

RAILROADS CALL FOR MEN TO FILL STRIKER'S PLACES

SAN FRANCISCO, July 3.—The three trans-continental railroads having terminals in the San Francisco bay region—the Southern Pacific, Western Pacific and the Santa Fe—began an active campaign today to break the shopmen's strike. The Southern Pacific company not only advertised for strikebreakers but for "able bodied men to act as guards."

The Northern Pacific Railroad company, operating between San Francisco and Eureka, Cal., announced that its shops, were closed and would remain so until the larger roads had settled the problem of obtaining new workers. The company could operate for two weeks without difficulty, it was announced. The system is owned jointly by the Southern Pacific and Santa Fe systems. Passengers on the Overland Limited, a Southern Pacific train between San Francisco and eastern points were told yesterday while going through the Sacramento valley with the thermometer registering 104 in places, that the electric fans could not be operated, as it was necessary to conserve the power for lighting the cars and electricians could not be obtained for repairs.



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A Declaration of Inter-Dependence

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That document, commonly called The Declaration of Independence, but technically headed "The Unanimous declaration of the Thirteen United States of America," drafted by Thomas Jefferson, and unanimously passed by congress on July 4, 1776, recorded the birth of a nation. In it there were clearly set forth those fundamental humanitarian principles which have been the distinguishing genius of our people. It is fitting that we, as a people, every year celebrate the occasion, of the adoption of these words as the fundamental law of our land.

"We hold these truths to be self evident—that all men are created equal; that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights; that among these are life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness."

It is but natural, that a national pride should have been born with our independence. The spirit of nationalism has characterized the life of every nation. And surely of all nations which have just cause for national pride, the United States of America must rank first in reasons for legitimate self esteem. Let us see.

As indicated in the foregoing words from the Declaration of Independence, the nation has fundamental, God ordained principles as the foundation, of her government, so that the rights of her citizenry are forever guaranteed against violation. This in itself is our chief glory.

Such principles would naturally attract the finest type of people on earth, hence the purest and richest blood of earth's greatest races has mingled to make up our population. Hence we have cause for pride in our people themselves. In one short half century our country produced an Abraham Lincoln, and made him a national type. As a result the "common people" have come into their rightful heritage in world affairs.

And certainly our natural resources are cause for national pride. We are today the richest nation on which the sun shines. It is but one hundred and forty-six years since the signing of the Declaration of Independence, but in that short time we have gained the commercial supremacy of the whole wide world. And yet our natural wealth is largely stored in the vaults of the earth, adorning the mountain sides of our great ranges, or lying dormant in the fertile plains and valleys.

It is no wonder that "Americanism" has become a word to conjure with, and the United States a haven for thirty-six millions of people who were born in other lands!

Is Patriotism for Scoundrels. Now, what I want you to consider with me today is, Shall this spirit of

national pride be perpetuated? Is our nationalism inimical to the interests of mankind? Shall it give way to an internationalism that looks forward to the blending of the colors of all flags? Shall we continue to echo the cry "America for Americans!" or is H. G. Wells right when, after a study of the history of ancient and modern nations, he says, "Nationalism as a God must follow the tribal gods to limbo? Our true nationality is mankind?" Does security lie in national pride? or must we believe Rabin-drath Tagore who is reported to have said when he was in America: "The nation with all its paraphernalia of power and prosperity, its flags and pious hymns, its blasphemous prayers in the churches and the literary mock thunder of its patriotic bragging cannot hide the fact that the nation is the greatest evil for its people?"

Shall we continue to feelingly quote those words of Sir Walter Scott:

"Breathes there a man with soul so dead, Who never to himself hath said, This is my own, my native land?"

Or shall we wholly believe,—to use the words of Samuel Johnson, that "Patriotism is the last refuge of a scoundrel?"

Let no one think these are not pertinent questions. Disagreement on these matters has precipitated a state of confusion in international relationships. Differences of opinion on these issues have left the masses in a confused state of mind.

