

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, July 16th, 1940.
Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President Jamieson in the Chair.
Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Local Unions.

APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION:--From the Upholsterers Local 306. "On motion received and referred to the Organization Committee."

President Jamieson reported on the death of our late Delegate Brother E.H. Morrison who for very many years had been a delegate to this Council and a member of the Executive Board. He called attention to the fact that the Trade Union Movement had suffered a great loss in the death of Brother Morrison. As a slight mark of respect the delegates stood in silence. Delegates were requested to note that the funeral would take place next day at 1:30 p.m. and the Secretary was instructed to send a wreath to the funeral and a letter of condolence to the family.

CREREDENTIALS:--were referred to the Credential Committee for report to the next meeting.

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present: Ed. Smith, Gerrard, Bengough, Jamieson, Couper, Herrett, Neelands, Macpherson. Also Bro. Charles Hughes, representative of the American Federation of Labor.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Local 105 Bookbinders, enclosing check for \$10.00 as a donation to the Convention fund. Machinists 182 enclosing a check for \$9.00; Motion Picture Operators Local 348 a check for \$30.00; Int. Bro. Electrical Workers 213 for \$50.00. "On motion donations received with appreciation."

(2) Office of the Prime Minister, acknowledging receipt of a resolution forwarded by this Council requesting the nationalization of essential industries, resources and finance in Canada's war effort. The reply stated that the views expressed in the resolution had been carefully noted".

(3) Union Label Comm. Trades & Labor Congress of Canada, acknowledging receipt of \$5.00 annual fee. "On motion received and filed."

(4) Calgary Trades and Labor Council condemning the action of Henry Ford in refusing to contract for the manufacture of aeroplane engines. "On motion received and filed."

(5) Barbers Local 120, stating that their efforts to organize the Barber Shop of Mr. Johnny Clark, 120 Kingsway had been unsuccessful and requested that the establishment be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Committee."

(6) Victoria Trades and Labor Council enclosing minutes of their meeting of July 3rd. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(7) War Savings Committee, enclosing copy of a letter that has been sent to various Unions. "On motion communication received and affiliated Unions requested to note. The Council was recorded as recommending the appeal as worthy of support."

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:--Organization Committee--Delegate Herrett reported that a meeting had been held and the application for affiliation from the Jewelry Workers Local 42 had been considered and the Committee recommended that the application be accepted. Also that they had received an application from the Laundry Workers 223 and recommended it also be accepted."

Credential Committee--Delegate Showler reported the Committee had met Wednesday last week but up to that time no credentials had been received on the official forms and those which had been returned had not arrived until too late for the Committee to act on them. That a further meeting would be held during the coming week. "On motion report accepted as progress."

Press Committee--Del. Couper reported a meeting had been held for the purpose of securing all the necessary information regarding the paper. Report was accepted as progress."

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Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, August 6th, 1940.
 Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President E. A. Jamieson in the Chair.
 Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Local Unions.

President reported that since the last meeting, Brother Jack Hay, old time member of the Plumbers Union and for many years a delegate to this Council, had passed away and was buried last Saturday. As a mark of respect the delegates stood in silence.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE:--Reported having considered the credentials received and recommended that the following be approved:

Jewelry Workers 42--C. Cooper and E. Percy.
Machinists 756--C. Nielson
Retail Clerks 279--H. T. Edwards, J. Ritchie, D. A. Baxter, Don Fearn and G. Bouchard.
Shingle Weavers 2235--L. Bell, E. Kierstead, B. Orr, C. Brown.
Bakers 468--C. Walker and H. Carvell.
Carpenters 452--J. Stevenson, O. McBride, W. Page, G. Bengough, W. Coombe.
Pile Drivers 2404--Stan MacKay and W. Moore,
Painters 118--J. Halford, A. Francis.
Ladies' Garment Workers 276--H. Appleton.
Engineers 115--P. E. Bradley and J. R. Flynn.
United Garment Workers 190--W. Shaw and E. Williams.
Sheet Metal Workers 280--J. Carter and R. Alexander.

"On motion credentials received and delegates to be obligated next meeting."

The Committee recommended that the following credentials be not accepted. Bakers 468--J. Sheehan, J. Sheldon, J. Golub and J. Millar
Street Railwaymen Div. 101--W. G. Warn.
Carpenters 452--W. D. Wilson.
Jewelry Workers 42--R. Hawken,
Retail Clerks 279--B. T. Mahar and G. Maxwell.

Following discussion on the question, during which the Committee reported that they considered it was in the best interests of the Council that these delegates be not seated, it was moved, seconded and carried by a vote of 51 to 26 that the recommendation of the Committee be approved and the delegates not seated.

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present Delegates Bengough, Couper, Smith Ed., Jamieson, Showler, Herrett, Macpherson and Gerrard.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Union Label Council enclosing a check for \$5.00 and extending good wishes for a successful convention. "On motion received with appreciation."

(2) Musicians 145, enclosing a check for \$30.80 for the Trades and Labor Council convention fund the same being equivalent to a levy of 20¢. "On motion received with appreciation."

(3) Brewery Workers 300, enclosing a check for \$15.00 contribution to the convention fund. "On motion received with appreciation."

(4) Victoria & District Trades Council enclosing minutes of their meeting held July 18th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(5) Family of the late brother Morrison acknowledging receipt of expressions of sympathy. "On motion received and filed."

(6) United Fishermen Local 44, notifying that their membership being out on the fishing grounds are unable to elect delegates at the present time. "On motion received and noted."

(7) Milk Drivers and Dairy Employees 464, notifying that their members at Chilliwack had passed a resolution instructing the Secretary of the Union to write to the Council congratulating the delegates on the recent reorganization. "On motion received and noted."

(8) From Tom Moore, President Trades & Labor Congress of Canada and Angus MacInnis, M. P., enclosing a copy of the Unemployment Insurance Bill which received its first reading on July 16th. "On motion received with appreciation."

Secretary reported that a delegation from the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada had appeared before the Committee considering the proposed Unemployment Insurance and asked that the Act be changed to include those in receipt of \$2500. annually. That very few amendments had been requested by the Congress Committee as it was felt that in view of the opposition of the Manufacturers and others that no impediment should be put in the way of getting the Unemployment Insurance established.

(9) Union Label Council notifying that the "National Sportsman" and "Hunting and Fishing" are anti-Union magazines and that the "Field and Stream", "Sports and Field", "Outdoorsman" and "Outdoor Life" are Union publications and worthy of patronage. "On motion received and noted."

(10) Copy of letter sent by the Secretary of this Council to the Rotary Club, setting out that there was no shortage of Labor in this district at this time. "On motion action of Secretary endorsed and letter of acknowledgment from the Rotary Club received and filed."

(11) Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, enclosing credentials for the forthcoming Vancouver convention. "On motion received and Delegate Bartlett, with the President and Secretary were elected as delegates to represent this Council."

President announced the appointment of the following committees:
Organization Committee--Delegate Herrett elected Chairman. Delegates appointed: Bengough, Machinists; Hay, Milk Salesmen; Girvin, St. Railwaymen; Tennant, Musicians. "On motion accepted."

