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DUAL BUILDING TRADES UNION BEATEN

Amalgamation of All Unions In Fishing Industry Is Near

Long cherished hopes for amalgamation of all trade unions in the fishing industry of British Columbia into a single organization covering everyone employees in the industry, both fishermen and shore workers, were close to realization as a result of important developments during the past month.

At Prince Rupert a meeting of the Fish Packers' Federal Union, Local 49, voted unanimously to give up its separate charter and become part of the Fish Cannery, Reduction Plant and Allied Workers' Union, Local 89.

At Ottawa, President Percy R. Bengough of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada announced the approval of the Executive Council of the Congress for requests received from the United Fishermen's Union and the Cannery Workers' Union favoring amalgamation of the two organizations into a single union.

Amalgamation has been proceeding over a period of years and is now very close to complete realization. First step in this process was the amalgamation of the United Fishermen's Federal Union, Local 44, and the Salmon Purse Seiners' Union. In 1942 the Pacific Coast Fishermen's Protective Association gave up its charter and its members were transferred to the U. F. F. U.

It is expected that the final merger between fishermen and cannery workers will be completed during the annual convention in March of 1945. The Deep Sea Fishermen's Federal Local, No. 80, at Prince Rupert, is now the only remaining union organization in the industry with a charter from the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada. Local No. 80 has been invited by the United Fishermen's Union to suggest the terms on which it would be willing to amalgamate with the U. F. F. A. and it is hoped that an agreement can be reached in the near future.

Reduction Plants Get Award by Labor Board

Reduction plant workers have been granted a 9-hour day, 230-hour month with a number of compromise wage advances in an award handed down by the Regional War Labor Board last month to the Fish Cannery, Reduction Plant and Allied Workers' Union.

Commenting on the board decision, General Secretary Alex Gordon declared that "although the decision made does not remove the inequalities existing between fish workers and other British Columbia industrial workers, it does nevertheless represent some progress in that direction."

One of the more important advances concerns traveling time and provides payment of wages for those employees engaged in out-of-town plants to start on date of their departure from home port provided they work one month or longer. In addition, traveling time is to be paid when workers are asked by the management to travel from one plant of the company to another.

Truck Drivers Sign Up Six More Firms

Secretary Reg. Atkinson, in reporting the progress made by the General Truck Drivers' and Helpers' Union, Local 31, in the last two months, says, we have signed agreements with Vanderspeks Transportation in Hope, and they are now working under Union conditions and wages.

McDonald's Consolidated in Victoria have also entered into agreement with our Local and Union conditions and wages are being enjoyed by all the Truck Drivers and Warehousemen in their employment. We have also been successful in signing up with the McIllwaine Brothers in Victoria giving all their employees the same wages and conditions as the rest of the industry in this locality.

Local progress includes The Western Cartage Co., W. R. McLeod Waste Paper Co., and the Fourth Ave. Heating and Plumbing Co. All their employees are now working under Union conditions.

The request we made to the Regional War Labor Board for wage adjustments has been referred back to us for further negotiation with our employers. This request will be carried on until we get a satisfactory settlement for our men. The wages paid to truck drivers throughout the City are much too low considering wages paid in other industries in this locality, we will therefore continue our efforts to establish better wages for our members.

Premier King Wired Over Aircraft Layoff

At the request of Aircraft Lodge No. 1749 of New Westminster, the Trades and Labor Council sent the following telegram to Prime Minister W. L. McKenzie King, in connection with the cancellation of contracts at the Canadian Pacific Airlines plant, which will cause loss of employment to at least a thousand workers. The action of Secretary Gervin in sending the following telegram was endorsed:

September 29, 1944.

Rt. Honourable
W. L. MacKenzie King,
Prime Minister,
Parliament Buildings,
Ottawa, Ontario.

On behalf of twenty thousand affiliated workers we urge government to release contracts to keep aircraft overhaul plant at New Westminster in operation. If not needed in war effort this or other plants should be converted to production of goods for civilian use. Workers must not be thrown out of employment because material for destruction no longer required.

R. K. Gervin, Secretary,
Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council.

FAIL TO HOLD ANY CONSTRUCTION JOBS IN THIS PROVINCE

Affiliates of Building Trades Council Maintaining Control of Construction Work — Dual Trade Unions Constant Danger To Wages and Working Conditions

WITH OVER TWO HUNDRED UNION AGREEMENTS unions affiliated with the Vancouver, New Westminster and District Building Trades Council are still maintaining complete control of the construction industry in this district. This week the Amalgamated Building Workers' Union were again defeated when they tried to horn in on a job undertaken by a new contractor.

Members of the Building Trades Unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, and the Building Trades Council are still maintaining control of all the large construction projects in this district and of the work undertaken by Vancouver contractors in other parts of the province of British Columbia.

All Big Jobs A. F. of L.

Construction work running from a million and a half dollars down to small remodelling jobs are manned by members of A. F. of L. unions, despite the constant efforts upon the part of a dual union to get onto these jobs.

Our unions have over two hundred signed closed shop agreements with most of the largest contractors in this district, but there are also other contractors who have not signed closed shop agreements, who either get all their men from our unions, or maintain a relationship that permits us to replace dual union or non-union men.

New Contractor Baffled

Recently a new contractor entered the field in Vancouver and obtained a large construction job for the Vancouver Ice and Cold Storage Company. The dual union told a sob story to the new local superintendent of the construction company and as it conflicted with the representations made by the Building Trades Council, he decided to do the work on an open shop basis, and proceeded to hire A. F. of L., Dual Union and non-union men. For about two days some of the dual union men were quite cocky about the situation, but it was just too bad for them because the firm happened to be one of the big American construction firms.

Company Favors A. F. of L. Unions

The Building Trades Council immediately took the matter up with the Seattle Building Trades Council, and with the manager of the head office of the Austin Company in Seattle. The response changed the whole picture in Vancouver and the job is to be done by A. F. of L. members. The Seattle Building Trades Council contacted the Seattle manager and had the matter straightened up. The Council informed us that the company which is a national concern is operating 100 per cent A. F. of L. in Seattle and elsewhere in the United States and would do likewise in Vancouver if they could get the men. In reply to the letter and telephone conversation of the Vancouver Building Trades Council, the firm said—and we quote—"We assure you that it is our intention to employ only members of international unions on the work in the British Columbia area whenever it is possible to obtain members of these unions to handle the work required. We wish to assure you that we appreciate your co-operation in connection with the work we now have under way."

They Just Tag Along

Unions affiliated with the Building Trades Council are always willing to accept desirable members of the dual union into their own unions. Most of these are admitted without the payment of an initiation fee, if they are paid up to the current month in the dual union, hence there is no obstacle put in the way of these men from obtaining work on the jobs we control. Our council and our unions recognize the danger to wages and working conditions when a dual union is in the field. The dual union has not taken any part in increasing the wage scales or bettering the working conditions. They have just tagged along, accepting the conditions our members have made. They have tried to get agreements with the various firms and contractors' associations with whom we do business, but they have not been able to get any. They have put up sob stories about being Canadians, and questionable stories as to the strength of their membership, but we have been able to keep them out of the construction field and confine them to the jobs they have in the shipyards. They have been offered A. F. of L. shipyard charters with the option of transferring to the construction jobs when needed, but they have turned this down, hence our determination to keep them out of the construction field.

