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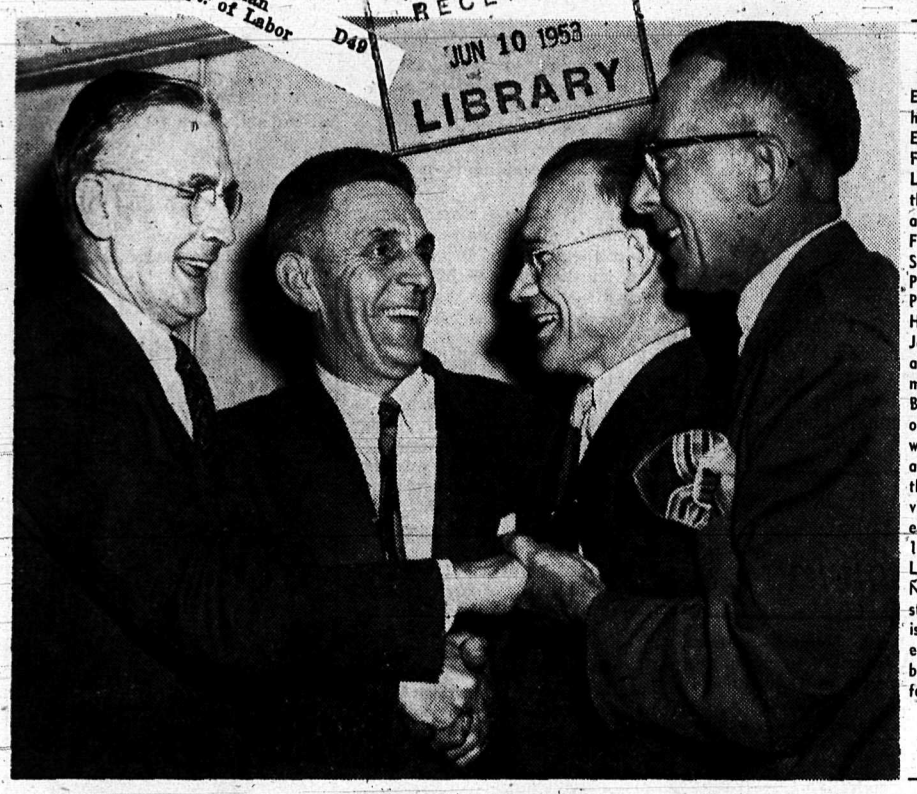

ELECTED to head Hospital Employees Federal Union Local 180 for the next year are (from left): Financial Secretary Alex Patterson; President Hector Carden; John Fleming; and business manager Bill Black. The officials all were elected by acclamation at the recent provincial conference of Local 180 held in the Labor Temple. New Westminster's Fleming is the only new executive member of the foursome.

Shorter Working Week Won By Bakers' Union

Mark "First" In Canadian Baking Industry With 38-Hour Week Plus 8-Cent Pay Boost

Bakery workers in Vancouver and Nanaimo under the A.F.L.-T.L.C. banner this week pioneered a shorter work week in the Canadian baking industry by winning a 38-hour week with no cut in take-home pay.

New agreement signed by Bakery and Confectionery Workers' Local 468 cuts the work week by two hours effective June 1.

In addition to the shorter work week, the pact with major firms also brings an eight-cent hourly boost in take-home pay.

The two-hour cut in the work week increases the hourly pay by nine cents an hour, bringing the total hourly increase in the new agreement to 17 cents.

It marks the first working week below 40 hours in the Canadian baking industry, a major victory for the Vancouver and district bakers' union. Workers originally asked a 35-hour week.

Another important gain in the new pact sets a uniform 6 a.m. starting time in all shops, eliminating earlier baking times previously in effect at some of the plants.

"This will eliminate most of the work between 12 midnight and 6 a.m.," declared Local 468 business agent Mel Kemmis. "Night work has been one of our biggest disputes."

The night work premium rate is 25 cents an hour from 9 p.m. to 6 a.m.

Kemmis said the basic journeyman baker rate will now be $1.87 an hour, or $71.06 weekly. Female icers and hand wrappers will get about $1.47 an hour, or $55.50 weekly.

About 450 workers in McGavins, Canadian Bakeries, General Bakeries, Fairfax Bread, Old World Bakery, Westons, and Mother Hubbard plants are affected. The same agreement will cover employees in McGavins and Canadian Bakeries plants in Nanaimo.

Members of Local 467 voted to accept the settlement terms at a meeting in the Labor Temple last Saturday.

TLC PRESIDENT Percy Bengough will be delegate from Vancouver council at fall congress convention.

All Fine and Dandy – But Who'll Pay The Postage Bill . . .?

Maybe you've wondered how to get rid of someone — short of murder, that is.

A letter from a union secretary-treasurer sent to the Department of National Revenue at Vancouver reads: "Enclosed please find cheque in an amount of $33.80 to cover the enclosed employee."

Barmen Seek Strike Vote In Pay Dispute

Beverage dispensers in Vancouver hotels have unanimously rejected a conciliation board award which turned down their request for a health and welfare plan and a fair wage increase in the 1953 contract.

Meeting of membership of Local 676 Sunday unanimously turned down the award and instructed the officers to apply for a government supervised strike vote.

At the same time, the 600-strong union left the door open for settlement of the dispute with B.C. Hotels Association, instructing its negotiating committee to "consider any overture from the hotelmen which would bring a reasonable wage increase and welfare plan offer."

Any offer which may come must be ratified by the membership before final acceptance.

The meeting said that "immediately the result of the supervised strike vote is known, Local 676 request strike endorsation and sanction from the Vancouver local Joint Executive Board and the international union."

The executive also said that a special meeting of the local would be called as soon as the result of the supervised strike ballot is known.

The conciliation board gave a majority award on wages, welfare plan and the length of contract.

It recommended a seven-cent hourly increase, premium pay of one hour for split shift work, Boxing Day to be added to statutory holidays, maximum load of 16 glasses, and 2 percent holiday pay for casual workers, in a 21-month contract.

The union unanimously rejected this, wants a contributory health and welfare plan, a more reasonable adjustment of wages in line with 40-cent increase asked, and a one-year contract.

Retail Food Clerks Gain Work Hour Cut And Other Benefits

Retail grocery clerks won wage increases and a cut in the work week from 44 to 42 hours in a new agreement with Canada Safeway, B & K Economy Stores and Super Valu stores operated by Superior Food Stores.

The agreement directly affects 500 workers of Retail Grocery and Food Clerks Union Local 1518 in Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster, and will indirectly affect another 300 who are covered by separate agreements.

A provision also calls for the implementation of a five-day 40-hour week with no reduction in take home pay "as soon as certain statutory changes have been secured which will make the implementation of the five-day week possible."

Other terms include a premium rate of wages for work after 6 p.m. and a clause guaranteeing freedom from split shifts.

Wage adjustments range up to 13½ cents an hour for journeymen clerks. Male food clerks wages will now range from 97½ cents or $40.95 a week for beginners to a high of $1.57, or $65.94 a week for clerks with over two years experience.

Female food clerks start at 92½ cents or $38.85 a week and increase every six months until two years experience when rate is $1.26½, or $53.13 weekly.

Negotiations were carried on by David Wade and John Patterson for Local 1518.

Local Councils Will Recommend On Disputes

Trades and Labor Council and the local council of the Canadian Congress of Labor have agreed that conciliatory meetings will be held in the event of future disputes between unions of the two congresses.

TLC delegates at the last meeting agreed with an executive recommendation that in future, when any question arises that can become a dispute between the CCL and the TLC, then the executives of the local councils should meet to discuss the matter with a view to making recommendations to the unions concerned to remove causes of friction.

The TLC executive will hold further meetings with the executive of the local CCL council.

HOSPITAL UNION OFFICERS

President Hector Carden, financial secretary Alex Paterson and business manager W. M. Black all were returned by acclamation in annual election of Hospital Employees' Federal Union Local 180.

