# "Save the Union" Program

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Sigman Supporters in

Rand School Meet

(Special to The Daily Worker)

Cloak and Suit Manufacturers' Asso-

ciation representing the contracting

cloakmaker employers of New York,

have locked out 20,000 members of the

International Ladies' Garment Work-

ers' Union on the same day that right

wing officials of 35 New York unions

met in the Rand School to declare

war on the left wing leaders upon

whose shoulders, as leaders of the gar-

ment strike, rests the battle against

the new declaration of war by the em-

Representatives of the Cloakmakers'

Union met the bosses' association

spokesmen on Wednesday. The bosses

demanded either reorganization for all

contractors who guarantee thirty-two

weeks' work and that arrangements

for business agents and union organ-

izers be the same as in the old agree-

ment, or organization of all shops with

fourteen machines or more with a

provision that business agents have

no right to visit shops affected by

this provision without a clerk of the

The other alternative of the con-

tractors was reorganization rights the

same as those granted to shops of

members of the industrial council of

manufacturers. This also included the

provision that business agents cannot

visit shops unaccompanied by a clerk

Refuse Arbitration

The old agreement with the con-

tractors includes the right of business

agents to visit shops at all times. The

last proposal of the contractors was

to submit the whole matter to arbi-

tration. This the representatives of

Morris Sigman, president of the in-

ternational union, did not attend the

conferences on the excuse that he

was busy with "important committees"

the union flatly refused.

association being present.

ployers.

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# GSAVE THE UNION TIG

# JOHN BROPHY REFUTES FALSE STATEMENTS CIRCULATED BY AGENTS OF LEWIS MACHINE

(Federated Press)

CLEARFIELD, Pa., Dec. 9.-John Brophy, candidate for president of the United Mine Workers against John L. Lewis, has released the following statement for publication in reply to statements contained in campaign documents circulated by administration supporters:

Brophy's Statement.

The program which is the basis of my campaign for international president consists of a number of constructive measures which I believe should be the active policy of the United Mine Workers. Mr. Lewis, the Journal and their cohorts have not attempted to discuss such issues, however, and their contributions

have been on irrelevant matters, attacks on personalities and pure unadulterated lies. No Wage Reductions.

For instance they are spreading

rumors that I have stood for wage

entertained that idea, but have in the

past and am now fighting against any

attempt at wage reductions. The coal

operators in District 2 have repeated-

ly asked for conferences to consider

the wage question, and every time I

have refused even to confer with or

meet them about such a question un-

til the expiration of the existing con-

tract. As long ago as March, 1923,

when Vice President Murray's circu-

lar with its deliberate misrepresenta-

tions about me appeared, I exploded

this whole plot to undermine my

character and at a special district

convention at DuBois in March 1923,

fidence as to my attitude against

wage reduction. Not a single opera-

Shows Lewis' Sabotage.

They periodically issue the cry of

'red," "Communist" etc., etc., altho

records show that in 1921 when Mr.

Lewis was aspiring to the office held

by the late Samuel Gompers, he made

public statements favoring nationali-

zation of railroads, mines, unemploy-

ment insurance, etc. When Mr. Lewis

talks thus, it is progressive. When

any one opposed to him says the

same thing they are "red." Of course

Mr. Lewis quickly dropped his pro-

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gressiveness when he failed to be-

and deliberate lie.

received a unanimous vote of con-

reductions. I have never at any time

Eurrent Events By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

To amass wealth the only thing you have to do is to get up early in the morning, swallow a cup of coffee and a hard-boiled egg, get to the job in time to have the clock punched and your overalls on before the whistle blows. If you haven't grown wealthy on this diet ask Arthur W. Cutten of Chicago, who, with some friends cleaned up \$10,000,000 in a raid on Baldwin Locomotive stock last week. The slaves who are turning out steel engines for the Baldwin company continue to raid the time clock. Cutten and company can now forget time clocks and think of Paris and other interesting places.

BECAUSE he liked the Baltimore tor of this district has ever violated the agreement without my either the agreement without my either Schwab, well-known steel magnate, es striking his mine or doing everything tablished a plant there. He is so possible to enforce the contract. Any pleased with the result that he is will- attempt to accuse me of favoring any ing to borrow money and give it to kind of wage reduction is a vicious Baltimore. Schwab expects that city to eclipse Pittsburgh as a steel center in a comparatively short time. In all probability Charlie will give more than gushy words to the city fathers as their good-will will be needed when his wage slaves some day will ask for more than fine phrases. Schwab made quite a hit with the reading public after the war when it was learned that he had an expense account of several thousand dollars a month while he was working for one dollar a year for "his country."

BARON without money is not come the president of the A. F. of L. A BARON without money is not come the prostate. A much better than anybody else and no one has heard him make such (Continued on page 2.)

Stop Election Stealing! An Honest Election Will Defeat the Lewis Machine

The Lewis machine will be defeated in an honest election. The machine knows this and will make every effort, as it has done in the past, to thwart the will of the big majority of the rank and file supporting the Brophy-Stevenson-Brennan "Save the Union" ticket.

The interests of the union demand an honest election and an honest count.

To prevent election crookedness, or to make it as hard as possible for the machine to juggle the election, these things must be done:

1. See that every member entitled to vote casts a ballot. The more members that vote the harder it is for the machine to "blue-sky" the election.

2. See that honest tellers are elected. 3. See that the ballots are cast in a good, strong box that can be locked.

4. See that the ballot box is empty when the voting begins. 5. Don't let anyone put anything but ballots

in or take anything out of the ballot box while the voting is going on. 6. Watch for counterfeit ballots. Guard

against "stuffing" of the ballot box with fake 7. Don't let the ballot box out of your sight until the votes are counted.

8. See that the votes are counted correctly. See that the teller reading the ballots reads the votes correctly. See that the teller marking down the count marks it correctly.

9. If the ballots cannot be counted entirely right after the voting is over, see that the ballot box is guarded by honest members until the count is completed.

10. Don't let anybody "take the ballots home" with him.

11. See that the return sheets are properly signed and the correct count of the votes is contained in them.

12. See that the recording secretary puts the seal of the local on the return sheets. THIS MUST BE DONE.

13. THE RETURN SHEETS MUST BE MAILED IN WITHIN TWO DAYS AFTER THE ELECTION. Otherwise the votes will not be counted. MACHINE SECRETARIES HAVE KILLED THE VOTE OF WHOLE LOCALS BY NOT SENDING IN THE RETURNS WITHIN

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# "Save the Union" Candidates RIGHT WINGERS

Sample Bailot.

United Mine Workers of America For the Term Commencing APRIL 1, 1327

NOTE: Place an X in the Square opposite the name of the person you desire to vote for.

### FOR PRESIDENT Vote for One.

JOHN L. LEWIS, Springfield III. X JOHN BROPHY, Clearfield, Pa.

FOR VICE-PRESIDENT Vote for One.

PHILIP MURRAY, Pittsburgh, Pa. [x] WILLIAM STEVENSON, Bay City, FOR SECRETARY-TREAS.

THOMAS KENNEDY, Hazelton, Pa [X] WILLIAM J. BRENNAN, Scran-

CHARLES R. HARRIS, Herrin, Ill. FOR AUDITING AND CREDEN-TIAL COMMITTEE

Vote for Three JOHN J. MOSSOP, Bowdil, O. T. G. MORGAN, Linton, Ind. ALBERT NEUTZLING, Glen Car-

bon, Ill. X GILBERT ROGER, Dowell, Itt. JAMES MURPHY, Cherry, III. CHARLES AKSOMET, Wilkes-[x] HARRY WADSWORTH, Daisy-

town, Pa. PAUL HINDLEY, Centerville, Ia WILLIAM GILLEN, Bicknell, Ind. MICHAEL BERNOSKE, Exeter

Boro, Pa. P. J. SHOVLIN, McAdoo, Pa. ZIGMOND A. HANCZYC, Dupont,

### FOR TELLERS Vote for Three

THOMAS HASKELL, Shawnee, O. THOS. HOLLIDAY, LaSaile, Ill. WM. YOUNG, South Fork, Pa. THOMAS MOREY, Springfield, Ill. j JOHN WITKUNAS, Alden Sta-

tion, Pa. [x] E. B. HEWLETT, West Frank fort, Ill.

WILLIAM COONEY, Jessup, Pa. STEVE OWENS, Wilkes-Barre, Pa. WM. FOSTER, New Eagle, Pa. THOMAS CONNOR. West Frank-

fort. III. [ ] JOSEPH NIXON, Linton, Ind.

### FOR DELEGATE TO THE AMERICAN FEDERATION OF LABOR CONVENTION

Vote for Eight.

J JOHN L. LEWIS, Springfield, Ill. PHILIP MURRAY, Pittsburgh, Pa. THOS. KENNEDY, Hazelton, Pa. LEE HALL, Columbus, Q. [ ] C. J. GOLDEN, Shamokin, Pa. WILLIAM GREEN, Coshocton, O.

WALTER NESBIT, Springfield, Ill. RINALDO CAPPELLINI, Scranton. Pa. P. T. FAGAN, Pittsburgh, Pa.

[x] JOHN BROPHY, Clearfield, Pa. SAM. PASCOE, Farmington, III. H. FISHWICK, Springfield, Ill. G. W. SAVAGE, Columbus, O.

[x] WM. MITCH, Terre Haute, Ind. [x] JOE TUMULTY, Springfield, III.

JOE BOSONE, Billings, Mont. JAMES MORGAN, Cheyenne, Wyo. [ ] WILLIAM J. SNEED, Herrin, Ill.

[x] WILLIAM STEVENSON, Bay City, Mich.

[x] WILLIAM J. BRENNAN, Scranton, Pa.

J. H. MORRIS, Albia, Ia. DAVID WATKINS, Buffalo, O. J. J. MATES, Williamstown, Pa. ADOLPH PACIFICO, Shadyside, O. [x] J. HINDMARSH, Riverton, Ill. T. G. LAWTON, Terre Haute, Ind. [ ] DAN L. THOMAS, Belleville, Ill.

7 T. RADALJ, Rock Springs, Wyo. J. GHIZZONI, Homer City, Pa. W. T. ROBERTS, Bridgeport, O.

FK. J. BENDER, Zanesville, O. [ ] WILLIAM STINSON, Oakland City, Ind.

[ ] GUST FRITZ, Belleville, Ill.

[ ] JOHN F. HOLLISTER, Shamokin.

# at the international's office. THIRTY KILLED

# **AS DUST BLAST SHATTERS MINE** 20 Severely Hurt in

# Princeton Explosion

(Special to The Daily Worker) FRANSISCO, Ind., Dec. 9 .-- At least 30 miners lost their lives when a violent dust explosion roared thru the mine of the Fransisco Coal Manufacturing company early Thursday morning where 69 miners had entered a few minutes before to begin the day shift after some 200 night workers had left.

Twelve of the 69 have been rescued uninjured. Twenty more were brot out seriously burned and have been rushed to a hospital at Princeton, nearby. Those still entombed are 286 feet below the surface and rescuer workers despair of recovering any of them alive.

### Telis Story.

Jake Shafer, one of the last of the miners who reached the bottom, 300 feet below the surface, just ahead of the explosion, today, from

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Sigman Buyable. Ulliver, the manager of the associaion, declared at the conference with union representatives that it was impossible to make an agreement with the present union administration because they were honest and wanted everything in black and white. He stated it was different with the "Sigman bunch" and if it were not for the factional situation he said he would make public the fact that the Sigman administration was always ready to make an agreement that would sound good to the workers, but was, in fact, when enforced, favorable to the manu-

The bosses' association, in a state-(Continued on page 2)

## TAFT FLAYED IN HOUSE FOR ACCEPTING ANNUAL 'DOLE' FROM CARNEGIE

(Special to The Daily Worker) WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- Sharply criticizing the acceptance by Chief Justice Taft of an annuity of \$10,000 a year from the estate of Andrew Carnegie, Representative Rainey of Illinois proposed to strike from the judges' salary bill the provision to increase his salary.

Rainey told the house that much of the income of the Carnegie estate is derived from bonds of the United States Steel Corporation.

He read a "canon of ethics" prepared by Taft himself, in which the chief justice declared federal judges should carefully guard against being placed under obligations to great corporations.

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# The United Mine Workers' Union Elections

# SUPPORT THE "SAVE THE UNION" TICKET

# Statement by the Central Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party

ON Tuesday, December 14, the mem- was mined by union men, today the Connellsville coke region in the settlebers of the United Mine Workers situation is reversed and 70% of the ment of 1922, altho these miners had of America will be called upon to coal produced is mined by non-union shown a splendid solidarity in coming render a decision which involves the miners.

life of their union. John L. Lewis and his machine.

machine offer no program to rebuild the field of battle. and strengthen the miners' union.

The Situation of the Miners' Union. that whereas a few years ago 70% of to break the power of the union. the coal produced in the United States | Lewis betrayed othe miners of the

out on strike, altho unorganized, with The members of the United Mine the organized miners.

The "Save the Miners' Union" ticket, Workers of America have fought many headed by John Brophy, is asking the splendid battles for a higher stand-support of the miners on a program and of life and to maintain a union bringing nearly two-thirds of the work- mands in the future. John L. Lewis and the reactionary ers employed in the mines into their Lewis carried on a ruthless policy bureaucrats who stand with him are union, thus building an organization of expulsion against all those miners fighting for re-election. Lewis and his which could whip the coal barons on who dared point out where his policies

They stand on the policies thru which the union has lost ground and has been greatly weakened in the fight leadership and thru his betrayals of dared fight against the efforts of the against the coal barons to secure a the interests of the miners, the union Kansas industrial court to rob the higher standard of life for the work- has been cut down to a shadow of miners of the right to strike. the powerful organization it was in Lewis "reorganized" and practically

Lewis made no real effort to or Scotia because it stood for a militant THE results of the policies and lead- ganize West Virginia, Kentucky and fighting policy and while it was in ership of John L. Lewis and his Tennessee, when the coal barons shift the middle of a life and death struggle machine are best indicated in the fact ed production touthese fields in order against the coal barons of Canada.

which will enable the miners to recover which could protect the miners against the union compulsory arbitration, thus the ground they have lost thru the re- the greed of the coal barons. Thru robbing them of the right to use their actionary policies and leadership of these struggles they succeeded in organized strength to enforce their de-

were leading the United Mine Workers and to demand a real fight in

Lewis expelled Howat because he destroyed the miners' union in Nova

The continuation of Lewis' rule and (Continued on page 3)

# BRITISH MINE **WORKERS GIRD** FOR STRUGGLE

## To Strengthen Union; Cook's Views

(Special to The Dally Worker) LONDON, Dec. 9 .- The coal miners are getting ready to renew the strug-

This is the note that is struck in meetings and discussions of miners and already the coal owners, the government and the labor leaders who deserted the miners, are showing signs of uneasiness.

