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MINERS START WAGE CUTS

AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

It is encouraging to note the response of the readers of THE DAILY WORKER to the appeal for relief for the workers and peasants of Ireland who are suffering from the tortures of famine. Many have written asking for instructions as to how to proceed with the task of raising funds. The committee is busy getting the necessary material ready for delivery. In the meantime any contributions sent to the Workers' and Peasants' Famine Relief Committee, 19 South Lincoln street, will be appreciated. One reader who sent in a check wanted assurance that it would not pass thru the sticky fingers of the Knights of Columbus. No danger.

THE money collected by the Workers' and Peasants' Famine Relief Committee will be disbursed under the supervision of the British section of the International Workers' Aid. That organization has established headquarters in Dublin. None but workers and radicals will have a hand in its distribution. Like vultures the capitalists and their henchmen seize on every tragic circumstance like a famine, to increase their popularity by doling out charity. This despite the fact that most of this suffering is due entirely to the exploiting bourgeoisie. Our appeal for assistance to the workers and peasants in Ireland is a frank class appeal.

IN connection with the Irish famine it might be pointed out that this famine-stricken section is the most catholic part of Ireland. This need not be taken as proof that the famine is due to that fact. It is not. But it shows that it has not prevented famine. When the Russian famine raged the catholic priests in Ireland as elsewhere, with few exceptions, blamed the misery of the Russian peasants and workers on the atheistic Communist government. The famine was a visitation from God! It would be well for the catholic workers and peasants of Ireland if they had an atheistic Communist government instead of the collection of Christian hangmen who now run the Free State.

ONE good feature of the work of the International Workers' Aid with which the Irish Workers' and Peasants' Famine Relief Committee is affiliated is that it brings those priest-dominated workers and peasants into touch with the radical movement in a very practical way. The American government recognized this when it sent its relief organization to Russia and used its food and money to destroy the Soviet government. The capitalists have been drugging the minds of the Irish people for generations with prayer and demoralizing them with charity. Side by side with relief we will carry on a campaign of education designed to show those exploited people that only when they strike to get rid of capitalism and follow the example of their Russian comrades will they be able to get rid of chronic want and periodical famines.

HJALMAR BRANTING, one of the leaders of the Second International and leading foe of Communism was eulogized by conservatives and liberals and even by some so-called radicals after his death. One of the eulogists is none other than Hoeglund, recently expelled from the Comintern. (Continued on Page 5.)

MARCH IS THE MONTH OF REVOLUTION And on March 5

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SOVIET RUSSIA PEASANTS HELP STARVING IRISH

Famine Horror Growing, Says London Herald

The Union of Russian Land Workers is taking steps to assist the workers and peasants in the west of Ireland who are now stricken by famine, according to a story in the London Daily Herald of February 15. The headlines in the Herald read: "Send Help to Ireland!" "Starvation Horrors in Famine Are Growing"; "Living like Rats" and "Mrs. Crawford Appeals to Labor M. P.'s."

The Workers' International Aid with which the Irish Workers' and Peasants' Famine Relief Committee in the United States is affiliated is actively engaged bringing food and clothing to the starving people in the famine area. The following, heart-rending story was told by Mrs. Helen Crawford, secretary of the I. W. A. to a Daily Herald reporter:

"Surely it was the good God that sent ye here this morning!"
Such was the cry of the mother of a starving family in famine-stricken Donegal, when handed food by Mrs. Helen Crawford, who, as British secretary of the Workers' International Relief, has been touring the desolate wastes of Ireland.

The incident occurred at Teelin, a village visited by Mrs. Crawford in the course of a 300-mile motor tour. "The car came to a halt outside a little shack," Mrs. Crawford told the Daily Herald yesterday. "A barefooted, ragged little boy looked out from the doorway. The look of suffering on his face drew us to him."
"On investigation, we found that his mother had four other children, all practically half-famished, and shivering in rags. There had not been a crust of bread in the house for days."

"We handed over some food. The look in the eyes of the hungry children as they devoured it was something one will not soon forget."

Ruined Fishermen.
"The name of the family is Donaghey. The father was away, gathering sticks, which he would have to drag many miles. He is one of the fishermen of the district who have been ruined by the operations of big trawling syndicates."

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SEEK POSTER DESIGNS TO AID RUSSO-CHINESE EXHIBITION AT HARBIN

HARBIN, Feb. 26.—The joint committee for the organization of the pending Russo-Chinese exhibition, has started the printing of numerous posters whose main idea is the propagation of the rapprochement between China and the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics. A contest for the best designs of such posters has been declared, and several prizes will be awarded for the best models presented.

The area under the exhibition is to be at least 80,000 sq. yards, in the New Town (Moscow Square). The numerous pavilions, surrounding gardens, turf, etc., are to be artistically arranged.

COOLIDGE SPEEDS UP DRIVE AGAINST THE FOREIGN-BORN WORKERS

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 26.—

The Coolidge administration has speeded up its drive to extend the immigration laws, by sending Secretary of Labor James J. Davis to numerous meetings to advocate severer immigration laws. In his speech here before the joint session of the Indiana house and senate, Davis recommended that the quota law be extended to all countries from which we permit immigration.

Davis supported the admittance of farmers, skilled and unskilled laborers only when that kind of labor cannot be found in the United States.

JAPS CELEBRATE SOVIET TREATY; HIT OLD PALS

Marks End of Anglo-American Power

(Special to The Daily Worker)

TOKIO, Feb. 26.—At the recent great celebration in honor of the Soviet-Japanese treaty, speakers of leading positions in public life called the treaty the beginning of Japan's breaking loose from Anglo-American influence. The celebration was attended by thousands of Japanese most prominent in politics, journalism and industry.

Congratulatory telegrams were read from the Soviet Foreign Commissar Tchicherin and from Karakhan, ambassador at Peking. Speakers declared that the treaty ended the un-friendliness caused by the ill-advised Japanese military intervention made at the request of the American and British governments.

It was also stated that the Wilsonian doctrine of self-determination of nations had been but the hypocritical covering applied by the Versailles treaty solely at the expense of Germany, and that only by the superior power of the Red Army had Soviet Russia been prevented from becoming a similar victim.

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SEVERINO, MICHIGAN DEFENDANT, ANSWERS LIES OF "D. OF J." IN A STATEMENT GIVEN TO THE PRESS

(Labor Defense Council Press Service.)

In the effort to cancel the citizenship of Angelo V. Severino, one of the defendants in the Michigan cases, the United States district attorney of Cleveland in an amended petition makes his main basis of attack on Severino's citizenship by stating that Severino, when he took out a citizenship paper "did not believe in organized government." This is based presumably on the fact that A. V. Severino is now a Communist.

Severino, on being interviewed, has emphatically stated that in the first place, while he is a Communist today at the time he took out his citizenship papers in 1915 there was no such thing as a Communist Party or movement existing and that therefore to make his membership in the Communist Party retroactive to 1915 is ridiculous; and in the second place the Communist movement to which he belongs today believes in organized government.

Further along in his statement he points out that he has always been a believer in organized government and is a believer in organized government today as a member of the Communist movement.

However, his conception of who shall rule this country differs radically from that of those who are attempting to utilize all sorts of untruths to deport him, his conception being that the workers and farmers shall be the organized government of the United States.

To accuse him therefore of being against organized government he points out is simply another untruth added to the many lies the powers that be utilized to misrepresent the character of the Communist movement.

Severino has been a candidate for city councilman and congressman in Cleveland on various occasions on the ticket of the Workers Party and on the platform of the Workers Party.

Severino is especially well-known in Cleveland for his activity as a trade unionist and as one vitally interested in the progress of the co-operative movement in Ohio. He has held various offices in the Bricklayers' Union and large co-operatives in the state of Ohio, having been vice-president of the Co-operative Dairy of Cleveland, and a member of the arbitration board of his union, as well as a delegate to the various of their conventions.

In view of the activities of Severino to accuse him of not being a believer in organized government is exposing the ignorance of the authorities again.

POLICE PREPARE TO HELP BREAK STREET STRIKE

Strikebreakers to Be Hired March 3

The striking street repair men and ash and garbage collectors working for the city of Chicago will not return to work at the old wage scale, Michael Carozzo, president of the Street Cleaners' Union, declared yesterday. The strikers said they were not bluffed by Commissioner of Public Works Sprague's statement that the men would be discharged if they did not return to work by next Tuesday.

Private garbage and rubbish collectors who are not organized into the union, made no move toward removing refuse from downtown hotels and large institutions, and it was said by the strikers that the non-union collectors will join them in a sympathetic strike.

Disease Danger Increased

The danger of a disease epidemic was increased when garbage and rubbish continued to pile up on the streets and alleys in front of all dwellings and business buildings. The streets are covered with rubbish, even in the downtown section.

The police department has been made ready to protect the strikebreakers to be hired by the city next week. Acting Chief of Police Mathew Zimmer declared the police department will aid the public works department in the attempt to break the strike.

A meeting of the dump, section and street repair foremen was held late yesterday afternoon at 180 W. Washington street.

The public works department attempted to break the strike by making an offer of higher wages to the foremen if they returned to work, but refusing the demands of the street laborers. This offer was spurned, it is declared.

The ultimatum of Sprague, ordering the men to return to work or forfeit their jobs, was sent to the strikers individually, over the heads of the union officials.

A meeting has been arranged between Carozzo and the garbage and rubbish collectors employed by private firms, at which the question of a sympathetic strike will be formally considered.

Coal Barons Open War At Cleveland, March 6, On Jacksonville Agreement

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Feb. 26.—Operators of western Pennsylvania, Illinois, Ohio and Indiana, the so-called central competitive field, will meet at Cleveland on March 6, in an effort to break the Jacksonville wage scale agreement for miners which is scheduled to run until April 1, 1927, it was learned from reliable sources here today.

Operators of western Pennsylvania have been invited to the meeting, John A. Donaldson, vice president of the Pittsburgh Coal company told the press. Officials of the Pittsburgh Coal Producers Association will meet next Tuesday to decide whether or not they will attend the meeting, Donaldson who is chairman of the scale committee and a member of the executive committee of the Pittsburgh association, said.

The operators are said to be seeking a re-adjustment of wages because, they claim, non-union mines have cut their wage scales one-third since the Jacksonville agreement went into effect, and thus they say, they are able to undersell union operators.

They fail to state, however, that they have mines in both the union and non-union fields.

COAL MINERS' UNION LOST MANY MEMBERS UNDER JACKSONVILLE PACT

The Jacksonville pact, which was signed Feb. 19, 1924, at Jacksonville, Florida, between the coal operators of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, known as the central competitive field, one the one hand and officials of the United Mine Workers of America on the other, reads as follows:

"1. This Joint Conference of Operators and Miners of Illinois, Indiana, Ohio and Western Pennsylvania, as now constituted, hereby reaffirm the wage scale contracts now existing between the United Mine Workers of America and the coal operators whose interests are represented in this conference, and hereby extends the same for a period of three years, from April 1, 1924, to March 31, 1927, in all of their terms provisions and conditions. It is understood the execution of this interstate agreement extends without further negotiations the district and sub-district agreements now in effect in the district affected.

"2. That an interstate joint conference of the central competitive field shall assemble the second Monday in February, 1927, at Miami, Florida, and the president of the United Mine Workers of America, and the chairman of this joint interstate conference are authorized and instructed to send out notices at the proper time as to the assembling of the conference."

This was the agreement accepted by Lewis in lieu of the proposition for a shorter work day and week and nationalization of the mines made by the progressive miners. This surrender paved the way for the present grand assault on the United Mine Workers of America. The only result of the Jacksonville pact was to tie the hands of the miners. It was more honored in the breach than in the observance by the operators.

Pact Violated by Operators.
Before the ink with which the signatures were written, was dry, the coal barons began to post notices of wage reductions. Union mines were closed down and non-union pits opened. This preparation for the inevitable assault on the entire union was ignored by Lewis who continued his attacks on the militants within the union.

In future articles THE DAILY WORKER will show the rapid loss in membership of the United Mine Workers of America thru the traitorous class collaboration and union-splitting policy of Lewis and company and will point out the necessity for new leadership of the miners' union.

Negro Lynched as Slayer

SHREVEPORT, La., Feb. 26.—Joe Airy, Negro, alleged slayer of N. A. Yarbrough, state highway officer, was lynched today near Benton, La., by a mob after being wounded by a deputy sheriff.

