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MINERS FACE NEW HARDSHIPS; MORE EVICTIONS OCCUR

Relief Body Appeals For Tents

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 25.—The families of 1,400 non-union miners who left the coal pits of the Elm Grove mines near Wheeling, W. Va. on April 16 in response to the Save-the-Union Committee, face immediate eviction from the company houses. Warning that summary eviction would be the penalty if they failed to return to work could not lessen the superb fighting morale of the militant unorganized miners.

News of the threatened eviction was relayed today to the headquarters of the National Miners Relief Committee (formerly the Penn-Ohio Miners Relief) urging the immediate necessity for tents if the company succeeds in effecting the evictions early next week. Lack of proper housing facilities in case of eviction, looms as a constant spectre before the eyes of non-union miners in Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Peonage In Mines. Continued reports of working conditions amounting to outright peonage in West Virginia and Pennsylvania, coupled with news of enthusiastic mass meetings and conferences of non-union miners, indicate that the present strike in the non-union fields will spread with the rapidity of wild-fire within the next week.

More Evictions. Two hundred miners, or half the number employed in the Beech Bottom, Ohio, mine of the West Penn. Power Company who now live in company houses, may find themselves without roofs under the sopping wet spring sky unless the ever-increasing desperate cry for tents is heeded by the workers in all parts of the country.

Determined to smash the strike and especially alarmed at the show of militancy on the part of the miners in the non-union fields, the operators in every locality affected by the new strike are preparing for wholesale evictions of the 20,000 unorganized miners who struck since April 16. These miners are looking to the rest of the working class for support and defense.

Appeal For Tents. In every mail the National Miners Relief Committee receives now are appeals for shelter. "Tents, tents, we must have tents," is the cry. "We'll go through hell if we can have even the poorest kind of shelter for the children and the sick," one striker writes. "We are fighting a bitter battle, and you've got to help us get tents!"

Textile Dye House Wage Cut Answered By Strike

BOSTON, April 25.—A wage reduction of from 10 to 18 per cent, announced recently by the plants of the Boston Manufacturing Company, at Waltham, Mass., was met by the immediate walkout of its employees in the dye houses owned by the company.

It is believed that the other workers in the mill which manufactures textiles, will also go on strike soon.

Cincinnati Sends Food to Gloucester Miners

(Special to The DAILY WORKER) CINCINNATI, O., April 25.—The Cincinnati section of the Penn-Ohio Miners Relief Committee has sent a truck load of food and clothing to the striking miners at Gloucester, Ohio. Hobart Scott, Ohio secretary of the Penn-Ohio Committee went with the truck.

Special Articles In Big May Day Edition

Articles and greetings from prominent leaders of the militant American workers will be found in the special May Day issue of The DAILY WORKER. "Honor Roll" lists and individual greetings must be in the office of The DAILY WORKER no later than Friday, April 27. All workers are urged to place their bundle orders at once. Acquaint your friends and shop-mates with the only working class newspaper in the United States.

Strike Called in Socialist Party Town

READING, Pa., April 25.—Thirty-five union carpenters in this city, where a socialist party administration is in power, went on strike when contractors on a new school building cut wages from \$1 to 80 cents an hour. The pay of laborers was reduced from 40 to 35 cents.

Progressive workers here point out that altho the city administration is headed by members of the socialist party, the workers have to face the same struggles in cities where republicans and democrats control. The cut was ordered in spite of so-called labor representation on the school board.

James H. Maurer, socialist party candidate for vice-president of the United States, is a member of the city council.

Dispatches from Reading last night did not state whether the contractors who slashed the workers' pay are members of the socialist party.

26 ACQUITTED IN HOSE STRIKE CASE

Defied Vicious Allen-A Injunction

MILWAUKEE, April 25.—A sealed verdict turned in by a federal jury, after the trial of the 26 active strikers and union leaders charged with violating a vicious anti-strike injunction, found the defendants not guilty. The American Federation of Full-Fashioned Hosiery Workers, to which the defendants belonged, has been conducting a bitter struggle against the open-shop Allen-A Hosiery Company for many months.

The strikers had persistently refused to abide by the provisions of the injunction obtained by the employers from Federal Judge Geiger. Despite its being one of the most drastic strikebreaking writs ever issued, and despite importation of armed thugs as scab protectors, the workers are admittedly well on the road to compelling capitulation of the labor-hating firm, whose operations are completely crippled.

JAIL HARDING'S PAL AFTER ALL

WASHINGTON, (FP) April 25.—At last, one more of the crooks of the Harding administration has actually gone to prison. Co. Thomas W. Miller, former congressman from Delaware, and later alien property custodian, who was tried by former Atty. Gen. Harry M. Daugherty in the American Metals fraud case, has departed for Atlanta to serve at least a part of his sentence of 18 months.

Miller, general errand-boy of the DuPont interests, was secretary of the republican national congressional campaign committee. With Daugherty he was finally indicted, in New York on charges that the government had been defrauded of their faithful services. The district attorney showed that \$441,000 had been paid by a German citizen, Mertens, for the return of \$6,453,979 in assets of the American Metals Co. to its owners, who had organized a Swiss company to get it back. This bribe of \$441,000 was divided between Miller, the late John T. King, Republican national committeeman from Connecticut, and the late Jess Smith, confidential man for Daugherty. King and Smith committed suicide.

Radiant Shirt Shop Workers on Strike

The workers in the shop of the Radiant Shirt Co. here have been on strike since Monday, when the employers tried to lock out the 45 pressers employed in the plant. The claim of the firm that they are compelled to let out pressing to contractors because of lack of room is met by the demand of the workers that the firms profits are large enough to allow for expansion.

COPS GO WRONG.

Two patrolmen have been dismissed from the police department following trials. Patrolman Philip J. Heenan was found guilty of assaulting a civilian in a speak-easy and being intoxicated. Patrolman John F. Kierman was convicted of drawing a revolver and attempting to force his way into a restaurant.

FORCE RELEASE OF WOMEN PICKETS

Organization Rushes Relief Plans for Textile Strike

NEEDY WORKERS SENT TO CHARITY BODY BY FAKERS

Mill Committee Assails Union "Relief" Plan

The Workers' International Relief, 1 Union Square, New York City, will send a crew of special organizers on Saturday to establish relief headquarters in New Bedford, Mass., where 30,000 textile workers are in the tenth day of a general strike against 58 cotton manufacturing mills who tried to institute a 10 per cent wage cut.

Another set of organizers will be sent to Boston Saturday to open central offices for the gathering of funds for the textile workers' relief. The Boston headquarters will direct the intense national relief campaign to be carried on, while the New Bedford station will be primarily a distribution agency, according to a statement by the W. I. R.

A fund-raising campaign will also be carried on in the city of New Bedford, in spite of the refusal of the police authorities to grant a permit to the Textile Mill Committees, the announcement adds. The Workers' International Relief intends to demand the right in New Bedford, as well as in other cities, for permission to conduct tag days and other forms of relief activity, it is stated.

Bureaucrats' "Relief" Plans.

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., April 25.—Proof of the contention of the Textile Mill Committees here, who are rapidly establishing themselves as the official organization representing the 23,000 unorganized of the 30,000 textile strikers, that the officials of the Textile Council intend to do nothing for the relief of the thousands of strikers, was borne out when the relief plans of the Textile Council heads were made public here yesterday.