By the terms of the settlement the Miners' Federation of Great Britain has been weakened by district agreed ments, and varying scales of wages and conditions of work have been established.

The first efforts of the miners' minority movement will be directed against these district settlements and a drive made for more complete centralization than existed before the

Cook for Militant Program. A. J. Cook, secretary of the Miners' Federation, has declared for the program of the national minority movement and has announced that the Miners' Federation must become an industrial union in all respects. Every official of the federation who failed the membership in the great struggle will be opposed and efforts made to elect a fighting leadership Report the Militarists

The present situation is described by A. J. Cook, Arthur Horner of the South Wales Miners' Federation and Nat Watkins, secretary of the Miners' National Minority movement as "a breathing spell." This does not reactionary officials, the government for a time but simply that it has entered a new phase as the result of the ending of the strike.

### No Demoralization.

The demoralization which the government expected to occur in the miners' union has not taken place. said. On the contrary the morale remains high and there is an atmosphere of bitter determination in the coal fields which is a forecast of the resolute spirit with which the miners will wage the next struggle.

The main task now, say Cook and other militant workers is to strengthen the union and establish a new leadership which will take up the strugsle on the basis of the new conditions the decay of British capitalism and the attempt of the rulers to place the whole burden of their attempts to salvage it upon the working class and especially upon the coal miners.

### Mr. Donald's Speech.

LONDON, Dec. 9. - Comment here weak and ineffective.

MacDonald said the Baldwin government "shilly-shallied until it finally settled down to become the tool of the owners." This is said by the labor party left wing leaders to disregard the facts of the suppressive policy followed by the government from the first day of the strike.

Premier Baldwin answered MacDonald by making an attack on A. J. Cook, secretary of the 'Miners' Federation.

Defense Congress to Meet. Emergency Powers Act.

### DETROIT COMPLAINS TO TRADE COMMISSION ABOUT PRICE FIXING

Detroit, Dec. 3. - The city of Detroit today complained to the federal trade commission that four steel companies which bid for contracts to supply the Detroit street railway with wheels have quoted identical prices for four years.

In a letter to the commission, Joseph E. Mills, commissioner of purchases and supplies for the city, suggests that the companies may be operating in violation of the rules of the commission regarding price fixing. Mills asks a ruling from the commission.

The firms mentioned in the letter are the Standard Forging company, East Chicago, Ind.: Edgewater Steel company, Oakmont, Pa.: Bethlehem Steel company, Bethlehem, Pa., and the Standard Steel Works, Burnham. Pa.

Identical prices have been quoted despite a variance in freight rates, Mill's letter says.

The Detroit Street Railway is a successfully operated, municipally owned system.

# **CANTON FORCES** PEKING OUT OF LEAGUE COUNCIL

# Want Truce

GENEVA, Dec. 9 .- "The Kuomintang government of China does not guard from those states may soon be recognize the league of nations and called upon for duty in connection workers were held in four halls Thursmean that the struggle against the does not consider that the real China with the difficulties with Mexico. day night and the workers mobilized is a member of the league," said Shia The hint is given that the War De- to repel the attacks of the bosses and and the coal owners has ceased even Ching, observer here of the Canton partment is expecting a call to in- their allies, the right wing Sigman nationalist government.

"China will not join the league after the present civil war is ended unless the powers recognize her complete independence and sovereignty and receive her on an equality basis," Ching

The nationalist representative also brought pressure to bear upon Chao Hsin-chu, delegate of the Peking shadow government which has been considered a member of the league. and got guarantees from the Peking envoy that the latter would take no further part in the official proceedings and would undertake no further committments for China.

Saying that the Peking government in no way represented the Chinese people, Ching characterized it as "merely a camouflage for Japanese interests which are backing General Chang Tso Lin's army."

### Get League's Respect.

The league secretariat is treating in labor circles on the speech of Ram- the observers of the Canton governsay MacDonald on the motion for cen- ment with the utmost respect in spite sure of the government in connection of the fact they have no official status with the coal strike, is that it was in Geneva. A room of the league building has been placed at their disposal as if they were an official dele-

> Chang May Sue For Peace. SHANGHAI, Dec. 9.—Major military operations between the nationalist armies and the militarists have been temporarily suspended. It is reported

basis for this may be the following: The Cantonese have been contin-The International Class War Pris- ually victorious in the field; the Britoners' Aid is holding its national con- ish seem to have embarked on a policy gress in Battersea Sunday. It is de- of recognition of the Canton governmanding amnesty for the 5,000 work- ment and consent to revise treaties ers arrested during the general strike with the new power; Japan, who is the and the miners' strike under the chief backer of Chang Tso Lin, generalissimo of the northern forces, is not Tom Mann, George Lansbury and S. prepared to back a campaign out-

# Saklatvala are listed as speakers for side Manchuria to which her interests the first session of the congress. are largely confined. CONCERT

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# PRESSURE FOR **MEXICAN WAR** INTENSIFIED

## Rumor Preparation of National Guard Units

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.- (FP)-Disappointed in the tone taken by the American press toward the State Department's bullying of Mexico on the oil and land law issue, the "war party" in Washington and New York is reported to be intensifying its pressure upon the White House to smash the resistance of the Mexican government to the demands of Standard Oil.

Mexico's new oil land laws go into effect on Jan. 1. At that time American oil operators in Mexico who have not taken out leases from the government on the lands they claim, will forfeit possession. A series of legal disputes will begin, based on the right of the foreigners to seek adjustment of their claims in the Sigman Supporters in courts of Mexico. Secretary Kellogg in his recent correspondence with the Mexican foreign office protested against the new laws, saying that they strike at private property. tion of civilized society. Senators promptly replied that Mexico had a right to deal with property as she ment with the union. saw fit, if she made due payment fo: any foreign property she might con-

Mobilize Guard.

ington a report that the War Depart. ment has quietly notified the governors of certain states that the national vade Mexico in defense of the oil machine. operators' claims. Whether a complete scheme of invasion or conquest of Mexico is being worked out, and whether the president has sanctioned this preparation, is not explained. But there are many signs that Coolidge is being urged to break off relations with Mexico on the day her

oil and land laws become effective. Dwight Morrow of Morgan & Co. is said to be one of the conspicuous advisers of the White House who wants relations cut off and the big stick used. Morrow's firm is interested in various basic industries beside oil that are affected by Mexico's determination to guard her subsoil minerals as national property. The copper, lead, silver, zinc and other mining and smelting enterprises, thru their several trusts, go back to Morgan & Co. for financial direction, or alliance or control.

## State Dept. Propaganda.

Another sinister element in the nomic and political life of Central Mexico's government is bolshevik. This same Anderson is reported to be counsel for Chamorro and Adolfo that the military leaders of the north Diaz in Nicaragua-the militarist tools of Wall Street bankers whose are preparing to sue for peace. The regime Kellogg recognized after pledging himself never to recognize Chamorro. Mexico has sympathized with the labor-liberal regime that was driven from power in Nicaragua by Chamorro's military coup in 1925. Bitter editorials in the Washington Post, denouncing President Calles and the Nicaraguan liberals as agents of Moscow and enemies of the United States, bear a striking resemplance to Anderson's statements. It is reported that Anderson was very intimate with Ambassador Sheffield mring the latter's recent stay in the United States. Sheffield last year denounced Calles and Morones of Mex- I. co as "reds" of a dangerous type.

### Threaten Expose.

the White House to cast the die for Mexican oil story.

A feature of such an exposure will be the sale of the 4,000,000-acre paper claim of Doheny in Mexican oil lands to Standard Oil of New Jersey, and the activity of Charles Evans Hughes and Chandler Anderson since that time in Mexican-American

### Borah Moves Against Chemicals.

Borah of the foreign relations committee of the senate has challenged the American Legion's campaign against the Geneva poison-gas treaty, by calling for immediate ratification of that treaty in the senate, in open session. The measure forbids use of chemicals and bacteria in war. Chemical manufacturers are fighting its adoption.

## FILIPINO LEGISLATORS IGNORE WOOD'S ORDERS, APPOINT OWN COAL BOARD

MANILA, Dec. 6 .- Strife between Governor General Wood and Manuel Roxa, speaker of the house, and Manuel Quezon, president of the senate, entered a new phase today following the annual election of the directors of the governmentowned coal company. Deposed by Wood as members of the board of control, Roxas and Quezon called a meeting and voted in directors who were recognized by Alberto Barretto, president of the coal com-

Fred Fisher, former justice of Supreme Court, who acted as proxy for Word, will now have to carry the fight to the courts.

# RIGHT WINGERS **JOIN BOSS WAR** ON N.Y. UNION

# Rand School Meet

Continued from Page 1.) ment made Wednesday night said that which he declared to be the foundalits shops would be closed and the 20,000 workers locked out, hotified Borah, Norris and Swanson, however, that they could come back only on an open shop basis and with no agree-

The general strike committee charge that the contractors are executing the policies of the jobbers and the right wing Sigman machine to smash the Now there is circulated in Wasn- strike. There has never been such a conspiracy perpetrated against a union before, they declare.

Workers Fight. Great mass meetings of locked-out

"It is very significant that simultaneously with the attack of the bosses a meeting was held in the Rand chool of 35 representatives of New York right wing trade union groups which mapped out a campaign to exterminate Communists from the trade unions and to help the Sigman machine smash the cloakmakers' strike. The meeting decided to call a conference of all trade unions for Dec. 21 to meet at Beethoven Hall and consider plans for the complete elimination of Communists from the trade

Right Wing Call.

The call issued contains the following: "We call for war against Communist disruption. We call for the workers of all unions to unite against the internal enemy, the Communists. The division between the trade union movement and the Communist adventurers must be definitely established."

The call further stated: "The revosituation is the propaganda put out lution in Russia created the impression secretly to the Associated Press by in the minds of a number of people Asst. Secy. Olds in the State Depart-that a similar revolution was due in ment, that Mexico is a hotbed of the United States and that any union bolshevism that is poisoning the eco- that did not join the Communist International was a traitor to the work-America. Chandler Anderson, coun-ing class. Then followed a period of sel for many American claimants for wild activity in the trade unions and property damage against Mexico, is the Workmen's Circle, with the Trade credited with persuading Olds that Union Educational League working under instructions from the Workers (Communist) Party. The unions must remain free from outside domination and from the interference of all political parties."

Reactionary Signers.

The call was signed by Abraham Beckerman, chairman of the joint board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union, Louis D. Berger, manager of the Neckwear Makers' Union: Samuel A. Beardsley, president of the District Council of Jewelry Workers' Union; Morris Feinstone, secretary of the United Hebrew Trades; Samuel under similar financial circumstances. Hershkowitz, manager of the joint This fact was impressed very forcibly council of Cap and Millinery Workers' | on Baron Tornow, late of the still later Union; Rose Schneiderman of the Russian imperial army. Tornow spec-Women's Trade Union League and A. ulated in Wall Street and struck luck

Pocket Goods Workers' Union. statement also bitterly attacked the Rumblings of approaching crisis Furriers' Union of New York and the installment plan. So she married him, in Mexican relations have been met methods they employed in the recent but when he was unable to pay for at the capital by threats of retalia- strike which that union won. The the wedding supper in the Waldorf former chauffeur, who was so badly tion by the progressives. Before the signers also stated that the newly she called a cab and went back to her war party" has a chance to induce formed committee and the conference angry papa. The baron was carried doomed to live the rest of his life on in Webster Hall on the 21st of the to a modest place, where friends took the broad of his back in a bed. Several aggression in behalf of Standard Oil, month will lend their aid to the Sig- off his shoes and put him to bed. two or three senators may keep their man machine in the International promises to "tear the lid off" the Ladies' Garment Workers' Union in Ladies' Garment Workers' Union in their fight to oust the Communists  $E_{\mathrm{umns}}^{\mathrm{DITORIALLY}}$  and in its news coltheir fight to oust the Communists  $E_{\mathrm{umns}}^{\mathrm{DITORIALLY}}$  and in its news coltheir fight to oust the Communists  $E_{\mathrm{umns}}^{\mathrm{DITORIALLY}}$ who have been leading the fight of the holds the reactionary leadership of the cloakmakers in the present strike and socialist heads of the International lockout in New York.

According to reports from the offices

WASHINGTON—(FP)— Chairman of the entire labor movement in their they do so. life and death struggle to defeat the bosses and their agents and to maintain the union.

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> be interesting to other workers.

# Chicago Labor Officials Lost an Opportunity to Greet Farmers' Meeting

By J. LOUIS ENGDAHL.

TT is to be greatly regretted that the organized labor movement in Chicago, thru its elected officials, found no time nor showed any inclination to send a delegation bearing a greeting to the 3,000 delegates meeting here of the American Farm Bureau Federation, an organization enrolling 1.000.000 farm families in 1 800 farm communities in 45 states.

In fact, the affair was important enough to merit some attention from the American Federation of Labor itself, in an earnest effort to develop contacts between the city and land workers.

Matthew Woll, vice president, and mouthpiece for the Green regime in the A. F. of L. is too busy, of course, attacking the Communists and the left wing in the labor movement, tearing down and destroying, to find any time for constructive work.

The farmer, like all other sections of the population, looks for allies in order to get what he wants. He therefore seizes every crumb that falls his way from the capitalist table. The capitalist exploits this appetite. Careful propaganda misleads the farmer into the belief that the city worker, who is supposed to be getting exhorbitant wages, is the direct cause of many of the farmers' woes. This enmity is carefully nurtured.