Legislative Committee--Delegate Neelands elected Chairman. Delegates appointed: Bengough, Machinists; Pritchard, Plumbers 170; MacAulay, Sheet Metal 280; Showler, Milk Salesmen; Gouthro, Typographical; Price, Street Railwaymen 101; Pollock, Projectionists and Ashton, Civic Employees. "On motion accepted."

Press Committee--Delegate Couper, elected Chairman. Delegates appointed Bengough, Machinists; Holmes, Bakery Drivers; Foster, Typographical; Price, Div. 101; English, Barbers; McGuffie, Pile Drivers and Atkinson, Truck Drivers. "On motion accepted."

Grievance Committee--Delegate Gerrard elected Chairman. Appointed, Bengough, Machinists 692; Holmes, Bakery Drivers and Woolridge, Projectionists; also one to be appointed from the Local Union affected in dispute. "On motion Committee approved."

Chairman reported that he had been asked for a ruling regarding the manner in which money should be disbursed by the Convention Committee and that he had ruled that the Constitution should be the procedure in all cases, whereby the General Secretary issued all checks, countersigned by the President.

It was pointed out that during the last convention the Secretary and Chairman of the Committee had opened a separate account.

It was moved, seconded and carried that the funds be handled in accordance with the constitution, 51 voting for and 15 against.

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:--Delegate Gerrard reported that the Committee had been unable to arrive at any satisfactory basis of settlement on the Johnny Clark Barber Shop at 120 West Broadway and recommended that this establishment be placed on the Non Patronage list. "On motion report received and endorsed." Delegate Gerrard further reported that the question referred to the Committee regarding the Meatcutters had since the last meeting been dealt with by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

Delegate Bartlett reported having visited several Unions and requested the delegates to assist him in getting the privilege of the floor at the local meetings on the question of War Savings Certificates.

Del. Bartlett reported that this Province was ahead of others on the per capita purchase of certificates. "On motion report received with appreciation."

REPORTS OF UNIONS--Sheet Metal 280, Delegate Macpherson reported 20% of their members are idle and that some had gone East as far as Calgary and Ft. William and Port Erie and that there are more Sheet Metal Workers unemployed now than there has been at this time of year for many years.

Milkmen 464--Del. Showler reported that the Teamsters Joint Council had offered as a Union to register their members for the Dominion Registration but that the same had not been accepted.

St. Railwaymen 101--Del. Gervin reported at their last meeting they unanimously passed a motion for a voluntary assessment of 20¢ per member to the Convention fund.

Sign Writers 726--Del. Clarkson reported their organization were also donating to the Convention on a 20¢ basis. Also called attention to a hotel which was contemplating having a sign installed by the Victor David Neon which is an "unfair" firm.

Projectionists 348--Del. Woolridge called attention to the fact that the Hollywood theatre had been the only theatre which had objected to Del. Bartlett appearing on the stage to speak on behalf of the War Savings Committee. Delegates are requested to note the unfair action of this theatre.

Beverage Dispensers 676--Del. Couper, thanked the many members and delegates who had attended their picnic which had been very successful and the proceeds would be turned over to the Red Cross. Also that they had voted to contribute to the Convention fund on a per capita basis of 20 cents.

Plumbers Local 170--Del. Pritchard reported regarding the death of Bro. Jack Hay and as Brother Hay had no relatives here and the Plumbers Union conducted the funeral he thanked the Council for the wreath and expressions of sympathy.

Painters 178--Del. Ed. Smith reported they had donated \$10. towards the Convention fund.

Sheet Metal Workers 280--Del. Macpherson reported they had donated \$15.00 to the convention fund.

NEW BUSINESS--A discussion was held regarding the best method of handling the funds for the Convention. Delegate Bartlett gave notice that at the next meeting he would introduce a "Notice of Motion" empowering the Convention Committee to handle the funds.

Chair replied that the question had been dealt with by a previous vote.

Meeting adjourned at 9:45 p.m.

PERCY R. BENGOUGH,
Secretary.


President.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, August 20th, 1940.

Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President E. A. Jamieson in the Chair.

Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Locals.

DELEGATES OBLIGATED--Delegates whose credentials were accepted at the last meeting and who were in attendance were obligated by the Chairman.

CREDENTIAL COMMITTEE--Delegate Showler reported on the Credential Committee and recommended the following credentials be accepted:

Butchers 94--A. MacWhinnie, L. Willis, S. Zeian, E.E. Cope.
Carpenters 452--T. Irvine,
Plumbers 170--A. McRae.

"Upon motion the credentials received and delegates to be obligated at next meeting."

Executive reported on meeting held same evening. Delegates present, R. H. Neelands, George Gerrard, W. Couper, E. A. Jamieson, P. R. Bengough, E. Smith, B. Showler, C. E. Herrett.

President reported that the matter of signing cheques for the Convention had been considered further by the executive and explained that under the by-laws that he had no alternative but to make the ruling as given at the last meeting. However, he did want to assure the delegates that no reflection was cast on delegate Showler and hoped that this explanation would be accepted in a friendly spirit.

CORRESPONDENCE:

(1) International Union of Operating Engineers 882 enclosing \$10.00 for the Convention Fund.

(2) International Union of Operating Engineers 115 enclosing cheque for \$10.00 for the Convention Fund.

(3) Machinists 151, New Westminster, enclosing \$10.00 for Convention Fund.

(4) Machinists 692 enclosing \$60.00 to the Convention Fund.

(5) Plumbers 170 enclosing \$20.00 for the Convention Fund.

(6) Carpenters 452 enclosing \$15.00 contribution to the Convention Fund.

(7) Street Railwaymen Div. 101 enclosing \$240.00 contribution to the Convention Fund. "On motion received with appreciation".

(8) James Thomson, Board of Industrial Relations dealing with the matter of the Female Minimum Wage Act Order 52 as brought before the last meeting of the Council by Lodge 280 Railway Car-men. Mr. Thomson stated the matter would be investigated. "On motion received and filed".

(9) Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council enclosing minutes of meeting held on August 7th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference".

(10) Montreal Joint Executive Board Hotel and Restaurant Employees notifying that the Mt. Royal Hotel, Montreal, Canada is unfair. "On motion received and noted".

(11) Beer Parlor Employees 676 enclosing resolution opposed to the curtailment of hours in licensed beverage dispensing establishments. "On motion received and endorsed and to be forwarded to the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada."

(12) David Spencer Ltd. regarding the Union label products carried in the r store. "On motion received and referred to the Union Label Trades Council".

(13) Trades and Labor Council of Calgary notifying that they desire to get the 1941 Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada. "On motion received and noted".

(14) Copy of letter sent by the secretary of the Council to the Dominion Deputy Minister of Labor notifying the Labor Department that the Labor Statesman is an official publication owned and controlled by this Council. "On motion received and action in sending same endorsed".

It was moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive be adopted.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:--Organizing Committee, delegate Herrett reported committee is holding organizing meeting and have a new local in the process of formation and will be able to give more details at a further meeting. "On motion report received".

