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UP A NOTCH—Tommy Lewis, veteran officer of City Hall Employees Local 15, this month moved to second vice-president post on the executive of the National Union of Public Employees. He was elected at a special meeting held in Ottawa called this month when president Garnet Shier resigned from NUPE for health reasons.

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REMEMBER WHEN?—Edward A. Jamieson, veteran labor stalwart and former secretary of the Labor Relations Board, was returned to the president's chair briefly this month to obligate newly-elected officers. Mr. Jamieson, past president of the council, is now a delegate from Musicians 145.

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SRU SALUTE—Street railwaymen have this month applauded member Dunc MacIsaac for his long sporting activity and contribution towards keeping amateur boxing here a good clean game. He's recently been appointed as a director on the Board of the B.C. Amateur Athletic Union and Boxing Commission.

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GUEST SPEAKER — Given a big hand this month was guest of honor Lloyd Whalen, president of Vancouver Labor Council (CCL). Brother Whalen spoke in support of Vic Forster labor candidate in Wednesday's by-election. He asked the delegates to make it their responsibility to get out the vote — to do everything possible to see that Vic Forster goes to city hall.

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WELCOME MAT — It goes out this month to a flock of new delegates to Trades and Labor Council. They are: **D. S. Regier,** Millworkers 2534; **John A. Munro** and **Denis McKeown,** National Association of Marine Engineers; **William G. Harris,** Building Service Employees 244; **C. Johnson,** Carpenters 1251; **W. Ball,** Machinists 876; **D. Edwards,** and **A. E. Johnston,** Barbers 120; **K. Cockrill** and **V. Stewart,** Garment Workers 190; **N. Johnston** and **M. Browne,** Laundry Workers 292; **Mrs. Bernice McDonald,** Miscellaneous Workers 351.

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VICTOR W. FORSTER

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"There is also the serious problem of the drug traffic, crime and hoodlumism.

"Although we are the vast majority of taxpayers, labor has no representation at the present time in the City Hall.

"I pledge myself to work on your behalf.

"I appeal for your active support in this campaign to win labor representation at City Hall."

Unions Protest Arbiter Plan

Vancouver unions of firemen and policemen will both oppose the city's attempt to place pay negotiations under the Arbitration Act.

The unions will fight the move when a bill to amend the city charter goes before the private bills committee of the legislature.

The amendment seeks to remove firemen and policemen's negotiations from the Labor Relations Act and put them under the Arbitration Act.

The unions declare this would "turn annual negotiations into legal battles" as the Arbitration Act places the naming of arbitration chairmen in the hands of the Supreme Court.

Firefighters' Union President Hector Wright said "this would

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B.C. Auto Workers Organize Dealer

Canadian Kenworth Ltd., truck dealers, 2015 Main, have been organized by B.C. Auto Workers Lodge 1857. Certification awarded covers all workers excepting office staff.

Vic Forster Endorsed By Council

Enters Civic By-election Race As Labor Aldermanic Candidate

A veteran union man this month won the backing of Trades and Labor Council for the February 1 aldermanic by-election.

The TLC endorsation made Victor Forster the first man in years to win the support of both major city labor councils.

Brother Forster, secretary of the CCL Vancouver Labor Council, earlier had won sponsorship of his own council.

Wednesday's by-election is being held to fill the vacancy caused by the death of Birt Showler, the last labor hold on a City Council seat. There is no labor representation at City Hall now.

JOINT CAMPAIGN

Both the TLC and CCL councils have joined the campaign to elect Forster and retain the aldermanic post for labor.

Brother Forster has been an active trade union member since 1930. He has worked in many industries, has held executive posts on several unions and in 1953 was elected secretary of the Vancouver Labor Council.

Born in Rhodesia in 1906, he was educated in Glasgow, Scotland, and came to Canada in 1929. The Forsters have four children and live at 470 East Thirty-seventh.

He was an aldermanic candidate in 1951 and 1954.

(See page 2 for Labor's program).

Painters Win Assurance On Work Plan

Painters Union Local 138 has won assurance from Victoria that interior painting will be handled during winter months in government contracts

The local had requested the provincial government to follow federal policy in an effort to stabilize employment in the painting trade during the winter season.

Business agent Herb Macaulay said replies from both Labor Minister Wicks and the public works department agreed to conform to this policy

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LABOR PLATFORM

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Labor's candidate is your candidate. He speaks for you. He fights for the small home owners, wage earners, salaried workers, pensioners, small businessman and professional worker.

Control the Tax Burden

Vancouver is a fast growing city. It's rapid growth poses many problems. It needs expanded services in sewers, roads, schools and parks. These services cost money but the tax burden must not fall too heavily on those unable to bear it. Vancouver needs labor representation to fight this battle.

Metropolitan Services

On metropolitan services, he believes Vancouver should cooperate more fully with its neighboring cities and municipalities in order to solve some of the problems that are metropolitan in scope, to provide better civic services at reduced cost.

More Provincial, Federal Aid

Forster stands for a better deal from the Provincial and Federal governments. Land and the small homeowner cannot, and must not, be asked to bear the heavy burden of financing a growing city. Relief must come in higher grants from senior governments, for schools, bridges, highways, and other services.

Stamp Out Drug Traffic

He believes the drug traffic must be wiped out. Labor points out that the narcotics problem cannot be improved if the city leaves it entirely to Federal and Provincial governments. The city should do all in its power to remedy this social affliction.

FIREMEN (Cont'd)

mean we would have to place our arguments before a judge and we believe the courts are not familiar with labor problems, have never studied job evaluation and similar issues.

"It would turn annual negotiations into a battle between lawyers."

At present, both firemen and policemen have waived their right to strike in return for binding arbitration of disputes. The arbitration is handled under the LRA and chairmen are named—if not mutually agreed upon—by the Labor Minister.

