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WORKING CLASS HEROES

Poor wages, deplorable working and living conditions formed the background for labor militancy in British Columbia during the early twentieth century. Of all the provinces, B.C. was perhaps the most polarized society in Canada. Trade unions were the natural vehicles for the workers' attempts to improve their economic and social conditions. Union achievements, however, were slow and failed to change the polarized nature of society. Frustrated by these failures, many workers in B.C. turned to more radical methods in order to change the social structure. Socialism and syndicalism - a proletarian state - were the chosen solutions.

In a free lecture entitled "Labour Radicalism in B.C." Dr. Robert McDonald will examine this important feature of our province's history. The lecture will be given in the Boardroom, Main Building, Cariboo College on October 24, 7:00 p.m.

The other guest lectures in the series "New Directions In B.C. History" are as follows:-

OCTOBER 28 - Dr. W. Peter Ward, U.B.C.: "Love in a Cold Climate - Romance, Courtship and Marriage in the 19th Century Canada". (Student Lounge) 7:00 p.m.

NOVEMBER 4 - Dr. Patricia Roy, University of Victoria: "The Unwelcome Host and His Chinese and Japanese Residents". (Board Room, Main Building) 7:00 p.m.