Convention Committee, Secretary Bengough reported that the meetings of the Committee are being held weekly and that good progress is being made with the arrangements. Report being received as progress.

Union Label Trades Council, Delegate Smith reported they are putting a float in the Exhibition Parade to advertise War Savings Stamps and union label goods and also that they have arranged to have a special label edition of the Labor Statesman issued shortly. "On motion report received".

Delegate Bartlett reported on his activities in endeavoring to increase sales of War Savings Stamps and Certificates, and that he would like all the Unions that are making purchases to notify him so that it could be credited to them as union members instead of all employees. "On motion report received".

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Barbers 120, Delegate Herrett reported the Barber shop at 198 West Pender St. had signed up also that a card had been hung in the barber shop at Abbotsford and another at Alert Bay. Further reported that they are contributing \$30.00 to the Convention Fund.

Teamsters--delegate Atkinson reported that the White Transport Company which operates trucks from Vancouver to Kelowna and Way points has been signed up on a closed shop basis with a substantial increase of wages to the drivers, and pointed out that this is the first "over the road" company to be signed up and delegates and Union members could help by notifying their friends in outlying districts to patronize the White Transport Co.

Bakers 468--Delegate reported that they are still in the process of arbitration and are endeavoring to get an increase of wages and improvement in conditions and so far the Safeway Co. is the only one who has met all the union conditions.

NEW BUSINESS:--Delegate Civic Employees moved a referendum to be taken of the affiliated unions as to whether or not they are in favor of the present authority given to the Credential Committee. The delegate pointed out that in his opinion 20% of the unions were dissatisfied and that under Section 16 of the bylaws a vote should be taken. Following considerable discussion a vote of the delegates was taken as to whether they were in favor of the referendum. The motion was lost.


QUESTIONS BY DELEGATES:--Delegate asked regarding Leckie Shoe Co. The secretary pointed out that this Company was on the "Non Patronage" list of this Council and from information received was still hostile in its attitude towards union conditions. The delegates and members were requested to note.

Question was asked if the Jones Tent and Awning Co. had an agreement with the United Garment Workers. The Secretary reported that this Co. had no agreement.

Delegate Oliver asked regarding the 2% War Tax on wages and pointed out that delegates and members should purchase War Savings Stamps as these could be used later to pay Dominion Income Tax.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 p.m.

PERCY R. BENGOUGH,
Secretary.


President.

Minutes of the regular meeting held Tuesday, Sept. 3rd, at 8 p.m. with President E. A. Jamieson in the Chair.

Minutes of the previous meeting were taken as read adopted.

President Jamieson announced that owing to illness, Secretary Bengough was unable to attend tonight and that delegate Neelands would act in his stead.

APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION:--Stenographers, Typists, Bookkeepers Local 18177, and Upholsterers Int. Union 306. Both applications were referred to the Organizing Committee.

Recently elected delegates attending for the first time were obligated by the President.

Executive Committee Report:

Communications:

(1) From Organizing Secretary of Montreal Shipyard Workers, seeking information regarding the rate of wages at present being paid in the shipyard trades. "On motion received and referred to the Secty for attention."

(2) United Bro. Carpenters 452 expressing their dissatisfaction of the actions of the Credential Committee in refusing to accept their delegates and also stating their intention to withhold Per Capita tax pending an answer from the Trades Council to a question asked in their communication of August 13th. "Executive recommended this be laid over pending the result of the proposed meeting with the Executive of the Trades and Labor Congress which was announced at the last meeting of the Council." Recommendation of the Committee was approved."

(3) Victoria & District Trades Council enclosing minutes of their recent meeting. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(4) The following correspondence was received with which were enclosed contributions to the Convention fund as follows:
Meatcutters 95, \$10.00. Shingle Weavers, \$10.00
Jewelry Workers 42, \$11.00; Fire Fighters, N.W., \$7.60
Camp & Mill Wkrs. 24.00 Ladies Garment Wkrs. \$10.00

"On motion received with appreciation and deposited."

"Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive Committee be adopted."

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:--

Grievance Committee--Del. Gerrard reported on behalf of the Committee, the report being received as progress.

Convention Committee--Del. Showler reported that meetings were being held regularly and that good progress was being made with arrangements in connection with the forthcoming convention.

A report of progress was received from Del. Bartlett regarding the National Institute for the Blind arbitration case.

Label Trades Council--Del. Smith reported that a float had been entered in the recent Exhibition parade. That steps are being taken for an active campaign during the Congress Convention. "Report received."

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Del. Showler reported that owing to the fact of there being a Military training that a number of delegates from his organization were unavoidably unable to attend the Council meeting.

Butchers 95, Delegate reported they are seeking a new agreement by arbitration.

NEW BUSINESS:--Delegate Gervin, Street Railwaymen Div. 101, introduced the question of compensation for men compelled to take military training. "It was an motion decided that the Executive Committee be requested to consider this and prepare a resolution for presentation to the forthcoming convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

Moved, seconded and carried that a protest be sent to the proper authorities against lenience being shown those convicted of armed hold-ups.

GOOD AND WELFARE:--Moved, seconded and carried that a Committee be appointed to investigate reported lack of attention shown persons seeking admission to general hospital, particularly indigent cases.

Moved and seconded that a letter expressing the good wishes of the Council and hope for his speedy recovery be sent Secretary Bengough. "Motion carried."

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Moved and seconded that the Council go on record as protesting against a reported statement of Fuel Controller to the effect that he favors a lengthening of working hours with no increase in pay. Moved, and seconded in amendment that action on this matter be deferred until the next meeting of the Council pending further information concerning it. "amendment carried."

Meeting adjourned at 9:20 p.m.

R. H. NEELANDS,
Secretary pro tem.


President.

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The Chair asked any delegates present who had not received the obligation to step up to the Rostrum. No one came forward.

It was later called to the attention of the Chair that there were delegates in the hall who had not received the obligation and delegates E. E. Cope, Butchers Local 94 and J. Carter, Sheet Metal Local 280 then were obligated.

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present, Gerrard, Bengough, Ed. Smith, Couper, Neelands, Herrett, and Jamieson.

CORRESPONDENCE:-- (1) Sign Painters Local 726, enclosing \$5.20 for the Convention fund. Hotel & Restaurant Employees and Bartenders Local 835, New Westminster, enclosing \$13.80. Sheet Metal Workers 314, enclosing \$2.20. Division 134, Street Railway and Motor Coach Employees New Westminster enclosing \$10.00. "On motion all donations were received with appreciation."

(2) Taxi Drivers Local 151, stating that they are continuously receiving complaints of members of affiliated Unions using Non Union Taxi Cabs and requesting the cooperation of every member affiliated with this Council. Delegates when reporting to their Unions are requested to bring to the attention of their members that the Terminal City, Star and Yellow Cabs are operated by Union Drivers. "On motion received and noted."

(3) International Engineers 963 dealing with the standing of members who are called for Service at home or abroad and requesting that the resolution be submitted to the forthcoming Congress convention. Executive pointed out that the resolution was too late to come before the Congress and that the subject matter was one entirely within the jurisdiction of the respective Unions and would have to be taken up through the General Office and conventions of the Unions concerned."