President Wright emphasizes that "we are part of the labor movement and as such there are now laws and procedures laid down—we don't want labor disputes to become legal battles in the court."

Last year, City Council attempted to circumvent an arbitration award for pay increases by arbitrarily ordering cuts in the staff. It now appears Council wants to get around the labor act, the unions said.

Buy union made goods with dollars earned in a union shop.

Committee Tackles Trade Kinks

A special sub-committee of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council legislative committee has been set up to formulate up-to-date policy on the knotty problems of international trade.

The matter came up when Molders' Union complained to council that Greater Vancouver Water board had granted a tender to a Japanese firm for supply of valves for the water works system here. Discussion of the complaint brought up so many questions it was decided to explore the whole matter of international trade before arriving at a decision on the specific problem.

Council president A. T. Alsbury, E. O. Mason, R. K Gervin and legislative committee chairman Jack Henderson have been named to the sub committee. As a first step, letters have been written to leading authorities, including two UBC professors, asking for opinions.

Dew Line Jobs Organized

More DEW line organization has been completed with bargaining authority approved by the Canada Labor Relations Board.

The far-north construction operations of Northern Construction and J. W. Stewart shows certification given to Carpenters Local 1325, Painters 1016, Operating Engineers Locals 115 and 955, and Club and Construction Camp Workers 740 and 740A (for cookhouse workers).

About 482 workers are affected.

VGH Arbitration Opens Thursday

Negotiations for pay increase for 1400 Vancouver General Hospital employees have been put before an arbitration board. The board's first hearing will be held Thursday.

R. "Parm" Pettipiece, veteran labor man, long-time member of ITU here, and former director of the VGH is acting for Hospital Employees Federal Union Local 180.

Chairman is Fred Smelts and A. C. DesBrisay is acting for the hospital.

Tain't Fair

"I can't understand it," said the warden. "You and Jenks have been cellmates and good friends for three years. Why did you suddenly turn on him"

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Office Employees International Union Local 15—333 W. Broadway; EM. 4218. Secretary, Eileen Hart; Recording Sec., Laura Ward.

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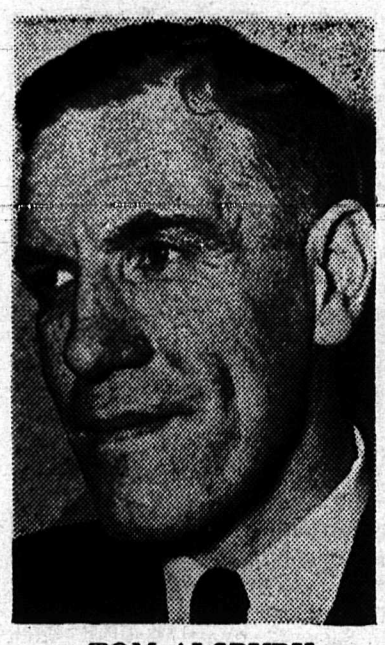

TOM ALSBURY

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GEORGE JOHNSTON

IN TRADES COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Alsbury, Gervin Re-elected

Tom Alsbury, re-elected by acclamation to his sixth term as president of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council, won an ovation from delegates this month when he promised to lead his "caretaker" executive into their "big job of 1956"—the merger.

Alsbury, with vice-president George Johnston and general secretary-treasurer R. K. Gervin, will lead almost the same executive during the coming year. Only upset was in the press committee, where Al Coleman, vice-president of Barbers' Union, won out by five votes over last year's chairman, Bil Weaver of Secondary School Teachers.

Here are details of the voting:

President—Tom Alsbury, Civic Employees 407, elected by acclamation; Charles Stewart, Street Railwaymen 101, declined.

Vice-president — George Johnston, Meat Cutters 212, elected by acclamation; Mel Kemmis, Bakers 468, declined; Edward A. Jamieson, Musicians 145, declined.

General Secretary-treasurer—R. K. Gervin, Street Railwaymen 101, elected by acclamation; Norm Uphill, Plumbers 170, declined.

Warden—Reg Lenfesty, Truck Drivers 31, elected (142); A. E. Hallock, Pile Drivers 2404, (64); A. R. "Ben" Morley, Building Service 244, declined; Norm Uphill, Plumbers 170, declined.

Statistician — Norm Uphill, Plumbers 170, elected, (169); John Hines, Painters 138, (36); E. O. Mason, Office Employees 15, declined; Mrs. L. Ward, Office Employees 15, declined; E. A. Jamieson, Musicians 145, declined.

Chairman, Organizing Committee—George Bengough, Carpenters 452, elected, (131); Mel Kemmis, Bakers 468, (76).

Chairman, Legislative Committee—Jack Henderson, Engineers 882, elected by acclamation; Jerry Bell, Miscellaneous Workers 351, declined; John Hines, Painters 138, declined; Mel Kemmis, Bakers 468, declined.

Chairmen, Press Committee—Al Coleman, Barbers 120, elected, (102); Bill Weaver, Secondary Teachers, (97).

Chairman, Grievance Committee—Ev King, B.C. Electric Office Employees, elected, (142); Orville Braaten, Pulp Sulphite 433, (52); M. J. Kemmis, Bakers 468, declined; A. R. "Ben" Morley, Building Service Employees, declined.

Chairman, Educational Committee — Dave Wade, Retail Clerks 1518, elected, (148); A. R. "Ben" Morley, Building Service, (40); James Barton, Plumbers 170, declined.

Beware Chiselers During Winter, Painters Warn

Painters Union this month warned members to fight any attempts by employers to "chisel" on contract terms during the slack winter season.

Business agent Herb Macauley said policing of the contract will be pressed "because too many firms are ready to chisel on the painting tradesman at this time of year because they feel they have the workers at a disadvantage."

