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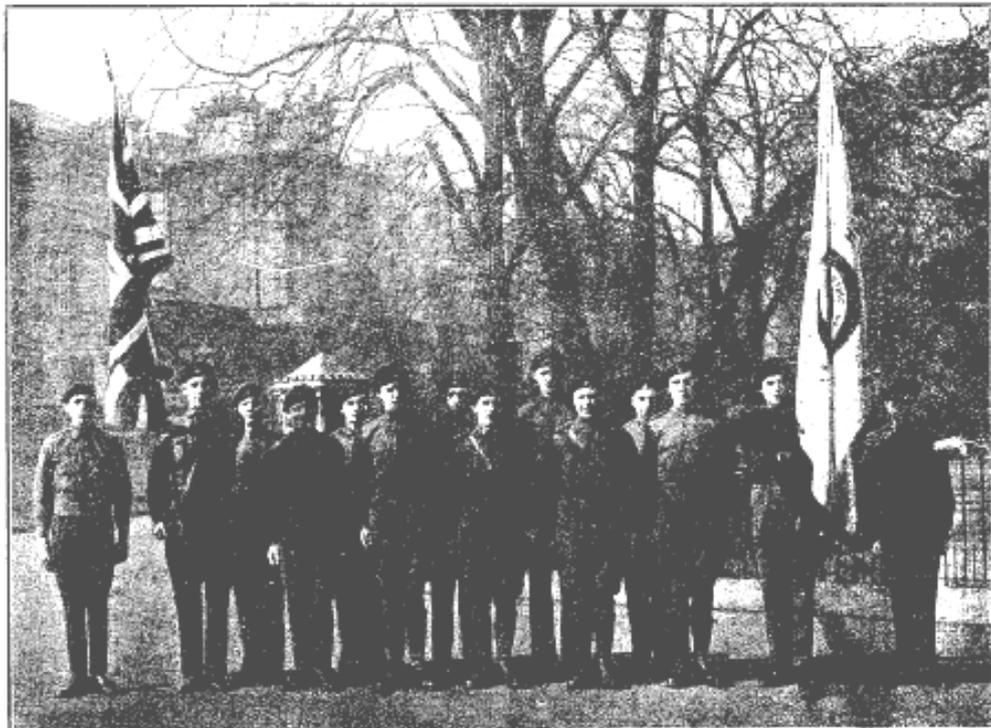
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FASCIST OPINION.



Red Whitewash

WE have no connection with Communists. No, they are Red, we do everything by Parliamentary means, we mean no harm to the Empire, we would support it (do not inquire into the years 1914---1918!) we go to Buckingham Palace and accept the King's hospitality; we may differ slightly as to how the country should be run, but, after all, every man is entitled to his opinion AND WE HAVE, TURNED THE COMMUNISTS OUT OF THE LABOUR PARTY,"

Coincidences may occur, as "Sapper" said in one of the "Bulldog Drummond" books, in which the hero had seen one puncture to his car many times, two frequently, three occasionally, but four wheels at the same time -NEVER! There is a limit to the belief of the most credulous in coincidences, and this really takes the prize.

The British Workers Delegation visited Russia for the Tenth Anniversary of the Revolution in November, 1927, and published its report in "*Soviet Russia To-day*," published by the Labour Research Department, 126 Buckingham Palace Road, S.W.1.

A National Committee organised the delegation, consisting, among others, of the following:--

R. B. Walker, N.U. Agricultural Workers.
 Alex Gossip, N.A.F.T.U. (and Socialist Sunday Schools)
 A. J. Cook, Miners' Federation.
 Ben Tillett, Transport Workers and GENERAL COUNCIL T.U.C.
 W. J. Brown, Civil Servants Union.
 Tom Mann, National Minority Movement.
 James Maxton, M.P., Chairman I.L.P.
 Fenner Brockway, I.L.P., Editor " New Leader."
 W. C. Locher, National Union of Railwaymen.
 J. Reeves, Royal Arsenal Co-operative Society.
 Harry Pollitt, Boilermakers and Minority Movement, and other representatives of the T.U. including Comrade Minnie Brich for the women.

Of course it may be coincidence that the mild Mr. R. B. Walker had to fraternise with a violent Red like Pollitt or Tom Mann, and one hopes that he refrained from rudeness. He must, however, have swallowed rather heavily when Jack Walker L.L.X. and Mr. John S. Clarke, the Clydeside Laureate, who wrote those charming poems insulting the King, and also on a certain disease, for the benefit of children (see "Red Menace to British Children," published by the British Fascists) were included in a delegation with a large number of ordinary Trades Unionists and people who describe themselves in the pamphlet quoted above as Labour Party. Finally, someone must have had a shock when it came to the avowed Communist M.P., for N. Battersea, Saklatvaia being among the number.

The Delegation, consisting of forty-eight Delegates and a number of Trades Unionists, Co-operative members and with a separate Irish Delegation, left London in the steamer " Soviet " on November 4th, and after its return, the National Committee, having completed its work, dissolved on December 16th, 1927, and left further work

in the hands of the delegates, who constituted themselves into the Organisation known as "The Friends of Soviet Russia."

Ninety-four persons signed the report on December 23rd. Four on this list styled themselves Independent Labour Party (shades of our Pacifist George Lansbury) three Communist Party of Great Britain, Mr. Saklatvala modestly restraining himself from announcing he is a Communist, one Minority Movement, one L.L.X., Will the rest are representative of Trades Unions and Co-operative Societies, and eight put Labour Party (L.P.) after their names as well as their Unions in order to make it perfectly clear that they were all comrades together.

It is interesting to note that the following Trades Unions were represented--N.A.F.T.A., N.U.G., and M.W., N.U. Foundry Workers, Teachers Labour League, Boilermakers' Union, Society Scottish Painters, N.U.D.A.W., Tailors and Garment Makers' Union, and many Millers from different parts of the country. The British Workers' Sports

Federation had a member there, and there are several women representing their particular Unions and Co-operative Societies.

In order to make it perfectly clear, Mr. Bailey describes himself as T. and G.W.U. and Communist Party, while Mr. Frank Bright, Manchester C.B.G.B. comes next on the list to Emile Burns also T. and G.W.U. and Secretary LABOUR Research Department. So the members of the Communist Party and the Secretary of the Labour Research Department grace the same Trades Union with their membership, while pacifists from the I.L.P. hobnob with the uniformed L.L.X. who recently guarded their meeting at Trafalgar Square armed with heavy sticks, and well protected by the police against whom (and the British Fascists) their Red Army Organisation is directed.

The subject of these Delegates swearing allegiance to Soviet Russia was brought up in Parliament, where the attention of the Home Secretary was drawn to the fact by Sir F. Hall (U. Dulwich) who asked if these who pose as British subjects should be allowed to remain -British subjects after swearing allegiance to a foreign power. No definite answer was forthcoming.

When the British Fascists started in 1923, it was almost impossible to get people to believe the connection existing between the Movements mentioned and since an " Official " refusal to have Communists in the Labour Party has appeared it is more difficult still, but as we had means of knowing at that time, so have we now, and any member of the public can read it themselves in cold print published by a Labour Organisation.

The Reds know that the British Fascists have information, they know that to a Fascist, a man who is out against his country is a traitor, whatever he may style himself, they know that the British Fascists understand their penetration of the Peace Movements all over the country, and they are straining every nerve to break ti only Organisation they fear. In spite of attacks from wit I. - out, and attempted penetration and attacks from within British Fascism will fight the Reds as it has fought them from every angle in the past, and the British Fascists **will win. R. L. Lintorn-Orman. Founder British Fascists.**

The Unjust Stewards.

By W. W. Drinkwater

IN the history of both nations and individuals there are few incidents that occur that are not the consequence of some act previously committed. The British Empire was built and strengthened through the valour and the self-sacrifice of its sons and daughters, until at last it became the admiration of the world as well as the pride of its people. It was the heritage of successive generations of statesmen whose views widely differed but whose efforts were always directed to maintaining the dignity and the strength of the Empire.

Then came the change.

If one could imagine one of our great London Stores handed over to a cheapjack at a fair, he could see a parallel instance in the position of the country to-day. Certain politicians, voluble of tongue, and totally bereft of any idea of Statesmanship, took over the responsibility of Government with appalling results. Bombast was their sole qualification. Our people were offered glittering gewgaws which were absolutely worthless, their only recommendation being that of their slippery vendors who screamed fantastic values of their wonderful stock of trash with attractive names such as, "Self Determination," "Peace by Disarmament," "Justice for Ireland," "Homes Fit for Heroes to Live In," and so forth. Their claims were accepted as genuine and the goods duly purchased. We have neither self-determination nor Peace (indeed the latter is gravely endangered by the scrapping of our-Defence Forces). There is no such thing as Justice for the Irish people, the rule of the gun and the bomb reigning supreme. Meanwhile, our heroes wearily tramp the country in search of the promised homes, now occupied by the undesirables of other countries.

