



'TAINT NATURAL

A strange situation exists in Europe today. It is a condition that only the conceit of man might produce. Stuffed-shirted lawmakers, and so-called "economists", who dare to believe they can prevent the workings of natural laws by covering legal stationery with unintelligible phrases, have loused things up generally.

In England the Labor Government has just announced that it is running further into debt abroad because England cannot produce enough goods for export to the U. S. and Canada; that England cannot produce goods because she needs 500,000 to 700,000 more workers.

At the same time, millions of displaced persons--without homes or country--are being herded from one place in Europe to another. Unless these war-ruined men, women, and children are unlike all other people in the world, they would be very willing to take jobs in labor-short England--and be grateful for the opportunity.

But England doesn't want them; because while labor is short in England, population isn't. It is only population-willing-to-labor that is scarce. How is this possible? How can there be a Labor government elected to power by a population unwilling to labor?

Easy! British lawmakers simply passed laws to keep wages down. But a natural law says, "When labor is scarce, wages

must go up." Result: Union labor, in spite of their leaders, stayed away from their jobs. Non-union labor in wage-controlled industries stopped working, too! In the coal industry, Government reported 90% absenteeism!

Was all Labor called out on strike? No. Did crackpots, speaking from soapboxes in Hyde Park talk them into quitting their jobs? No. Had the industrious English people become lazy? Certainly not! By controlling wages, the Government forced another natural law to break loose--the kind of law men must obey. The second law says, "Men labor to satisfy their desires." But the money men receive in England doesn't satisfy 'desires because money can't buy coal for heating, homes for living, food for eating, or beer for drinking. There isn't any! These things, according to British law, must be exported! Britains, like all men, in all places, at all times, just can't see the sense of working unless their wages will buy food, clothing, shelter, and a bit of beer...that is, satisfy their desires.

There is a way out of the mess. It's doubtful whether the Communists know the answer, for Russia is as bad off as England. But both the Laborites and Tories know how to build prosperity in Britain. The doing might involve stepping on the sensitive toes of some very important institutions. And that, it seems, must never be done.

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