FEDERAL JUDGE TAKES TITLE AS AFRICANS SPURN LACKEYISM

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—The senate authorized Federal Judge Clayton of Alabama to accept a decoration given him by the French government. Borah spoke against the resolution, declaring that "lackeyism has gone far enough." It has just been learned that the assembly at Cape Town, South Africa has told King George to "refrain from conferring any titles upon his subjects domiciled or living in South Africa and Southwest Africa."

MINE DISASTER LAID AT DOOR OF COAL PLUTES

Even the U. S. Bureau Blames Operators

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—That THE DAILY WORKER was justified in blaming the mine disaster in Sullivan, Indiana, on the criminal negligence of the coal operators, because of their refusal to install safety devices, is more than borne out by a statement issued by Secretary of the Interior Work. When the coal operator's own government is compelled to make this admission it should be evident to all that the charges in the Communist press against the greedy coal barons do not overdraw the picture.

Secretary Work's statement follows:

"It is reported that this mine disaster, the greatest in the history of Indiana, was caused by open lights, which ignited gases in the mine. If so, the Sullivan catastrophe emphasizes the great hazard to the lives of American coal miners in the continued use of the open flame lamp in mines.

"Several hundred thousand open lights are daily carried in the coal mines of the United States, each lamp being a hazard to life and property thru fire or explosion. Open lights have been responsible for many coal mine disasters in the past.

"Records compiled by the bureau of mines of this department covering a period of 17 years show that open flames have been the contributing cause of numerous fires and over one hundred explosions in mines, with a death toll of about 3,000 men and tremendous property damage, the mines being entirely wrecked in some instances.

"Such explosions are preventable. The proper steps should be taken not only to guard against accumulations of gas and coal dust, but to eliminate open flames of every kind from mines, because neither gas nor coal dust will explode without a flame to ignite them.

"The true path of safety for coal operators and miners is to follow the policy of keeping every kind of an open flame, whether from matches, sparks, explosives, candles, oil lamps or carbide lamps out of coal mines."

Secretary Work further stated that the bureau of mines of the interior department had been issuing insistent and repeated warnings over a long period of years against the danger of open flames in coal mines. He said that future disregard of these warnings would add to the heavy toll of life, the latest of which occurred in the mine disaster in Indiana.

Prepare For Next War.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—President Coolidge today re-appointed Major General Amos A. Fries as chief of the chemical warfare service.

Get a member for the Workers Party.

LABOR FAKERS AND PRIEST TRICK WORKERS

Workers Party Is Feared by False Leaders

(Special to The Daily Worker)

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 23. (By Mail.)—Thru a local paper a meeting was called of the New York mills textile workers on February 22. It was announced that Joseph White, organizer of the United Textile Workers, would address the meeting at the union hall.

When the first workers began to come, one said that he was at the Polish church and the priest announced to the workers in the church that there would be no meeting at the union hall.

Polish Priest Mixes In.
As only a few workers came around, inquiry developed that the committee of Local 753 had held a meeting on the Friday previous and postponed the mass meeting until a week from Sunday. Then the committee had went to the Polish priest and told him that there would be no meeting on the 22nd. It is clear that the "leaders" fear to let the workers have a meeting after they read THE DAILY WORKER and the Workers Party leaflet on wage cuts.

The textile workers of the New York mills are very indignant and disappointed with Organizer White and President T. F. McMahon. These worthies keep telling them: "Wait" and "Wait." "Don't go out on strike," they keep saying, "there is still a chance for settlement." This is disgusting the workers.

Fake Leaders Fear Daily Worker.

The strike of the Utica Steam and Mohawk Valley cotton mills held a meeting this morning at the Labor Temple. When White was asked if

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Three Giant Radio Sending Stations in Soviet Russia

MOSCOW, Feb. 26.—Soviet Russia has three radio sending stations, at Moscow, Leningrad and Nishni-Novgorod. These are under the control of the commissariat of posts, telegraphs and telephones.

STRIKE STEMS WAGE CUT TIDE IN WOONSOCKET, R. I., TEXTILE MILLS

WOONSOCKET, R. I., Feb. 26.—A strike of four hundred cotton yarn workers at the Forestdale Manufacturing company plant at Forestdale have defeated wage cuts of five and ten per cent, it was announced, and the strike is being terminated after the reaching of an agreement between the United Textile Workers and the management.

This is one of the few cases where textile workers have been successful in stemming the wage cut tide. Strikes are continuing at Pawtucket, in the plants of the Pawtucket Hosiery company and the Greenhalgh Mills and funds are being solicited from workers in surrounding mill towns.

COOLIDGE WOULD VETO PAY RAISE FOR POSTAL MEN

But the Cabinet Boost Embarrasses Him

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—President Coolidge has told visitors that he is consulting Postmaster General New on the postal wage and revenue bill which is about to reach him, and that he is impressed by the fact that the treasury will have to carry \$22,000,000—the amount of the wage increase for the 300,000 employes from Jan. 1 until April 15, when the higher charges for postal service to the public come into force. The intimation is given that he may veto the bill. He can do this by simply failing to sign it, and congress will not be here to pass it over his veto when his ten days period of deliberation has expired. This pocket veto has been used in past administrations against postoffice workers' wage relief.

One circumstance favoring the chances of his signing the bill in the fact that at the same time he must consider the bill increasing by \$3,000 the pay of cabinet officers and by \$2,500 the pay of congressmen and senators. He cannot easily veto the living wage for postal workers and grant the entertainment bonus for the higher-ups.

Polish Soldiers Invade Soviet Russia, But Hastily Retire

MOSCOW, Jan. 13.—(By Mail)—Kharkov reports that on the night of January 5, a detachment of the Polish regular army some forty men strong, suddenly and without any apparent reason crossed the frontier of the U. S. S. R. and opened fire on Soviet sentries in the vicinity of the small frontier village of Yampel.

Having entered into Soviet territory, assailants came to the local commandant's office which they bombed with hard grenades and opened rifle fire upon. The Soviet guards replied to this shooting, one of the assailants being killed in the ensuing fusillade; after this the attacking body was forced to retreat into Polish territory.

Immediately upon the receipt of this information the government detailed a special commission to investigate the whole affair on the spot.

Claim Death of Sun Yat Sen Is Nearer

PEKING, Feb. 26.—Sun Yat Sen, dying, South China leader of the national revolutionary movement, was rapidly approaching the end today, according to his attending physicians. He is gradually growing weaker.

Reject "Cal's" Farm Scheme.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—By a vote of 203 to 175 the house today rejected the fake co-operative marketing legislation sponsored by the president's agricultural commission, and substituted the pending bill fathered by Representative Dickinson of Iowa.

LaFOLLETTE REVOLUTION MAY SUE FOR AN INJUNCTION TO KEEP "EMOLUMENTS OF OFFICE"

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The federal courts may be called upon to determine the legality of the ouster order drafted by the republican leadership of the senate against the LaFollette insurgent bloc, it was learned today. The LaFollette group is contemplating an appeal to the courts for a writ of injunction as a "defense" move against the ouster proceedings. The insurgents involved are Senator LaFollette, Wisconsin, and his followers, Senators Brookhart, Iowa; Ladd, North Dakota, and Frazier, North Dakota, all republicans.

Proceeds With the Spanking. In the face of this threat, the republican committee on committees is going ahead with plans to bar the insurgents from all further senatorial services as republicans by depriving them of majority committee assignments. Communications have been sent to each of the insurgents asking them whether they desire to be assigned as independents.

The communications were signed by Senator Watson, of Indiana, chairman of the republican committee.

None of the insurgents has as yet replied.

Babies Cry For Emoluments.

The insurgents meanwhile considered filing a suit in the district of Columbia supreme court, asking a restraining order against the republican majority. If such a suit is filed, the insurgents will charge the republican majority is depriving them of their rightful emoluments of office without due process of law or without authority by law.

The emoluments lost by the insurgents if permanently ousted, would be political prestige and the right to succeed to chairmanships of important committees.

"Fighting Bob" Shows no Fight Yet. Filing of the suit it was said, will depend on the attitude taken by Senator LaFollette. To date, he has shown complete indifference to the republican ouster order although he will be deprived in the next congress of his right to succeed to the chairmanship of the powerful interstate commerce committee. It was said too that LaFollette had advised his followers against any overt opposition to the majority's will but rather to delay their battle until the republican majority sought to confirm the ouster order by a vote of the senate.

Expect Coolidge to Decide Dispute As Hughes Leaves Cabinet

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—Pressure from all the South American countries has not brought from President Coolidge, thus far, a decision of the Tacna-Arica boundary dispute which Chile and Peru asked from him as arbiter, but the White House now hints that a decision may be made just as Secretary Hughes is leaving the cabinet on March 4. Hughes has had the responsibility of preparing the case, and Coolidge is expected to make Hughes' findings his own.

This boundary dispute has led to numerous near-wars between the two republics on the Pacific slope of South America, and, whatever the award coming from this arbitration, a loud protest from one or both countries is anticipated when Hughes' report is made known.

CHILDREN AND WOMEN SLAVE IN CHINESE MILLS

In Shanghai 18,000 Girls Under 12 Work

SHANGHAI, China, Feb. 25.—A commission appointed by the administration here investigate conditions of child labor reported that there are 4,500 boys and 18,000 girls under 12 years of age in the 275 factories investigated here in Shanghai. Of the remainder, 44,000 are men and boys above 12 years of age, and 106,000 are women and girls above 12 years of age.

The children are accepted in the factories when they are six years of age. In 35 of the largest cotton industries 7,500 children under 12 and 61,000 women are employed. In the silk industry nearly 50 per cent of the children employed are under 12 years of age.

The conditions of work are very severe. The factory hands, including women and children, work over twelve hours a day. Women and children do night work as well as the men.

Flag Wavers Sore at Success of New York Lenin Meeting

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The red baiting "United States Flag Association," in which leading republicans are interested, at a meeting in Carnegie Hall, attacked the Communists, and read a message from President Coolidge wishing them well in their drive to "secure a million patriots to defend the flag in the next war." Coolidge said in his message that there must be "an eternal readiness to spring to the defense of our institutions."

Mrs. Grace Vanamee, who made one of the speeches nominating Coolidge at the republican convention, spoke against "red propaganda."

The flag wavers put up a thirteen year old son of a school teacher to speak against the Communists. This youngster felt particularly perturbed that the Communists had such a successful Lenin Memorial meeting in Madison Square Garden, where fifteen thousand packed the Garden and other thousands could not find room to enter. He charged that Comrade Morris Spector, fourteen year old member of the Young Workers, who spoke at the Lenin meeting was a "traitor."

Cleveland Youth Attend Classes in Communism

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 26.—The first session of the class in the "A. B. C. of Communism" will be held on Sunday, March 1, at 10:30 a. m., at 5927 Euclid Ave. All comrades who joined the Young Workers League after Jan. 1, 1924, must join the class by order of the local C. E. C. Non-members are welcome to join.

Officers of all branches, and C. E. C. and C. E. C. members of the Young Workers League must join the functional class which will meet every second and fourth Tuesday of the month at 5927 Euclid avenue. This is also a decision of the C. E. C. The first session will be held Tuesday, Feb. 24.

Young Workers League members are exempt from all other work during the hours of these two classes and must attend. Comrade C. Weisberg, local educational director, will instruct these classes.

Jury Has Senate Strike.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Feb. 26.—Marion County Prosecutor Nemy, at the request of republican members of the state senate, today ordered the county grand jury to remain in continuous session until witnesses could be subpoenaed to testify before the grand jury regarding the "strike" of the entire senate democratic minority.

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INDIANS REVOLT AGAINST PANAMA

COLON, Panama, Feb. 26.—The San Blas Indians have arisen in revolt against the Panama government, following the killing of an old Indian named Peter, by the Panama police. The police had arrested the Indian and shot him down outside the government house at Porvenir.

The word of the killing quickly spread and the Indians are massing against the police on the island of Naragana. The Indians are well-armed.

An American destroyer has been sent to the scene and will use its guns to attempt to suppress the Indian uprising. A few days ago the Indians attacked the capital at Porvenir and in a battle with the police killed six and wounded a score. The Panama government has aided in dispossessing the Indians of their land and instituting the more modern industrial system, forcing the Indians to work as day laborers or factory workers.

