

EMPIRE CONGRESS IS URGED TO MEET AMERICAN OPINION

Sir Samuel Hoare Hopes Imperial Conference Will Remove Differences.

AGAINST JAPAN'S PACT

Thinks It Has Embittered Feeling Here and Would Have It Modified.

MUST HEAR CHINA'S PLEA

Britain to Be No Party to Any Alliance Against America, Says Chamberlain.

By the Associated Press.

LONDON, June 17.—Sir Samuel Hoare, Unionist, speaking in the House of Commons to-day on the work of the imperial conference, which will open here Monday, made a strong plea that the conference "consider among its most urgent duties the removal of any difference which might at present exist between the various branches of the Anglo-Saxon race."

Says Pact Must Be Modified.

Turning to the Anglo-Japanese alliance, Sir Samuel said he thought no alliance should be signed that would be likely to embitter the relations between any of the six British commonwealths or any of the United States. He declared: "There is reason to think that the Anglo-Japanese alliance, in its present form, has embittered feeling in the United States and has occasioned a good deal of anxiety in Australia and other British dominions."

Referring to Anglo-American relations, Sir Samuel said he hoped that during the imperial conference "our own representatives and the imperial Premiers will be kept in closest touch with public opinion in the United States and with its representatives here. There is scarcely any sacrifice I would not undertake to strengthen that friendship."

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MINERS VOTE TO CONTINUE STRIKE; TEXTILE MILLS YIELD

Surprise Found in Heavy Majority Rejecting Terms—Hitch in Cotton Workers Strike Following Acceptance of Agreement.

By the Associated Press.

LONDON, June 17.—The two-thirds majority required for continuance of the strike of coal miners of the kingdom was exceeded by more than 20,000 votes in the balloting which ended yesterday. The result came as a complete surprise to all those concerned.

The result of the ballot was: For acceptance of the mine owners' terms, 153,826 for rejection, 228,521. The vote giving the necessary majority for a continuation of the strike.

The decision of the miners was immediately communicated to the Government. Only 94 per cent of the membership of the union voted on the latest offer of the owners.

No decision relative to the next move of the miners was reached at a lengthy conference of the executive committee of the Miners Federation to-night, and adjournment was taken until to-morrow.

The chief difficulty facing the miners' officials is the fact that the Government time limit within which the state grant of £10,000,000 must be accepted expires to-morrow. They have shown reluctance to lose this grant, and apparently

hope to induce the Government and mine owners to reopen the negotiations.

By the Associated Press.

MANCHESTER, England, June 17.—Although the Textile Workers' Association, representing all branches of the cotton industry, voted to-day to accept the employers' offer for a settlement of the cotton strike, a hitch occurred when the spinners' delegates refused to sign the agreement until it had been approved by their members in various districts.

After the declaration of the spinners' delegates to sign the negotiating committee reassembled and decided to allow the various districts an opportunity to endorse the agreement.

The committee then adjourned until June 24. Prior to adjournment it issued a statement saying that the dispute had not been settled and that the mills would remain closed. The statement added that there seemed, however, hope that an agreement eventually would be reached.

The vote in favor of a resumption of work was 268 against 227, and immediately after it was taken arrangements were started for a resumption of work next Monday.

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BIG RED CONGRESS OPENS IN MOSCOW

Delegates Delighted at the Prospect of Ruin in Rest of World.

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STRAY SHOT KILLS WOMAN AS MAN BATTLES POLICE

Her Husband Wounded When He Also Gets Into Line of Fire on Brooklyn Tenement Stairway—Culprit Escapes by Roof—Trouble Caused by Children

By the Associated Press.

The taunts which children in the neighborhood of 507 President street, Brooklyn, have been throwing into the face of Joe Arco, 50 years old and undersized, Grace Richardson, age 35, who lives on the top floor of the three story tenement house, and the wounding of her husband, Pasquale, in a revolver battle between two policemen and the police chief, the brother-in-law of Arco.

Arco, the dwarf, was going home last night when Lillian Gamble, age 12, called out "Hello, Shorty" and several children with her joined making fun of him. Enraged, Arco slapped the girl, and when her mother remonstrated he slapped her also. Michael Gamble, 15, but strong for his age, came, saw his mother being slapped and jumped on Arco, giving him a bad beating.

The dwarf ran upstairs swearing that he would have vengeance. After a time Arco came home and told him his grievances. Arco got his gun and went up to the Gamble flat on the third floor, but Mrs. Gamble was not there. Her

sister-in-law, Mrs. Carmelo Gamble, answered the knock, and seeing Cino with the gun, screamed and ran downstairs and out into the street.

Cino followed, but just as he stepped to the street he saw Patrolmen Conley and Cooley of the Bergen street station. He jumped back into the doorway and opened fire. They came toward him, dodging in and out of the doorways, and finally Cino ran up the stairs, turning every few steps and firing back at the policemen.

