

MACDONALD AT HEAD; LABOR MINISTRY RULES BRITAIN

POSSIBLE STRIKE SEEN AS RESULT OF MINE MEETING

Writer Pessimistic About
Wage Compromise in
Coal Industry.

Strong possibility of a strike's resulting from the convention of the United Mine Workers of America, which opened in Tomlinson Hall today, is seen by Whiting Williams writing in the current issue of *Col-lier's*.

"If the soft coal miners strike April 1 we'll be in for the worst conflict in the history of American industry," Williams says. "This week the United Mine Workers are in convention in Indianapolis. They are more than likely to elect a scale committee which will be instructed to sit close to the conference table with the operators and stand by some very definite demands, if not some forceful ultimatum."

"Third Party" Not Wanted

Williams declares peaceful arbitration is extremely unlikely. He says both the miners and the operators are shy of a "third party" in their controversies.

"If present business conditions continue, a great many of the largest operators will favor resistance to any sharp wage demands," Williams says. "Such resistance will cost nothing simply because, at present, the bituminous industry is shot to pieces."

Lewis Holds Key

Williams intimates the only probability that the convention will not issue a wage ultimatum lies in the efforts of John L. Lewis, president of the miners, toward conservative action. "Few men have ever found themselves in such a position as Mr. Lewis faces today in Indianapolis," the article continues. "His astonishing pre-eminence has been gained always by fighting. Will he be willing to extol before his victorious army the wisdom of a new policy of peaceful and constructive moderation as the best means of deserving the public's indispensable good will?"

DUNCAN TO TELL OF AFRICAN TRIP

Lafayette Man Will Address
Electrical Engineers

Thomas Duncan, president of the Duncan Electrical Manufacturing Company, Lafayette, Ind., will address the Indianapolis-Lafayette section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers at the Lincoln Friday night.

Duncan, who recently returned from an eight-month's trip through the wild sections of South Africa, will describe his journey from Cairo to Cape Town.

The speaker is widely known in electrical engineering and is recognized as a pioneer and leader in the manufacture of electric meters. His lecture will be illustrated with 150 lantern slides.

UNION BIGGEST SINCE ITS START

Secretary Green Reports on
Mine Membership.

The membership of the United Mine Workers of America is the highest since the organization of the union in 1880. William Green, secretary, reported at the international convention in Tomlinson Hall today.

The average membership for the year ending Nov. 30, 1923 was given as 482,276. The peak month in the history of the organization was last May when a membership of 595,137 was reported, Green said.

Green reported that all the debts incurred in the 1922 strike have been paid and that the union has a balance in its treasury. During the two years and four months for which Green reported, he said the income from all sources amounted to \$8,747,451.50 and the expenditures to \$8,703,722.19. He said the balance in the treasury on Nov. 30 was \$1,177,921.15.

It is stated that in the 1922 strike Green revealed that miners in foreign countries had contributed to the cause. Belgium, Luxembourg and Holland, \$3,171.87; Czechoslovakia, \$3,171.87; Germany, \$595.83; France, \$266.15.

City Resident Drops Dead

Mrs. Samuel H. Yeaman, 76, mother of Fred Yeaman, 1524 N. Sherman Dr., dropped dead Monday night at the home of Mrs. George Hawkins in Noblesville, Ind., according to a dispatch. Mrs. Yeaman was visiting Mrs. Hawkins. Other children are Mrs. Claude D. Bots of Tacoma, Wash., and Otto Yeaman of Vancouver, B. C.

Tech Singers to Present Comic Opera at Murat



—Photo by Carl Breitman, Jr.

Baldwin Presents Resignation to King George and Monarch
Charges New Premier to Form Cabinet—

No Undue Excitement.

By ED L. KEEN, General European Manager United Press.

LONDON, Jan. 22.—Great Britain, greatest of the few remaining monarchies, placed its affairs of State and industry today in the hands of a government built of its laboring class.

Stanley Baldwin, leader of the conservative party, representing the old order of things in England, tendered his resignation and those of his ministers to his sovereign at noon.

A few moments later King George called upon Ramsay MacDonald to form the first labor government in the history of Britain—the first of its kind in the world.

