

ASSUMPTION OF POLITICAL POWER BY LABOR AND CAPITAL MAY END CLASS RULE FOREVER

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 19.—"Bloody Williamson" it is now—the county in which the Illinois tragedy of the coal strike occurred. A year ago, or less, it was "Bloody Mingo" or "Bloody Logan"—the West Virginia counties where similar tragedies were enacted as appalling features of the controversy in the coal industry. Washington officials who are not partisans in this bitter labor fight but are primarily concerned over the public welfare aspect of the struggle believe that the time has come to put an end to this bloody business. In the opinion of these officials labor and capital have demonstrated conclusively why they should not be permitted to work out their own problems or fight out their own battles without interference from the government or other outside agencies. It is seen that sooner or later industrial warfare leads to disaster—to lawlessness, violence and the sacrifice of human lives. Inevitably a community or a state is disgraced by some such occurrence as the Herrin massacre.

Stand of Parties
Both parties to industry—organized labor on the one side and the larger employing interests on the other—have opposed vigorously every proposal or measure to do away with strikes and lockouts and their accompanying evils. In that they have had one thing in common. Each has seemed to fear that the assertion of a state or federal authority to end and adjust controversies that jeopardize the public interest would minimize the economic power upon which each relies to get the better of it in bargaining over wages and working conditions.

It is not suggested that either side has wanted to be free to commit murder or lesser outrages on law and order. Neither ever intends to go that far. They merely insist that they have a right to settle their own differences in their own way, and at the outset they give every assurance that their methods and measures will be perfectly peaceful. They talk much about the folly of attempting to interfere with "the free play of economic forces" and "the natural processes of the law of supply and demand."

Life and Death Struggle
Unfortunately a titanic conflict such as the one in the coal industry is certain to become in the end a life and death struggle. Almost every chapter in the history of such conflicts has its bloody page—Homestead, Coeur d'Alene, Paterson, Chicago, Colorado, San Francisco, Los Angeles, West Virginia and now Illinois. The climax is always the same. The lesson is not to be escaped. Left to themselves, labor and capital will fight to the death, literally as well as figuratively, and it is to check this that measures are being considered at the capitol.

Not the least significant phase of the Illinois tragedy is the evidence that the union miners and their sympathizers are largely if not completely in control of the official machinery of Williamson county. This is especially interesting in view of the fact that it is the exact reverse of the situation that has obtained in Mingo county and Logan county, West Virginia. In the West Virginia counties the anti-union coal operator are in the saddle politically and officially, and there has been abundant evidence that they ride just as hard and just as ruthlessly as the union miners in Illinois.

Condemn Verdict
The farcical coroner's jury investigation and verdict in the Herrin affair has been condemned generally. There has been much criticism of the apparent failure of the sheriff and other officials there to make any effort to prevent bloodshed, and the impotence of the forces of law and order has been attributed to political domination by the union miners.

There is no disposition on the part of official Washington to withhold condemnation of what has transpired in Illinois. There is, however, insistence that the record of what has happened in West Virginia must not be forgotten in considering more recent events. For example, the Keaton committee investigation of the West Virginia controversy showed that the anti-union coal operators not only control Logan county politically, but that they actually pay the salaries of the deputy sheriffs who are supposed to enforce the laws of the county. The operators themselves testified that they expended over \$16,000 for this purpose in 1920 and over \$61,000 during the first ten months of 1921, and they also asserted that they believed they had a right to prevent union meetings in Logan county, or even to bar from the county union organizers and sympathizers. The attorney general of West Virginia, Mr. England, told the committee that these deputies "very often beat up men in the fields, beat up men that are engaged there actively in order to defeat their ticket at the general election; they take charge of elections, they run voters away from the polls."

To date it has not been charged that the sheriff or his deputies in Williamson county, Illinois, are paid their salaries by the miners' union. In that respect at least the miners have not gone as far in Illinois as the operators have gone in West Virginia.

