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TEXTILE WAR SPANS ATLANTIC

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

NOW, that the "monkey" trial is over, at least the first installment of it, national attention is invited to the antics of Chief Collins of the Chicago police department. One of the chief's favorite pastimes is defending the law, sometimes against the so-called criminal elements, anon against the police. Whenever the bootleggers, gunmen and kindred elements of the citizenry, take a brief holiday Chief Collins hops on to the police, shuffles them up, forces a few of them to resign or otherwise compels them to become his press agents.

THERE is nothing a politician hates like silence regarding his existence. Collins has no reason to kick. Outside of the "Yellow Kid," alias Mr. Weil, the noted confidence man, and perhaps State's Attorney Crowe, Collins is the best advertised man in town. Several hundred citizens have been "liquidated" in Chicago since the beginning of the year, according to the Chicago Tribune. The Tribune regrets that at least twice as many more were not hanged in retaliation. Chief Collins throws a fit every time a citizen goes down before a gangster's gun, swears that he will make Chicago a hot place for gunmen, then goes to a police convention, while his police busy themselves protecting scabs and arresting Communists for speaking on the streets.

THE latest stunt pulled off by Collins is to "shake" down his department and threaten to force the superannuated into retirement. It's good front page stuff. Some officers are credited with looking the other way when Mr. Volstead's pet law is getting trodden on. Politicians on the inside of things in city hall claim that captains, lieutenants and ser-

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The Coal Conference



NATIONAL WAR IS DECLARED ON KNOWLEDGE

Scene of Battle Is Now Shifted to Columbia

WASHINGTON, July 22.—The conflict between religion and science, exemplified in the Scopes anti-evolution trial in Tennessee, today came squarely before the federal courts of the District of Columbia.

Declaring that children in the national capital were being taught "disrespect of the holy bible," Loren H. Wittner of Washington asked the district supreme court to enjoin the city's fiscal agents from paying salaries to instructors who teach the evolutionary theory of the origin of man in conflict with divine creation.

Teaching of evolution, Wittner said, was expressly forbidden by congress in the last district appropriation bill, which provided:

"That no part of this sum shall be available for the payment of the salary of any superintendent who permits the teaching of, or of any teacher who teaches, disrespect of the holy bible."

In his bill of complaints, Wittner cited 13 specific instances of "disrespect to the bible" thru teaching from the approved textbooks on natural science. The injunction was filed admittedly as a "test" case, in much the same spirit as the Dayton trial was started, to determine by law whether evolution can be taught by teachers paid from public funds. Wittner described himself as a "federal taxpayer," but said also he was "some-what of a liberalist and wanted this thing settled."

Washington children are being taught disrespect to the bible, Wittner said, because the approved text books:

1. Doubt and contradict the teachings of the bible.
2. Teach that man and apes and monkeys belong to the same family, and also that plants and animals come from the same common ancestor, while the bible says man was made in the physical image of god out of the dust of the ground, and that woman was made from one of the ribs of man.
3. Teach that after death disintegration of organic bodies takes place making impossible for any human to (Continued on page 4)

Minnesota Bank Fails.

REDWOOD FALLS, Minn., July 22.—The First National Bank of Redwood Falls has failed and is under investigation by a state bank examiner.

CONVICT WOMAN WHO RAN BABY FARM, IS SENTENCED TO 7 YEARS

NEW YORK, July 22.—Screaming hysterically and fighting with court attendants, Mrs. Augusta Geisen-Volk, who operated a "baby farm" here and pleaded guilty to baby substitution, was sentenced to Auburn prison today for three and one-half to seven years.

Sentence was pronounced by Justice McIntyre in general sessions, who branded her as "a fiend incarnate," and declared there was not a single extenuating circumstance in her favor.

Van Sweringen Rail Deal Is Scheme of Stock Jobbing, Charge

WASHINGTON, July 22.—The "billion dollar" Nickel Plate railroad merger, involving five big railroad systems, as proposed by the Van Sweringen brothers, is not a transportation deal, but is simply a stock-jobbing scheme, Henry W. Anderson, counsel for a group of minority stockholders of the Chesapeake and Ohio who are opposing the merger, charged before the interstate commerce commission today. J. P. Morgan is behind the Van Sweringen.

