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### **BOSSES' PRESS** PRINTS LIES ON **TEXTILE STRIKE**

### Force, Violence Bunk of the union carmen. Given Wide Space

By J. O. BENTALL. (Special to The Daily Worker)

PASSAIC, N. J., Feb. 26 - The strikers of Passaic, Clifton and Garfield are taking a day off to laugh at the ridiculous whining of the Forstmann-Huffmann bosses who sobbed a sad story to the world when their 3,000 slaves left them and joined the picket line. The bosses claim that the employes were so scared and intimidated that after much deliberation the kind lords decided to help protect their workers by shutting their plant so "no lives might be lost due to the violence of the strikers."

It is a story and the capitalist press-from the Passaic dailies to the great New York World and Timeslament the situation with long faces and much concern, crying that it was the "reign of terror" that made the bosses shut the shops.

#### Strike Halls Packed.

Contrasted with this is the packed halls of strikers of all mills who have come together in a most friendly determination to spike the guns of the bosses and the capitalist press by getting into a union of textile workers. They have decided to fight to the bitter end and win the strike under the leadership of the United Front Committee of textile workers.

It was a bad day for the textile barons when their last stronghold fell under the powerful influence of the strikers. For weeks the workers in the Forstmann-Huffmann plant have tional. been aching to walkout, but the bosses have intimidated them in every conceivable way, telling them that if they go out they will never be taken back, and there will be no more \$8.00 year old veteran of many labor struga week jobs for them.

#### Force and Violence.

have begun to echo thruout the whole eastern part of the country. Only in Passaic and the affected towns are the workers aware of the falsehood of the capitalist press.

At first when the speakers told the strikers that they would be charged with all kinds of crimes they would not believe them. Now they see the local papers as well as the big metropolitan press stooping to the lowest level in its villification of the strikers.

Mary Heaton Vorse has interviewed the police of all the municipalities in the strike district and all of them, even the captains said that the strikers had behaved perfectly and that there had been no violence. The police say that if the bosses behave as well as the workers there need be no trouble at any time.

An investigation campaign will star tomorrow when Fanny Hurst and Miss Wise will start to look into the homes of the workers.

#### Plan Investigation.

A hearing by J. P. Walsh and others is planned before long to find out if the poverty is as horrible as the strikers have described it to be. The question of wages will be sifted thoro ly and the working conditions will be examined in a very thoro manner.

Already the bosses are sorry that they did not listen to the first demands made by the original strikers. They merely wanted their wage cuts of ten per cent back. If they had gotten that they would have returned to work and the bosses would have been ahead many thousands of dollars. As the matter now stands the bosses stand good chance to be exposed as the finest skinflints in the country and be made to toe the mark as well as have one of the best unions in the indus trial life of the nation on their hands Poland.

#### Dynamite Frame-up of Union Carmen Collapses in Trial

BUFFALO, N. Y., Feb. 26 - The rame-up charge of dynamiting the road-bed of the International Railway company's line in August 17, 1922, during the carmen's strike here, collapsed when the jury returned a ver-dict of not guilty on the trial of four

Originally ten union members were accused, but the judge had previously dismissed six of the defendants, so that but four went to trial.

# LOS ANGELES A FINE WELCOME

### I. L. D. Banquet Raises \$200 for Defense

By WM. SCHNEIDERMAN.

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 22-Five hundred workers greeted Walter Trumbull and Stanley Clark when they arrived Friday night from San Francisco on the first step of their nationwide tour for the International Labor Defense, following Trumbull's release from Alacatraz military prison. A huge banquet and an enthusiastic au-

dience that packed the Cooperative Center auditorium eagerly awaited the arrivals. When the announcement was made that Clark and Trumbull had finally arrived, a tremendous burst of applause and cheering greeted their entrance at the hall. The whole audience rose and sang the Interna-

Manyak Reiss, local secretary of the International Labor Defense, was master of the ceremonies. Her announcement that Mother Jones, 96gles had especially come to the banquet to greet Trumbull, again brought the audience to their feet. Mother The old cry of violence and riots Jones in a brief address made a plea for more solidarity of labor. "It isn't your shouting and your applause that counts," she declared, "but your actions in behalf of the labor movement. That is why young Trumbull means so much to us.'

#### Many Delegates Present.

Many organizations had sent delegates to the banquet to express their sympathy with the I. L. D., including trade unions, cooperative consumers league, workmen's circle, socialist party, and the Civil Liberties' Union. Dr. Taft, southern California director of the latter organization, gave a short talk on labor defense. P. Shulman spoke for the Young Pioneers, and announced that the Juniors were arranged for the following day. G. out that the youth movement must vigorously continue the anti-militarist (Continued on page 4.)

#### Polish Premier Was Gentle, Say Germans

BERLIN, Feb. 26-Official Germany premier, announcing that Poland of the house today for disposition. would claim a seat in the council of the league of nations, although the resef, owing to the uncertain attitude bankruptcy ring. of Sir Austen Chamberlain, British foreign minister, on the admission of

### CLEVELAND WORKERS PREPARE TO FIGHT LAWS AGAINST FOREIGN-BORN: CALL CONFERENCE FOR MARCH 14

CLEVELAND, Feb. 26.-In his message to congress, President Coolidge urged the adoption of a law to register the alien residents in this country. hepresentatives Aswell, Johnson, McLintic and others propose in resolutions No. 5583, 3748, 6523 and 4489 now before congress that all foreignborn workers shall be registered, photographed and finger-printed. If these bills become law, the foreign-born workers will be subject to the same tyran- Defense, will be among the speakers. Justify the passing of the anti-foreign tained for white children at the Gar-(Continued on page 4)

### FLEEING BEFORE LABOR'S MIGHT



The only thing the ruling class recognizes is power. Labor has the potential power. All it needs and appeared this afternoon at the Hoffman of Eudaco. the determination to use it and the capitalists are done for.

### Catch Express Bandits.

Iowa and Nebraska was charged to two men and two women arrested here. The quartet gave their names as Mrs. Harry Boyd, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Burns and William Burns, all of Atlanta, Ga.

### TRY JUDGE FOR preparing a special greeting for Trumbull in the form of a mass meeting BEING GRAFTER, Kositza, representative of the Young Workers League, in her talk pointed URGES COMMITTEE

### the English Case

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 26-Impeachment charges against federal Judge expressed no alarm today over the George W. English of Illinois, came is the only way to prevent the mur speech of Count Skyrzynski, the polish before the full judiciary committee ders arising out of the feuds of the

ed the charges presented a report re- tation campaign against the foreignpress assailed him. Skryzynski's an commending that judge English be born. Nightly raids have been carnouncement, while couched in ex-tried because of alleged irregularities ried on in the foreign sections. Huntremely vigorous language, was much in the conduct of his court. Nearly dreds have been dragged to police milder than anticipated here, being a score of charges were made against headquarters where they were quesdelivered in the "spirit of peace." The the jurist, ranging from favoritism to tioned absence of an ultimatum caused much direct connection with an alleged

### Kenosha, Wis., Holds Mass Rally Sunday

dress a mass meeting here Sunday als. afternoon at Tatra Hall, 17 North | The eagerness displayed by the fed-The meeting begins at 3 o'clock.

### ROCK ISLAND, Ill., Feb. 26.—A series of express office robberies in DEPORTATION IN CHICAGO

## **Bootleggers and Thugs Not Worried**

The police and immigration officials, sent from Washington by the Coolidge government, to conduct a cam-Recommend Action in paign of deportation in this city are Hungarian State Seeks elated at their success in capturing six aliens for deportation. Out of the hundreds arrested in the raids carried on during the week only these six were held for deportation.

Under the pretext that deportation rival bootlegging gangs, the opportun- liam Liebknecht appear before the A sub-committee which investigat- ity has been seized to stir up a depor-

#### Gang Leaders Safe.

occurred following the announcement fiscated, the Hungarian court awardof the deportation campaign. Nor ed the verdict by default to the state has the campaign worried the gang which charged that the book should for Labor Defense chiefs. It is reported that they have not be allowed to circulate as it insimply moved to a suburb where cited "class hatred." KENOSHA, Wis., Feb. 26 — Speak- they will be safe from any interferers in Polish and in English will ad- ence by police or immigration offici-

Main street, for the International La. eral labor department to aid in the regate Negro and white pupils in the bor Defense. White terror in Poland deportation campaign by sending public schools, the state supreme and the persecution of foreign-born several inspectors here to aid in de-court ruled in ordering the Dayton workers in America will be the sub- portations shows that the Coolidge board of education and Supt. Paul S jects discussed. George Maurer, sec. government hopes to get from this Stetson to admit Negro children into retary of Chicago International Labor situation sufficient propaganda to the same buildings and classes mainborn bills now pending in congress. field school there.

### Anthracite Mining Takes Toll.

SCRANTON, Pa.—John Luzenbak, 30-year old miner, is the first victim of anthracite mining since the strike ended. He was injured in the Sloan mine of the Glen Alden Coal Co. and died at the hospital. The company would not disclose details of the ac-

### **WORKERS HAVE GOOD LAUGH AT BUDAPEST COURT**

### William Liebknecht

(Special to The Daily Worker) BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 26

Hungarian workers had a good laugh at the expense of the bourgeois government when it demanded that Wilroyal Hungarian court of appeals to show why his book, "No Compromise -No Political Trading" should not be confiscated.

