

# MEETING AT COLONIAL SUNDAY

## F. L. P. Candidates Present Their Views to Citizens

Last Sunday evening saw the second meeting of the Federated Labor party since the campaign for the election of the F. L. P. candidates to the provincial house started. The meeting was held in the Colonial Theatre, Granville street, and it was announced that future Sunday meetings of the party would be held in the same theatre. Features of the meeting were the particularly attentive hearing accorded the candidates. All the candidates were well received. Mrs. H. G. Taylor occupied the chair.

While all the speakers took occasion to rap the government of the day, individually and collectively, the first speaker, Mrs. Rose Henderson, had, perhaps, the most to say in regard to their policies and lack of policy. She stated that the point made by Mr. Trotter on Friday night as to the Liberals holding their first meeting over Edwards' undertaking parlors was well taken and that, being already embalmed, all that remained for the workers to do was to "bury them that deep that they won't rise on Resurrection day." (Laughter). The success of labor in all recent elections right across the country was a source of consider-

### Vancouver Unions

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**ALLIED PRINTING TRADES COUNCIL**—Meets second Monday in the month. President, J. F. McConnell; secretary, R. H. Neelands. P. O. Box 66.

**ENGINEERS EMPLOYED IN THE Lumber Industry** (camp and mill) meet with fellow workers in that industry. Organize into the Lumber, Camp & Agricultural Workers Dept. of the O. B. U. Headquarters, 61 Cordova street west, Vancouver. Phone Sey. 7856.

**GENERAL WORKERS' UNIT OF THE O. B. U.**—President, R. W. Hatley; secretary, J. G. Smith. Meets 1st Wednesday in each month in Pender Hall, cor. of Pender and Howe streets. Phone Sey. 291.

**HOTEL AND RESTAURANT EMPLOYEES**, Local 28—Meets every second Wednesday in the month at 2:30 p.m. and every fourth Wednesday in the month at 8:30 p.m. President, John Cummings, secretary and business agent, A. Graham. Office and meeting hall, 441 Seymour St. W. Phone Sey. 1681. Office hours, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

**INTERNATIONAL LONGSHOREMEN'S Association**, Local 38-52—Office and hall, 152 Cordova St. W. Meets first and third Fridays, 8 p.m. Secretary-treasurer, F. Chapman; business agent, B. Richards.

**INTERNATIONAL JEWELRY WORKERS' Union**—Meets 2nd and 4th Fridays, 205 Labor Temple. President, W. Wilson, 2289 Granville Street; secretary, E. T. Kelly, 1850 Hastings St. E.; recording-secretary, L. Holdsworth, 539-14th St. W., North Vancouver.

**LUMBER, CAMP & AGRICULTURAL WORKERS** Dept. of the O. B. U.—An industrial union of all workers in logging and construction camps. Coast District and General Headquarters, 61 Cordova St. W., Vancouver, B. C. Phone Sey. 7856. E. Winch, general secretary-treasurer; legal advisers, Messrs. Bird, Macdonald & Co., Vancouver, B. C.; auditors, Messrs. Buttar & Chiene, Vancouver, B. C.

**MARINE FIREMEN & OILERS UNIT** of the O. B. U. meet in their union hall at Rooms 3 and 4 Empire Hotel, 76 Hastings East, first and third Wednesday in the month. President V. Owens; vice-president, D. Carlin; secretary, Earl King. Phone Sey. 3698.

**MILLWORKERS EMPLOYED IN THE Lumber Industry**, organize into the L. C. & A. W. Dept. of the O. B. U. Millworkers, Branches meet as follows: Vancouver—Lumber Workers' headquarters, 61 Cordova St. W. Every Monday 8 p.m.

New Westminster—Labor Hall, cor. Royal Ave. and 7th St. 2nd and 4th Wednesdays at 8 p.m.

Fraser Mills—Old Moving Picture Theatre, Maillardville. 2nd and 4th Thursday, 8 p.m.

Port Moody—Orange Hall, 2nd Friday, every month, at 8 p.m.

