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ENGLAND BALKS AT IRISH SECRETCY

Could Have Settled Coal Strike Before Start Claims Leader

J. R. CLYNES, CHAIRMAN OF BRITISH LABOR PARTY, URGES ERADICATION OF DEFECTS IN TRADE UNION MACHINERY FOR SETTLING CONTROVERSY

By CHARLES McCANN (United Press Staff Correspondent) LONDON, July 25.—British national interests demand that prevention instead of cure must be the policy to prevent repetitions of the disastrous coal strike, which has thrown hundreds of thousands of workers out of employment during the last three months. J. R. Clynes, M. P., chairman of the labor party, said in an interview today.

"There are three great lessons to be learned from the dispute," Clynes said. "First, the national interest, in which the miners' interest is included, is not in considering how best to end a dispute, but how to prevent it."

"Second, the workers' leaders, who are chosen as the best men in their unions, must have power as well as responsibility, so that they can tell their fellows what is best for them if terms are offered."

"Third, employers and the government should see the folly of placing large bodies of men in a position where they must fight regardless of consequences to the country because fighting appears to them to offer the only shield against starvation."

"During the first few weeks of the coal stoppage, the real issues relating to wages were obscured by frantic condemnations of the miners' leaders who were said to be engaged in a wicked attack on the community and desired nothing other than the strangulation of British industries and the downfall of empire interests."

"Some of this was caused by the lamentable mistake which at first prevented the working of the pumps at the mines. Had this mistake not been made, the public would have penetrated the facts more readily and would have seen the strength of the miners' case."

"The enormity of the reductions impelled the miners to use every weapon possible, and for the first time they called away the pumpmen. This was the natural answer to the owners' notice to pumpmen, as well as miners, to quit or accept drastic arbitrary reductions."

"The effect, however, was to harden opposition to the miners without either softening or improving the outlook of those who had to act for the government or speak for the mine owners."

"But the dispute should have been prevented. Had terms similar to those put forward by the government when the dispute had lasted two months been submitted for discussion two months before the stoppage occurred, there would have been no stoppage at all."

"As in the case of other great industrial disputes, the coal stoppage has shown how foolish it is for both sides to make sweeping statements as to what they will never do. Unqualified declarations of policy by either side intended to alarm or terrify the other side seldom have the effect desired."

"Also the appalling unemployment due to the mines dispute reveals the serious and costly defects in trades union machinery for settling great disputes. The executives, chosen as the best men in their unions, should have power to secure for their side the best terms possible. When they cannot they must submit offers made to them to a second, larger body of men not quite as good as they are, men who are influenced by men of their local unions, scattered throughout England, who are as well in

touch with the situation as are the executives. Responsibility without power, and the acquisition of knowledge from continual negotiation without the freedom to make full use of that knowledge is a condition from which trades union leaders should try to emerge."

'BOUT BEARS AND OTHER THINGS

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Harrison of this city are the principals in a stirring tale of adventure that has been going the rounds among their friends for the past few days following the Harrison's return from a week's camping trip on Rogue river and at Crater Lake. The story is set amid the wild scenes of "natural bridge" on Rogue river. The tale smacks of bears and "things that move under cover of the darkness."

It seems that during their recent camping trip, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison decided to camp near the Natural Bridge, and a party of fellow motorists. But the motorists moved away and left the Harrisons very much alone. During the night they were aroused from sleep by various and sundry noises that came from nearby thickets. In the "wee sma' hours" Mr. Harrison used a spot light to good advantage and saw—well, it might have been anything from a mountain lion down to a common ordinary house tabby. Nevertheless, it is part of the story that the Harrisons broke camp and moved to Union creek, where, it is related, "they might have company and protection."

Thirty Out of Six Thousand Teachers Get \$3,000 Salary

FIFTY-EIGHT HUNDRED TEACHERS RECEIVE SALARIES LESS THAN \$2000

UNIVERSITY OF OREGON, July 25.—Although there are approximately 6000 public school teachers in the state of Oregon, only thirty of them receive annual salaries of \$3000 or more, according to figures brought out during the summer term of the University of Oregon. There are twenty-four teaching positions carrying salaries between \$2500 and \$3000 a year. School room jobs throughout the state with a compensation ranging between \$2000 and \$2500 a year number only 240. These figures include Portland. All the rest of the thousands of teachers, including hundreds of supervisors, superintendents and principals, receive less than \$2000 a year for their services, though large numbers of them have spent four years in a university, college or normal school.

Several superintendents in attendance at the University summer term from the larger towns of the state report difficulty in completing their staffs for next year. There is still a shortage of teachers, they say. The number of calls coming in to the appointment bureau of the University further confirm this report of a teacher scarcity.

