

Prominent Figures In Great Britain's Mining Strike



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BY the strike of 1,400,000 coal miners Great Britain has been brought to the verge of panic. The men left their work because their employers refused to concede their demands, the chief of which was the establishment of a minimum wage scale. The cutting off of the coal supply crippled the railways and manufactories and raised the price of food. The government made strenuous efforts to bring about peace between the mine owners and operatives, the premier promising the latter to introduce a bill establishing the minimum wage if they would return to work. Many of the miners treated the strike as an occasion for taking holiday trips or attending football and pigeon flying matches. In the negotiations which were carried on the representatives of the miners' organization were its president, vice president and secretary, Enoch Edwards (a member of parliament); R. Smillie and T. Ashton. Others who participated were Sydney Buxton, president of the board of trade, representing the government, and Sir N. Llewelyn Smith, representing the mine owners.

OPERAS PLEASE PEOPLE

Amateurs in Tuneful Melodies Gain Applause at Woodman Hall; Aid Society Shows Successful.

Fair sized crowds greeted the productions of Rose of Auvergne and Trial by Jury given at Woodman hall on Thursday and Saturday nights under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church. The efforts of the local amateurs appeared to please the audiences judging by the liberal applause bestowed upon the actors. Of the two productions Trial by Jury seemed to be the favorite, owing, probably to the various number of catchy airs that are always found in anything from the pens of Gilbert & Sullivan. The prominent parts were well sung and the chorus was all that could be desired.

Attention Mohair Growers.

All those having mohair for sale are requested to report their fleeces either to H. L. Fenton or at the Dallas Mercantile company at once, in order that the pool may be made up.

Sam Evans, who consolidated the Klamath Chronicle and the Klamath Falls Pioneer Press a few weeks ago has now dropped both the old names and will call his paper henceforth the Klamath Falls Northwestern.

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Astoria Budget: Alex Frederickson is making excellent progress on the construction of the wharf at Tongue Point to be used by the county in connection with its rock crushing plant. It is expected the crushing of rock can be commenced early in April.

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 Candidates' Petitions.
 Every candidate for nomination at the primary election in April must use the standard petition blanks required by law.
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WILL FIGHT CODLING MOTH

Expert From Agricultural College to Tour Southern Oregon.

Oregon Agricultural College, Corvallis, Mar. 19.—In order to find out just what is the best time to make the second spray for the control of the codling moth, Prof. H. F. Wilson of the entomology department of the Oregon Agricultural college will make a tour of Southern Oregon and other points the coming summer. About two weeks after the first calyx spray of the apple trees he plans to visit consecutively Roseburg, Medford, Ashland, Portland, Hood River, Union, Ontario, and then Astoria and Coos Bay.

Tennesseans Come to Oregon.

Forty people from the northeast part of Tennessee arrived last week at Amity and will scatter through the southern part of Yamhill county and northern part of Polk county. Some will buy farms, others rent places and others will find work on the farms and ranches. They come from the same part of the state as J. L. Loop, J. G. Farmer, W. S. Grant and others who are permanently located near Amity.—McMinnville Telephone Register.

Would Be County Clerk.

Fred Toner, for many years deputy in the office of county clerk, has filed notice of his intention to be a candidate for the office at the April primaries, on the Republican ticket. It is reported that W. F. Nichols, cashier of the Bank of Falls City will also file his candidacy for the same office in a few days. At present the candidates comprise E. M. Smith, the present incumbent, and Fred Toner, deputy, on the Republican ticket, and Asa Robinson, on the Democratic ticket.

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We also wish to express our appreciation to the Masonic order for the interest it has shown and the willingness to render aid whenever needed. Also to the Woodman lodge which has graciously befriended us at this time.

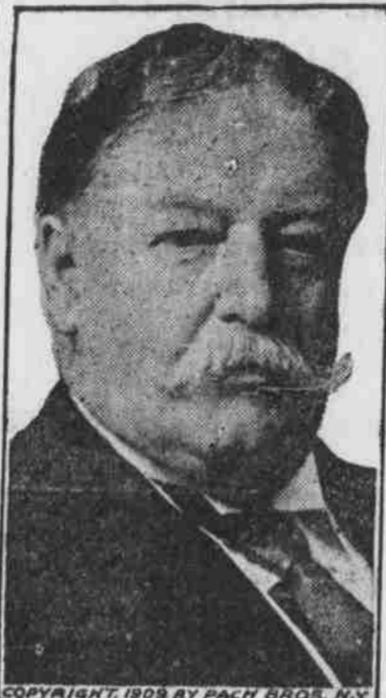
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TAFT LIKE CLEVELAND

Resembles Other Big President in Independence.

"Another Cleveland," is what President Taft has been termed during the past year. People who have studied his administration and his courageous devotion to pledges of the platform upon which he was elected have given him this title. His absolute indifference to attacks of intemperate and irresponsible writers, his firm adherence to what he considers the best interests of the whole country, and his disregard of the varying political currents, seem to justify this characterization.

The president is not a politician. He has made this evident throughout his term by his refusal to take advantage of every opportunity to boost himself into popular favor. With the firm belief that the platform upon which he was elected meant something, and his earnest work to redeem every pledge made, he has been too



PRESIDENT TAFT.

intent upon his business to consider mere popularity. He has been satisfied to do what is best for the whole country, leaving the verdict to the public. Baseless charges are bound to fall to the ground; perhaps not today, but surely tomorrow.

This was President Cleveland's attitude throughout his administration. He was independent and this won for him intemperate criticism, even bordering on vilification. To-day the American people realize the greatness of Grover Cleveland, just as in the future they are bound to acknowledge the similar eminence among presidents of William H. Taft.

Signs of the turning tide are apparent now. The press of the country is more inclined than it ever has been, to grant the president a fair hearing. People are realizing to a greater extent than at any time during the Taft administration, that the work of the past three years has been for the benefit of the country as a whole. No interest or faction has been able to swerve the president to serve the advantage of anybody and he has had the courage to refuse to be popular in order to be just.

M'KINLEY CALLED TAFT

President Offered Him Great Opportunity of His Life.

The knock of opportunity is invariably interesting. It is said to be heard once by every man. Responding, good fortune lies before, but if the beckoning hand is disregarded, the summons never comes again.

President Taft's start in a brilliant political career came in a most unexpected way. He was dictating a decision of the United States Court in Cincinnati one afternoon early in 1900, when a telegram was brought to him from William McKinley, then President, which read:

"I shall take it as a great favor if you will call on me some time next week."

Judge Taft went to Washington and at the White House met the President and Secretary Long of the Navy. A little later Elihu Root, Secretary of War, came in. President Taft told of this interview later as follows:

"Mr. McKinley said he wanted to send me to the Philippines to help the work of establishing civil government as the army moved on. I thought of my place on the bench and hesitated. Besides, I believed and said we could get along without the Philippines.

"But we have them, and must take care of them," the President replied. "You are at the turning of your way in life," Mr. Root then observed. "The bench is the easy road. You can stay there and be comfortable. On the contrary, the Philippines will demand personal sacrifices and risks and much hard work, but you will have an opportunity of doing your country a very great service." I went home and argued the matter for two weeks.

The telegram that came to Judge William H. Taft in Cincinnati that afternoon, opened the door of opportunity and as a reward for his splendid work in the Philippines and later as Secretary of War, the people made him President.

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