

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

UNITY IS URGED IN COAL STRIKE

IN a London tenement house, there recently passed away a character famous in a way, a man who went by the pseudonyms of "Lucky Bower" and "The Man Who Broke the Bank at Monte Carlo." This adventurer and gambler after leading a useless and hectic life found himself so cracked financially in 1920 that he organized a society called the "Liberty League." Its aim was to fight Bolshevism and save the nation from ruin. Among the prominent people attracted to the league were Rudyard Kipling and Sir Rider Haggard. The society was short-lived. Whatever money came in was considered by Mr. Bower his own personal property. He was as efficient in breaking the treasury of the "Liberty League" as he was in breaking the Monte Carlo bank.

THE domestic life of the patriotic Mr. Bower was not marked either by felicity or tranquility. One of his wives was the widow of a well-known Hungarian sportsman. She had a fortune of \$5,000,000. Patriots always seem to keep a weather eye open for the main chance. Bower made violent love to his wife's millions and succeeded in his siege to a considerable extent. Finally Mrs. Bower went behind the ramparts and refused further connubial and financial relations with her patriotic spouse. Like a real he man, Bower dragged a small cannon into the house loaded it with powder and threatened to blow his sweetheart's boudoir into atoms unless the besieged one made a complete and unconditional surrender. The white flag was speedily hoisted and the gallant Mr. Bower scored another victory.

THIS is the stuff of which heroes and anti-Bolshevists are made. It usually develops that the greatest and most accomplished grafters are most frequently heard extolling the virtues of honesty and the burglars who wish to get near a government treasury in order to loot it are loudest in their vocal war on radicalism as a foil for their desired raid on the nation's wealth. The National Security League, the American Defense Society, the Constitutional League, the Allied Patriotic Society, the Ku Klux Klan and similar organizations of odoriferous reputation, are in existence mainly for one purpose, to collect graft. There is not a single grain of honesty in the whole lot. They fleece the wealthy, the only people who can be fleeced, and in return broadcast lurid yarns, about plots and conspiracies designed to shake more money out of the business men.

NOW that the prohibition forces are being reduced and the professional stoolpigeons who were used to perjure themselves in order to put radical workers in jail in California are unemployed, there is a probability that the number of "patriotic" societies will increase and multiply. Soon we are liable to witness the spectacle of rival groups of patriots shooting at each other with sawed-off shot guns like the Chicago bootleggers, for the spoils to be derived from the exploitation of patriotism. These are the vermin that capitalism vomits up in its declining years as parasites of public virtue. Mr. Bower, the English libertine, rum soak, gambler, race track tout and all around degenerate, was a worthy type of this breed.

THE DAILY WORKER has not the time or the inclination to make a collection of what H. L. Mencken has immortalized under the title of "Americana," which term stands for the senselessness of imbecility, ignorance, moral turpitude and everything else that would qualify a person for membership in the Loyal Order of the Moose. But when a particularly attractive chunk of this indigestible by American commodity can be picked up without any special effort, it is not to be turned down or sneezed at. With a few words of explanation I will represent for the edification of our readers as choice a morsel of Minnesota literary offal as ever polluted the atmosphere. It is decomposed babbitry, perfumed by the output of a barrel of pole cats. See if it is not.

THE author of the mental garbage is William E. McEwen, editor of the Labor World of Duluth, a chamber of commerce labor skate. It appears that Duluth is going to have a "frolic week." The details of the proposed affair are not given, but Mr. McEwen the "labor" editor in boasting it turns loose a flood of babbitry so precious that if nothing else comes out of the "frolic" but McEwen's effusion, it will be worth all the trouble entailed in organizing it. Here goes:
"Thawing out Duluth! That's not a bad idea. Getting folks to slap one another on the back and shout 'Hello Bill!' like they used to do in the
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7,000 WORKERS DEFY PASSAIC TEXTILE BARONS