The Textile Council announced that the Social Service Exchange, a city charity institution, has agreed to take care of all cases of great privation as these cases are reported. Union strikers, nearly all of whom are already in great need of relief.

"The main reason for the fakers' members will receive small benefits after an investigation, according to the Textile Council.

Mill Committees' Program. This cynical announcement of sending "special cases of privation" to the city charities, after the bureaucrats had loudly declared in the city's press that they are working on plans which will bring relief to the unorganized workers on strike, is condemned by the Textile Mill Committees. They declare that the American Federation of Textile Operatives are not at all concerned with the sufferings of the

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Senate Votes to Carry on War in Nicaragua

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The administration won a victory today against a combined insurgent-democratic attack in the senate on its Nicaraguan policy.

The Norris amendment to the navy appropriation bill, which would have withheld funds for marine occupation of Nicaragua after Feb. 1, was defeated, 52 to 22. Seven republicans and 15 democrats voted for the amendment, while 33 republicans and 19 democrats opposed it.

BERRY MOVES FOR COMPANY UNION

Strikebreaker Forces Compulsory Arbitration on Pressmen

Another step in the virtual conversion of the Printing Pressmen's Union into a company union was seen here as a result of the new contract which has been drawn up between this organization and the American Newspaper Publishers' Association. The contract which was put over on the members of the union by Major George L. Berry, president of the organization, provides for compulsory arbitration in case of disagreements



COMMUNISTS RESPOND TO APPEAL OF STRIKERS

Enclosed find check for \$12 to pay for ten one month subscriptions to The DAILY WORKER. Will do everything in my power to help spread the DAILY WORKER—Emil Falk, Member Workers (Communist) Party and P. S. Enclosed find ten names of strikers.

OLD WEST MINERS CALLED ON STRIKE

Save-Union Forces to Extend Walkout

(Special to The Daily Worker) SPRINGFIELD, April 25.—A call to all miners still working in the Old West Mine, center of many past struggles in the United Mine Workers' Union, to come out and join the strike has been issued by the sub-district 4, Save-the-Union Committee.

Most of the miners in this section have already joined the national strike. Those in the Old West Mine who are still at work have been forced back due to a separate agreement signed by the Lewis-Fishwick machine.

The call declares in part: "Brothers, join our ranks in the fight against wage cuts, in the fight for a national agreement and for a clean union. "Do not continue working under armed guards," it continues. "Lewis and Fishwick and the other corrupt officials must go. "Strike to save the union."

Attacks Radio Trust

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Oswald F. Schuette, executive secretary of the Radio Protective Association, has demanded that the Federal Radio Commission enforce against the radio trust the anti-monopoly clause of the Radio Act. Schuette is fighting the American Radio Corporation and its parents—the General Electric, Westinghouse and Bell Telephone interests, because the corporation has a virtual monopoly on basic patents, secured in violation of law, and demands heavy tribute from all independent manufacturers of radio goods.

He traced the inter-relation of the General Electric, the Radio Corporation of America, the Westinghouse Electric & Manufacturing Co., the American Telephone & Telegraph Co. and the National Broadcasting Co., which control broadcasting as well as the manufacture of equipment.

Nicaraguan Women Stream Into Sandino's Army

Cutting their way with machetes thru the jungles and swamp-tangles of the Mosquito Coast, the Nicaraguan peones, men and women, are braving the perils of travel in the rainy season to swell the ranks of the army of independence now nearing their district. The accompanying picture shows women volunteers with rifles and machetes

EX-SENATOR GIVEN \$20,000 BY TRUST

Effort to Beat Boulder Dam Bill Costly

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Efforts of the power trust to defeat the Swing-Johnson boulder dam bill were bared at the federal trade commission's public utility investigation today.

It was revealed that vast sums were being spent to fight government development of power sites. Among the persons listed on the payroll was ex-senator Lenroot (R) of Wisconsin, who received \$20,000 for opposing the Walsh power trust resolution.

Evidence was put into the record to show that ex-Governor M. C. Mechem of New Mexico was in the employ of the Joint Committee of National Utility Associations at the time he was supposed to be representing New Mexico in the Colorado River project negotiations.

MINER IS KILLED BY FALL OF ROCK

Company Fails to Make Safety Provisions

WEST FRANKFORT, Ill., April 25.—Silas E. Whittington, 42, was instantly killed yesterday at Orient No. 2, C. W. & F. Coal Co., by a fall of rock while working on the night shift. The fall of rock caught his body and crushed him beyond recognition.

Whittington was engaged in laying track, with his buddy working alongside of him making final preparations to call it a day's work. It was almost quitting time when the accident occurred. The "top" which he was working under was very loose and without a bit of warning tons of rock hurled down upon him and buried him alive. His buddy had a very narrow escape, emerging just in time to escape the closing jaws of death that would have crushed him.

Klan Must Pay for Suit

PITTSBURGH, April 25.—The Ku Klux Klan, whose suit against five banished members was thrown out of the federal court here, must pay \$3,817 costs, according to a statement filed by attorney Van A. Barrickman, defense counsel.

CALL BOLIVIA R.R. MEET.

LA PAZ, Bolivia, April 25.—Delegates representing foreign railroad lines in Bolivia will attend the general congress of railway men now being organized under the direction of the Railroad Federation, it has been announced. The congress is sponsored by president Siles.

MINE STRIKERS COMPEL SHERIFF TO OPEN PRISON

Save-Union Men Still In Jail

(Special to The DAILY WORKER) ST. CLAIRSVILLE, O., April 25. Fifty one women, tricked into the Belmont County jail last Saturday after they had made a protest march on the jail in protest against the arrest of a number of Save-the-Union mine leaders were today released on their own recognizance when the increasing militancy of the miners in this section forced the authorities to act.

Held For Grand Jury.

Thirty miners arrested Saturday and Monday for mass picketing were likewise released today on bond, by Squire C. B. Bradford, pending a grand jury hearing. The women had spent almost forty eight hours in the overcrowded unsanitary jail, with only one cot for every three women. They were compelled to sleep in shifts.

Belmont property owners signed two thousand dollar bonds for three picket leaders, one thousand for three others and five hundred for the remainder. Joe Webber, Andy Plechaty and Frank Sepich whose arrest before the Mutton Hollow Mine near Lansing precipitated the demonstration of the women at jail and which resulted in their arrest are in jail but are expected to be released following a hearing late this afternoon.

"I am determined to fight this mass picketing proposition to limit," Sheriff Hardesty said, "I am quite sure that the national guard will cooperate with me."

Meanwhile reports reach the National Office of the Save-the-Union Committee of the disruption of three mass meetings in Belmont County by deputies and national guardsmen. Carl Hacker, head of the Cleveland International Labor Defense was bombarded with a volley of questions regarding his opinions on mass picketing by Sheriff Hardesty. When Hacker insisted that his opinion was irrelevant, the sheriff escorted him to the county line and threatened him with arrest if he returned but Hacker insists that the I. L. D. will defend pickets.

A twelve year old boy came to sheriff's office to plead for the release of his mother because pop can't cook like mom and we're hungry."

A carload is expected from the national miners relief committee this week.

But the real reason for the release of the women is that the sheriff has had his face slapped almost every day when he got fresh near the picket line. One miner said: "It kinda got his goat I guess."

Canning Plant Unclean

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Following the closing last week by the health department of the packing and canning plant of A. Silz, Inc., 419 W. 13th St., New York, due to the unsanitary conditions found there, Secretary of Agriculture William Jardine has been asked by Health Commissioner Harris of New York to investigate conditions in the Chicago wholesale poultry houses. One motive for Harris' request is to divert attention from his own territory.

