

USE OF POLITICAL MEANS TO DEFEAT GERMANY URGED

Arthur Henderson, Leader of British Labor Party, Says Allies Should Not Abandon Their Political Offensive.

Points Out That Crown Prince Voices Fear of Efforts to Sow Discord Between Germans and the Kaiser.

(In the following interview setting forth British labor war aims, Arthur Henderson, former labor member of the Lloyd George cabinet and spokesman for British trades unions, emphasized a point generally overlooked in this country. He reveals the importance attaching in Europe to the secondary offensive—the political offensive, launched by President Wilson against Hohenzollernism in his war declaration speech. Dispatches from France during the past few days have revealed the extent to which the campaign for the democratization of Germany is being pushed from that angle and through Switzerland.)

By Lowell Mellett
London, Nov. 21.—(U. P.)—The allies should not abandon their political offensive against Germany, according to Arthur Henderson, because in many respects it is the most dangerous offensive given the house of Hohenzollern has to face. Henderson, as leader of the labor party, has aligned with him some four and a half million voters through the new coalition of his party and the co-operative movement.

"Look at this item in the paper," said the labor leader.
The item reported the address of the crown prince to the latest batch of German boys brought to the western front to join their fathers and brothers.

Political Uplifted Feared
"There are powers at work attempting to sow discord between the German people and their sovereign, knowing Germany otherwise is invincible," said the crown prince. "It is your work also to prevent this." And more of the same.

"Of course Germany is not otherwise invincible," said Henderson. "The crown prince pretends not to fear the allies' military efforts, but he shows a great concern regarding their ability to make a wide breach by other means between the kaiser and his people. The real position is that the German kaiser and his high command realize that their military plans have failed. They are now at pains to prevent their military failure leading to a political upheaval at home.

Victory Means to End
"Military victory is not the final aim of the allies. It is a means to an end. It is sought in order to enable them to achieve the sort of peace which they conceive to be essential to prevent any future recurrence of the present awful struggle and to secure the end of the war for all time; a peace which will recognize the rights of peoples to dispose of themselves as they see best, and will make the world safe for democracy; a peace which will solve all old grievances without creating new ones and which will secure just recompense for the innocent victims of the foul wrongs perpetrated by German militarism during the war.

"Those are, broadly, the aims of the allies, and it seems to me that to supplement military effort by the political weapon in order more quickly to achieve such an honorable and lasting peace would not weaken the allies' position, but would strengthen it.

"We are at war with the kaiser and

kaiserism and personally I do not want to see any peace made with kaiserism. If the peace settlement is to have any prospect of durability, it must be made with the German people and not with the kaiser.

"President Wilson, who has a profound knowledge of real politics and whose utterances come nearer to the ideals of democracy than those of any other allied statesman, has seen the possibilities of the use of the political weapon in the war and he has courageously defined the important difference between the German people and its autocratic ruler. In this differentiation I fully concur with President Wilson and I strongly emphasize a political offensive in order to widen the breach between kaiserism and the German people.

"By a 'political offensive,' I do not mean that Great Britain should resort to the use of unscrupulous diplomatic practices as Germany has done. The British people would not tolerate them, but I do say that Great Britain should make wise and discriminate use of legitimate political methods which are open and above board and which mean elimination of secret diplomacy.

"At present," he continued, "the allies are negotiating with the kaiser's servants. All the speeches made by the German chancellor and replied to by allied statesmen constitute the employment of open political means—to bring about a settlement of the war. It is a game of skilled diplomacy, but one of the chief faults is that the allies are playing it with a minister who is solely responsible to the kaiser.

"To my mind, the most satisfactory channel of communication available is provided by the German Socialists and particularly by the minority Socialists. Personally, I would much rather consult with a German minority Socialist during the war than with an official of an autocratic German government after the war.

"If we really desire to see a democratic Germany, we should do all in our power to strengthen the democratic elements in Germany. If we intend that peace, when it comes, shall be a democratic peace, we should be represented by democratically elected representatives of all the people concerned, surely it would be better to address our speeches not to the German imperial chancellor, who is the servant of the kaiser, but to the elected representatives of the German people.

"So long as military effort is necessary there must be no slackening on the part of the allies, but that is no reason why, side by side with such effort, we should not attempt by a wise and sensible use of the political weapon, to hasten the settlement of the war by a peace which shall be just, honorable and democratic."

Pendleton Has Busy War Work Weeks
Pendleton, Or., Nov. 21.—Pendleton is just concluding two strenuous weeks of war activity. With raising of a Y. M. C. A. quota, funds for Red Cross Christmas presents, making of scrap books for the soldiers and the preparing of Christmas boxes, there has been plenty to do for those who are trying to do their bit at home.

May Be Mariposa Passenger
It is believed that Mrs. J. H. Quinn of 1223 East Seventeenth street was a passenger on the steamer Mariposa that ran aground Sunday morning on the return trip from Alaska. Mrs. Quinn has been in Alaska visiting her daughter, Mrs. E. V. Boyle, and was expected to sail home on the Mariposa.

