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MAY CLEAR THE AIR.

The coal strike in England and

the complications resulting from it are regarded by many of those who are in closest touch with things as the peak of the industrial unrest that has been disturbing conditions throughout the world for many months. Regardless of which side wins, it is generally believed that the settlement of the British strike will clear the air. It would not appear that Labor has chosen a parsticularly opportune time to make its demands. A readjustment not only of wages, but of commodity prices, is in progress. Economists and busiessmen everywhere are unanimous in the view that the sooner prices are stabilised the sooner normal conditions will prevail. They are equally unanimous in the view that the inflated values of both labor and commodities prevalent during the must take place. Labor has in many instances been inclined to resist. The idea apparently is that commodity prices can come down, but wages must stay up. The answer is that it cannot possibly be done. The been followed generally by all large economic necessity Just as prices went up when stimulated by an abnormal demand, so they are coming down when the stimulus is repackers and other workers in this stretch of unsettled country that Scotland: Railway employees, meat country and in the States are meet- has to be traversed. ing the same condition. Apparently of export business, and more unem-

ployment than ever England, but of other countries.

PEONAGE IN THE SOUTH.

white planter who killed eleven country. holding in peonage. This is the of the Arctic Ocean, and the Mac- United States must emerge from its murder. The details of the atrocity and suitable for navigation from the war with Germany.

But he declines to make peace by have shocked the whole country, port. These facts, taken in con- accepting the Versailles treaty, loaded and awakened a suspicion that this junction, have given rise to a theory case, brought so prominently to the front, may be but one of many cases oil out via the Arctic Ocean and the will not be a party. where illiterate negroes are being Bering Straits, which is, however, held in slavery almost as vile as nullified owing to the short open that from which they were supposed season and the shallowness of the that from which they were supposed season and the shallowness of the shevist agents have helped foment the shevist agents have helped foment the miners' strike in England, but evi-

compelled to work for his creditor Rocky Mountains is felt to be an revolutionary propaganda? The de-until his debts are paid." Much of insuperable obstacle, while there is fence of Lloyd George was that he was

iron and coal industries of the east, Condon Advertiser as well as among prostitutes, Greek shoeblacks in the big American cities, and other submerged indus-THE LONDON ADVERTISER CO., trial groups. In Texas peonage takes a legal form, because there a law provides for prisoners working out a few words to say to the fathers and their release. The prisoner is eral, in regard to the coming referen sometimes kept much longer than he dum on the liquor question. The liquor should be kept simply by holding traffic is, to my mind, one of the worst should be kept simply by holding him in debt.

was to cover up his crimes of peon- all my heart, and, being a total age that he deliberately murdered ing the victim dig his own grave, and tumbling him into it; in other cases throwing the helpless negroes, harmful effects of it. weighted with stones, into a river, should to do where they were drowned. Shock- and all to vote against the ing as are the details of the crime, of liquor into Ontario, to shield the they indicate chiefly a very low type of society among the planters effects in England, Ireland, Canada and of the south. The sins of the fathers are still being visited upon the chil- well as leading to all other kinds of dren. The plantation life before the ern people of today. Wholesale con-divine or human. Businessmen have cubinage with black women on the been ruined through its harmful ef part of the planters produced a vicious taint in both races, and the south today is paying the penalty, be misled by the so-called and will continue to pay it for long. This is one of the main factors enthe south The north is more or less indiffer

ent to the problems of the south, rising in indignation over the more offensive lynchings, but playing politics whenever a really construct-American journals that concern themselves mightily with Ireland. Ireland has seen no crimes that can compare with the horrors of the lynching record of 1920 in the United the poor man be denied his one glass

A BIG UNDERTAKING.

