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PENNSYLVANIA MINERS FIGHT WAGE CUT

Battle Reaction in Amalgamated

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

THERE is no prospect of peace between France and England. There can be no peace between those nations. Not because of temperamental differences, but because of clashing interests. When war breaks out between France and England—unless the war between the United States and England comes first, or the one between the U. S. and Japan—our ears will be assaulted with British propaganda about the decadence of France and by French propaganda about the greed and avarice of John Bull.

IN the event of a war between England and France it is quite possible that Wall Street may wink at the French debt, as Britain is America's most formidable foe among the capitalist nations, and France is passing out of the picture as an imperialist power. It does not matter if we have organizations in existence designed to cement the friendly relations between the two "English-speaking nations." Oil is more powerful than blood nowadays. Oil was a favorite antidote for troubled waters in other days, but today it is our greatest troublemaker.

EVEN the pacifists no longer hope to avert war. "Hope deferred maketh the heart sick," said the bible or one of the prophets. There is a mouthful of wisdom in the old saying. The late war took all the wind out of the sails of pacifism. They are now flapping against the masts. But Rear Admiral Fiske, "views with alarm" the extent of the pacifist menace in the United States, and his speech is not calculated to strew the already thorny path of Calvin Coolidge with roses.

THERE are more harmless diversions than tacking the thyroid of a sleeping dog with a red hot poker. But a retired admiral, full of Dutch courage, is liable to step in where a dope fiend would not. The old salt in denouncing the pacifists stepped on the ashes of their patron saint, Woodrow Wilson. On top of Charles G. Dawes and other troubles Calvin will have the wild-eyed followers of the "pacifist" Wilson hopping on to him. Fiske expressed the opinion that those who were opposed to mass murder are physical cowards. Among those millions, Woodrow Wilson could be numbered, he said. In fact Teddy Roosevelt was his authority for the statement.

IF another cyclone hits the United States, it can be attributed without further investigation to the fury generated in the breasts of Wilson's pacifist followers over the admiral's remarks. A scorned woman is mild in her wrath compared to an insulted pacifist. When there are millions of them, the trouble is multiplied. We can sit by and watch the result, being very neutral like the Irish patriot who watched an Englishman and an Orangeman trying to dispose of each other. We hope both sides will win. But don't forget that the next war is much nearer than even the most pessimistic bargained for and that any kind of peace under capitalism is no longer even a remote possibility.

THE Polish government has decided to postpone its attack on the garrison holding the Danzig corridor. One reason for this decision may be found in a recent visit of Soviet representatives to Danzig. The Danzig government officials greeted the Russian officials most cordially and a banquet was given in their honor. The Poles may not take the commandment, "Thou shalt not steal" very seriously, but they have a wholesome respect for the Red Army.

THE yellow socialists who howl like coyotes over the few enemies of the Soviet Republic who are behind the bars, have not time to waste on the case of Deputy Stanislaw Lanzutsky of Poland, a Communist who is threatened with death for making a speech against the Polish capitalists from the tribune of the Polish diet. Raphael Abramovich will not collect any money for the victims of the capitalist class. He has no tears to shed over the graves of the dead who have fallen

BULGARIAN CHAMBER, LOYAL TO CAPITALIST 'DEMOCRACY', VOTES TO EXPEL SIX COMMUNISTS

SOFIA, Bulgaria, March 22.—The chamber of deputies today voted to exclude six Communist deputies from membership in that body.

SEATTLE LABOR UNIONS PROTEST EXPULSIONS AS COMMUNISTS IN STATEMENT CHALLENGE ACCUSERS

(Special to The Daily Worker)
SEATTLE, Wash., March 22.—Deep protest developed at the meeting of the Central Labor Council here at its last meeting, when the strike and grievance committee, which constitutes the trial board of the council, rendered their report, which recommended that Delegates Joe Havel, Price and Jones be expelled, and that Delegates Mohr, Hansen and Carlson be exonerated.

Profound admiration of the stand taken by the group of six, all members of the Workers (Communist) Party, was shown when Joe Havel read to the council the statement of the six Communists.

In the debate on committee report, James A. Duncan, of the machinists' union and ex-secretary of the council, together with "Tex" Phillips of Painters' Local No. 300, took strenuous exception to the expulsions.

See Blow to Organized Labor. Phillips declared that such action would seriously weaken the organized labor movement, and Duncan protested that if those in authority proceed to expel all Communists from the American labor movement, such action would ultimately wreck the unions. Duncan stated that the Workers (Communist) Party is destined completely to supplant the moribund socialist party, and he affirmed that the radicals were the life of the labor movement.

Adjournment came at the statutory time, 11 p. m., with an extension of time being demanded by Levine, the prosecutor against the Communists. It was denied, however, and the matter will come up at the next meeting on Wednesday.

The statement of the Communists, read by Joe Havel, is a document which is the talk of the unions of Seattle and marks a new stage in the

STRIKES TO BE CRUSHED BY PERMANENT MARTIAL LAW, IS MEANING OF STATE POLICE

(Article III)
By MANUEL GOMEZ

State police means perpetual martial law. It means what amounts to military intervention in every strike. It means government by irresponsible and heavily-armed troopers, free to invade any community in the state with or without the permission of local authorities, and to interrupt meetings, make arbitrary arrests and tyrannize over the workers and poor farmers.

As I pointed out in former articles, the wealthy backers of the Dunlap police bill in Illinois and similar bills in other states are far more interested in the workers than in the farmers—at any rate when it comes to this

BRITISH LABOR CLOSING RANKS FOR BIG FIGHT

Miners' Chieftain Is Taking the Lead

That British labor is girding itself for a titanic struggle with the employers is becoming more evident every day. A. J. Cook, chief of the miners' union appears to be taking the lead in organizing the forces of labor nationally to meet the united front of the master class thru their Federation of British Industries.

The British Minority Movement of which Cook is a prominent member, is a counterpart to the American Trade Union-Educational League and is the brains and driving force of the united front campaign.

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W. Va. Coal Barons Use State Police

GRANT TOWN, W. Va., March 22.—The W. Va. county and local officials, many of whom are directly employed by the coal operators of this section, increased their persecution of union miners when they arrested eleven officers and members of the United

INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' AID APPEALS FOR HELP TO WORKING CLASS VICTIMS OF THE TORNADO

Knowing that the working class is always the greatest sufferer in any calamity, and asserting that those whose daily business it is to rob and exploit the workers are scarcely to be expected to give the working class victims of the tornado in southern Illinois more than superficial attention, and will not do anything to strengthen the miners' union whose members have suffered the greatest disaster, the International Workers' Aid has issued an appeal for strictly proletarian aid to be given to aid the bereaved and suffering workers who are victims of the storm. The appeal follows:

Help the working class storm victims! Thousands of workers and their families are left homeless and destitute by the ravages of the most devastating tornado in the history of the country.

Hundreds are killed and thousands injured! Whole mining towns have been razed to the ground; other towns and villages have been partially demolished.

As in all great tragedies, it is the workers who are suffering the greatest hardships. The miners in Southern Illinois, the most affected storm area, have won for themselves, thru many years of struggle, one hundred per cent organization. They made the mine owners afraid of them. They have formed a solid phalanx against attackers of workers' rights. Now they are in distress. Let the workers of America come to their aid!

Many relief agencies are at work. Thousands of dollars are being appropriated by the several states and by business interests to relieve the suffering survivors and rehabilitate the devastated area. But that isn't enough. It is never enough.

The histories of similar catastrophes have shown that the workers and their families are always the last consideration, that profiteering and grafting are rampant and inflict added and needless suffering upon the working class victims which is concealed by the capitalist press and covered up with hypocritical lies. Capitalism, when it pretends to be most Christ-like, is still capitalism

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RAPHAEL SPEAKS IN JEWISH TO IRISH POLICE

Kansas City Audience Had Two Workers

(Special to The Daily Worker.)
KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 22.—The "crowd" which listened to Professor Raphael Abramovich, counter-revolutionary emissary of the Second (socialist) International, here recently was limited to sixty, about evenly divided between rich Jewish merchants and beefy Irish policemen.

All workers were barred. However, two workers who were dressed well enough to be mistaken for bourgeois, were admitted. These challenged Abramovich in the midst of his lies, which were more brazenly reactionary than the utterances of Hughes or the late unlamented Curzon.

Digging in the Ruins



All That Storm Left of Miners' Home.

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LIPTZIN, OF N. Y. LOCAL NO. 5, TO SPEAK TONIGHT

Protest Outrages of Manager Levin

Sam Liptzin, of the famous Local 5, Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, suspended by President Sidney Hillman from the joint board, will speak at the great mass protest meeting of Amalgamated members tonight at 8 o'clock, at Temple Hall, corner of Van Buren street and Marshfield Ave.

The meeting is to protest against the outrageous action of Sam Levin, manager of the Chicago joint board, in taking members of the union off their jobs and thus depriving them of a chance to earn a livelihood, merely for distributing a leaflet issued by Local 5 of the A. C. W. of New York City.

Predict Huge Demonstration. Judging by the sentiment prevailing in the shops, this meeting is expected to be a huge demonstration against the Hillman-Levin machine for trying to drive members out of the trade, reduce them to starvation or compel them to obey the autocratic orders and follow the class collaborationist policy of the machine.

The inference can be drawn that the Hillman-Levin machine is picking this particular time to throw the best militant workers out of the shops, because thereby the machine will be better able to put over the new agreement with wage reductions, production standards and readjustments against the interests of the workers and for the interests of the manufacturers. The machine openly says the bosses should be helped.

Tell of Many Assaults. Meanwhile, stories of the outrageous assaults on the rights and the persons of the members by the officials continue to pour into the DAILY WORKER.

Sister T. Reznick was in her shop Friday and a girl told her that Scala, business agent and general executive board member, was in the shop and raided the place just like a gendarme of the old czarist Russia. He was ransacking drawers and boxes, and when asked what for, he answered:

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THIS SAD STORY RECITES FALL OF WILLIAM MAHONEY OF ST. PAUL

(Special to The Daily Worker)
MINNEAPOLIS, March 22.—The days when the olfactory organs of the prodigal son were greeted on the threshold of his parent's home by the delicious odor of calf-soup, are no more. The fatted calf is no longer killed to make a holiday and a feast for the returned wanderer. But the prodigal son is slaughtered to make a Roman holiday for the golden calf. In proof of this contention we will place the late (politically speaking) William Mahoney of St. Paul in the dock.

Squirting Ideas into a Vacuum. Mahoney once cuddled the idea to the second button in his vest that he was ordained to be the leader of the farmer-labor party of Minnesota and destined to supply the brains of Magnus Johnson with ideas and his lungs

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RED INTERNATIONAL AND MINERS' UNION OF SOVIET RUSSIA SEND AID TO NOVA SCOTIA STRIKERS

(Special to The Daily Worker)
TORONTO, Ont., March 22.—The miners of District 26 of the United Mine Workers of America, in desperate strike battle against the British Empire Steel corporation, which locked out thousands in order to force wage reductions, appealed to organized labor to aid them materially. Thousands are in want and hundreds actually starving.

In answer to their plea, the following cablegram has been received by James McLachlan, fighting leader of the Nova Scotia miners:

"MOSCOW, Soviet Russia, March 20.—The Red International of Labor Unions and the All-Russian Miners' Union are in full sympathy with the striking Nova Scotia miners. To assist you we are sending five thousand dollars.

"On with the struggle against exploitation and oppression!
"Long live the international solidarity of the working class!
(Signed) "Lozovsky, for the R. I. L. U.

COKE MINERS IN REVOLT AGAINST BIG WAGE CUT

Operators Slash Pay \$2.25 per Day

(By ARNE SWABECK. (Special to The Daily Worker.)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 22.—Coming out to a man five thousand miners of the unorganized territory, Fayette County, Pa., which was so shamefully betrayed by John L. Lewis and his gang in 1922, have struck work in protest of a wage cut scheduled to take effect immediately and to lop off one third of the present scale of wages, making a cut of \$2.25 a day.

A goodly part of the strikers are Negroes, and all stand solid refusing to go back to the 1917 scale. The strike is spreading through the county.

Against Steel Trust and Subsidiaries. The strike is complete in the following camps: Tower Hill No. 1 and No. 2, Allison, Mount Braddock, Royal and Orient, the later place having just been bought by the Byers Iron and Steel Rod company. These camps are located in the heart of the Fayette county coal and coke region.

The mines are owned by the H. C. Frick Coal and Coke company, the Hillman Co., and the Reiney Co. So far the strike is on only the mines of the two latter companies, the H. C. Frick Co. having not as yet posted notices of wage cuts, evidently holding off to see how well this first rebellion turns out.

Immediate Eviction Notice Served. A wage cut took place in these mines last year in June but the pres-

FIND 11 BODIES IN WRECKED W. VA. MINE WHERE 34 WERE KILLED

FAIRMONT, W. Va., March 22.—Eleven bodies have been removed from mine 41 of the Bethlehem Steel corporation, near here, where an explosion entombed 34 miners last week.

All eleven bodies were found in the left heading, which has now been sealed. The right heading, where the other 23 bodies are expected to be found, is now being explored.

R. M. Lambie, chief of the West Virginia mine inspectors, said there was practically no hope of finding any of the miners alive.

GET A SUB AND GIVE ONE!

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sure of work again forced restoration of the old scale.

These camps are completely company owned. The miners live in company houses and buy their necessities in company stores. Immediately at the beginning of the strike, a ten days' eviction notice was given to each striker and the credit in the company stores ceased. Whatever indebtedness the striking miners may have to the store will be balanced against their next pay.

State Police Install Martial Law.

The coal and iron police, which is a special privilege in the state of Pennsylvania, giving owners of coal mines and steel mills the right to deputize such special police, have taken possession of the territory.

During the 1922 general coal mine strike the 40,000 unorganized miners of Fayette county came out and made common cause with their organized fellow workers. They were organized into the U. M. W. of A. when at the settlement of the strike Lewis and the officials of District No. 5 left them all in the lurch and they were finally forced to go back to work completely unorganized, that is at least those that were not victimized by the coal barons.

Lewis Wrecks and Betrays Union.

Special organizers and stool pigeons dispatched by John L. Lewis have since been busy in that territory, not to organize, but to steal all the charters they could get hold of the locals which were organized during the strike, believing that thereby the officials would be absolved from any responsibility for the miserable conditions of the workers.

