

PLUTES FEAR BREAD RIOTS MAY LEAD TO REVOLT

Dread Repetition of the French Revolution

Will the mounting price of bread in France bring revolution? That question, according to the New York Times Paris correspondent, is alarming of official circles.

Franc Worthless

The franc today is worth scarcely 1/8 of prewar. We perhaps think of it as a remote problem, of interest only to financiers.

Bread Riots.

French capitalists know that bread riots led up to the French revolution of 1789 which abolished feudalism and the monarchy.

Riots Lead in Revolt.

In 1782 and 1783 the riots began again. In 1786 the Lyons silk weavers struck for higher wages to meet the increasing cost of bread.

By December 1789 the rioting developed into revolt. And always it was bread. Peasants and workers forced well-to-do farmers to sell grain at a fair price.

In Paris the first open battle was fought around the paper factory of a capitalist who answered the demand for bread with the suggestion that the workers eat hay.

So the revolution was born in bread riots. The parliament or estates-general was summoned to save the government from bankruptcy.

Fear Another Revolution.

Speculators Control Wheat. Today, as 150 years ago, there is plenty of wheat in France, as the French minister of agriculture admits.

Steel Trust to Give 25c Medal for 25 Years Toil

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., July 19.—A very "liberal" member of the United States Steel corporation has made a suggestion which appears to have been accepted by the heads of the concern.



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Bicknell, Ind., Coal Miners Send \$591 More to Aid Passaic Strikers

PASSAIC, N. J., July 19.—The following letter, with a check for \$591 has been received by the General Relief Committee of Textile Strikers, 743 Main Ave., Passaic, N. J.:

'Fellow Workers: Please find enclosed a check for \$591 from Local Union No. 884, United Mine Workers of America, of Bicknell, Ind.

'Albery Henry, Treas. Local 884, United Mine Workers of America, Bicknell, Ind.'

NEW YORK LABOR AWAITS CONEY ISLAND CONCERT

To Jam Stadium with 25,000 Workers

NEW YORK, July 19.—A grand concert will take place in the Coney Island Stadium at Surf Ave and 6th street, Coney Island, Saturday evening, August 28, at 8:30 p. m.

Organized labor in New York will stage the biggest demonstration held in the country for the benefit of the textile strikers when they pack the Coney Island Stadium having a seating capacity of 25,000.

All labor unions of Greater New York, fraternal societies, liberal and radical groups are urged to mobilize all their forces behind this affair.

Brownsville Has Second Passaic Relief Conference

BROWNSVILLE, Pa., July 19.—A second relief conference for the Passaic textile strikers was held at the Miners' Hall here. Brother Thomas Bevan, delegate of Local Union No. 2986, United Mine Workers of America; W. S. Zimmerman, chairman of the conference and organizer for the American Federation of Labor, and Brother Robert Norman of West Brownsville, delegate from the central trades council—all of them veterans in many battles of the workers—were among the trade union delegates that were present to aid the Passaic textile workers carry on their fight against the mill barons.

Chicago Electrotypers Aid Passaic Strikers

Chicago Electrotypers' Union No. 3 donated \$50 to the Passaic strike relief. The following greeting accompanied the check:

'Enclosed herewith please find our check for \$50, which is a contribution from our organization towards the success of your present struggle.

Elevator Constructors Send Check to Passaic

PASSAIC, N. J., July 19.—Local No. 15 of the International Union of Elevator Constructors, sent \$15 for Passaic strike relief, explaining that "the condition of our general fund at the present time is such that we are unable to make a larger contribution, but I can assure you of the hearty sympathy of our organization and our approval of your efforts to organize the textile workers."

Sustain Fire Fighters Raise

WASHINGTON—(FP)—International headquarters of the Fire Fighters' Union in Washington has been notified that the Missouri supreme court has upheld the wage increase of \$30 a month which the voters of St. Louis gave the members of Local 73 in April, 1925.

CHARLIE, BROTHER OF THE LATE "BILL" BRYAN, IS IN THE RACE FOR GOVERNORSHIP OF NEBRASKA



Bryan is in the campaign for governor of Nebraska on a platform which calls for no increase in the two cent gasoline tax, enforcement of the prohibition laws and other odds and ends.