As William Liebknecht, father of Karl Liebknecht, who has been dead since 1900, failed to appear in court and show reasons why printed copies But this ras not stopped the gang of his speech, which he made in Dreswar, as is shown by the murder which den 50 years ago should not be con-

### Cannot Segregate Race.

COLUMBUS, O., Feb. 26-School boards are without authority to seg-

### LAW AGAINST BLASPHEMY AS TRIAL ENTERS LAST STAGE IN BROCKTON By J. LOUIS ENGDAHL. (Special to The Daily Worker)

OPENLY HURLS DEFIANCE AT BLUE

COURT HOUSE, BROCKTON, Mass., Feb. 26.—"Bimba said there is no god," was the defi hurled at the prosecutions' forces here by witnesses for Anthony Bimba, the Communist editor on trial for blasphemy and sedition, when Attorney Harry Hoffman opened the case for the defense.

Then the witness carefully narrated everything else that Bimba had said in his speceh at the Lithuanian National held on the night of January 26.

PASTOR BROKE

MANN ACT, IS

Girl's Transport

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 26-Dr. Tho

mas Hubert Jones, 47, former pastor

of the fashionable St. Barnabas

church in Philadelphia, had a prelimi-

Mann act white-slave charge. He was

arrested by department of justice

transported 19-year-old Mildred E. Le-

ver, a member of his Philadelphia

church and a choir singer, here from

the eastern city last June in an auto-

According to the federal agents,

ones, who has been engaged in the

local real estate business for several

months, has been living with the girl

former minister's hearing. Jones was

Charged With Misappropriation.

The federal agents claim that

from a member of his former congre-

sustained Jones will be held on the

Jones, who is married and has two

three years ago, but federal authori-

ties say he has never been divorced.

Makes Statement.

The former pastor refused to dis-

cuss his arrest, declaring merely that

'it was a horrible mistake" and

would be straightened out, of

In connection with the misappro-

priation of money charge, federal

agents said Dr. Jones stated he had

borrowed the money from a friend and

that he was willing to return to Phi-

ladelphia and, "adjust the money mat

ter to everyone's satisfaction."

SEND YOUNG MOTHER TO

JAIL FOR THIRTY DAYS;

LOUISVILLE, Ky., Feb. 26-Mary

Morris, 18-year old mother, was forc-

ed to go to jail and serve thirty

days for stealing a pair of \$1.50

bloomers and a few pair of socks

from a local department store. She

later brought these articles to a

pawn broker to raise some money

for food for herself, her husband and

Before Judge Eugene Daily she

pointed out that she stole these

things in order to buy food and some

medicine for her sick husband. The

judge paid little attention to her

pleas and to the demands of those

in the court-room that she be re-

When the judge rendered his deci-

sion many shouts of disapproval

were heard in the court-room. The

tiny baby has been turned over to

the Children's Welfare organization

while the mother serves her sen-

her baby.

leased.

STOLE TO FEED FAMILY

released on \$5,000 bonds.

second charge.

course.'

FEDERAL CLAIM

"Bimba pointed out that Lithuania is ruled by priests," said Stanilands Kritchunas, a shoe worker. "If these priests really believed in a god, as they say they do, then they could hardly per-

mit the clerical government to murder and torture the workers as they do.

"Bimba told us how a 16 year old girl was betrayed to a priest by some of her neighbors who charged she was a radical. The priest turned her over to the police, who stripped her naked and tortured her until she was driven insane. Then they sent the insane girl home to her mother. Bimba showed us a picture of this girl."

"What effect did the reading of the letter stating these facts have on the Charge Godologist with letter stating these facts have on the audience?" asked Attorney Hoffman.

"Some people in the audience were crying. The tears were running down their cheeks. Myself, too," said Krit-

Recall Star Witness.

Bimba's defense blasted a few more holes in the states very evident fremeup when Attorney Hoffman called Anthony W. Eucado, who swore ont the complaint that caused the arrest of Bimba, back to the witness agents who accused him of having

> Eucado, the state's star performer, confidently reiterated the declaration that he had no thought to filing a complaint against Bimba until the morning after the lecture.

"Didn't you go to the office of City Marshall Boyden on the afternoon of the day the meeting was held in the in a Los Angeles apartment. Miss evening to try to get the police to Lever is held as a material witness stop the meeting?" asked Attorney

This forced the state's star witness to cave in, confessing he had gone to the city marshall's office direct from work on Jan. 26 in an effort to stop Jones is also wanted in Philadelphia Bimba's meeting. The city marshall had told Eudaco that he could not ison a charge of misappropriating \$1,500 sue a warrant for Bimba until he had gation. If the Mann act charge is not committed a crime.

Then Attorney Hoffman asked Eudaco if he had not gone to Frank Manning, former mayor of Brockton, sons, was separated from his wife and protested to him against the refusal to permit the showing of a picture depicting priests as drunkards, adulterers and murderers. This h 1)pened about two years ago. Eudaco admitted that this was true, that he had protested to Manning while mayor. Thus the enemy of priests two years ago is the central strength upon which the commonwealth of Massachusetts now depends for its defense of its puritan god as con-

INTERNATIONAL

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### Woman's Day

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### 'THERE IS NO GOD,' DEFY OF BIMBA

(Continued from page 1.) ceived by the settlers from the Mayflower nearly three centuries ago.

These two important admissions by Eudaco put a decided crimp in the state's case. Prosecutor I. Manuel Rubin refused to ask his star witness a single question with regard to these revelations.

Instead the prosecutor held himself in reserve for an attack on the defense witnesses, charging that if they didn't believe in god, that injured their credibility. There is another old Massachusetts' law that save that a disbelief in god affects the competency of a witness. After considerable haggling over this question the witness was allowed to proceed.

Prosecutor Desperate. Prosecutor Rubin exerted himself in an effort to show that the Lithuanian workers' literary society was affiliated with the Communist Party. The witnesses repeated what Bimba had said about industrial conditions in the mill towns of Massachusetts.

"Such a bloody government as Lithuania has at the present time by the witnesses and having told his tell the same story. audience.

The prosecutor wanted to know if communications from the Communist

"No," replied the witness, August Barones, to this question.

"If the prosecutor has any such letters, I wish he would produce them," declared Attorney Hoffman to

The prosecutor refused to accept proceeded to show his ignorance of to reply he didn't know of any such party.

Asks About Moscow

ing another question as follows: "Are there." you a member of the Communist-Labor Party?" "No." replied Smith. "What are the principles of the Third International of Moscow" was struggle. the next question, but the judge seemed to think that it's too far from

"How does that affect in any way what this man, Bimba said in his speech?" declared the judge in stopping this line of questioning.

Brockton and ordered the question

Then the prosecutor tried to get the witness. Smith, to analyze the religious make-up of the neighborhood

court thought the witness incapable of examining into the hearts, the minds and the hidden thoughts of the people, and also stopped this line of questioning.

Nine shoe workers, nearly all of in the big shoe factories. were the only witnesses offered by the prosecutors of Anthony Bimba.

After these workers had been drearily dragged thru tedious questioning, the state rested its case, admittedly one of the flimsiest compilations of allegations ever presented in a capitalist court against a spokesman of labor.

An inkling of the manner in which the government witnesses were all revealed in the testimony of the state's last witness, Mike Uzdavinis. also employed by the William L. Douglas Shoe Co. factory.

"We were all together in the same room when we went over the testimony with the prosecutor," said Uzdavinis, telling of the coaching class conducted by prosecutor, I Manuel Rubin, cannot exist long," Bimba was quoted to teach his witnesses to mechanically

"The police officer brought the summons to my house," said Uzdavinis at the literary society had received any another point. "My wife and children were very much frightened.'

Uzdavinis told in greater detail how Bimba had pictured the industrial conditions in New England to his Brockton audience, Jan. 26.

Talk Was Against Capitalists. "Bimba said that he had asked a shoe worker in a factory at Haverhill why he worked so fast," declared along in years, who is bound to church the challenge. Then the prosecutor Uzdavinis. "Bimba said the worker and industry that rules almost undisanswered that unless I keep my eyes puted thru New England, especially in existing Communist organizations in always on my machine and work hard | Massachussetts. this country. He asked the next wit- I can't make a living. Bimba said that ness, Stanley Smith, if he belonged in the mills at Lawrence the workers to the Communist Party. Smith had were now getting less pay for 1,000 yards than they used to get for turn- called by the commonwealth of Masing out 300 yards of textiles. Bimba sachussetts to prove Anthony Bimba also said that at Wilmington the the Communist editor, guilty of blas-The prosecutor then went thru his Lithuanian women workers complain- phemy and sedition, had the case for papers for several moments produc-ed they were beaten in the factories the prosecution wobbling about the

> Uzdavinis admitted that it was against these conditions that Bimba had urged the workers to organize and Attorney Harry Hoffman, one of

John David, another witness, admitted he had once been a member of the socialist party. He said he did not go to church. Bimba's lawyer, attorney Harry

Pigago, "Do you think that St. Peter is going to let you into heaven for coming here to testify in this case?" Pigago replied, "Yes, because I am ing it.

a Roman catholic and have sworn to

Press Fake, Fails.

