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Firefighters In 48-Hr. Week Demand

Efforts of the professional firefighters of the Province of British Columbia to reduce the present 60-hour week to a 48-hour week as a post-war measure, has again hit a snag. Efforts to amend the Act has been made over a period of years by the firefighters unions of the province and last year they were successful in getting the endorsation of the convention of the B. C. Municipalities. It was endorsed by the resolutions committee and later by the convention without a dissenting vote.

Now it appears, that when the amendment to the Act was before the Provincial legislation, opposition from some small municipalities again developed, and the firefighters have had to make special trips to Victoria to support the amendment.

Information has been given to the Labor week by the Trades and Labor Council, and President Showler and Secretary Gervin, supported the firefighters before the cabinet last week. Other organizations and unions as well as servicemen's associations have endorsed the firefighters 48-hour week, and the amendment to the Act proposing that it go into effect one year after the ending of the war, should receive the full approval of the legislature.

In Alberta referendums on the question have been authorized by the provincial government, and the Calgary and Edmonton electors have already endorsed it by referendum. Members of the Lethbridge City Council have also endorsed it and other cities are falling into line.

Toronto, Hamilton and London, Ontario, will put the plan into effect after the war, and over in the United States the plan is already in effect in some cities and is being dealt with by many others.

Telegraphers' Union Affiliates With Council

Following an address given by General Secretary R. K. Gervin, to the members of Canadian Pacific System Division No. 1 of the Commercial Telegraphers' Union, the union applied for affiliation with the Vancouver, New Westminster and District Trades and Labor Council, and were accepted by the delegates. This adds 36 members to the Council and makes a total of 98 affiliations.

Fishermen and Shore Workers Amalgamate

The United Fishermen's Union and the Fish Cannery and Reduction Plant Workers' Union have amalgamated after a convention called for that purpose had endorsed the move.

The new union, which will embrace more than five thousand workers, will be known as the United Fishermen and Allied Workers' Union. The new president will be George Miller, secretary of the United Fishermen's Union and active in the movement for the past fifteen years. William Rigby was elected secretary - treasurer, having been business manager of the United Fishermen's Union. Other officers are: Alex Gordon, business agent; George Cloppin, first vice-president; Bill Burgess, second vice-president.

Bill Showler installed the new charter of the union during the convention proceedings, which lasted seven days.

PLUMBERS AND STEAMFITTERS ELECT OFFICERS FOR TERM

Balloting on officers for Plumbers and Steamfitters Union, Local No. 1170, took place this month with the following being elected, some by acclamation and others in a lively contest:

President, J. Dillabough (acclamation); vice-pres., C. Moullin; treasurer, T. G. Atherton (acclamation); rec. sec., E. MacWilliam; business agent and fin. sec., Archie Matthieson; business agent, Frank Carlisle; executive, J. R. Barton, E. A. Smith, R. Watson, D. Sullivan; inside guard, W. Cook.

Cheerfulness keeps up a kind of daylight in the mind, filling it with a steady and perpetual serenity.—Addison.

City Forms Advisory Building Committee

Following complaints from the Building Trades Council and the Trades and Labor Council, that the City Council should amend its Building Bylaws so as to give the City and prospective home builders some control over the quality of materials and workmanship used in house building, the City Council has authorized the formation of an Advisory Building Committee, consisting of representatives of the City Council and various organizations interested in building, housing and kindred subjects.

Alderman H. L. Corey has been made chairman of this committee and he invited the Trades and Labor Council to send a representative to the Committee. J. Stevenson, president of the Building Trades Council was appointed by the executive.

TLC Political Action Committee Reports

The Political Action Committee of the Trades and Labor Council made its first report to the Council on Tuesday and it was endorsed. The committee recommended political action on matters of interest to the affiliated membership, without affiliating the council to any political party, without binding ourselves to support the candidates of any particular political party, or in any way restricting the rights of any union member to individually adhere to the political party of his choice.

The committee recommended to the local unions that they actually participate in the political life of the *community, province or dominion.*

Affiliated unions are urged to set up committees to submit matters of local union interest, to the Political Action Committee. Local union committees *should forward this matter* to the PAC as early as possible, whenever completed.

Trades Council Notes

A communication from the "May Day Continuation Committee" inviting the Trades and Labor Council to send delegates to a meeting for the *purpose or organizing* a May Day celebration, was endorsed by a vote of 63 to 61, after the executive had recommended that it be received and filed. Delegates W. E. Wear and E. Cormack were *elected to attend.*

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An invitation to the Trades and Labor Council to affiliate with the "Union Label Trades, Shop Card and Service Button Department of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, was *endorsed* and the Council will affiliate.

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Endorsation was given to the campaign for "Prisoners of War Parcels" in the plan to raise $50,000 by the sale of $1.00 tickets among union members. The ticket also entitles the purchaser to a chance in the drawing of 28 prizes, ranging from a $2500 victory bond to a tow-wagon, all the prizes having been donated.

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Secretary Gervin reported interview with cabinet on behalf of and in conjunction with the Electrical Workers' Union in an effort to amend the proposed "Electric Power Act", and the Fire-Fighters' "Hours of Labor Act".

