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LEFT WING ISSUE AT PITTSBURGH

PERU WORKERS' GENERAL STRIKE THREAT GROWS

Imperialist Oppression Unites Labor Forces

(Anti-Imperialist News Service)
LIMA, Peru, April 7.—Denunciation of all construction contracts between the Peruvian government and the Foundation company of New York, is now being demanded by the workers and peasants in the face of President Leguia's attempt to draft them into the unrequited employ of the company. This will surely be one of the demands of the Lima general strike if it is called.

Anti-Imperialist Feeling Spreads.
Significant of the spread of anti-imperialist feeling, is the fact that the students are supporting all the demands of the workers and peasants, so that a united anti-imperialist front is being created in opposition to the so-called road-building conscription law. This united front includes all classes not directly corrupted by imperialism. The Peruvian students were formerly the leaders of the movement against Wall Street domination, but their organization was dealt a series of severe blows when Leguia arrested many of the students and exiled their leading spirit, Victor Haya de la Torre, from the country.

As a result of mass deportation of student leaders, it was possible to confuse certain sections of the students for a time by raising the laudatory banner of "patriotism" and anti-Chilean sentiment in the Tacna-Arica affair. On the pretense of appeal against Chile, President Leguia turned the whole settlement of the Tacna-Arica matter over to American imperialism. President Coolidge became "arbiter" and the first act began in the face of the plebiscite that never was to be held. General Lassiter now runs things in the province of Tacna and Arica, and President Leguia's "patriotism" is now exposed as downright betrayal to imperialism.

Bribe President Leguia.
Meantime, bribing the tyrant Leguia with stockholdings in the Foundation company and other Wall Street concerns, American imperialism fastened its hold more and more securely on the territory of Peru itself. Peruvian loans, formerly floated in London, were now floated exclusively in New York. An American financial "advisor" took up his residence in Lima, as well as American customs inspectors. An American naval mission paid a visit—and helped fan the flames of "patriotism" against Chile, in the interests of Wall Street and Leguia.

Peru sunk to the position of a semi-colony of the United States, which is the position she occupies now. While the hypocrites of the United States government took a lofty tone in criticizing "the imperialist policies of Europe," they have been quietly undermining Peruvian independence for the sake of monopolist profits.

Must Work Without Pay.
The road-building conscription law, which conscripts Peruvians to work without pay for the Foundation company, is one of the most glaring (Continued on page 2.)

American Missionaries Abandon China Mission
(Special to The Daily Worker)
PEKING, April 7.—Anti-missionary agitation in China has caused abandonment of the American Baptist mission hospital at Wu-chow and the closing of the mission school, the American consul at Canton reported today. Crowds attacked the Wu-chow hospital earlier in the week, forcing the staff to take refuge on an American gunboat.

The consul reported the American mission compound on Kacheki Island has been temporarily occupied by troops and is not in danger.

PERUVIAN TYRANT SEEKS \$30,000,000 LOAN FROM WALL STREET FRIENDS

LIMA, Peru, April 7.—The government is seeking a \$30,000,000 loan in Wall Street. The Peruvian congress, which has been requested to authorize the government to conclude such a loan is scheduled to adjourn, but President Leguia is expected to call an extra session. The approval of congress is only a formality, as Augusto B. Leguia is supreme dictator in Peru and his word is law. It is understood that negotiations for the loan are actually under way in New York.

Labor's Fight for Peru

1. Peruvian government, hand and glove with Wall Street imperialism, signs \$50,000,000 road-building and general construction contract with the Foundation company of New York, the terms of contract being scandalously "liberal" to the company.
2. Members of Peruvian congress protest against the contract. Their mouths are stopped by imprisonment and exile.
3. President Augusto B. Leguia, autocrat of Peru, becomes a stockholder in the Foundation company together with some of his friends.
4. President Leguia commands and secures passage of law No. 4113, providing that every Peruvian who cannot buy his exemption shall be conscripted by the government to work 12 days each year (without pay) on the road-building projects of the Foundation company. The Foundation company thus secures labor power for nothing. The Peruvian working class is conscripted to produce super-profits for American imperialism.
5. Charges are raised on all sides that Leguia has been bribed by imperialism to betray his people. The history of the negotiations between Leguia, the Foundation company and the U. S. diplomatic representative at Lima, is cited to show that the conscription law was put thru in conformity with a secret agreement under which Leguia was given an interest in the Foundation company.
6. Attempts to apply the road-building conscription law in the province of Arequipa and other places are met by determined resistance of workers and peasants. Unprecedented brutalities by Leguia's police. Imprisonments, deportations, massacres. But the resistance is so great that application of the law is postponed.
7. Placards are posted in the city of Lima giving the population 45 days to register for conscription under law 4113.
8. All workers, organized and unorganized alike, denounce the law. Federation of Printing Trades Workers issues manifesto calling upon workers not to register. Similar manifestoes are issued by other unions.
9. Larrea and Sierra, officials of the Printing Trades Federation, are brought before the minister of the interior and summarily arrested, after being told that they can get their freedom by signing a statement repudiating the manifesto of their organization and declaring themselves in favor of the conscription law.
10. Printing Trades Workers Federation declares strike of all branches of the printing trades.
11. Preparations are made for general strike of all workers for the release of Larrea and Sierra and for the repeal of the vicious law No. 4113.
12. Students join workers calling for a united anti-imperialist front of all Peruvians against Wall Street and Leguia.
13. Printing Trades Federation sends message to the All-America Anti-Imperialist League asking for support of all sections.
14. United States section of All-America Anti-Imperialist League demands investigation of activities of the Foundation company and of U. S. diplomatic representatives in Peru.