While fifty per cent of those receiving the top-notch salaries of \$3000 or more are graduates or former students of the University of Oregon, their compensation does not equal that of alumni of the University who have spent a like number of years in other professions.

GEORGE REFUSES TO DIVULGE PEACE OFFER TO FEINERS

LONDON, July 25.—Premier Lloyd George refused today to violate the secrecy being maintained in official circles surrounding the Sinn Fein Irish and British peace negotiations. Lloyd George announced that he might make a statement shortly revealing the terms offered to Eamonn De Valera, president of the "Irish republic."

Members of the house of commons were today threatening the secrecy of the Irish and British peace conference. Influential members of the house are planning to force Lloyd George to disclose the details of Great Britain's offer to De Valera. The motives behind such action on the part of the house of commons is believed to be nervousness over the guarantees made to Ulster. The desire of Ulster to take an active part in the history making conference is thought to be backed by the prestige gained when they helped settle the coal strike and other important matters.

The Morning Post characterizes the conference of Lloyd George with the Sinn Fein as "surrender to a murder gang."

The premier may be forced to partially disclose his negotiations with De Valera for the sake of preventing a conservative revolt, following the withdrawal of several unionists from Lloyd George's coalition.

Ashland Warriors Mobilized Four Years Ago Today

Just four years ago today Ashland mobilized the first company coast artillery preparatory to their departure July 29 for Fort Stevens and from there to France. The company was composed of 112 men under the leadership of Captain C. A. Malone, First Lieutenant Donald Spencer and Second Lieutenant J. A. Walford. Donald Spencer, now adjutant of the Ashland post of the American Legion, stated this morning that plans were being made to set aside July 25, beginning next year, for a picnic celebration in Lithia Park, in memory of the event.

Drought and Fire Grips Europe; Limit England's Conference Vote

PLAGUE THREATENS; FOREST FIRES RAGE, SUN WILTS CROPS

LONDON, July 25.—Europe is burning as a result of a drought that is holding the continent in a dry searing grip, bringing forest fires, shortage of crops and danger of plagues. Huge fires have swept the forests of northern England, threatening whole forests and country estates. The harvest is falling below the average and the wheat is especially suffering. Only the lightest rains are reported on scattered areas.

Holland is suffering from forest fires with great forces of men fighting them. German scientists are conducting experiments in dry farming. Sweden is suffering, and Russia, with its great wheat fields blighted by the sun, is regarded as in a dangerous condition, and cholera and typhus is breaking out. Spain's crops are wilted, and the drought is causing fires in Italy.

SENATE LEADERS IN FAVOR OF HARDING'S REHABILITATION PLAN

By L. C. MARTIN (United Press Staff Correspondent) WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25.—Senate administration leaders are attempting to get the Republican senators to favor President Harding's plan to rehabilitate the farms and railroads in one operation. Harding's plans will be read in a message from him on the subject Tuesday. It is understood that the communication will be somewhat similar to the bonus bill message, and that Harding will attempt to tell the senate what the administration thinks best as the most economical way of handling an admittedly serious problem.

"Maiden of the Lake," Ballade Opera, Features Tonight's Chautauqua

The Summer School of Music will render selections from the Messiah at Chautauqua on Wednesday night, largely given over to the Juniors and a charming legend of Crater Lake has been set to music by H. B. Pasmore of San Francisco for this special occasion. The story, written by Mrs. John H. Dill, will be read by Miss Grace Chamberlain of Ashland, and a chorus of children and young people's voices will be heard in the beautiful melodies which illustrate the theme. Mr. Pasmore had devoted a great amount of time to the writing of this music, and the opportunity which has been given the young people of Ashland to meet with this master musician should prove a great inspiration to some at least of those who have attended daily the practice lessons, grouped about the piano in the Chautauqua auditorium, and, perhaps, from this little group some future great singers may develop.

A BALLADE PART I

"The Enchanted Maiden of the Lake" Words by Margaret E. Dill. Music by Henry Bickford Pasmore. Participants: Prologue—Miss Grace Chamberlain.

The Enchanted Maiden—Mrs. Percy Ashcraft. The Lover—Miss Florence Allen. The Chief—Miss Minnie Poley. Moon Fairies—Dorothy Stevens, Jeanette Stears, Marian Ann Conover, Marjorie McNair, Virginia Salisbury, Portia Conover, Maud Homewood.

Chorus of Indians. Chorus of Pale Faces. Dances arranged by Miss Vera Matthews.