Teamsters 213 Settle For Ten Cent Increase

Building Material and Fuel Truck drivers Local 213 have settled a new agreement with LeBeau Cartage, Mike Silobodec and United Cartage including wage increases ranging from five to 10 cents an hour and further general increases of three cents on July 15, 1956.

Agreements expire July 17, 1957.

Labor Relations Board has rejected a second attempt to decertify Fruit and Vegetable Workers as bargaining agent for workers in the Haynes Co-operative Growers Exchange, Oliver, B.C.

The board re-confirmed an earlier decision which stated it hadn't been shown the fruit workers union had ceased to represent the employees.

The decision was appealed by the Haynes Co-operative Employees Association.

Two more Prince George Cafes have been organized by Beverage Dispensers and Culinary Workers Local 835 — the Golden Dragon Cafe, and Mason's Cafe.

Carpenters have signed up Frank Tearo Construction, West Vancouver, to a standard agreement. A concilliation officer was called into the dispute.

Operating Engineers Move; Stationary Boys Stay Put

Operating Engineers have moved into their new headquarters building at 5804 Fraser.

Offices of Local 115, 115-A and 115-B are all located in the renovated premises the union purchased last year.

New telephone number is FRaser 6395.

Offices of stationary engineers Local 882 have not been shifted and this local is still at 111 Dunsmiur.

Fight Continues For Holiday Pay

Trades and Labor Congress of Canada is continuing the fight to obtain four percent vacation pay for casual employees of the Department of National Defence.

L. E. Wismer, Congress' director of public relations and research, said in a letter to council he was continuing to make representations in Ottawa on this request. He said he would advise council on developments as they occur.

Delegates Applaud Then Dig Deep For $100 Bill

Delegates to the last meeting of Trades and Labor Council did more than applaud speeches calling for the election of labor candidate Vic Forster .

When the applause died down, they got down to business and voted $100 in cold cash to assist in election expenses.

EXECUTIVE ATTENDS

As many members of the Trades Council executive as possible are asked to attend the annual meeting of the Greater Vancouver Metropolitan Industrial Development Commission, set for Feb. 16 in Hotel Vancouver.

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Vancouver, January 28, 1956

RETAIN OUR VOICE

Death of Ald. Birt Shower left labor without a voice on City Council. The vacancy will be filled in a by-election on Wednesday, February 1.

The by-election campaigning has had little fanfare. There are no controversial plebiscites, no money bylaw issues which might affect the taxpayers' pocketbook. You're probably saying it lacks the color of usual electioneering.

But the Wednesday vote is important to every labor man and woman.

Both the Trades and Labor Council and the Vancouver Labor Council have endorsed the same candidate, the first joint endorsation of a candidate by the two groups in several years.

The man is Victor Forster, a conscientious, hard-working union man who has had previous experience in civic election campaigning.

We say with emphasis that labor needs to retain its one voice at City Hall. It's as simple as that — the rest is up to you.

Don't shrug off this by-election as unimportant. Your vote counts — but it will only be counted if you get out to the poll.

PLEDGE FOR 1956

Every member from all of our 114 local unions should have been present at last meeting of Trades Council to hear president Tom Alsbury accept his sixth term as president.

For the words that rang through the microphones were those which all labor men and women should hear—and remember.

President Alsbury made it clear that the executive he heads is a "caretaker" executive, and its big job is to effect the local merger which will follow the union of TLC and CCL.

But he also outlined the other tasks which labor as a whole must undertake:

We must organize the unorganized.

We must "unionize the organized"—that is, we must educate our members, their wives and their sweethearts.

We must bargain for better wages, a good labor act, and health insurance.

President Alsbury also had a word for those who say the forthcoming merger is dangerous. The trade union movement, he said, is one of the greatest bulwarks of democracy.

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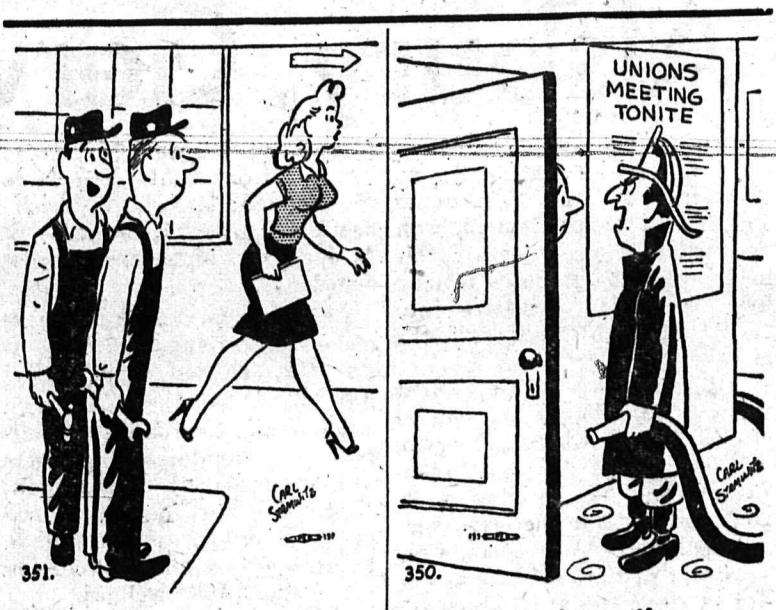

"By the way, can I borrow five bucks till payday, Joe? I just remembered I'm flat busted."

"No, I don't know the password, but you'd better let me in—The building's on fire!"

TEAMSTER TALK

By CHARLES GOWER

The great organizing drive is on.

Following a series of conferences immediately after the New Year, it was agreed that Jim Scott would become director of organization for the Vancouver area, and Lou Janze, as organizer for warehouses would coordinate his efforts with Scott.

Seven organizers have been attached to their team, and the organizational drive for which we have planned so long is finally underway.