Others named for 1953-44 terms were: John Fleming, New Westminster, vice-president; Philip Sevin, James Ballard and Philip Forsha, all of Vancouver, trustees; Frank Foster, Nanaimo, and W. H. Phelps, Vernon, members at large.

ANNUAL EDITION

This edition of The Labor Statesman marks 29 years of continuous publication — the oldest Labor paper in Western Canada.

The Labor Statesman on its birthday reiterates its pledge to carry Labor's fight for better legislation, more adequate social security measures, and better working conditions and living standards for Canadian working people—the backbone of our democracy.

Council Executives Preparing To Help In Union Wage Talks

Executive of Trades and Labor Council will assist affiliated unions in fighting employers' "hold-the-line" policies this year.

Council will attempt to foresee managements arguments against wage increases and will promulgate helpful information prior to the opening of negotiations, it was decided at the last council meeting.

Delegates also supported a motion by C. J. Oates that Trades and Labor Congress of Canada be asked to study the new cost-of-living index, and prepare a brief summary which could be issued to unions for their guidance.

T&L Council Hits Labor Board In City Hotel Certification Row

Stormy Meeting Urges 'Loud Condemnation'

Most bitter condemnation of the part-time Labor Relations Board heard in many months came at the last meeting of Trades and Labor Council when delegates demanded that the board be "thrown out" because of its actions in the complicated hotel jurisdiction dispute.

Council secretary R. K. Gervin summed up the attitude of most members when he said that the LRB is making B.C. the "laughing stock of the country" and demanded that the government ask its members to resign "so that we can get someone with some sense in there."

The hotel dispute, now involving certification in four city hotels, is hanging fire pending settlement of a court action started by Local 28, Hotel and Restaurant Employees, the union certified in most city hotels.

VOTE DEFERRED

A vote originally scheduled for employees of the hotels Georgia, Marble Arch and Niagara, and two other downtown establishments, has been deferred "temporarily," according to LRB chairman D'Arcy Baldwin.

At the last council meeting delegates voted unanimously to support the resolution of Beverage Dispensers' Bob Bedome that "council make loud condemnation of the LRB for having disregarded for poli-party certifications or any section of the act laid down for its guidance."

Individual delegates pointed out that the ICA Act provides for poli-party certifications, and that these have been granted by previous boards. Some delegates charged that an attempt is being made to destroy the union by breaking small portions away from strong organizations.

Secretary Gervin said the board had certainly broken the law twice, once when it certified a "company union" at one city hotel, and again when it considered an application from a CCL union for certification in the Georgia and two other hotels.

President Tom Alsbury and council officers are meeting with the Labor Relations Board to register strong protests, and to clarify the whole matter of poli-party certifications if possible.

ALL ALCAN JOB NOW ORGANIZED UNDER A.F.L.-T.L.C. UNION BANNER

Organization of office employees on the huge northern Alcan job makes the Kemano and Kitimat projects 100 percent A.F.L. organized.

Office Employees International, Local 15, has been granted bargaining certification for office workers numbering over 200 at the two Alcan construction areas, employed by contractors Morrison-Knudsen and Kitimat Constructors.

City Workers Union To Hold TLC Charter

Membership of Vancouver City Maintenance Employees Federal Union Local 487 will maintain the charter issued them by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada despite recent rejection of an application for certification by the Labor Relations Board.

"While the membership of Local 487 were disappointed at the Labor Board's ruling, it is their intention to maintain the charter issued them by the TLC and to remain loyal to Canada's largest labor family," said Trades and Labor Council organizer Bill Gauld.

The application for certification had been made in November, 1952. Members of Local 487 are employed by the City of Vancouver in the scavenging department, shops and garages.

The membership of Local 487 were formerly members of Vancouver Civic Workers Union Local 28, a union chartered by Congress in 1907 to which they remained loyal until 1950. At that time its leadership—failing to comply with the Congress constitution — were expelled, thereby taking Local 28 from within the ranks of organized labor to which they had been loyal over this period of years.

Gauld said: "Considerable dissatisfaction thereby continues to exist within the ranks of former Local 28, now known as Vancouver Civic Employees Union, Outside Workers, insofar as dissatisfied groups desiring to get back within the TLC are being denied that opportunity of being members of the union of their choice and bargaining for themselves.

"The membership of Local 487 therefore desire it to be known that they will welcome into their ranks men from any and all departments of the City of Vancouver, outside workers who are desirous of getting back into the ranks of organized labor where they rightfully belong."

Machinists Lodge 692 had made a joint application with the City Maintenance Employees.

Less Time Lost Through Strikes Than Last Year

Time loss through work stoppages across Canada last month is down to a fraction of what it was a year ago, the federal department of labor announced this week.

Preliminary summary of strikes and lockouts released by Hon. Milton F. Gregg showed also that time loss during April (last month for which figures are available) showed a decrease over the month before.

Preliminary figures show 21 strikes and lockouts in existence during April, 1953, involving 3,562 workers with a time loss of 29,120 man-working days.

SEAMEN, BUS DRIVERS WIN MORE PAY

Major Gains In Transportation

Major gains were wrapped up this month by two large AFL transportation unions in B.C. as Seafarers International Union and Street Railwaymen's Union pounded out pay boosts and other concessions after long negotiations.

Seamen came up with a $30 monthly pay boost with retroactive pay to June 1, 1952, in their tussle with CPR, CNR and Union Steamships, while Street Railwaymen gained a 7.5 cent hourly increase and other concessions with B.C. Electric.

The struggles of the 700-member SIU and the 2300-strong SRU rolled to showdown stages before settlement came. Both unions had rejected conciliation board awards which were not satisfactory to union members.

Final negotiations in the seamen's tussle moved to Montreal before agreement was reached shortly before a strike deadline.

Details of the settlements are:

Seamen won a $30 monthly increase, retroactive to June 1, 1952; one additional statutory holiday; overtime retroactive to June 1, 1952; compulsory checkoff of union dues, and other fringe benefits.

Street railwaymen in Vancouver, Victoria and New Westminster won a 7.5 percent increase to bring bus driver's rate to $1.58½; a three-cent hourly differential for tradesmen; and three paid statutory holidays for maintenance men, in a 15-month contract which will expire May 31, 1954.

The seamen's $30 boost is the largest ever negotiated on the west coast with the three major companies, and brings large retroactive pay cheques to many of the 700 unlicensed crew members.

Back pay cheques for some are expected to be as high as $500. The retroactive increase also will be computed on overtime worked during the period from June 1 last year.

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IT'S UP TO YOU

A few days after delivery of this paper the people of B.C. will collectively make a decision which will affect their lives every day for the the next two, three or possibly four years.

Election Day — June 9 — is almost here.

It is perhaps trite to say that this is an important election. All elections are important, but this one is more vital to the labor movement and the people as a whole than any since the dark years of the depression.

Apart from the issues at stake — and they are there by the dozen — it is evident that unless the house is once more hopelessly divided there will be no further chance at the polls for a good long while.

It is a matter of highest policy with the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council that no one is told how to vote, or influenced in any way.

The Labor Statesman has this month devoted considerable space to the opinions of many candidates on labor questions. But those answers, and all the other matters upon which candidates have expressed opinions during the campaign, must be interpreted by each individual.

There is room within the labor movement for varied political thought.

There is no room for cynicism, carelessness, or LACK of thought.

The future of labor, and the future of every member of a trade union, is bound up with the affairs of government, and dependent upon the good management and prosperity of our province.

Every trade union member in B.C. must use his vote next Tuesday.

RETURN THE STRIKE VOTE

The provincial government this month said it would change the present strike vote procedure, removing the Labor Relations Board from its role of supervising the vote, and placing it as a scrutineer of the vote.

It would seem that many politicians, employers and others carry the impression that unions aren't capable of handling their own strike vote. This carries a very unfair and untrue insinuation that votes are juggled in the back room.

The strike vote should be in union hands, as it is under federal labor law. Why must the government continue to interfere in labor's own business?