In order to create a sensation for an edition, the visiting newspapermen from Boston framed-up a local Negro, Bimba upon leaving court and tell him to Trainowicz's lot to sign the blasthem admittedly in fear of their jobs that he is wrong in denying the exist-

ence of God. The aged Negro and Bimba quickly became friends, however, and enjoyed their conversation on the way to lunch at the noon recess.

Conviction Probable.

The verdict in the Bimba case rests with the police court judge, C. Carroll out jury, decked out in his black gown like a college student at graduation. He puts up a friendly attitude some coached to tell the same story was what after the fashion of Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis in the Chicago federal court during the sedition cases that came before him during the war. The same may be said of this judge who hails from Vermont and is likened to Cal Coolidge, who is supposed at one time to have spent some time in the same state and imbibed some of the qualities of its Granite Hills. It is therefore not difficult to and out of work, she offered to pay 50 conclude that this court will uphold the 229 year old statute under which Bimba is being tried for an alleged defamation of god, as well as saying it is very evident the "open shop" mill owners hope to use as a weapon the best she could. against any effort of the workers to mprove their living conditions.

So, altho the case presented by the prosecution is of the flimsiest, the final decision rests with a judge, well

Smashes Prosecution.

Smashing blows delivered in the cross-examination, of the witnesses court room in bad shape yesterday. "Do you believe that the priests and preachers exploit the peoples?" asked Bimba's lawyers, in attacking the testimony of John Balones.

"Sure, I do" answered Balones, quite naively.

Then later came Joseph Trainowicz, also employed by the William L Hoffman, asked another witness, Karl Douglas Shoe company, who signed the complaint charging Bimba with blasphemy. He admitted he had not even read the complaint before sign

> Trainowicz is a good Roman catholic and appears to be the only person the ballot.

prosecution has been able to find who was shocked at Bimba's declarations against the existence of God of the New England puritans. The prosecutor, I. Manuel Rubin,

came to Trainovic's support, however, by hurriedly bringing out that the court clerk had read the complaint to Joe Green, an ex-slave, to approach him. It developed that it had fallen phemy charge because he was the Attempt to Block Relief only good church goer that could be

A Dumb Witness.

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Trainowicz, however, revealed that he was not familiar with the language of the complaint he had signed. There was considerable effort expended in trying to find out, in Lithuanian and King, who presides over the trial with- English, what he thought he meant when he signed the charge that Bimba was guilty of "contumeliously reproaching god." He thought that to reproach meant to swear.

The "Majesty' of the Law.

Judge King hears police cases every morning before the Bimba case is called. Today a little Negro mother, with two little children toddling at her feet, was called before the court as the result of her inability to pay a debt of \$15. Altho she is not well cents per week until the debt is paid. The judge haggled with her, thinking this was not enuf, that she ought to pay at least \$1 per week. He finally "amen" to the sedition charge which agreed to give her three months to pay the debt. She promised to do

Socialist Party Member.

Attorney Hoffman recalled Balones and directed his questioning in an effort to show that the witness against Bimba had himself made speeches against god. Balones, however, denied this, calling them discussions.

He admitted that he was a member of the Lithuanian Federation of the Socialist Party and marched in a May Day parade in 1916. He didn't feel offended, he said, when Bimba said there was no god.

Trainowicz was the first witness to admit that Bimba had declared in his speech that the workers were drinking too much bad liquor, that they ought to join organizations like the Lithuanian American Literary and Education? al Society and educate themselves.

It is very evident that the witnesses have been schooled to apply what Bimba said against the white terror in Lithuania to apply to the United States. Thus every witness mechanically repeats that Communists are opposed to the use of the ballot. Bimba had merely pointed out that in Lithuania under the nationalist-clerical-socialist terror, the Communists candidates had been thrown into prison on the eve of the elections and that it was impossible for them to use the this time. But we do not know

### CITY OFFICIALS AID BOSSES IN **PASSAIC STRIKE**

### for Textile Workers

PASSAIC, N. J., Feb. 26. - The rulers of the city, worried about the success of the first tag day, are using again their obedient servant-the po lice—to stop further relief.

So far this "interest" of the police was demonstrated in the breaking up of peaceful picketing, interfering with their meetings, but now after the success of the first tag day it is show ing itself in a very different manner

The first tag day held last week was a real success. It clearly showed the interest of the entire population of Passaic is taking in the struggle Over \$2,100 was raised in such a quick and enthusiastic manner that the rulers of the city became frightened. Commissioner of Public Safety Preis kel, the good servant of the textile barons, has come to the aid of the

Mr. Preiskel never worried about the finances of the textile industry. He never asked the mill owners to show him their books, altho he could have found many interesting things in there. He is a "discreet" man whose business is only to look after public safety and nothing else. The discre tion on Mr. Preiskel's part suddenly changed after the first successful tag

He is worried about the hundreds of dollars raised for the striking workers. At a conference held last Saturday he didn't answer the strikers question about the partiality of the police, but raised instead several questions. He asked the strikers' representatives whether the united front committee keeps regular books. "Yes. was the answer. "And what becomes with the money taken in?" "Every cent is used for the strikers' relief.' The lackey of the textile trust was not satisfied with the answer.

In spite of the protest of the strike leaders, he declared that unless he is given the right to look into the books whenever he pleases, he will prohibit the holding of more tag days. This provocation did not get the expected results. The strikers assured him, that the books of the committee were open for an investigation. So ended the incident.

The attack of the police was refuted whether the servants of the textile ever.

### RUSSIAN COMMUNIST ORGAN CELEBRATES THIRD ANNIVERSARY

Novy Mir, the Russian Communist newspaper, celebrates its third anniversary. On its third birthday the Workers (Communist) Party sends the following greeting to the Novy Mir, greeting the Russian Communist newspaper on its holding aloft the banner of Communism among the Russian workers and expresses its wishes that the Novy Mir will become more powerful in the coming years:

"Workers (Communist) Party greets the 'Novy Mir,' which for three years has held aloft the banner of Communism among the Russian masses in America and under the guidance of the party and the Comintern has pointed the way to successful proletarian revolution. The splendid example of the Russian workers and peasants of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics will inspire greater efforts. Make Novy Mir more powerful in coming years.

"C. E. RUTHENBERG."

The DAILY WORKER, the only English Communist daily in the world sent the following greeting to the Novy Mir congratulating it on its third anniversary.

"English central organ of the Workers (Communist) Party, the DAILY WORKER, congratulates our co-worker, the Novy Mir, on its third anniversary. The DAILY WORKER thru its own experiences knows the struggle and sacrifice required of Russian comrades to keep their Novy Mir during the last three years. Russian workers in America will maintain Novy Mir as the collective organizer and spokesman. Long live Novy Mir and the cause of Communism which it so loyally supports.!

"J. Louis Engdahl, Editor DAILY WORKER."

trust will stop with that. It is very probable, that they will go still

What does this mean? It means that unless the workers of this country will come to the aid of our strikers, unless they will help them morally and financially in their struggles, they will not be able to resist the combined attack of the capitalists and the government. Every worker, every labor mion and workingmen's organization should get on the job. A real assistance shall be given to the almost 10,000 workers engaged in the big struggle.

Send all contributions to the General Relief Committee, Textile Strikers, 743 Main Ave., Room 4, Passaic, N. J

#### Sweat Shops in Pennsylvania.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 26.-,200 children in 600 families were found doing factory work at home, according to an investigation by the Pennsylvania department of labor and industry. All these children were un der 16, and half were between 10

REDDING, Cal., 26.-Indicating that the subterranean forces responsible for Tuesday's eruption of Mount Lassen, the only active volcano in continental United States, have not subsided, a mild eruption of an hour's duration occurred today. It fell far short of the Tuesday's activity, howЧикагского отдела газ.

An evening of the new Russian proletarian poetry is arranged by the Russian living newspaper, Prolet-Tribune, for this Sunday, Feb. 28, at the Workers' House, 1902 W. Division St.

The latest poetry from Soviet Russia will be read by local Russian actors and the Worker Correspondents of the Novy Mir. Russian Communist daily. Begins at 7 p. m. Admission 25 cents.

#### Landlords Responsible for Deaths.

CLEVELAND- (FP) - Landlords are held responsible for Cleveland Negroes suffering a death rate twice as high as the white population. Health commissioner Rockwood declares the figures are a "sign that something is radically wrong in our social setup." Negroes, although composing only 6 per cent of the population, supply 12 per cent of the deaths

Get your tickets now for the International concert of the T. U. E. L. Sat., March 13, at 8th St. Theater.

# Rally to the Young Workers Conference in Bellaire, Ohio

### UNITY YOUNG AND ADULT WORKERS IS KEYNOTE OF YOUTH CONFERENCE

The Conference Must Get the Young Workers Interested in the Activities of the Union. It Must Bring Pressure to Bear on the first to gather together in such a con-Unions for the Discussion of Young Workers' Problems.

