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U. B. R. E. STRIKE BULLETIN THE WORKERS' PARLIAMENT MAN MASTER OF THE MACHINE IS SOCIALISM A RELIGION

Issued by Authority and Under the Direction of the Four Striking Unions—U. B. R. E., Longshoremen, Teamsters and B. C. Steamshipmen, Outlining the Progress of the Strike Between Victoria and Winnipeg.

THE STRIKE AND ARBITRATION

The royal commission has been at work since Tuesday last, hearing evidence on a dispute between the C. P. R. and its employees and several witnesses have been examined...

U. B. R. E. was accompanied by Mr. H. Brooks, Mr. P. J. Deinson, Mr. Chris. Poley and Mr. P. Hutton. Mr. Davis represented the C. P. R. and Mr. Doolittle the Dominion government...

David Johnson was the first witness called. In a reply to Mr. Bird, he said he was a freight handler recently in the employ of the C. P. R. and the Freight Handlers has a Union of their own before they joined the U. B. R. E. and was a wage slave while with the company...

Will Take Independent Political Action

The regular meeting of Vancouver Trades and Labor Council was held at 8:30 Thursday evening. President Lamrock in the chair, and Secretary Russell at his post of duty. Delegates were received from the B. C. Steamshipmen's Union, as follows: Keough, Noonan, Sidney Jarvis and Fred Williams.

Collective Ownership.

During the period man lived on the earth before the alphabet was used, which marks the beginning of civilization, a number of tools were in use. Weapons and tools of iron were as used the hand loom, the spinning wheel, the sailing vessel and four-wheeled wagon and many implements of agriculture were all invented before the beginning of the period called civilization.

IS SOCIALISM A RELIGION

The above is a question "staked" by Mr. MacBeth in a column in the "Clarion" of May 15. For him to ask the question is to imply that, personally, he has no opinion on the matter. He would have to believe them both to be true, and that he has no opinion on the matter, as he says in his history, "I would have the question asked, the hearing, and the answer, which is an explanatory of his personal attitude in the issue and leads him to say: 'I cannot understand why in a land like this, where there is no state church, and where so many of our men are so much in the hands of the machine, so many Socialists should take the stand they do against religion.'"

It's a slap in the face to the efforts of the Dominion government, to introduce a measure of conciliation in arbitration, which has not stringent compulsion. The action of the government is much to be regretted, and together with the effect of the "Fair Wage Law" in the old country, will hasten the decision in the history of unionism. The policy of unions hitherto has been to keep politics out of them. Now politics will be introduced and it means the disintegration of the two old political parties and the formation of a new labor party, which will ultimately triumph and control the government of the country and the first step will be to remove obnoxious legislation from the statute book and replace it by that which is conformable to the age and foster to the workman. Liberty and justice are the bond of friendship between the state and the citizen, and when either are divorced, the tie is slender and apt to be snapped at any moment. It is not the business of the state to see any interest apart from their own, from their own short-sightedness, but they do not control the people and the people will let their influence and power be felt very long and hard, and they will be in no uncertain sound.

Witness, continuing, recited the made of procedure when a grievance was required to be remedied as shown in the minutes of the action. He said that he did not join the strike. It was the present trouble began, the brotherhood of the strike was not a strike and would rather the fighting than die without fighting. The president gave his attention on the matter of the vote of the local division was taken, and there was only one objection, and he afterwards stated that the division here took the initiative, and the burden of the action. He said that he was not a strike and would rather the fighting than die without fighting. The president gave his attention on the matter of the vote of the local division was taken, and there was only one objection, and he afterwards stated that the division here took the initiative, and the burden of the action.

The commissioners thought the oath and obligation might be published, but not the ritual. Witness said that he thought the strike was an illegal one, but that the rules of the constitution were not violated. He said that its principles and the principles of its members were Socialistic in nature, and that he was not a strike and would rather the fighting than die without fighting. The president gave his attention on the matter of the vote of the local division was taken, and there was only one objection, and he afterwards stated that the division here took the initiative, and the burden of the action.