Great business, on the other hand, carefully parades itself as "the friend of the farmer." Industrial and commercial interests recently met at Indianapolis under the auspices of the United States chamber of commerce to consider the agricultural problems of Indiana, Illi nois and Michigan. One of the chief speakers at the Chicago gathering was Magnus W. Alexander, New York, president of the National Industrial Board, who came bearing the message that, "American industry has indeed a definite selfinterest in agricultural prosperity." In other words, capitalist industry is desirous and anxious that agriculture should be able to hobble along, at least, so that it will furnish as rich a source as possible of exploitation. It was with this end in view that the business interests of the nation constituted a business men's commission, with the aid of the chamber of commerce, to see that agriculture is not crippled beyond the point where it will cease to produce the desired profits.

Thus the industrial, commercial and banking interests of the nation cajole the farming population into believing that the profiteers are the friends of the workers on the land. when they are exactly the opposite. These are instead the real enemies of the farmers.

dustry, on the other hand, is the natural ally of the worker on the land; not only of the farm hands who work for meager wages, but of the millions of landless farmers, the tenant, share and crop farmers, who wander from one farm to another to battle with the soil for a bare living, just as the wage worker follows his job.

The city and land workers are natural allies because they are both victims of the same system of exploitation. They are both members of the same class, the working class, held in subjection by the capitalist class.

To be sure, neither the American

Federation of Labor nor the American Farm Bureau Federation recognize the class struggle. Both organizations under their present leadership deny that they have any class interests. On the other hand, they insist that they have common interests with their enemy class. This results in the leadership of the A. F. of L. and its affiliated international unions, developing their class collaboration schemes in the industrial struggle, and adhering to the capitalist political parties. It results in the leadership of this farmers' organization inviting Cal Coolidge to be its chief spokesman last year, and this year clinging desperately to the coat tails of the multimillionaire, Frank O. Lowden, an "old guardist" republican who is anxious to take "Silent Cal's" place in the White House. Under the cloak of "non-partisanship," both these organizations of the workers and farmers, are delivered by their leaders into the camp of Wall Street politics.

Carl Haessler, of the Federated Press, reports the publicity director of the Farm Bureau Federation as declaring that, "The workers and farmers do not know each other very well." This is too true.

It seems that the farmers, even the type of farmers gathered here, are willing to make some advances to the city workers. An Indiana delegate raised the issue on the floor, declaring that in his state the city workers and farmers were beginning to co-operate. The same is true in other sections of the nation. But the Chicago Federation of Labor officials missed a splendid opportunity to defy labor's enemies, the bankers of La Salle Street, the grain gamblers on the board of trade and the open shoppers of the Manufacturers' Association and the chamber of commerce, by failing to make advances to the farmers gathered here.

It is reported that Newton Jenkins, the lawyer, erstwhile candidate for United States senator on the LaFollette ticket, who is attorney for the Illinois Federation of Labor, is carrying on negotiations between the labor officialdom and the heads of the Illinois Agricultural Assoication, the Illinois organization of the farm bureau, for the purpose of getting joint action in the establishment of a farm bank in the state. This would at least signify a faint beginning of farmerlabor co-operation, abortive tho it

Intensive pressure must be brot to bear, however, by the masses of wage workers and the poorest farmers and farm workers, in spite of the officialdom if necessary, to force united action of the city with the land. Such action will find an expression in the development of the labor party, in which the growing class consciousness of the workers will struggle against the instruments of their oppressors, the republican and democratic parties. Forward to the unity of the wage workers with the farm workers.

### CURRENT EVENTS

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

Continued from Page 1.) Shiplacoff of the International for a while. Then he was struck by misfortune. But a fair lady by the The committee that signed this name of Clendenin did not know that the baron bought his clothes on the

socialist heads of the International How would you like to have a little Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, who I saintly shinbone in your home? are now trying to grab the New York Here is your opportunity. Fragments of the International, all day and night Joint Board from the radicals in the of apostolic bones were located by the underworld elements are being midst of a strike. This support is some indefatigable explorers and are mobilized for the attack upon the pro-deserved. The capitalists rarely make now offered for sale by the Chicago gressive leadership of the New York a mistake in picking friends. Right Historical Society. According to a wing socialists sneer at a united front document, the bishop of Milan in 1729 The striking cloakmakers are plan- of labor, but wherever they see half a ordered a case made for the bones ning a big drive to enlist the support | chance to snuggle closer to the bosses

 $B^{\rm ECAUSE,~in}$  the opinion of Frank P. Graves, commissioner of education for the state of New York, the We will send sample copies of The Civil Liberties Union could have found some other place to test a free speech fight, the commissioner upheld the board of education in refusing the use Why don't you write it up? It may of the schoolroom to the union. There is nothing strange or startling about

this ruling. It only offers further proof that our "institutions" are built and sustained to serve the interests of the ruling classes. The sooner this fact is impressed on the workers the sooner will they begin thinking of organizing a labor party. \* \* \*

THE SUNDAY WORKER of England carries a picture showing the loudmouthed Lord Birkenhead, alias "Galloping Smith," shaking hands with his damaged in the world war that he is nicely-dressed ladies got into the picture, and they seemed to enjoy the scene. The wages of fighting for the capitalists is worse than death.

and entrusted them to the charge of a Viennese priest to display for the veneration of the faithful. Holy shinbones! What next?



# ALL EYES TURN **CHINAWARDS AT SUNDAY MEETING**

## Canton Envoy to Tell of China's Struggle

The challenge of the Canton revoutionary government to the league of nations, the softened British attitude towards the new power in China and the probable appeal for truce by the Chinese militarists following the unprecedented victories of the armles of liberation, brings China to the forefront of world events and presents a situation that all conscious workers find themselves wanting to cnow about.

First Canton Envoy.

Chicago workers are particularly fortunate in being in a position to hear at first hand about the revolution in China. Sze Toa Chan, the first authorized representative of the Canton government to come to the United States, will speak at Northwest Hall, North Ave. and Western on Sunday at 8 p. m. His subject will be, "China's Great Struggle for Freedom." Sze Toa Chan was formerly minister of education in the Canton Nationalist government. Last year he was sent on a special mission to Japan. He is in this country making an investigation of educational

Ruthenberg to Speak.

C. E. Ruthenberg, general secreary of the Workers (Communist) Party, will speak at the meeting on behalf of the revolutionary workingclass movement in this country which is in entire sympathy with the liberation struggles of the Chinese. The meeting is arranged by the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, whose United States secretary, Manuel Gomez, will address the meeting.

On the program are Chinese musical numbers that will acquaint many workers for the first time with one form of Chinese art with which most occidentals are entirely unfamiliar. Airs from Chinese operas will be sung by soloists and an instrument called the Chinese banjo will offer unique entertainment.

# CALL CONFERENCE IN LOS ANGELES

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 9.—All labor mions and other working class organizations have been invited to atend a conference to devise ways and means of aiding in the campaign to Keep the DAILY WORKER" here Monday night, Dec. 13, at 322 West Second street, near Hill street. The conference will be called at 8 o'clock. A letter has been sent to each organization by the Los Angeles committee to "Keep The DAILY WORKER." Each organization is

irged to send two delegates. The letter says in part: "The DAILY WORKER, which for three years has stood in the forefront of the workers' struggles, is coming to you for help. In all strugges of the workers The DAILY WORKER has been the militant voice of the workers telling the facts about their fights and encouraging them to go forward. It has had a difficult time to keep alive, but it has kept its flag flying and shown the way for the workers' struggles. Now it is in danger. It must have help in order to meet its crisis and to build a solid foundation for its future work. We must Keep The DAILY WORKER, so that it can inform the workers daily about the development of their struggles, guide these struggles and consolidate the forces of the working class."

# ATTEND CONCERT

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.-A grand con cert will be held this Sunday afternoon, Dec. 12, at 2 o'clock, at Yorkville Lyceum, 216 East 86th street, to "Bring The DAILY WORKER to New York." Every worker is invited to attend this affair, the proceeds from which go to The DAILY WORKER campaign fund.

### New York Tourist Club in Sunday Hike

Last Sunday the elements had a great surprise in store. A snowstorm whipped by a strong east wind combined to make this the most enjoyable hike in years. The Jamaica woods looked like the Canadian wilds. Snowdrifts made walking rather difficult, but nevertheless pleasant. After two hours of walking and a huge camp fire under shelter, we made our way home, red cheeked and happy. Next Sunday, Dec. 12, we hike to Staten Island. Meeting place, Staten Island ferry house, South Ferry (inside); time, 8:30 a. m.; fare, 10 cents; walking time, 8 hours; leader, Helen Duerr.

# Vote 'Save'the Union' Ticket

# LEWIS MACHINE

# Head Answers Lies

Continued from Page 1.) "red" remarks since. We know now that he did not mean it because he has sabotaged these ideas ever since. Now we have just received an undeted circular, which is a pot-pourri of half-truths and out and out untruths, the whole being false and misleading.

Fake Local Unions. The circular purports to be from five locals of district two, but a little observation makes it clear that it is a national organizer's inspiration. We find on our district books that one of the locals, whose officers' names are signed to the letter, consists of seven exonerated members and one tax-paying member—an international organizer: another local since May has been composed of a few exonerated members and one tax-paying member-another international organizer:

a third has 331/2 members. Locals of minds of the men of District Two. Some Examples.

at my command to refute every misstatement of fact expressed in this circular, but one or two examples will pears thruout. For instance they at tempt to prove that I do not even try to enforce my slogan "Sign for all the mines or none" in my own district. "Cunard Steamship Company" reads the circular, "are permitted to operate Miller Shaft Coal company at Portage, Pa., union, and Morrisdale Coal company of the same interest operating at Morrisdale Mines, scab." The facts of the matter are these: Over a year ago the Morrisdale men, who had grown weak in spirit from a long period of slack work and from aumbers of men under direct company influence who had worked their way into the local, broke from the union and went back to work for a reduction. I myself spoke at meet ings there urging them to strike and appeared on the picket line after the break came, traspassing on company property, being threatened by company guards, and as each group of miners appeared at the shaft I urged thom not to fall for the worthless promises made them by the company and asked them not to go to work. But in their weak spirit they returned in spite of all we could do, as men have also done in Districts 5, 17, 29, 21 and other districts in spite of everything the officers of those dis-

tricts did. Shaft Closed Two Years. At the time the Miller Shaft at Portage had been shut down for nearly two years. It was impossible to pull it out on strike for it was already shut down for about two years. Recently the Miller Shaft Coal company opened the mine again on the Jacksonville agreement. Altho the miners at Morrisdale had been working non-union for over a year and although the connection between the Morrisdale Coal company and the Miller Shaft Coal company is very vague (the only proof being that the same superintendent spends part of his time at both) I personally appeared a short time ago to the Morrisdale mon-unionists and told them if they would strike for the union contract I would refuse to let the Miller Shaft resume operations until they at Morrisdale got the scale, They were too cowardly to join. So this is a case of the miners themselves at Morrisdale not even being members of the union, so how could a much smaller mine, the Miller Shaft, which had been shut down for over two years, be used to enforce the former contract at Morrisdale. These are the facts not given in this national-inspired circular, and the other misrepresentations are as far-fetched as

Pay For Car-Pushing.

Referring to car-pushing, I have always done everything ressible under sonditions in our district to have this evil eliminated, On account of the anusually thin seams in our district, this could not be accomplished over night. Because of the fight we have waged in District 2 against car-pushing, we have obtained payment of six cents a ton where there is car-push-



By B. K. GEBERT.

TNDUSTRIAL peace is secured for than 30 cents per inch."

7. A five-day work cite region," declared John L. Lewis "Save the Union" Ticket & Co. So said also the operators and business men, and the press lauded the agreement signed by the union officials and the coal companies.

This happened just nine months ago, after five and a half months of a strike of 150,000 miners, a strike which was so courageously conducted by the miners, with suffering on the part of them and of their families, and which was betrayed by the union bureaucrats.

At the tri-district convention held in Scranton June 29 to July 2, 1925, delegates formulated the following demands, among others:

1. We demand the next contract to he for a period of two years, with complete recognition of the United Mine Workers of America.

2. We demand that the contract wage scale shall be increased 10 per cent; all day men shall be granted an increase of \$1 per day.

3. We demand uniformity and equalization of all day rates.

4. We demand that where coal is this character do not represent the new paid for by the car it shall be changed and payment shall be made on the ton basis of 2,240 pounds; pres-It is impossible in the short time ent unreasonable penalties and dockage shall be abolished.

5. We demand payment for all and company men shall be supplied provided, among other things, "a comwith tools free of charge.

own, they are not permitted to work the side of the operators. at the face of their regular working

company.

Progressive delegates urged increase working hours increased. ing the demand to a 20 per cent raise and \$2 for day men.

mission consisting of Hon. Charles their militancy. 6. We demand that a uniform rate Evans Hughes, Hon. James J. Davis,

top and bottom rock shall not be less settle strikes. The commission, as we strikes. All grievances shall be setsee, is composed of well-known ser-7. A five-day work week shall be vants of capitalism. For this John L. ficials, or sent to the conciliation established. Contract miners shall be Lewis surrendered. Lewis, in other provided with work at the considera- words, gave up the fight for the min-

housing situation in many sections of in the mines unchanged. It was one the anthracite region; equalization of of the hardest blows that the miners work at all collieries under any one in the anthracite district ever re-

The Hudson Coal Co. even went so far as to ask the conciliation board The United Mine Workers were in to forbid the union to organize unorposition to get these demands. The ganized miners. This company used Brennan. They are for unity with the rank and file stood solidly behind a plan of a "get together" of bosses them. But the leadership of the union and miners, by giving suppers, on days ganizing the unorganized; they are for -Lewis, Cappellini, Kennedy and when there were meetings of the Golden-in the time of struggle re- union. At these suppers actors were treated from this position. They sur- brought to entertain the miners by

Against the cutting of wages, not Lewis & Co. threw the miners' de- paying for props, timbers and rock, nands overboard on February 8, 1926. extending working hours to 4:30 p.m., They accepted in principle the propo- the miners in many locals went on sheet iron, props, timber, forepoling, sition of the millionaire publisher of strike. In one instance they even deserve to show the falsity which ap-extra and abnormal shoveling; miners the Scranton Times, a proposal which manded the discharge of a mine boss who had discharged four miners for

But all the strikes were crushed by

Alex Howat

tled by the boss with the union ofboard.

Officials of the union are under direct influence of the bosses. It comes to this, that if the any miner comes out openly in a union meeting in the interest of the union he is persecuted by the bosses. He is given a job on which he cannot stay and finally finds himself out of work.