The Hillman company, whose mines have been struck some time ago, was permitted by President Fagan and the rest of the District No. 5 machine to sign an agreement covering its mines within District No. 5 but exempting those in Fayette county, altho Hines and O'Leary, two of the machine, had originally voted against it.

Want Rank and File Control.

Since then they have both come out and explained that action as a perfectly good union principle in their opinion. Naturally the miners in the struck region and throughout Fayette county are bitter at the betrayals of the officialdom of the U. M. W. of A. but at any and all times are ready to join hands with the rank and file members of the union.

As fast as wage cuts notices are made, the strike is spreading and strike committees to take charge of the situation are rapidly being organized.

Shut Down in West Virginia.

MORGANTOWN, West Va., March 22.—Every union mine now operating in Northern West Virginia will be closed by April 1st, if the present wage scale is in operation at that time, according to a statement issued by the Consolidation Coal Company, one of the biggest coal combines in the world.

This mighty industrial octopus has mines in Maryland, Pennsylvania and Virginia in addition to the pits it operates in this state. It has already suspended operations in twenty two mines in this field and the remaining six are expected to cease operations on April 1.

It was stated unofficially that many Morgantown operators who have contracts with the union will shut down on April 1st. While no statement was made officially, that the mines would open non-union after April 1st, it is hinted that this will be the strategy of the coal operators not only in West Virginia but throughout the country. The coal barons believe it is easier to fight the union by shutting down the mines and letting the scab pits take care of the market until the hungry workers come to terms.

While this danger threatens the United Mine Workers of America John L. Lewis is doing nothing to prepare for the inevitable struggle with the operators but is busy as usual fighting the radicals.

Sinclair Gave No Cash to Navy for Teapot, Is Charge

CHEYENNE, Wyo., March 22.—The contract which former Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Ball signed with the Sinclair Oil interests, turning Teapot Dome over to Sinclair, provided that crude oil royalties should not be paid the navy in cash, it was disclosed here in the government's annual report.

The contract Fall made provided that royalties would be taken by Sinclair in exchange for tanks. This, it is thought, is a violation of the provisions under which congress has the sole power to appropriate money for purchases made by the navy.

A DAILY WORKER sub means another Communist.

AUSTRIAN GOVERNMENT FEARS RED SPEECH ON THE PARIS COMMUNE

VIENNA, March 22.—Eric Muehsam, prominent Bavarian Communist, who was en route to Vienna to give a lecture to celebrate the memorial of the Paris Commune, was prevented from crossing the frontier by the Austrian government, which is largely in the hands of "socialists."

Liptzin Here in 'Amalgamated' Fight

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"Shut up, if you know what is good for you!"

Collaboration Is Exposed.

In Alfred Decker and Cohen pants shop, where Brothers Rudman and Savonovsky were taken off their jobs, when these workers went to get their pay, they were told that they couldn't go inside the shop for fear they might see and talk with others.

However, they visited the other workers anyway and when they explained to other workers of the new orders given by the union thru the bosses, all exclaimed: "Now we see that close co-operation is really existing between the union officers and the bosses!"

The machine is using every trick possible. In the Alfred Decker and Cohen shop they are raising race prejudice. They say: "Why should Italians fight for Jews?" When this failed, they tried something new.

Efforts to Check Attendance.

This new trick is a stall to cool down the anger of the workers and is put out as a rumor to prevent the big protest meeting tonight. The word is being passed around that the victims who were taken off their jobs are going to be returned to the job. Then they say: "It is no use to go to protest meetings!" But the workers see thru this scheme of the machine to spoil tonight's meeting at Temple Hall.

Everywhere the cry is: "Out to the protest meeting! We must show the Hillman-Levin machine that they dare not tamper with the bread and butter of the workers! We reserve the right to ourselves to criticize the officers of our union! The right to protest against their arbitrary action of expelling locals, as in New York, or individual members, as in Chicago!"

The case of Brother Lieberman, who was taken off the job from Hart, Schaffner and Marx factory "M," proves that the Hillman-Levin machine is not interested altogether in distribution of leaflets, but also to drive out of the shops the members who are militant left wing workers. Lieberman was called to Levin's office, and when he was asked if he distributed leaflets, he replied that he did not.

Witnesses Don't Matter.

Levin then said, "Bring witnesses to prove you didn't!" But when

Brother Lieberman brought four workers of his shop to testify that they did not see him distribute any leaflets, he was told: "It is no use for you to bring witnesses. You can bring the whole shop to testify for you and it wouldn't help you any. Whatever Kagan, the shop chairman, says, will go with me!"

Because Kagan is a part of Levin's machine, Levin will not take the word, even of all the workers in the shop, but of one member—his tool—against all. When Brother Lieberman said to Kagan, "If you state that I have distributed leaflets, you will be telling a lie!" Kagan could not deny it, but only said, "So you will call me a liar?" "And even if I did distribute leaflets," said Lieberman, "which I did not, I would have a perfect right to do so."

The meeting tonight, at which the members of all Amalgamated locals are invited, will be addressed by Sam Liptzin of New York, Local 5, who will tell of the fight against the Hillman machine.

Calgary Unemployed March to Edmonton to Demand Relief

CALGARY, Alberta, March 22.—One hundred and twenty-three men left here on a march to Edmonton, the capital of Alberta, 250 miles from here, to demand relief from unemployment. The men announced they would camp by the parliament building until their demands were satisfied.

Greek Printers Strike to Aid Rail Workers

ATHENS, March 22.—No daily newspapers appeared in Greece today owing to the walkout of printers, who quit work in sympathy with railway strikers.

HELP! HELP!

We need volunteer help in mailing out 10,000 invitations for the March celebration and anti-Abramovich demonstration.
If you can spare an hour or a day come and help!
LABOR DEFENSE COUNCIL
19 S. Lincoln St.

APPEAL FOR AID FOR WORKING CLASS VICTIMS OF THE STORM

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and takes advantage of helplessness to make profit.

A tent, a loaf of bread and limited medical care is all the workers can expect from bourgeois relief organizations. These miners who were already starving without a sign of pity from capitalist relief agencies, will not be given more than scant care now. Before the disaster the miners had been hard hit by unemployment. They were very close to destitution even then. There was no thought of giving them "aid" then. There was thought only about the possibility of wrecking the miners' union thru long continued hard times.

But now the whole region is affected—mines have been wrecked, business establishments have been demolished, aside from the miners' dwellings. In a word, a whole district has been literally taken off the map, a section of capitalism has been made useless. That is why chambers of commerce and boards of trustees are so responsive to the "needs of the stricken community."

Capitalism, the coal operators, and their agent in the miners' union, John L. Lewis, have both declared that there were 200,000 miners too many! What sort of care, then, can these victims of the storm expect from these vultures who would work them for profits—then ask them to starve to death quietly and peacefully when they are not wanted—when they are surplus? All the care these vultures give will be little and hypocritical. Such relief can only mean a continuation of their present destitution.

And that in turn will mean what? It will mean that the miners will not be strong enough to fight back at attempts that will surely be made to break down their morale and take away their union and what it means to them.

The workers must protect their brothers in the mines and their industries against such unfair and base attacks. The workers must let the miners and workers of southern Illinois know that they don't have to rely solely upon the employing classes and their agents. They must let the miners know there are those willing to help them protect the organization that means so much not only to the miners, but to the whole working class.

The workers of the whole country

must come immediately to the aid of their fellow workers in distress. The workers must see that relief work is carried on without distinction and without discrimination. They must dig down in their own pockets to provide relief for workers and their families.

The International Workers' Aid calls upon all workers to contribute funds immediately. The I. W. A. has undertaken to bring relief to the workers and their families in the storm district.

The I. W. A. seeks not only to provide for immediate physical wants, and medical attention, but aims also to provide for the destitute workers' families a measure of economic security, enabling them to protect their organizations and combat the attacks of the employers in their present weakened condition.

International Workers' Aid,
George Maurer, Sec'y.
Rush funds to
International Workers' Aid, 19 S. Lincoln St., Chicago, Ill.

AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.
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before the machine guns of the bourgeoisie, directed by the hands of the socialists of the Second International.

THE big problem confronting the working class all over the world today is not so much the abolition of jails, but the question of who should occupy the jails. The robbers and their agents or the robbed? In Russia the robbers and their agents go to jail. It looks like a very mild punishment for such colossal burglars and murderers. Here and in all other capitalist countries the robbed and their leaders, particularly the leaders, go to the penitentiary. Communists cannot too often repeat that jails like war are inevitable under class rule. Both are undesirable. Nobody wants war except a capitalist admiral or general, a moron or the salvation army. But in order to eliminate the causes of war, a war must be waged against capitalism.

Get a sub—make another Communist!

ELEVEN UNION MINERS FRAMED UP FOR MURDER

West Va. Coal Barons Use State Police

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Mine Workers of America, on the charge of murder.

The union men were landed in jail by the coal baron's police, charged with the murder of Ray Tobin on the night of January 15. The men are James Ryan, John Hogan, Ted Summers, Joe Burk, Irvin Schafer, Ed Rhodes, Julius Kolkrai, Cecil Harris, Nick Serdich, Milton Haight, and Jim Burk. The warrant was sworn out by Tobin's widow.

Scabs Kill Union Miner.

On the night of January 15, the miners say John Kello, a union miner, was walking down the road in Grant Town, near the Union Boarding House and the Union Hall. A band of non-union miners, having just left Anderson's pool room, were coming the other way. They stopped Kello and Tobin fired on him, the miners say. Kello fell dying, and the miners rushed out of the Union Boarding House to defend him. In the volley of shots that ensued, Tobin was killed.

It is noticeable that no one has been arrested for the murder of Kello, altho it is known who was in the party which attacked him.

Counsel for the defendants has asked for a change of venue, on the ground that, Justice Tom Ashcraft, who issued the warrants is also an employe of the New England Fuel and Transportation company owning the mines in Grant Town where the scabs were employed.

Held Without Bail.

The union leaders are being held without bail, pending the convening of the May grand jury.

The West Virginia kept press is printing long articles against the union miners, hinting that the men have confessed, and spreading the report that the miners shot Tobin before Kello was killed. The miners deny this.

State police cossacks made the arrests.

Tobin was a company detective of the worst type, having been employed previously as a mine guard at the Dakota mine. He was out to stir up trouble among the union miners.

The followers of Tobin were all scabs employed by the New England Fuel company, who had been imported to displace the union miners.

The New England Fuel company recently discharged union men and reopened the mine, employing mine guards to protect the scabs.

FRANCE COLD TO PACT FOR ARMS LIMIT

Demands Guarantee of Her Frontiers

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

WASHINGTON, March 22.—France is still proving to be the stumbling block in the efforts of President Coolidge and the Baldwin ministry of Britain toward the holding of a second arms conference in Washington next fall or winter, it was admitted today by administration officials.

Some days have elapsed since President Coolidge publicly proclaimed American willingness to invite the powers to Washington for another arms reducing parley, and in that time the reactions of the world capitals have been carefully noted. France has been cold to the proposition. The Parisian press, which is taken here to reflect the attitude of the French government, has been downright and bitterly hostile.

Two Main Objections.

French objections to again coming to Washington are based primarily on two grounds.

1. A belief that a second arms conference would inevitably result in limitations being placed on aircraft and submarines, two arms in which France is now energetically engaged in strengthening herself to offset British, American and Japanese supremacy, and,

2. Unwillingness to submit to further armament or restriction of any kind without an accompanying pact by which the other world powers, including the United States, guarantee her security and present borders.

This security pact was a part of the French-promoted plan by which the league of nations was going to hold a disarmament conference. It was now collapsed thru Britain's unwillingness to commit herself definitely and irrevocably to a French alliance.

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There Is Another Big Storm on the Horizon, the Social Revolution

By J. LOUIS ENGBAHL

TODAY, Southern Illinois, and strips thru Missouri, Indiana, Kentucky and Tennessee, are struggling to mend the havoc wrought by last week's storm. Look at the Illinois mine fields. The coal diggers have ceased to burrow for coal. They are digging graves. While the fresh earth is being heaped upon the coffins of their dead the wrecked cities of the living are reared anew.

There are cities and villages in southern Illinois because there is fuel in the ground. But it is the miners who bring up the coal. It is the building tradesmen who erect the dwellings of rich and poor alike, cause store and factory buildings to rise bringing a municipality into existence; all on the broad, bent back of the coal miner underground.

Conditions for these workers will not change with the rebuilding now that the storm has passed. They will remain pretty much the same. It is just the same as saying that conditions do not change for the workers under capitalism.

Capitalist charity born of hypocrites' tears will get a crust of bread for some of the homeless. But that will soon be a thing of the past. The hard facts of life must then be faced anew.

The coal miner, penniless and perhaps jobless, will somehow get another shack for his wife and babies, if they

Wreckage of Workers' Homes Caught in Storm



All that was left of part of working class district after storm hit West Frankfort, southern Illinois coal mining town.

still live. The new home like the old one will hardly keep out the rain and the snow, let alone stand against the next tornado's blast.

The miners' homes, just like the homes of other workers, are most often to be found on the lowlands, "on the flat" or "in the hollow," where the spring floods get them, if the wind passes by. It is the workers' homes that are built of wood, food for flames.

It is different with the mine owners' residence, or the abodes of the owners of any industry. These are built strong and comfortable of stone or granite. They stand against the storm. All the wreckage of last week's storm showed the broken remains of the homes of the working poor, not of the idle rich. The capitalist has his castle on the hill; just like the robber baron of old. Go into any American city and the rich live on "the heights," where the rising floods in the springtime never reach.

All this is true, not only of American workers, but of those who toil in all capitalist nations.

When the last great earthquake shook Japan, it was the workers' districts in the great cities that suffered most. They were destroyed. The abodes of the plutocracy were as quake proof as it was possible to make them.

While the death-dealing cyclone last week swept the middle west of the United States, a devastating fire brought destruction to Tokio, Japan. But it was again the working class district of Tokio, with 10,000 workers made homeless, and the class government of the owners trying to keep the facts of the disaster secret. The truth might stir the thinking workers of Japan to action.

