

MARVELLOUS MISSION OF MANN

The Celebrated "Labor Leader" and Syndicalist Analyzed from a Revolutionary Point of View.

By J. A. McDonald.

I had often heard of the great Tom Mann... the wonderful hypnotic feats... the millions and millions of his admirers...

And so it is. Why should the workers concern themselves with these thimble studies as social evolution, economic, or proletarian philosophy...

Oh! Members of the Proletariat! You whom Marx and Engels had supposed to be fairly started on the journey to emancipation...

Had Tom Been Able to Analyze the capitalist system of production he might easily have come to the conclusion that while such a form of property exists...

Yom Doesn't Understand. The proletarian by taking possession of the modern state emancipates themselves, the last slave class, and the state, having no other hold in subjection, naturally dies out as such.

Propaganda Meeting. In the EMPRESS THEATRE. In the interests of the Working class in their struggle against the bourgeoisie.

THE MINERS' LIBERATION LEAGUE HAS BEEN FORMED!

At a meeting held on Monday, Oct. 27, at the Vancouver headquarters of the I.W.W., attended by representatives of political and economic organizations, the above League was formed...

MASS MEETINGS will be held in the DOMINION HALL, PENNER AND HOMER STS., on November 8th at 8 p.m.

MEMORABILIA

By "Wag."

Canadians, or those who have become such by adoption, are considered, especially by the wage-slaves of the other Empire countries...

Then, with real equality of opportunity, the sylvan glades of Stanley Park will not need to be used for so grim and dreadful a purpose as covering the public gaze the exit of a beaten and worn-out wage-slave from this vale of tears.

WHAT WORKERS OUGHT TO KNOW

The working man who understands his position in society and is able to explain the fundamental cause of the poverty and misery of his class...

So now we see that the development of labor-saving machinery throwing more slaves on the market, thereby causing greater competition for jobs, does not prove that the laborer is right when they state that the worker's ability to produce becomes greater his portion of the product becomes less...

SOME MIDDLE CLASS COWARDS

Salmo, B. C. "Respectables" Show Their Sentiments Towards the Strikers.

"All men are born free and equal." They may be "born" free and equal, but it doesn't last more than one minute afterwards.

"The miners working at the 'Queen,' Salmo, B. C., went on strike because the manager, W. Buckley, refused to raise the same wage scale as the other mines in the vicinity were paying.

"What an awful holder there would have been had any law and order treated a traitor to his class as these respectables (!) did McCormick!

Twelve business men ACQUITTED AT SALMO, B. C. Bell, George D., merchant. Galt, Saml. P., road foreman (Govt.).

DUMP THE MASTERS OFF YOUR BACK!

By The Hip-Raw Post. Tune: "Take It To The Lord In Prayer." Are you poor, forlorn and hungry? Are there lots of things you lack? Is your life made up of misery? Dump the masters off your back!

Thirty-nine Miners Sentenced

At Nanaimo, B. C., Oct. 23. TWO YEARS. J. J. Taylor. Paul Deconich. Sam. Guthrie. H. Morgan. Wm. Sim, jun. Jr. ONE YEAR, AND \$100 FINE (Or in default four months). John Allsopp, Jr. J. de la Cruz. Wm. Armstrong. Chas. Axelson. Wm. Bauld. Geo. Bombars. Sam. Brightman. Jas. Collier. Robert Goslar. Peter Galuska. Chas. Langman. Duncan McKenzie. John McKenzie. Jas. Malre, Jr. Jas. Marshall. Chas. Mortimer. Steve Murray. Steve Puyanich. Geo. Quinn. Wm. Stackhouse. Martin Slegar. Jas. Wallace. Robert Walkinshaw. Chas. Yoga. THREE MONTHS AND \$50 FINE (Or in default two months). Henry Dyer. Ernest Fisher. James Alvar Kettilla. Richard Morgan, Sr. Wm. Patterson. Wm. Sterling. John Scott. Henry Taylor. Richard Whitaker. Edward Williams.

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HERE AND NOW

Com. O'Brien (through whom the welfare donated to the party fund arrived) states that he is contemplating a tour, organizing and speaking, right through to the Atlantic and back with his family in Ontario. Locals along the route who wish his services should communicate at once with him at Box 55, Coleman, Alta.

Com. Gribble is now at his home on Perry Road (Orville), where he is doing staying for a month or so, in order that his father may get some increase from toll. Propaganda articles from his pen will soon be appearing in the Clarion.

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H. C. revolutionists are warned to clean their guns and keep their powder dry. There is a dandy scrap ahead.