Under the heading of "reports of officers," the municipal committee inquired of the anti-union. Short reports of Aldermen Grant and McQueen, a report which will probably leave the committee that there will be a strike of the unions in the city as being made, and it is confidently expected that they had already visited three unions with satisfactory result. An appeal for stock may be made to C. N. Lee, 414 Homer street. The report on Janitor's quarters was received and read. The committee on the later Workers' Union laundry being the subject of the report. Reports were also received from the Tailors' and Hatters' Laborers. The affiliation of the new Factory Workers' Union was discussed, and the information brought out by the committee that there will be a strike of the unions in the city as being made, and it is confidently expected that they had already visited three unions with satisfactory result.

The first improvement over the hand tool appeared in the tool driven by shaft and pulley and the power applied by hand or foot. Following this came the machine driven by water, steam, electricity or other outside power. The introduction of outside power the worker who formerly used his hand tool or hand machine was unprepared for the complex machine which was necessary to do the work effectively. Here is where his troubles began.

Now as a professed Christian, one who was for eleven years an active member of that church, I am a member of the church, with which Mr. MacBeth is affiliated. I challenge the usual cooperation of the machine in the first place, there is no necessity for any one at this day and age to believe in the doctrine of Socialism. It has been, and is stated over and over again. Simplified Socialism is the doctrine of the machine, the distribution for the common good of all. This means the popular control of all means of production, production, the word, equal rights for all, privileges for none, and the right of every man to dispute the issue on the spot, nor plead ignorance of it, upon the other. Only a few words are necessary to define "Socialism" clearly. Those who believe in its principles, and who are in the hands of the machine, are called "Socialists." And Mr. MacBeth's challenge along with his conclusions, are even more complex, the machine, became the property of another, and the worker who was formerly the master of the machine, then all is changed. Then the harder the machine worked, the fewer workers were necessary to run the machine in history, machine breaking strikes take place.

THE LABOR COMMISSION

After Two Days Preliminaries, Get Down to Hard Work.

D. B. Johnson, of the U. B. R. E. on the Stand.

The royal commission to enquire into the cause of labor troubles in B. C. resumed its investigations at the court house today. The court house was crowded, and great interest was taken in the proceedings. J. Edward Bird appeared for the...

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The court re-assembled at 1:30 p.m. sitting alongside Mr. Marjorie. His appearance was the signal for a hostile demonstration in court, which Harrow continued to carry on in a noisy, boisterous manner. He was evidently ill at ease and could not do his duty. He was looking considerably worse than he had been, and his eyes were red and his nose was running. He was looking considerably worse than he had been, and his eyes were red and his nose was running.

"Questioned by members" said President Lamrock. "Does this council intend to formulate some plan for independent action in the coming election? Ask a delegate, and an independent discussion followed. The following resolutions were adopted: To call a mass labor meeting, was carried almost unanimously. That a committee be elected to formulate plans for the holding of a labor convention, and ask all unions to send delegates, in response to the invitation. Short reports of delegates were chosen: Messrs. Williams, Baker, Kilby, Ransom, and others. It was decided, of course, to be an ex-officio member."

"After some discussion the sheet-metal workers' union, who have their attention towards the Vancouver Hardware Co.'s tinmithing department, the council adjourned."

Now comes a new condition. We have seen that the individual guild worker is not to be considered a free American worker owned and worked with his individual tools. Now he is to be considered a worker in a complex tool, the machine. What then does he own? Is it his own tools? Or does he not own the complex tool, the machine, and we have seen that when the worker does not own the tool he worked with it was no benefit to him. Perhaps it would be better for him to become owner of the tool. The complex tool, the machine, cannot be made or worked individually, but must be worked by a group of workers. Wouldn't it be better to own it collectively? That's socialism.

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COMBING AGAINST LABOR

Winnipeg, June 4.—CARPENTERS at an early meeting of the C. A. P. A. at Calgary. At Calgary an Employers' Association was formed. It was decided hereafter to supply to union carpenters, that no union carpenter should be discharged by contractors.

D. M. PARRY-STITCH.

D. M. PARRY, president of the association, after the meeting adjourned, said: "Neither the labor agitators, the propagandists, the socialists, those who are seeking to create a labor party, nor the press have any idea of the tremendous movement that is being made in the world. It is not a matter of employers all over the country. Without regard to politics, religion or race, the interests center in manufacturing of every kind. They must act as a unit in a great national movement in order to meet the challenge of the workers. They have granted shorter hours and cheerfully conceded higher wages, but they will not yield the right to decide how they are to conduct their own business."—New York Journal.

A Fair Position.