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Delegate Oates of the Vancouver Secondary Teachers' Association distributed a Brief of the B. C. Teachers' Federation, and urged all delegates to study it and give every assistance to the teachers, who have 2200 members in British Columbia affiliated with the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

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Resignation of Delegate Irving as chairman of the Press Committee was accepted with regret. Nominations to fill the vacancy were: T. Parkin, R. McCulloch, E. Cormack, W. Rigby.

SHINGLE WEAVERS ARE BEING ORGANIZED

J. W. Clute has been appointed organizer by the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, to organize the Shingle Weavers in this district. He has had very good success to date and a large meeting is planned for Sunday in the Labor Headquarters at 8 p.m.

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Plans Made For Labor Day Sports

A Labor Day Sports and Basket Picnic is being planned by a Committee of the Trades and Labor Council. Start is being made this early because the committee has decided to make everything free at the park, and they feel that a monthly donation by the unions for six months will provide for this, and avoid having to beg for prizes and refreshments from business firms.

The picnic and sports will take place at Brocton Point, and each of the unions participating in the donations, will be provided with free tickets, containing refreshment, ice cream, candy, etc. stubs, which can be sent to each of the members of the union.

There will be other innovations which will confine the sports and prizes to union people, and many contests between union teams. Suggestions from local unions or members will be welcomed by the committee, in order to make the event as enjoyable and harmonious as possible.

Unions with a membership up to 200 will be asked to donate $1 per month, up to 300 members, $2.00; to 400, $3.00; to 600, $4.00; and over 600, $5.00 per month. Local unions can pay for the six months in advance if they so desire, some unions already having done that.

Further communications relative to sports will be sent to unions at a later date.

Use Union Labor On That Shingling Job

Members of organized labor are warned by the Shinglers' Union that a lot of unqualified labor is being used on shingling jobs in this district. If patent or cedar shingling is not done right, it is going to produce trouble in some other parts of the house.

There are several firms who are dabbling in the shingling and roofing trade, and they are picking up casual labor to do it, because a good shingler can always get the union wage scale from any of the union firms who are shingling contractors.

The "Union shingler" has a distinctive Union Shinglers' Button and has a "Union Job" sign that can be put on the house, but if you want to make sure about getting union men to do the job, phone J. A. Glittenmeister, EAgview 0614-R, and he will supply you with a list of union firms. Address is 2535 West Second Avenue.

Building Trades Are Busily Employed

Unions affiliated with the Vancouver Building Trades Council report all members working and a shortage in some instances.

The proposals of the Advisory Committee on Apprenticeship and Rehabilitation of Ex-Service Men in the Building Trades has been completed and forwarded to Ottawa for approval. This was drawn up by the unions in conjunction with the General Contractors Association and the Building and Construction Industries Exchange, and also provincial and federal government apprenticeship and training officials.

Four more contractors have been signed up by the Building Trades Council. They are: S. D. Buzzelle, The D. L. Construction Co., Christen and Smith, and J. T. Berg.

The annual banquet of the Council is ready for March 31st in the Georgia Hotel.

SHOE COMPANY ADOPTS "NO UNION LABEL" PLAN

One of our union members, Colin C. Lamb, who took advantage of a suggestion made in this paper, to write to Eastern shoe companies to find out why the firms were not putting the union label on their shoes, had a reply from the Eagle Shoe Co. This company manufactures the "Strider" shoes and in their reply to him they state, "We have discontinued the use of the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union label, after having been connected with the union for over 20 years, and, frankly, we cannot tell you whether we will go back to it or not, as we do not know ourselves just how the system we are now working on will plan out. There is one thing, however, that we are interested in and that is in paying the highest wages possible in the industry."

We are not informed as to what "system" they are working out, but we have a speaking idea that the Canadian Manufacturers' Association has a finger in the situation. If we get any further information on the subject we will publish it. They may be paying the highest wages now because of the labor shortage, but probably the "plan" is a preparation for an attack on those wages later.

Unions Are Primary Agents of Democracy

In Colonial days, workers were fined by appointees of the British Crown for asking for higher wages. Following the adoption of the Constitution, although industries expanded and labor was scarce, employers pursued a policy of low wages. Due to lack of organization, workers were unable to better their conditions. Wages for common labor were less than $4.00 per week, and the work day was from daylight to dark.

The first strike to occur in America was in 1786, when the printers in Philadelphia went on strike over an attempt to reduce their wages below $6.00 per week. The struggle for a twelvehour day, however, marked the real beginning or organized labor in this country.

In 1791, the carpenters went on strike again in Philadelphia, for a work day that would "Commence at six o'clock in the morning, and terminate at six o'clock in the evening." The complained that they had toiled from daylight to dark for wages which "are meanly attempted to be reduced to a still lower ebb, by every means within the power of avarice to invent," that they had to toil through the "whole course of the longest summer's day without even the consolation of having our labor sweetened by the reviving hope of an immediate reward."

