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Trades and Labor Congress Asks For Needed Legislation

In Interview with Cabinet Yesterday, Progressive Legislation For Benefit of Working People was Requested by Executive of Congress.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

OTTAWA, January 9.—The Executive of the Canadian Trades and Labor Congress and other Canadian labor officials had a three-hour conference with the members of the Cabinet yesterday, during which they presented a memorandum asking that legislation be enacted along the lines which labor indicates. The items are as follows: Legislation for an eight-hour day and a 44-hour week, with the establishment of a minimum wage adequate to ensure a fair standard of living. The repeal of the recent amendments to the Criminal Code imposing heavy fines for the possession of prohibited literature. To restore to all workers the absolute right to organize. Encouragement of the principle of collective bargaining. Assistance and encouragement of the formation of co-operative societies with the view of reducing the high cost of living, and further that legislation be enacted to make the incorporation of such societies easy. The revision of the machinery for investigation and arbitration of industrial disputes. Proportional representation.

On the question of immigration the delegation had three recommendations to make:

1. The appointment of a representative of the organized workers along with others on a Central Empire Board.
2. The necessity of the revision of the present method of admission of orientals, and either their total exclusion or international arrangements limiting the number to one per thousand of population.
3. The elimination of any system whatever of bonusing for the introduction of industrial workers.

PARLIAMENT TO REASSEMBLE FEBRUARY 26

Intimation Made by Sir George Foster, Acting Prime Minister; Two Vacant Seats to be Filled.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

OTTAWA, Jan. 9.—Sir George E. Foster, acting prime minister, has made the announcement that parliament will meet for the transaction of business on Thursday, February 25. The address in reply to the speech from the throne will most probably be moved by Hume Cronyn, member for London, and seconded by Alex. McGregor, of Pictou.

The acting prime minister also stated that writs will shortly be issued making provision for the filling of two seats in the House of Commons now vacant. These seats are for Kamouraska and Temiskaming.

JAPANESE BUILT SHIPS FOR STATES

SEATTLE, January 9.—Twelve steamships built in Japan for the United States shipping board will arrive within the next three months for delivery, according to Captain S. Karakima, of the steamship Eastern Moon, which has arrived here from Kobe.

Westholme Theatre Tonight
FRANK KEENAN IN
Sunshine "MASTER MAN"
Comedy
"Divers Last Kiss"
Empress Theatre
LOUISE HUFF IN
9th "CROOK OF DREAMS"
Episode
of "The Iron Test"
and "The Carter Case"

MORE CHINESE DRUG FIENDS ARE ARRESTED

Sergeant and Constables Make Raid on Suspicious House Last Night—Got the Goods.

As a result of a raid made last night on 742 7th Ave., W., four Chinese, Wong You, Joe Koy, Kwong Ban Lee and Wong Jim, appeared before Magistrate Mc-Mordie in the police court this morning charged with having drugs in their possession and were remanded till 10 o'clock tomorrow morning.

Armed with warrants, Sergeant Adams and Constables McDonald and McGlinchey left the police station last night at 11:45. As they neared their objective one of the inmates happened to look out of a window and spied the squad in the moonlight. When they arrived at the door it was firmly secured against entry and no response was made to their demands for admission. Therefore a panel was broken and entry was forced.

In the first room were found three Chinamen lying on beds in various stages of undress, two of them being in a stupor apparently. Three packages of cocaine were found under the mattress. Besides the three Chinamen were three young white men who are to appear as witnesses in the prosecution.

Another door leading off the outer room was found bolted and again entry was forced and in the inner room was found another Chinaman who was quite stupefied. The window was open and it is believed that something was thrown out immediately before the entry. As a creek runs by the house at this point nothing could be found to prove this. In this room were found two more packages of cocaine, partly opened.

The four Chinese were brought to the jail as well as the three whites. The white men were allowed to go with summons to appear as witnesses, but the Chinese spent the night in the lock-up. This morning they were allowed out on bail of \$200 each.

VICTORIA'S MAYOR MAY GO IN BY ACCLAMATION

VICTORIA, B.C., Jan. 9.—Mayor Porter is now in the field alone for the mayoralty for 1920, McGregor having withdrawn. There are no other candidates in sight, and it is expected that Mayor Porter will be returned as mayor again, by acclamation.

