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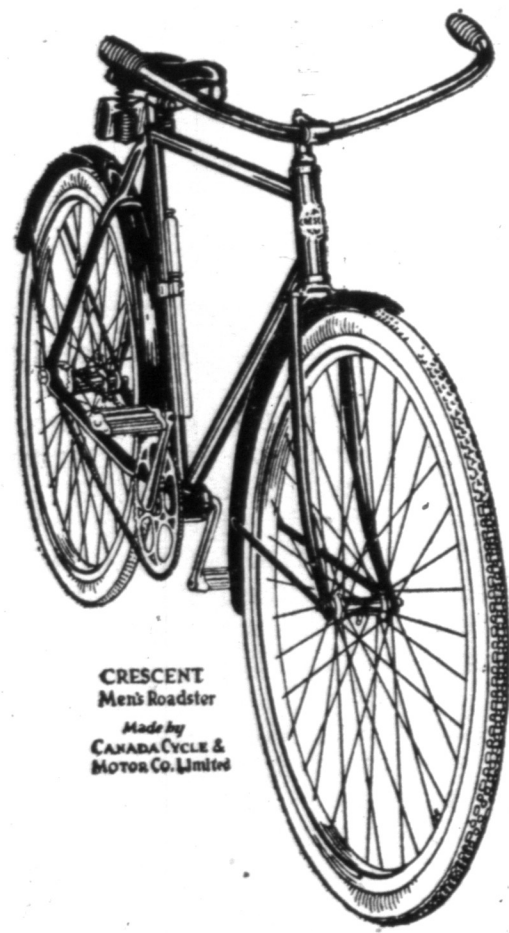
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SOVIET GOLD IN THE BRITISH COAL STRIKE

The Soviet Government's official organ, Izvestia, has lately published the 'lessons' of the British strike—from a Russian point of view. The first teaches that all the troubles of the coal industry are the surest augury that Britain is headed for the ash heap. Secondly, the Soviet finds that the strike was not stopped because it was failing, but because it was succeeding. The leaders got scared. Although a majority of the Trade Union Council were Left Wingers—presumably favorable to the Bolsheviks—they treacherously surrendered to traitors like Thomas and MacDonald. Finally Izvestia exhorts all Russian workers to save a percentage of their earnings to help their British brothers win the coal strike.

This is the last splash we have seen in the recently muddied waters of Anglo-Russian relations. For the past few weeks the dispute over Russian gold has been blurring the issue of settling the coal strike and threatening as well the severance of relations with Russia. Now as a pungent abiter dictum comes this publication, expressing regret that the strike did not succeed in overthrowing the present Government in England.

It is perhaps divine retribution that the more the Soviet tries to help the

workingman in England, the worse it becomes for him. All this assistance, moral and material, which Russia is thrusting on the British miner may be the ounce of strength that turns the battle against him. After the general strike was over, British sentiment quite rightly began veering back to the miner. Likewise, the attention of all parties became refocused on the real issue—modernization of the coal industry. Then came the Soviet gold dispute which apparently obscured the economic issue, alienated sympathy from the miners, and threw the Bolshevik bogey into a field belonging properly to economics and engineering. The miners were highly impatient in accepting money from Russia, because in our opinion they accepted it because they were hungry rather than communistic. It will be an ironic tragedy if a proper consideration of the miners' case is defeated because of Russian assistance.

DR. MICHAEL CLARKE, RED DEER, IS DEAD AT HOME

D. Michael Clarke, former member for Red Deer, Alta., died on July 29th, in his 65th year. He was one of the outstanding Liberal members of Parliament prior to 1921 and was famous for his outspoken, clear-cut addresses. He was born in England and was a graduate in medicine of Edinburgh University.

PASSED AWAY

Miss Sarah Elizabeth McPhilemy

After an illness of several weeks Miss Sarah Elizabeth McPhilemy died Sunday at the Saint John Infirmary, and her death will be heard of with much regret. She was a daughter of the late James and Mary McPhilemy, of Sussex, and was born at Piccadilly some 50 years ago. On the death of her parents she went to Moncton for a short time and afterwards to Saint John where she made her home until the time of her death. She leaves to mourn one brother, William McElroy, of Peabody, Mass., and two sisters, Miss Jean McElroy of Chicago, Ill., and Mrs. Myles McDonald, of Ashland, Mass.

The body was brought to Sussex on Monday afternoon and taken to the F. W. Wallace Funeral Parlors. The funeral was on Tuesday morning at 9 o'clock from the church of St. Francis Xavier, where High Mass of Requiem was said by the Rev. Joseph Ward, interment being made at Ward's Creek cemetery. Many of her former friends and acquaintances were here to attend the funeral and these extend much sympathy to the bereaved relatives.

Mrs. David B. Vail

The death occurred at her home, Belleisle Creek, N.B., August 5, 1926, of Etta Northrup, wife of David B. Vail, after a lingering illness, which she bore with Christian fortitude. The deceased was 59 years of age and is survived by her husband, six sons and one daughter, the sons are Talmage, of Norton; Hedley, of Belleisle Creek; Beverley, of Boston, Mass.; Garnet, of Carsonville; Hazen and Roy at home, and Mrs. Hazen Benson, of Belleisle. Four brothers and two sisters also survive: Edwin and Claude Northrup, of Cole's Island, Joseph Northrup of Sussex, Murray Northrup of Plaster Rock, rs. Edna MacKnight of Sussex, and Mrs. Cleveland, of the United States. All were present at the funeral except Murray Northrup. The funeral was held from the home to the Baptist church at Belleisle Station, interment being in the Union cemetery at Belleisle Station, on Sunday, August 8th. The services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Currie, Baptist minister on the circuit. The funeral was one of the largest in this community for some time, many friends and relatives having gathered to pay their respect to one who has always been held in high esteem. The text of the funeral sermon was from Job 14:14, "A man die, shall he live again." Much sympathy is expressed for the bereaved family and relatives.