Under the I.C.A. Act, a strike vote must carry by a 51 percent majority. Every union operates under a constitution which contains a set strike vote procedure that must be followed. Some stipulate that an affirmative strike vote must record as high as a three-fifths or two-thirds majority.

All this talk about lack of safeguards if the government stepped out of the picture is nonsense.

THIS MONTH

A Sag In The Line

Someone cracked last week that the Canadian Manufacturers Association has switched from girdles to corsets. They found themselves busting out all over.

Figuratively speaking, it tells the story of negotiations this year as the employers' hold-the-line policy collapsed.

The CMA — and don't let anyone tell you they weren't the moving force behind the attempted freeze on wages—found their "hold the line" just couldn't stand up against logical argument.

Wage gains have been marked up by every AFL-TLC union in B. C. this year.

Employers found they couldn't justifiably back up their proposed wage freeze. They found that rightfully, workers should get a fairer share of production, and adjustment of wage rates which had fallen behind, and that sub-par living standards of many workers called for more pay.

First-Hand Look See

Hospital workers in B.C. attending the third annual conference of Hospital Employees Federal Union this month got a first hand account on problems of their industry.

Two lower mainland hospital personnel directors and a labor consultant for interior hospital took their gloves off in a round of panel discussions.

When the panels were completed, the union got down to talking about negotiations, and with a look at this year's work, agreed that every effort would be made to standardize all contracts on the basis of those in effect on the lower mainland. This will mean an intensified drive to get the 40-hour work week for all hospitals to match the short week won in Vancouver General, N.W. Columbian, North Vancouver General and Grace hospitals this year.

Details of negotiations which open again in early fall were left to the provincial executive. They'll meet sometime in August to review the economic situation.

Vote Down Affiliation

It was more than a surprise when the B.C. Electric Office Employees turned down the move to affiliate with the Office Employees International. Such a surprise, in fact, that it rocked the executive of the BCE union.

The proposal to have the 1200-member group tie in with the OEI was a good one. It would have formed a nucleus from which a strong office workers union could have branched out. And the so-called "white collar" field is one that needs help. It's the largest unorganized group of workers in North America.

"Be Label Conscious"

Courtesy Vancouver Province

BIG UNION LABEL DISPLAY at recent Trades Council meeting caught the eyes of many, like typo Jim Minchin, 925 West Thirty-third, who tried to match the label in his suit coat. The display was by Vancouver Union Label Trades Council as part of its drive to make union members "label conscious." Annual "Union Buying Week" is in September.

FROM THIS ANGLE:

Eighty Years A-Growing

When delegates to the sixty-eighth annual convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada start milling through the halls of Ottawa's Chateau Laurier during the second week in August, Canadians from one end of the country to the other will be reminded of an important anniversary in Union affairs.

Trades and Labor Congress—still the biggest moving force on the Canadian Labor scene—is 80 years old.

Too bad some of those old pioneers who shocked a raw and undeveloped country in the 1860's with their dream of a national labor organization can't be present in the Chateau to see their dream fulfilled.

Some of their great grandchildren, the trade union members of today, might be surprised, too, if they realized the things done by the TLC on a national level.

Just as an example, here are some of the projects cooking in the capital right now, as culled from only a few of the hundreds of reports reaching the Labor Statesman offices:

TLC is making a bid to the Industrial Relations Committee of the House asking that check-off of dues be mandatory wherever a collective agreement is entered into or renewed between employers and employees covered under the federal Labor relations law. That sounds complicated but it could mean a good deal to union men everywhere.

Fair Employment

Simultaneously, congress is pressing for establishment of a banking alliance among NATO countries. Practical moves to pep up foreign trade are felt right down the line.

TLC representatives had a good deal to do with preliminary adoption of the Fair Employment Practices Act, which now shows every sign of becoming law. Among other things, the Act would prevent employers from questioning prospective employees as to race, color or creed.

Hansard, that remarkable publication which records word for word the never-ceasing flow of words on capitol hill, has been extra bulky this month, and one interesting bit of information we must pass on.

According to information made available in the House, total amount of money in the Unemployment Insurance Fund now stands at something over $862 million—up 800 percent and then some over the past ten years. Maximum weekly benefits have climbed from $14.40 when the scheme was started in 1940, to $24 today.

Organized labor seems to be having its troubles getting along with the new regime in Washington, but the first major collective bargaining agreement signed since "Ike" took over in the White House seems to have its good points.

South of Border

Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company has signed on the dotted line to provide triple time for work on six paid holidays. Nothing said about a wage increase, though.

In the field of race relations, a dispatch from North Carolina states that five negroes were elected to city councils in five different towns in that state—which has not always been noted for racial equality or anything approaching it.

In New York, a writer for the august Times came out with the most remarkable suggestion of the week. He wants a team of New England textile company presidents to team up with trade unions to help organize southern mills. He quoted from reports prepared by the industry in which it was held that "trade unionism should be accepted as a vital necessary force in the south, as it is in New England."

National Association of Manufacturers, U.S. counterpart of the CMA, is having a bad time from several quarters.

AFL president George Meany carefully disected NAM's proposal to distribute savings from increased productivity in the form of lower prices—at the expense of higher wages.

Meany wound up his expose of this dodge by warning that unless wage earners receive a fair share of production gains, the nation may be headed for another 1929-style depression.

An American Labor paper has also done a little research on the stand taken by this same NAM when some of the reforms gained by the labor movement were new.

In 1924, protection of child labor was labelled as "Socialistic in Origin." Minimum wage legislation was "against the established order"; the eight-hour day was "socialism, anarchy and confiscation"; public schools were "state monopoly, state despotism, state socialism."

BUILDING TRADES VIEW:

The 40-Hour Week

Vancouver Building Trades Council will oppose granting extended hours of work to contractors by Board of Industrial Relations until an employer proves an emergency exists on any particular job.

This decision to protect the 40-hour work week and call for a tightening in issuing of overtime permits came at the last meeting of the building trades group.

"It's now getting to be a case of extended hours of work and not overtime on some of the jobs. All the AFL agreements contain overtime clauses as a penalty to the firms for working longer hours. But some companies are breaking down the 40-hour week."

A committee from most building trades unions attended a recent meeting with the Board of Industrial Relations on the question of granting extended hours of work to the Betchel Corporation on the Ioco job but the request for five 9-hour days per week was opposed by all trades represented.

The unions said there should be no extension above the eight-hour day unless an emergency existed.

The basis for this stand was that organized labor had fought long and hard for the eight-hour day as a means of bettering working conditions.

It also was pointed out there are still a large number of tradesmen unemployed and that in the case of the Betchel application, no reasonable evidence was produced that an emergency existed.

Secretary Kennedy reported that the Board of Industrial Relations assured the union committee at an earlier May meeting that unions would be contacted by the board before any overtime permits were granted. The board stated they previously had done this and union representatives had assented to companies' request.

The building trades committee felt unions should not take this action unless all trades have agreed to such action.

Kennedy said that on the pipeline job in Surrey, New Westminster, Mission and Burnaby areas contractors were working men up to 12 hours a day, and seven days a week.

He said an overtime permit granted Comstock-Midwestern and Mannix Ltd. covering period February 1 to July 31, this year, gave the company blanket permission to work "the necessary employees the necessary hours overtime."

Companies earlier had been granted an unlimited overtime permit while working in the mountain areas because transportation and housing at camps was for a limited number of men.

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Airline Workers Across Canada Win Pay Boost

Monthly wage boosts ranging from $5 to $30 according to job classification have been won by Machinists Union covering Canadian Pacific Airlines employees.

The new pact which affects C.P.A. maintenance workers across Canada also gives employees operating out of Canada a letter of contract covering wages and working conditions, a provision they did not have before.

Compulsory checkoff of union dues from all employees is a term of the agreement for workers at Vancouver, Edmonton, Winnpeg, Dorval and all northern base points of C.P.A.