The latest issue of the New York Times arrives. This is the organ of the plutocracy. It gives headlines equal in size to the burning of two gorgeous hotels in the millionaires' colony at Palm Beach, Fla., and to the midwest disaster. The fact that a few parasitic millionaires have had their winter holidays interfered with is of equal importance to the misery and sufferings visited upon the workers of one of the busiest coal mining sections of the nation, in which hundreds died, thousands were injured, and tens of thousands made homeless. The names of "the guests" inconvenienced at Palm Beach are of greater importance than the dead in Missouri, Illinois, Kentucky and Indiana. Hence they must be given the first page display. They got it.

In Soviet Russia the workers and peasants took over the homes of the parasite rich. It is time that the workers and poor farmers of the United States followed in their glorious footsteps; pending the time when suitable homes can be built for all, proper shelter for human beings against the elements. Such shelter will never be secured under capitalism. It will be achieved under Communism. Let the workers and poor farmers of America think it over. Hurry the day when the capitalists will be the victims of the big storm—the world social revolution.

BRITISH AND U. S. BAGMEN QUARREL OVER MARKETS

South America Main Theatre of War

British and American capitalists are at loggerheads in almost every part of the world. In some places a gentleman's agreement exists, but these agreements are destined to be of short duration. In China for instance, the British and American capital had different games to play they united against Japan, and to some extent against France.

In South America, however, the struggle between British and American capital is out in the open. British capital, practically dominated the Argentine and Chile and until quite recently Mexico. The revolutions in those countries can be principally traced to the intrigues of those rival interests.

Flew to Wall Street's Bosom.

When President Alessandri of Chile was forced to flee for his life by the Altamirano forces last September, he took refuge in the American embassy. The British supported his enemy. Britain has the money invested in South American railways, owns most of the banks, but the United States is purchasing the politicians, and capturing the markets.

No laws can be passed by any South

American republic without the sanction of either the British or American capitalists. This fact is no longer hidden beneath flowery verbiage. It is openly admitted. It will be remembered that General John J. Pershing has just returned from a trip thru South America. He was temporarily clothed with semi-ambassadorial powers. He dined with politicians, kissed Argentine children and danced the Spanish tango with the charming daughters of Argentine senators.

The Prince of Wales is to follow Pershing's trail. He may beat the general on the polished floor and perhaps will win more favor with the dark-eyed daughters of the South, but as a "heavy sugar daddy" he will not be able to hold his own with "Black Jack." The male gold diggers of the southern republics will send in their bills to Wall Street, tho they might admit the prince can swing a wicked heel and tote an elastic elbow.

The Prince to the Rescue.

The situation in the Argentine stands roughly as follows: The British bagmen are still in the lead as far as investments are concerned. They own most of the railroads and the biggest and best banks. They have considerable social standing there. Two billions of British capital is invested in the Argentine against \$200,000,000 of American capital.

But the superior ability of the American factory to produce cheap goods that compare in quality with the British products and the comparative nearness of the Argentine market to the United States is shoving J. Bull's business men out of the commercial picture.

Soviets Adopt Metric System.

MOSCOW—(Rosta)—The work of putting all weights and measures in the Union of Soviet Republics on a metric system basis is progressing rapidly. M. Y. de Couverville and a mission from France charged with the job of carrying out this work recently arrived here and has already set to work.

M. de Couverville is well known in scientific circles in both France and Russia which he had often visited for scientific purposes before the revolution.

Get a sub for the DAILY WORKER from your shopmate and you will make another member for your branch.

HOLD 3 REDS INCOMMUNICADO FOR UNCLE SAM

Police Refuse Bail Over Sunday

Three members of the Young Workers League, Valeria Meltz, Benjamin Fogel and Sam Plotkin, were held incommunicado by the police all day yesterday, following their arrest while distributing leaflets in front of the Boston Store, Corner State and Madison streets, Saturday evening.

The three Communists were held without any charge being placed against them, the desk sergeant at the La Salle street police station, 180 North La Salle street, declaring that they were "being held for the government."

"Doesn't Know" Charge. Valeria Meltz is in a cell at the Clark street police station, 625 S. Clark street, and Comrades Plotkin and Fogel are in jail at the La Salle street station.

Police Officer Edward Quinn, who with Officer Stein made the arrests, told the DAILY WORKER, when reached at his home that he would turn the three comrades over to "the government" at nine o'clock this morning at the La Salle street station. When asked what charge they were arrested on, Quinn said: "I don't know; I'll have to see about that tomorrow."

Boston Store Complained.

"The leaflets they were distributing were improper," the desk sergeant at the La Salle street station told the DAILY WORKER. "The Boston Store complained about them." The sergeant said he "did not think the charge would be serious, as unless the prisoners plotted to overthrow the government they did not violate the law." The DAILY WORKER reporter was not permitted to talk to the arrested Communists.

The leaflets distributed were mimeographed bulletins addressed to the employes of the Boston Store, as they left their work at six o'clock Saturday

FRENCH PAPAL TOOLS MAKING TROUBLE FOR HERRIOT GOVERNMENT

PARIS, March 22.—Bitter reaction was reflected in the papers today on Friday's riotous sessions of the chamber of deputies. Two adjournments were forced by the fiery reception accorded Premier Herriot's announcement the government intended to make schools all over France non-sectarian.

The chambers of deputies was not in session, the adjournment carrying over to Tuesday.

evening. The leaflets were the regular monthly bulletin of the Young Workers League shop nucleus composed of the employes of the Boston Store.

Comrade Meltz has been arrested twice before in front of the Boston Store, once for distributing leaflets and once for selling the Young Worker, official organ of the Young Workers League. The leaflets had not all been distributed when the arrests were made.

Demands of League. The bulletin set forth the demands of the Young Workers shop nucleus among which are abolition of the speed-up system, abolition of fines for mistakes which are caused by the speed-up methods, better wages and a half holiday on Saturday.

George Maurer, secretary of the Labor Defense Council, was unable to secure bail for the comrades, as they have not yet been booked on any charge, being held as "open." He declared if they are not released this morning, he will at secure a writ of habeas corpus.

The desk sergeant at the Clark St. police station told the DAILY WORKER that Comrade Meltz was "already in the hands of the government. We are just keeping her in custody for the federal government," he said.

This statement was contradicted by Officer Quinn, who admitted that no charge had been placed against the three Communists and said the "federal government" had not yet been informed of the arrests.

David Bentall, attorney for the arrested Communists, was unable to obtain bail because they have not yet been booked. He was finally allowed to talk to his clients.

THIS SAD STORY RECITES THE FALL OF WILLIAM MAHONEY OF ST. PAUL

(Continued from Page 1.) with ballast. Mahoney stepped on the stage as a radical. His act went fairly well for a while.

The Workers Party was leading a national drive for a farmer-labor party. When Mahoney began to get pounded by the reactionaries he joined the anvil chorus against the Communists and became the yellowest red-baiter of them all. But this did not save him as will be shown in this story.

The Workers Party was the backbone of the farmer-labor party in Minnesota. The fakery decided to drive the Communists out of the F. L. P. They used Mahoney to good advantage in this campaign. There was nothing too dirty for "O.P. Bill" to do. He expected a handsome reward, and he got it—in the neck.

Mahoney Lost His Head

The upshot of all the maneuvers to rid the farmer-labor party of Minnesota of the Communists was a fake unity conference held in St. Paul on March 20. Mahoney was officially the head and front of it. What happened at this "unity conference" makes sad reading for Mahoney and other renegades who expect the reactionaries will easily forgive them for their past sins when their usefulness is imparied.

Mahoney was chairman of the farmer-labor federation. Ralph Harmon was secretary. The tornado that hit the Ohio Valley causing death and destruction was hardly less fatal than the political whirlwind that enveloped Mahoney and his henchman Harmon. When the whirlwind passed Mahoney's political entity was missing.

The "wise" old politician, walked blindly into the trap prepared for him by the non-partisan league gang and the O'Connor democratic machine. While Mahoney was using up all his available gray matter attacking the reds, Parson and Townley were devoting a little corner of their brains to the task of tying the can to Bill. They had decided that Magnus Johnson would become chairman of the convention and Frank Starkey secretary. Two banana skins were placed on a skid, Mahoney was blind-folded and—the rest is left to the imagination.

Mahoney on His Knees

Heming Nelson, a prominent farmer, declared that Mahoney must resign and also his henchman, Ralph Harmon. Mahoney begged to be allowed retain his office until his term expired. Like Nero when, in a bored manner turning his thumbs down on an obnoxious christian, the convention yawned, dropped Mahoney and passed on to the next order of business.

Floyd Olson, candidate for governor of the farmer-labor ticket Dick Wiggins, Tom Sullivan, and Al Baets, socialist alderman, backed Starkey, A. C. Welch, charged that Mahoney is

known among the farmers of Minnesota to be as much of a trader as Tom Van Lear, Mahoney backed a man named Engstrom for chairman but was compelled to withdraw him. The old constitution was readopted with the addition of a new clause which refuses membership to anyone who is in favor of the overthrow of capitalism or opposed to "representative" government.

Before the fake unity convention was held, thousands of copies of leaflet issued by District 9, of the Workers (Communist) Party, were distributed among the workers and poor farmers of Minnesota. The leaflet reads:

The farmer-labor party was brought into existence by the untiring efforts and perseverance of the rank and file workers and farmers throughout the state. During the war period when active workers were being thrown into jail, when others were being tarred and feathered, the movement was not troubled by job-hunting political slysters. Since that time, however, one group of fakery after another have attempted to take control of the party you built and use it for their own personal political ends.

A. C. Townley first tried to destroy the party by turning it into a "balance of power" organization functioning within the old capitalist parties.

He was closely followed by F. A. Pike, who tried to eliminate the trade unions and the farmers' organizations from any voice in the party. He tried to make the farmer-labor party respectable, by destroying it as a working class movement. In this he was ably assisted by Thomas Van Lear, who by the way, still has considerable explaining to do on matters pertaining to his handling of the Minneapolis Daily Star.

A. B. Gilbert later took up the cudgels, this time to make the movement respectable by eliminating the Communists. He finished by betraying the movement and giving his support to the enemies of the workers and farmers in the republican party.

Another Betrayal

The men mentioned all stand discredited before the rank and file. But with the passing of these men the campaign against the party has not stopped—a new group has taken their place and are at present carrying out a scheme which, if permitted to materialize, will place the control of the farmer-labor party in the hands of middle-class elements composed of rich farmers, reactionary labor leaders, small bankers, and business men.

A so-called "unity" convention has been called to meet in St. Paul on March 20. This convention does not represent a desire for unity—neither will it give expression to the economic or political needs of the workers and poor farmers; it was called by those former progressives, William Mahoney in conjunction with Senator Buckley and a few state legislators. The motive

Seattle Labor Protests Expulsions

(Continued from Page 1.) fight against reaction. It is given in full as follows:

A statement by six delegates charged with being members of the Workers (Communist) Party of America.

To the officers and delegates of The Seattle Central Labor Council: You have before you tonight for your consideration and decision a report of your strike and grievance committee in the matter of the expulsion of six delegates from this council on account of political opinion.

In the first place, the undersigned, individually and collectively, most emphatically protest against this discrimination; and we ask "Why are the political opinions of only six members investigated? Why does not the council propose to try republicans and democrats for their political opinions, and expel them from the council if found guilty?"

Further, we refer you to the fact that in the past, rulings have been made by the president of this council (President Mundy), that the local unions—and the local unions alone—who elect the delegates to this council are entitled to pass upon the qualifications of the delegates and the constitution of the American Federation of Labor specifically declares that the credentials submitted to any Central Labor Union by any affiliated local union shall be accepted. "Why then," we ask, "do members of this council propose to expel us on account of our political ideas?"

Affirm Belief in Communism. We hereby affirm our belief in the principles of Communism as set forth by all leaders of the Communist movement since Marx wrote his Communist Manifesto in 1847. We deny that the members of this council have the right to call our political opinions in question. The A. F. of L. convention of 1890, settled this question once and for all, by declaring that no discrimination should be made against any member of this organization because of religious or political beliefs. This guarantee is also incorporated in the obligation taken by the candidates on joining many of the international unions affiliated with this council.

If it can be shown that any delegates are guilty of disrupting the labor movement, then we agree that such delegates should be summarily dealt with, but insofar as no proof of any disruptive actions on our part have been submitted by your committee, we demand that the charges made against us be dismissed forthwith.

The charge has been made that the principles of Communism are inimical to, and disruptive of, the labor movement. We categorically deny this charge and the implications contained therein, and we affirm on the contrary that Communism, properly understood, offers the one hope of freedom and emancipation for the oppressed and exploited workers everywhere.

Many international unions, such as bakers and machinists, in their constitutions have affirmed one of the basic principles of Communism, namely that the workers as a class must organize to fight the bosses, who are already consciously organized internationally on class lines. We Communists go one step further than this, and we declare that the workers must organize politically on class lines, for the purpose of destroying government by graft and corruption—witness the notorious Teapot Dome scandal—and for the purpose of wresting political power from our

back of this convention is not "unity" but "respectability"—capitalist respectability. They do not want a party that will lead an aggressive fight to protect the interests of the workers and farmers, but rather a party that will be supported by a middle-class element who will use the party to secure political office for themselves. This is another effort to destroy the farmer-labor party, as a party representing your interests.

Not for Unity.

The call issued for the March 20 conference designates it as a "unity" convention—yet the first act of the county convention in St. Paul and Minneapolis was to unseat delegates because they were members of the Workers (Communist) Party. They feared these workers because they knew by past experience that they would be unable to silence these delegates while putting over their schemes of liquidating the farmer-labor federation and again betraying the interest of the workers and farmers of Minnesota. Another evidence might be mentioned, that the executive committee called the convention in Minneapolis, St. Paul and Duluth at a time when workers could not attend, and as a result, these counties will send a block of delegates who will support the officials in their maneuvers.

Communists Pledge Support to Workers and Farmers

During the past two years the Workers (Communist) Party has taken an active part in forming a farmer-labor party on a class basis to fight on the political field for the interest of the workers and poor farmers. Thru the united efforts of the left wing in the farmer-labor movement of Minnesota, the farmer-labor federation was formed in March, 1924—the purpose of this organization was to unite all working class elements, working class

enemies, the bosses, and substituting, instead of government by big business and the banks, government by the industrial workers and working farmers.

