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Wheeler Charges Daugherty Ally of Crooks; Ships Idle as Meat Famine Faces London

POINCARE AND BANKERS ARE Loans To Fascisti Nations **Blamed For Franc's Fall**

(Special to The Daily Worker) PARIS, Feb. 20.-The franc opened today at 24.20 to the dollar-only a fraction more than four cents each, or onefifth the pre-war rate-as the Poincare government reached frantically for some method of halting the monetary disaster that is overwhelming his cabinet.

A secret meeting of cabinet members and banking experts was called in the premier's home in the hope that a way might be found of arresting the slump which is leading to financial bankruptcy and which will destroy the Poincare government's chances in the coming elections.

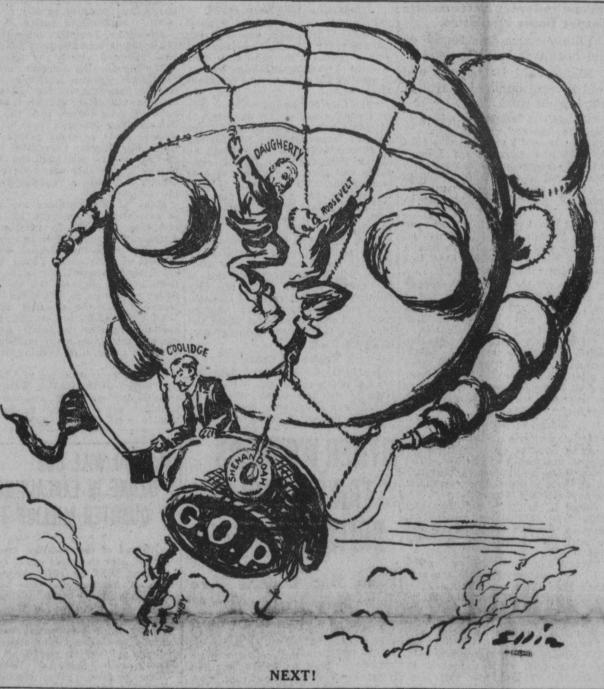
Look to Reparations Experts.

No official information was given out after the conference, but it was understood the premier demanded speedy action by the reparations experts now trying to solve the German reparations question, and immediate adoption by the Chamber of Deputies of the entire govern-

These measures, the premier be-lieves, are the only ones that will prevent continuation of the monetary confusion and resultant fall of his cabinet.

Newspapers today admitted the fall of the franc is due primarily to selling by French interests in Paris, but generally said the collapse has been hastened by government blun-

ders. The textile industry, it was said, has been upset by the government's prohibition of wool exports and sellers of foodstuffs have been affected by the change. the closing of the produce ex-



DROPPING BALLAST

All Union Action Against Boss is Called 'Conspiracy' by Prosecutor

OIL SETTLES DAUGHERTY Fate Hangs In Balance As **Probe Starts**

(Special to The Daily Worker) WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.-Attorney-General Daugherty will be asked to resign from

the cabinet if he is connected by one specific fact with the Teapot Dome oil scandal.

This was the information from reliably informed quarters today. At the same time it was indicated Daugherty was preparing a statement, replying to the sensational charges yesterday by Senator Wheeler, Montana, author of a resolution for a senate investigation of Daugherty's administration.

Wheeler charged that the department was protecting crooks; that Jesse Smith, a close friend of Daugherty who committed sui-cide here a few months ago, accide here a few months ago, ac-cepted money in connection with cases before the department of justice; that Daugherty was a friend of E. L. Doheny and Harry F. Sinclair, lessees of the naval oil reserves; that Daugherty and E. B. McLean, owner of the Wash-ington Post

ington Post, conferred here Sun-day and before that at Palm Beach. McLean has figured in the senate nvestigation and is now under subocena to appear again.

Harry Payne Whitney, millionaire New York sportsman, who was as-sociated with Harry F. Sinclair, testified before the committee in executive session this morning. He was accompanied by his lawyer.

Whitney was questioned by memthe wolves. The wolves would sur-round our camp at night and I there is little doubt but that the chases and sales of mammoth oil around us. It seemed to me when I was on various sources. He was before the committee half an hour. the stand in Washington that I could hear the bark of my own friends in the pack of political

ONE DROP OF DAUGHERTY'S HEAD IS DEMANDED BY LODGE AND PEPPER

> (Special to The Daily Worker) WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.-Senator Lodge told President Coolidge today in a hurried White House conference that Attorney-General Daugherty must resign. Following Daugherty's" public

statement that he had no intention of quitting. Senators Lodge and Pepper rushed to the White House and went into all details of the matter with the president. Lodge was extremely frank in

informing the president of the decision of several republican caucuses that have been held in the last few hours which is that the president should get rid of all cabinet officials involved in the oil

scandal. White House officials would make no announcement, following the departure of the senators, as to what action President Coolidge would take or how soon his position would be made known.

DOHENY SAYS HIS FRIENDS "BARKED

WOLVES" Is Bitter Against His Former Pals

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.-E. L. Do-heny, in an interview here with C. W. Barron of the Dow-Jones financial news service, voiced bitter enmity to-ward the former friends who had ward the former friends who had

run to cover when their connection would occasion bitter resentment

PLEDGE FULL AID TO BIG **DOCK STRIKE**

Trades Congress May Call Out Other Unions

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LONDON, Feb. 20 .- Shipping companies affiliated with the Federation of British Industries held a secret meeting today, it was learned. No public announcement of the proceedings has been made, but it is understood that great alarm was manifested at the successful efforts of striking dockers, not only in pulling out their own men, but in persuading other trades to quit.

The extremely small quantity of freight that is being handled is moved by the executives and clerical staffs of the shipping companies and the attitude of the strikers toward their admittedly feeble efforts is one of amused contempt.

U. S. Mail Halted.

More than 5,000 bags of American mail is held up at Plymouth and the British postoffice authorities, when interviewed by angry business men, disclaimed all responsibility as the

run to cover when their connection with his enterprises was disclosed. Speaking of his final impression of the investigation, Doheny said: It reminded me of old times in the middle west when one of our dogs at the mating season joined

council will call out other unions if

Strikers Strengthened.

The strikers' position has been strengthened by the publication of the

government cost of living figures showing that prices are higher now

than when the two-shillings, for

which the dockers are striking, were

deducted from their pay. The admis-

sion of the shipping companies that

their profits in 1923 averaged 71/4 per cent increased public sympathy for the strikers.

Ben Tillet, head of the Transport

hood of the strike ceasing for sev-eral weeks" unless the demands of

Seamen Rebellious.

fused to sign on unless the provi-

sions requiring them to work cargo

Danish, Dutch and Norwegian fish-

ing vessels are not entering British

ports both because their cargoes

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Obregon on Art

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 .- Presi-

of Holding Power

Coolidge May Quiz

the union are granted.

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it appears necessary

Foreign Loans Blamed.

Pertinax, widely known political writer, blamed the extensive credits granted to foreign nations for the slump.

"The franc is falling because of loans launched outside of our budget necessities," he said in the Echo de Paris.

"Let France define clearly her budget balance for the coming year and the franc will rise again. Unless that is done financial resuscitation is a dream.

He referred to the huge loans to Poland and other Fascisti nations for military use against Russia.

POINCARE YIELDS TO DEMAND FOR GERMAN CASH MORATORIUM

held for conspiracy.

state and defence attorneys.

he non-union jury. Romano's Scab Philosophy.

Romano declared that the laws re-

lating to "conspiracy" must be inter-preted in the broadest possible fash-

on. He asserted that mere concert-

(Special to The Daily Worker) PARIS, Feb. 20.—Premier Poin-care has approved in principle the main suggestions of experts com-mittee number one for rehabilitation of Germany so that she can pay reparations, the Petit Journal declares today. These suggestions show a remark-able series of backdowns. They include:

include:

1 .--- A cash moratorium for Germany.

2.-Creation of a German gold bank.

3.—Suppression of Franco-Belgi-an control of the Rhineland rail-ways in order to permit an inter-mational society to take up the ad-ministration of all German railroads.

4 .-- Suppression of the Rhine

custom barriers. 5.—An interior German loan in gold for the purpose of repatriating German capital.

SOUTH BEND, Ind., Feb. 20. — Parole officers went to Canadaigus, N. Y., today to take custody of Edward Thomas. 22, who escaped from a state reformatory parole of-ficer last week and fled with his wife in a rented car.

in Chicago Upholsterers' Trial IN EUROPE WITH whitney was questioned by mem bers of the committee as to his pur chases and sales of mammoth oi

STABLE FIN The question whether it is possible for a labor union to carry on strike activities without running foul of the employers laws is raised in the important trial, which began yesterday in Judge Wells' court room in Chicago, of the five union men, Soviets Now Calling in Harding Secretary held on boycott charges as the result of the upholsterers' strike,

The right of a union man to refuse to work with scabs is also at issue. Fred Jurish, a member of the painters' union, is one of the five, held on boycott!

counts charging him with con- Jackass Leader spiracy to wreck the business Visits Mule State of the firms against which the on His Way West strike was being conducted.

May Bosses Usurp Government? is the right of employers' agents to take over the state attorneys' office for strike-breaking plots as Dudley greeted William C. Model Taylor, attorney for the Illinois Emdate for the democratic presidential nomination, when he passed thru enployers' Association was permitted to

do in questioning the five men now route to Los Angeles. The first day of the trial in the circuit courtroom was featured by the statements to the jury of the minutes to the cheering crowd.

McAdoo declared the Teapot Dome Assistant States Attorney Romano, outlined the prosecution line of argument in bare faced fashion to

"The oil investigation is a question of the life of the American nation itself." The second cable came from George Wishniak, Moscow corre-sponent of the Freiheit, Jewish daily. Beginning Feb. 16, he cabled, Russia

ed action on the part of the defend-ants must be held as sufficient proof Authorities today sought two men, who, with the aid of a small stick and a wad of chewing gum, stole "conspiracy" to ruin the business of the employers. Romano added that it would not be necessary to \$50,000 worth of government bonds show that the defendants had ever from the Peoples Trust and Savings met together to plan this concerted action. This, he said, because the appeared from a cashier's cage dur-

(Continued on page 2.) ing the absence of a clerk.

It's Cruel World To Millionaire Kid With Doggie's Board So High

(Special to The Dally Worker) NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—The seventcen-year-old son of the late J. Arthur Hinckley, millionaire, has been getting \$15,000 annually for his living expenses. He finds this inadequate, and asked the courts to help him get \$5,000 more out of the estate. His mama testified that

\$5,000 more out of the estate. His mama testified that some of his living expenses were as follows: Clothes and tailoring, \$3,300; automobile, \$3,500; chauffeur, \$2,000; dog's board, \$420; pocket money, \$500; amusement and gifts, \$1,000. The poor kid pointed out that this represented sheer poverty.
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stock. Whitney told the committee that he now owns more than 100,000 VANCES shares which he accumulated from

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.-George

All Paper Money Quits Under Fire. For Federal Post

(Special to The Daily Worker) NEW YORK, Feb. 20.-Two cables from Moscow received in New York tell of the great strides toward economic stability made by Russia in the past year.

member of the federal trade commis-The first received byb the Russian American Industrial Corp., from its sion was withdrawn from the senate today by President Coolidge, C. Bas-

com Slemp, the president's secretary, announced. state industries, including the textile syndicate, made a profit last year of idge to withdraw his name. His request for withdrawal followed testitwo million gold rubles, the equiva-lent of about \$1,060,000. A dividend

McAdoo left the train, mounted a of 8 per cent has been declared and baggage truck and spoke about ten the capital has been increased from 20 to 40 million gold rubles.

It is thru this bank that the Rusdisclosures "threaten American dem- sian American Industrial Corp. has ocracy." sent over \$5,000,000 into Russia appeared late this week before the "There can be no more serious since January of last year. The menace to our country then when cabinet officers prostitute their creased 50 times in the past year, trusts." he said.

ceased to print paper money. The government plans to call in all its paper currency. This is not as diffi-cult as it might sound as the total value is no more than \$30,000,000, altho its face value could not be written with less than a half dozen lines of ciphers.

Russia has already gotten into cir-culation \$150,000,000 worth of the chervonetz — 10-ruble gold notes. These notes are already worth more than the English pound—which has the same face value. Gold and silver coins are also being poured into cir-culation culation.

This news of the stability of the finance system in the Workers Re-public comes while the French franc

could hear my own dog barking among those wolves as they howled

wolves. Much significance is attached to the comparison of the dogs and wolves made by Doheny by close students of politics who have been estimating the effect of Do'leny's at-titude on the McAdoo candidacy. It is recalled in this connection that it was the custom of prospectors to make every effort to shoot the dogs

and General Workers' Union, has announced that there is "no likeliwolf packs. "A lot of people in this country are trying to run the American people off their feet," said Doheny, referring

The liners Doric and Tyrhennia, were able to dock today only with the aid of the officers and employes

Defends Lease.

mony by Huston Thompson, chair-man of the commission, that Chris-He defended the lease he holds on of the purser's department. aval oil reserves in California and The crew of the Orcoma has fetian tried to influence him with respect to a complaint against the Famous Players-Lasky moving picture concern. Christian was to have

senate interstate commerce commit-

far existed and now exist, those wells will cost \$30,000 to \$40,000 to the well. Wells at Santa Fe, Signal Hill age of over \$100,000 to the well.

dent Coolidge today took under con-sideration an invitation to meet President Obregon of Mexico at Al-buquerque, N. M., on March 28 at the annual convention of the United 000 to the well would represent an

States Good Roads association and the Bankhead Highway Association.

The invitation was extended to the president by a delegation which call-ed at the White House. The president said he would neither accept nor refuse it now, but would make every effort to accept it if official

business permits. President Obregon will shortly re-ceive a similar invitation to be present at the convention.