COOLIDGE SEEKS POWER TO CRUSH TEXTILE STRIKE

Congress Will Act on Strike-Breaker Bill

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7.—A bill which would give President Coolidge the power to break a strike is to be reported out of committee and placed before congress for action. The bill would allow President Coolidge, the tool of the big business interests in this country, to appoint a national commission to investigate causes of a strike or a threat to strike and place the blame on the "guilty party."

This bill authorizes the president to intervene or break a strike at any time that he may desire. President Coolidge intimated his desire for this measure in his speech to congress on November 1923. If this bill is passed Coolidge might attempt to smash the strike of the Passaic textile workers.

Riffians and Druses Win Attacks on French

PARIS, April 7.—Riff forces attacked today in the vicinity of Taza, the foreign office announced. It is expected today's attack may presage widespread attacks all along the front.

Druse Assault Wins.
DAMASCUS, Syria, April 7.—Druse tribesmen have attacked a railroad train south of Damascus and captured six railway officials. Troops have been sent to the relief of the train.

WOMAN SHOTS END OFF NOSE OF MUSSOLINI

English Religious Crank Is Poor Marksman

(Special to The Daily Worker)
ROME, April 7.—Premier Mussolini was shot at today just as he left the International Congress of Surgeons where he had delivered an address. He was just about to step into his auto when a woman fired at him, missing his forehead but striking the end of his nose. The assailant was immediately taken in charge. She has been identified as Miss Violet Gibson, a sister of Lord Ashbourne of England. She is 50 years of age and well-known in England and Ireland as a religious fanatic. A year ago she tried to commit suicide in Rome by shooting herself while in a religious fervor. Owing to the recent long continued ill-health of the premier, there is a conviction that the consequences of the wound may be more serious than would normally be the case. It will doubtless interfere with his plans for a grand triumphal sea voyage, escorted by a fleet of Italian warships, to the Italian possession of Tripoli.

Clap on Censorship.
LONDON, April 7.—A censorship heavier than usual has been imposed on all news coming from Italy since the first reports of the wounding of Mussolini. It is reported that great gangs of fascist hoodlums are parading the streets of Rome. One crowd of them has already attacked the printing plant of Il Mondo, one of the opposition papers, and wrecked the building. Personal violence is threatened to leaders of the anti-fascist groups.

Harder to Act Napoleon.
The premier's injury is reported on more thorough examination not to be serious though it is very painful and most embarrassing. The bullet pierced both nostrils and grazed the cheek.

Friend of King George.
Miss Gibson, the assailant, has been a resident of Italy at various times. She was so close a personal friend of King George that he sent his private physician to attend her last year when she tried to commit suicide. Friends of hers in London are inclined to believe that her anger over the dictator's attitude towards the vatican and the recent differences between the fascist party and Cardinal Gasparri, the official director of papal foreign policy, may have aroused her catholic emotionalism to commit the act.

Did you subscribe to The American Worker Correspondent?

Reviving a Dead One



Drawn by William Gropper
Election time is near and poor old liquor has replaced the tariff as the hokum to get the workers' mind off the real issues.

POLICE ARREST, BEAT FURRIERS IN N. Y. STRIKE

Strikers Holding Firm and Winning

(Special to The Daily Worker)
NEW YORK, April 7.—In spite of the efforts of fur strikers to conduct a peaceful picket demonstration this morning, the police made numerous attempts to create disorder and severely beat a large number of workers.

Twenty arrests were made, and three of these strikers when arraigned in Jefferson Market Court on a charge of disorderly conduct were fined. One fine was \$25 and the other two were \$5 each. The other cases were postponed until later this week.

Plan Protest.
Union officials have determined that a protest to Police Commissioner McLaughlin against the brutal interference of the police has become an absolute necessity. Peaceful picketing is being interfered with constantly, and the provocative action of the police and their deliberate attacks upon workers are becoming unbearable. The strikers are preparing to demand the same protection given to the manufacturers and their hired agents by representatives of the law.

Bosses Disappointed.
Those members of the manufacturers' associations who believed the statement made at their meeting last Friday that 3,000 workers would return to the shops when they opened this morning, suffered bitter disappointment.

The shops were opened, but not a single worker entered them. They were all outside on the picket line, thousands and thousands of them, in a greater strike demonstration than has been held since the strike started.

Strikers Winning.
With no workers in their shops in the city, and all their efforts to take work out of town being defeated by the union, the manufacturers are finding it more and more difficult to hold out against the strikers. The settlement committee reports that 80 shops have already settled on the union's terms and they are kept busy continually taking care of the new applications from manufacturers who agree to the union's terms and want to sign the agreement.

Grand Jury Probe.
Judge Mancusi announced today that the grand jury was planning to

STEEL WORKERS' CONVENTION ON IN PITTSBURGH

Left Wing Attacked in First Session

(Special to The Daily Worker)
By ANDREW OVERGAARD
PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 7.—An attack upon the left wing and progressives in the Amalgamated Iron, Steel and Tin Workers Union marked the opening session of the union's fifty-first annual convention.

The officials of the union seemed to think this every bit as much a necessary part of the procedure as the opening prayer and blessing conducted by Ben I. Davis, managing editor of the Union's Journal.