Wilkins May Try Flight.

LONDON, Apr. 25.—Indications that Captain George H. Wilkins and Carl Ben Eielson may attempt to fly out of Green Harbor, after all, were seen today in Exchange Telegraph Company dispatches received from Oslo, Norway.

GOING TOO FAR.

WORCESTER, Mass., April 25. (FP).—New England methodists have denounced the D. A. R. blacklist, which included the name of their bishop.

150,000 Textile Workers on Strike in Bombay; Close Down All Mills in City

KUOMINTANG WAR LORDS MAY TAKE CITY OF PEKING

American Gunboats Are Rushed to Chefoo

WASHINGTON, April 25.—With two Kuomintang armies moving northward in Shantung, Shansi and Chihli provinces virtually unresisted, the fall of Peking is imminent, according to official military advices reaching here today.

Several hundred Americans scattered throughout northern Shantung province have been ordered to concentrate on the seaport of Chefoo and state department experts are considering the advisability of evacuating all Americans in the three war-torn provinces.

Additional naval vessels have been asked by American Consul Webber at Chefoo, two British naval vessels are standing by.

The Kuomintang armies are now on the outskirts of Tsinan, the capital of Shantung province, with its population of some 40,000,000, and an important junction on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway. Provincial defenders are in retreat toward Tchow, 48 miles northward, where, at the juncture of the Grand Canal and the Pukow Railway, the northern defenders of Peking probably will make their last desperate effort to save the city for Chang Tso-lin, the Manchurian war-lord and northern dictator.

The Kuomintang strategy, according to military experts, calls for a consolidation of the two columns immediately to the south of Tchow where the decisive battle for control of the ancient capital is expected within perhaps ten days. The vanguard of the southern armies are already within 200 miles of the forbidden city.

SHANGHAI, April 25.—Nationalist armies of Gen. Feng Yuh-siang and Gen. Chiang Kai-shek have captured Tsinanfu, according to claims made today by Kuomintang headquarters.

WRANGLER, WHITE TERRORIST, DEAD

BRUSSELS, Belgium, April 25.—Baron Wrangel, notorious White Guardist leader, who with the support of the allied powers led an expedition against the Soviet Union only to be routed by the workers and peasants of the Soviet Union, died here this morning.

Wrangel has been a guest of various powers and the remnants of his White Guard troops are at present in Yugoslavia.

As leader of the counter-revolutionary invasion in south-western Russia, Wrangel terrorized the district until he was thoroughly beaten and driven back to the Black Sea.

Wall St. Has "It"; Spanish Fascists Arrive



The Duke Recado de Estrada, Spanish nobleman, (left) has arrived on board the Manuel Armas with Viscount Guell (right). They are here to seek a loan for the fascist regime of Primo de Rivera, it is believed.

NEW AID FOR POOR PEASANTRY IN USSR

FASCISTS JAIL MORE WORKERS

Calls Mussolini Pig; Gets Five Years

GENEVA, April 25.—Three composers—Umberto Ghini, Giovanni Grilli and Guiseppi Morellato—have been sentenced from terms of imprisonment ranging from seven to eight years by the Fascist Special Tribunal in connection with the discovery of a secret printing press in Milan.

The press was used for printing the two Communist papers, the "Verita" and "L'Avvenire del Comunismo," the fascists charge.

Because he distributed copies of another illegal working class paper the "Unita," Benedetto Vai, a worker was sentenced to five years' imprisonment.

The same fascist tribunal then proceeded to impose terms of imprisonment ranging from 2½ to 5 years on six other persons—Vincenzo Baldazzi, described as a republican; Domenico Ferrero, a shoemaker; Raffaele Salandò, a dockerman; Mario Colombo, a merchant; Pierino Bertoria and Maria Orsini. All these were variously charged with subscribing money to the Red Aid Fund, with conspiracy and with propagandist activities.

It appears that the crime for which Domenico Ferrero was sentenced to five years' imprisonment consisted of having received a letter from a friend in Australia who was so injudicious as to refer to Signor Mussolini as an "assassin" and a "pig."

MINISTER BRIAND ILL

PARIS, April 25.—Fear that Foreign Minister Briand is seriously ill as a result of his excited participation in the recent election campaign, is expressed here. The aging politician has a severe cold and fever the exact nature of his disease has not been diagnosed.

RUSH MARINES IN VAIN EFFORT TO CHECK SANDINO

Believe Nationalist on Move to Coast

MANAGUA, April 25.—Two hundred marines aboard the U. S. S. Cleveland were rushed from the west coast harbor of Corinto last night in a vain effort to check the brilliant tactical move of the army of independence under General Augusto Sandino in their dash for the east coast of Nicaragua.

In spite of the haste with which the two hundred invaders were hurried aboard ship, it is frankly admitted by the American officials that it will take from five to six days for the reinforcements to arrive on the east coast via the Panama canal. Pursuit of Sandino and his army across the Nicaraguan highlands and jungles is impossible, they confess, with the rainy season at hand.

Even should the 200 marines in the east bound detachment make a record trip to Bluefields, the east coast base, it is certain that they can merely reinforce the 300 who are already there in idleness. Campaigning in the treacherous and unhealthy mosquito coast country, perilous for Americans at all times, is out of the question for several months.

Following up his eastward move, General Sandino is consolidating his forces in the newly won territory and fortifying the most advantageous positions, including the La Luz mine. The only railroad tapping this district, a narrow gauge banana line, is unsuitable for the transport of sufficient marine detachments, and positions of the army of independence are considered almost impregnable. It is being pointed out that should marines attack Sandino at the La Luz stronghold, the American invaders will be in the position of destroying American property.

The east coast of Nicaragua has always been a center of enthusiastic support for the Sandino army of independence and Sandino's men are expected to hold out indefinitely in their new base.

State Industrial Board Legalizes Child Labor

New rulings of the New York state industrial board legalize the employment of boys and girls both under and over 16 years. One ruling provides for the employment of children under 16 on power driven machinery which is enclosed. Children between 16 and 18 may work on power machinery where the machines are "guarded" at the point of operation, according to another rule. The operation by children of a limited number of machines is discouraged. The board conferred with employers and "machinery experts," or efficiency men all working in the interest of the employers, before drafting the regulations. They become effective July 1.

PAY INCREASES APPROVED. WASHINGTON, April 25.—Pay increases, ranging from \$100 to \$180 a year, would be given 135,000 federal employees, under a bill approved today by the house civil service committee. It would cost the government \$16,000,000 annually.

200 Killed By Earthquake in Corinth



Photo shows view of Athens with Mount Lycabettus in the background. Athens was severely shaken by the quake, but no deaths have been reported in the city.

SOCIALIST-BOURGEOIS BLOC IN FRENCH POLL

PARIS, April 25.—Altho the French Socialist Party will seek bourgeois support in an effort to return its candidates in hotly contested districts in the second ballot in the French national elections, no socialist candidate will withdraw in favor of a Communist candidate, according to a decision reached by the socialist party.

Leon Blum, socialist party leader, will maintain his candidacy in the 20th Paris district, in spite of the majority vote cast for Jacques Duclos, Communist candidate on the first ballot. In an effort to defeat Duclos the socialist leader is reported to be seeking the support of elements of more reactionary parties.