Against Capitalist Parties. Some members of this council believe that instead of building independent political organizations of the working class, we should co-operate with the political organizations of our enemies, the republican and democratic parties, (the parties of big business, of the open shoppers and the union busters). As Communists, we declare such tactics to be detrimental to the interests of labor, and affirm that in every case in history where this plan has been followed, it has led ultimately to disaster for the workers.

In this connection we might refer you to a recent attempt of this nature, namely, the endorsement of Edward Clifford, for governor of the state of Washington by many labor organizations, which resulted after his defeat in the primaries, in thousands of workers who had voted in the primaries for Clifford, following the lead of said Clifford and voting for Hartley, the arch-enemy of labor, in the general election; and we point you to subsequent actions of Mr. Hartley (as for instance his stand on the child labor amendment) as proof of the correctness of the Communist position that the workers have nothing to gain, but every to lose by co-operation of this character with the capitalists, and future events in Mr. Hartley's administration we are sure will further vindicate the Communists in this contention.

It is because of numberless instances of betrayal of this character that we have come at last to the point where we affirm the Communist position—Independent political action of the working class as a class free from all entangling alliances with the parties of our enemies, the bosses—and we claim the right to take this position without interference from those members in this council who are still so backward in their political thinking as to believe that the workers can gain from alliances with the organizations of their enemies.

Furthermore, as Communists we believe that "the times are ripe, and rotten ripe for change," in labor's economic organizations. Sixty years ago the plan of organizing workers by crafts and professions was in harmony with social and industrial development, but today we affirm that such organizations, facing the united organizations of the bosses, are obsolete and moribund. The next step in the evolution of labor unions is toward unity—no more splits—no more dual unionism—class unity in the economic organizations, as in the political organizations of the workers.

Oppose Jurisdictional Disputes. At the present time, great international unions, instead of fighting the bosses, fight each other. Witness the present fratricidal war between the carpenters and the sheet metal workers, which is wrecking the California Building Trades Council, and in which in some cases (as in Kansas City last summer) attempts have been made to organize dual unions of carpenters to scab on the union carpenters who were striking, (not against the bosses) but against the sheet metal workers, members of another union in the building industry. We maintain that these events, arising out of an out-worn form of organization (however good such organization may have been in its day) are the real danger to our labor movement, and that such fights are disrupting, wrecking and

political groups, trade unions, co-operative and farmers' organizations, for the struggle against their common enemy the capitalist class. The Communists have constantly pointed out the dangers of this movement falling into the hands of the unscrupulous middle class politicians and labor fakirs which would mean the destruction of the federation.

The farmer-labor movement in Minnesota is at the present time confronted with this danger, and unless an intensive organization campaign is made, the workers' and farmers' efforts during the last two years will be wasted.

No political working class organization will develop unless all groups of exploited workers and poor farmers are made in integral part of such political organizations.

As in the past, the Workers (Communist) Party pledges its support to the farmer-labor federation and calls upon the workers and poor farmers to enter actively and aggressively into the work of arousing their fellow workers to the need for immediate action.

Workers! Farmers! Go into your economic and political organizations—there raise the slogans.

The immediate calling of a state convention of the farmer-labor federation.

Down with the political crooks and betrayers.

Organize and strengthen your unions.

For a workers' and farmers' government and mobilize against capitalism by giving your support to the Workers (Communist) Party of America.

(Signed) District Executive Committee, District No. 9.—C. A. Hathaway, D. O.

destroying organized labor. The Communists in this connection raise the old trade union slogan: "In Unity is Strength," or "United We Stand and Divided—into Craft Unions—We Fall."

The next step in industrial evolution, the historical order of the day for trade unionists to consider, is the development of our present organizations from craft to industrial unions, based on the present industrial and economic development of society, (such as the United Mine Workers of America). The present condition where union fights union, instead of fighting the bosses, we declare as Communists will destroy organized labor unless it is checked; and against this tendency we raise the slogan: Amalgamate the Unions Before the Amalgamated Organizations of the Bosses Destroy the Unions.

Thinking workers, we submit, must all admit that the day has come, when we should create and build a labor movement, able and fit to cope with the industrial problems of the middle of the twentieth century, instead of relying on the forms of organization that were developed to fit the conditions of the middle of the last century—the conditions out of which craft unionism was born. Stagnation spells death, life means progress. The labor movement must move with the times if it is to prove of real service to the workers as a class.

Future W.N. Communism.

These are two points in the Communist program on which we are well aware, many members disagree with us. But insofar as we have not proposed to expel them for their ideas, we deny them the right to censure us for our political opinions. And in answer to the charge that these Communist ideas disrupt the labor movement, we affirm on the contrary that such ideas put into practice will save the labor movement. Not the progressive ideas of Communism, but the out worn forms of craft union organization—a relic from a long dead century—together with the modern centralized organizations of the bosses are breaking up and wrecking our labor movement.

We maintain that the future will confirm the program of the Communists. Industrial unions will be the unions of tomorrow. Independent political parties of a class character will be the parties of tomorrow; and in standing today for these new ideas of labor we declare to you, fellow delegates, that social and industrial evolution is with us; that history itself fights on our side, that the ideas we fight for today (and for holding which you may tonight expel us from this council) are the principles on which the labor movement of the whole world will be based in years to come.

We are fully aware, however, that any new idea is always opposed by conservatism, but looking back across history we see that all attempts to destroy ideas which were based upon real social factors (no matter how such ideas have been fought) have resulted in the final victory of said ideas. It has been said that "the blood of the martyrs was the seed of the church," and we declare to you that instead of killing Communism by attacking us, you are building the Communist movement, and making Communists by your action.

Will Continue Struggles.

Furthermore, as Communists we declare to you that our reading of history shows us that the liberties and rights of the people have been won thru hundreds of years of struggle and suffering. We see pioneers of new thought and of new ideas, in all ages, hailed to prison, drawn and quartered, broken on the wheel, and even burned at the stake or lynched for fighting for the rights that we now enjoy, as a free gift from the struggles of these fighters in years gone by. We say to you that we would be renegades and traitors to the workers cause if, believing as we do, we permitted you to censure our convictions without a protest.

We fully realize that we are in the minority, that we may be hopelessly outnumbered in this fight; nevertheless if expelled from this council tonight, we will be compelled to carry our protest to the members of those local unions who sent us here as delegates, and to the organized labor movement of Seattle and the state of Washington generally. Failure to do this would render us moral cowards and mental prostitutes; believing as we do, that our opinions as set forth above have a real value for the organized labor movement.

Hence our appeal from your decision (if you expel us tonight) to the body of organized labor. If expelled, we must try by all means in our power to vindicate our right to hold opinions contrary to those in this

O'Flaherty Speaks Tuesday at North West Branch, W. P.

Comrade Tom O'Flaherty will be the speaker at the educational meeting of the North West Branch, Workers Party, on Tuesday, March 24, at 8 p. m. The meeting will be held in Workers' Lyceum, 2733 Hirsch Blvd. Comrade O'Flaherty's subject will be: The Paris Commune. Branch members are urged to attend this lecture and bring their shopmates.

council who may adhere to the political faith of the republican or democratic parties, and we assure you, as true union men, whose record of willing service to organized labor over many years, is well known to most of you, that we will leave no stone unturned to place our ideas and our defense before the entire labor movement.

Will Continue Fight.

Finally, whether we are expelled or not, we pledge to you our belief in the principles of organized labor; we honor its historic traditions, and respect the fights for labor's freedom, but respect for the past does not blind us for the needs of the future, and as we have fought in the past for our labor movement, we propose to continue that fight in the future according to our convictions.

We urge you as a group of trade unionists to vindicate by your votes tonight our right (and the right of all members of this council) to hold political opinions without interference and to advocate new and progressive ideas without being victimized.

Remember that once the right to hold opinion is violated, no one knows where such action may stop. Today, we are on trial; tomorrow it may be you will be pilloried. Therefore we urge you to keep the record of organized labor in Seattle clear from any taint of heresy hunting, by voting against any motion which would expel or victimize any one for their ideas or for their opinions.

With fraternal greetings, we remain, Paul K. Mohr, Bakers' Local No. 9; M. Hansen, Painters' Local No. 300; H. G. Price, Machinists' Local No. 79; J. C. Carson, Carpenters' Local No. 1184; W. H. Jones, Painters' Local No. 300; J. Havel, Bookkeepers' and Stenographers' Local No. 16304.

STORM WRECKED WORKERS NEED PERMANENT AID

Many Miners' Bodies Still Missing

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

WEST FRANKFORT, Ill., March 22.—Thousands of Southern Illinois miners and their families were nursing their wounds inflicted by the tornado, with no shelter other than inadequate tents to shield them from the biting March winds that are sweeping across the barren plains of "Egypt."

Doctors and nurses, worn out from caring for the injured for so many hours, are appealing for more aid. Many amputations were hastily made, some without anesthetics, and the injured are threatened with blood poisoning and pestilence as a result of the unsanitary conditions which prevail.

The bodies of six workers are still buried in the debris of the C. and E. I. railroad coal chute which was toppled down by the storm.

Peter Allard, member of the Workers (Communist) Party in Christopher, informed the DAILY WORKER that the towns of Christopher, Herrin, Marion, Dowell and Duquoin were untouched by the storm. "I have not heard of any Workers Party member who was hurt by the storm," said Comrade Allard, "Although some may have been hurt in West Frankfort."

The miners working five hundred feet underground in mine No. 13 of the Industrial Coal company here when the storm broke, felt the shock of commission, and the electric lights went out. The miners climbed to the surface by means of the airshaft ladders.

Negroes Accuse New York Judge of Aid To Mob Lynchings

NEW YORK, March 22.—A delegation of Negroes has called on Judge J. H. Tiernan, protesting against his statement when sentencing a Negro Elijah Barrett to two and a half years in Sing Sing on the charge of robbery, "If this had happened in your home state of Virginia you would have been burned at the stake."

Tiernan told the prisoner that he wished he could give him a more severe sentence and rebuked the jury for their "leniency."

Roman Catholics Defeated

MEXICO CITY, March 22.—The "reformed" Catholics, who are organized in the Knights of Guadalupe as opposed to the Knights of Columbus, have been granted the temple of Santa Teresa by the government. The temple has been used for the past few years as a government office building.

The Mexican Catholics have succeeded from the Roman Catholic church and have forcibly seized several churches.

Get a sub—make another Communist!

IMPERIALISM OF BRITAIN BEHIND TURKISH REVOLT

Back Koran Reaction to Grab Mosul Oil

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Mar. 22.—The clash between the nationalist movement consolidated in the American government of Mustafa Kemal and British imperialism allied with feudal landlordism and the Mohammedan church is reaching a decisive stage as Kemal is mobilizing his army to crush the reactionary forces coming out of Kurdistan, led by Sheik Said. With these also is the commercial capitalists of the seaport towns, who are influenced by British interests very strongly.

Kurdish Rebels Carry Koran.

Recently all reactionary forces have combined to form the so-called progressive republic party, which led the attack of Kemal. The insurgents are leading the nomadic tribesmen, numbering some 30,000 mounted men, who carry the green flag of the Holy Prophet and the Koran as well into battle as instructed by the priests, while crying religious slogans.

However, these nomads occasionally forget the fight against Kemal to plunder Turkish villages as a profitable side line, while neglecting the fight on the Ankara government.

The insurrection broke out in the eastern districts in which the large landowners dominate. And behind them is the power of English intrigue interested in depriving Turkey of the great Mosul oil fields. Again the imperialism of oil impels a weak and backward people into civil war.

Imperialism and the Church.

The outbreak of the insurrection came deliberately at the time of the investigation of the Mosul question by a commission of the league of nations. It was also caused by the intention of the Kemal government to abolish the taxes levied by the church, which often reached as high as 80 per cent of the crop.

Kemal is supported by the petty bourgeoisie of the cities which desires to liberate itself from imperialist control and bring modern capitalism in being in Turkey. To do this Kemal is mobilizing 100,000 men, carrying on among them an intense propaganda to convince them that they fight for the republic against reaction and British imperialism.

A tribunal of the government is being sent to Kurdistan to try by martial law the Kurdish rebels and to do summary justice to deserters who went over to the reactionary forces.

HOOVER FAILS IN PLOT TO GET WORLD'S POTASH

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—The French and German potash interests have combined into a syndicate which will dictate potash prices and markets, it is learned here. Germany controlled the potash fields until after the war, France confiscated Alsace-Lorraine, and with this territory part of the potash fields.

The German-French syndicate now controls practically all the world's potash beds, just as Germany did before the war. When Germany was in sole control of the potash beds, American capitalists used the American embassy at Berlin, and the entire forces of the government in an effort to secure a reduction in the prices of potash. Now with the German-French syndicate formed, American capitalists again will use the government, it is thought, to attempt to interfere in the monopoly.

Herbert Hoover has for many months been using the government's money to make a survey of the potash situation for American capitalists.

The French-German syndicate marks another step in the alliance between German and French industrialists.

Turks Mobilize to Fight British for Control of Mosul

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 22.—Mustapha Kemal Pasha has decided to fight the British for control of Mosul, rather than accept an unfavorable decision from the league of nations.

A Turkish army of 80,000 is now mobilized at Kurdistan, near the Mosul border, under the command of Gen. Kemeledine Samy Pasha. Now that the revolt of the Kurds, stirred up by British capitalists, has been defeated, the Turks are mobilizing all available men and supplies as notice to the British imperialists that Turkey may receive its share in the Mosul oil fields.

The Workers Party in Action

SHOP NUCLEUS No. 1 IN NEW YORK CITY SHOWS WHAT CAN BE DONE IN STRUGGLE FOR WORKERS

By ANTHONY CHRISTMAN
(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, March 22.—Our shop nucleus is the first one organized in Greater New York in a shop where 150 workers are employed. Our task as members of the first nucleus of the party was to demonstrate to the rest of the party members the advantages to be derived from the organization of our party on the shop nucleus basis. We fully realized our responsibility and as Communists we went to our task and this is what we have done.

As soon as we were organized we initiated and carried on a campaign against the long working hours and forced the boss to give in to our demands in spite of an existing agreement between the union and the boss for over six years. This made the workers in the shop look to us for leadership. They realized we are fighting in their interest and we gain their confidence and they came to us for advice and told us their grievances.

Elect Own Shop Committee

Our next step was an attack upon the shop committee controlled by a group of reactionaries working in the interest of the boss and forced them to resign. A shop meeting was called for the election of a shop committee and we put up a full slate of comrades and sympathizers headed by the nucleus organizer running for shop chairman. All were elected by a vote of 97 to 12.