Since those early days, organized labor has struggled valiantly to better the lot of the common man, and has championed many a worthy cause. No one can seriously read the history of labor unions without concluding that they are truly the essence of democracy.

Labor unions have brought about a shorter work day for workers, thereby giving them an opportunity for recreation, for educational and cultural advancement. They have raised the standard of living for the workers, which has resulted in a greater dignity and self-respect. To quote from the report of the Department of Social Education and Action of the Board of Christian Education on "The Church and Industrial Relations:"

"Labor unions have been instrumental in achieving a higher standard of living and in improving working conditions. They have helped to obtain safety and health measures against occupational risk; to achieve a larger degree of protection against child labor; to relieve the disabled, the sick, the unemployed; and to gain a more equitable share in the value of what they produce. These and other gains which labor unions have done much to win have reached far beyond their own membership and have benefitted those who have not shared in the activity."

Arthur Best, labor unions have been a primary agent of democracy. Democracy in industry is something other than benevolent paternalism. It concerns the independent status of the individual worker in relation to his employer. The alone union helps to lift this status into the framework of democracy when representatives of labor's own choosing meet with representatives of employers' own choosing in reference to matters of mutual concern.

We come now to the outbreak of the war and labor's "no-strike" pledge. For the most part, labor has kept that pledge. There are, however, instances of bad faith. Leaders of industry also pledged its full support of the war effort. For the most part, industry has kept that pledge. There are, however, instances of bad faith, such as attempts to slip over inferior materials and other, perhaps, less known ways.

It appears to labor that its sins must be better subject matter for newspaper publishers, than are those of industry. For while the sins of industry are more often relegated to the back pages, those of labor are proclaimed in great, black, eye-arresting headlines. One wonders at times, if this is a deliberate editorial policy, or if there really is a difference in news value.

The Terrible Truth

We had seen so many now of the forced laborers whom the Germans had held in slavery. The process of partly restoring Europe's populations has begun. I have now met Russians, Ukrainians, Poles, Czechoslovaks, Belgians, Dutch, and French.

The only one you never see released from the clutches of the Germans are Jews. Never any Jews.

They vanished—where?

I think we know the answer.

There is a German soap factory in Rheydtt. One of the soldiers picked up a cake of soap from a box that had been appropriated from the factory. He was about to wash himself. He held it in his hand and said jokingly, "I wonder what this German is——made this of?"

Another soldier was standing nearby.

"My relatives may be part of that cake of soap," he said.

He looked sharply at him and remembered he was a Jew.

No one said anything about the soap after that.—Max Lerner in PM, New York.

LABOR MINISTER SAYS ANTI-UNION EMPLOYERS ARE VERY STUPID

George Pearson Gets Riled Over Opposition of Many Employers To Organized Labor — Employers Wax Fat on Productivity of Labor — Business Grows on Purchasing Power of Labor

"I'VE BEEN HEARTBROKEN AT TIMES the way some employers take an obstinate and stupid attitude in opposing the right of every employee to stand up for himself," said Labor Minister George Pearson in the Provincial Legislature this week. He further stated that "many employers are simply stupid in refusing to allow the check-off system of collecting union dues and equally stupid in opposing maintenance of membership through the closed shop."

Undoubtedly Labor Minister Geo. Pearson has been aware of this "stupid opposition" of employers against organized labor for a long, long time, but he has never dared say it in public. One more crack like that out of him and he will find himself outside of the cabinet and maybe outside of the House. While we applaud him for the statement, which is one of the truest he ever made, we must keep our eyes open for the "gauging up" on him that will take place in the house and at election time. Employers—especially the big shots—don't like to be called stupid in their attitude towards organized labor, but we don't think that George could have used a better word. Its not an ugly word, but it certainly fits a great many of our alleged "business leaders".

They all thrive on the productivity of labor, they wax fat on the purchasing power of labor, they live in the greatest of luxury that labor can produce and yet they go around spurning and maligning labor every day of the week. Never before in the history of labor was the purchasing power of labor so great, the productivity of labor so voluminous, and the need and desire for the good and beautiful things of this life so apparentant. And all these things add to the profits of those who own and control the machinery of wealth production. Every dollar spent by labor adds to the profits of business, yet businessmen howl about "high wages". Isn't that "stupid"? Every machine built to increase productivity adds to the "Dividends" of the owners of the machine. Yet these owners don't want to pay more to the man who attends the machine that has displaced many other workers. Isn't that "Stupid"? Every factory owner is busy producing good and beautiful things in his factory for labor and other people to purchase and yet he howls about the higher wages asked for by his employees. Isn't that "Stupid"?

Labor today is out on a big buying spree. They are buying good homes, good furniture, good labor saving appliances for their own homes, good clothes and good food. And they are doing this because they are getting what is generally termed "High Wages" by anti-union employers; and they are able to do it because during the war effort they have had full employment. Yet these self-same owners of the machinery of wealth production are gleefully looking forward to the time when there will be long lines of unemployed, who can be used to batter down wage scales. And isn't that "stupid"?

The Labor Minister, however, may be wasting his words on the present ilk of businessmen. Most of them will have to die off and be replaced by a more intelligent group from the younger generation. But keep it up, George, because you may yet get under the hides as well as in the hair of these table-thumping, antiquated anti-union employers.