By GEORGE PAPCUN,

Secretary Youth Conference Arrangements Committee. The working youth conference of East Ohio convenes this Sunday, They have been going thru a period of

Feb. 28, in Bellaire. From all reports at least thirty delegates will be present. This conference will be of tremendous significance. This is true not only for the young workers-particularly the young miners, but to the workers generally. Take for example the disaster in the mine in Shadyside which cost



the miners nine lives. The trade union officials do not bother much about the immediate welfare of the miners. Operators Cause Accidents. It is in this instance and in many others, where it says in the agreement that things of this kind should of slate. They also have to set posts be taken care of (i. e. timbering, keeping the mine and

wiring in shape, etc.) that we find the agreement not being lived up to. This mine where the disaster occurred, in particular, was supposed to be one of the "best" mines as far as safety devices are concerned. Just because of little things such

as timbering the accident occurred and nine miners gave their lives for the profits of the boss. It is this carelessness that the coal operators practice workers who have not up till now

lives each year. Safety Slogans the Bunk.

The company has a lot of slogans which interested them. put up around the mine in a style that catches the eyes of the workers must see that it gets the young workbut the company itself does not put ers interested in the activities of the the safety measures into effect. union. Also that it brings pressure in Especially right after accidents occur the union for the discussion of the in and around the mines the "bene- youth problems. The U. M. W. A. volent" operators start a safety campaign which lasts for a short time and

then is completely fogotten. The Young Workers (Communist) League as the fighting organization of the young workers sees the prob lems that face the young workers. It tries to mobilize them for the better- workers will not become part of dising of these conditions. If the prospective demand No. 1 of the Young workers. Workers' Conference had been put into effect this accident would never have occurred.

Young Workers Discuss Problems. things to discuss in the conference. class youth, that a conference was They must discuss what attitude they called where the young workers come will take towards the trade union together on an equal footing to disbureaucracy and how they are going cuss the problems which face them. to help make the United Mine Workers a fighting organization of the coal of waking up the masses of the young the masses of young workers.

which cost the miners hundreds of participated in the activities of the miners' union for the reason that the union did not take up the problems sums up the situation in the follow-

The young workers' conference must do these things with the idea that it is building up the future lead-

ers of the labor movement. Unite Young and Adult Workers.

The conference must result in bringing closer relations between the young and adult workers so that the adult criminatory tactics against the young

It was to the intersets of the left wing that the local unions endorsed the call of the Y. W. L. for the youth conference, because it was the first The young workers have a lot of time in the history of the working

The Young Workers (Communist) League depends on the support of the diggers. The young miners must see adult Communists and the militants in what way they can help in build- in the unions of East Ohio and vicining up the left wing in the miners' ity for its energetic support to make union. It must find ways and means this conference a rallying point for

The East Ohio young workers' conference starts tomorrow in Bellaire, Ohio. This conference is a definite sign of the awakening of the young workers of America to a recognition of the discriminatory conditions under which they labor. It is easily understood why the young workers of this section should be amongst the ference to discuss their conditions.

In this section, coal mining is the principal industry. A large number of the coal miners are young workers. semi-employment, similar to the rest of the soft coal industry for many months.

#### Poor Wages.

Even when working, they receive very poor wages. The tonnage men receive only 78 cents per ton, and without receiving any additional wages, have to remove about a foot and lay tracks, all of which takes a considerable time, without receiving

any extra compensation. Most of the young workers are employed as motormen, trip-riders, drivers, door tenders and other such work which requires ability to work very fast. Their work is very dangerous and many accidents occur fre-

A young miner from this district ing language:

#### Conditions in Ohio Mines.

"The conditions in the union fields are much better than in the nonunion. The only reason for this is the protection of the union. But despite this protection the coal operators have succeeded in starting a speed-up system in the mines that even Henry Ford would have a hard time to beat. A large percentage of the young workers are employed at hauling coal either with motors on which two men must work or with mules.

The companies have gradually given them more mines to haul from loose. A little fall from the roof will and still expect to get out the same tear down 150 or 200 feet of it. To amount of coal as before. In order to get hit by this wire means instant cut down expenses they are neglecting death as there is from 250 to 500 volts to keep the roads clean and are not in it." timbering the entries.

"This allows the roof to come in and then only when the track is so dirty that it is impossible to get over brace up the entire labor movement.

### PROPOSED DEMANDS FOR YOUNG WORKERS' CONFERENCE IN E. OHIO

1. A six-hour day, five-day week, with no night work or overtime. Exception to be made only in case of emergencies in the mines, said emergency to be understood as when mine would be unable to

2. Establishment of work school for young workers, to be financed

### For All Young Miners.

1. All tracks, roadways and manholes to be kept clean; timbering

2. Equal wages for trappers, couplers, greasers, car cleaners or

3. Abolition of the tonnage system and institution of straight

4. A minimum wage of \$7.50 for all workers in the mines, if thru

no cause of their own, they do not receive a full day's work.

6. Provision by company of pit clothes whenever necessary. 7. Unemployment benefits to be paid during shutdowns at pre-

8. Two rooms for two miners in machine work in room and pillar. 9. Men to be transported to and from work when entry is over

10. All tools, powder and implements necessary shall be furnished free by the company.

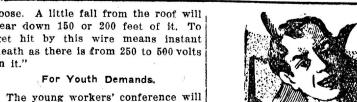
11. From the U. M. W. A. we want that for all young workers under 21 years of age the initiation fees and dues be one-half of the regular amount and full rights and benefits be given.

12. The central labor bodies and local unions must energetically undertake the organization of the unorganized young workers.

13. Abolition of the automatic penalty clause. General Demands.

2. For a labor party.

3. For world trade union unity.



This conference of young workers, coal or slate and fall, throwing an strengthened by the union devoting the first of its kind in America, means arm or a leg under a moving trip. greater attention to the conditions a big step froward in the awakening driven back to work, and the militants to the conference! Besides sending

For All Young Workers.

work the next day. Overtime must be paid at time and a half rate.

by the bosses and supervised by the unions.

3. Two weeks vacation with pay each year for all young workers under 18 years of age.

and wiring to be kept in shape to avoid accidents. No loader to be responsible for this work, but it should be done by day men.

slatpickers, to correspond with adult company hands, either inside or

day wages and weekly pay.

5. Wash houses and individual towels to be supplied free by the company.

vailing union wages from special funds to be established by setting aside part of profits of coal operators, this fund to be supervised by local union of U. M. W. A.

half mile long.

1. Free the Moundsville prisoners and Domenick Ventureta.

it, will they clean it. This is danger- The keynote of the conference must ous as the brakemen are almost al- be united action by young adult workways running beside the trips and it ers, on behalf of the youth demands. adult is very easy to slip on a piece of The unions of the workers must be



"Also where the hauling is done by of the young workers and thus solidi- of class consciousness among the who remained out were blacklisted. your delegates, come to the confermotors the trolley wire is usually fying the bond between the young and young American workers.

### YOUNG WORKERS' CONFERENCE IN BELLAIRE THIS SUNDAY

hree Organizers Handled Final Drive. At Least Thirty Delegates Will Be Present. The Struggle Against Rotten Conditions of Youth and Danger of New War Will Be Center Point of Discussion and Decisions.

BELLAIRE, Ohio.-Three organizers of the Young Workers (Communist) League are now in the Eastern Ohio coal mining fields in the final drive of intensive concentration upon this area for the young workers' conference which is to take place in Bellaire tomorrow, February 28. Harvey Murphy, who has been in the field for a couple of weeks, now reports that at least thirty delegates will be present at the conference. Joe Kobylak, well-known in the field for his work in Dillonvale, and August Valentine, who has recently returned from the anthracite strike field, are also working for the conference.

### Young Workers Rally

BELLAIRE, Ohio-One of the first ing the time they were out, in the signs of a spirited revival of the labor face of the great obstacles that stood movement of Eastern Ohio, following upon long months of depression and hopelesssness, is the readiness of the

arrangements' committee for a conference of the young workers of the region. The organizers of the conference already report that despite the difficulties to be encountered in this section of the country, there will be delegates from the coal mines of Powhatan Point, Yorkville, Neffs, the famous Webb mine of Shadyside. which has been the scene of terrible disaster for the miners, the Imperial

young workers of the entire section to

respond to the call which was issued

some time ago by the Young Workers

sending three delegates, one of whom other mines and factories. The bad conditions of the young particular accounts for the swiftness conference to serve as a guide to acwith which they are rallied to the call tion for the fight against the probfor the conference, despite the fact lems that face the young workers: the

preparations for the meeting. For weeks, the young workers of the menace of new imperialist wars. Imperial Glass works of Bellaire have been out on strike, and only because

Young Workers' Conference takes place at Bohemian Hall, to the Conference 41st and Harrison, Bellaire, O., Sunday, Feb. 28, 10 a. m.