Members of the delegation included

Warrior For Democracy Steals To Save Wife and Kids From Starving

B. Christian's nomination to be a who deserted them and joined the

Christian requested Mr. Coolto the investigation of the oil lease

scandal.

naval oil reserves in California and explained his statement that his companies ought to make a profit of \$100,-

000,000 from the reserve. "Naval Reserve Number One con-sists of approximately 32,000 acres of land. Under the most advantageous conditions that could exist-if it were all loose sand, high gas pressure

and light oil-it would take at least one well for every ten acres, that is 3200 wells for the 32,000 acres. "Under conditions which have thus

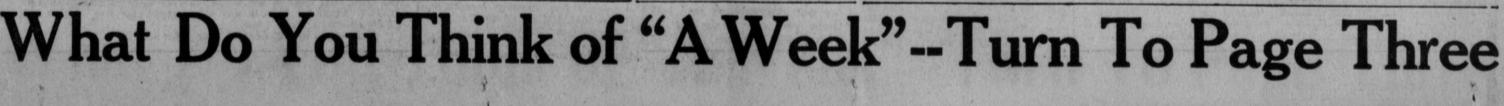
Davis, new superintendent of the New York State Anti-Saloon League, moved into the League's little office

and Huntington Beach cost an aver-

"Thirty two hundred wells at \$35,-

investment of more than \$100,000,000

(Special to The Dally Worker) ST. LOUIS, Feb. 20.—George Blanford, a war veteran, was placed under arrest on a charge of stealing \$7 in cash from the home of Miss Marie Lampke. He told the police he took the money because he had been out of employment two months, unable to find a job, and his wife and two children were hunger.



in the world." Know a worker who needs a working class education? Get him to read THE DAILY WORKER. for the cost of the wells alone." 100 per cent profit is considered high even in the oil industry.

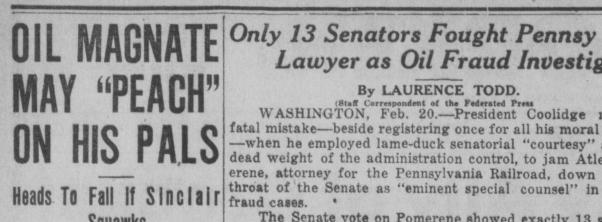
here today—and prepared to take up the fight to "dry up the greatest city

tee in connection with Thompson's testimony Christian was secretary to the late President Harding. Dry Fight Continues. NEW YORK, Feb. 20 .- Arthur J.

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Squawks

(Special to The Daily Worker) WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 .-Harry F. Sinclair will be called to the witness stand Monday in the oil scandal inquiry, Chair- White House with alarming news disman Lenroot of the Teapot Dome Committee announced.

The committee believes Sinclair has "the whole story" and they intend to compel him to their feet. Coolidge talked with Lentell it.

Lenroot said he saw no reason for issuing an immediate subpoena for Sinclair, who arrives in New York The chairman has been intoday. formed that Sinclair will communihad pledged himself against sacricate immediately with the committee and agree to appear on Monday. Denby had sworn never to resign. Five Bombshells.

Senator Walsh of Montana, the chief investigator, has asked that Sinclair be met with an immediate subpoena as soon as he steps from reported around the capitol that: the boat. Senator Adams, Colorado democrat, in Walsh's absence, agreed that the subpoena be issued.

Sinclair Still Busy.

"Mr. Sinclair says he is a busy man and I'm afraid he will think he is too busy to appear before the committee," Adams said.

Walsh will return for the resumption of hearings Monday. Here is the evidence wanted from

Sinclair: 1. Whether or not he loaned more than \$25,000 to former Secretary of Interior Fall before or after he ob-

tained the lease on Teapot Dome from Fall; whether he used money with any other person or persons for in connection with the influence leases.

2. What he knows about a \$1,000, 000 slush fund alleged to have been raised in New York thru "big oil interests" to cover stock losses of government officials.

5. Interest in Wheeler's resolu-tion demanding Daugherty's resig-nation went up, due to the fact that Daugherty has been a special 3. Whether or not he was "blackmailed" by any one who has prior information regarding the sudden increase in wealth of Fall about the time the leases were made.

The testimony of Sinclair is re garded as the crux of the government case and may vitally affect the criminal prosecutions in contempla-

Harry Payne Whitney, millionaire sportsman of New York, has in-formed Lenroot he will appear bemoth Oil company—the corporation under which Sinclair leased Teapot Dome. The committee has demanded production of certain of his books.

Elkins Uncovered.

Thru "leaks" from the committee Thru "leaks" from the committee room the name of Senator Elkins of West Virginia, alleged to have been found on the books of the Benkard brokerage concern in New York was disclosed. The senator himself re-metric in collusion

Lawyer as Oil Fraud Investigator By LAURENCE TODD. (Staff Correspondent of the Federated Press WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—President Coolidge made a fatal mistake-beside registering once for all his moral stature -when he employed lame-duck senatorial "courtesy" and the dead weight of the administration control, to jam Atlee Pomerene, attorney for the Pennsylvania Railroad, down the lax

The Senate vote on Pomerene showed exactly 13 senators willing to oppose Coolidge in this attempt to throw the cases

into obviously incompetent and | Had the selection of Pomerene, the

unsuitable hands. Henchmen Sound Alarm. On Sunday, Senator Lenroot and Pomerene were forced to rush to the

2. Harry Payne Whitney, who put \$2,000,000 into the Teapot Dome deal, would be called back

to testify again, on stock transac-

"important information."

4. McLean would take the stand,

tion than when he forced Doheny to confess his loan to Fall.

pal of McLean, and even occupied McLean's "House of Mystery" near the Shoreham Hotel.

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\$100,000 to Fall.

vant, not been insisted upon by Cool-idge, the suspicions of the progressives would not have been so keenly aroused, and it is possible that Wheeler's evidence might have seclosures. Senator Wheeler of Montana, who has been trying to get cured less prominence. Now the is-Daugherty kicked out of the cabinet sue is forced. The anti-corporation The anti-corporation and who has fought Denby and the group led by Wheeler and LaFollette on the senate floor will drive the senate committee to act, even tho

Senator Walsh may be too wearied to carry the burden of the work. root until late in the night. Next morning Coolidge talked over the telephone with Denby, Senator Dill and Senator Adams will help Walsh. whereupon Denby suddenly announced Daugherty's resignation is now his resignation, and the White House announced its acceptance. Coolidge

thought to be inescapable. Thirteen Solons Stick. The Federated Press here makes

hard-boiled railroad corporation ser-

ficing Denby, a few days earlier, and permanent record of the names of the 13 senators who voted against Pomerene. All others either voted Wheeler spent Monday morning in for his confirmation or were absent when they knew that this vote would consultation with senate leaders on the Democratic side. It was soon

be taken. The men who stood out against Pomerene were Ashurst, Ad-1. A stock-broker firm in New ams, Brookhart, Dill, Frazier, Mag-nus Johnson, LaFollette, Norris, York, would be found to have had huge dealings with certain persons Sheppard, Shipstead, Stanley, Walsh of Montana and Wheeler. in Washington in official life. These deals were in oil securities.

Ladd had voted for Pomerene m committee, and was absent on this roll call. Borah, Capper, Hiram Johnson, Jones of Washington, Norbeck, and such democrats as Cara-way, Heflin, Kendrick, Pittman, Reed of Missouri and Walsh of Massachusetts, thought a Pennsylvania railroad attorney was the man to handle

3. Wilton J. Lambert, local at-torney for Edw. B. McLean, pub-lisher of the Washington Post, had the profits of the oil companies. Lambert was the man who advised On the vote taken Monday, con-firming Roberts, the other lawyer, McLean to admit, in Palm Beach, that he had lied when he told the senate committee that he had lent

Walsh of Montana was absent, while Dill and Norris, Stanley and Adams joined the majority. Norris did so after calling attention to a speech made a year ago by Roberts, attacking the senate's investigation into

the profits of the oil companies. The net result of the confirming of two pro-corporation attorneys to guard public property in this case is to arouse the fighting progressives to compel an answer on the evidence now to be dragged out into the light of day. Denby is only the first to go.

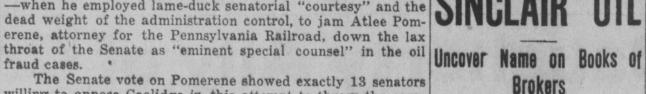


(Continued from Page 1) fense of the bosses against alleged has no evidence that the interference with their business by fense of the bosses against alleged state fore the committee. Whitney owns a painter defendant had ever met with the union. He also pointed out that large block of shares of the Mam- the four members of the upholsterers' the prosecutor had been compelled

to admit that one of the defendants Conspiracy between O'Shea and charged with attempting to wreck McKenna, the two business agents of the business of the various firms men-the upholsterers' union could be tioned in the indictment had on one shown, the ingenious states' attorney occasion asked building trades work-

alleged, by the fact that both of them ers who objected to working with

ELKINS HEL 8,000 SHARES



brokers, whose books were ex- fore February 10th. amined yesterday by the Senate **Teapot Dome committee.**

Elkins' name was found on the books, it has been stated. time is figured in the point score. But

sold several hundred shares of 15th. Sinclair oil stock.

"Certainly I bought and sold Sin-clair oil stocks," said Elkins. "I dealt in several hundred shares thru Benkard and company and I don't care who knows it. I buy and sell in any kind of stock I want. There is no law against it and my office does not prevent my dealing in stocks.

"I did not have any tip from any one on Sinclair oil and I did not go into any pool. If I had gone into a pool, I would probably have lost more money than I did.

"I have not the time nor the money to deal extensively in stocks, but I dealt far more extensively in Bethlehem Steel and Reading railroad stock than I did in Sinclair oil. "If that is a crime, let them go holler their heads off. The public test ends.

seems to have gone crazy and there is a lot of hot air in the senate about this oil thing, but it will not disturb me because my transactions were absolutely legitimate.

Elkins Is Hardboiled.

"If this hysteria continues the only thing to do is to close the stock ex-change and halt all business. The whole thing is silly to me. How are we to have a liquid business unless

we buy and sell things?" Asked if he had dealt thru any other firm but Benkard and Company on Sinclair stock, Elkins said had, but declined to name the firm or firms.

"That's for the committee to find out," he said, referring to the senate Teapot Dome committee.

Following Elkins' personal state-ment, the following was issued from his office here by his secretary, W.C. Fenton:

"Senator Elkins has, for the past 15 or 20 years been buying and selling stock thru various brokers in increase of two shillings a day and Washington, Philadelphia and New maintenance when unemployed, sym-York. In many cases, he purchased on margin and in others bought stock other industries. The warehouse outright, feeling he had a perfect workers and dock train crews in right to do so, the same as if he Liverpool are out. Sympathetic acbought an automobile or real estate tion by deck and engine room crews aboard ships is threatened. With no "It is true that he purchased from time to time various shares of Sin-

Local Chicago Accepts Letroit Challenge: Declares Home City of DAILY WORKER Will Lead PROBE OF BIG

When the meeting of Branch Subscription Agents and "active" members of Local Chicago was held on February 7th and the campaign for "One Thousand NEW Subscribers by March 10th" took definite form, it was decided that subscriptions turned in prior to February 10th would not count in the present contest.

Some, who have very enviable records for number of subs turned in prior to the beginning of the contest, have since expressed their opinion that subs previously gotten should be

(Special to The Daily Worker) WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.— Senator Davis Elkins, West credited to their account, with ure set for this contest should with 60 points, with J. Shafir (South Virginia, today told the DAILY be increased. Chicago is not Side English branch) third on the list WORKER that he had dealt in resting on past efforts, how- with 34 points. It is remembered that the Northwest English branch Sinclair oil stocks thru Benkard ever, and is giving no consid- stood in the front ranks in the camand Company, the New York eration to results attained be- paign for shares, and there is no

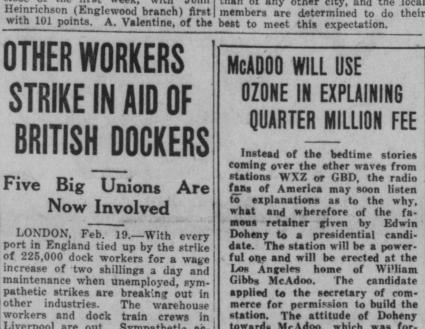
Windy City Will Show Speed. Detroit started its contest to boost

the DAILY WORKER over a month ago and every sub obtained since that Elkins said he bought and in spite of this fact, Chicago intends to outstrip them in the total by March

"The City of Chicago will not only do that, but will do its mightiest to get more subs during its special one month's campaign than the District of Detroit will have to its credit by March 15th, when the Detroit campaign will have been going for over two months. We know this is a lot to promise, and we know that our old friend, Edgar Owens, is not in the habit of making empty threats. But we also know what Chicago can do, and we are not in the least disturbed about Chicago being disgraced. — Yes, tell Edgar that his former asso-ciates will be on the job." This is the answer received from the City Subscription Agent of Local Chicago. who feels determined that Chicago must and will be the first under the wire when the "Detroit-Chicago" con-

Englewood Leads.

Englewood Leads. Members of the English branches are at the head of the list at the the "home" of the DAILY WORKER, close of the first week, with John than of any other city, and the local



loubt that it will not bow to anyone panies. in the present contest-if determination means anything at all. South-Slavs Active.

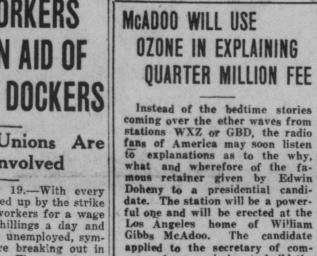
Among the Language branches, the South-Slavic branches have taken the South-Slavic branches have taken the lead, followed closely by the First Cheko-Slovak, the German and the power to fix all food prices. Northwest Russian branches. Some

of the members of the Language branches are of the opinion that they have an even chance with the English-speaking branches and will able to score as many points. The City Daily Worker Committee is im-partial as to who will be "chief booster" and does not believe any branch will make a runaway race in the contest.