Let us be perfectly frank, and cast off the mantle of self-deception. The following words are attributed to Herbert Spencer. Let us apply them to-day:

"The first condition of success in the acquirement of knowledge is an honest receptivity and a perfect

willingness to abandon all pre-conceived notions, however cherished, if they be found to contradict the truth."

We may have entertained the idea that because someone bears an honoured name handed him by his predecessor, or speaks in the name of a Party with a past record of distinction, he must necessarily be the upholder of a great tradition. Facts, however, speak louder than words. Why are we bidden to refer to the British Empire as the "British Commonwealth of Nations?" The words were applied as a sort of soothing-syrup to allay the blood-lust of Sinn Fein and to satisfy the sham sentiment of Socialism, The term is merely playing with words and has brought us into contempt with the rest of the world.

How long are we to remain half chloroformed by the shibboleths of the League of Nations? I repeat, let us be perfectly frank. It has become pitiful and ludicrous to observe the political contortionists endeavouring to twist themselves into every conceivable shape in order to appear to face both ways. They will loudly protest their steadfast adherence to the sentiments of the League of Nations and at the same time try to reconcile it with some condition which they hope will save us from complete oblivion. In their hearts they are aware---as most people are uneasily aware---that the paper defences and scripts are of not the slightest value, yet none of our so-called leaders have the simple courage to make the fact known. We hear it good deal about the children of to-day. What of the children of to-morrow? Is it fair or decent to leave them with only this shoddy stuff to protect their lives simply because to-day's politicians are so saturated with the fear of consequences--in the form of lost votes -that they dare not speak the truth?

At the Albert Hall meeting of the Junior Imperial League addressed by the Prime Minister, a banner was to be seen in prominent display:

"One Empire, One Flag, One Destiny."

I do not for a moment question the fine ideal of this organisation, but how is it to be reconciled with the flags of Sinn Fein and the

new South African emblem ? Imagine the consternation if the Prime Minister had been faced with the FACT :

"The 'British Commonwealth of Nations,' Three Flags (up to the present), and an Unknown Destiny!"

Possibly he is in favour of the loyal sentiment displayed on the banner, but surely it was his solemn duty to make the fact public to that meeting and to the nation. As it was, it was a mockery and O sham.

The message of British Fascism is briefly this:

We have finished once and for all with this continual record of pretence and expediency born out of fear. We have no use for the counterfeit coins offered to us as of sterling value. We cherish the lives and the honour of our people sufficiently to demand that strength and protection which alone can safeguard their very existence and maintain the peace of the world. **W.W.D.**

Towing the Line to Russia

IN the "*Daily Mail*" of March 3rd, a letter appeared from Mr. Lancelot Lawton stating that he had submitted a film to the B.B.F.C. based on a careful study of the Russian revolution. He called on Mr. Husey, Vice-President of the Board who informed him that the film could not be passed as it dealt with the revolution in too terrible a light. Mr. Husey also stated that it referred to the murder of the late Emperor, which Mr. Lawton comments upon by saying that the scenario could not have been carefully read as the episode referred to took place in 1881! Mr. Lawton, to whom we wish the best of luck pointed out that the purpose of the scenario was to demonstrate the folly of extremism and the principal theme was the disillusionment of a revolutionary, After being told that the film could not be passed on the grounds of expediency "Mr. Lawton asked the Vice-President of the Board to give it further consideration, and he was informed that the Vice-President had "commanded the highest political advice in the land." He, however, promised to go into the matter again. On Feb. 24th, Mr. Lawton received a further letter stating that no reason could be found to alter

or modify the first decision. Comment is superfluous!!!

Fascism and Labour

QUESTIONS have often arisen regarding Fascism, and its relationship with Labour. The average man in the street is of the opinion that no such relationship exists, and that Fascism is an organisation entirely in support of capitalism, a movement set up to defeat the aims of the working classes.

This view, I am thankful to say, is an entire misconception.

We, as Fascists, have one object, and one only; our Country's good. We wish to restore to our fellow Englishmen that sense of goodwill, of Fellowship and patriotism of which so many of them stand in dire need to-day.

We must realise, as working people that upon us, largely, depends the success or failure of the British Empire. We are the people who have to keep up that world-wide reputation for skill and good workmanship which has been earned for us by our forefathers.

The future of England's trade lies in our hands.

I grant that life in present-day England is not easy. There are, in our midst, men, with large families to keep, who do not receive sufficient wages to feed, clothe and educate their children.

What can such men be expected to do for the Country?

I am fully aware that such a state of affairs does exist, and nobody deploras it more than I do. The only way out of the difficulty is to give employer and employed something in common, one aim, one object, in order that they may break down the terrible and senseless barriers of class hatred.

The one great thing which we should all have in common is the welfare of our Country and our Empire.

Labourer, engineer, city clerk, land-owner or-capitalist, we all help to pay the Country's debts; it is every man's duty to help in her government and to work for her good.

To the employer, I would say this:—

It is a well-known fact that a man who is satisfied works harder and better than a man who is disgruntled. If there are people in your employ who are not receiving a wage sufficient to feed and clothe their children in a reasonable manner, then you are retarding the progress of the nation, you are making the next generation a race of puny, unhealthy, dissatisfied men and women. If you are hindering the chances of the working man's child, you are not playing the game by your country, and you are not a patriot.

The other big thing for you to remember is this. Buy British and employ British Labour. For the working man, too, there is a message.

It is your duty to do your best. While you are at work, put your back into it. Every article that you turn out well, whether process or skilled work, is a link in the country's trade.

Above all, keep your Unions British. The general strike of 1926 would have been impossible if the Unions had been run in a true British spirit. In your Trade Union ideals the British Fascists are with you. It may not be generally known, but one of the duties of a Fascist is to join his or her Union, and help to keep it British.

People are apt to ask what headway we have made during the past four years. I answer that Rome was not built in a day, and we cannot expect to bring about our ideals in a generation.

We are members of a pioneer movement. All Fascists of to-day may not live to see the realisation of their ideals, but they are moving forward, with representatives in the ranks from both Capital and Labour, toward that time when good fellowship and class co-operation will be widespread throughout the British Empire.

Where you see the badge, there you may be sure that you see a man who has pledged

himself to stand by his King and Country. Those readers who are not already Fascists, will you not stand by his side? Join our ranks, and help us to make known over the whole Empire the aims and objects of British Fascism, **Reginald M. Hollett. E.C.12.**

HONOUR! AMONG REDS

WE congratulate Mr. Registrar Francke on his outspoken comment on the doings of Thomas Henry Hines, late of 16, King Street, Covent Garden, the salubrious H.O. of the Communist Party.

Mr. Hines published the "Worker's Weekly" and the "Communist" and was adjudicated bankrupt on January 21-st, 1927. On March 16th, 1928, he applied for his discharge.

On July 17th, 1925, he admitted that he and J. R. Campbell, executed a contract which Comrade Inkin of the C.P.G.B. informed him that the Communist Party could not contract, therefore he agreed to sign as proprietor. He published the "Woman Worker" and "Communist Review" and registered himself as sole proprietor of the "Workers Weekly."

Mr. Francke suspended the discharge for three years, and remarked that he could not look except with grave disfavour on the conduct of a penniless man who allowed himself to be put forward as the proprietor of a paper, whereas he was, in fact, only a paid servant. The paper was enabled to publish any libel it chose, knowing full well that the unfortunate victims of the libels could not recover damages.

We wonder in what position Hines sees himself when the Communist Government comes into power? Perhaps Chancellor of the Exchequer would suit his mark, but, after all, one Communist might back another, and not take advantage of treacherous propaganda disseminated to the public, while leaving one "Comrade" to hump the pack. However!

£10 FOR AN ARTICLE.

The Yorkshire Propaganda Department offer a prize of £10 for the best article on the "Aims

of British Fascism" or the "Need for Fascism in England" suitable for reprinting as a 6 page pamphlet. The object is to have something simple and at the same time comprehensive to give to people who ask for more information than is given in the present pamphlets. The writer of any article not winning the prize, but which is accepted for the "British Lion," will be awarded is. All papers are to remain the copyright of the Yorkshire Propaganda Dept.

Articles are to be sent before April 15th to the Propaganda Officer, Yorkshire County Command, 21 Castlegate, York.

The Occult Movements No. 4 By Juggernaut

"It is not unlikely that a good many of us have dabbled in black magic, I myself have."