Hudson Bay Co. Victoria, Certified

The first department store in Canada to be certified by a union goes to the Retail Clerks in Victoria. After a successful campaign of many months, George Wilkinson, the Business Agent of Retail Clerks Union No. 279, has succeeded in getting enough members into the union to have it certified by the Department of Labor as the bargaining agent of the employees, numbering nearly 400.

The next move of the union is to negotiate for an agreement, and this is already under way. Victoria is a sub local of the Vancouver local. In Vancouver things are progressing slowly but surely and there will be another story to tell in a later issue.

Plasterers' Association Signs With Helpers

The Greater Vancouver Plasterers' Association has signed the union agreement of the Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers' Union, No. 602. The new scale, approved by the Regional War Labor Board, calls for $7.50 per day, a 40-hour week and 8-hour day, with double time for overtime.

The union still has a shortage of construction laborers at 81c per hour.

Employees of the Ocean View and the Forest Lawn cemeteries are now all in the union. A joint council will be formed between Local No. 602 and Local 23374 (Embalmers' and Undertakers' Assistants) to take up problems affecting either union.

40-HOUR WEEK

The General Council of the British Trades Union Congress has sent to all its affiliated unions a memorandum suggesting that they should now state the claim of the 40-hour week as one of the goals of post-war policy of the Trade Union Movement of Great Britain and should take steps to secure its attainment.

Aeronautic Union Certified At Boeing's Four B.C. Plants

Certification for all hourly paid Boeing Aircraft workers has been officially granted Aeronautical Lodge 756. The certification covers Boeing Plants in Vancouver, Nelson, Chilliwack and Victoria.

With the report that Lodge 756 holds undisputed bargaining rights for hourly paid Boeing workers, came an executive recommendation, endorsed by general meeting, that the union agreement be re-opened. Changes sought will include a union shop, shorter work week, together with an upward revision in the rates for timekeepers, inspectors, pre-flight workers, welders and machine operators.

40,000 Under Agreement

Employees of the Boeing plant are now working on the B-29 Super-Fortress and they feel that they should have an agreement with the company along the same lines as the 40,000 members of Lodge No. 715 who are working in the Boeing's Seattle plant on B-29's.

The union will attempt to bring the agreement up to date on a number of minor points agreed to during the past year, and will also seek a two-week holiday clause. A journeyman riveter's rate will be one of the principle demands put forward by Lodge 756.

Another important problem to be settled is the transfer of skilled workers from pre-flight and other shops to B-29 production, and the maintenance of adequate wage rates.

An agreement committee, comprising head shop stewards, negotiating, and executive members has already been set up to go over suggested changes. All proposals will be studied and brought before the membership at a special meeting for final ratification before being presented to the management.

PLUMBERS' UNION TO HAVE DANCE AND GOLF

Plumbers' and Steamfitters' Union No. 170 is holding a Hallowe'en Masquerade Dance on Friday, October 27th, in the Howden Ballroom, 1318 Granville Street. Tickets 3c.5

The union is also holding a Golf Club Tournament on the Langara Golf Course on Sunday, October 29. Entries will close Wednesday, October 25th.

Firemen's Bid For Higher Pay Delayed

Action on a request from Vancouver Fire Fighters' Union, Local No. 1, for a $23.50 increase in monthly wages for firemen will be delayed until the Civic (Employees') Federation ascertains where the demand should be lodged.

At the federation meeting firemen spokesmen suggested the request be referred to a joint committee of the federation and council appointed to study the Brittain-Bengough report on wage scales and working conditions.

Trades Council Notes

R. K. Gervin and C. E. Herrett were appointed to the Air Transportation Committee of the City Council to deal with problems concerning the lower mainland of the province.

Geo. S. Pearson, Minster of Labor, has informed the Council that the Civil Service Commissioner has been instructed to make arrangements whereby tradesmen employed casually by the Provincial Government will continue their unemployment insurance during the period they are employed by the government. The Council had protested the discontinuance.

The Workers' Educational Assoc. has asked the Council to furnish them with the names of union men who are prepared to lead a class in the Fall and Winter program, covering trade union subjects. Members willing to act are asked to contact the Secretary of the Council.

Application of Lodge No. 167 Brotherhood of Maintenance of Way Employees, for affiliation with the Council was accepted.

Jas. McMillan, chairman of the committee working in conjunction with ex-servicemen's associations dealing with rehabilitation, reports that some valuable information and assistance has been supplied by the committee to the organizations.

Bakers' Union report negotiations under way for new agreement with the Association.

Hotel and Restaurant Workers' Union report Burrard South Shipyard has signed agreement covering canteen workers.

Garment Workers' Union No. 232 reported Gault Bros. signed a new agreement with wage increases making it the highest in Canada, and the shortest hours.

UNION MEMBERS THANKED

Bro. W. J. Burkart, desires to take this opportunity to thank all the members of organized labor who attended the funeral of his beloved wife, and to the unions who sent wreaths for the occasion.

Urge Blood Bank For Use of Union Members

Gas Workers Union No. 376 sent the following resolution to the Trades Council and it was endorsed, with the suggestion that local unions take such a scheme under advisement. It was pointed out by some delegates, however, that their unions have such blood banks in operation, and that they have proved of value:

RESOLUTION

Whereas, it has come to the notice of the members of this Local Union that one of our members is in hospital very ill, and had to have a blood transfusion, and,

Whereas, he was charged the sum of twenty dollars before he could get the transfusion, therefore be it,

Resolved, that this Local Union go on record as being against such a practice, and be it further,

Resolved, that this Local Union instruct our Recording Secretary to accept the names and types of blood of all members who are willing to donate a transfusion to any brother who is in need of it, and be it further,

Resolved, that this resolution be sent to the Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council, asking all affiliated Unions to take up the matter of forming a Blood Bank for the use of all Trade Union members in the Province of B. C.

Trades Council Urges Reconstruction Minister

Pointing out that layoffs in war production plants are not only continuing but increasing, Del Parkin of the Aeronautical Workers stated that the governement does not appear to be taking sufficient interest in planning for the absorption of these workers into other and peacetime industries, and on behalf of his organization introduced the following resolution was unanimously endorsed:

Whereas, layoffs are becoming increasingly prevalent in the industries engaged in the production of war material; and,

Whereas, to this date very little has been done towards a planned program of conversion and/or rehabilitation of war workers.

Therefore be it resolved that this Trades and Labor Council write to the Minister of Munitions and Supply and urge that a Ministry of Reconstruction be established at once with a Minister in charge who would be in a position to give his undivided attention to the tasks facing such a body.

And be it further resolved that regional committees be set up in each Province to study the problems from a local view point and recommend to the parent body.

And be it further resolved that both the National and Provincial Boards be broadly representative of organized labor.

LIBRARY GROUP JOINS TRADES AND LABOR CONGRESS

Members of the Library Association of British Columbia have affiliated with the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, says C. K. Morison, provincial president.

The action was taken on a plebiscite vote which gave 69 for affiliation and 15 opposed. Miss B. M. Carruthers of Magee High School, Vancouver, is president.

Taxi Drivers' Wage Scale Approved

Taxi, Stage and Bus Drivers Union No. 151 has received notice from the Regional War Labor Board, that the joint application applied for Star Cabs Ltd., Pacific Coast Transportation Ltd., and United Cabs Ltd. has been approved by the board. This will bring the aforementioned companies in line with the highest wage scale in the City, says Chas. A. Gower, Business Agent of the union. Agreements were also signed by the City Taxi and G. DePaoli this month, at the top rate prevailing in the industry and ten days holiday with pay.