RIFFIANS CONTINUE TO ROUT FRENCH AND SPANISH INVADERS

LONDON, July 22.—French and Spanish forces have suffered additional losses from the Rifians in Morocco and the general situation remains serious. The arrival of Marshal Petain has failed to have the desired effect on the French forces in the Fez sector. In the Rifian attack on the key positions of Ain Aicha and Ain Matouff, the French left 200 dead on the field. The Spanish have suffered heavy losses at Vondak. The Spanish burned several villages of the Beni Ide tribes in retaliation for their defeat.

CLEVELAND PUBLIC SQUARE TO HEAR THE COMMUNIST APPEAL

(Special to The Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, Ohio, July 22.—Cleveland workers will hold mass meeting and demonstration under the slogans "Hands Off China!" "Stand by Soviet Russia!" on Saturday, at seven o'clock in the evening on the Public Square. The speakers will be William F. Dunne, Alfred Wagenknecht, district organizer, J. A. Hamilton, local organizer, and Weisberg of the Young Workers League. There will also be a Chinese speaker. Picnic on Sunday, July 26, at Willoughbeach Park, will also be in the nature of a demonstration by the workers of Northern Ohio. The picnic is held by Workers Party.

CAPITALIST COURT SEEKS MISSING LINK

Even Soviet Sympathy Is Verboten

Revolution, not evolution, was on trial yesterday before Judge Orr of the municipal court in Chicago's city Workers Party and the Young Worker's League appeared to answer the grave charge of speaking without a police permit on the corner of North avenue and Orchard street last month.

Those appearing were William F. Dunne, William F. Kruse, Thurber Lewis, Al Schaap, Nat Kaplan, Harrison George, Barney Mass, Karl Reeve, Max Schachtman, Bernard Davis, Karl Kritchell, Natalie Gomez, Gertrude Welsh, Elsa Block, Ida Eckels, Catherine Polishuck and Max Miroff.

City Attorney the Missing Link.

Defender of the agnostics in this case was Attorney Bentall, the city attorney represented the absent Simian, and the judge in the case, Warren H. Orr, of Carthage, Illinois, who is county judge of Hancock county, acting as associate judge of the municipal court, played the role of upholder of fundamentalism.

As illuminating the event, it may be said that a similar case against J. Louis Engdahl, editor of the DAILY WORKER, has been judged adversely to the scoffers of Ordinance 3703, and the whole question of the constitutionality of the act is to be decided on appeal to higher courts as a test case. Hence yesterday's circus was only a bit of by-play to be staged for the edification of those who have a sense of humor. Others can stop (Continued on page 6.)

WOOLEN WAGE CUT AFFECTS BOTH BRITISH AND AMERICAN WORKERS; ENGLISH UNION SURE TO STRIKE

(Special to The Daily Worker)

BOSTON, July 22.—The timing of the 10 per cent cut for 30,000 employees of the American Woolen Co. and several other large concerns with a five per cent cut for the woolen and worsted workers in the Bradford district of England is seen as evidence of the international understanding that is gaining ground in the textile industry.

The New England wage reductions are posted for July 27, two days after the date scheduled by British industrialists for the cuts in the British mills.

Strike in England Expected. A general strike of the woolen workers in the mills across the water is expected by textile journals on this side. Such a strike would be called by the National Association of Unions in the Textile Trades of Great Britain which has ordered its members to cease work in affected mills the date the cut becomes operative.

Announcement of the reduction in the New England mills were given without previous warning and made in blunt paragraph notices pasted in the mills.

Promise to Workers Broken. Much indignation is felt by the American Woolen Co.'s workers because of the declaration of its late president, William M. Wood, last fall, at the time reductions were being made in the cotton industry, that his corporation had no intention of following suit.

Those better acquainted with Wood discounted his promises because of his bad labor record and the fact that he was director and heavy investor with some of the largest cotton corporations profiting by the cuts. Since then Wood has retired from office with American Woolen.