Strikers Will Hold Big Parade

By LOUIS KOVENS.
(Special to The Daily Worker)
PASSAIC, New Jersey, Feb. 2.—The number of the strikers exceeds 7,000 already, and day by day their ranks are increasing in great numbers. The textile barons are not yet attempting to recruit scabs as they know it to be a hopeless undertaking. This is proved by the fact that the vice president of the Botany Worsted Mills has mentioned that it would be necessary to close up the mill for "one month."
The reply from the strikers is that they must close down the mills, because they can not keep them going without workers. But the mills will be shut down not for a month, but until the strikers return victoriously to their places.
Textile Barons Spread Rumors.
The textile barons are spreading the rumor thru their few hired men, that "they would be willing to give a 5 per cent increase" to the workers.
The textile barons want to find out whether they can weaken the ranks of the strikers with a 5 per cent increase. They think that with a 5 per cent increase they can get some of the workers back to work and make the defeat of the others easier.
The workers understand this scheme. There will not be a single striker falling for the bosses propaganda. Their unified and disciplined ranks will remain solid till the victory is won.
Prepare For Big Parade.
A great demonstration thru the main streets of Passaic, Garfield and Clifton is planned for this week. Not only will the strikers take part in this parade, but their families and relatives will demonstrate the mass strength of the workers.
Collection blanks have been printed and will be distributed to all workers' organizations. Clarence Miller representative of the Young Workers (Communist) League has announced to the
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THE SENATE DOES ITS LITTLE STUNT



CAPMAKERS VOTE GENERAL STRIKE IN BOSTON SHOPS

300 Workers Walk Out in 18 Plants

(Special to The Daily Worker)
BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 2.—A general strike of all the cap makers employed in Boston shops was declared at a big enthusiastic mass meeting held at the union headquarters following the expiration of the agreement with the manufacturers. For several weeks a committee of the union and the manufacturers were in conferences to negotiate the new agreement.
The workers stayed away from work shops the whole day awaiting the report of the conference between the bosses and union heads. When the committee reported that the bosses refuse to grant the just demands of the workers in renewing the agreement, the workers unanimously voted to declare a general strike.
The workers are very enthusiastic and are determined to fight until they win. The strike will involve about 300 men in eighteen shops. The strike is conducted under auspices of Local 7, Cap Makers' Union.

WORLD COURT ENTRY IS VICTORY OF IMPERIALISM AND MEANS NOT PEACE BUT WAR, SAYS RUTHENBERG

"The entrance of the United States into the world court marks the climax of the undisputed supremacy of finance capital," said C. E. Ruthenberg, general secretary of the Workers (Communist) Party, in an interview today regarding the attitude of the party on the victory in the United States senate of the world court advocates.
Recalling Coolidge's address to congress at the opening of the present session Ruthenberg declared that it was "the most open declaration of protection of finance capital ever uttered by a president of the United States. It gave the great trusts operating under Wall Street domination free reign to conduct their plundering expeditions unhampered by governmental regulations. In this speech the trusts were assured that agencies for regulation heretofore operating would be hampered, so that they could not embarrass the great combinations in their campaign of stifling all competition."
Dispels Illusions.
"The vote on the world court," said Ruthenberg, "strikes another blow at the illusion of any fundamental difference between the republican and democratic parties. The fact that the overwhelming majority of democratic and republican senators voted for the proposition is proof of this."
"It also makes a further step toward American domination of European affairs. With America's great financial and industrial domination the entrance of this country into the court only means further control of
the world. The court is a political weapon that will enable Wall Street to extend its economic and financial power."
Sees Preparation For War.
"In view of this fact America's entry into the court is not a move for peace, as some of the bourgeois pacifists would have us believe, but it is a long step toward war, as it sharpens the conflict between England and
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PHILADELPHIA TRACTION BOSS RECRUITS SCABS

Prepares to Lock Out Buffalo Motormen

(Special to The Daily Worker)
PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 2.—The Philadelphia Rapid Transit company is using its offices here to recruit motormen for Buffalo, where an attempt will be made to replace the 500 to 600 workers who participated in the strike of 1922.
The following ad was run in the local press:
"MOTORMEN—Experienced, wanted, for service outside Philadelphia. No labor trouble. In letter of reply please give name, address, age, length of service and companies worked for. D-383 Bulletin."
I answered this ad and was told to come down to the Philadelphia Rapid Transit company employment office for an interview. Mr. Pierman, employment manager at the offices of the car company, which is under Mitten management, at 17 South Eighteenth street, stated that "we have between 500 to 600 men that we are going to get rid of in Buffalo," and that workers were needed to replace them. He admitted that the Buffalo workers were mostly men returned after the 1922 strike.
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RAILROAD UNIONS DEMAND HIGHER WAGES FOR MEN

Chicago Roads Receive Workers' Terms

Formal demand for wage increases for enginemen, conductors and switchmen, ranging from \$1 to \$1.34 was served upon the Chicago, Rock Island & Pacific railroad, first of Western lines to be so served. Similar demands already have been served upon eastern railroads.
Approximately 70 applications for increased wages have been filed with by railroad and allied unions, the United States railroad labor board announced.