Dominion Cabs have been organized and application for certification has been made.

Washington Taxi drivers have been reorganized and application made for certification.

Brother A. Blair has left for Toronto to represent the local at the Trades and Labor Congress Convention.

Restaurant Owner Has New Way To Beat Act

A Granville St. restaurant owner has attempted to beat Federal Labor Code P.C. 1003, Section 15. He started in by casing out the union waitresses, but just as fast as he cased them out the union organized the new employees, and proceeded to get certified as the bargaining agent.

Having been certified as the Bargaining Agent, Local No. 28 Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Union attempted to get the original union agreement signed by the new manager, who in the meantime had formed a Limited Company. The manager refused to renew the agreement, and the Department of Labor, upon the advice of the Attorney General's Department states that the manager cannot be compelled to live up to the old agreement because, being a new company, it does not have to recognize any agreement operating in that restaurant.

An effort will be made at the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada Convention to have the Executive Council urge the government to amend Sec. 15 of the Act so as to make it applicable to employers who, having a signed union agreement, change the status of their firm to that of a limited company, or that sell to new owners.

Absent-minded Salesgirl (as she hands her goodnight): "Will that be all?"

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MACHINISTS TRIUMPH IN TEN ELECTIONS

Washington, D. C.—Keeping up a high box score of victories, the International Association of Machinists triumphed in ten more National Labor Relations Board elections.

Foremost was a thrashing administered by the I. A. M. to the C. I. O. Steel Workers which attempted a "raid" at the Caterpillar Tractor Company, San Leandro, Calif.

Other Machinists' triumphs were scored at the Shartle Brothers Machine Company, Middletown, O.; Louis G. Freeman Company, Cincinnati; Dow Chemical Company, Freeport, Texas; Snap-On Tool Company, Mount Carmel, Ill.; Hall Motor Freight, Inc., Denver; Artis Engineering Company, Denver; Barco Manufacturing Company, Chicago, and Fiori Pipe Company, St. Louis.

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OPPOSE HEALTH INSURANCE

One of the Federal Government's Post-War Social Security schemes appears to be already on the toboggan. As a matter of fact, it probably never was intended to become operative, but was simply a means whereby the demand for such legislation could be silenced while it passed through the red tape of birth, decay and death.

We in British Columbia have felt the power of the Medical fraternity. Organized Labor demanded a Provincial Health Insurance Act. We got the Act but we never got the insurance. The Medical fraternity told the government point blank that they would not co-operate. They defied the government to put the Act into operation—and despite the fact that a plebiscite on the question showed an overwhelming majority of voters in favor of the legislation, after being on the statute books for seven years we are still without Health Insurance.

Now the Federal Government has Health Insurance on its agenda and the bigwigs of the Medicine Men have already condemned it, and will probably follow the tactics of British Columbia's sawbones. Dr. T. W. Walker, president of the British Columbia Hospitals Association, has dubbed it a bureaucratic scheme. Another leader of the pill peddlers in Saskatchewan has intimated dire consequences on the health of the people if the Act goes into operation, and right across the country, in each large community, we may be sure that the doctors are organized against it unless they get their price and their own conditions.

If the government wants to be sincere in its Health Insurance plan it should ignore the threats of the big shots in the Medical fraternity, because we feel that their places can be filled by a lot of bright young men who are getting a wonderful experience in the military hospitals. As a matter of fact, a young medical man in Vancouver who has had military hospital experience, just recently cured a case because of that experience, which has very seldom been cured before, and which other doctors here were unable to handle.

After the war there may be many medical men who will lack patients, just like there will be many workers without jobs, but if the government puts forward its Health Insurance scheme, there will be a place for these men, and the bigwigs in the Medical fraternity can be left to attend to the gouts of the plutocrats and the double chins of aristrocratic society dames.

Union Is No Stronger Than Its Members

We have had the experience that a few determined and militant union men and women, impelled by a deep felt conviction that our only security lies in organization, by careful planning, close co-operation and prodding efforts, either on their own initiative or under direction of their local union's officers, have leavened with the spirit of unionism the entire force of employees in a large establishment or chain of establishments and have brought them into the union. Such members are loyal to their union because they believe in their union, and they eagerly act as its voluntary missionaries. They will not tolerate an unwarranted attack upon their union or its officers from union-hating outsiders. An attack upon the union is correctly construed by such members as an attack upon them because they see themselves as part of the union. A union is no stronger than its members.

Little boy to artist: "Watcha paintin', mister?"

Artist: "That union hall over there."

Little boy: "Well, it sure needs it!"

Buy One For Every Member

Since the last issue of the Labor Statesman there has been some comment on the improvements that have so far taken place in your paper.

Your committee welcomes these comments, whether good or bad, and believe with more criticism leveled at the paper by our readers, will tend to keep your committee and Editor on their toes.

So far we have tried, and believe we have improved the front page of the paper, but there is still room for improvements and in this present issue we will need a paper to enthan ever before.

We believe, that now, more so than ever, Labor needs a strong Labor paper when, with the war coming to a close and the Labor Market at a low ebb, we wil lneed a paper to encourage the worker, and at the same time use its Publication to fight Labor's battle.

We ask Unions to subscribe to the Statesman, "Buy one for Every Member" and in so doing you will be furthering your own cause.

J. H. Irving,
Chairman Press Committee.

25,000 N. Y. Hotel Workers Triumph

New York's 25,000 organized hotel workers won a great triumph September 18 last, equalled only by the signing of their first wage and hour agreement with the powerful Hotel Association of New York City, when the union-proposed industry-wide social security plan was ordered set up in all the 132 union hotels by unanimous vote of the three-man commission considering the current wage demands of the New York Hotel Trades Council, A. F. of L.

The social security plan will be paid for entirely by the hotel owners, at a cost of nearly $1,000,000 a year, through contributions based on a percentage of their weekly payrolls, and thus will cost the hotel workers nothing. The programme will be administered by a Board of Trustees elected by the union.

Every member of the Council in good standing working in the hotels will receive, subject to such regulations as the Board of Trustees establishes as to length of service in the industry and of good standing in the union before the benefits begin:

A paid-up life insurance policy; a paid-up sickness insurance policy; a paid-up accident insurance policy; and adequate hospital care for the members and his or her immediate family.

Unlike the group insurance existing in some of the hotels, for which the workers pay a considerable sum although managements also contribute to the cost, the union insurance programme will remain in effect when a member changes from one hotel job to another.

TWO FROM AN OLD FRIEND

Simpleton: "Watcher lookin' for?"

Policeman: "We're looking for a drowned man."

Simpleton: "Watcher want one for?"

Calling For Workers In Pacific Shipyards

An "S.O.S." for 25,000 more workers in West Coast shipbuilding and naval repair yards, plus 2000 for Pearl Harbor, was put out recently by Chairman Paul V. McNutt of the War Manpower Commission.

Stepping up of the war in the Pacific makes the added manpower necessary, he said. Sixteen thousand workers are needed for naval repair yards and 9000 for yards building new troop transports and combat-loaded cargo ships, which are to replace types of landing craft hitherto used.

"This is an expanding programme and has been given top priority," McNutt said. "These vessels will play a vital role in impending attacks against Japanese-held bases. Nothing must stand in the way of providing these ships on schedule."