Miners are terrorized by union of ficials and bosses. Free speech in the region is only for officials of the union. If any opposition against officialdom tries to get public expression, it is found that its voice cannot be heard; halls are closed to them.

At the present time the miners more and more realize that the fight against the bosses and their own officialdom is the same. Miners every where in the anthracite region, if only the news reaches them, are for the program of Brophy, Stevenson and hituminous region; they are for or nationalization of the mines: they are for a labor party; they are for the reinstatement of Alex Howat and others.

Yes, anthracite miners are once more coming to fight for bettering their conditions, for a strong union, for a radical policy.

Yes, the anthracite miners are forming in line to save the union.

There is no peace in the anthracite. There is a fight on—a fight by the miners against bosses, against operators, and their servants in the United Mine Workers—a fight to win a place

# IS INTRODUCED

### Dill Demands Senate Shut Door on Pair

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9. - Resolutions to bar Frank L. Smith of Illinois and William S. Vare of Pennsylvania from ever being seated in the senate were introduced Thursday by Sen. Dill of Washington. The resolutions came as a bombshell in the senate, CANTON TELLS republican leaders not expecting any THE WORLD action on the corruption charges against the two senators-elect until the next congress.

Would Deny Privileges.

Dill asked that the senate prevent the two from even exercising their privileges as senators elect, and urged that they be refused the privileges of even presenting their credentials, closing the senate doors in their face should they arrive.

Expenditures of such huge sums of money to secure the nomination tainted Vare's credentials before they came into being, Dill said.

Hits Insuil Donation.

tribution by Smith show such lack of INTERNATIONAL The acceptance of the Insull conconsideration for sound policy on the WEEKLY REVIEW part of a man aspiring to high office, that the senate should declare him disqualified on that ground alone, he

Not only a summary of the outstanding events of the week internationally but also a political analysis of those events. Comrade Shachtman is one of the most brilliant of the young journalists in the Communist movement. He is a member of the execcommittee of the Young Workers League and editor of the Labor Defender, official organ of the I. L. D.

By Walt Carmon

A short story of a few Mexicans on their way to work in our famous stockyards. They murmur "Jesus, Mary and Joseph" at every opportunity and a catholic street car conductor mutters time I seek a little fresh air by opening the window a little, he flies to protect his nasal organs. And we are fifty blocks from there. And that means about six miles.

# HE HAD JOINED

THE NAVY

POWER AND

By N. Sparks

on the Machine Age. The second will appear in the next issue of the New Mag azine.

IN THE WAKE

OF THE NEWS

rations in the United States and some not so important. The writer aims to be instructive and interesting and

**CARTOONS** 

By Hay Bates

Other features may come and go but Hay goes on forever drawing his propaganda pictures for the American workingclass. Good art and good propaganda.

OTHER FEATURES

Cartoons by Becker, Vose, Jer-

Shaw, L. Yates and Everett Statler. | Sports - Theater - Movie

BROPHY REFUTES The Struggle of the Anthracite Miners RESOLUTION TO STATEMENTS OF The Struggle of the Anthracite Miners BAR VARE, SMIT

These demands came from the union

rendered, point by point, to the coal making jokes at the expense of the operators, and finally the operators union and unionism. were on the offensive.

Stop Election Stealing!

tion rate when, thru no fault of their ers' demands and came out openly on Finally the operators were victorious. On February 11, 1926, an agree-Supplementary demands called for ment was made in Philadelphia which repairs, rebuilding and erection of new provides for a five-year contract, arbibuildings, necessary to relieve the tration and efficiency, and conditions

ceived. But this is not the end of the story. and were necessary to maintain a After the signing of this agreement, standard of living and to improve the the operators launched an offensive conditions of the miners. Nobody could against the union. Step by step it is peak against these demands. They undermining the union, and making were recognized as conservative. conditions worse. Wages are cut;

of 20 cents per inch be paid for refuse and Hon. Gifford Pinchot." This com- district officials. They came to meetin all kinds of mining up to 10 feet mission was to be empowered to in- ings and said that, under the contract

The resolutions were ordered "laid in the sun for miners and their fami- on the table," but can be recalled at any time for vote.

(Continued from Page 1.) the mercy of the coal barons.

A GAINST these union wrecking pol- IT CALLS UPON ALL THE MEM-icies and activities of Lewis the BERS OF THE UNITED MINE "Save the Union Bloc" offers a pro- WORKERS OF AMERICA TO LINE gram for the immediate strengthening UP SOLIDLY BEHIND THE "SAVE of the union and policies which will THE UNION BLOC" IN THE ELECre-establish it as a fighting union of TION NEXT TUESDAY AND OUST the miners, which has been the pride JOHN L. LEWIS AND HIS MACHINE of the organized labor movement in FROM THE LEADERSHIP OF THE this country.

The "Save the Union Bloc" pledges tself to an immediate campaign to THE UNORGANIZED. organize the unorganized miners into which all the forces of the union will be thrown. This is the basic necessity SPRING. for preserving the miners' union and strengthening it for the struggle which TION OF THE MINES. the union will face with the expiration of the Jacksonville agreement. The A LABOR PARTY. unorganized miners must be brought | ELECT THE "SAVE THE UNION nto the union to "Save the Union' a fighting organization of the work-

TTHE Nationalization of the Mines. which is the second point in the program of the "Save the Union Bloc" is the only solution of the present chaotic condition in the coal industry. It is only thru nationalization of the mines can be eliminated, hours of work reduced further and production regulated so as to give regular em-

ployment to all the miners. Party, which the "Save the Union Bloc" advocates, must go with the campaign for nationalization. It is only if nationalization is accompanied by the organization of the political power of the workers, making it possible for them to carry on an independent political struggle against the government which represents the mine owners, that nationalization will secure these benefits for the mine work-

I the reinstatement of Alex Howat to full rights in the union, together with fighters for the miners whom Lewis has expelled.

before the miners on a program which contains the minimum of action necessary to again restore the union to the powerful position it has held in the mining industry and to enable it to

The leaders of the "Save the Union Bloc" are not Communists. They are not pledged to the full Communist program for the miners' union. The "Save the Union Bloc" includes individuals and I had taken about a dozen steps who are opposed only to the Lewis machine, it includes honest progressives who stand for a move forward by the miners' union, but who do not yet see

# on Election in the Miners' Union

The "Save the Union" Ticket.

Support the formation of a Labor

The "Save the Union Bloc" comes

truthful and slanderous than this? cause the Journal has in the past re- between Ben Dillon and Joe Winkler, need of the hour such a united front Henry Kaiser was re-elected treas- fight to SAVE THE UNION from the district officers and myself, organized in answer to soonsations made in the urer, and Charles Runge won the of- results of Lewis' reactionary policies John Driscoll, John Ireland, Roy

The Workers (Communist) Party

James C. Petrillo was re-elected the need of a full left wing program;

of all the groups who are ready to

MINERS' UNION. VOTE FOR ORGANIZATION OF VOTE FOR STRENGTHENING OF VOTE FOR THE NATIONALIZA

ED MINE WORKERS' UNION AS A FIGHTING ORGANIZATION OF THE MINERS.

C. E. Ruthenberg, General Secretary.

# Against Kansas Strike

dispose of the question as to whether puted wage claim of a union member. He said there is no "absolute right to strike" in this country.

Dorchy has now asked the Supreme the reinstatement of all the militant Court for a rehearing, on the ground that the compulsory features of the Kansas industrial court law do not apply to coal mines.

### 30 Killed as Dust **Explosion Shatters** Mine in Indiana

(Continued from Page 1.) his bed at the Methodist Hospital described the disaster.

"I was the last man out of the cage," said Shafer. "It shot upward when there was a sudden gust of wind so strong it knocked me and the others flat on our backs, it was a ter rific blast."

tial list of the identified dead as given by J. L. Kremeyer, mine official, fol

W. T. Byrd, Charles Junkin, W. H.

SUPERPOWER The first of two articles

for the New Magazine.

seems to get away with it.

OF THE WEEK

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### THE TIME LIMIT. See that this does not happen in this election. 14. See the original return sheets are mailed right after the count is finished in a registered letter to the international office. See that the

Continued from Page 1.)

sheets are mailed in the envelope provided for this purpose and that the blanks on the envelope are filled out correctly. 15. Insist on your right to inspect all return sheets before they are sealed up. This will prevent a crooked secretary from switching the re-

16. As soon as the count is completed and the return sheets mailed, write or wire the result of the electon in your local union to "The Coal Miners," P. O. BOX 8, SPRINGFIELD, ILL.

17. If crooked election methods are used in spite of all precautions, AND THIS REFERS TO ALL KINDS OF ELECTION CORRUPTION, IN-CLUDING THE VOTING OF BLUE SKY LO-CALS, the constitution provides:

tellers NOT LATER THAN TEN DAYS AFTER THE ELECTION, by some responsible member of the local union whose vote is contested. 18. If a fake local has no members at all or simply is composed of machine tools, the pro-

All contests in connection with the vote of any

local union must be filed with the international

test should be made by the members of nearby 19. Send into "The Coal Miner" a short description of every crooked method which the machine is discovered using in the election as

- 20. See that the election takes place at the mine if the mine is working. If the vote is taken at the hall see that it is done during working hours.

soon after the occurrence as possible.

21. First and last-MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO GET OUT A FULL VOTE OF THE MEM-BERSHIP. 22. MAKE THE MACHINE OFFICIALS UN-DERSTAND FROM THE BEGINNING THAT YOU INTEND to INSIST ON YOUR CONSTITU-

AND AN HONEST COUNT. 23. See that there is no electioneering while the voting is going on. Electioneering in or near the polling place is

5 and other districts, no compensa- fighters against the coal operators ex-

in violation of the constitution.

tion is provided for this work.

Shows Disastrous Policy.

made no attempt to save the union

non-union men to the extent of 20,000 Journal

TIONAL RIGHT AND HAVE AN HONEST VOTE

sas Industrial Court, served 17 months

in jail as a result, was removed from

office and expelled from U. M. W. of

A. while in jail, by order of John L.

Lewis. Howat has just finished a

speaking tour for the "Save the Un-

Joseph Tumulty

JUSEPP. JUNULTY "Save the Union" candidate for President of District 12, (Illinois).

ing until the proper machinery is in- in 1922 and held them on strike for stalled to eliminate it. The authors nearly a year after the International of this circular of my opponents called off the coke region strike. The minds of the men with trivialities and neglect to call attention to the fact reason we lost those men, just as we that a number of districts submitted have lost others since them, is bed complaints about car-pushing before cause the very companies we were the 1920 coal commission including striking against in District 2 were Districts 2 and 5. The language used signed up and permitted to work in in the circular under Rule 34 is the other districts in accordance with the decision of that coal commission. policy of the International officers, What rule 34 of our agreement does Even at the present time the internaprovide for, which is carefully omit- tional organizers who are flooding ted in the circular, is the fact that the unionized parts of this district where there is car-pushing in our distare spending their time playing pol- Petrillo Re-elected trict, the operator pays six cents a itics, slandering myself and attemptton to the miner, whereas in District ing to have some of our most active

They also say that "Brophy has gressive policies, No doubt this letter from my opencreachment of non-union opera- Workers' Journal, Equally there is tors," Could anything be more un- no doubt that this reply will not, be-The fact is that organizers appointed peatedly refused to publish state former president. by me, with the active help of the ments by me, even though they were

pelled on false charges from the or-

Circulars such as that are issued for no other reason than to fill the o keep their attention from the real issues. I feel confident that the rank and file recognize its contents for win new gains for the miners. what it is-last minute political bunk. With every good wish, I am fraernally yours. (Signed by) JOHN BROPHY

Musicians' President

ganization because they favor pro- president of the Chicago Federation of it includes left wingers who stand for Musicians at the election held Tues- making the miners' union a militant day, Edward A, Benkerl was re- fighting organization against the caporganization in District 2 from the ponents will be published in the Mine elected secretary without opposition. Italist class and capitalist system. Petrillo received 2,000 out of 3,000 THE crisis which the United Mine 

fice of financial secretary, and betrayals

# Workers Party Issues Statement

THE "Save the Union Bloc" supports

and the "Save the Union Bloc."

The Workers (Communist) Party policies in the union means the wreck may find itself in disagreement with of the union, leaving the workers at some of the leaders and supporters of the "Save the Union Bloc" in the A GUITAR IN future over questions of policy, BUT THE RAIN

THE UNION FOR THE FIGHT NEXT

VOTE FOR THE FORMATION OF

Central Committee, Workers (Communist) Party,

# mines that the worked-out, high cost Dorchy Asks Rehearing On Brandeis Decision

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9. Supreme Court Justice Brandies' recent decision in the case of August Dorchy, vicepresident of the Kansas district of the United Mine Workers, does not finally the Kansas industrial court can iail Dorchy for a year because he called a strike. That strike was called to force a coal company to pay a dis-Brandies upheld the Kansas industrial court in finding this strike "illegal."

Shoots Flame. The explosion shot a flame 100 fee into the air. About 125 rescue work ers are on the job working their way to the bodies in the shaft. The par-

Slater, John Dailey, John Helsey,

By Manuel Gomes The first installment of this article appeared in the

Saturday, December 11

New Magazine last week. Tomorrow's article deals principally with the Philippines, a part of the world that is very dear to the hearts of the American imperialists but which may cost the American workingclass dearly in lives unless they co-operate with the Fili-

pinos in their fight for in-

dependence.

By Max Shachtman

almost continually: "What the bloody hell?" "The breath of the stockyards crawls thru every pore," says Carmon. If you don't believe him ask the little editor who sits next to this anonymous writer. Every

By C. A. Moseley Moseley can tell an interesting character by the cut of his jib. Let him see a fellow sitting on a bench in a park and he can tell by the way he tickles his midriff whether he needs a meal or not. Besides this personal incident Moseley turns out "Proletarian Odes" weekly

By T. J. O'Flaherty Covers important transpi-

McCannon, H. J. Turner, Orville ger. Poems by Covington Ami, Jim Wallace, Oscar Ryan.



