

VOLUME XXVI

COMMUNIST GIVEN
JAIL SENTENCE IN
COURT IN LONDON

Tried for Alleged Seditious Speech in Hyde Park.—Conducted Own Defense at the Trial.

REFUSED BOND
WHEN OFFERED

Had Rather Serve Two Months in Jail—Is Only Communist Now Serving in Parliament.

London, May 6.—(AP)—Shapurji Saklatvala, the lone communist member of Parliament, was sentenced to 2 months imprisonment today for making a seditious speech. He was given the alternative of providing surety to keep the peace, but chose the prison sentence.

Saklatvala who appeared in connection with a charge arising from an alleged seditious speech made in Hyde Park on Labor Day, conducted his own defense.

He admitted the fairness and accuracy of the police report of his speech. He told the magistrate he submitted cheerfully to the position in which he stood as was intended for the public good, and he did not look upon it as a personal prosecution.

Regarding the present propaganda and the political outlook he considered it no more than right that he be bound over to keep the peace than should Premier Baldwin for his "speech against a section of the community."

The communist member of parliament declared he never intended to incite disorder or encourage breach of the peace. The magistrate ordered him to find two sureties of 250 pounds sterling each, and to keep the peace for two years. Saklatvala refused, whereupon the magistrate ordered him to jail for two months.

STILLMANS ARE HOME
AFTER THE HONEYMOON

Mrs. Stillman Declares Whole Affair Was Most "Educational Thing."

New York, May 5.—Returning with her husband on the Olympic today, Mrs. James A. Stillman, who was confined to bed for several weeks by the end of her pregnancy, said she was "most educational thing" she had ever experienced. She said that she would act in exactly the same manner if she "had to go through it all again."

Mrs. Stillman, reaffirming her belief that she would "go through it all again" said: "So many things have happened in that time. There have been so many kind things so many kind people that it has all been worth while."

Mrs. Stillman would not commit herself as to whether he would recognize Guy Stillman, the boy whose parentage he denied in his divorce case. He expressed the hope that today's arrival would mark their last appearance on the front pages of the newspapers.

"I think it a thousand times better here than there," Mrs. Stillman said, referring to European wives.

With Our Advertisers.

Where dry cleaning has reached perfection—see ad. of Bob's Dry Cleaning Co.

In the new ad. today of the Reid Motor Co. you will see an enumeration of the features that contribute to Ford car simplicity, durability and reliability.

Don't miss the big V Circus next Saturday. Two shows, at 4:30 and 7:30 p. m. Each different from the other.

Get a safety deposit vault box at the Citizens Bank and Trust Co., and make your valuables safe.

The May Series stock in the Citizens B. & L. Association is now open. Better take some shares. Office in the Citizens Bank.

Specials for Friday and Saturday at the Parks-Bell Company.

The Parks-Bell Company is offering many specials for Friday and Saturday. In the grocery department, for instance, you can get Campbell's Pork & Beans for only 5 cents a can, only 6 cents a customer. You can also get a pound of Caraja Coffee for 35 cents, only two pounds to a customer. No telephone orders filled on these two items, and they will be sold to adults only. Read the full page ad. in today's paper and you will find many other hot specials.

French Frame Goes to New Depths.

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Opposes Sale of Virginia Railway.

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Grip Of British Strike
Tight As Ever Today;
Each Side Entrenching

CENTENARY OF MRS. JEFFERSON DAVIS

Patriotic Societies Throughout the South to Commemorate Her Birth. Richmond, Va., May 6.—Veterans organizations and patriotic and other societies throughout the South will commemorate the one hundredth anniversary of the birth of Mrs. Varina Howell Davis, the wife of Jefferson Davis, President of the Confederate States of America. Handsome wreaths contributed by chapters of the United Daughters of the Confederacy of Richmond and other cities will be deposited on the grave of Mrs. Davis, who is buried in Hollywood Cemetery, where lie the remains of her husband and those of her daughter, Winnie, "the Daughter of the Confederacy."

Mrs. Davis was born Varina Howell, granddaughter of Gov. Richard Howell of New Jersey, May 7, 1826, at Natchez, Miss., and was educated in a private school and by tutors at home. She was married to Jefferson Davis on February 25, 1845, being his second wife. The first Mrs. Davis was Sallie Knox Taylor, daughter of the then Colonel and later President Zachary Taylor. Mrs. Davis was with her husband during his second year's imprisonment at Fortress Monroe, taking with her their youngest child, the late Miss Winnie Davis.

About 1870, when the Davises had gone to live at Beauvoir, a magnificent estate on the Mississippi coast, given to Mr. Davis by a Southern woman after the war, Mrs. Davis acted as her husband's amanuensis while he wrote the "Decline and Fall of the Confederate Government."

After his death in 1889, Mrs. Davis lived in the North, spending her winters at a hotel in New York City, and supporting herself with literary work, in which Miss Winnie Davis was also engaged. Mrs. Davis's residence in the North was due to considerations of business and health and he lost her close touch with the Southern people, to whom her apartments in New York were a Mecca.

