetheart is only a working boy and can't help them.

Then a Tempting "Ad."

"The other day Mother read an ad in a local paper and it looked as though my chance had come at last. It said two young women were needed to "work at congenial employment and earn from $25 to $50 a week, with short hours." I got an hour off at noon and applied to the address. There were a lot of girls, some of them real old, waiting before me. The place was at a rooming house on upper Granville Street. One by one the girls came out, most of them despondent. One said to me: "Keep away, dearie, it's the bunk."

"Vamp 'Em, Dearie."

"When my turn came I went inside and there was a fat lady who said I had nice eyes and hair. Then she said she would tell me how to make good money. I was to leave a deposit of $10 and get a lot of needles, handkerchiefs, knitting wool, etc., which I was to take from door to door. When I had sold the lot, I was to keep the profit of $3, the rest going to the lady. I went back next day. The lady said many girls were making as high as $10 a day, and she advised me to try my hand selling office supplies to gentlemen in offices. "A pretty girl like you ought to do well, and men will always fall for you," said the lady. I managed to get $7.50 which was all I could raise. (The alderman of our ward loaned me $5). I worked hard, after quitting my job at the store, but only sold $2.25 worth in two days, and got so wet that I got a cold that laid me up.

(Continued on page 8)

Mt. Pleasant

Buy Your Lamps, Radio
AND ELECTRICAL SUPPLIES
From the Practical Store
City Electric Co.
FAIR. 4865 MAIN AT 8th
Repairs Day and Night

MORAN DRUG STORES
Prescriptions
Courtesy and Efficiency
7th Ave. & Main Cambie & Broadway
Fair. 3799 Fair. 1099

Bell Plumbing & Heating Company
105 Broadway East
REPAIRS OUR SPECIALTY
Fair. 2893 Res. Phone Bay. 1098X

For Watches, Clocks and Jewelry
Try
ARTHUR WISMER
Watchmaker, Jeweller and Optician
2317 Main Street Phone Fair. 966

A. HILKER & SON
Anything in Dry Goods and Fancy Work. Goods Must Be Satisfactory or Money Refunded.
2425 Main Street, Halfway Between Broadway and 8th Avenue.

Phones: Fair. 58 Res.: Bay. 4766R
MOUNT PLEASANT UNDERTAKING CO., LTD.
AMBULANCE SERVICE
COR. OF MAIN AND KINGSWAY

Owen's Meat Market
HIGH CLASS MEATS
We Deliver
Phone Fair. 181 2545 Main St.

Vancouver Hardware Company
2421 MAIN STREET
UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT
Builders Hardware, Paints, Varnishes, Brushes, Crockery, China, Glasses

BY BUYING FOR CASH AND SELLING FOR CASH
We Save You Money

Red Stitch Boots—New Prices—Men's 4.95, Boys' $3.95; Youths	$3.35
Men's Semi-dress Boots, tan or black	3.50
Ceylon Flannel Shirts, made in England. Just in	2.50
Men's Galatea Shirts, made in England, with or without collars	1.50
Boys' Fish Brand Olive Khaki Raincoats. Special	3.50
Boys' Wool Stockings, ...50c. to	1.25
Children's Rain Capes, with hood. Priced to clear	1.75

Arthur Frith & Co.
Men's and Boys' Furnishings, Hats, Boots and Shoes.
Phone: Fair. 14
2313 Main St., Between 7th and 8th

HUMAN CURRENT

Do you believe in the power of electricity to make the street car run? If you do, we can convince you of the power of human electricity. Man does not run the street car. He simply turns on the current. The chiropractor turns on the human electrical current. If you don't believe in this human electrical current of nervous energy, then how do you account for the fact that the paralytic cannot raise the paralyzed arm? The human current or mental impulse is inhibited. We adjust the vertebrae of the spine, removing the pressure from the nerves, thus releasing the current to the arm and the patient gets well. See Drs. Burrill and Burge, 207 Lee Building, Vancouver. Phones, Fairmont 3383 and Highland 1142R.

ECONOMIES AND VICE

(By T. E. MOORE.)

An investigation into the police methods of handling vice and crime in Montreal has been going on for several weeks.

Evidence has been given by prominent citizens, lay, clerical and medical, as to the extent and ramifacations of prostitution in this city. The civic administrators and police officials have been severely grilled regarding the official toleration of commercialized vice resulting in the temporary suspension of the chief of police.

Thousands of dollars have already been spent and the inquiry is not yet ended. A formidable array of legal talent is in evidence to protect the interests of their clients.

Apparently the fight is being conducted, on the one side, by those interested in civic reform, and on the other side by those who desire a continuation of things as they are.

This is not the first time Montreal has experienced an enquiry into commercialized vice, indeed it has been often stated, unofficially of course, that an enquiry was always instituted whenever any of the prominent clergy contracted a social disease, but there has never been any definite action taken to remedy the appalling conditions that have been brought to light by these inquiries.

Again all the filth and rottenness of capitalism is being paraded before the eyes of the young and old alike. So far, the evidence given shows that Montreal houses from 25 to 30 thousand prostitutes. There are over one hundred houses in the "Red Light" district housing many thousands of these "fallen women." Many thousands of prostitutes are scattered throughout the city in rooming houses, apartments and flats, whilst thousands more ply their trade on the streets. Hundreds of "pimps," "procurers," dope peddlers, perfume agents, taxi touts, etc., are associated with or live off these girls all of whom belong to the proletariate. So well organized are this motley crowd that constitute the underworld that more than one witness has stated that vice conditions in Montreal are unequalled the world over. Young girls of 13 to 15 years of age have been enticed into this infernal maelstrom to never appear again. Sideshows to ever stimulate the jaded sexual appetite of the many patrons have been openly exhibited, and the variations offered make the orgies of ancient Greece and Rome look like a Sunday School picnic. It is estimated that the revenue from the "Red Light" district alone exceeded over $5,000,000 annually.

Prominent doctors have given evidence that these prostitutes are 100% diseased and that a very large portion of the male population of the city are consequently suffering from sexual diseases. It costs the Province of Quebec many hundreds of thousands of dollars annually as a result of this. One might go on and tell of the state of putrid mess that this inquiry has disclosed until fathers and mothers of children who are forced to raise their families in this cesspool of iniquity will cry of despair. But what's the use. All thinking men and women know that under the Capitalist system, where one has to own for a living or sell his laboring power for a living, that such a state of things will continue. That the profit system will continue to demand its pound of flesh regardless of the physical and moral welfare of the people, generally holds good. A clash often occurs between the robbers as to the division of the swag. One set of interests will, in order to further increase its profits, quarrel bitterly with an opposing faction. That is just what is going on in Montreal and is the driving force behind the inquiry. It is not the desire of the aggressors in this inquiry to elevate the morals of the community. Not them! No such altruistic purpose stirs their bosom. They are simply grabbing for more profits.

What are the facts? Two prominent specialists in venereal diseases have stated that a person who has contracted venereal disease has shortened his life span by many years. It is the desire of Life Insurance companies that a person live to at least the alloted span of life, three score and ten. The longer you live the more premiums you will pay and they will not have to pay your heirs prematurely. Take the case of a young farmer who carries life insurance. According to the mortuary tables that the insurance company uses, he will live until 70 years of age. At the age of 20 he takes out a life policy; the company computes the premiums on basis of him living until 70. Consequently he pays on that basis and the company expects to collect from him the face amount of the policy and then some. If that young man contracts veneral disease during the life of the policy and thereby shortens his life span, then the life insurance company loses money.

If on the other hand they can, by helping to suppress vice, lessen the possibility of the young farmer contracting disease, they save money.

That is why Montreal has an enquiry into commercialized vice.

Those opposed to the inquiry constitute quite an array of social parasites. The landlords come first. They who own the "Red Light District" property do not want the district closed, because the rents are substantial and could not be realized from so-called legitimate business. Then, many of the lawyers are opposed to the inquiry, because most of their clients are engaged in commercialized vice. The dope importers are against it, and also those who sell supplies to the underworld. As already stated, the revenue from the district is estimated at $5,000,000 annually, so it represents a huge investment that speaks with authority and power.

It looks as if the insurance companies are going to win. If so we will witness Montreal officialdom "cleaning house" and bowing to new and strange gods.

Montreal is the seat of power of the Bishops of the Anglican Church, also the Catholic, and it is interesting to note that these two powerful organizations have been unable or unwilling to stop commercialized vice within their diocese.

Friends Only Placed On Voters List

HALIFAX, Nova Scotia.—The corrupt tactics used by the various capitalist governments throughout the world to hold power is exemplified in a letter written by the premier of Nova Scotia to his various lieutenants in the province. This letter deals with the revision of the voters' lists now in progress. The missive reads in part: "I wish therefore to elicit your personal interest in this matter to make sure that as many of our friends as possible, male and female, are put on the voters lists and that every effort possible be made to bring the lists up to date and have removed those who are regarded as not friendly and not entitled to be registered."

The publication of the letter in the local labor press has succeeded in arousing the workers to the necessity of having their names on the voters list so that when election time arrives each may cast his vote in favor of his own emancipation.

Unemployed of Poland Getting Insurance

On September 1, 1924, an act for the insurance of the unemployed came into force in Poland. The act applies to all workers over 18 years of age engaged in industry, trade transport, smelting and mining, and also to those engaged in other concerns which employ at least six workers, even if these concerns are not working for profit. Non-manual workers and seasonal workers who work for less than ten months in the year are exempted from its operation.

The insurance contributions are reckoned at two per cent. of the wages paid; of this proportion one-fourth is deducted direct from the workers' wages, while the other three-fourths is payable by the employers.

The conditions which the unemployed person must fulfill for eligibility for benefit are the following:

(1) In the year immediately preceding the unemployment he must have had permanent employment for at least 20 weeks.

(2) He must notify the labor exchange within four weeks of the date of his discharge.

(3) He cannot receive benefit until ten days have elapsed since the notification prescribed in No. 2.

The benefits paid are thirty per cent. of his normal wage for a worker who has to provide for himself alone, and thirty-five per cent. when a family of two has to be provided for, forty per cent. for a family of five, and fifty per cent. for a family exceeding five in number.

LABOR WOULD ABOLISH UPPER HOUSE IN N. S. W.

Melbourne, Australia.— Speaking at the Sydney Domain, New South Wales, Labor Member Greig stated that if a Labor Government is returned at the next New South Wales State elections it will immediately introduce a bill to abolish the Upper House.

"We are now entering on a period similar to that before the conscriptionist rupture in 1916," he continued. "New South Wales and the Federal Government are the only two remaining Tory strongholds. When Labor sat on the Treasury benches last time it did not have power," concluded Mr. Greig. "Yet —for the first time in history—it passed legislation which prepared the way for the wholesale granting of the 44-hour week. It knew that it could not introduce a bill direct, so it amended the Arbitration Act, and then the 44-hour week was granted in many industries."

Favors Farm Hands From Industrial Britain

MONTREAL, Can.—"The number of workers who have had to leave Canada for the United States indicates clearly that we have no room at the present time for immigrants of the industrial class."