The decision of the socialist party has been applauded by right wing parties, since in cases of withdrawal of socialist candidates the strength of the socialists will be tacitly thrown against Communist candidates and in favor of candidates of the bourgeois parties.

NAT'L. PRIMARY BALLOTING LIGHT

SMITH, HOOPER LEADING DEMOCRATS AND G. O. P.

WASHINGTON, Apr. 25.—Voting in the capitalist preferential primaries yesterday was extremely light. Smith partisans claimed a majority of the delegates from Pennsylvania for the democratic national convention.

The republican primaries chose the entire administration slate headed by Senator D. A. Reed. The republican delegation is uninstruacted. Returns from the Massachusetts preferential primaries showed Smith and Hoover leading in the democratic and republican primaries. Hoover and Smith were also designated as the preferred presidential candidates in the Ohio primaries. Nevada's nine delegates to the republican convention will go uninstruacted, as a result of the action of the state republican convention yesterday.

McNARY-HAUGEN BILL FIGHT

WASHINGTON, April 25.—The McNary-Haugen so-called farm relief bill moved into front line position on the house calendar today. Presentation of a special rule for immediate consideration of the McNary-Haugen bill will be the signal for the commencement of a fight that is expected to consume a week.

FLIGHT PAYS IN CASH. BERLIN, April 25.—Since the trans-Atlantic flight of the Bremen the Junkers Works, builders of the Bremen, have received more than 50 orders to furnish planes for trans-Atlantic flights, it was reported from Dessau this afternoon.

TROOPS MURDER 7; WOUND 14 IN NEW INDIA MASSACRE

Arrest 200 Who Dared Resist Officials

BOMBAY, April 25.—More than 150,000 workers have joined the huge textile strike in this city. Practically every mill has been shut down by the strike.

The strike started several weeks ago when forty thousand workers went on strike for a wage increase and against the speed-up.

BOMBAY, April 25.—Seven men of the village of Kothala have been wounded, while more than 200 are killed by British troops, and 14 under arrest, following an attempt of the British to forcibly seize peasants who, they charge, were trying to evade the payment of taxes. The murders occurred during an armed struggle in the Maler Kotla state in the Punjab.

Persistent efforts of the British authorities to extort taxes in the Punjab states has led to growing mass resistance when the government's troops marched into Maler Kotla in an attempt to carry off to jail the leaders among the Indians. The peasants of the Kotla province are extremely poor.

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Jack Kearns suit against Jack Dempsey for \$534,350.97 has once again given the sport fans of America an opportunity to peep behind the scenes and view a little of the plotting and scheming that is constantly taking place. It also confirms the charges of those who claim that professional sports is nothing else but a huge machine to make profit irrespective of how it is done.



How those who are on top in boxing, in the present instances, Jack Dempsey and Tex Rickard, planned to allow Dempsey to choose his own referee, in 1926 when Tunney was a challenger, is further proof of the corrupted state professional boxing has reached.

At that time, it has been disclosed in the trial, Rickard sent a telegram to Dempsey, then at the Hotel Barbara, Los Angeles, informing him that if the fight with Tunney would be held in New York, "you would have no trouble in choosing your own judges."

The trial further brot out the racial discrimination in boxing. While Negro boxers are allowed to fight, they are in the majority of cases compelled to be satisfied with the small change. In another telegram read at the trial that was sent by Rickard to Dempsey, Tex spoke against a match between Dempsey and Harry Willis, Negro heavyweight, who at that time was the leading contender for the title.

"Any one who tries to pull any Dempsey-Willis fight will kill boxing," Rickard telegraphed to Dempsey. This is Jim-Crowism with vengeance, that prevents the best Negro boxers from participating in the most important matches.

While the boxing commission has announced that it will summon

GOMEZ REQUESTS SON BE OUSTED

Aging Dictator Makes New Gesture

CARACAS, Venezuela, April 25.—Further concession to the growing discontent here and testimony of slipping control is believed to be evidenced by President Gomez' request as to refer to office vice-president held by his son, Jose Vicente Gomez, be abolished. The abolition demand is the subject of a special presidential message and requests an amendment to the Constitution, embodying it.

Gomez expressly states that the object of his proposal is to halt "malevolent propaganda" intimating that he intends his son to succeed him in the presidency.

The aging dictator recently closed the National Venezuelan Military School on the charge that it is fostering elements hostile to his regime.

Reply of Reformist Leaders of British Cotton Unions Ready

MANCHESTER, April 25.—The reply of the trade union leaders to the wage cut proposals made by the cotton employers has already been drafted, it was learned yesterday.

Trade union leaders will confer on Monday preparatory to a conference with a committee of employers. Altho most of the trade unions leaders oppose a strike, the majority of workers are believed to favor a walk-out.

BETTER HOMES WANTED.

The building of better homes in the working class sections of the city was urged at the Parents' Exposition at Grand Central Palace. The speakers included Dr. John Lovejoy Elliot and Lawson Purdy.

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Strike Spirit Spreading Thruout New England, Factory Correspondent Shows

"ORGANIZE," IS TEXTILE SERFS' PLEA IN WALTHAM

Mill Committee Leads Fight on Wage Slash

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
WALTHAM, Mass., (By Mail).—I am sending you one of the leaflets gotten out by the Textile Mill Committee in the Boston Manufacturing Co. Mill at Waltham, Mass. It ought to be of interest to textile workers all over New England who are forming these mill committees to fight the wage slashes of the textile bosses.

Organize to Fight the Wage Cut!
Last Monday we got a 10% cut in every department in the mill. The dyers got an 18% cut. The mill bosses have taken 10 cents out of every dollar we earn to swell their profits.

The workers-in our mill are already getting miserably wages. \$15 a week for weavers, \$14 for spinners and \$9 or \$10 for women workers means starvation for our families.

We cannot work for such low wages. We cannot continue to work 12 hours on the night shift under the speed-up.

We Cannot Accept This Cut!

Thirty thousand workers in New Bedford are showing the way. They are on strike against a 10% cut. Workers in other centers are organizing. We, too, must prepare to fight. The first thing to do is organize!

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 2. Against the speed-up.
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 4. For a 20% increase.
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 6. For an 8-hour day—40-hour week.

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RAILROADS CHOP OFF 400,000 JOBS

Wages Beaten Down in Open Shop Drive

By LELAND OLDS, (Federated Press).

The interstate commerce commission wage report for January, 1928 shows fewer railroad employes than at any time since 1921-22, when the carriers were deliberately subcontracting maintenance work or leaving it undone in order to inflict the unemployment cure on the railroad unions. In the 6 months since July, 1927 the railroads have laid off 209,055 workers, bringing the total number on the payrolls down to 1,614,280 or 110,000 less than in January, 1927. The railroads are at present employing about 400,000 fewer workers than in 1920 when rail employment reached a peak.

Shopmen Suffer Most.
Shopmen continue to suffer most from the steady whittling down of forces. In January this year there were 41,466 fewer shopmen than in January 1927, 58,441 fewer than in January 1926, 74,707 fewer than in January 1925 and 112,126 fewer than in 1923. In 5 years the shopmen have been reduced nearly 20%.

All groups of railroad employes however, have been hit. The decreases compared with January, 1927 for groups other than shopmen were train and engine service 28,309, other transportation departments 11,014, clerks 10,603, and maintenance of way 18,622. But there are more executives, more bosses.