MacDonald's labor cabinet was officially announced as follows:

Ramsay MacDonald, first lord of the treasury and foreign secretary.

J. R. Clynes, lord privy seal and deputy leader of the commons.

Loyd Parmaor, lord president of the council.

Vicount Haldane, lord chancellor.

Philip Snowden, chancellor of the exchequer.

Arthur Henderson, home secretary.

J. H. Thomas, colonial secretary.

Stephen Walsh, war secretary.

Sir Sidney Oliver, India.

Brigadier General Thompson, air.

Vicount Cheilmsford, first lord of the admiralty.

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LEWIS IN FAVOR OF LONG PERIOD WAGE CONTRACTS

International President of
Miners Tells Convention of
His Views.

A mine wage contract covering a period of years instead of the usual one-year contract was advocated by John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, in his annual report read at the international convention of miners in Tomlinson Hall today.

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Strikes of 1922-1923

Lewis reviewed the bituminous strike of 1922 and the anthracite strikes of 1922 and 1923. He characterized the settlement of the anthracite strike brought about by Governor Gifford Pinchot of Pennsylvania as a "distinct achievement" for the miners.

The ending of the bituminous strike in 1922 "marked the termination of the retrograde movement in wages in all industry, and from thence onward the volume of business and commerce in our country steadily increased and prosperity was enhanced," Lewis said.

Industry Overdeveloped

Lewis pointed to the fact that miners work only part of the time and that the coal industry is overdeveloped.

Such a situation is unsound from every moral and economic standpoint and constitutes a crying need for adjustment," he said.

"It is unfortunate indeed that the United States coal commission, which was in existence for a year, and expended some \$600,000 of money from the public treasury, lacked the wisdom properly to portray this situation and make practical recommendations for permanent reform within the industry."

growing weaker and weaker, finally died.

Communists on their "day" jammed the great hall of Smolny Institute in St. Petersburg. As the meeting started, a little bald-headed man, with a wrinkled and bearded face, unkempt hair and dressed in a plain black suit, pushed his way forward.

"Comrade Lenin will now address the congress," the chairman announced.

Lenin immediately got down to the business of the day.

"Comrades," he said, "we shall now take up formation of the Socialist state."

Thus started the greatest experiment in communism the world had ever known.

Ruled With Iron Hand

Lenin ruled with an iron hand. It is said he believed anything was justified which would bring about success of the revolution.

In 1917 an unsuccessful attempt was made to shoot him while he was driving through the streets in an automobile.

In August, 1918, a girl fired several shots into his body. These all proved fatal.

The success of the communists in remaining in power surprised even Lenin.

"The revolution may fall even in Russia," he had been quoted as saying.

"But we will keep alive the flame of revolution until the world is alight."

Even though the powers of all the earth combined to crush Russia, Lenin said the idea of the revolution would persist.

Hailed as Prophet

Lenin, because of his ability to foresee events, such as the revolution in Austria, Germany, and other countries, was often hailed as a prophet by the ignorant masses who followed him blindly.

No one has charged that Lenin used his high office for personal gain. Many declared he gambled with the lives of the Russian people, by turning Russia into a laboratory of communistic experiments, but there are few who question his sincerity.

Gone, but Not Forgotten

Automobiles reported stolen belong to:

Alvin Chauncey, 2819 E. Eighteenth St., Ford sedan, from 426 E. Market.

William C. Holmes, 2041 Broadway, Ford coupe, from Market St. and the Circle.

William Traeger, 737 N. Davidson St., Ford truck, from 615 N. Davidson St.

WEAK WOMEN

cannot hope ever to become strong and well again unless they have plenty of "weak" iron. Nuxated Iron makes Nuxated Iron is like the iron in your blood and like the iron in spinach, lentils and beans. It is the iron that is just as it comes from the action of strong acids on iron filings. Nuxated Iron does not injure the teeth or upset the stomach. It quickly helps make flesh, red blood, revives you new strength and energy. Over 4,000 people annually are using it. At all drugstores. Beware of substitutes. The genuine article has a stamped on table. Always insist on having the genuine.

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LEFT TO RIGHT—MISS DOROTHÉA SMITH, PARKER BURNS, WAYNE SPOPE, MALCOLM KELLY, EARLE THORPE AND MISS ELIZABETH GUEST.