About 65 per cent of the workers, he explained, will be recruited outside of the West Coast. He urged workers engaged in less essential work to apply at local employment service offices for the Pacific Coast jobs.

Saskatchewan Civil Servants Join Congress

Regina.—Decision to affiliate with the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada is announced by A. T. Fuller, president of the Saskatchewan Government Services Association, made up of provincial employees.

Members voted 88.6 per cent in favor of joining the regular labor movement.

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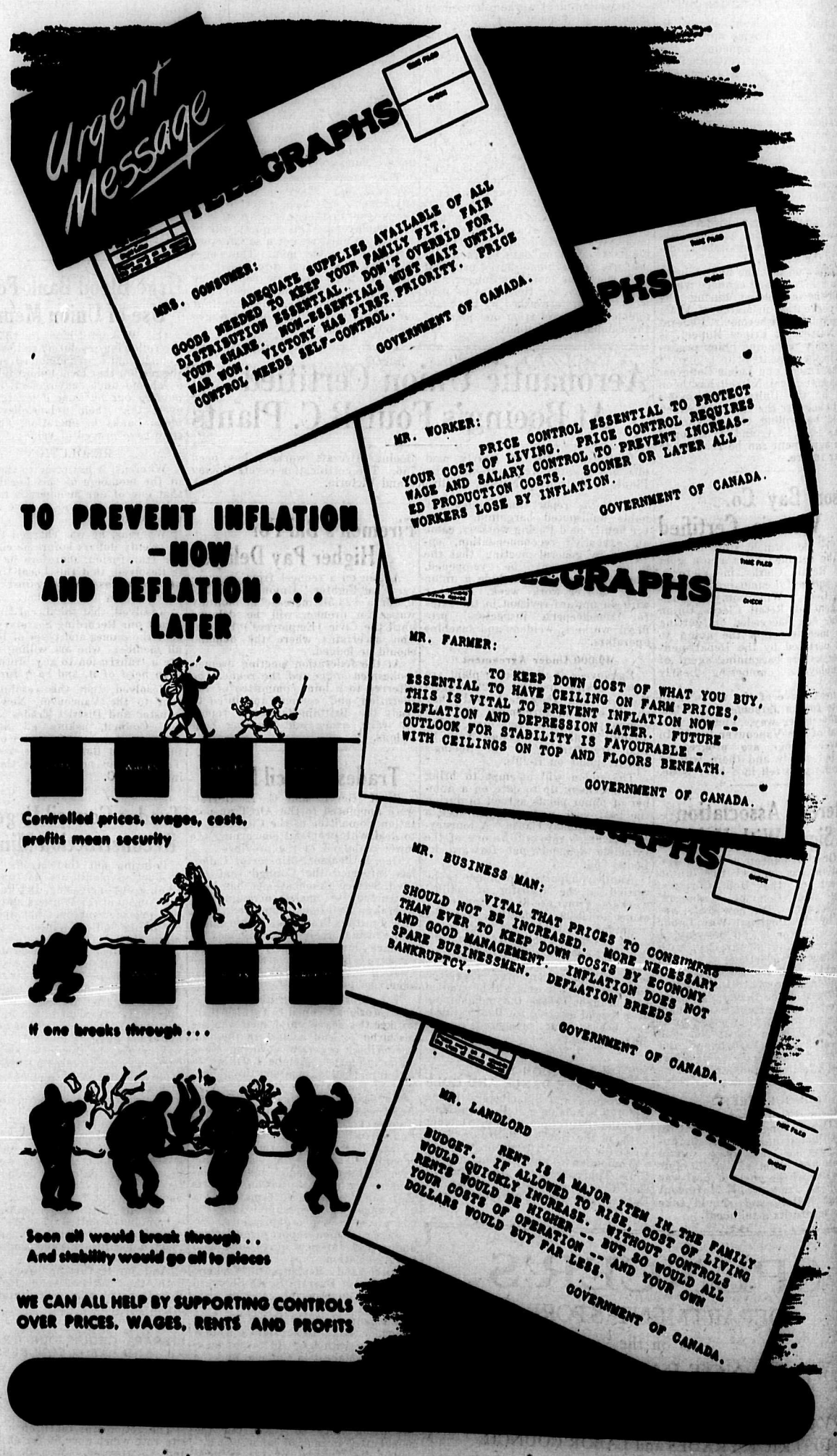

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NATIONAL WAR FINANCE COMMITTEE

Urges Higher Pay For Postal Clerks

The Federal Government is to be asked to place all postal clerks employed in Grade 2B Post Offices under the jurisdiction of the Civic Service Commission and be paid the same salary as postal clerks in Grade Four Post Offices.

This was done at the request of the Kenora Trades and Labor Council who have been battling with the government for this change for more than a year.

The matter is also to be drawn to the attention of local members of Parliament, in an effort to get this adjusted.

Woodfibre Chooses Bargaining Agency

Result of a vote conducted by employees of the B. C. Pulp and Paper Company at Woodfibre, and the provincial department of labor, has culminated in appointment of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers as bargaining agents for the employees.

This was announced by H. L. Hansen, Powell River, international representative, who stated that 277 employees had voted for the union, with 182 opposed and two spoiled ballots. There were 151 workers eligible to vote.

Victory Square

Victory Is Coming To Our RAF Youths
If they can get all the help they Require.
Churchill asks that tools of war be sent Over
To Britain in large numbers by convoy, and Then
Our brave and determined people Can
Really protect their own beloved Isle.
Yes, Roosevelt's Offer To Co-operate Insures Victory.

Geo. Powell, Painters' 138.

P.S.—Note "Victory" is spelt in capitals at top, bottom and sides.

Police May Get Legal Holidays

A recommendation to the civic personnel committee favoring statutory holidays for police officers, has been approved by the Police Commission.

A letter from the Police Federal Association, Local No. 12, urged the concession, pointing out that while all policemen could not be given statutory holidays all should have compensating time off.

Chief Constable Donald McKay reported his men receive either Christmas or New Year's Day holidays but none on Good Friday, Dominion Day, Labor Day or Thanksgiving Day.

Joint Boeing Community Chest Drive Nets $12,500

In the first joint Community Chest campaign to be conducted in the Boeing plants, Lodge 756 and the Boeing Company co-operated to raise $12,500, almost triple the amount raised last year without the union's assistance. Shop stewards handled the collection arranged by Tom Price representing Lodge 756 and Bill McLaren of the company.

LIKES 'EM—ON OTHERS

"My wife is always pleased with the latest wrinkle."

"So is mine—provided it isn't on her own face."

This One They'll Own

"Fishermen have paid for many plants—this one they'll own". This title appeared over an article in a recent issue of "The Fisherman" referring, of course, to the Prince Rupert co-op plant.

Fishermen here are now in a position to go ahead with plans of their own for a similar plant. Plans to construct a building 100 feet square and 36 feet high are rapidly reaching completion. In addition to liver oil processing, the new plant will house the fresh fish department, cold storage facilities, and ice-making machinery.

These plans are certainly not second-rate and it is obvious that to carry them out will require more than moral support.

The drive for bond sales has started, but only if every fisherman supports the co-op financially can the plant, so far still on paper, become a reality. Fishermen have paid for many plants—here's one they'll own. —"The Fisherman".

Strikes by Bona Fide Unions at Zero Mark

Strikes by regular unions in the United States are down almost to the zero mark.