It is worth mentioning that this is one of the union shops controlled entirely by the reactionaries previous to our nucleus. The workers know us as Communists.

All this agitation was carried on by type and hand-written leaflets posted in the different parts of the shop where workers could read them, taking care to link up every shop issue with the class struggle and the Communist movement. As a result we have today full control in the shop and we are in position to mobilize the workers in our shop whenever Communist work has to be done.

Membership is Increasing

Our membership in the meantime has been increased from three members to fifteen and at our last meeting we adopted the slogan of doubling the membership by May 1st. We made it compulsory for every member of our nucleus to read the party press. Beginning with our next issue our shop bulletin will be semi-monthly.

Is the shop nucleus superior to the territorial branch? We say it is.

Meeting Chicago T. U. E. L. Executive, Tuesday, March 24.

A meeting of the Local Executive, T. U. E. L. of Chicago will be held Tuesday, March 24, at 8 p. m. at 19 S. Lincoln St. All members are urged to be present as important matters are to be taken up.

May Day Committee Meets Tuesday

A meeting of the May Day Committee will be held Tuesday, March 24, at 180 W. Washington St. All branch delegates must attend.—MARTIN ABERN, Secretary, Workers Party, Local Chicago.

Prizes to Be Awarded at N. Y. "Vetcherinka" on Sunday, March 29

NEW YORK, March 22.—The winning branches in the subscription contest for the Press Pageant at Madison Square Garden are:

Largest number of subscriptions paid for by March 15th.

1st. Harlem Jewish Branch.

2nd. Ukraipian Downtown Branch.

Largest number in proportion to membership:

1st. Oriental Branch.

2nd. English Astoria Branch.

The individual prize winners can not yet be announced, since the branches have not yet reported the records of their members in selling subscriptions. All party and Young Workers League branches must immediately report the names of their members selling the subscription tickets and how many each one sold, so that the entire record may be complete before the distribution of the prizes. The individual winners will be announced, and the prizes will be distributed at a "Vetcherinka" to be held at the Workers Party headquarters, 108 East 14th St., New York on Sunday, March 29th. There will be music and dancing, and an admission charge of twenty-five cents.

Every member who has not yet settled for subscription tickets he has sold is instructed to pay for them at once, either to his branch, or at the District Office, 108 East 14th Street, so that the accounts may be closed and the proceeds distributed to the respective papers.

Olgin to Lecture on Russian Books at Workers' School

NEW YORK, March 22.—Moissaye J. Olgin will lecture on "The New Era in Russian Literature" at the Workers' School, 108 East 14th Street, on Tuesday, March 24th, 8 p. m.

This lecture continues the series on the Russian revolution conducted by Comrade Olgin at the Workers' School, in which he analyzes the effects of the revolution on all phases of the life in Russia.

In discussing Russian literature, Comrade Olgin will first deal with the literature of the pre-revolutionary period, and then will show how the revolution marked a turning point in literary conceptions and production. He will also analyze and explain the new Russian literature of today, taking up various writers and their works.

The literature and art developed by the revolution have been a proof of its tremendous creative power. And in this literature and art we see the development of a new proletarian culture that expresses the struggles, hopes, achievement—the revolutionary ideology—of the workers and peasants in Soviet Russia.

Remember the date of the lecture—Tuesday, March 24th, 8 p. m., at 108 East 14th street.

Does your friend subscribe to the DAILY WORKER? Ask him!

BRITISH LABOR CLOSING RANKS FOR BIG FIGHT

Miners' Chieftain Is Taking in the Lead

(Continued from Page 1)

Herald. On one side are Cook, Smith, Purcell, Bromley, Bramley and their supporters and followers while on the other are Frank Hodges, J. H. Thomas, Philip Snowden and their yellow socialist backers. The socialists are offering co-operation with the capitalists as a solution of the economic question while the Cook forces are urging the organization of the workers for the overthrow of capitalism.

The following statements by A. J. Cook are taken from the London Daily Herald, a conservative organ which is exasperatingly respectable:

"The sufferings of our men, the call of the women and the cry of the children bid us go forward. If there is war and strife this year, it will be the ruling classes that will provoke it."

A. J. Cook, secretary of the Miners' Federation, made this declaration in a speech at Barnsley.

"The most significant sign of the times in connection with the present disputes in the industries of this country," Cook went on, "is the great desire of the workers to join hands in the struggle."

"The invitation of the Miners' Federation to the other unions to join to fight the employers has been responded to beyond our expectations."

Perturbed Tories.

"This action seems to have created a stir in the dovecotes of the Tory camp, as the speeches delivered by Lord Birkenhead and the prime minister prove."

"The frenzied appeal to the trade unionists and their leaders to act cautiously and prevent further trouble and conflict, especially Lord Birkenhead's desire to protect the rights of the trade unions and his attitude on the question of the political levy, form another proof of the fears the proposed joint action of the miners with the other unions have instilled."

"Opportunities will be presented to the Tory government," he proceeded, "to insure peace for a period in the industry by accepting our minimum wage bill."

"Will the prime minister declare that a miner is not worth 12s a day? Let him do so. It will be at the peril of the Tory party."

"The action of the Tory government in rejecting our compensation bill is evidence conclusive to us of their 'sympathy' towards the miner. There will soon be no left and right wing, but one united movement industrially and politically, that will seriously organize for the overthrow of the capitalist system."

The Immediate Struggle.

"Our present struggle is one of wages. That is the immediate demand, but the interests of peace and the desire for same compels us to usher in a system of society that will make that possible."

"Therefore we are preparing our nationalization bill to place before the country to prevent a recurrence of eternal war in the mining industry."

"We are fast learning to recognize," Mr. Cook added, amid cheers, "that there is a class war, and we shall organize definitely to carry forward our policy with an idea of eliminating class privileges and positions in this country."

In addition to the railway and transport workers' unions, which have been approached by the Miners' Federation regarding the scheme for an alliance, steps are being taken to enlist the support of other bodies, including engineering and shipyard unions.

"Our intention is to meet representatives of all the unions in this country, either separately or jointly and then to go finally to the general council of the Trades Union Congress," declared A. J. Cook, secretary of the Miners' Federation.

"It is the definite policy of the Miners' Federation," he said, "to make arrangements for mutual aid in regard to disputes, and to set up some machinery immediately, so that we can act together, either when we have been attacked, or in defense. From the replies I have received, and the interest taken in this suggestion from the miners, I am confident that arrangements will be made for all the unions to act together, co-ordinated by the general council of the Trades Union Congress."

"It will be an alliance for action and the suggestions of the Miners' Federation is that all programs should be submitted to this body and examined in order to secure united support before any struggle is decided upon. The alliance is a counterblast to the Federation of British Industries."

War Fleet to Australia.

NEW YORK, March 22.—The American fleet, which is maneuvering in Pacific waters to impress Japan and England with its fighting capacities, will arrive in Australia in July or August. Prime Minister Bruce, of Australia, speaking for the capitalists, said in a cablegram that he hoped the fleet's visit would bring "good relations between the two democracies."



BUILDERS AT WORK

'BORING IN' IN BOISE, IDAHO.

Where They Expect a Shower of Beer Every Saturday.

Comrade Theodore Pierce is a BUILDER—one of those kind of builders whom difficulties simply won't stop. We sent him bundles of the DAILY WORKER to get subs in the campaign and to build up the circulation in this notoriously reactionary district. They tried to keep him from selling the DAILY WORKER in the streets and then they tried to stop him from giving them away. But our builder continues his work and we have received from him his first remittance to cover some sales made.

His letter which we print here, will help to give you a picture of the conditions in the state that some years ago restrained Comrade "Bill" Dunne, now editor of "our daily," by court order from even entering the boundaries of the state.

Dear Comrades: I have been doing all in my power to spread the good words printed in the DAILY WORKER but have failed to get another sub for the paper. Yet, several promised that when they are able to subscribe they will.

I have been selling three or four each evening and am sending you \$1.50 to help pay the cost of printing. I will take every sub I can later.

I have been asked by a number if I had been pinched yet for selling radical literature. I tell you, this is one of the most damnable states in the union, filled with Catholics, Mormons, Pentecostals, Holy Rollers and the like. They all looked for Jesus the 6th of February but he didn't come so they are now looking for old John Slomp to come back, who died fifteen years ago. He was Boise's Brewery man and they say he will cause a shower of beer every Saturday.

Superstition is all the go here so you see I have a hard bunch to work with. It will take time to do much yet and I am getting more every day to read the DAILY WORKER and hope to get some subs soon so please continue sending the five daily and I will sell and give free copies to the poor workers that are on starvation. Fraternally yours, THEODORE PIERCE.

BUILDERS

who have sent in NEW subs for others in the last days of last week:

- BOSTON, MASS.—Elsie Pultur.
- CAMBRIDGE, MASS.—Fritz Lundvall.
- PORTLAND, ORE.—Harry Soolnick (2).
- DENVER, COLO.—Frank Krasick (2).
- CLEVELAND, OHIO—J. A. Hamilton.
- PITTSBURGH, PA.—F. H. Merrick.
- CHICAGO, ILL.—Ruth Fern.
- PORT VULE, PA.—S. Marhefka.
- PHILADELPHIA, PA.—J. Spolarich.
- MILWAUKEE, WIS.—Gus Shklar (8).

First Week's Results of the Second Annual Sub Campaign.

This is the modest start made on the campaign for 15,000 NEW subs by June 15. In this list are counted ONLY the NEW SUBS turned in not for the senders themselves but for OTHER WORKERS. See that your local leads the next week's list.

MILWAUKEE LEADS!

Local Milwaukee takes the lead with 22 subs in the first week of the campaign. It is only right that a Communist campaign should succeed in the stronghold of "socialists." More power to these comrades and the local DAILY WORKER committee headed by Comrade Gus Shklar!

DISTRICT No.	Local Quota.	Subs Sent in.
DISTRICT No. 1—Revere, Mass.	30	1
Boston, Mass.	200	3
DISTRICT No. 2—New York City	1,500	2
DISTRICT No. 3—Philadelphia, Pa.	250	9
DISTRICT No. 4—Buffalo, N. Y.	100	1
DISTRICT No. 5—Pittsburgh, Pa.	250	1
DISTRICT No. 6—Alliance, Ohio	1	1
DISTRICT No. 7—Pontiac, Mich.	25	1
DISTRICT No. 8—Milwaukee, Wis.	125	22
West Allis, Wis.	30	3
Chicago, Ill.	1,500	8
DISTRICT No. 9—Chishom, Minn.	10	1
DISTRICT No. 12—Portland, Ore.	60	2
DISTRICT No. 13—Los Angeles, Cal.	150	1
DISTRICT No. 15—West Concord, N. H.	10	1
UNORGANIZED		
TERRITORY—Pocatello, Idaho	10	1
Miami, Fla.	10	1
Sistersville, W. Va.	10	1
Kansas City, Kan.	30	1
Pittsburgh, Kan.	10	1
New Orleans, La.	10	2
Denver, Colo.	50	2
Port Vule, Pa.	10	1



SLUMP IN WHEAT SHOWS COOLIDGE FOOLED FARMERS

Stocks of Wheat Shown to Be Still High

By LELAND OLDS.

Will the recent break of 28½ cents a bushel in the price of wheat in 3 days and the steady decline to a level 55 cents below the middle of January wake the farmers up to the fact that they were duped by a fictitious price situation into electing Coolidge? According to Griswold in the Chicago Journal of Commerce, "the oldest trader on the exchange has no recollection of a situation that is comparable to this."

"In a normal market," says Griswold, "no exaggeration of opinion, no distortion of market news could drive a single wheat option close to the prewar level and then chop 55 cents off the price" before the option expires. Of course this wasn't a normal market but one which had been artificially inflated to take the wind out of the political sails of the farmer-labor combination.

Foreign Demand Exaggerated.

A month ago the Journal of Commerce reported a growing suspicion in board of trade circles that the much talked of foreign demand for U. S. wheat had been exaggerated.

About the same time the New York Times pointed out that the term world shortage of wheat had been somewhat loosely used.

It said that, excluding Russia, production would be about 3,100,000,000 bushels which compares very well with 3,142,000,000 in 1922 and 3,106,000,000 in 1921. The estimated yield never reached 3,000,000,000 in any other post-war year.

The department of agriculture is now letting people down gently. Its latest says that there is enuf wheat on hand in the country "to meet domestic requirements for feed, seed and flour, allow for exports equal to those from March 1 to June 30 last year and leave a carry-over of about 51,000,000 bushels."

It points out that in the first eight weeks of 1925 Australia and Argentina furnished the world market 50 per cent more wheat than a year ago and that the world's commercial stocks Feb. 1 were 375,000,000 bushels, the largest since the war except 1924 and only 5,000,000 under that year. Also 3 per cent more acreage has been sown to winter wheat than in 1924.

Clearly, as pointed out in February by a large grain exporter, it is time the grain interests were asking how will this country dispose of its grain, not how high will the price go.

Farmer Out of "Boom."

The high prices around election did not go to the farmer. He delivered his wheat between July 1 and Feb. 1 at an average of \$1.24 a bushel, most of it having been sold far in advance of the boom. And according to the Annalist "There is no available evidence of the continued increase in the wealth of the farmer collectively; on the contrary the most reliable information from the middle west goes to show that altho most farmers' expenditures since last summer have been on old debts, farm indebtedness is not yet on a normal basis."

Wheat at over \$2 was only an election promise. It fooled many into believing that it would hold until the next crop altho all the real friends of the farmer pointed out that it was artificial. But that hope gave Coolidge the west. It is now fading. Where do the farmers get off?

Crime Grows as Children Toil.

NEW ORLEANS—Statistics gleaned from the New Orleans juvenile court show that crime since 1924 has increased 15 per cent in both sexes under 18 years over 1923. Various reasons have been given by those in authority, but the most potent has been ignored. The employment of boys and girls of tender age when they should be in school has increased owing to the fact that wages in general are materially lower.

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ALEXANDER HOWAT TO SPEAK IN KANSAS CITY ON CLASS WAR

KANSAS CITY, Mo., March 22.—Alexander Howat and Caroline Love will speak here Sunday, April 12, at Musician's Hall, on the subject of Class War Prisoners.