> in their way, is a tribute to the fighting spirit of the young workers there. They have learned the lesson of organization and will be represented at the conference tomorrow. In the Webb mine at Shadyside, the workers have learned some bitter les-

sons from capitalist society. When

the Webb mine explosion took place

they also learned about the "risks of industry" which the capitalist is supposed to take and which the worker alone actually takes. From Wheeling, the center of "Little Siberia," as West Virginia is known to the workers, there will be representatives of the young workers

employed in the can company, a Glass concern in Bellaire which has breach in the armor of the bosses just experienced a strike of young which promises much for the future. workers, a local union of the United From every other important town Mine Workers of Avella, Pa., which is in the field there will be representais a young Negro, and a number of tives. The desperate situation of the working class youth there will be considered and a well-thought out miners and other young workers in plan of action will be adopted at the

that there had not been any elaborate struggle against the pauperization of the youth, and the fight against the

The success of this conference will be a signal for the repetition of this of the brutal terrorism of the officials work in every field of any importance and the kept press were most of them in the country. Young workers! Rally The brave fight that they put up dur- ence in mass.

### Workers (Communist) Party

### The National Organizational Conference of the Workers (Communist) Party

By MARTIN ABERN.

The national organizational conference of the Workers (Communist) tory of the party.

The reporters for the central executive committee were: 1. General Po- must be decided at conferences of of trade union unity. litical Report; Labor Party and Defense of Foreign-Born Campaigns-Jay Lovestone. 2. Communist International Organization Conference, Shop and Street Nuclei, Fractions, Auxiliaries-Martin Abern. 3. Trade Union Work-Jack Johnstone. DAILY WORKER-M. Loeb. 5. Agitprop and Negro Work-John Ball-6. Y. W. L.—S. Darcy.

At this conference, there were discussed at length, among other things, campaign for the protection of foreign-born, for a labor party. Elaboractivization of the shop and street organizers. It was manifest that the was already producing increased mass activity. Attendance had increased appreciably; trade union attendance and activity had improved; literature, leaflets, pamphlets, The DAILY WORK-ER, tickets for mass affairs, such as the Lenin memorial meetings, were being disposed of more systematically in the shops and factories; where Workers' Schools had been established, the comrades were entering the various classes, and the foreign-born comrades especially the English classes. The shop nuclei were finding it simpler to engage more effectively in the mass struggles, such as strikes. and endeavoring to take part and leadership in the solution of the daily problems of the workers in the shops, such as wages, working conditions. Labor defense activity in the shops was noticeable. Improvement of

Nevertheless there remain great difficulties: the language problem, at getic work in this campaign stressed, standards of life and political rights: tendance at the nuclei meetings, getting every member into the work, etc. Organization and Functioning of

party life among the workers was

Executive Committees. Stress was laid on functioning nucleus and sub-section executive com- build the party fractions in the joining thereby in common struggle mittees particularly as means of activating the nuclei with life, and to ing a broad left wing T. U. E. L., of working for an independent politi- advantage of the party and the workeliminate from the shop and street movement in the trade unions. Or- cal movement of the workers to prenuclei meetings the routine matters; ganizers reported on results to date vent the passage of such anti-working lems continually face us. The class to have at the nuclei meetings ac and meetings of members not yet in class laws. This campaign permits of struggle always leaves its imprint on tual reports of activities, such as unions, being called. trade union reports, shop activity, de- In the trade union report, the protest against capitalist aggression. lems of the working class and the nefense work, concrete plans of work. work in the unions to date, particu-

delegates.

Many organizers pointed out the tendency, a dangerous one, of language and union fractions to take up DAILY WORKER, its financial situaand decide upon party problems, to tion, results since party reorganizaact as basic party units. In this con-tion, the issuance of more party literanection, there was a thoro discussion ture, particularly cheap pamphlets, on the role of the language fractions in the fraternal organizations, workers' clubs, etc.; the need of systemat- report. ically "bringing workers' politics" into these non-partisan organizations, Young Worker (Communist) League the ways and means to carry out the which are actually now systematically permeated with capitalist politics and ideas by the bourgeoisie. The ener-cent party inner struggle had affected ate reports on the organization and getic pushing of the foreign-born protection campaign, spread of literature, more important, tho, large numbers of nuclei were outlined by the district working class speakers, support of the the Y. W. L. were now active in the International Labor Defense, etc., was party and the Y. W. L. machinery had nuclei organization had taken hold especially stressed as work of the been stripped nearly bare of the most strongly among the membership and party language fractions in these or active elements. The party must now ganizations.

In connection with defense, it was reported that the International Labor foreign-born campaign, educational Zeigler, Pittsburgh, California, and of more party schools and classes, non-partisan organization which defends all class war prisoners.

Foreign-Born Campaign Draws Response.

the foreign-born, as to its political im- issues, such as wages, working conportance and organizational methods ditions, unionization, and use these in to draw in the masses of the Ameri-the development of broader issues. can-born workers, the trade unions, like labor party, trade union unity, liberal elements, as well as the mass amalgamation. of foreign-born workers directly affected by the registration, finger- sented itself also a means of demonprinting, deportation laws, were dis- strating to the workers the opprescussed and the importance of ener- sion and suppression of working class

Trade Union Campaigns. The central executive committee of unorganized into the unions; of getic campaign to draw every eligible between the American and foreignparty member into a union and to born workers against capitalism and unions, as a basis and means of build- against the bills now before congress;

The executive committees shall be re- larly in the I. L. G. W., the Machin- ticket for 1926 and for a labor party,

RED REVEL

sponsible for bringing in well that ists, the Furriers, A. C. W., the textile out programs of work and proposals. industry and the present strike in Pas-It was also pointed out that we saic, the steel industry, automobile inmust develop party democracy thru dustry was mainly discussed. Ultra-Party, at which every district organ- democratic centralism by the close left tendencies were noted, and par izer and nearly all language bureau contact of the functionaries with the ticularly dangerous right tendencies secretaries were present, concluded membership and by the nuclei discuss- as in the I. L. G. W. Concrete methits three-day session on Feb. 22 in Chiling and acting on party problems. A ods, applying to the situation in the The organization conference system of functionary gatherings can- various districts, for developing the was perhaps the most successful and not be substituted for discussion in campaign for a united labor ticket in it was clear that the first steps were fruitful gathering of leading comrades the nuclei and conferences of respon- 1926, for a labor party, were touched agitation, achieving political unity on and functionaries ever held in the his- sible delegates from the nuclei. Func- upon in the approach to the labor tionary conferences have no power to unions, and central labor councils, on decide any question. All decisions these questions, and also the question and movements; that, in other words,

Daily Worker, Youth, Negro, Agitprop

Receive Consideration. The continued sub-drive for The more of the Little Red Library, etc., came up under The DAILY WORKER

Need of party aid to establish the on a stronger footing were put forward on the Y. W. L. report. The rethe Y. W. L. somewhat adversely; aid the league in every city. Agitprop work, in relation to the

Defense organization was handling the, work in the party, the establishment Bimba cases. Its work demands the mass agitprop activity, work among support of the entire party member- the Negroes, the drive to raise \$20,000 ship both financially, and aid organ- to push forward more swiftly the izationally by joining the I. L. D. as party campaigns were discussed unindividual members and getting the der the agitprop report. Negro work workers everywhere to join this mass is being pushed and effort made to secure organizational results.

Brieflly, on major aspects of the conference, on the trade union work,

The foreign-born campaigns prethe need of a drive to organize the NOTICE!

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a local scale, taking extreme care to prevent the splitting of labor tickets the development of the movement for a mass party of the workers is not a single step or action, but involves a long period and series of steps, each one of which aids in forwarding the political maturity of the workers and strengthening its class basis. The labor unions, it was emphasized, must be the main organizational basis of this

Party on Forward March. The conference went thru three days of discussions on party campaigns in an atmosphere free from fractional feelings and differences. This conference had as its objective a review and the mobilization of the party to carry out these campaigns most effectively. Practical problems on every phase of party work from the organizational angle, were to be set forward for discussion and solution. This was done.

Injection of fractional issues while the organizational conference was considering practical problems for conducting the party work would have fallen flat. The proceedings were handled in a healthy constructive manner. The district organizers contributed much to one another and particularly to the central by presenting concrete situations for solu-

Such conferences as this one, indicate that the party is on the forward there was emphasized the need of march; that the bitterness of the past The campaign for the protection of basing our activity on the simplest of party struggles has by no means destroyed the capacity or the willingness of the entire party to carry out the party work among the masses as one man, with the full energies and resources of every comrade. The inner party struggles have only contributed, as they must, to the swifter Bolshevization of the party, to better conceptions of ways to carry out the party work.

Our party is a part of the class struggle; the leader of the masses of the party is now conducting an ener- achieving a closer unity and solidarity workers and farmers in this struggle; otherwise it would not be a Communist Party. Our disputes have arisen out of differences as to the best means to conduct this struggle to the best ing class. New events and new probmobilizing a vast mass movement of us and our work. The many prob-In the campaign for a united labor cessity of the party leading in the solution of these problems are driving the party toward the development of a unified leadership and a uniform theory and practice, the basis of party

> Growth of Consistent, Uniform Theory and Practice of Party.