One of the most interesting sidelights in connection with the dis- to have all kinds of liberty. The Lib covery of oil in the far north is the effort being made to solve the trans- battles of the liquor traffic. pends to a large extent the feasibility of the oil fields as a commercial stop the importation of liquor into Onportation problem. Upon this depossibility. It is costing one firm tario. Thanking your for provisition, \$90,000 in transportation charges war are unsound, and that deflation alone to send three oil rigs into the new territory. How much it will cost to get the oil out and manufactured is not known at the present time.

cally the only means of transportamine owners gave notice a long time tion, and the few boats operated ago that wage reductions were to upon the stream, owned by the Hudrenewed. This is a policy which has such outside freight and passenger employers of labor. It is a policy of in the habit of carrying. Some adventurers are talking of trying to reach the Fort Norman country by aeroplane, but there are certain risks attendant upon this method of transportation, owing to the vast used

Plans are proposed by the Alberta there can only be one result, and Government for the construction of that is wage reductions. If this is a road from the end of the railway not done, the only alternative is to at Peace River town to some of the cease to operate the mines. This rivers which flow into the Great The Drink, and the days of despair means closing down of factories, loss Slave Lake, while other arrange. ments are under way for the deepening of the channels in the Atha-Dispatches from England indicate baska River, and the cutting of that the British people generally are canals around the "portages," which And, in spite of your tears and ennot inclined to be sympathetic with would provide unrestricted steamer either the miners or the railway navigation from the end of the Alworkers. There are close to two berta and Great Waterways Railway million unemployed in the British at McMurray to the Arctic Ocean. Isles. The strike will immediately Despite these plans, which at the increase this number. Throughout best would be only temporary, it is the negotiations Premier Lloyd felt that the logical means of trans-George and the Government offi- port is by railway, the construction cials, while doing their best to ar- of which to the oil fields offers no range a settlement, have shown not great obstacle, as the country is enthe slightest signs of fear. It is not tirely a plain between Edmonton at all unlikely that they will wel- and the Arctic, the only hindrance come a showdown in the hope that being the large swamps and it will end not only the miners' muskegs through which a grade trouble, but a great many impend- would of necessity have to be coning troubles. While the temporary structed. In this connection it is inloss in trade and in general disor- teresting to note that a London, ganization will run into huge sums, England, firm has offered to "move the strike may eventually prove a oil or ore across prairies, without blessing, and be the means of re- laying railway irons, at 10 cents per PRESIDENT HARDING'S MESSAGE. storing the equilibrium not only of ton, starting transportation three months from date of contract." Presumably caterpillar tractors would

LETTERS

THE LIQUOR QUESTION. To the Editor of The Advertiser:

May I, as a citizen of Lo

mothers of London and Ontario in gen businesses that a man can be engage him in debt.

In the case of the Georgia planter,
Williams, it would appear that it stainer for over eighteen years, and strong prohibitionist, I would not want eleven black men, in one case hav- to see anyone place the temptation to drink, or offer either of my children liquor in any shape or form, as I have should do to others as I would like them to do with me, so I will urge you one and all to vote against the importation children ,as well as the weaker grown up people. I have seen its blighting and poor alike. It breaks up hor The conditions all ove Canada today, as far as the liquor is war has left its taint on the south- concerned, are caused by the liquor fects. Members of parliament, even through its degrading effects. Do no League. The only liberty they believe in is selfishness, as witness their con juct ever since being organized. They tering into the lynching problem of have made no attempt whatever to co operate with the authorities in uphold ing the law of the land, but have by their actions hindered the law. They

> old public barroom, yet today they claim they do not want to see the barroom come back again. The man who is too poor to order case of liquor for himself is denied liberty of the bar, not only by the be the poor man's friends, but if it is war. The western front naturally right and good for one man to have a whole case of liquor in his home because e is rich enough to buy it, why should liberty is, after all, only a humbug. They will not, if they can help it, give the prohibitionist a real chance to lay his case before the public, but they want their own champions of liberty erty League thus (perhaps unconscious-ly by some), are helping to fight the

made no attempt to do away with the

A vote for the liquor may be a vote of over five thousand burials at sea. tario. Thanking you for this privilege, JAMES LOCKETT.

THE REFERENDUM.

To the Editor of The Advertiser: One could not help but laugh at bill posted around the city by the C. L. or better known as the Personal The Mackenzie River is practiwas not so serious. It is this: "Save our boy from the bootlegger and vote The liquor traffic is built upon false-

hoods, and this is one.

For if there should be a No majority, be expected, and that the agreement which recently expired could not be for the company's requirements and the hort. If one would save their such outside freight and passenger boy from the bootlegger they must mark traffic as they have previously been the X beside Yes. Would you please print the following verses used in Scotland? I am, yours respectfully.
ELGAR TAYLOR.