# TELL OF POLICE TERROR AGAINST PASSAIC UNION

### 11 Workers Held Two Months, No Charge

ing men imprisoned two months without indictment! Eleven working men beaten and tortured by cruel police third degree methods-some of them forced to sign papers they could not read, false "confessions" which Jersey justice may use against them. Eleven men held on such high bail that the Passaic textile workers' union cannot get the amount. Eleven workers held on the flimsiest charges of bombingwith bombs that were only holiday firecrackers. And then most of these workers had no connection with even the firecracker bombs.

### Moving Story.

"Prisoners of the Passaic Strike" is a moving personal story of these eleven New Jersey working men. Hol lace Ransdell tells the stories of their arrests and beatings simply and graph ically. Some of the men were leaders among the striking wool textile workers who have been fighting nearly a

Some were friends, or had wive striking from the mills. Not one could be mistaken for a criminal. The booklet comes from the joint committee for Passaic defense, organized by the American Civil Liberties Union and the International Labor Defense. I appeals for financial aid for the fight of these eleven working men for free-

### Big Defense Needed.

"We have enough Tom Mooney and Sacco-Vanzetti cases now," writes Hollace Ransdell in concluding her "If energetic action is taken at once, another such case may be prevented from developing." She is secretary of the joint defense committee, with offices at room 14, 743 Main avenue, Passaic, N. J., to which funds should go.

Strike prisoner statistics from Passaic are printed on the back of the booklet. More than 800 workers arrested and arrests still occurring almost daily; total bail still out, \$234,-000; total bail withdrawn, \$130,000; total bail paid, \$601,550. Bail demanded for the eleven men spending their third month in jails awaiting indictment is \$290,000.

### Reed Starts Action.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9. - Senator Reed of Missouri, has called a meeting of his slush fund committee to draft plans for investigating charges of irregularities in the Pennsylvania, Maine and other elections.



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# PIÒNEERS FROM ILLINOIS, WISCONSIN, MISSOURI AND INDIANA, HELD VERY SUCCESSFUL MEETING IN CHICAGO

FOR two full days representatives of eral situation in the district, given n District No. 8 (Illinois, parts of Wisconsin, Missouri and Indiana) de- followed this report a certain number iberated on the situation of the revolutionary children's movement in this of the party and the league. section and laid a firm basis for the NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Eleven work- activities of the Pioneer League in the next period of time.

This first district convention was one of the largest, best-represented and most successful ever held in this country. There were thirty Pioneer delegates (13 from organizations in Chicago and 13 from out-of-town organizations, such as Milwaukee, St. four representatives of the Workers' Commuunist) Party and the Young gates and reporters) participated in Workers (Communist) League, and seven Pioneer leaders, thus making a total of 41 participants in the convention, besides a number of reporters on special subjects who were not regular delegates.

### "Young Pioneer Review."

The convention was opened on the vening of Friday, Nov. 3, by a splendid Young Pioneer review, a welcome convention" affair given by the Chicago Young Pioneers in honor of the convention. This affair was marked by an exceptionally good program and speeches by representatives of the party and the league.

Convention Opens. At just noon Saturday the convention was officially opened by the district Pioneer director. It then immediately proceeded to business and elected the following permanent officers: Chairman, Paul Bucha (Hammond, Ind); assistant chairman, Natie Goldstein (Sparacus group, Chicago); secretary, Paula (Waukegan, Ill.) assistant secretary, Anna Mittelman (Lawson School group, Chicago).

Ruthenberg Greeted with Cheers. Here a scene happened which no delegate at the convention is likly to forget in a hurry. Comrade C. E. Ruthenberg had just completed his lecture at the Young Workers Communist League National Training School, which was held in the same building, and was leaving when the Pioneers caught sight of him and began cheering and demanding that he speak. Comrade Ruthenberg's appearance on the platform was greeted with long, enthusiastic cheers such as only Pioneers know how to make. The general secretary of the Workers (Communist) Party gave the party greetings to the Pioneer convention and pointed to the leading role which the Russian Pioneers of early revolutionary days are playing now as an indication of the great tasks that faced the American Pioneers.

Trumbuli Speaks for National School Immediately after Comrade Ruthenberg came Comrade Walter Trumbull of the Young Workers League National school to give the greetings of that body to the Pioneer convention.

Convention Proceeds to Business. The convention then continued its business and elected three committees, a credentials committee, a greetings committee and a resolutions committee. It was immediately decided by the Pioneers to send greetings to the Russian Pioneers, the Chinese revolutionary movement, the Los Angeles Pioneer convention that was taking the whole convention, and then only place at about the same time, and to Sam Miron, now in the east, who had been the camp leader in Chicago during the last summer.

### Reports of Pioneer Organizations in District.

The convention then passed on to consideration of the reports of the various Pioneer organizations in the disrict. The reports, one and all, showed the great advance in activity that had taken place in the last period of time and indicated that the Pioneers were really throwing themselves into their proper activities, especially the school struggle. The difficulties were practically everywhere the same: lack of leaders, imperfect co-operation with party and league, lack of headquarters, lack of finances.

## Swabeck Reports for Party.

This was followed by the greetings and report of Comrade Arne Swabeck district organizer of District 8 of the party. His report of the activities of the party was closely and intelligently followed by the assembled Pioneers. Report of District Pioneer Director. After a brief lunch the convention

To better understand the present situation in the Russian Communist Party, read the earlier and now historical differences ex-

proceeded to hear a report on the gen-

# **LENINISM TROTSKYISM**

plained in

by G. E. Zinoviev I. Stalin L. Kamenev

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the various Pioneer organizations by the district Pioneer director. As a consequence of the discussion that of requests were framed, to be asked

Valeria Meltz Reports for League. The district organizer of the Young Workers' League, Valeria Meltz, then followed with her greetings and re

port. After the discussion on this re-

port the convention adjourned, to re assemble early the next day. The adjournment was followed by a sort of joint banquet of the Pioneer delegates and the students of the Louis, Hammond, Waukegan, etc.), Young Workers' League National School. Thirty-nine Pioneers (delethis, along with the students. The

### preceded the festivities.

singing of the International and the

mass recitation of the Pioneer pledge

Reports and Discussions. Early Sunday morning the detailed reports and discussions began and lasted till about 5 p. m. in the after noon. Lack of space prevents us from giving even the barest details as to those reports and discussions. We must, however, say that for spontaneity, for concreteness, for correct policies and for a thoro understanding of the problems faced, these reports and discussions (in which practically every Pioneer delegate participated can bear favorable comparison with any gathering, not only of the children but even of the youth or of adult workers. The older comrades who were present were simply astonished at the seriousness and effectiveness with which the problems were attack ed and solved. Unfortunately, we can here merely list the reports and name the reporters: Pioneer Responsibility. by Paul Bucha: Reorganization, by Max Weiss; The School Struggle, by Tillie Lurye; Child Labor, by Jackie Cohen: The Young Comrade and Press, by Isadore Bernick; Sports Work, by Natie Goldstein: Negro Work, by Julius Houser; Opponents Work, by Martin Miroff; Relief and Defense Work, by Eva Greenspoon, and The Russian Young Pioneers, by Bobby Markoff. As mentioned, each report was followed by a lively and spirited discussion and concluded with the reading of a special resolution pre pared in the resolutions committee.

### Representative of Parents' Council Speaks.

After the reports Comrade Segall of the Parents' Council addressed the delegates on the relation of the Pioneers to the children.

The national Pioneer department then presented its greetings and the convention proceeded to the election of the Pioneer members of the Pioneer district committee. This concluded the convention, which adjourned amidst the singing of the International.

For those older workers who have lways assumed that children are just cute playthings and can do nothing by themselves, but must have every thing done for them, this convention was a revelation. It showed children seriously, but not self-consciously, engaged in solving the problems of their America-in the class struggle. No more than two leaders spoke thruout two or three times. The convention was left entirely in the hands of the Young Pioneers of America has emerged in Chicago, as in many other parts of the country, as a real fighting movement of proletarian children, not simply an educational organization, but a militant movement of struggle. The Chicago district has taken its place among the very best districts of the country.

### Won't Indict Herrin Sheriff for Murder, Belief After Arrest

ional feeling is removed from the ase pending against former sheriff eorge Galligan, arrested on a murer charge, the chances for an indictent on the charge was regarded ere as slight.

Galligan was taken into custody ing sheriff and he immediately filed a bond of \$5,000.

# Reformatory Inmates

reformatory filled out questionnaires long to print. which were submitted to them their own views as to the cause of their Only 1.33 per cent attributed it to has been much agitation, while 7 per cent mentioned lack of employment. Twelve per cent thought that their downfall was due to the need of money with which to show the girls a good time, while only 11 per cent age, 35, went to bad associates.

One boy, who perhaps unknowingly concurs with many penologists, wrote

# RUSSIAN FILM,

### Amkino, U. S. Arm of Sovkino, Producer

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—Potemkin, the Russian workers' moving picture of the revolt of the armored cruiser Potemkin in the 1905 revolution, has appeared on Broadway for the approval of New York audiences. The first night brought out the critics and a packed house. The strong sweep of the picture, which gives no conventional story but plays life itself, carried its audience thrugut. The original music composed by Edmund Meisel of Berlin completed the triumph of

### Other Features.

Preceding Potemkin, which is short for its scope, several features are given in the Broadway showing. Roaming Over Russia, a scenic of Russian life and the country-particularly of the Caucasus-is full of alluring sights. American workers seeing the palatial residences of former pobility now used by Russian workers as rest nomes in the Caucasus envy their prothers abroad that good fortune. A horus of Russian sailors sings folk ongs and stages a vigorous dance to fill out the evening's entertainment.

More Coming. Amkino is the American arm of the he Russian moving picture industry Sovkino, which produced Potemkin. Amkino is responsible for the American presentation of the film and will follow Potemkin with The Bear's Wedding. The Station Master and other films featuring former Moscow Art Theater members, or, like Potemkin, great groups of workers re-enacting their own struggles.

Potemkin is showing twice daily at he Biltmore Theater.

### 'Experts" in Trial of Hall-Mills Murder Get Big Rakeoff from Case

SOMERVILLE, N. J., Dec. 9 .- The cost of the Hall-Mills murder trial will be at least \$150,000, it was estimated by special prosecutor Alexander Simpson in a list of bills made

Outstanding expenses of the trial vere \$50,000 for handwriting experts and \$50,000 for firearms experts, other expenses, ranging from \$2,000 to \$5,000, were for fingerprint experts and general expenses of the investi-

### Bars Insolvent Organizations. HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 9. - The

state insurance commissioner has announced the revocation of licenses to 13 fraternal insurance organizations. barring them from writing further insurance in the state. The list includes the Modern Woodmen of America, of Rock Island, Ill., which the commissioner asserts is only 55 per cent sol-

credit" in the middle west farm belt, which is blamed for a score of recent bank failures in lowa, is "showing every indication of spreading, and unless the situation is corrected it will become serious," President Coolidge was informed today by Allen Moore, republican national committeeman from Illinois, who called at the white house and talked farm relief with the executive. Moore informed Mr. Coolidge there is no let-up in the grain belt's demands for relief legislation

### Seek to Avoid Action on Resolution

ate in the senate.

of Kansas, floor leader, sought to have things. the resolution referred to the senate elections committee without adopting it. The author, Senator Walsh of Montana, insisted the senate should

down the line.

The controversy over disposition of the government \$150,000,000 Muscle urday, Dec. 25, at Mirror Hall, 1140 N. Shoals project was reopened when Western Ave., near Division street. Senator Ernst of Kentucky introduced a bill containing a new bid for the quested not to arrange other affairs on property by a group of New York financiers, headed by C. Bascom. Slemp, former secretary to the president.

draw the United States from the world court was taken this afternoon, when Senator Tramell of Florida introduced a resolution to rescind American adherence to the tribunal.

# BOOTLEGGING, GUN-PLAY, AND OTHER CRIMES CLAIM CHICAGO'S ATTENTION

guns, chiefs of police, state's attor- year ago. "Crime," he says, "Is not neys, and funerals with flower dis-\$20,000. It is all starkly grotesque, and crime continue to occupy the same one syllable for immature readers. First, there is Joe Saltis, South Side

beer chief, acquitted of the murder of John J. Foley, rounded up at detective bureau on a gun-toting charge, MARION, Ill., Dec. 9.—With the geland complaining to Chief of Deteceral impression prevailing that fac- tives William H. Schoemaker and his deputy, John Stege, over the frequency of his arrests. "I want it cut out. I'm giving you fair warning," he tells the detectives.

half an hour after he relinquished his out asking permission of the bootlegoffice to Sheriff Oren Coleman. A gers of that suburb. The intrusion is warrant charging him with the mur- resented, and they are warned that if der of Charles Wollard, one of six they do not return peacefully to where slain in a gun battle in Herrin Aug. they came from they will be shipped 30, 1924, was served upon the retir- back in long boxes, and with no flowers. But the Genna gang saw them Clappetta, a restaurant keeper of Chi-Tell Cause of Crimes a builet and cashes in. The police ALBANY, N. Y., Dec. 9.—When all | Since then other killings have ocbut 48 of the 900 inmates of Elmira curred, furnishing a casualty list too

crimes and misdoing were revealed. special prosecutors who have for four months been trying to find out which crime publicity, against which there of Chicago's or Cicero's gangsters slew blamed liquor. The largest percent all the special prosecutors are doing

Mcirose Park reportsshalf a dozen hurders since it became a favorite bluntly: "I will not be benefited while naunt for bootlessers and guumen.

## BANK FAILURES DUE TO 'FROZEN' FARM CREDIT, PRESIDENT IS WARNED

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9 .- "Frozen

# G. O. P. SENATORS FEAR VOTE ON **SEATING GOULD**

WASHINGTON, Dec. 9.—Unexpected republican opposition to a vote on are doing our bit. For this every the Walsh resolution ordering an in- unit in District Two must do the folvestigation of the bribery charges lowing: brought against Senator Arthur R.

order the inquiry by a formal vote.

### Want Tax Reduction.

Senate democrats demanded early enactment of tax reduction legislation. At a party conference held in the Arkansas, their leader, the democrats pledged themselves to support the hood. Simmons-Garner plan for passage of a bill permanently slashing taxes all

### Muscle Shoals Referred.

The first shot in a battle to with-

Wall Street in Good Week's Business. NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—All recent investment records were broken here last week, when almost \$250,000,000 in new bonds were absorbed by investors, not including real estate mortgage issues. The largest single item was \$50,000,000 in bonds of the Standard Oil Co. of New York.