The convention was formally opened by Mike Tighe, president of the organization, and the address of welcome to the delegates was extended by Mr. P. J. McArdle, former president of the union and now lawyer and councilman in the steel corporation city of Pittsburgh.

A Tribute.
The main business in the morning session consisted in passing a resolution of tribute to a Mr. McNutt, former member of the union who recently died, despite the fact he had been working for the Western Bar Manufacturers' Association for the past twenty-five years. The policy seems to be that of forgetting working class fighters and paying tribute only to those who have been using the organization as a stepping stone for their own personal advancement.

Invited Davis.
A letter was received from the secretary of labor, Davis, regretting that he could not address the convention due to illness. Mr. Davis, the strike-breaking member of the Coolidge cabinet, who is the spokesman for the various registration and finger printing bills aimed at the foreign-born workers employed in the steel industry and other industries was invited by Mike Tighe to speak before the convention. It seems to be proof sent that Mike Tighe can no longer represent the interests of the steel workers in this country when he extends official invitation to the greatest enemy of the foreign-born workers who constitute the majority of the workers within the steel industry.

Officers' Reports.
The afternoon session was devoted until closing time to the officers' reports and will be continued for at least a couple of days. Mike Tighe in his report is following the same procedure as other international officers have done in reporting to A. F. of L. conventions, making the usual attacks against Communism, Sovietism, etc. and proving to the masters how anxious they are to carry out the official class-collaboration policy.

UPHOLSTERERS STRIKE TO GET WAGE INCREASE

Union Demands the 40-Hour Week

NEW YORK, April 1.—Upholsterers' Union No. 44 has gone on strike demanding higher wages and shorter hours. The union demands a 40-hour week. The season in this industry is short. The workers are only able to get work four or five months in a year and thru the rest of the year they are forced to seek work at other lines or be jobless.

The new demands will not solve the problems of the upholsterers. They will only help a little. Many of the bosses have accepted the union conditions. The following shops are still on strike and upholsterers are warned not to go to work in them: Bristol, 340 East 38th St.; Albano & Company, 306 East 47th St.; Orsemco & Company, Long Island City, Third avenue and 47th St.; Marselli, 232 East 59th St.; Fulmer & Son, 404 East 14th St.

Your neighbor will appreciate the favor—give him this copy of the DAILY WORKER.

A sub a day will help to drive capital away.

COOLIDGE HENCHMAN INTRODUCES BILL AIMED AT FOREIGN-BORN

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 7.—All foreign-born workers under 40 years of age, who have lived in the United States more than five years without applying for citizenship, are to be deported under a bill introduced in congress by Representative Manlove, republican of Missouri.

Plenty of Rooms at Fancy Prices



But there's no room for workers when low wages can't pay high rents.

LYNCH ASSAILS LAWS AGAINST FOREIGN-BORN

Bosses Seek "Yellow Ticket" System

(Special to The Daily Worker)
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 7—James M. Lynch, president of the International Typographical Union and leader of the reactionary group in the Typographical Union, in a statement attacks the anti-foreign born bills that are now in congress as an attempt on the part of the bosses to establish the "yellow ticket system" and the creation of a bureau to aid in the intimidation of the foreign-born worker.

Would Register Citizens Later.
"The International Typographical Union has members of foreign birth, many of them employed on foreign language newspapers, and it will endeavor to protect them from espionage. While the favorite plan of the registration advocates would require enrollment only of those immigrants who arrive in future, it would be but a short stop, and a logical one, to extend it to all the 5,000,000 residents of foreign birth in the United States. That is the plan sponsored by the department of labor. Indeed, there would be constant temptation to extend it to all people resident in the United States.

"We would then have transplanted the czarist police ideal of keeping constant tab on the individual, cataloging his political and economic opinions as well as any criminal proclivities he might reveal—the "yellow ticket" system.

Will Help Employers.
"This registration plan, which certain interests are bent on jamming thru the present congress if it can be done quietly, is calculated to be of immense benefit to large employers who would like to have a friendly governmental bureau in constant control of their alien employes, an instrument they might use for the intimidation of these employes.

"The measures to which I have reference are the Aswell registration bill, which makes it compulsory that all aliens present themselves for registration every year, and the Sosnowski bill, which differs from the Aswell bill in that it makes registration voluntary.

Atrocious Espionage System.
"Under the terms of the Holiday bill, a companion of the Aswell and Sosnowski measures, all aliens would be liable to deportation any time after hearing. Thus all aliens would be required to order their opinions and activities to please their governmental preceptors.

"The entire plan constitutes a proposal for a pussyfooted and atrocious espionage system, which from the start would enable persecution or annoyance of any citizen.

"It is silly to shift the blame for the crime wave onto foreigners. Native talent needs no lesson from abroad at that point. Newspapers recently carried the statement that only 23 per cent of New York state's prison population consisted of aliens.

Senator Proposes New International Meeting

WASHINGTON, April 7—President Coolidge would be requested to invite "all the nations of the civilized world" to a conference here for the preparation of a new code of international law, under terms of a resolution introduced in the senate this afternoon by Senator Means, republican of Colorado.

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EDUCATION VIA RADIO IN MEXICO



The department of education is using the radio to reach 17 different tribes in Mexico. Programs will be broadcast in various dialects. Among the dialects being used are Maya for the Maya Indians of Yucatan; Zapoteca for the Indians in a part of the state of Oaxaca; Mixteca for the Indians of that tribe living in another portion of Oaxaca; Otomi for the Otomi Indians living in the central part of the republic, principally in the states of Michoacan and Queretaro, and Mazatlancan for the remnants of an ancient tribe who inhabit the states of Hidalgo, Tamaulipas and Vera Cruz.