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Our efforts are not confined to the Vancouver region. We also had a conference the weekend of Jan. 21 with representatives clear across the country—C. Doods and T. Lee of Toronto, Leviere of Quebec, De Lauries of Winnipeg, Erickson and White of Edmonton, B. Scott of Calgary, and J. Whiteford and Harry Bonnell of Vancouver.

Much success should result from their deliberations on the "over-the-road" operations.

The same weekend another team was in the Okanagan observing the Fruit and Vegetable Convention. We were more than pleased to see this group align themselves with the Teamsters, and can assure them they will be in a better position to gain fair wages and better conditions in their industry.

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Here is a quick rundown on events in the Vancouver region.

Local 31 has gone into conciliation on their 1956 agreement. Local 464 is still on the verge of strike action—which has International sanction.

It looks as though Local 213 is headed for conciliation also with their Building Material Agreements.

Once we get wound up on the Yellow Cab operations deal, Local 151 will be getting ready for negotiations, which should be completed by May 1. It was a pity to have to go to the lengths of placing an operation on the "We Do Not Patronize" list after settling our differences amicably for 29 years, and it is quite possible we will have to extend our information lines before the matter is resolved.

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Local 189 is in negotiations and have received an offer from the bakeries which they will consider within the next few days. Teamsters' Joint Council No. 36 are electing officers, just as this issue of The Statesman goes to press.

Don't forget that the placard line remains in effect at Vancouver Motors.

AROUND THE WORLD ACROSS THE NATION — LABOR STATESMAN DATELINES

This Doesn't Jell

WASHINGTON — The Food and Drug Administration expressed grave doubts as to whether use of drugs containing "royal jelly" will turn you into a queen bee.

The doubts were large enough so that FDA seized shipments of two drugs containing the "royal jelly."

The drugs' labels claimed the jelly was the secretion of drones fed to queen bees and attributed the vigor, long life and reproductive qualities of the queen bee to this jelly. The labels promised similar benefits to persons using the "magic" ingredient.

Staff Seminar

Officers of TLC unions are invited to attend the fifth annual B.C. Staff Seminar sponsored by the B.C. Federation of Labor, scheduled for Feb. 13 to 17 at Island Hall Hotel, Parksville, Vancouver Island.

Cost is $7 per day for room and board, plus a registration fee of $10 for the session. Speakers include Howard Conquergood and Don McDonald.

Council decided that Dave Wade, chairman of the education committee, and vice-president George Johnston, should attend. Officers of unions wishing to attend should contact George Home, secretary, B.C. Federation of Labor.

35-Hour Week

NEW YORK—Average annual productivity increase of three percent per year for the next 25 years will double the purchasing power of the average family and drop the average work week to 35 hours.

That's the prediction made by Fortune magazine.

Just A Little

FRANKLIN, Tenn.—Fireman T. U. Alston has been restored to his job on the Nashville Terminals after two years—with a little back pay.

A fight carried on by Locomotive Fireman and Enginemen finally won an award. He had been dismissed following railyard accident but now gets back pay from time of his firing, a tidy sum of $12,320.42.

After deduction for taxes and benefits he drew from the railroad retirement board, he received $6750.25.

FROM THIS ANGLE

Labor's Long Campaign Bears Fruit

Constant campaigning by the major labor organizations towards a national health plan show signs—at long last—of paying off.

The picture from Ottawa is far from clear as the provincial-federation health insurance conference gets under way, but indications are that some kind of workable plan will emerge. Naturally, it won't be everything that Labor—and that means working people everywhere—want, but it will likely be a step in the right direction.

From what we can learn it appears that hospital coverage will be improved ,there will be free diagnostic services, and some relief for patients in convalescent institutions.

One thing missing: labor has long sought some kind of plan to cover the aged and chronically ill, and judging from the statements by Health Minister Paul Martin, this isn't forthcoming.

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Another labor victory was quietly noted this month, this time when our own legislative committee sat down to consider a request from Painters 138 for repeal of Unemployment Insurance regulations which result in many workers being deprived of benefits.

It was quickly reported that the unfair regulation had been brought to the attention of the Commission in Ottawa, and the desired changes have been made. The committee went on with other work.

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The news from Ottawa is also good when it comes to unemployment. Last report showed 286,700 on the jobless list, which of course, is far too many, but nevertheless better by 76,000 than last year. Here in B.C. we have 6000 fewer unemployed than at this time last year.

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International Association of Machinists chalked up an important "first" this month—they spearheaded the first campain to push sale of goods under the AFL-CIO union label.

The re-designed I.A.M. label became official when registered with the U.S. Patent Office.

BUY UNION

LAFF A DAY

During a layover on a recent weekend trip, we overheard the ticket agent make assurances that a certain train would be on time. One man, after pacing the station platform for more than an hour, stalked angrily to the ticket window.

"Why didn't you tell me this train was late when I asked you before?" he fumed.

"Look here, mister," replied the complacent agent, "I ain't paid to sit here and knock the railroad."

UNION LABEL CORNER

No Fooling On This - April Is Big Show

By ED. SMITH

April — the date of the first joint TLC-CCL convention—will be an outstanding month in labor history with delegates meeting in the city of Toronto where the TLC was born in 1873.

It will be a big month for the annual Label show, too, with a large display expected. Invitations are out now—any union wanting to arrange for a union label product booth should phone Earl Hallock at TA-2617 for particulars.

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Down Seattle way, April also will be a big month. That's the time set for another of the annual Union Industries' Shows. The location this year will give local officers and delegates a chance to attend.

The two events clash in dates but the Union Label Council is urging that all affiliated locals elect a member to attend the UI show.. It will cost very little and will prove of real educational value. Contact the council so that joint transportation can be arranged.

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A little late, but a reminder in case you haven't completed that New Year's resolution list yet—resolve to do your duty in helping fellow union members secure the best living conditions by patronizing union firms and their products.