Mrs. John A. Douglas

Mrs. John A. Douglas, of Petitediac, passed away on Wednesday, August 5, aged 73 years. She had been ill for the last seven months and her death was not unexpected. Mrs. Douglas is survived by her husband, one son and four daughters, Walter Douglas, of Petitediac; Mrs. Wm. Roselle, Hartford, Conn.; Mrs. Fred Keith, Medicine Hat, Alta.; Miss Bessie, R.N. of Bridgeport, Conn.; and Mrs. H. H. Hughes, of Petitediac. The funeral was held on Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock, with services in the Episcopal church.

WEDDING BELLS

Virtue-McDonald

A quiet wedding took place on Aug. 4th, at St. Peter's church, Upham, when Miss Mona M. Virtue, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Virtue, of Jeffries Corner, Kings county, was united in marriage to Orrie McDonald, son of Mrs. James McDonald, of Hillsdale, Kings county. The officiating clergyman was the Rev. E. C. Budd, Priest-in-charge of Upham and Hammond.

McKee-Pearson

At St. John's Church, Highfield, Queens Co., on Tuesday, Rural Dean Rev. C. A. S. Warneford married Mrs. Flora J. Pearson, Highfield, and Wm. F. McKee, Saint John. The bride was given in marriage by her brother, Geo. Murray, of Peabody, and Mrs. Robt. Sprague, of Montreal, was matron of honor. A reception was held at the home of the bride's sister, Mrs. Isaac Pearson. The happy couple motored to Apohaqui and left by Maritime Express enroute to Montreal, Quebec and other Upper Canadian cities and on their return will reside in Saint John.

Ellis-Haslett

On July 29, in the parsonage of the Boston Street Methodist church, Edna A., daughter of Mrs. Margaret and the late William Haslett, of Branch Brook, Kings Co., was united in marriage to Percy Ellis, of Lynn, Mass., by Rev. Wallace Bullock. They received many pretty and useful gifts, including a handsome table lamp from the employees of Turner Centre, where the groom is employed. They will reside at 185 North Common street, Lynn, Mass.

CROSSED ATLANTIC IN 42-FOOT VESSEL

Once in 900 years is enough to sail the Viking course from Norway to the North American continent, take it from Captain Gorchard Folgero.

The captain and three companion Norwegians who put into harbor this week in their tiny 42 foot sailing boat after a 6,400 mile journey that started at Bergen on May 23, have had their fill of adventure. They were the first to make the perilous voyage since Lief Eriksson, for whom they named their craft, but they were willing to rest on their laurels. When picked up by the coastguard cutter Redwing, he calmed off Cape Ann. They had left exactly one salt fish, a pound of coffee, four potatoes and two gallons of water. The boat will go on exhibition at the Philadelphia Exposition after provisioning in Boston.

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PRODUCTION AND MANAGEMENT

The recent European war and its aftermath brought home to the world a multitude of strange economic facts, many of them old as the hills, but up to that time wholly unrecognized. One of the outstanding lessons taught mankind was that there is absolutely no limit to the amount of work to be done in this world, or to the amount of business to be developed. The truth is that over-production is inconceivable. The purchasing power of every country lies in its own power of production and the more each country produces, the greater may be its trade with other countries, and the more they all produce together, the greater the variety of comforts and necessities available for the world's population. We have not even approached within measurable distance of satisfying reasonable human wants leave alone over supplying them.

What Canada, and many other countries, has suffered from during recent years, and what has given rise to general unemployment, is not over-production, but unbalanced production. While Canada's population has been unequally distributed, our aggregate working force has been, and still is, vastly below our minimum national requirements. With millions of acres of the world's richest agricultural lands lying idle and undeveloped, and the world clamouring for food, it is para-

doxical to harbour an unemployment problem. Widespread unemployment under such conditions is prima facie evidence of bankrupt statesmanship in so far as sufficient intelligence and energy has not been focussed on the solution of a problem which obviously lends itself to correction by well known and proven methods.

In a vast country like Canada, containing within its boundaries so great a wealth of natural resources, there should be only two major problems in the public policy, first, to provide for the gradual development of these resources by the introduction of new capital and by promoting a healthy increase in the working population, and, secondly, to so direct the quest for and distribution of such new population as to insure, as far as possible, that their energies shall be devoted to such occupations as will ensure a fairly balanced national production. Canada's present primary need is an increased rural producing and consuming population. With this need supplied, our industrial and transportation plants would be working overtime.

A ROYAL EXAMPLE

(London Morning Post)

The announcement that the Prince of Wales will go into camp with the

Welsh Boy Scouts will not only fill with joy the hearts of the Welsh contingent, but will serve as a well-earned encouragement to every Scout Master. In every part of the Empire the Scout Masters are quietly and conscientiously carrying on the work of that admirable institution, the Boy Scouts, sacrificing what is commonly a scanty leisure to the welfare and the happiness of lads who are not endowed with too much of either. The benefit derived by the children is inestimable. They learn the rudiments of discipline, which they enjoy; simple crafts, dancing, how to manage a camp, how to cook, and generally to make themselves and others useful and happy. The example of the Prince will, we hope, serve to attract even wider support for what is one of the best institutions in the country.

The Vicar: "I was sorry to see your husband get up and walk out of church during my sermon on Sunday."

The Wife: "Oh, yes, I'm glad you mentioned it. But the fact is my husband is rather given to walking in his sleep."

He: "But couldn't you learn to love me, Ida?"

She: "I don't think I could, George."

He: "It is as I feared. You are too old to learn."