The inset shows Dr. Jose Manuel Puig-Cassauranc, the head of the department of education.

Independent Labor Party of England Is Party for Cancelling Debts

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WHITLEY BAY, England, April 7—Resolutions in favor of world-wide cancellation of war debts were passed here today by the independent labor party conference, after speakers had bitterly denounced the United States for its opposition to cancellation.

Seymour Cox, a delegate, urged that Great Britain take steps to cancel the debts owed to her by European countries, even if unable to induce the United States to reduce the British debt. The majority, however, held this impracticable as long as Great Britain has to pay the United States.

Canadian Parliament Discusses Exclusion of Japanese Workers

MONTREAL, April 7—A resolution has been presented to the Canadian parliament proposing the exclusion of the Japanese from Canada.

H. J. Baker, member of parliament from Fraser Valley, B. C., claims that the attendance of Japanese children to schools increased 70 per cent, while that of white children increased only 21.3 per cent.

New Chemical Combine Is Formed in London

LONDON, April 7—The International Pulp and Chemical Co., Ltd., has recently been formed with a capitalization of 1,000,000 pounds.

The object of the company, as set forth in a prospectus, is to acquire shares of the Kolyte A. G., owning five freehold factories in Germany, of which two are large producers of chemical pulp. The other factories produce paper, electrolytic caustic soda, chlorine and other chemical products.

Coal Plan Provides for Federal Intervention

WASHINGTON, April 7—Representative Jacobstein of New York presented a coal industry consolidation plan to the house interstate commerce committee as a means of reducing prices of coal to the consumer.

His plan provides for the closing down of unprofitable mines, but makes no attempt to say what shall be done with the unemployed coal miners. Jacobstein's plan also opposes government ownership but provides for federal intervention in emergencies, which mean strikes, of course.

Put a copy of the DAILY WORKER in your pocket when you go to your union meeting.

Modify Restrictions on Aliens, Says U. S. Chamber of Commerce

WASHINGTON, April 7—Registration of aliens in the United States as proposed by Secretary of Labor Davis is turned down by the immigration committee of the United States Chamber of Commerce, in a special report issued here, to be considered at the chamber's annual meeting in May. The main point raised is that the Davis scheme would involve an unbearable amount of spying and suspicion.

However, a compromise is suggested. Instead of compulsory registration, the chamber committee favors the issuance of certificates of residence or arrival for aliens who reached this country before June 30, 1924, in addition to the arrival certificates now being issued to those who have come since that date. The alien would in such case have to present satisfactory evidence of his claim to a certificate.

Not only would the Davis plan be impossible of enforcement, the committee finds, but it would raise a question of treaty rights with other countries, unless American citizens are likewise to be compelled to register their movements in countries abroad. The fact is that the chamber has been compelled because of the agitation in behalf of the foreign-born, notably by the activities of the Communists in the organization of councils for their protection in all parts of the country, to recede from the demand of its most bitterly anti-union elements for the registration of all aliens.

The Committee.
Members of the committee are Karl DeLaitre, a Minneapolis lumberman; Henry Bruere, vice-president of the Metropolitan Life Insurance Company; J. T. Duryea, a big New York manufacturer; Thomas Evans, of Philadelphia; Harry A. Garfield, president of Williams College; Frank J. Goodnow, president of Johns Hopkins University; Charles Nagel, former secretary of commerce, and F. W. Shephardson, secretary of the Julius Rosenwald Fund, Chicago.

U. S. Has Large Surplus Despite Tax Reductions

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON, April 7—Despite heavy tax reduction and repeated "bear stories" about the poverty of the federal government, treasury officials asserted today there will be a surplus by June 30 of well over \$250,000,000.

The government now has a surplus of \$294,281,000, compared to \$259,811,000 a year ago. Should the June income tax payment returns exceed the estimate as did that of last month the surplus will go beyond \$300,000,000.

STILL CARRY ON SLAVE TRAFFIC IN MANY PLACES

Centers Are in Africa and Asia Minor

(Special to The Daily Worker)
LONDON, April 7—Sir Frederick Lugard, chairman of the commission of experts appointed by the league of nations two years ago to formulate an international convention for the wiping out of slavery, and a former British governor of Nigeria, reported that the investigators have discovered that a considerable traffic in slaves still is being carried on in various parts of the world.

This traffic centers principally in Africa and Asia Minor. "The traffic in slaves from Africa to Arabia, chiefly from Abyssinia, is very considerable," he finds. There is also a regular business in the sale of "attendants," carried on by pilgrims from Nigeria and other parts of Moslem Africa to Mecca and of girls from Java and Malaya. It is estimated that in this district alone about 30,000 human beings are annually sold into slavery.

Whole Populations Enslaved.
Nearly all the wretched victims who are shipped across the Red Sea into Arabia come from Southern Abyssinia, where eyewitnesses have reported that whole areas are being practically denuded of inhabitants by the depredations of the slave-traders who carry on their evil traffic without visible let or hindrance, in spite of the numerous proclamations of the Ethiopian authorities. The slaves are taken in droves to the sea coast; the port of Tajura has achieved unenviable notoriety in this connection.