**MINE, MILL AND SMELTER WORKERS' Unit** of the One Big Union, Metaliferous Miners—Vancouver, B. C., headquarters, 61 Cordova Street West. All workers engaged in this industry are urged to join the Union before going on the job. Don't wait to be organized, but organize yourself.

**PATTERN MAKERS' LEAGUE OF North America** (Vancouver and vicinity)—Branch meets second and fourth Mondays, Room 204 Labor Temple. President, Wm. Hunter, 218 Tenth Ave. North Vancouver; financial secretary, E. Goddard, 856 Richards Street; recording secretary, J. D. Russell, 928 Commercial Drive. Phone High. 2204R.

**O. B. U. UNIT PILE DRIVERS, WOODEN Bridgemen, Derrickmen and Riggers** of Vancouver and vicinity. Meets every Monday, 8 p.m., in O. B. U. Hall, 804 Pender St. W. President, T. L. Hewitt; financial secretary and business agent, E. Horne. Phone, Seymour 291.

able apprehension to the old-line parties, said the speaker. She reviewed the candidates of the other parties and claimed that the labor candidates were by their records in the labor movement, eminently fitted to represent the workers of Vancouver.

R. P. Pettipiece, who spoke next, stated that the F. L. P. was not in the promising business—that could safely be left to the old parties. He spoke at some length on the unemployment problem, and claimed that what British Columbia needs is not representatives who will start "railway schemes" and hair-brained road clearing and soup-kitchen ideas to relieve the unemployed, but men who know what's what and how to go about the unemployment problem. The country was absolutely under control of corporations and workers have themselves to blame. Legislative action granted large areas to the big interests and legislative action could restore them.

W. R. Trotter, the first of the candidates to speak, referred particularly to the manifesto of the party and the clause on Natural Resources. Particular notice should be taken of the words "retained and operated on behalf of and in the interests of the whole community. The words "and operated" were not to be found in the programme of any of the so-called "major" parties. So long as coal and other commodities were purchased for profit and not for use, Mayor Gale's coal scheme and other people's worries about high prices, etc., would continue. While we are striving to get the whole loaf, said the speaker, we will continue to annex all the crumbs possible. Our platform states principles that will be followed. He demonstrated the love of Liberals for Conservatives, and Conservatives for Liberals by quoting from the speeches of Farris, Liberal, and Ladner, Conservative. The cry of both is, "If you don't vote for our six, vote for the other six, but don't vote independent."

It was some few minutes before J. S. Woodsworth, the next speaker, could say a word, owing to the long and continued applause that greeted him. He stated he was pleased that labor did not have enough candidates up to make a government, as labor did not want to have the job of cleaning up the mess made by the old parties. He derided the idea that the vote was useless, since more notice would be taken of labor's propaganda generally if we had members in the house.

The statement that labor was "better off than ever," coming from some quarters, also came in for considerable criticism at Woodsworth's hands. He pointed to the howlings of the press for more immigration and a bigger population as a solution of the present depression. He demanded that we have no more population coming here until we have those that are here properly provided for, and owning and operating the means of wealth production.

Mr. Tom Richardson, the next speaker, stated it as his belief that all the labor candidates elected would take the initiative in the house and would force discussion of working class problems so far as a few labor members could. The F. L. P. candidates were four-square in their opposition to the present uneconomic and unsocial system. Among other items, he demanded that civil servants should have the full rights of citizenship, and that educational opportunities should be free to every child from elementary school to university. He showed that the position of the so-called "middle classes" is really the same as that of the workers. He deprecated the "grossly commercial view" taken of the value of education, even by the workers themselves. For the benefit of those who worried about the high living costs, he quoted an article on the travels of a cargo of cocoa from West Africa to Holland, Holland to Liverpool, Liverpool to New York, New York to Philadelphia, and from there back to the public in Liverpool, and in each place some one made a profit.

Things will be bad and are bad for the workers in B. C. and it would be the height of folly on their part to miss this opportunity for putting some of their own class into the house to keep a check on all their legislation, particularly when unemployment would be one of the questions arising.

The three F. L. P. candidates for Vancouver, Woodsworth, Richardson and Trotter will, in addition to some others, speak at the same theatre next Sunday.

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