(4) Retail Clerks 279, regarding the Non acceptance of two delegates who had been sent to the Council from their organization. "On motion received and filed."

(5) Bakery and Confectionery Workers 468, enclosing a leaflet extending an open invitation to anyone, Union and non Union, to attend the meetings of their Board of Arbitration. "On motion received & filed"

"On motion report of the Executive as a whole was adopted."

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:**

Credential Committee reported having received credentials from the International Brewery Workers Local 300 for A. Sandell, J. Salisbury. From the B. C. Seamen's Union, chartered by the Seafarers Int. Union, for H. Murphy and Thomas Irvine. Division 101 Street Electric Railway Employees for S. W. Smith. Int. Union Operating Engineers Local 963 for A. W. Davie; Ed. Stenner J. A. MacDonald and D. M. Mitchell.

Committee recommended that the Credentials be received and the delegates seated. "On motion recommendation concurred in."

Union Label Trades--Delegate Ed. Smith reported that they are having a special Label issue of the Statesman printed and that delegates and members should secure a copy.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Projectionists 748, Delegate Pollock reported they had trouble with the Fox and Metro Theatres in New Westminster owned by Mr. McCarty and that an Arbitration Board had been held dealing with these cases.

GOOD AND WELFARE:--Secretary called attention to an article which had appeared in the Vancouver Daily Province as a result of an interview with a Czecho Slovakian Lumberman who had expressed himself that high wages in B. C. were detrimental to new industries. Secretary pointed out that when such people have to leave their own Country and seek sanctuary in Canada they should conduct themselves as citizens of the Country and help to maintain the standards of living and conditions that are established. "On motion the Secretary to send a suitable reply to the Daily Press.

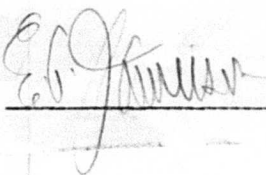
Brother Arthur Dowell, American Federation of Musicians, Toronto who is a delegate from the Toronto Local to the Congress Convention addressed the Council dealing with the conditions existing in Eastern Canada and conveyed Fraternal greetings from his organization. The same was received with appreciation.

Brother Carl Berg, organizer for the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada was also invited to address the meeting and pointed out the great amount of assistance that had always been rendered by the British Trade Union Congress to the workers of other countries in need, and that now the time had arrived when they required assistance themselves and we should do all that we possibly can whenever the opportunity arises. The address was received with interest and appreciation.

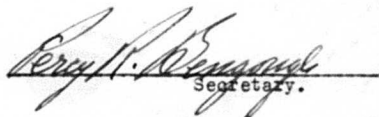
Delegate Woolridge called attention to the various Boards which are being set up by the Dominion Government and emphasized the need of Labor representation on such Boards.

Delegate Bartlett reported that he had been extremely busy on the War Savings Campaign and called attention of the delegates to the great amount of money that had been subscribed by affiliated Unions and members, mentioning Local 213 who had taken \$20,000. in savings and \$10,000. in the Non Interest Bearing Loans. He also mentioned Beverage Dispensers, Projectionists, Milkmen, Barbers and others.

Meeting adjourned at 9:25 p.m.



President.



Secretary.

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Delegate S. W. Smith, Div. 101, Street Railway Empl. whose credentials had been previously accepted was given the obligation.

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present, Showler, Gerrard, Jamieson, Ed. Smith, Bengough, Herrett, Neelands and Macpherson.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Vancouver Police Federal Assoc. 12, enclosing \$25.00 as a donation for the Convention fund. "On motion received with appreciation."

(2) Central Labor Union, Louisville, Kentucky, notifying that the C. T. Dearing Co., publishers and printers of the Fawcett publications are on the "We Do Not Patronize" list of the Central Labor Union; the Allied Printing Trades Council and Typographical Union in Louisville. As a number of these publications are on sale in Vancouver the same was received and noted and referred to the Label Trades Council."

(3) Greater Vancouver War Chest, requesting a nomination from the Council for membership in the Society. "On motion received and Secretary to act as the representative for this Council."

(4) His Honor Lieutenant Governor, expressing appreciation of attending the opening ceremonies of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada convention and sending good wishes for the successful outcome of the Congress deliberations. "On motion received and noted."

(5) Victoria and District Trades and Labor Council, enclosing minutes of their meeting held on September 18th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(6) Convention call American Federation of Labor convening in New Orleans, La., on Nov. 18th. "On motion received and in view of the great expenses that this Council has had to meet the same was on motion received and filed."

Executive reported having considered a circular letter over the name of the Bakery and Confectionery Workers Local 468; Hotel and Restaurant Empl. Local 28; Retail Clerks Local 279 and the United Fishermen's Federal Union 44, with the C.I.O. Union and a dual Council in this city. As our Movement has just completed a convention at which the necessary machinery was set up within our own organizations to deal with the subject matter of the circular, the Executive recommended that the Local Unions affiliated with this Council who are participating in joint action with dual organizations shall stand suspended and that their actions be called to the attention of their respective Internationals. "On motion recommendation of the Executive was endorsed unanimously.

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted.

REPORTS OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEES:--Organization Committee--Del. Herrett reported they had considered the application from Local 18177 Stenographers, Bookkeepers and the Upholsters Local 306 and recommended these Locals be accepted. "On motion recommendation endorsed."

President reported that in view of the short time between the closing of the Convention and the great amount of work entailed, that the report of the delegates would be given at the next meeting.

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Convention Committee--Secretary as Chairman of the Committee reported that there were still a number of bills outstanding but expected a financial report would be to hand at the next meeting. "On motion received as progress."

Union Label Committee--Del. Ed. Smith reported a number of cards had been displayed in store windows boosting the Union Label Shop Card and button, during the Convention week.

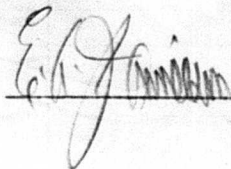
War Savings Certificates--Del. Bartlett reported that the \$400 limit had been increased to \$600 and that organizations and individuals should purchase all they possibly can as returns are good and it helps in winning the war.

GOOD AND WELFARE:--Delegate Herrett introduced the question of the need of the Legislative Committee holding a meeting at an early date in view of the possibility of a Provincial Government session.

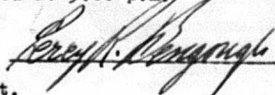
Delegate Woolridge asked regarding the Welfare Federation and the Secretary replied.

Del. Carlisle, Plumbers 170, asked regarding the minimum wage for Stenographers working in Government offices owing to increased staff as a result of the new War Tax. Question was referred to the Stenographers Union to investigate.

Meeting adjourned at 9:00 p.m.



President.



Secretary

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL
Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, October 15th, 1940. Meeting opened at 8 P.m. President E.A. Jamieson in the Chair. Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Unions.

The following delegates were obligated by the President: A. Sandell, Brewery Workers #300; J.A. McDonald, A.W. Davie and D. Mitchell, Engineers & Caretakers Local #963.

