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DEPORT UNAMERICANS

United States officials investigating the Gary strike have discovered that radical "Reds" are responsible in a measure for the walkout. In almost every strike which has been investigated in the last year it has been found that Bolshevism and Sovietism carried here from Russia has been a leading factor in the strike.

One of the surest ways of settling the unrest which now has the country in its grasp is deportation of undesirable aliens. Deportation on a wholesale scale of every man and woman who can be proven to have Soviet ideas, which they are trying to foist on the people of this country, would soon curb the unrest. The deportation should not stop here. Every man, or woman too, who has by disloyal utterances or acts, either during the war or since, been even in a small measure responsible for the present conditions, should be deported.

Deportation, however, will not be sufficient if the barriers are let down on immigration. No one should be admitted to the country if any taint of radical tendencies be connected with him. If there is any doubt about it, he should be held at quarantine until an investigation can be made.

Now, more than ever, should Americans be Americans and nothing else.

A DISGRACE TO THE NATION

The Federal Board for Vocational Education created to take care of the wounded and disabled soldiers and sailors of the United States to teach them a new trade if they are so badly disabled that they cannot work at their old trade, to give them college educations should they so desire and to do other things provided by Congress, has sadly fallen down on the job.

The National organization of the American Legion has investigated the Board and the work it has done, or rather has not done, and in two installments in the "American Legion Weekly," official organ of the ex-service men, has laid bare the awful state of affairs as it exists at present.

These men who are seeking education so that they may by their own labor support themselves, are the men who in the days of 1917-1918 lived like animals in the trenches and battlefields of France and Italy. They are the men who went when their country called and they have not received a small part of what was promised them. The old pension system was much better than unfilled promises.

"The American Legion Weekly" after careful investigation ends its indictment of the Federal Board as follows:

"This deliberate beggaring of crippled fighting men must cease. These men are still wards of the Government in whose grim service they came by their affliction. There may be some who will dispute the use of the terms "beggaring" and "charity." It is true that the Board does not actually send these men to solicit alms upon the street, though this has happened. It specifies the Red Cross, the Elks and other institutions which have shown themselves philanthropically disposed toward the wounded. But this is charity and it is begging, and no other name or trick of elocution can gloss it over. The case is not analogous to that of the soldier who received free medical attention from the Red Cross near the battlefield, or got a coffee and sandwich handout from a roadside canteen on the march. That was on active service and in the stress of an emergency. That emergency has passed. When the Government fails to provide adequately for its wards and an outside institution makes good that deficiency without charge, that is charity.

"The contention of the Board is that unless it guards closely its expenditures it soon will run short of money. If one will take the time to read the report of the hearing before the subcommittee of the House Committee on Appropriations, he will see that the Board is not limited to \$8,000,000. Plenty of money can be had with the gratitude of the nation thrown in. If the Board can demonstrate that the money will be wisely expended and that the affairs of the nation's disabled are being competently administered...

WE SEE BY THE PAPERS THAT

Julius Barnes, president of the United States Grain Corporation, the company that is handling the wheat for the government in its guaranteed price fixing, asks congress to put a duty of 25 cents a bushel on all the wheat coming into the country. He also wants an ad valorem tax of ten per cent put on all flour and wheat products. We cannot understand his attitude, he says it will make the price of wheat products come down in this country, but the opposite seems to us will be the result.

The Democratic party through Sec. Daniels of the Navy, is repairing its political fences by cutting down on the size of the Great Lakes Station. At least that's what the Chicago Tribune says it is. One reading between the lines comes to the same conclusion as the wrecking of \$10,000,000 worth of buildings at North Chicago would be a crime seeing the navy department contemplates building elsewhere. Why not use the present station. Great Lakes has a record second to none in the present war. It sent more men to sea than any other. It is located on the largest bodies of fresh water in the world and strategic for the training of youths of the central part of the United States. The station should be one of the largest in the country from a viewpoint of economy, but as the Trib. hints, economy seems to be the last thing the present administration is looking for.

Attorney General Palmer in an interview at Philadelphia said, "Prices have dropped in all parts of the country. I am surprised that the same condition does not prevail here. But it will come."

"Throughout the United States the cost of foods has fallen almost 25 per cent. Beef on the hoof has gone down so low in some localities that the producers are protesting."