MINERS' OFFICIALS AND OPERATORS RESUME DICKERING AFTER VACATION

PHILADELPHIA, Feb. 2.—Lewis henchmen and the coal barons are again seated around a table dickering over terms of the anthracite miners' strike after a week-end vacation.

'CO-OP' TRADING CO. AT WAUKEGAN CONDEMNS ITALIAN FASCIST TERROR

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Feb. 2.—At a mass meeting, arranged by the Co-operative Trading Co. of Waukegan, Italian fascism was condemned. A protest resolution against the destruction of the Italian co-operative movement by fascists was unanimously adopted.
The meeting also demanded that the International Co-operative Alliance call an international conference of the Red International of Labor unions, the Amsterdam International and the Co-operative International to formulate international plans to fight fascism.
The Co-operative Trading Co. of Waukegan is a successful co-operative, having about 2,000 members and turnover of almost half a million dollars.

KENTUCKY JURY RUSHES NEGRO TO THE GALLOWS

Trial Lasts Thirteen Minutes

LEXINGTON, Ky., Feb. 2.—Thirteen minutes was all that the court here required to find Ed. Harris, Negro, guilty of assaulting a white woman and sentencing him to be hung in the jail courtyard here March 5.
All the evidence that was presented against Harris was by Sheriff C. H. Fuller who swore that Harris had "confessed" to the assault on the woman to him and the killing of two of the Bryant children and the father of the family.
Judge Stoll then curtly declared to the jury: "You will find this man guilty of rape. Two punishments are possible—imprisonment from ten to twenty years or death by hanging." Three minutes later the jury returned with a verdict of guilty.
When asked by the judge whether he had anything to say for himself before sentence was pronounced, the Negro realizing the futility of seeking justice in a southern court declared: "I've got nothing to fight this case with. I'm glad guilty."
As soon as "justice" had been done Harris was whisked down a stairway to a waiting automobile and speeded away to Frankfort.
Town Under Martial Law.
The town was under martial law for the duration of the trial. When Harris was brought into Lexington from Frankfort in a high-speed army automobile, attempts were made to have the judge try Harris at five o'clock in the morning. The judge objected to this procedure declaring that such secrecy "would not be calculated to uphold the dignity and power of the law as would a trial at regular hours."
As soon as the court opened at 9 o'clock, Harris was brought in from the ante-room surrounded on all sides by armed guards. Every spectator entering the court room was searched for weapons. State's Attorney Maury Kemper and J. T. Farmer one of three lawyers appointed by the court to "defend" Harris told the judge that they were satisfied with the twelve
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Ralph Chaplin Will Speak at Northwest Hall, Sunday, Feb. 14

Ralph Chaplin will speak at the Northwest Hall, corner North and Western Aves. on "Legal Frameups Against the Workers," Sunday eve., Feb. 14 at 8 o'clock under the auspices of the Northwest Side Branch of the International Labor Defense. Admission is 35 cents. There will be an appropriate musical program.

Farrington Lies About Progressive Miners

By ALEX REID.
Sec'y, Progressive Miners' Committee.
IN the Illinois Miner of Jan. 30,—the personal organ of Frank Farrington, a filthy attack is made on the Progressive Miner, the official paper of the Progressive Miners' Committee of America.
As usual the cant vomited by this faker against the opposition to the Farrington machine is founded on lies out of whole cloth, and spread in such a way, as only known to such slinking cowards as he can, that is by using
the official machinery of the union to boost his own position.
Farrington Vomits.
Farrington states the purpose of the Progressive Miner "is to assail the officers of the union and to ultimately destroy the U. M. W. of A." Frank Farrington is a contemptible liar... The Progressive Miners have a program for the rank and file, and the program is being indorsed thruout America, by the intelligent miners.
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IMPORT WELSH COAL TO BREAK MINERS' STRIKE

