

### Situation In England Is Serious

London, August 5 (By The A. P.)—With the Yorkshire strike still unsettled, the baker's strike continuing; a number of minor sporadic strikes in other trades in sympathy with the smouldering discontent of the police at the failure of their strike to secure the withdrawal of the police bill, and the possibility of another big railway strike, the labor situation has again become so threatening, that it is stated that Arthur Henderson, the labor leader, who is attending the Socialist conference at Lucerne, has been hurriedly summoned to London.

Liverpool was quiet today, but it remains the centre of agitation, for a strike of the dockers is now being threatened in support of the striking policemen. The executive of the dockers' union met today and passed a resolution demanding reinstatement of the dismissed policemen failing which they will give whole-hearted support to the police.

Another meeting of trade union organizations of all trades was convened at Liverpool tonight to consider the advisability of calling a general strike in support of the police union and to elect a strike committee.

It is stated that Tom Mann, president of the Workers' Union, will go to Liverpool to take charge of the situation.

#### SINN FEINERS MAKE RAID

Pres)—Sinn Feiners, on Saturday raided the freight depot at Greenmore and carried off a quantity of rifles, which had just arrived in England. The rifles were addressed to the commanding officer of the royal artillery.

### Preventing Loss of Farm Poultry

The annual losses in poultry flocks from preventable diseases must be enormous. On the general farm the loss of an occasional hen causes no discouragement and no effort to remedy the case. Of course, hens are subject to a certain death rate that cannot be prevented but it seems as if the farm poultry flock often suffers a mortality rate that is far more serious than is necessary.

Lice and mites are responsible indirectly for many losses. These pests sap the vitality of the fowls and reduce their resistance until they become subject to colds and roup and other diseases which might skip the healthy fowls. The cure for lice and mites is almost too well known to repeat. However, it should be emphasized that many farmers who know the cure do not take time to apply it and prevent their valuable flocks of fowls from being ruined by mites and lice.

A dislike to using the axe on a sick fowl often results in the contagious spreading. A bird may have its head swollen with a bad cold until its eyes are nearly shut. It should be isolated for treatment but too often it is allowed to go without treatment and sometimes it is carefully treated but placed back in the flock where it can infect other birds. Colds are very contagious and they not only temporarily cause discomfort to the bird but they reduce its vitality and about destroy its value as a breeder. A bird that has suffered from a severe cold is more apt to have another cold and we also feel that it is apt to transmit a susceptibility to colds to its offspring.

If a bird is very sick and not of unusual value it often saves time, worry and the risk of infecting other birds if the sick fowl is killed and burned. The burning of the infected bird prevents the body being dug up by a dog and left somewhere on the farm where the hens have access to it. If a diseased fowl is buried it should be put down far enough to prevent its being recovered by the scratching or rooting of the animals.

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### Chatauqua Coming Sept. 20th--23rd

A special meeting of the guarantors of The Chatauqua Circuit for Newcastle was held in the Town Hall on Wednesday afternoon, to meet Miss Southwick, who was in town in the interest of the Chatauqua, which comes here on September 20th to 23.

Miss Southwick outlined the program for this year, which includes three concert companies The McKinney's who will give a rendition of the opera Martha, on the opening day; The Potter Comedy company, on the second day, while on the third day; a company of famous Swiss Yodlers will be presented. The lecturers this year are Prof. Andrew Johnston, Frank Bohn, who was in charge, of the American Propaganda campaign in Switzerland during the great war; and Professor Haboush; who brings a message of the near east; describing war conditions in Serbia; Palestine; etc.

Officers were elected to look over the work this year as follows:

- Chairman—J. R. Lawlor
  - Soc'y-Treas—R. A. N. Jarvis
  - Advertising—A. H. Cole
  - Reception—J. R. Lawlor; A. H. Cole; R. C. Clark and C. J. Morrissy
  - Hall—James M. Troy
  - Tickets—A. H. Cole
- Mr. Lawlor promised to secure the services of a young lady to look after the Junior Chatauqua; which was such a success last year.

### Alcohol and its Effects

TO the Editor:—

It is reported that a committee of the New Brunswick Medical Association has brought in a report affirming that alcohol is a "necessary drug and should be under no more restrictions than any other drug." That is indefinite, as it does not say whether or not the association adopted the report. It is also indefinite in not mentioning what drugs are meant when they say that "alcohol should not be under any more restrictions than any other drug." There are many drugs that even a physician cannot purchase without filling out a blank order.

Let me point out a few of the authorities who do not agree with the views of that committee. I will place first the British War Office, which in a hand book for the Royal Army Medical Corps experiments on animals to show that alcohol lessens the power of the system to defend itself against the germs of disease. (2) The report of the British Commission says that alcohol increases liability to disease, adds to its severity and retards recovery." (3) The American Medical Association says the use of alcohol as a therapeutic agent should be discouraged." (4) Dr. Welsh of Johns Hopkins University, at a meeting of the American Association of Physicians in Washington, said: "Alcohol in any form or in any dose lessens a patient's chance of recovery." And there was not a single dissenting voice. (5) Alcoholic liquors of all kinds have been removed from the United States Pharmacopoeia, the list of official medicines in the United States. (6) Sir Frederick Treves says that the sale of alcohol should be placed under the same restrictions as morphine, cocaine or strychnine.

I might give many others, but those who refuse to listen to these would not likely be convinced by any authority.

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complete set-up of the work pending action by the Grand Lodge Officials, who are now presenting the demands to director of railroads Hines at Washington.

R. H. Ashton, regional director of railroads, said that traffic thus far had not been impeded by the strike and that he expected a speedy return of the men now out.

### Strike of Railway Shopmen Spreads

Chicago, Aug. 5—The strike of Federated Railroad Shopmen which started last Friday continued to spread today, and according to officials here of the district council directing the walkout a complete tie-up of the railroads of the country will result in a few days unless their demands for higher wages are met at once.

While the Chicago district is the centre of the strike, reports for the northwest, southwest southeast Ohio Indiana and as far west as Colorado show that the shopmen continued to join the walkout. In a number of instances however, local unions voted to remain at work until the order to strike came from officials of the Grand Lodge in the regular way.

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