In 1903 Mrs. Davis sold Beauvoir for \$10,000 to the Mississippi Division of the United States of Confederate Veterans. The place has since been used as a home for old soldiers of the Confederacy.

One of the impressive episodes of Mrs. Davis's life was connected with the release of her husband from his confinement at Fortress Monroe. When she went to New York to consult Charles O'Connor, her husband's counsel, about securing his husband's release from imprisonment, that eminent lawyer told her that in his opinion there was just one thing to be done, and that was to get the leading man of the Republican party to sign his bond.

"And who is he?" inquired Mrs. Davis. "Horace Greeley," replied Mr. O'Connor.

Mrs. Davis was finally persuaded to call on Mr. Greeley and was courteously received. She told her story, how she had come to New York to work for his release, and had been told that the only way to secure it was to get the signature of Horace Greeley to the bond.

"Madame," said Greeley, extending his hand, "I will sign the bond."

But it was a costly performance for Horace Greeley. He was a candidate for the United States senate, but his action so angered the legislators that he lost the election. He had just written a history of the war, for which large orders had been taken, but the falling off in subscriptions was so great that the estimated loss to Greeley was over \$30,000.

Mrs. Davis lived until her eightieth year and to the last preserved much of her youth both in appearance and mind. Her death occurred in New York, October 17, 1906.

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No Peace Parley Being
Conducted Today—Rail
Service Is Improved But
Far From Normal.MEN MUST WORK
TO BRING PEACE

Train Attacked and Passengers Hurt—Mounted Police Needed to Bring Order Last Night.

London, May 6.—(AP)—The grip of the general strike gives no sign of lessening. The third day finds both government officials and labor chiefs proclaiming their determination to fight to the end.

The administration's new month-piece, the British Gazette, declares there can be no compromise of any kind. Either the country will break the general strike or the general strike will break the country.

An official communique reiterated that there would be no negotiations until the men return to work. Trades union officials denying all peace rumors, announced today "the situation continues satisfactorily."

Meanwhile attempts of strike sympathizers to limit the volunteer transportation service gave rise of further rioting. As before, the worst of the disorders were in Scotland, especially along the Clyde, the center of labor radicalism.

At Musselburgh near Edinburgh, a train was attacked and passengers were injured by the smashing of windows. In the Scotch capital itself, there were sanguinary troubles during the night, with the police wielding their clubs in cases of charges to clear the streets of rioting gangs which sought to stop the emergency tramway service. Buses were attacked at Paisley, another Scotch city.

Mounted police were called into action in the southeastern section of London at the euphoniously named "Elephant and Castle," a tavern and traffic center where strike sympathizers attacked and set fire to a motor bus.

The government continued its efforts to assure the food supply of the population, and it became known that a number of additional delegates arrived in Concord this morning, the total now being more than fifty.

Committees appointed yesterday, and making their reports today, were: Committees on Courtesy and Respectability—Mrs. J. M. Bernhardt, Mrs. Mary P. Baughman, Mrs. L. D. Whitsett, Mrs. C. H. May, Mrs. E. E. McDowell and Mrs. Corbett.

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Mrs. Pemberton Heads War
Mothers For Coming Year

Elected State War Mother at Morning Session of State Convention Here.—Other Officers Elected and Reports Heard From Retiring Officers.

Mrs. W. D. Pemberton, of Concord, heads the North Carolina division American War Mothers for the coming year. Mrs. Pemberton was elected State War Mother at the morning session of the seventh annual State convention in session in Central Methodist Church here.

Other officers elected were: First Vice War Mother—Mrs. R. E. Little, Wadesboro.

Second Vice War Mother—Mrs. C. P. Robinson, Gastonia.

Third Vice War Mother—Mrs. L. C. Phillips, Asheville.

Fourth Vice War Mother—Mrs. John K. Patterson, Concord.

Recording Secretary—Mrs. E. P. Langley, Charlotte.

Secretary—Mrs. W. H. Lewis, Gastonia.

Registrar—Mrs. J. F. Goodson, Concord.

Chaplain—Mrs. J. B. Atkinson, Gastonia.

Auditor—Mrs. W. H. Cozart, Wilson.

Under a change in the plan of organization the offices of State Organizer and Parliamentarian have been dispensed with.

Following the election of new officers, Mrs. M. M. Courtney, retiring State War Mother, called for the report of State officers.

The reports showed a steady, healthy gain in the State during the past year, several of the chapters adding from ten to twenty members during the year.

The report of Mrs. W. H. Lewis, treasurer, showed the organization to be in excellent condition financially.

Reports from various chapters presented at the convention also were heard at the morning session, these reports showing a majority of the chapters to be active.

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Passenger Traffic Increases



Tom Tom has just reached Chicago from California—the whole 745 pour. 2 of him. Getting into a berth on the train with out of the question, so he rode in the baggage car, where the porter used half a carload of mattresses to improvise a bed for him.