'Honors To Canadian Workers' --Army Public Relations Chief

Ottawa.—A recent visit to the battlefronts in Italy and Northwest Europe brought home to me conclusively, not only the fact that Canadian troops in all theatres are contributing their share and more than their share, to the successful development of the European campaign against a desperate and tough enemy, but that a large share of the honors for the successes so far achieved must go to the Canadian men and women who have turned out, and are turning out, the implements of war."

So spoke Colonel F. X. Jennings, Director of Public Relations (Army), on his recent return from the battlefields of Europe.

"On all sides," Jennings continued, "from friend and foe alike, I heard the highest commendation of the prowess and stout-heartedness of our fighting men and the excellence of the arms, ammunition, and vehicles with which they are supplied."

Transport, Some Festival

"Canada can take considerable credit for the placing of our transport in so high a position as an element of enemy defeat, for a great proportion of the vehicles seen on all fronts are the product of the skillful and efficient hand and brain of Canadian workers. The 'bren,' especially, has been a material factor in speeding up our advances and the Germans acknowledge that they have nothing comparable to it."

There is a widespread belief among enemy troops, Jennings reported, that Canadian artillery is "automatic." "That is a compliment indeed, not only to our gunners," said the Colonel, "but to the remarkable efficiency and accuracy of our guns, many of which come from Canadian plants."

"It must be a source of great satisfaction to all our Canadian workers to know that their products are doing so much to bring this war to a successful conclusion."

ON TIME!

The district supervisor had noticed employees struggling in late and so told the plant manager that in future all employees must be in the plant when the whistle blows.

A few weeks later the supervisor asked the manager how the plan was working out.

"Oh, fine," was the answer, "the last man in blows the whistle now!"

Niagara and Douglas Cafes Signed Up

Reporting to the Trades and Labor Council, Del. May Ansell of the Hotel and Restaurant Employees' Union, No. 28, stated that the Niagara and Douglas Cafes have been signed up. The Shelly Coffee shop has changed hands and the new operators are taking over the old agreement. The union is still having trouble with the Oyster Bar, but the union has been certified as the bargaining representative and further action is being taken. Organizing efforts are being continued in New Westminster with promising results, through the support of New Westminster officers and members of unions. The Pacific Cafe has been certified and three others are nearing completion.

Canadian Seamen Get Park Steamship Pact

Del. Sipes of the Canadian Seamen's Union reports that negotiations with the Park Steamships have been completed and is now before the National War Labor Board. Negotiations are also under way with the Union Oil Company and with Stone Bros. for an agreement, and certification is being applied for seamen working for the Vancouver Tug and Barge Co.

Aeronautical Workers Give $11,600 to Red X

In a one day drive to raise Red Cross donations in the Boeing plants, the shop stewards of the Aeronautical Workers' Union No. 756 raised $11,600 with loss of very little time, says Del. Finkin. The action of the union and success of the drive was complimented by the company and also by the Red Cross officials.

DOME SUBSCRIPTION!

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Clerk (handing him the box of strings): "Would you mind picking it out yourself? I'm a new 'and 'ere, and I can't tell the 'ees from the shees."

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LET'S TALK IT OVER

If it were possible to make every labor official a magician there would probably be enough results obtained to satisfy the rank and file of the trade union movement. It seems, however, that the rank and file are never able to quite grasp the setbacks and opposition union officials meet with in the battle for union wages and working conditions. There are so many things that enter into the negotiating of wages and working conditions that the rank and file would be surprised at the amount of work he has to do before the employer is persuaded to sign on the dotted line.

The same thing can be said of labor papers. It looks easy to do certain things, to build up circulations, to gather the news, to make the paper into a respectable sheet instead of a yellow, scarehead, propaganda banner. Union labor papers are noted for their short-lived existence, but like unions they are sometimes revived and carry on for a few years more until they peter out again for the lack of financial support.

It may be quite true that unions can get along without labor union papers. At least judging by the number of union labor papers in Canada it must be true. Toronto and Hamilton, Ontario, are the only two places in Canada where union papers covering all the unions have survived and these have not survived because of the support given them by the union members.

The Labor Statesman has been published continuously since 1924 and it has never asked a union, nor a member of a union, for a single dollar donation. Take your political labor papers, however, and note the continuous requests for donations to their sustaining funds. And sometimes these are not pikers at asking for funds, because they usually run into four and five figure requests. If that is the kind of union paper you want, we can give it to you, but don't squawk every time we ask for donations.

Some unions are running their own labor papers, but they have had to dip into union funds to do it. They can cater to firms in their own trade for advertising and manage to get by, but there are not many unions that can do that, hence a paper catering to the entire labor movement is the only other means of publishing a union paper.

The Labor Statesman cannot cater to any one political party. These parties have their own papers and it would be presumptious upon our part for us to cater to any one of them, when our movement is made up of people embracing all parties, and every new one that comes along. We try to remain a purely trades union paper, supporting the trades union movement and fighting its battles. Neither our readers nor the members of trade unions should expect us to be anything else so long as there are other papers to promulgate their political leanings.