About the only walkout of consequence was one staged by a so-called "independent" union at the Electric Boat Company's submarine building yard in Groton, Conn., to force settlement of accumulated grievances.

The leaders of the "independent" called the stoppage even though a majority of the 12,000 workers at the yard, in a National Labor Relations Board poll conducted under terms of the Smith-Connally law, voted against a strike by a large margin.

Significantly, the very newspapers which ordinarily rush to assail bona fide unions when strikes occur didn't utter a peep of criticism of the "independent".

Prospectors' Mining Classes Open Nov. 2

The British Columbia Chamber of Mines has drawn the attention of the Trades and Labor Council to the opening of the annual series of Prospectors' mining classes to be held in the King Edward High School starting Nov. 2nd. Instruction will be given on the subjects of mineralogy, geology, prospecting, mine development, testing ores, and blow-pipe analysis.

The 1944-5 session consists of twelve classes, and costs $5.00, which includes membership in the B. C. Chamber of Mines for one year. Members of the armed forces are admitted free. Register now at 790 Dunsmuir St., corner of Howe.

ALL BROKEN UP

"Mabel, who broke that chair in the parlor last night?"

"It just collapsed all of a sudden, Dad, but neither of us was hurt."

War Prisoners Are Doing Useful Work

Montreal. — More than 600 carloads of supplies have been produced in the factories of a prisoner-of-war internment camp near Montreal in the past 12 months.

The raw materials which the internees are daily converting into a variety of products now used directly in the prosecution of the war come from Canadian forests and textile mills.

The experiences gained at sea by the war prisoners have provided them with a cross-section of many trades and these have proven useful in their present work.

Getting 50 cents per day for their work, the prisoners work voluntarily. They spend most of this money in the camp canteen for tobacco, cigarettes, soft drinks and other sundries.

Security In The Post-War World

(Workers' Educational Association)

On the last day of the Summer Camp the 80 students broke up into four groups to discuss key Trade Union problems and to report their findings to the School as a whole. The four panel groups were the following:

1. "The Future of Workers' Education in B.C."
2. "Women in the Post-War World."
3. "Unions and Political Action."
4. "Security in the Post-War World."

Each panel group elected its own chairman to lead discussion in the separate panel and elected a secretary to report the findings of the panel to the entire group. No one was permitted to act as chairman or secretary who had any part in the school curriculum or who was on the W.E.A. executive. It is very much to the credit of the eight men and women who acted in these capacities that they did a job that won them the unstinted applause of their fellow-students at the camp.

The following are the findings of the Panel Discussion on "Security in the Post-War World" held at the W.E.A. Camp:

Panel No. 4

"Security in the Post-War World"

Chairman — Gene Boyko, Taxi Drivers Union.

Secretaries—

Fran Shaw, Telephon Operators.
Ruth Breger, Office Workers, No. 18177.

In order to have security in Canada everyone should have a job within his capabilities and his choice. This can best be realized when Labor is represented on every government planning body, both at the Peace Table and at the Post-War Planning Committees.

It must be recognized that many people, particularly returned members of the Armed Forces, will need special training for new jobs, so it is necessary that the need be implemented and the necessary training schools be set up.

For the purpose of maintaining and bettering our present standard of living, it will be necessary to have our war industries converted into the manufacturing of civilian consumer goods. It is highly probable that such large scale conversions will bring about temporary dislocations and provision for such temporary periods of unemployment should be taken care of by Unemployment Insurance.

The responsibility for seeing that there is no unemployment in Canada in the post-war period lies with Government, Management and Labor.

Security in the post-war world can be realized only if on an International rather than a National basis. Therefore, it becomes necessary that all possible assistance be given the people of the war torn countries in their work of rehabilitation. This, in part, is already begun through the work of the United Nations Relief Rehabilitation Administration. This assistance should be given without interference with the government these people choose to set up in their countries, providing such government are not of a fascist nature. Further, to facilitate the work of rehabilitation and to prevent future wars, we favour the setting up of some form of League of Nations with compulsory representation from all countries.

Organized labor has made a tremendous contribution to the winning of the war, and can make even greater contributions in the post-war period. This work could be greatly accelerated through the medium of regular conferences of representatives of the Trade Unions from all countries of the world.

To help achieve International Trade Union Unity, the following resolution was passed:

Whereas, the interchange of ideas, information re living standards, etc., between workers' educational groups throughout the world is at present limited, and

Whereas, such interchange could help the progress of both these groups and their countries,

Therefore, be it resolved that the W.E.A. prepare and make available lists of Trade Unions in as many countries as possible to encourage such interchange of correspondence.

It was further resolved to assist Trade Unions of recently liberated countries.

Machinists' Plan For Disabled Veterans

Old-established American trade unions are again blazing the way to assure adequate assistance and job security for the veterans of this war —particularly for those disabled in action.

For example, the International Association of Machinists, largest union in the A. F. of L., has put in motion a nation-wide programme to help rehabilitate disabled "vets" so they can obtain good-paying jobs.

Upon instructions from the Machinists's executive council, President Harvey W. Brown and Secretary-Treasurer E. C. Davison sent a circular to all of the union's more than 1800 local and district lodges, directing them to set up machinery to aid in the retraining of men injured on the firing lines. These lodges blanket continental United States, Canada, Newfoundland, Hawaii, Alaska and the Canal Zone.

Appropriate Leadership

It is considered peculiarly appropriate for the Machinists to take the lead in this movement, because the union has 700,000 members employed in nearly every industry in the land —large and small.

NEW BRAND

Mistress: "This food tastes terrible. Did you salt it?"

New Cook: "Yes'm, but I never used that brand before. It was called Epsom Salts."

Collective Bargaining

Industrial history shows that collective bargaining is the method by which progress is made in industrial relations. When representatives of management and workers meet for the purpose of making a contract covering conditions of employment, workers acquire status in the industry.. They put their time, workability, and personality into the industry under conditions which they themselves help to determine. Conferences with the management create a better understanding of industrial problems and definitely lead to more economical production and sales with increased output which makes it possible for the company to pay higher wages. These conferences help management to understand the workers who handle their tools and use their machinery. Collective bargaining naturally leads to co-operation between union and management in working out industrial problems for mutual benefit.

The American Federation of Labor and the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada has a constructive program which guarantees fundamental rights to workers and provides for the settlement of industrial problems. Through this program which enables workers to participate in problems of their work and to share in the results of that work, they seek a real partnership in the industry of which they are a vital part. The union gives workers an agency with the necessary independence and scope to enable them to keep pace with progress in the indunstry and the community and thus provide a substantial foundation for continued prosperity.

The American Federation of Labor and the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada are truly democratic organizations. Opportunity is provided for all to present their contentions before decisions are made affecting policy, but when that decision is made by the majority it becomes the law of the whole organization unless subsequently reversed. Our form of organization is not rigid. There is a place for all within its folds. We have craft unions and we have industrial unions and the form of organization which a new national or international shall take is conditioned by the needs of the workers within that particular organization.

The American Federation of Labor and the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada has completed more than sixty years of service to wage earners and industry and has contributed substantially to national progress. It has virility and effectiveness that assure continued and devoted service to human advancement and welfare.

W. D. Wilson, Organizer
American Federation of Labor
Vancouver, B. C.

Local Delegates To Congress Convention

The following are delegates from local unions or local officers of International Unions, who are attending the Sixtieth Annual Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, to be held in Toronto the week commencing October 23rd.