THIS somewhat astounding statement was made by no less a person than the Rt. Rev. 'Bishop' Wedgewood of the Liberal Catholic Church, a 33 degree Co-Mason, and one of the seven chosen apostles of the black Messiah, Krishnamurti, at Ommen in 1925, and it was made to a large collection of the faithful, who apparently swallowed it obediently. Mr. Wedgewood also went on to say that Bishop 'Leadbeater' of the same persuasion had said to him that most people who were worth anything had done so.

We again remind our readers that, though the subject of black occult practises savours of witch burnings and crude medievalism, and calls to mind fiction like the witches in Macbeth, the powers, either of good or evil, in the occult sense, have an enormous hold on the imagination of a very great number of people to-day, and that the cult of spiritualism of all sorts is growing daily, both in strength and in numbers. We would also remind the reader that much is possible from people who fanatically believe in the occult power, and in the fact that it may be turned to further human aims and ambitions.

It is not our business to state whether such things are possible, but it is emphatically our business to observe these dangerous

movements from the point of view of the harm they are doing to the Empire, and from the point of view of their being anti-Christian organisations

We are definitely warned against necromancy, or the calling up of the spirits of the dead, and the enormous growth of this habit is proof of the fact that an attempt to consult spirits on various matters is increasing all over the country.

In a large number of cases hypnotism plays a part, and the subject of hypnotism brings us to a dangerous form now practised for certain ends—that of mass hypnotism.

An extreme version of this was practised by a certain sect of Satanists who threatened their neophytes with "paralysing from hostile current of will" in the event of their desiring to leave the black organisation. The Movement in question celebrated infernal rites in a house in Fulham Road during the war, and its privately-printed journal was, at one time, to be found in the Co-Masonic library.

Mass hypnotism to a given end is now being practised by the occult movements, directed to further Pacifism of the international, anti-British variety.

As regards the blasphemous side of the movement, the writer knows of two separate cases where the medium professed to be in communication with Christ, and dared to give messages purporting to come from that Source.

The cult of mass hypnotism is largely practised by the Co-Masons, particularly in the opening ceremony, the Liberal Catholic Church in its so-called "Holy Eucharist" and in the Order of the Star in the East. In other words, a large number of credulous and well-meaning people are brought together, and a directing mind, or minds, guides the current of thought to a given end, which is, more often than not, unsuspected by the faithful.

It must never be forgotten that those who voluntarily give up the power of freewill, lay themselves open to forces, the power of which

they are supremely ignorant, and, while it may be admitted that this power may direct the forces for good, it equally and logically follows that it may be directed for evil.

Pacifism is the present aim, the almighty Krishnaji's own words are proof of this. "I am a Pacifist, and I would maintain that pacifism in spite of everything " and further "I would pray you not to think of small things, and not to narrow down your patriotism to making your country the biggest country in the world."

We have frequently said that these movements are anti-British. Compare this pacifist statement to the recent one of Dr. Annie Besant. "Boycott the Simon Commission" and her efforts to stir up anti-British feeling in India, for which she was interned during the war.

The two things are NOT consecutive, and show that, while the form of pacifism forbids fighting FOR the Empire, it permits the stirring up of strife AGAINST the Empire. Any form of stirring up strife is, logically, non-pacifist.

The writer is not an extremist on the subject, but would point out two salient facts.

1. That inasmuch as there is a power for good, there is a power for evil, and there are persons using that power for worldly ends, a thing condemned by occultists themselves as well as by Christianity.

2. That the British Empire is the greatest Christian Empire and those who work against the Empire work against Christianity, just as surely by means of occultism and pacifism as by waving a Red Flag in Trafalgar Square, or by setting up a statue of Judas Iscariot as did the Bolsheviks.

The present danger is not so much the raving Communist driven on by hopes of loot, and the possession of other people's property, it is the attempt which is being made to substitute Occultism for Christianity, Pacifism for Patriotism and Internationalism for the British Empire, which Empire can, and will maintain the peace of the world.

Fascists take an oath to serve God and the King. The King is His Majesty King George 5th, his heirs and successors, and only Christians may join, for God, in the sense of the oath, means Christianity.

This is not the "Great White Brotherhood," complete with paraphernalia of well-coached Messiah "Masters" and, according to their own showing, Black Magic, it is the religion of our forefathers, which we shall defend as they did, and with the hope that it may be done as worthily as has been done in the past of our glorious history.

(Editor's Note)—We recommend our readers to read "The Nameless Order" by Dargon, and to apply the symbolism of the 5 pointed star, the badge of Soviet Russia, and, incidentally, of the Order of the Star itself. We have no hesitation in saying that they will find much food for contemplation and much light on the way in which the Occult Societies and the Bolshevik movements are connected.

The Pacifist Campaign

SINCE the partial failure of the General Strike, the pacifist campaign in this country has been waged with increasing intensity and to some extent has taken the place of more open attacks on British "imperialism." During the last few months there has been a deluge of meetings and lectures arranged by the "No More War Movement," "The Women's International League" and other groups, the speakers, almost without exception, being Socialists or Communists. The reason for this activity is not far to seek, since it is part of the Bolshevik plan to promote pacifism in foreign countries whilst the U.S.S.R. is strengthening the Red Army and Air Fleet and stirring up trouble in China, India, the Middle East and elsewhere. It is obvious that if the British and American Governments could be induced to yield to popular clamour and reduce their naval and military forces below safety point, the field would be left clear for the operations of the Reds. The following quotation is from a speech by the lion. O. L. Smith, Assistant Attorney General of Michigan, and his remarks, in *Mutalis*

Mutandis? apply with equal force to the pacifist movement here.

"It is well to note in passing that every Communist and every Socialist is a pacifist. The Communist is a pacifist, not because he believes in peace—he believes in insurrection and civil war—but because it is his earnest desire to see America's Army and Navy, the protecting police force of America, reduced to a state of impotency----They hope to gain absolute control through industry of all the necessaries of life, so that when the opportune moment presents itself for the big mass strike and mass demonstration, they can begin a civil war of class against class, in a nation unable to suppress an insurrection."

Much light is thrown on these intrigues by a book called "*Reds in America*," by R. M. Whitney (1924) which is based on documents seized by the authorities in the raid on a Communist Convention at Bridgman, in 1922. Two barrels full of papers were found, giving full details of Communist methods of working, and Mr. Whitney produces ample evidence that pacifist propaganda, far from promoting universal peace, has become the most effective weapon in the Bolshevik armoury.

Extracts may be Given

"The names of persons interested directly or indirectly in this (Communist) movement are astounding. They range from bricklayers to bishops, and include many prominent official and society people. It must be understood that by far the greater number of these people do not know to what they are lending the use of their names and influence or to what they are giving their money. They have been approached to give aid to the Workers' party or to the many relief organisations which have sprung up disguising Communist activities, or to the forward-looking, 'advanced' schools of political thought. They do not know that their names are on what are known in the secret circles of the Communists as 'sucker lists' comprising the names of people who have given to one or another of the various 'causes' which are manipulated by the

Communists and who can, if properly approached, be induced to give again."

"All the openly pacifist organisations, which sponsor such movements as 'No More War Day,' and which are trying to influence congressmen and candidates for Congress, are directly or indirectly branches of the illegal Communist party and their work is being controlled, though some of them may not know it, by the Communists in secret and illegal meetings. The list of such organizations in the United States is so long that a mere enumeration of them would fill several pages."

In England the National Council for the Prevention of War serves as a clearing house for thirty peace societies, several of which have American branches. It works in co-operation with the League of Nations Union, and the latter is also connected with the World Alliance, the Women's International League and the No More War Movement. There is, in fact, the same network of societies with interlocking directorates in both countries. The general idea seems to be to produce confusion in the minds of the public, who fail to realise the inconsistency of joining associations which are controlled by revolutionaries whilst they profess to be working for peace.

The attitude of the L.N.U. towards the Soviets is shown by a resolution of the Grand Council on the 16th December, 1927, which declared:-

"That, as the inclusion of Russia in any International movement towards Disarmament is indispensable to full success, the General Council of the League of Nations Union welcomes the attendance of the Russian Delegation at the recent meeting of the Preparatory Commission of the League . . . notes with satisfaction the declaration of their chief delegate (Litvinoff, who has been expelled from France and England) that their Government intends to support any compromise and welcome any effort or step towards Disarmament; and hopes that every effort will therefore be made to retain the co-operation of Russia in this movement."

Since the Soviet Union has for years been spending millions of pounds on propaganda

designed to promote world revolution, the presence of its delegates on a body supposed to be devoted to the cause of universal peace is merely a farce.