Lawrence the Center. Lawrence, Mass., leading U. S. woolen city, has most of the reduced workers. Cuts are decreed there for the Wood, Ayer, Prospect, Shaw-sheen, Riverina, Washington and Plymouth mills of the American Woolen Co. and the Arlington, George E. Kunhardt and Uswooc Mills. The Arlington Co. sets no limit on the reduction, merely informing its employees that a cut will take place on date.

Cuts have also been posted for the American Woolen plants at Lowell, Mass., and Norwich, Conn. In other Lawrence mills reductions are in the air while managers sound out employees' sentiment. No action has yet been taken by the Rhode Island or New Jersey woolen manufacturers.

Unorganized Strike May Develop. Lawrence has been the scene of (Continued on page 2)

MEXICAN RAIL UNIONS MUST STRIKE OR DIE

Calles Would Smash Their Organization

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MEXICO CITY, July 22.—The "bull-fighters" tactics of the government of Mexico on its attack on the wages and working conditions of the railwaymen employed on the national lines, continue to give successes to the government in its efforts to demoralize the railway unions. The term, "bull-fighters tactics" first used in a manifesto of the Mexican Communist Party on the railway situation continues to gain currency as the railwaymen begin to comprehend that it accurately and picturesquely describes the situation.

The government must return the railway to private hands. That is provided for by the Lamont-De-la-Huerta treaty. It must also "read-just" the salaries and working conditions and destroy the railway unions, before returning the lines to private (Continued on page 4.)

Aviator Gets Off Easy

LOS ANGELES, Calif., July 22.—Captain Lowell Smith, head of America's round the world flyers, pleaded guilty to charges of the automobile speeding here today and was fined \$25. Later the sentence was suspended when Smith told the court he was "unaware of violating any law."

250,000 BRITISH TEXTILE WORKERS ARE ORDERED OUT IN GIANT STRIKE

LONDON, July 22.—A quarter million workers in the Rochdale (Yorkshire) textile mills will be called out on strike tomorrow night, union leaders said today. The threat followed an attempt to reduce wages.

Mass Picketing in Amalgamated Strike



Striking members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union, picketing before the plant of the International Tailoring company, Jackson Blvd. and Peoria St., which refused to renew an agreement with the union. Hundreds of pickets encircle the building constantly, and no strikebreakers can escape the vigilant watch of the clothing workers. The strike is now in its fourth week.

FASCIST LEADER UPHOLDS ATTACK OF MURDERERS

Amendola Badly Hurt by Frenzied Mob

(Special to The Daily Worker)

ROME, July 22.—Deputy Giovanni Amendola, leader of the aventine opposition to the fascist party, "got what he deserved" in the attack by a fascist crowd while fleeing from Montecattini, general secretary Farinacci of the fascists said in a speech at Naples today. Farinacci has made open threats that Amendola will be murdered.

"The opposition must learn that no provocation will be further tolerated," Farinacci said in upholding the attack on Amendola's life. "The reaction against the principal responsible persons already has begun and this reaction the fascist party can not deplore.

"Anybody attempting to obstruct us will be treated as a traitor." Amendola probably will be in a hospital for three weeks from the injuries suffered at the hands of the fascist mob.

Fifteen Detroit Homes in Flames. DETROIT, Mich., July 22.—Fifteen houses and four apartment buildings were in flames as the result of an explosion here today.

JUDAS FARRINGTON GETS THIRTY PIECES OF PEABODY'S SILVER FOR BLACK TREACHERY TO UNION

By ALEX REID.
(Secretary of the Progressive Miners' Committee.)

ARTICLE II.
Another example of Farrington's union bleeding is seen in the following expense bill before he became the district president of the Illinois miners. It shows that Frank has always had an affinity for the miners' fund, in fact all thru Frank's career runs a monumental expense account.

He charged up the International Union \$4,018.00, for one year's expenses, while he was supposed to be working for the International Union, but these figures would indicate that Frank was working for himself.