R. Osman, Business Agent; A. T. Dyer, Vice-President, Machinists' Lodge 692.

H. Leslie, Secretary, Motion Picture Projectionists.

T. Dunlop, President, C. M. Stewart, Business Manager, F. E. Griffin, Financial Secretary, R. K. Gervin, 1st Vice-President, Street Railwaymen, Division 101, Secretary-Treasurer of the Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council.

J. Stevenson, Business Agent, Carpenters' Local 452.

J. Barton, Recording Secretary, R. Watson, Executive Board member, Plumbers' and Steamfitters' Local No. 170.

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Alex. Gordon, Secretary, Fish Cannery Workers and Reduction Plant Workers, Local 89.

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International Officers

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W. Page, General Representative, United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America.

J. McMillan, General Representative, International Association of Machinists.

A. J. Crawford, International Vice-President, representing Local 280, Sheet Metal Workers.

NEW TRADES COUNCIL ORGANIZED NORTH OF 53

A new Trades and Labor Council has been organized by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada in Fort Fort, to be known as "North Trades and Labor Council". Brother Thomas Ward was elected president of the council recently when delegates from six local unions met to elect a slate of officers.

Dorothy: "Next to a handsome soldier, what do you consider the most interesting thing in the world?"

Mary: "When I'm with a handsome soldier, I don't bother about statistics."

TRUE STORIES OF CANADIAN WAR HEROES

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ANNIHILATION AT 300 YARDS

In some of the fastest shooting ever done by naval or tank crews since the beginning of armored warfare, four Canadians shattered five German Panther tanks in one minute on D-Day . . . June 6.

Led by Lieut. Gordon Henry of Montreal, this crew included Archie Chapman, St. Johns, Quebec; Tom Reeves, Toronto; and Lloyd Seaman, Owen Sound.

Under a salvo of long range shells, their squadron splashed ashore two hours after the first Commando assault and moved a mile inland.

At that moment it was touch-and-go on the sands.

If the Nazis attacked with armor now, it was up to Lieut. Henry, and others like him, to cripple that attack. Otherwise, brave Canadian foot soldiers would be killed . . . perhaps pushed into the sea.

And the Nazis did attack!

Hiding in low willows, Henry watched the German Panthers rush forward through the sands.

By radio he quietly told his own gunners, and those in other tanks, to hold their fire. They could have shot, with accuracy, at a mile. Instead, they waited until the Germans were 300 yards away, then shattered the enemy leader with one terrific salvo.

The next salvo blew a tank to pieces, and within one minute of the first red hot shell, six tanks . . . the entire enemy formation . . . had been blown to pieces. Lieut. Henry's crew got five of the six. There were no survivors.

Then Henry and his Panther-killers rumbled forward and got three more Panthers within the next hour.

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The Los Angeles Building Trades Council, covering over 50,000 A. F. of L. members, has passed a resolution setting October 20th as A. F. of L. Construction Industry Day, when members of the construction trades unions will donate one day's pay to the Los Angeles War Chest.

Rehabilitation

(R. K. Gervin, Secretary Trades and Labor Council)

Rehabilitation is a word we hear used a great deal of late. In fact, I believe that it has been on everyone's mind a good deal for the past four years or so. In Canada the Trades Congress, almost all Trades Councils, local unions, public bodies, City Councils, Provincial Governments, as well as the Federal Government have set up rehabilitation committees. Reports have been handed down and in no case was there a report that did not contain some valuable practical lead or recommendation upon which our Government could act to advantage.

When I speak of the rehabilitation of the workers, I mean first, the men and women of the armed forces and secondly the men and women who have been employed in war industries. They are all one. They are all fighting this war together, depending one upon the other and must meet the fight for the peace together, or the fight will be lost for all. We must not under any circumstances allow that line which some seek to draw between the men who have fought on the battlefronts and those who have fought on the home front. Only by joining all forces and obtaining security for all can there be real peace and a real victory.

There are some quaint ideas being set afloat at present on rehabilitation. Ideas such as reinstatement in their former position. Good if they had one. Vocational Training — this is also good if there is a job waiting for them when they have completed their training. Of course, too, there is the Veterans' Land Act which provides among other things establishment on land for a full time farmer. Enough said. This Act also provides for urban and other workers desiring small homes near their employment. Fine for those who have employment, but unfortunately the thing that is sadly lacking in any plan the Government has put forward to date is employment, nor has the Government to my knowledge made any plan or endeavor to provide that employment. Among the many suggestions put forward by Labor to meet the employment situation after the war, were shorter hours, shorter work week, annual holidays with pay for all workers, Pensions for all at the age of 60, free education for all from the primary to University, clearing of slums, installation of sewers, building of roads, matters that could be put in operation simply and speedily; yet, so far as we can find out, no plans have been made to put any of these suggestions in operation.

According to Webster's, to rehabilitate means to restore to former condition or status, and seemingly that is just what our Government intends to do. Restore us to the conditions of the hungry thirties. That is, of course, if we allow them to do so.

Labor should insist that the Government set up an honest to goodness employment committee to see to it that there is work for those who have been rehabilitated and those who are ready for work without rehabilitation. The time has come for the powers to state their intention—not on rehabilitation — but on employment after the war.

There Are No Buts In This Fund

There are no buts, — or ifs — about this Fund. We are still going strong and we hope to continue that way. We have now touched the 1,267,500 mark! This number of cigarettes have been sent to members of the Armed Forces all over the world, to wounded soldiers in hospitals on four continents, and to prisoners of war on Continental Europe through the Canadian Red Cross Society.

We want to continue this good work and on August 21st we sent out, through our Publicity Department, another appeal to all affiliated Trades and Labor Councils in Canada, asking them to again bring up the matter of donations at their regular metings and to persuade each affiliated local union to put their shoulders behind the wheel and see that this Fund goes over the top before the end of the year. We set our goal at $10,000, which means 4,000,000 cigarettes! That seems like a lot of money, but remember that if every affiliated organization in Canada came through with a $1 donation, we would have no difficulty in reaching our objective. $1 guarantees 300 cigarettes, $100 guarantees 30,000!

As pointed out in our recent circular letter, if everyone in the Trade Union Movement could read the letters of apreciation which are pouring into this office from the men on the battlefields, prisoners of war and wounded soldiers in hospitals, they would realize how much these cigarettes are appreciated.

Since going to press with our last issue we have received an acknowledgement card from a young Lieutenant, formerly a member of the Vancouver Local of the Amalgamated Association of Street, Electric Railway and Motor Coach Employees, which needs no elaboration:

"Dear Sirs and Brothers:

Thanks very much for this splendid gift. It was really greatly appreciated and as I am about to move to where some action is really taking place I am most thankful for these. I was down to near my last. I hope soon to return and assist once again in the work you are carrying on."

The Congress Cigarette Fund is registered under the War Charities Act and all cheques should be made payable to J. A. Sullivan, Secretary-Treasurer of The Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, 172 McLaren Street, Ottawa, Ontario. All contributions will be immediately acknowledged. Act now!

—Congress Journal.

The Allied Freighter Incident

An Allied freighter was stopped off the Pacific Seaboard by a Japanese submarine and boarded by Japanese sailors. Two Allied officers were asked for by name and taken off. The ship was torpedoed. Other ships in the area at the same time were allowed to go their way.

How did they know?