Many of the comrades are active a settlement. in assisting the speakers at union and other meetings by getting subscriptions, as subs gotten in this way are credited to their branch account mistic, and said the strike had as well as their own. Young Work-This is ers League members are in the fore

front in this phase of the work. An active campaign to reach the union members with the message of the DAILY WORKER has started. Every available speaker is being drafted the government manifesto against and assigned to as many meetings as gouging.

they can cover in an evening or dur-



ful one and will be erected at the Los Angeles home of William Gibbs McAdoo. The candidate applied to the secretary of commerce for permission to build the station. The attitude of Doheny towards McAdoo, which was for-merly one of friendliness, has now turned to hate. A friend of the oil king composed a ballad which

But Officials of Strikers Show No Faith in Ramsay (Continued from page 1) cannot be unloaded and because their crews object. The strikes are picketing all cold

storage houses and great difficulty is encountered, despite the terrific unemployment, in getting workers willing to blackleg for the meat com-

Moved by the steep increase in food prices the government has appointed Colonel Wédgewood as chief commissioner of the emergency committee created to handle matters arising out

(Special to The Daily Worker) LONDON, Feb. 20 .- The government of Premier Ramsay MacDonald opened its court inquiry into the strike of the dock workers today and there appeared to be some hope the action would hasten

Executives of the dock men's union, however, were not optibeen intensified.

Ships Are Idle.

Scores of ships lay idle in harbors, unable to discharge their cargoes. Food prices were mounting despite

Fear Rank and File.

As the government opened its campaign, it was indicated the labor cabinet will move warily, realizing that any strong move against the dock men will provoke a general outburst of wrath from the rank and file of the labor party, making precarious its first experiment in government. Prime minister MacDonald faced a critical situation. With discipling in his own party threatened, the premier

had at once to keep the confidence of union labor and at the same time guarantee the rationing of the popu-lation. Henderson for "The Peepul".

On behalf of the government, it was stated that the prime minister is keeping close personal watch on mounting food prices. Arthur Henderson, in a speech, said:

"The government is determined the people shall be fed."

Henderson intimated an arrange-ment soon will be reached with the labor unions whereby necessary food supplies will be handled.

U. S. Government Inflates Railroads: **Deflates** Farmers

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20. - The

mains in seclusion.

M. Poincare Again Threatens to Quit

came more precarious this afternoon when the senate began debate on the electoral reform bill.

The premier appeared in person to oppose the measure and announced his government will resign if the sen-ate refused to accede to his demands for rejection of objectionable fea- by testimony that various employing tures

"I cannot accept the report of the

erable applause.

continued to absorb popular interest, altho there was a slight improvement tivities only. to put into effect. He said they ob-jected chiefly to the introduction in quotations during the day.

Quiz Over Solon's Shooting.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 .- Investi- have hailed the union officials into the bosses. gation of the circumstances surround- court for violating an injunction ob-ing the shooting of Senator Greene, tained against the union in June. Vermont, last Friday night was called He pointed out that not one member for in a resolution introduced in the of the union had been brought into House district committee today by court for violating the injunction Representative Gibson, Vermont. which was very broad in its provi-

The Industries for the workers!

sions. The injunction was a perfect de-

Pictures of Lenin Funeral!

THIS week's Magazine Section of the DAILY WORKER, appear-ing with Saturday's issue, will contain sketches of the funeral of Nikolai Lenin, in Moscow. These interesting pictures have just ar-rived. They show the house in which Lenin died, the throngs passing before Lenin's bier, as well as the Lenin bust made by a famous sculptor. There will also be an article on Lenin by Gregory Zinoviev, chairman of the Communist International, in addition to a host of excellent articles. Be sure to get this issue of the DAILY WORKER. Better become a regular subscriber. Send in your subscription to the DAILY WORKER. 1640 N. Halsted St. Chicago, Illinois. DAILY WORKER, 1640 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Illinois.

sters by threatening to call a strike ing testimony, Robert Bronson, sec-It is considered likely that he will to enforce the damends for \$1.25 an retary of the employing upholsters It is considered likely that he will to enforce the damends for the damends for the damends of association, took a place at the coun-fore the investigating committee and to coerce the bosses and in that way sel table with the states' attorneys. In the damends of All during the court sessions he for as Sinclair oil is explain his speculations. Activities of the committee today were again behind closed doors. Violated the law. The demands of the men, if acceded to by the bosses, would have ruined their business he helped Assistant States Attorney Rowould have ruined their business he mano bring out the testimony from

the state's witnesses. After this unblushing introduction William J. Dimmer, assistant gento his open shop philosophy the eral manager of Wynefort & Co. an He has evaded no one. He is willing state's attorney declared that after uphoistery firm named in the indict- to have his stock transactions Post as Premier the strike was called the union conment, was the first witness called.

spired to ruin the business of the He testified briefly that a strike was bosses by agreeing to picket, using called by the union on May first and spired against the government. PARIS, Feb. 20.—The position of the Poincare cabinet, already weak-ened by the collapse of the franc be-net by the collapse of the franc bepets to show their union cards and in examination by Robert W. Daniels. other ways. he admitted that his firm had not

He said in effect that all the ef- been prevented from cacrrying out forts of the union to make their their contracts by the union or the strike effective were attempts to ruin defendants as has been charged in the the business of the boss upholsters. indictment. The state would attempt to prove

R. C. Haines, William Slater and George Webber, all boss upholsters, upholsters were prevented from cartestified that on various occasions rying out their contract by the they had been delayed in the fulfillstrike activities of the union and, ing of contracts by the refusal of senate commission on the law," Poin-care said, "for it would be equal to restoration of the despisable 'scrutin' trial who took part in the activities of the union and, ing of contracts by the refu union building trades workd work with scab carpet layers. union building trades workers to

d'arrondissement' (vote by mail dis-tricts)." Senator Francois Albert led deinte bitterly the general policies of the government. His remarks got consid-erable applause. d'arrondissement' (vote by mail dis-tricts)." Of the strike are guilty of conspiracy. Union Defense Statement. The defense position was made clear by a brief statement made by Robert W. Daniels. The defense would depend on the testimony of many of the prosecution's own witbecause they would not agree to cer-Mcanwhile the collapse of the franc nesses to prove that the union was tain working rules the union wanted

If the employing upholsters were being interfered with in the carry-ing on of their business they could diverse to represent the workers in

His statement that the bosses did

not object particularly to the demand for \$1.25 an hour was in direct contradiction to what Romano said to the jury in his opening statement. He told them that to pay \$1.25 en

nour would ruin the bosses. The language of the indictment on which the men are being tried charges that they conspired with "certain persons to the grand jury

unknown In attempting to get witnesses to testify concerning conversations between witnesses and persons who are not on trial the state's attorney insisted that the person with whom the

conversation occurred was one of the 'unknown conspirators." So far there has been no indication when Dudley Taylor, attorney for the Illinois Employers association, who was the chief mover in having the indictments returned will tes-

clair oil stock, just as he did va-rious other listed securities, particu-fields is resulting. The immediate cf-fect of the dock walkout has been to

out, but so far as Sinclair oil is concerned he did not make one penny profit. as in war days.

"Senator Elkins has been confined have his stock transactions opened to everyone and he is willing to help prosecute anyone who con-

Says It's a Joke. "Senator Elkins feels that it is a big joke as far as his name is concerned."

It was said Elkins purchased prob-ably between 8,000 and 10,000 shares of the Sinclair stock. His specula-tion during the year 1922 when the leases were granted, showed a profit. It is the understanding among Elkins' friends here that he will not seek re-election to the senate next year. Guy D. Goff, now assistant attorney general, will make the race for the Republican senatorial nomination, and this, it is stated by Elkins' friends, is approved by El-

Elkins is the son of former Sen-ator Stephen B. Elkins of West Vir-ginia, whom he succeeded in the senate in 1911 for the unexpired portion of a term. He was elected for a full term in 1918 while he was in France serving with the Seventh division

being interfered with in the carry-ing on of their business they could disputes between the workers and Va., where on the death of his father he assumed charge of the Elkins

coal and other interests, which are extensive. He is 48 years of age. Chummy With Whitney.

Elkins appeared outside the senate Teapot Dome committee room during the executive session this morning.

He sent word in that he would like to appear and the committee mem-bers notified him they would hear

bers notified him they would hear him later. While he was waiting, Elkins went to his office for a conference with Harry Payne Whitney, New York sportsman, and Whitney's lawyer, Frank L. Crocker, who had just ap-peared before the committee.

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forced idleness in many of the mine shut off Britain's food supply, which comes chiefly from abroad. Anticipating a food shortage profiteers are boosting prices. The government is making plans for rationing supplies

Glaring Grievances.

The grievances of the dock workers are so glaring that, despite the inconvenience to the general poula-tion caused by their action, the strike is a popular one. The country for the most part accepts the figures of the statisticians showing that less shippers that no fish would be acthan 10 per cent of the dockers re-ceive enough to support themselves much less their families. The strike, than 10 per cent of the dockers re-

work.

which began Feb. 16, came after long negotiations had failed and was ordered by the unanimous vote of the delegate conference of the unions. The unions involved are the Transport and General Workers' union, the National Union of General Workers, the National Amalgamated Union of Laborers, the United Order of General Laborers, and the Amalga-mated Asociation of Electricians.

Bosses Force Strike.

The dispute arose out of the reed yesterday noon in Mexico City, Secretary Hughes announced today. The convention will be put in effusal of the employers to consider a revision of the terms of the Shaw award made in 1920, which provided, among other things for the decasualization of labor by establishing the guarantee week with maintenance. The Shaw agreement, fixed the minimum at 16 shillings a day in the larger ports and 15 shillings in the smaller. Periodical reductions since

have brought the wage down to 10 shilling and 9 shillings a day. A re-duction of 1 shilling a day last sum-mer led to a number of strikes at London, Hull, and Liverpool.

Wanted Price Raise.

The employers offer to compromise on a shilling a day increase and maintain that any wage increase will have to be paid by the public. "If the 2s now demanded has to be paid by the public," replies Secretary Bevin, Transport and General Workers' union, "what happened to the 2s when it came off under the agreement of September, 1922? The cost of liv ing now is higher than when that 2s was given up." He points out that real employers of the dockers are not the port authorities but the in-creasingly rich shipping companies, "the spoiled darlings of the war."

Railwaymen Shut Off Sea Focd. GRIMSBY, Eng., Feb. 20.-The fish trade of Grimsby, source of London's

be the slogan of the anti-McAdoo democrats. Its title is "He knocked the dough out of Doheny, so we'll knock the Mick out of McAdoo."

U.S.-Mexican Treaty

Will Be Ratified

federal government should shoulder losses of the farmers resulting from the deflation policy of the Federal Reserve Board in 1920, Senator Brookhart, Iowa, declared before the vast fish supply, has been brought to House agricultural committee today. Brookhart suggested that restitu-tion be made by the government pura standstill by a strike of the railwaymen belonging to the national union chasing surplus farm products at prices insuring a reasonable profit of railwaymen who are employed in checking consignments of fish into to the farmers.

the railway cars for shipment into The Iowa senator appeared in supthe metropolitan district. On learnport of the Sinclair-Norris bill, providing for a direct appropriation of \$200,000,000 for the purchase by the government of surplus farm products which would be marketed abroad

thru federal agencies.

Klan Issue in Maine. PORTLAND, Maine, Feb. 20.-The Ku Klux Klan has entered actively into the election campaign here and declares its intention to control the Republican party in the state. The Klan, if successful in securing a ma-jority in the next legislature, will Soon, Says Hughes

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Formal atifications of the special claims ratifications of the special claims convention between the American and schools Mexican governments were exchang-

Socialists Lose Votes With Principles. ALBANY, N. Y., Feb. 20.-Figures made public today by Secretary of State Hamilton shows that the So-cialist party enrollment sustained a loss of 4,000 from the figure of 1922-

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fect as soon as it is formally proclaimed here. The general claims convention will be formally ratified in Washington when the documents arrive from Mexico.

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KEENEY GOES TO TRIAL IN COUNTY Here's Another Installment of "A Week" FARM-LABOR OF NEBRASKA HOLDS **NEBRASKA HOLDS** tile. The hundreds of silent houses

OPERATORS OWN to Miners' Defense

FAYETTEVILLE, W. Va., Feb. 20. -Frank Keeney, president, District 17, United Mine Workers of America, is on trial here charged with the murder in connection with the so-called armed march of miners in the summer of 1921. The original plan of the prosecution was to try William Blizzard again, District 17 subdistrict president, whom they have failed to convict in the two previous trials. The reason for the change, according to the prosecution, is because already two terms of court have passed since Keeney was indicted

McKell Owns County.

The defense moved for a change of venue. The motion was based on the belief of the miners' lawyers that William McKell, multi-millionaire non-union coal king and avowed enemy of organized labor, dominated the life and thought of Fayette county. McKell owns 25,000 acres of coal lands and is said to have 15,000 more under lease. Railroads and banks are also listed as his property. Ten thousand men are in his employ. His control of the local republican party is absolute. His field marshall is Osenton, a democrat and a national committeeman. Osenton's sway of the democrats equals McKell's republican influence. The change of venue was denied.

The Prosecutors.

In the courthouse here on Lin-coln's birthday Frank Keeney made the following charges to show that the operators are the "state":

"Sitting there at the prosecuting attorney's table is Charles W. Osenton, chief counsel, William McKell coal interests, representing the state; with him is Alfred Belcher, hired by the Logan County Coal Operators' Association. There beside Belcher sits Emmett Keadle, employe of Don Chafin, sheriff of Logan county; at least until a few months ago he was drawing his pay from the Logan coal operators. At the same table is J. E. Thurman, millionaire coal operator of Logan county; S. A. Scott, presi-dent, New River Coal Operators' Association; M. L. Garvey, Mary-land New River Ass'n. Standing near the portals of the courthouse is William Gray, a Logan thug, who has been implicated in several disorders in Logan and Kanawha counties. And with Gray is James Scott. James Scott is the paymas-ter employed by the Logan coal operators. He is the man that went to the witness stand in Lewisburg, where Blizzard was tried several months ago, and admitted he paid state witnesses money to testify against Blizzard.

Steel Trust Stronghold.