Union papers do not thrive on individual subscriptions, that is why the Labor Statesman has always obtained its subscriptions through the unions. It used to be a weekly publication, but passing through the hungry thirties, and finding ouselves several thousand dollars in debt for printing bills, always causes a great deal of debate on the question of issuing the paper more than once a month. We also have to consider how many unions who are now subscribing for their members—several for their entire membership—would be willing, or could, pay for more than one issue a month. Think that over very carefully before making any suggestions along these lines.

One of our greatest problems is getting news from local unions. There is not a single press secretary who writes for the paper about his local union. We have to pick up the news from the doorways or from the trades council meetings, so when you think that the paper should have more news, just try to figure out where it is to come from. And please bear in mind that this paper is not sold on the streets, hence screaming red headlines are not necessary. Every copy that is printed is dropped quietly into your letter box, or is handed out at a union meeting. We don't think that you will read the paper because some big headline attracts your attention. As a matter of fact it takes up a lot of space that otherwise could be used for reading matter.

There may be some objections to the amount of advertising matter in the paper. Well we have an objective. We are building up a bank account so that when the war is over and the attacks against organized labor are intensified, the Labor Statesman will then be in a position to get out special editions to support any union or unions who are being attacked. Union treasuries are not so full as they could be, but we are saving our ammunition for the attack which we expect. If we fritter it away now on other people's idiosyncrasies there will be nothing left for the big battle ahead.

If your union can afford it, subscribe for a few more copies, if they are not supporting it, be a committee of one to take the matter up in your union. And don't forget that if your union has a story to tell let us tell it first. Thanks.

Henry Kaiser Deaf To Big Steel Offer

By MIRIAM ALLEN deFORD

West coast industrialist Henry J. Kaiser served notice on U. S. Steel Corp. that his huge Fontana steel plant, built with RFC funds, "is not and will not be for sale."

Kaiser's statement was made in rebuttal to a recent statement by Pres. Benjamin Fairless of U. S. Steel that he was interested in discussing with the government the possible purchase or lease for postwar operations of Kaiser's $100 million Fontana plant and the $200 million Geneva steel plant at Provo, Utah.

Envisioning a western steel industry that would rival that of the east, Kaiser said he planned to expand the Fontana plant after the war and was also considering offering to lease or buy the Geneva plant from the government.

"The Kaiser company is still at a loss to understand why the U. S. Steel Corp. writes the Defense Plant Corp. making an offer for the Kaiser company's property," Kaiser said. "Certainly the Kaiser company would not consider making an offer to the U. S. government for any property owned by the U. S. Steel Corp.

"Federal funds built Fontana but it was agreed that Kaiser might apply earnings from his shipyard to pay for Fontana before he had to pay taxes on them. On this basis Kaiser has already paid off a third of the loans, amounting to $82 million. Kaiser said he would need about $37 million, mostly to provide a thin strip rolling mill, to convert to peacetime production.

"The real issue in the future of Fontana is more than the question of ownership," Kaiser said. "It is the kind of America we hope for after the war. It is, first of all, employment—not only in terms of jobs, but a worthy standard of living. It is the creation of real competition. It is the decentralization of power in industrial organization, it is the independent industrialization of the west and south, as well as the east."

Describing his programme as "enlightened self interest," Kaiser said: "I am not interested in going back to any system that means scarcity, high tariffs or any other restrictions on production. I believe in the freedom to produce and I hold that it is as basic to peace and liberty as any of the freedoms thus far proclaimed."

Hitler was interviewing his troops and stopped to talk to one private.

"How are things with you?"

"Oh, I can't complain, sir."

"I'll say you can't."

The Consumers' Corner

(By E. STANWAY SCANLON)

"BEER AND BREAD"

The latest and most unique form of high pressure salesmanship via the daily press has made its appearance in the Middle States by the Minnesota Brewers' Association in a comparison of the nutritional value of beer and bread and which was immediately stopped by the Federal Trade Commission for reason of its falsification of actual facts.

To quote part of the F. T. C. report: "Cease and desist from representing that beer possesses the nutritional ingredients of bread; that it is invaluable human fuel in today's high-speed war effort or for any other type of work, or that it is so recognized by medical authorities; or that it furnishes the residue of energy needed to meet the demand for longer hours of work or for greater speed or that it will enable one to work efficiently at higher speed or will give him greater endurance."

As far as the vitamin and calorie values are concerned, let us break the mdown for comparison. Beer contains no fiber or fat as contained in bread, and bread contains no alcohol, (in Vancouver the beer contains little alcohol and you get no beer, all top). Of the ingredients which both possess, four slices of bread will equal three and one-half bottles of beer in carbohyrates, in protein and Vitamin B1, four and one-half bottles, and in minerals it would require two bottles of beer.

In calories, by which the source of energy is measured, four slices of bread will equal one and one-half bottles and it can be seen that many bottles of beer would be necessary to properly supply the average man with sufficient energy to do a day's work.