Ward Finds Churches Have Freedom of Religion in Russia

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—Professor Harry Ward of Union Theological Seminary, also connected with the American Civil Liberties Union, finds considerable religious freedom in the Russian workers' republic, in spite of false propaganda to the contrary, the federal council of churches reports in its weekly information service.

Ward after a lengthy visit in Russia reports that most of the government leaders "have a deep and even passionate conviction that religion is a menace to social progress, while at the same time they believe that individuals should have freedom to choose and practice their religion or anti-religion except when it menaces the existence of the state."

Two roots for the anti-religious convictions of leaders of revolutionary Russia Ward finds in the reactionary nature of the old Russian church and in the fact that the new leaders "were nurtured intellectually in the time of the alleged conflict between science and religion."

Of the old Greek church, he cites "its ignorance, its apathy to the sufferings of the workers and peasants, its position as one of the repressive instruments of the czar's regime."

Tibet Fights British Influence in Move to Unite with China

PEKING, Feb. 26.—Panshen Lama, head of the Buddhist church with headquarters in Lhasa, forbidden capital city of Tibet, and spiritual leader of that vast province, who arrived in Peking yesterday, conferred with President Tuan Chi Jui today on the possibility of Tibet again recognizing the sovereignty of China after years of virtually independent existence.

The Peking press is vigorous in its demand that the central government do everything possible thru the visiting living Buddha to overthrow the so-called pro-British party in Tibet and restore the province to Peking.

It was revealed today that Dalai Lama, high dignitary of these sacred Buddhist temples in Thassa, is the leader of a party that is being supported by British influence which is trying to win Tibet away from China.

The split between Panshen Lama and Dalai Lama, amounting to a virtual schism in the Buddhist church, became so acute and the political situation so serious that Panshen rushed to Peking in an effort to save Tibet for China.

Labor Defense Council, Philadelphia, Preparing for Bazaar, April 3-4

Philadelphia Labor Defense Council is preparing for a huge Bazaar that will be held Friday and Saturday April 3, and 4 at the New Traymore Hall.

Friends and sympathizers are requested to leave this date open and help collect articles. Already a radio set, a portable typewriter, several oil paintings, a diamond pin and a number of other valuable articles have been donated.

The Labor Defense Council meets every Thursday at 8 P. M. at 521 York Ave. and is already showing signs of real activity. A number of interesting and attractive features will be arranged at the bazaar among them a Costume Ball that will be held Saturday, April 4. For further announcements watch the DAILY WORKER.

Branting and McCormick, Two Birds of a Feather to World's Capitalists

By J. LOUIS ENGBAHL

TODAY, capitalism bestows its eulogies upon two of its dead; Hjalmar Branting, former "socialist" premier of Sweden, and Medill McCormick, United States senator from Illinois.

Let the workers for the moment study the manner in which all sham differences under capitalism are laid away at these graves; resulting in anti-labor spokesmen of all breeds pouring out their fulsome praise of the services of the Swedish "socialist" and the Illinois republican on behalf of the profit system.

Branting fought Communism with all the bitterness of one of the chief leaders of the Second (socialist) International, who was also a high priest of the league of nations—the black capitalist international; while Theodore Roosevelt, in 1918, urged McCormick's election to the United States senate pledged against "social and industrial Bolshevism."

The New York Times laments that in Branting, "Europe has lost a sincere democrat and an ardent champion of international peace," meaning, of course, the democracy that seeks to keep the world enslaved to capitalist imperialism, and the peace that is advanced with the same ambition.

While the Times, democratic in politics, and one of the most loyal spokesmen of Wall Street, thus lauds Branting, the "socialist"; William Randolph Hearst, the democrat, lauds McCormick, the republican, as "a great and patriotic senator," linking his name with those of Washington, Jefferson, Jackson, Lincoln and Cleveland, examples of all brands of American "tweedle-dum and tweedle-dee" capitalist politics.

It is Hearst, with his chief echo, Arthur Brisbane, who heaps flowers upon McCormick's remains because he helped keep the United States out of "foreign entanglements," while Vice President-elect Charles G. Dawes, the Chicago banker, author of the Dawes-Morgan plan for carrying out the peace of Versailles, that gave birth to the league of nations, also sheds tears over McCormick's "distinguished public services."

The differences between all of these capitalist lackeys, from Branting, the "socialist," to McCormick, elected to the United States senate by Wall Street's favorite, the republican party, is so small, the clash of principle is so infinitesimal, that they can be put on the shelf at will, or wiped out over night.

The mourning hysteria of the money lords doesn't have a difficult time of it in bridging the chasm between Branting and McCormick. Branting was a boon collaborator with Ebert, Bauer, Richter and other German "socialists" involved in the Barmat financial scandal that is shaking the German republic to its foundations. McCormick as one of the owners, and former editor of the Chicago Tribune, stood ace high with the financial interest of LaSalle and Wall Streets. He voted with the "millionaire bloc" in congress, being one of the "Newberry senators," putting his "O. K." on the seating of the Michigan multi-millionaire, Newberry, who bought his election to the U. S. senate, the "millionaires' club" of the American capitalist state.

So the workers and poor farmers may save their tears. Better unite their numbers and build the power that will not only combat those who take the places of Branting and McCormick, but that will declare victorious war against the social system of plunder and pillage for which they stand.

The fact that both Branting and McCormick attacked Communism should be assurance enough for all workers and poor farmers that they ought to join hands in energetic support of it.

Bankers Want Ancient Whipping Post for Bandits, Not Bankers

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 26.—As a result of the murder of the manager of their 38th St. branch, the National Bank of Tacoma will close all their branch banks. Holdups of small country banks, of branch banks, and elsewhere are getting more and more common.

As a result, the legislature considers legalizing the whipping post; the clergy demands the bible be read in the schools; the press assails the moral depravity of the present day.

Needless to say all these kept mothers of capitalist propaganda never mention the economic forces, the unemployment, the low wages, which drive men into banditry.

Soviet Oil in Big Demand.

MOSCOW—(By Mail)—The decisive success met with by Soviet oil products in the northern part of Afghanistan was the gist of the statement made to press correspondents at Kabul by a representative of the Russian Oil Syndicate, recently arrived at the Afghan capital.

An experiment, which has just been made, he said, in sale of Soviet oil also in the south of Afghanistan, has proved quite successful. A consignment of oil products brot to Kabul at the time of the arrival in the capital of the Oil Syndicate's representative, has been rapidly sold out there owing to prices being cheap and lower than those of the British products. An agreement has been concluded, too, for supplying oil products to a number of public institutions.

Join the Workers Party!

EMPLOYERS WORK FOR POLICE TO BREAK STRIKES

Exert Big Pressure for State Police Bill

The Illinois manufacturers' association and the Illinois chamber of commerce renewed their drive to force a "state police bill," in Illinois which would assure them a force of mounted cossacks to break strikes that may occur in their factories. The drive is being concentrated on the Chicago and Cook county senators, most of whom voted against the cossack bill at the last session of the Illinois legislature.

"Eighteen downstate senators out of thirty-two voted for the police bill at the last session," said Harvey T. Hill, secretary of the Illinois chamber of commerce. "While only five Cook county senators out of nineteen supported the measure."

Bosses Want Returns.

The Chicago representatives in the assembly have had enormous pressure placed on them with their campaign funds. The business interests have organized a club of those who have been robbed, the aim being to show that the city police force in Chicago is not adequate to check crime.

The opponents of the bill point out that in the states which have mounted police forces, such as Pennsylvania and New York, crime is as prevalent as in Illinois, the police being used mainly to terrorize strikers.

They give as evidence of the real purpose of the state police the 1919 steel strike, when the cossacks were used to prevent strikers from picketing.

Refused to Break Strike—Morgan is Hounding Owenby

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—Colonel James Owenby, who testified before the judiciary committee of the senate against the appointment of Harlan F. Stone to the supreme court of the United States, has left Washington, declaring that the Morgan and Rockefeller interests are hounding him out of the country.

Owenby said that Stone was unfit to serve on the supreme court because of his previous connections with the J. P. Morgan interests, which he intimated have not been severed. Owenby told how he previously worked for Morgan, amassing a million dollars as part owner of the Woottee Land and Fuel company in Colorado. Morgan, he said, forced the firm into bankruptcy and then took over the entire ownership of the company including Owenby's shares. Stone handled this transaction, Owenby said.

"My row with the Morgan and Rockefeller people commenced when I refused to join in the movement to hire mine guards to shoot down strikers in the Standard Oil mines of Colorado," Owenby declared.

Blacklist of Textile Barons Forces Slaves Back to Accept Cut

UTICA, N. Y., Feb. 26.—The strikers of the Utica Steam and Mohawk Valley mills, 1,400 strong, have tied up those mills completely, only about 30 hardened scabs, including bosses and second hands showing up at the Mohawk Valley mill.

Testimony of several girls shows that workers, who left one mill when the wage cut was put into effect, to go to work at another mill where the cut had not been announced yet, are being blacklisted and fired as quickly as identified.

This again proves that the cotton manufacturers' association is playing one set of workers against another, beating them one mill at a time, and that it has a blacklist system to prevent the slaves—that is all one can call them—from even changing masters. They are being forced to go back to their "own" boss and take what wages are offered.

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GERMAN SEAMEN VISIT RUSSIAN PORT WORKERS

Get Fine Reception in Vladivostok

VLADIVOSTOK, Siberia.—On November 26th "our" ship, the German shipowners "Ruth Kaiser," arrived at Vladivostok. We hardly got on our moorings when our Russian comrades, including the children from the Communist Youth League appeared on the vessel to give us, the German comrades, a hearty word of greeting upon our safe arrival. This gave us much joy. Right there we were invited to one of the clubs for a social evening. This made us feel as good as if we found ourselves in our own home circle. We were very much surprised by the successes of the Communists at Vladivostok.

The "Ruth Kaiser" crew is greatly thankful to the Communist youth who showered upon us entertainments in theatres, concerts, lectures, and meetings, and to the little Pioneers for the hearty attention shown to us. It was real joy to see how the little Pioneers work and how well the older generations teach them. I hope that these little Pioneers will accomplish that which we, the older Communists have not succeeded in doing, while the capitalists and fascists stand in the way pointed out by Karl Marx and Lenin.

The time is nearing when the "Ruth Kaiser" will have to leave Vladivostok, but we still do not want to sail away without a present for the Communist Party of Germany. And then on December 7th a banner was presented to us by seven unions jointly for the German proletariat.

It fell to me to receive, in the name of the "R. K." crew, as a section of the German proletariat, this banner, to the tune of the Internationale. "You will point out to us the way in Germany. You will bring with you in Germany a new breath of life, joining there the ranks of other fraternal banners. You will pave the way in Germany, through capitalism and fascism, and lead onward to the world revolution to the call of Marx and Lenin."

We shall joyfully turn this banner over in the name of the seven Vladivostok unions, to the Communist Party of Germany.

We shall firmly keep in our hearts the ideals of the Communist youth and of the Pioneers and we shall familiarise the German Communist Youth and Pioneers with them.

We thank the Port Bureau for raising the consciousness of our comrades and telling us the truth about the work of the Russian proletariat.

We hope to visit Vladivostok again next year, and to bring with us a present from the German proletariat. Let us not forget the call of Marx and Lenin.

Long live Communist Soviet Vladivostok!

Long live the world revolution and the Third International!

Signed:—Members of the German Seamen's Union and of the Hamburg branch of the German Communist Party. Vladivostok, Dec. 12, 1924.

Spend Your Sunday Evening at the Open Forum.

Progressive Miners, District 1, Election Statement

TO ALL MINERS OF DISTRICT No. 1, U. M. W. of A.

ON the eve of the district elections, the Progressive candidates and their supporters call your attention to the serious problems existing in the anthracite fields and the brazen betrayals by the present administration headed by Rinaldo Cappellini. We call your attention to the sham fight that is now being staged by Lewis against Brennan.

Miners! Do not be fooled again by the election tricks of Lewis, both Cappellini and Brennan are the tools and supporters of Lewis. Do not be fooled by the glib speeches and the fake promises of these misleaders. They always remember your grievances a few weeks before the election and forget them the day after they are elected. Look upon their records of misdeeds and betrayals. Last election you voted for Cappellini. You are still reaping the bitter fruits of that mistake.