Cino reached the roof, lay flat and fired down the stairs as the policemen were trying to reach the top. Mrs. Richardson, who lives on the third floor next to the Gambles, heard the shooting and ran out into the line of fire. She fell dead with a revolver bullet in her right temple. Her husband came right behind her and he was shot in the head. His wound, however, was not serious and he was detained at the Bergen street station as a material witness.

The police are looking for Cino, who escaped by the time Cooley and Conley reached the roof.

CZECHO-SLOVAKIA FINDS HIS WIFE DEAD AND \$1,000 MISSING

Hospital Porter Discovers Woman on the Bed With 'Stocking Bank' Empty.

By the Associated Press.

Adam Chelop, employed as a porter at the Post Graduate Hospital, walked into his home at 270 Avenue A last night about 7 o'clock and found his wife, Magdalene, lying dead on the bed with the stocking on her right leg drawn down below the knee. One thousand dollars in large bills, which she had kept in her stockings, were missing.

Chelop went into the street and told Patrolman Richard McDonald, who summoned Dr. Connell from Bellevue Hospital. The physician said that Mrs. Chelop had been dead several hours and that she evidently had been chloroformed, as traces of that drug were visible on a handkerchief which the policeman found across her face.

Detectives Wilson, Walters, Gilman and Meyer of the East Twenty-second street station, began an investigation. In searching the apartment, which has two rooms and is on the third floor rear, they found two bottles, one of which contained a white liquid and the other a brown liquid. The white liquid is believed to be chloroform. Both bottles were taken away to be analyzed.

Several slight marks were noticed by the physician on the woman's neck, but they were not large enough to induce the belief that she had been strangled.

The detectives took Chelop and several other persons who live in the house to the police station and questioned them, but were unable to learn anything that might help to solve the mystery.

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ousting an Opponent Premier Loses Seat

His Candidate Defeated for Vacancy He Caused.

By the Associated Press.

LONDON, June 17.—Sir H. Carlyle, Coalition Unionist, who was supported by the Prime Minister, Mr. Lloyd George, was defeated in the Hereford by-election for the House of Commons by Rear Admiral M. E. Suter, Independent, making the third recent setback for the Coalition Government on the anti-waste issue. The election was made necessary by the resignation of Noel Pemberton-Billing. The result was: Suter, 12,322; Carlyle, 5,553.

In the election of 1916 Pemberton-Billing had a majority of 2,470 in a three-cornered contest.

Pemberton-Billing, when notifying the Speaker of the House that he desired to be released from his Parliamentary duties, said he did not consider it to be compatible with the dignity or honor of a public man of independent views to remain in an assembly so unwholesome and unfair as he asserted the present Prime Minister had rendered it.

The reply to this letter was conveyed in the following laconic announcement in the Official Gazette: "Treasury Chambers—The Chancellor of the Exchequer has appointed N. Pemberton-Billing, Esq., to be Steward and Bailiff of the Manor of Northstead." Under the House of Commons is appointed to a governmental position he must resign his seat in the Commons.

In St. George's division of Westminster, Sir H. M. Jessel, the Coalition candidate, was defeated by James M. Erskine, "anti-waste" candidate, by 7,344 votes, and in the Heywood division of Lancashire, where free trade played an important part, Col. England, the Coalition-Liberal candidate, was defeated by W. Halls Labor, by the narrow margin of 395 votes.

ROMANCE WITH AVIATOR CRASHES INTO COURT

Girl Says Matrimonial Plane Was Quickly Wrecked.

The blasted romance of a 17 year old girl, dazzled by the uniform of an aviator at Mineola, L. I., and his tales of wealth and social position, was bared before Justice Colahan in the Supreme Court yesterday when Mrs. Marion Vaughan Bell, who lives with her mother, Mrs. Mable Backland at 660 Riverside Drive, appeared to obtain an annulment of her marriage to Harry Matthews Bell, whom she first met in the spring of 1918 when she was living at Hollis, L. I.

The girl was studying to become a nurse at the Jamaica Hospital and after told the court that Bell asked her to become his wife the second time he saw her. He had much to say of his prowess as an aviator, of his wealthy parents in Philadelphia and of his directorship in a big Newark, N. J., corporation, she testified. At length, June 17, 1918, she yielded to his pleas and married him.

Soon after the ceremony Bell told her he had no money and advised her to go home, she said. Later he went overseas and she discovered that, instead of being a lieutenant, as she declares he told her, he was a private.

64 INDICTMENTS FOUND AGAINST TULSA RIOTERS

Large Force of Deputies Sent to Arrest Negroes.

TULSA, June 17.—Arrests of negroes charged in sixty-four indictments returned by the Special Grand Jury with inciting race riots began to-day when Sheriff McCullough sent out a large force of deputies to round up those named.

It was learned that of the sixty-four indict