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HOUDINI WASN'T JOKING WHEN HE YELLED 'LET ME OUT' - Coroner rules

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Al Jolson mistakenly lynched by the KKK

VILE RACIST Al Jolson - who regularly blacked himself up to the disgust of all right-thinking gentlemen - has been mistakenly lynched by the Ku Klux Klan.

His body was found hanging from a tree on the outskirts of Chattanooga in America's Deep South, where witnesses say his last words were a call to his Mammy.

Jolson was only ten days away from celebrating his fortieth birthday when he died.

He was snatched by the Klan as he left a vaudeville theatre close to the town centre and was still wearing his trademark black greasepaint.



Unfortunately his pleas of "I'm a white caucasian, I'm a white caucasian," were ignored and he was hung to the racist chants of a two hundred strong crowd.

When told that Jolson was actually a white man the town's mayor, Boss Hogg, said: "Aw Jees! I feel such a klutz."

Jolson's early films such as *Let Me Sing and I'm Happy*, *You Made Me Love You* and *Sonny Boy* were hailed as masterpieces.

Then it was widely agreed he "lost the plot" with the far from politically correct films *The Jazz Singer* and *Where Did Robinson Crusoe Go With Friday On Saturday Night* which not only had Jolson portraying Crusoe as a black man but was also branded a bit gay.

GERMAN INFLATION HALVED TO JUST 900 MILLION PER CENT

GERMAN inflation has halved to just nine hundred million per cent prompting Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin to call for even tougher war reparations.

He told Parliament: "Gentlemen, these war penalties imposed by the gentlemen of Versailles on the not so gentlemanly gentlemen of Germany is effectively letting these gentlemen off the hook.

"I say to you gentlemen that we should be tougher in our demands on our European gentlemen so they may never rise up again to become the ungentlemanly force they once were."

Many Germans have now taken to selling off internal organs such as their kidneys and liver to pay for everyday necessities such as bratwurst sausages and towels for their sun loungers.

JOBLESS BANNED FROM GENERAL STRIKE

Get back to non-work say union leaders

BRITAIN'S one and a half million unemployed reacted with fury last night at being told they would not be allowed to join the General Strike.

Workers across the country from railwayworkers to printers have downed tools in solidarity with miners facing lower wages and longer hours.

The nation's jobless had hoped to also withdraw their lack-of-labour to support their waged brothers.

But those hopes were dashed by Trades Union Congress chief negotiator Jimmy Thomas who yesterday declared "No unemployed".

Speaking in London, Mr Thomas told TUC delegates: "Brothers, if we let the unemployed join our lovely General Strike we would be a national laughing stock.

"How can these people stop work when they are sitting on their arses all day anyway - it's madness.

"Mr Logie Baird has not yet perfected his tele-vision machine so these jobless folk can't even go on strike from watching daytime tele-vision - which I predict will be the main task of the unemployed in future years."

Mr Thomas's stern words were greeted with cheers and cries of "Keep the idle bastards out of it" by delegates.

In a moment of rare agreement between the unions and the government, Prime Minister Stanley Baldwin backed the TUC's bar on the idle joining the General Strike.

He said: "The jobless gentlemen would be a bloody nuisance if they joined the strike. Rather than standing around braziers waving placards at blacklegs like proper gentlemen strikers these gentlemen would probably hang around shopping centres, spitting and menacing old ladies."

But unemployed leader Bob Jones said that the bar on jobless joining the strike was a breach of human rights.

He said: "Just because someone has never picked up a tool in their lives should not prevent them downing tools like anyone else.

"It's clear discrimination and I'm getting my brief on this. I know my rights as a gentleman."

Logie Baird invents tele-vision - & shows repeat

SCOTTISH inventor Mr John Logie Baird last night demonstrated his new tele-vision device to assembled gentlemen of the Royal Institution.

The machine purports to transmit images across the very ether for amusement and entertainment.

But the eager anticipation of the men of science was not rewarded, as Mr Logie Baird proceeded to screen a repeat of *The Bill* on his mechanism.

With a collective "Bah!" the gentlemen from the Royal Institution repaired to the parlour to play a game of Confound the Batavian.



PRIME MINISTER BALDWIN



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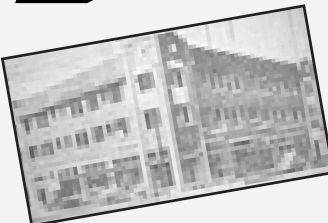
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