This confession was made by Sir Herbert S. Holt, president of the Royal Bank of Canada, at the annual meeting of that institution. He supported, however, the plan for bringing out farm settlers by cooperation with the British government, a movement which is apt to flood the labor market by an indirect means.

Holt gave further evidence of having seen some light by criticizing the usual bankers' and capitalists' program for driving wages and prices down to the pre-war level. "Stability in prices is what is required at the present time," he declared.

Notice to Ladies—"It is better to be flattered than flat."

Main St. South of 18th

J. C. COLVIN
Plumbing Heating Gasfitting
Estimates Cheerfully Given.
4178 Main Street
Phones: Fair. 3071 Res., Fair. 2375R
30 Years' Experience

ROBINSON'S
Cycle and Repair Store
3917 Main at 23rd
Specialist in Bicycle frame repairs. Keys cut, Saw sharpened, Baby Buggy Tires repaired. Agent for "Red Bird" Bicycles.
SKATES HOLLOW GROUND

KIRKHAM'S
GROCERTERIA, No. 22
Our goods are always fresh. Our prices the lowest. Give us a trial and be convinced.
TWENTY-THIRD AND MAIN ST.

P. N. PARKER
Dry Goods and Men's Furnishings
"Where You Buy and Save"
25th and Main Phone Fair. 801
Open Saturday Until 9:30 p.m.

Scotch Bakery
A. H. BENNETT, Prop.
FRESH BREAD & CAKE
4132 Main St. Phone Fair. 4[illegible]

FOR RELIABLE FOOTWEAR
For the whole family call at
Quality Shoe Stores
25th and Main and 6035 Fraser St.

Official Organ of the
Greater Vancouver Central Council
Canadian Labor Party

AFFILIATED WITH THE BRITISH LABOR PARTY

DIRECTORY

Dominion Secretary, J. Simpson, Labor Temple, Toronto, Ont.

Executive British Columbia Section: Pres., W. H. Cottrell; Vice-Pres., A. McInnis, Wm. Dunn, R. H. Neelands; Secretary-Treasurer, Frank Hunt, 806 Holden Bldg., Vancouver, B. C.

Greater Vancouver Central Council: Chairman, F. A. Hoover; Executiv Mrs. F. Dolk, Miss Moran, A. M Innis, F. E. Griffin, J. Flynn; S retary-Treasurer, Wm. Dunn, Holden Bldg.

WARD ORGANIZERS, VANCOUVE

Ward 1—H. W. Watts, 816 Holden F Phone Sey. 1989.

Ward 2—W. Page, 809 Holden Bld Phone Sey. 4143.

Ward 4—A. J. Wilson, 1648 Graveley St., High. 1054R; Secretary, J. A. Wood, 316 Lakewood Dr.

Ward 5—W. Watt, 984—7th Ave. W. Phone Bay. 1664x.

Ward 6—J. E. Dubberly, 1812 Broadway W. Phone Bay 2356L.

Ward 7—W. J. Scribbins, 3208 Pender St. E., High 4033; Secretary, A. V. Lofting, 505 Clinton St.

Ward 8—C. McDonald, 2834 St. George St., Fair. 3317-Y; Robt. Skinner, 536 22nd Ave. E., Secretary, phone, Fair. 4071R.

DISTRICT ORGANIZERS

North Vancouver—G. H. Page, 219 8th St. E., North Van. 321R.

South Vancouver—J. Rankin, 735—27th Ave. E., Fair. 657-R; Secretary, H. W. Speed, 4560 James St.

JUNIOR LABOR LEAGUE

Membership composed of young workers of both sexes between the ages of 15 and 30. Secretary George Mitchell. Phone Fair. 3320X.

Things That Make Men Pray—Flat tires; detours over country roads; engine failures; gossip; women!

What Any Observer Knows—When a married woman has a flirtation with a good-looking sheik she gets as much of a thrill out of it as an old man of seventy does when a sweet young thing calls him "daddy."

Trades Union Directory

Vancouver Trades and Labor Council—President, R. H. Neelands, M.L.A.; general secretary, Percy R. Bengough. Office, 803 Holden Bldg., 16 Hastings East. Phone Sey. 7495. Meets in Labor Hall at 8 p.m. on the first and third Tuesdays in month.

Building Trades Council, Vancouver—Meets second and fourth Tuesday in Holden Building. President, J. Flynn. Secretary-treasurer, W. Watt.

Bakery Salesmen, Local 371 — Meets second Thursday every month. Holden Bldg., 16 Hastings E. President, A. Wylie, 4336 Elgin Street; financial secretary, H. A. Bowron, 929 11th Ave. E.

Barbers', Journeyman International Union of America—Local 120, Vancouver, B. C., meets second and fourth Tuesdays in each month in Room 310 Labor Hall, 16 Hastings East. President, Fred Dawe; fin. secretary, A. R. Jenni, 728 Hastings Street West; rec. sec., Bert Deprey.

Bookbinders Local No. 105, Int. Brotherhood—Meets second Tuesday in month 804 Holden Bldg. President, F. Milne, 536 Drake St.; secretary, A. H. Hoosting, 118 52nd Ave. W.

Bricklayers', Masons' and Tile Setters' Int. Union No. 1—Meets second and fourth Wednesday in the Holden Bldg. President, G. E. Halliday; Secretary, W. S. Dagnall, 1244 20th Ave. E. Phone Fair. 845 R.

Carpenters and Joiners, Amalgamated Society of,—Vancouver 1st Branch meets 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month. President, W. Taylor; Sec. F. Prosser; business agent, J. McKinley. Headquarters, room 35, 163 Hastings St. W.

Carpenters and Joiners, United Brotherhood of, Local 452—President, J. C. Thom; recording secretary, W. Page; business agent, Wm. Dunn. Office, room 808 Labor Hall, 16 Hastings East. Meets second and fourth Mondays, 8 p.m.

City Hall Employees' Association meets first Wednesday of each month at 445 Richards St. at 8 p. m. President, W. H. Lewthwaite; Business agent, and treasurer, W. J. Scribbins, 3208 Pender St., E.; Secretary, H. A. Black, 1270 Yale St.

Civic Employees' Union, Local 28 — Meets first and third Fridays in the month at 445 Richards St., at 8 p.m. President, R. K. Brown, 2527 Charles St.; secretary-treasurer, George Harrison, 1182 Parker St.

Electrical Workers, Local 213, International Brotherhood—Meets every Monday at 8 p.m. in Room No. 5, 319 Pender Street West. President, D. W. McDougal, 910 Hastings Street East; business agent, E. H. Morrison, Office, 319 Pender Street West.

Engineers—International Union Steam and Operating Local 844—Meets every Thursday at 8 p.m., Room 806 Holden Bldg. President, R. Finley; business agent and financial secretary, F. S. Hunt; recording secretary, Herbert McSavaney.

Engineers, Steam and Operating, Int. Local 882—Meets first and third Wednesday at 8 p.m. in room 806 Holden Bldg. President, Charles Price; rec. secretary, J. T. Venn; financial secretary, Frank L. Hunt. Office, 806 Holden Bldg.

Floorlayers' Union, No. 1875, U.B. of C. & J. of A., meets 1st and 3rd Thursdays in 310 Holden Bldg., at 8 p.m. President, John Soderman; Fin. Sec. A. Reid; Rec. Sec. W. Johnston, 1666 16th Ave. W.

Hotel and Restaurant Employees Union, Local 28—441 Seymour Street. Meets first and third Wednesday at 3 p.m. Second and fourth Wednesdays at 9 p.m. President, G. Coleman; business agent, A. Graham. Phone Seymour 1681.

Iron Workers, Local 97, Int. Asso. of Bridge & Structural — Meets every Monday, Room 804 Holden Bldg., at 8 p.m. President, W. Finlay, 1655 22nd Ave. E.; Secretary, James Dunn, Box 1196 City; Phone High. 4334L.

Lathers, Wood, Wire and Metal, International Union, Local 207 — Meets 1st and 3rd Fridays in month, at room 299 Holden Bldg. President, V. R. Midgeley, 3751 Keefer St. E.; secretary, J. G. Finlayson, 2635 12th Ave. W., Phone Bay. 4942R.

Machinist Local 182—President, E. B. McLean, 453 6th Ave. W. Secretary, S. A. Boardman, 3388 Parker St. Meets second and fourth Friday at 8 p.m. in Room 313 Labor Hall, 16 Hastings East.

Machinist Local 692—President, Thos. Sills, 1352 Burrard St. Secretary, P. R. Bengough. Office, 807 Labor Hall, 16 Hastings East. Meets on second and fourth Tuesdays in month.

Milk Wagon Drivers and Dairy Employees, Local 464—Meets second and fourth Friday in Labor Hall, 16 Hastings St. E. Business agent, Birt Showler, 1115 Robson St.

Molders Union Local 281—International of North America—meets first and third Fridays in month in room 313 Holden Bldg., at 8 p.m. President, Sam Wilson, 1728 Yew St. Corresponding representative, J. Pinkerton, 2159 Victoria Drive.

Musicians Mutual Protective Union Local 145, A. F. of M.—Meets at the G. W. V. A. Auditorium, second Sunday at 10 a.m. President, Ernest C Miller, 991 Nelson Street; secretary, Edward Jamieson, 991 Nelson Street; financial secretary, W. E. Williams, 991 Nelson Street; organizer, F. Fletcher, 991 Nelson Street.

Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers Local 138—Meets second and fourth Thursdays at 319 Pender St. W. Business agent, Robt. S. Stevenson. Office, room 204 319 Pender St., W. Phone Sey. 3609.

Pile Drivers, Bridge, Wharf and Dock Builders Local No. 2404—Meets every Friday night at 8 p.m. in 112 Hastings St. W. James Thomson, secretary, P. O. Box 320.

Plasterers, Local 89—International Association of Operative, meets first Wednesday in month at Holden Bldg. President, W. Strickland, 289--46th Ave. E. Secretary, M. Galway, 1151-59th Ave. E. Phone Fras. 504-R2.

Printing Pressmen and Assistants, Local No. 69—Meets every second Tuesday in the month at 8 p.m. in Room 213 Labor Hall, 16 Hastings St. E. President, Harry F. Longley, 838 8th Ave. E.; secretary, Frank H. Humphrey, P. O. Box 894. Address, 4038 Victoria Dr. Phone Fair. 2702R.

Railway Carmen of America, Lodge No. 58—Meets first and third Friday in month at Cotillon Hall, Granville and Davie Streets. President, A. S. Ross, 5043 Clarendon St.; secretary, J. D. Vuliamy, 2218 15th Ave. W.

Street and Electric Railway Employees, Pioneer Division No. 101—Meets K. P. Hall, Eighth and Kingsway, 1st and 3rd Mondays at 10:15 a.m. and 7 p.m. President, F. A. Hoover, 2409 Clarke Drive; rec. secretary, F. E. Griffin, 447 6th Ave. East; treasurer, H. W. Speed; financial secretary and business agent, W. H. Cottrell, 166 17th Ave. West. Office corner Prior and Main streets. Phone Fairmont 4504Y.