DURING this election campaign WE CALL ON YOU TO SUPPORT A PROGRAM AND NOT A MAN. No leader or set of leaders who are not responsible to the rank and file can solve your problems or settle your grievances. You must do the job yourselves. Read and study this progressive program, which is the only solution to your grievances. This program was formulated and written by the miners from the pits. By men who suffer and feel the wrongs and grievances that you feel each day. We have selected from among ourselves men for candidates who accept and will fight for this program.

If you agree with this program vote for it by voting for these candidates.

MINERS' PROGRESSIVE PROGRAM.

1. RETAINING AND DEVELOPING OF THE GENERAL GRIEVANCE COMMITTEES FOR THE BETTER EXPRESSION OF THE NEEDS OF THE RANK AND FILE.

The recent strike in the Pennsylvania mines has ably demonstrated that the General Grievance Committees are essential for the expression and settlement of the miners' grievances.

The grievance committee is in a position to expose the violations of the constitution by the union officials and the violations of the agreement by the operators. The grievance

committee is close to, and responsive to the rank and file, therefore, our support should be given these committees, so that they will develop a militant leadership which will enable the rank and file to conduct this fight. The general grievance committees, with the full support and control by the rank and file become the true medium for the expression of the will of the miners.

The sinister forces now working for the dissolution of the grievance committees must be combatted with all the power at our command.

ABOLITION OF THE CONCILIATION BOARD.

The many years experience with the conciliation board has convinced every miner in the anthracite fields that no just consideration for settlement of grievances has been received or can ever be expected from this body. Hundreds of grievances are today piled up waiting for settlement, many long months and years in some instances, while the miner still works and suffers under the conditions and evils the conciliation board is supposed to eliminate.

3. DIRECT SETTLEMENTS OF ALL GRIEVANCES BETWEEN THE UNION AND THE OPERATORS WITH REPRESENTATIVES OF LOCAL AND GENERAL GRIEVANCE COMMITTEES PRESENT AT SUCH SETTLEMENTS.

Insofar as we have repudiated the conciliation board, which cannot and does not understand the problems of the miners, we insist that when grievances are being discussed and settled, the rank and file must be represented to better and more effectively present and fight for the interest of the miners.

4. SETTLEMENT OF ALL GRIEVANCES TO BE MADE STRICTLY WITHIN 30 DAYS.

Our past experiences have shown us that no matter how well we develop the machinery for the settlement of grievances, the operators and their henchmen always postpone and delay action until new and additional grievances develop and the old ones are forgotten. We call upon the miners of District 1 to demand that the settlements of all grievances be made within thirty days.

MINIMUM WAGE AGREEMENT.

5. We demand a minimum day rate for the contract miners and laborers that will assure us a day's

wages when we must wait for cars, timbers, tools, and other material, or when gas develops in the chambers. The above are the chief reasons why we can not make a shift a day and our wages cannot furnish a decent living for our families.

6. ABOLITION OF TOPPING.

The operators today demand a six inch topping at the breaker and we must put a 9-inch topping at the face. For every car we load, the operators receive a ton and a half of coal for which we are not paid. Abolition of topping with the same number of cars to a shift as today, will assure us payment for every ton of coal we dig and load.

7. A SIX-HOUR DAY AND FIVE DAY WEEK WITH PROPORTIONATE INCREASE IN WAGES.

John L. Lewis and the operators agreed that there are two hundred thousand miners too many in the coal mining industry. Their solution is to eliminate these "surplus" coal diggers by starving them out of the industry. The Progressive miners contend that the mining industry must furnish a living wage to every coal miner.

This can only be done by a six-hour day with the same wages we receive while working eight hours. This is the only cure for unemployment, shortage of cars and many other evils we are suffering today. The six-hour day and the five-day week must provide work and a living wage for every coal miner.

8. AGAINST THE AUTOCRATIC AND ILLEGAL REVOCATION OF CHARTERS BY THE PRESENT ADMINISTRATION.

The right to revoke charters provides a powerful weapon in the hands of the Lewis-Cappellini machine. Its recent use in the Pennsylvania strike has well demonstrated how this power can be used in the interest of the operators and against the just grievances of the miners. As long as the union officials have the power to outlaw thousands of miners who rebel against the intolerable conditions and ignored grievances, the welfare of the miners and the effectiveness of our union are in danger.

The use of the right to revoke charters has been repeatedly used by Lewis to keep himself in power and to throttle every militant miner or local that supports a militant program of action.

9. DIRECT ELECTION OF DISTRICT AND INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZERS.

The power to appoint organizers is another dangerous weapon in the hands of the corrupt officialdom that is being used against the best interests of the rank and file and should be removed without delay.

The only remedy for this is to amend the district and the International constitution providing for the election by the rank and file of all organizers and traveling auditors.

10. SPECIAL INTERNATIONAL CONVENTION FOR THE REINSTATEMENT OF ALEX HOWAT, TOM MYERSCOUGH, AND OTHER PROGRESSIVE MINERS.

The expulsion of these militant progressives is another crime in the record of the corrupt Lewis machine and must be wiped out immediately.

The only crime Howat, Myerscough and others have been guilty of was their militant activity in fighting for the interests of the miners against the operators and the Lewis machine. Districts 12, 24, 14 and 26 have endorsed this call for the convention. We call upon the miners of District 1 to endorse this call for the special convention and bring these militant Progressives into our union to help us in our fight.

11. AGREEMENTS BETWEEN MINERS AND TRANSPORT WORKERS.

There must be a real fighting alliance between the men who dig the coal and those who haul it. In the event of a national strike the miners and the transport workers must help one another.

12. NATIONALIZATION OF MINES.

The growing trustification of the coal industry is threatening to destroy the organized miners. By introduction of modern machinery thousands of miners are being eliminated every year. The only solution for these major evils lies in the government ownership with workers control of the mines under the direction of competent coal miners in the interest of society.

13. INDEPENDENT WORKING CLASS POLITICAL ACTION.

Independent working class political action under the leadership of a revolutionary working class political

party striving for the abolition of capitalism and the establishment of a workers' and farmers' government.

14. ORGANIZATION OF THE UNORGANIZED FIELDS.

Over one-third of the miners in America are unorganized today. This situation threatens the existence of our union. We demand that an intensive organization campaign be started to bring every miner into the U. M. W. of A.

15. EQUAL WAGES, WORKING CONDITIONS, AND RIGHTS IN THE UNION FOR YOUNG MINERS.

The Progressive miners demand the unconditional recognition of Soviet Russia, not only because trade with Russia would stimulate industry in this country, but also because the Russian workers by their heroic struggle have abolished capitalist exploitation and now own the industries and run them in the interests of the working class.

BEWARE OF SECESSION MOVEMENTS.

The Progressive miners are unconditionally opposed to all secession and dual union movements. The unscrupulous actions of the district and International officials have created distrust and despair among many miners, in some instances this has created a sentiment for secession from the U. M. W. of A. The Progressive miners warn you against such movements. We must remain within the ranks of the U. M. W. of A. and settle our differences there in a practical and constructive manner.

THE FOLLOWING CANDIDATES ARE DIRECTLY FROM THE RANKS. THEY ACCEPT AND WILL FIGHT FOR THE ABOVE PROGRAM UNRESERVEDLY.

IF YOU AGREE WITH THE PROGRAM, VOTE FOR THESE CANDIDATES.

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Bernard Zaleskas, Local 838, Nanticoke, Pa.

FOR DISTRICT VICE-PRESIDENT
John Witunas, Local 846, Nanticoke, Pa.

FOR DISTRICT SECRETARY-TREASURER
Phillip Sabatelli, Local 306, Old Forge, Pa.

Progressive Miners' Committee.

TWO BIRDS WITH YELLOW PLUMES SING NEW SONG

Need Big Pay for Governor, Not Workers

(Special to The Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., Feb. 26.—While reporting on the proceedings of the Michigan Federation of Labor convention, Dennis E. Batt and John T. Taylor, delegates from the Detroit Federation of Labor stated at the Detroit Federation of Labor meeting Wednesday, February 18, that the convention had adopted a resolution that the governor's salary be boosted from \$5,000 to \$15,000 a year.

The two "labor leaders" offered the following reasons for their action: that we must keep politicians honest with large salaries; that the salary must provide a decent standard of living for the office holder; and that the salary must attract men of proper calibre to the office.

But \$16 a Week For Sick Workers

On the other hand, these proper caliber labor statesmen, saw fit to approve a report which raised the maximum compensation for injured workers from \$14 to \$16 per week.

Thus it appears that in the opinion of these two former revolutionaries, \$15,000 is necessary to attract the proper caliber politician to provide a decent living and to keep him honest, while workers can be attracted to hazardous jobs with a munificent average "salary" of \$832.00 and a promise of compensation when injured of \$16.00 a week.

Honest Workers Not Necessary

Comparing the \$15,000 for politicians with \$832 for the workers would make it appear that these sober and responsible ex-radicals are more zealous for the welfare of capitalist politicians than for workers injured in the productive process.

The \$16 maximum compensation is the result of a report of a commission of three appointed by the governor on which John Scannell "represented" labor. Scannell is also an ex-radical and as servile a tool as ever represented capitalism in the ranks of labor.

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UNITED FRONT AGAINST BOSSES WELCOMED BY TEXTILE WORKERS BUT FOUGHT BY UNION OFFICIALS

UTICA, N. Y.—The leaflet of the Workers (Communist) Party appealing to all workers to unite upon a broad scale to fight the textile wage cuts with a great general strike, has caused much favorable comment here when handed out to the striking workers of the Utica Setam and Mohawk Valley Cotton Mills.

General Strike Idea Gains
The officials of the United Textile Workers are finding it hard to restrain the workers in the New York mills from making common cause with their striking fellow workers, since the ideas of the Communists are gaining ground with the rank and file members of the union. The officials have had to do a lot of "explaining" that doesn't explain anything to the workers on strike, who see the New York mills workers going to work when all know that the whole group of mill companies are closely organized and working together.

A statement issued by the union concerning the Utica Steam and Mohawk Valley company, shows clearly that the plea of poverty of the mill owners is pure fake.

The authorized capital of this corporation was \$10,000,000; \$7,000,000

THIS IS ONE AIM OF THE T. U. E. L., HELP US GET IT!

Put Our Daily Ahead of the "Rote Fahne"

BERLIN.—At a recent conference in Berlin, 62 correspondents and reporters of the Communist daily, the Rote Fahne—the Red Flag—were assembled to confer as to the duties and responsibilities of proletarian news gatherers.

Many of the final resolutions adopted by the conference dealt with Communist affairs and with plans for the future development of the Rote Fahne; for forming communications with correspondents in foreign countries, for extending work among the youth and women of the working class.

The Voice of the Masses.

One resolution, however, reads: "The workers' correspondent who lives and works with the working class, whose voice sounds from the very center of the working masses, is the best bond between the newspaper and the working class."

Another reads: "The activity of the workers' correspondent consists in reporting conditions in the shops and mills and mines, in the lives of the workers, and in the bourgeois state. There should be, however, no limit to his purely literary activity. The proletarian journalist and author finds a footing only in the Communist press."

A Collective Expression.

The Rote Fahne has over one hundred contributors, some of whom along with three editors, Steinicke, Apelt and Gentsch, are in jail at present, others being employed in factories, so that they were unable to attend the first conference of proletarian journalists.

"Economic Power" of Lumber Jacks Fades Into Unemployment

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 26.—The St. Paul and Tacoma Lumber Co. has laid off the night shift. All local mills are now on the five day week. Camps are not opening. Despite the lies of the kept press, business conditions are getting steadily worse.

The city employment office reports 1091 applying for work and only 401 jobs in January. Many of these jobs only lasted a few days.

Get your tickets for Red Revel Ball,

While Rowan Splits Union Bosses Speed Up Tunnel Workers

TUNNEL CAMP, High Sierras, Cal.—While the only union in the general construction industry, the Construction Workers Industrial Union No. 310 of the I. W. W., is torn to pieces by reactionary infighting, the Rowan faction posing as "revolutionists," the big contractors are getting away with the worst kind of slave driving.

This is seen by the way the Southern California Edison company, building the Florence lake tunnel, the longest, widest bore in the world, has bamboozled the construction workers into speeding up, and by this game has saved no less than \$6,000,000 for the company. The bosses have even got the slaves to betting against each other's speed.

Wagering huge sums on their prowess as rock drillers, two crews at work on the tunnel project have completed construction 22 months in advance of schedule.

Pushed along by "fighting spirit," increased by their betting, the laborers have so reduced the finishing time of the bore that it will catch the "run off" from this winter's melting mountain snows, creating a water storage valued at more than \$1,000,000.