That same year the expenses of John P. White and Frank J. Hayes combined were less than Farrington's. Farrington's expense for the year was more than four times the average earnings of the coal miners, and on top of this he had a few thousand dollars for salary. His expenses would have taken a large family around the world comfortably in a first class liner, and this at a time when many of the miners were in semi-starvation.

Still More Blood Money. Since that time Farrington bought a beautiful piece of property in Alabama, paying \$2,600.00 for it, close to his friends, the coal operators, who had also bought themselves an orchard as far away as possible from the prying eyes of the hungry coal miners whose money paid the bill.

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Teachers Strike for Back Pay.

VERA CRUZ, Mexico, July 22.—The teachers of all the schools here are on strike demanding their five months' back pay due them and which they have been demanding without results. All schools are closed.

New York Workers! Protest Police Attack on 'Soviet Russia! Hands Off China' Demonstration!

Come in Masses! Friday, July 24, 6 p. m., 17th St. and Broadway

SPEAKERS:
Israel Amter Joseph Manley
William Weinstone
Earl Browder Jack Stachel
Charles Krumben

LOS ANGELES HOLY DOPERS GATHER LUCRE

Bryan Bug Bites Hard in "Holy City"

By FRAPIESA LOS ANGELES, July 22.—The season of religious revival is on. As the Mecca of grafting preachers, this city is in a unique position.

Miracle Tricks. Wonderful feats are performed by those whose business is to delude. Miracles are made to order.

Building a Temple. One of the great achievements of the religious traffic is the building of a temple by a female evangelist.

She Reforms. Having arrived, the saintess gave up her healing business. It was too risky.

One of Many. There are hundreds like the one indicated in this city. They are accessories of the game.

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CAPITALIST LOBBY CROWS OVER LABOR'S POLITICAL WEAKNESS; SLOW WORK A FELONY IN IDAHO

By ART SHIELDS (Federated Press Staff Correspondent)

NEW YORK, July 22.—The manufacturers' lobby says the state legislatures of this country did what it asked them to last year for the most part.

"Splendid Opposition to Class Laws." In a summary and review of state legislation of 1925 distributed to its members, but not to the press, the association boasts that "the 1925 state legislatures were marked with an anticipated degree of conservative actions.

Labor Politically Weak. "Nevertheless," the council admits, "the legislative committees of organized labor in the several states did not come away entirely empty-handed.

Lack of Speed on Job Now a Felony. Summary of the legislation state by state shows satisfaction with Idaho for broadening the Idaho syndicalism act to make mere slowing down on the job a form of criminal sabotage.

Prison labor gets the floor in the section on Oklahoma where the council shows its pleasure with the repeal of the law compelling the labeling of convict made products.

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NEGRO WOOLEN MILL STRIKERS STILL IN JAIL

Officers of N. A. A. C. P. Refuses Them Aid

By A. WARRENO (A. N. L. C.)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., July 22.—After considerable inquiries, we learned that a strike took place about two months ago affecting several Negro workers employed in a woolen mill at Khimency, Delaware, known as the Khimency Woolen Mills.

Employer Refused to Pay. The strike was called against an employer who refused to pay the wages he had agreed to pay. It was spontaneous and unorganized.

Still in Jail. "Replying to your inquiry of the 29th ult., the five men were committed here on April 30, for disorderly conduct, having each been given a term of 30 days in default of payment of fine and costs amounting to \$23.50.

Perth Amboy Listens to Manley Speech on Chinese Strike Move By JAMES SZEPESY. PERTH AMBOY, N. J., July 22.—The Workers Party branch of Perth Amboy opened the open air season with a successful meeting Saturday night.

Sons of Italy Torn in Fight with Fascists. NEW YORK, July 22.—A factional row between the fascist faction in the Sons of Italy in America and the faction headed by supreme court Justice Salvatore A. Cotillo, head of the New York state branch, threatens to split the organization.

Another new Sub—Makes another Communist. CLEVELAND, Ohio.—The Young Workers League of the South Slavic Branch meets every first and third Sunday of each month, at 1:30 o'clock, at 5607 St. Clair Ave.—Anna Kovacic, Secretary of Y. W. L.