Pioneers and its manifest success | The story of crime conditions in are continually trying to join the popoints directly to the fact that the | Chicago and its suburbs is a compound of tragedy and comedy, lighted direct action as opposed to reprewith a mixture of grain and wood al- sentative government of that departcohol in a more or less poisonous com- ment. b nation. It is a grim story of protected bootleggers with large bank ac- lins with the statement that Chicago counts, gunmen, murders, machineplays that cost the underworld some and is no story to reduce to words of geographical area.

> Then several Genna henchmen pick up their stills on Maxwell street and move them to Chicago Heights, withfirst. So on May 25, 1925, the day before Angelo Genna was killed, John cago Heights, has an acute attack of have no clew as to the murderer.

Next, Chief Justice William J. Lindsay of the criminal court scores the Assistant State's Attorney William H. McSwiggin while he was riding in an automobile with kings of the booze world, including one man whom he had once prosecuted for murder-and failed to convict. The judge says that s to spend the taxpayeres money.

# WILLIE YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE

## League Mobilized for Passaic Relief Work

NEW YORK CITY, - The Passaic trike at the present time is going hru a crisis. After ten months of ighting these workers are still out and fighting hard. The wages of these workers are very low. We must Hon. Harry S. New, remember that half of them were young workers and therefore underpaid. These workers need help and ve must help them.

The strikers' relief committee is unning a bazaar starting on Dec. 11, at Passaic and will last for eight days. The Young Workers League that has played a very important role luring the strike must at the present ime also do its share.

Our unit of the league that we built n Passaic will have a booth at this bazaar. But most of them are strikers and therefore they cannot do enuf in raising articles for the bazaar. The whole district must be mobilized for this work during the strike that we

1. Elect one in charge that will Gould of Maine provoked sharp de get the credentials from the district office and be responsible that each Republicans, led by Senator Curtis member does his bit for collecting

2. A house to house collection should be arranged.

3. Your unit should try to go to the bazaar, patronize it and also go there for a good time. 4. Arrangements must be made to

mobilize all the youth organizations in your neighborhood for this work. 5. The comrade in charge should come to the district office and see me office of Senator Robinson (D.) of to get instructions on how to utilize this for propaganda in your heighbor-

Nevy Mir Masquerade Here Dec. 25.

A Russian masquerade for the benefit of the Russian Communist weekly Novy Mir, has been arranged for Sat-All friendly- organizations are re-

### This Is Good News For Detroit

that date.

The ladies have arranged a social evening for The DAILY WORKER, A gay, good, sociable and simply stunning selection of the best kind of fun-the best kind of food-and the best kind of crowd of workingmen and women.

The ladies of the Central Women's Progressive Association have arranged this evening and are charging only 50 cents admission. It sounds impossible, but it's true and will occur at 8 p. m.

Saturday, December 11 5770 Grandy (Cor. Hendrie)

### NEW YORK CITY - The following letter has been sent out by the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism:

Atheists Assn. Against

Gypsy Smith Ads.

Dec. 4, 1926. Postmaster General of the U. S .. Washington, D. C.

Dear Sir: We desire to report what we believe is a violation of the laws of the post office department.

The local post office in Hartsville. C., is permitting religious advertisements of meetings held by Gypsy Smith, the evangelist, to be displayed in the lobby. Our representative in Hartsville, Mr. J. R. King, reports that he has received no reply to his letter calling attention to the viola-

We respectfully request that you instruct the local postmaster in Hartsville, to comply with the law. If posting advertisements in post offices does not constitute a violation of the law, we will gladly avail ourselves of the privilege.

Respectfully yours, The American Association for the Advancement of Atheism, Inc.

Freeman Hopwood.

In a statement issued today Mr. Hopwood said that unless the post office officials compelled the Hartsville post master to remove the religious posters he would issue orders to branches of the Atheists to post atheistic advertisements in the same

Send us the name and address of a progressive worker to whom we can send a sample copy of The DAILY WORKER.

CHICAGO

# **DANCE**

Enjoy yourself and have a gloriously good time at the entertainment arranged for The DAILY WORKER and EMPROS our fighting Greek labor weekly. The affair takes place at Bowell Hall. Hull House, at Halsted and Polk St., at 8 p. m.

# Saturday Dec. 11

The arrangements are all being made by the Chicago Greek Fraction. A splendid orchestra will furnish the musicthere will be singing and the refreshments are fit for the most particular palate. It will only cost you fifty cents for the whole evening of glorious pleasure.

COME!

# Quick

Lastly, comes Chief of Police Col-

has 33 per cent less crime than a

Which appears to be true—the city

running away with the city."

Collect Articles!

December 11th to 18th NEW JERSEY 8-DAY BAZAAR

> Kanbor's Auditorium 259 Monroe St., Passaic, N. J.

Send all articles to: General Relief Committee Textile Strikers, 743 Main Ave., Passaic, N. J., or Room 512-799 Broadway, New York City.

Strikers

Help

A COMPANIA

# WHAT EFFICIENCY IN PLANING MILL MEANS TO TOILER

### Washington Camp Den of Exploitation

By a Worker Correspondent. BREMERTON, Wash., Dec. 9. have just completed a six months session of industrial slavery in one of the most efficient planing mills in

the country, and I should like to record here some of the things that I have seen, and heard.

This mill was constructed with the express purpose of working into finished material-flooring, ceiling, and mouldings, car siding and flooring. etc .- by-product lumber that was to be cut from logs, for which there was no market.

### Saw Big Profits.

The company that owned the mill was also a big logging concern. Sometime previous a lumber salesman had bought some dimension lumber from them, sold it to a conversion plant the next day, and made ten thousand on the deal. So reasoned the babbits of the firm: Let us erect a conversion plant and make that money ourselves, for somehow they had heard of the enormous sum the salesman had made. The plant was erected in no time, a big square wooden structure having a saw-tooth roof. Labor was plentiful, and the construction material was there on the ground.

A battery of three moulding machines, a matcher, planker, rip, band, and cross-cut saws were installed, with carrier chains, and belts arranged to eliminate as much handling labor as possible, dry kilns, trucks and carrier trucks were installed, and the place started with a bang-fiftytwo carloads of finished stuff were shipped the second month of opera-

Low Wages.

Wages averaged \$3.40 per day, and the men sure had to travel some to hold their jobs, for at the gate every morning, were a gang of idle men waiting to be put to work, and the minute a fellow slowed up-out he

mecked, horse-headed. pace-setters, new dress or pair of shoes every who kept up a foot walk from one month or so, receiving low wages." end of the factory to the other, spurring on the men to work their hard-

Watch Workers.

The office was overhead in the cenwindows, thru which the foreman, parent's living budget. and time-keeper kept a constant watch of the men's movements.

Everybody worked like mad, and if a worker should have been caught ourselves, lest the manager learn smiling, or laughing, he probably about it thru the medium of a spy, would have gotten fired, for this increasing production here in our U. S. fired. is one serious business.

the machines were paid by the day, exploded coffee container. The sufbut the fellows handling the lumber ferer writhed in great pain, and the -loading on dry-kiln cars and into management was compelled to take the box-cars-were contract workers, her immediately to a hospital. To and they were paid about five dollars, save the victim's life the doctor orfor every forty tons of lumber that they handled.

Oftimes the superintendent would let a contract to a man, who by working at a supreme endurance pace, probably be crippled for the whole would make a little more than the of her life. The critics were immeaverage wage, but it wouldn't be long diately discharged." until the worker would be forced to accept a new contract under which he would receive less money.

Scared of Boss. Most of them seemed satisfied with their jobs-not a criticism, or complaint about working conditions could from the office-the company was be heard—they were all intensely in- losing money; wages had to be cut. terested in holding down the job, and I have seen some men who worked there become so paralyzed with fear when the boss talked to them that they couldn't talk to him, but would jump around like some trained ani-

mal trying to please the master.

Men Sickly. One hardly ever met a healthy man amongst this bunch. Flat-feet, crooked spines, fingers cut off, consumption, "T. B." or syphilis were the predominant ailments, and then besides there seemed to be a young army of flocking in for the vacated jobs, in cripples-arm gone, toe gone, eye gone, hand gone-men who had been injured in the company logging camps, and saw mills and who were given life time jobs at starvation wages, in store-rooms, as time-keep-

About the latter part of the fourth month of operations, a cry come forth



Prolet-Tribune Will Be Out Dec. 18. The next number of Prolet-Tribune, was in by the twentieth. the Russian living newspaper published by the worker correspondents of Novy Mir, will be out Saturday, English language to describe the un-Dec. 18, at 8 p. m., at the Workers' sanitary conditions to which the men House, 1902 W. Division St. A picture of the audience will be taken at the ered that it must have been an act request of the worker correspondents of providence that a typhoid fever of the Soviet Union. The picture will epidemic escaped and did not conbe sent to Soviet Russia.



# THIS WEEK'S PRIZE WINNERS

The Chicago worker correspondent, S. M., is awarded the first prize this week for the story exposing conditions in Chicago department stores. He is awarded the book of Selected Essays by Karl Marx, an unusual collection of works of the great leader.

Second prize, the book of Red Cartoons, is awarded to the worker correspondent of Bremerton, Washington, who tells of almost unbearable conditions in a planing mill in that place.

Third prize goes to H. Zalkin, New York, who recalls for the workers the strike of the paper box workers in 1916, and shows that "history repeats."

Let every worker correspondent send in a story for next week! Workers everywhere are anxious to read these stories of conditions in factory, mine, mill and shop. Send in your story today, workers-and get one of these books for your library.

### THE PRIZES FOR NEXT WEEK

Again, three very splendid books are offered as prizes for the best worker correspondent stories to be sent in next week. Every worker should have one of these books in his library. Send in that story today!

1-"My Heresy," by Bishop Brown, a book destined for as great a popularity as the author's first one. Cloth-bound.

2—"Awakening of China," by Jas. H. Dolsen. A book to be read TODAY by every worker.

9-"My Flight From Siberia," Leon Trotsky's famous story.

FIRST PRIZE WINNER.

### EMPLOYES OF CHICAGO DEPARTMENT STORE VICTIMS OF LOW WAGES AND ARE HELD DOWN BY SPYING SYSTEM

By S. M., Worker Correspondent.

Working conditions at Hillman's department store, at State and Madison streets, are most unbearable, according to the story told to the writer by a young girl employe of that store.

"We are being paid the most miserable wages. The majority of us are being paid from ten to fourteen dollars a week-six full days of hard labor. The store is flooded with supervisors and spies who are constantly and

diligently watching every one of our+ moves," my informant said. "Even in our minutes of rest we are not allowed to talk to each other."

Must Dress Well-How?

"We are constantly being reminded that we must come down to work dressed neatly and becomingly. How-The boss was one of these wide- ever, we can hardly afford to buy a "Most of our employes, young girls

parents who cannot afford to keep them at high school or college, and their meager earnings go to make ter of the building, and walled with up the most substantial part of their

Afraid to Talk.

"We are afraid to discuss the intolerable working conditions amongst with the consequent result of being

"The other day, one of our girl The men working on and around employes was badly scalded by an dered a skin transplantation. Some of our employes dared to express the view that our employers ought to compensate the victim as she will

"Who pays the hospital bills?", I asked my informant. "The employes," she answered. "The company has a sick fund, made up from half dollars deducted from our weekly pay."

Lay Off Workers.

While men who were getting from \$3.20 to \$3.80 a day were laid off, Filipinos were put in their places at \$2.50 a day.

Filipinos Strike. This change operated for a month.

One noon the Filipinos walked out, about fifty of them. This gummed the works for a while, but news of work overtime. the strike and the vacant jobs spread, and high school boys, and a flock of kids from god knows where, came unemployed. Needless to say, the strike was lost, and in a very few days the Filipinos could be seen n the rain, waiting to be put back to work.

When a worker was hurt, he was taken up town, maybe he would get prompt treatment, and maybe he wouldn't for the doctors who did the company work were also hop-heads, and seldom were found in their offices, or in a condition to do responstaken from the workers' pay for good-bye. medical treatment, and taken even if

a man worked only a day. The company paid but once a month and held back ten days' pay; however, a worker could draw on the

Filthy Conditions. I have too much respect for the were exposed, and I have often wondsume us all

# DON'T FORGET CLASS IN WORKER CORRESPONDENCE TONIGHT AT DAILY OFFICE

Don't forget the class in worker correspondence that meets Friday night at 6:30 o'clock in the editorial offices of The DAILY WORK-E.R. 1113 W. Washington Blvd. Any workers who have not joined the class are urged to do so tonight in order that they will not miss important sessions.

All members are urged to be on time in order that the evening's work can be completed according

# **WORK OVERTIME** OR YOU HAVE NO JOB, SAYS BOSS

Workers Call This Shop "Siberian Prison"

By a Worker Correspondent. WILKINSBURG, Pa., Dec. 9.—The Wm. J. Miller Machine Co. is located in Swissvale, Pa. This is the workers' schedule: Start at 7 a. m.; quit at 5:30 p. m.; half hour for lunch; start overtime 5:30 p. m.; quit for the straight time.

Siberian Prison.

A "fine" place to work. It is called "Siberian prison," because the only warm spot in the building is the boss' office, beside the furnace. One must speed like hell to keep warm, and one, out of the total of workers that work there does not cough and sneeze; the rest of them have bad colds. Some quit on account of the Gurley Flynn Takes cold. Some got fired for getting sick, and Jav Kav was fired for refusing to

▲ "Good" Boss.

The boss had asked him to work overtime on Monday. He had refused.

The boss, being a "good" boss, gave Jay Kay a chance for three more days, every morning standing at the gate, every evening asking him to work over. One Wednesday evening the boss asked, "Why don't you want to work over? Don't you want to make

money?" "I can't work 14 hours per day, boss. I do not want to die in a year. Ten hours per day is too much, as it is. Please don't make it any worse." answered the worker. And that was ible work, yet a dollar a month was the end of it—the job was cursed

> Jay Kay had his tool box and his last pay before he left the plant that night.

"You don't want to work, eh? You get the hell out. We want good men twenty-fifth, providing his application that like to work," was the boss'

"I wonder how long workers would submit to these inhuman conditions when they get organized? I wonder?" said Jay Kay.