In certain sections of Morocco, notably among the Senussi tribesmen who dwell in the Libyan desert, the trade is also conducted. Two American investigators, Ross and Cramer, have reported horrible conditions prevailing in Angola, the Portuguese possession in East Africa.

In the Rangoon district of Burma the British government has at last taken measures to free several thousand girl slaves. In other localities in India a slave traffic goes on, unmolested by the English.

Weisbord to Speak at Philadelphia Rally for Passaic Mill Strikers

PHILADELPHIA, April 7—The Philadelphia conference for the relief of the striking Passaic textile workers is beginning its relief campaign with two mass rallies.

For Tuesday, April 13, at 8 p. m. two large halls have been engaged and the committee is confident that both halls will be jammed to capacity, because the Philadelphia trade unionists are anxious to come to the aid of their struggling brothers in Passaic. The halls engaged are the Kensington Labor Lyceum, in the heart of the textile district, and the Labor Institute, 8th and Locust streets.

The speakers will be Albert Weisbord, leader and organizer of the 16,000 Passaic strikers; Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, well known labor organizer, and Robert Dunn of the Civil Liberties Union of New York. Admission to the meetings will be free.

Secret Senate Poll Indicates Brookhart Will Retain Seat

WASHINGTON, April 7—The two-year battle between Senator Smith W. Brookhart, insurgent republican, and Daniel F. Steck, democrat, for Iowa's junior senatorial seat will end with the senate seating Brookhart, it became apparent today, unless a political miracle happens.

A confidential poll of the senate today revealed 49 senators friendly to Brookhart, 23 favorable to Steck's claim, 19 undecided and 5, including absentees, not likely to vote.

Senator Caraway, (D) of Arkansas, presenting the election committee's "ten to one" majority report, which recommended the seating of Steck, was constantly interrupted. The questions of senators, particularly republicans, indicated they did not agree with the committee's majority.

Fascist Militia Now Institution of State

ROME, April 7—The fascist militia once the roving, raiding bands of Black Shirt thugs upon whom Mussolini relied for his power, have chosen a saint. This is one more indication that the militia is being organized under the direct control of the state as an armed force, since all branches of the Italian military and naval services have saints. St. Sebastian, represented as being pierced with a hundred arrows, was chosen.

The more extreme fascists are known to resent the addition of the militia as a branch of the state military paying allegiance to the king instead of to fascism as formerly. But the growing power of the nationalist elements has forced the fascists to concede to this.

FEED PASSAIC STRIKERS TO VICTORY!



The terror methods of the Passaic police have little effect on the striking textile workers. The bosses are using the police with little success.

In order to win this strike the strikers need more than just courage. They need food. It is up to the workers of America to furnish that food! It is up to the workers to feed the Passaic strikers to victory! Send in your donation to the Strikers' General Relief Committee, 743 Main Ave., Passaic!

PASSAIC STRIKERS COLLAR SEN. EDWARDS AT HIS HOME AND TELL HIM ABOUT MILL CONDITIONS

(Special to The Daily Worker)
PASSAIC, N. J., April 7.—The persistence and cleverness of four strikers who interviewed Senator Edward I. Edwards after an eight-hour vigil in front of his home, finally outwitted the attempts of the "absentee investigator" to elude them.

Mrs. Anna Breznac, Nancy Sandowsky, John Sabi, and Carl J. Trocola, each a striker from a different mill, waited all day for Senator Edwards, walking up and down in a patient picket line in front of his house, carrying signs, "Senator Edwards, we are the real strikers, please see us." Another committee of strikers waited all day long in Passaic, hoping that the New Jersey senator would come to the strike area so that they could tell him about their needs. It was nearly eight o'clock in the evening before Senator Edwards came home, and the strikers who had watched his Jersey City mansion all day got to see him.

Dramatic Meeting.
It was a dramatic meeting. The four strikers, an old woman, mother of nine children, who had given the best years of her life to the mills, a young girl, enthusiastic with youth, and two young men, one from the Botany mill where the strike began. They faced the representative of New Jersey in the senate who had declared to his colleagues that their strike was unjustified, that the senatorial investigation was not needed, who had come to make an "investigation" of his own, and had refused to meet their leader, disinterested citizens, and all their friends. They had come alone, without the counsel of their leader, inexperienced in dealing with men of affairs, to plead their cause.

Attacks Leaders.
But if the senator thought he could fool these strikers, he was mistaken. He excluded newspaper men so that no first hand accounts of what took place would be on record and then began to attack the strike leadership. Nancy Sandowsky was too clever for him.

"We did not come to talk about Mr. Weisbord, senator," she said. "We came to tell you about conditions in the mills."

"Well, what are the conditions? What do you mean when you say they are unsanitary?" asked the senator.

What They Mean.
"I mean that when a worker takes off his coat in the morning he has no place to hang it, but he must put it on the pipes, and water drips on it all day long, so when he is thru at night he must put on wet clothes," said Carl Trocola, of the United Piece Dye Works in Lodi. "Water drips on the workers all day from the pipes on the ceiling because they are out of order."

John Sabo from the Botany mill spoke up. "In the Botany we have no place to eat our lunch, but we have to eat it at our machines," he said. "There are no fans to carry off the dust in the wool sorting room where I work. There is no fresh air in this room and we choke on the dust and smell."