The organization conference just held demonstrates in a concrete way how the reorganization party is reacting to the issues and problems of the working masses. There has been practical discussion of experiences: common work has been laid out; the district organizers, the language secretaries, the party membership are proceeding to carry out the party program of work among the masses. This organization conference is a hot reply to those outside of the party who hope for party destruction. Their foolish belief that internal struggles would destroy the Communist Party, the leader of the working class, is be ing rapidly dissipated. The right wing danger in the party is not by any means averted, but the Communist heart of the party masses is strong. The help of the Communist International, the internal growth and change of the party as an organism, the development of the class struggle in America proving stronger than the wishes or plans of individuals or groups having other aims or interests than the party and the masses.

Thru all forms of these struggles, the party is gradually developing a uniform, consistent, Marxist-Leninist attitude and leadership toward all problems facing the party. Conferences, such as the one held, only confirm and develop such uniformity.

The organization conference reports and discussion are being transcribed, and abbreviated, yet quite adequate reports will be printed shortly in The DAILY WORKER and language press. These should prove of immediate practical value to the membership.

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Send in your articles. Next week's prizes will be given for subject and preference will be shown for direct on the job stories. Tell what is happening in your factory, the conditions under which you work, and show how organization can benefit the workers in your

### THE STATE, THE CHURCH, THE KU **KLUXERS AND THE OPEN SHOPPERS** IN A UNITED FRONT CELEBRATION

By a Worker Correspondent.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, Feb. 26-The feud of the ku klux klan was stopped while they together with the local catholics welcomed the newly appointed Archbishop Mooney, whose home is here. A Family Reunion.

Mayor Scheible and the chief of police were on the reception commitee as well as some of the biggest openshoppers in the valley, J. G. Butler, Jr., J. A. Cambell and A. W. Adams, and other big kluxers who have made their money from the sweat and blood-

Greeted with Acclaim

By GERTRUDE PINCUS

(Worker Correspondent)

Brooklyn, to listen to the Freiheit

Chorus. The chorus under the direc-

tion of Loeser Winer accompanied by

The People's Orchestra sang the

canto, "The Two Brothers" by Peritz

working men and women, who have

Freiheit Chorus into a proletarian

The various melodies of the or-

chestra mingled with the chorus, ex-

pressing the deepest feelings of the

The composer Shaffer comes from

the ranks of the working class, and he

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Brownsville and Peterson Chorus,

Brooklyn, on the 15th of April, with

Shaffer as composer and director.

creates all his music for them.

music, set by Shaffer.

culture institution.

class struggle.

NEW YORK, Feb. 26 - Five thous-

of the workers of the valley. The mayor was elected to office on Revolutionary Chorus ticket which was backed and endorsed by the K. K. K. and during the election a great cry went up from the catholics, but on such an occasion as the reception of the new archbishop, they dropped all their little quarrels and got together and fraternized like the true brothers of one

class that they are. The whistles of all the open shops in the Youngstown Sheet and Tube, the Briar Hill Steel, The United States Steel, The Republic Steel will blow a welcome to the bishop, while he will salute from his private car furnished to him by President Barnett of the Nickle Plate railway.

Workers' Hard Earned Money. The car will be stopped in the city o allow the archbishop to salute J G. Butler, Jr., who will await his reverence on his front porch and salute him in return. The fact that Butler, Jr. is one of the great exponents of the open shop will make no difference to his "reverence." The fact that thousands of the poor parishoners who have contributed to make this non-producing monarch of the church a big figure for the time being, have to work long hours for small pay, will have no effect on this representative

of the church. The police and firemen who have had a hard time getting their salaries from the city this winter will be turned out like show cattle at a county fair to let the archbishop know how much the city has been honored by his presence.

The Bishop's Job.

The Indians who are having such hard time breaking away fro imperialistic and exploiting British empire will have this non-producing prince of the church to keep for the balance of his life. He will tell his Indian followers to "suffer quietly in this world in order that their reward may be greater in the next" and he will issue the infunction of "Servants obey thy masters" as did the church down thru the ages.

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### STEEL MILLS ARE A LIVING HELL. SAYS REPORTER

#### Bosses Try to Prevent Union Organization

By a Worker Correspondent WHEELING, W. Va., Feb. 26 - The Wheeling Steel corporation has a very large plant here, and also a big steel mill in Benwood. The Benwood mill produces piping, It employs about 5,000 men, three-fourths of whom are foreign-born. Hours range from 8 to 101/2 per day. The 8-hour shifts apply mostly to Americans, whom it happens were former strikebreakers. Most of them work in the pipe furnace depart-

The sheet mill has also an 8-hour basis. Piece work is the rule. The work is hard, as the heavy steel must he thrust into the furnaces. When the bars are hot they are withdrawn and pushed a distance of some sixty yards for the next operation.

Fifteen Minutes to Eat. In the pipe mill working hours are 0 on the day and 10½ on the night shift. Twenty minutes are allowed for dinner during the day and 15 minutes for the midnight lunch.

The furnace department is a real hell. The low roof forces the men to work amidst the dust and smoke. Of the workers 95 per cent are foreignborn, mostly Italian, Polish and South and workers filled Mecca Auditorium, Slav.

Wages are 44 cents an hour, and up. Out of their miserable pay the men must put up a dollar a month for sick insurance. The corporation employs system-

atic tactics to divide the workers. The The Freiheit Chorus is composed of Americans get the better and more highly paid classes of work. The olddevoted time and energy to build the timers get the preference in staying on when work is slack. Even on the treading floor where the work is dirty and oily and foreign-born and Negroes are employed, they try to keep up distinctions to keep those groups apart.

The mills are running now only part-time and some of them are entirely closed. Of the 5,000 who normally are employed, half are working only a day or two a week. Very few are employed steadily.

The workers learned in the last strike in 1919 that where a corporation has mills in other places, all rebe closed in a strike. The mills here, as might be expected, are entirely unorganized.

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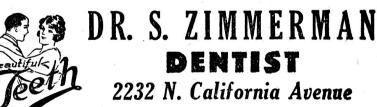
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### Smashing One Reservation

One of the five Harding-Hughes-Coolidge reservations incorporated in the resolution in favor of United States adherence to the world court stipulated that the council of the league of nations ed scale committee as a basis of their could not ask for an advisory opinion from the court affecting this at the expiration of the then existing country unless it was specifically agreed to by the government.

How much effect such a reservation has upon the league and ly, were as follows: the court is revealed by the latest move on the international checkerboard. Britain, which dominates the league, is urging Greece to take agggressive action against Turkey on every conceivable pretext. The Greek government asked the council of the league of nations to request the permanent court of international justice for a decision regarding a boundary dispute. Greece claims tonnage system and abolition of the that the Lausanne treaty gives a certain commission the right to determine the boundary in dispute. The Angora government rejects this contention. It further rejects the proposal to submit the dispute to the court. Here is a situation that the pro-court advocates said was only theoretical and could not possibly become a reality. If as laying track, setting props and the league council decides in favor of Greece's contention it will explode the most important of the American reservations even before this country becomes a member of the court. If it should up- etc. hold the contention of Turkey it will thereby rebuke England. which dominates Greece and uses that country as an instrument of imperialist aggression in its effort to seize Constantinople. The latter eventuality is unthinkable because the league is today dominated by Britain. Just as the league council and the court aided Britain in its Mosul steal against Turkey, so it will again do the bidding of Lombard street and decide against the claims of Mustapha Kemal Pasha in the boundary dispute.

But the reservations of the pro-court senators were never seriously considered, except by the petty bourgeois opponents. Once in the court such things will take care of themselves. While the objections of Turkey can be flaunted with impunity, there is no possibility of the United States being in the same predicament. Wall Street and its Washington government occupies an entirely different position in relation to the league than does Turkey. Whereas the great imperialist nations prey upon Turkey, the United States enters with the intention of preying upon all the world and utilizing the court to cloak its imperialist rapacity.

The conflict that is heralded by the decision of this country to the tonnage system if won would elienter the world court is a struggle for domination of the court.

If the plans of Morgan materialize there will be no need to car. four any decisions adversely affecting American imperialism, for the court will be merely the European political headquarters of the scale committee "brings home the Wall Street.

### Some Deportation Victims

The Coolidge campaign in Chicago to secure propaganda material for use in getting the anti-foreign-born bills now before congress passed is growing. Out of the hundreds arrested six have been held for deportation. The local capitalist press reports that the efficient is impossible. It is difficult police and immigration officials are elated at their success. No to realize the enormity of the bedoubt. They were given instructions to find someone to deport and trayal of Lewis and his self-selected

The murders that were to be stopped by means of deportation strikers' lines remained intact, not a have not ceased. The day after the announcement of the deportal scab on the job, ranks disciplined and tion orgy another murder was committed. It is also reported that militarized, families in want and desthe chiefs of the murder and bootlegging gangs have simply moved tion to fight to a finish. to a Chicago suburb where they will remain in safety. But hundreds of foreign-born workers will be picked up in raids and put ever, Lewis kept 10,000 maintenance thru the third degree at police headquarters in an effort to find men at work in the anthracite mines, more victims with which to support the Coolidge campaign to ter- which certainly comes under the rorize the foreign-born workers in this country.

The scare headlines in the press and the daily editorials all go to support our view that this deportation campaign is deliberately being used to give the Coolidge government some excuse for passing tors had an agreement to this effect the fingerprinting and registering bills. The best interests of the entire working class can be served by uniting all working class forces against this attack on the foreign-born workers.

