Political Appointments Discussed

Five hundred members of the Coos County Workers Club stormed the Club meeting rooms, Tuesday night to greet the successful candidates of the Labor Party, who received a tremendous ovation as they stood on the platform city-wide and in the matters of the Club's regular business had been carried out.

At the time the assembly decided to pay the election bills of the Labor Party which amounted to $708.51; to investigate the matter of S. W. A., paying skilled work only receiving an average of 40c an hour; to accept the settlement of the complaint from the different grievance committees; and to vote a letter of thanks to Mr. Coullombe also promised his approval of the new industry in Berlin.

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The political rumors that fly about this over-heated town! Oh, my goodness! exclaims Dr. Connor as he listens to one; then he is assailed by another "posted" gentleman who also gives him a cheerful little earful.

"City Hall, Labor, Democrats, Honest Dan, Manchester Union," etc. It's an awful thing for a quiet unassuming old professor who has to listen to all this hustle. Dr. Connor is really considering the advisability of resigning and getting away from it all.

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Spring is officially with us again. Zero weather still prevails in the early morning and the sun is gradually getting stronger. Darkness does not fall until late after supper, reminding us that our old friend (or enemy) Daylight Saving will be along presently. An epidemic of spring fever is expected at any time, and Dr. Connor is not immune.

All C.W.A. Work Stops March 29

It was learned last Tuesday at the Council meeting that all CWA employees would be dropped from the payroll after March 22, 125 men, who were employed by the CWA will be laid off Thursday, March 22; the remaining 262 men will be kept on till the latter date, at which time the entire CWA work will be stopped. Mayor Coulombe stated that the Guardian Company could not possibly swing the deal which would have involved a heavy overhead on the printing and the news service alone. After a careful consideration of all the factors bearing on the issue the board of directors decided that it would not be feasible. So in accordance with our policy of honest and aboveboard dealing we wish to advise our subscribers that we cannot see our way through to a larger size at the present time.

At the same time we hope that all our past subscribers will give us their hearty co-operation as in the past, and will renew their subscriptions. As it is, the Guardian will remain the official organ of the Coos County Workers Club. As it is, the Guardian will remain the official organ of the Coos County Workers Club. Any changes in city and local labor conditions. In accordance with this policy we will publish all deals as happen in the City Council, names, dates, and other details involved in the different issues, as well as featuring labor problems both local and national. Your comrades will be among you to approach you for renewals. You cannot afford to refuse them.
The outcome “surprised” and “disappointed” some, but we believe that they can rest assured that the sky will not fall and that the Labor party has no direct wire to Moscow as some would have the public believe that it is controlled by “reds” and “radicals.”

WHAT NOW?
The election is over, the jubilation of the victors, the chagrin of the vanquished are fading. Now that the heat of the contest and the celebration are past, people will settle down to their daily routine, with perhaps a watchful eye on the new administration.

The Labor Party was swept into power on a wave of votes from citizens of all classes, of all political faiths. Their majority was decisive, and no competent observer can doubt that they carry the approval and backing of most of Berlin. With five of their candidates in the field, four came through handsomely, the fifth lost by very few votes.

It is well at this time to look ahead, to gauge the problems of the new administration, to estimate the difficulties, to find the best line of attack. Campaign promises will have to be fulfilled. A review of the city’s condition will be the incoming Mayor’s first duty. Changes must be made, in the best interests of the city.

It is inconceivable to us that our next Mayor should meet with much opposition in making these changes. His best support is the record of the votes at his election. Witness Ward Four, a strong Democratic ward, which gave him a large majority. Ward Three, a normally Republican ward, gave him a majority of 350. Both of the old line parties have helped him, and look to him for results. Any unreasonable obstructionist who, from mere political obstinacy, dares try to checkmate him, will find himself judged and sentenced by his own people.

In line with the Labor platform, this newspaper will keep informed on events at City Hall, and will publish the administration’s record as it is made from week to week. Names, dates and places will be reported, and credit and blame distributed as deserved.