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"In McDowall county the steel corporation has several large opera-

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> (WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE) The Russian Communist Party branch is governing this frontier city and fighting the counter-revolution. Earlier installments revolution. Earlier installments tell of the fuel shortage that prevents seed grain from being fetched on the railroad. The Party meeting decides to send the Red Army far away for fuel, at the risk of leaving the city open for bandits and counter-revolutionists. It also decides to conscript the local bourgeoisie for wood cutting in a near-by park. Varied types of party members are flashed on the screen: Klimin, the efficient president of the branch, who still finds time to have a sweetheart; Robeiko, the consumptive, whose devotion is killing him; Gornuikh, the brilliant youth of 19 on the Cheka, and now Matusenko, the luxury loving place hunter. (NOW

> GO ON WITH THE STORY.) CHAPTER III. (Continued) HE last time he had seen her 1 was in the street in Winter. Out of the white, glittering curtain of falling snow, her trim figure had suddenly appeared; there, close, close to him was her face, snowflakes in her hair, her subtle al-mond-shaped black eyes. She had and then they clouded over with gloom, and she passed by, and in remembering her, loved and alone desired, he murmured words of affection, and these words, heard by no one, fell irrevocably, like pearls into the dark water of a

deep well. They had lived like this a whole year in the same town, separated by a few blocks of houses, near and at the same time far away . .

And now when he came to his lodging, he looked out of the win-dow and tried to see, over there on the hill, where the bulk of the old church was clearly visible, the house in which she lived, and he imagined her cozy room, hung with beloved engravings, and, in the corner, in the old image-case, the dark, stern pictures of the

What Do You Think of "A Week"

The DAILY WORKER wants to know what its readers think of the first serial novel it offers to its readers. We have already published three installments of this gripping story. Another appears today. What do you think of the story, its setting, its characters, as far as we have gone? We want our readers to let us know. Write down your views and send them in to the DAILY WORKER, 1640 N. Halsted St., Chicago, Ill. We will publish as many of these letters as we can find space, for. Don't delay. Write today.

saints. Martuinov came home mechanically, threw off his coat, and, as if he were waking up, looked about him.

A bed, a bare table, with crumbs of bread on it. Books lying on the chair, and general emptiness and untidiness, as if in an uninhabited room. And for a whole year, im-mersed in his work, Martuinov had

lived in this room. The sight of the room was un-pleasant to him. "Shall I go out somewhere?" he thought aloud, "but whither, and to visit whom?" For, in spite of his devotion to the revolution, in spite of his intimate work with them, he had no friends

among the Communists. Once only during the Winter, Martuinov had visited Matusenko, who had almost taken him home with him by force . . Martuinov had spread yellow, creamy butter on white household bread, had greedily drunk perfumed, sweetened tea with cream—he had had nothing so tasty for a long time, and he was naively surprised: 'How did Matusenko come to have these things?"

And round-faced, attentive Matu-senko, had smiled affectionately, blinked his tiny little eyes and respectively, but all the same with a certain tone of house-keeping pride, had entertained Martuinov. "Take a little honey, Comrade Martuinov. My wife works in the Food Committee, so they give her a very good ration. And do take some milk, from our own cow. . . A family man can provide himself

with everything. I am an economi-cal fellow, and why should I kill myself with hunger? Nothing is said about that in our Programme.

Ha, ha! isn't that so, Comrade Martuinov? Ha, ha! Why are you taking nothing? Grusha, en-tertain the Chief jokingly but sternly he said to his wife.

Martuinov caught the eye of Matusenko's wife, a full-breasted, rosy blonde; he saw the gold lights in the blue depths of her pupils and those eyes of hers spoke of the sweetness of love, of the pleasures of the senses that Martuinov had not yet experienced. And show-ing her white teeth in a smile, Matusenko's wife pushed towards him white butter-cakes, spread with saccharine essence, and said, "Pray, help yourself. . . ."

And Matusenko, in his thin voice went on wheedingly dropping into Martuinov's ear mawkishly sweet, tidy words, like the butter-cakes spread with saccharine.

Martuinov had looked, round Matusenko's room, curtains on the windows, little round tables, a Chinese screen, a divan, a carpet, and remembered the past, so re-cent, the well-fed life in the comfortable rooms of his own house, now occupied by a Children's Home, and it had been as if he were regretting all this. . . .

Martuinev knew that he had nowhere to go, and that even in the Politdep he would find no one, that there was nothing there but empty chairs and barefooted women cleaning up, washing the dusty linoleum. Martuinov lay down on his hard bed and stuck his face into the pillow, so as not to see his slovenly room.

And again he remembered his past life .-- not recent times, after the revolution, wher political con-victions had taken him and his family by different roads, but his

childhood long ago, games of hide and seek in warm rooms, the affec-tion of his dead mother, a Christ-mas tree, and all the endless stream of that quiet happy life, with its plentiful dinners, suppers and morning teas and morning teas. . . .

Had there really been such a life?

And from under the pillow he And from under the pillow he pulled out a blue knitted waist-coat, the only thing left to him from his home, the waist-coat in which, jingling his skates, he used to run to the rink,—there, on the skating rink, he had made her acquaintance. . . . O bitterness, "Pray, help yourself. . . ."

He put on his coat and went out into the street.

It had grown dark; a few stars were showing, and tho the air was keen, yet, for this night, the Spring had stayed in town; the freezing puddles glittered, but streams were bubbling in the dark gutters.

Martuinov walked with quick steps, and thought now of nothing at all, but heard all together, the bubbling of the streamlets, the dripping of water from the roofs, the rustling of the bare twigs, and the whistles of the locomotives in the station. But now all these sounds were covered by another, low, disturbing,—the siren was howling at the Power Station. Martuinov, not understanding was enjoying the lively music of these sounds. The streets were empty, the little houses were quiet, and only when he came to the Red Army Club, Martunov met a man with a coat thrown on in a hurry.

The man came right up to Martuinov and looked him straight in the face. They recognized each other-they had often met at the meetings of the Party.

"Sounds like the alarm signal?" said the man.

"Alarm? Why?" Martuinov was surprised, but while he asked, understood already the meaning of that roar, close by and loud, sent out from the Power Station, was as if some one shouted, threatened, called for help. . . .

"Do you hear?" said the man, "Two breaks. . . . Let's hurry along to the Communst Company."

For Martuinov the quiet comfort of the Spring evening had somewhere disappeared, and everything had become secret, dark and hos-

were like enemies hiding weapons the folds of their wide dark clouds. . . .

"Well, we are on a war-footing today" Martuinov thought aloud, and it occurred to him that at that moment beside this alien, taciturn man, he was going, with quick steps, to suffering, to death which was hanging over the silent little town and at any time was ready to submerge it.

The siren went on booming over the town; it was echoed from the railway station by the powerful chorus of the locomotives and the whistles at the Depot, and the summons of these inhuman voices rolled far beyond the town, over the speechless snow-covered fields, among the quiet villages and ham-

lets.

The summons was stronger than the fear of suffering and death and from all parts of the town, hundreds of people gathered towards the Communist Company, making their way thru the malicious winding lanes. And Martuinov also came into the broad lamp-lit courtyard of the Communist Company. Hurriedly, group after group, the Communists poured in, and formed quickly into platoons and so squads. Martuinov also stood in the ranks and dressed by the right in

his file. There was no fear. It had remained outside this bustling courtyard, there, in the empty streets. And Martuinov was ready to kill himself for the ideas that had taken possession of him a few minutes before.

He stood on the left flank, near the gates, and those coming into the yard passed by him, and the lamp flung light on their faces.

Some of the faces were perplexed and intent, others quietly thoughtful, others unrestrainedly nervous, while in others burned the powerful splendid flame of en-thusiasm, burned clearly, like a bonfire on a windless Summer night. Women and girls came too; some had not yet chased from their faces coquettishly sly amusement, others, forgetful of themselves



to find ways and means of striking the heaviest blows at their political enemies in the coming elections has just been issued. The call for this convention is indorsed by more than 75 active members of the Progressive Party and the former Non-partisan league. This group is representative of the most populated sections of the state. It is the intention of those be-

for the next campaign.

braska.

hind this call to get together on a program and to build a working political machinery to enable the farmers and workers of the state to agree upon, not only state can-didates, but also national candidates. Opens Washington's Birthday.

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STATE MEETING

Widespread Discontent

Making Itself Felt

(Special to The Daily Worker) GRAND ISLAND, Neb., Feb. 20.— The widespread discontent amongst the farmers of the Northwest is making itself heavily felt in Ne-braska

The state is now in the throes of political developments of great di-mensions and no one is ready to state definitely what new steps the farm-

ers and workers are planning to take

Call Gets Big Support.

A call for a state-wide mass con-vention of the farmers and workers

This convention will open on Washington's birthday, Feb. 22, at Grand Island, Neb.

It is significant that the call reads in part: "Certainly, a program for union with the Minnesota Farmer-Labor movement and similar groups elsewhere in a national movement should be adopted, and desirable presidential candidates considered and recommended."

Most of the Nebraska congressmen are lawyers or business men, not at all representatives of the dirt farmers of the state who have been hit hard by the economic depression that has struck the agricultural areas of the country.

This dissatisfaction with the elec-ted officials of the state is hitting both the Democratic and Republican parties alike. The Democratic congressman, John Henry Morehead of Falls City, is a spokesman of the big farming, mercantile, banking and business interests of the state. Another Democratic congressman, Ashton C. Shallenberger, is the presi-dent of the Bank of Alma and is engaged in cattle raising. The Re-publican congressman, Willis G. Sears, is a prominent lawyer, and Mr. Robert E. Simmons, another Republican congressman, is the state-commander of the American Legion.

Dirt Farmers Not Satisfied.

The dirt farmers of Nebraska feel that these men do not represent them in congress and are bent on organizing to change the present unsatisfactory conditions.

The dissatisfaction of the farmers and workers has been seriously ag-gravated by the attempt of the Democrats to swallow up the Pro-gressive Party organization here. A traitor in the ranks, Mayor Ellsberry of Grand Island has been prevailed upon to start a movement in the ranks of the progressives to turn the tide to the Democratic fold. He has just filed a petition at Lincoln placing Governor Bryan's name on the Progressive primary ballot.

Industrial Accidents Cause Loss **COOLIDGE FORCED** of Four Times As Many Working COAL PEACE ON Days As Strikes, Declares Olds **PA. MINE OWNERS** By LELAND OLDS.

(Staff Correspondent of The Federated Press) The struggle between capital and labor has cost the American people \$12,522,203,356 in the last eight years, according to exaggerated figures made public by Secretary Noel Sargent of the National Association of Manufacturers' Industrial Relations committee.

But this employers' one big union, representing billions of dollars of capital solidly lined up against the trade union move-

tions. In Logan county the same organization has large holdings. Thru interlocking directorates the steel corporation and the Pennsylvania



Fears Coal Strike During Presidential Fight

cent of the mines in the southern fields.

"The steel corporation," said Keen-"hopes to dominate the coal markets of the nation by making West Virginia fields nonunion. That is why the fight is so bitter. It is not that the coal operators think I inspired Strikes and lockouts. Sargent the miners' uprising in 1921. They know that is ridiculous; that I was doing everything in my power to turn the men homeward.

"They have set out to crush the United Mine Workers, and I am sim-ply incidental."

Friend of Ku Klux Klan Is Leading

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 20 .--Henry L. Fuqua today piled up a heavy lead over Hewitt Bouanchaud in the race for nomination for gov-ernor in the count of ballots from Tuesday's primary. Returns from the entire city of New Orleans and 465 out of 1,082 county precincts gave a vote of, Fuqua 81,352; Bouan-chand 62 640 chaud 63,649.

Attorney General A. V. Coco, who prosecuted the famous Mer Rouge investigations of the murders of Watt Daniel and T. F. Richards, has apparently been defeated for re-elec-tion by Parent Saint tion by Percy Saint.

state auditor, who is in a tight race 1923 with T. O. Harris.

Tuesday's election was a run-off primary.

Hines Is Called On Carpet In Probe

(Special to The Daily Worker) WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 20.— The senate investigation of the Vet-erans' Bureau which was stopped at the request of President Coolidge was unexpectedly reopened today when the investigating committee conven-

unexpectedly reopened today when the investigating committee conven-ed and called Frank L. Hines, direc-tor of the bureau before it. Hines was called to explain "per-sonal matters." He was also asked what steps the Veterans' Bureau has taken to remove hard boiled officials the bureau.

conditions in industry these in- that year. dustrial accidents would be largely eliminated.

Strikes and lockouts, Sargent but these figures of Sargent include states, have involved an average loss at least one gross exaggeration. The of approximately 53,000,000 working days a year since 1916. But the U.S. bureau of labor statistics computes the annual loss on account of indus-trial accidents at 227,169,970 working days not to mention the loss of 21,-232 lives which can hardly be adequately valued.

403,522 in lost wages; cost to em-ployers, \$478,610,969 in lost profits; and cost to the public, \$10,803,188,865 in lost production.

The following table shows for each year the number of working days lost on account of strikes and lockouts and wages as computed by Sargent. He figures the loss to capital at 27¹/₂ per cent of the wage bill and the public's loss in terms of products worth six times the total loss in wages:

Total wage Total days lost 1916 37,431,818 1917 30,817,626 1918 21,165,935 lost \$ 96,451,136 67,083,820 78,737,278 598,173,88 295,817,791 236,411,831 270,904,354 20,551,140 97,823,417

Total .. 424,329,008 \$1,740,403,522 1919 Strikes Hottest.

These statistics show 1919 as the year in which the conflict was hotpet In Probe of Vet's Bureau distance of the cost of living which had run so far ahead in its upward swing that wages would purchase

only about 80 per cent of the pre-war standards. The total cost of strikes in that year as figured by Sargent was \$4,303,861,102. Between 1919 and 1922, the period

more than four times as great. tive lull in the conflict. ' Sargent's And if the unions could control figures show that strikes and lock-outs cost only \$703,839,575 during

> Bosses' Statistics Exaggerate. The industrial conflict forced upon

workers by injustices of the present industrial order is enormously costly

actual value produced by the average wage earner does not represent six times the wages paid. Two and a half times the wage bill would be a fairer figure to use in estimating the actual loss to the public in terms of the value of the production withheld. On this basis the total cost of Ian Is Leading in Louisiana Poll 403.522 in lost wages: cost to the total cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: Cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost to wage earners, \$1,740,-cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cost of the industrial conflict as fol-lows: cos certain proportion of the loss com-puted on this basis is not real loss because days lost on account of a

strike would in many instances have been lost otherwise on account of no market. Taking this figure, however, it is

evident that strikes and lockouts have occasioned an average annual loss of something under \$1,000,000,-000 as compared with an annual loss of approximately \$4,300,000,000 on account of industrial accidents which can be traced in larger measure to the negligence or deliberate evasion

of responsibility by employers.