British Workers Pledge Solidarity

By TOM MANN.
(Special to The Daily Worker)
LONDON, England.—(By Mail.)—Information has reached us concerning the breaking off of the negotiations between the anthracite miners of Pennsylvania and the owners.
The miners, we understand, have been out now for nearly five months. That there are 148,000 men on strike, and that the representatives of these have decided to carry on the fight to a finish.
On the same day that this was reported in the British press (Saturday, Jan. 16), the London Times in another column printed the following:
American Orders for Welsh Coal.
"Coal exporters at Cardiff and Swansea were busy yesterday booking orders for Welsh coal and arranging for steamers to load on a considerable scale for the United States. This is due to a breakdown in the negotiations for a settlement of the anthracite miners' strike in America. Shipping freights to America have advanced two shillings per ton, with a consequent stiffening of the rates for South America and the Mediterranean ports."
What have we here but the absence of international solidarity? And when shall we learn the silliness of long drawn out strikes over half a year with the workers covering only a part of one industry in one country, and all the rest proceeding as tho there was no serious dispute waging?
The methods of trade unions are illogical to a degree of absurdity. We have a new version of an old song in England the chorus of which is as follows:
Comrades, do you carry cudgels?
Use them, then, to lay the rascals out!
Yes, lay them out!
The cudgel will do it!
The Cudgell.
The cudgel, it is explained, is not made of oak. The cudgel is the workers' organization, but to be really effective in any country solidarity is a vital essential. We of the National Minority Movement, are constantly at
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MILWAUKEE ROAD LAYS OFF 419 SHOP WORKERS

Many Skilled Mechanics Out of Work

By Shop Nucleus Correspondent.
MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 2.—Four hundred nineteen workers in the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railway shops here have been laid off in the past two weeks for an indefinite period of time. Of this group 179 workers came from the passenger coach shop and include many skilled workers among which are cabinet makers, carmen, electricians, machinists, electrical workers, riveters, blacksmiths and their helpers. The scale for these skilled workers ranges from 49 to 72 cents an hour. Common labor receives but 42 cents.
The freight yards have laid off 240 workers. No mention is made when they shall be called back to work.
At a banquet given at the continuation school here, Supt. Coolley declared before the members of the Steuben Society and their friends that "skilled labor was always in demand"—this in spite of the layoff of skilled mechanics.

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FRANK & CEDER SALESGIRLS GET VERY LOW WAGES

Long Hours in Rush Season; Then Layoff

By a Worker Correspondent.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 2—Thousands of customers come in daily to the large Frank and Ceder company department store...

Small Wages. For all this, most of the girls were receiving not more than \$12 to \$13 per week.

While the bosses continue to pile up profits the girls are discharged and must keep up the struggle for a living.

It is time the sales girls in the department stores put their heads together and begin thinking about the conditions in which they find themselves and organized.

Millinery Workers Out on Strike Raise Money for Striking Miners

By a Worker Correspondent.

NEW YORK, Feb. 2—While the Cloth Hat, Cap and Millinery Workers International Union is conducting a general strike in its down town New York shops...

The gallant fight of the 158,000 anthracite miners who are already out the fifth month in a life and death struggle forced upon them by the profiteering coal magnates...

Unemployed Forced to Seek Food and Shelter at the Police Station

By a Worker Correspondent.

PORTLAND, Ore., Feb. 2—That unemployment among lumberworkers is acute is indicated by the admissions of the company union employment letter.

COMPETING WITH THE MACHINE



FAYETTE COUNTY POLICE TRY TO FRAMEUP PAPCUN

Dick Cites Long Speech from "Memory"

By a Worker Correspondent

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 2—The preliminary hearing following the arrest of George Papcun before squire, Charles McComb of New Salem, showed more clearly than ever the real cause that led up to the arrest.

Some Memory!

One of the "dicks" who made the arrest produced a written copy of what was supposed to be Papcun's speech. Under cross examination this guardian of law—a husky but stupid-looking fellow—admitted that there was no stenographer in the hall when the speech was delivered...

Cites Another "Crime."

Another "crime" with which the defendant is charged is that he called upon the Negro workers to organize together with the whites, as they are "just as good" as the white workers.

FRED AND RED WILL BE AT THE FREIHEIT ICOR BALL—HOW ABOUT YOU?