Sheet Metal Workers, Amalgamated, Local Union No. 280—Meets second and fourth Thursday in month in Holden Bldg., 16 Hastings St. E. President, N. C. South; secretary, R. J. Wardrop; rec. sec., A. F. Ashton.

Tailors', Journeymen Union of America, Local No. 178—Meetings held first Thursday in each month, 8 p.m. Executive meets third Thursday of every month in Labor Hall. President, A. R. Gatenby; secretary, C. McDonald, P.O. Box 503. Executive meets third Thursday of every month.

Typographical Union, No. 226—President, R. P. Pettipiece; vice president, C. S. Campbell; secretary-treasurer, R. H. Neelands, P.O. Box 66. Meets last Sunday of each month at 2 p.m., in Holden Building, 16 Hastings St. E.

The Vancouver Theatrical Federation—Meets at 991 Nelson Street, at 11 a.m. on the Tuesday preceding the first Sunday of the month. President, Harry Pearson; secretary, Edward A. Jamieson; business agent, Fred Fletcher, 991 Nelson St.

Ponder This—The most painful thing about the dentist is his bill.

Ending One Trouble And Causing Another

Sometimes the mouthpiece of a telephone wears loose and refuses to stay in place. Attempts to repair it by squeezing it in with paper or tinfoil placed in the transmitter opening often will seriously interfere with talking. notify the company when repairs are needed and a repairman will call.

BRITISH COLUMBIA TELEPHONE CO.

The Onward March of Time—Lady: "I would like to have this prescription filled."

Clerk: "Lady, this is not a drug store."

William—"Say, paw, what is local color?"

Paw—"Rouge and paint, my son."

Although there are few men today on the square, there are thousands on the squares.

Questions of the Day.

I know the girls smoke cigarettes;
They fume around and bluff.
But tell me, please, you old-time vets,
What does the powder puff?

Many married men get all het up, only to have their wives cool them down.

The best way to a woman's heart is through a bank roll.

Toward a Co-operative Commonwealth

By Chas. Lester

The solution of the economic problem is the fundamental question of the times. No doubt in days gone by our forefathers were up against it owing to their ignorance regarding wealth production, but at the present time the problem presents an entirely new aspect. We can produce more in one year in Canada than we can consume in ten years and yet the bulk of the population is getting poorer all the time. Plenty produces poverty. There is something fundamentally wrong when such a state of things exist. What is the matter? The present capitalist system is a system in which goods are produced for sale. The aim and object of capitalist production is not the production of wealth but the production of a profit. Labor cannot be employed unless it can be profitably exploited. So long as the profit system exists the general situation cannot permanently improve. In the main conditions are likely to get worse. This is not due to the greed of capitalists but to the workings of the system. When we go into any large city we percieve that vast numbers of men and women are employed in useless labor. The difficulty to sell goods causes many individuals to be employed in advertising, etc. Profits are not realized until goods are sold and the difficulty to sell increases as the powers of production develop. If we had to employ all those engaged in useless labor and all the unemployed men and women in the country it naturally follows that far more wealth could be brought into being than at present, but this is not desirable from capitalism's standpoint; so the unemployed walk the streets and the useless labor continues. What is to be done about it?

The only conclusion that any intelligent individual can come to is that the profit system must be abolished. The crux of the matter, however, is: "How is it to be done?" I will try to answer the question.

At the present time goods are produced by co-operative labor. No individual produces anything. Co-operative labor is more productive than individual labor. The co-operative method of production then must be maintained. We must co-operatively distribute what is co-operatively produced. There will not be any profit then, but there will be more wealth for everybody. Let us therefore aim at getting control of the government in order that we may put an end to the exploitation that exists. Let us make the land, mines, factories, railroads, etc., the property of the producers of wealth. We can then all go to work at useful labor. We can abolish the unnecessary transportation, etc., that the present system involves. We can establish a co-operative commonwealth.

The country then will become richer every year. That country is not the richest that produces the most but the country that consumes the most. All useful consumption is the seed of more wealth.

A well fed, well housed, well clothed, well educated population means a rich country because in a population of this description you have the power to create. At the present time we are worried, miserable, and rarely in first class health because of the anxiety regarding making a living. Accidents, disease, drunkenness and crime can in the main be traced to the working of the profit system. Those who profit by the profit system won't try to abolish it. These individuals, however, are few in number, in comparison to the rest of the population.

All the producing class will benefit when the system goes. Let our battle cry therefore be: "Down with the profit system," and at the first opportunity let us make this the dominant issue of the day.

Premier King Urged to Follow Mussolini's Example

MONTREAL, Can.—Mussolini is held up as a model for Canadian statesmen in an appeal for a "man of destiny to save Canada,' which is made by the Montreal Daily Star, one of the highest of the capitalist organs in Canada.

"Mussolini had watched with anger and grave concern," says this journal, "the demoralization which war weariness and Soviet gold had together accomplished. The hour of destiny struck and Mussolini advanced at the head of battalions of his Black Shirts, who set love of country before all else, who were ready to risk the penalty of defiance of the civil authorities, ready to lay down their lives if need be in the cause they deemed right."

After citing also the examples of John Sobieski and Lloyd George, though with much less emphasis than Mussolini, the Star goes on:

"The hour has struck in Canada. There is one man today who can avert the menace. That man is at the helm, the Rt. Hon. Mackenzie King, Premier of the Dominion."

The owner of this paper which calls on Premier King to follow Mussolini's example is Baron Athelstane, the Northcliffe of Canada. Few people are taking his hysteria seriously.

The horse is gone,
The auto's here.
But what we want
Is good old beer.

A MESSAGE TO EVERY UNION HOME

TO LADIES

Why suffer from the Troubles peculiar to your sex? There is really no reason, as our testimonials will convince beyond a doubt. Pamphlet on female diseases, with list of latest local testimonials, free by mail. Address as below.

TO MEN

Why be run down, nervous, bashful, short of pep, suffer from nervous debility, loss of manhood, indigestion, liver and kidney troubles and the diseases peculiar to your sex, showing an exhausted state of the nervous system. Write or call as below.

TO SUFFERERS

Nature has provided over 2000 herbs, from which up-to-date qualified herbalists prepare extracts, the range is so varied there is no disease without a remedy. Before having an operation, or believing your case hopeless, call and see us. Consultation free and without obligation.

ENGLISH HERBAL DISPENSARY

1359 Davie, cor Broughton. B. C.'s oldest Herbal Institution; 25 years' Eng. experience. Diploma, N.A.M.H. London. Hours: 2 to 6 and 7 to 9 (Wed. and Sun. excepted). Phone Sey. 7545 for an appointment, which cost nothing.

William Braidwood, D.C., Ph.C.
Isabella J. Braidwood, D.C., Ph.C.
Licensed by State Board, Wash.
Chiropractors, Nerve Specialists
Evening Appointments, Highland 1643-L
Sey. 1635 716-7 Standard Bk. Bldg.

Kerr. 81L2 Lady Attendant
From 8 p.m. X-Ray Service
By Appointment Sey. 1966
W. F. E. DURRANT
CHIROPRACTORS
Palmer School Graduates
614-15 DOMINION BUILDING

Office Sey. 6021 Res. Kerr. 328X2
Dr. Elmo Marshall
Graduate National College, Chicago
CHIROPRACTOR
502-3 HOLDEN BUILDING
16 HASTINGS STREET, E.

Dr. Walter Sturdy
CHIROPRACTOR
Palmer Graduate
DOMINION BUILDING
Evening Appointments if Desired
Seymour 2098

X-Service
Palmer (3 Year Course) Graduate
Bertha E. E. Wintermute
D.C., Ph.C.
CHIROPRACTOR—SPINOGRAPHER
Sey. 1507 Nights, Sey. 3154
403 DOMINION BUILDING

Drs. McLeod and Gough
CHIROPRACTORS AND OSTEOPATHS
706 HOLDEN BUILDING
We Get Results
Evenings by Appointment: Seymour 172

Famous Lines—Wash; dotted; busy; those rolled away in ye beauty shoppes.

A movie star
Is wed again;
A divorce will come—
But the question, when?

"Turn on the Light"

IN halls of science; in little homes; in great industrial buildings; along city streets; in schools; in parks; in offices; in hospitals; in the rooms of rich man or poor man—turn on the light. It all seems so simple! A button pressed—a switch turned—and then: dark corners gone, hours utilized, beauty enjoyed, fortunes made, lives saved!

Electricity is the wonderful, efficient servant it is, because of the foresight of men who built the big hydro-electric plants and the extensive transmission and distributing systems.

Encourage your public utility company to serve you well.

BRITISH COLUMBIA ELECTRIC RAILWAY CO.
HEAD OFFICE VANCOUVER, B.C.
70

The Labor Statesman

Published every Friday, at 816 Holden Bldg., Vancouver, B. C.

Owned by the Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council.

Press Committee: R. H. Neelands, Typographical Union; P. R. Bengough, Machinists'; Wm. Dunn, Carpenters'; A. McInnis, Street Railwaymen; J. Smith, Carpenters'; J. Thompson, Pile Drivers' and Wooden Bridgemen's.

H. W. Watts, Man. Editor.

Member THE FEDERATED PRESS

Subscription Rates:—Canada $2.00 per year, $1.00 for six months. United States and foreign, $3.00 per year. To unions subscribing in a body, 16c per member per month.

Phone Seymour 1989.

Vancouver, B. C., Jan. 30th, 1925

END OF THE CONCILIATION ACT

From the date that the so-called "Conciliation Act" was passed Labor has contended that it favored the employer. If there were any doubt as to the truth of this, the wail of regret from the anti-Labor press over the recent decision of the Privy Council, and the repeatedly expressed determination to find a way around the decision, or scheme up something else just as good, is the best possible proof that our contentions were correct. To the man in the moon a scheme appeared quite fair, that in certain industries permitted neither strike nor lockout, until an inquiry had been held and thereby the public, who was likely to be inconvenienced, would learn what the trouble was all about. But to the Trades Unionist, living here on earth, and who must take some responsibility for the success or failure of negotiation with the employer, a period of six weeks during which Labor could make no move, but the employer could make a number of vitally important moves, did not look any way good.

The theory on which the Act was based was that a Board of Inquiry consisting of one representative of the employer, one of the workmen and an independent third party, would bring some alleged influence to bear on the party in the wrong, and thereby right would prevail. This theory breaks down at every point when we attempt to examine it. In the first place the "independent" third man does not exist. We live in a class society; we divide naturally into two main groups, one portion lives by rents, interests and profits, the other by selling labor, power. There is no person living so clear of the earth that his interests do not fall in one of these two groups.