Furuseth Officials Allowed on Boats of Shipping Board

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—An-drew Furuseth, for the International Seamen's Union of America, and

Seamen's Union of America, an-iounces that Admiral Palmer, new president, Emergency Fleet Corp., of the agreement, unions i unior

That the Cooldge administration has the signing of the graphed to the new British Labor worst tenement hree New Fork has the signing of the graphed to the new British Labor premier, Ramsey MacDonald, asking side by side in the Twenty-sixth that "everything be done owing to Street morgue here, while sorrowing that the sorrowing that the sorrowing that the sorrowing today by THE DAILY WORKER correspondent. The Pittscounteract the immigration campaign burgh coal barons came to Jacksonof the Ontario government in Great ville with instructions from Wash-Britain." ington that they must sign any sort

here.

The unemployed workers in Toof an agreement rather than add a coal strike to the oil troubles of the ronto have organized and presented

Coolidge administration. It is an open secret that the cab-inet officer who carried the White House instructions to the coal plutes further emigration to be sent to from the smoky city is none other Premier Ramsay MacDonald, that the than Herbert Hoover. Another cab- stigma of labeling material given for net officer was appointed to keep in relief from the house of industry be touch with Lewis. For racial and stopped and that some place better other reasons Mr. James J. Davis than a police station be provided for was considered the proper man to the sleeping accommodation of the show John L. Lewis the advantage of unemployed."

being reasonable and not make wage Mayor Hiltz agreed that immigrademands which the operators would tion should be stopped until those out not grant. of work are absorbed in industry and Everything came off as planned. pledged himself to take the necessary The Pittsburgh coal barons, until now the "die hards" among the mine owners, were quite tractable at Jacksteps with the state authorities to accomplish those results. He promised relief whereby work shall be sonville, and signed on the dotted line after a little stage play to throw provided for at least 500 men until May. off suspicion that they came in-

The "right to work" was asked for structed by the Republican administration not to kick over the coal bin. It should be remembered in con-nection with this that Lewis is a lutions were passed demanding either dyed-in-the-coal Republican even work or full maintenance by the fed-the his organization has platonic con-eral provincial and municipal govern-beating on doors with my night stick nections with the Conference for Pro-gressive Political Action, a non-partisan outfit. was prohibited by the police.

The delegates to the Jacksonville conference who have been here since Feb. 11 have left for home to report the results of their work to the mem-Ask Meal Ticke bers of the union.

The agreement provides for a meet

(Special to The Daily Worker) HAMILTON, Ont., Feb. 20.—Aid for the unemployed and issue of meal tickets were the demands presented to

Immediately following the signing the city's relief department by a has granted passes into the port premises of the government mer-chant marine for officers of the union deputation of clergymen here. Criticizing the treatment of the unemployed by the city authorities, the deputation suggested the recruiting Western Pennsylvania, were ordered This is a point over which the un-ion and the shipping board fought were on the basis of the old wage gency cases. The Hamilton Trades and Labor of the scale.

the bureau before it. nes was called to explain "per-matters." He was also asked steps the Veterans' Bureau has i to remove hard boiled officials endly to ex-service men from ureau. d to zervice men from d to zervice men from the country in order to d to zervice men from the country in order to d to zervice to the country in order to d to zervice to the country in order to d to zervice to the country in order to d to zervice to the country in order to d to zervice t

prevailing unemployment here to relatives attempt to identify them. After extensive investigation, police and the fire marshal's office abandoned their first theory that the fire which broke out early today and swept thru the tenement house with savage fury, was of incendiary origin.

Patrolman Michael Huesline, who

discovered the blaze, told a graphic story of the disaster.

"I saw smoke pouring out of the building," he said, "and then a man (Schoenfeld) running away. I caught the man and held him until help came and then rushed into the building.

"It was terrible. The flames were roaring up thru a sort of natural flue formed by the stairways of flimsy wood.

All Is Over Quickly. people and help them to safety. "There was a little girl in a crib. took her in one arm and carried

to beat out the flames." Firemen said the flames burned themselves out in a few minutes, eating thru the cheaply built old house with lightning rapidity.

For Recognition of Soviet Russia!

Union Teachers Ask A. F. of L. to Visit

NEW YORK, Feb. 20.---Union teachers in New York are favorable to Third Party action by labor. At

one of them to subscribe today.

The farmers of the state are very sore over this maneuver because this War Vet Epileptic Released. Lewis Schoenfeld, ex-soldier, an epileptic, arrested as he was fleeing the blazing house, was re-the blazing house, was resive candidate, Mr. Ray, was prevailed upon in the midst of the elec-tion contest to withdraw from the race in order to throw all the progressive strength to his Democratic opponent, the present incumbent of the Governor's office, Mr. Bryan. This betrayal had a demoralizing effect on the ranks of the dirt farmers and working men of Nebraska. They are now determined not to allow such a surrender to occur again.

The Progressive Party which has "I managed to rouse some of the strength in the state, is an organization of the farmers and workers who after the breakdown of the Nonpartisan league, refused to accept Townley's balance of power scheme in politics.

Fight Democratic Steal.

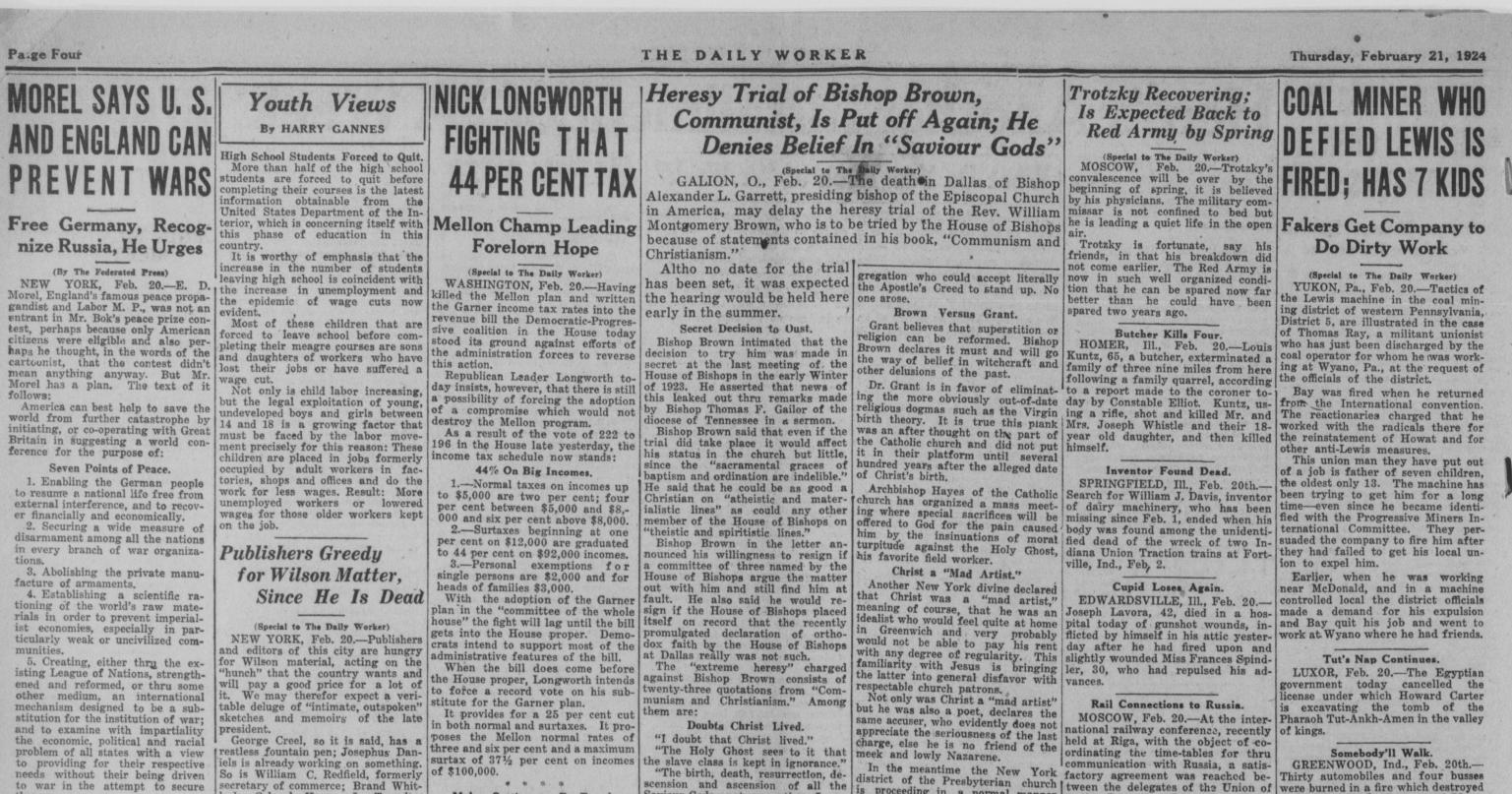
The leaders and most active workcrs of the Progressive Party are now marshalling all their forces to prevent the Democratic clique from stealing their organization.

If the convention at Grand Island is sufficiently representative and strong enough, there is a likelihood of its even going to the length of organizing a state Farmer-Labor party in order to end the present political muddle and nullify the at-May 30 Convention (Special to The Daily Worker) tempts of the Democrats to file can-didates in every congressional dis-trict on the party ticket.

Among the most active workers behind this move to thwart the At that time it appeared that the board was determined to cut off the in contact with the non-union bituminous coal are their organization on shore and thereby break up the strength of the American and Labor of the spring. The who can shut down that agreement hopeless for fitters, turners, mills absolutely hopeless for fitters, turners, mills benefits absolutely hopeles for fitters, turners, mills Democratic politicians from mislead Farmer of Inland, Morris Burkhart of Clay Center, Wm. Lyman of North Platte, John O. Smith of Wahoo, J. W. Behrens of Yutan, Otto Ulric of Winside, John Havekost of Hooper, Fred Panko of Starling. Perry J. Green of Tilden, L. A. Lar-son of Wellfleet, David Coutts, Tom Matthews, Maud L. Lochray of Omaha, and Edward Sughros of In-diancia.

Ask Meal Tickets

for Unemployed



iels is already working on something. So is William C. Redfield, formerly secretary of commerce; Brand Whitlock, Colonel House, Jo Tumulty, Newton Baker are all said to be WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 .- Demo

anxious to write books about the crats scored their second victory in two days when the House this afteron some such plan as that laid down in "Africa and the Peace of Europe" and in "The Black Man's Burden," of the greater part of man who kept us out of war. His daughters, his widow, his phynoon adopted the Garner stock divisicians and other intimates have, of dend tax by a vote of 162 to 112. course, been besieged by editors of Africa including also the tropical regions; and abolishing the milinewspaper syndicates, magazines and dends, regardless of when the stock newspapers as well as book publishis sold, would be subject to the regular income tax rates, under the amendment offered by Representa-

Work Daily for "The Daily!"

Austrian Finances

at Standstill from

banks are shut down by a walkout

It is impossible to replace the strik-

No. 1, as Mr. Morel points out involves the wide revision of the Ver-sailles Treaty. No. 5 involves the reexamination of all the peace treaties of 1919 with a view to the protection

Must Revise Peace Treaty.

6. Recognizing Russia.

tarization of Africa.

7. Ensuring the neutralization,

of racial minorities. "America," adds Mr. Morel, "can convince herself, if she chooses, that the British government now in power is not an imperialist government but is sincerely and deeply anxious to start a new chapter in the history of of the bank employes. The strikers refuse to increase their working week international relationships. "Its capacity to do so depends in by two and a half hours.

large measure upon American action, or inaction.

ers. Austrian bank workers have to The best in America and the best be accomplished statisticians to deal in Britain associated officially and with the financial figures that run unofficially in the unselfish task of into the billions and trillions since the preparing a new and better future for humanity can change the face of the world."

Now if some of our left wing agi- papers to shame the bank clerks back tators would speak up as to their with sob arguments about the hard-opinion of this British legislator's ships the government is suffering dursuggestion the first steps toward such ing these reconstruction times are a conference would be accomplished. dismal failures.

Bank Clerks' Strike Only 274 votes out of a total of 435 in the House were cast on the (Special to The Daily Worker) VIENNA, Feb. 20. — Austrian amendment and the Republican leaders hope to be able to reverse today's action when a record vote is taken in the House proper. Willie Hearst Spurs

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Melon Cutting to Be Taxed.

Profits from the sale of stock divi-

tive Garner, Texas.

on Cops to Pursue

tion of religious thought are given Under the present law, profits from the sale of stock dividends in the following excerpts from his public statement: more than two years after the divi-"The works of Frazer, Tylor and dends are issued are subject only to the capital assets tax of $2\frac{1}{2}$ per cent. others have scientifically established the revolutionary fact that the his-

Jesus."

Gilda's Highwaymen

to the billions and trillions since the epreciation of the currency. For-ign exchange is particularly taxing. So far the efforts of the capitalist man, and the capture of six persons what caused per supposed to be connected with the

tory of religion is continuous from the savage upward, and that it is the history of an evolution. From the savage to ourselves there is no break, one phase of religious belief

has given way to another, and there has been the same revolt and the same resistance to change at every

step. "The history of religion becomes more and more a question of phsychology. It is not a question of cer-

nember of the Modern Churchmen's

Union, even tho he took extreme pains to acquaint its leaders with

Evolution of Superstition.

The Bishop's views on the evolu-

his radical social ideas.

tain events having occurred at some

Witchcraft and Religion.