P. S .- Vote Yes, and keep the lique from the home and the boy 16 Surrey Avenue, April 13, 1921. Is It Nothing to You?

The following appealing verses were used in the no-license campaign in

Is it nothing to you, O Voter; Is it nothing to you—the pain,
The sighing, the sobbing, the heart-

Is it nothing to you. O Voter:

is it nothing to you, O Voter, That your brother should go to the

At the bidding of Bacchus should

And your boy, with the future before With prospects so fair to make good, May be led far astray at the dawn of

his day,
If you fail now to vote as you should. For, after all, what does it matter To him who is running the bar? 'No business of mine," will Bonifac

"Whose children my customers are."

And 'tis only strong to destroy; Vote as you pray—let come what may For the sake of your home and your

There is death in the cup. O Voter,

OTHERS' VIEWS

[Toronto Star.] While President Harding in his first message to Congress advises the immediate passage of a resolution declarbe used in this undertaking; a ma- ing a state of peace with Germany, he A Georgia court has sentenced to chine widely used in the west, and purpose that he robs the proposed life imprisonment the inhuman one adapted to the needs of the separate peace of all those sinister and mischievous meanings which a month negro laborers whom he had been Fort Norman is within easy reach posal. The president's view is that the maximum penalty in Georgia for kenzie River is both wide and deep which remains in a declared state of

THE FAITHLESS BOLSHEVIKE [New York Times.] It may or may not be true that Bol proclamation, and the amendment of the United States constitution.

Fort Norman to the Pacific coast, well as in many other countries, has been piling up. Was not the trade A peon is defined in the Century but the pumping necessary to force been piling up. Was not the trade Dictionary as "a species of serf the oil over the elevation of the Soviet Russia to make an end of this the trouble between blacks and but little prospect of a railway movements at the cost merely of enter-whites in the south arises from the reaching the field from the direction ing into commercial relations with the whites in the south arises from the white man's practice of keeping the negro in debt continuously for seed, supplies, and advances of one kind and another. The practice is not unknown, too, in western mining and lumber camps, and in the steel and supplies. The practice is not unknown, too, in western mining and lumber camps, and in the steel and supplies in the direction in th

Moreover, there is the Third Interna-tional, of which propaganda is the very life-blood. That organization is pledged by its very terms to carry or revolutionary propaganda everywhere

WRECKING THE RAILWAYS.

[Dearborn Independent.] Fiscally, our railroads are payin multitudes of dead Gamblers first controlled our railroads gamble in them, and left it to hones management to pay the I. O. U.'s their gambling controllers strangle railroad's side partner, the the canal, which, had it canal—the been left alone to perform its functions would have assisted the railroad to grow on a more natural basis. But no, the gamblers filled the canals with breaking down for lack of waterways Our railroads are striking illustra tions of the retribution which over takes even a national and internaal business which is victimized by speculation. By being regarded as mere financial devices, railroads were

cheated of the mechanical develop ment which today would have enable Worse than being inefficient, wors than being near bankruptcy, our railroad sense. They are equipped wrongly and operated wrongly never will be profitable again until they have been changed from the bot tom. You can't run railroads from a speculator's office.

> THE WAR GRAVES. [Manchester Guardian.]

The work of registering and, where ganized resting-place the graves of the British soldiers who fell in the going steadily forward. As many as 617,000 graves, Sir Fabian Ware announced at the last meeting of the Imperial Commission which has this solemn duty in hand, have now been definitely identified. It is a tremend-ous figure; in France and Belgium alone there will be some twelve hundred cemeteries large enough to reprohibitionists, but also by the so-called Liberty League, who claim to architectural memorials of the great cleaning warfare. His melancholy i war. The western front naturally ac-counts for the vast majority of the fallen-by last autumn well over half ing helps no one, why not let him i a million graves and burials had been registered on this tremendous battleover the bar? So you see, their cry of field. But a very swift and terrible survey of the area covered by the great war is given in the mere list of the countries in which the Imperial Commission has carried out its work. There of Europe, from North Russia and the shores of Norway and Sweden to Cyprus and Gallipoli. There are graves in China and the East and a record.