(By a Worker Correspondent)

"Hello, Red, why the big smile?" "Just got a ticket for the Freiheit Icor Masquerade Ball. Sure to have a good time there."

Traction Boss in Philadelphia, Pa., Is Recruiting Scabs

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"We will send you out to our barn at Sixty-first and Callowhill street and try you out as a motorman. If you are O. K. we will send you to Buffalo. We will pay your transportation and your board in Buffalo for a limited time."

Pittsburgh Class Meets Friday

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 2—A Worker Correspondents' class has been organized in Pittsburgh and every shop nucleus is instructed to elect a comrade to attend.

Prizes for Contributions

Every week valuable books are offered as prizes for the best worker correspondents' contributions. These prizes go to the worker whose work shows an effort to produce an article that will interest other workers.

This Week's Prizes!

FIRST PRIZE: "Historical Materialism—A System of Sociology" by Nikolai Bukharin. In this valuable book all the social sciences are closely scrutinized and interpreted from the materialist viewpoint.

In Search of a Master

By SAUL WHITE, Worker Correspondent.

ON FALL RIVER BOAT, Feb. 2—Lost job in New England. Left wife and child to luck and chance and afloat for New York in search of a new job!

A job! The magic word for the worker. A job to be permitted to live under a roof. A job to buy food to keep alive. A job to buy clothes to keep warm. A job to have the price for a movie.

The individual will starve in isolation, will commit suicide, will commit a crime. But when thousands look for jobs, when millions look for jobs, that will be something...

To overthrow the capitalist system and establish a workers' commonwealth where the motto will be: "TO EACH ACCORDING TO HIS NEEDS; FROM EACH ACCORDING TO HIS ABILITIES!"

GERA TEXTILE SHOP WORKERS PLAN WALKOUT

Will Join Ranks of Passaic Strikers

PASSAIC, N. J., Feb. 2—The Gera Mill, stronghold of the textile bosses, here, has lost a considerable number of workers and the remainder of the forces is planning to walkout soon.

Working Class Solidarity. The spirit of the workers is indicated by the following anecdote: One of the reporters of the capitalist press asked a textile worker the following question: "Are you Hungarian?"

One Method Used by Oakland Comrades to Distribute Leaflets

OAKLAND, Cal., Feb. 2—We took with us some "Coolidge Challenge" leaflets, and as we passed a worker, who was walking along the highway, we would slightly honk the horn and drop them one of the leaflets.

Strike Lost Thru Bad Leadership; Youthful Workers Not Daunted

BELLAIRE, O., Feb. 2—The young workers employed at the Imperial Glass company went on strike against a cut in their wages. They lost because of false leadership.

Architectural Iron Workers' Union Plans Organization Campaign

The Architectural Iron, Bronze and Structural Workers' Union is at present carrying on an intensive organization campaign, in order to bring all the iron and bronze workers of greater New York within its folds...

Hold Protest Meetings

The Workers Party is planning to hold a series of mass meetings in the coke region as a protest against the arrest of Papcun and to test the right of free speech in the kingdom of the coal operators. The defense is handled by the International Labor Defense.

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NASH MOTORS TOOK, IN 1925, A PROFIT THREE TIMES ORIGINAL INVESTMENT; LABOR GOT WAGES

By LELAND OLDS, Federated Press.

Announcement of a record-breaking 900% stock dividend by the open shop Nash Motors Co. together with the determination to pay regular cash dividends equivalent to \$100 a year on each \$100 originally invested raises just one question. Where do the employees who have been speeded up to produce such profits come in?

RUSSIAN WORKERS AND PEASANTS LISTEN TO AMERICAN RADIO MUSIC

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Feb. 2—Music from the American stations WEAF and WJZ of New York came over the loud speakers in many of the workers' clubrooms here. Station WOR of Newark, New Jersey, was another American station that was heard very plainly.

More Shares—More Profits.

Then at the end of 1922 the company issued on each common share 3 shares of new 7% preferred stock and 4 additional shares of common stock. The original investor of \$100 now held 3 shares of preferred and 5 shares of common. From then to the end of 1925 these shares paid \$223 in cash dividends.

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STRATEGY OF THE COMMUNISTS

The famous letter of the Communist International to the Mexican Communist Party is more than a historical document. It points out clearly the road to all American workers. Read it!

It's Filthy

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