This, coupled with the interest saving on \$17,000,000, the tunnel's cost, will save the company a total of \$6,000,000, officials said.

EVERETT CENTRAL LABOR COUNCIL WARNS WORKERS

Lumber Barons Trying to Beat Millmen

EVERETT, Wash., Feb. 26.—The Central Labor Council here, after finding that the lumber mill owners had been advertising plenty of employment in eastern centers following the demand of their employees for an increase of 50 cents per day, has sent the following circular letter to all other central bodies and the labor press:

February 20, 1925.

To Central Labor Bodies, Dear Sirs and Brothers:

After investigating statements that the number of idle workers of all kinds had been greatly increased in this city and vicinity during the preceding few weeks, the Everett Central Labor Council instructed its secretary to prepare and send out to points in the United States and Canada, from which the misinformed, misled and unfortunate workers have come, a fair and accurate statement as to the real conditions now existing here.

These men have been attracted here by false and misleading statements inspired and published by selfish interests for the purpose of perpetuating a low wage standard in the

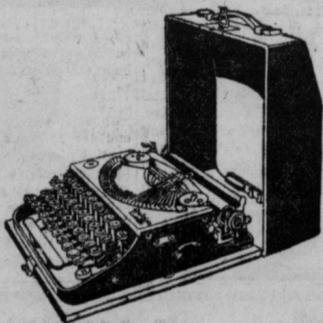
lumber and other industries of the northwest. These articles began to appear and the number of job hunters to increase soon after mill operators in Everett learned that a petition for an increase of 50 cents per day in wages of their employees was being circulated. The employers did not wait for presentation of the petition, but forthwith posted notices at their plants that a five-day week would be inaugurated two days later, "because of depressed condition of the lumber market;" yet six of the 14 lumber mills here were then operating night shifts and continued to do so after the short week was established.

Mill workers, whose minimum wages are \$3.50 per day while those of organized common labor in other industries are \$6, then began to realize that organization was absolutely necessary to maintain decent standards of living. Within the past two weeks the Sawmill Workers' Union, affiliated with the A. F. of L., has signed up more than 300 members and is the largest union affiliated with this council.

The object of this circular letter is to warn workers elsewhere that the reports that jobs are plentiful here are false and that to come here without other means of maintaining existence than their wage-earning power will be merely to increase the already too large army of destitute job hunters.

Recipients of this letter are requested to give this subject as wide publicity as possible.

Fraternally yours,
Everett Central Trades Council,
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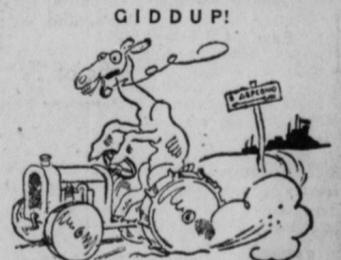
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BOSSSES TEACH CHILD SLAVES IN NEW YORK

Schools and State Aids to Exploitation

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—The manufacturers of New York, banded together in the "museum for national safety," when faced with the fact that 1,983 children employed in their factories in New York state were seriously injured last year, instead of taking the children out of industry and paying their fathers a living wage, inaugurated a campaign to "teach the children working in the factories safety precautions."

In conjunction with this huge industrial machine which exploits little children, the board of education will teach the children in the continuation schools, who are expected to enter industry when still very young, the safety devices used in the factories. The state department of labor has also enlisted in the campaign to exploit New York's children on a more profitable and scientific basis.

Trustees of the museum of safety, which declares as its aim "the reduction of work accidents among children," include, Elbert H. Gary, chairman of the United States Steel Corp., William D. Baldwin, chairman of the Otis Elevator company, Philip T. Dodge, chairman of the International Paper company, Robert A. Franks, Carnegie corporation, Edwin S. Lott, president of the United States Casualty corporation, David Van Schaak, director Aetna Life Insurance company, Lew R. Palmer, Equitable Life Assurance society and Frederick L. Hoffman of Babson institute.

The trustees are either large employers who do not wish to pay compensation for accidents suffered by the children, or members of insurance companies who do not wish to pay premiums on the insured child laborers.

Charles W. Laffin, principal of the west side continuation school, is aiding in the campaign to cut down the expenses of the employers of children. The children of his school, who are trained at industrial work when very young, are soon to enter industry, to do a man's work for half of a man's pay. Laffin takes these children to visit the "safety museums."

A. A. Hopkins, director of the museum, said, "The big problem now is to educate the workman, particularly the new and youthful employe. The American museum for safety has chosen for its next task the reduction and eventual elimination of accidents to children."

Sixty per cent of the 1,983 accidents to children employed in industry last year, occurred in New York City.

Spend Your Sunday Evening at the Open Forum.

HYPOCRITE TACOMA PAPERS WEEP OVER "POOR CHILDREN" BUT FIGHT CHILD LABOR LAW

TACOMA, Wash., Feb. 26.—Charity is said to cover a multitude of sins. But there are limits. Last year there were too many outsiders drawing big salaries, so when this year's drive started most of the ads were given over to telling how it was purely a local affair. But at the end of the allotted ten days they lacked over \$40,000 of the required \$220,000.

Hypocrites Fought Child Labor Law

And now the kept press and the pitiful wail about the "poor children and mothers" who can't be helped. But it doesn't work. There are very few supposedly charitable organizations involved.

The bulk of the money will go to three fake charitable organizations, the associated charities, the salvation army, and the volunteers of America; and four non-charitable organizations, the Y. M. C. A., the Y. W. C. A., the boy scouts and the girl scouts. This is too raw to fool the people.

The papers which are now howling about the poor children, hesitated at nothing in attacking the child labor amendment. Thousands for charity but to hell with justice is their motto.

Labor Council Does Its Duty

The unorganized workers in the mills are compelled to sign pledges for definite amounts. But organized labor, speaking thru the Tacoma Central Labor Council, refused to help the grafters. It reminded them that the bankers and business men back of the drive have always fought for lower wages and longer hours, and that if it were not for such rotten conditions charity would not be necessary.

Recently the city council refused to do anything to aid the unemployed. It has fought against the union scale of wages for the employes on the municipal power plant.

Council Belongs to the Rich

At the request of a few rich taxpayers it revoked its plan for a five cent an hour raise for city employes. These few rich men are far more readily listened to than the thousands of workers. The capitalist class steels so much of what the workers produce that they do not have enough left to live on. So charity becomes necessary.

And the same capitalist thieves ask the workers to contribute for charity. And then steal part of this for agencies for capitalist and militarist propaganda, such as the Y. M. C. A. and boy scouts.

New York Notes.

Section affair, Sat., Feb. 28, at 1347 Boston Road. Concert, yetcherinka and dance. All be there, and let's have a good time.

Section lecture, Sunday, Mar. 1, 1347 Boston Road, 8 p. m. Juliet Stuart Poyntz will lecture on "The Modern Conflict—Communism vs. Capitalism."

Section Classes, Mondays, at 533 E. 173rd St. Anna Jacobson, elementary English, 8 p. m.

Tuesdays, at 1347 Boston Road, 8 p. m., Dr. I. Stamler will continue his class in the A. B. C. of Communism. All new party members should attend this class.

Saturdays, 523 E. 173rd St., 2-4 p. m., Ell Jacobson teaches advanced English.

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WORKERS PARTY WINS FREE SPEECH FIGHT IN CONN.

Waterbury Police Bow to Communists

WATERBURY, Conn., Feb. 26.—Communist speeches were made at the meeting held recently at 103 Green St., but the police dared not interfere.

It was a splendid victory for the Workers Party.

Previous Meeting Stopped

Readers of the DAILY WORKER will recall that at the Lenin Memorial meeting a snoopling Lithuanian detective, Matthew Bolands, stopped Comrade Balyz Krasauskas when he began to praise the Worker's (Communist) Party.

The district executive committee of District 15, was determined to fight the case, and immediately forwarded a strong letter of protest to Superintendent of Police Beach, advising him that the Workers Party would hold meetings under any and all circumstances. The meeting on Feb. 20, was arranged, with the same speaker.

On the Right to Speak

The program began with songs by the Lithuanian children and by the Lithuanian male chorus. The chairman, Comrade Ida Rothstein, well-known needle trades militant, condemned the police for their high-handed action in January, and warned them that its repetition would bring on an energetic fight.

Waterbury a Profit Parade

William Simon, district organizer of the Workers Party, spoke on the wage cutting campaign of the capitalists, explaining that it was without justification. He then proved by dividend figures that the Waterbury Brass companies had made monstrous profits, the Scovill Mfg. Co. declaring a few years ago a 200 per cent stock dividend. These profits could provide for the workers against unemployment and lowered wages. He also showed how Waterbury was dominated by a few individuals, like the Gosses, and Chases who were officials and directors in a score of companies, industrial, insurance loans, hospitals, etc. The workers of Waterbury were urged to withstand any wage cut, and to join the Workers Party, which was leading the fight.

The Fight is Won

B. Krasauskas was then introduced to speak on "Lithuania Freed from Czarism." He presented the subject from the Communist angle. The detective who was present with six burly policemen thruout the meeting, was uncomfortable as he heard the speaker express the same revolutionary ideas, for which he had been stopped before. But the Workers Party was ready for a fight, so the dick backed down.

Krasauskas called on the Lithuanian workers to join the Communist Party, and still no move to arrest. Evidently the detective realized then what a hornet's nest he had disturbed.

The Humorous Side

A humorous vein was lent to the meeting at the close, when a woman who is a speaker for the church elements, asked what Communism had to do with the Lithuanians. The question drew a smile from the audience of workers. She did not wait for an answer, but walked haughtily to the rear of the hall. She reappeared and then proved the fallacy of radicalism, by showing that her brother, a socialist, was milking cows on a farm, while, who kept her skirts clear from radicalism, owned a photography studio. All that was lacking to complete the ad was a statement of the address of the studio. As she again marched up the aisle, the audience was in convulsions.

And So It Was Won

The first round in the battle for free speech in darkest Waterbury was won by the Workers Party.

MINE OWNERS GOT RICH BY 'GOING BROKE'

Got Government Pay and Cut Wages

(Special to The Daily Worker)

BERLIN, Germany, Feb. 26.—How profitable was the indemnity paid to the Ruhr industrialists on account of their supposed losses on their "mikum" (Mission Industrielle pour le Controle des Usines at des Mines) deliveries to France appears to be revealed by statements by Morus in the weekly Welt Buehne.

Morus asserts that, thanks to the payments by the German government to industries in the Ruhr, the coal industry alone made from \$35,700,000 to \$47,600,000.

Get 5 Marks a Ton

The coal interests received from the government a profit of 5 gold marks (\$1.10) on every ton of coal delivered, plus about \$24,000,000 in interest. They also gained \$30,940,000 on wage cuts.

Responsible for Dortmund

These same coal mine operators are now paying miners \$7 and \$8 a week and driving them upon a ten-hour shift to produce coal cheaper than any other miners in the world.

It is these Ruhr mine owners who are responsible for the murder in the Dortmund pits of 138 miners two weeks ago, when an explosion that killed them shook the whole structure of German capitalism and brought the agents of government and even of the Dawes plan, to pay mock homage to their victims.

Tom Bell Speaks at North Side Party Branch Monday Night

On Monday, March 2, another lively discussion is sure to bob up to follow the lecture of Tom Bell on "The Communists in the Trade Unions."

The speaker, who is secretary of the local Chicago Trade Union Educational League will give his lecture on the subject so much in the public eye today—to clearly explain the position of the Communists in their principles and tactics.

Each meeting is thrown open for discussion following the lecture and this is usually a feature of real interest.

The meeting is an open one to which all workers are invited and is held by the North Side branch of the Workers Party at Imperial Hall, 2406 N. Halsted St., corner Fullerton Ave.

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For the Young Workers' League. Feb. 27—Bellare, Ohio. Feb. 28—Powhatan Point, Ohio. March 1—Neffs, Ohio. March 2—Yorkville, Ohio. March 3—Martin's Ferry, Ohio. March 4—Dillonvale. March 4-5—Pittsburgh. District or organizational conference.

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SACCO-VANZETTI MASS MEETINGS

BUFFALO—Friday, Feb. 27—Labor Lyceum, 376 William St. Speakers: Joseph Ettor, James Batestoni, Eustace Reynolds and others.