LABOR CHAUTAUQUA IN MINING CAMPS INSPIRES UNION FIGHT FOR MINERS' NATIONALIZATION

DAGUS MINES, Pa., July 19.—(FP)—Over the hills from Kersey and up the hollows from the strung-out settlement of Dagus Mines, even from non-union Byrndaie, 12 miles away, miners and their wives and children trooped to the Labor Chautauqua in the hall of Local 2044, United Mine Workers.

The youngsters' eyes nearly popped out watching with delight the clever volunteer entertainers—most of them from miners' families themselves.

Women's Auxiliary. Many of the younger women and girls of 16 to 20 attended the special women's meetings and joined the new Women's Auxiliary, Local 3, formed with Miss Johnson's assistance.

SpeECHES sandwiched between the entertainment during three days all tended to show that the soft coal industry can no longer be run chaotically as it is and give the miners a living.

R. R. Workers on City Transport Should Act with Electric Unions

The suburban service of the Illinois Central is now electrified. It is no different than that of the elevated service of the streets. It is no different whether steam or electric power is used, the employees are engaged in the transportation of the same commodity, the commuter.

But if the employees of the city lines go out on strike the railroad employes think of himself as a railroad employe and will stay on the job of transporting commuters. Thousands of commuters will be forced to the steam lines. It will be necessary to run hundreds of extra trains and the use of hundreds of extra railroad employes.

Between Ten and Twenty Injured in Ohio Train Wreck

EAST LIVERPOOL, O., July 19.—Between ten and twenty persons were reported injured near Summitville, O., when a Pittsburgh-Fort Wayne and Chicago passenger was wrecked.

JAMES GAINS CONTROL OF BIG RAILROAD

Is One of 10 Richest Men in Nation

Wealth produced by workers in copper, silver and gold mines has enabled one man to gain virtual control of one-seventh of the railroad mileage of the United States. This comes to light with the announcement that Arthur Curtis James, copper magnate, has secured a controlling interest in the Western Pacific railroad. This probably makes him the largest railroad stockholder in America.

James is reckoned one of the country's 10 richest men. He is one of the 3 or 4 owners of the Phelps-Dodge corporation with enormously profitable metal mines in Arizona, New Mexico and over the border in Mexico.

By having the bulk of his income come to the Curtis Securities Co. for reinvestment, James has been avoiding the graduated income taxes by which congress hoped to make the very rich pay a part of their share of the war cost.

Dodge Income Taxes. James is one of the multimillionaires that have separately incorporated their enormous power as investors.

James is reported to own most of the minority stock in this very profitable road. His control of the Western Pacific now gives him a big say in the management of the Denver & Rio Grande, which is jointly controlled by the Western Pacific and Missouri Pacific roads.

With James' assumption of control T. M. Schumacher, becomes operating head of the Western Pacific. For years he has been employed by the Guggenheim and Phelps-Dodge interests to represent their control in the transportation industry.

James has the usual influence of a multi-millionaire outside of business. Along with Dwight Morrow of J. P. Morgan & Co. and George Phipps of Ginn & Co. he is one of the dominating trustees of Amherst College.

Methodist Snoopers Seek Pennsylvania Blue Law Violators

PHILADELPHIA, July 19.—A girl and two men are under arrest charged with violation of the Sunday blue laws of 1794 in connection with the Sesqui-Centennial Exposition here.

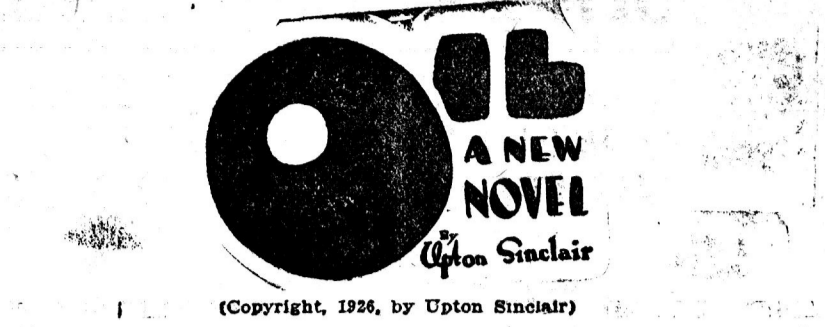
Twelve warrants were sworn out after investigators for the Methodist committee of 100 had visited the grounds last Sunday and taken the names of persons selling tickets.

A hearing has been set for July 19 on the application for an injunction closing the Sesqui-Centennial on Sunday.