STEEL STRIKE OFF

PITTSBURG, Pa., Jan. 9.—The strike in the steel mills and furnaces called on September 22 and since its inception has involved 365,000 men, has been officially called off by the National Committee after an all day sitting.

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SOMEBODY WAS THERE IN THE MEANTIME

So Liquor Importer Suffered Remorse and Disappointment at Baggage Room.

To take the risk in connection with importing three trunks of good whisky into a dry country in contravention of the B. C. Prohibition Act and then to find the trunks filled with empty cases when the checks are brought to the baggage room is indeed a sad disappointment.

However, this is said to have happened to a passenger in on last night's train who came for his baggage this morning. It was not so bad for Mr. Liquor Importer when all the means in taking away the joy in life were the officers of a watchful police force but now that he cannot trust his precious baggage in the express car it really seems too much.

LITTLE INTEREST IN THE ELECTION

Three Are in The Mayoralty Fight—Little Speculation in Other Offices.

The mayoralty contest still appears to draw little public interest. As was expected, Mayor McClymont has formally announced his candidature for re-election. Major George E. Gibson has announced that he will not be a candidate for the chief magistracy and the Great War Veterans have decided not to enter any candidates in the campaign. This brings the contest down to a three cornered fight and it is not expected that there will be any further nominations.

The mayoralty candidates are now all in town as S. M. Newton arrived from Edmonton on last night's train. Any campaigning that is to take place should commence as nominations are to be made by 2 o'clock Monday afternoon and the election will take place next Thursday.

Less interest is being taken in the other branches of the election and few announcements have been made. Dr. Kergin will again be a candidate for school trustee, as well as J. C. McLennan, and it is possible that next year's board may be the same as this. S. D. Macdonald is the only announced candidate to fill the vacancy on the police commission. The aldermanic board may be changed somewhat, as a few new candidates have been announced while it is believed all the old members will seek re-election.

PORT CLEMENTS CORONER.

VICTORIA, Jan. 9.—A. R. Malloy of Port Clements has been appointed coroner.

Revolutionaries Attacked By "Respectable Prisoners" In Chicago County Jail

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

CHICAGO, January 9.—Investigation as to why more than a hundred Reds arraigned at the Federal Building, were suffering from black eyes, cut lips and countless bruises revealed particulars of a riot which broke out at the county jail in which the "Respectable Prisoners," led by a quintette of auto bandits and jewel thieves attacked the radicals last Sunday.

John Russo, who is being held for robbery, and is credited by the jail authorities with being the ringleader in the assault on the Reds, is said to have knocked out fifteen of the radicals before the guards were able to quell the riot.

NO SETTLEMENT IN DOCK STRIKE

General Manager Schellenberg Says Will Not Pay More Than South.

A conference of a committee representing the strikers at the daydock and F. F. Schellenberg, general manager of the plant, was held on the strike question last evening but no agreement was effected. D. S. Cameron, representing the O. B. U., suggested a minimum wage of 60c per hour or the workers affected. Mr. Schellenberg stated that there could be no change made in the rate as it was the policy of the company to pay the same as in Vancouver, which is being done now.

Some of the men are still working this morning. A meeting of the strikers will be held tonight to decide on a definite course of action.

DEMOCRATS TO CONVENE IN SAN FRANCISCO

Denounce Senators Who Would Defeat Acceptance of the Treaty of Versailles.

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—San Francisco has been selected by the Democratic National Committee in session here as the place for the party's 1920 National Convention. Monday, June 28, has been fixed as the date of the convention.

Resolutions endorsing the Treaty of Versailles and denouncing as unpatriotic the attitude of senators who would defeat indirectly or by nullifying resolutions, the ratification of the treaty, were unanimously adopted by the Democratic National Committee.

WHEAT EXPORT LARGE SINCE EMBARGO LIFTED

Five Times as Much Wheat Exported to States in December Over November Figures.

OTTAWA, Jan. 9.—An indication of the advantage being taken of the open market to Canadian wheat since December 15, when the embargo was removed may be gathered from the figures compiled by the Department of Customs. During November, when the embargo was on, only 258,263 bushels to the value of \$614,244 entered the United States from Canada, a good part of which represented wagon haulage from points adjacent to the border. During December, 1,190,507 bushels to the value of \$2,590,505 entered the United States.