H. B. Pasmore, director. 1. Chorus. This is the lake with waters deep and blue. 2. Trio. Within this lake there lies an isle. 3. (a). This is the lake where angry spirits dwell. (b) Solo. The

spirits within the waters deep. 4. Trio. Oh see, he comes, a lover comes! 5. Maiden's song. Come, come, my love, the phantom ship will sail. 6. Trio. Oh, she has been for ages here in enchantment bound. 7. Dance of the Moon Fairy. 8. Lover's song. Over the streams and mountains your heart has called to mine. 9. Chief's solo. Step not, rash mortal, on the phantom ship.

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Epworth League To Hold Annual Meets in L. Park

One hundred and fifty members of the Epworth League, from various cities throughout Southern Oregon, who have been enjoying camp life and a jolly round of pleasure during their week's conference here in Lithia Park, left yesterday, after holding a business conference at which Ashland was named as the most suitable place for the League's annual conference hereafter.

Great credit is due to Rev. Charles A. Edwards, pastor of the local Methodist church and manager of the Ashland Epworth League institute. Rev. Edwards was instrumental, at a recent national convention of League leaders, held at Chicago, in bringing the conference to this city for the first time. Throughout the session of the institute he has been untiring in his efforts to make it a big success. Rev. Edwards was re-elected as manager for the coming year. The following were appointed on the local committee: John Rigg, I. C. Wilson, Gerald Tilton and Hazel Powell.

1000 Osteopaths Attend Convention At Cleveland, Ohio

ASSOCIATION PRESIDENT URGES CONTINUANCE OF CRUSADE AGAINST HIGH HEELS

CLEVELAND, O., July 25.—(Special)—The twenty-fifth annual convention of the American Osteopathic association opened here today for a convention of one week with more than 1000 delegates present. Mayor Fitzgerald of Cleveland delivered the address of welcome. Dr. Hugh W. Conklin, of Battle Creek, Mich., secretary of the Michigan state board of registration in osteopathy, and ex-president of the American Osteopathic association, responded. Dr. William E. Waldo, of Seattle, Wash., president of the American Osteopathic association, in his presidential address, said: "The national osteopathic campaign of education against the wearing of high heels by women should be continued. It has met with favorable response by most of the women's clubs throughout the country, including the Y. W. C. A."

Another osteopathic college is to be founded at Kirksville, Mo., the home of osteopathy, and construction of the first unit of the \$200,000 building has already been started.

HUGHES PROBABLE HEAD OF AMERICAN CONFERENCE DELEGATION

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25.—The British empire will have only one voice in the disarmament conference to be held at Washington, the United Press was informed today. Representatives of Great Britain's self-governing dominions will be included in the delegation, but Secretary of State Hughes, it is understood, is about to inform the British delegation that they will have but one vote.

It is expected that all the British dominions, Canada, Australia and New Zealand, will be represented with Premiers Meighen, Canada, and Hughes, Australia and New Zealand, probably serving as members of the British delegation. It is not known whether or not Jans Smuts, premier of South Africa, will come as a representative of South Africa or Great Britain itself. Hughes will probably head the American delegation. Elihu Root is regarded to be certain of appointment as a member of the United States delegation.

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 25.—Secretary of State Hughes communicated directly to the Japanese government today the attitude of the United States toward the Japanese inquiry regarding the scope of the Pacific discussion in Washington during the disarmament conference, it was learned today.

FARMERS HAVE BIG FROLIC IN LITHIA PARK SATURDAY

Jackson county farmers and their wives and children frolicked Saturday in Lithia Park. They forgot the haying and the chores and the endless tasks of agriculture. It was estimated 500 farmers were in attendance at the annual picnic.

A picnic was held at noon, and an address was delivered by George A. Mansfield, state president of the Farm Bureau.

In the footrace, in which C. C. Cate, county agent, competed with the women folks, wearing a skirt, there was considerable excitement. Miss Pool, county demonstration agent, won. This was a highly amusing feature, and Mr. Cate, with masculine cunning, tried to win by a piece of crooked work.

The results in the other sports events were:

Footrace, boys under 12 years, Arnold Young 1st, Claude Cate 2d. Girls over 12 years: Della Steiner, Medford, rural, 1st; Edna Bowman, Medford, rural, 2d. Under 12 years: Grace Bonner, Bellevue, 1st; Virginia English 2d. In the horseshoe pitching contest D. Anderson of Petaluma, Calif., won first, and W. W. Estes of Talent second. Score 22 to 19. In a field of eleven in the pie eating contest for boys, Lee Bonner of Bellevue won first, and Henry Owens was second. In the girls' cracker race, Lucile Bestwick of east of Ashland won, with Elizabeth Joy of Bellevue second.