I.A.M. representative Jim McMillan said unlicensed shop mechanic rate is now $300 monthly with increases up to $325 depending on service. Ranging with certification, licensed aero engineers now draw from $305 to $360.

LOCAL TRADE UNION ACTIVITIES

Cabmen Win Boost in Pay Switch To Daily Guarantee

Settlement of wage contract with the two largest taxi fleet firms has set the pattern for an increase for cab drivers in Vancouver.

Taxi Drivers Local 151 reached agreement with Black Top and Yellow Cabs, boosting the driver's percentage of the "take" and putting pay back on a daily guarantee.

The settlement provides a $5 daily guarantee or 45 percent of the day's take, whichever is the greater, said union secretary Charles Gower.

He said the settlement will mean an average increase of about 5 percent on year-round earnings.

Previously, driver's percentage of the take was 43 percent.

"Switching to the daily guarantee is a big gain. It means, for instance, drivers will be covered in event of a mechanical breakdown."

Drivers can work up to 48 hours a week, on five-day or six-day operation.

The contract runs from May 1 to April 30, 1954.

Metal Trades Council Discusses Shipyards

Vancouver and District Metal Trades Council has asked unions with contracts in the steel shipyards if they wish to press for amendments to the shipyard agreement this year.

A letter which also asks unions for suggestions for the 1953 negotiating committee if the contracts are reopened, was endorsed at the last meeting of the metal trades group. Employers must be notified of a reopening prior to August 14.

In reports from unions, molders said work was still slow. They reported settlement with McDonell Metal Manufacturing Co. In sheetmetal, work was good and the union was unable to supply the demand for men.

Painters said work was picking up but work in shipyards was very slow. Shipwrights said employment was slack in both wooden and steel work. It was reported that the bulk of shipyard work was going to eastern ports. Wage rates in the east are $1.38 an hour compared to $1.92½ journeyman rate here, but it also was noted that freight rates on steel from east to west coast are $16 to $18 on a 60-ton carload.

The freight rates are thought to be more of a reason for high price work here than are wage rates.

Clerks Sign Contract With Arnold & Quigley

One of the first "union" retail clothing firms in B.C. has signed an agreement with Department, Specialty and Variety Store Employees Local 1671.

The agreement, covering employees at Arnold & Quigley Ltd., provides for:

Union shop; five-day 40-hour week, with overtime of time-and-one-half for all time worked before 8:45 a.m. or after 5:45 p.m.; nine paid statutory holidays; one week vacation after 12 months, two weeks after two years, and three weeks after 20 years; a cumulative sick leave plan.

Sample wage rates include: starting at $35 a week for first six months, up to $50 in coats and suits, or five percent commission, whichever is the greater. In slacks the wage range is the same, or commission at 7.5 percent. In furnishings male range is from $35 to $50 weekly, female $32.50 to $37.50, or seven percent commission.

General office workers rates range from $32.50 up to $40 weekly, with cashiers from $32.50 to $45.

Government Pledges No Convict Labor

Vancouver Building Trades Council has protested the use of convict labor on construction work in the prison grounds at Oakalla.

Council representatives met with Attorney-General Bonner on the question and were assured that convict labor would be taken off Timbersteel Construction job and that no further labor of this kind would be used on contracts of this nature, reports secretary Ed Kennedy.

The work at Oakalla had been let by tender.

The government also assured the council that all men employed on the job would be paid union rates, something which was not being done when the complaint was lodged.

At the same time, the building trades group was critical of the stand taken by Alderman Bill Orr for his opposition to the Little Mountain housing scheme.

At its last meeting, the building trade group declared they felt Ald. Orr was more concerned with real estate firms' interests than with the housing of needy persons.

Maintenance Workers Gain Five Percent

General five percent wage boost is the basis of settlement reached with major city business blocks by Building Service Employees Union Local 244 this year.

The contracts cover about 125 maintenance workers in Medical - Dental Stock Exchange, Hall, Metropolitan, Lyric and Lee buildings, said business agent Ben Morley.

Victoria Typos Sign; Oilers Win Increase

IN A NUTSHELL—Over in Victoria, **Typos Local 201 have settled** with five shops to gain a six-cent hourly boost, reduction in the work week from 40 hours to 38¾ hours, and one additional paid statutory holiday. The agreement is retroactive to March 1.

Brotherhood of Firemen and Oilers Local 134 signed a two-year pact with Western Insulation Co. bringing a 5 percent increase plus a 5-cent boost for lead hands and third-class engineers. The pact also brings MSA coverage effective January 1, 1954.

Vancouver Building Trades Council took up with Dominion Construction poor food conditions at **Port Alice Camp**, were assured by Alaska Pine Co. that a company representative would straighten out the conditions.

Conciliation board report recommended laborer rates of $1.25 in New Westminster, $1.17 in Mission area with **Comstock-Midwestern** on the pipeline job.

Vancouver General Hospital unit **of Hospital Employees Union Local 180** elected 1953 officers with Hector Carden as chairman; Philip Sevin, vice-chairman; Philip Forsha, secretary; Eric Thomas, conductor, and Laurence Bowden, warden.

LONG-TERM CONTRACT SIGNED BY AUTOMEN

Annual wage adjustment is included in a new long-term agreement signed by B.C. Auto Workers Lodge 1857 (IAM) with major auto firms in Vancouver and New Westminster.

One of the first long-term pacts signed here this year, the agreement provides for a nine-cent hourly boost for journeymen retroactive to April 1, and a five percent increase for other classifications, plus an automatic two percent "improvement factor" increase on April 1, 1954 and 1955.

The contract affects about 900 auto workers and brings the mechanic rate to $1.75 an hour, or $70 for the 40-hour week.

The agreement also includes a cost of living clause, new vacation plan to give three weeks holiday after 15 years service, and brings automen their first welfare plan.

Cost of living clause is based on .85 percent wage adjustment for each one point change in the index with first adjustment March 31, 1954, and every three months thereafter. A "floor" on the C.O.L. adjustment provides that on the second aniversary date the rate will be adjusted to 10 percent on the present rate even if the C.O.L. has risen beyond 10 percent.

The new trustee welfare plan provides for M.S.A., $2000 life insurance and $30 weekly indemnity with a 26-week maximum. It will cost worker and employer about $1.60 a month.

New weekly pay rates are: service salesmen $72; lubrication men $57.55; general helpers, washers and polishers $50; trade improver $42 to $63; parts leaders $64.60; shippers and receivers $59.50; senior partsmen $59.50, intermediate $53.60, junior, start at $35.70 with increase of $3 a week every three months up to a top of $48.50; service station charge hands $55; attendants $35 to $50.

Auto workers business agent Gordon Webb said an "entirely new phase" has been entered with this agreement. "No major changes affecting the men's pay or working conditions can be made in any shop without prior discussion with the union."

Paper Workers Win Settlement Of Long Strike

Converters Local 433 of Pulp, Sulphite and Paper Mill Workers this month won a settlement of their 22-day strike at Bonar and Bemis Co. paper plant on basis of a 3½ percent wage increase.

The settlement also brought a cut in the work week from 42 to 40 hours in the textile division, one of the points in the dispute when the strike broke.

The new agreement will expire Dec. 15 this year.

SEVEN-CENT INCREASE

Seven-cent hourly boost retroactive to April 1 has been won by employees at West-Min Woodcraft, New Westminster, members of Carpenters Local 2534.

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Candidates State Policy on Labor's Nine Big Problems

Total of 69 candidates in next week's provincial election have answered the questionnaire sent out last month by Vancouver Trades and Labor Council requesting information on their attitude on labor matters.

Delegates to an April council meeting voted to quiz the candidates on nine questions of vital importance to labor men and women, as reported in the last issue of the Labor Statesman.

Affirmative answers were received in many cases for all except question number 9: "Do you believe that the LRB should rule on interpretation of the union constitution." Negative answers were sent in by the majority for this question.

There are about 230 candidates in the election.