Evil in Situations
Senators and representatives who are seeking a solution of the strike problem see little but evil in both situations. Indeed, from the public viewpoint it is intolerable that either capital or labor should control the politics of a county or a state and use that power in relentless warfare on the other. Both sides are entitled to the protection of the law, but neither side should be the law in even the smallest political unit in the country.

Carried to its logical conclusion, this sort of thing would mean domination of the nation itself either by the labor group or by the employing group, and it may be said this is a possibility that causes grave concern in Washington. It is by no means regarded as a probability, but that such a thing should come to pass is nothing short of a stop, look and listen warning to those who believe in the institutions of free government and who are opposed to autocracy, whether it be an autocracy of labor or an autocracy of capital.

At a critical time during the war when it was vital that munitions production should go forward without interruption it happened that the authority of the government was flouted by a group of workers and by a great corporation almost simultaneously. Some five or six thousand striking machinists at Bridgeport declined to accept an award of the national war labor board and return to work under the conditions laid down by the board, while the owners of a small arms plant in Massachusetts also refused to abide by a decision of the board and discontinue its practice of discharging employees who had the temerity to join a union.

Taught Lesson
It was a splendid opportunity to teach both sides a lesson, and it was not overlooked. The president of the United States secured notice on the Bridgeport men that they would return to work on the terms prescribed by the national war labor board or they would not be permitted to work anywhere in the United States on war production work and their exemptions from military service would be withdrawn. At the same time the president directed the secretary of war to take over the Massachusetts plant and operate it for the period of the war. After that there was no defiance of the government either by workers or by employers.

Thus it may come about that the assumption of political power by capital in West Virginia and by labor in Illinois will result in the assertion of authority of the public as a whole in a manner that will end class rule for all time.

"Bloody Williamson" and "Bloody Mingo" are object lessons that are not to be forgotten.

BEAUTIFUL BUILDINGS HOBBY OF ITALIANS

By JUNE ROBINSON.

ROME, July 1. (By Mail to the Palladium)—Italy of today, like the Italy of centuries ago, is building against the ravages of time with marble, concrete and stone. Frame buildings in Italy are as scarce as Rolls Royce cars in Richmond, and cars in Italy, it may be said, are as far between as horses and carriages in the city of Richmond. A pair of bob-tailed horses in nickel-plated harness and a plug-haired coachman, looming in imposing silhouette above a low-bodied carriage, is the high water mark of elegance here. Tourists are easily discerned when they succumb to this luxury, as many of them, accustomed to the springy air-cushioned seats of automobiles are wont to sit in strange, stiff positions, bracing themselves on an umbrella, (boon companion of the tourist, although it never rains in Italy), when riding over the none too smooth streets in the far from comfortable coach with its untired wheels and hard-cushioned seats.

Automobiles are essentially hill climbers, and with few exceptions lack the grace of line and chicness of American cars. Their bodies are clumsy and heavy in appearance. No Henry Ford has yet come to take the mass of people off its feet, so the car is still an indicator of wealth. Tourists use them and in small towns where both are curiosities the chauffeur for the benefit of the inhabitants, blows the horn incessantly, at which windows, doors, and streets become filled and lined with curious onlookers. Bells are a fad or a tradition here. Horses, donkeys and dogs are always equipped with them. For the same reason that they wear them, which no one knows, cats and automobiles do not have them.

