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#### THE LIMBLESS IN INDUSTRY

Employers and Trade Unionists and heads of Government departments will attend next week the largest meeting ever organised in England for the purpose of encouraging the return to industry of the limbless. The meeting to be held on October 21 at the Albert Hall, Leeds, will take the form of a lecture by Dr. R.D. Langdale Kelham, Chief Limb Surgeon of the Ministry of Pensions, followed by a practical demonstration by persons who have suffered amputation as the result of war injuries. These victims of enemy action will show how they have been able to overcome their physical handicaps and return to useful civilian occupations.

The Lord Mayor of Leeds will preside. The Earl of Harewood hopes to be present together with the Regional Commissioner, General Sir William Bartholomew, Sir Walter Womersley, M.P., Minister of Pensions, Mr. G. Tomlinson, M.P., Joint Parliamentary Secretary, Ministry of Labour and National Service, and Mr. E.B. Laycock, Chairman of the Leeds, Harrogate and District War Pensions Committee.

The demonstration by the limbless will afford the best possible proof of the Government's contention that in modern times the disabled are not unemployable.

The audience will see a Sheffield man who lost both legs below the knee and one arm below the elbow. He now does a full day's work as a stoker in one of the A.R.P. departments of the Sheffield Local Authority. He carries fuel and feeds four furnaces. In addition, he works on an allotment and attends dances.

Another man with a double amputation is now an expert telephonist and regularly rides a motor cycle.

An outstanding example of courage and determination is afforded by a Ministry of Pensions clerk who recently lost a leg on active service. He married a fellow patient at Chapel Allerton Hospital, Leeds, who together with her sister lost a leg in an air raid at Leeds. It is expected that the young husband, his wife and sister-in-law, all three of whom have lost a leg in the present war, will be present on the platform.

It is confidently expected that as a result of this meeting many North Country employers will find jobs for men and women who have been disabled by enemy action.

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