The ship was wrecked on the rocks near Wrangell and according to dispatches, all passengers were rescued.

Hood River Does More Than Share

Hood River, Or., Nov. 21.—Hood River county has closed its war Y. M. C. A. drive with its apportionment greatly oversubscribed. Hood River county was given \$1500 to raise and waging up the campaign with \$2489.44. Cascade Locks, under the captaincy of Postmaster A. O. Adams, has the banner report where nearly \$1 per capita for every man, woman and child was raised.

The upper valley, under the captaincy of W. H. Boddy, follows with the sum of \$400. The following team captains had charge of the work: C. N. Ravlin, W. H. Boddy, J. E. Ferguson, J. M. Culbertson, A. F. Bickford, E. O. Blanchard, H. A. McDonald, J. H. Hazlett, J. W. Crites, M. L. Hutton and A. O. Adams. The following executive committee had charge of the county work: Leslie Butler, D. G. Cruikshank, J. O. McLaughlin, E. C. Smith and Truman Butler.

Candidate Named At North Yakima

North Yakima, Or., Nov. 21.—At a primary election here yesterday to name candidates for mayor and two commissioners, W. D. McCurdy, chief of police, and Forrest H. Sweet, justice of the peace, were nominated, and James Leslie and R. B. Milroy eliminated. The vote stood: McCurdy 675, Sweet 559, Leslie 555, and Milroy 242.

Six candidates were in the race for the two vacant commissioners' positions. W. D. McCurdy and Frank Marble tied the others by long odds, but W. W. Doty and F. D. Baker will both be on the ticket with A. R. Peaks and Linn Bissell eliminated. The vote stood: McCurdy 1216, Marble 1027, Doty 689, Baker 524, Bissell 411, and Peaks 288.

Tacoma Banker Is Held for Big Loss

Tacoma, Wash., Nov. 21.—(U. P.)—Evan J. MacDonald, bookkeeper of the Bankers' Trust company, is in here and will answer in superior court today to a charge of embezzling funds of the bank, said to amount to more than \$17,000.

MacDonald was arrested at the investigation of State Bank Examiner W. E. Hanson. The shortage was discovered. It is said, when examination of accounts were made preliminary to merging the bank's business with another institution.

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CONGRESSMAN FINDS IT'S NO PICNIC TO BE HOME FOR VACATION

Mr. Sinnott Is in Portland Waiting His Turn as Witness in Federal Court.

BUSY SESSION EXPECTED

Passage of Bill Drafting Foreigners Into Service Predicted—Chamberlain Bill Meets With Favor.

Congressman N. J. Sinnott has an idea that is a good deal like stepping out of the frying pan into the fire for a congressman to leave the halls of congress and come for a visit with the home folks of his district, because, as he has found, there is no such thing as a vacation. He is in Portland just now, proving this theory, by waiting his turn to be called as a witness before the United States court in a case for which he laid the groundwork in congress—the famous Sherman county settlers case, where a Washington attorney is attempting to collect a 20 per cent contingent fee for relief coming from legislation put through congress by Mr. Sinnott.

"Just as the last session was most important, so will the coming one be," said Mr. Sinnott, in telling of his experiences of the past year. "While congress has finished the big bulk of its war legislative program, still there will be many things to consider when it reconvenes in December.

Foreigners Will Be Drafted
"One thing I expect to see," he continued, "is the enactment of the pending bill making the citizens of the allied nations, who are now residents of the United States, subject to conscription for active service in the army and navy. Congress would have passed the bill at the last session had it been pressed, which for various reasons, was not done. I can see no good reason for not requiring the citizens of England, France, Italy, Belgium and other allied countries, who are living in the United States and enjoying the protection and the advantages of this country, to subject themselves to army and navy service on the same footing with citizens of this country."

Mr. Sinnott also believes that the next session of congress will pass the

Chamberlain bill providing for the certification of the bonds of irrigation districts.

"That is a good bill, and should become a law," Mr. Sinnott said. "It is pending in both house and senate, having been introduced in the house by Congressman Smith, and in the senate by Senator Chamberlain. I do not believe that it will have any difficulty in passage in either house.

Farm Loan Extension Favored
"In addition, there is still another bill which I hope to see either enacted or incorporated in the Chamberlain bill, and which provides for the extension of the farm loan act to irrigation. Such a law would mean an untold advance in the settlement and success of irrigation projects."

Congressman Sinnott also favors a law which would provide that the government, in its construction of irrigation projects, not only provide for the dams, canals and other incidents to putting the water on the land, but prepare the land for the water by clearing it, leveling it and constructing the laterals from the main canals.

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Mr. Sinnott is visiting his brother, Roger E. Sinnott, while in Portland, and expects to return to Washington within a few days.

