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CAMERAMAN..... **Reenie Road.** SOUNDMAN..... **Len Dudley.**
 STORY COVERED : **Interview with The Right Hon. R.J. Clines.** LENGTH EXPOSED : **800**
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COMPLETE DESCRIPTION OF SCENES.

This was a question and answer interview, Mr. Stagg being the questioner.
 I'm afraid he rambled on about nothing in particular and the location was very bad interior for camera noise.
 Interview in various lenses, repeats in close ups.

Silent camera.

Close up shot of the first Ration Book of the 1914--1918 War of which Mr. Clines was the prime mover.
 Two shots of the group picture with the other Cabinet Ministers.
 Close up of picture showing the door leading from No. 11 to No. 10 Downing Street.
 Two shots of the house... 41 St. Johns Avenue Putney.
 Shot of the road nameplate.

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A very unsatisfactory story from every angle.

WHICH OTHER SOUND NEWS REELS COVERED STORY **Exclusive.**

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Mr. Clynes. So you do favour ^{pensions} payments? Pensions where they are needed.

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Mr. Clynes. -

Mr. Stagg. - Would there be a danger of political corruption? if all ministers were paid a pension, irrespective of the time they spent in office or of their needs.

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Mr. Stagg. How many years were you in the Cabinet in all?

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INTERVIEW MR. CLYNES.

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It is strange that such a fiction should live so long. It is about 50 years since any/^{ex-}cabinet minister received a pension. It was discontinued because men didn't need pensions

The facts only came out when those men were dead, and when they did the truth was revealed, and public indignation grew until Parliament ~~then~~ decided to discontinue ~~the~~ payments.

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Mr. Stagg speaks - Lord Asquith came out of office a peer man, I believe.

Mr. Clynos. He did. And many great men did. It is only recently, for instance, that we have decided to pay our Prime Minister and leaders of the Opposition. When I first went to the House of Commons there was no payment for anything. You had to pay your own fares, and I had to seek midnight excursions and cheap third-class seats to get to Parliament.

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Mr. Stagg. How many years were you ~~in~~ in the Cabinet?

Mr. Clynes. I've been in the Cabinet three times. On the last occasion for about two years and a half, and on the first occasion for only about twelve months.

Mr. Stagg. And the third period?

Mr. Clynes. And the third period would be about 12 months also.

Mr. Stagg.
about 5 years' service.

Mr. Clynes. Yes, yes, yes.

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Mr. Clynos. A vast improvement, that is, taking into account reduced hours of work, lighter and more secure ^{lines} terms of service. Greater safety in employment, pensions for the aged peer. Better provisions for present and future education and in a score of other directions. Legislation on ^{has} administrative services have enormously improved. The conditions of

millions of people. THANK YOU

Mr. Stagg. Then you have cause to look back with satisfaction on your life's work? Don't you.

Mr. Clynos. Great satisfaction. ^{that} the pity of it is there has intervened in between one period or the other two unprecedented wars which have devastated countries, made enemies of great nations, and generally broken up the economic and financial life of ~~many~~ ^{look} peoples. You must not ~~unmindfully~~ at this matter of progress from just the harm done by wars, but we must not overlook the fact that wars have been the cause. This evil condition ^{of} into which of our of life which many/people have been thrown.

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If you wanted to get anywhere usually you had to walk it. Another great change has been in the ~~lax~~ bringing together the two sides of what is called Capital and Labour. For the friendly and usually quite acceptable conditions of ~~the~~ decision on differences as they arise. Many Trade Unions spend large sums in that way, but it is a good investment, it keeps the ~~men in employment~~ peace. It keeps ~~better~~ employment. It's better to have good wages ~~now~~ than to have strike pay or lockout pay. Employers cannot and ~~shouldn't~~ don't think of doing what they like with their own. The law doesn't allow ~~them~~ ^{lamentable and unauthorized and unofficial strikes are a small affair} compared to the millions of workmen and women who are doing their job ^{& millions quietly} ~~quietly~~ every day. Well, that I think is likely when the aftermath of war has disappeared, ^{factor} that ~~fact~~ is likely to be a very great help to this nation.

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