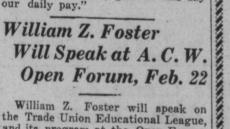
"In one direction the new view

and its program at the Open Forum, conducted by Local No. 39, of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, on Friday evening, Feb. 22,

The Chicago Bank Employes Association will give their first annual dance Thursday evening Feb. 21, at the Morrison Hotel, Cameo Room, Madison and Clark Sts.

This is the only bank employes' association in existence and all labor

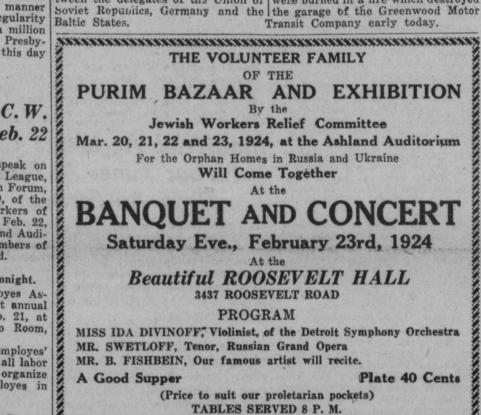
In the meantime the New York district of the Presbyterian church tween the delegates of the Union of were burned in a fire which destroyed cension and ascension of all the Saviour-Gods not excepting Jesus, are versions of the sun-myth." "There is no rational doubt about the fictitious character of the Divine is proceeding in a normal manner and is demonstrating its regularity Baltic States. by putting on a drive for a million dollars. The motto of the Presby-terians is "O Lord, give us this day our daily pay." Bishop Brown was accepted as a



1924, 8 o'clock, at the Ashland Audi-torium, Room 237. All members of the Amalgamated are invited.

Bank Employes Dance Tonight.

particular date in history, and at should support it, to help organize some particular place, but one of the hundreds of bank employes in what caused people to believe that this city.



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"The "plan" as outlined above was sent to Julia Ellsworth Ford, Amer-ican peace worker, by Mr. Morel at Don't be a "Yes, But," supporter of The Daily Worker. Send in your subher request. scription at once.



Frogs and Children. By EDMUND R. BRUMBAUGH

seldom or sent to school without any breakfast.

2.014 frogs were unkindly treated last year in Illinois alone, according to a press dispatch from the DAILY WORKER'S own home city of Chicago. 15 ostriches and 95 monkeys were abused. A cage of songsters the labor movement has found itself were bothered by jazz music on a phonograph.

Chickens, alligators, dogs and goldcording to the state humane society, which made public the report.

we are informed that complaints of cruelty to children numbered 1,437.

It may just have happened, or possibly the order of mention reflected a state of mind all too common under our grab-and-gulp social order.

Looking out for frogs, alligators and gold-fish requires a brand of sym-pathy that is safely narrow and has section of the Young Workers nothing to do with serious, funda-mental things like the industrial sys-tem and just distribution of wealth. and an appeal for help for the starv-Kindly and prosperous ladies and ing children of Germany. It is well gentlemen, all on fire for unselfish illustrated. There is also a new song service, can thus have an outlet for for rebel kids, news about the junior their impulses without having to let go of cherished privileges, and, what is more definite, without having to

go to work.

Now children happen to be differ-ent from dumb things. They are generally acknowledged to be human All kinds of possibilities beings. are wrapped up in them. All kinds of big and far-reaching changes are in prospect if their present is to be improved and their future made se-cure. If one honestly starts to help children, there is no telling in what radical surroundings he may land, for, quite plainly, such help cannot stop at seeing that children are not slapped too often or bathed too

these things have occurred. holdup of Gilda Gray, friend of W. R. "We have the same problem, Hearst, shimmy dancer who was robbed of \$150,000 worth of jewelry, kind, presented to us by the growth of new religious beliefs among sav-

disturbed the peace and quiet of the police of Chicago yesterday. Unknown persons for unknown rea-

sons placed a bomb under the porch of the home of Anthony Czarnecki, 6877 Hobart avenue. Norwood Park, a member of the board of election commissioners, and did about \$1,000 of culture. The question no longer is, 'Did miracles occur?' The question now is, "What led people to believe they occurred?' Fiore Lamonttagna, a grodamage. cer at 2327 W. Harrison street, failed

to settle with black handers and as a result, yesterday his place of busipoint is quite openly adopted. We do not ask when did witchcraft cease ness was hombed. He was asked to give the black harders \$2,000. He estimated that the bomb did about

to exist, for no one believes that it ever existed, but when did people cease to believe in witchcraft? This \$1.000 damage. Two men held up a drug store at 6260 Champlain avenue and tried to

escape in a taxi. A policeman from tance, the Woodlawn station commandeered "The whole study of religion now

consists in an investigation of man's a passing auto and gave chase. He caught the two men, who are said intellectual evolution from the preto be ex-convicts, and after a tussle shot one thru the chest and took them both to the station.

For the forty-eleventh time the acles are left-offs from the age of traditionalism, and have no place in acles are left-offs from the age of that of scientism as realities, but pandits that robbed Gilda Gray. This time there are six of them in custody. only as symbols.

Up till a late hour last night Gilda had not called at the detective bureau to identify them. The detective bureau promises that if Gilda feels she can't identify the men they now

stone age, and how very thin is the veneer of civilization we have put The Herald and Examiner men have been privately urging the police to get busy and recover Gilda's lost

ewels, because of her friendship for

10,000 Pullman porters was an-nounced today by the Pullman com-nany. The annual total will exceed \$1,000,000 officials said. Conductors recently were given a six per cent in-

"The fact is that we are in for a wave of reaction toward tyranny all over the world. The United States is today at least fifty years behind what it was before thy war, and our

Still Near Stone Age.

"Heresy charges are at this day

almost enough to make one despair

of human nature. They compel one

to realize how near we are to the

government can do with impunity tyrannous things it would not have dared to do twenty-five years ago. There are few, comparatively, today who have any real regard for free-dom as such."

No Point of Agreement.

While Bishop Brown stands so far to the left in the opposition move-ment inside the Protestant Episco-pal church, that it is quite difficult German Socialists Hit Toboggan. BERLIN, Feb. 20 .- The Socialists lost out in the elections held in Mecklenburg-Schwerin on February 17, when the conservatives secured to see any point of agreement be-tween him and the rest of the Moda majority of 21 in the State Asernists on the religious question

there is an ever widening split in the ranks of the Lord's army. Dr. Percy Stickney Grant, the stormy petrel of New York, throws bomb after bomb into the camp of the Fundamentalists or those who Polish War Head Quits. WARSAW, Poland, Feb. 20.—Ow-ing to dissatisfaction over the war ministry budget, General Sosnkow-

ski, minister of war, resigned is portfolio. He will be replaced by General Sikorski, former premier and minister of the interior. take their religion raw. In a ser-mon delivered last Sunday in the Church of the Ascension, New York, he requested those of his

Work Daily for "The Daily!" age and civilized people. It is re-ally a question of studying the cul-ture stage at which a people are living and relating the beliefs in the supernatural to their existent stage

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Humane societies do good work, but their work is woefully circum

scribed, and it may even mean a serious misdirection of energy. When and has more fully justified itself, the cruelty to children which is deep and damning, the poverty and the suffer-

fish were also unkindly treated, ac- ing, the stifling of worthy ambition and the refusal of equal opportunity, will be ended, not all at once, but Also, as an afterthought, perhaps, surely promptly and permanently. In that hour, too, frogs, alligators and gold-fish will not be forgotten.

A genuinely civilized human race will not allow cruelty anywhere at any have they will get several more for time to anything.

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made great progress, as testi-

Ruthenberg, executive secretary of the Workers Party, will be read at every Party Branch. It describes

the organization that has come with

the wrecking of the reputations of

both old parties and asks for the full-

fied to by the letter to our conven-

tion from the Communist Interna-

tional. We have before us now the

opportunity for even greater achieve-

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gates requested.

ISSUE IN BOSTON

CENTRAL BODY

Machine Shelve It

the Friends of Soviet Russia and of ence.

organizations; and by the district at- ern Africa.

torney of New York, who found no

gate Simons to send the two dete-

Conservative Machine Objects.

Members of the conservative machine objected on the grounds that the Central Labor Union had already Asya

Delegate Gillespie stated that he

and amended the motion to read to

vestigation. To this Simons replied

and clothing, first for Russia and now

for Germany. Action was impera-

tive at this meeting. If any delegate

who urged further investigation

would state grounds for further in-

be investigating thousands of Ger-

man workers and children would be

starving. What would you say, if

under similar conditions in America,

with hundreds of thousands starving

those in other countries would delay

relief by carrying on interminable

that if investigations could

was not a Friend of Soviet Russia, ple."

An interesting discussion ensued

League Asks Russ Tariff Pact. MOSCOW, Feb. 20 .- Upon a report by Mr. Hannoteaux on the curtailment of customs formalities, the Council of the League of Nations has endorsed a proposition of Lord Robert Cecil to approach the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics with a

TO SAY that "Peer Gynt' is amus-ing nonsense might be construed as implying disrespect for one of the request to sign the newly-drafted most austere masters of dramatic tariff convention. poetic fantasy that this department

THE THEATRE

is prepared to maintain.

(Special to The Daily Worker) BOSTON, Feb. 20.—The Boston Central Labor Union today referred

of sending two delegates to the sec- version of the drama. Suffice to say

ond Conference for German relief that, in certain respects, the cur-

called by the Boston organization of rent presentation justifies its exist-

Accompanying the request was a Gynt, a turbulent yet jolly character

tatement describing how the F. S. as played by Basil Sydney. Sydney

R. has been thoroly investigated by is at his best in the fourth act,

an impartial committee of represen- wherein he undergoes various ex-

tative men from unions and political periences on, the continent of north-

after a motion was made by Dele- mother, a living and breathing cre-

appointed a committee, at the re-quest of the A. F. of L. to help the German trade union movement. Delegate A brahams answered above

plans. The A. F. of L. was trying has combined a slap-stick comedy

to save the trade union machinery with a fairy tale to achieve its effect.

of officials and other administrative expenses. The proposed conference, however, was for the relief of the up for by the charmingly naive spirit

need, and urged the sending of dele-gates. Investigation Excuse. Delegate Gillespie stated that he

have

vestigation, very well, but this was not done. While the C. L. U. would the setting and costumes.

lies."

ation

By D'FERRIER

There is considerable discussion as

The play chronicles the adventur-

ous life and imaginings of Peer

The best bit of acting in "Peer Gynt" is contributed by Nannie Grif-fen, who makes of Ase, Peer's

Arthur Hughes, as the master of

a Cairo madhouse, gives an enjoy-able performance. This madhouse

setting is a masterpiece of the gro-

In the Norwegian trolls, the Guild

There is little poetry in "Peer

* * * Guild Produces "Fata Morgana." NEW YORK, Feb. 20.-The The-

atre Guild announces the complete

cast of "Fata Morgana" by Ernst Vajda, opening March 3 at the Gar-

rick with Emily Stevens, Morgan Farley, Helen Westley, Josephine Hull, William Ingersoll, Orlando

Daly, Helen Sheridan, Armina Mar-

shall, Edith Meiser, Charles Chelten-

ham, Patricia Barciay, Sterling Hol-loway, Aline Berry and Paul Martin. Philip Moeller is directing the pro-

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that every party member will realize the significance of the present situation and make his contribution.

\$1.00 From Each Member. 'Our party has before it a great "Attached are Farmer-Labor Campaign Fund emblems. We ask that every member of the party contrib-ute \$1.00 and put one of these em-blems on his dues card. The payopportunity. During the past year blems on his dues card. The payment is not compulsory. We ask that each party member assess himself coluntarily to enable the party to go

"A crisis of major importance is forward to great achievement. shaking this country. For two years the farmers have suffered under con-"Each branch of up to twenty-five members should be able to raise at least \$10.00 thru these emblems and ditions which have driven millions of them from the land. As a result there has developed a widespread movement among the farmers for a farmer-labor party and independent political action

meeting. Collect as many dollars for the emblems as possible and remit them to the National Office. We do not want a long, lingering campaign. Let us show that we can act quickly even in a financial campaign. Caned in the previous history of this country. Both of the old parties are being splattered with the oil vas every member during the next two weeks. Send in the remittance

promptly. "The National Office will transmit from Teapot Dome. They stand before the workers and farmers 25 per cent of the receipts from each as the corrupt instruments of the district to the District Organizer to exploiting class, using the power finance the work in the district. of the government to loot the na-

"Comrades, we are going forward to greater struggles and greater victories. Your contribution to Farmer-Labor Party campaign fund will furnish the means for the biggest campaign the party has waged. Do your part-do it quickly and well.

Fraternally yours, C. E. RUTHENBERG, Executive Secretary."

From Austria to "It is our work to crystallize this **Spain Misery Rules** Capitalist Europe

movement. It is our work to give it definite form and to become the leaders in this movement. If we do not take the place in the forefront of this movement, these workers and Special to The Daily Worker) NEW YORK, Feb. 20th .--- Disfarmers, who are moving toward in-dependent political action will fall under the influence of petty bour-geoisie Third Party leadership. They will be misled and the class movepatches to commercial institutions of New York in one day sketch a depressing picture of Europe as follows: ment of workers and farmers will be

The bank employes of "recondelayed for years in its crystalliza- structed" Vienna went on strike for wage increases so that they may buy "Is our party equal to the oppor-tunity which lies before it? Are we strong enough to win the farmers

sufficient bread to keep them alive; There was "some disturbance" reported in French industry because of and industrial workers for the class rising living costs with little success movement in a struggle with the reported for the governments' atmiddle class leaders? The Central tempt to cope with the stiuation by Executive Committee believes that means of restrictions on exportation our party is capable of undertaking of certain kinds of food stuffs, coal this struggle and to win new suc- and leather; Industrial disturbances in Norway;

Conditions in unoccupied Germany during the last year prove our are "increasingly unsatisfactory" strength to go forward to new thanks to "a serious transportation breakdown and foreign competi- said to be missing. The Central Executive Committee tion."