On Monday, March 30, there will be a debate at Woodman Hall on the subject—"RESOLVED, That the Soviet form of government is the only hope for the American worker." J. E. Snyder of the Workers Party will take the affirmative and John Jones of the Liberal Club the negative.

India Cold to Roosevelts. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 22.—The application of Theodore Roosevelt, Jr., and Kermit Roosevelt for permission to go thru the Hunza Pass from India into Turkestan has been refused by the viceroy of India. The trip was to be made under the auspices of the Field Museum of Chicago.

GET A SUB AND GIVE ONE!

DEFENSE FUNDS NEEDED AT ONCE

The three young Communists who were arrested last Friday in connection with the Paris Commune Pageant, and were released Wednesday must be properly defended. The Labor Defense Council, New York division, intends to fight their cases thru the United States courts—for the comrades face deportation. "These people ought to be shipped out of the country," said the judge. The comrades will not be shipped out of this country, unless the government shuts off every avenue of appeal that the workers of this country thru the Labor Defense Council will utilize.

To carry on a proper fight, funds are needed. Thousands of dollars will be required—and the workers of this country must furnish it. All comrades and sympathizers with the Communist and revolutionary movement must do their share.

Take up the matter in your trade unions and fraternal organizations. Get them to pledge their support and make donations. No time dare be lost, for the hearing begins on March 30. Collect funds on the subscription lists of the Labor Defense Council, New York division, and forward to them to the local office, 108 East 14th St., New York City.

GRAND BAZAAR

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LAWRENCE MILL WORKERS JOIN UNITED FRONT

Pacific Mill Has Fake Shop Committee

(Special to The Daily Worker) BOSTON, Mass., March 22.—The workers of the Pacific Mills in Lawrence are in a state of ferment due to the increase of the speed-up system.

The company has a fake shop committee, which they "permitted" the operatives to elect upon the condition that members of the committee to be eligible must have been employed for more than one year, than they must be citizens, they must be "acceptable" to the company, and the votes must be counted by the company management.

No Control By Workers There is no control by the workers, who claim that many members of this fake committee were not elected by them, but were just stuck in by the management counting them as "elected."

Workers Join United Front So resentful are the workers that at a meeting on March 13, a committee of Pacific Mills workers was elected to work as a part of the united front committee of textile workers formed to fight the manufacturers' association in their wage cuts and speed-up drive.

Beginning yesterday, meetings are being held outside the mill gates at the Pacific, Everett, Arcadia and Lawrence Duck mills, in an effort to mobilize the wide discontent against the wage cut and speed-up. If a strike should develop in Lawrence it may spread throughout the other cotton centers of New England.

Settlers in Far East. CHITA, Mar. 22.—Fifteen thousand settlers are expected to arrive in the Far Eastern republic from the central states of Soviet Russia who left these parts because of lack of land. The Far Eastern agricultural committee has worked out plans for equipping these settlers with the proper modern agricultural machinery.

Find New Iron Beds in L. S. S. R. MOSCOW—Recent geological survey of the Murnansk region has shown the existence there of considerable mineral resources. Thus, it is estimated that there are 700 million tons of iron ore, lying at the bottom of a lake and constituting the richest mine in Karolia.

A DAILY WORKER subscription or two—will make a better Communist of you.

Letters From Our Readers

Detroit, Feb. 2, 1925. To the DAILY WORKER:—In the old times the American bourgeoisie liked to drape themselves as knights of "Liberty," and the glory of American democracy was so widespread that the naive European really believed in the democracy of the United States and imagined her a country of liberty. Comparatively not long ago when I emigrated to the United States in 1913, running away from the persecutions of the Russian czar, without any trouble I was allowed to enter the United States, granted a license to practice medicine and became a member of the American medical association.

When I went for a visit to Soviet Russia and came back in January, 1924, it was very different. Notwithstanding that I had the visa of the American consul, was a member of the American medical association and had an American certificate that I am legally authorized to practice medicine, I was immediately arrested on the boat without even permission to see my family waiting for me on the pier and was taken to the worst jail I ever saw, even worse than the jails of the former czar.

This jail is located on Ellis Island. All day we several hundred prisoners were locked-up in one room and at 7 p. m. we were led to the bedroom. The bedroom was a room filled with small iron cages and on top of each other with iron bars. No pillows, no sheets, but ward blankets. There was a continuous unbearable odor of sulphur fumes. Every night we were led to a different bedroom freshly filled with sulphur fumes. In this way the U. S. preserved from the contagious foreigners by fumigating them with sulphur gas. When we came in we started to sneezing and coughing. For a long time we could not fall asleep. When at last worn out we did fall asleep, at 6 a. m. the guards of the prison started to beat with iron sticks on the iron bars at our cages. It meant to get up. When I was called for a hearing before the immigration board they asked me: "Why did you not fight, being in Soviet Russia, against the Soviet government?"

To entertain the prisoners at Ellis Island once every week a patriotic lady with a rotten voice came and sang: "My Country," commanding us also to sing and then there were priests to instruct us poor sinners in religion and fear of God.

Dr. M. A. Rivkim. The U. N. I. A.

To the DAILY WORKER: The so-called Universal Negro Improvement Association is now an instrument in the hands of the capitalist white guard organization, the ku klux klan. Ever since Marcus Garvey, the founder of the U. N. I. A., a Negro mass organization, held a conference with Emperor Simmons, founder of the new klan organization at Atlanta, Ga., a few years ago, it has been rumored that Garvey and the U. N. I. A. are tools of the anti-working class organization, the ku klux klan.

An editorial in the Negro World,

official organ of the U. N. I. A., Feb. 21, 1925, captioned, "Soviet Russia as a Disturbing Nation," proves that the klan secretly controls the Universal Negro Improvement Association.

The contents of this Bolshevick-baiting editorial is taken mainly from the rouged and painted and silk dodecked kept mistress of the capitalist class, the Saturday Evening Post.

This editorial contains unbelievable lies and filth concerning the first workers' and farmers' government of the earth, and calls the Communist leaders of Russia shrewd demagogues. Be not deceived! American Negro workers by this wolf in sheep's clothing, the U. N. I. A., it is now an organization of the murderous ku klux klan, and not a Negro organization.

The workers' and farmers' government of Soviet Russia is the only real and sincere friend of the Negro and other dark workers.

The Communist leaders of Russia, and elsewhere, are the only champions of the exploited and oppressed Negro workers as well as white workers.

Long live the workers' and farmers' government of Soviet Russia, the hope and inspiration of the oppressed and exploited workers all over the earth.

Long live the Communist leaders of the world!—Gordon Owens.

A Hint to Coolidge. To the DAILY WORKER: Considering how in the present scientific age, the torch of knowledge having been brandished about and its rays cast into every chink and cranny of our planet, to say nothing of other worlds, it seems strange that we should have overlooked the greatest of opportunities for utilizing a product that has been worse than wasted. I refer to that most highly organized form of all matter—the human body.

With a president advocating economy and our means of production in control of organized greed directed with an eye to profits, and always clamoring for dividends, does anyone doubt that there are thousands of men, women and children to whom a piece of human flesh would be acceptable, either stewed, baked, boiled, or roasted?

Think of the great waste during our world war, which could have at least in part been prevented and utilized by our wonderful cold storage system. But disregarding wars and accidents that take life, can we go on multiplying and putting this valuable product under the ground where it is lost completely?

Of course there would be a lot of parasites, undertakers and preachers, who would fight against losing their graft, as a jackal might fight for a carcass. But neither parasites nor jackals put up a very strong fight. Considering commercial rivalry as the source of modern war, we would be in a fair way to end war when very man with a nominal expense could have his stew in the pot, or roast in the oven. The present system is literally cannibalism, only it is limited in practice to kings and rulers both thru sovereign and economic power.

Kings have been named "people eaters" in that they devour us by taking the things whereby we live. If this could be properly presented to President Coolidge, no doubt he, with his appreciation of the virtues and benefits of thrift and economy would immediately see the value of the system and act accordingly.—Fred B. Cobb, Marianna, Pa.

Raphael Licked in Rochester To the DAILY WORKER:—The workers of Rochester repudiated the lies of Abramovich about Soviet Russia, when he tried to speak at the Jewish Workmen's Circle Hall, 456 Joseph Ave. The Jewish Workmen's Circle, Branch 27, which held the meeting, is composed of petty shopkeepers and fish-peddlers.

The chairman of the meeting was Charles Massing, member of the chamber of commerce, a well known business man and red-baiter. As soon as Abramovich tried to speak the hall was filled with cries for Soviet Russia and against Abramovich. In spite of the help the socialists secured from the police, the meeting was soon under the control of the revolutionary workers. The workers did not give Abramovich a chance to speak, even for half an hour. I hope he gets the same dose wherever he goes. Yours for Communism, John Peterson, Rochester, N. Y.

MARTIAL LAW TO CRUSH STRIKES, IS POLICE PLAN

Meaning Behind Fight for State Cossacks

(Continued from page 1.)

Berks county. But the workers of Reading and other Berks county communities raised such a storm of protest that Governor Pinchot was forced to countermand the order. The workers of Berks county do not want any of the cossacks quartered upon them.

The brutalities and assaults against workers committed by the Pennsylvania state police have already become household stories in every industrial town in the state.

Foster Cites Brutality of Cossacks During the great steel strike of 1919 the anti-labor reign of the Pennsylvania constabulary was particularly bloody. William Z. Foster, leader of the steel workers in that titanic struggle, cites example after example to show that the state troopers acted virtually as hired gunmen of the steel trust, stopping at nothing to interfere with the successful course of the strike.

Foster's testimony is confirmed and supplemented by the report of the commission of inquiry of the inter church World Movement, headed by Bishop F. J. McConnell.

State Police Condemned Even by Church The interchurch report which contains hundreds of affidavits showing constabulary violence states on page 178:

"In Monessen, where the strikers held out solidly for a long time, with the exception of the arrest of many Russians on vague charges of 'radicalism' the policy of the state police was simply to club men off the streets and drive them into their homes... In Braddock, however, where some of the mills were partly operating, the state police did not stop at mere beating."

An interchurch commissioner spent half an hour talking with strikers in a little room in Braddock used as union headquarters. A moment after his departure, state troopers rushed into the place demanding "that speaker" and threatened to close the headquarters because "a meeting" had been held.

Charges of assault brought against the state police in Butler, declares the report, come not only from strikers, but from non-strikers and businessmen as well. And in Clairton, on the Sunday before the strike, numerous men and women were attacked by the state constabulary and arrested while they were attending a mass meeting for which permission had been given by the local authorities; workers in the uniform of discharged soldiers were among those at the meeting ridden down by the state troopers.

State Police Assault War Veterans Capitalism respects no uniforms which are not directly in its service! Discharged soldiers no longer form part of the capitalist state machinery. And when they attend strikers' meetings they even become "un-American."

Affidavits charge that men were thrown into cells and kept there several days before they were given a hearing. This occurred in practically every strike center. In Donora the constabulary rode into the headquarters of the strikers, drove the men out and placed the local organizer, under arrest, refusing to release them on less than \$500 bail each.

Still later evidence comes from the coal strike of 1922, during which the reckless anti-labor exploits of the Pennsylvania troopers attained such notoriety that Governor Pinchot was obliged to appoint an investigating commission. Union Organizer Against State Police William Broad, a union organizer of Indiana, Pa., swore to the following story before the commission:

"On April 16, 1922, at Marion Center, Pa., while engaged on my work as organizer for District No. 2 U. M. W. of A., I was halted by three state policemen as I was about to call a mass meeting on an isolated piece of ground away from the mines. These troopers went from house to house and prevented men from attending the meeting. The troopers refused to arrest the drunken men who were interfering with the citizens on the street, after I had requested them."

This testimony could be swelled by a multiplicity of affidavits covering all sections of the state affected by the strike. Every scrap of evidence goes to show the troopers usurping all authority and acting as Judge Gary's private army. There are no instances of the constabulary favoring the workers.

Martial Law Disguised That is the way the undeclared martial law of the cossacks expresses itself in the concrete issues of the class struggle. All government under capitalism is anti-labor government, but the worst excesses of all take place when a system of martial law is established. Pennsylvania presents an example of permanent martial law. Constabulary rule in Illinois would produce the same effects.

NOTE:—The next article will take up the activities of the employers' cossacks in other states.

DAILY WORKER CORRESPONDENCE GROUP ORGANIZED BY MILITANT WORKERS IN PITTSBURGH DISTRICT

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 22.—To help forge the weapon for working class power, a group of militant workers in Pittsburgh, Pa., have decided to combine their efforts to more effectively bring the stories of the lives and struggles of the toilers of this hell hole of capitalism into the columns of the DAILY WORKER. A DAILY WORKER correspondence group has been organized and each participant has selected a certain incident of their experiences in the class struggle as the basis for their first story.

Throughout the Pittsburgh steel and mining district the soil has become stained with the blood of workers falling as victims of the brutal assaults inflicted upon them by the tools of the trustified industries whenever they attempted to resist the imposing of abject slave conditions. Many have fallen as victims of the lust for ever more profits caught in the ruthless machine of exploitation and killed or maimed for life. Such incidents are called mere industrial accidents and forgotten. Still others have been compelled to go from place to place searching in vain for an opportunity to make their scant livelihood; victimized through the blacklist system established jointly by the employers and union officials fearing exposure of their manipulations for personal gains.

To the workers there has been no relief from these grievous conditions, many of their organizations have been smashed and little means have been found for expression of protests. The standard of living of the workers no matter how low is constantly threatened by fresh wage cuts, some of which are being put into effect right now. The stories of these conditions will become available told in simple terms by the members of the Pittsburgh DAILY WORKER correspondence group.

Some of the first subjects to be taken in the stories are: Victimization of miners in District 5, methods of wage cutting in the Westinghouse plants, the unemployed metal workers in Pittsburgh, the recent industrial victims in the Woodlawn Steel mill, the Cannonsburg Meadowland miners section, and how the workers live in Braddock.—Arne Swaback.

Economist Shows America Invents Japanese War Scare

NEW YORK, March 22.—Professor Charles A. Beard, who made two extensive surveys of Japan since the war, casts the cold light of the economist on the Japanese war scare in the March 25 issue of the Nation.

"The substance of the controversy with Japan," he begins, "is not immigration; it is China—trade and profits."