About Wages.
The senator asked about wages. Mrs. Breznac told him how her husband only earned \$18 a week so that she had always had to work in the mills to support nine children. Carl Trocola told of the thirty cents an

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BIMBA TO SPEAK HERE ON MASS. WITCH-BURNERS

Will Tell Story of His "Heresy" Trial

Anthony Bimba, Lithuanian working class editor convicted recently in Brockton, Mass., under the seditious act after having a sensational trial in which the principal charge against him was having "contumeliously reproached god," will be heard in Chicago Tuesday evening, April 13, at Schoenhofen Hall. The meeting will be under the auspices of the International Labor Defense, which is supporting his appeal to a higher court. Speaking with him will be Stanley Clark, I. L. D. organizer and well-known labor leader of the Pacific coast.

1697 Law.
The recent Bimba trial, known as a "second Scopes affair," aroused nationwide interest because the "blasphemy" law under which he was tried is one enacted in 1697 during the Salem witchcraft scare and dragged out of the archives to railroad Bimba to jail for his agitation among the shoe workers against the Massachusetts trust.

Freed of the blasphemy charge by a court abashed by public condemnation, Bimba was fined \$100 on a charge of having "advocated the overthrow of the American government by force and violence."

Bribery.
How the U. S. legal authorities are co-operating with the shoe bosses in order to divide the workers on religious and "loyal citizenry" lines will be explained by Bimba, with the details of the frame-up and how the Lithuanian Citizens Club was bribed by contributions from officials of the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co. and the Diamond Shoe Co., aided by a Lithuanian stoolpigeon.

Your neighbor will appreciate the favor—give him this copy of the DAILY WORKER.

MASS MEETING

for the Relief of Passaic Textile Strikers

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LEFT WING IN HARD FIGHT IN FURRIERS' UNION

Want to Carry Out Actions of Convention

By A Worker Correspondent
In a previous article I tried to make clear how one of the comrades on the executive board of the Furriers' Local Union, J. Sonnenshein, is being hounded by the clique in control and how this same clique was threatened with blacklist which those in power are able to use, if not openly, at least, under cover.

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BAD CONDITIONS IN LOS ANGELES IRON SLAVE SHOP

Pay Is as Small as \$12 Per Week

By a Worker Correspondent
LOS ANGELES, Calif., April 7.—I am working at the Architectural Iron Works of Los Angeles. The conditions there are the worst I ever saw. We have to work 9 hours a day doing all kinds of hard work, for as small pay as \$12 a week.

Progressive Candidate Makes Good Showing in Mpls. Carpenters' Union

By a Worker Correspondent
MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., April 7.—A specially called meeting of Carpenters' Union Local 7, Minneapolis, was held Friday, April 2, at Labor Headquarters, 601 Fourth avenue, south. At the last regular meeting Business Agent J. R. Bjorlund resigned because of personal matters, leaving a vacancy for an unexpired term of three months. Under a special order of business, nomination and elections, the following candidates were nominated: Edwin Hudson, L. A. Roseland, Phil Carlin, Andrew Leaf, B. E. Nelson, Harry Haley.

STREET CARMEN OF CLEVELAND IN FIGHT FOR UNION

Oppose New "Outlaw" Charter for City

By a Worker Correspondent
CLEVELAND, April 7.—The carmen working on the street railways are fighting for the recognition of their union by the city and the company. A so-called "Taylor grant" is now before the city council, which is fixing the relations between the men and the company, and the company and the city.

On Joining I. F. T. U.
Jusevitch (Soviet Union) and Losovsky pointed out that already at the third congress of the Red International of Labor Unions the necessity of the amalgamation of the independent red unions with the international A.I.T.U. Federation was emphasized and pointed out that the international discipline of the revolutionary trade union movement and the urgent needs of the Czechoslovakian proletariat demanded the amalgamation of the independent red unions with the A.I.T.U. Federation.

Try to Bribe Men.
The company refuses to accept this statement, and declares that it is unconstitutional. The city council is not worried about the constitutionality as yet. The railway company, on the other hand, is making an appeal direct to the men. Officials are now speaking at the car barns, and offering the men an increase of five an hour if they give up the amendment, which means practically giving up the union.

Men Sticking.
The men are determined to stick to the union and to the amendment proposed. They recognize the trick of the company, since they went thru a strike two years ago with a court decision against them.

Eastern Ohio Miners Must Fight Bosses and Union Officials

By a Worker Correspondent
PRIMROSE, Pa., April 7.—Conditions in the mining fields are growing worse day by day. This worsening of conditions is not confined to any single field but is prevalent in all of them. The miners of eastern Ohio work only three and sometimes four days a week. Two men work in one place where the union contract demands that two men work in two places. The mine foreman at Clarkson Coal company No. 1 mine told one of the workers that the company was considering putting on three workers in one place. The bosses do as they please. Recently the miners struck to defend one of the miners that had been discriminated against. The mine union heads instead of helping the workers see to it that the operators put this worker back to work, fined the miners and threatened them with expulsion. Each of the miners was fined \$6. In spite of this collaboration of the union officials and the bosses the miners demand that the bosses live up to the union contract.

R.I.L.U. EXECUTIVE SESSIONS OVER; REPORT OF LAST

All Resolutions Are Adopted

(International Press Correspondence.)
MOSCOW, March 15 (By Mail).—The closing session of the enlarged executive bureau of the Red International of Labor Unions was held on March 15. At the beginning of the session the resolutions upon the most important questions were discussed and adopted. The enlarged executive bureau expressed its agreement with the activity of the executive bureau on the whole in the past one and a half years. A resolution was adopted upon the next tasks of the trade union movement which emphasized the necessity for a further struggle for unity.

