

# NATIONALIST PARTY OF WALES

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## SELF-GOVERNMENT OR MIS-GOVERNMENT

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### I. Foreign Government is Unjust Government

Neither the English nor any other foreign government can have the time, the understanding or the inclination to govern Wales well

"The House of Commons does not give more than one day a year on an average to deal with Welsh matters."—Mr. Lloyd George.

"I often bring forward in the House of Commons matters relating to Wales. These matters have been treated with superciliousness and arrogance by the members of the house."—Major Goronwy Owen.

### THE ENGLISH PARLIAMENT DERIDES WALES

Thus

Mr. Greenwood in the House of Commons: By the Act of 1746, the term *England* includes Wales (Laughter).

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Mr. W. John, on another occasion: Does not the Chancellor consider that the Welsh people have a right to the same privileges and opportunities as the English? (Laughter).

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Again, Mr. Muggeridge, a Socialist member, mentions the Welsh language: "Does the Minister think it advisable to keep up these barbarian languages" (Laughter).

## 2. Wales takes a Back Seat

**Unjust foreign government has given poverty,  
unemployment and ill-health to Wales**

### **Lowest Standard of Living**

Wales has the lowest standard of living in Britain.

### **Unemployment**

During the period 1932-36 the percentage of unemployment in Wales was between 80 per cent and 120 per cent. higher than in England. In June, 1936, England had 11.6 per cent. unemployed—Wales had 30.1 per cent.

### **Depopulation**

Between 1901 and 1931 the population of eight of the thirteen counties of Wales has decreased.

Over 350,000 emigrated from Wales between 1921 and 1935. In England during 1921-1931 the population has increased by 2,000,000.

### **Ill-health**

i. In 1934 five Welsh counties headed the lists of deaths from tuberculosis in England and Wales; out of 62 Welsh and English counties, ten Welsh counties were among the fifteen highest.

ii. In 1934 the percentage of deaths of mothers during childbirth was 55 per cent. higher in Wales than in England.

**Westminster scorns and derides us; we reap a  
harvest of suffering**

**ENGLAND DISCRIMINATES  
AGAINST WALES . . .**

Recently the National Eisteddfod of Wales and the English National Opera each applied to Parliament for subsidy grants.

Thousands of pounds were voted for the English National Opera; Parliament merely **laughed at the idea** of subsidising the Welsh National Eisteddfod.

### **No New Industries for Wales**

In 1934, 477 new industries were established in England; in Wales **one** was established. In 1935, 505 new industries in England; in Wales, **four** new and **five** closed.

Although Welsh miners were in distress the English Labour Government in 1924 granted two million pounds to subsidise the opening of new coal mines in Kent.

## **3. The Benefits of Self-Government**

**“SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR EVERY PEOPLE”  
is the law of civilisation and the basic principle  
of the League of Nations.**

To deny a nation's freedom is to justify ignorance and tyranny.

### **A Parliament for the People**

A Welsh Parliament will have the **TIME**, the **UNDERSTANDING** and the **INCLINATION** to govern Wales well.

### **Wales is big enough**

Sixteen of the states members of the League of Nations have smaller populations than Wales. Every one of these states is more prosperous than Wales.

### **Wales is Wealthy**

Wales is richer in resources than any other area of equal size in Britain.

### **Economy**

Self-government is always cheaper than foreign government.

# What Freedom can do for Wales

**Peace:** A free Wales will pursue a peaceful policy. Her contributions to England's annual war-bill of £300,000,000 will cease. Until she is free Wales will be tied to England's war-chariot.

**Industrial Development:** A Welsh Government will immediately apply itself to the development of existing Welsh industries, and the establishment of new ones. The English Government keeps its new industries in England—in 1934 it established 477 in England and only one in Wales; in 1935, 505 in England and 4 (but 5 closed) in Wales. Under English Government Wales can only contemplate the continued destruction of her industrial life.

**Language and Culture:** Only self-government can preserve and invigorate the language and culture of Wales. History shows that the culture of every subject nation decays—until that nation regains freedom.

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