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Label Council secretary Earl Hallock reports a bang-up Christmas party with a new twist. They checked every gift under the Christmas tree for union labels and found "amazing" the number of products that carried labels. It's an idea idea for you all to keep in mind for any gift occasion.

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The Union Label Council office has been dressed up in new colors, bright and cheery for 1956 which we hope will be a banner year, in promotion of union products. You can help by always buying goods you know are made by union firms, goods that carry union labels.

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BIG BROTHER WATCHING

TV Has A Place - But Not Here

Delegates to the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council don't want "TV snoopers" prodding their way into the Canadian way of life.

They made this clear by unanimouslh endorsing a protest prepared by Peterborough Trades and Labor Council against installation of television cameras in the Peterborough Post Office as a means of checking up on employees.

The Ontario Trades and Labor Council secretary wrote this council stating that 16 cameras, half of them live, would be placed throughout the building. They would lead back to a master receiving set in the postmaster's office.

Cost of the "experiment" is estimated at $50,000 and the reason given is that the cameras will check thefts from the mail, tardiness of employees and the like. Postal authorities have said that if the experiment is successful, similar installation may be made in many of the larger Post offices across the country.

Vancouver delegates agreed that the "Big Brother is Watching You" technique is an "invasion of personal privacy and effrontery to the integrity and honesty of all postal employees.

"The implications of such a system, if generally adopted, should be obvious to all unionists," the letter from Peterborough states. "To say the least it is inconsistent with our Canadian way of life."

Meany Tosses Glove To Big Business

South of the border, AFL-CIO president George Meany set the pace in labor news when he challenged the mighty moguls of the National Association of Manufacturers to drop their 60-year campaign aimed at destroying trade unions—and help lay the foundations for lasting prosperity under peaceful labor-management relations.

He said that AFL-CIO is willing to create industrial peace, always providing the NAM and similar groups do their part.

The British Trade Union Congress is working towards establishment of free legal aid for police court suspects

? TEST YOURSELF

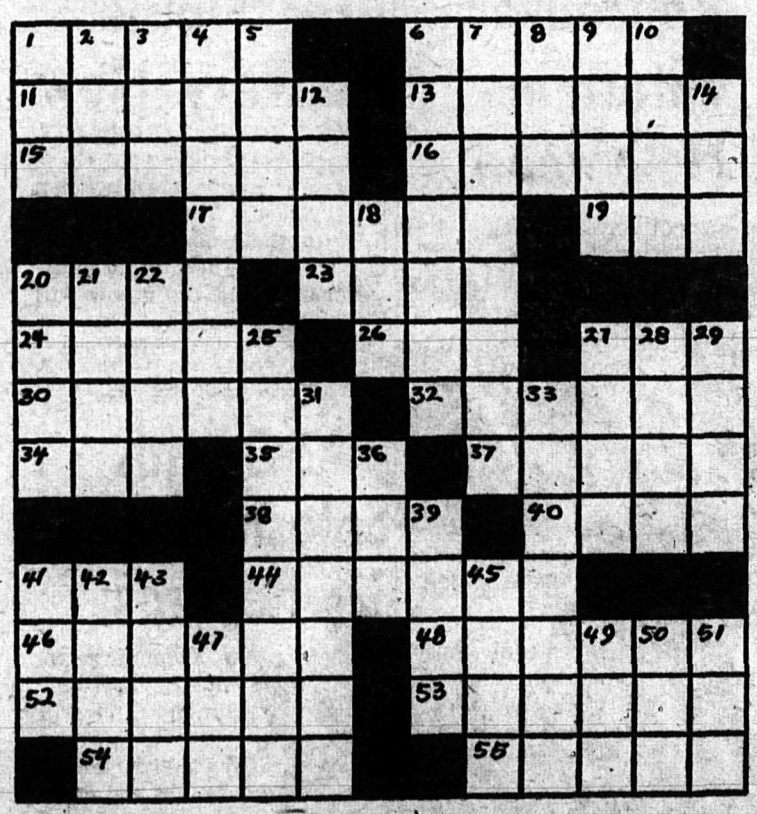
Take this easy test and see how good a citizen you are. Answer the questions below with a "Yes" or a "No."

Give youself 10 points for every "Yes" answer, then total up your score. If you score 80 or higher, you can count youself a good citizen.

But whatever total you get—be sure and make use of your ballot at Wednesday's civic by-election.

1. Are you registered eligible to vote in the civic by-election? ☐
2. If you were eligible to vote in the last civic election, did you vote? ☐
3. Have you helped get others to vote by urging them to register or by aiding them to get to the polls? ☐
4. Do you know the name of your labor candidate? ☐
5. Do you know why the by-election is necessary? ☐
6. Do you know the location of your polling station? ☐
7. Do you know the hours during which you can vote? ☐
8. Do you know how many labor men are serving on the present City Council? ☐
9. Do you know who endorsed the labor candidate? ☐
10. Are you going to get out and vote? ☐

Statesman X-Words



ACROSS

1, 6: Measure of cost of living
11. Metal pins
13. Required
15. A copy
16. Passed out at birthdays
17. Piece of parsley (2 wds.)
19. Parent
20. Appear
23. Possesses
24. Upstairs
26. Net
27. Mineral spring
30. Hostility
32. Ease
34. State (abbr.)
35. Web
37. Hike in pay
38. Snare
40. Boast
41. Printing (abbr.)
44. Most scarce
46. Where the ark rested
48. Directed
52. Guard
53. Teaches
54. Conspiracies
55. Vote into office

DOWN

1. Couples (abbr.)
2. Dye trademark
3. Contraction
4. Of clay
5. Summers (in Paris)
6. Arouses
7. Man next door
8. Degree (abbr.)
9. Cheese
10. Dry (pref.)
12. Second year student
14. Award (init.)
18. Not cooked
20. Girl's name
21. And others
22. Volcano
25. Union-management agreement
27. Excite
28. Mex. money
29. Again
31. Changes pay-scale
33. Not imaginary
36. Paving material
39. Saucy
41. Soft food
42. Too much (in Paris)
43. Irritate
45. Angry
47. — Grande
49. Bind
50. Enclosed (abbr.)
51. Summertime (init.)