CAPTURE THE FILM!

Hints on the Use of, Out of the Use of, Proletarian Film Propaganda.

By WILLI MUENZENBERG.

FERDINAND LaSALLE characterizes the press as a new major power. The same can be said of the film, which, in some countries, has already achieved a greater significance than the press itself.

Predicts Earthquakes. ROME, July 22.—Prof. Bendani, some of whose earthquake predictions have been fulfilled, today predicted that July 25 and 26 would see two more shocks of importance.

Wisconsin Federation Travels Around in Same Old Capitalist Circle of Political Impotence. LAKE GENEVA, Wis., July 22.—Increased strength is reported to the delegates by the officials of the Wisconsin State Federation of Labor which opened in 33rd annual convention at Lake Geneva, July 21.

Three German Fascists on Trial Before Soviet Court. June 26, dealing with this trial. THE declarations made yesterday by one of the three accused German fascists, who have come to Russia in order to murder leading personalities of the Soviet power and of the Communist Party, have opened up such a panorama as to the morals of the monarchist conspirators that even the most unbridled Communist phantasy could scarcely find better arguments against the bourgeoisie.

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SOVIET RUSSIA'S FLAX SEED AREA DOUBLE IN YEAR

Need 60,000 Tractors; So Import Two-thirds

NEW YORK, July 22.—A report issued by the Central Bureau of the Society for Technical Aid to Soviet Russia contains the following interesting account of tremendous agricultural gains made by Soviet Russia:

Increases in Flax Area. This year the seeded area of flax in Moscow is twice as large as last year and is now almost equal to the seeded area in prewar times.

Reconstruction of Grain Elevators. Ukraine and North Caucasus are constructing 23 new grain elevators, each with a capacity of from 60 to 100 thousand poods.

Production of Hemp. To date 1,700,000 poods of hemp has been prepared. An additional 700,000 poods will be ready by the end of the present agricultural year.

Soviet Russia Needs 60,000 Tractors. According to plans of experts the U. S. S. R. will need during the next three years at least 60,000 tractors: 5,000 in 1925; 8,500 in 1926; 15,500 in 1927; and 31,000 in 1928.

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Three German Fascists on Trial Before Soviet Court

There is now proceeding in Moscow the trial of three German fascists (Hackenkreyler) who, on their own confession, came to Russia with the express purpose of carrying on espionage and to assassinate the most prominent members of the Soviet government, including Stalin, Trotsky, and Kamehev. It should be mentioned by the way, that these assassins are receiving the sympathy and support of the social democratic press of Austria and Germany, which only recently were calling on the workers to commemorate the anniversary of the death of the socialist martyr and victim of fascism, Matteotti.

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into the Communist Party by agent provocateurs, service in the Berlin police presidium, relations with princes, counts, barons, etc.; fascist organization "consul," drowning of the revolutionary attempts of the German proletariat in blood, unsuccessful provocatory attempts to sneak into the Russian Trade Mission in Berlin and, finally, the adventurous journey to Russia for purpose of carrying out murders—these are all links in the chain of crimes of the counter-revolutionary cliques, who are stained with the blood of the German people and who were about to stain themselves with the blood of our best men of the Soviet country.

THE crimes of these people against the German proletariat were not judged by our court, this must be the

not overlook these murderers, who were only prevented from carrying out their intended acts of murder thanks to the watchfulness of our comrades. And this court will pronounce its judgment with no uncertain voice, if the course of the proceedings should demand it, if the results of the preliminary investigation and Dittmar's credible statements are not refuted.

OUR court is not employing forged Zinoviev letters, as is the habit of the civilized forgers of Great Britain, nor false quotations as did Painleve's only a few days ago, who brot forward a mass of his own inventions and afterwards declared with a genial smile over these same words and inventions: "Se non e vero e' ben trovato!" "If it is not true then it is a

good invention." Our court does not need such half-witted provocateurs as Felix Neumann, but prefers to deal with objective data, with genuine documents and statements, not of its agents but of people who came here on the orders of the fascists.