Replies were received from party leaders Arnold Webster of the CCF and Nigel Morgan of the LPP. No replies were received from Premier W. A. C. Bennett, Liberal leader Art Laing, or from Progressive Conservative leader Deane Finlayson.

Mr. Webster noted that his answers covered official party policy on the questions covered. Mr. Morgan of the LPP did likewise, and congratulated the council for taking steps to inform the membership on such important issues.

Secretaries for education minister Mrs. Tillie Rolston, finance minister Gunderson, and forests minister Sommers acknowledged receipt of the questionnaire, and said it would be put before the ministers on their return from campaign tours.

Labor Minister Wicks replied saying that it was impossible for him to express a personal opinion as any one member of the cabinet would be expressing the opinions of the government as a whole.

According to parties, replies were received as follows: Social Credit, seven replies (48 candidates); CCF, 26 replies (47 candidates); Liberals, 13 replies (48 candidates); Progressive-Conservatives, eight replies (39 candidates); LPP, 13 replies (25 candidates).

Three replies were received from candidates who failed to sign their names or otherwise identify themselves.

Space does not permit reproduction of the lengthy comments added by some candidates, but in every case a sincere attempt is made to show the intent of qualifications or explanations appended to "yes" and "no" answers.

Detailed answers, arranged according to constituency, follow:

Here Are Nine Labor Questions Posed To Election Candidates

Here are the nine questions posed by Council to every candidate for election to the provincial legislature:

1. Do you agree that all workers should have the right of legal collective bargaining and that civil servants should not be barred from the benefit of the government's own legislation.
2. Do you agree that 51 percent of union membership shall guarantee the union shop?
3. Are you in favor of restoring to unions the right to conduct their own strike vote according to union constitution?
4. Are you in favor of amending the Compensation Act to give coverage to all workers for all industrial accidents and occupational diseases and increasing pensions to meet present day living standards?
5. Do you believe in the complete abolition of hospital co-insurance in any form, and that the premium be reduced to $33?
6. Are you in favor of amending the Holiday Act to increase annual vacation to two weeks and the inauguration of a stamp book system of collecting holiday pay from employers?
7. Are you in favor of amending the Hours of Work Act making a mandatory five-day, 40-hour week for all workers?
8. Do you believe the intent of the Minimum Wage Act should be sustained by adjusting minimum wages in relation to the wage index?
9. Do you believe that the Labor Relations Board should rule on the interpretation of the union constitution?

Vancouver Burrard 'A'

Alex Macdonald (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes"; No. 9, "no". "The difference between 'supervise' and 'scrutinize' you could put in your eye." On No. 6: "As to stamp book idea, I have not considered it, but sounds OK."

Hugh Allan (Prog-Con): Nos. 1, 3, 4, 7, 8, "yes". No. 2, "no". Re No. 5, he said: "I do not favor co-insurance but if it is an insurance scheme the premium must be determined by cost experience." He did not like stamp books.

Alan Rankin (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No replies: **Eric Martin (Socred); J. C. Gould (Lib); E. M. Zunti (Chris-Dem.)**

Vancouver Burrard 'B'

Grant MacNeil (CCF); Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

Norman S. Carmichael (Prog-Con): Nos. 1, 4, 6, 7, 8, 9, "yes". Nos. 2, 3, 5, "no". Re No. 2: "I do not think that 51 percent of union membership should constitute a working majority." Re No. 3: " . . . unions should work in close relationship with full-time LRB. Final settlement should be reached in full agreement with both organizations. He did not favor "complete abolition of hospital insurance but " . . . premiums should be reduced to $21."

J. A. "Bert" Whyte (LPP): Nos. 1 to 2, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No replies: **Bert Price (Socred); Victor Odlum (Lib); L. J. Walshe (Christian Dem.)**

Vancouver Centre 'A'

A. S. Mathew (Socred): Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, "yes". On No. 2: "The spirit of this question is pretty well covered by the ICA Act." He gave no answer to No. 9, saying: "It seems to me that a lot would depend on the problem under discussion. I am giving this matter further study."

James Bury (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". On Nos 2 and 3: "Bill No. 67 introduced by myself, an act to amend the ICA Act asked for these." On No. 6: "Bill 46 introduced by myself asked for two weeks holiday each year. We also felt that the stamp method if asked for by labor should be given." On No. 9 he says Bill 67 would have prohibited the Board from interpreting the constitution of any trade-union.

Anna E. Sprott (Lib): All affirmative except No. 9, which was answered by "no" with comment: "In the case of a disput I believe in the final analysis the board will have to make a decision."

Glen F. McMaster (Prog-Con): Did not answer questions, but enclosed a copy of the party platform (which pledges full-time LRB: "Fair-employment legislation; equal pay for equal work" act; certification of tradesmen; changes in ICA and Workmen's Compensation Act; collective bargaining for civil servants").

Mary Chomyn (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No reply: **F. T. Peters (Christian Dem.)**

Vancouver Centre 'B'

Laura Jamieson (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

Leo Sweeney (Lib): Answered all questions in the affirmative. Re No. 2: "Very definitely—some years ago established this rule in our own plants." Re No. 3: "With proper safeguards." He commented that No. 5 was plank of liberal platform and re No. 6: "Yes — in principle — feel favorably disposed and will give full consideration."

Bill Stewart (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes." No. 9, "No".

No replies: **George Moxham (Socred); Fred Taylor (Prog-Con); J. P. Reardon (Christian Dem.)**

Vancouver East 'A'

A. M. Arnold (Socred): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9 "no".

Nigel Morman (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No replies: **Arthur Turner (CCF); E. J. Crowley (Lib); I. S. Finkleman (Prog - Con); Albert Busch (Christian Dem.)**

Vancouver East 'B'

Stan Wilcox (Socred): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". "This is a must with me" was his comment on unions conducting own strike vote. On No. 4: "Certainly, most provinces have taken this step," and on No. 8: "I never did believe in subsidizing the employer by permitting low wages."

Arnold Webster (CCF): Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, "yes". No. 9 "no". On No. 6 he comments: "The CCF has consistently supported the two weeks vacation policy and introduced the legislation in Victoria. No policy decision has been made on the stamp book system of collecting and it has been felt that further study should be given to this matter." On No. 7: "CCF definitely supports the principle of the five-day, 40-hour week but recognizes that in its enactment provision will have to be made so as to enable the continuance of necessary public service such as of restaurants, etc."

No replies: **P. J. Lipp (Lib); S. A. Roberts (Prog-Con); Harvey Murphy (LPP); L. A. Dion (Christian Dem.)**

Point Grey 'A'

No replies: **Tom Bate (Socred); Vic Forster (CCF); T. R. Burnett (Lib); Stewart Chambers (Prog-Con); Mrs. B. Ferneyhough (LPP); W. J. Charbonneau (Christian Dem.)**

Dr. W. N. Kemp (Independent): "Yes" to all but Nos. 6 and 9, which he said he did not understand. He added he was running for express purpose of having WCB include a medical appeal board and improved Industrial First Aid Service.

Point Grey 'B'

George Miller (Prog-Con): Returned questionnaire unanswered, but attached party platform, and copy of an address by leader Deane Finlayson.

A. L. Seligman (Independent): Nos. 4, 5, 7, "yes". Nos. 2, 3, "no". Added that wives should be included in strike votes. Also "Too many unions do not police their own members, and permit slacking and wasted work and time. I would never permit a union to tell me who to hire and fire."

No replies: **Attorney-General R. W. Bonner (Socred); G. J. Greenaway (CCF); Alex Fisher (Lib); Hal Griffin (LPP); Alma Diebolt (Christian Dem.)**

Point Grey 'C'

Norman Hill (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". "Civil servants should have the same rights as any other worker, including the right to participate in politics." On No. 4: "Past awards should be reviewed and revised in the light of present-day conditions."

No replies: **Education Minister T. J. Rolston (Socred); Liberal leader Art Laing; T. F. Orr (Prog-Con); Constance Marks (LPP); Mae Messner (Christian Dem.)**

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No replies: **Thos. Peterson (Socred); John Squire (CCF); L. K. Jordan (Lib); O. J. Rattan (Prog-Con); Frank Bottner (LPP).**

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Frank Calder (CCF): "Yes" to all questions with comment: "CCF is the only party that backs labor's demands."