Pacifist propaganda in Great Britain is clearly intended to embarrass the Government in the event of our becoming involved in hostilities with a Foreign Power or being compelled to undertake military action against elements within the Empire whose loyalty our enemies (helped by our own apparent weakness) have succeeded in undermining. But this is not its only effect. Through its insidious methods, it has captured the imagination of a great body of well-meaning individuals who are not consciously disloyal, and it has thereby created a volume of public opinion which is strongly opposed to any action of the Government which may savour of 'militarism.' Since the Armistice, this public opinion has often prevented the Government from following the courageous policy best calculated to promote world peace and to preserve goodwill and respect for the Crown amongst the various races included in the British Empire and its dependencies.

For this kind of propaganda, which is no less dangerous than open revolutionary agitation, there would seem to be only one remedy, and that is publicity and counter-propaganda ; constant repetition of the facts, stripped of all the camouflage by which attempts have been made to conceal them. The task is not an easy one, but it must be faced for the sake of the Empire, of world peace, and of Christian civilisation. **M. I. Nutt Mackenzie.**

Naval Disarmament **By Paymaster Rear Admiral** **Martin**

E NGLAND has reduced her naval forces and her dock yards to bare bone, at the dictation of guileless folk who are the unwitting instruments of enemies plotting to bring about the downfall of the British Empire.

The press has published a lot of foolish letters lately from men who claim that the Royal Navy is obsolete and can be scrapped, and the

protection of British interests may be safely entrusted to the Air Service.

This challenge to naval supremacy must be seriously considered in regard to proposed limitation of armaments, for it can be taken for granted that total disarmament can never be effected, and the object of all nations should be to limit their armaments to what is necessary for the defence of their territories.

The first line of defence of the British Empire must ever be the Royal Navy, as long as there are seas to navigate. It is folly to allow any other nation to tell us how many battleships, cruisers, etc., we are to be allowed to possess. The League of Nations is, and always will be, incompetent to bring about agreement on such a matter, which must be left to the experts of this country. The United States of America has set an example of independence in deciding what is necessary for the safeguarding of American interests. While England has been scrapping her fleets, America has been feverishly building. That need not alarm England, the ships of the United States are not for offensive purposes for, like the Royal Navy, the American Navy is for defence.

Surface ships can never be superseded by air craft

The latter should be organised as an arm of the fleet. Air craft depend on land and sea forces for their existence. They cannot exist in the air for long periods as a ship can keep the sea. They must descend frequently, whereby their radius of action is limited and their liability to be destroyed is increased. To be of use with a fleet, they must be carried in a surface craft, and such Air-Carriers are liable to be sunk with all the aeroplanes on board by gunfire, by torpedoes, or by other aircraft.

The following incident was published by the writer in "*The Globe*," and afterwards in "*The Adventures of a Naval Paymaster*":—

"Admiral Tyrwhitt's cruisers were attacked by a German Zeppelin one Sunday morning, off the Frisian Islands. The church pennant was flying in each ship, for the ships' companies were at Divine Service. A 'Camel,'

a small aeroplane with power to rise quickly to a great height, was sent up from the deck of one of the cruisers, and soon the Zeppelin was seen to be falling in flames. Admiral Tyrwhitt then signalled to his fleet—"We will sing hymn No —" and soon hundreds of blue jackets were heard singing:-

**"Oh Happy Band of Pilgrims,
Look upward to the skies,
Where such a light affliction
Shall win so great a prize."**

Years ago it was suggested that each nation might have a champion fleet to fight out questions incapable of diplomatic settlement, quite apart from the Peace Navy to be used in showing the flag and doing police work. It is again suggested that, if the ideals of the League of Nations are likely to have effect in preventing wars, which is doubtful their efforts might just as well be directed to the promotion of chivalry in war.

Men will fight as long as they continue to be fashioned as God made them, but the late war showed that certain types of humanity are outside the pale of Christian people. Let the Nations, with their League, discipline such brutes as those who bombed watering places, who sank the "Lusitania" with women and children (neutrals) aboard, who sank our hospital ships and invented lying excuses for their dastardly acts. On capture, such enemies should be hanged, and never treated as knightly prisoners.

As long as such bestiality is allowed to go unpunished, it is futile to attempt to disarm, or even, limit armaments; therefore the League of Nations is invited to divert its costly attentions from what is sheer waste of time and money, and to consider the possibility of limiting armaments on the lines suggested above.

The late Hon. Denis Buxton, a lieutenant in the Coldstream Guards, who was killed in action in 1917, at the age of 20, wrote a poem in praise of war, which ends thus: --

**"We that are young, how shall we then
complain of so much gain?
For friendship never were such days as
these In times of ease:"**

There never were such days as these to scan the God in man.

And praise be war, if only that it brings rest front the weary strife of little things."

During the great war the widow of a sergeant who was killed, found on the fountain at Princetown, where hundreds of conscientious objectors were interned, a leaflet headed "Your King and Country need you." It was a loathsome leaflet, sneering at those who had gone to the war, and it had been printed and placed there by those sexless worms who, as one of them told a magistrate, would not raise a hand to defend his own mother if he saw her being brutally handled by it Hun,--he would look on it as the will of God (he said).

These creatures in the likeness of man are representative of the types who clamour for disarmament, and who are being used by the League of Nations for propaganda and other purposes.

The Irish Gunmen

IT will be noted that a meeting was held at Kensington Town Hall, and another at the Parochial Hall, Fulham Road, last month, both meetings were organised by Women's Units, the principal speaker being the District Officer Ulster Womien's Units, Mrs. Harnett.

Since these meetings a stream of abuse has arrived at G.H.O. pointing out that it was wicked to refer to the growing menace to the Empire in Ireland as it was all past history, also that statements, all of which are proved, were incorrect.

A greater justification to the warning given by Mrs. Harnett could not be found than the recently discovered traffic in illicit arms by Irish Gunmen, numbers of which are in London and the Provinces.

The '*Daily Herald*' of March 22nd, ignores the fact that they were Irish Gunmen, referring to them as "Crooks".

Meetings ostensibly held for lecture's on Irish History and similar subjects were in reality revolutionary meetings at which young men were instructed as gun-running agents and in spreading sedition.

Again we quote the Arch Red Marx. "Ireland is the Achilles heel of England" and remind readers not to be gulled by false talk of peace and quietness.

Pink Paragraphs

THE remaining 65 of the 100 aeroplanes purchased for the Red Army have been delivered. Is this exactly consistent with the U.S.S.R. Peace proposals so loudly cheered by our admirers of Moscow?

"The Red Army is International and is being trained for World Revolution purposes" Stalin, Head of the Soviets.

"The Red Army has for the last ten years been prepared for the forthcoming revolutionary battles and its aims and objects are the crushing of capitalists all over the world." Voroshiloff, Commander in Chief of U.S.S.R. Red Armies.

"The objects of the L.L.X. are to work for the establishment of a labour Government that will light to abolish wage slavery" Ex-Lieutenant J. Snooks, D.C.M., Head of the L.L.X. Red Army in Great Britain.

The Birmingham Council of the No More War Movement held a great meeting in favour of the RUSSIAN PROPOSALS FOR TOTAL DISARMAMENT. It was attended by Trades Unions, Socialists, Co-operative and allied peace movements. The Bishop of Birmingham (Dr. Barnes) sent his apologies for his absence. So did the Rev. Leyton Richards of Carrs Lane Church.

"The women delegates from the Province of Moscow, which were addressed not only by Kruskaya.Clara Zetkin,---but by women textile workers, peasant Red Army Soldiers, Young Pioneers AND ARMED WOMEN FROM THE FACTORY CONTINGENTS." Report of the British Workers Delegation (to U.S.S.R.) published by the Labour Research Department, 1927.

"We also witnessed the military review; soldiers, sailors, armed factory groups---and we realised the universal determination to

defend what they have won against the attacks of world capitalism." Same report, p. 19.

"---a solid mass of Russian workers and soldiers, shouting, cheering, singing, as the train carrying the delegates steamed out of the station. The final sounds which will live in our memory of Moscow were the slogans 'Long live the British Workers' and 'UP the WORLD REVOLUTION'" Same report p. 88.

"On our arrival at Berlin on December 2nd, we were greeted by representatives of the Red Front Fighters, and the Central Executive of the German Communist Party" ditto p. 89.

Although Trotsky has been dismissed the Executive Committee of the Communist International, he is still a Member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, and also the Central Executive Committee of the U.S.S.R.

At the Albert Hall meeting entitled "The churches call for National Disarmament" the audience joined in the song "The Battle Hymn of the Republic," which was printed on the programmes for their convenience. This meeting was held under the auspices of the League of Nations Union. Among the speakers were the Bishop of Winchester and the Rev. Studdart Kennedy, who deputised for the Rev. R. R. L. Sheppard.