Resolutions were adopted upon the tasks of the Chinese trade union movement, the program of action of the Japanese left trade unions, the necessity for an energetic struggle for the eight-hour day, for social legislation and upon the attitude of the revolutionary movements to questions of immigration and emigration. Lively discussions followed in connection with the resolution of the commission upon the questions of the Czechoslovakian independent unions which are affiliated to the Red International of Labor Unions.

Comrade Walcher (Red International of Labor Unions) pointed in the name of the commission to the passive attitude of several of the unions, particularly the woodworkers' unions, in the question of amalgamation with the International A.I.T.U. Federation. The chairman of the Czechoslovakian red woodworkers' union, Kratky, declared that he was not empowered by the union to undertake any obligation in the question of amalgamation.

Unemployment.
The resolution upon unemployment points to the necessity of the struggle for the organization of the unemployed and to place the costs of the maintenance of the latter on the shoulders of the ruling class. In connection with the organization question it was decided to send the directions worked out by the commission to all organizations affiliated with the Red International of Labor Unions for discussion. The resolution adopted upon a report of the Balkan commission recommends that the supporters of the Red International of Labor Unions conduct an energetic struggle for the organization of the working class in the Balkans and for the establishment of the united front as a counterweight to the disruptive efforts of the reformists.

Losovsky's Speech.
In his closing speech Comrade Losovsky remarked that the enlarged executive bureau had been fairly successful in its examination of all its important tasks, which consisted in the working out of methods for approaching the masses. The work in the trade unions is very important political work. The methods used by us must be carefully discussed in the places where they are to be applied. The workers of the Red International of Labor Unions must do their best to make the international experiences their own.

With this the sessions of the enlarged executive bureau of the Red International of Labor Unions were closed.

Charge Railroad "Dick" with Beating Up Wife

(Special to The Daily Worker)
PEORIA, Ill., April 7.—Lee A. Kidder, one-time chief of the prohibition agents in the Peoria district, is charged with forcing his wife to flee from the home "barefooted, and in night garments, in a suit for divorce filed here. Kidder is now a railroad detective. Mrs. Kidder alleges she was knocked on the floor one night two years ago when Kidder was under the influence of liquor. They have been married since March 20, 1920, and have a four-year-old daughter.

Pacific Fleet Returns from Winter Maneuvers

LOS ANGELES, April 7.—The Pacific battle fleet will arrive in Los Angeles tomorrow returning from winter maneuvers in Panama waters with the Atlantic scouting fleet. The fleet counts ten battleships with auxiliary craft, a squadron of airplanes and carries 14,000 sailors. The dreadnoughts will engage in gunnery practice off the California coast until June 13, and will then depart for a cruise in Alaskan waters.

Workers (Communist) Party

PHILADELPHIA GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING TO BE HELD FRIDAY NIGHT

PHILADELPHIA, April 7.—A general party membership meeting will be held in the party headquarters, 521 York avenue, Friday evening, April 9 at 7:30 o'clock. Special district and national business and The DAILY WORKER subscription drive will be among the questions taken up. L. E. Katterfeld, eastern district agent of The DAILY WORKER, will be present at the meeting.

Classes in Elements of Communism, Basis of Thoro Understanding

Two classes in the "Elements of Communism" will be given at the third semester of the Chicago Workers' School, which opens next week at 19 South Lincoln St. William Simons will begin a new course in that subject, his class to be held on Thursday nights, beginning April 15. The course will be based largely on Lenin's study of imperialism in his book on that subject, together with a review of the Marxian theory of price, value, and profit, and wages and capital. The class on "Elements of Communism," now being conducted by James H. Dolsen on Tuesday nights will enter its second term with a study of the state and its functions under capitalism. All members should at once secure a copy of the pamphlet by Lenin, entitled "The State and Revolution," and read thru the entire pamphlet. If you have already studied this work, read it again as carefully as possible.

Questions for Study.
The assignment in Dolsen's class for next Tuesday night will be the first chapter in "The State and Revolution."

DETROIT LABOR RALLIES TO AID PASSAIC STRIKE

Labor Exploiters Call Conference "Red"

(Special to The Daily Worker)
DETROIT, Mich., April 7.—Sixteen workers' organizations of Detroit have organized a Relief Conference for the striking textile workers of Passaic. This conference includes the carpenters, painters, bakers, bakery drivers, barbers, and peddlers' unions, five Workers' Circle branches, the Northern Progressive Ladies' Society, the Women's Educational Assn., and the Workers (Communist) Party. Thru the efforts of this conference, more than \$200 was collected on lists and thru donations from various organizations. A Tag Day was held raising \$285 for the strikers.

Business Men Assail Conference.
When a committee of trade unionists went to Workmen's Circle Branch No. 156, which is controlled by socialists, and extended an invitation for this organization to participate in relief work, the leaders of this branch accused the trade union committee of being "reds." The chairman of this particular meeting, who led the attack on the conference, is a wealthy landlord and was expelled about two years ago from the socialist party because he raised his worker tenants' rent too high even for the socialist party to overlook.

A motion was then made to refuse to participate in the conference and to condemn the efforts to aid the Passaic strikers in the columns of the Jewish Daily Forward. The maker of this motion was a "gentleman" who owns a chain of parking space lots in the downtown district where he exploits Negro workers.

Another who attacked the conference is the owner of a laundry and linen supply plant and employs about 150 men on an open shop basis. These people did not care to participate in a united front conference for the relief of the Passaic strikers.

