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## LOCKOUT FAILS IN N. Y. DECLARE STRIKE LEADERS

### Assail Betrayal of the Right Wingers

NEW YORK, Dec. 13.—That the lockout declared by the American Cloak and Suit Sub-Manufacturers' Association against the 300 shops which have settled with the striking cloakmakers is a complete failure and that only a few of the shops closed up Friday and these only after being visited by "strong arm" gangs representing the sub-manufacturers is charged by Louis Hyman, general manager of the joint board of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, in a statement issued Friday afternoon.

Hyman also charges there is a conspiracy between Sigman and his allies in the union and the sub-manufacturers' association to break the strike and that thru their efforts reports in the press concerning the meeting Thursday night in Cooper Union have been so distorted as to be complete misrepresentations.

**300 Shops Settled.**  
Hyman's statement follows: "About 300 shops, members of the American Cloak and Suit Sub-manufacturers' association have settled in— (Continued on page 2)

## Current Events

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

THE Detroit Free Press bewails the alleged low standard of living of the Russian workers under the Soviet regime and hugs the comforting reflection that European labor will not be encouraged by this condition to follow the path of revolution blazed by the proletariat and peasantry of the Soviet Union. In view of this doleful picture painted by the capitalist press, and if the pen hirelings of the ruling classes are so confident that labor outside of Russia is disillusioned on the merits of Sovietism, why is it that their nerves get so rattled over the possibility of the workers of other countries going on a revolutionary spree?

WE will not deny that the standard of living of the Russian workers is lower than the standard of living of the American workers. But the standard of living of the German, French and English workers is also lower than that of the American workers. There was a time when the standard of living of the English workers was higher than it is now. That was before the empire began to decline. That was when the British capitalists could afford to give their slaves a few more crumbs which they took care to extract out of the hide of their colonial slaves. But those days are gone and today we witness the phenomenon of sinking standards of living of the working classes of capitalist Europe while the living standards of the Russian workers is mounting, slowly but surely.

WHETHER the Russian workers receive fifty cents a day or fifty dollars, an onlooker can see as many rosy faces on the streets of Moscow as on the thoroughfares of Chicago. He may not notice as many fur coats, but then the installment plan system is not as much in vogue in Russia as here. And the Russian workers are more concerned with putting knowledge in their heads than fur on their bodies. They eat to live and wear clothes for the same reason, not vice versa. It seems to us that the capitalist papers are wasting a lot of good space with those tales of woe since the Russian workers insist on making progress. By the way, it is rather astounding how the Russian workers could afford to contribute over \$5,000,000 to the British miners' strike! Of course, our friend the enemy will say that the government extracted the (Continued on page 6)

## Uncle Sam on Robbing Expedition in Central America



SAM: It isn't I, that is breaking into your home, but it's that neighbor of yours, named Mexico, that is breaking in.

## RECOGNITION OF CANTON HINTED BY BRITISHERS

### But Nationalists Are Duly Suspicious

(Special to The Daily Worker)  
SHANGHAI, Dec. 13.—Great Britain, which, for the past several weeks has entirely altered its policy towards the nationalist movement in China since the great victory of the latter's armies and the setting up of a strong government at Wuchang, is hinting at de facto recognition. The conference at Shanghai of the incoming and outgoing ministers, the changed tone of the London foreign office, the visit of Minister Miles Lampson to Hankow and various public utterances, point to the imminence of recognition of Canton by London.

## British Miners Still Require Outside Help

The International Workers' Aid calls for further help for the British miners. It is pointed out that even though the strike has ended, the first weeks of readjustment are hard ones on the families of the workers, and additional help is needed to tide them over until the first pay day.

## CONGRESSMAN PROTESTS GOVERNMENT PAYING FOR GUARDING OF CAL'S SON

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A protest against the expenditure of government funds to maintain a secret service man with John Coolidge, son of the President, a student at Amherst, was made by Rep. Byrns of Tennessee during hearings on the treasury and post office appropriations bill.

## THUGS ATTACK STRIKERS AT IRON FOUNDRY

EAST BRIDGEWATER, Mass., Dec. 13.—One striker was severely injured and twelve others were arrested following a fist fight between hired gangsters and scabs of the Old Colony Foundry company here and members of the Iron Workers' Union, on strike against the company.

## CANTON'S ENVOY GIVEN OVATION AT BIG MEETING

### China Fighting for All Oppressed—Sze Says

Sze Toa Chan, first envoy to this country of the Kuomintang government of China was greeted last night by a hall crowded with Chicago workers who came to hear at first-hand the story of the historical achievements of the Chinese liberation movement. The meeting was at Northwest Hall under the auspices of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, which, as the chairman, Manuel Gomez said, "considered it an honor to present to the workers of Chicago the representative of the victorious workers of China."

## U. S. 'MILITARY MISSION' ASKED BY PRES. DIAZ

### To Legalize Presence of Marines

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Dec. 13.—Following upon the declaration made two days ago by the puppet president Diaz against "Bolshevik" Mexico, without doubt written at the direction of the United States state department, Diaz has now requested the United States to send a "military mission" to Nicaragua.

Mexico is maintaining her right to support the government which she has accorded recognition. The liberals are consolidating their forces in the interior and the big danger now is that they will be attacked and dispersed by the marines. The "military mission" from the United States might be given this task.