—Mecca photo.

day, Jan. 29.

Miss Dorothy Smith, as "Germaine," has the leading role. Parker Burns plays opposite her. Miss Elizabeth Guest and Wayne Swope have second leads. Malcolm Kelly is Gaspard, the fanatic old miser. Earle Thorpe, president of the club, takes the part of Registrar.

Oak Park Pastor Declares Woman's Charges Result From 'Self Delusion'



MRS. CHARLOTTE LELAND (ABOVE), WHO IS BEING SUED FOR DIVORCE ON CHARGES INVOLVING AN OAK PARK MINISTER, AND REV. CARL D. CASE, THE ACCUSED PASTOR, WHO DECLARED HER CHARGES ARE "SELF-DELUSION."

Clergyman's Wife Constantly Guards Husband Against Gossip.

By N.Y. Service

CHICAGO, Jan. 22.—Only a

certain people wait

to pounce upon the reputation of a minister of the gospel.

She knows from whence blows the hot breath of scandal, leaving behind the charred remains of a good name.

She knows the "church buzzards" who wait for every scrap of gossip.

And how she must be constantly guarding her husband against these forces, is a most interesting sidelight to the ugly charges and intimations surrounding Rev. Carl D. Case of the fashionable Oak Park Baptist Church.

Dr. Case has been named respondent in a divorce action filed by Albert H. Leland against Charlotte Leland. Mrs. Leland has signed a certain "confession" of alleged affectionate relations.

That is one story. But Mrs. Case's statement of how just such situations are combated is another.

"Many Foolish Women"

"My husband would not visit a woman on a parish call—particularly at night—without taking me along. There are many foolish and impressionable women in the world.

"Also my husband would not receive a woman in his study unless the door was left open. There are so many who jump at conclusions."

And now that the hint of scandal has come upon Dr. Case in spite of protective barriers, it is to the mental scientist that Dr. Case goes for his defense. Mrs. Leland is branded a neurotic, given to self-delusion. And such will be the evidence the defense will present in court.

The entire charge, according to the defense theory, is based upon imagination.

In the days of the early church the woman would have been classed as possessed of a perverse spirit which breed hallucinations, this theory contends.

Instead of mumbling an incantation, however, the pastor today is fighting in court to clear his name. His defense, although unusual, has ample support from psychopathic experts.

"Such Cases Daily"

"We have such cases of systematized delusions every day," says Dr. William J. Hickson, superintendent of the psychopathic hospital.

"There was a notable instance here a few years ago, which scared the life of a man who had a wife and grown children and had won the title of 'general.'

"In another case several years ago, a man was bringing suits against the governor, the attorney general and several other high State officials. He believed implicitly in the charges he had made. But they were, nevertheless, purely imaginary."

Mrs. Leland's family, however, respectfully say that this is a matter that concerns only the members of the club. No doubt they would listen to a statement as to my unfitness.

Signed,

REV. FRANK S. C. WICKS,
All Souls Unitarian Church.

MURRAY TALKS TO 'PINKS' AND 'REDS'

Too Much Soap in America for Russian System, Mine Officer Says.

"In this country there is too much soap, too many Gillettes and not enough whiskers to account for the beard philosophy of Russified revolution," Phillip Murray, vice president of the United Mine Workers of America, said in his annual report at the miners' convention in Tomlinson Hall today.

Murray criticised severely the "red" element in the miners' organization.

"It is an old saying and a true one that 'the tongues of men will oftentimes wag while their brains stand still,'" he said. "So it is with the propagators of the red and pink ideas of Government."

"The United Mine Workers of America have had some experience with the philosophers of this theory of government. Red influences have been at work in many parts of our jurisdiction.

"Revolution is our middle name; the nation was founded on it and we have been revolting at the least provocation ever since. The only thing is that we are fussy about the brand we use. A number of the boys are at

attempting to introduce the Russian variety in this country, but I can attest to its unpopularity."

Reserves Right to Reply

I am the one most interested in having my errors corrected and it should be done before the people I am leading astray. Therefore I hereby invite Dr. King to occupy my pulpit and with absolute fearlessness express my views. I reserve the right.

J. P. O'MAHONEY CLEARED

Editor Denies Charge He Offered Po