The working class organizations must voice their protests against the anti-foreign born bills now before congress. The only of six months' hunger and suffering: purpose of this legislation is to terrorize the foreign-born workers and assure the capitalists of a great supply of bound and gagged workers afraid to demand better living conditions because of their fear of the police under whose supervision they will be placed.

The movement for the protection of the foreign-born workers which has sprang up in many cities is of the utmost importance to the entire working class. The uniting of unions, fraternal organizations and poltical parties of the working class into a common front on this question is the only way in which to combat the deportation and registering menace to the foreign-born workers in this country.

### The Usual "Death Threat"

The prosecution in the Brockton "blasphemy" case has to convince the public that it should be taken seriously, so it resorts to all the time-worn tricks of similar petty creatures trying to make reputations for themselves. The most banal stunt, but one that is part of the stock-in-trade of prosecutors, is the "death threat."

Some times the threat comes in the form of a 'phone call, other times as a "black-hand" letter; this time it is a "red hand" letter sent to one Joseph Verace, who calls himself an assistant prosecutor

As is usually the case we can state, without knowing any of the details, that the prosecution, itself, or someone closely connected with it, sent the letter in order to create an atmosphere of dimenovel heroism and for nothing else.

In such an atmosphere the terror workers better; police can be herded around the court house to give it the appearance of a serious

threat to the Babbitts. It is futile to state the obvious: reds never resort to such foolishness as sending a half-baked lawyer a threat of any kind. We do not advocate their personal death—we intend to kill them and bigger profits for the bosses— to remind you that Paul is sitting in to Denver as the next stop on their

### The Anthracite Mine Strike Settlement

By PAT TOOHEY.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Feb. 26. While the officialdom of the United Mine Workers of America allied with the capitalist press, the anthracite operators and the capitalist government burst into fulsome praise of the anthracite contract "accepted" by the "ratification" convention in Scranton, as the greatest "victory" ever achieved by a labor organization in all labor history, it would be well to examine a few pertinent facts connected with the "victory," before we can believe it is a "victory" at all.

Miners Make Demands. The anthracite miners met in Tri-District convention in Scranton in June, 1925, and accepted the report and recommendations of the appointagreement. The demands, substantial-

1. A two-year contract with full recognition of the union.

2. 10 per cent increase for contract miners and \$1 per day increase for all

day laborers. Uniform and equal wages 4. Payment of coal mined by the

system of payment by the car. 5. A uniform rate of 20 per cent per inch for refuse work in all kinds of mining up to ten feet wide.

6. Payment for all deadwork, such timbers, etc., and all tools to be furnished the miners free of charge by the company, including jackhammers

7. Repair and erection of new houses to relieve the housing situa-

Equal division of work. General improvement of conditions; cars loaded to be credited at the working place; a five-day week; consideration to miners who when thru no fault of their own, are not permitted to make a day's wage or work, drivers to receive consideration for handling mules before and after quitting time, seniority rights to all

miners, and that rock stripping con-

tractors be brot under the terms of

the contract. The Tri-District convention accepted these demands and entrusted their scale committee to fight the operators for them in order the demands would be realized. The demand for full recognition of the union is the demand for the check-off. The demand for minate the robbing practice of the bosses of paying the miners by the

After six months of pussyfooting, The battle is over and the victory is won; shouts the red-baiting, anti-labor press of the anthracite field, supplemented by the radio, th churches and other agencies of the

Sell-Out is Complete.

A sell-out more complete and more "scale committee."

titute, sticking with the determina-

Since the start of the strike, howhelping prolong the strike, doing work classification of pure scabbery, keeping the bosses' property safe and in excellent condition during the period of the strike. Lewis and the opera-

The Scab Agreement. The scale committee came home "with the bacon." The following in substance is what the bacon consists of in this instance, the results duce the sentences of Crouch and

1. A five-year agreement. 2. No increase in pay.

So this is the bacon! No raise, no better conditions, no check-off, nothing of benefit to us, nothing we demanded, not an individual demand granted, and each and all of the boss-

es' demands granted! Tho the officials and the so-called "public" shout in glee over the fact they secured a five-year agreement -which they say means prosperity and happiness for that length of time -this same five-year agreement will whip the anthracite miners the very same as the three-year Jacksonville agreement smashed the bituminous miners' union.

Drives Miners Into Slavery. Lewis has a frenzy for long term agreements which smash the union and drive the miners into virtual slavery. Lewis is responsible for the chaotic state of the soft coal industry, with the hundreds of thousands of miners unemployed. He is responsible for the union being smashed thruout the soft coal field. The fiveyear agreement for the anthracite miners, with the "reciprocal program tremendous burst of enthusiastic apof co-operation and efficiency" means plause. "Comrades: Altho I am happy



PAT TOOHEY.

It means the breaking up of the an hracite section of the miners' union. Lewis and the operators are agreed

hat there are too many miners in he coal industry. They both agree hat the only solution for this situation, is to drive from the industry this surplus labor. The "co-operation and efficiency" proposition will see to that. Already miners are refused work. Already the bosses are putting nto effect their "efficiency" rights Aiready they have instituted the speed-up in the mines and have removed miners from jobs and compel a smaller number of workers to handle the work. The bosses want greater production, with fewer miners. They want higher profits and a smaller wage expense. Now they have been given their opportunity.

Miners Lose Strike.

miners lost and the bosses They lost because their interests were in the hands of leaders who played into the hands of the Boss es at every step. The refusal of Lewis to call a general strike, including the hard and soft coal fields, his refusal to wtihdraw the maintenance men, and the class collaboration policies followed by these pro-capitalist "labor leaders" whipped the anthracite miners and won the strike for the bosses. Fighting militantly inder the most adverse conditions the left wing attempted to turn the strike into a militant struggle. The left wing fought consistently for the withdrawal of the maintenance men, for a 100 per cent strike, for militant policies, for a policy of class struggle as against class collaboration.

The "victory" carries no increase in vages. Instead we find a provision that the miners return to work under the same rates prevailing prior to the strike. A board of two men, one from the union and one from the operators, less of how high the cost of living goes up during the life of the agreesame. This board of two men "may" call in a third party to decide in case of a deadlock. Once yearly either side may propose "modifications" of the wage rate. Meanwhile, during the period of the negotiations the miners must remain at work. This is worse than arbitration, the miners aren't the principles and the campaigns of permitted to strike for their rights. Truly, the miners are hogtied.

To those not acquainted with miners' conventions this is quite a problem. If the contract is the czar. no good, then why was it accepted? The recent convention is an example of all miners' conventions—ruled by thugs and gangsters. The rank and file, the workers in the mines, are opposed to the contract. Everywhere the contract is condemned. But then the rank and file have nothing to say about it. When the general grievance com-

he "convention" accepted the con-

mittee of the district unanimously constantly be under police control. condemned the contract, when many locals repudiated it when it was first made public, extreme care was taken must recognize that they are constantby the Lewis gang to effectively stifle ly exposed to the attacks of the emhastily called in three 'days' time. Every local was to call meetings dur- spect for their own laws. In order to hands of Lewis tools, called no meetof the membership and "elected" dele- known.

Machine Packs "Convention." Aided by the last minute change in gates to the convention, these local lackeys put it over. Violating all traditional and constitutional procedure bers instead of one delegate for each about one out of every three persons one hundred members as is the law and custom. This deprived the memresentation and was a direct blow at is big industry—and especially heavy the left wing elements.

Unseat Left Wing Delegates. supporters and hirelings, Lewis proceeded to jam thru the contract, by and professional bullies. Many left wing delegates were unseated by the credentials committee long before the convention started. This move was directed to forestall the development of a fight over representation on the floor of the convention.

Organize For Future Struggles. The role of the left wing is to organize for the struggles ahead. To organize and place into leadership in the union, leaders who lead to victory, leaders whose policy is a policy of class struggle. The left wing will continue their militant struggle to win the American miners for their principles and program. The left wing will continue to fight as they have fought in the past, with their program and principles as the basis of attack against the class collaborationist, procapitalist policies and tactics of the burocracy of the miners' union.

Allied with this burocracy are the agencies and forces inimical to the interests of the miners and their dependents. This burocracy rules with the aid and co-operation of the bosses and the capitalist government and all the lackeys of these two. The press, the churches, the chambers of commerce, every capitalist politician supports the burocracy and aids in stifhave full power to make decisions af- ling the membership, jails, persecutes fecting wages. In other words, regard- and expels militant members whose sole existence is devoted to the bet terment of the conditions of their felment, the miners' wages remain the low workers, who fight the bosses at

> Fight For Real Victory. The left wing in the miners' union is rallied around the progressive international committee. It is the duty of every sincere member of the miners' union to support the program, the progressive miners, for their fight is the fight for the workers' victory.

### Los Angeles Gives Trumbull Fine Welcome

(Continued from page 1.) work that forced the authorities to re-Trumbull. W. Schneiderman spoke for the Workers (Communist) Party An agreement between the two affair a renewal of our sincere efforts

\$200 for the Defense. 'I want you to listen to Trumbull totremendous thing that he and Crouch country on earth."

