

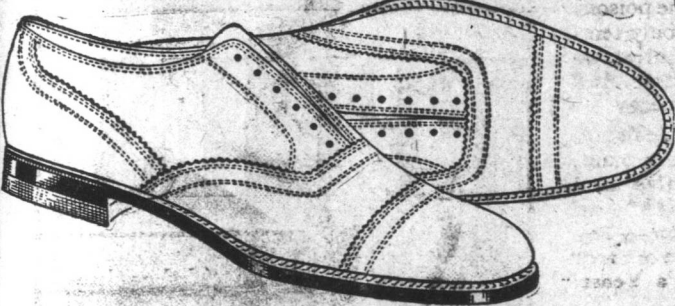
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A Nation of Won't Works

SIR A. MOND ON DOLE RUM.

Disaster will overtake the industries of Britain if the Government fails to attack the problem of unemployment on national lines, said Sir Alfred Mond, M.P., in an address to the Royal Society of Arts at John-street, Adelphi, W.C.

If anything could be done, he said, to improve a small number of staple industries, the problem would be solved. Coal-mining, steel, engineering, shipbuilding, cotton, wool and worsted, and building, accounted for 1.7 per cent. of the total unemployment, and another 31 per cent. was found in industries dependent on the general purchasing power of the community, such as clothing, food, transport and distributive trades.

Nearly 25 per cent. of the total was contained in the two industries (coal-mining and textile manufacture) most affected by lost foreign markets.

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Other points from the address were:

Whatever slight variation there may be during the next few years in the trade cycle there is no ground for assuming that any continued or considerable reduction can be made in the unemployment figure.

The present total of 1,233,131 does not represent the volume of unemployment in Great Britain and Northern Ireland. To this Ministry of Labour figure must be added some hundreds of thousands more unemployed in agriculture and domestic service. One-tenth of the whole population is dependent upon unemployment benefit, Poor Law relief or charity for sustenance.

The development of a sound policy of emigration would contribute something towards a solution of the problem.

Sir Alfred expressed regret at the Government decision not to proceed further with his proposal to transfer unemployment benefit to employers on condition that full-time employment was given at trade union rates of wages. He added:

Since the Armistice we have spent £300,000,000, not to obtain work, but to subsidise idleness. One wonders that any nation is prepared to go on spending £100,000,000 a year for no other result than to keep people out of work, with the prospect of a generation growing up that has never known work, and, if it continues, will never want or know how to work.

Trade Can Be Increased.

It is assumed that there is only a certain volume of trade obtainable in the world, and that my scheme, the result of which would be to reduce the cost of production, would not produce new business. The volume of trade is only limited at a given level of prices. Reduce your prices and the demand increases. There is an indefinite amount of trade in the world.

If a revival of trade took place now we should be unable to reap the full rewards because a large percentage of our population are losing their industrial skill and productive power.

The question which the country must decide is whether it can afford to let the present state of affairs continue. If it decides it cannot, some scheme such as I have outlined must be adopted. The possibility of risk, of abuse, and of some amount of inequality must be faced. These can, I believe, be provided against by proper safeguards and efficient administration.

The alternative is certain—further deterioration in industrial efficiency, physical capacity, and moral and mental outlook, leading to desolation and despair.

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Radio Sets in Summer

HOW TO COMBAT THE WEATHER.

Summer weather conditions, which should include high temperature, long periods of sunshine, and increased static (or atmospheric) electricity, tend to affect a wireless receiving station in several marked ways, none of which is to the advantage of the owner.

The liquid in the accumulators must be kept as cool as possible, and certainly not left exposed to direct sunlight. Sunlight has a decomposing effect upon ebonite, and the receiver should therefore be kept shaded or the ebonite parts will turn yellowish and will suffer a reduction in their insulating qualities.

A dry "earth" is inefficient, and the spot where the earthplate is buried should receive a painful of water every few days during continued dry weather.

Atmospherics.

"Atmospherics" are well-known summer pests, and short of very complicated filter circuits and other special devices such as used on commercial stations, there is really no cure for them. The use of a loud speaker appears to mask the interference of atmospherics to a great extent, and in the reception of moderately loud music little trouble need be anticipated.

The chief disturbances from atmospherics generally arrive in England from directions somewhere between south-east and south, and therefore the use of a frame aerial, which may be said to receive only from the directions in which it is pointed, should be a partial remedy.

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The Plight of the Underprivileged

Two-thirds of Chicago's boys, or 450,000 out of 675,000 youths less than twenty-one years of age, are underprivileged, according to a recent survey. In brief, they do not have sufficient nourishing food, proper housing, play facilities, direction, opportunity for schooling—any one or all of these. What is true of Chicago's boys is probably true, in varying degree, of boys everywhere. To the Des Moines Register the pitiable plight of the hosts of the underprivileged means that we suffer from a log-cabin tradition, which holds that hardship and deprivation are the things that make for strength and success. But, says The Register, the record is overwhelmingly in favor of the opposite conclusion, for:

"While the majority of boys are underprivileged, the great majority of eminent people come from the privileged group, where they have had adequate food, encouraging direction, a stimulation toward school interests at least, health care and the like. 'Who's Who in America,' encyclopedias of biography and intelligence-test data all point this way.

"Things should not come too easily, of course. But what is stimulating

and disciplining to one exceptional person would be overwhelming to others, and the general situation is one of lack rather than surplussage of advantage. We don't want to take away the priceless initiative of boys and girls; neither do we want to dwarf and thwart it. Schooling and health and a comfortable home are the essentials. By mental and physical advantages we do not develop little Rollos and little Wilburs, but by too much social pie and cake, and mills isn't giving them pie and cake, but health and strength and education. Innate eliminations are grievous enough without adding environmental shortcomings. Here is the public responsibility. This is why child labor will continue to be a National issue, why all improvements in housing and in educational facilities are outstandingly important. A majority of the children underprivileged means an underprivileged generation and that affects all of us, making the whole level of life

lower, more futile and disappointing than it should be."

European Congress on Silk Industry

The French Federation of Silk Industries is organizing a European silk congress which will meet in Paris during the middle of June and will include delegates from England, Germany, Austria, Belgium, Spain, Italy, Poland, Switzerland and Czechoslovakia.

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The object of this congress, according to advices received by the Bankers Trust Company of New York from its French Information Service, is to reach an understanding on matters of common interest and the program of the congress, as established at the present time, includes the discussion of international relations, the establishment of a uniform tariff denomination, the regulation of importation and exportation of samples, and various matters relating to the improvement in manufacture of silk and artificial silk thread, also the advisability of choosing designation for artificial silk.

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