Much work needs to be done before the next election comes along, and it will be done, with cooperation. The city needs constructive, vigorous action, and the Labor Party stands pledged to do all in its power to bring us back to a sound basis. Let the men join the ladies, and do a little “spring cleaning.”
Close-ups of The News
By BJOIE

"HAVERHILL"

2,000 shoe workers are on strike and fed in soup kitchens supplied chiefly by local merchants. News came that Washington ordered the hearing postponed.

The strike is now two weeks old and Washington ordered a postponement at the request of the employees which must necessarily be detrimental to them. Lack of food will drive them back to work before a hearing can be had at all. We should expect them to be in a hurry about getting a hearing.

"DETROIT"
The auto workers of Detroit are also having trouble under the N. R. A. and a general strike is feared. The railroad employees are also holding their own.

It is to be hoped that these two large industries will settle their troubles with labor without the necessity of a strike as in Haverhill. However, it seems that labor everywhere is prepared to resist the further lowering of its standard of living in the name of necessity. And more it now appears from indications of today that labor is on its way to recover lost ground.

"MUSSOLINI"
The dictator of Italy now has a plan which he claims will take 60 years to fulfill and which will result in world supremacy for Italy.

He is starting off the same way Germany did. These war mongers are a real plague to humanity.

"FIREMEN UNIONS"
The city manager of Norfolk, Va, has put a ban on the proposed firemen's union in that city. His statement was that "No matter how well the firemen's union may have worked elsewhere, we do not want it in Norfolk."

We note that the partial organization of the local department was not relished here in certain quarters. Moreover it has been rumored that certain "active" members of the Fire Department were to be "fired" by the outgoing administration because of their "political" activities.

We do not believe for a minute that such a thing is contemplated. If every city employee was to be removed for political activities, many would have to be dismissed. But we suppose it makes some difference which side an employee "works" for.

"PINK SLIP"

On the very day that the President called upon industry to raise wages and shorten the hours of labor, Postmaster General Farley dictated an official bulletin to the post offices of the country ordering payless furloughs for some 26,000 postal employees.

That is not in keeping with the N. R. A., especially in view of the fact that some relief money is use, to build battleships. That kind of "healing" only makes "purchasing power" that much sicker.

"BANK HOLIDAY"

A recent report on the bank situation shows that 3,349 of the nation's banks have not opened yet, and that only 1,200 of those which kept closed after the bank holiday have since been reopened.

Strange that the closing of institutions resulting in the loss of millions to poor workers should be called a bank holiday. We understood holidays to be happy days.

"SUNDAY GLOBE"

Under the heading of Concord the Sunday Globe had an account of the victory of the Labor Party in which it was stated that "there is no indication as yet that any attempt will be made to extend this Labor organization from Berlin through the State" and that if we "should begin missionary work in other industrial centers of the State, the old party leaders would have something to think about."

It was stated all through the campaign that the intent of the Berlin Labor Party was to spread through the State if possible and to gain admission to the Legislature as soon as possible. Unless the depression lets up, the movement is bound to spread. As it is Labor is agitating everywhere in one way or the other for a fair deal. No one can deny that Labor is not getting its fair share of the national income.

"WAR PICTURES"
The Sunday papers have recently begun to print a series of war pictures. Pictures of war's atrocities; pictures of unchristian shambles; pictures of man tearing man to shreds with the best weapons that the human brain can devise; pictures of corpses, devastation and ruin; pictures of the greatest single catastrophe that ever befell mankind: the World War.

Why were those same pictures censored during the war? Why was the ghastly truth concealed? Why was the public not allowed to see what was going on? The reason is clear. Men go into the trenches blind when they might not go in if they knew it all. Even today the War Department has plenty of horrible pictures that the public will never see. Better still, they have specimens of mutilated human beings now living that no one is allowed to see because they are so horrible to behold.

And the question remains: what did the World War prove? The investment in money and life was tremendous but the returns nil.

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