"The pen is mightler than the sword," provided you know how to use ment" at the Denver Lyceum under it. Come down and learn how in the the auspices of the Ladies' Educational worker correspondent's classes,

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# PAPER STRIKER RECALLS BATTLE OF UNION IN 1916

# Methods of Bosses Have Not Changed

By H. ZALKIN

(Worker: Correspondent)

NEW YORK, Dec. 9.—"Ein khodosh akhas hashemeth-"There is nothing new under the sun!" This ancient Hebrew saving could certainly be appropriately used when it comes to the reatment of strikers.

The Paper Box Workers in the present struggle against their greedy exploiters, which is in the tenth week, are treated by the whole capitalistic paraphernalia-the police, the courts, etc.—as brutally inhuman as ever be-

Recalls 1916 Striker

The following is a characteristic intance of the strike of the Paper Box Vorkers in 1916:

The Paper Box Workers' Union was n its infancy at that time, and only a few box makers—the more enlightened ones-belonged to it. The workers in the paper box trade were the nost underpaid, the most overworked, he most mistreated, and they worked n the filthiest and very dangerous fire traps. The union was trying hard to bring the box makers together and to organize them. So meetings were requently held, until finally it was lecided to call a general strike as the only and better way to organize the unorganized, and at the same time to mprove by it, as much as possible, the horrible conditions in the trade.

The call to the general strike was nswered by many, but still many more had to be taken down by special strike committees. However, it was not an easy task! In some places this could not be accomplished very smoothly and peacefully, as some bosses, foremen and specially hired strong men (gorillas) for protection, were not a bit civil with the commit-

Police Swarm In.

One day, soon after the strike broke out, we were peacefully picketing on Green street, Marcer St. and Wooster s situated. Those streets were actualng girls and boys, women and men. But all of a sudden, at every corner of the above mentioned streets squads of policemen, with clubs ready for work, made their appearance. At first that the faculty of the school will they did not interfere, and picketing take in relation to them they expresscontinued peacefully. However, a little ed the opinion that they will receive while later a captain of the police was sympathy if not actual support from seen passing from one squad to the the professors. Experience, however, ther, apparently giving orders, because soon after we were told to keep not pay professors for supporting on moving, and were not too gently atheism, and consequently, if the propushed by the cops; they used their clubs quite freely while doing the will quickly become disillusioned in even for a second. The pickets would be shoved to a side street, and those Fundamentalists in who would try to return would be severely clubbed and arrested.

Lasted Long.

The struggle lasted quite a while, as the peacefully picketing strikers were reluctant to give in to the brutal force of the keepers of "law and order," but day 9:30 p. m. Overtime paid for at at last they realized the fact that it was useless as it was an uneven fight. lice-now remained on the battle

But even later on it could be seen now and then how one or two of the 'law and order" men would run after and chase off a fellow or girl who sneaked by the "watch dogs."

# Message of Defense to Denver Workers

By a Worker Correspondent. DENVER, Colo., Dec. 9.-Elizabeth

On Tuesday, on Wednesday, Thursday, Gurley Flynn of New York spoke to a whose rear arrived a young army of Friday and Saturday Jay Kay said, large crowd of workers, union men and their friends, at Waiters' Hall here on the subject of the arrested and persecuted Passaic strikers and on abor defense in general. In her address she gave a review of

various outstanding cases in which labor leaders were persecuted, dating from the Moyer-Haywood case down to the Sacco-Vanzetti case. She told how in each case labor was aroused in an effort for defending the persecuted labor leaders, but that up until the past year no permanent defense organization has existed, but now the . L. D. is organized and is arousing the working class to the necessity of defending their fellow workers. She told of the various sedition laws enacted during the past decade and urged the audience to do all in their power to have them repealed.

The meeting was held under the auspices of the I. L. D. and after the audience had paid an admission of 25 cents, they donated liberally for the arrested Passaic strikers.

On Monday evening she spoke on the subject of The Feminist Move-Club, which gave a tea in her honor.

JUNIOR ATHEIST ORGANIZATION IS CAUSING UPROAR

### Rochester Newspapers Are Wailing

By a Worker Correspondent. ROCHESTER, N. Y., Dec. 9. - Reigious beliefs of Rochester school children stood in jeopardy following the discovery that the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism is assisting Rochester students to organize a junior section of the organization, thus wails the local

That there is no choice between present day religions, that one is as asinine as the other, and that the present day church and religious customs are merely survivals of pagan worship with all its accompanying superstitions and fears; further, that the idea of creation is illogical, as the study of anthropology refutes it, that the theory of heaven and hell, the bad going to hell while the good go to heaven to watch the damned roast, is only a means of compelling the practice of morality thru fear, etc., such were the opinions expressed by Franklin Inglis, 17, and Harold Glidden, 16, students at West ligh School, and officers of the newly formed society, to be known as the 'Devils Angels Society."

Altho concerned about the possible reaction of their parents and the officials of the West High School, these youths are making preparations for the further dissemination of literature, including an open letter to the student body setting forth the principals of the society. The following quotation from Mark

Twain is a sample of the nature of their propaganda: "As God who could make good children as easily as bad, yet prefers to make bad ones; who could have made every one of them happy yet never made a single one happy; who made them prize their bitter lives yet stingily cut them short: who gave his angels eternal happiness, unearned, yet requires his other children to earn it; who gave his angels painless lives yet cursed his other children with biting miseries of body and mind; who mouths justice and invented hell-who mouths golden rules and forgiveness multiplied seventy-seven times and invented hell; who mouths morals to other people and has none himself; who frowns upon crimes yet commits them all; who created man without invitation, then tries to shuffle the St., where the main box-making trade responsibilities for man's acts upon man himself, instead of honorably ly covered by a cheerful mass of strik- placing it where it belongs, upon himself; and finally with divine obtuseness invites this poor abused slave to worship him.

In discussing the possible attitude has proven that the capitalists will fessors prize their jobs these youths this respect.

# No. Carolina Would Ban Darwin in School

By a Worker Correspondent. CHARLOTTE, N. C., Dec. 9.-The

call has gone forth for fundamentalists to meet here December 9, to reconstitute the committee of 100 and lay Only the triumphant heroes—the po- plans for fighting the teaching of the theory of evolution in the public schools of North Carolina.

Definite plans will be made for the nfluencing of the state legislature, which meets in January to pass laws to curb the teaching of evolution in schools and other public institutions.

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# The Manager's Corner

### An Ocean of Words.

More than 11,000,000 words have been sent from Somerville, N. J., to the various newspapers in connection with the Hall-Mills murder trial, according to reports received from the Western Union Telegraph company. This does not include the thousands of words sent by press associations over THEIR OWN LEASED WIRES.

We have 2,293 dailies and 13,383 weeklies which are constantly turning out this stuff. The circulation of the American dailies was 33,777,827 in 1921. In New York City the circulation of the daily newspapers was 2,597,914 in the morning and 2,384,571 in the evening in 1923. In Chicago the daily circulation was 1,219,417 in the morning and 1,155,575 in the evening for the same year.

Who pays for the 11,000,000 words in the Hall-Mills case? Who pays for this tremendous circulation? The purchase price of the average newspaper will not pay to cover the cost of the paper, let alone the labor involved. The question is answered by examining the books of the newspaper publishing houses, which show that out of about \$800,000,000 received by these organizations in 1923, \$580,937,741 was received for advertising, NEARLY THREE-QUARTERS OF THE ENTIRE SUM. In other words, THREE-QUARTERS OF THE COST OF PUB-LISHING THE AVERAGE NEWSPAPER IS BORN BY BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS, by direct support from the capitalists themselves. And what is the message which they bring home along with the Hall-Mills murder cases and the like? WORK HARDER! BUY MORE! WORK HARDER! BUY

The average worker is literally drowned in this ocean of words. Only the most intelligent and clear-headed worker is able to keep his balance under this avalanche of type. Such a worker realizes the tremendous power of the forces working to confuse and mislead him, and he realizes further the vital necessity of a labor organ. He gives his time, energy and money, to the support of such a paper. Are you one of these?

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## The "Save the Union" Program and Leadership Is the Hope of the U. M. W. of A.

The "Save the Union" bloc in the United Mine Workers headed by John Brophy, will receive a big majority of the votes of the membership on Tuesday, December 14.

President John L. Lewis has admitted in conference with other is inconsistent—that he does not pracreactionary officials, among whom was Vice-President Matthew Woll tice what he preaches. This article of the American Federation of Labor, in New York recently, that will probably be answered by Brophy the membership will not support him and that Brophy will defeat and as all the inconsistencies charged him in votes cast.

The union is in danger, but it can overcome all its difficulties are of importance only as proving the and be made into the unbeatable weapon of the coal miners only if hypocritical character of the election the fighting policy advocated by the "Save the Union" bloc is put into effect by honest, capable and courageous officials.

Lewis has only one of the qualifications-courage-and that is displayed for the most part in a blustering attack on all those who by Ellis Searles, is entitled, "Warning tell the miners that his policy of desertion of unorganized miners who fought side by side with the union, persecution and expulsion of the best fighters in the union like Alex Howat, agreement with the carefully avoids any discussion of coal operators to starve 200,000 miners out of the industry, sabotage policy-either the policy advocated by of the organization work in the non-union fields, neglect to fight for the enforcement of the contract, surrender of the check-off and acceptance of arbitration in the anthracite, cannot build but must inevitably destroy the union.

Conventions of the U. M. W. of A. have endorsed a labor party and nationalization of the mines. It is the official policy of the union. the United Mine Workers is, and, sec-Lewis has not only done nothing to put them into practice but has

200,000 members have been lost to the union under the Lewis administration.

The contract expires next spring. The union faces a fight for its

It must organize the non-union fields-bring them out on strike with the union fields or take a big wage reduction.

Can Lewis lead the union successfully in such a situation?

His whole record proves that he cannot.

Elect the "Save the Union" candidates, fight for honest elections, carry the fight to the convention, prepare the union for victorious struggle next April.

The life of the union depends upon the militant miners. They must save it and build it and they will-in spite of everything the Lewis machine can do.

### How Mexico Can Get Peace

President Calles of Mexico, replying to a question put to him by a Mexican newspaper man, according to a dispatch sent out by the New York Times December 6, has made a stinging answer to the campaign carried on against Mexico by the American imperialist press. The general tenor of the reply is militant nationalism and Calles concludes as follows:

I am sure that if instead of holding such ideals I would devote myself to the easy task of continuing the work of Porfirio Diaz, backing only the rich of my country, scorning the poor, shooting the working men, squandering abroad the products of the land, paying papers to praise me and cultivate sterile flat-\ tery, I would obtain the false title of pacifier of this country and rebuilder of the nation.

The similarity between this utterance and those of spokesmen of the Chinese national liberation movement will be noted. More and more the leaders of the national revolutionary movements in the colonial and semi-colonial countries tend to speak in the same tone as the front against imperialism grows.

The hostility of the American state department to the Mexican government is the result of this attitude which expresses first in an attempt, not always successful, to restore the natural resources of the country to the nation, and second, by trying to raise the general social, political and economic level of the masses.

Even if allowed to retain their hold on the natural resources of the country the imperialists would still make war on the national governments who seriously try to raise the living standards of the masses and teach them the fundamentals of political thinking. The conflict with the catholic church arises from this latter policy.

The prerequisite for profitable imperialist exploitation is a disorganized and backward class and peasant population with a low standard of living which can be used in procuring raw materials at wages greatly below those prevailing in the imperialist country.

Those who think that Wall Street and its instrument, the state department, would cease their efforts to weaken, divide and conquer Mexico if that country would agree to allow American capitalists to retain all their concessions, are mistaken and badly mistaken.

Mexico would have to also agree to allow the unrestricted exploitation of the masses.

By agreeing to these two conditions, Mexico can have peace—the peace of slavery that is the lot of a conquered nation rich in natural

President Calles is correct. If he will follow the policy of butcher Diaz, who sold the Mexican masses to the imperialists, the American imperialist press will hail him as a great and good statesman and send gunboats and marines to fight for him instead of

American imperialism might under these circumstances even allow him to extend his government over Nicaragua.

The Calles government is not a Communist government or even a working class government. But it is so far at least a defender of the Mexican masses against American imperialism and as such should receive the support of the American labor movement in all Tennessee and in the coking coal its branches.

That it seems to be trying to organize a Latin-American bloc against American domination is a matter for congratulation. It is an indication that the Latin-American countries are realizing who and what their principal enemy is.

SEND IN A SUB FOR THE DAILY WORKER!

# THE DAILY WORKER Searles, Editor of U.M. W.A. Journal, Who Never Belonged to a Union, Berates Communist Union Men

By WILLIAM F. DUNNE.

United Mine Workers' Journal, the official organ of the coal miners' union, edited by Ellis Searles, a journalist ho received his training on the capitalist press and who is not now and never was a member of the United Mine Workers, there appears two articles attacking the "Save the Union" bloc in the II M W. A which is opposing the Lewis machine and its poli-

One of the articles, signed by Vice-President Murray, attempts to prove that John Brophy, president of District 2, who is running against Lewis, der orders from President Lewis, they literature put out by the Lewis ma-

THE second article, unsigned, and 1 therefore in all probability written to Members," and is directed princi-

The writer of the article referred to the Communist members of the union

of the policy of the Lewis machine. There are probably two reasons for this, the first being that the editor of the United Mine Workers' Journal does not know what the policy of the Communists or the present policy of ond, that if he does, he would not dare to compare the two item by item because he would be making propaganda for the Communists and the left

For deliberate misstatements, halftruths, distortions and actual lies, this article is hard to beat. The first state-

A gang of Communists and other reds recently published a paper at Springfield, III., which they called The Coal Miner. The purpose of this gang and their paper is to so weaken the United Mine Workers of America that this union may be gobbled up by the Communists and the Workers Party and turned over into the hands of the Bolshevists of

THE only comment necessary on this statement is that if the Comnunists really wanted to weaken the United Mine Workers they would not be fighting John L. Lewis and his policles. A loss of 200,000 members in a little over two years and the destruc tion of the union in West Virginia is enough weakening in this space of time to satisfy anyone who really de-

The Communists fight the Lewis machine for the reason that it is destroying the union and placing it at the mercy of the coal operators.