The visible supply of rye in the United States on October 20, 1917, was 3,464,000 bushels, an increase of more than 90 per cent over last year.

Stranger Is Killed In Train Wreck

Hood River, Or., Nov. 21.—A receipted invoice for goods purchased at the store of Rice & Phelan on last Saturday by A. D. Bessie, found on the person killed in a collision between two logging trains at the camp of the Oregon Lumber company at Dee, is the only mark of identification found on the body of the man who was killed and found underneath the wrecked cars and logs at the bottom of a steep grade of nearly 75 feet, where the trains went off.

The goods had been shipped to his own address at Hillsboro, Or., R. F. D. No. 1, where it is supposed his family

reside. The man was not on the pay roll of the company, and it is supposed that he was going to the logging camp for work.

Box Car Theft Charged

Hood River, Or., Nov. 21.—Raymond Ott, Roy Miller and Con Corcoran, three boys, were arrested in Hood River for theft from box cars on the line of the O-V. R. & N. Co. When arrested the boys had a number of boxes of cigars and other personal effects. Each said that his home was in Portland.

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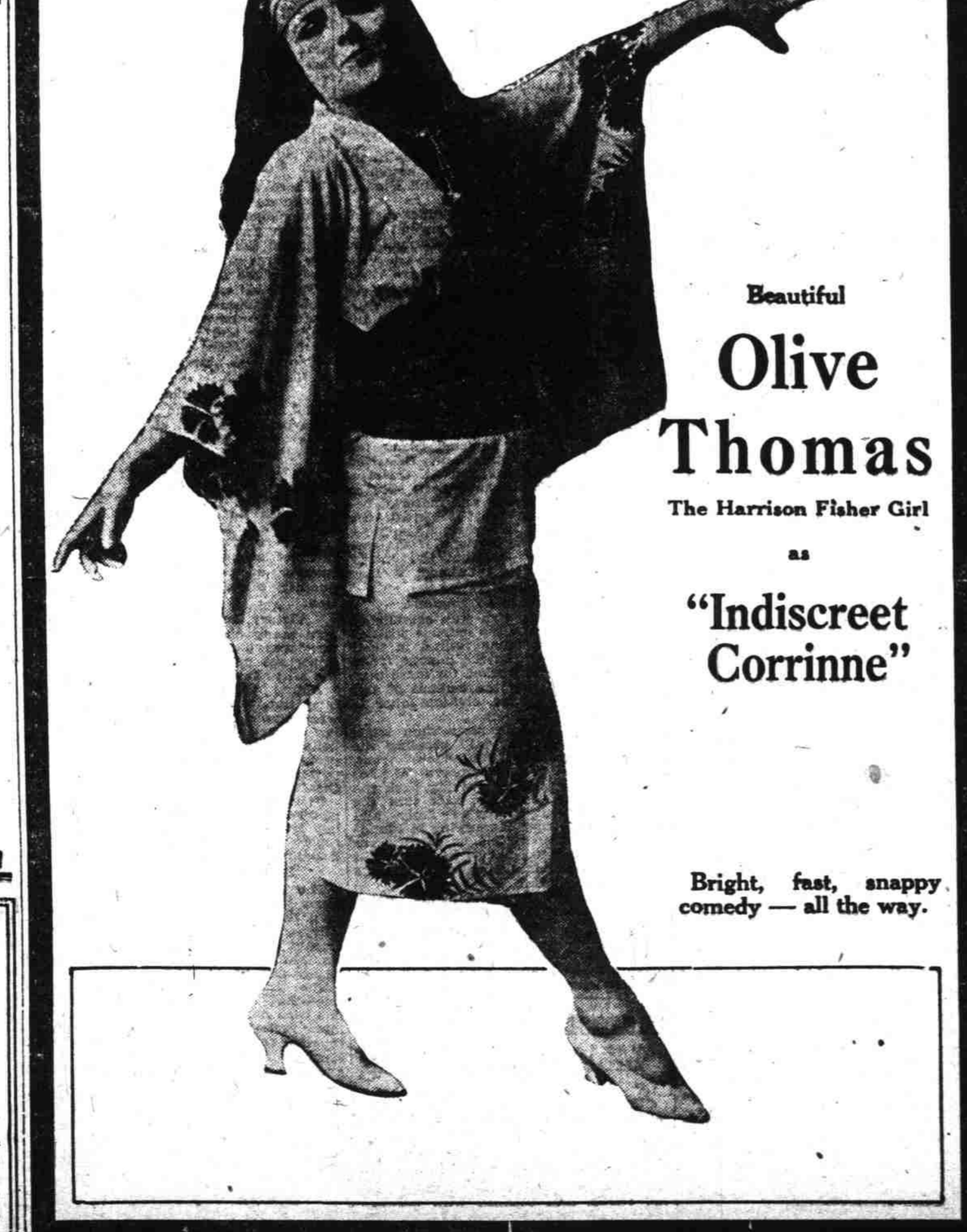
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