Hold Mass Meeting Wednesday.
The conference has called a mass meeting for Wednesday, April 7, at the Labor Temple, 9179 Delmar Ave., where plans will be laid for a city-wide campaign to raise funds. Another Tag Day is being planned for April 17.

Prohibition Gets a Blow from N. Y. Court

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON, April 7.—Prohibition enforcement received a body blow thru a decision handed down last night by the New York court of appeals which will permit more than 200 alcohol denaturing plants to resume business. The treasury department had recently promulgated regulations which put scores of these plants out of business, but the court of appeals held the regulations were illegal. Prohibition authorities were detected by the court's decision, declaring it had undone much of the work they had accomplished during the past year.

We need more news from the shops and factories. Send it in! WRITE AS YOU FIGHT!

Classes in Elements of Communism, Basis of Thoro Understanding

1. What is the state? Give a concrete illustration showing that the government of the United States is an organ of capitalist class domination.
2. What mistake does Kautsky and his followers make with regard to the state?
3. Why does the law in this country forbid the organization of any club or association for military drill without permission from the authorities?
4. How can a government elected by universal suffrage be an instrument for oppressing the mass of its workers and poor farmers?
5. How does a state "with away"?

Register Now!
Registration for these and the other courses are now in progress. The fee is \$1.00, to be paid on enrollment. Applications should be forwarded to the Workers' School, 19 S. Lincoln St., Chicago. Prospectus of the entire course of studies offered will be mailed on request.

SEND IN A SUB!

Conditions in Mexico Are Improving, Reports Methodist Church Head

INDIANAPOLIS, April 7.—Bishop Wilbur P. Thirkield, of the Chattanooga, Tennessee area of the Methodist Episcopal church, in an address here to 1,500 young people of that church advocated a policy of co-operation with Mexico and deplored the jingoistic attempts to work up an interventionist sentiment. The bishop served in that position in Mexico from 1920 to 1924.

"Conditions are improving in Mexico," he stated. "An era of peaceful evolution has taken place. Under Obregon and Calles, the armaments have been cut and the money used for schools. No longer do we find two-thirds of the children in Mexico without school accommodations."

More Bandits in U. S.
Regarding the allegation of solidarity in Mexico, the bishop answered: "There is more banditry in the United States in a single week than in Mexico in a year. I have traveled all over the country of Mexico on foot, horseback, and by train, and have never been molested. The United States should not overlook Mexico because the country is so close," he concluded. "Mexico should be treated in a true neighborly spirit."

190,000 Children in England Are Thrown Upon Labor Market

LONDON, April 7.—More than 190,000 British children who had attained the age of 14 have been released from school and thrown upon the labor market which has little place for them. In the past children were permitted to leave school on attaining the age of 14. This released them thruout the year and it was possible for them to go to work gradually. Under the new system children who become 14 during a school term may not leave school until the end of that term. This makes so many applicants for jobs at the same time that employers say many of the children must necessarily remain idle for a considerable time before they can go to work.

Open Shoppers Exploit Stereopticon Slides

CLEVELAND, April 7.—William Frew Long, manager of the American Plan Association, announces that his association will give stereopticon lectures showing the destruction that has been done to property by bombing, burning and defacement. The purpose of this exhibition is obviously to advance the interests of the open shoppers.

House Burned.
Only about two months ago Mr. Long's house "mysteriously" burned down, after some organized men tried to persuade unorganized men working on Long's house to join the union. Long is sure that union labor committed the act, and consequently his "belief in the open shop" has been strengthened.

Workers Winning.
The building laborers and painters are out on strike, and there is every likelihood that they will win their strike. The open shoppers think that by means of these stereopticon lectures they will be able to enlist the support of the "public" on their side.

HELP SECTION 3, CHICAGO, ESTABLISH AN AGITATION AND PROPAGANDA FUND

Section 3, Chicago, Workers (Communist) Party, will hold a dance and get-acquainted party at the Vilnis Hall, 3116 South Halsted St., Saturday night, April 10. This section covers one of the most important industrial districts in the city and has the smallest membership of any section in the city. The comrades are handicapped greatly by the lack of finances to carry on propaganda work. Comrades of other sections are called upon to help this section make this dance a success and establish an agitation and propaganda fund. No tickets will be sold in advance. An admission of 50 cents will be taken at the door.

San Francisco Opens Workers' School; Holds Sunday Night Forums

SAN FRANCISCO, April 7.—The San Francisco local of the Workers (Communist) Party has started a class in "History from the Workers' Viewpoint" at 225 Valencia street. The course is taught by E. E. Etlinger every Thursday night at 8 o'clock. The Workers (Communist) Party is also conducting Sunday night lectures at 225 Valencia street. On Sunday, April 11, E. Levine will speak on "China in Revolt." April 18 Cha. Pilgrim will speak on "The Turmoil in Europe." On Sunday, April 25, the local has arranged a picnic to be held at the East Shore Park.

Farm Values in U. S. Shrink by Billions

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON, April 7.—The chronic farm crisis is graphically portrayed in the last figures of farm values issued by the department of commerce. Shrinkage of farm values from 1920 to 1925 were given as \$66,316,002,602 for the first year and \$49,546,623,759 for the last, a difference of over sixteen billion dollars, or a little more than 25 per cent. Farm acreage in the same period declined by almost 31,000,000 acres. The range country, the wheat and corn belts and the eastern cotton states were the hardest hit in the five years under review.

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