(Answer to this month's puzzle on page 8)

The teacher in a little country school was at the blackboard explaining arithmetic problems, and was delighted to see that the tall, gangling lad, her dullest pupil, was watching intently. Her happy thought was that, at last, he was beginning to understand.

So when she had finished she said to him, "You were so interested, Cicero, that I'm certain you want to ask more questions."

"Yas'm" drawled Cicero, "I got one to ask—where do them numbers go when you rub 'em off the board?"

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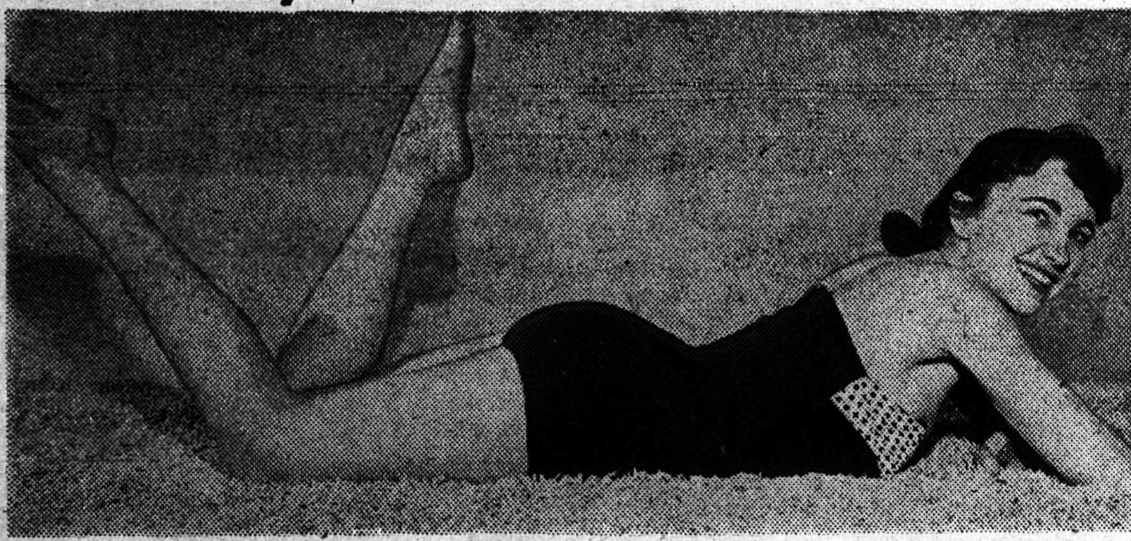

LOVELY BRUNETTE is this month's cho.ce for our union label girl, pictured relaxing on the front lawn and enjoying our mild winter climate. We'd all like to relax like this, but a reminder—don't lie down on the job Wednesday—get out and vote in the civic by-election!

Special Fares For Convention

Delegates who may be flying to the Toronto "unity" convention in April are asked to get in touch with council secretary R. K. Gervin as soon as possible to take advantage of special reduced TCA fares.

As a service to delegates, 40 seats have been set aside on the flight which leaves Vancouver at 8 a.m. April 20. It arrives at Toronto 7 p.m. Thirty seats have been set aside on the flight which leaves Toronto April 28.

Fare for the special group travel plan is $256.50 return to Toronto, as compared with regular fare of $288.55.

Candid Comment

When a man's being toasted at a banquet, you can be sure he's being buttered up, too!

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Prince George Bus Line Drivers SRU Members

Ten bus drivers and garage staff of Northern Stages Ltd., operating in the Prince George area are now members of Street Railwaymen's Union

Bargaining certification was awarded SRU this month.

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UNFAIR TO DRIVERS

Council Backs MVA Protest

Vancouver Trades and Labor Council has backed Pioneer Division 101, Street Railwaymen, in a protest directed to the attorney-general against proposed changes in the Motor Vehicle Act which the union states turns professional drivers into second-class citizens.

Under fire are proposed amendments to Section 26, Sub-section 2, which presently states that the Chief of Police may "lift" the license of a class "A" or class "B" driver for dealing in narcotics or alcoholic beverages.

The union has no fault to find with this regulation as it stands.

But Division 101 business agent Charles Stewart told the delegates that the amendment coming before the private bills committee at this meeting of the Victoria Legislature is "something else again."

He said that if passed, the bill would make it possible for any policeman to lift a license for "any reason they see fit."

"This could mean that employees in the professions referred to could be denied the right to earn a living during the time of such suspension," he said.

"We feel that if a class "A" or class "B" Motor Vehicle license holder is not a fit or proper person, or if one of our number acts in a manner that is contrary to the law, there are edequate provisions to deal with such cases. The individual should be charged with committing a specific crime, and let the courts determine if he is guilty or not guilty.

"Driving is our livelihood, and we maintain that the defeat of this amendment is essential if we are to preserve our rights to work for a living on the same basis as the rest of the people of our province and our country."

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Meat Cutters Name Johnston To 14th Term

President Al Thomas of Amalgamated Meat Cutters Local 212 has been re-elected to his second term of office, and joins veteran officers George Johnston and Norman Musgrave as a full-time worker on behalf of the union.

Annual elections saw Johnston returned to his fourteenth term as secretary-manager, and Musgrave to his sixth term as business agent.

Other officers elected are: Bob Lemon, vice-president; Michael Stephens, recording secretary; Howard Willson, guard; Harry Silverwood, guide; Dave Nicholls, sergeant-at-arms; Norman Fritz, Evelyn Sedman and Allan McLean, trustees.