The principle moral to be seen in the whole action is the ways and means that will be used by "individualists" to reach their objective irrespective of the effects to the general public. One of the conditions that must be imposed upon "free enterprise" is the dissemination of truth in its advertising of products or the debarring of all publicity and the banning of the products.

Dehydrated Foods

The latest report of laboratory tests made on 71 brands of dehydrated foods shows only one article as being good, the majority of them poor a large number rejected because of insect infested contents. Two of the brands are obtainable in Vancouver, and care should be taken in their purchase as they are rated as poor. They are Minute Man by Alaska Pacific Salmon Company, and Soup-er-Mix by Kitchen Art Foods Inc. Potato Sup-er-mix was rejected as insect infested.

The Consumers' Council have forwarded to the laboratory for testing the following brands obtainable in Vancouver: Lipton's, Beardmore's, Aylmer's, Scotian Gold, and Bulman's, which are made in British Columbia and when a report is received the information will be given out.

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Statistics Reveal Union Benefits Paid

Thirty-six international unions with a total membership in Canada of 150,760 paid benefits to Canadian members last year totalling $1,390,-174, from funds of the union headquarters in the United States. Approximately half of this total was paid as death benefits, with most of the remainder being made up by old age, sickness and accident benefits. Less than $12,000 was paid out as strike benefits.

First Things First

In their desperate efforts to halt the railway strike, which since September 17 has crippled the entire German transportation system in the occupied provinces (of Holland), the Nazi authorities have put up posters in all cities and villages in which the people are warned that they will starve unless they help to make the trains run again. The posters read:

"Railway strike means: No coal, no gas, no electricity, no food."

In many places these posters were torn off by the population. In others, the Dutch underground went to work. One morning most posters had the following triumphant note added to the Nazi warning:

"No German victory!" — Netherlands News, New York.

Patient: "Doctor, I must tell you that this is my first operation, and I'm awfully nervous."

Doctor: "I know just how you feel. This is my first operation, too."

The Australian Airmen Incident

Under the Empire Air Training Plan thousands of young men from Australia and New Zealand have come to Canada. One large group arriving by boat at San Francisco came up to a Canadian Pacific coast terminus by train. No official mention was made of their expected arrival or time of departure, yet on both occasions groups of the Australians' relatives and friends assembled at the depot to greet them.

How Did They Know?

No newspaper had carried a line about these Australians. Security Officers had taken every precaution to keep the information secret. But well-meaning relatives, having inside information, have talked out of turn. The enemy, whose agents are everywhere, could thus have gained valuable information as to numbers and disposition of our air trainees.

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The Red Terror

Your frauleins, devotees of the very old profession which they practised in a brothel for German officers, approached the Red Army commandant of Allenstein and intimated their desire to serve the Red Army in the same capacity. Recovering from his amazement, the commandant remembered that dairy maids were urgently needed in a nearby farmstead abandoned by its owner. The smirking damsels were immediately transformed into snarling wolverines when it was suggested that they go to work on the farm.

A college degree won't hurt a fellow if he is willing to learn afterward.

Change On the Job In Company Time

Washington, D. C.—The War Labor Board upheld a directive of the New York WLB by ordering two New Jersey bakeries to grant employees 15 minutes straight-time pay each day for time spent on the companies' premises in changing to and from working clothes, on the basis that time thus spent was work-time controlled and required by the employer and pursued necessarily and primarily for the benefit of the employer and his business.

At the meeting of the local council there had been some discussion regarding the type of milk which should be provided for the school children.

To conclude the debate, the chairman rose portentously to his feet. "Gentlemen," he declared, "what this town needs is a supply of clean, fresh milk, and the council should take the bull by the horns and demand it."

$1,422 Million In Gov't. War Plants

At the end of October, 1944, the Dominion government owned an estimated $1,422 million in industrial facilities and defence construction. Of this total, $790 million was in industrial facilities and $632 million in defence construction, according to "Labour Facts," issued by the Wartime Information Board.

Investment in industrial facilities was as follows: Crown plants operated by the Crown: $65 million; Crown companies operated by the Crown: $115 million; privately operated Crown plants: $450 million; in privately owned plants: $160 million.

A fellow has to be a contortionist these days to get along, says a philosopher. "First he has to keep his back to the wall and his ear to the ground. Then he must put his shoulder to the wheel, his nose to the grindstone, keep a level head, and have both feet on the ground."

Soviet Trade Unions Administer Services

Moscow.—The greatly expanded social insurance budget of the U.S.S.R. has increased the tasks and responsibilities of the trade unions. A statement of the Director of the Social Insurance Department of the Central Council of Trade Unions in the U.S.S.R. specifies that:

"The trade union organizations must pay special attention to the improvement of the social services for workers and employees; watch permanently over the hospital care given; control the granting of sick leave; and observe that medical diet is followed. In conjunction with the public health services, measures must be taken for the development of and increase in the number of factory clinics, dispensaries and health centres."

The highest wisdom is continual cheerfulness; such a state, like the region above the moon, is always clear and serene.—Montaigne.

Check It Over!