No replies: **Frank Assu (Socred); W. D. Smith (Lib).**

Burnaby

E. E. Winch (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". On No. 4: "Have advocated blanket coverage for many years, also increase in compensation rates." On No. 5 he says: "I hope to see the day when medical and hospital services will be all inclusive on similar lines to that of Great Britain."

F. M. Stephens (Prog-Con): Nos. 1, 2, 4, 7, 8, "yes". He said he favored abolition of co-insurance, "but new premium should be such as to carry costs. Re No. 6: "Since most employees are in receipt of two weeks holidays with pay, I believe this should be left to the discretion of individual firms." Re No. 9: "LRB should not be empowered to amend the union constitution."

W. J. Turner (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No replies: **Ernie Crompton (Socred; Edith McDonald (Lib); B. W. Worsley (Christian Dem.)**

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Cariboo

Earl Malcolm (Lib): Nos. 1, 4, 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". Re No. 2: " . . . those who benefit from representation by a union have an obligation to share in the expense of that representation." Re 3: "One of the most important safeguards of this system is that of having scrutineers at democratic elections."

No replies: **Ralph Chetwynd (Socred); Joe McConnell (CCCF); J. G. Boultbee (Prog-Con).**

Chilliwack

Lloyd Beharrell (Lib): Nos. 1, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, "yes". Nos. 2, 3 and 9, "no". Re No. 2 he commented: "I would say about 75 percent to prove an unmistakable majority." Re No. 3: "I favor a union strike vote but with one representative of management or government as scrutineers to protect the interests of the people."

Henry E. Taylor (Prog-Con): All affirmative except No. 9, which was marked "no".

No replies: **Ken Kiernan (Socred); Emil Anderson (CCF).**

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Motion Picture Projectionists, Local 348—Business Manager, L. Walker. Secretary, Geo. Thrift, 295 East Broadway; FA. 6862.

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Retail Grocery and Food Clerks, Local No. 1518 — Secretary, D. A. Wade, 205 Labor Temple; FA. 8242.

Sheet Metal Workers, Local 280—Business Manager, James Walker, 207 Labor Temple; FA. 7636.

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Street Railwaymen's Union, Div. 101 — Business Agent, C. Stewart, Street Rly. Building, 125 E. 8th; FAir. 4262.

Street Railwaymen's Union, No. 134—Business Agent, K. M. Armstrong, 59 Alexander, New Westminster. Phone 1342.

Taxi Drivers, Local 151 — Secretary, C. Gower, 204 Labor Temple; FA. 8716.

Tile Setters, Local No. 3—Recording Secretary, J. Neville, 3231 School Road, Vancouver 16. DExter 1335-R.

Truck Drivers' Union, Local No. 31 — Business Agents, Reg. Lenfesty and C. Solem, 222 W. Broadway, FA. 8251.

Typographical Union, Local 226—Secretary, Harry Neelands, 212 Labor Temple; FA. 2608.

United Garment Workers' Union, No. 232—Secretary, Phyllis Fanus; GL. 3354-R.

Union Label Trades Council—Secretary, Ed. Smith, 209 Labor Temple, BA. 2550.

Many Pledge Support On Long Overdue Labor Reforms

Columbia

No replies: **O. R. Newton (Socred); Eileen Madson (CCF); H. H. Moore (Lib); E. J. Zinken (Christian Dem.)**

Comox

Jack Higgin (LLP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No replies: **Cyril Poole (Socred); Wm. Moore (CCF); Jack Baikie (Lib); Nugent Spinks (Prog-Con).**

Cowichan - Newcastle

R. M. Strachan (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". "I would have to give the stamp book system some consideration and know more fully the conditions before I could OK that part of the question."

Earl English (Prog-Con): Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, "yes". Nos. 2 and 9, "no". He explained his objection to No. 2 by adding "75 percent". Re No. 6, he added: "I am not conversant with the system of stamp book collection."

Myrtle Bergren (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No replies: **Percy Hawkins Socred); Andrew Whisker (Lib); E. A. Beasley (Independent).**

Cranbrook

Leo Nimsick (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

George Haddad (Lib): Nos. 1, 4, 5, 6 and 9, "yes". Nos. 2, 3, 7 and 8, "no". Regarding No. 2: "Not closed shop," and regarding No. 3: strike votes "should be supervised".

No reply: **H. C. King (Socred).**

Delta

Thomas J. Irwin (MLA-Socred): Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, "yes". No. 9, "no". Re No. 2: "While the principle of a bare majority is OK, the majority should be 66 percent of all employed in that shop." Re No. 3: "Provided that there is adequate provision to protect the rights of those not in the union."

Len Shepherd (CCF): Nos. 1 to 7, "yes". On No. 8 and 9 comments: "Not sufficiently informed on this question."

No replies: **Leslie Gilmore (Lib); R. W. Pybus (Prog-Con); Dave Danielson (LPP); Cyril Brocking (Christian Dem.); E. C. Mills (People's Party).**

Dewdney

Labor Minister Lyle Wicks (Socred): Replied by letter which said in part, "As a member of the government, it is naturally quite impossible for me to express a personal opinion on these matters Any one member of the Cabinet, will, of course, be expressing the opinions of the government as a whole. I take this opportunity, however, of reiterating our stand in matters of government policy, namely, fair play, with an equal opportunity for all. Secondly, the Government will not permit exploitation of the people by anyone, and is opposed to monopoly."

Ken W. Pattern (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". Comments: "See the record of CCF in the last legislature."

Frances Gilstead (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No replies: **Arthur Emery (Lib); Murray Watkins (Prog-Con); George Pedlar (Christian Dem.)**

Esquimalt

Frank Mitchell (CCF): "Yes" to all questions.

G. I. Edgelow (Lib): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". On No. 2, he thought it should be 60 percent; he favored No. 3 but "under certain circumstances they should be supervised." Agreed to Sloan recommendations on No. 4. Re No. 5 said "No co-insurance—reduction of premiums where possible."

No replies: **H. J. Bruch (Socred); Dr. N. Goodwin (Prog-Con).**

Fernie

H. C. McKay (Lib): Nos. 2, 3, 4, 7, 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". Re No. 1: ". . . Interest of the public and the civil servants will best be served by arbitration proceedings as is done in the case of firemen." BCHIS premium reductions should be brought about as "economically feasible."

No replies: **Wm. Paniec (Socred); Tom Uphill (Ind. Labor).**

Fort George

No replies: **R. Williston (Socred); Frank Bond (CCF); Garvin Dezell (Lib).**

Grand Forks - Greenwood

R. W. Haggen (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". On No. 9 says: "Do not understand the import of this question."

No replies: **C. G. McPhail (Socred); Klaus Scheer (Lib); R. E. M. Euerby (Prog-Con).**

Kamloops

No replies: **Works Minister P. A. Gaglardi (Socred); Peter Wright (CCF); R. G. Carson Jr. (Lib); Gilbert Smith (Prog-Con); Charles Cook (LPP).**

Kaslo - Slocan

No replies: **Alex Jacobs (Socreds); Ran Harding (CCF); Mrs. F. Leary (Lib).**

Gordon Dowding (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". On No. 1: "I am deeply interested in obtaining full rights to bargain for civil service employees since before I took up law practice I was for 8 years a civil servant." On No. 6: "Two weeks holiday with pay should be mandatory to all employers; the question of method is not too difficult."

No replies: **Con Olafson (Socred); Gordon Gibson (Lib); Herb Ashby (Prog-Con).**

MacKenzie

Bat McIntyre (Lib): Nos. 1, 2, 3, 4, 8 and 9, "yes". He agreed to abolition of co-insurance, but favored reduction of premiums, "if possible to do without loss of revenue to other departments of government." He favored two weeks' holiday but "would have to know reasons why" for stamp book system.