Officers of the Victoria section are: Hugh Hollingsworth, chairman; Harry Klunck, vice-charman; John Erickson, recording secretary; Herb Baird, guard; Verna Gibson, guide.

New Westminster officers are: David Constable, chairman; Jas. Kirby, vice-chairman; Phylis Thompson, recording secretary.

Secretary manager Johnston announced that the union has won certification for meatcutters at Woodwards Store in New Westminster. Contract negotiations will begin soon in both Vancouver and New Westminster units.

Veeck Back In Baseball At Miami

MIAMI, Fla. (AP)—Flamboyant Bill Veeck, former major league president, returned to baseball here today as general manager and part owner of the new Miami International League baseball club.

Veeck heads a Miami syn... cate which Monday bought ... Syracuse IL franchise for ... 000. A last-minute drive b... cuse interests failed t... the franchise for that c...

Veeck is expected ... soon to assume "ove... agement" of the team... ported to be a major ... the club.

Frank Shaughnessy...

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PORTLAND, Or... George Shaw, ... rookie quarterba... Baltimore Colts, ... he was still inte... fessional baseball...

Shaw, resting ... here, said "I'm s... playing baseball ... have to be in one ... classifications." He ... did not feel he co... chance on an injury in ...

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Vancouver Entertains Hollywood

Vancouver Mounties will open their home Pacific Coast Baseball League season Tuesday, April 17, against Hollywood Stars.

... O'Connor, ... pres... of the P... San Francisco ... All ... the ... and ... hold their home ... openers during the second week of the season.

OPEN APRIL 10

The 70-game schedule, opening April 10 and ending Sept. 16 ... San Francisco, ... to San Diego, Los Angeles to Sacramento and Portland to Hollywood. The ... through April ... header the final

... road clubs will be at home for the second series, running April 17-22, with different opponents. The schedule sends San Francisco to Seattle, Sacramento to Portland, San Diego to Los Angeles and Holly-

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FIREMEN SEEK WAGE BOOST PLUS HOLIDAY BENEFITS

Vancouver Firefighters Union is seeking a wage increase and pay for all statutory holidays in negotiations with the city this year covering 550 city firemen.

Details of the firemen's contract proposals have not been released. One meeting between union negotiators and City Council's conciliation committee has been held.

SRU Demands New Wage Deal

Street Railwaymen's Union has declared on the eve of membership meetings to draft new contract demands that "1956 is the year to bring wages up-to-date."

The union executive said "we feel that the time has come for the company (B.C. Electric) to enter into negotiations with our union with a view to working out an agreement that is fair and just.

"All we ask is a fair shake—that is what we expect and that is what our membership insists we get in our 1956 agreement negotiations."

Meetings of SRU members will be held in Vancouver, New Westminster and Victoria in the next few weeks to line up demands. The present contract expires on May 31 but negotiations will be opened March 31.

It's expected the union will ask at least 25 cents an hour wage boost plus a number of important fringes including additional statutory holidays, and sick pay plan.

About 2400 employees in the three cities are involved.

The union declared in its official publication that "we feel that the BCE and the parent body—B.C. Power—which is embarking on a $75,000,000 spending program in 1956 and is doing quite nicely for its shareholders, can afford to grant its employees wage increases of a kind that would bring our standard of living in line with other comparable wage groups.

The union stated it "is not proud of our wage rate or the long hours put in to get eight hours' pay."

"We are not receiving anywhere near the wages that we are entitled to for our work performance . . . and the time has come for the transit company to recognize that their employees are a long way from being satisfied.

The union points out that the trolley coach operator of today is a highly skilled workman who has to "not only drive a free wheel vehicle through our congested city streets, but also handles fares, transfers and passenger enquires"—doing the work of former motormen and conductors.

Centenary Labor Day Proposed

Legislative committee of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council will suggest that British Columbia's Centenary celebrations should include a full Labor Day program, a bonus to old age pensioners, and a windup project tied in with the PNE.

The committee's proposals will go before the full council meeting next month.

The recommendation calls for appointment of a citizen's committee with labor representation. It would commence planning now for a summer long celebration in 1958.

ORGANIZING drive by Teamsters is announced this month by Joint Council secretary Charles Gower. See details in "Teamsters Talk" on page 4.

Council Issues Latest List

Here is your up-to-date "We Do Not Patronize" list, as issued by Vancouver Trades and Labor Council.

Hotels
Sylvia, 1154 Gilford.

Restaurants
Black Cat Coffee Shop,
Mayfair Caterers,
Horne's Bakery Lunch Counter (New Westminster).

Taxies
Balmoral Taxi,
Broadway Taxi,
Forum Cabs Ltd.,
Yellow Cab Operations.

Painters
H. V. Tournier (Chilliwack),
T. Mackie.

Barbers
50 East Broadway,
1588 Kingsway,
858 Richards St.,
1767 Kingsway,
4th and Burrard,
1315 Commercial Drive,
1056½ West Pender Street.

Photo Engravers
Graphic Industries Ltd.

Window Cleaners
The Shiners.

Halls
White Rose Ballroom.

Supper Clubs
Cocoanut Grove,
Tara.

Bakeries
Home Bakery Ltd. (North Vancouver),
Golub Bakery (Diane & Montreal Breads), (formerly Montreal Bakery Ltd.),
Society Cakes Limited,
A. and C. Bakery.

Sign Painters
Victor David Neon Signs,
David Decorators Ltd.,
Charles David,
David Hall Sign Co. Ltd.

Typewriter Companies
Remington Rand Ltd.,
Underwood Elliot Fisher Ltd.