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Car repairmen	132,311	99,667
Electrical workers	9,522	10,354
Machinists	66,286	56,800
Shop helpers	136,620	102,514
Telegraphers	61,421	56,969
Conductors, pass.	10,327	10,259
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Engineers, pass.	12,959	12,812
Engineers, freight	34,292	28,593
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Celebrated Labor Faker Not Jailed

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., (By Mail).—Bernard Bishofsky, right wing leader, pleaded guilty in quarter sessions court in another case where capitalist justice is shown up. The sentence was deferred.

But two starving workers who took a couple of loaves of bread from former Sheriff Carey's doorstep were speedily railroaded to jail.

Bishofsky was a parasite real estate dealer and building and loan officer, also a Philadelphia manager of the Jewish Daily Forward.

TWO HEADS WITH BUT ONE THOUGHT

Hearst and Cal Are the Same Under the Skin

(By a Worker Correspondent)

How happy is William Randolph Hearst now to have another chance to advocate war! After the expose of his Mexican forgeries, how fortunate it is that President Coolidge has given him a chance to attack other papers for being under foreign influence!

Coolidge astounded him by indicting "a number of the newspapers of the United States for favoritism to the objectives and interests of foreign powers."

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THREAT TO TURN OHIO MILITIA LOOSE ON MINERS

Terrorism Unable to Halt Mass Picketing

ST. CLAIRSVILLE, Ohio., (By Mail).—Marching to the Belmont county jail at St. Clairsville, Ohio to demonstrate against the arrest of five militant miners on the picket line earlier in the day, 44 of 200 women were arrested here early Saturday afternoon, April 21.

1400 More Out.

The five arrests this morning are outgrowths of intensified mass picketing carried on here ever since the issuance of the strike call for April 16 by the Save-the-Union Committee. The Save the Union Committee call in Ohio which resulted in the walk-out of 1400 miners in the Elm Grove, West Virginia as well as the effective slacking up of operations in mines on strike in Eastern Ohio, was also the signal for mass picketing which led to the arrest of 37 men and women Monday and Tuesday at the Mutton Hollow mine of the Shady Side Coal Company near Lansing, seven miles from here. The 37, charged with obstructing the public highway, were still in jail when the new arrests occurred today.

"We thought that Tuesday's arrests would discourage this mass picketing business advocated by that Save-the-Union crowd," said Lyle Hardesty today. "They come right back for more today though and there wasn't anything we could do except arrest five of their leading men to show them that we still thought mass picketing wouldn't get them anything. They don't seem to believe it." The five arrested today are widely known in their section as active progressives in behalf of the Save-the-Union movement. They are: John Barto, Albert Bitker, Robert Sivert, Oscar Guynn, and Charles Huggard.

Following the arrest of the five, the pickets, including some 500 men, women and children held an impromptu mass meeting at Mutton Hollow and decided to demonstrate in the courthouse square at St. Clairsville opposite the building in which their fellow strikers were incarcerated.

Two tear bombs had been thrown at groups of women pickets in front of the Mutton Hollow mine. The five arrests were made only after the gas proved useless in dispersing the miners.

Upon hearing of the plan, Sheriff Hardesty became unduly alarmed and called upon the Ohio National Guard detachment stationed at St. Clairsville for "relief duty." The strikers had mobilized every available motor vehicle for their march from Lansing to the Belmont county seat.

Orderly March.

The men, reluctant to give the deputies and guardsmen an excuse for violence by appearing in the town, remained at the edge of St. Clairsville while the women proceeded to the center of the town. Though there was no show of disorder the women were seized indiscriminately by the forty full armed national guardsmen and fifteen deputies and marched summarily to the jail where they will remain until the time of their hearing Monday morning unless bail is obtained for them in the meantime.

The National Guard is in "no mood for trifling," Sheriff Hardesty intimated. "If this mass picketing keeps up, I have been assured of the utmost co-operation from the National Guard," he said today. The measures of the authorities to stem the progressive tide as expressed through militant strike action will become immediately more severe unless the wholesale jailin' succeed in breaking the spirit of the pickets.

—LESLIE.

One May Die After Varnish Plant Blast

MALDEN, Mass., April 25.—Charles Couillard, a worker, showered with blazing paint and varnish, was probably fatally burned, several others received minor injuries and 50 girls fled down fire escapes today when an explosion shook the plant of the Wadsworth-Howland Paint and Varnish Company today. Couillard was removed to Malden Hospital. Fire followed the explosion.

R. R. MAUEVER PROTESTED

FITCHBURG, Mass., (FP) April 25.—Members of the American Federation of Railroad Workers protest the removal of the Boston & Maine railroad shops to Concord, N. H. One hundred and sixty-eight workers would be made jobless.

RETAIN DEATH PENALTY.

GUATAMALA CITY, April 25.—The legislature of Guatemala has defeated a measure abolishing the death penalty.

BALTIMORE YOUTH CELEBRATES

BOSTON, April 25.—The Young Workers (Communist) League celebrated its fourth anniversary here with an entertainment. Harry Feldman presided.

Mineral Water Workers Need Strong Union

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
In New York City there are several thousand mineral water workers. These are mainly employed in filling seltzer, soda and beer bottles.

Half Unorganized.
There is a union of these workers. But about half of them are unorganized.

In the union shops the working day consists of eight hours. Nine and ten hours, however, are worked in the non-union shops.

The mineral water workers' union is controlled by the Forward clique. At the present time there are many workers unemployed in this trade. Some time ago a worker made a motion at the union meeting that all workers should divide work equally among all union members. One official told this worker to sit down and keep quiet.

"If you don't like it you can get out of this union," he said. The motion was defeated.

Doesn't Care.
The other day I heard an official of this union speak to a boss over the phone and he said, "I don't care if your shop ever becomes union."

What the miners are learning today, other workers will learn tomorrow, i. e., the bureaucrats are incapable of organizing them strongly. The mineral workers, if they wish to succeed, must elect a progressive leadership that will fight in their interests.

JOSEPH GATTI.

Steamer Adrift in Gulf Stream, Helpless

NORFOLK, Va., April 25.—Adrift in the Gulf stream unable to help herself and followed by the Coast Guard Cutter Carrabassett, helpless to render assistance, was the strange plight today of the American steamer Western Ocean.

The steamer was picked up 300 miles east of the Virginia capes by the Carrabassett and towed for about 100 miles. During a severe gale Monday night the tow line parted and the Western Ocean was driven into the Gulf stream where she is now drifting in an easterly direction at a speed of about 5 knots.

The Carrabassett because of high seas and strong westerly winds, has been unable to recover the ship.

LYNCH LAW AND HUNGER TEACH NEGRO IN BLOOD

Must Unite With White Worker Against Boss

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
RIPLEY, Calif., (By Mail).—One reason the Negro is slow to enter the revolutionary movement is because of his color psychology. Altho the Negro group as a whole is potentially revolutionary, due to the wrongs it has suffered at the hands of white America, its revolutionary energy is static rather than dynamic, or else it fritters itself away in quasi bourgeois organization such as the Urban League, capitalist political organizations, equal rights leagues and the like.

These organizations have all been serviceable enough in their day, but like most of our present day "great men," have outlived their usefulness and belong to a past generation. Now they do more harm than good and, like other vestigial organisms, should be cut out.

However, since most labor organizations have discriminated so bitterly against the Negro, he has failed to discriminate between good white workers and bad ones. To the average Negro worker all white workers are doubtful. This attitude is no different from the average southern white man's attitude concerning the Negro, and that of a great many northern white men for that matter.