Chorus Girls Kick for Pay from Boss Who Left in Night

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., July 19.—Fifteen chorus girls and 45 other stage workers stormed the doors of the Savoy Theater to demand their wages and belongings. Three of the girls declared that the paymaster and show officials disappeared Saturday night, leaving the workers unpaid and stranded.

WRITE AS YOU FIGHT! Open your eyes! Look around! There are the stories of the workers' struggles around you begging to be written up. Do it! Send it in! Write as you fight.



WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE.

J. Arnold Ross, oil operator, formerly Jim Ross, teamster, drives with his thirteen-year-old son, Bunny, to Beach City to sign a lease for a new oil field. Meeting his "Lesse Hound," Ben Skutt, in a note he goes to meet a group of small property owners whose land he wants for drilling.

There was Dad's voice, calling Bunny; so he said good-bye, and ran down the arroyo. Dad was sitting in the car. "We're agoin' in to Paradise," he said.

He was amused by the scene he had just been through and told Bunny about it, overlooking the possibility of complications in Bunny's feelings. Dad had tactfully begun talking to Mr. and Mrs. Watkins about the family's lack of bread, and that had started Mr. Watkins telling the whole situation.

And J. Arnold Ross had put the affairs of that family in order, you bet—there would be no more nonsense of giving away their money to missionaries! The Lord had told Dad to tell Mr. Watkins that he was to use his money to feed and clothe and educate his children.

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In the meantime, Dad was on his way to Paradise to set the town's one real estate agent to work buying more land for him. "Why don't you send for Ben Skutt?" asked Bunny; but Dad answered that Ben was a rascal—he had caught him trying to collect a commission from the other party.

So they came to an office labelled, J. H. Hardacre, Real Estate, Insurance and Loans." Mr. Hardacre sat with his feet on his desk and a cigar in his mouth, waiting for his prey; he was a lean, hungry-looking old fellow and was not fooled for here was money and he swung his feet to the floor and sat right up.

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(To be continued.)



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"Wolf! Wolf!" Howls John

John Fitzpatrick, president of the Chicago Federation of Labor, and one time prominent in the progressive wing of the American Federation of Labor, seems to be suffering from an incurable desire to take one of Aesop's fables too seriously.

It is the one about the boy who was guarding the sheep from the wolves. Out of pure devilment, the lad shouted, "Wolf!" when there were no wolves for the pleasure of seeing the villagers scurrying to help him. He had his fun but when the wolves came and he called for assistance no help arrived.

Perhaps this tale does not adorn the moral, but it's a good story anyhow.

Fitzpatrick is no child, yet he is childish. He went into hysterics last Sunday because one of the delegates, who happened to be a Communist, stated in answer to a question that he was unable to secure the presence of Fitzpatrick, Nockels, Olander, Oscar Nelson or other prominent conservative labor officials at a meeting called to fight the injunction that sent several girl members of the I. L. G. W. U. to jail. Therefore he had to invite labor leaders who were not afraid to fight the injunction. One of them happened to be William Z. Foster.

While the girls were in jail the federation officials did nothing to assist them, outside of appealing to Governor Len Small, their political angel. Small did nothing, then Fitzpatrick kindly threw the blame on the attorney general who is gunning for Small's job.

In his anxiety to guard the interests of the conservative labor officialdom (and incidentally the employers), from the Communist "wolves," Fitzpatrick usually succeeds in making an ass of himself. Last Sunday, for instance, he grabbed the wrong end of the pole when he attacked the girls who went to jail over the injunction issue and sneered at their alleged efforts to win martyrdom. None, only the most hardened in the ranks of the labor fakery would take this attitude towards women who went to jail for a great cause. Some of those women left their little children in the care of others and served their sentences.

Of course, John Fitzpatrick is not without compassion for the sufferings of others. But he finds himself in a most unhappy position. The situation is not to his liking, but he must sleep in the bed he selected. He must either fight the employers or the progressives. He has elected to fight the progressives.

Fitzpatrick once stated that the Communists are clever enough to champion issues that are of interest to the working class. Quite true. And that is the main reason why Mr. Fitzpatrick will not be able to carry out his ultimatum delivered in the heat of anger last Sunday. John said he would not give delegates, who were also Communists, the floor until they proved they were not Communists.

If Fitzpatrick got ahead of the Communists in pushing issues that are of interest to the workers, he would have no trouble with them. But then he would be so much like a Communist that the old Skinny Madden gang might come to life and make life miserable for him.

