

BRITISH LABORITES NEAR SPLIT INTO WARRING FACTIONS

LONDON, June 24.—The manifesto issued by eight labor members of the British government, according to some of the morning newspapers, is connected with threats of a serious split in the labor party, due, some papers say, to efforts of a pacifist group to embarrass the government in the prosecution of the war.

The Daily Telegraph says that the party stands in imminent danger of a cleavage into warring factions. The Telegraph declares that speeches and actions of the labor ministers have been twisted and misrepresented to suit sectional purposes and the minds of their constituents have been poisoned by mischievous propaganda. It charges that a campaign is being waged ruthlessly to force labor out of the coalition government and break up the present administration.

George H. Roberts, minister of labor, and George Nicoll Barnes, minister without portfolio in the war cabinet, are quoted by the Daily Mail as saying in an interview that they are so sick of the "mean lies and economical calumnies" of their opponents within the party that they would gladly resign, but feel that by doing so they would be shirking their duty.

The manifesto seems called forth by the determination of the labor party executive to move, at a conference fixed for Wednesday, that the political truce observed since the beginning of the war be determined. If this is endorsed by the labor party whenever and wherever an election occurs an official labor candidate will oppose a candidate representing the other parties to the truce and the position of the labor members would become impossible.

The Times says: "Behind the situation is a deep seated cleavage between two sections of the party—trades union and socialist."

Mrs. J. W. Barker of Butte Falls, has returned home after a minor operation performed at the hospital in this city.

MOONEY DENIES CHARGE OF BEING PAID HUN AGENT

SAN FRANCISCO, June 24.—Denial of charges made by District Attorney Charles M. Fickert that Thomas J. Mooney was a paid agent of the sinister influence directing "those who sank the Lusitania," was contained in a brief filed today with Governor William D. Stephens by Maxwell McSutt, Mooney's counsel, in answer to Fickert's document opposing the condemned man's application for pardon. The governor requested statements from opposing counsel.

In denial of entering a flat denial to Fickert's charges, the brief set forth that the district attorney at one time had employed C. C. Crowley as a special investigator in eastern states and Canada. Crowley, who bore an introductory letter signed by Fickert, is now serving a sentence, it has been testified, for conspiring with Franz Bopp, former German consul here, and other consulate attaches, to violate the neutrality of the United States by dynamiting bridges and other public structures in Canada.

Mooney is under death sentence at an indefinite date for murder in connection with the preparedness parade bomb explosion which killed ten persons here July 22, 1916. His case, while traveling thru the channels of the California courts, which denied his petition for a new trial, became international in scope and was made the subject of a special investigation by a presidential commission which recommended a new trial. President Wilson has written Governor Stephens three times, requesting that executive clemency be extended Mooney. The governor has announced that he awaited the course of legal proceedings before acting.

Raymond Miksche, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Miksche, has just received word that he has been drafted in Minnesota, where he was residing when the men of draft age were first registered. He has resigned his position at the Pruitt auto agency and will leave in a few days to report to the draft board.

INDIANA CITIES PROTECT PEOPLE FROM COAL SHARKS

By Milton Bronner. WASHINGTON, June 24.—In ordinary times cities do not think much about how citizens are to get their winter supply of coal. It is only when the community is up against a real famine that the subject is given any consideration. Then the charitable organizations get busy.

But there are lots of hard-working self-respecting people who do not want charity coal doled out to them. They want to pay for their coal and they are very glad when the municipality makes some provision so that they can buy their coal as they need it.

Indiana last winter was a fertile field for municipal experiments. At Evansville a municipal coal yard lowered and kept down the price of coal. Mayor Benjamin Besse ran the yard out of his personal funds. He sold coal at 14 1/2 cents a bushel while other dealers were asking 16 cents. Yet the municipal yard made a profit.

In Terre Haute there was much dissatisfaction with the mounting cost of coal and Mayor James Gosson established a municipal coal mine.

The city leased a small mine and operated this for 60 days, selling coal for \$3.50 a ton.

The mine was not adequate to meet the demands and it became apparent at the end of two months that other arrangements would have to be made if the project was to be carried on. The city administration found coal land in the city. This was secured and the new mine opened.

ran from \$2.10 to \$2.75 per ton. Clubs were formed whereby two to three poor families could obtain coal by uniting to purchase a cart load. Care was exercised to supply only the needy and such families as were most affected by the severe winter weather.

RUSSIANS APPEAL TO PRESIDENT FOR AID

LONDON, June 24.—An earnest plea for intervention in Russia, either economic or armed, has been sent to President Wilson by a large group of Russians here. The plea is set forth in a long cablegram delivered to the American embassy for transmission to Washington. It is signed by approximately 100 persons, some prominent in the Kerensky government. A similar appeal will be made by the Russian ambassador at Washington.

The appeal says that with the natural wealth of Russia in its hands, Germany can wage war for a long period despite the blockade, and it is added that to set up a serious barrier to further penetrations by the Germans is possible only by force of arms.

An alternative to an armed intervention is recognized, however, in an economic intervention. To prevent Russia from falling into the hands of the Germans, whether willing or unwilling, prompt action by the allies looking toward rehabilitation is necessary, it is urged.

"If neither military or economic aid is given, Russia may be drawn before long into the sphere of German influence," the plea declares. "Delay is dangerous. The allies must find in themselves sufficient political foresight and energy to give effect to this work."

FLIGHT SIGNAL FOR ADVANCE

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trian aviators had succeeded in bringing to them.

The Austrians crossed the Piave on rafts and boats which they had brought up or prepared during darkness on Saturday night. They left well built trenches, great quantities of ammunition and blankets and every variety of army equipment in their retreat.

ITALIANS CAPTURE 45,000 AUSTRIANS; ENEMY RETREATING

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The Italians have thrown nameless bombing detachments across the main stream where the artillery and aircraft are still hammering the enemy. The number of prisoners actually counted up to today exceeded 45,000. The Austrian dead cover the ground of the battle in extraordinary numbers.

Bridges Destroyed

LONDON, June 24.—All but one of the bridges left for the Austrian retreat across the Piave have been destroyed by the Italian artillery according to advices received here this afternoon. It is added that enormous booty has been taken by the Italians.

After recapturing Montello from the Austrians, according to news received in London this afternoon, the Italians began making bridgeheads at Feltre and Nervesa. The Italians met with little resistance.

The retreating Austrians crossed the Piave by the only bridge remaining to them north of Zenson. Other enemy forces were forced to wade across the stream.

Between Montello and Zenson the Italians are on the river for the entire distance. They are sending over cavalry between the Conegliano and Oderzo railroad to clear the country.

From the Montello southeast to the Adriatic the Austrians have been cleared from the entire west bank of the Piave with the exception of a small section in the vicinity of Musile, nearly opposite San Dona Di Piave, where the struggle is continuing.

G. W. Godward of Jacksonville, has gone to Eugene where he will take the six weeks summer course in the University of Oregon.

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The collection was taken at the suggestion of Lieut. Deneal, a Catholic priest and chaplain stationed at Camp Fremont, California, who recently delivered an address in Medford. Thirty-five per cent of the American army in France, Lieut. Deneal said, were Catholics and hundreds of these portable altars were needed to meet the demands of the men as the expeditionary forces increased.

The altars will be transported free of charge by the government and will be used in services in the very front line trenches as well as in the camps and Knights of Columbus cantonments throughout France and Italy.

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