Application for affiliation was received from the Hospital Employees Local #42 chartered by the Trades & Labor Congress of Canada. "On motion received and referred to the Organizing Committee."

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present: Bengough, Jamieson, Ed. Smith, Macpherson, Herrett, Neelands, Couper and Showler.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Mr. A. E. Brance, Barrister, re St. Paul's Hospital Club, stating that a new Union had been formed in this Hospital and that it now represented the majority of the employees and requesting the Council to recognize it as representing the employees. Secretary reported that the new Union was undoubtedly a "Company" Union in which the employees had been intimated to take out membership and should be investigated. "On motion received and referred to the Organizing Committee."

(2) Ward 4 Rate Payers Assoc. protesting against the proposal to search every house in B. C. for unregistered guns by Special Police. "On motion received and in view of the fact that it is not now proposed to search every house the same was on motion received and filed."

(3) Ward 4 Ratepayers Assoc., a resolution protesting against the Exhibition Board's policy of selling the sole right to two Chinese to peddle vegetables, thus stopping local gardeners from selling their vegetables and fruits to hot dog stands and restaurants. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Executive to take up."

(4) Canadian Institute for the Blind expressing their appreciation for the work done by Del. Bartlett on the Board of Arbitration which was set up recently on the problems of the Blind employees of the Institute and expressing the wish that Del. Bartlett could act as a member of their Board. "On motion received and delegate Bartlett appointed."

(5) Copy of Telegram received from Hotel & Restaurant Employees, Toronto, regarding the Burrard Lacrosse Team staying in a Non Union Hotel and asking the Council to wire the team manager. Also a wire thanking the Council for the assistance rendered which had the effect of the team moving into a Union Hotel. Secretary pointed out that delegates Couper, Jamieson and Pritchard had also sent telegrams. "On motion received and action endorsed."

(6) Div. 101. St. Railwaymen and Motor Coach Employees, enclosing a resolution setting out their regrets that the Council Executive had protested to the Congress Convention against P.C. Munro being seated as a delegate. "On motion received and filed."

(7) Victoria & District Trades Council enclosing minutes of their meeting held on Oct. 2nd. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(8) United Fishermen Federal Union 44 and the Bakery & Confectionery Workers Local 468 requesting reaffiliation with the Council and stating that they were not responsible for appending the name of the Unions to the circular sent out to affiliated Unions inviting them to participate in a conference with Dual organizations. "On motion received and the Executive of the 2 locals requested to meet with the Council Executive on the afternoon of Tuesday, the 22nd instant."

"Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted."

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REPORTS OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEES:--Secretary reported on behalf of the Chairman of the Legislative Committee that they would meet next Thursday afternoon at 3:30 p.m.

Convention Committee--Secretary reported as Chairman of the Committee that a meeting would be held the following day at 2 p.m.

For the Convention delegates, Del. Bartlett gave a resume of the business transacted at the Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada, mentioning the address of the Fraternal Delegate of the A. F. of L. and Bro. Staal of the Int. Labor office and other items of interest. The report was received with appreciation.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--**Taxi Drivers**, Delegate Shaw called attention to the fact that the Union Shop Card is now on display in Union Taxi Cabs.
Truck Drivers #31--Del. Atkinson reported that after three years of being on the "Non Patronage" list, the Broadway Messengers had now signed a Union closed shop agreement. He called attention that Pepsi Cola had been previously placed on the Non Patronage list because this firm hauled and delivered the product and that as it is now handled by Union men this soft drink is entitled to Union patronage.

NEW BUSINESS:

Del. Pritchard introduced the question of the Public Health Act which contains clauses to regulate the plumbing which are not being enforced throughout the Province. Moved, seconded and carried that the matter be referred to the Legislative Committee to bring in a report and recommendation to the next meeting.

QUESTIONS BY DELEGATES:--Delegate from Div. 101 Street Railway asked if we had any information regarding a newspaper report of a statement made by Vice Pres. Ed. Sinfield of the Trades and Labor Congress as a member of a Board of Arbitration. Secretary stated that we had no information.

Delegate asked if the Burns products were on the Fair list. Secretary replied that this Council had taken no official action on the question but that the Company had been removed from the Non Patronage list of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

NEW BUSINESS:--

Delegate Pritchard reported that "mushroom" firms were securing Government contracts while responsible established firms were being passed up.

Del. Showler stated that Non Union firms were getting the preference in many cases. Delegate Macpherson also reported that in their Trade non union firms were getting preference on Government work.

Moved, seconded and carried that the Secretary write a letter to the Department of Munitions and Supplies protesting against such policies.

Del. Ed. Smith set out that the city were purchasing bread from Non Union firms and the matter should be taken up with the City Council.

Meeting adjourned at 9:15 p.m.

Ed. Jamieson Secretary.

E. A. Jamieson President.

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL
Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, November 5th, 1940.
Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President E.A. Jamieson in the Chair.
Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Local Unions.

Delegate J. Salisbury, Brewery Wkrs. #300 was obligated and seated.

Executive reported on meeting held same evening. Members present, Showler, Jamieson, Bengough, Neelands, E. Smith, Herrett and W. Couper.

CREDENTIALS:--Received from Mailers Local 70 were referred to the Credential Committee.

CORRESPONDENCE:--(1) Canadian National Institute for the Blind, notifying that they had appointed Del. Wm. J. Bartlett, as the representative of this Council on their Board. "On motion received and filed."
(2) Beer Parlor Empl. Local 676, acknowledging receipt of \$30.10 their share of the balance of the Convention Fund and complimenting the Comm. for the handling of the finances. "On motion received & filed."
(3) Painters Local #1163, Victoria, requesting a delegate from Painters here to assist them in Victoria at this time. "On motion received & left in the hands of Secretary to take up with the Painters."
(4) Victoria & Dist. Trades Council enclosing minutes of meeting of October 16th. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(5) United Fishermen Fed. Union 44, notifying that no member of their Union is responsible for their name being used on the circular letter and that they had so notified the Daily press. "Moved, seconded and carried that the communication be received and Local 44 reseated."

(6) Hotel & Restaurant Empl. Local 28, applying for reaffiliation "On motion received and left in the hands of the Executive for further investigation."

Executive reported regarding the communication received from the Bakery & Confectionery Workers in which they asked for an explanation as to why the organization was suspended from this Council. The Executive reported having met the Executive of the Bakers; that the meeting was not satisfactory in that the officers of Local 468 did not consider it necessary to make a public statement that they were not connected with the meeting arranged with dual organizations to consider amendments to the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act. The Executive could not recommend any different action to the one already taken when Local 468 was suspended. "On motion report received and endorsed."

REPORTS OF COMMITTEES:--**Organization Committee**--Del. Herrett reported that a meeting had been held and the application of the Hospital Employees #42, chartered by the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada be accepted. "On motion recommendation concurred in." Further reported having considered the application of the St. Paul's Hospital Employees Club, and recommended that as this organization has not the qualifications necessary to be seated and are a dual organization, that the same be not accepted. "On motion report received."