This is no world for a person who wants peace.

West Virginia Miners Again in Battle

The unconquerable coal diggers of West Virginia have again raised their battle flags against the operators who have succeeded after years of struggle in wrecking the United Mine Workers of America in that state.

West Virginia is one of the most famous theaters of war in the glorious history of the coal miners' union. It is here that the coal magnates have delivered their heaviest blows. It is here that the miners have written the most splendid chapters in the story of a struggle against unbearable conditions.

The coal miners of West Virginia not only had to fight against the employers, their gunmen and their courts, but they were also under the handicap of having an international officialdom which systematically sabotaged their efforts and destroyed the solidarity of the district organization. Instead of fighting the operators, Lewis and Green wined and dined with them. They preferred to have their feet under the bosses' table rather than on the picket line. Lewis and Green and the rest of their flunkies were more interested in conducting a war against the progressive elements in the union rather than against the union-smashing employers.

According to all indications the present strike is a mass movement on the part of the miners in the Fairmont district, having for its aim the organization of the 40,000 miners in that part of the state. The striking miners are showing that they are made of the stuff which can produce victories. A victory in West Virginia would be a clarion call to the miners in every part of coal mining section of the United States to renew the struggle to organize the mines 100 per cent.

A Correction

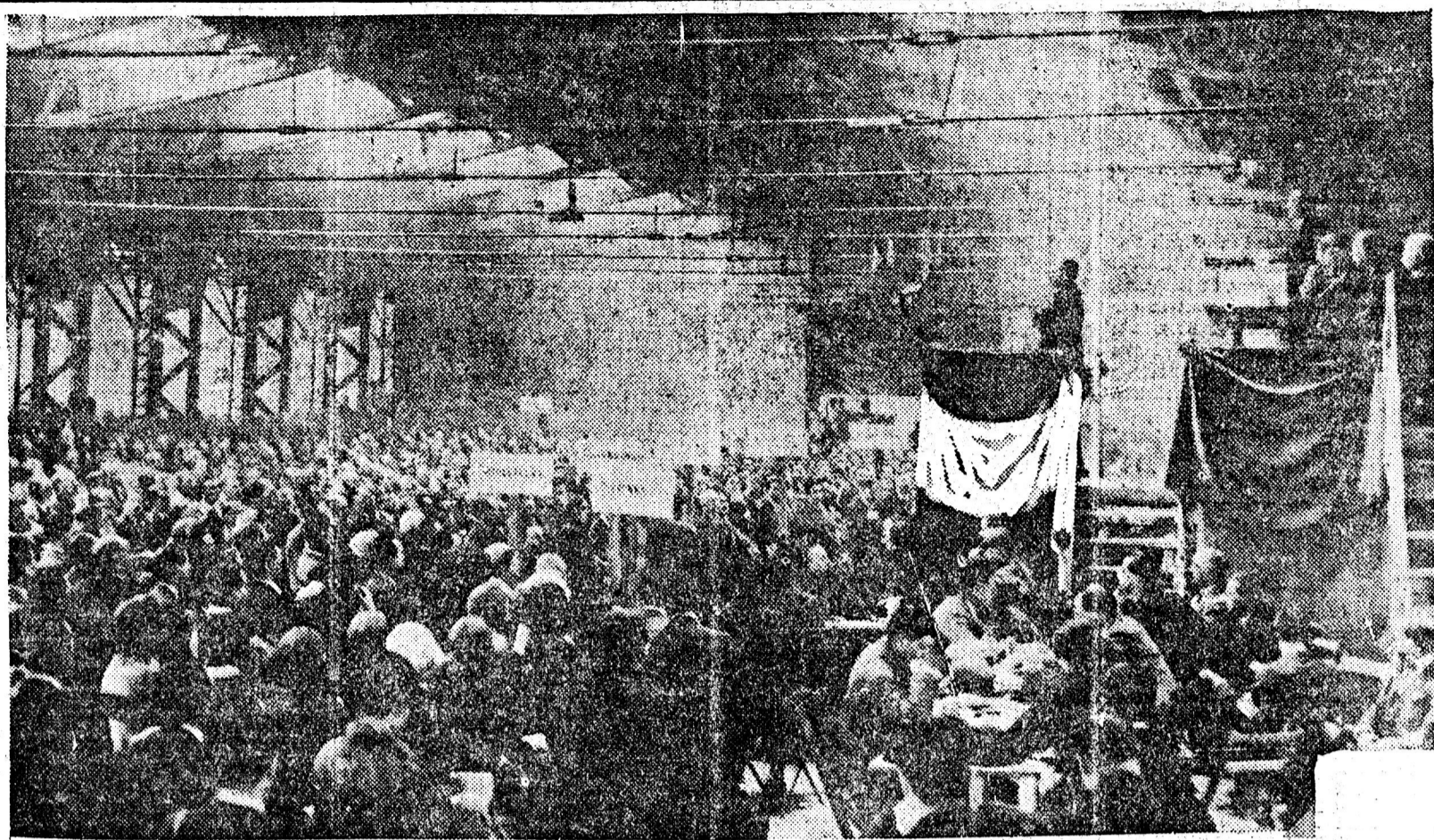
We regret that in Monday's issue of The DAILY WORKER Comrade A. Lozovsky's name was, by a mechanical error, left off an article on this page entitled, "The General Council Intrigues Against the British Coal Miners."

