

THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION.

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The Co-operation of LABOUR WITH THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION.

*"The project of a League of Nations is the keystone of the new
order that Labour desires to build. It stands also in the forefront
of the Labour policy of International conciliation."*

The Rt. Hon. ARTHUR HENDERSON, P.C., M.P.

TRADES UNION CONGRESS.

*"Resolution passed on Tuesday, 9th September, 1919, at the British
Trades Union Congress, held in Glasgow."*

*"That this Congress, having been requested by the Parliamentary Com-
mittee to consider the matter of national propaganda in favour of the League
of Nations, in conjunction with the Executive Committee of the Labour Party,
hereby instruct the Parliamentary Committee to co-operate in such
propaganda to the fullest extent."*

Proposer . . . ROBERT WILLIAMS, Transport Workers.

Seconder . . . THOMAS SHAW, M.P., Textile Workers.

MANIFESTO.

1. The late world-war has cost the combatant nations 7,000,000 in men killed, and 18,000,000 in men wounded or maimed, about £40,000,000,000 in money, has left Great Britain saddled with a vast debt of over £7,000,000,000, and has plunged Europe into industrial chaos. All this waste of life and wealth could have been avoided if there had only been a League of Nations before the war.

2. Peace has left many great questions unsettled in Eastern Europe and the Far East which may produce another and yet greater war, even perhaps in our lifetime, if it be not prevented.

3. The next war, if it comes, will be far more terrible and destructive even than the late war, for it will begin with all the aerial and submarine fleets with which the late war left off, only the destructive forces will be infinitely greater. Such a new war will mean the destruction of European civilisation, of European industry, and of the white working man's standard of life.

4. The prospect of another and still greater war is one we must either prepare for by vaster armaments than ever, or prevent. The first alternative is unthinkable. There remains only prevention. Prevention is possible, by the League of Nations to enforce peace. There is no other way.

5. The war has left behind it a situation of the utmost difficulty as regards finance, industry, and food for the nations, which can only be successfully met by "pooling" the resources of all the nations for the industrial recovery of the world.

6. As the standard of life is the main factor in the cost of production, it is vain to raise it in one nation if it remains low in another. For this purpose international machinery amongst the Governments of the nations is absolutely necessary, and the League of Nations, with its International Labour Office, should supply this need.

7. The League of Nations will not supplant the Labour "Internationale," but will supplement it. It will help to do amongst the Governments what the "Internationale" is seeking to do in the industrial world. The more powerfully Labour supports and is represented in the League of Nations, the more can each help the other. We need both the League of Nations and the Labour "Internationale." They are not rivals, but friends working in co-ordinated endeavour towards the same goal—Peace.

8. The League of Nations is the greatest experiment ever tried upon the earth. In its success lies the future hope of humanity. It can only succeed if it be a real League of Peoples, not merely a League of Governments. To this end it is necessary that every individual shall take an instructed and active interest, till he can say, "This is **my** League, through which I bring my influence to bear on international politics to insure peace and to prevent war." It can only succeed if all sections of public opinion are firmly united behind it in the determination that it *shall* succeed.

9. The object of the League of Nations Union is thus to instruct and unite all sections of public opinion, both amongst manual workers and brain workers; and also to serve as a national channel for putting forward such amendments as time may prove necessary in the League of Nations constitution and machinery. **THE LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION SHOULD THEREFORE BE SUPPORTED BY EVERY MAN AND WOMAN** who has at heart the ensuring of peace, the prevention of a new and greater war, the industrial recovery of Europe, the improvement of the standard of life, the continuation of our civilisation and the progress of humanity.

Signatories:

WM. ADAMSON, P.C., M.P.	Miners' Federation.
ARTHUR HENDERSON, P.C., M.P.	Iron-Founders.
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HARRY GOSLING, M.P., J.P.	Watermen, Lightermen and Barge-
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WILLIAM MULLIN, J.P.	"
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A. S. CAMERON	Carpenters, Cabinet-makers and Joiners.
J. YOUNG	United Garment Workers.
W. J. DAVIS, J.P.	Brassworkers and Metal Mechanics.
S. G. NEWLAND	Printing and Paper Workers.
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CHARLES DUNCAN, J.P.	The Workers Union.
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PHILIP SNOWDEN	Independent Labour Party.
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S. PERRY, J.P.	The Co-operative Party.
B. T. HALL	Working Men's Club and Institute Union.
TOM SYKES	Secretary of the National Brother- hood Council.

National Federation of Discharged and Demobilized Sailors and Soldiers

(Over One Million Members).

(Extract from Resolution passed on October 30th, 1919.)

"I am instructed by my National Executive Council to extend to the LEAGUE OF NATIONS UNION our hearty support and to offer you our earnest co-operation. . . .

'F. N. JACKSON,
'General Secretary.'

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the League of Nations are invited—
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