Mexico Dismissed Diaz Ravings. MEXICO CITY, Dec. 13.—A spokesman for the Mexican foreign office, when shown a copy of President Diaz's inspired attack upon Mexico in which he charged that Mexico was giving armed support to the liberals under the constitutional President Sacaza, said that the declaration was not worthy of official consideration and said that Mexico was well aware of the fact that it was inspired by Washington.

Cotton Forecast. WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—A cotton crop of 18,818,000 bales of 500 pounds gross weight was forecast by the crop reporting board of the Department of Agriculture, based on reports up to Dec. 1.

## DETROIT ANTI-FASCISTI DEMONSTRATE AGAINST NOBILE'S BLACK SHIRTS

(Special to The Daily Worker)  
DETROIT, Dec. 13.—Anti-fascisti turned out in force here to demonstrate against Commander Umberto Nobile who spoke at a local theater on the journey of the Norge which he commanded in a North Pole flight and for which he was decorated by Mussolini.

## PROGRESSIVES IN A. C. W. HERE STATE PROGRAM

### Challenge Boss Unity Tactics of Levin

Progressive workers in the Chicago Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union have issued a statement to the membership of the union on the occasion of the election taking place today for new officers in the locals and the joint board. The statement reviews the changed policy of the union officials in recent years and declares that the present Levin-Rissman leadership of the Chicago union has completely failed in the necessary work of organization and maintenance of the union's standards of work.

Collaboration Charged. In the past few years, particularly during the year 1926, the Chicago organization has completely deviated from its past position and standing as the mass militant and progressive union in the needle trades. This came as a result of the present policy adopted by the officials, of collaborating with the employers in the increase of efficiency of production, increased production, reduction of cost thru the medium of readjustments, as well as the reduction of working forces in the shops. Not only that, but to insure what they term "peace" in the industry, they have compromised many of the union conditions essential in making working conditions bearable in the shops.

Abandon Fight. The militant progressive and fighting spirit that was once so vivid and outstanding in our organization has (Continued on page 2)

## STARVED MINERS RETURN TO PITS IN BATTLE MOOD

### Cook Says Retreat for Only a Time

(FP)—With the signing in Sheffield of an agreement between the Yorkshire miners' officials and the owners on the basis of the 7½ hour day and pre-stoppage rates until the end of February, the British miners' strike may be considered ended. The only two outstanding districts where matters have not reached finality are Durham and South Wales.

Terms are being submitted to the miners in South Wales and the ballot is expected at once. The Northumberland ballot showed 16,288 votes for the terms and 6,251 against. The Warwickshire Association has declared the dispute at an end and orders a return. Lancashire and Scotland agree to a three years' term on an eight-hour basis, with conciliation boards with independent chairmen.

"By Economic Revolver" Speaking in South Yorkshire, Cook said that terms secured by the economic revolver could only be kept while the revolver was there. Men who supported long hours that would throw out 300,000 men on the industrial scrap heap were nothing less than murderers, he declared.

The heavy steel industry will not be resumed until after Christmas because the trade is dependent on the blast furnaces for pig iron. Despite claims by the reactionary press of the return of thousands of miners before the strike end only six blast furnaces out of 457 are now in operation. Leading business men in Sheffield predict an industrial revival and improvement in trade. John E. Wellwood, president of Belfast chamber of commerce, wants prosperity with a club thrown in.

## Where Thirty Miners Were Sacrificed



Scenes at entrance to Francisco Coal Mine No. 2, at Francisco, in southwestern Indiana, as fire causes sealing of the shaft and prevents further rescue work, leaving the bodies of five of twenty-nine explosion victims in the impenetrable passageways. Besides those killed, a score were seriously injured by the blast. Upper view shows crowd of relatives and rescue workers; lower, a casket, being carried to an ambulance, is uncovered so that the brother of a victim can make an identification.

THIRTIETH VICTIM EXPIRES FROM BURNS. FRANCISCO, Ind., Dec. 13.—Jake Schafer, 45, of Princeton, who described the "inferno of fire" that swept down on the miners in Mine No. 2 of the Francisco coal mine Thursday following an explosion, died today of his burns, raising the death total in the mine disaster to 30. Clifford Biel, 16, who died at the hospital last night, was the twenty-ninth victim.

## A Challenge to Every Left Winger

"WE CALL FOR A WAR TO THE FINISH," says Abraham Beckerman, the Mussolini of the New York needle trades, in a call for a conference of the right wing as the opening gun of a campaign against the left wing. The call was signed by some of the leading right wingers of New York, Berger, Beardsley, Feinstein, Hershkowitz, Schneiderman and Shiplooff. These black elements have the full support of Wall, Lewis, McMahon, Sigman and the entire official machinery of the American Federation of Labor.

every left winger and every honest worker in the United States. The unity of the labor bureaucrats against the left wing and the rank and file, must be answered by a nation-wide solidification of the left wing around its chief organ—The DAILY WORKER. Help the fight of the left wing by keeping The DAILY WORKER. Help the fight against milk-and-water unionism by keeping The DAILY WORKER, the organ of militant trade unionism. The slogan of the right wing is "War on the Left Wing, "War on the Rank and File," "Peace With the Bosses." The slogan of the left wing must be, "War on the Enemies of the Rank and File," "War on the Bosses." Help The DAILY WORKER carry the left wing slogans to the workers. KEEP THE DAILY WORKER. If you have not sent in your donation, do so at once. If you have sent in your donation, get your fellow workers to do the same, and send in another to set them an example. MAKE IT A WAR TO A FINISH against the enemies of labor. Every dollar sent to Keep The DAILY WORKER is a telling blow for honest, fighting trade unionism.