The "independent" third man on a Conciliation Board invariably comes from the group that live by rents, interests and profits and a wiser student of psychology than the writer once said that "where a man's treasure is there will his heart be also." When a Board gets down to business the employer proceeds to show that his shareholders, who by the way are usually said to be old country widows and orphans, have never drawn in excess of three per cent. and that if this concession is made to Labor, the interest-rates will be reduced and the poor widows and orphans will refuse to send any more millions into the country for development. What proportion of the capitalization was put into the enterprise and what proportion is water—and wind—and of that put into the enterprise what proportion has been wasted to give value to the private speculations of the directors and the higher paid officials, is always considered of no interest to a Conciliation Board. If with the mechanism of the inquiry so strongly in his favor the employer is still shown to have the weaker case, that peculiar illusive, intangible something called "public opinion" is alleged to come into play, and in some manner, as hidden to the ordinary human senses, as a fourth dimension, cause right to prevail.

Nearly fifty years ago one of the American Railroad manipulators speaking of public interest and public opinion said "the public be damned". Capital is as savage and as ruthless today as it was fifty years ago, annual picnics and so on notwithstanding, and if the greatest profits lay in an opposite direction public opinion is about as potent to discipline an employer as a squirt gun would be on the hide of a hippopotamus.

In a fight, whether it be the prize ring, an industrial struggle or international war, the element of surprise is one of the strongest factors leading to success. An employer compelled to decide within a reasonable period how he will meet a labor demand will usually consider the best compromise that the situation will permit. But if given six weeks, while a Conciliation Board is leisurely meandering through a mass of evidence, pertinent and otherwise, at the end of that time he knows every weakling among his own workmen, and also just exactly how many strike-breakers the American thug agencies can send him; on the other hand the delay has added no corresponding factor of strength to the contending labor group. It was to meet this condition that labor so often called a strike first and asked for an inquiry afterwards.

We can count with every certainty that legislation will be devised to take the place of the Conciliation, or as it is sometimes called, the "Industrial Disputes Act". It would, therefore, be well for Labor to apply itself to the problem of how the decided advantages that the old Act gave the employer, can be avoided. Labor never fears an inquiry, but it does, and must, object to being held down by the State while the employer is bringing together the means to defeat it.

—M.

MORE RUSSOPHOBIA.

Mrs. Phillip Snowden, speaking to an audience in the Wesley Methodist Church last week, voluminously stated that the present condition of affairs in Russia was cruel, vicious, oppressive and as many different kinds of a failure as the lady was acquainted with. It is more than remarkable that the good lady guided, steered and chaperoned from the moment she put her foot on Russian soil, managed to see so much that she was not intended to see and even read into the much abused Russian conscious and sub-conscious mind and learn why he did things; for instance Trotsky's soldiers were loyal to the Soviet because otherwise they might not eat so regularly. Independent investigators starting in a spirit of prejudice and travelling through Russia under every type of disguise and seeing conditions without the Soviet making little adjustments to improve appearances have given the world quite different reports.

In horror Mrs. Snowden stated that there was conscription of Labor, even of women and children. Had the good lady come to Vancouver under the auspices of the party that she professes to belong to, we could have shown her some hundreds of men, ill-clad, ill-shod waiting by the hour in the driving rain for a soup ticket, many of whom would welcome labor conscription, and a visit to the Creche would show her women in the same state of destitution.

Ethel also stated that the 120,000,000 Russian people were governed by a small group that at most did not exceed 600,000. It seems that we have heard something like this before at some time. Oh, yes, "The employees were all happy and contented and were just about going to ask the Boss to run for alderman when half a dozen "agitators" and mental hi-jackers crept in and pulled them all out on strike, and now if the Government will only swear in 400 special policemen, or call out the militia to protect our eight hundred employees (from the half dozen agitators) who are willing and anxious to work, everything will be lovely." But conditions were improving in Russia and "a man can now own his own clothes, once again."

Recently one of our local returned soldier organizations appealed to the public for someone else's "old clothes" to cover the nakedness of men who escaped "Flanders Field" to rot in Vancouver. At the present moment the "Statesman" will accept on behalf of the writer, a pair of size 5 or 6 women's boots, that have a few weeks wear left (Boots, this woman wants, she is not particular as to size) and if possible size 3 and also 13 in children's boots. A person "can" own their own clothes in Canada, but they do not always do so.

Speaking from experience, Mrs. Snowden said that there was an almost irresistible temptation to tell an applauding audience the things which they wished to hear. Mrs. Snowden is travelling under the auspices of a lecture bureau. Her audiences are drawn from that portion of the public who wish to damn everything Russian, so the lady gets all the kick that may be got out of telling her audience that which they wish to be told, and besides the affair is very profitable. Under the auspices of the Labor group the Lady would reach the only segment of the public who can be said to require her message, if it were true. But the applause would probably not be so generous, and certainly the rubles and copecks would not be so numerous. But the thing which sticks in our crop and gives us so much pain is that a member of the British Labor Party who was so anxious, and in spite of so many difficulties, so successful in seeing the undesirable side of Russian life, should be satisfied with the knowledge of British Columbia that could be gathered from the roof garden of the Vancouver Hotel.

—M.

ABOUT THE DENTAL TRUST

One of those smooth little niceties that animates our legislative machinery is the manner in which some of its political manikins jump in obedience to the clique or "interest" that pulls the string. If you want an example look at the gag the dental interests have placed upon the rights of the plain people in prohibiting publication of dental charges, for one thing. Then, there are other clauses that make it almost a felony for any dentist to claim his system is "painless", or that he performs "perfect" service. This ruling, of course, comes from the Dental Trust that seeks to be "ethical" in withholding information the plain people would like to know. Thus, the Dental Trust is enabled to apply its elastic and sliding scale of charges to fit whatever the "ethical" dentist is able to wreak from his client in the chair.

Last week, we had something to say about this, and the editorial evoked strong comment and commendation. We have since learned that some dentists seek to charge as much as $150 for work that fair-priced dentists are ready to perform for less than one half. In one case, we know of a woman who paid $50 for work for which another dentist (one of the high toned clique, of course) wanted to charge $150.

We see no reason why a dentist cannot publish his charges and let the people know what he expects. There is no gag on bargain or rummage counter prices, so why have these high handed gents of the "ethical" dental Trust any right to choke off publicity of facts?

This not only works a hardship upon the plain people who have no money to throw away upon dental work, but it is also unfair to the dentist who would do the fair and square thing with his patients.

MR. PAULINE'S "GALL"

For sheer "gall", Agent-General Pauline has earned the leather medal. In direct opposition to the wishes of the people, he has accepted Premier Oliver's ill advised appointment as British Columbia's ambassador in London, despite the fact that a public outcry has gone forth at an appointment so obviously impracticable and peurile. Exactly what this man expects to accomplish for this province in London is beyond all conjecture. He has been unable to do anything particularly successful for himself, so how does he hope to do anything for B.C.?

But he has gone further in proving his worthlessness in value as a public servant who will be paid a fat salary wreaked from the taxpayers and wage earners of this province. Hardly were the echoes of his speech on "doing everything possible in the interests of B.C." stilled, when he engaged passage on an American steamer which was paid in good British Columbia money, and went his way to London in a Yankee vessel, when he might at least have proved his loyalty to Canada by sailing on a Canadian craft.

We predicted that Pauline would not amount to much as the appointee to this exalted public office, and now he gas gone out of his way to prove it.

What will be his next step to prove his negative qualities as our Agent-General? Why keep that office any longer? The people don't need it. They need the money more.

CORRESPONDENCE

Editor, Labor Statesman:

Sir,—

Please accept the thanks of the entire working community and others who read your excellent paper, for your able article that carried a warning on spurious investments. This has been the means of saving a number of wage earners from losing their money, and has taught others, like myself, a lesson in using the savings bank instead. As you say, there are many good, sound industrial investments, like bonds or mortgages, without trying to get rich in a hurry by "investing" in some windy scheme that is designed only to skin poor people. Where are our Blue Laws? And what is the attorney-general doing about this? You have probably saved me from losing $400 which I was about to invest in a project which now turns out to be a flimsy affair. I will put that money in Bonds, or else let it remain in the bank.

Yours truly,

BENJAMIN L. OWENS.

Editor, Labor Statesman:

Sir;

When is Organized Labor going to do something about organizing the workers of our big Sugar Refinery? This is a place that requires attention. You will find the workers are ready to join some sort of protective organization that will unionize them, standardize their wages, and establish equitable conditions like other big industrial plants.

Your, faithfully,

Sugar Refinery Worker.

UNION G. W. G. MADE
Carpenters' Overalls
Phone Seymour 3594
Campbell & Griffin
Clothing, Hats, Caps and Men's Furnishings
144 CORDOVA STREET WEST

UNDERWOOD
Rebuilt .....$35 to 75
Portable $65
Terms: $10 Cash, Balance Easy Terms
United Typewriter Co.

Ring Up Sey. 2354 for Appointment
DR. W. J. CURRY
DENTIST
Suite 301 Dominion Building
Vancouver, B.C.

PERRY & DOLK
Men's Tailors
18 Hastings West Room 33

THE BETTER 'OLE
915 Main Street
J. Turner, Prop. picks the best of tobacco.

BE CONSISTENT
William Tell
CIGARS
are the product of a 100 per cent UNION FACTORY

GRANTHAM'S
REAL FRUIT JUICE
PARTY PUNCH

PURE CONCENTRATED
FRUIT JUICES
and CANE SUGAR
Phone for Sample
Fair. 1250
F. C. GRANTHAM & CO. LTD.
700-716 16th Avenue West
VANCOUVER, B.C.

MARRY
GENUINE MATRIMONIAL BUREAU. Why be lonely? Those people who would appreciate an honest, genuine introduction to the opposite sex, with the sincere object of matrimony if suited, or companionship, may do so through me privately. All business kept strictly private and confidential (no lists). Write or call. Open evenings until 9 p.m. No trifling. Homemaker, Suite 2, 1117 Granville St., Vancouver, B. C.

Best 5c Union Smoke — Gem

SKILLED DENTISTRY AT FAIR PRICES
Our successful practice includes many union men and their families.
DOCTORS
Thompson & Dawson
DENTISTS
602 GRANVILLE STREET
Seymour 3314

Phone: Seymour 1390 Bay. 608
ALWAYS OPEN
The T. Edwards Co.
FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND EMBALMERS
Note: 2 Parlors Only
612 Main St. 2421 Granville St.

Best 5c Union Smoke — Gem

$40.00 -- IN PRIZES -- $40.00

"He Who Would Get the Kernel Must First Crack the Shell"

WHO'S WHO and WHY
IN VANCOUVER

Introducing to you the Live, Progressive Firms and People Who Make up the Business Interests of Vancouver.

First Prize—Six Photographs. Donated by Steffens & Colmar.

Second Prize—Pass for Two, Good for One Month. Donated by Globe Theatre.

Third Prize—25 Pounds of Dr. Middleton's Whole Wheat Flour, or Gift of Ironized Bread.

Fourth Prize—Useful and Valuable Gift for Lady or Gentleman From Kirk's Hardware.

Fifth Prize—One Year's Subscription to Labor Statesman.

Knowledge Competition

Following will be found a number of brief paragraphs bringing out a few of the distinctive features or characteristics of the city's institutions. There is a query or two in each paragraph. To the person who first answers them nearest correctly in detail will be given the prizes as noted above. The next nearest correct answer is to be given next choice, and so on.