Since the modern improved means of production and distribution, the working class has been made a slave of the machine. The labor of the worker is no longer his own, but is the property of the machine. The worker is no longer the master of his own tools, but is the slave of the machine. The worker is no longer the master of his own tools, but is the slave of the machine.

THE NEWS

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**THE LABOR COMMISSION**  
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day he was discharged paid him check for the time worked, and two weeks in lieu of notice. The time taken on that point was dismissed for publishing false and lying reports, detrimental to the company's interests. He also given an affidavit stating that the reason for his dismissal was similar to that stated in this check. Mr. Wilson was still under examination as to how to go to press.

With reference to the black list Mr. Davis explained the company had no doubt the cross-examination, witnesses said extremely urgent necessity for the strike which led to the brothers hood overrunning the mines and regulations of the constitution was the fact that some of the members had been removed to Montreal, viz. Mr. Wilson and Mr. Dick, apparently permanent. Mr. and Mrs. Halton had been given in of men who were being discriminated against. Witness objected to disclose names of those who had given information.

Mr. Marjole said that there would be no discrimination against any man who was in the employ of the company present and whose name was mentioned.

Mr. Bird said he proposed to bring witnesses to prove that members were being discriminated. By the chief justice they were compelled to strike simply to preserve the constitution of the union.

Asked by Davis why it was necessary to strike instead of 10 days later, witness said it was because some of the members of the brotherhood would have been compelled to withdraw from the organization otherwise they had been discharged. If the strikers had waited 10 days longer it would have all the same effect, the only difference being that the union would have been generally disgraced.

It was not necessary to strike for the life of the organization to strike when they did.

So far as the Forrest case was concerned the strikers had always been willing to take this up on its merits. Mr. Davis said he had a motion to be suspended until the subject had been thoroughly investigated.

Mr. Davis said that in the case of Forrest was one on which the strikers had made a strong point.

W. J. MacIntosh, the wholesale grocer, was on the stand. Said he had conversation with officers of the company regarding black lists. He said that on or about 10th March last, the officers were Mr. Greer and Mr. Peters. He had also conversation with the handling of freight; they said as far as Vancouver was concerned they had made efforts to secure no business and the strike was not affecting their business in Vancouver. Mr. Peters made a statement that he had held some of the black lists and got employment on any other railway in North America. He (witness) said he had never seen any agreement was made with nor the conditions.

unions are as naturally the industrial unit of the social method of production consequent upon the machine caused by the labor-saving machinery as were the individual architects in the old days. It is the machine, I submit, that there are many present indications of its ultimate, the trusts on the other, the actual basis of closer union in the contracts between the two.

The trade union is today the supreme factor in maintaining the standards of American living, and it is commanding the respect and confidence of those who would not be deterred in making light-work conditions for this blessed work-day world.—Martha Moore Avery, in the Federationist.

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The Locomotive Engineer's Magazine for June contains an article entitled "Progress of American Railways," which contains an article exclusively on facts from official returns, forming an eloquent and impressive indictment of railway policy in regard to its treatment of labor. Taking the form of an editorial, the editor deals with the subject in a manner both able and exhaustive, concluding with the following:

It is evident that the prosperity of railways is due to economic management and increased business. The principal features of the economic management has been: First, the reduction of wages of employees in train service in 1894, which, according to General Manager Hayes' report, amounted to 10 to 15 per cent. Second, the application of modern motive power and rolling stock for that formerly used, which means a saving of 10 to 15 per cent. greater service from train crews.

During all of this prosperity of the railway industry, the employees have not overlooked the share of prosperity that has come to the employees of railways; they have secured the following:

Total number of employees in United States, 1895, 76,084; 1901, 1,671,109. Total compensation, 1895, \$100,000,000; 1901, \$485,000,000; 1902, 1,061,712,700.

Average yearly compensation of each employee, 1895, \$567.40; 1901, \$270.13.

Average yearly increase of compensation of each employee, 1895 to 1901, 100 per cent.

This statement means that in 1901 each railway employee, as an average, received \$2.03 more for his services than in 1895.

How the increased cost of living has affected the increased wealth of railway stockholders and employees it is not the purpose of this article to show.

