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Miners To Fight For Higher Pay

Indianapolis, Ind., Sept. 21.—That the United Mine Workers of America, at their convention now in session here, will declare in favor of fighting for higher wages was stated in a foregone conclusion today by Philip Murray, vice-president of the union, in his annual report. He indicated that he increases, along with improved working conditions, would be sought in making new agreements with operators that will supplant the present agreements in both anthracite and bituminous coal fields, which expire next March.

Strength Increased
 Organized coal miners achieved the greatest numerical strength in the history of their union during the last year despite general industrial depression and widespread unemployment in the coal fields, according to the report made today to the convention by William Green, secretary-treasurer.

The average monthly membership was 515,243 for the year ending with last July. Mr. Green said that the average monthly paid up membership was 442,057, with a monthly average of 73,186 members exempted from payment of dues for lack of work. In December 1920, he reported a paid up membership of 552,295, the largest ever recorded by the union.

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Besides the financial and membership report, Mr. Green discussed the general conditions affecting labor.

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 "The question may be asked why the United Mine Workers of America assume the attitude that not only do they propose to maintain their present wage scale, but improve upon the same when practically every other organization in the United States has accepted big wage cuts during the present year. We can only answer such questions by saying that for years the annual earnings of the mine workers have been considerably lower than that of men engaged in other lines of industry.

"Under our present wage scale with the mines operating as they have been during normal times on an average of about 200 days a year, the day wage scale of \$7.50 a day for any men and an average of about the same for tonnage men, our people cannot be expected to exceed in annual earnings the sum of \$1,500. It will be considered, I believe, by all fair minded men that a wage scale that only enables the men engaged in the mining of coal to earn \$1,500 a year is not an excessive one."

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To Celebrate 50th Anniversary O'Leary's Cow

New York, Sept. 21.—October 1 will be the fiftieth anniversary of the date Mrs. O'Leary's cow kicked over the lantern causing the great Chicago fire, and the National Fire Protective association has designated this day as International Fire Protective day. Since 1871 annual fire losses have been increasing until there is now an average annual monetary loss of \$350,000,000 and an estimated loss of 15,000 lives yearly, according to the association.

The association is arranging for a nation-wide observance of the day to bring to the attention of the people that the fire loss is everybody's loss and everybody's responsibility and that the great majority of fires are preventable through the exercise of ordinary carelessness.

Mrs. Caroline Wallace of North Salem has arrived in Roseburg to assume the duties of health officer for Douglas county.

The German Treaty

The treaty with Germany, sent to the senate today by President Harding, omits essential parts by referring to the treaty of Versailles by figures, thereby concealing its contents as few possess either the time or patience to look up the references.

The new treaty claims most of the rights secured by the Versailles document, but disclaims all of the obligations. It grasps the advantages and evades the responsibilities.

The United States claims the following advantages in the new treaty as granted under the treaty of Versailles:

Section I, Part IV, Germany's renunciation of her overseas possessions.
 Part V, limitations of German military, naval and air forces.
 Part VI, clause relating to prisoners of war and graves.
 Part VII, clause relating to reparations.
 Part IX, financial clauses.
 Part X, economic clauses.
 Part XI, clauses relating to aerial navigation.
 Part XII, clauses relating to ports, waterways and railways.
 Part XIV, guarantees (including right of occupation of Rhine Valley).
 Part XV, miscellaneous provisions which have to do largely with matters relating especially to Switzerland, property of German missions, etc.

The United States disclaims obligations imposed under the treaty of Versailles as follows:

Part I, covenant of League of Nations.
 Part II, "boundaries of Germany," which means that we leave to France and Poland the holding of the territories they secured under the treaty.
 Part III, sections 2-8, which means that we do hold ourselves obligated as to the rights of Belgium, but not of Luxemburg, the possessions on the left bank of the Rhine, the Saar Basin, Alsace-Lorraine, Austria, the Czech-Slovak state and Poland. (This includes our withdrawal from obligation in the matter of the protection of those who differ from the majority of the population in race, language or religion.)
 Part IV, which has to do with German colonies, China, Siam, Siberia, Morocco, Egypt, Turkey, Bulgaria and Shantung.
 Part XIII, which has to do with labor.

The rights of the liberated peoples are passed up. The United States does not keep its hands off Europe for it is concerned about Belgium and Switzerland, who do not need our help, but ignores Poland, Czech-Slovakia and other countries that do.

The German treaty is a shining example of secret diplomacy, flashed upon a world without notice, full of cryptic references so obscure that no one knows what they mean. It is about as far from an open covenant openly arrived at as is possible to imagine.

Bryan and Evolution

Science and its researches into the origin of creation, the investigations and disclosures resulting from invention and discovery, the story of the universe as revealed by the telescope, spectroscope and microscope, the revelations of the common origin of life and matter are all unnoticed, unobserved and ignored by William Jennings Bryan, who in his lectures ridicules the theory of evolution and stands pat for the archaic system of special creation, simply because it is related in the Bible.

Mr. Bryan declares that the earth is less than 6,000 years old, because the legends compiled by Moses fix this date for creation and he evidently accepts literally every statement of the ancient chronicles as infallible. Yet there is indisputable evidence accumulated by anthropologists to show that man has been on earth for hundreds of thousands of years and his primeval monuments far out date the legendary mythical dates of the Bible, which was written in the dawn of history.