All answers must be neat and legible. There is no guessing about these; there is a clew in each one by which the identity may be confirmed.

Any of the parties sketched here are privileged to answer any question you may ask, except to tell you that they are "it."

Answers may be sent by mail or brought to this office any time before next Wednesday. Next Friday the sequel to this feature will be published.

Keep the issue of this paper so that next week you will see where you made your mistakes.

The competition is open to everyone except the employees of this paper and their relatives.

Who's Who Editor,
Care, Labor Statesman.

(Copyright 1925 by Claude S. Moss.)

About the B. C. Commercial And Secretarial School

(1) Did you ever study the tragedy of the untrained—the girl who becomes a poorly paid store drudge, or the jobless lad who never had a chance? The average girl "who goes wrong" is a pathetic example, and so is the jobless youth who is unable to get a fair foothold in life.

There remains one logical thing to be done—give the child a chance and the right start with a course of expert tuition at the B. C. Commercial and Secretarial School. This school is located at Georgia and Granville Streets, where Principal Duffus will gladly furnish the fullest information. Graduates of this fine institution are thoroughly equipped to go forth and fill the best positions. The courses are complete and are imparted with the personal attention of experienced instructors, with the result that the finished student is equal to the best to be found in any office. When a graduate applies for a post, the very fact of the applicant receiving a training at the B. C. Commercial School is usually enough. The recommendation stands. The employer **knows** what he is getting. His problem is solved without his having to bother about a trial, as he knows the student has had actual office experience before leaving the school. And that new employee generally goes ahead because she, or he, has been properly trained at this excellent commercial institution.

If you would like to be a well paid, trained office assistant, show this to your parents. Tell us the street number of this college, and what car lines pass the school. Tell us if payment may be made on convenient terms, as the course proceeds, and what is the chief difference in the system of Instruction in this School as compared with other schools.

Telephone Mr. Duffus or one of his assistants, and the information will be cheerfully given, or catalogue mailed.

Have You Saved Anything Up? See This Bank Now?

(2) In the last issue of The Labor Statesman there appeared an exposure of fake investment schemes in Vancouver, with the wholesome advice to put your saving away in the savings bank, where it will be safe and where it will increase with interest. This is excellent advice for which we received many letters of thanks. Any man or woman that earns wages can afford to put away at least a dollar now and then. No matter how small the amount, "salt it away" in a good bank like The Imperial Bank of Canada. This bank has a branch near YOUR home. The bank will acept even the smallet accounts. This bank is the custodian of funds from a number of our local unions, and will be used as the bank for still other unions soon. If there is a new baby in your home, the parents would do well to deposit one dollar, or as much more as can be spared, adding a dollar a week until the child is ready to learn a trade or go to business college. That child will live to thank its parents. You can withdraw the money any time you should need it in the meantime. Savings accounts encourage thrift. And thrift is the first real start of prosperity and security from want. See the Imperial Bank of Canada about this.

Tell us where this bank has its nearest branch to your home. What is the capitalization of this bank? What does its reserve fund amount to? The gentlemen at the branch will gladly answer the questions for you, if you tell them why you want to know.

What Every Union Home Needs: "Wine, Cider, Etc."

(3) Imagine how nice it would be for YOUR home to have a keg of rich old cider always ready to tap—nourishing for the whole family, ripe and pure and delicious! You can get it by telephoning to Van Bros., Highland 90, they will deliver it in a jiffy. The cost is only $2.62. A keg holds a lot and will last a long time,—perhaps! Van Bros., who are good friends of organized labor, also produce such wines as Claret, Cherry, Black Currant, Creme de Methe, etc., with all sorts of syrups for flavoring, which you can get at any store. You should try Van Brothers' delightful boiled apple syrup for mince pies. and their other products. Probably, they'll be selling their rich, ripe cider at the Government vendors and at the places where draught beer is sold for a nickel a glass—a whole, glorious thirst-quenching swig, full of pep and exhilaration and delight, for five cents. It's a good tip for you to phone Van's and get one of their kegs. They also put out an excellent brew of old English Hop Beer. The strength complies with the government regulations.

What is the address of Van Brothers, Ltd.? Is cider healthy for all ages? What is it made from?

Knowlton's Is An Old Established Drug Store

(4) When you're blue and ill or shiver with chills and the doctor comes and tells you to go to a drug store, there's one right opposite, the Holden Building at 15 Hastings St. East, that is always on the job. It is a real drug store, one that takes a delight in having the things of merit and established quality. Prescriptions here are put up by licensed pharmacists without substitution of any sort. The proprietor of this pharmacy made good in life right from the jump. However, like the beginning of all business men he started in a modest way, and now enjoys the reputation of being among the leading business men of this district. He is always blessed with unbounded good will, and it is not surprising that he has risen to a high place in the field that he has chosen. When you learn of a drug store that carries the stock, and has as wonderful service as Knowlton's, then you can tell the world it's some drug store. They also sell Toilet Articles, Stationery, Confectionery and Kodak supplies, as well as attending to your developing, printing and enlarging. How many electric lights in the sign? What is the phone number? What household remedies do they specialize in? How long established?

Here's Where You Can Drive Dull Care Away

(5) "Let's go to the movies" is an exclamation that often shakes away gloom and dullness, and you gladly join the happy crowd. By movies the people here mean THE GLOBE THEATRE. They know that they will always see the best of pictures and that the price is within the reach of all. This theatre is a place which all people should frequent, for here you can see the beautiful scenery of the world and also the habits and customs of people in different countries that you are not likely to see in everyday life. Here marvels of scientific achievements are seen and here comedy and drama, the product of the most gifted imaginations are beautifully and artistically portrayed. All in all, this institution is one of the livest movie theatres in town. and is fully deserving of hearty support. Join in with the rest of the many satisfied patrons and make it a regular occurrence to see the educational and humorous atractions The Globe Theatre has to offer. What is the seating capacity of this theatre? Who is the manager? What is the show for Saturday week?

Give Your Friends A Photo Of Yourself or the Baby

(6) If you want to please your friends, give them a **photograph** of yourself. A photograph is a token of **real** friendship and is highly appreciated by everyone. When you desire a portrait of yourself or the family and are not satisfied with just ordinary work, go to Steffens & Colmer Photographic Studio, 518 W. Hastings St., and you will be well pleased. This is one firm that is behind the camera **but not** behind the times. Their portrait work is indicative of this. The art of finishing portraits is not possessed by everyone, but these photographers are experts and leaders in their profession. Many residents of this district go to them to get pictures made. You are always sure of **successful** pictures here, and a picture is the only present your friends can't buy themselves. The prices are moderate and you will find the proprietors progressive and patronized by the best people. What is their telephone number? How long have they been established?

Human Argonaut of Vancouver's Great Grain Trade

(7) As an industrial monument to the progressive spirit and ceaseless executive energies of ex-mayor "Harry" Gale, Vancouver has added an industry that is destined to mark a new era in the expansion of this city and port. Due directly to Mr. Gale's striking initiative, we have now the Vancouver Terminal Grain Co., Limited, and the coming of the great Spiller grain elevator. The opening of this big grain plant marked an event attended by hundreds of leading men from various parts, and was heralded in scores of newspapers throughout the continent as a signal sign of Vancouver's industrial awakening to her tremendous opportunities. In short, this made ex-Mayor "Harry" Gale the Man of the Hour of Pacific Canada. Obviously, the coming of the Spiller elevator means much to labor, and will afford employment to many well paid union workers. It will be the medium by which millions of dollars will be diffused through almost every line of trade in these parts. It will be remembered that Mr. Gale's candidacy as Mayor of Vancouver was imminent, but his grain interests made it impossible to devote his undivided attention to the civic welfare of Vancouver which he served so ably during several terms. There was also a public demand that Premier Oliver appoint him as B.C. Agent-General instead of the ill-chosen appointment of Mr. Pauline. But Mr. Gale made it plain that he did not want the post, as his place is in front and centre of Vancouver's great grain industry. There is a widely whispered rumor that he is destined for parliamentary honors at the coming Federal election, and there are hundreds who opine this is likely to lead to his seat in the Dominion Cabinet, before he's done. However, Mr. Gale's immediate thought is grain, the Spiller's elevator and the making of a bigger and better port of Vancouver. Which is one man's job, and a big job at that.

What is the capacity of the Spiller elevator? What is the address of the offices of the Vancouver Terminal Grain Co.?

What Do You Know About Dr. Middleton Products?

(8) Vancouver has an industry that has made a remarkable advancement in a comparatively short time and is now established as one of the foremost food products plants on the continent. Reference is made to the Dr. Middleton products that include the famed Dr. Middleton's Ironized Whole Wheat Flour and Bread, as well as Blue Ribbon White Quality Bread, which is wrapped in wax paper and sold at all groceries, the equally famed Jo-To, which stops stomach misery in a few minutes without fail, and other products turned out at the big plant on Hastings Street, East. This corporation is distinctly a Vancouver industry, giving employment to a large force of well paid and contented workers. It has spent, and continues to spend, a great sum that goes to Vancouver working men. It is doing even more, for it is performing a great humanitarian service in giving health and relief from pain to all who use its Jo-To. Dr. Middleton's Ironized Whole Wheat Bread is also regarded as the finest health and stregnth giving bread to be found anywhere. Some time ago, the Labor Statesman exposed fake investment schemes and urged wage earners to satisfy themselves that their savings went into sound, local industrial enterprises. Investors in the Dr. Middleton's Food Products seem destined to profit by this timely word of advice. Who is the manager of Dr. Middleton's Products? Where is its plant? Do these products go anywhere outside Vancouver?

Facts You Should Know About Kirk's Hardware

(9) Quality, plus service, with lowest prices linked with a fair living profit, makes Kirk's Hardware Store, 8 Cordova St., West, one of the outstanding places deserving of the patronage of organized labor. It already enjoys a substantial union trade, but merits more. It will pay to deal there, and is a fine place for the man who needs all sorts of tools, for example, for the assortment is extensive and the prices are right. Then, the good housewife will find at Kirk's Hardware Store a splendid stock of cutlery, all kinds of kitchen utensils, gardening tools, various articles of domestic hardware, such as brackets, staples, hooks, drawer pulls, etc., by the hundreds. It is one of the best stocked stores in town, and it has about everything you can think of in its line.

Personally, Manager J. Clair Latimer and staff form a fine body of fellows whom it is a pleasure to meet and greet. They are obliging, cheerful, always trying to send each customer away with a smile of satisfied service, and succeed so well that their patrons get the habit and return for more of the good things. Kirk's are distributors of the famous 100 per cent, pure Martin-Senour line of paints.

Whether you build a home or a chicken coop, or a new shelf for the pantry, Kirk's Hardware Store is the place to get what you need. Here is one place that it is a pleasure to boost. How long has Kirk's Hardware Store been established? What is its telephone number? Name some of the tools Kirk's sell.

See Pitman and See Better!

C. L. P. MEETING SATURDAY

The Greater Vancouver Central Council of the Canadian Labor Party will hold its regular business meeting in the Holden Building Saturday evening, January 31 at 8 p.m. sharp.