"Communists should attempt to gain leadership and in strikes and promote demonstrations and ARMED CLASHES with the authorities wherever possible" Instructions of Communist International at Moscow to C.P.G.B. (*These notes will be continued in our next Issue*)

Surtax (continued)

"There is, for instance, a certain very well known professional gentleman whose income is understood to fluctuate between £50,000 and £70,000 a year, all of which is 'earned.'

The point may be put in another way. Mr. P. is a fashionable and popular London surgeon, who earns £20,000 a year. Mr. Q. is a successful barrister earning a like amount. Mr. R. is a successful manufacturer who has built

up a business employing a couple of thousand men and has done something to develop industry. His income is also £20,000 a year, but only £3,000 or so of it comes to him in fees; the rest he receives as interest on the vendors shares which have been allotted to him in return for the goodwill he has created, and is, therefore, technically, unearned.

Of these three eminently successful men, only the last will be touched by the Surtax."

The New Statesman sums up by saying, "that we we can see no reasonable justification for this proposed Surtax."

Everyone has been asking, what does Mr. Phillip Snowden think of this scheme? After four months of silence, he speaks. We cannot understand why such a scheme as this was launched without consulting Mr. Snowden. Was it because they thought he would turn it down? Speaking at Hindley, near Wigan, on Saturday, December 10th, last, he said that the war cost more than eleven thousand million pounds, and the country is left with a debt of nearly eight thousand millions. The debt itself is more than half the capital wealth of the country. The interest on the debt was fifty per cent. more than the whole national revenue of the country in the year before the war.

(The National Debt services for 1927-28 is £370,000,000, see Financial Statement 1927-28).

The debt is preventing us from carrying out great schemes of national development. At the present rate of payment it will take 150 years to pay it off.

During this time, twenty-two thousand million pounds will have been paid. Mr. Snowden goes on to say that the principle is fundamentally sound, and the proceeds of the tax must be devoted to debt reduction. He goes on to say:-

"There is no need at all for a surtax or any special form of taxation for the purpose of debt reduction, because the income tax, the super-tax, the duties and the taxation of land values provide all the machinery and all the recourses which might be needed to carry out any measures of reform of schemes of

national development which Parliament might pass."

Now we pass on to Sir John Simon (Liberal) :-

"If this tax is imposed, all sections of the community will suffer. At this time the all-important thing is to help the country to reach an improved level of prosperity, and the way is not to discourage, but to encourage, saving. The Surtax is a most dangerous proposal."

Yet our Labour friends take up these things and drop them again in a very light-hearted way. Nobody hear-about the Capital Levy now. The British Fascists must not treat this matter lightly, we have got to make up our minds as to what our attitude is. Here is a definite lead; we must oppose this for all we are worth ; our speakers must make themselves well informed on this matter, and with it from an intelligent standpoint. We have got to show that it will not help the country forward at the present time. There is no question that, at some later date, this question of debt will have to be faced.

If the Socialists get their way, there will be an addition of £229 millions a year in taxation.

Even if the Surtax produced the £85 millions a year, minor charges £15 millions a year, fresh tax revenue amounting to 178 millions. The tax would have to be levied as follows:— (a) Income tax 5/5 (b) super-tax additions 33i per cent. (c) 2d. a pint on beer (d) 3d. addition to price of a 'small' whiskey (e) 4d. an oz. on tobacco.

The total expenditure for 1927-28 is £833,390,000. Add to this the £229 millions that the Socialists would have to spend to pay for the mob vote in the event of their winning the next election. The Surtax is nothing but a vote-catching device.

Red Propaganda in the Outposts

By Major N. A. D. Armstrong, O.B.E.

THE writer has been asked to prepare a short article dealing with the activities of the "Reds" on the Pacific Coast of North America—extending from Vancouver, B.C. to South Alaska and the Yukon Territory.

Having spent some thirty years in and around the localities mentioned, engaged in mining, exploration, game-hunting, lumbering, and employing large numbers of men of all nationalities and generally keeping in touch with the development of the Northern Pacific Coast, it can be realised that the writer has had exceptional opportunities, so far as camps are concerned, for the observation of the slow but sure dissemination of "Red" propaganda.

Their activities have been most noticeable during the last five or six years. It should be explained that nearly all the large camps on the North Pacific Coast employ a great percentage of Swedes, Norwegians, Bulgarians, Greeks, Italians, Russians, Chechs, a very small percentage of Americans or Englishmen, except in the case of Foreman or Shift-bosses.

Practically every country in Central Europe will be represented in a big camp.

Most of the men above enumerated are uneducated, emigrants largely, some can neither read nor write. What fruitful soil is here arrayed for the reception of "Red" propaganda!

On the Pacific Coast northwards to Alaska there are now operating some large pulp and paper mills, employing several thousands of men of all nationalities there in hundreds of logging camps, saw-mills, salmon canneries, mining camps and other places where "men do congregate."

How the "Red" Emissaries carry on

Usually three, sometimes two or four dress themselves up in the ordinary rough riding kit of the miner or logger and apply for a job at selected camps, as a rule where a fairly large pay-roll exists. One of the Reds makes application for a job and if successful will ask if a job can also be given to his pal. Miners and loggers nearly always have what they call "Chums" and work in pairs wherever possible.

The employees at the Camps are accommodated either in large bunk houses or, if a very prosperous concern, it will have its own hostel for its employees.

In the evening when work is done, employees always meet in the bunk houses or hostels and sit around and smoke and keep warm, and that is when the Red propagandist gets to his work. They have at their finger ends all the most insidious arguments and propaganda, especially selected for the various audiences.

They discourse on Capital v. Labour, the humiliation of hard work, division of the wealth of the hostel, curse the rich, denounce the Governments with accusations of robbery and injustice and their great slogan is, "The Day will come soon."

The renegade Red Englishman is a particularly pernicious creature, fortunately this kind of man gets badly "beaten up" by his own countrymen occasionally. This creature eulogises on the Royal Family, denounces the huge salaries paid to their "puppets" when there are so many starving people in Great Britain, also the immense expense of World tours by the Princes, etc., and the general uselessness of the Royal Family.

It is pleasing to learn that directly any Manager of a camp is notified that one or more Reds are at work in the bunk house they receive instant dismissal. Some are soon spotted but the more cunning ones may last a month or more, but it is indisputable that a certain percentage of Employees in every camp are converted to the Reds.

It would be interesting to locate the headquarters here where all these men and their propaganda emanate, probably over the line in the United States.

RED PROPAGANDA ABROAD

IN EGYPT some of the student rioters are paid to agitate at so many piastres per hour. With the money thus earned they buy drugs and start agitating again. "**Daily Mail**," March 9th, 1928.

In **PAARL, S. AFRICA** thousands of seditious pamphlets were distributed which bore the imprint of the International Headquarters of the Communist Party in London.

To further **CHINESE** agitation the Executive Committee of the Communist International in Moscow passed a resolution saying that it possessed information of a new explosion or revolution in China, and instructing the Chinese Branch of the Communist Party to obtain control of the revolution movement and convert it into a real proletarian revolution through Class Warfare. The I.K.K.I. also instructs the British Section to begin by agitating for the recall of Troops now in China.

At the Communist Headquarters at **SINGAPORE** leaflets were found inciting labourers to strike, to disarm the police, to murder the owners of factories, and encouraging native volunteers to shoot their officers.

At **JAFFA** the police garrison has had to be strengthened owing to Red activities. Young Arabs. are being taken to Moscow to undergo "Courses of Instruction" in the Bolshevik doctrines. The first batch have returned to spread their propaganda and a second batch is now in training at Moscow.

THE NON-POLITICAL INDUSTRIAL TRADES UNION LEAGUE NOTES

"Is Industrial Peace Possible at Present?"

IN my last article I pointed out that Industrial Peace did not seem to be desired by the Socialist Trade Union Leaders. I would not go so far as to declare that the rank and file. Trades Unionists do not desire peace, but then, they do not really control the Trades Unions--though they may have a notion that they do so.

In this article I am going to deal with speeches made by the Socialist Trade Union Leaders, and also with a few acts of the various Labour Parties in regard to this so-called "Peace

Spirit" which, we are told by the Daily Papers, are abroad to-day.

These acts and speeches are most illuminating, and I recommend them to all who are easily misled.

MR. GEORGE HICKS, who, it will be remembered, was Chairman of the Edinburgh Trades Union Congress last year, and on whose address to that Congress the "Industrial Peace Conference" is based, stated at Harrow on January 29th, 1928 :—

"We have to realise that two classes exist in society to-day---the Working Class, and the Employing Capitalist Class. Between these two there is IRRECONCILIABLE ANTAGONISM OF INTEREST."