Dry Cleaners
Valetor Cleaners,
Spotless Cleaners and Dyers

Retail Stores
Tip Top Tailors Limited (Vancouver and New Westminster),
Dick's Men's Wear Limited (subsidiary of Tip Top Tailors Limited),
Super Valu (Brighouse),
Canada Dry Ginger Ale,
The Geo. H. Hewitt Co. Ltd.,
International Musicians' Booking Association,
Vancouver Motors Limited.

Office Workers Conciliate With BCE

Conciliation officer Reg. Clemments opens talks Tuesday in the deadlock between Office Employees International Union Local 378 and B.C. Electric.

The union which bargains for about 1250 office workers in BCE offices in Vancouver, the Lower Mainland and Vancouver Island is asking a 15 percent increase.

During direct negotiations, the company made no firm wage offer, business agent Everet King said today.

The deadlock is mainly on wages but the union also is asking some kind of recognition or persons with 25 or more years of service Original proposal was for four weeks holiday after 15 years and three weeks after five.

Local 378 also is asking a clause in the agreement to protect members who as a matter of principle refuse to cross picket lines.

Employment of "cadet" policemen in the city police station to relieve officers from routine office work, has been endorsed by City Hall Employees' Association.

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BSE Set Goal At 5-Day Week

Vancouver Block, Forsts Among New Firms Organized

By BEN MORLEY

The year opened with negotiations with Marine, Stock Exchange, Hall, Medical-Dental, Lyric, Bentall, Metropolitan, Lee and Pemberton Buildings.

A five-day week with other fringe benefits are the goals of these negotiations. Members are strong in their determination to achieve this condition this year, and plans have been laid to make an all-out fight for the five-day week.

We are happy to announce that employees of the Vancouver Block are members of the Union and an agreement is being negotiated with this employer.

The Union has also applied for certification for the Janitors, Janitresses, Window Cleaners and Service Employees of Forst's Ltd., and expect the certificate to be forthcoming shortly. Forst's Ltd. is the only department store in Vancouver that employs members of this Local to clean and service its store.

We again remind all members of affiliated unions and their friends that the Labor Temple, Teamsters Building, Arcadian Hall, Electrical Hall and Stry Hall employ members of Local 244. These buildings are worthy of your patronage should you want halls for any purpose The Pender Auditorium has **no agreement** with Local 244.

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"Yes, but remember, we don't have a Union representative to solve our problems for us!"

Negotiations with Langley School Board are again very slow. After studying the Union's demands for three months, and after a meeting with the Board some six weeks ago, the Negotiating Committee of the School Board still had no authority to commit the Board to any of the demands of the Union. As the School Board's budget for the coming year has to be in Victoria before February 15, 1956, it was felt that conciliation officer should be applied for imdiately.

Negotiations with the Board of School Trustees, Richmond, have been concluded. The Union has accepted the Negotiation Committee's recommendations which include a 5¾c to 8c per hour increase in accumulative sick leave with pay to 45 days, and three weeks annual vacation after ten years

The agreements the Local has with the B.C. Hotels Association will be opened next month. A committee is at work now to decide what the demands will be. It is expected that negotiations will commence before the end of February.

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Trades Council Backs Appeal For Blind Aid

Vancouver Trades and Labor Council has written to Prime Minister St. Laurent wholeheartedly supporting the appeal of the Canadian National Institute for the Blind for extra allowances.

The CNIB will make respresentations for allowances free of the means test to compensate for expenses peculiar to the handicap of blindness.

"We hope that you will give them every consideration at this session of Parliament," said secretary R. K. Gervin in a letter to the prime minister.

UGW Signs Jones Tent

United Garment Workers' Local 232 recently signed an agreement with Jones' Tent and Awning Ltd.

Union president Mrs. Halloran said the name brand appearing on the firm's products is "Pioneer". The Garment Workers label is used in this plant.

The union also hold agreements with other companies whose products carry the union label — brand names including "Caribou", "Malibu", "Pride of the West", "Freed of Vancouver", Spider Loom ties.

'Hall' Union Pressing For Service Pay

Service pay for City Hall employees is being sought again this year in negotiations which will open Monday with City Council.

City Hall Employees Local 15 also are asking a 15 per cent wage boost, a 9-to-5 working day which would cut the work week from present 37½ hours to 35, three weeks paid vacation after five years and some clarifications in other contract clauses.

The service pay sought is 10 cents a day after five years' service, business agent Max Pierotti said.

Molders Settle At Victoria Shop

Agreement has been reached between Moulders and Foundry Workers Local 144 and Ramsay Machine Works, Victoria on basis of the Vancouver area agreement including four percent of straight time earnings for holiday pay and payment for statutory holidays.

Railway and Steamship Clerks have been certified to bargain for 20 CPR office employees in the B.C. coast steamship service, Vancouver.

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LAUNDRY AND CLEANING DRIVERS NEWEST COUNCIL AFFILIATE

Newest affiliate of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council is Local 129, Laundry and Dry Cleaning Drivers, a local of the Teamsters.

The local was chartered by Teamsters last April. It will send three delegates to council. They are secretary S. M. Free, C. Foster, and G. S. Thompson.

Laundry Workers Vote Wednesday On New Proposals

Members of Laundry Workers International Local 292 will vote Wednesday night on proposals to settle a new contract

The settlement proposals cover about 450 workers in 12 major laundries and dry cleaning plants, business agent H. J. Irving said.

The meeting will be held in the new Teamsters building, 490 East Broadway.

Four Firms Organized By 'Refrig' Union

Refrigeration Workers Local 516 have signed up and been named bargaining agents for employees of four Vancouver firms in repairing and installation of refrigeration equipment in B.C.

Firms are: Rice & McIntosh Refrigeration, General Refrigeration, John Inglis Co., and Kingsway Refrigeration Co.

Teamsters Local 213 now bargain for employees of Northern Dairies, Prince George, excepting office staff.

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