To-night's meeting of the J.L.L., to be held at 883--27th Ave. E., will be the regular business meeting. All those who are intending to join the League should be present.

Next Friday the members will meet at the usual place for a Social Evening, everyone interested having a standing invitation to come along and get acquainted.—Sec., pro tem, G. Mitchell, phone Fair. 3320-X.

In the Tonsorial Chair
By Spud Tamson

Good morning, Mrs. Snowden, just take this chair please. A permanent wave? All right, ma'am. I do hope you will be better satisfied with my work than I was with your lecture at the Methodist Church the other evening. What complaint have I? Well, ma'am, I was thoroughly disappointed at the attitude you assumed to the Bolsheviks of Russia and I was also annoyed at a body calling themselves the Educational League for not first assuring themselves that you would give your audience all the facts. What I call education is not a general condemnation of everybody and anything that does not please, but an examination of principles and their solution together with a review of what led up to the acts requiring such condemnation. Yes, I admit that what you said regarding conditions in Russia may be right. But why didn't you tell the people before you that the British Government supplied men like Deniken and Wrangell with funds to overthrow the Revolution. That Lloyd George tried to discount Russian gold by 20% before supplies would be sent there. That France, Britain, United States and also Germany refused to supply food stuffs that they had in plenty in exchange for gold. No, no, Ethel, you cannot get by with that stuff here! Fancy you of all people saying that the demonstrations you saw there were compulsory, you might just as well try and tell David Kirkwood that the May Day demonstrations in Glasgow are successful because the labor party makes attendance compulsory. No, Ethel, I am not trying to justify cruelty, but you might have made it plain that the crime of murder in Russia while it was wrong was done under great provocation. Oh, now, Mrs. Snowden, have a heart. Love thy neighbor as yourself? That may be all right when you are dealing with something than can reason but you may as well ask the mother of a little child to love the beast that has torn that child to pieces, as ask the class conscious worker to love the Capitalist whom he knows is responsible for the premature death of millions of men, women and children. But to get away from that sob stuff and come down to real facts. Why, if there was no tea in Petrograd, why did not your old man, yes ma'am, I mean Mr. Snowden, send some over. He is a big shareholder in Lyons Tea Company, is he not? No, I do not wish to cast any reflection on your hubby, you have done that effectively enough, for when it comes to slinging it you have me beaten a mile. That would have been showing the human touch and would have at least created an atmosphere of friendliness in the heart of the Bolsh. No, my good lady, we do not need any lecturers with a bourgeois outlook in this neck of the woods. We have plenty of them here already. No, ma'am there you are, and a good job I've made of it, too. Four bits, ma'am; yes, ma'am, that is the equivalent to an English florin, in ordinary parlance, a British two bob bit. Well, ma'am, I must hurry up for I am just going to write to the Forward and the Herald advising them that if they wish to send any lecturers over here, for God's sake to send Maxton, or Newbold, or Smillie, or some speaker who knows from experience the lot of the workers Someone who has the facts and has no desire to toady to knee breeches and white stockings. Good day, Ethel. And remember for you husband's sake, cut out the Academic stuff and get on with the fight. Next, please!

Smoke Booth's "Ambassador"

HOTELS AND RESTAURANTS

Seymour 3168 Always Open

Empire Cafe and Grill

Vancouver's Best

Under Personal Management of

HAROLD DEGG Late 54th Batt. BOG KRAUSE Late 72nd Batt.

76 Hastings St. E. Vancouver, B.C.

BROADWAY CAFE

Cafe de Luxe

Phones: Sey. 4306-1292-O

105 Hastings St. East, Vancouver

Wm. Brevitt and Chas. Sykes, Props.

MARTINIQUE CAFE

Where Satisfaction Counts

1166 Granville

W. H. MARSHALL

Morris Lunch

BOB MOORE, Prop.

Quality Eats Reasonable Prices

For Working Men and Women

630 DUNSMUIR STREET

(Half Block East of Granville)

The Working Man's Home

HOTEL MAIN

CLEAN—WARM—CENTRAL

Main & Georgia Sts., Vancouver.

Big Revue Hit at Orpheum Vaudeville

The Orpheum Circuit has hooked a big revue hit which will be on next week's bill of vaudeville which opens at the local playhouse on Thursday. Harry Roye and Billee Maye, are the featured dancers. As the public taste demands, girls continue to be the basis of the revue. One of the prettiest and danciest bevy of maids ever grouped together make up the specialty ensemble, they are Margie Finlay, Constance Crowell, Penelope Rowland and Evelyn Joyce. Roye and Maye are famous for their Spanish tango. The most extraordinary attraction to appear in vaudeville is Charles Kellogg, the well known California naturalist. Mr. Kellogg is the first human being to sing bird songs—not imitate them, but really sing the songs of birds. He has never eaten meat, fish or fowl, and he claims that this fact, together with the teachings of his parents—to the effect that there was no such thing in the world as fear, makes him a harmonious part of the universe—with all animals, birds or fish. Miss Sylvia Clark, the vivacious little singer, is returning with a new series of song characterizations. Her clever ditties, are subtle yet pointed and have a quality hard to describe. They are known everywhere that Sylvia is known, and that's everywhere. "Escorts Supplied" is the title of a witty little offering presented by Art Henry and Leah Moore. Both have a fascinating sense of rhythm and an unforced style of humor. Combe and Nevis are billed as "those syncopating entertainers" and have comedy and music intermingled in a very snappy act. Snell and Vernon present an artistic diversion featuring "the one man feet catch". Robin and Hood have a novelty act, Topics of the Day and a funny Aesops Fable with the Orpheum Concert Orchestra in musical selections completes a very snappy vaudeville program.

Caustic Comment—"I'm the greatest thing on the face of the earth," cried Modern Woman.

"Yes, and I'm the greatest thing on your face," responded the Clay, sticky like.

Save Your Child From the Knife

By DR. JOHN KYNASTON

Forty-seven thousand children in 1923 had their tonsils and adenoids removed! Sir George Newman mentions this in his annual report as chief medical officer of the Board of Education, and he urges all authorities and school medical officers to see that "these operations are undertaken only when absolutely necessary." He also calls attention to the fact that deaths are by no means unknown as a result of the operation, denouncing those hospitals and clinics where children are left to recover after operation with bleeding throats on the floor of a waiting-room, or sent home bleeding and vomiting in a tramcar.

The official excuse is always that owing to the number of the cases it is unavoidable. When fatalities occur the coroner always records the verdict of "accidental death," after medical evidence that a fatal case only occurs once in so many thousand cases. This is no consolation to a bereaved parent.

Unnecessary Suffering

I am glad Sir George Newman stresses the necessity for ensuing that these operations should only be undertaken when absolutely necessary, because during the last five years I have proved that quite 95 out of every 100 of these operations are not justifiable. If the tonsils and so-called "adenoids" were removed only when actually diseased, every little patient could be properly attended to. Here no financial difficulty lies in the path of reform. It is a scandal that 47,000 children should be subjected to such conditions at school as to make it necessary (if it be necessary) to cut out their tonsils and adenoids.

What are these conditions? They are indicated in a paper by Dr. Corkery which is included in Sir George Newman's report.

He points out that many children arrive at school with empty stomachs, drenched with rain, cold, pale-faced, and over-tired. There are seldom, if ever, adequate means for drying their clothes. They sit and shiver in their damp clothes, in chilly classrooms, overcrowded and badly ventilated. Can we be surprised that so many children get coughs and chronic colds?

Every mother knows that schools are the chief clearing-houses for infectious diseases, measles, scarlet fever, influenza, common colds, and so on. It will be noticed that these are all infections of the nose and throat producing an inflammatory condition of the nasal lining membranes.

What to Watch For

Now, running noses, stuffiness, mouth breathing, snoring, earache, deafness, and discharging ears are symptoms commonly present in all these complaints. No one can fail to notice that these are the identical symptoms for which the removal of the tonsils and adenoids are not merely advised, but enforced by every means available.

Education committees are apt to shelter themselves behind their medical officer, and he dares not make recommendations which he knows will be turned down on the grounds of the expense involved. The least that is necessary is that children should not be expected to go to school in all weathers, and if they do go wet, their clothes should be dried or they should be sent home at once. Nor should they be allowed in school when they exhibit any symptoms of acute catarrh in the nose, throat or respiratory organs. These complaints should be watched for, and the parent advised of a simple treatment which will cure 95 per cent. at least of the cases, and so remove the symptoms for which adenoid and tonsil operations are now performed.

Members of education committees should recognize that the responsibility is theirs. Parents, who are also voters, should "ginger" them up.

(Edit. Note.— The above article from the columns of The Daily Herald (Labor) is just as applicable here in Vancouver as in England. During the damp weather Tonsilitis and Adenoids attack many children, and parents should take the matter into their own hands if they wish to avoid operations which the medical fraternity often advise. Dr. John Kynaston advises a simple remedy, which he does not give, but as there is only one real remedy parents cannot go wrong by following it, because the cause comes from gastro-intestinal fermentation. The first thing to do is to clear out the intestinal tract and then fast until the disease is controlled. Copious enemas should be given two or three times the first twenty-four hours and after that every night before bedtime. Possitively no food must be taken until the inflammation in the throat has entirely subsided. Most people would rather suffer than adopt the fasting idea. It is however, the quickest and best remedy. After the fast, eating should be confined to a little fruit and salads for the first two days.

The third day some cooked non-starchy vegetables, soft-boiled egg or a little meat and salads can be taken. To keep fit and offset further attacks one should avoid too much starchy food and should make their midday meal of fruit only.

Phophesies Election Within Two Years

London, Eng.—"The Conservative majority is so large that the prophets tell us there will be no more General Elections for five years. It is because the majority is so large that brings me to the opinion that the Government will not last beyond two years.

"By then they will have justified or stultified their appointment. In either case, they would appeal to the country. Then will come Labor's great opportunity; and Labor, in the meantime, must prepare."

This opinion and adjuration were expressed by Mr. T. E. Naylor, M.P., in his presidential address at the annual conference of the London Labor Party at King George's Hall.

In London, said Mr. Naylor, the Party had every reason to be proud of the fight it put up. London Labor had now a solid and permanent foundation upon which to build greater success in the future.

"Lost ground must be made up and new ground won," he declared, referring to the coming local government elections—in March the L.C.C. election, and the Guardians and Borough Council elections in April and November next respectively.

A Warning.

Turning to the Government's attempt to interfere with the trade unions, Mr. Naylor warned them to beware of any interference, for there was a limit to trade union endurance.

Demand Booth's Union Cigars

MAINLAND CIGAR STORE

THE PLACE FOR PIPES

310 CARRALL STREET, VANCOUVER

ORPHEUM CAFE

Highest quality of food properly prepared and neatly and courteously served in generous portions by experienced Union employees.

You will find our prices much lower than the average first-class cafe.

ALWAYS OPEN

762 Granville Street Vancouver, B. C.

Opposite Orpheum Theatre

Two Good Places To Eat

---Home and Here

TRAY SERVICE
ALWAYS OPEN
CUISINE THE BEST

612 PENDER ST. WEST

Opposite the Rogers Building
Quarter block East of Granville St.