NEW YORK—Sunday, March 1—Central Opera House, at 2 p. m. Speakers: Frank Bellanca, Professor Felice Guadagni, Elizabeth G. Flynn, M. J. Olgin, Juliet Stuart Poyntz and others.

CHICAGO—Sunday, March 1—Emmet Memorial Hall Taylor and Ogden Sts., at 2:30 p. m. Speakers: Jack Johnstone and Ralph Chaplin.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—Sunday, March 1—Labor Lyceum, 35 Miller St. Speakers: Arturo Giovannitti and others.

BOSTON, MASS.—Sunday, March 1—Faneuil Hall. Speakers announced later.

DETROIT, MICH.—Speaker, Joseph Ettor. Hall announced later.

Urge Primary Law's Repeal

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 26.—Political circles here today believed consideration of pending bills to repeal the statewide primary law would be considered by the committee of state senators appointed to review proposed amendments to the state election laws.

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CHINESE EASTERN RAILWAY UNDER SOVIET CONTROL IN BIG SHOWING

HARBIN, Feb. 3 (By Mail)—On the occasion of the New Year, Comrade Ivanoff, General Manager of the Chinese Eastern Railway, sent a congratulatory message to all departments and employes of the line, reading, in part as follows:

"The 1924 export campaign proved to be an unprecedented one for the last four years as regards its dimensions and intensity. The work yielded by the railway during September-December was 24 per cent higher than the work for the corresponding period of 1923 and was done with about the same number of goods cars and only some 8 per cent more engines."

The general manager, accordingly, feels it his duty to note that "the passing of the whole enterprise to new conditions has called forth a wonderful impetus of energy, diligence and careful execution of duties on the part of all the toilers of the railway—which accounts for the fact that such an intensive and strenuous export campaign could be carried out in the most orderly manner and with excellent efficiency."

Your Union Meeting

- Fourth Friday, Feb. 27, 1925.
- | No. | Name of Local and Place of Meeting |
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| 269 | Amalgamated Clothing Workers, 1564 N. Robey. |
| 122 | Blacksmiths, 64th and S. Ashland Avenue. |
| 429 | Boiler Makers, 105th and Avenue Washington St. |
| 434 | Boiler Makers, 55th and Halsted. |
| 533 | Boiler Makers, 62nd and Halsted Streets. |
| 182 | Electricians, 19 W. Adams St. |
| 683 | Engineers (Locomotive), Madison and Sacramento. |
| 845 | Engineers, 180 W. Washington St. |
| 674 | Firemen and Enginemen, 5428 Building Trades Council, 180 W. Washington Street. |
| 45 | Fur Workers, 1850 Sherman Ave., Evanston. |
| 4 | Lithographers, 639 S. Ashland Blvd. |
| 237 | Bakers and Confectioners, 3420 W. Roosevelt Road. |
| 118 | Hod Carriers, 1850 Sherman Ave., Evanston. |
| 2200 | Carpenters, 175 W. Washington St. |
| 15 | Conductors (Sleeping Car), 912 Capitol Bldg., 10 a. m. |
| 3 | Electrotypers, 175 W. Washington Street. |
| 35 | Grain Cutters, 180 W. Washington St. |
| 199 | Machinists, 113 S. Ashland Ave. |
| 492 | Machinists, 55th and Halsted Streets. |
| 746 | Machinists, S. E. cor. Lexington and Western. |
| 1225 | Machinists, 53rd Pl. and Halsted Street. |
| 6 | Metal Polishers, 119 S. Throop St. |
| 73 | Pattern Makers, 119 S. Throop St. |
| 310 | Plasterers, 180 W. Washington St. |
| 563 | Plumbers, 5212 S. Halsted St. |
| 1268 | Railway Carmen, Blue Island, Ill. |
| 1307 | Railway Carmen, 52nd and Robey. |
| 863 | Railway Clerks, 9 S. Clinton St. |
| 301 | Watchmen (Stock Yards), 3749 S. Halsted St., 9 a. m. |
| 9 | Electricians, 2901 W. Monroe St. |
| 84 | Glass Workers, Emily and Marshfield Ave. |
| | Ladies Garment Workers, Joint Board, 328 W. Van Buren St. |
| 113 | Machinists, 113 S. Ashland Blvd. |
| 637 | Painters, School and Sheffield Ave. |
| 612 | Plumbers, 9251 S. Chicago Ave. |
| 1 | Piano and Organ Workers, 810 W. Harrison Street. |
| 988 | Railway Carmen, 11405 Michigan Avenue. |
| 306 | Railway Clerks, Atlantic Hotel. |

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Robbed of Land in Haiti

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—American financiers have established a network of large plantations in Haiti thru which small farm owners are being turned into day laborers and peons, an investigator for a social welfare organization, just returned from Haiti said in a report issued here. The investigator urged the United States to stop the exploitations of these poor farmers.

"American influence in other of the West Indies has meant the growth of the plantations system and the gradual expropriation of the land of the people," the investigator's report stated. "This same process has been initiated in Haiti since the American occupation thru premissive laws which it dictated and thru the establishment by Americans of sugar, pineapple and cotton plantations."

Tax on Big Fortunes to Be Shoved on the Cockroaches by Cal

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 26.—Administration officials, particularly Andy Mellon, multi-millionaire secretary of the treasury, are figuring on putting over Coolidge's scheme to reduce the taxes on millionaires incomes, and load them onto the petty bourgeoisie.

The campaign is, of course, carried on under the camouflage slogan of reducing the sum of taxation in the country as a whole, but the redistributing of the tax burden is the main idea.

Altho everybody admits that the final figures on taxpayers for the period of March 15th this year will show that more million dollar returns will appear than the year before, the country can expect to be flooded with wild tales about the "injury to business" and the "flight" of big incomes, etc., from the agitators and newspapers of big capital.

Invite Soviet Russia to Fairs

MOSCOW—(By Mail)—The Soviet Ukrainian state trading department has received an invitation from the representative of the Czechoslovakian government at Kharkov to take part in the international fair to be opened at Prague at the end of March.

Invitations have likewise been received to participate in the Danzig fair and the Paris international exhibition of decorative arts and art industries.

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UNCLE WIGGILY'S TRICKS

SOVIET RUSSIA PEASANTS HELP STARVING IRISH

Famine Horror Growing, Says London Herald

(Continued from page 1)
"The people," said Mrs. Crawford, "seem to be cut off from the rest of the world, and live like starving rats in a hole. The countryside is bleak and without timber. The crops have failed, and the peat, on which the peasants depend for fuel, has been submerged."

"Extensive operations of trawling syndicates have destroyed the local fisheries, the main source of the people's living, and the result of it, all is that these poor souls are literally and absolutely starving."

"In one place we visited, a woman lay dying of dropsy. There was no fuel in the house and no food. It was ghastly."

Mrs. Crawford went on to describe the efforts of the Workers' International Relief to alleviate the awful distress.

"I want to emphasize the fact," she said, "that with this organization it is a case of the workers helping the workers in their sufferings. We give relief first and investigate afterwards."

"Our aim is to help the starving toilers, regardless of religious or political views."

Food Depots Opened.

"Over in Ireland," Mrs. Crawford proceeded, "we have succeeded in opening food depots in the various villages we have visited."

"We have taken meal, flour, tinned milk, tea and coal to a number of sufferers. The goods have been co-operative products."

"This, however, has been but a beginning. The need will be great for months to come."

"We have established an Irish committee of the W. I. R., which sits at Unity Hall, Dublin. We are making wide appeals for help. The suggestion has been made that the miners of Great Britain should give coal. The Union of Russian Land Workers is making an effort to help."

Mrs. Crawford is addressing a letter to all labor M. P.'s, asking for their immediate help in the work of organizing meetings with a view to securing gifts of clothing, food and money."

The national committees of the W. I. R. in Holland, the U. S. A., Germany, and Russia have already made substantial grants."

Send in Contributions.

The workers and farmers of the United States are urged to send in contributions and collect funds for the Irish famine stricken. All contributions should be sent and all checks made payable to the Irish Workers' and Peasants' Famine Relief Committee, 19 South Lincoln St., Chicago, Ill.

Kansas City, Mo., Notice!

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Feb. 26.—Everything is set for the Kansas City Workers Party dance on Saturday evening, Feb. 28, at 1516 Grand Ave., for the benefit of the Labor Defense.

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AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

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munist International because of his refusal to abide by its decisions. To those who criticized the C. I. because of its alleged "heresy hunting" proclivities we submit the following evidence of the justification of its action from the pen of Hoeglund; a eulogy of the traitor Branting: "Luicidity of style, logic of thought and weight of opinion were his qualities as a writer, while his political judgment, theoretical knowledge and devotion to his cause gave him his position as leader." Branting was about as much of a radical as "Hell an' Maria" Dawes. In fact, Dawes is the idol and perhaps the paymaster of the Second International.

THE Chicago Tribune's British liar, John Steele, packed out some choice paragraphs from the written report of the labor leaders who recently visited Russia and chuckles gleefully over them. But they are not so diabolical after all. We are happy to know that this literary ghoul has done his worst. The fact is that the report is favorable and even the paragraphs that would not sound good to the ears of Anthony Comstock or Henry Ford do not get us very excited.

ACCORDING to the excerpts cabled by Steele, the report says that the dictatorship of the workers' and peasants is exercised thru the Communist Party. This is old stuff. "A woman can procure an abortion by an authorized physician in a state hospital provided she can give the medical board satisfactory reasons why she should not have a child. Necessary reasons are inability to bring up a child or ill health." It is whispered that abortions can be procured in "these United States" provided enuf money is available to overcome the doctor's fear of landing in the can.

THE report says that the Soviet system is no more Jewish than it is Sengalese, but that the Jews thru their intelligence and competence have secured high positions in the government. Considerable propaganda is also carried on against the religious dope joints. For all these things we give thanks, as they betoken that the Soviet government is trodding blithely along the high road to prosperity and a better life for the workers and peasants of Russia and thereby giving aid and comfort to the movement for freedom in all lands.

Revere Comrades Plan Red March Membership Drive

REVERE, Mass., Feb. 26.—The Revere branch of the Workers Party will celebrate the month of March in the following way:

We will open the month with a potato-pancake party on Saturday, Feb. 28, at 8 p. m. at Eagle's Hall. There will be food, song and dance. A humorous wall paper will be read off and woe unto the poor workers in the branch.

This affair will be followed by a lecture by Schachno Epstein, editor of the Freiheit on Sunday, March 8, at 8 p. m.

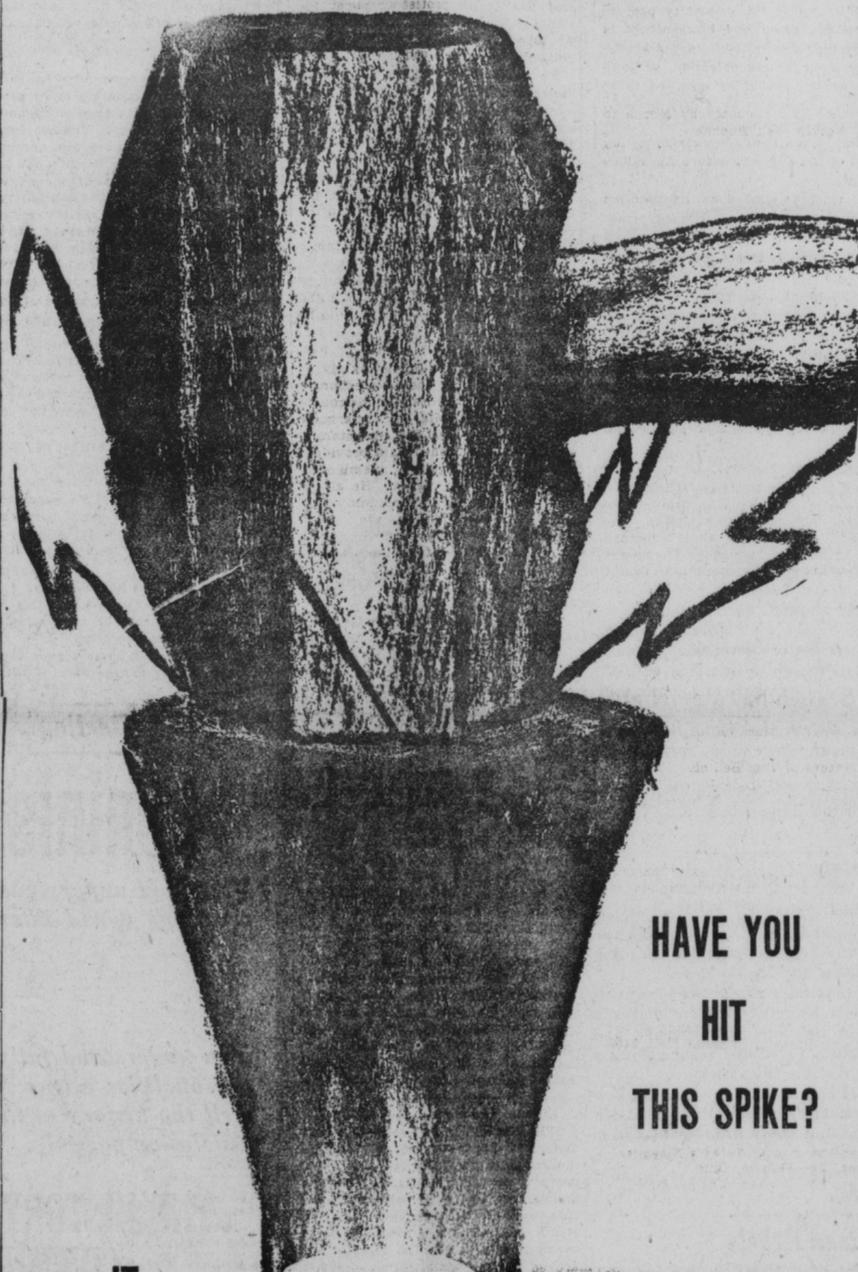
During the entire month an intensified house to house drive will be carried on for new subscribers and members. All members will be mobilized to spend every Sunday between 10 and 12 for the drive.