THE REFERENDUM

The locals who have sent in their votes on the Referendum are as follows:

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All locals have received the call to vote on this matter, and many yet have not replied. Local secretaries who have not already done so should bring the attention of their locals at once, and send in the returns immediately.

Up to date the vote stands 95 ayes and 16 noes.

ENDERBY

October 18th, 1913. Ed Clarion is anxious to obtain some information as to the whereabouts of a comrade by the name of James Munro.

He was last seen from Victoria, B. C., about February last. He also wrote to his parents in Scotland about the same date, and in both letters indicated his intention of going to the Island of Borneo. He has not been heard from since, and his sister has written to me for information concerning him.

During last summer (1912) he was here as helper for some stone-masons in Vancouver. Later he went to the construction camps on the Island, and finding conditions there entirely unsatisfactory, he returned and attended the Socialist meetings every Sunday while in both cities, but whether he joined the local or not I am unable to say. However, he was an outstanding member who last wrote to me, so I concluded to request you to endeavor to locate him through the medium of the Clarion.

Age—about 27 years. Height—about 5 feet 5 inches. Nationality—Scottish. Any expense incurred will be gladly repaid by the writer. Yours in the scrap, JACK PILKINGTON.

WALKER AT ENDERBY

Com. Walker held a successful meeting here on Tuesday, October 21. We had an attendance of about 40 all told, producers all of them—with the exception of a real estate shark or two.

Com. Walker came fresh from the strike zone, and reviewed some of the happenings in that profit-ridden burg where the licensed butchers, commission agents, and others, are using the brains of the striking miners with batons and bayonets, and cleared some of the cobwebs from the brains of those who got their information from the capitalist press.

Good seed was sown by Comrade Walker, which is sure to sprout when the class lines are drawn more clearly by the coming winter. The class consciousness of the capitalist class and the ignorance of the working class was clearly pointed out, and it left the hall and made tracks for their bunkie, so as to get more rest and store more energy for work in the morning. No doubt it was more soething to think of.

Com. Walker gave an interesting talk on economics and held the crowds attention. The working class has been taught to hug the chains in the morning. Com. Walker gave the mission of the Socialist Party of Canada is to educate the workers as to their position in modern society. When we come to understand and understand we break the chains which now bind us, but not before we educate ourselves well we ever accomplish anything for the workers.

Read the Western Clarion and the literature published by the Socialist Party of Canada, and send your name to your local knowledge is preferable to your vote any time. If the Socialist Party came into office tomorrow without the intelligence of the workers, it would not be long for the workers would not know what it was they wanted.

We don't ask any one for his vote. We ask every slave to do his own thinking. STEVE LEBLANC.

Think for yourselves lest you become a slave of other men's thoughts, and find yourself controlled by their ideas. As your teachers and leaders happen to change their opinions—Ex.

THE WAY TO POWER

J. B. OSBORNE. (Continued from last issue.)

The development of the working-class view-point will, in itself, within a very few years make war impossible between the great nations of the world, and thus we have arrived almost at that period when the power of the intellect is not only the great factor in conquering the forces of nature, but also in the bringing about of their utilization for the benefit of all mankind, without the necessity of bloodshed or social catastrophe.

CHAPTER VIII. POLITICAL POWER.

Political power is that power arising from the control of the legislative, executive, judicial and military forces of the State.

We have already shown how the intellectual development of the proletariat was made not only possible, but necessary, by the capitalist mode of production. Following in the wake of the intellectual development of the proletariat and the general diffusion of present-day knowledge came the extension of the franchise to the proletariat in the whole world of capitalism.

The development of the forces of capitalist production has prepared a material condition for the social ownership and democratic management of all the means of wealth production, and the intellectual development resulting therefrom has prepared a way, through the ballot box, for the peaceful transformation of capitalist property into collective wealth as a result of the widespread effect of the development of the Socialist view-point and the social concept.

That social concept which places the collective well-being above every other interest, together with the ever-increasing vote of the Socialist Party, has already had its effect on legislation by capitalist governments. In Germany, France, and nearly every other country in Europe, the governments have made many concessions to the working class, not only in the ever larger and larger increase of the suffrage, but in the economic conditions also. The recent legislative action in England, as well as in some of the American States, on the subject of the establishment of legal minimum wage and maximum hours, while voluntary, involves tremendous concessions on the part of the capitalist class.

Not that any immediate economic advantage can accrue to the working class as a result of such legislation. In California, for instance, a universal eight-hour law came within eleven votes of passing in the California legislature. Such a law is already passed in Australia and other countries, and such laws will be passed by various States with great rapidity in the near future. In California, two years ago, a law was passed establishing an eight-hour work day for women, and the present legislative session appointed a commission to investigate the wages paid to women with the view of enacting at the next session a minimum wage law for women.