Credential Committee--Del. Showler reported the Committee had met and investigated credentials and recommended that the following delegates be seated. Int. Operating Engineers Local 963, Ed. Berger; Aeronautical Local 756, for T.G. Hillier; Laundry Workers 223, for Edna Harris and Harold Dunn; Barbers Local 120 for Fred Gust. "On motion recommendation received and delegates to be seated."

Legislative Committee--Del. Neelands, reported the Committee had considered and recommended for submission to the Provincial Executive, the following legislative matters. That the Industrial Conciliation and Arbitration Act be amended by striking out all reference to a date in section 5 and making provision to compensate representatives on Boards.

Regarding injunctions in Labor disputes, recommended the prohibition of interim injunctions until such times as all parties concerned are afforded a hearing. Old Age Pensions--requested a reduction in the qualifying age for recipients and an upward revision of the present allowance without taking into consideration the financial standing of relatives. Health Insurance--recommend that the requests for this needed legislation be reiterated. Workmen's Compensation--that the Act be extended to all workers and include all industrial diseases.

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Provincial Health Act;--that a more rigid enforcement be requested. That legislation be again asked for legislation including holidays with pay. Also that we request the elimination of chauffeurs licenses. "On motion report received and adopted."

Grievance Committee--Secretary reported for delegate Gerrard, Chairman, that they had considered the various matters referred to it. On the question of the Broadway Messenger Service the Committee recommended that in view of the fact that this Company was now signed up with Local 31 that they be taken from the Non Patronage list and affiliated members and Unions requested to note that this firm is now worthy of patronage. Regarding Bakery Salesmen 189 request to place the Montreal Bakery on the Unfair list, the Committee recommended that this company be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list and delegates requested to note. Re the Taxi Drivers' request to place the United Air Lines on the Non Patronage list. Following interviews held with the Local representatives of the Co., the committee recommended that the matter be left in obeyance as the request is being taken up with their Chicago office. "On motion report of the Committee received."

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Ladies' Garment Workers, Del. Mrs. E. Thomas reported that the National Dress Co., which is a Union concern are making and donating goods to assist in Canada's war effort through the medium of the Red Cross and other agencies. Members are requested to note the valuable assistance rendered by this Company.

NEW BUSINESS:--Del. Showler moved that the Secretary send a letter to Alderman Miller, requesting a change in the City Bylaw dealing with the prohibition of milk delivery prior to 6 a.m. any time of year. "On motion endorsed."


On motion of Delegate Gervin, President & Secretary of Council to meet with the Workmen's Compensation Board to enquire as to the reason for the apparent tightening up of the Board in dealing with claims under the Act.

Del. Herrett reported as a member of the Provincial Executive that the Committee had met with the Government that day and had a very attentive and lengthy interview covering the questions as recommended by the legislative Committee of this Council and other matters of importance. Including a request that the Government make a pronouncement regarding its policies towards Labor during the war period in a similar manner to the Privy Council who had stated that employees have the right to organize and that employers should recognize and do business with the employees' Union. Further requested that the Government make a survey to ascertain ways and means of effectively using present facilities for air raid shelters and the construction of such shelters where necessary.

Brother Hanson, Secretary of Powell River Local Pulp and Sulphite Workers was invited to say a few words to the Council. Brother Hanson being a member of the Provincial Executive of the Trades & Labor Congress of Canada. He extended Fraternal greetings to the delegates from the membership in Powell River where they have a Local of over 1000. The address was received with interest.

Meeting adjourned at 9:35 p.m.

 President.

 Secretary.

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL
Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty St.

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, November 19th, 1940.
Meeting opened at 8 p.m. Vice President Birt Showler in the Chair.
Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out to affiliated Unions.

APPLICATIONS FOR AFFILIATION:--Were received and reported on favorably by the Organization Committee, from: Cleaners and Dyers Union Local 132; United Bro. Carpenters & Joiners Local 527, Nanaimo; and Local 104 International Glover Workers Union of America. "On motion received and accepted."

CREDENTIALS:--Chairman reported having received Credentials which had been recommended for acceptance by the Credential Committee, from: Civic Employees Local 28, for W.J. Scribbins; and Hospital Empl. Local 42, for A. Hemingway.

"All delegates who were present for the first time since they had been accepted by the Council as delegates, were then given the obligation by the Chairman and seated."

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present: Gerrard, Bengough, E. Smith, Showler, Macpherson and Neelands.

CORRESPONDENCE:

(1) Copy of telegram sent by the Secty. to the Alberta Federation of Labor in convention at Lethbridge, expressing fraternal greetings. "On motion received and action of Secretary in sending same endorsed."

(2) Int. Assoc. Machinists, Lodge 151, New West., objecting to a portion of the Provincial Executive request to the Prov. Govt. The Prov. Executive had requested the Government to give some assurance that conditions of employment that might be given up in the exigencies of war production would be reestablished. "On motion received and referred to the Provincial Executive."

(3) Exhibition Secretary of the B.C. Potato Growers inviting delegates to attend a potato exhibition on Wed. Thurs. and Fri., Nov. 27, 28 and 29 in the show rooms of the Bus Terminal, Seymour & Dunsmuir and to bring their wives and lady friends. "On motion received and noted."

(4) Hon. C.D. Howe, replying to correspondence in which this Council asks that the Dept. of Munitions and Supply adopt a policy of patronizing well established firms that cooperate with employee Unions. The reply stated that it is the policy of the Department to use the facilities of well established reputable contractors and that violations of any labor regulations should be brought to the attention of the Department. "On motion received and filed."

(5) Musicians Local 145 notifying that the letter received from the Secretary expressing appreciation of the orchestra at the opening of the Convention had been sent to each member of the orchestra. "On motion received and filed."

(6) Painters & Decorators 138, asking why some delegates were not allowed a seat at the Convention of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada. "On motion received and referred to the Congress."

(7) Fire Fighters Local 256, New West., thanking the Council for the refund on their convention donation. "On motion received & filed."

(8) St. Railwaymen Div. 101, thanking the Council for the check for \$103.20 being their pro rata share of the unused Convention fund money and stating that it indicates to the membership the efficient and economical manner in which the Committee carried out its duties. "On motion received and noted."

(9) Typographical 226, acknowledging receipt of check for \$25.80 as their pro rata share of the unexpended fund and complimenting the Committee on the efficient and business like management. "On motion received and filed."

(10) City Hall, acknowledging receipt of a letter from this Council requesting a change in the City Bylaw allowing no deliveries of milk prior to 6 a.m. "On motion received and filed."

(11) Hon. C. D. Howe, replying to correspondence regarding the lay off of men from the Boeing Aircraft plant and stating that there are supply problems not yet subject to complete control but as their program for the Boeing plant is in effect it will require all the existing facilities with steady employment for the employees. "On motion received and filed."

(12) Deputy Minister, Dept. Municipal Affairs, forwarding a copy of the requested changes made in the Municipal Act at the request of the Provincial Executive and the Building Trades. Also a copy of the wire sent by the Secty. in the name of both organizations, concurring in

the amendment and expressing appreciation for same. "Received & filed."