MR. JOHN BROMLEY, M.P., (a member of the General Council) at Surbiton on January 28th, 1928, says:-

"We told these people (i.e. the employers) We are prepared to reason with you, but you must bear in mind we are still out for a Socialist State, and removing von—'

Miss MARGARET BONDFIELD, M.P., at Battersea (' Daily Herald,' Feb. 15th) says:-

"I do not for one moment think it will lead to peace." MR. BEN Tillet at Finchley Daily Herald' Feb. 2101): "We are not talking about Peace. How can we, when the Capitalist system is in existence?"

MR. A. B. SWALES (another General Council member) in an address to the Copersmith's Union (' Sunday Worker' 2nd January):---

"I express the view that nothing of a practical value can come out of the discussions to assist those responsible in the respective industries to secure peace."

MR. 'I. W. STANFORD, M.P., at the I.L.P., York-shire Conference held in Leeds on February 5th stated: -

"Whatever the results of the negotiation, industrial peace would not lie one of them."

MR. CITRINE in the Labour Magazine for October last, and who is secretary of the

T.U.C., expresses his belief that Trade Unionism "Cannot make peace with "Capitalism" and adds that " The Trades Unions have been engaged in trying to get the most out of Capitalism pending the suppression of the Capitalist system by a new industrial one."

The following Trades Council and Labour Parties have protested against Industrial Peace Conferences:----Earlstoun, Edinburgh, Coventry, Gorton. Liverpool, Trimble, Southport, .and Summercoats and Riddington Labour Party.

At the half-yearly Midland Conference, held in February, Industrial Peace was condemned. A resolution in favour of Industrial Peace was defeated by forty votes to seventeen at the London and Southern Comities I.L.P. Conference. The following resolution was passed at the Scottish Division at L.I.P. Conference on January 1st at Kilmarnock: "This Conference is of the opinion that there can be no permanent peace under the present competitive system and that no attempt at co-operation should be encouraged".

MR. GALLOWAY, who seconded the resolution stated:-

"I contend that we (the Labour Party) exist as a movement not for Peace, tinder Capitalism, but for war to the bitter end—war for the overthrow of the capitalist system, and the establishment of Socialism, the only one in which industrial peace can hope to exist."

At the South Western Divisional I.L.P. Conference held on January 14th, a resolution was passed declaring that it was futile to attempt "to secure industrial peace within the capitalist system"

In the 'New Leader,' the Leading organ of the I.L.P. an article appeared on January 20th, on the subject of Industrial Peace. This article, which contained criticisms of the peace movement and insinuations against the sincerity of the employers' desire for peace, wound up with the following illuminating passage.

From the public point of view the T.U.C. could not have refused to parley with Sir

Alfred Mond and his associates, but they must be careful not to get entangled in prolonged and futile discussions. The obvious policy is to break, and then explain to the country the impossibility of harmonious industrial relations without a Labour Government and National Reorganisation"

Now let us turn to a book called 'The General Strike, May, 1926, The Trades Councils in Action' by Mr. Emile Burnes, and published by the Labour Research Department. In this book the author points out that the following 'Councils of Action' are still in existence:---
-Brighton, Bath, Dartford, Darwen, Eastbourne, Finsbury, Gorton, Guildford, Gwauneaegurwen, Halifax, Leigh, Greater London (being formed) Newport, Oxford, Pontefract, Pontypridd, Rutherglen, St. Pancras Southal, Norwood, Stafford and Willesden.

In the following places, parts of the Councils of Action are still in being. Aldershot., Canterbury, Castleford and District, Clekeaton, Colchester, Coventry, Crew, Croydon, Hereford, Keighley, Lincoln, Middlesborough, St. Albans and District, Sheffield, Stockport, Watford, Swindon, Wakefield and West Ham.

In order to explain more clearly what is there object, I will give a quotation from Mr. James Maxton, M.P., at Clydebank, 23rd May, 1926, after the General Strike was called off.

Thank God, it is not over, or nearly over (Cheers). When the General Strike was called off. It was not the end, it was only the close of the first round. One round, I understand, lasts three minutes, and then there is a moment to get your breath back, and there are twenty-one rounds to go, at least, in a heavy-weight contest. This light that is started between the workers and the employers is a twenty-one round contest, and it is nor to be decided on points, hut it is to be a knockout."

In view of the above facts, I need only give a small summary of the present situation. It is quite clear that the Reds are having a breather, and the 'breather' will last until a Labour Government obtains power. Then, when they control the powers of State, they will start the struggle again.

We Loyalists realise that, between now and the advent of a Labour Government, we must organise and support National Non-Political Unions, and express this view abroad among all classes of society. We must also prepare the public for a conference of Non-Political Unions, and the formation of a National Non-Political Trades Union Federation. **A. G. Oliveand**

CORRESPONDENCE

Secret Societies

The Editor, "The British Lion,"

Sir,---I came across a copy of the "British Lion" in Madeira, and was much interested in your article on the Subversive Occult Movements. It may- interest you to know that, after the great revolution in Portugal, the bank notes were engraved with the Masonic Square and Compasses, thus showing the influence of the Secret Societies.

This, of course, is no reflection on the Grand Lodge of England, which is not in communion with the Grand Orient. I see that the Co-Masonic Order is in fraternal relations with the French Grand Orient, and think this should speak for itself regarding this movement.

Wishing your organisation the success it deserves in bringing this subversive occultism to light. **Yours, etc., W. T. ETTY, Funchal, Madeira.**

THE CAVELL STATUE

The Editor, "The British Lion,"

Dear Sir,---It may interest you to know that, on passing the Cavell Statue late one night, I observed a small crowd round it, and went to see the reason. On the front of the statue was a large board with black border, bearing the inscription:-

"Veiled by order of Sir Austen Chamberlain, as dictated by Germany 'Deutschland über Alles.'"

I also note that Gravesend have shown their feelings on banning British films to please the Germans, and on pleasing them further by omitting to ban their war films, as follows:-

The German Naval film "The Emden" was booked for a week, when, one morning; Gravesend awoke to find all the bills announcing it plastered over with other bills, reading thus:-

"The Emden has arrived here. What about the ' Lusitania which never got here ? Support Empire films, and remember DAWN."

Being ex-Service myself, I object strongly to the heroism of an ex-service woman being banned from our screens, but if it is thought fit to ban all war films, Sir Austen Chamberlain should at least, be consistent, and not force our defeated enemy's point of view down our throats. **Yours, etc., John L. Weston, E.C.4,**

The Editor, "The British Lion,"

Dear Sir,---It is my firm belief that the destiny of British Fascism will to a great extent be guided, and helped by the success of our official organ the "**British Lion**," and I consider that it is absolutely essential that the circulation of the "**British Lion**" should be increased. It is to that end that I venture to Make the following suggestions:-

(1) That every Fascist Branch should appoint at least two able men or women who would arrange for the "**British Lion**" to be sold in the streets of the Area, also to visit the local newsagents with the object of trying to get them to take a few copies.

(2) That every Fascist should act as a reporter, by this I mean that any item of interest that may come to his knowledge he should send up to you. It would then be possible to have at least two pages of news brought in by Fascists themselves.

In making the foregoing suggestions I feel sure that there will be other Fascists who might be able to improve upon them. Wishing every success to the "**British Lion**," I am,
Yours loyally, (Signed) **Norman Holliday.**

64 Hornsey Rise, London, N.19. 6th March, 1928.

Highgate Branch

The Editor, "The British Lion,"

Sir,---When the King of Afghanistan visited Germany, mock Tanks were used in a mimic battle at which he was present.

While wondering if the Germans received Sir Austen Chamberlain's approval for this horrible recrudescence of the War spirit, I wonder whether the mimic Tanks are the only engines of war possessed by Germany. Did these come from Woolworths, or are some coming from Krupp's, in spite of the fact that the Germans are not allowed Tanks since the war.

I may be suspicious, but ten years is a short time. Has our late "honourable" enemy forgiven its so quickly for beating him?
Yours, etc., R.A.F.

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Rhodesia

The Editor, "The British Lion,"

Sir,---The enclosed article referring to old German East Africa, now the Mandated Territory of Tanganyika, may be of interest to readers of "**The British Lion**."

I am told that, some twelve months ago, the Germans were paying their faithful black Askaris, who had fought for them with such magnificent bravery during the war. Before long, no doubt, this territory of Tanganyika will be self-supporting and the inhabitants will apply to the League of Nations for complete independence. Could England refuse this? Supposing Ramsay MacDonald were Premier?

From independence to an alliance with Germany is an easy matter. Free countries can always make alliances.

The native vote of Tanganyika could no doubt be manipulated, like the black vote in Cape Colony or Natal—the old Blanket Vote.