Sinclair Lewis Declines To Accept
Pulitzer Prize For His "Arrowsmith"

New York, May 5.—Sinclair Lewis today refused to accept the \$1,000 Pulitzer prize for his novel, "Arrowsmith."

Asserting that all prizes, like all titles, are dangerous, and that the Pulitzer prize is "peculiarly objectionable," he wrote the award committee "every compulsion is put upon writers to become safe, polite, obedient and sterile."

He wrote that although it was generally believed the prize was given

to the novel of greatest literary merit, the term of the award actually called for selection of the book "best presenting the wholesome atmosphere of American life and the highest standard of American manners and manhood."

"This phrase, if it means anything at all," he wrote, "would appear to mean that the approval of the novel should be made not according to their actual literary merit but in obedience to whatever code of good form may chance to be popular at the moment."

THE COTTON MARKET

More Favorable Advice From Liverpool and Unfavorable Weather Map Send Prices Up.

New York, May 6.—(AP)—More favorable advice from Liverpool and an unfavorable weather map were reflected in advances in the cotton market early today. The Liverpool market was better than due on covering and buying which private advice attributed to reports of rains in Texas and a more hopeful view of labor situation.

The market here opened at an advance of 8 to 12 points, active movement showing net gains of 12 to 14 points on apprehension of further rains in Texas, and a possibility that they would spread over the eastern part of the belt before the end of the week.

May was selling around 18.76 and October at 17.44 at the end of the first hour.

Cotton futures opened steady: May 18.75; July 18.30; October 17.40; December 17.14; January 17.04.

The Norge Arrives at Vadsø.

Oslø, Norway, May 6.—(AP)—The dirigible Norge arrived at Vadsø, northern Norway, at 5:30 this morning. The airship which is to endeavor to take the Amundsen-Ellisworth expedition across the North Pole from Spitzbergen left its hangar at Tromsø, a suburb of Leningrad, morning.

The Memphis Country Club will be host to the Southern amateur championship golf tournament during the third week of June.

Seven Day May Sale at Eld's.

A Seven-Day May Sale will begin at Eld's Friday morning, May 7th, closing Saturday night, May 15th. In this sale you will find men's, women's and children's wear, including clothing, dresses, underwear, hats, shoes, etc., at May Sale prices. Read the page ad. in The Tribune today and see some of the many big bargains which will be offered you in this big sale.

Will Investigate Fenning Charges.

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Two Escaped Convicts Captured.

Leoneore, Ill., May 6.—(AP)—Two convicts who escaped with five others from the State penitentiary near Joliet were captured today on the farm of John Rose, three-fourths of a mile northeast of here. They were found buried under the hay in the loft of the barn.

Dr. Bigger Dead.

Rock Hill, S. C., May 6.—(AP)—Dr. Isaac Alexander Bigger, 50, physician, died at his home here today. He had been ill for several weeks.

SAT'S BEAR SATS:

Fair tonight, slightly warmer in extreme west portion; Friday increasing cloudiness. Moderate northeast and east winds.

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The three were charged with abusing the trust imposed in them by the government to advance their own interests through speculation in the Chervonetz. They are said to have worked in league with professional speculators on the Moscow and Leningrad bourses. A number of these speculators recently were imprisoned.

DEFENDS BAST.

Bishop Blake Says Bishop in Denmark, Found Guilty, Is Innocent.

Washington, May 5.—A defense of Bishop Anton Bast, of Denmark, who was convicted in connection with charity fund collections featured the semi-annual meeting today of the board of bishops of the Methodist Episcopal Church Bishop Blake, of Paris, who attended the trial, told the board in executive session that the trial and conviction of the bishop concluded persecution covering a number of years. Letters on the Bast case, written previously by Bishop Blake and Bishop Nelson, of Switzerland, and made public today, asserted that the charge on which the bishop of Denmark was sentenced to three months covered an alleged offense of 10 years ago and involved no actual wrongdoing on the part of the bishop. They asserted that since 1920 a number of charges had been placed against the bishop and that on all except the one on which he was convicted, he was exonerated after searching inquiry by the government.

Charlotte Speedway Tickets Free.

You can see the automobile races Monday, May 10th, for a few minutes of your spare time.

To every boy and girl who secures five new subscriptions to The Daily Tribune or five new yearly subscriptions to The Semi-Weekly Times we will give free one B. Grandstand ticket. The subscriber must be from families that are not now taking either paper.

Here's the chance of your life to witness the world's wonder race of the class which will see the greatest automobile racing off times on the most modern speed bowl in the United States. This will be free of cost to you. Read the ad. and see just how easy it is for you to see these races free! Get busy and attend these races at the expense of The Tribune.

Night Session For House.

Washington, May 6.—(AP)—The second of the four days allotted to farm relief debate in the House began today with an agreement to hold an extra session tonight so that some of the many waiting to give their views may have a hearing.

Representative Aswell, of Louisiana, ranking democracy on the agriculture committee, opened the discussion with an explanation of his commodity marketing bill which, together with the Haugen price stabilization measure and the Tinscher credit proposal supported by Secretary Jardine, is up for consideration.

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