(13) Angelo E. Branca, objecting to newspaper reports containing statements of the Secretary regarding the dual organization formed in St. Paul's Hospital. Secretary pointed out that while the letter dealt with a great many matters it did not explain why the police were called to the organizing meeting of the dual union or why the officers of the bona fide Union were fired after many years of service. Delegate Scribbins outlined how the Union had been formed and had improved conditions, receiving the unanimous award of the Arbitration Board and that the evidence before the Board showed that the Hospital authorities had entirely ignored Provincial Labor Acts in dealing with the employees.

Delegates Woolridge, Flynn, Gerrard and Hemingway also spoke on the question. "On motion communication left in the hands of the Secretary." Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted."

REPORTS OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEES:--Secretary reported that the question of meeting the Compensation Board as dealt with at the last meeting had been postponed by mutual arrangement on account of the absence of some of the members of the Board. "On motion received as progress."
Grievance Committee--Del. Gerrard reported that he had a further interview with the Local management of the United Air Lines and that they had not taken up the matter with Chicago as agreed upon. The Committee therefore recommended that the United Air Lines be placed on the "We Do Not Patronize" list and affiliations to be so notified. "On motion report concurred in."

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--**Meatcutters Local 95**, Del. Bryce reported they had received a unanimous award from the Board of Arbitration, amounting to a 10¢ increase, Union recognition & security rights. "On motion received"

Machinists 692, Del. Sangster reported that while there is talk of scarcity of mechanics, machinists are still being laid off. Also called attention to the fact that while the Privy Council had requested employers to recognize the right of collective bargaining for their employees and to do business with a Union of employees, that the Local Metal Trades branch of the Manufacturers Assoc., were doing everything possible to avoid recognizing or doing business with the Unions.

Taxi Drivers 151--Del. Shaw thanked the Prov. Executive through the medium of the Council for securing a reduction in Chauffeurs licenses. Also thanked the Grievance Committee for the assistance rendered in the United Airlines and suggested that the Secty. contact Dave Beak, Seattle on this question.

NEW BUSINESS:--On motion of del. Scribbins this Council to request the Prov. Govt. through the medium of the Minister of Labor to institute a judicial enquiry into the situation at St. Paul's hospital. "On motion question of placing St. Paul's Hospital on the Non Patronage list was referred to the Grievance Committee."

Del. Gervin moved this Council urge the Trades Congress Exec. to take up with the Federal Govt. the question of pay for men forced to take military training and urging the Govt. to make it compulsory for employers of labor to make up the difference between army pay and pay ordinarily received.

On motion of Del. Marshall, the Secty. to write Dom. Govt. setting out the antagonistic stand of the Metal Trades employers towards labor.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:--Del. Smith, Div. 101, asked if the Burns Co., is on the "Unfair" list. Secty. replied that this had been referred to the Congress and that the Burns Co., had been removed from the Non Patronage list of the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada.

Del. Woolridge asked if the delegates had noticed the stand taken by the Daily Sun on the question of Old Age Pensions. Del. Price, asked if any firm is handling Union fuel. Chairman & members replied the Leslie Coal Co. have Union men hauling coal and Buchanan & Reid can supply sawdust.

Del. Ashton asked what could be done regarding the men laid off at St. Paul's Hospital. Del. from machinists 151 asked the Label Trades for the address of a store in Westminster handling Union Label Shoes. Del. Scribbins asked regarding who handled Old Age Pensions. Secty. replied it was administered jointly by Prov. & Dominion Governments.

GOOD AND WELFARE:--Moved, seconded and carried that we request all civic and Provincial bodies when awarding fuel contracts to give consideration to Union firms.

Meeting adjourned at 10:15 p.m.

Vice President

Secretary

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER & DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL
Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, December 3rd, 1940.

Meeting opened at 8 p.m. Vice President Showler in the Chair.
Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted as sent out.

Credentials Committee recommended the acceptance of the following delegates: **Cleaners & Dyers 132**, for Wm. Fraser and Arthur Ewen and G. Smith. **Mailers #70**, chartered by the Int. Typographical Union for Bert Wells and F. Anderson. "On motion recommendation endorsed and delegates accepted."

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present: Couper, Showler, Bengough, Ed. Smith, Gerard, Herrett and Macpherson.

CORRESPONDENCE:--

(1) Int. Ladies' Garment Workers 276, expressing appreciation of the work of the entertainment Committee of the Council for the reception given out of town delegates and complimenting the Committee on the entertainment offered. "On motion received and noted."

(2) Dept. of Pensions and National Health, Ottawa, enclosing copy of a pamphlet dealing with the dangers of Benzol as information for employers and employees in lines of industry using the product. The letter stating that it is the purpose of the Dept. to issue further bulletins on other industrial hazards. "On motion received with appreciation and left in the hands of the Secretary."

(3) City Clerk, re request of Council to change hours of milk delivery and stating that same had been referred to the Social Service Committee meeting Monday, Dec. 9th. "On motion received and noted."

(4) Telegram sent by the Council Secty. to the A. F. of L. in convention in New Orleans, stating that we were supporting the nomination of Seattle by the Seattle Central Labor Council in an endeavor to get the A. F. of L. convention next year. Secretary reported that it had been decided to hold the convention in Seattle next year. "On motion received and action of Secretary endorsed."

(5) Engineers & Caretakers 963, requesting information as to the position of the Burns Co., and the Meatcutters and Packing House Empl. Local 95 asking if Burns and Co. are on the "Fair" list of the Trades and Labor Council. "On motion received and referred to the Grievance Comm. to report at the next meeting of the Council."

Secretary reported that the Executive recommended that this Council donate an electric floor polisher to the Vancouver Preventorium and pointed out that this Council has had a delegate on the directorate of the Preventorium for many years who has reported from time to time on the valuable work done by this institution. "On motion recommendation endorsed."

Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive as a whole be adopted."

REPORTS OF OFFICERS & COMMITTEES:--Secretary reported that on account of the absence of members of the Workmen's Compensation Board, the meeting had not been arranged but expected that same would be held prior to the next Council meeting. "On motion received as progress."

Union Label Trades Council--Delegate Ed. Smith reported on a change of date for the next Union Label Trades Council meeting.

Grievance Committee--Delegate Gerrard reported that he had been in touch with a member of the Board of Governors who is also the St. Paul's Hospital solicitor but was not recommending any definite action at the present time as the matter is being taken up further.

Delegate Scribbins also spoke on the hospital question and pointed out that prior to the arbitration Board it had been clearly demonstrated that the hospital authorities were not living up to the laws of the Province. Other delegates also spoke on the question. "On motion report of the Committee was received and the matter to be taken up further."

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--**Civic Employees**, Del. Ashton reported they had held a Mass meeting of the Civic employees Federation at which they had considered the question of the increases of wages due them for the last ten years. That the mayoralty candidates and the aldermen had been invited to attend and the Secretary of the Council who was a member of the Conciliation Board in 1929 which had recommended the increases of pay.

Div. 101 Street Railwaymen, Del. Dunlop reported 30 extra men and some track men had been laid off and that their Union was making every effort to get them reinstated.