COMMITTEE SPEAKING FOR 40,000 CITIZENS OF PASSAIC, NEW JERSEY, ASSAILS THE "CITIZEN'S COMMITTEE"

(Special to The Daily Worker)
PASSAIC, N. J., July 19.—The executive committee of the Associated Societies and Parishes of Passaic, representing more than 40,000 citizens, attacked the strikebreaking activities of the so-called "Citizen's Committee" organized recently with strong mill backing for the purpose of attacking the leadership of the strike and depriving the strikers of relief funds.

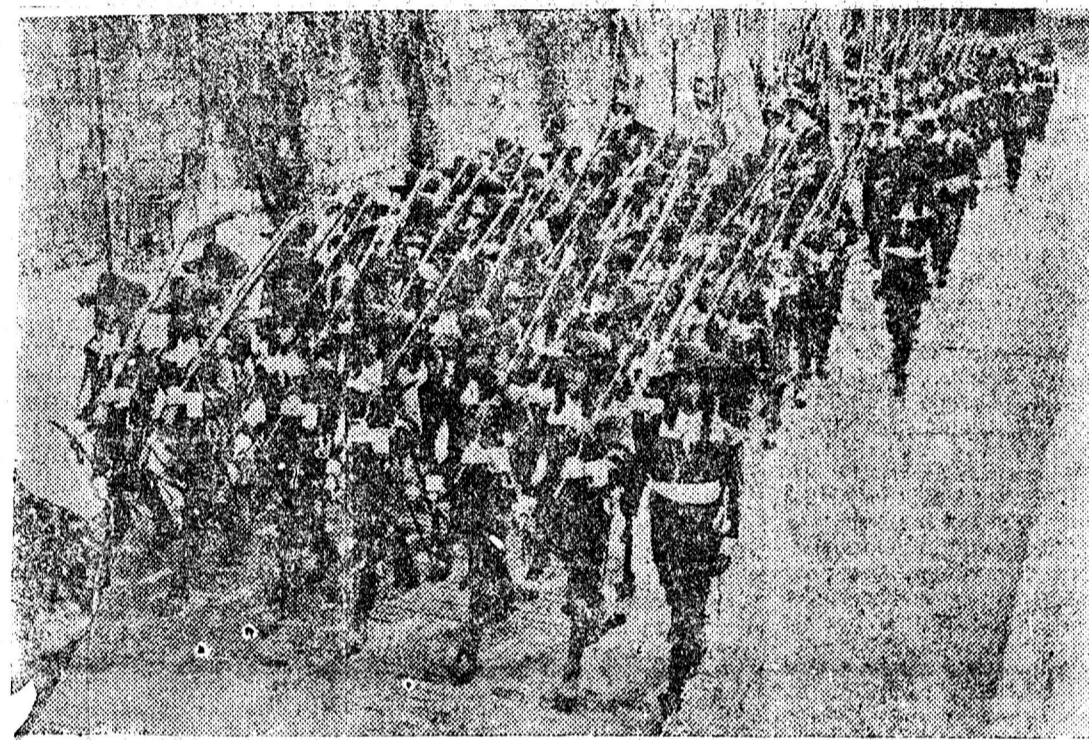
The "Slavic Committee" as the Associated Societies and Parishes are commonly called, denounced in no uncertain terms the publicity statements of the Citizen's Committee, intimating that it was the tool of a few politicians and of business men who are feeling the pinch of the long strike.