Japan does not want war, he shows. War would lose her the silk trade with America, and war she cannot wage competently with America so long as she depends on other nations for iron and steel and war machinery. But American imperialists see a successful war bringing them Formosa and neighboring islands and the South Manchurian railway, also "moral responsibility" over Korea, Manchuria and Mongolia. In addition the creation of a few thousand more millionaires. The immigration issue is a mere pretext for scaring up hysteria: there was no appreciable immigration anyhow.

KUZBAS WANTS—

Ida Aho, the librarian at the Kuzbas Colony at Kemerovo, Siberia, writes the DAILY WORKER saying that she will be glad to receive magazines dealing with physical culture and athletics for the use of the colonists. Comrades who are desirous of aiding in this matter can mail them direct (1 cent for each 2 ounces) to the library, A. I. C. Kuzbas, Kemerovo, Tomsk gub., Siberia, U. S. S. R., or they may be mailed to Kuzbas, General 402, 799 Broadway, New York. Regular periodicals are also gladly received, as also are books, by the 400 members who are working at Kemerovo who came originally from America.

Your Union Meeting

- Fourth Monday, March 23, 1925. Name of Local and Place of Meeting. No. 88 Bartenders, 123 No. Clark St., 8.30 p. m. Boiler Makers' District Council, 622 and Halsted Sts. 626 Boiler Makers, 622 and Halsted Sts. 94 Boot and Shoe, 1939 Milwaukee Ave. 1 Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, 910 W. Monroe St. 598 Butchers, Hebrew, 3420 W. Roosevelt Rd. 638 Butchers, Bohemian, 1670 Blue Island Ave. 2505 Carpenters, 180 W. Washington St. 70 Carpenters, 2705 W. 38th St. 80 Carpenters, 4039 W. Madison St. 181 Carpenters, 2040 W. North Ave. 199 Carpenters, S. C., 9139 Commercial Ave. 416 Carpenters, S. C., 60 55th St. 419 Carpenters, S. C., 1457 Clybourn Ave. 448 Carpenters, 222 N. West St., Waukegan. 1307 Carpenters, 1850 Sherman, Evanston. 1367 Carpenters, 2040 W. North Ave. Cap Makers, 4003 W. Roosevelt Rd. 14 Cigar Makers, Executive Board, 166 W. Washington St., 7:30 p. m. 713 Electricians, 119 S. Throop St. 394 Engineers (Loc.), 7532 S. Union Ave., 7:30 p. m. 400 Engineers, 4443 S. Halsted St. 401 Engineers, 311 S. Ashland Ave. 569 Engineers, 180 W. Washington St. Federated Crafts, 33 E. 111th St. 196 Firemen and Engineers, 2431 Roosevelt Road, 9:30 a. m. Last meeting 7:30 p. m. 237 Firemen and Engineers, 4123 W. Lake St. 535 Firemen and Engineers, 5438 S. Halsted St. 698 Firemen and Engineers, Madison and Sacramento. 331 Firemen and Engineers, 64th and Ashland. 10615 Gardeners and Florists, North and Western Aves. 18 Glove Operators, 1710 N. Winchester. 76 Hod Carriers, 814 W. Harrison St. 59 Ladies' Garment, 228 W. Van Buren St. 74 Lathers, 725 S. Western Ave. 374 Longshoremen, Tug, 355 N. Clark St. 265 Machinists, 75th and Dobson Blvd. 337 Machinists, 1638 N. Halsted St. 378 Maint. of Way, 1543 W. 103rd St. 723 Maint. of Way, 502 47th St. 638 Meat Cutters, 1870 Blue Island Ave. 15016 Nurses (County), Sacramento and Madison St. 27 Painters, 176 W. Washington St. 101 Painters, 3316 W. North Ave. 184 Painters, Madison and 6th Ave. 265 Painters, 111th and Michigan Ave. 273 Painters, 2432 S. Kedzie Ave. 41 Park Attendants, Halsted and Harrison Sts. 828 Plumbers, 535 N. Cicero Ave. 7 Printing Pressmen, 78 W. Wash. Railway Clerks, 526 Princeton Ave. 2064 Railway Clerks, 150 N. State St. 241 Railway Employes of America (Surface Lines), Van Buren and Ashland. Sailors' Union of Great Lakes, 865 N. Clark St. 70 Signalmen, 901 E. 75th St. 51 Sheet Metal Workers, 1688 N. Halsted St. 4 Steel and Copper Engravers, Morrison Hotel. 5 Tailors, 180 W. Washington, 7:30 p. m. 721 Teamsters, 1126 Michigan Ave. 739 Teamsters, 2600 S. Halsted St. 758 Teamsters, 220 S. Ashland Blvd., 3 p. m. 772 Teamsters, 220 S. Ashland Blvd. 9 Typographical (German), 1457 Clybourn Ave., 8 p. m. (Note—Unless otherwise stated all meetings are at 8 p. m.)

SICK AND DEATH BENEFIT SOCIETIES

- Frauen-Kranken-Unterstützungs Verein Meets every 1st & 3rd Thursday. Wicker Park Hall, 2040 W. North Avenue. Secretary. Explore for Manganese in U. S. S. R. MOSCOW—(By Mail)—The North Caucasian state trade department is making preparations for the exploitation of the manganese fields in the Maykop and Labinsk districts. Prof. Selsky, an expert who had explored those fields before the war, has been detailed to the place. The trade department proposes to start the actual exploitation of the Maykop manganese ores this spring.

OUR DAILY PATTERNS

A PRACTICAL "TWO IN ONE" UNDERGARMENT.

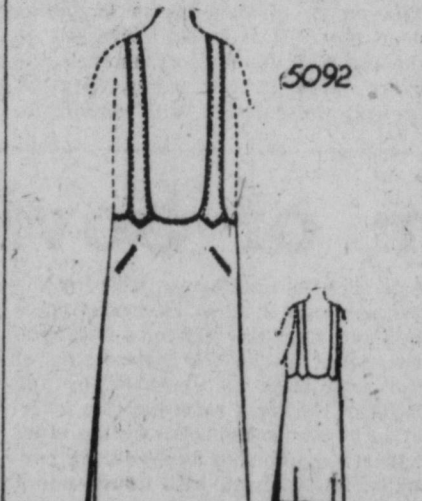


5043. Cambric, batiste, crepe, satin or crepe de chine may be used for this model. The brassiere may be fastened to the chemise with snap fasteners or buttons, or, it may be finished separately.

This Pattern is cut in 4 Sizes: Small, 34-36; Medium, 36-40; Large, 42-44; Extra Large, 46-48 inches bust measure. A Medium size requires 2 1/2 yards of 36 inch material. The chemise alone requires 1 1/2 yard. For gussets of webbing 1/2 yard 4 inches wide or 1/4 yard 6 inches wide is required.

Pattern mailed to any address on receipt of 12c in silver or stamps. FASHION BOOK NOTICE! Send 12c in silver or stamps for our up-to-date Spring and Summer 1925 Book of Fashions, showing color plates and containing 600 designs of ladies', misses', and children's patterns, a concise and comprehensive article on dress-making, also some points for the needle illustrating 30 of the various simple stitches, all valuable hints to the home dressmaker.

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Wall Street-Calles Socialism

The socialist party of Mexico is to be reorganized, state dispatches from Mexico City.

All elements supporting the Calles government will be admitted to the party following a conference scheduled for April 1st.

This rather novel qualification for membership in a party hitherto calling itself revolutionary is more evidence of the traitorous work of the Yankee imperialist-labor faker-yellow socialist combine which visited Mexico City during the El Paso convention of the American Federation of Labor.

We recall a sob letter written by one Nellie Seeds Nearing, ex-mate of Scott Nearing, to The Nation showing how Mexican workers supported the union label campaign of the A. F. of L. by throwing their scab Stetson hats in the Rio Grande after the big fat American brothers—most of whom had Stetson hats themselves—had pledged their support to the Mexican masses.

It is now quite plain that the Mexican workers are going to lose the rest of their wearing apparel. The reorganization of the Mexican socialist party on the basis of support of the Calles government which is now engaged in breaking up the Railway Workers' Union preparatory to returning the railroads to Wall Street, is one more step in a plan of plunder that is designed to strip the Mexican workers of their coffee-colored skins.

The coming unity is unity for American imperialism. It is one more example of the betrayal of the masses to the capitalist masters by the parties of the Second International—the international to which no self-respecting leech or louse would consider affiliation.

The Communist parties of Mexico and the United States are the only organizations carrying a struggle against the domination of Latin-America by Wall Street. The support for these campaigns comes from the workers and farmers of imperialist and semi-colonial countries alike and the struggle will continue with increased success since the socialist party has exposed itself as the champion of the oppressors.

Disarmament

France wants no agreement for lessening armaments. The French press is speaking harshly of any interference by the Coolidge administration in the schemes of French militarism. It warns the government of the danger of entering into any further treaties that would call for even a temporary halt in the militarization of Europe.

French imperialism looks with a knowing eye at the trap set for it by its American and British rivals. Aircraft and submarines will be on the order of business of the next disarmament conference if one is ever assembled and these weapons are too valuable for France against England for her to surrender them lightly.

The territorial arrangements made by the Versailles treaty are not permanent and everybody knows it. They are productive of endless friction and guerilla warfare as was the case in Danzig the other day with the constant menace of these breaking out into larger conflicts. France wants, therefore, to tie the allied nations to these frontier agreements; it is not only the question of the Franco-German frontiers, but those of Poland, Roumania, etc.—the French vassal states.

Inasmuch as Great Britain and America have interests in eastern Europe opposed to those of France, the demand of the French press that, in return for a limitation of French aircraft and submarines, the frontiers of France and her allies be guaranteed, amounts to making a farce of all disarmament proposals.

Such proposals can be nothing else than a farce, but it happens that French imperialism is slightly more cynical at the present time than its American and British prototypes and therefore more frank.

France may be forced to limit her military preparations by pressure from the House of Morgan, but at this will indicate only that she has been brought within the circle of American imperialism and only such reductions will be made as will make interest payments more probable while not weakening her as an enemy of Great Britain.

Some liberals are already getting ready to give three cheers for Coolidge, the great peacemaker, but anyone who becomes enthusiastic over any disarmament conference under imperialist auspices is hopelessly insane. Only sheer imbecility can account for enthusiasm over this one.

The Milwaukee Leader says the British trade union report on Soviet Russia is a mass of contradictions. So is capitalism, but the Leader does not fight capitalism while it does fight Soviet Russia and its working class supporters.

Seattle Reactionaries Lose

Read the clear and direct statement of principles made by the Seattle Communists in the Central Labor Council in answer to the charges of the reactionaries and contrast it with the vicious and hysterical denunciation of Communists and their aims in the labor faker press.

There are in the labor movement as well as in other sections of modern society what Veblen calls "vested interests." It is an axiom that the most bitter enemy is aroused by anything that irritates the pocketbook nerve and which threatens to cut off its source of nourishment.

Communists attack the vested interests of the labor fakers openly.

In Seattle there was during the war period an orgy of graft and corruption, in which the upper strata of the labor movement, and most of the officialdom took part. This gang, the remnants of it at least, are still in power. Long ago the welfare of the workers became something to sneer at. The fight against the bosses and the state was shoved into the background and the labor movement became a field for private enterprise.

The Seattle Communists exposed this condition and the economic security of the fakers was threatened. They feel that the Communists must be driven out of the labor unions that peace and profit-making may continue. In this maneuver they display some cunning, but the Communists have gone to the rank and file and hell has broken loose. It is not so easy to expel Communists and it is still harder to do it quietly.

The Seattle reactionaries have not been able to unseat the Communist delegates as yet. Whatever the final result is the mass of the organized workers will have a better understanding of the role of the Workers (Communist) Party, a better appreciation of the anti-working class attitude of fakedom and a stronger will to fight for their class.

The Seattle reactionaries cannot win because the Communists have already counted coup.

Polish and American Capitalism

The Polish government which is trying to send Stanislaw Lanzutsky, worker and Communist member of parliament, to the gallows, borrows \$30,000,000 from the House of Morgan and spends the most of it in the United States for war supplies.

Unemployment in Poland is chronic, the country is being systematically looted by French capitalists, its military budget has increased to \$160,000,000 per year and it is deporting all militant workers in the territories it received under the Versailles treaty from Germany and Russia.

The Polish "democracy" is a government of terror. The working class is enslaved four times—to the Polish priesthood, to the Polish white guards, to the French imperialists and to the House of Morgan.

The Polish hangman's government is persona grata with the ruling class of the United States. Our rulers look with grinning approval at the terror directed against the revolutionary workers and peasants of Poland. It pledges its support to the finance-capitalists who loan money with which to finance this murderous activity. Most of all is Poland praised as a bitter foe of the workers' and peasants' government of Soviet Russia.

The demonstrations in this country against the execution of Stanislaw Lanzutsky which will be carried out by the Polish workers under the leadership of the Polish Federation of the Workers (Communist) Party are therefore not only protests against the Polish capitalism. They are directed just as much against the Morgan government of the United States which acts as paymaster for the murderers of the Polish working class.

'Peaceful' Denmark

Fifty thousand workers in basic industries are locked out in Denmark. In a few days it is believed that 130,000 workers will be involved, as many unions have already stated their intention of answering the lockout by striking and tying up all Danish industry.

Wage demands made by the workers in cement factories, metal factories, sugar and butter plants, have been refused by the bosses altho, like in all European countries, the cost of living is going up.

The Danish conflict is significant because it is this little nation whose exports are principally foodstuffs and where heavy industry merely supplies the needs of the domestic market that the reformists have pointed to as an example of peaceful progress; the Danish co-operatives have been held up as forms that would solve the class struggle peacefully.

Yet, the Danish workers are forced into battle in spite of the non-imperialist nature of Danish production. They are part of the world's working class just as the Danish capitalists are part of the world's idle ruling class, the Danish unions with their syndicalist structure and tendencies will have to recognize this basic fact.

World capitalism has closed long ago all peaceful paths to freedom even in pastoral Denmark.

Communists recognize the realities and strip the camouflage from capitalism, but this they could not do if capitalism itself did not suck into its maelstrom the whole working class no matter how ardently sections of it desire to "co-operate" to Communism.

The Hillman machine has a revolt on its hands that it cannot handle. Its suspension of Local 5 of New York, its starvation tactics in Chicago—forcing members of the union out of their jobs because they distributed a legal leaflet—has tended to solidify the mass of left wing sentiment. The rule or ruin policy is not going to stand the test.