No replies: **John Perdue (Socred); Tony Gargrave (CCF); Earl Dawe (Prog-Con).**

Nanaimo - Islands

Dave Stupich (CCF): "Yes" to all questions.

No replies: **E. C. Westwood (Socred); Elmer Bradshow (Lib); L. Giovando (Prog-Con); E. J. Brewster (Ind).**

Grace Tickson (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

Nelson - Creston

R. G. Simms (CCF): Nos. 1 to 6 and 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". Re No. 7: "This is a desirable goal but I have not sufficient information on farm laborers, domestic servants etc., to answer the question as put." Re No. 9 he says "In case of a dispute in the union, the courts should decide."

No replies: **W. D. Black (Socred); Fraser Tees (Lib); T. C. Shorthouse (Prog-Con); T. E. Mountford (LPP).**

New Westminster

M. A. Olsen (Socred): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". On No. 9 he says: "It would depend on what was written in to the union contract. The Board would have to adhere to the agreement." On No. 3 he says, "providing it is a majority vote by the membership, and on No. 4 he comments, "also for farmers and fishermen."

Rae Eddie (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". On No. 1: "I was one of the trade union members on the floor of the legislature who raised this question and supported the B.C. Government Employees." On his "no" answer to No. 9, he says: "Unions formulate their own constitutions, they know the intent, therefore they are the only ones who should interpret."

F. H. Jackson (Lib): No. 1, "yes". He did not answer Nos. 3, 4 or 8 because of lack of information. Re No. 2: "I favor preservation of existing right of the majority to act as the bargaining agent . . . I would not deprive any man of the right to work . . . because the union considered him not eligible for union membership . . . " Re 5: BCHIS problems "will be not be met by a blind and arbitrary slashing of the premium rate."

Alf Dewhurst (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No reply: **C. Mervin (Christian Dem.)**

North Okanagan

Franklyn Valair (Lib): Answered no questions. In a letter he said: ". . . the platform of the Liberal party covers almost entirely the subject matter of your questionnaire . . . This platform is no doubt well known to you."

No replies: **L. H. Shantz (Socred); Bruce Emerson (CCF); Pat Duke (Prog-Con); Nick Klim (LPP).**

North Vancouver

Dorothy Steeves (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". On No. 2 she comments: "Teachers and other professional men have this right. Why not all unions?" On No. 3 she says: "I am not in favour of a 'scrutinized' strike vote any more than the present 'supervised' one. The unions must have the right to manage their own votes." On No. 8 she says: "If it means that the wage index is the B.C. index, I am in favor."

Robert G. Sarginson (LPP): Nos. 1 to 2, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No replies: **George Tomlinson (Socred); W. R. McDougall (Lib); Rodney Beavan (Prog-Con); Mrs. Fred Innis (Christian Dem.)**

Oak Bay

F. J. Bevis (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". He comments: "The above answers are a part of CCF policy which we guarantee to implement when elected."

Ne replies: **E. Gunderson (Socred); P. A. Gibbs (Lib); Deane Finlayson (Prog-Con).**

Omineca

No replies: **Cyril Shelford (Socred); Ted Rowland (CCF); R. C. Steele (Lib); Sam Cocker (Prog-Con).**

Peace River

No replies: **Rev. C. W. Parker (Socred); Roald Dahlen (CCF); Stanley Weston (Lib).**

Prince Rupert

No replies: **W. H. Murray (Socred); George Hills (CCF); A. B. Brown (Lib).**

Revelstoke

Vincent Segur (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". General comments: "I cannot see the necessity of continually questioning candidates of the CCF when it is known that the CCF has sponsored every condition contained in most questionnaires for the past 20 years. Put the pressure on the private enterprise candidates and see that you get a reply."

No replies: **Rev. H. Francis (Socred); C. H. Stoodley (Lib); A. W. Lundell (Independent).**

Rossland - Trail

A. C. Muirhead (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". Comment on No. 9: "I am not sure whether this would be good or not."

Douglas T. Wetmore (Lib): Nos. 1, 3, 4, 6, 7, "yes". No. 9 "no". He said on No. 5: "Co-insurance must be abolished but premium reduction must not render scheme insolvent. Re No. 8: "Yes—but care must be taken that in good times the minimum wage does not have a maximizing effect." He qualified his "yes" answer on No. 7 by saying: "As soon as labor overwhelmingly wants such a move."

E. G. Fletcher (Prog-Con): "Yes" to all but No. 9 and No. 6, on which he required further information. He qualified No. 2 by saying, "providing that 51 percent represents that same percentage of all the employees entitled to belong to the union," and to No. 3 added that "question of communist domination of a union should be taken care of somehow."

No reply: **R. E. Sommers (Socred).**

Saanich

Frank Snowsell (CCF): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". On No. 7: "This has my full support providing that workers don't use their extra spare time to take other jobs away from fellow workers." On No. 8: "A minimum wage has little value unless provision is made for adjustment to meet fluctuation in living costs."

No replies: **J. M. Tisdale (Socred); Arthur Ash (Lib); Mrs. N. G. Lindsay (Prog-Con).**

Salmon Arm

W. J. Thompson (CCF): "Yes" answer to all questions. Comments: "I am a union man, a member of IWA, employee of Salmon Arm Planer Mills."

No replies: **J. A. Reid (Socred); J. J. Carmichael (Lib); A. B. Ritchie (Prog-Con); Gwyn Walters (LPP).**

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Building Unions Win Pay Boosts As Major Negotiations Completed

Major settlements in the building trades were wound up this month as painters, laborers, cement masons and bricklayers signed contracts for pay boosts.

At the same time, carpenters in 17 local unions throughout the province signed the first standardized pay pact with the "big five" contractors setting rate of $2.20 an hour.

De tails of settlements are:

Painters

A seven-cent wage boost to bring the journeymen brush rate for painters to $2.07 an hour was the settlement reached by Painters Local 138 for the Vancouver, New Westminster and lower mainland area.

The rate for spray work now jumps to $2.17 an hour.

The settlement directly affects about 15 major painting contractors of the Building Industries Exchange but set the pattern for contracts with another 60 independent contractors in the area.

The new contract runs from April 1 to March 31, 1954.

Local 138 business agent Jack Eaves said there were no other changes from the 1952 agreement.

Carpenters

On the B.C. scene, a province-wide agreement was reached this month between the "big five" contractors and 17 locals of United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners, setting a standard $2.20 hourly rate for carpenters.

Other conditions in the first B.C.-wide pact include a 15-day union membership clause, an anti-discrimination clause, and a $2 daly board charge.

The wage boost was effective from May 1. Millwrights rate was set at $2.30 an hour.

Local unions covered are: 1598 Victoria; 1812 Duncan; 527 Nanaimo; 513 Port Alberni; 2412 Qualicum; 1638 Courtenay; 1882 Campbell River; 2068 Powell River; 1237 Dawson Creek; 1696 Penticton; 1370 Kelowna; 1346 Vernon; 1540 Kamloops; 1719 Kimberley; 2318 Creston; 2458 Nelson and 2447 Trail.

Contractors are: General Construction; Dawson Wade Construction; Northern Construction and J. W. Stewart Construction; B. C. Bridge and Dredging, and Marwell Construction.

Laborers

Laborers have settled their 1953 contract for the Vancouver area as Building and General Laborers Union Local 602 signed with the General Contractors Association for a five-cent hourly increase.

The new agreement brings the rate here to $1.55 an hour.

With membership approval of the G.C.A. agreement, contracts covering the northern Alcan projects also were wound up. The Kitimat and Kemano agreements call for a 10-cent increase effective from Jan. 1 last, to bring the rate to $1.50 an hour. Board charge on the projects has been set at $2 a day.

Earlier the first province-wide agreement for heavy and highway construction was signed by locals in Prince Rupert, Powell River, Victoria, New Westminster, Mission, Kamloops and Kelowna areas.