GASOLINE PRICE UP ANOTHER TWO CENTS

VICTORIA, January 9.—Intimation has been made here that the price of gasoline hereafter will be raised by two cents per gallon. The cost of distillate is also increased three cents. Greases and other oils have also advanced in price. These increases are said to be due to the increase in the cost of producing the crude oil.

D.B. Hanna Hopeful Of Railroads Future

President of National Railways Optimistic About Development of Consolidated System.

(Special to The News via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

STRATFORD, January 9.—As the result of the Canadian National Railway actually receiving less per ton in freight rates than before the war while wages have gone up 142 per cent, increases in these rates are now essential to save the road from loss, according to D. B. Hanna, president of the Canadian National Railways, who was the chief speaker at the Chamber of Commerce banquet held here last night.

Predicting that in the near future, the Canadian National Railways, consisting of the Intercolonial, Prince Edward Island, Transcontinental and the Canadian Northern lines, would be on a substantial paying basis, Hanna said: "In future there will be only two roads in Canada, and there is business enough for both. We were strong in the East and in the West, and weak in the middle, but the Grand Trunk fits in there nicely and the Government did the logical thing when it decided to take over the road. It means that with the excellent grades which we have through the mountains and elsewhere, we shall be able to handle 150 per cent more business in through freight than our opponents and at a less cost."

LOCATION OF SCHOOL LEFT TO NEW BOARD

Trustee Patmore Makes Hot Remark Because of Delay Caused By Water Main Question.

SAYS "COUNCIL IDEAS GIVES MENTAL INDIGESTION"

When the letter from the City Council asking that the location of the new \$150,000 school at Hays Cove Circle be made so that it would not necessitate the removal of the city water main at a cost of \$7,000, the communication was held over for next year's board with the suggestion that no delay be made in getting to the problem after the election. The suggestion made by the council was that the school be located on the south quadrant of the circle.

Trustee L. W. Patmore expressed himself as being strongly against any delay whatever. On the suggestion being made that the new council be approached by the school board on the matter, and that they visit the ground together, Mr. Patmore said that, probably, they would be no more able to work in harmony with the new council than had been possible with the last.

"The half-baked ideas of some of the present council would give one mental indigestion," said Mr. Patmore. "There is that man Perry again shooting off his head about other boards in the city. That water main should never have been put in across the circle in the first place and it has got to be moved some time anyway. I do not believe in putting a big expensive school in a hole because the city council does not want to move a water main. What will be said in later years when the city grows and the answer is given that the best location was not used because there was a water main in the way?"

It was decided to leave the matter over until after the election of the new school board members and the new council, when together with the city engineer and the architect the grounds would be inspected and a decision arrived at.

STAND BY SCHOOL LAW

At last night's school board meeting the chairman, Dr. Kergin, told of being approached by T. J. Davidson with the request that he be allowed to take his 12½ year boy out of school to go to work. The board did not favor the idea and as the School Law makes it compulsory for children between 7 and 14 to attend school, they decided to stand by the act.

STEEL STRIKE CAUSES LAYOFF IN SHIPYARDS

Coughlan's Short of Steel Plates and Compelled to Suspend Six Hundred Workers For Three Weeks.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

VANCOUVER, Jan. 9.—Owing to the recent strikes in the United States in coal mines and steel plants, and the consequent curtailing of the output, the shipyards of J. J. Coughlan are now running short of steel plates.

Next week it is anticipated that it will be necessary to lay off six hundred men as a result of the steel shortage, but this tightness is only temporary and it is expected that at Coughlan's it will not last for more than three weeks.

MAYOR GALE RE-ELECTED IN VANCOUVER

Majority of Fifteen Hundred Over Alderman Kirk—Woodside, Alderman for Nine Years, Defeated.

(Special via G. T. P. Telegrams.)

VANCOUVER, Jan. 9.—The returns in the civic election here gave Mayor R. H. Gale the majority over Alderman Kirk by about 1,500. In Ward seven, Ald. Woodside, who has for nine years been member of the council, was defeated by James Reid, former liquor inspector. P. C. Gibbons is elected in Ward three and Ald. Hoskins in Ward four is again returned.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS TO BE ELECTION ISSUE

WASHINGTON, Jan. 9.—President Wilson in his message to Jackson Day diners here last night said the clear and single way to determine the will of the American people on the League of Nations was to make it the issue of the next election. The president's message said nothing whatever about a third term of office for himself, and neither did it say even by implication or intimation that he would not be a candidate, as had been widely forecasted.

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