As the Italian said in the U.S.A."In this country they give you a thing called a vote which you can sell for a dollar or so occasionally." I may add that, if Europe went to war again, a hostile Tanganyika, possibly in alliance with a hostile S. Africa (Dutch, and becoming steadily more so) would effectively prevent any British force from leaving these parts for Europe.

It is difficult to say how to prevent the Germanisation of Tanganika. The Germans are good colonists, as the British used to be, and could be again, if it were not for the dole.

Tanganyika is hardly the country for the British working man I fancy, except for a few highly skilled artisans. British settlers with, say, a capital of £2,000, would no doubt, prefer Canada, Australia or the Rhodesias.

However, to swamp the Germans out of Tanganika with British colonists seems to me the best way to prevent a nasty situation.

Perhaps the British Fascists can think of something better? **I am, etc., J.C.L.**
February 9th, 1928.

TO ALL OFFICERS AND MEMBERS

Rambles. London Command

Mr. G. Flower will again conduct Rambles, and he asks that your members, both Men's and Women's Units, and their friends will give him their support.

Good Friday, 6th April. Meet Teddington Station sharp at 10 a.m., or Raynes Park Station, sharp 10.35 a.m., Sunday, 27th May. Same times and Places as above. Special return tickets should be obtained for Dorking from Twickenham and from London.

The trip should not cost more than 3/6 inclusive. We recommend that food should be Packed in a flat tin. Other refreshments en route.

CAMP.-- ALL COMMANDS

Mr. G. Flower Would also like to know immediately, those Fascists who would care to spend a holiday, (fortnight, week, or week-end) at a Fascist Camp, should it again be established this year. It would be situated in the same delightful surroundings at Claygate (near Esher and Oxshott and on Southern Railway). If replies are not forthcoming immediately, the Camp will not function. It would be open from June to September. The charges last year were as follows:-

Camp charge Per member
Per week --2/6
Breakfast---0/8
Dinner ---1/0
Tea --0/6
Supper ---6d. or 8d.

Members supply their own ground sheet and bedding.

Apply to: G. Flower, 19 Arragon Road, Twickenham, stating period of sojourn and whether this is absolutely certain.

YORKSHIRE WOMEN'S UNITS

A highly satisfactory report has been received from Yorkshire. Many good recruits have been made and old members who have lapsed have re-affirmed. All monies due to Headquarters have been paid in full and a new Children's Club started in Scarborough.

LONDON WOMEN'S UNITS

During the past month the L.W.U's have held three Bridge Drives, these have been most successful and a good sum has been collected.

The L.W.U.'s have been asked by St. George's Hospital to sell Roses on St. Georges Day (April 23rd), twelve uniformed Members will take up their stand near the Ritz from 8 a.m. till 3 p.m.

MEETING WOMEN'S UNITS

Mass Meeting in Trafalgar Square

A very successful meeting was held on Sunday, February 26th, in Trafalgar Square, under the Chairmanship of Miss Lintorn-

Orman. The fine weather brought a good crowd, who listened to the speakers with interest, and, in most cases, sympathy. The meeting was orderly, and interrupters were discouraged by the police.

After the meeting members of the L.S.P. and other uniformed Fascists headed by the Colours, marched to the Cavell Statue, where a wreath was laid by Miss Lintorn-Orman as a tribute to a National Heroine from the British Fascists. After the laying of the wreath, the Fascists marched down the East side of Trafalgar Square, and dismissed opposite St. Martin's Rectory.

A successful mass meeting, organised by the London Women's Units was held in The Parochial Hall, Fulham Road, on Friday, March 2nd, at 8 p.m.

Miss Lintorn-Orman, Founder of the British Fascists was in the Chair, and the speakers were :—Mrs. Harnett, D.O. Ulster Women's Units, Mrs. Passy, C.C. London Women's Units, Brig. General Erskine-Tulloch, Chief of Staff, and Mr. Drinkwater, London Speakers Committee,

The Meeting was well attended, and a collection was taken for the Fascists Childrens' Clubs.

G.H.Q. NOTICE

Members wishing to join the Speakers Corps should communicate with the Organising Secretary, Head Quarters British Fascists, 297, Fulham Road.

BRIGHTON AND THE UNEMPLOYED

Splendid work is being done at Hove (Brighton and Hove Area) among the unemployed, many of whom are enthusiastic for British Fascism. Numbers have joined the Branch, and, in many cases, work has been found for them. One of the local officials of the unemployed Organisation is a very keen Fascist, which goes to prove that patriotism is by no means dead among those unfortunates who cannot find work, through

no fault of their own, as the Socialists would have us believe.

We repeat what we have -always said:—Turn out the aliens, buy British goods ONLY, employ only British Labour, and the unemployed question will be reduced so substantially that the unlucky ratepayer, who now has the pleasure of paying work shy youths, will be able to develop his business for the benefit of honest Britishers. Possibly a Government might be found who would love aliens less and deal with the Red youth of both sexes who won't work, in a somewhat firmer manner.

London County Command

SOUTH WEST CENTRAL AREA

The weekly indoor meetings have been well attended during the last month, Mr. Everard has spoken on Agriculture and Mr. Tanquary in Working in Shipyard Buildings. It is hoped to hold extra meetings during the summer months.

Sunday "Meetings in Kensington High Street (Wright's Lane) have been very successful, and we welcome all London Areas and Districts to support the same. 8 p.m. is the time they commence.

Councillor Raffles lectured on local Government Affairs at local Headquarters and the same was much appreciated by all. Councillor Miss Drysdale, who accompanied Councillor Raffles spoke on the work of the local Guardians. A full report of these lectures appeared in the '*Kensington News*.'

THE BRITISH LION SURPASSES ITSELF

For the first time in the history of this paper, we have gone into a second edition of the last number.

This is mainly due to the efforts of both Men's and Women's Units in London pushing street sales. More good propaganda can be done in this way than any other.

We should also like to congratulate the County Commander for Herefordshire on his increased order.

The British Lion deals straightforwardly with all problems of the day without fear or favour from any individual politician or organisation. Its object is to draw public attention to every subversive movement at present active in the country, and to put the public on their guard against all movements which have for their aim the dis-ruption of the British Empire.

BRITISH LION SHARE CERTIFICATES

The Share certificates of the British Lion Newspaper Co., Ltd., are now being issued in rotation.

INDIVIDUAL EFFORT

SPEAKING at a drawing room meeting of the Kensington Housing Trust on March 13th last, Mr. Lloyd George, in describing conditions in some of the slum areas of that borough said:---

"There is a Bolshevist munitions factory in Kensington. I saw it. These facts are a peril to society."

While not in agreement with many of Mr. Lloyd George's sentiments, it must be admitted that, in this case, he is right. The deplorable conditions under which many of our fellow countrymen live, often within a stone's throw of wealthy district, are a danger to the whole community.

All evil growths flourish in darkness and filth, so it is not surprising that the fungi of Communism, Bolshevism and Internationalism find a ready forcing house in the sunless, foetid homes which are a disgrace to our nation.

Yet speak to your friends about the growth of seditious movements in the very heart of our mighty Empire and what is their answer? In nine cases out of ten you will be told.

"Yes, it is all very dreadful, but what can I do? It is not my business." Fellow Fascists,

and readers of the 'British Lion,' it IS your business.

By the grace of God you have been born members of the most perfect League of Nations, sons and daughters of the greatest Christian Empire that the world has ever known.

What are YOU doing to be worthy of that inheritance?

Are you helping, as far as in you lies, to keep the flag flying in your particular corner? Are you giving a fair proportion of your time to the service of your country and your fellow men? Or are you merely sitting back, immersed in the daily round of personal things, while those who seek to overthrow the British Empire are working, ceaselessly and successfully, to obtain a hold on those weaker brethren who, through your neglect and apathy have been left unarmed against attacks on their loyalty?

What, you will be asked, can one individual do if every man and woman had thought that in 1914 the Prussian Eagle would to-day be flying over Buckingham Palace.

Quite a small stone thrown into a pool will cause ripples to stir the reeds on the farther shore. One patriotic opinion bravely voiced will often cause many unthinking hearers to rouse themselves from their apathy to a realisation that life holds something greater than personal gratification.

The greatest foe of mass subversion is individualism. Let every right-thinking Briton decide to be an individual Patriot and the Red Menace to the Empire will lose its power to harm. **D.G.H.**

GERMAN EYES ON TANGANIKA

From----"The Bulwayo Chronicle,"
Saturday, February 4th, 1928

**Protest against Union Proposals
Berlin, Wednesday**

THE assertion that the purpose of the Hilton Young Commission to East Africa was to

investigate the question of the union of Tanganika with the adjoining British territories was made by Herr Schnee, the ex-Governor of German East Africa, in the course of a speech in the Reichstag to-day. He declared that such a union was a violation of German rights against which Germany should make a timely protest. Dr. Stresemann (Minister of Foreign Affairs) in reply said the German Government would, of course, emphatically oppose any alteration in the mandates system in East Africa or elsewhere. Reuter.