(From the Journal of Electrical Workers)

A labor leader of long standing said the other day, "Don't make any mistake about it. Every individual who is a member of this organization owes nearly all he has to the organization—to the principle of co-operation."

To some this may seem a sweeping statement but it has great truth in it. Nearly every one, even those who reach high places, owe much to the union and to the union principles. The union is an educational society. It is a prop in time of trouble. It not only gives economic protection in the way of income, but gives a man a chance to develop himself as leader, as speaker, as student and as good citizen. This fact should never be lost sight of.

In trying times like these, every union man should weigh his own actions in terms of its effects upon his organization for what he can get out of it. We hope this breed is dwindling.

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August 19th, 1942: Lt.-Col. Charles Cecil Ingersoll Merritt of Vancouver, though twice wounded, remained on a Dieppe beach under heavy fire, covering the withdrawal of his unit. He was taken prisoner.

November 8th, 1942: Capt. Frederick Thornton Peters, R.N., of Nelson, led the cutters H.M.S. Walney and Harland in a suicidal action against the French harbour at Oran, Algeria. He died in an air crash shortly afterwards.

February 2nd, 1944: Major Charles Ferguson Hoey, M.C., of Duncan, despite serious wounds, single-handedly killed every occupant of a Japanese hill position in Burma. His wounds brought his death fifteen days later.

May 24th, 1944: Major John Keefer Mahony of New Westminster, led his company across the unbridged Melfa River in Italy against concentrated fire, shattered enemy attacks, and though outnumbered and outgunned, two to one, inspired his men to fighting fury and held the crossing until reinforced. Though wounded three times in the action, Mahony later returned home to receive the acclaim of the Nation.

October 21st, 1944: Private Ernest A. (Smokey) Smith, first Canadian private to receive the V.C. in this war, earned immortal honour at the Savio River in Italy for "audacity to the point of contempt" when, single-handed, he put to route ten Germans in two attacking tanks, killing four and wounding six.

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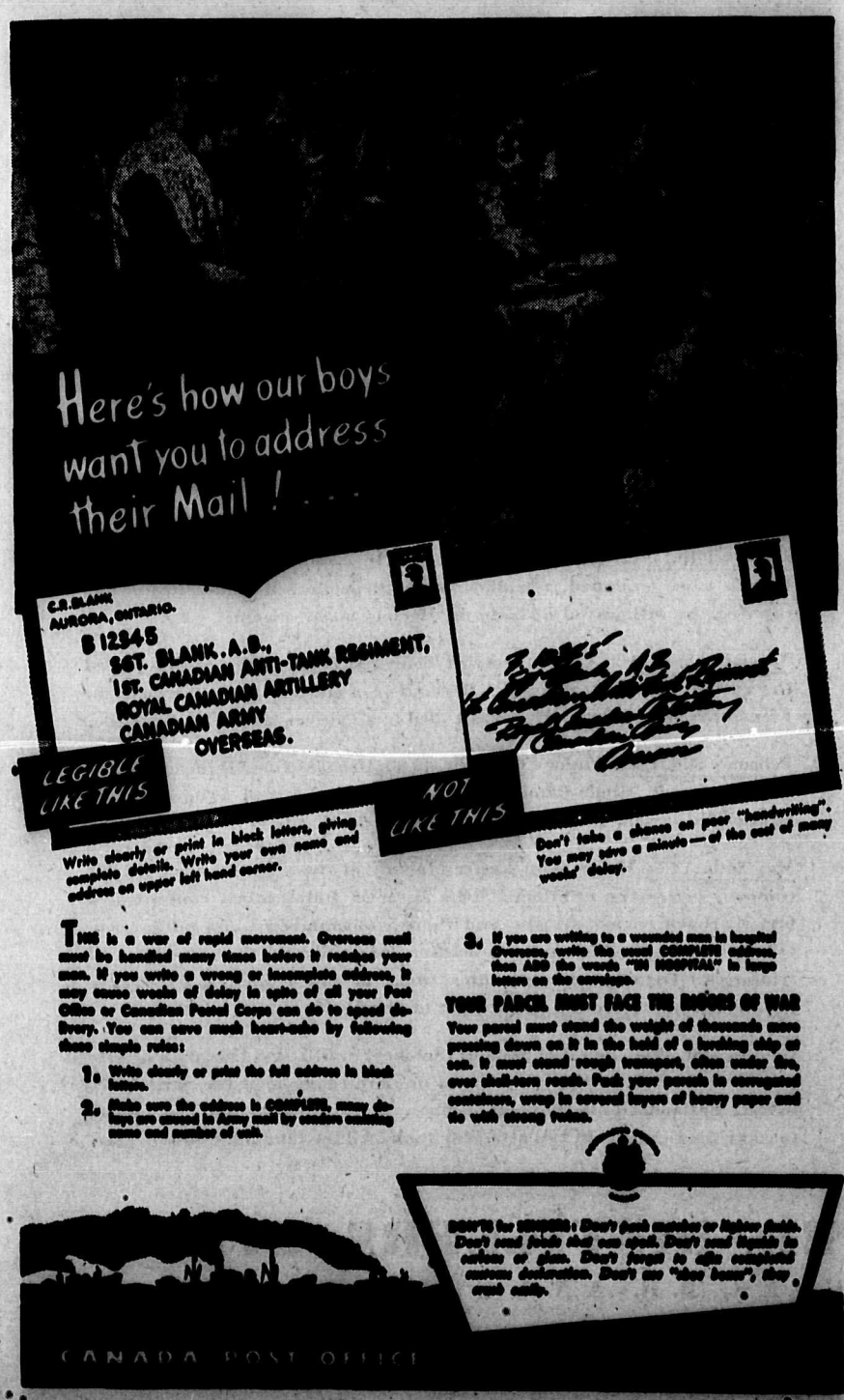