"Who wants to think of Jesus Christ as descended from a monkey?" asks Mr. Bryan, which proves that Mr. Bryan doesn't comprehend in the slightest the theory of evolution, which does not claim that man descended from monkeys, but that both evolved through millenniums of time from common origin and that there is an indisputable affinity between the two species. Evolution teaches that all life has evolved from lower to higher scale. Evolution is in fact an unrolling of the scroll of life.

There is nothing incompatible between evolution and christianity, for the Bible is largely a compilation of early Hebrew history. It is full of inspiration, full of poetry, full of wisdom, full of narrative. Much of it is symbolical and much legendary. Unquestionable it was rewritten many times, much of it from memory or hearsay following loss or destruction, while translation has changed the meaning as the original terms became obsolete in the evolution of language and the migrations of the race.

Mr. Bryan has often been called brilliant but shallow. His latest pronouncements show that while he is an orator, he is not a student—even of contemporary research.

Alicia Hammersley A Woman Who Wouldn't Remarry

By IDA McGLONE GIBSON
 The Noted Writer

Alicia Meets Duane
 Again I took my unfinished story from the typewriter and locked it up in the drawer of my desk wrapping the thoughts of it in lavender and rue, I placed them in the secret farmland of my heart I would not, I could not think about them any more. Like all other things in my romance had come and it had gone.

My greatest joy at this time was the wonderful physical development of my son. He was shooting upward like a young oak and his muscles rippled under a tanned

Bringing Up Father—By George McManus.



SAP AND SALT

BY Bert Moses

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① All blunders are forgivable provided you don't repeat.

② A community may be judged by the manner in which it disposes of its discarded corsets, barrel hoops and tomato cans.

③ Some men are so timid they wear a belt and suspenders at the same time.

④ To offset the production of one great man, Nature throws in a million boobies.

⑤ People desiring to merge all their troubles into one car do it by buying a second-hand car.

⑥ Men competent to operate successful industries rarely succeed in operating successful families.

HEZ HECK SAYS:
 "Most men are honest, but you'd better lock your car every time you park it."

and silk-like skin. In his bathing suit which "wasn't much before and a little less than 'art o' that behind," to quote Kipling, he resembled a statue in bronze.

Neither Bab nor I spoke of her impending divorce. I knew that she had gone to the city to file her papers weeks before. We had decided to stay at the shore as late in the fall as possible. The air and water were still warm although it was the middle of September.

One day I received a telegram from Duane asking me to come into the city as he was leaving town shortly and he wanted to see me.

I was shocked when I met him. I was sure that he had been drinking heavily. His hair had visibly whitened at the temples and he had grown thin. His leanness, however, was becoming to him and I wished that it were Bab who was looking upon the rather pathetic changes in Duane's physique and deportment.

"I didn't know whether you would come or not, Altx—but I took a chance."

"I want you to remember, Duane, that I will always come if you want me."

"Then you don't hate me?"

"Of course not. I am sorry for you because you have let a mistaken impulse ruin your whole life."

"No, that is not true. A woman's intuition it and I believe in my own heart that she has ruined her own as well. Honestly, Altx, I believe I could stand my own unhappiness with greater courage if I knew that Bab had not also made herself miserable. I brought you here to tell you that the divorce is complete."

"Will he..."

"Did you know, Altx, that Tom Latham is still in town? He has asked about you a lot."

"Tom Latham. Do you mean the son of the grocer where we bought our food when we were children?"

"Yes, he is the kid that used to sit behind you in school and pull your braids. If you will remember he went out to South America right after he graduated from high school."

"I didn't remember anything about him, Duane, except that his name was mentioned as the man you were fighting with at the time of the trouble."

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heard quietly in Judge Wischell's chambers.

Oh, Duane, I wish it could have been put off a little longer.

"Then your wishes are very different from Bab's. She has been waiting for weeks to Larrabee to hurry up the case."

"That is like a woman, Duane. When he faces something terrible, something she dreads more than all else, she rushes to meet it, trying to get it over as soon as possible. I did not know, though, that she had written to Larrabee."

"Does she never speak of me?"

"No, Duane, we have not mentioned you for some weeks, not since Mr. Larrabee first talked with her."

"Does she seem happy?"

"No. She has lost all that buoyancy that you knew. Her attitude is that of waiting. Sometimes I catch an expression on her face as though she were listening."

"What does that mean?"

"Perhaps it means, Duane, that she again wants you to ask her to forgive you, or at least to contest the divorce."

"But I can't do that, Altx. I too have some pride. I groveled at her feet. I made all the explanations possible and I certainly would not be the gentleman I pretend to be if I did not at least try to give my wife what she wants most, even if it entails a legal separation from me. It seems strange that in the thousands of years since creation no understanding between the sexes has come about. Something is always coming up that makes me realize that I have never understood Bab—or any other woman. And certainly no woman has yet understood the complex heart of man who might love a woman devotedly all his life and yet, through some circumstances, be untrue to her many times."

"This was a new angle of man's nature to me and I must confess that it was an extremely comfortable one. It cleared up many things in my mind. Hal probably loved me after all, in spite of Nell Marshall. At least I am going to think so and I am sure that he would have been intensely proud of me for giving him a child as beautiful and sturdy as little Hal."

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