RHODESIA, TANGANIK AND GERMANY

The significant message from Berlin concerning Tanganika which was published yesterday once again draws attention to the trend of affairs in that part of Africa. Germany is watching the Hilton Young Com-mission and the Minister for Foreign Affairs has said that the German Government would emphatically oppose any alteration in the mandates system as it applied to East Africa.

The fact that Tanganika is receiving a far stronger flow of immigrants from Germany than from Britain has often been commented on, air! the danger pointed out. In reply it has frequently been said that it is impossible to discriminate under the mandate. That is probably true, hut the implications if the policy now in favour ought not to be lost sight of. If things go on as they are at present it is not difficult to visualise a State in East Africa, nominally British, but overwhelmingly German in sentiment. In one month recently (a typical month), of the eighty immigrants into Tanganyika only a dozen and a half were British, and no less than fifty-seven were German. At that rate, it will not take long to establish German domination in the State. This question is likely to have a very important bearing on the question of closer relationship between British States in Africa, and it is surely no exaggeration to say that if the German element is allowed to dominate Tanganyika, the big ideas of a vast British East African State will be jeopardised. Certain it is that the British settlers of Northern Rhodesia and Nyasaland—even those of them who have sometimes turned their faces towards the East—must feel a measure of

apprehension when they realise what is going on. it is a point which, for many Northern Rhodesians, must prove conclusive and induce them to look elsewhere for any closer union they feel inclined to enter into.

KING AMANULLAH AND THE FASCISTS - COPY

RS/ERS. -12th March, 1928.

The Principal Equerry to
Their Majesties King Amanullah and Queen Suriya, Buckingham Palace,
S.W.1.

Sir,

I have the honour to most respectfully tender to His Majesty King Amanullah and Her Majesty Queen Suriya, on behalf of the members of the Grand Council, Officers and Members of this Organisation, their welcome, on the occasion of their Majesties visit to England, and to hope that not only will the visit be a happy and pleasant one, but will draw more closely together in the bonds of unity, the countries over which their Majesties and our beloved King George V and Queen Mary reign.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your obedient Servant,

(signed) Robert Smith, Captain, Secretary,
Grand Council, British Fascists.

COPY

Afghan Legation, 31, Princes Gate
London, S.W.7. 19th March, 1928
The Secretary, Grand Council,
British Fascists,
297, Fulham Road, S.W.10.

Sir,---With reference to your letter No. RS/ERS of the 12th instant, I am commanded by Their Afgan Majesties to thank you for your message of welcome delivered on behalf of the members of the Grand Council, Officers and Members included. The reception, popularly given as it was, from all classes of the British nation, will surely go a long way in cementing the natural relations between England and Afghanistan. **Yours faithfully, (signed) I M. Yunus. (for) Afghan Minister.**

NORTH KENT AREA R.I.T

Fascist A. S. F. Fullager, of Gravesend, was buried at Tongs, near Sittingbourne, on Saturday, 24th March. A wreath was sent by members of the Area and a party attended the funeral. At the end of the ceremonial, his badge, surrounded by black and silver ribbons, was dropped into the grave and the detachment stood at the salute for a short while.

The sympathies of General Head Quarters and of the North Kent Area are extended to Fascist Fullager's parents.

FASCIST CHILDREN'S CLUBS MASS MEETING AT KENSINGTON TOWN HALL.

Prebendary Gough, the well-known preacher of Holy Trinity Church, Brompton, spoke in aid of the British Fascist Children's Clubs on 23rd February.

In the course of a stirring speech on the evils of Bolshevism, Prebendary Gough said that the Red Menace was a challenge to civilisation and Christianity.

He referred to the betrayal of Christianity within thy gates and to the spurious Christianity which makes Christ out to be a Socialist and exalts Pacifism as the chief Christian virtue. He said that we must turn away from a lethargic and enervating pacifism which would bow down before the Red Menace.

A full account of Prebendary Gough's speech will appear in our next issue.

IRISH GUNMEN

THE Evening Standard of March 29th informs the public that the investigations of the Special Branch have revealed a more sinister motive for the smuggling of arms into England.

At first it was thought that the arms were solely for the use of new companies of the Irish Republican Army. It is now known that these arms were to be used in London where

a reign of terror was to be created by Irish gunmen in the event of further trouble in Ireland. 300 men were to be available for this purpose who were to create riots in order to prevent troops from being sent to Ireland.

We again ask how long the British public will continue to act the ostrich and allow the Reds to arm outside their own doors.

THE L.L.X

THE L.L.X. held an exhibition in the East End of London recently. Most of the propoganda was German (or Russian) and issued from Berlin.

We hardly think the Ex Service men who are supposed to make up the ranks of this organisation and who go about in uniform armed with sticks can be of the variety who joined up to light voluntarily for their King, but with a few exceptions those who had to be dragged in when better men had died to save their skins.

Speaking at a meeting of the Ulster Women's Unionist Association in Belfast recently, Mrs. Waring, Area Commander, Ulster Women's Units, pointed out the danger of the increasing number of Reds now in that city. She also said that it was possible to be a British Fascist and a Unionist, since the Organisation had room for loyalists of every party and creed. This is the first time that a Uniformed member of the British Fascists has addressed a meeting of another organisation in Ulster.

COMMUNISM IN AUSTRALIA

IT is not generally known that Communism is very bad, and is doing a great deal of harm in Australia. A great many of the Labour Leaders are Communists and Bolshevists, and most of the big strikes which have taken place during the last five years have been caused entirely by the Labour Leaders. Every State in the country, viz: N.S.W. Victoria, Queensland, S. Australia and West Australia, also the Northern Territory are heavily in debt owing to continual strikes and stoppage of all work.

The wages paid to working men are enormous, and the ordinary working man can easily work only four days a week, and spend the rest of his time, and most of his money on racing and gambling.

In several industries, such as coal, steel, slate quarries, and also in the gold mines, the wages demanded by the men are so large that the industries are in a very bad way. If it were not for the wonderful 'Wheat and wool industries, Australia would be bankrupt, and if a really big drought was experienced, things would be in a very serious condition.

Loan after loan has been floated, and the National Debt is growing larger every year. To give some idea of the harm which is being done by these constant strikes, I quote from the Government Statistician of N.S.W. whose figures cannot be refuted.

In the four years ending, December 31st, 1924, there were 2401 strikes in Australia, the loss of wages to the workers being £16,250,000. Men like Tom Walsh, Jock Garden and Johannan (who calls himself Johnson) are responsible for a tremendous amount of trade being driven out of the country. These men, and many others like them, are notorious Communists, and have, by stirring up and deluding the men with their lying statements, been responsible for the state of affairs that is prevailing in the country to-day. Instead of Australia being the most flourishing country in the world, (and she has the most wonderful resources), trade is rapidly being driven away, and unemployment is increasing by leaps and bounds. Shipping is in a very bad state. Take for instance, the Commonwealth Shipping Line, which was bought by Mr. Hughes, the Prime Minister in 1926:-- During the war years, when freight was at a premium, handsome profits were realised, and the Line served a very useful purpose in maintaining communications at a time when the Shipping companies could not have supplied the service. As soon as the shipping boom was over, profits were converted into losses, which have continued ever since, mainly, owing to the incessant strikes and hold ups following upon the continual practise of job control.

Up to June, 1923, the total working loss, after taking account of all previous profits had reached Li £1,825,150. The Government then decided—although opposed to Government dabbling in business--to give the Line a chance to prove itself, by freeing the enterprise from all traces of political control. A board of competent men were appointed to run it as a business concern, and wiped off as depreciation the huge sum of £8,008,438, thus giving it a clean start. It was then hoped that the Line would render a service to Australia without being a heavy charge On the taxpayer. Unfortunately, since then, it has never made a penny profit. On the contrary, the working losses amount to something like £500,000 a year. The total losses to date are more than £10,000,000.

There is only one reason for this deplorable state of affairs, namely, the strikes caused, in nearly every case, by Communist agitation.

During 1924, alone there were more than twenty serious hold ups, and numerous other minor stoppages, all involving delay, dislocation and loss. Job control was at its worst.

I think it will be evident to anyone who has studied the methods of Communism, how it is of the utmost importance that everything should be done to counter the insidious propaganda of those who are doing such an amount of harm to the British Empire and the world in general. S. C. Warner, County Commander, Sussex. Captain R.N.R.

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