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Union members, their wives, families and friends should patronize these firms and employers, more so at the present time because the unscrupulous employers are waiting their opportunity to exploit the demobilized war worker and members of the military forces. Anti-labor forces are prepared to destroy labor unions.

Union workers, get into line! Demand the Union Label. If you don't get it, keep on demanding it. They will know you want it. Business wants your union earned dollar. This is your fight; it's the only way you will protect the conditions you now enjoy.

Advocate in your meeting that your local affiliate with the Union Label Trades Council, and learn more about the Union Label. Remember, in unity there is strength. Many unions have in their obligation that when a new member is initiated they promise to buy only union made goods and patronize union labor at all times. If every member of organized labor lived up to this obligation the stores of our fair city would be full of Union Label goods, hence more jobs for the union worker. Think it over; it's your duty.

On request our council will be pleased to have a speaker attend your meeting. Write Secretary Ed. Smith, 529 Beatty Street.

Victoria Building Trades Council Notes

The Building Trades Council in Victoria has been reorganized and at its first meeting, unions represented were Carpenters, Electrical Workers, Plumbers and Steamfitters, Sheet Metal Workers, Bricklayers and Painters.

The following officers were elected: president, C. C. Chivers (Carpenters); vice-pres., F. J. Bevis Electricians); secretary Geo. Pyper (Plumbers and Steamfitters); executive, D. Mowatt (Sheet Metal Workers), A. Sims (Carpenters), H. Doidge (Bricklayers), J. J. Corrin Painters).

A meeting is being arranged for April 11th with the Victoria Builders' Exchange and provincial and federal government officials on the Vocational Training Co-ordination Act, covering apprenticeship and the rehabilitation of ex-service men in the Building Trades.

The meeting recommended some changes in the Provincial Government's "Industrial Holidays Act".

Guaranteed Yearly Wage Won By AFL Teamsters

Minneapolis.—The first Teamsters' union in the United States to win a guaranteed annual wage is Local 664, City and Sanitation Drivers' Union, in Minneapolis.

The guaranteed annual wage was obtained in a contract covering 142 members. The agreement guarantees the union members 2080 hours, or 40 hours a week for 52 weeks. The workers are city park employees who for years "have been plagued by lay-off periods."

This programme of full employment brings to the 664 members in the park department definite boosts in job security and should serve as a guide to others who seek to stabilize conditions.

FUNERAL PARLOR EMPLOYEES ELECT OFFICERS FOR TERM

Embalmers and Undertakers' Assistants, Local 23374, held their regular meeting on Tuesday, March 13th, at which meeting they had their annual election.

President, Wm. Scott (acclamation 3rd term); vice-president, Wm. Brassington; treasurer, Fred Sangster (acclamation 3rd term); secretary, J. A. Dougall (acclamation 2nd term); sergeant-at-arms, Archie Nunn (acclamation 2nd term); bargaining representatives, Wm. Scott, F. Sangster, Wm. M. Black, J. A. Dougall (acclamation 2nd term); delegates to the Trades and Labor Council, J. A. Dougall, Archie Nunn (for 2nd term), Ken Bate, alternative; trustees, A. E. Marriott, D. C. Evens, V. R. Davies.

ALMOST NORMAL AGAIN

Two old maids were in an insane asylum for years, always knitting.

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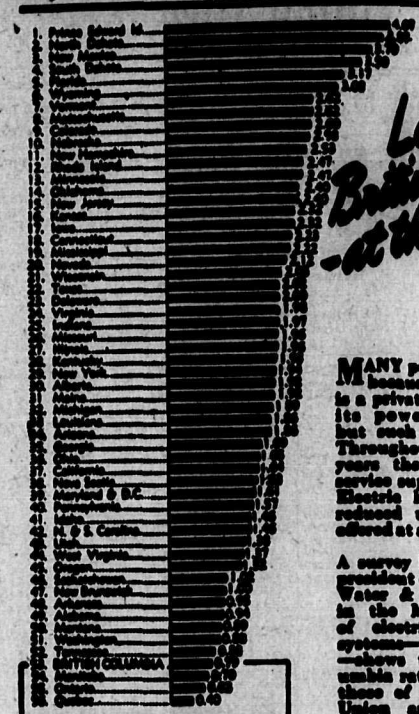

Average Cost of Electricity in Canada and United States
(Cents per Kilowatt Hour Adj. to 1939)

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Canada average, United States average

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