The Paris Commune celebration on Friday, March 27, at 8 p. m. at Eagles Hall will wind up our March activities. There will be a high class concert and entertainment and speaker.

The Mothers' League of Revere and the Young Workers' League will participate. The Mothers' League is arranging a sociable time for Sunday, March 15, at 8 p. m. and the Y. W. L. a lecture on Friday, March 13, at 8 p. m. Comrade Welsford will be the principal speaker. All affairs will take place at Eagle's Hall. Our slogan is 50 members by April 1. We now have 30.

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"Unless the DAILY WORKER is insured, all Communist organizations in the United States are in imminent danger. The financial demands of our press must be met immediately. No distinct party progress is thinkable while our propaganda organ is insecure."

This message came with the \$1,400.00 and should serve as a spur to all Workers Party branches in their efforts to fill their insurance quota.

Remittances must reach the DAILY WORKER office before March 3 if they are to be included in the final reckoning to be made in the special March 5 Comintern edition.

Letters From Our Readers

Miners and "Do-nothing" Policy.

To the DAILY WORKER: The headline in the DAILY WORKER of Feb. 5, "Nothing to Do, Say A. F. of L. Heads" but still drawing their salaries is quite a contrast to the poor devils in this town walking the streets but out of work with many on the brink of starvation.

One hears the cry of complaint and bitterness everywhere. Our line of industry grows worse from day to day. Daily more mines close down. Many are on low production. The situation is desperate.

There was some little hope of improvement when a new power company about 7 miles from here was about to open up. Some 70 men applied for work and were told the rate of pay was to be 35 cents an hour and a 10 hour day. Many refused to start while others driven by absolute need had no other recourse but start. Such work recently has paid \$5 and \$6 per day. Men with families can't live on such wages. And board for single men is \$12.50 a week at the camp houses.

The company, I am informed, is the West Pea Power which will eventually be linked up with the growing colossus, the Super Power, when all the holdings are squeezed out of the small holders and merge the coal, water and gas units. And if the miners should go out on strike the water power will be of great assistance in beating the miners.

At this time with so many men out of work and in desperate circumstances, with the bosses taking every advantage of the men and forcing down their wages, "Nothing to Do Say the A. F. of L. Heads." There is much grumbling at leaders of labor who find nothing to do when such serious problems confront the workers.

Yours truly,
Henry Dondery,
Morgantown, W. Va.

A Conversation.

To the DAILY WORKER: On Ashland Ave., a Negro worker asked me for a match and having this opening I started a conversation with him. He proved to be an ex-salt water sailor, shunted aside after acquiring a stiff limb, and this gave us a good start as I was in somewhat the same boat.

We walked along and soon the dingy stret turned into a rebel turnpike for here was one driven to mental revolt (and ready for action) by life as he found it. In contact with his fellows on the sea and in deep water ports he had acquired an ideology something like this:

This cursed system must go and in this country the chief thing is to get white and black workers united with that end in view. A standard of living here that almost equals that of some of the "best people" in China, Egypt (and other places he had been to) was all to the mustard because the workers here would fight before losing out on that very far and that was just what the present capitalist system could not provide for very long.

"Just from work," I was delaying his home going so we shook hands for the last time and he sang out, "Follow Russia, that is what we will do when our time comes and woe to those who oppose us," but there was a world of sincerity back of it that one would need to hear to appreciate.

Can't say he had read such a lot, but after being told about the Workers Party and receiving the promise of some literature his enthusiasm increased.

Can we not more and more (as Lenin, our leader did all those years) feel this change coming down upon us and miss as few chances as possible (even in a small way) to prepare for it.

Fraternally,
Les Fillmore.

Capitalism in Joliet.

To the DAILY WORKER:—On Jan. 24, 1925, an election was held in Joliet to increase the school tax rate from \$2.75 to \$4.00 per hundred valuation. Due to the activities of organized labor the proposal was defeated by or-

ganized labor by a vote of three to one.

On Jan. 26, 1925, the school board held their regular meeting and there voted to punish the workers' children by abolishing three kindergarten classes and also to stop the feeding of dally of 30 undernourished boys and girls.

In steps our kind hearted capitalist, Mr. Theodore Gerlach, owner of one of the country's largest calendar making plants where most of his employees are girls and women working for very low wages, most of them as low as \$10.00 per week. He publicly announced he would give \$1,000.00 to continue feeding the poorly nourished children each day.

One of these poorly fed boys has a sister working in Mr. Gerlach's great plant. She is 16 years old, and is vainly trying to help feed her numerous brothers and sisters. She is assigned to printing little cards and until one week ago, was receiving one cent per card, or \$1.00 per hundred.

Generous Mr. Gerlach set a new rate of 80 cents per hundred or a flat 20 per cent reduction. He gave as his reason that one very skilled and able worker earned \$35.00 for two weeks' work. This sounds like fiction, but it is the brutal truth. Such is capitalism in Joliet.

(Signed) Martin P. Morrissey,
Joliet, Ill.

A Letter to the Los Angeles Times

To the DAILY WORKER: The following is a letter to the Los Angeles Times, which that paper, of course, didn't print:

Did I hear you say that southern California has been viciously lied about? How could that be possible unless it would be to say something good about it?

Of course, I speak of southern California business men and politicians and the conditions in general more particularly of your attitude toward the tourists—and a word about labor.

As to your attitude toward the tourists, well, I had a room out on Wilshire during November at \$7 a week. But on the first of December I was notified that the rent had gone up to \$10.50 a week—put up or get out. It was explained that the tourists would soon be piling in and that they would get \$2 a night or \$10.50 a week until spring—but the tourists are not coming, are they?

Now, as to your politics, to say that it is rotten and the editors absolutely indifferent, is to put it mildly.

Work 12 Hours Underground.

As to the working man and the conditions under which he is forced to work in "southern California," do you know that men are working underground in the 5th street tunnel 12 hours a day? Is it possible that California has no eight hour day for underground work—if not, why not, since it is sheets like yours that control the politics of the state?

You have a law in this state (and I wonder how you ever consented to its enactment except that you knew it would never be enforced) to the effect that unless a man works seven days, I believe it is, on a job the fee paid to a private employment agency must be refunded. But in most cases these fees are not returned as they should be—the authorities turn deaf ears to the pleadings of the men for a return of this fee, according to law.

Rob Tourists.

Where there is smoke there must be a fire smoldering somewhere. All the way from New York to California I met tourists—the roads were crowded with them—in automobiles, raving, cursing, and gnashing their teeth—they had been to California and claimed that they had been cheated, robbed and in some cases abused the same as the animals with the mouth disease.

Yes, California is all right. It has some good soil and some nice climates. The tourists and workers were not condemning the soil. They were condemning the grafters.

Jesse T. Kennedy, New York City.

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Coal Miners Face Crisis

The coal operators have assembled their forces and are determined to revise the Jacksonville agreement with the United Mine Workers of America. That such a move would be undertaken by the coal barons has been evident for some time. In all the coal fields there has been a steady but unofficial revision of the agreement. Working conditions have been changed to benefit the operators and such changes have had the same result as a reduction of wages—the miners dig more coal for less money.

These changes have been carried out with the full knowledge of the Lewis administration. In some instances the officials aided the coal operators to carry out the revisions. While exact figures are lacking there is little doubt that thousands of miners are working under what practically amounts to a revised agreement. In districts like the anthracite fields, where there has been mass strikes against unauthorized changes the Lewis administration has revoked charters and otherwise aided the operators.

The unemployment in the industry and the stealing of working conditions that is already an accomplished fact has encouraged the coal owners to open war on the wage agreement. The miners must now fight or accept a cut in wages that is only the beginning of a series of slashes intended to wipe out living standards they have fought for years to obtain.

Here is the final proof of the utter bankruptcy of the Lewis policy. He has deliberately weakened the union by revoking charters and expelling whole districts, he has urged the miners to have faith in the word of the coal capitalists, he has denounced, slandered and expelled Communists and members of the Trade Union Educational League, the most active members of the union. He has said time and time again that the progressive miners were enemies of the union and their program of struggle the road to ruin.

But it is Lewis and his payroll gang that has led the United Mine Workers of America far on the road to ruin. It is not too late to turn back.

The program of the Workers (Communist) Party and the Trade Union Educational League, their call for action against wage cuts and unemployment, points the way.

The United Mine Workers of America face a great crisis. They are at the turning point. If they submit to the demands of the coal capitalists they will have lost the fruit of years of effort.

It must not be. The coal miners must rally to the left wing program, they must repudiate the defeatist policies of the Lewis officialdom, they must utilize this issue to build a rank and file movement so strong that both the treacherous bureaucrats and the coal barons cannot prevail against it.

Street Cleaners' Strike Continues

The Chicago city authorities, like all other employers, are willing to spend thousands of dollars for scabs and police protection for scabs rather than settle with the striking workers who in this case are the men who do the hardest and most unpleasant of all tasks—keeping the city clean—members of the Street Cleaners' Union.

The commissioner of public works has told the union that its members must be back to work by Tuesday or their places will be filled. This means that 2,500 strikebreakers will be recruited if the union does not surrender. It means that the striking street cleaners will have to fight for their right to work at decent wages.

Municipal ownership as a solution of the workers' problems is urged by many reformers. It has been a pet project of the socialist party for years. It was popularly supposed that city authorities would be much more friendly to wage earners than private capitalists. If anything is municipally owned it is the streets and alleys of the city of Chicago—the whole sanitary district is a municipal undertaking.

The city authorities appear now in the same role as any other boss. They talk glibly of strikebreakers and police as means of whipping the striking workers into line. They have tried to divide the strikers by offering a small increase to foremen, etc., as employers always do. If and when scabs are used and the union begins to picket, the heads of the members will be broken just as if the city was a private concern.

It is only a small section of the city employees that are striking. There would be a different situation if the city workers were organized in a municipal workers' union and striking as a unit. There would not be such a defiant attitude on the part of the city officials nor could enough scabs be got together to break the strike.

If the street cleaners and other municipal employees are to cease being beggars at the door of city bureaucrats they must organize a union of all city workers.

Every day get a "sub" for the DAILY WORKER

Explaining the Sullivan Disaster

The federal government can and does send troops to aid the employers in breaking strikes, but it has not the power to enforce safety regulations for workers.

This is the only conclusion that can be drawn from a statement recently issued by the department of interior dealing with the Sullivan mine disaster. The bulletin says:

"It is reported that this mine disaster, the greatest in the history of Indiana, was caused by open lights, which ignited gases in the mine. If so, the Sullivan catastrophe emphasizes the great hazard to the lives of American coal miners in the continued use of the open flame lamp in mines. . . . Records compiled by the bureau of mines of this department covering a period of 17 years, show that open flame have been the contributing cause of numerous fires and over one hundred explosions in mines, with a death toll of 3,000 men. . . . Such explosions are preventable."