**HOW THE DENVER STRIKE WAS WON.**

The great strike in Denver has come to an end. At one time it looked as though the whole city would be completely paralyzed. The trouble dates from May 8th, shortly after a Parry-Kirby Citizens' Alliance, composed of about 10,000 bankers, merchants and manufacturers and non-union workers was formed. Two union men were discharged by the Harbort Grocery Co., no reasons were given and reinstatement refused and arbitration declined.

The result was a strike, which was the aim of the alliance to force, and which involved four teamsters' unions, bakers and meat cutters, cooks, waiters, restaurant helpers, bakers, brewers and beer drivers, bottlers, mattress makers and several others. Efforts were made to arbitrate, but the Parry-Kirby bosses still refused when a call was issued to the following:

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It was left to the printer to deliver the final stunning blow. They demanded that printing office proprietors immediately withdraw from the alliance or they would tie up the trade. The printers proposed a form of arbitration, which they did, and which provided that all on strike or locked out must return to work, the unions must be recognized and all grievances must be recognized. The houses accepted and thus Parryism was given a severe blow in Denver.—L'leveland Citizen.

**THE CLASS STRUGGLE IN NEW YORK**

The most instructive sign of the times undoubtedly is the alarm of the capitalist class, as made manifest, not in speeches and editorial articles, but by a sudden and widespread movement of counter-organization.

In the city of New York this movement has taken startling proportions. At the meeting held in the rooms of the Building Trades Association a few days ago to form a league of employers of the building trade.

Such a wide representation of firms and corporations were represented having an aggregate capital of \$200,000,000 to \$300,000,000. The following organizations were represented: United Building Trades Association, Marble Industry Employers' Association, Master Carpenters' Association, Master League of Cement Workers, Electrical Contractors' Association, Tile, Grate and Mantel Association, New York Electrical Appliance Association, Mechanics' and Traders' Exchange, Iron League, Employing Plasterers' Association, Hoisting Apparatus Association, Society of Architectural Iron Manufacturers, Employers' Association of the Building Trade Association, Association of Interior Decorators and Cabinet Makers, Manufacturing Plumbers' Association, Mason Builders' Association, Master Painters' and Decorators' Association, Lighting Fixtures Makers' Association.

Already before this new federation has formed, these employers had been locking out thousands of teamsters, iron workers, and other employees, to prevent them from forming a union.

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**ANANIAS OR OSTRICH, WHICH?**  
St. Thomas Shaughnessy was not a pupil of Ananias or in dense ignorance of the affairs of the road he is supposed to have been misled by the Mayor of Vancouver to take steps to settle the strike he professed to support. The well-known merchant people who have freight consigned by the C. P. R. know to their cost. A. Geo. Bunley, the well-known merchant declares the Winnipeg freight sheds in a state of chaos as the result of the strike.—Kootenay Mail.

Bro. W. Moore, of the U. B. R. E. is playing to crowded houses at the Little Family Theatre as "The Human Cornet." Go and hear him and have a good laugh.

**THE BETRAYING HAND AND BLOOD MONEY.**  
The following men and ladies have returned to work since the strike and are scabbing:  
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John Ward, Clerk.  
C. Millard, Clerk.  
R. G. Hargall, Clerk.  
Fred Cummins, Clerk.  
John Wainwright, Clerk.  
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A. E. Reeve, Clerk.  
John Wainwright, Clerk.  
Samuel Harris, Laborer.  
Wm. Viles, stevedorman.  
Geo. Bunley, Page of mail.  
J. Calder, steamshipman.  
Robt. Smith, coal heaver.  
Geo. Oliver, checker.  
J. McLeod, fireman, Victoria.  
Miss K. Iraser, clerk.  
Miss W. Fraser, stenographer.

**THE CRAFT ORGANISY ROUTE TO SOCIAL JUSTICE.**  
The trade union will gradually drop up a drier line of battle, with men better drilled and more highly skilled in the diplomatic art of holding their ever-increasing power the supply of potential labor up to steadily advancing prices, which is just the thing the buyers of labor are looking for. This is the only way of course, since a still further introduction of labor-saving machinery and a complete organization of the industrial plants, will only clear for further action. Labor will be crushed out old wrongs, where impious practices would stamp out the sacred rights of man. Pages of notes, denouncing, brutality for gain and the innocent children chained to slavery of toil will be replaced by gladiators of wit and will, who shall bring them down to work as man.

I submit, the ideal of craft ownership, the natural industrial capital will naturally present itself.