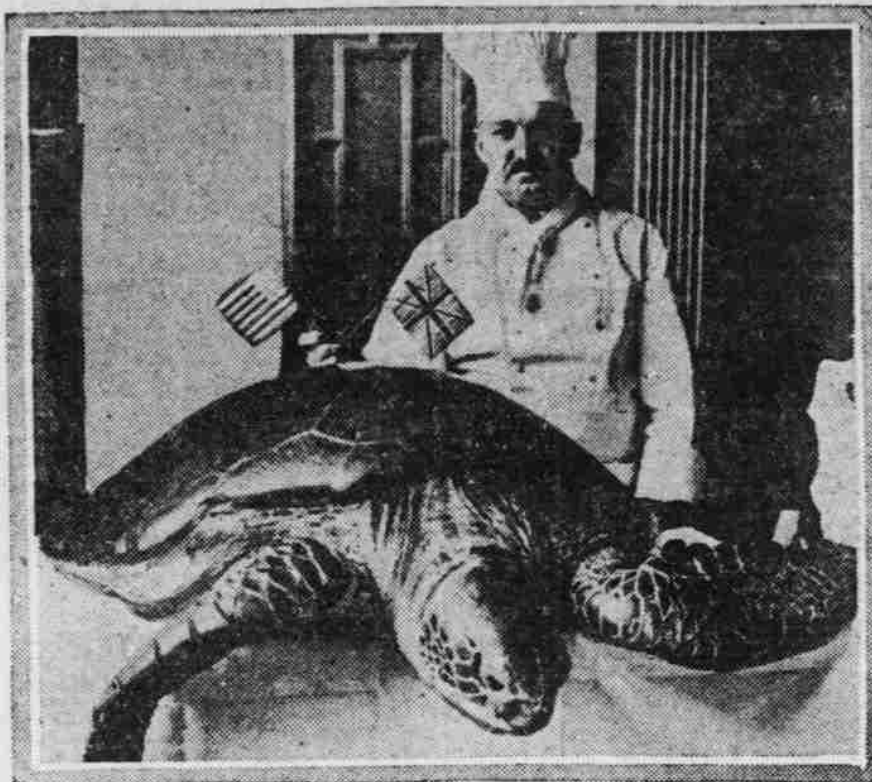
Homes Are Hobby.
Homes and not cars are the Italian Hobby. The Italian who can afford to have a home and some ground puts the thought and care in it that Americans would in a public monument or building. A garden, an open court, fountains, marble and bronze stat-

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uses and an abundance of flowers and trees are collected, sometimes over a period of years. Frescoes on the buildings, pillars, beautiful cornices and handsome doorways add to the attractiveness of the homes from the outside. On the outskirts of cities the homes are surrounded by lovely gardens and are reached by long avenues of stately cypress trees, or perhaps avenues of trees trimmed in conventional shapes. In the towns the houses present and uninteresting appearance, being built out to the street. Inside is a large open court with fountain, statues and tropical plants. The houses usually are built around or back of the court. It is surrounded by a thick wall of concrete to keep out the heat and noise of the street. The houses also are built of thick walls of concrete, usually one foot through. Stores, like the houses, are of concrete. They open at nine in the morning, close from one to four in the afternoon, which is intensely hot, and open again at seven.

Legion Band Concert

Program Announced

The following program is to be given by the American Legion band, of which J. Don McDaniel is leader, at their concert July 23, at Glen Miller park.

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3. Wedding of the Winds—Waltz (John T. Hall)
4. Trombone Smiles (Jewell)
5. Rastus Rag
6. Evening Shadows—Serenade (King)
7. Intermission
8. March "Our Mascot" (Jewell)
9. Gypsy Queen—Overture (King)
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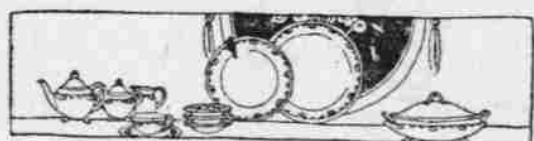
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FARMER KILLS BIG EAGLE
HUNTINGTON, Ind., July 19.—A large eagle, measuring more than six feet from tip to tip, was shot by Charles Hoover, living south of this city. Hoover shot the bird when he saw it soaring over his pig pen. He intends to have it mounted.

Announce Land Value

Reduction In Decatur
GREENSBURG, Ind., July 19.—With work of the Decatur county board of review finished, a general average reduction of 18 per cent in land values is announced. The average assessment per acre is \$75.60, and values range from \$5 to \$150 an acre. The last assessment put average values at \$92.70. Valuations on personal property are 20 per cent lower than last year.

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