Such legislation by a capitalist State is a plain admission of the power of the State to control capitalist property. In fact, such legislation is laying the foundation to undermine the power of the capitalist class, not only in the control, but even in the ownership of capitalist property. For if the State has power to say to the capitalist, "You shall only work your employees so many hours per week," and that "You shall pay your employees not less than so many dollars per week," it then logically follows that the power of the State can be legally extended to the point where it can say, in the interest of the social well-being, "What is now capitalist property shall be the collective wealth of all, in order that all may be able to appropriate their share of all the social progress of the past and present."

O'BRIEN REPORTS

Sept. 30th. Comrades—Since my brief visit to Montana, I have assisted the Alberta comrades with eight indoor and about thirty open-air meetings. I also addressed four open-air meetings at Hagar, Sask., while visiting my sisters.

On my return to Alberta, many of the comrades; suffice to say there is not a surplus. Comrade Adie gave me five dollars to renew his subscription to the Clarion, and I was able to get the balance in sending the Clarion to any who I thought wanted it and could not afford to pay; Comrade McKennie gave me one dollar, and Comrade J. B. C. gave me one dollar to leave before the meeting was over, gave Comrade Jas. A. Stuart Smith one dollar to give to me.

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THE INCREASED COST OF LIVING.

The United States Bureau of Labor reports a big rise in the cost of living within the past ten years as follows:

Table with 2 columns: Item, Percent Increase. Bacon 128.3, Steak 76.8, Ham 76.8, Corn meal 57.3, Butter 43.3, Milk 42.8, Lard 35.5, Eggs 40.8, Flour 25.6

This would seem to indicate greatly increased prosperity of the farmers, but in fact it is the reverse. The number of farmers has greatly increased and the number of farm owners decreased. People are still going to the cities from the rural districts to find employment on the farms is fast passing away. There is no place to emigrate; no new worlds to conquer, and Socialism is our only hope.—Party Builder.

AN ACTUAL OCCURRENCE.

Scene, Brandon, Man.—Free Born Citizen opening drain on Fitchers estate.—"Yes, we had a time opening parliament. Old Teddy was a fine chap."

Socialist—Opening parliament! Why don't you open a bank account! Old Citizen—That is a slave who once opened parliament, and now he is opening a drain. (To the F. B. C.) What were you doing?

F. B. C.—I was helping to keep the estate. You know, I was in the Guards.

Soc.—And so you were a soldier, and in the Guards? Good! I remember now, well they fought at Tonypandy, Balfast and Featherstone? Why, they won each engagement!

Soc.—You were a soldier in the chest? Yes, the Guards had got a good record, and I am proud to have belonged to them.

Soc.—You are a bet! They are quite a dignified regiment, the Guards, say! Did you hear or know about that protest they sent in during the war?

F. B. C.—No. What was it?

Soc.—Why, the Guards protested to the British government because the Boers had got rifles. They said they were not used to that kind of warfare.

F. B. C.—(tumbling)—Oh, you are trying to make a fool of me. If I was I would be ashamed. A big fellow like you should be in the army.

Soc.—I tried to join once, but my father put his hand on my head and said, "dear me, my son, be a man, not a soldier!"

(The Free Born Citizen collapses.)

A TRAGIC FIGURE

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Correspondence from Locals Ottawa No. 8, South Fort George No. 61, St. Catharines No. 50, Hamilton No. 8, Cambridge No. 69, Winnipeg No. 1, Cumberland No. 70, C. H. Lake, Stewart; D. O. H. Martin, Berlin, Ont.; Geo. Hezant, Toronto; J. B. C. Underwood, Ont.; Jas. Guthrie, Winnipeg; C. G. Johnson, Carm; B. O. A. H. Penrose, Redcliffe, Alta.; A. A. Cronk, Donning Lake, Alta.; W. G. Gribble, Orville, Ont.; Jas. Guthrie, Greenwood, B. C.; and Moses Harbitz, Ferno, B. C. (Locals South Ft. George, Cumberland and Winnipeg endorse the referendum.)

In the minutes of the meeting of the Executive of the 17th Inst., inadvertently omitted from the last issue, are acknowledgments of the action taken by Locals Moose Jaw No. 2, Red Deer No. 11, Langley, B. C. No. 73, the first local endorsing, and the two latter rejecting it.

All correspondence filed. A resolution from local Berlin, Ont.