For the first time in his career Czar Hutcherson of the Carpenters' Union has had to back up. He speaks with less assurance to the Chicago militants since he got trimmed in Detroit.

RAISIN GROWERS FORCED TO GIVE UP SALES POOL

Had Refused to Deal with the Workers

CHICAGO, March 22.—After thirteen years of ups and downs as the largest raisin growers' group in the United States, the Sun Maid Raisin Growers' Assn. of California is returning to competition for the 1925 crop. They failed to sign up 85 per cent of the crop for their pool.

This news and the story of the raisin growers, is told by J. C. Coleman, former raisin grower and representative in the association from his district.

Boosted Price

"The Sun Maid raisin growers center in the San Joaquin valley about Fresno," Coleman explains. "When they got 85 per cent of the crop into their co-operative producing and marketing pool in 1912 the price had been running from 1 1/4 to 3 cents a pound for the prepared raisins.

"They brot it up to 3 1/2 cents the first year, to 7 cents in 1917 and 14 cents in 1920. Then it slumped rapidly to 4 cents a pound in 1922 and about 1 1/2 cents in 1924. In 12 years they had gone the whole price cycle and are back where they had started but hopelessly in debt and no way to get out. Now in 1925 the plan is given up.

Banks Ruined Growers

"What were the reasons for the rocket-like ascent and fall? The retail price of raisins has nothing to do with it because that has remained fairly constant ranging up to 25 cents a pound, no matter what the wholesalers and jobbers paid the growers. It is a story of overproduction, mistaken labor policy, real estate sharks, selling difficulties and opposition of the big banks.

"No sooner had the raisin growers established a guaranteed price for themselves with extra cash distributions if the market price went above the guarantee than speculative growing by outsiders began to increase the acreage vastly above the requirements. The raisin production in 1924 was double pre-war. This made the maintenance of the 85 per cent pool almost impossible. The gambling in land values had been beyond belief.

Refused to Deal with Labor

"The association suffered from a boycott by labor consumers since it refused to deal with organized labor, either A. F. of L. or I. W. O. It suffered also from a boycott by the Retail Grocers' Assn. because it sold to chain stores at wholesale rates, discriminating against the retail grocers. The upheld by the supreme court this practice makes no friends among the thousands of retailers still outside the chain systems. The wholesalers boycotted them for the same reason. Direct selling, proposed in 1922, was no longer possible because of the \$20,000,000 deficit in the association treasury discovered at that time.

"Large investments in packing plants and in research proved extravagant on a falling market. The big banks looked with displeasure on the banking conducted by the association for its members without charge and put a stop to it."

RUSSIAN COMMUNIST TELLS HOW WORKERS JOIN COMMUNIST PARTY NUCLEI IN THE DYNAMO FACTORY

To the Workers of Western Countries.

Dear Comrades: Not so long ago I described our life, and to-day I will tell you something about the second Lenin levy.

A few days ago we had a meeting in the factory of all the members of the bureau of the party nucleus for the purpose of admitting working men and women to the party.

Up till now 120 questionnaires have been examined, and people were called up accordingly, every one in his or her turn for their "confession of faith."

In the corridor outside the nucleus bureau there was a big throng of people; everyone tried to be first. Patience is a virtue which our chaps do not know, for did not the "Dynamo" workers show up well in "October" (Nov. 7, 1917) being the first to throw off the yoke and mount the barricades?

On Wednesday, instead of the usual "Party Day" in the theater of the workers' palace, the "proletarian smithy," a general meeting will be held to receive the above-mentioned working men and women into the party. Before anyone can be finally admitted into the party those present at the general meeting are asked if they have any objections, and then the vote is taken.

Here is a sample taken from my note-book of what kind of people are admitted into the party:

Alexandra Zakharova has worked years, employed in the factory since the age of 14. Abjured all mythical beliefs and prejudices since that age. Michael Kizikov, aged 26, volunteer already in the Red Guards from 1917 to 1923 and now in the territorials. Father and mother are peasants, employed in the factory as a roofer.

Alexandra Zakharova, has worked in the factory since childhood, almost illiterate. Woman delegate of the women's section and does, also, other social work. Some one taxes her with having an "ikon" in her room and she is told that if she wants to join atheists she must "break off all communication" with gods.

"If it is necessary, I will remove the 'ikon,' for I have had my doubts about it for some time, and I do not want to part with my fellow-workers."

It was decided by a unanimous vote to admit her, and to insist that she attend classes of general and political education. She is to be a candidate for 6 months.

Michael Oblizlin, factory chauffeur. Fought in the civil war, was an official member of the party since the age of 19, but left it because he could not understand the new economic policy. He is now sorry and is suffering mentally. Admitted as a candidate for 6 months.

Martha Nikitushkina, employed as a presser since the age of 16. Does social work, has gone thru a course of political education, her parents are peasants.

"My room is but small and there is no room in it for any gods; where the 'ikon' used to be is now the electricity meter." She was admitted amidst loud applause.

All attempts at objections to her admission were drowned in loud applause, which grew in volume when it was announced that the whole Young Communist League was entering the party.

But here is a difficulty—there are no proper premises to hold party meetings. Even before it was a rather tight squeeze, and with the newcomers we shall be 400 party members, a whole regiment of Communards.

Our cultural commission has begun believing the only means whereby the workers can achieve their emancipation and clear the way for a Communist society to be the dictatorship of the proletariat as exercised by the Russian workers; regarding the federation of Soviet Republics as the chief bulwark against an all-devouring capitalist imperialism, with its attendant misery, slavery and war; seeing in Soviet Russia with its control of one-sixth of the surface of the globe an all-important factor in world economy, whose isolation from the rest of the world dislocates the economic life of all other countries, causing unemployment and other evils; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, we, the workers of New York, 20,000 strong in mass meeting assembled, demand the immediate full, free recognition of Soviet Russia without conditions, and we call upon all other workers of America

Baffled, defeated, vanquished, international capitalism fell back from its intended victim and sued for peace. One after another the leading powers of the world have recognized Soviet Russia—Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, the Scandinavian countries, Japan, China. Until today there is no country of any importance in which Soviet Russia is still unrecognized except the United States of America. This last and strongest citadel of international capitalism still delays recognition, fearful of the growing prestige of Soviet Russia and the increasing influence of the international Communist movement, and hoping to extract greater economic concession from the Russian workers and force them to submit to the capitalist yoke.

Wherefore, we, the workers of America, 20,000 in mass meeting assembled, looking upon Soviet Russia as the champion and defender of the working class of all countries—the industrial workers of the west, as well as the oppressed people of the east,

PARTY STUDENTS WILL SEE BOTH SIDES OF CITY

Hell Town and Gold Coast Contrasted

This afternoon, after the adjournment of the last class at three o'clock, all the students of the Chicago Lenin School will be taken on a trip thru the stock yard district of Chicago and then on a bus trip thru the "gold coast" section for contrast.

Public Speaking Course Begins Today.

Today at 10 a. m. and continuing thru the week till the end of the school, Comrade Thurber Lewis will give his class in Public Speaking which will be a practical course and take advantage of the material already presented in the other classes.

The school enters upon its second week with a great deal of success already to its credit. Already as many as thirty lectures have been delivered on the various subjects. Both students and teachers are highly satisfied and feel that the school has done much more than merely teach the comrades attending so many subjects. It has created an excellent atmosphere and spirit.

The schedule for today is as follows:

- 9 A. M.—Trade Union History and Tactics: Dunne. 10 A. M.—Public Speaking: Lewis. 11 A. M.—History of American Communist Movement: Bittelman. 1 P. M.—Elementary Marxian Economics: Lerner. 2 P. M.—Leninism: Gomez.

Germany to Enter League.

PARIS, France, March 22.—The German government is about to demand admittance to the league of nations, a dispatch here states. France intends to insist on reparations and security treaties as the price of German admittance.

ONE RESULT OF INTENSIVE TRAINING.

(The Impressions of a Student)

By F. S. F. (Detroit)

The fact that our national office is situated in Chicago is a result of the fact that Chicago is one of the best concentrated centers of capitalism—has the most developed slave pens and the largest ones in the entire country.

Our classes—situated in this center—have taught us the dynamic forces that operate. We can ascribe to the economic conditions, and the resultant class antagonism why our national office is really situated in this vicinity. The way we arrive at such a conclusion is by the "Dialectic" reasoning. A combination of the two will give us the "Dialectic Materialism," the fact that we arrive at our conclusion thru the understanding of these economic forces.

Such is one result of our "Intensive" training classes.

The students now think in terms of commodities, surplus value, dialectics, Internationals and ways of organization. This is far from being an evil. The result of this course is taking deep root. It is being impressed on the plate of the memory of each and every student. It is not only impressed thereon but will remain for

many a day. Every student will go back to his city a wiser and more active member.

Not only that, the course has created a desire to know more. It has shown a realm of pursuit that will assist our movement in its actual every day struggles—books that will give us a theoretical knowledge of how to fight the actual fight of rallying the working class, our own inactive members first, and the trade unionists and members of other organizations composed of workers but so far not infused with the class consciousness that is necessary for the final fight against capitalism.

This new thing, the understanding and the desire to know more what lies in these instruments of clearer class consciousness, will permeate into the very beings of our other members who have not had the chance to visit this school. They themselves will also try to understand the history of the labor movement and this will, in turn, create a clearer vision of what they are fighting for.

So this experiment, I am confident, will prove more than an experiment—a means of gathering our forces to act consciously for our final goal.

For the Recognition of Soviet Russia

EDITOR'S NOTE.—The following declaration on the recognition of Soviet Russia was adopted at the tremendous "Paris Commune" celebration held recently in Madison Square Garden, New York City. It might well serve as the basis of similar resolutions to be urged elsewhere. It is as follows:

FOR seven years Soviet Russia has struggled against a world of enemies. From the moment of its birth the first government of workers and peasants found itself confronted with the united forces of capitalism emerging from the world massacre gorged with profits and greedy for further plunder.

The international imperialism of western Europe and America in its effort to extend its dominion over the whole world found as the sole obstacle in its path the new power of the workers and peasants in Soviet Russia, and their allies, the revolutionary workers of all other countries combined in the Communist International.

Capitalist imperialism, represented chiefly in the governments of Great Britain, France and America, launched a combined attack upon the new Soviet power. Bayonet and machine-gun, torture and starvation, boycott and famine, every weapon was used to force the Russian workers to their knees, to break their power and restore capitalism and czarism. The American government co-operated eagerly in this nefarious onslaught with the European reaction and its agents, the Kotechaks, Judentiches, Wrangels and Denikins.

Capitalism failed. Soviet Russia won thru untold sacrifices, the Russian workers and peasants triumphed, expelled the white guards of international capitalism and saved the revolution.

The collapse of the military offensive was followed by a diplomatic offensive. Thru economic isolation and diplomatic snasion, the capitalist world hoped to gain what it could not take by force. At Geneva, at Lausanne, The Hague and London the imperialist governments attempted to wring economic concessions from Soviet Russia and force her to surrender the conquests of the revolution, to recompense and reinstate the landlords and capitalists.

And again capitalism failed. Again Soviet Russia won. The diplomatic offensive failed as the military offensive had failed, as boycott and famine had failed to break the proletarian dictatorship.

Baffled, defeated, vanquished, international capitalism fell back from its intended victim and sued for peace. One after another the leading powers of the world have recognized Soviet Russia—Great Britain, France, Germany, Italy, Poland, the Scandinavian countries, Japan, China. Until today there is no country of any importance in which Soviet Russia is still unrecognized except the United States of America. This last and strongest citadel of international capitalism still delays recognition, fearful of the growing prestige of Soviet Russia and the increasing influence of the international Communist movement, and hoping to extract greater economic concession from the Russian workers and force them to submit to the capitalist yoke.

Wherefore, we, the workers of America, 20,000 in mass meeting assembled, looking upon Soviet Russia as the champion and defender of the working class of all countries—the industrial workers of the west, as well as the oppressed people of the east,

believing the only means whereby the workers can achieve their emancipation and clear the way for a Communist society to be the dictatorship of the proletariat as exercised by the Russian workers; regarding the federation of Soviet Republics as the chief bulwark against an all-devouring capitalist imperialism, with its attendant misery, slavery and war; seeing in Soviet Russia with its control of one-sixth of the surface of the globe an all-important factor in world economy, whose isolation from the rest of the world dislocates the economic life of all other countries, causing unemployment and other evils; therefore

BE IT RESOLVED, we, the workers of New York, 20,000 strong in mass meeting assembled, demand the immediate full, free recognition of Soviet Russia without conditions, and we call upon all other workers of America

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and upon the trade unions to join us in a protest against the government of the United States for its persecution of Soviet Russia in the interests of a clique of capitalist bondholders, for the lying propaganda against Soviet Russia spread by its own department of state over the seal of Chas. E. Hughes, lackey and servant of Wall St.

LONG LIVE THE COMMUNE, THE GOVERNMENT OF THE WORKERS AND PEASANTS! LONG LIVE THE FEDERATION OF SOCIALIST SOVIET REPUBLICS!

LONG LIVE THE SOVIET UNION—AND ITS ALLY, THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL!

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ARE THE REDS MOLLYCODDLES?

THIS question will be answered by the Finnish Workers' Gymnastic association at the International Unity Demonstration, and benefit entertainment, at Ashland Auditorium, Sunday afternoon, March 29. The muscular strength will not be displayed after the manner of Paavo Nurmi, who developed his speed running away from the working class movement—it will be a beautiful exhibition of co-operative strength of a group of finely trained gymnasts—the very living symbol of the constructive building of the new order out the perfectly harmonized strength of organized workers.

And just to show that the women comrades will carry their full share of these jacks of the future there will

be a prize-winning group of Czechoslovak girl athletes. Altho there is a national convention of Bohemian workers' sport organizations in Chicago on that day, these girls will show their solidarity with the workers of other nationalities by a brief appearance on the program.

These will be only two of a long list of splendid program numbers—the longest and best list ever assembled on one stage. Some of the foreign speaking comrades know the excellence of one or the other of these numbers but no one has ever seen them all on one joint program.

Proceeds of the show will benefit the Irish Workers' and Peasants' Famine Relief and the Labor Defense Funds.