"The campaign in Pennsylvania for lower prices will have a similar effect."

Have you felt the bump?

President Wilson is seriously ill, that he isn't seriously, that he will be out in a few days, that he won't be out in a few days. That he passed a quiet night, that he passed a restless night and all depending what paper you read. All we wish is that he would get better quick. Quick enough anyway to settle some of the many problems that are confronting him now. He is the only man in the country that knows the stand of the United States on various phases of the peace treaty, because single handed he was the peace commission of the United States.

SNYDER — RASMUSSEN

A quiet but very beautiful home wedding was celebrated at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Shumaker on Highland avenue, last Thursday evening when Miss Gladys Snyder, niece of Mrs. Shumaker, became the bride of Mr. Glenn Rasmussen.

The bride, beautifully gowned in blue satin with an overdrape of figured georgette crepe, and carrying a bouquet of lilies of the valley and red roses was attended by Miss Evelyn Brown who wore blue grey georgette and carried pink tea roses. The groom was attended by Mr. Leonard Adair of LaCrosse, Wis. Miss Muriel Collings of Chicago, played the wedding march and the Rev. T. J. Owens of the First Congregational Church, officiated, pronouncing the words that made the happy pair man and wife.

Immediately after the ceremony a three course supper was served and Mr. and Mrs. Rasmussen were showered with congratulations and beautiful gifts. They left for Niagara Falls on a short honeymoon that evening.

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returning Sunday morning and will make their home in LaCrosse, Wis., where Mr. Rasmussen has been transferred by the Burlington.

Guests at the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. R. Rasmussen, Leonard Adair, Gladys Johnson and Lester Bond of LaCrosse, Miss Muriel Collings, Hazel Juerec, Roy Owen and Dr. Jess Owen of Chicago, Mr. and Mrs. C. Paulson and Mrs. Gardner of Sandwich, Ill., Mrs. Nellie Smith of Plano, Ill., Miss Nell Shumaker of Grafton, W. Va., Miss Alverna French of LaGrange, and the Misses Flossie Watts, Lucille Bush and Evelyn Brown, and Mr. and Mrs. C.H. Coles and Mr. Kenneth Baker of Downers Grove.

EQUAL SUFFRAGE LEADER ADDRESSES WOMAN'S CLUB

Mrs. Judith Lowenthal, a leader in the Illinois Equal Suffrage Association, addressed the Woman's Club Wednesday afternoon. The meeting was in charge of the Civics and Philanthropy Department and it is too bad that more women were not present to hear this wonderfully gifted woman.

Mrs. Lowenthal talked on the opportunities and obligations of the women of Illinois in the life of today and with especial reference to the Illinois Constitutional convention.

Mrs. Lowenthal said in part, "The women of today have a greater opportunity than ever before in the history of the world. Having the vote in Illinois, they can with this power, greatly improve living conditions. In regard to the constitutional convention, while they cannot vote for the delegates themselves, they can vote for the three great public questions which the convention will act upon: the Gateway Amendment, the Initiative and Referendum and the Municipal Ownership of Public Utilities question."

After telling the women to study these three great questions of the day so that they might become familiar with them and so vote intelligently, the speaker advocated that every woman take a greater interest in politics, not from a partisan standpoint but from the standpoint of enacting legislation that will be the greatest good for the greatest number.

The musical part of the program was furnished by Miss Zita Norpell, one of the best of the local musicians. She sang "When Irish Eyes are Smiling" and "Mother McCree" two selections which are best adapted to her sweet, yet powerful voice.

Before the meeting Mrs. Lowenthal

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NOTES OF THE WOMAN'S CLUB

The first meeting of the Art and Literature Department of the Womans Club will be held at Library Hall, Wednesday, October 22nd.

The program of Henry Van Dyke will be discussed under the form of a Round Table with Mrs. Charles Ide as leader. General voluntary discussion will be invited.

The program is as follows: From "The Blue Flower," Parts of "The Other Wise Man," Mrs. Verdenius Little Rivers Parts of "The Preface"

Mrs. Blodgett The Blue Flower The Last Word Mrs. Lancaster Fisherman's Luck Selections Mrs. Coleman

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