THE next statement of any moment

Albert F. Coyle, editor of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers' Journal, said in his notorious letter to Powers Hapgood, would soon be started with \$30,000, which would be furnished by "wealthy friends.' "

The verbatim report of the A. F of L. convention proceedings, giving this letter as it was read there, refers to The National Mine, not The Coal Miner.

As for Powers Hapgood, he is a member of the United Mine Workers. employed in a mine at Gallitzin, Pennsylvania. The Coal Miner is financed solely by subscriptions and donations and a query to Mr. Guynon, the printer in whose shop The Coal Miner is published, results in a reply that the paper, a modest eight-page sheet, onealf newspaper size, owes him in the neighborhood of \$400 dollars. This would seem to dispose of the

'wealthy friends' issue. THE further statement occurs:

They insolently declare that their purpose is to "Save the Union," altho they are well aware that the policies which they preach would destroy the union within one year and make it an easy victim of the Russian Bolshevists.

It will occur at once to every coal niner, that granting, for the sake of argument, the childish statement that the "Russian Bolshevists" want to ake over the United Mine Workers of America, the danger to the U. M. W. A. just now is from the coal barons—that portion of the American capitalist class which is directly interested in destroying the union.

Two questions to the writer of the article will make this clear: Who and what destroyed the U. M.

W. A. in West Virginia, Kentucky, fields of western Pennsylvania?

Was it "Russian Bolshevists" or a combination of coal operators and a fee of \$5." wrong policies on the part of the Lewis machine?

A S to the policies advocated by The Coal Miner, which the writer says are Communist policies, we see no plete statement of all his activities "Tiefland" will be sung in the vernareason to deny that they are approved must be made to a government official.

United Mine Workers. As a matter IN the December I number of the of fact, many of them, like nationalization of the mines and the organization of a labor party, have been endorsed by the U. M. W. A. in conven-

The editor of the United Mine state what these policies are. He cersecret. They are published in two and tried for murder. boxes in the upper corner of the first page of The Coal Miner.

THEY are : No wage cut. Organize the non-union fields. Clean out the corruptionists. Nationalize the mines.

No surrender of the check-off. Short-term joint, contract for the anthracite and bituminous fields. Honest elections.

Democracy in the union. Abolish the operators' influence. Union job control. Support formation of a labor

Reinstatement with full rights of Alex Howat and all others unjustly expelled.

Will the editor of the United Mine Workers' Journal please explain to a waiting world, and especially to coal miners, how these policies "would destroy the union within one year?"

TS the editor of the United Mine Workers' Journal opposed to "no wage cut?" To organizing the nonunion fields? To cleaning out corruptionists? To honest elections? To abolishing influence of the coal operators in the union? To union job con-

trol? To democracy in the union? If the editor of the United Mine Workers' Journal is such a stickler for 'the ideals of the trade union move ment," why does he say that a labor party and nationalization of the coal mines, endorsed by conventions of the U. M. W. A., would "destroy the union?'

WE know, of course, that the editor of the Journal is opposed to the reinstatement of Alex Howat and all others unjustly expelled. It is to be expected he would be, never having belonged to a union and being simply a hired agent of John L. Lewis, for worked for the capitalist press before he got his present job.

prove how the reinstatement of Alex miners-and not by Editor Searles. Howat would destroy the union. The Kansas miners, 90 per cent of whom dent this year, do not think it would NOTHER statement is:

As far as can be learned, there are no coal miners connected with the publication of The Coal Miner, schemes."

claims to be a member of the union, but he has no standing in the United Mine Workers of America.

The miner whose name appears as 'dummy editor" is Frank Keeney, former president of District 17. West Workers' Journal does not dare to Virginia, the man who led the miners' march in 1922, who was framed-up tainly knows, because they are no by the coal barons of West Virginia This is the man whom Ellis Searles.

whose experience in the struggles of the union consists of drawing his pay check from the international union. says, "has no standing in the union." WE doubt if Searles would dare to make this statement to Frank Keeney's face or to any meeting of rank and file miners. He would not dare to make it in the West Virginia fate by the Lewis machine after one history of the American labor move-

The article continues: In addition to The Coal Miner . . . the same outfit has issued a pamphlet entitled, "A Larger Program for the Miners' Union" . . . The name of John Brophy appears on the front page as the writer of the pamphlet . . . The pamphlet makes a violent attack on the principles, and policies of the United Mine Workers of America.

HAVE read this pamphlet as it has appeared in The Coal Miner, and nowhere can be found an "attack on he principles and policies of the United Mine Workers of America." There is, however, a very able criticism of the policies of the Lewis machine and of the methods by which they are carried out.

But since when has John L. Lewis been the United Mine Workers of America?

In addition to criticism, the pamhe union as does The Coal Miner, and can have no possible objection if he of all the coal miners on this conti-

THEN Editor Searles becomes indignant because John Brophy critiwhom he works the same as he cizes him because no opinion contrary reason that he denounces every step to that held by the Lewis machine is But he will find it rather hard to of the union, which is paid for by the

It is notorious that no rank and file expression on policy ever finds its ries to cvade this criticism by asserting that "the reds of New York City" have tried to use the Journal "for the promotion of their destructive

City" could use the official organ of the U. M. W. A. is a mystery to which it appears Editor Searles alone holds the key. He might at least have specified just when and how such attempts were made.

Editor Searles is alarmed. Some one else besides the Lewis machine has the ear of the membership. He

Active, avowed Communists have been and are holding meetings in various sections of the country, preaching their doctrine of destruction of the United Mine Workers as a trade union. Some of these Communists have delivered speeches in District 1, of the anthracite region and elsewhere.

EDITOR SEARLES must have destruction on the brain. In the fields to miners who were left to their first place the U. M. W. A. is not a "trade union" but an "industrial of the most heroic struggles in the union." It takes in all workers in and around the mines, whether they be miners, machinists, boilermakers, electricians or engineers. It is impossible to destroy the U. M. W. A. as a trade union because it is an industrial union -a form of organization of which Communists approve and for which they are working in other unions.

What the Communists are seeking to destroy is the operators' influence in the union and the deadening influence of the Lewis machine and methods in the union.

Editor Searles must have rather barren sources of information, since he is able to mention only the anthracite specifically as a place where Communists are working for the "Save the Union" program and ticket:"

THERE are many Communists in the United Mine Workers and they are active in the union, as they are in all unions. They want strong, fighting unions with honest and able leadership so that the wages of the workers can be raised, job control estabphlet advocates the same program for lished, the workers trained in the school of class-conscious unionism and to which we have seen Editor Searles the mass power of the workers organized to take control of industry wants the U. M. W. A. to be the union and government in the interests of the workers as a class.

Editor Searles does not believe in the working class or in a workers' and farmers' government. It is for this of the rank and file of the miners' allowed to get into the official journal union to a better understanding of the class struggle and more control of their union as "destructive."

What Editor Searles means is destructive to agents of the bosses in nominated Howat for district presidence way into the Journal. Editor Searles the unions, to capitalism and wage

Editor Searles is opposed to the detruction of these things, and consequently he is opposed to the interests of the U. M. W. A. membership.

# The Fight for the Foreign-Born

The newly-created National Council or Protection of Foreign-Born Workers, whose office is at 41 Union Square, New York, issues the following concise data on legislation aimed at work- officer designated by the president. visions of this act shall be fined upers who happen to have been born outside of this country and incidentally at the whole working class:

Bills proposing to wipe out elemenary rights guaranteed the workers of this country by the constitution of the United States, namely, the right of unfettered "pursuit of life, liberty and happiness," hallowed by historical decarations such as the Declaration of Independence, have at various times in the history of this country been prought before the United States con-

Once again at this time a series of nost un-American measures are before the United States congress, proposing the registration, finger-printing and photographing of foreign-born

President Coolidge and Secretary of abor Davis are vigorous champions of these vicious anti-labor laws.

These bills, if enacted into law, will oring into the United States the blackest practices of Russian czarism and Prussian militarim,

One of these bills, bill No. HR-5583. ntroduced by Congressman Aswell of Louisiana, and now pending before congress, provides for the registration of aliens and for other impositions.

Section 2 of this bill states that 'every alien in the United States shall within the time fixed by the president, in a proclamation made by him, within 90 days after the enactment of this act, register as provided in this act. An alien under 16 years of age may be registered by parent or guardian."

Section 4 of the same bill states: 'Upon the initial registration of each alien who has reached the age of 21 years, he shall pay to the officer registering him a fee of \$10, and for each subsequent registration he shall pay

Section 6 of this bill further provides that even temporary absence lands." This opera will give Chicago from the district in which he is regis- its first opportunity to hear Claudia tered must be reported, and a com- Muzio sing a role in English, for

his certificate of identification to any one of the department of justice, or the department of labor, or any other Recall the hysterical days of the late ward of \$5,000 or imprisoned upward war and the viciousness of this section pecomes at once apparent.

Section 13 empowers the president o require all or any part of the aliens deported. to report at such time and such places

The foreign born constitute a majority of the workers employed in the the trade-union movement. It would basic industries. The low wages they drive a wedge between the foreignreceive and the oppressive conditions born and the native workers. It would under which they labor have in the segregate the foreign-born and, under past, and will again in the future, drive them to strike. With the arbi- as a club to batter down the standard trary power placed in the hands of the of living. president by this section, the president can break any strike, by the sim- your part in defeating this vicious ple expedient of requiring the aliens who are striking to "report at a time is only one of a number of similar naand place which he shall fix." Refusal to obey carries with it deporta- divided along nationalistic lines.

Section 17 authorizes the secretary of labor to empower anyone to enter the attack of the open shoppers by any place and demand any information necessary to carry out the pro- of the Foreign-Born, or join the counvisions of this act, and to arrest or cils already in existence.

eign born) shall on demand exhibit entry or refuse to give such informa Section 20 provides that any for-

eign-born worker violating the proto two years, and upon completion of the sentence shall be immediately taken into custody and immediately

This legislation is a direct threat against the entire working class of this country. It is a threat against the threat of deportation, use them

Workers of the United States, do legislation. Remember that this bill ture. Do not allow yourselves to be

The bill is a blow at American as well as foreign-born workers. Answer organizing Councils for the Protection

### 'Tiefland'' to Feature Sixth Week of Civic Opera in Chicago

The sixth week or the Civic Opera season at the Auditorium Theater will bring the long promised production of opera that has gained universal po- of the ever popular "Martha." pularity in Europe. The two-thousandth performance of "Tiefland" was recently celebrated in Berlin, and the Raisa. opera was chosen as the season's premiere for five of the leading opera houses in Austria and Germany where it ranks in popularity with "Carmen." Like "Carmen" the opera has a Spanish setting and the plot is taken from Guimera's novel, "Marta of the Low-

Friday evening the company will be in Milwaukee for a performance of "Tristan and Isolde," but will return Saturday, (Dec. 11) for a matinee performance of "Aida." Saturday evening (Dec. 11) will

oring the farewell appearance of Toti Dal Monte in "Lucia de Lammermour." Sunday matinee, (Dec. 12) will "Tiefland" by Eugen d'Albert, an bring the season's first performance

Monday evening, (Dec. 13) Jewess" will be given with Rosa Tuesday evening "Rigoletto" will be

epeated, with Eide Norona. Wednesday evening, "La Sonnamoula" will be repeated, with Florence Macheth.

Saturday matinee the tuneful "Elixof Love" will be given for the first ime this season.

Saturday evening "Carmen" will be epeated at popular prices.



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In truth the land of the pilgrim's pride no longer existed; in its place was the land of the millionaire's glory. When a moving picture star went East, with or without a paramour, she always left by daylight. and her publicity man saw to it that the newspapers published the time and place. There would be shouting thousands, and policemen to hold them back, and cameras elicking, and armfuls of flowers to let everybody on the train know who was who. There would be crowds at every station, calling for a glimpse of their darling; and if she had an oil prince traveling in the same compartment that was not a scandal, it was a romance.

And when they got to New York, there was another crowd, conjured into being by the efficient publicity machine of Schwolsky-Superbs. At the hotel there were people waiting, and more armfuls of flowers, and a dozen reporters demanding interviews. And with all that free advertising for the hotel, was any officious clerk or house detective going to concern himself with the question of whether or not the connecting door between the two suites was kept locked? And with a personage of such manifest authority as J. Aronld Ross traveling along, and beaming his approval on the situstion? Dad's face was as good as a dozen marriage certificates at any hotel in the land!

For the old man this journey was just peaches and cream all the way; a vicarious jag, with no "hang-over" the next morning. He insisted upon paying all the bills; and he had his secretary along, so everything just happened by magic-train accommodations, hotel suites, taxicabs, flowers, candy, theater tickets-vou had only to hint a wish, and the thing was there. What more could there be to add to mortal bliss? Only that Vee would have liked to eat a square meal now and then, and to have spent the morning in bed, instead of having to keep an appointment to "reduce" at a gymnasium!

They saw the world premiere of "Come-Hither Eyes." Possibly you have never been to college in America, and do not understand our lively ways of speech; so let it be explained that sometimes the eyes of "co-eds" have been observed to possess, whether from natural endowment or by practice acquired, a certain quality suggestive to the male creature of an impulse to proximity. A delicious title, you see; and a delicious picture, transporting tired and bored millions into that very same world of glorious money-spending to which Vee and Bunny had been lifted up. The mechanic who had been screwing up nut number 847 in an automobile factory all day. the housewife who had been washing baby diapers and buying shoddy goods in a five and ten-cent storethese were placed in the same position as Dad, enjoying a vicarious jag with no hang-over the next morning.

The scenes at the New York premiere were the same as in Angel City: the crowds as great, and the cheering an enthusiastic. And Vee and Bunny, sitting up in bed in their silken garments, while black-clad robots silently and mechanically served breakfast on silver trays-Vee and Bunny read the accounts of their triumph, and who had attended and what they had worn. And then, turning over the paper, Bunny read a despatch from Angel City-ten thousand oil workers had walked out on strike, and the industry was tied up tight. The operators announced that they were no longer willing to recognize the oil board, and issued a new wage scale that was to be taken or left. Trouble was feared, added the newspapers. because it was known that radical agitators had for some time been active among the men.

(Continued tomorrow.)

### Books for the Worker's Shelf

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