Enemy agents ashore obviously had been in contact with the submarine. These agents must have received inside information; someone had talked. This should be a warning to all of us to watch every word we say, for enemy agents are everywhere.

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Local Electricians Go To Electronic School

Vancouver Local No. 213, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers will send two of its members for a six weeks study course in Electronics who, in turn, may instruct members of the local union. D. W. Kells and W. J. Halliday have been elected to attend the term which opens April 2, 1945.

The I. B. E. W. electronic school's first term will open Monday, November 13, at the Engineering College, Marquette University, Milwaukee. The quota for this course is already filled, and other classes are rapidly filling up. The response from local unions has been strong and enthusiastic.

Organized Labor Awake

William F. Patterson, Director of Apprentice-Training Service of the Federal Government, recently made a speech at Madison, Wisconsin, in which he said:

"That organized labor is aware of the need and importance of ever improving the knowledge and skill of its workers, is well exemplified by the recent decision of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers to establish a training centre in electronics at Marquette University. At this training centre, representatives from the various locals will take an intensive six weeks course in electronics theory and practice.

"The purpose is twofold: to train the journeyman to go out and instill and maintain electronic machines of the more common types, and to fit the journeyman to become an instructor so that he may in turn instruct members of his own local. The International Office has requested that each local plan to train a class in electronics practices, and it is hoped that in this way more than 25,000 Electrical Workers will have their skills upgraded to include basic knowledge of this new field which has developed so rapidly under the pressure of wartime necessity. Large industrial producers of electronics equipment are co-operating in this programme.

"We believe it is highly significant that the Electrical Workers should have undertaken this highly advanced form of upgrading programme for its members. Their organization always has been in the forefront of the movement for better apprenticeship and trade educational programmes. They have seen the threat to the craft in any failure to keep abreast of modern industrial advances. No more farsighted statement on the part of any industrial leader could be imagined than that from President Brown of the I. B. E. W. in announcing this new electronic project. I want to read you part of his message. I quote:

"'In view of the fact that the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers has the majority of skilled men in the electrical industry, the industry must look to the union for trained men in the electronics field. Electronics electricity is an advanced branch of the electrical industry. It is but natural that skilled mechanics already engaged in utility, maintenance, railroad, radio and electrical installation will furnish the best type of workmen to enter and train members in the new field of electronics'."

Canada Year Book 1943-44 Edition Ready

The 1943-44 edition of the Canada Year Book, published by authorization of the Hon. James A. MacKinnon, M.P., Minister of Trade and Commerce, is announced by the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

On grounds of wartime economy, the 1943 edition of the Year Book was not published and the present volume has therefore been planned to cover developments over a two-year period, perhaps more important from the standpoint of the changes in our internal economy than any other like period in the Dominion's history. The problem of including all necessary new material and at the same time keeping the volume down to convenient limits has not been an easy one to solve and, wherever possible, space has had to be saved by reference to earlier editions for standard material.

The Canada Year Book is the official statistical annual of the country and contains a thoroughly up-to-date account of the natural resources of the Dominion and their development, the history of the country, its institutions, its demography, the different branches of production, trade, transportation, finance, education, etc.—in brief, a comprehensive study within the limits of a single volume of the social an deconomic conditions of the Dominion.

Recent studies have stimulated the public discussion of questions concerning Social Welfare and the Post-War Rehabilitation of Personnel from the Armed Forces to a point where it has been thought desirable to introduce two new chapters—Welfare Services and Post-War Reconstruction and the Rehabilitation of Ex-Service Personnel. These chapters bring together the work Canada is already doing in these fields under new chapter headings wherein it is related to the investigations that have been carried on and that point the way to future developments.

The need for wartime economy expresses itself in this volume as compared with recent editions, and also in the accomplishment of having kept the edition down to within 1200 pages although it covers a two-year period crowded with events of great significance.

The Canada Year Book (Cloth-Bound Edition) is held for sale by the King's Printer, Ottawa, at $2.00 a copy.

Remittance should be made by money order, postal note or accepted cheque payable to the Receiver General of Canada.

By a special concession, a limited number of paper-bound copies have been set aside for ministers of religion, bona fide students and school teachers, who may obtain such copies at the nominal price of $1.00 each. Application with remittance for these special copies must be forwarded to the Dominion Statistician, Dominion Bureau of Statistics, Ottawa.

Population Lost By Five Provinces

All increase and new shifts in Canada's population are shown on the basis of distribution of the most recent ration books.

On April 1, the population was estimated at 11,927,000. This represents an increase of 438,000, compared with June 1, 1941, when the nation's decennial census was taken, according to the Dominion Bureau of Statistics.

British Columbia Increases 90,000

In the intervening three-year period, the province of British Columbia registered the biggest gain, bringing its new figure up to 930,000, an increase of 90,000. Ontario, at 3,945,000, was higher by 58,000.

The heaviest sufferer in population was the prairie province of Saskatchewan, where a loss of 86,000 was recorded, with the new figure at 844,000. Aside from enlistments in the armed forces, the drop is attributed to many of Saskatchewan's workers coming east to work in war plants.

Nova Scotia's population at 610,000 was up 8000. But all the other five provinces, including Quebec, registered decreases. With decreases in brackets, the new population figures are: Prince Edward Island 91,000)7,000); New Brunswick, 460,000 (19,000); Quebec, 3,942,000 (11,000); Manitoba, 730,000 (25,000), and Alberta, 815,000 (15,000).

UNION PAINTERS AID RELIEF

New York City.—In keeping with a 3-year-old custom, the 10,000 members of District 9, Brotherhood of Painters, Decorators and Paperhangers of America, worked for the Red Cross and 24 other war relief and charitable organizations, September 30th.

The members turned over a day's pay for the use of he charitable societies and preliminary tabulation showed contributions of close to $8,000.

Louis Weinstock, secretary-treasurer of the district council, said that the final count was expected to exceed $05,000.

STEWART WINS D.F.C.

Joseph Stewart, 26-year-old son of Charles Stewart, Vancouver Street Railwaymen business agent, has been decorated with the Distinguished Flying Cross for heroism.

He was formerly a shop steward in a local union of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers' Union.

INVEST FOR VICTORY

In 1943, over 2½ billions of dollars were realized through the sale of Canada's Victory Bonds. Citizens dug deeply, but when the year ended they still had more money on deposit in the banks than before. The objective of the 7th Loan is $1.3 billions. Let's go well over the top.

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Antonini Leaves For Italy

Washington, D. C.—Luigi Antonini, Vice-President of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, has left by Army plane for Italy where he will represent the American Federation of Labor in attempts to re-establish the free trade union movement of that country.

Mr. Antonini will take part in a joint mission with representatives of the British Trades Union Congress to confer with Italian labor officials, discover ther needs and report back what steps the American Federation of Labor can take to assist the labor movement of Italy.

The first moves, it is expected, will be to divest the Italian unions of any and all traces of fascism imposed upon them by Mussolini's regime.

Time Loss Less Than 1943

The Federal Labor Department says the time lost through strikes and lockouts was 41.8 per cent less in the first eight months of this year than for the same period of 1943.

Approximately 87 per cent of the total time lost during August was due to two work stoppages—the Montreal tramways strike and a strike of shipyard workers at Halifax and Dartmouth, N. S.—which involved 45 per cent of all the workers who took part in strikes during the month.