GOOD EATS CAFE

You Want BETTER BEER---Try This---

Cascade PALE

"The Beer without a Peer"

HOPS and malt—the very best—brewed right. It's the way it's brewed that makes all the difference. The "Cascade" brewmaster had forty years' of high class beer making to his credit. Our plant equipment is second to none in the West.

DRINK CASCADE—THE BETTER BEER—AND GET SATISFACTION

VANCOUVER BREWERIES LIMITED

This advertisement is not published or displayed by the Liquor Control Board or by the Government of British Columbia.

Phone: Seymour 2715 10 Years Guarantee

DR. GRADY, Dentist

QUICK AND EFFICIENT SERVICE AT FAIR PRICES

100 Empire Building, Hastings and Seymour Streets, Vancouver, B. C., Over Pacific Drug Store.

Most modern girls prefer love in a limousine to love in a cottage.

Think This Over—The man who loves the sunshine will never drink moonshine.

In Lithuania wages of farm laborers are lower than a year ago with farmers finding it difficult to pay expenses and taxes.

COMMUNIST PARTY OF CANADA

A PROPAGANDA MEETING WILL BE HELD IN THE

ROYAL THEATRE

On Sunday, February 1st, at 8 p.m.

SPEAKER: W. J. CURRY

SUBJECT: "MORALS OF REVOLT"

QUESTIONS DISCUSSION COLLECTION

"SCIENCE AND THE CHANGING ORDER"

"LINKS PROVING THE EVOLUTIONARY THEORY"

A rather ridiculous objection to the evolutionary theory is that many great gaps in the continuity in the life forms which now exist. Darwin admitted that he was not able to put his finger on that link between monkey and man, therefore the theological theory of creation held good in the opinion of many, and is even so to this day.

Considering the brief period since the developement theory was first considered seriously, we already have a vast accumulation of facts substantiating this philosophy of evolution, and the scientific world today endorses it, not as a provisional hypothesis, but as an established law of nature, and the intellectual fossils, such as Wm. J. Bryan, and those nearer home, remind us of King Canute, who bade the rising tide of the ocean to recede.

Links between the regular types of organisms represent necessarily a transition, and relatively a brief stage of existence. There might be few fossils of these, and even if discovered, it might be impossible to identify them, and yet some of these links have been discovered in the sedimentary rock, and may now be seen in the world's great museums.

Many illustrations from Haeckel's "Evolution of Man," and other works were shown on the screen.

The audience on Friday evening had the privilege of Professor Chas. Hill-Tout's presence. This gentleman is president of the Canadian Anthropological Society," and a writer and lecturer of international prominence. After seeing the illustrations and hearing Dr. Curry explain them, he addressed the meeting and supplemented the speaker's remarks by citing some new discoveries and experiments which added to the proofs of organic evolution. He also congratulated the audience in their having with them one, who was able to present the great truths of life, in a language understood by all, and also promised to accept the invitation to deliver a lecture for them in the near future.

The first link shown was the celebrated Lancet, which occupies a position between the animal which has no backbone, and the one which has, in other words between the invertebrate and the vertebrate. This animal, as its name suggests, is lance shaped, is a few inches long, and lives in the sand of the sea coast. It possesses a rudimentary spinal column in the shape of a cartilaginous development, from which bone evolves, through the edition of lime salts, and no doubt our ancestors went through the same stage.

The Walking Fish and the Land Crab

Perhaps the first great move of our ancestors to escape economic pressure, was, when the sea became so crowded, that they were compelled to crawl on shore, and so began life as land animals.

The Walking Fish, or Periophthalmus, is a native of Australia, and science explains the primitive and unique forms of life found there by other evidences that this land was once part of a great continent connected with Africa and Asia, and that Australia and the adjoining islands remained above water, while the rest of this primitive continent sunk beneath the waves of the ocean. These walking fish, and other primitive organisms, being isolated, and without special struggle for existence, became living fossils and cases of arrested developement, in somewhat the same way that ease and luxury has made intellectual and political fossils of individuals and groups of the genus-homo of the present age.

As the speaker stated, we can see how a disastrous crisis involving suffering and death, may mean a struggle producing revolutionary advance, and even the collapse of capitalism; famine and war will mean progress for our race. The chick must break the shell or die.

The Walking Fish can live in the water, as ordinary types of the finny tribe, but he has in his outfit a lung also, which enables him to comfortably indulge in life on land, and last Friday evening we saw specimens of these goggle-eyed individuals basking in the sunshine, and perched high up on the roots of fallen trees.

The land fish of Australia are also termed mud skippers, and can be seen skipping over the mud flats with the aid of their strong front fins, which somewhat resemble feet, and suggest how even the beautiful hands, and pedal extremities, of the swell ladies of today can be traced back to the fore-fins of fish which swam many million years ago in the warm shallow seas of this globe.

The mud skippers, like the frog, and other amphibians goes back to the water to spawn, and for a time the young act just like other fish, until in accordance with the biogentic law, they, too, come on shore and hunt insects for their food.

The land-crab of certain coral islands of the Pacific was also viewed. These are no able to climb cocoanut trees and now enough to break off the nuts and then descend, strip off the husks, crack the shells with huge claws, and enjoy the full value of their toil without thanking any landlord for giving him work. He lives in a dug-out which he makes, and sometimes carpets with cocoanut husks, and to protect his unprotected and delicate stomach he uses sometimes the shells of the cocoanut as a covering. It is claimed that the cocoanut tree was brought to these islands by man, and if so, the land crab has learned how to provide his food and clothing quite recently. He also goes back to the sea to spawn, and his descendants spend their childhood days in the water as ordinary crabs do.

The Duck-mole and Marsupial

These are also native of Australia. The duck-mole is a link connecting the reptile and the mammal. It is termed the pre-mammal, for while it lays eggs and has other reptilian features it incubates its eggs, and suckles its young, and the latter

(Continued on Page 8)

Law Breakers Help Fill Ranks of Fallen Women

In other parts of this paper will befound articles dealing with the vice inquiry in Montreal, and the charge made against the Willards Co. for violating the minimum wage act. Anybody who knows Montreal and the thousands of four and five dollar a week girls employed in industry and the twelve to twenty dollar a week wages paid to men, will realize how easy it is for a girl to "fall" and for a man to take a girl for a night instead of a wife for life. Montreal however, is no exception. All big industrial cities, where low wages are paid in sweating industries are filled with the same flotsam and jetsam of society. Laws are made to apparently remedy these conditions but industrial magnates break the laws with impunity. The Toronto case is typical of many others. The minimum wage law has been and is being broken in Vancouver. When it comes to prosecuting the firm, however, the girls back down and take their medicine. The fear of the blacklist keeps them from testifying against the firm.

The Toronto Trades and Labor Council, however, has managed to get the former timekeeper of Willards' to "spill the beans", but even at that the court fails to compel the firm to produce the goods. The case is reported in part as follows:

"Cyril Johnson, former timekeeper and paymaster of Willards' Chocolates, Limited, was the chief witness at yesterday's sitting of the enquiry being conducted by the Minimum Wage Board into allegations against the company.

In the course of his evidence Johnson swore that while he was timekeeper his immediate superior, J. A. Gratton, had ordered him to change the dates of the time cards of certain girl employees so as to prevent Minimum Wage Board inspectors from finding out that the girls were being underpaid.

He testified that in order to "cover up" the alterations, he had been told to make out new cards for all of the girl employees and "to throw the old cards into the furnace," The latter part of his instructions had not been carried out and subsequently "someone" had "stolen" these old cards.

Asked where the cards were at the present time, the witness referred the board to his brother, Allan R. Johnson, who said that some of them were held by Inspector Guthrie of the city detective force, others were in the hands of an employee of a Toronto newspaper, and still others were held by Frank Regan.

Pay Sheets "Missing"

Repeated attempts by W. A. Henderson, counsel for the Trades and Labor Council, Ian Macdonald, counsel for The News Mirror and by W. G. Thurston, government counsel, to persuade the company to produce the pay-sheets covering the period involved, met with an admission just before the hearing was adjourned, when Gordon Shaver, counsel for the firm, declared that the pay-sheets dealing with the period prior to 1922 were "missing."

"We cannot produce them," he said.

Delayed Inspection

Cyril Johnson, for four years time keeper and paymaster with the Willard Company, before giving any evidence requested that the company be made to produce the pay sheets so that his testimony might be checked with them, but the court failed to make the requested order."

Mrs. Jones—"I hear poor Mr. Johnson is becoming color blind; he claims he always sees green."

Mr. Jones—"Huh, probably because he is always looking for a certain grass widow."

The Lizard's Dream—"Dreams always work opposite, do they not?" remarked the lounge lizard as he took another whiff at his Camel.

"Why so?" inquired the man who wanted to open up a line of bull.

"Because," yawned the lizard, "I was just dreaming that I had a million dollars."

Like Unto the Boulevards of Beautiful Vancouver—"A man that is not clean—should be cleaned."

New Westminter

S. BOWELL & SON
FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND EMBALMERS
66 6th St., New Westminster
Phone 993

J. N. SMITH
D.C., Ph. C.
CHIROPRACTOR
Three year Palmer Graduate. Member U. C. A.
X-Ray and Spinograph Service
311-312 Westminster Trust Block
Office Hours: 10 to 11:30 a.m.; 2 to 5:30 p.m.
Mon., Wed., Fri., 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Union Wage Earners

Money on Deposit Makes Money
Four cents on every dollar every year is saved with us—and this interest is compounded every six months. It's the start that is hardest—do it now. Open an account with a single dollar if you want to. Checking privileges allowed.

Canada Permanent Mortgage Corporation
B. C. Branch: 432 Richards Street, Vancouver, B. C.
GEORGE I. LEGATE, Manager.

UNION WORKERS!
$500 Invested Last Year in Hamburg 1919 Bonds Are Worth $25,000 Today
Other Issues Also Advanced
BRING IN YOUR BONDS FOR EXAMINATION
We have for sale, at attractive prices, Bremen, Dresden, Frankfort, Hamburg and others which will show large profits in the near future.
INSTALMENT PAYMENTS IF DESIRED
STANDARD BOND CO.
PHONE: SEYMOUR 2360 914 STANDARD BANK BLDG.

KING-FARRIS LUMBER
COMPANY, LIMITED
MILL: KINGS, B. C.
718 Granville Street Vancouver, B. C.
PHONE: SEYMOUR 406

HAVE YOU TRIED
Ramsay's Queen Royal Sodas?
They Are Delicious. Once Tried Always Used. Buy Them in Bulk and Save Money.