Proved of His Class.

more production for a less rate of pay. his cell in Alcatraz this very moment, way to Chicago.

with 2 more years of hell facing him. The authorities are doing their damnest to make life miserable for him.

No trick is too mean or low for them to harass his prison days. When I and asked the audience to make this left him he said to me, "Walter, I want you to tell them outside, that for a 'reciprocal program of co-opera- to build a powerful united front or- I'd rather stay here for the rest of tion and efficiency, which is the es-ganization like the International La-my life, than beg for a pardon from tablishment of a 'B. & O. plan' in the bor Defense. "We must not be satis- the government to get me out." Comfied until the I. L. D. is strong enuf rades, what we did in Hawaii is noth-.4. An arbitration clause cleverly not only to force the release of Paul ing more than any other class-consci-Crouch, but the scores of other class- ous worker could do under the cirwar victims whose imprisonment has cumstances. I am proud of my class, made California so notorious," he de- and I ask for nothing better than to fight and die for my class. Only a traitor could shut his eyes to the Stanley Clark made a stirring ap- crying need for bringing our message peal for the Zeigler miners who were into the ranks of the armed forces of facing prison in Illinois. Despite the America. The military authorities fact that the audience had paid 50 were not so angry with us, as they cents each for admission to the ban- were scared. And they were so scared quet, a collection was taken up of that they sentenced Crouch to 40 close to two hundred dollars. "We years and me to 26 years. They were have had many meetings in San Fran- even more scared when the voice of cisco, Oakland, and Berkeley last the workers let itself be heard against week, but this demonstration is one their persecution. That is why they of the best I have seen," he stated. that of it and reduced the sentences to 3 and 1 years. Comrades, if the ornight, and see if you can grasp the ganized might of the workers could force this concession out of those have done in defying the military military tyrants, with a little more powers of the mightiest capitalist effort it can open the jail doors for Paul Crouch and all other workingclass prisoners behind the bars. Let The Sacco-Vanzetti branch of the us use this opportunity to intensify our International Labor Defense pre- struggle in behalf of labor. Crouch sented a huge bouquet of flowers to and the others will be happier by far, Trumbull as he rose to speak, amid if they know you will carry on the

strength for the cause." the hogtieing of the hard coal miners and deeply stirred to head your ex- After the mass meeting Sunday for five long years. It means greater pressions of solidarity to night, I want night, Clark and Trumbull proceeded

### CLEVELAND WORKERS PREPARE TO FIGHT LAWS AGAINST FOREIGN-BORN: CALL CONFERENCE FOR MARCH 14

(Continued from page 1). nical methods used by the kaizer and

The foreign-born workers in this country must awaken to a realization of their situation. If these bills are enacted into law, any worker may be stopped on the street and be required to show his registration card. If he moves from one place to another. he will be obliged to report to the police In short, the foreign-born workers wil

But even if these bills do not pass the membership. The convention was ploying class. The capitalists, who control this country, have little re ing that time to elect delegates to the intimidate the working class, and parconvention. Scores of locals, in the ticularly the foreign-born, the capitalists maintain such organizations as ings but appointed delegates. Local the American Legion, the Minute Men, union meetings were held, in many the National Security League, etc., cases, unknown to the vast majority whose "respect for the law" is well

What is the Situation?

According to the United States census of 1920, there are in the United the basis of representation of dele-States 13,94,891 foreign-born. In the state of Ohio there are 678,697 foreign born out of a total population of 5. 759,395-or 11.8 per cent. In the city the "fat boys" decided among them- of Cleveland there were 239,538 for selves the locals should send but one eign-born out of a total population of delegate for each five hundred mem- 762,026-or 31.43 per cent-that is

Among the most exploited workers of this country are the foreign-born bership of any great amount of repland Negro workers. Wherever there industry, which is the dominating force in the state of Ohio, there one Packing the convention with his finds large numbers of foreign-born workers. Thus in the iron and stee industry, 58 per cent of the workers the use of clowns, priests, policemen are foreign-born; in the bituminous coal mining industry, 62 per cent are foreign-born. A large part of the workers in the automobile industry maintenance of way men on the rail ways, building laborers, etc., are for eign-born. In short, the hardest, poorest-paid workers in industry are forign-born.

To them must be added the Negro whom have been brot to the northern states to furnish "cheap hands" for industry. The bituminous coal mining industry and the needle industry are the only two industries in which there is a large proportion of foreign-born workers organized into trade unions. In the steel and automobile industry, there is practically no organization whatsoever.

Trade Unions in Danger.

The capitalists of this country are well aware that the present state of 'prosperity," which they enjoy, will not continue long. They declare that up to July there may be a continuance of the present stage of production and then there will be a decline Knowing that depressed conditions will give them an excuse for demand ing lowered conditions for the working class as a whole, they are today beginning an attack on the organized labor movement.

The open shoppers are active all ver the country, and particularly the state of Ohio, where they claim that more and more factories are going on the open shop plan. The destruction of the labor movement is their aim.

What is their method? The capitalists understand their game very well. First they attack the weakest section of the working class: the foreign-born. The foreign-born worker is merely tolerated in this country. If in disappointment with things in this country, he endeavors to improve his situation, he is met with the cry, "If you don't like this country go back to where you came from." These are the words that come from the mouths of the very same capitalists who de mand that the government shall em power the president to allow the admission of alien labor whenever in dustry requires it.

Foreign-Born Workers Oppressed. Why do the capitalists prefer foreign-born workers? Because they know that they can always hold over the heads of these workers the threat of deportation. Just as they are telling Negro workers in industry in the north to go back to the south if they do not like conditions. Hence, by attacking the foreign-born workers they are always in a position to attack the entire labor movement, by lowering the standards of the foreign-born and compelling the native American workers to accept the same conditions. In addition, by attacking the foreign born workers, they can prevent the unorganized from getting, organized and increasing the power of organized labor. If the foreign-born workers rebel

against the discrimination and bad treatment they receive in this country, they may be arrested and deported. This means untold hardships Sat., March 13, at 8th St. Theater.

I to foreign-born workers who will be torn from their families and be deported to countries like Poland, Jugo-Slavia, Italy, Hungary, Finland, Esthonia, etc., where fascism and the white terror are in power and murdering the best elements of the work-

Organize Councils for Defense. Realizing the seriousness of the resent situation, the undersigned organization calls on the foreign-born to organize. All fraternal organizations and groups of foreign-born people, regardless of nationality, are called upon to participate in the formation of councils for their defense. The organized labor movement, which likewise is attacked in the proposed laws. should and must line up with the foreign-born workers in their own defense; and Negro workers must link heir forces with other sections of

the working class To this end, all trade unions, fraternal societies, lodges, sick and death benefit societies, workers' clubs of all nationalities, and all other working class organizations are called on to elect delegates to a conference which will be held on Sunday, March 14, 10 a. m. at the Insurance Center Bldg. Hall "A." 1783 E. 11th St., 6th Floor, where it is proposed that the Cleveland council for the protection of foreign-born workers be formed.

At this conference, ways and means will be worked out to fight the passage of the bills now before congress, and to organize a permanent council. which will always be on watch to protect the interests of the foreign-born workers and the workers of this city as a whole.

In addition a mass meeting will be held the same day, at 3 o'clock in the Moose Hall, 1000 Walnut street. Prominent speakers will address this meet-

Each trade union, fraternal and other working class organization should elect two delegates to represent their organization at the conference. Conferences of foreign language groups may elect two to four delegates.

The time to act is now. Only by organization will the workers be able workers, hundreds of thousands of to protect themselves against the threatening steps of the employing class.

> Executive council of the provisional council for the protection of foreign

> > Joseph Keller, Secretary, 2904 Bridge Ave.

Use Planes to Stem Smallpox. SAN ANTONIO, Tex., Feb. 26-An army airplane was brot into service in an attempt to stem a threatened smallpox epidemic in the village of Winchester.

After a call from distressed citizens of the town, F. W. Knecht, former army pilot, rushed 40 units of vaccine there. The plane did not land at Winchester, but circled around and dropped the medicine.

### CHICAGO I. L. D. WILL HOLD MANY MEETINGS **DURING THIS WEEK**

Greek Branch Tonight. The Greek International Labor Defense branch meets at 8 o'clock Saturday night at the Hull House, 800 South Halsted St. Friends and sympathizers are invited.

Pullman Holds Concert.

The Pullman branches of the international Labor Defense will hold a concert and dance at Stancik's Hall, 205 East 115th St., Saturday, Feb. 27, 7 p. m. "Mother" Bloor and Victor Zokaitis will be the speakers at this meeting.

Alex Reid, national secretary of the Progressive Miners, and Tom Bell, special I. L. D. correspondent at the recent Zeigler coal miners' trial, will be the principal speakers at the joint meeting of the North Side English and Finnish branches of the International Labor Defense at Imperial Hall, 2409 North Halsted, Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock, As this will be an open meeting, members are urged to bring friends and sympathizers. English branch members are to meet at 2 o'clock for a special business ses-

Northside Ukrainian. The Ukrainian branch will meet Saturday night, Feb. 27, at 1532 W. Chicago Ave., at 8 o'clock. J. Kowalski will speak at this meeting.

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