Co llness in Spain;

stamped out at all costs without de-

serving politicians and office seekers who expect to gain personal advan-tage by compromise with this evil

laration of war on the American gov-ernment and it affects and challenges by an indecisive boy breaks up the wedding a second time and results the whole nation, not merely the peo-ple of Texas." in the most artistic suicide ever screened. And the old mother is cheated of a violent revenge by her

* * * * Another Juicy Scandal.

gun yesterday under orders from the

Ballot Boxes Absent. The committee has completed the

E. B. Peddy, the contestant, claimed

signed by the presiding judges who have that exclusive power.

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WASHINGTON, Feb. 20.—Validity of the first ballots counted in the Mayfield election investigation was challenged today by opponents of Senator Earle B. Mayfield, Texas. Returns from seven precincts in the time barber of the seven precincts in the time barber would be the time barber would have been killed long ago. It was a legitimate organiza-tion for the gathering of relief funds and clothing, first for Russia and now

recount of the first county bis the totals were not made public. Luther Nickels, attorney for George

Several boxes from Anderson coun-ty-a strong Mayfield district-were

upon it by the critics-and then some. In taking the most tawdry Goosestep President in and trite of dramatic material-the threadbare French "cabinet drama" Progressives Won't Let art; Henrik Ibsen. Nevertheless, such is the attitude towards this -and thru sheer directorial skill

War on Night-Gown making it the vehicle for supreme (Special to The Daily Worker)

expression of almost every emotion (Special to The Daily Worker) NEW YORK, Feb. 20—Dr. Nicholas Murray Butler, president of Columbia university, has accepted the leader-film world. There have been other university, has accepted the leader-film world. There have been other university, has accepted the leader-film world. There have been other film world. There have been other to its executive board the question of sending two deleard the question film world area actors who could move their film world. There have been other to its executive board the question film world area actors who could move their film world area actors a against the Ku Klux Klan by unseat- audiences alternately to thought, to ing Earl B. Mayfield as junior United tears and to laughter, altho no one States senator from Texas. Convinced that if the Klan is to be stamped out Mayfield must be unseated, fifty men clown. Chaplin here proves that he of affairs in New York have been can do the vastly more difficult job

Butler, in announcing the confer-ence's purpose to obtain financial as-sistance for those prosecuting the This picture is an emotional field Mayfield ouster, said: "My interest in combating the Klan day. One sees the private property pride of the French father whose

movement arises from its lawlessness. The Ku Klux Klan is one of the newservices in marriage agreement have The Ku Klux Klan is one of the new-est and most active forms of that young lovers, pride that sends one lawlessness which surrounds us on sid man to death and the other to a every side and which threatens the foundations of our government and mother love in its true colors, gloour social order. riously selfish, meddling in the boy's

"The very professions of the Ku Klux Klan, to say nothing of its acts, are in violation of our fundamental In "The Woman" one sees love, law. We guarantee to every man freedom of conscience, freedom of worship and equality before the law. The Ku Klux Klan denies and violates nomic Determinism" make the fine by providing funds for the salaries

and un-Christian and it must be philosopher.

"Judge not that we be not judged," "Judge not that ye be not judged, is the underlying theme of the picture. A splendid antidote for an overdeveloped morality. A rap on the door at the wrong time by a doctor called to attend a corpse, a will are appealed to the kiddies in a not a the wrong time by a doctor called to attend a corpse, a will are appealed to the kiddies in a not a the wrong time by a doctor called to attend a corpse, a doctor called to attend at lay. We serve this notice upon time-

thing. "The attempt to keep Mayfield as senator from Texas is not an ordina-ry political enterprise. It is a dec-"Woman." A studio door left- open "Woman." A studio door left- open but the decisive how breaks up the Dele

lack of a limousine.

Returns from seven precincts in Anderson county were questioned cn the ground that variation is shown in the handwriting purporting to be the signatures of the presiding election indges in those precincts

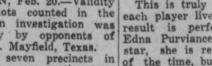
senate committee which is investigat-ing Mayfield's election.

all of these principles. "It is fundamentally un-American dame ludicrous and the tramp a

WASHINGTON, Feb. 20 .- Validity

that the differences in signatures may indicate some of the ballots were not

Young Granted Injunctions.



indges in those precincts. The recount of the ballots was be- He is made a callow, narrow-minded, He is made a callow, narrow-minded, given a very rough deal by Charley. indecisive weakling whose one redeeming feature is that he made a

beautiful corpse, especially with his face. This is just like Chaplin. The villain has been the under-dog in American movies too long, it is about time he came into his own.

investigations? (Special to The Daily Worker) The passage of the amendment re-ferring the matter to the executive boord mode and the executive Workers Party local is arranging Direction is perfect, one might almost say, inspired. It shows what we can hope for when changed social board made a poor impression on for an Open Forum to be held every conditions permit production for art rather than for the box office. The aforementioned suicide, the arrival many delegates from organizations Sunday at 3 p. m. at 521 York Ave. newly affiliated with the central corner Spring Garden and Fifth Sts. The Forum will open next Sunbody. of the train portrayed by moving

has launched the campaign for class Farmer-Labor Party in connection with the Teapot Dome exposures as the medium thru which to build ap our forces. Again we have taken the position of leadership. Now we must thru intensive work in this campaign prove our right to that position.

struggles and new victories.

Need Funds to Build Movement.

cesses for the Communist movement

in the United States. Our successes

vantage of the opportunity which lies before our party is financial assistance. ance. For hearly a year the Na-tional Office has made no appeals to the membership for funds. It left the field clear for the DAILY WORKER campaign, to which the membership responded so splendidly. The result of the DAILY WORKER campaign, however, was that the National Office suffered financially. All its revenue was reduced by the fact that the membership were giving all they could to the DAILY WORKER.

'Now the national organization faces a great opportunity to build our movement with a depleted treasury. It must have funds for the Teapot Dome-class Farmer-Labor Party campaign. It must have funds for the many political conferences which are part of the maneuvers in this campaign. It maneuvers in this campaign. It must have funds for new literature,

for speakers and organizers. "The Central Executive Commit-tee has, therefore, determined to ask the party membership for a Farmer-Labor Campaign Fund of \$15,000. There will be no compul-sory assessment, but the Central Executive Committee feels assured



Only "slight improvement" in occupied Germany due to the stabilization there of money.

Norway's strikes are of metal and dock workers. They are spreading. In France prices are rising rapidly as the franc drops, and buying for export is increasing at the expense

of domestic busines. Unemployment "The immediate need of the Na-tional Office in order to take full ad-taste of unemployment. taste of unemployment. And — significant! — French com-

mercial syndicates are advising mem-For nearly a year the Na- bers to calculate their selling prices by Young and his assistants. on a dollar basis to avoid replacement losses! liquor cases, already under prosecu-

tion by the Klan, are returnable at Soviets Reject Jap Federal Court in Danville, Ill.,

PEKING, Feb. 20.—Full recogni-tion of Russia is being urged on the Chinese government.

Farina Declared Guilty. NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—John Fari-na, the third man to be convicted for the killing of two bank messengers in Brocklyn last November, was found guilty of first degree murder early today by a jury that deliber-ated more than four hours and a half. **Union Starting Big** Membership Drive

(Special to The Daily Worker) NEW YORK, Feb. 20 .- The teacher's Union is preparing for a mem-bership drive in March. The organ-ization which has under 1,000 mem-

New York Teachers'

ization which has under 1,000 mem-bers, wants a big proportion of New York's total of 25,000 teachers. The technic of the drive, as ex-plained by Dr. Henry R. Linville, president of the union, is to include personal letters, personal interviews at homes of teachers as well as in schools, distribution of special litera-ture explaining the aims of the un-ion, and conferences in schools, a number of which have already been held.

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is being borne home on a police stretcher, the reporter breaking the

EAST ST. LOUIS, Feb. 20th .-Forty-seven temporary injunctions was your son?" the wooden-faced the wooden-faced closing as many saloons in Herrin message expert, all these are pure and Marion, Williamson County, genius. The kitchen scene with the were issued today by Federal Judge over-ripe wood-cocks approaches very, English in Federal District Court here, on affidavits sworn out by S. Glenn Young, leader of Ku Klux I wonder the if a man who shoots Klenn Honey is famous. Klan liquor raids in that county. with his left hand really loads with Fifty informations charging viola- his right, and if even the suavest tion of the Volstead law were filed villain would not have been just a against Williamson County residents little mussed up after a two-minute tussle with an infuriated lover fifty Both informations and injunctions,

pounds and six inches the better together with about eighty other man?

The end is bosh. A dozen pretty orphans and a rotund village priest are the woman's consolation for the loss of both love and luxury. And in company with her near-mother-in-tin company with her near-mother-in-The end is bosh. A dozen pretty Young to Go.(Special to The Daily Worker)TOKYO, Feb. 20.—Japan's proposal
for business relations with Russia
have been turned down. Russian re-
presentatives say they will agree to
no half-way measures, that Japan
must grant diplomatic recognition or
do without Soviet trade.Young to Go.PEKING, Feb. 20.—Full recogni-
tion of Russia is being urged on the
Chinese governmentYoung to Go.The LouddThe Loudd<

(Special to The Daily Worker) HONOLULU, Feb. 20.—Filipino laborers on the sugar plantations have voted a strike against the sun-rise-to-dark hours of work. The strike will be sprung suddenly. No public announcement of the date has been Georges Enesco, Roumanian vio-linist, played his first Chicago con-cert at the Studebaker on the same day. His stage was decorated with Christmas wreaths. These were not timely, but they were not out of place, for Enesco seemed a trifle out

The Filipino workers are organized. The strike may spread to Japanese laborers who are separately organpectations, because his symphony, played some weeks ago by Frederick Stock, is a most beautiful composiized

Buses Win in Emporia. EMPORIA, Kans., Feb. 20.—Voters of Emporia in a special election de-cided to abolish use of street cars in the city and substitute buses. The buses will be operated by the Kansas Electric Bower company which also

Carolyn Schuyler, a young pian-iste, made her debut at the Playhouse the same afternoon. We heard buses will be operated by the Kansas Electric Power company, which also had the franchise for street car service. The trolleys had been in operation fifteen years. Her play an utterly useless work by Debussy, the title of which, flippant-ly and freely translated, is "The Song of the Goldfish." Her subse-quent numbers revealed in her an

2,000 Battle N. Y. Snow. NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—An army of two thousand hastily recruited men today battled New York's first real blizzard of the year. Her voice is of beautiful quaity, and her personality most pleasing and at-tractive. The program indicated an interesting afternoon of Swedish, German and American songs.

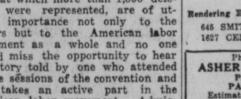
tion.

will not be downed. More and more dianapolis Convention of the Miners." delegates are now fighting the Gom-The Indianapolis convention reprepers' policy that have been ruling in the Central Labor Union under the sented a continuous battle between the famous steam roller of the reacleadership of McCarthy, A. F. of L. tionary officialdom and the rank and file delegation. It finally broke up

Create Mysterious Air tion, at which more than 1,800 dele-About Rachmaninoff most importance not only to the miners but to the American labor

By ALFRED V. FRANKENSTEIN Sergei Rachmaninoff gave a piano recital at the Auditorium Theater all the sessions of the convention and Sunday afternoon. There is always who takes an active part in the

amidst turmoil without having fully completed its regular order of business. The lessons of this conven gates were represented, are of utmovement as a whole and no on should miss the opportunity to hear



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ture explaining the aims of the un-ion, and conferences in schools, a number of which have already been held. At a preliminery meeting of or-ganized teachers, John L. Tildsley, a divisional superintendent of schools declared that the union should have every one of the 25,000 teachors as members, and when it did have them all educational conditions might be transformed over night. Claim Bandits Are Active. PEKIN, Feb. 20.—Large forces of Thibetan bandits under the Nanka Lama have stormed Batang, murder-ing petty district officials and threat-ening the foreign population, M. Pe-rone, French merchant in Atuntze, says in a telegram to the local of-ficials. 2,000 Battle N. Y. Snow. NEW YORK, Feb. 20.—An army of

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The Dockers' Strike

Instead of greeting the strike of the dock workers as evidence of a revival of multancy fered with. The workers and farmers should among the workers of Great Britain, the Mac- make every effort to force the Senate to probe Donald government announces in the House of to the depths of the oil well. Commons that "the government will not fail to take such steps as are required to secure the necessary transportation and has already set up the nucleus of an organization."

In plain English, the MacDonald government is preparing to break the strike.

It might be noted here that the theory of able houses and dangerous congestion. strike-action is that the cessation of work creates such a shortage of the commodities swept a five-story tenement house on the East produced or transported by the particular in- side, only brings into painful relief the findings dustry involved that the concessions demanded of our investigation. by the workers become of less importance than the inconvenience their idleness causes.

ment is actually taking the side of the private that beset them in the present acute housing European politico-economic situation today. employers, who, rather than pay the two crisis. shillings per day increase demanded by the dockers, will witness nation-wide suffering.

difference between comparative comfort and well aware of the fact that if it were to ex- gold rubles-an increase of more than 200% poverty. That the employers could well afford cute its own laws, it would condemn hundreds over the preceding year. According to Krassin the increase is unquestioned, but in no pro- of tenements now occupied by working men the estimate of Russian export for the coming nouncement of the MacDonald government is who cannot afford to pay the exorbitant year already exceeds 500 billion gold rubles. there found any threat of action against the rents demanded by their profit-hungry land- The Soviet government is now winding up aremployers.

The MacDonald government, the opposition and the capitalist press, are a unit against the ing class, now and then, burned their subjects dockers.

cialists elected on the British Labor Party does not resort to this crude method of murticket holding the government positions a strike dering the helpless men, women and children would be won easily; that if the government of the laboring masses. What the ruling class interfered it would be to aid the striking work- of today does is somewhat more peaceful in ers. Perhaps they wanted to settle this dis- appearance yet characterized by the same puted question.

MacDonald government is not even a labor the lives of thirteen people is to be attributed special emphasis on its ambassador to Russia government let alone a revolutionary one.

as the interests of the capitalists are para- guilt for this heinous crime is to be placed the close French control of nearly 70% of the mount in economic life so are their interests of solely on the heads of the landlord class of first concern to any government that does not New York. intend to abolish the foundation of their privileges-private ownership of the means of production and distribution.