The bureau of mines has a number of specific recommendations for the kind of lamps that are safe and according to its statement, these recommendations have been given to all coal mine operators. These recommendations are as follows:

"In all coal mines the portable lamps for illumination should be permissible, portable, electric mine lamps.

"In places where fire damp and black damp is liable to be encountered, a permissible magnetically-locked flame safety lamp for gas detection, or equivalent permissible device, should be supplied to at least one experienced employe in each such place.

"Any employe before being supplied with a permissible flame safety lamp should be examined by a competent official of the mines to assure the man's ability to detect gas.

"All coal mines, whether classed as non-gaseous or gaseous in any part, should be supplied with magnetically-locked, permissible, flame safety lamps, properly maintained and in sufficient number for all inspection purposes."

Then comes a statement that every coal miner should paste up where he can read it every day:

"The acting director of the bureau of mines has announced that the adoption of the bureau's recommendations depend on securing the co-operation of the industry and the state government, since it is well known that the bureau has not authority to make regulations requiring the use of permissible lamps in coal mines."

In 1919 the federal government, of which the bureau of mines is a part, rushed troops into every mining district where miners were on strike if the bosses asked for them.

The government issued an injunction against the United Mine Workers of America and tied up its strike funds.

Yet this same government, when 51 miners are sent to their death by the coal lords of Indiana, declares it has no means of preventing a similar disaster. It would never do to interfere with the sacred right of the coal capitalists to rob and murder, by forcing them to use safety lamps.

Our 100 per cent labor leaders claim that American government is a "government of all the people."

Will the coal miners and the families of the victims of the Sullivan disaster believe this much longer?

"Our" Efficient Navy

The Huron, flagship of Morgan's Asiatic fleet, has run aground on the island of Palawan. This evidence of efficiency will no doubt make Japan think twice before she makes any hostile moves.

This reminds us that the navy breaks into print in three ways—when Secretary Wilbur makes a speech, when one of its ships runs aground and when it lands marines to subdue some colonials that owe money to the American bankers.

Perhaps the naval heroes have discovered a new method of putting marines ashore. Enough battle-ships have been aground lately to make this seem plausible. Maybe the new way is to sail onto an island so the brave boys can step right off without getting their feet wet.

Tired Rebels

We are in receipt of a letter from a comrade who says we don't give enough credit to Daniel DeLeon and that Communist defendants should stand on their constitutional rights—whatever they are.

He ends his letter with the following sentence: "There is on hurry about me—when the workers see the need of organization and show a little horse sense I will be there with both feet."

This is the negative attitude of the tired rebel who has lost what faith he ever had in the working class. This is neither DeLeonism, Communism, socialism or anything but defeatism.

Criticism from comrades who have this state of mind springs from the fact that the Workers (Communist) Party is a party of action. We are disturbers in that we make it impossible for the tired rebels to sleep until the rest of the working class awakens.

Coolidge is impartial. He is against the raise the \$7,500 gashouse boys handed themselves and also against the raise the underpaid postal workers want.

Was it Anatole France who said that "capitalism gives rich and poor alike the right to sleep under bridges"?

A news item in the capitalist press tells a story of the life led by Russian czarists in Paris. Four Americans, two men and two women, were arrested in a den by the police. There were also arrested four Russians who were giving an exhibition entitled "Art Spectacles." Ninety-nine per cent of the art consisted in the complete absence of clothes. Besides the four Americans there were thirty-six other spectators. This is the degenerate class that Abramovich is here to defend!

M'ANDREW'S NEW SCHOOLS EXPOSED AS FIRETRAPS

Building Commissioner Orders Them Scrapped

That architects representing building company interests and Superintendent McAndrew the economy expert, were the only ones consulted regarding new school buildings came out when Chief Deputy Building Commissioner Robert Knight vetoed the plans because they do not comply with the fire regulations. Knight's veto throws out the plans for the eight elementary schools that the board has been working on for the last three months.

The plans were worked up from a standard type of elementary school building prepared by Supt. McAndrew's staff of building experts. Upon recommendation of the superintendent they were adopted by the board and the details worked out in the architect's department and approved by Edgar L. Martin, supervisory architect.

To make the buildings acceptable under the building ordinance, there must be two exits in each classroom and wood shops. Exits from gymnasiums, assembly halls and libraries must lead to street. The partitions must be increased in thickness from four to six inches. In addition the health department has objected to the ventilating system.

We venture to add that if a committee were appointed on which teachers would serve many other shortcomings in the plans that sacrifice comfort and needs of pupils and teachers would be discovered.

Who is to say what kind of new school buildings go up in the city of Chicago. The architects and managers who can see only economy of space, economy of building and economy of material or the teachers and parents who are concerned with the comfort and the welfare of the children?

Labor Fakers and Priest Join Forces to Trick Workers

(Continued from Page 1.) The DAILY WORKER could be distributed, he refused. However, 100 copies were sold in the hallway. White tried to explain by saying that the DAILY WORKER and the Workers Party literature would make people "talk" and that it was "against the strike."

Really Afraid Workers Do Understand When asked to point out where the DAILY WORKER or any other literature of the Workers Party opposed the strike, White would not answer. He could not answer. But he tried to dodge by saying that "people don't understand it, and it will be bad for the strike." Apparently, he is really afraid the workers do understand the daily only too well to suit him.

However, both the DAILY WORKER and the Workers Party leaflet, "Strike Against Wage Cuts," have been read by many workers and, far from White's evasive lies, they all agree that the DAILY WORKER and the leaflet is the best thing for the textile workers they have ever seen.

Illinois Has More Bonus Money. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 26.—The state has approximately \$170,000 of the Illinois bonus fund left with which to pay pending claims, it became known here today following a conference between the service recognition board and Governor Len Small in which it was decided to offer to the highest bidder, March 17, \$1,550,000 in bonus bonds, the unexpended balance of the \$55,000,000 bond issue voted by the people in 1922, the bonds are to bear four per cent interest and are payable in twenty years.

Muskegon Runs Defense Benefit. MUSKEGON, Mich., Feb. 26.—An all day labor defense program has been arranged in Muskegon, Mich., for this Sunday, March 1st, at Modern Woodmen's Hall, 10 N. Terrace St. There will be speeches delivered afternoon and evening by William F. Dunne. A box social will be run in the evening.

RUSSIAN MOVIES AT GERMAN-AMERICAN HOME KENOSHA, WIS., FEB. 28

The famous movies, "Polikushka," a six-reel story made by the Moscow Art Theater, "In Memoriam—Lenin," showing the life and funeral of Lenin, and a Russian comedy, "Soldier Ivan's Miracle," will be shown SATURDAY, FEB. 28, from 4 to 11 p. m. at the German-American Home, 666 Grand Ave., Kenosha, Wis.

These pictures have been drawing the biggest crowds in Chicago, New York and other big cities. They will be shown in Kenosha ONLY ONE EVENING, FEB. 28. There will be three showings on that evening. The first will start at 4 p. m. sharp. Make sure to attend. Tell your friends about it. Don't miss the greatest treat in your life.

Ammunition for the Workers' Arsenal

By MANUEL GOMEZ.

Working Yourself Out of a Job.

COOLIDGE "prosperity" is a monstrous, two-faced thing feeding on misery and bitter want. It is a cross-contradiction, which every day becomes more hopelessly involved.

The United States Department of Labor sent out a report last week calling attention to the relatively high degree of business activity, as evidenced in whole prices, in the fact that the steel industry is operating around 90 per cent of capacity, etc. but the report concluded with the rather puzzled remark that "IN SPITE OF INCREASED BUSINESS ACTIVITY, EVERY ONE OF THE BIG INDUSTRIAL CENTERS HAS CONSIDERABLY MORE UNEMPLOYED WORKERS THAN A YEAR AGO."

The explanation of this strange phenomenon is now revealed in tabulations published by two different government agencies, the Federal Reserve Board and the Department of Commerce. The Reserve Board figures were produced by Leland Olds of the Federated Press in Monday's DAILY WORKER. They show that "the expanding needs of the country due to the increase of population are being met largely without giving employment to the increased number of workers who are growing up." The ranks of the army of more or less permanently unemployed have been swelled by 1,600,000 as compared with the pre-war years.

WHAT THE CENSUS FIGURES SHOW.

New let us examine some figures just made public in connection with the Department of Commerce's biennial census of manufactures for 1923:

Value of manufactures (at factory prices)	1923	1921	1919
Value of manufactures (at factory prices)	\$60,481,135	\$43,653,283	62,041,796
Average number of wage earners employed	8,763,233	6,946,590	9,000,059
Total wage payments	10,985,896	8,200,324	10,461,787
Horsepower of prime movers	241,168,602	(no data)	219,518,152

*) 000 omitted.

Thus relatively fewer workers in 1923 produced considerably more goods. Labor is steadily becoming more productive, piling up greater and greater masses of wealth with smaller expenditure of energy. Under capitalism this is no unmix blessing. The markets for merchandise are limited, even in the present imperialistic epoch, and only a certain amount of labor can be absorbed with satisfactory profit to the bosses. The rest goes to swell what Karl Marx called the "industrial reserve army" of unemployed, whose existence is a weapon in the hands of the capitalist to keep down wages.

While the combined factory prices increased 38.5 per cent between 1921 and 1923, total wages increased only 34 per cent. That is, however, as regards TOTAL wages. But inasmuch as the number of wage earners increased 26.2 per cent during this period the 1923 total wage had to be divided among 1,616,663 additional workers, which means that the individual worker received a very much smaller proportion of what he produced.

VALUE ADDED IN MANUFACTURE

Even these striking figures fail to reveal the full extent of what has been taking place. A correct measure of the actual value created by manufacturing process is not the aggregate value of products as given above (which includes the same values counted several times) but the "value added in manufacture," namely the difference between the cost of raw materials, fuel, etc. and the factory price of the finished products. This amounted to \$25,853,151,000 in 1923 AS COMPARED WITH \$18,316,666,000 IN 1921, AN INCREASE OF 41.1 PER CENT. Moreover, an important part of the values created by labor are still unrecorded in the totals; they are incorporated in the industrial process itself for the benefit of future generations. An inkling of this can be gotten from the fact that the rated horsepower capacity of engines, water wheel, electric motors, etc., used for primary power in manufacturing establishments, has increased 14.4 per cent as compared with the boom year 1919.

SUMMARY

To sum up. The figures show: (1) increasing productivity of labor; (2) larger output; (3) decreasing share by the workers in the product of their labor—increasing rate of surplus value, or of exploitation; (4) increase of the "industrial reserve army."

Substantially the same trends can be noted at the present time, for the most part greatly exaggerated. That is Coolidge "prosperity." That is capitalism.

N. Y. TEACHERS UNIONS FIGHT NEW SALARY BILL

Gives Too Much Power to Superintendents

NEW YORK, Feb. 26.—An appeal to all teachers to unite in opposition to the Downing bill was issued by Dr. Henry R. Linville of the Teachers' Union who said it was a menace to everything the teachers have fought for.

"This bill nullifies the policy for which the teachers have fought for many years, namely, the control of salaries by the state legislature.

"It makes the various groups of teachers the football of local politics. This will divide the teachers into warring camps. It places them at the mercy of the board of superintendents, a body for the most part of political appointees. Even if teachers receive an increase because of an approaching mayoralty campaign, what will prevent these same authorities from taking away what they have given?"

Strong support of the Kleinfeld bill prepared by the joint salaries committees of teachers' associations was announced by the New York Principals Association, the Assistant to Principals' Association and the Teachers' Union.

The Downing bill gives the board of superintendents power to revise salaries every five years. The Kleinfeld bill would specifically fix definite schedules by legislative action at higher rate of pay than are now in force.

If You Own Part of the Philippines, You Can Worry Over This

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26.—The Philippines are "very vulnerable and could be taken away by an enemy," Rear Admiral Hillary P. Jones, chief of the navy general board, today told the house aircraft committee.

"Of course, we all realize that the Philippine Islands could be taken by an enemy before America could get a fleet there," frankly admitted Jones.

The committee previously had been told by Brig. Gen. William Mitchell, assistant chief of the army air service, that the Philippines, Hawaii and other American Pacific possessions, "could be captured by Japan in two weeks."

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