INVEST IN VICTORY
BUY VICTORY BONDS

New Business Agent For Iron Workers

Structural Steel Workers' Local 97 reports the resignation of Bro. Robert McDonald as Financial Secretary and Business Agent. At a special meeting, Bro. Ernest G. Cook was elected to take over his duties.

Our members at present are all busy, most of them are working at the remodelling of the Sorg Pulp Mill Co.'s plant at Port Mellon.

Work also has started on the 40-ton steel stiff leg derrick now being erected for the National Harbour Board at LaPoint Pier.

E. G. Cook,
Secty. Local 97.

Edmunds Cannery Signs Union Agreement

Final settlement of negotiations between Edmunds & Walker and the Fish Cannery, Reduction Plant and Allied Workers' Union was reached with the signing of a union agreement covering employees in both Vancouver and New Westminster.

The agreement provides for the first time with any major company in the fishing industry, the principle of time-and-one-half for all hours in excess of nine daily or 48 in a six-day week. This concession will serve as a stabilising factor between conditions in the Vancouver and New Westminster plants.

MILL WORKERS' UNIONS MAY AMALGAMATE

Delegates to the twentieth convention of the International Brotherhood of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers (A. F. of L.) approved the holding of a referendum among members of the two A. F. of L. unions in the paper industry regarding amalgamation into a single union.

The other paper union is the International Brotherhood of Paper Makers. Their combined membership is more than 105,000.

Automotive Workers Charter Installed

On October 11th the charter for the Vancouver Auto Workers' Union, Lodge No. 1857, International Association of Machinists, was installed. The chairman of the meeting was Brother J. McMillan, Grand Lodge Representative of the I.A.M. Brother J. Duncan, Grand Lodge Representative of the State of Washington, was present and handled the installation. Brother A. J. Wybrew, District Lodge Business Agent, obligated the elected officers and did the secretarial work for the night.

The Tellers for the election were Brothers R. K. Gervin, Secretary of Trades Council, W. Wilson, A. F. of L. organizer, C. E. Herrett, chairman of Trades Council Organizing Committee, and Dick Oeman, Business Agent of Machinists' Lodge No. 692.

The officers elected are as follows: President, S. Harton; Vice-President, E. A. Giroux; Recording Secretary, J. W. Corbett; Financial Secretary, L. E. Butler; Treasurer, P. Baggs; Conductor, N. Hall; Sentinel, J. Rodie; Trustees: N. Archibald, M. Muir, H. F. Jamieson.

It is the aim and intentions of this lodge to organize all auto workers in the Vancouver area, says A. J. Wybrew, Organizer, and we hope to spread the organization to the New Westminster shops. This is the climax of a long struggle in the industry, he said, and the claim made by all is thatt he lodge is here to stay. Any support that can be extended by the various lodges, unions or any members will be sincerely appreciated.

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COUNCIL ENDORES W.E.A. HOME PROJECT

Endorsation was given by the Trades Council to the "Lifetime Home Project" of the Workers' Educational Association, who are conducting a house raffle in Vancouver for the purpose of raising money to establish an Educational and Labor Information Centre in Vancouver. The W.E.A. will send speakers to union meetings to discuss the project and the Council suggests that unions allow the W.E.A. representative a few minutes to address the members.

BRITISH TO BUILD MANY NEW HOMES

London, England.—As part of its reconversion programme, the British government proposes to build 4,000,000 modern homes in bomb-ravaged England within 12 years after the shooting stops.

In making the announcement, Thomas Johnston, secretary of state for Scotland, said that applications are on hand for the construction of 221,000 temporary houses.

The vast new cafeteria recently opened by the Boeing Aircraft Company near Seattle, Washington, which cost a minimum of $650,000, seats 1600 persons at one time and is to be operated with a force of from 450 to 500 union employees.

Steamfitters Start Training School

Realizing the great amount of building and construction work that will take place after Victory is won, the Plumbers and Steamfitters Union No. 170 has joined wholeheartedly with the Construction Apprentice Training Committee of B. C. which was set up by the Federal Government, with a signed agreement with the Provincial Government, says Frank Carlisle, Business Agent of the Plumbers' Union.

Previous to the outbreak of the war, very few young men and boys had the opportunity to learn a trade, but since the war a large number have been taken into the trade, and on account of the emergency, many have only received part training and specialized in a limited part of the trade.

Now there is a Steamfitters' school in operation and an advanced plumbing school will be starting at the end of this month. These schools are operating under qualified union mechanics.

Apprentices will be placed with any of the twenty-five firms signed up with the union, if they desire apprentices.

Woman's Auxiliary For Painters' Union

Painters' Union No. 138 has authorized the purchase of another $1000 Victory Bond. All members are working and painters are still needed on construction and shipyard work.

The union has appointed a committee to organize a Blood Donation Bank, in order that all donators might go on the same evening.

An effort is also going to be made to form a Woman's Auxiliary to the Painters' Union.

P. Weston was sent by the union to the Holidays with Pay Conference in Victoria for Shipyard Unions.

Business Agent Jack Eaves has been sent to Toronto to the Trades and Labor Congress Convention.

Calgary Trades Council In Organizing Drive

Calgary.—It is better that a World Trade Union Congress should not be held until the workers of the liberated countries have had an opportunity to choose their own representatives to attend it. This was the position set forth in a letter from President Bengough of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada in reply to one from the Calgary Trades Council recommending action to have such a World Congress called. President Bengough pointed out that workers in the occupied or newly liberated countries were not yet in a position to do this, but he anticipated that a World Congress would be called soon after the close of the war.

Organization Work

Questions of organization figured largely in the meeting, and a plan was submitted by the president, J. C. Watson, for spreading this work more widely among members of the Council. It was agreed that the plan should be discussed at a special called meeting in the Labor Temple.

The Dairy Workers Union has been negotiating for a closed shop in Calgary dairies, and has now applied for a conciliation commissioner to handle the matter, the Dairy Workers delegates reported.

Ten-Year Post-War Plan Is Considered

Ontario is working on a 10-year plan aimed at maintaining the province's economy at a level, instead of "raising it high through a boom and then lowering it during a depression."

Addressing a meeting here, Dr. R. B. Langford, director of the Ontario Department of Planning and Development, made this announcement. The 10-year plan, he said, would require the full support of the people of the province and the most careful planning was essential now if the democratic way of life is to survive.

Unemployment, slums, underprivileged children and "conditions which made it impossible for some people to take needed hospital treatment for lack of funds" now are as much a part of the Canadian way of life as the "Four Freedoms" and "are some of the things we are trying to get rid of in this new government department," he said.

He added: "I question if our democratic institutions could take another beating like the one they've now had to take."

VIOLATION OF PICKETING INJUNCTION HELD INVALID

Victory has rewarded the efforts of the Los Angeles Building Trades Council after six years when Judge Emmet H. Wilson on August 21, 1944. handed down a decision refusing to hold for contempt members and representatives of the Los Angeles Building Trades Council for violation of an injunction against picketing issued in 1938. The effect of the decision was to declare the judgment against picketing to be in excess of the jurisdiction of the Superior Court. The other party involved was the Fred R. Cooper Company. Representing the union were Arthur Garrett and Clarence E. Todd. After an elaborate legal argument, and presentation of authorities, Judge Wilson decided that an injunction against peaceful picketing has no validity in California, regardless of the time when issued and regardless of whether an appeal was taken or whether motions to set aside the injunction have been denied. Judge Wilson holds that such an injunction is void from the beginning and that nothing can ever make it valid.

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