If proof were wanting that the leadership of the British Labor Party has no wish to disturb the status quo it has been furnished by its action in the dockers' strike. Instead of ordering the employers to grant the State Department. the two-shilling increase as an alternative to the nationalization of their properties and en- the Department of State also reeks with oil victory of first rate importance. The Soviet terprises, the MacDonald government does ex- corruption-the Standard Oil brand. The government's tenacity and strength have forced actly what its predecessors have done-mobil- State Department is now in the midst of a the foreign capitalists to terms. Germany is izes the attaches of the government to do the controversy with the Government of Peru be- making a strong demand for Russian rye and work of the strikers and force them back to cause of the attempt of a Standard Oil banktheir jobs in the name of the good of the ing firm, the Guaranty Trust Co., to momopo-British Empire. It is well that this early in its career the reformists of the second international, who rule Washington against the methods pursued by in England, have shown their close kinship to the Guaranty Trust Co. in Peru. It is charged the Kerenskys, Noskes and Pilsudskis the that the New York bank has notified all finworld over.

ask, how far is the thing going? Whom is going to smirch?" On this basis, it is easy to understand why

esse Livermore, the noted New York operator, as said that the confidence of business and he country were being undermined by Conressional investigations and therefore called or the election of "none but successful busiess men to Congress." This is the same ivermore, who was employed by Harry F inclair to market stock of the Mammoth Oil Company, which leased the Teapot Dome area. The above statements by men of such great prominence in the financial circles are of instimable significance. They show very clearthat big business is planning to launch an ffensive to put an end to the present investiration. The first step in this direction is the oft-pedaling of the investigation by Chairnan Lenroot of the sub-committee in holding executive sessions during the absence of Senator Walsh.

The Teapot investigation must not be inter-

The Fate of the Workers

We have shown how the workingmen of New York have been forced to live in abomin-

The loss of thirteen lives in a fire which

The bodies of seven children, two women and four men, removed from the burning tene-It follows then that in arranging for the ment house are a ghastly warning to all the

know that there are thousands of working public, in the fiscal year 1922-23, exported Two shillings per day in England mean the men living in fire traps. The government is goods to a total value of more than 210 billion lords.

In the days of feudal oppression, the rulat the stake. Capitalism is much more in-Perhaps the dockers believed that with so- genious and complicated. The capitalist class deadlines in effect.

solely to the horrible system of housing that devoting his major attentions to securing agree-It is a government of the "people" and just now prevails in the metropolis. The blood- ments for English interests to counterbalance

Dollar Diplomacy

YELLING FOR HELP



Russia Leads the Way

With Germany on the eve of becoming a satrapy of the international financiers and France face to face with bankruptcy because of the collapse of the franc and burdensome taxation, Soviet Russia's great advance in recontransport of foodstuffs the MacDonald govern- workers of New York and other cities, dangers struction is the outstanding feature of the

M. Krassin, the Soviet Commissar for Foreign The landlords and their government agents Trade, has just announced that the Soviet Rerangements with French, Austrian and Dutch firms for credit on consignments of grain lying in Russian ports. Up to the end of 1923 close to 2 million tons of grain have been forwarded to Russian ports and 1,300,000 tons had been delivered abroad. This shows the great progress that the Russian railway system and shipping are making. The trade balance is now on the right side, imports having been reduced, those of food having practically ceased.

The recent recognition of Russia by England, Italy and Norway are of paramount political The answer has been given. It is that the The fatal blaze in New York, that destroyed importance. The British government has laid iron and coal deposits of Central Europe by French capitalists.

> The political side of these prospects for gigantic British development of the coal and iron wealth of Russia spells an attempt of Eng-While the Interior, Navy and Justice De-in order to counteract French policy in Central

The Strikebreaking "Pennsy"

One of the bitterest, if not the most uncompromising, anti-labor corporations in this country is the Pennsylvania Railroad.

During the shopmen's strike of 1922 and since, the Pennsylvania Railroad set the pace in smashing the organizations of its workers. So tactless and arrogant have the officials of the Pennsylvania system been in their attack on the labor unions that now and then a government official was compelled to disapprove of the offensive open shop methods.

Now, the Interstate Commerce Commission has come forward with a report which shows that the Pennsylvania Railroad has been able to sand of hypocrisy-for a price. break' up the railway workers organizations only at the expense of crippling its service. The war of the Pennsylvania on the union men has brought in its wake a serious danger to the ance, starvation wages, prostitution, people traveling on this railway system. The Pennsylvania Railroad which is the leader of the anti-union crusade also ranks first in faulty engines. The Interstate Commerce Commission has just found that the Pennsylvania Railroad has had the largest percentage of defective locomotives of the nine railroad systems selected of this immoral robber systemby the Commission as representative of the rail-ways of the United States. should be placed on trial and the victim who is in the dock sent to a

Of the Pennsylvania locomotives examined for 1923 fiscal year, 76% were found defective or closely approaching violation of the law and actually committing the most flagrant disregard of all safety statutes.

Within the last six months of the calendar year 1923, all of the nine railroads except the Pennsylvania showed a decided improvement. The Pennsylvania alone which has been most violent in its campaign against organized labor, showed no signs of improvement.

The conditions on the Pennsylvania system

AS WE SEE IT By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

A young girl, a foreigner wh assimilated some of the Americanism that is floating around every large city, is on trial for her life in a Chicago court room. As the task of selecting a jury proceeds she reads a German bible. The poor unfor-tunate is a Christian. Perhaps she hopes the jurors are. So much the worse for her unless they have for-gotten the Puritan brand of that creed.

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This girl came from Hungary nine years ago. She had dreams of a land where there were rich folks but no poor. It did not take her long to learn her mistakes. The first thing to do was to drop her old world customs and become Americanized. She had to quit school early and go to work. Her father was sick. She went to work in a mail order house. Only a few weeks ago the wife of a mail order king gave a few millions to a university. This girl who is now on trial for murder helped to pile up those millions. The blood of countless slaves is on every dollar of that gift.

The girl could not live on the wages paid in the mail order house. She got a job in a restaurant. Long hours, seven in the evening to seven in the morning. No, the League for the Suppression of Vice took no in-terest. Neither did the Ku Klux Klan. She was just a victim of legitimate capitalism. She had to make a living. She refused to starve. Ignorant, untrained, without friends, there was only one way. She had a body that appealed.

Christian ministers continued to rave about a just God, defended the virgin birth theory, while committees of pestiferous busybodies raided pool rooms, bootleg parlors and houses of illfame. But the real houses of shame, the shops where girls were forced to work for a wage so low that they were forced to

shame or death were not raided, the ostrich heads of the Christian craw-thumpers were buried deep in the

An unfortunate victim of capital-ist society today sits in a capitalist court charged with murder. Ignors the criminal, that ignorant girl or the system that breeds the condi-tions that produce that type? We say the system. And the judge who presides over the trial and the proseutors who will try to send her to gallows-all staunch upholders the hospital or a school.

* * * The workers of this city who suffer torture in riding to and from work in crowded, insanitary and crawling cars ask themselves the question: Why the political bosses of this growing community do not provide the people with adequate means of transportation? To any-body who does not know that democratic and republican politicians do not seek election to run cities but to ruin them the failure to build sub-

the same point in all countries-betrayal of Street bankers proceeded to "warn all others the workers and support of the workers' en- off the field." emies.

Business and Politics

normal graft and corruption in Washington the name of national honor and the country's many people have limited their consideration security-in reality the banker's securities. of the Teapot scandal to the political field. Needless to say our ambassador at Lima, the An important and seldom considered angle lame-duck reactionary ex-Senator Poindexter, the air lead one to believe that the mates are of the historic investigation, now besmirching will do his best to defend "our interests" in not as enthusiastic as the skipper. In the forethe White House with oil is the business-side the South American republic. of the matter.

ness in politics have on business? How do the are dependent on American capital for the the odor of disinfectants that, the liberally big interests react to the examination? These development of their natural resources. A questions are pertinent because if any pressure smoke screen of the thinnest juridical abstrac- used, may still not prevent quarantine officers is to be brought to bear on Congress to drop tions will be raised to show that American refusing it permission to dock on November 7. the whole investigation, it will be big business property rights are being violated in the Latin that will do the pressing.

The black smoke of the oil conflagration is befogging many a hope of Wall Street. Big face, they are in reality stern warnings to the much rich loot. business is plainly worried where and when English capitalists to keep out. They are a will the investigation stop. The reaction of challenge to the safety of the Latin American Captain Pollyanna Coolidge. the market to date spells only trouble. Said republics in general and the national life of the authoritative Commercial and Financial Peru in particular. The services rendered by Chronicle: "It would be useless to blink the Secretary Hughes to these bankers is a confact that the oil scandals at Washington have stantly recurring menace to the safety of the had a more or less disturbing effect on all the American workers as well as their southern markets, whether for securities or for com- brothers. modities. To merchants, stock markets and its decline of late on enormous transactions, dollar democracy as enjoyed by the workers has been the subject of painful interest as re- when they strike for the right to organize and flecting the disturbance of business sentiment against unbearable conditions of employment. growing out of the fact that the more the Teapot Dome oil scandal is probed at Washingten, the worse it looks, until men are beginning cargoes of bananas at Liverpool. Yes?

partments are being drained of Teapot oil, Europe it might be well to pay a little attention to

It is an open secret, in political circles, that lize the field of Peruvian investments."

The president of Peru has just protested to ancial institutions that it alone has the option Parliamentarism as an end in itself leads to on Peruvian financing. This group of Wall

On the basis of the record of the State Department, the policy that our government will pursue is a foregone conclusion. There is no doubt that Secretary of State Hughes will run Because of the shocking disclosures of ab- to the support of the Guaranty Trust Co. in

republic.

Soft as these words may appear on the sur- fleet of which it is a part continues to seize

Dollar diplomacy is only another form of

The British dock strike is holding up seven

To the workers and farmers of the world the great advance made by Soviet Russia, to date with practically very little outside help, is a barley: Italy and France are competing for Russian wheat. While the currencies of practically every government in Europe are tumbling, Russia's financial condition is becoming more and more stable and sound.

Pollyanna at the Helm

President Coolidge, if one can judge by his most recent official statement, is an incurable optimist.

The governmental machinery, he says, has not been injured by the oil scandal.

The ship of state, says he, sails serenely on. New Hampshire's favorite and favored son is at the helm, a Jonah has been jettisoned, and all is well.

The agonized wails from amidships that split castle mutinous curses are voiced by the ordi-The mailed fist of dollar diplomacy will be nary seamen who complain of the smell of oil What effect does the revelation about sordid- swung in the face of the people of Peru who in their quarters. The ship itself reeks with Tho jagged rocks shaped like teapots beset the course of the careening vessel, the pirate

"Business is good. Be of good cheer," says

These be parlous times for American institutions and we are moved to inquire the whereabouts of their staunchest defender-one William J. Burns-who was wont to issue from time to time hair-raising statements dealing with the communist plans for seizing the White House.

Perhaps he has discovered that the White House is now so well oiled that the Communists could not hang on to it. Even his chief, the doughty Daugherty, seems to be having trouble maintaining his hold.

are a menace to the safety of thousands of people traveling on its roads. The dangerous state of affairs arises directly from the war ing being waged on the workers by the labor-hating officers of this corporation. The government in not compelling the Pennsylvania to improve its system and in tolerating the continuation of this man-killing inefficiency is aiding and abetting the strikebreaking activities of the Pennsylvania railroad.

To a foreigner who saw Austria on the verge of chaos only eighteen months ago, the attitude of the bank employes and of the working class, who are constantly striking, appears to be grossly selfish while the Government is struggling to meet the obligations of the State and the interest on the international loan due in April.

-Vienna correspondence of the N. Y. Times. We submit the above as evidence of the impartial character of the news carried by the capitalist press, No comment or editorializing aid the King of Cyprus against the is allowed in the news columns, is the claim of its apologists.

Sixteen million dollars in fines have been collected from bootleggers by the courts ac- the Teapot Dome. cording to a government report. There are no statistics available as to the amounts collected by prohibition enforcement officers.

Brother Denby has gone to swell the ranks of the unemployed and the "Help. Wanted" sign on the White House has brought scores an inkling of it now. They feared an explosion. Scratch a capitalist

Our conviction that the oil leases were entirely legal has been somewhat shaken by the insistence of prominent prospective witnesses upon immunity.

Clare Sheridan says the British aristocracy is looking for a savior of the Mussolini type. They probably do not recall that Clare does not approve of Mussolini.

The Hearst papers are disappointed by the developments in the Teapot Dome scandal. No sex angle has been found as yet.

The tie-up of shipping in England must be working awful hardships on the drove of lecturers who are headed this way."

If we were Attorney-General Daugherty we would begin to believe that the boss wanted us to g--it

vays would be a mystery. The capi talist politicians take advantage of their terms of office to make money. They take advantage of the confli ing interests of rival capitalist groups. The big fellows are gob-bling the little fellows and Sam In-sull is probably gobbling them all. By the time that gentleman has dined on his competitors perhaps he may graciously give Chicago a subway. We will have a good deal more to say about the Traction gluttons later

* * * * Modern politicians promise material consideration to those who can afford to back them in the race for office with cash. But the practice is by no means new even tho the consideraions offered are different. As far back as the year 1455 a book was printed containing an indulgence is-sued by Pope Nicholas V, "to each person as should contribute money to furks." An American millionaire, if iving in those days, would have little difficulty in passing the pearly gates. Doheny could purchase several satchelsfull of indulgences for the cash he used in oiling the ways for

The writer noticed a deadly pallor overspread the countenances of the delegates to the McAdoo conference when the photographers set off their flashlights in the Crystal Room of the Great Northern Hotel. He could not understand the reason. He has politician nowadays and you will touch an oil can.

Get unity thru the Labor Party!



The Poor Fish says that Chicag needs a subway because no one worth while wants to ride on street filled with workingmen