French Strikebreakers Hold National Convention



Above are shown members of the French fascist movement in conference at Rheims. Recruited from much the same middle-class and rural elements as their black Italian brothers, these Frenchmen hope to take advantage of the falling franc to establish a black-shirt dictatorship of capitalism.

Keep Up Antique Theatricals While Miners Starve



One of the signs of the decadence of the imperialist British empire is the persistent observance of all the out-dated and costly ceremonials of by-gone days. Above is shown the silly looking London Tower guard with fake curls, silk suits, ruffles and old guns that won't shoot.

Railroad Fat Boys Enjoy Pleasant Outing



Left to right playing a boys game are: W. J. Fripp, general manager of Vanderbilt's New York Central; Elisha Lee, vice-president of the strikebreaking "Penssy," and C. W. Galloway, vice-president of the "B. & O." Each of the above named railroads has a slightly different policy towards its workers. For example, the Penssy locks them out while the B. & O. cajoles them with a "plan." But they are all members of the same club and enjoy themselves while the slaves keep their trains running.

Caliban in the Coal Mines

By LOUIS UNTERMEYER

God, we don't like to complain
We know that the mine is no lark—
But—there's the pools from the rain;
But—there's the cold and the dark.

God, You don't know what it is
You, in Your well-lighted sky,
Watching the meteors whizz;
Warm, with the sun always by.

God, if You had but the moon
Stuck in Your cap for a lamp,
Even You'd tire of it soon,
Down in the dark and the damp.

Nothing but blackness above
And nothing that moves but the
cars—
God, if You wish for our love,
Fling us a handful of stars!

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WITH THE STAFF

Being Things From Here and There Which Have Inspired Us to Folly or Frenzy

POLITICAL ECONOMY.

"When gain and profit is wrung from the needy and helpless, it becomes sinful and a thing of evil," so said William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor.

Now this is a right brilliant remark. We observe, however, that when folks are not helpless, they don't permit profit to be "wrung" from them. Hence, no sin is committed and the sinner and the sinned against both vanish.

If the soul of the boss you'd be
Saving,
From going to hell in a hike;
You better begin organizing,

BILL GREEN

And calling a general strike.

The interest of workers don't matter,
ter,

BILL GREEN

If they starve here, they feast up
abovce.

So pass 'round the platter and
keep up

YOUR CHATTER

To the boss of your brotherly love.

WANTED

A government of France that will stay put. Also a franc of which we can speak frankly as being worth something. We had thought to institute a ceremony of stepping out for a drink every time a capitalist cabinet falls, but we desist become habitual drinkers.

Our Versatile Moro

You may not know Hadji Butu, but you oughta. He is the Moro gentleman who represents that Mohammedan section of the Philippine Islands in "our" colonial legislature, at Manila. He has what you might call a "ready mind." Hadji is able to change it at will. On Thursday he interviewed Colonel Thompson and after coyly admitting that the Moros were "incapable of self-government" opined that they dearly desired to be ruled by Americans, especially by the rubber trust, and cordially rejected the idea of Philippine independence. On Friday, the Philippine legislature unanimously passed a resolution demanding immediate and absolute independence. It does that every year, usually by viva voce vote. This year the vote was by roll call. Hadji voted for Philippine independence.

The Millennium Has Arriv'—Maybe.

Dr. Wynn, who is noted in London as a prophet, says the next world war is about to begin. We don't see that it needs much of a prophet for that. Anyhow, he says it will be over by 1936. Incidentally, the Dock said the millennium is due to arrive July 20, right this year. We're writing about this on the 19th, and if we manage to get to work on time and have all the other six little editors at work on time, we'll agree that the Old Dock was right. One of our six seems to be lost in the shuttle in New York. If you run across him, show him to follow the green line.

DEPORT HIM TO ROOSHA.

"By 1936," says Dock Wynn, millennium expert extraordinary who resides in Merry England, "the world will have completely understood the meaning of the great pyramid and the present forms of world government will have ceased to be. We shall have arrived at one universal government." We can't understand how it happened that Sir William Joynson-Hicks did not descend upon the Old Dock about that time and pinch him for sedition. Undoubtedly the Old Dock has had a letter from Zinoviev. This will grieve Ramsay MacDonald. We mean the letter, not the pinch.