But since the world war, both Negro and white worker have seen their common cause more clearly and in many industries are closing ranks against the common enemy, the exploiter. However, the Negro group as a whole, is yet too much under the influence of its middle-class leadership and its capitalistic illusions to be startlingly revolutionary.

Nevertheless the dawn of a revolutionary consciousness is on the Negro's horizon. Exploitation, unemployment, hunger, lynching, etc., are cruel, but sure teachers. This is a bloody school. The awakening will be a terrible reckoning.

—JOHN H. OWENS.

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— DRAMA —

"The Skull," Mystery Drama of Regular Formula

ANOTHER of those standardized

dramas—in this case known as "The Skull," is now playing at the Forrest Theatre. It is by Bernard J. McOwen and Harry E. Humphrey.

The present play was written according to the regular formula and has no more original ideas than will be found in a true story published in a tabloid. All of the ingredients that in the past have been successful in mystery plays are used, so one can truthfully call the present play a healthy mixture of "The Bat," "The Cat and the Canary," "The Clutching Claw," "The Spider" and all the other mystery plays produced during the last few years. The only difference is that "The Skull" is not quite as good as most of them. Perhaps that is a result of seeing the other plays first.

As to the plot. As usual in plays of this character the most creepy atmosphere possible is created. In the present instance, a country church is the spot picked for all of the dirty work.

The play isn't funny and it is doubtful if any particular praise in its favor can be given, with the exception that rabid mystery play fans may be able to stomach the production, and actually enjoy it.

Since it is a kindergarten ghost, "The Skull" is as ridiculous in its conclusion as it is naive and inept in its movement. After a couple of hours dedicated to yanking highly expectant actors through various doors, it stands them all up and explains who is whom as if, by that time, anybody cared, even a half-wit.

A capable group of actors struggle manfully through the three acts. The leading roles are played by Harold de Becker and Allan Davis.

—S. A. P.

WILLIAM HARRIGAN.



Gives an impressive performance in "Whispering Friends," George M. Cohan's comedy at the Hudson Theatre.

LITTLE BILLY, MR. AND MRS. BARRY AT THE JEFFERSON.

Little Billy, known as vaudeville's thiniest headliner, is at the Jefferson Theatre this Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. He offers a series of specialties. The photoplay attraction will be William Boyd in "Sky-scraper," with Alan Hale, Sue Carol and Alberta Vaughn. It was adapted by Elliott Clawson and Tay Garnet from the story by Dudley Murphy. Among others on the vaudeville bill are Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Barry in their newest character study, "Clinging Ivy"; Dave White's "White-hawks"; and Tad Tieman and Pinkie Dees.

AMUSEMENTS

The Theatre Guild presents Eugene O'Neill's Play, **Strange Interlude** John Golden Theat., 58th St. E. of W. 42nd St. Evenings Only at 8:30.

ALL THIS WEEK **VOLPONE** Guild Th., W. 52d St. Evs. 8:30 Mats. Thurs. & Sat. 2:30 Week of Apr. 30: "Marco Millions"

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Wednesday .. Nov. 7
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Saturday Nov. 10
Sunday Nov. 11 (Sunday Afternoon, N. Y. C.)
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Wednesday .. Nov. 14
Thursday Nov. 15
Monday Nov. 19
Tuesday Nov. 20
Wednesday .. Nov. 21

For information write to Harry Blake, c/o Daily Worker, 33 First Street, New York City.

Fur Union Urges Workers to Attend May Day Demonstration

JOIN IN LABOR'S OFFICIAL HOLIDAY, STATES BEN GOLD

Will Be Expression of Workers' Protest

The united May Day meeting at Madison Square Garden is to be the official May Day meeting of the Furriers' Union, according to a statement issued by Ben Gold, manager of the Furriers' Joint Board of New York, which has just issued a call to its members to attend this meeting. It is expected that many thousands of furriers will come to this meeting, where Gold will speak on the next tasks in the struggles of these workers for the re-establishment of their power within the industry and for improving their conditions.

The call follows:

Text of Call.

"Fur workers: demonstrate May First!

"The First of May is the International holiday of all workers. The workers all over the world demonstrate on May 1st their hatred against the criminal capitalist system which rests on the exploitation, oppression, robbery and murder of workers. On May 1st the working class mobilizes its power against the handful of capitalist rulers and their class governments which maintain themselves in power with the aid of the mailed fist. On the first of May the workers voice their protest against the betrayers and misleaders in the labor ranks, who serve as lackeys for the employers.

Have Faced Brutal Treatment.

"You, fur workers, have faced during the past two years the most brutal treatment of the police and the most crying injustice of the capitalist courts and judges who helped the bosses to break your union and impose upon you conditions of slavery. You, fur workers, have had the bitter experience of being face to face with the open betrayals and provocations of the treacherous A. F. of L. chiefs and their socialist-Forward lieutenants. For the past two years you have had to wage a bitter struggle against the entire robber band of the bosses, police, gangsters, courts, so-called socialists and A. F. of L. misleaders.

Join With Thousands of Workers.

"On the first of May we will join thousands of other workers in the great demonstration at Madison Square Garden, 49th St. and 8th Ave., and there give mighty expression to our protest against the murderers of our martyrs, Sacco and Vanzetti, against those forces that throw into jails our class fighters. Together with millions of workers all over the world, we will demand the end of capitalist robbery and war; we will demand our rights and our freedom and demonstrate for full power to the working class.

Is Workers' Holiday.

"Fur workers: You are called upon to come to the great Madison Square Garden mass meeting on May 1st, at 3 p. m. Stop work and together with our hungry unemployed demonstrate for freedom.

The First of May is our holiday;

it is the international holiday of the exploited and oppressed workers. On May 1st the workers raise their voices of protest against their enemy—capitalism.

Fur workers: Every fur worker

in Madison Square Garden, May First."

EXPRESSWORKERS UNION ASKS WRIT

The American Federation of Express Workers filed suit in the United States District Court Tuesday in an application for an injunction to compel the American Railway Express Company to recognize their organization. The transportation company abrogated the agreement with the union and refuses to deal with it.

The membership of the organization condemning the officialdom for their futile efforts to compel recognition with the aid of the capitalist courts, in addition to squandering the union funds. They declare that the only way to enforce the agreement is by initiating an organization drive and tying up the employers' activities by a strike.

Inspectors Organize

A union of inspectors employed by city departments has been organized to obtain increased wages, according to William O'Donnell, president of the organization, who said it would be known as the Allied Departmental Inspectors, and would be affiliated with the American Federation of Labor.

The average wage for inspectors in New York is \$1,998 a year, McDonnell said, as compared with \$2,160 for similar workers in Chicago and \$2,700 in Newark.

Arctic Explorers Near Here After Flight to North Pole



View of Spitzbergen, called Svalbard by natives, near the place where Captain George Wilkins and his pilot, Lt. Carl B. Eielson landed after their flight over the polar regions, from Point Barrow, Alaska. They are now at Green Harbor, Spitzbergen, awaiting for the breaking up of the ice so that a steamer may reach them.

Workers' Calendar

Correspondents Attention!

All announcements for this column must reach THE DAILY WORKER several days before the event in question to make the announcement effective. Many announcements arrive at the office too late for publication owing to the additional time needed for the delivery of the paper.

Martins Ferry Dance.

MARTINS FERRY.—A dance for the striking miners will be given Saturday night, by the Hungarian Youth Club at Hungarian Hall.