FALLACY OF WEALTH POOLING.

[The Empire Mail.] There is a popular idea among ertain section of our population that ncomes above a certain level ought to be pooled and divided equally among the poor citizens. Of course, everyone who has given any study to economic science knows that, attractive as this proposal may be at first sight, it only requires to be examined a little more carefully to reveal the fallacy which underlies it. Sir Josiah Stamp, the well-known statistician, pointed the other day in a lecture at University College that if in 1919-20 all incomes above £250 a year had been pooled and this surplus had been distributed among the poorer classes of the community, there would have been available, after providing for the upkeep of the public services, through the taxation at present paid by the richer class, and also for capital extensions which hitherto that class had provided out of savings on a scale approaching the pre-war proportions, a net sum which divided among the pop-ulation would increase the income of proportions, a each family by about per week. That would be a maximum sum, and in succeeding years the di-visible amount would diminish owing larger consumption and less saving Sir Josiah emphasized the all-important fact, which is so often being urged, but which apparently makes no impression on the mind of the worker, namely, that the attainment of a generally higher standard of living is not to be found in a fresh distribution of existing wealth, but rather in an increase in the total volume of wealth by greater production

WHAT DO YOU KNOW **ABOUT CANADA?**

ANSWERS TO YESTERDAY'S QUESTIONS.

The Straits of Mackinac connect Lake Michigan and Lake Huron.

2-The Church of England in Canada has four archbishops.

3-Sir Wilfrid Laurier first became

premier of Canada in 1896. 4-Ontario was called Upper Canada

in the early days.

5—The Hudson's Bay Company was granted absolute power over all British territory west of the Rocky Mountains in 1838.

6-The British cabinet has 20 members.

-Louisburg, the French fortress in Cape Breton, was called "The Dunkirk of America" because its fortifications were considered as impregnable as those of Dun-

New Brunswick possesses the only sardine factory in Canada. The sardine fishery is carried on in the waters of Passamaquoddy Bay and around the islands in the Bay of

The kaiser's mother was the Princess Royal, eldest daughter of Queen Victoria.

-The day of general thanksgiving for the close of the great war was held in Canada, July 6, 1919. July 19 of the same year a day of general thanksgiving was held for the victory of the Allies.

TODAY'S QUESTIONS 1-What is the capital of the Com monwealth of Australia?

2-Into what four districts did the Indians of Cartler's time divide the St. Lawrence region?

3-Who named Isle Aux Coudres?

-How many Prince Edward Island representatives has the Senate? 5-Where is Three Rivers?

6-Where were courts of law first held in Canada? 7-Who was Nicolas Vignau?

8-Who is the British minister of

9—What is the total subsidy allow-ances granted by the Dominion Government to New Brunswick since confederation?

EVERYTHING

THE THREE FISHERS. [Charles Kingsley.]
Three fishers went sailing out into the

west. Out into the west as the sun down; thought of the woman who loved him best, And the children stood watching them

out of the town men must work and women n weep, And there's little to earn and many to

Though the harbor bar be moaning

Three women sat up in the lighthouse tower,
And they trimmed the lamps as the sun went down; they looked at the squall and they

looked at the shower, And the night-rack came rolling up But men must work and women must

weep, Though storms be sudden and waters And the harbor bar be moaning.

Three corpses lay out on the shining

In the morning gleam as the tide He could not match the untoward And the women are weeping and wring.

Of those who solve great distances ing their hands

In minutes: scorners of the commo ing their hands

For those who will never come home to the town. en must work and women weep,
And the sooner it's over the sooner to There was a clash!—high Hope forsleep,
And good-bye to the bar and its

SPRING CLEANING

moaning.

[London Express.] These are times when the minds of housewives turn inevitably to thoughts of spring cleaning. The domestic truce memory. is broken, and woman-supreme uncompromising—vill invade and dis-turb every nook and corner sacred to the masculine heart. The husband will wander disconsolately about, unwanted For you, pure Soul, there must be too deep for utterance; the triumpl of his wife complete! But, since brood dulge in a little clean-up for himself?

fensive against dust! YOUTH AND MOTORIST. I saw him only yesterday Full keen was he for every sight and

In nature. And withal a buoyant lad Whose favored feet had often guided Yes, he trod the days

Vibrant with youth itself!
Hardly the whistle of the yellow Was merrier than his, when he did

Or when he swung apart the tasseled alders.