Christ Internationalist. Strict analysis will reveal the fact that a simple fallacy is the cause of our troubled state of mind. It is the most natural thing in the world for one to feel that it is a case of "either, or;" whereas it is a case of "both, and."

The Christian especially is likely to be confused over these issues. He feels the moral compulsion of Christ's brotherhood teachings, and at the same time recognizes that he owes absolute fealty to his own country. He knows very well that Christ was an internationalist. His love being cosmopolitan, and His interests reaching out to every living creature. Moreover, there is His unmistakable command for his followers to be like minded. Again, He said to His disciples: "Go ye into all the world, and make disciples of all the nations." This calls for many Christians to lay down their lives for nations other than their own. Again there is the Biblical statement that God has created of one blood all nations to dwell on the earth.

It is certain, then that the Christian must be an internationalist, but this does not say that he cannot at the same time be a patriotic citizen of his own native land. Dean Inge,

of St. Paul's cathedral has expressed it by saying, "He who loves not his home and country which he has seen, how can he love humanity in general which he has not seen?"

National selfishness is such a large element in our patriotism that it is hard for us to see that we can love the Lord our God with all our hearts and our sister nation with the same kind of love as we have for our own. Just as it is hard for us to carry out the command, "Thou shalt love the Lord thy God with all thy heart, soul, mind and strength, and thy neighbor as thyself."

By force of circumstances we are being made to realize that one nation cannot suffer without all nations suffering, and likewise, the prosperity of one nation contributes to the prosperity of every other. And some day a world congress will adopt a Declaration of National Inter-dependence.

That will come when nations realize that no nation must live at the expense of another. This means that patriotism must be purged of the motivating idea, "enlightened self-interest," and an altruistic, yes, Christian motive substituted. That keen student of political economy, Mr. Norman Angell of England, has made this very plain in his postwar book, "The Fruits of Victory." He says:

"If it be true that since the world is of limited space, we must fight one another for it, that if our children are to be fed others must starve, then agreement between peoples will be forever impossible. Nations will certainly not commit suicide for the sake of peace. If this is really the relationship of two great nations, they are, of course, in the position of two cannibals, one of whom says to the other: 'Either I have got to eat you, or you have got to eat me. Let's come to a friendly agreement about it.' They won't come to a friendly agreement about it. They will fight. And my point is that not only would they fight if it really were true that the one had to kill and eat the other, but they would fight as long as they believed it to be true. It might be that there was ample food within their reach—out of their reach, say, so long as each acted alone, but within their reach if one should stand on the shoulders of the other ('this is an allegory'), and so get the fat cocoanuts on the higher branches. But they would, nevertheless, be cannibals so long as each believed that the flesh of the other was the only source of food. It would be that mistake, not the necessary fact, which would provoke them to fight."

Christianize Patriotism. The solution of the problem lies in the Christianizing of patriotism. National cannibalism will be perpetuated on an ever increasingly horrible scale, the "abomination of desolation" which has sooner or later drenched the nations of the past in the blood of their own sons. Every cannibal has his day, and no nation can live forever whose patriotism is but the "organized selfishness" of its whole people. So we see that our very national security lies in the Christian ideal of "peace on earth; good will to men." But it is a fundamental law of God that there will be peace on earth only among those who exercise good will.

The whole matter is summed up by a recent writer of statesmanlike insight when he says:

"It is the conflicting aims of nations rather than the idea of nationality itself which prevent the great world cooperation for which all creation roams. Therefore Christianity, which proposes no destruction of national values but which in the nation has a powerful instrument for the accomplishing of her vast designs, must insist in the harmonizing of national purposes. If it is the Kingdom of God, which is described in the lines:

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Over the carnage, rose prophetic a voice,
"Be not disheartened, affection shall solve the problem of freedom yet."

Were you looking to be held together by lawyers?
Or by an agreement on a paper?
or by arms?
Nay, nor the world, nor any living thing will so cohere."

And so, humanity waits on that day when nationalism shall have been purged of its dross of selfishness, and duly accredited representatives of the nations in a world congress assembled shall adopt a Declaration of the Inter-dependence of the Nations.

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