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Aeronautical Local 756, Del. Price expressed appreciation for the action taken by this Council in protesting the men being laid off at Boeings and the publicity given the matter by the Council Secretary. That the men had now been taken back to work.

Plumbers & Steamfitters 170, Del. Pritchard reported that the matter of an amendment to the Health Act which had been endorsed by the Council Legislative Committee and referred to the B. C. Executive and by them taken up with the Government, had resulted in a meeting between representatives of their Organization and the Health Dept. of the Provincial Government and it is expected progress would be made.

Div. 101, Del. Smith reported they had sent a protest to the Minister of Labor at Victoria for the manner in which the employees had been dealt with by the St. Paul's Hospital authorities.

Sign Writers 726--Del. Collins reported that the David Hall Sign Co. and the Signcraft Co., are non Union concerns.

NEW BUSINESS:--Moved, seconded and carried that this Council deplore the delay in the restoration of salaries for the employees of the City and endorse the request of the Civic Employees for such increases.

Del. Macpherson Sheet Metal Workers 280 reported his organization with other metal trades had received an increase of 2½¢ per hour based on the increased cost of living in accordance with their Agreement.

QUESTIONS BY MEMBERS:--Del. Woolridge asked if the delegates thought that enough attention was being paid to newspaper items advocating longer hours of work when there are so many unemployed.

Del. from Engineers 963 asked regarding what action had been taken in the arrest in Eastern Canada of Pat Sullivan a Canadian Seaman. Secretary replied that the matter had been considered by the recent convention of the Trades & Labor Congress of Canada and no action taken.

GOOD AND WELFARE:--Del. Woolridge called attention to the newspaper item in which Bro. Bengough had taken issue with the need of lengthening hours of labor and advised delegates to watch such moves. That we should take the position that we will cooperate but will not be driven.

Del. Pritchard reported that some construction employers have stated the Government would not let them pay more wages than they were paying at present.

Meeting adjourned at 9:30 p.m.

Vice President *[Signature]* Secretary *[Signature]*

VANCOUVER, NEW WESTMINSTER AND DISTRICT TRADES AND LABOR COUNCIL

Hall 1, Labor Headquarters, 529 Beatty Street

Minutes of the regular meeting held on Tuesday, December 17th, 1940.
Meeting opened at 8 p.m. President Jamieson in the Chair.
Minutes of the previous meeting were adopted.
Delegate Arthur Ewing, Cleaners & Dyers received the obligation.

Executive reported on meeting held the same evening. Members present: Gerrard, Ed. Smith, Bengough, Jamieson, Showler, Couper and Herrett.

CORRESPONDENCE:--(1) Bro. E. Ingles, Canadian Vice President, Electrical Workers, pointing out that in the operation of the Dominion Fair Wages and Hours Act that where employees were being paid less than the established rate that the employer had to pay the difference to the employees and that in many cases where men had left the service of the Company the funds remained with the employer, but that at the request of the Trade Union movement a change had been made whereby the Dominion Government collected the money from the employers and paid it direct to the employees and that where the workers could not be found the money would remain with the Receiver General. "On motion received with appreciation."

(2) United Bro. Carpenters & Joiners 1735, Prince Rupert, suggesting that this Council start a Province wide protest against the proposal to increase working hours and enclosing a copy of a letter they had sent the Dominion Minister of Labor. "On motion received and in view of the fact that the Trades Congress has this matter in hand the same was filed."

(3) Pres. Moore, Trades & Labor Congress of Canada, acknowledging receipt of a resolution introduced by Div. 101 regarding the request that the Government make it compulsory for employers of labor to make up the difference between army pay and that a man would receive at his regular occupation. Pres. Moore pointed out that the matter was dealt with at the recent convention and the Congress Executive urged to take up with the Government that the same allowance in pay be given for families of those in non permanent training periods as allowed to regular military forces. While the Executive has to be governed by the actions of the Convention the resolution will be dealt with at the first meeting of the Executive.

(4) Victoria & District Trades Council enclosing minutes of their Dec. 4th meeting. "On motion received with appreciation and filed for reference."

(5) Secretary read a communication addressed to the Mother General in which she stated that no other settlement was possible. "On motion received and filed."

(6) Hospital Employees Assoc. 42, regarding the appeal they had sent for financial assistance to the various Unions and asking the approval of the Council for same. "On motion received and left in the hands of the Executive to take up with the officers of the Union concerned."

(7) Bro. Staal, Chief of Workers Organizational Service of the International Labor Organization in Montreal, stating that they have a number of pamphlets prepared by their Washington office which they would be pleased to send out and also calling attention to the fact that this office is only too pleased to supply any information or data to Trade Unions on the subjects coming within the scope of the I.L.O. "On motion received and this Council to subscribe to the Labor Review."

"Moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Executive be adopted as a whole."

REPORTS OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES:--Grievance Committee-- Delegate Gerrard reported that the question of the status of the Burns Co., was now a matter for the Council to decide. Following considerable discussion on the question, it was moved, seconded and carried that in view of the fact that this matter had been referred to the Trades and Labor Congress of Canada who had removed this Company from their non patronage list, that the Burns Co., be removed from the "Unfair" list of this Council.

REPORTS OF UNIONS:--Hospital Employees, Delegate Hemmingway reported that they had requested the Council to endorse their action in sending an appeal for financial assistance as they were bringing action against the St. Paul's Hospital and to date had received a total of \$163.00.

NEW BUSINESS:--Moved, seconded that the St. Paul's Hospital be placed on the Non Patronage list. Moved, seconded and carried that we suspend the regular order of business and go back to "Reports of Committees."

Delegate Gerrard reported that the Grievance Committee had considered the question of St. Paul's Hospital and pointed out there are so many difficulties in the way of placing this Hospital on the "Unfair" list. Del. Bartlett outlined the position of the C.P.R. Medical Assoc. who had financed a ward and had a contract with this Hospital.

Following lengthy consideration of the question it was moved, seconded and carried that the report of the Committee be received as progress."

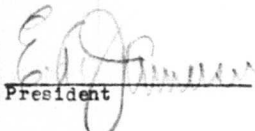
Del. Hay, Local 464 introduced a resolution addressed to the Federat Govt. and passed by their organization asking the Federal Government to put into operation a planned agriculture production policy. "On motion received and referred to the Legislative Committee to investigate and report back.

GOOD AND WELFARE:

Del. Showler reported that their organizations had organized the Laundry workers in Nanaimo and as a result of the Provincial Arbitration Act they had signed an agreement with from 10 to 15% increase and holidays with pay and expressed appreciation of the services of Mr. Thompson of that Department.

Del. Harris Civic Employees stated that as he did not expect to be a delegate to the Council next year that he desired to point out that while he had oftentimes differed in opinion he at all times tried to do his best for the Union which had sent him as a delegate and for the Labor Movement as a whole.

President thanked the Delegates for their assistance during the past year and extended Seasonal Greetings to all.


President

Meeting adjourned at 10 P.M.

PERCY R. BENGOUGH,
Secretary. 