The redwing never quivered on nest, But counted him a friend The hermit thrush would

Mellifluously into the wood But once there came a day of mist And driving clouds. Perhaps he failed

haste

A jot, in watchfulness. But this I know:

ground,
Blind to their fellows. Such a one, A self-appointed arbiter of fate,

Her throne. A score of boyhood

years Lay hushed into a dumb and cruel He who had served unscathed in camp and field

O Glad of Earth, and Glad to be God's child! Content you only asked the efft of

Another life, all-glorious, expansive THE CHARGE INDIRECT.

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A lot of decent citizens have accumuseveral large hams that had been hanglated far too much mental dust. Their
thoughts have lost all brightness and
the thief did not live many miles away,
their personalities are neutralized into
a dingy, colorless, drab monotony. What
about a little carpet-beating for the
brain? What about a new supply or
days later his neighbor called.

interjected another lawyer. "Yes, the
Iroquois or some such savage race,
continued the first legal light. Of
course, his auditors had a mental vision
of Canada in which the streets of the
frontier towns, like Three Rivers in this
case, were crowded with specimens of about a little carpet-beating for the tioning his loss to a single soul brain? What about a new supply or days later his neighbor called. optimism and cheeriness and alertness? "Say, Judge," said the man,

"Say, Judge," said the man, "I heard you had some hams stole the other night."

"Yes," replied the judge very confidentially; "but don't tell anyone. You and I are the only ones who know it." LIFE'S LESSON. [Author Unknown.]

learn as the years roll onward And I leave the past behind, That much I had counted sorrow But proves that God is kind; That many a flower that I'd longed for Had hidden a thorn of pain, And many a rugged by-path Led to fields of ripened grain.

The clouds that cover the sunshine, They cannot banish the sun, And the earth shines out the brighter When the weary rain is done, We must stand in the deepest shado To see the clearest light: And often through wrong's own dark-

Comes the living strength of right.

The sweetest rest is at even,

After a wearisome day, When the heavy burden of labor Has been borne from our heart away And those who have never known sorro That falls on the troubled spirit When it sees at last release.

We must live through the dreary winter If we would value the spring; And the woods must be cold and silent Before the robins sing. The flowers must be buried in darkness

Before they can bud and bloom, And the sweetest, warmest sunshine Comes after the storm and gloom

OUR "UNTAMED SAVAGES." [Ottawa Citizen.]

What the movies haven't done for the American divorce courts are on the Well, there's spring, and birds, and way to accomplish. During alimony argument in the Stillman divorce suit in New York the leading lawyer for the thing. defence referred to the absurdity of the charges against the fair defendant. is charged with being on too friendly terms with a member of one of the [Boston Transcript.] warlike tribes away up there in Can W. J. Bryan's father once missed ada," he declaimed. "The Iroquois,

the noble red man and such incidents as the victims were properly prominent know that the only untamed savages we now tolerate in our white settlements are driving hacks.

AL FRESCO.

[Westminster Gazette.] You opulent beings, driven in your

carriages,
Rarely setting foot to ground, eating dainties solely: Never wearing old clothes, nor making shabby marriages— In the things which matter most I

can outvie you wholly

The little owl shears me, bent upor his harrying Seagulls flicker in the storm, fall like ashes shaken; Timid, maimed and starved things, human outrage perrying,
Show me in their piteous eyes com-

rade selves forsaken. Elaborate paintings ornament your palaces; Hand and brain for heedless eyes

fashion and adorn them, Show thereon man's value and all the other fallacies,
Limning other worlds as sparks a-shine for us, who scorn them

The firmament lights me. Lapped in your obscurity,
All your fellows mummers are. Mine heaven's powers.

Venus, Mars and Saturn draw me to futurityenchant, unfetter me, and bathe my wounds with showers

NEARLY EVERYTHING [Cleveland Plaindealer.]

"What is in the air?" inquires the Philadelphia North American editorially. bliggards, and baseball talk, and the

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