Under this pact, work on building and heavy construction on Vancouver Island and within boundaries of Vancouver, New Westminster and Prince Rupert brings $1.55 an hour; for road and highway work, $1.40.

In other areas, building and heavy construction rate (excepting the above named areas and cities, and Trail and Kimberley), the laborer rate is $1.45; road and highway work pays $1.30. This agreement also contains a $2 daily board charge to workers.

Cement Masons

New Local 919, Operative Plasterers and Cement Masons has signed with General Contractors Association for a journeyman rate of $2.12 for cement masons.

The seven-cent increase was effective from April 27 in the one-year pact which expires March 31, 1954.

Foremen get 20-cent hourly premium rate.

The agreement sets out overtime of time and one-half for first two hours over eight; double time after that. Double time for all work on Saturday and Sunday, and for work on any of nine named statutory holidays.

The contract provides for transportation to and from the job on out-of-townof-town projects, and board and lodging will be provided by the employer on such jobs, reports Recording Secretary Ralph Baker.

FERNIE CARPENTERS SIGN

Standard carpenters' agreement has been signed for one year from April 1 between Fernie Carpenters' Local 1719 and Power Corporation of Canada, Fernie.

In Port Alberni, **Carpenters Local 513** have won a 15-cent increase for employees of Alberni Shipyards.

Newspapermen on Victoria Times and Colonist, members of **TLC Newspaper Guild Local 219**, have won a 6 percent increase.

BUILDING TRADES GROUP URGES ALL JOBS CLOSE FOR HOLIDAY

Annual holiday in the building trades this year will be held June 29 to July 6.

The Building Trades Council at its last meeting declared that certain firms which have asked to continue work during the holiday week will be notified that the request will not be granted. The council said the Building Exchange set the holiday date and the council has endorsed it.

Carpenters Local 452 passed a resolution stating that none of its members will be permitted to work during the holiday week.

EMPLOYMENT BULLETIN

43,000 Seek Jobs Here But Conditions 'Better'

Latest figures from the Department of Labor in Ottawa indicate that there are 43,000 persons seeking employment in B.C.—a decrease of 7,000 since March 17, but nevertheless an increase of 4,200 over last year.

However, the monthly bulletin issued by the department describes an "accelerating pace of employment expansion" as the highlight of the Canadian manpower picture during April (last month for which detailed figures are available).

The bulletin states there has been a sharp increase in seasonal activities and steady growth of labor requirements in the consumer goods, defence material, building supplies and construction industries.

Other highlights of the employment report:

- For the first time since last fall there was marked increase in the number of people working full-time.
- By the end of last month, labor demand and supply was in approximate balance in areas covering approximately 60 percent of all Canada.
- Hiring activity was strongest in Ontario and Prairie provinces, with labor surpluses continuing, although diminished, in most other parts of the country.
- There are now 5,241,000 in the civilian labor force.

Jubilee Camp Offices In Electrical Hall Now Open For Season

Registration office of Children's Jubilee Summer Camp Association has been located in the downstairs room of Electrical Workers Hall.

The office will open Friday from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m. and will be open those hours each Monday, Wednesday and Friday through June, July and August.

Semi-annual Variety Show has been planned for Friday night in Sir Alexander McKenzie School, Thirty-ninth and Windsor, at 8 p.m.

Girls at college
Are of two strata:
Those with dates,
And those with data.

Richmond Employees Win Wage Battle With School Board

Maintenance workers at Richmond schools won their wage battle with the Richmond school board this month bringing a wage boost, sick leave plan and work hour cut.

Agreement was reached on basis of a union settlement offer which brings the 36 non-teaching employees a 10 percent wage increase and a 40-hour week during summer months.

The two-year pact agreed on by Building Service Employees Local 244 and Richmond school board came nine hours before a union strike deadline.

Business agent Ben Morley said the terms give employees a five percent wage increase retroactive to January 1 and a further five percent on January 1, 1954.

Also included is a 40-hour work week during June, July, August and September during the two years. A 44-hour week will be worked the other eight months.

The cumulative sick leave plan allows one day with pay for each month.

TRUCKERS WIN BOOST

General Truck Drivers and Helpers Local 31 and Vancouver Supply Co. have settled with probationary employees rate of $240 a month for 30 days, truck drivers at $250 a month on a 40-hour week retroactive to Jan. 1 this year.

Statute Change Gives Hotel and Cafe Staffs Twice-Monthly Cheques

Hotel and catering industry employees will be paid at least semi-monthly under an addition to the schedule of the Semi-monthly Payment of Wages Act.

Victoria announcement this month said the addition was made at the request of unions and had been agreed upon by all parties concerned. The act provides also for recovery in the courts of wages owing to any employee.

ANSWERS

(Continued from page 5)

Similkameen

Frank Richter (Socred): Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, "yes". Nos. 2 and 9, "no". Re No. 2: "Would like to see higher percentage for more solid majority." On No. 3: "Only when all workers have the privilege to vote." He would like "further enlightenment" on No. 6 before answering, and on No. 7 and 8 would like "thorough investigation."

H. S. Kenyon (CCF): Nos. 1 to 5, 7 and 8, "yes". No. 9, "no". On No. 6: "I am of the opinion that the percentage system is more simple a method of collecting holiday pay."

J. B. Fairley (Lib): Nos. 1, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, "yes". Nos. 2 and 9, "no". He qualified No. 3 by saying: "Providing secret ballot is used and there is no question of intimidation." Re No. 6: "Yes" to two weeks holiday; "no" to stamp book system."

No reply: **J. B. M. Clarke (Prog-Con).**

Skeena

No replies: **Richard Lawrence (Socred); Frank Howard (CCF); Lionel Houle (Lib); W. G. O'Neill (Prog-Con).**

South Okanagan

No replies: **Premier W. A. C. Bennett (Socred); Tom Wilkinson (CCF); Victor Wilson (Lib); Mrs. E. C. Weddell (Prog-Con).**

Victoria 'A'

Nancy Hodges (Lib): Nos. 3 and 4, "yes". No. 9, "no". On No. 2 she felt that 51 percent should "guarantee a union shop but not necessarily a closed shop." On No. 3: "If this means doing away with . . . government scrutiny—then "no". She favored abolition of co-insurance and reduction of BCHIS premiums if possible without jeopardizing scheme.

Doris Blakey (LPP): Nos. 1 to 8, "yes". No. 9, "no".

No replies: **Mrs. L. Arsens (Socred); Victor Allen (C C F); Art Chapman (Prog-Con); Claude Harrison (Independent).**

Victoria 'B'

No replies: **W. N. Chant (Socred); Colin Cameron (CCF); D. J. Proudfoot (Lib); M. L. Drake, Prog-Con); A. McGugan (LPP).**

Victoria 'C'

No replies: **Percy Wright (Socred); May Campbell (CCF); W. T. Straith (Lib); R. J. Patch (Prog-Con); Irving Mortensen (LPP).**

Yale

Evan D. MacDougall (CCF): "Yes" answer to all questions, with no comments.

No replies: **Irvine Corbett (Socred); C. G. Bryson (Lib); Ben Cherry (Prog-Con).**

UNION LABEL CORNER

By ED SMITH

Our 1953 "Union Buying Week" campaign is off to a good start. Letters have been received from the Trades and Labor Council endorsing our campaign and secretary R. K. Gervin has made a strong appeal to the delegates to support the committee in every way.

Remember, when the time comes, support your committee and their efforts to advertise the products made, and services given, by the membership. This is beneficial to all union members.

Letters have been received from the city councils of Vancouver, New Westminster, Burnaby, District of North Vancouver, all endorsing the campaign, and the mayors and reeves will proclaim the week of September 7 to 12 as Union Buying Week in their cities and municipalities.

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No real job can be done without the proper tools, and in our case a real job can be done only with your support with liberal contributions to our campaign fund, and the co-operation as requested for immediate action in supplying information when asked for it.

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Here is the question of the week: Have you dealt with the question of affiliation with the council and lining up with the rest of the movement in this important work? It concerns you, you know!

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