Vancouver Heights

THE ESTHER BAKERY
FOR HEALTH STRENGTH AND BEAUTY
Eat Our Brown Bread
Also Our
White, Raisin and Nut Bread
3728 Hastings E. Phone: High. 1309

H. A. HILL
GROCERIES, FRUITS, CURED MEATS, FLOUR AND FEED
3722 Hastings St. E. Phone High. 1640

W. DICKINSON
MEAT MARKET
3724 Hastings Street East
My Motto:
ONE QUALITY ONLY—THE BEST

Hirst's Electric
Wiring — Repairs — Alterations
One Price — One Quality
THE BEST
4003 HASTINGS E. GLEN. 161L

Glen 234L 3945 Hastings St. E.
C. G. Wheeler
PLUMBER
ESTIMATES ON NEW WORK
REPAIRS GIVEN CAREFUL ATTEN
Repairs Given Careful Attention

Victoria Road

Phone Fraser 236 Prompt Delivery
Tecumseh Meat Market
One Quality Only—The Best
5675 Victoria Rd. E. Savage, Prop.

Prescriptions
Cameras, White Ivory, Fountain Pens, Eversharpe Pencils, Community Plate, Toys, etc.
Heyworth Drug Store
Phone Fraser 694
THIRTY-FIFTH AND VICTORIA

A chicken may crow
And dogs may bark,
But the little girls like
To be squeezed in the dark.

Grandview

1955 Commercial Dr., at Fourth Ave.
McKAY'S GROCERY
Specialties:
Hay and Grain, Flour and Feed
Poultry Supplies
Phone High. 975 Prompt Delivery

Manitoba Hardware
Shelf Hardware, Granite and Tinware, McClary's Ranges, Bapco Paints and Electrical Goods.
1174-76 Commercial Dr. High. 978

Pay as You Get Paid and Keep Well Dressed the Easy "B. C." Way

Our stock, which comprises the best and latest in men's and women's ready-to-wear apparel, is offered to you on easy weekly payments, with only a small deposit down at the time you take the garment. We are aiding hundreds to keep well dressed. Open a charge account tomorrow and take advantage of our special January clearance prices this week.

THIS COUPON IS WORTH $1

and will be accepted as cash for that amount when opening a charge account. Only one coupon to a customer.

B. C. Outfitting Co., Limited

B. C. OUTFITTING COMPANY, LIMITED

342 HASTINGS STREET WEST

Phone Seymour 5853 Corner Homer Street

"Brewster's Millions" at the Orpheum

Playgoers in this city will welcome the news that the noted English actor-manager, Percy Hutchinson, is to appear at the Orpheum Theatre next Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, when the old favorite "Brewster's Millions" will be revived. This fine play is a farcical comedy of the highest stamp, and although it is nearly eighteen years ago since Mr. Hutchinson first produced it, by the alteration of a word here and there, it is always up to date. It has had phenomenal runs in London and has played at no less than seven different theatres there, holding the record in this respect. Revived with the idea of running for a few weeks, it has run for six months. What better proof could there be of its popularity? "Brewster's Millions" is one great "draw" to public enthusiasm. The story deals with the adventures of a man who spent one fortune in a specified length of time, in order to inherit another of large proportions. Brewster, in racing through a quarter of a million pounds sterling engages in a series of bewildering transactions that create scenes of exhilarating merriment. He has to keep his secret from his friends and allows them to live in the belief that he has gone crazy in an attempt to spend his fortune anyhow, because it is one of the express conditions of a relative's will that he has to take nobody into his confidence. He resorts to all manner of devises to complete the legitimate expenditure of a million inside of twelve months, and from purchasing a theatre and hiring two cabs and running between them he does it. But the great achievement upon which he concentrates all his energies and resources is the purchase of a steam yacht, with which with all his friends as guests he sets out for distant lands—in a yacht that eats up coal at an alarming rate. The scene on the deck of the Sy. Flitter five months after he sets out on his adventure represents the searing achievement of the play. Wonderful realism is lent to the scene by the ingenious arrangement which gives a full view of the "Flitter" in a blaze of lights with the dark shadows of the land in the distance. The character of the role of Monty Brewster makes heavy and insistent demands, but Mr. Hutchinson has made the part his own—a superb characterization.

Booth's Union Smokes Are Best

SCIENCE AND THE CHANGING ORDER

(Continued from Page 7)

function is what determines the mammalia.

The duck-mole is considered one of the most instructive animals on earth, and is an excellent instance of a link, which is not missing. It is covered with dense brown hair, has a beak shaped like a duck's, and lives along the edge of the streams. It has a glandular developement which secretes the milky fluid which supplies the young with nourishment.

The Marsupial, or pouched animal, is a higher link in developement of life, and if evolution is true, we, too, have passed through the duck-mole and marsupial stages, or we could not be where we are.

The Kangaroos of Stanley Park may sometimes be seen with their tiny infants in their pouch, and unlike the reptile, and the duck-mole, the egg of the marsupial is hatched within the body of the mother, but the Kangaroo at birth is exceedingly small and fragile, and about the size of a mouse. The mother, quite aware of this, carefully, with her lips, places her infant in her pouch, where it is kept warm and comfortable and where is located its milk supply, on which it feeds.

Another interesting link was shown, but this was discovered in the shape of fossil remains. It is the Archaeopteryx, or Ancient Bird. This was found in the Jurassic formation and was contempory with the great reptiles, such as the Atlanta Souris, which was shown and described a few weeks ago.

This old bird is a definite link between the reptile and the modern bird. It has claws on its wings and well developed toes, thus suggesting how the front limbs of the reptile change to wings. The ancient bird also possessed an upper and lower set of teeth, and the tail of a reptile, plus feathers.

The Embryo Chick and other birds possess reptilian features, thus indicating their origin.

The subject this Friday will be "Comparative Anatomy and the Blood Test."

The "Here and There" column is contributed by Jack Sidaway of the Street Railwaymen's Union.

Booth's Union Smokes Are Best

PRINCIPAL DUFFUS
of the B. C. Commercial and Secretarial School.

Here and There

By SAM HILL

The elevation of Asquith to the peerage is another instance of class loyalty. In 1910 and 1911 his threat of "ending or mending" the house of lords brought about two elections in ten months. The house of lords vetoed the budget of Lloyd George, chancellor of the exchecquer in Asquith's ministry, thus precipitating a crisis.

* * *

Now, fourteen years later, the same Asquith is promoted to the house he wanted to end, which makes us wonder if he really meant it. His power and influence have been on the wane for some years, now, and his defeat at Paisley by labor gave him his death blow as a politician. What he will be in the upper chamber we shall have to "wait and see."

* * *

Many silly stories have been circulating recently with regard to Trotsky and his former associates. Trotsky is a sick man and at present holds no position in the Bolshevic councils. He has not been arrested as press dispatches have insisted, but has left the government over differences of policy. Lenin, though dead, still exerts a powerful influence in Russian affairs, and, for the time being at least, Trotsky's tactics are strongly opposed.

* * *

These differences are mainly to do with the soviets attitude to the peasants. The latter, more from their number than any political consciousness have forced the industrialists to grant them better treatment in their trading policies. This the Leninists have given, and a better understanding between the peasants and the industrialists has resulted. Trotsky charges that unless world revolution saves it the permanent revolution can not be maintained. And so their differences. His recent book drew the wrath of his opponents. But there is no split. A clash of ideas will be beneficial to all concerned. The main point is that Trotsky has to stand on his own feet just the same as everyone else.

* * *

The labor movement is made up of two outstanding factions: the industrial and the political. Very often membership in the former is compulsory or nearly so, whilst the latter is purely voluntary. Each has its own field of activity where it comes into conflict with the interests of capital and the forces of the state.

* * *

The trades unions on the industrial field try to maintain or improve their standard of living. At times they certainly have their hands full. With an army of unemployed ever in the background progress is well nigh impossible. Except for a few of the specialized trades requiring a high standard of tecnique the struggle assumes the picture of a dog chasing his tail.

* * *

The political faction, made up mostly of the serious minded student type, works through its party to propagate ideas advocating social changes. This faction has for its ideal the transformation of the ownership and control of industries from the capitalist state to that of the producers. It points to the difficulties of maintaining or improving standards of living, and is generally opposed to wars, and is international in outlook.

* * *

Of late these two factions or wings have found that they can aid each other better by working in harmony. Even in the United States, where politics and trades unions have not got on well together, there seems to be a turn for the better. A thorough understanding of the problems confronting labor will show both factions that whilst absolute unity may be impossible much can be accomplished by getting together on these points of common understanding.

* * *

A loosely knit organisation like the Canadian Labor Party gives freedom of action to its afflicted bodies having divergent views. And yet it brings them together for action on which there is a general agreement. This is all to the good. If we can maintain a steady balance the future will look brighter for labor.

THE FEBRUARY

HOUSE FURNISHINGS SALE

Presents an opportunity to purchase home-furnishings of Hudson's Bay Quality, at sale prices, on very easy terms.

10 Per Cent. Cash --- Balance in Nine Equal Payments

This is a chance Labor Statesman readers will be eager to participate in.

Hudson's Bay Company
INCORPORATED 2ND MAY 1670

(Continued from page 1)

"The lady refused to return my $7.50 for the samples, but said she would exchange them for pencil holders, and fountain pens and advised me to visit the offices and "vamp" gentlemen into getting them to buy. I was getting desperate, so I did this. I will confess I did flirt a little, because I had to live, but after I got insulted several times, and when one man tried to kiss me, and several tried to "make dates with me," I gave it up. One day I only had a doughnut and a glass of milk from nine a.m. to dark, and sold $1.50 worth of pencil holders, after getting insulted besides. One gentleman handed me $5 and told me to keep the change and come back next day.

She Accepts His Gift.

"I needed money, so I took it and promised to go back next afternoon (which was Saturday when business was over), but I didn't return. Perhaps I was dishonest, but I was in need and the rent was due, so who will blame me. I don't think the gentleman will have me arrested, for I will tell all I know, if he does. The alderman of our ward lent me another $10 and told me to go home and rest and he would look out and see if he could get me a job.

Got Decent Job.

"Next Monday I am going to work for a specialty firm which seems a nice place with a boss who will pay what he can afford, and he will give me an advance. The girls there say he is fair and decent to the girls, and the pay is $4 more than the store paid me, so I am better off after all, from my experience. But I do think it a shame how so many girls are fooled by ads that mislead one so. Can't Mayor Taylor or somebody in the City Hall stop it?"

Why Is This Allowed?

Yes, it does seem a pity that somebody cannot put a stop to this dirty work, as this girl says. But what are you going to do about it? So long as we have tolerant, indulgent gentlemen in office, willing to allow the poor to be skinned out of their last cent, while they denote their energies toward pinching and re-pinching painted girls, and raiding some poor fellow who peddles a bottle of beer while the millionaire liquor trust is able to get off scot free,—so long as this condition happens, needy people will continue to be fleeced this way.

Here is a Statement By a Dentist Who is Satisfied With Fair Prices for First Class Dental Work.

Union Workers:

We solicit your dental patronage with the assurance of offering you all that is best in **HIGH CLASS DENTISTRY, AT PRICES THAT ART RIGHT.**

No need to pay more. Our work is guaranteed. We refer you to all our satisfied patients. Appointments for nights.

Free Consultation

Terms to suit your convenience

DR. RUTLEDGE
Sterling DENTISTRY
HASTINGS AT ABBOTT.
(Opposite Woodwards)