Pullman AAAA Celebration.

PULLMAN, Ill.—The Russian branches of the American Association for the Advancement of Atheism of Pullman, Chicago, Hegewish and East Chicago will celebrate May Day with a concert and dance on Sunday, at Stanek Hall, 295 E. 115 St.

San Francisco Camps.

SAN FRANCISCO.—A workers' children camp conference will be held here, Sunday, all labor, fraternal, women's and children's organizations are invited to send delegates. Commence with the Young Workers' League.

Youngstown Dance.

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio.—The Young Workers' League will hold a dance and dance here May 27. All organizations are requested to keep this date open.

San Francisco Workers' School.

SAN FRANCISCO.—The Workers' School announces the opening of several courses on May 7. For information address 1212 Market St.

Newark Miners' Relief.

NEWARK.—The Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Committee will hold a concert and dance for miners' relief Saturday, at the Workers Progressive Center, 99 Mercer St.

Detroit Dance.

DETROIT.—The Detroit Miners' Relief Committee will hold a dance at the Graystone Ballroom on May 21.

Boston I. L. D. Bazaar.

BOSTON.—The Boston district of the International Labor Defense will hold a bazaar tomorrow and Saturday at the New International Hall, 42 Wentworth St.

Detroit Balkan Committee.

DETROIT.—The Central Balkan Committee has called a mass meeting to protest against the suppression of workers and peasants in the Balkans for 7:30 p. m. Saturday at the Serbian National Home, 1517 Frederick Ave.

Boston May Day.

BOSTON.—A May Day meeting will be held here May 1, 8 p. m. at the Scenic Auditorium, Berkeley and Tremont Sts.

Philadelphia Y. W. L. Banquet.

PHILADELPHIA.—The Young Workers' (Communist) League of Philadelphia will celebrate the sixth anniversary of the founding of the League at a banquet Saturday, May 12, 8 p. m., at 1214 Spring Garden St.

Chicago Labor Picnic.

CHICAGO.—The Chicago section, Trade Union Educational League, will hold a picnic May 30 at Vial's Grove.

Shahtman China Lecture Tour Dates

Toledo, O., May 6.
Detroit, May 6.
Grand Rapids, May 8, Lithuanian Sons' Hall, 1057 Hamilton Ave., N. W. Chicago, May 11.
Waukegan, Ill., May 14.
Buffalo, May 24.

Pittsburgh Concert.

PITTSBURGH.—The third annual concert of the Freiheit Singing Society will be held here Sunday night at the Labor Lyceum Auditorium, 35 Miller St. Striking miners will be admitted without charge.

Wisconsin Press Meeting.

RACINE, Wis.—All readers of the working class press are called to a conference on Sunday, May 27, at 12th Street Hall, 1628 12th St.

Chicago May Day.

CHICAGO.—Workers of Chicago will celebrate May Day on May 1 at 8 p. m. at the Ashland Auditorium.

Cannon Tour Dates.

Saturday, April 28th, Chicago, Ill., Mirror Hall, 1116 N. Western Ave.

District 10 May Day Meets

Hugo Oehler, R. Shohan, and Ed Hankins will tour district 10 to speak at May Day meetings. Those so far scheduled are:

- For Oehler. Kansas City, April 27.
- St. Louis, April 29.
- Omaha, April 30.
- Denver, May 1.
- Frederick, May 2.
- Pueblo, May 3.
- Walsenburg, May 4.
- For Shohan. Hanna, Wyo., April 29.
- Superior, April 30.
- Rock Springs, May 1.
- Diamondville, May 2.
- For Hankins. Pittsburgh, Kansas, May 12.
- Tulsa, Okla., May 15.
- Houston, Tex., May 16.
- San Antonio, May 17.
- Fort Worth, May 18.
- Dallas, May 19.
- Oklahoma City, May 21.

I. L. D. DENOUNCES BONITA DECISION

Urges Workers to Save Framed-Up Miners

The conviction of Sam Bonita, militant young miner, on a charge of manslaughter is denounced by the New York Section of the International Labor Defense, 799 Broadway, in a statement issued yesterday through Rose Baron, secretary of the section.

"The conviction of Sam Bonita, militant Pennsylvania miner," the statement says, "is one of the most blatant examples of class justice since the murder of Sacco and Vanzetti. A jury, composed largely of business men, was practically ordered by the judge to return a verdict of manslaughter, by which this progressive young miner will be compelled to spend from 6 to 12 years behind the bars.

Capitalist 'Justice'.

"This decision only serves to unmask once more the leering face of capitalist justice. Bonita, president of Local 1703, was one of the leaders of the progressive movement of the miners' union, that movement which is feared and hated so much by the coal barons and their allies, the corrupt Lewis machine. The evidence proved conclusively that he had shot in self-defense when he killed Agati, one of the petty lackeys of Lewis, who had grown rich on the blood and sweat of these whom he called brothers.

"Yet despite this, the jury was kept locked for more than 40 hours, and when it returned a verdict of 'voluntary manslaughter,' the judge, in union bureaucracy, ordered the verdict changed to 'manslaughter.'

Save Bonita, Mendola, Molecki.

"But Bonita can still be saved. The mass protest of the workingclass must spring to life to reverse this vicious class decision and to see to it that he, as well as his comrades, Mendola and Molecki, are freed.

"The International Labor Defense calls on all class-conscious workers to support to the utmost the fight to free these victims of the capitalist courts.

JOINT BOARD TO HOLD MASS MEETS

Announces Policy on Coming Convention

"A series of mass meetings will be held throughout the country, to which the policy of the Joint Board of the Clerk and Dressmakers' Union toward the coming national convention of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union will be taken for the approval of the workers in the industry." This was the announcement made yesterday by the leaders of the union, after they had issued their declaration of policy toward the Boston convention of the International which takes place in May.

Another announcement issued by the Joint Board yesterday states that all workers who wish to accompany the union's delegation to the convention in Boston should make their arrangements thru the office of the Joint Board, 16 W. 21 St. It was learned that hundreds of needle trades workers here have already announced their intention of attending.

AUTO RACER KILLED.

DAYTONA BEACH, Fla., April 25.—Frank Lockhart, famous auto racer, was killed today when his car somersaulted as he was making an attempt to break the world's speed record.

May Day Meetings

The following schedule of May Day meetings has been announced by the national office of the Workers' (Communist) Party:

- New York City, May 1st, 3 p. m., Madison Square Garden.
- Utica.
- Troy—April 29, at 3 p. m., Young Hall, 18-20 State St. J. Codkind and D. E. Daily.
- Buffalo, May 1, at 8 p. m., 8-20 E. Eagle Street. J. Codkind, Max Hankin, F. Herzog.
- Jamestown, May 1, at 8 p. m., Maccaebes Hall.
- Endicott, May 6th. J. Codkind and Lithuanian speaker.
- Rochester, May 1. Essman.
- Michigan.
- Detroit, May 6th at 2:30 p. m., Arena, Woodward near Hendrie.
- Foster, Wicks.
- Muskegon, May 2.
- Syracuse, May 1.
- Plint, May 5. W. Z. Foster.
- Middle West.
- Frederick, Denver, Sioux City, Omaha, Kansas City, Cedar Rapids, Michigan, Tulsa, Dallas, Oklahoma City, Ft. Worth, Houston, Galveston, Mulberry, Centerville, Des Moines, Superior, Rock Springs, Diamondville, Hanna.
- Wisconsin.
- Superior—N. H. Talentire.
- Duluth—N. H. Talentire.
- Minnesota.
- St. Paul, May 1, 8 p. m., Labor Temple, 418 N. Franklin St. Pat Devine.
- Minneapolis, April 29, 2 p. m., Humboldt Hall, Glenwood and Humboldt Aves. Devine, H. Furo.
- Chicago, May 1, at 8 p. m., Ashland Auditorium, Ashland and Van Buren Sts.
- Ohio.
- Cleveland, May 1, Slovenian Auditorium, 6409 St. Clair Ave. Amter.
- Connecticut.
- Waterbury, English and Russian speakers.
- Grand Rapids, May 1. Labor Lyceum, 2005 Main St. Harriet Silverman.
- Waterbury, May 1, at 7 p. m., Vanta Hall, 103 Green St. Russian speaker.
- New Haven, May 1, at 8 p. m., Labor Lyceum, 33 Howe St. M. Abern—6 p. m. and open air demonstration.
- Bridgeport—Two mass meetings, 1. Party in conjunction with Swedish club, May 5, 15th Lee Ave., and 2. Party in conjunction with Lithuanian organizations, at Gregor Street, Bridgeport Hall, May 6, Abern.
- Massachusetts.
- Boston, Scenic Auditorium, at 8 p. m., Berkeley and Tremont Sts. Biedenknapp and Bittelmann—May 1.
- Pennsylvania.
- Philadelphia, May 1st, New Traymore Hall, Franklin St. and Columbia Ave. Foster, Benjamin, Miller, Luan.
- Baltimore, May 1. Poyntz.
- Luzerne, May 1, at 7 p. m., Italian Hall, 60 Powers, Oswaldo, 206 Oliver Street.
- Jessup, May 1, 7 p. m., Giombetti Hall, Gardos, Oswaldo.
- Exeter, May 2, 7 p. m., Mundis Hall, Gardos, Oswaldo.
- May 4, Chester, at 8 p. m., Lithuanian Hall, Poyntz, Poyntz, Oswaldo.
- May 5, Old Forge, at 7 p. m., Columbia Hall, Poyntz, Oswaldo.
- Plymouth, May 2, at 2 p. m., 42 Perry St. Poyntz, Zolodokas.
- Trenton, May 6, at 8 p. m., Arcade Hall, 15 E. State St. Poyntz.
- May 6, Washington, at 2 p. m., 724 Madison St. Poyntz.
- May 6, Washington, at 8 p. m., Benjamin.
- May 5, Bethlehem, at 8 p. m., 1163 Mechanic St. Benjamin.
- April 28, Easton, at 7 p. m., Venderveer Hall, 9th and Washington Sts. V. J. Jackson.
- Ambridge, May 6, at 8 p. m., Croatian Hall, 233 Peach St.
- Pittsburgh, May 1, at 8 p. m., Labor Lyceum, 35 Miller St.
- Philadelphia, May 1, at New Traymore Hall, Franklin and Columbia avenues.

NEW ENGLAND IS PLANNING MAY 1 MASS MEETINGS

Workers to Celebrate in All Centers

BOSTON, April 25.—Workers of New England will celebrate May Day at several meetings next week.

In addition to the Boston meeting which will be held May 1, 8 p. m., at the Scenic Auditorium, there will be meetings in Providence, May 1, at 8 p. m., at the A. C. A. Hall, 1755 Westminster St., at which Harry J. Canter will speak; Worcester, Mass., at the same hour at Finnish Hall, where Jack McCarthy will speak; Celsea Labor Lyceum, Max Lerner; Springfield, Mass., same hour, Victory Hall, 841 Dwight St., Lewis Marks, and Norwood, Mass., Sam Wiseman, 7:30 p. m., Lithuanian Hall, 13 St. George St.

Hoover to Jump When Mellon Pulls String

WASHINGTON, April 25.—Canny Andy Mellon has decided to keep Hoover off the ground on the anxious seat. He issued last-minute instructions in Pennsylvania that no avowed men should be named as Hoover delegates to the republican convention. All nominees of the regular organization must be men who can be held to a pledge of obedience to Mellon's decision as to which candidate they shall finally support.

This means merely that Mellon, and not Hoover, will hold the whip hand at the convention. Hoover must publicly and graciously let it be known that he proposes to satisfy Mellon as to his anti-union policy on coal, electricity, traction, and so on. Hoover has the backing of most of the public utility companies and most of the coal operators, but he knows that none of them will raise a finger against the will of the man who is a big figure in their own industries on the one hand and is dictator of their taxes on the other.

Teachers Co. Union Will Hold Conference

CLEVELAND, April 25 (FP).—The National Educational Association, known to organized teachers as the company union of their industry, will open its 59th annual convention in Cleveland Feb. 24. Upton Sinclair gave the lowdown on the outfit in his work, "The Goslings."

Chicago Pioneers Will Give May 1 Pantomime

CHICAGO, April 25.—James P. Cannon will be the principal speaker at the May Day celebration arranged for May 1, at 8 p. m. at Ashland Auditorium here. A pantomime dance picturing the conquest of the world by the proletariat, given by the Pioneer dancing school, will head the varied program of the evening.

HOUSE WRECKERS BEAT WAGE-CUTS

Most Union Members Now Back at Work

With the victorious conclusion of the strike of the House Wreckers' Union, Local 95, throughout New York City and Brooklyn, most of the strikers are now back at their jobs. Of the 1,700 who were on strike, about 1,300 or 1,400 have been placed, leaving the same number unemployed as before the strike.

The three weeks' strike of the house wreckers was directed against the efforts of the boss contractors' association and the independent contractors to cut wages 30 per cent and add an hour to the eight-hour work day. The agreement signed with the bosses maintains the old wage rate of \$1.25 an hour for crowbar men and \$1.15 an hour for laborers, as well as the eight-hour day.

The cases of all the pickets arrested during the strike have been dismissed with the exception of four, who will come up for a hearing in the near future. The militant manner in which the strike was conducted was largely responsible for its quick and successful termination, according to Peter Ostreiko, secretary of the union.

Chicago Membership Meeting is Called

CHICAGO, April 25.—The Miners' Relief Campaign and the Workers' (Communist) Party membership campaign will be discussed at a special meeting of all Workers Party members called for Friday night at 27 North West Hall by Max Bsdacht, district organizer of the Party.

Party Press Meeting

RACINE, Wis., April 25.—The local office of the Workers' (Communist) Party has called all readers of the Party press to a conference Sunday, 10 a. m., at 1523 12th St. Plans for advancing the progressive labor movement thru its publications will be discussed.



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GET 'EM OUT!

By Fred Ellis

Aided in Sacco Murder, Loses His \$5,000 Job

BOSTON, (FP) April 25.—Frank A. Goodwin, registrar of motor vehicles and conspicuous leader in the hymn of hate against Sacco and Vanzetti last summer, has lost his \$5,000 state job. He had a run-in with the marble-eyed Governor Fuller and now he is out—selling autos and wondering how it all happened.

Goodwin played the game of the patrioters while the Sacco-Vanzetti case was on the front page of newspapers from Maine to Melbourne. While the case was before Fuller for final determination, Goodwin labelled both labor men in a speech before the Lawrence Kiwanis Club. Speaking on "Sacco and Vanzetti and the Red Peril," he dragged in bolshevism, companionate marriage, birth control and other choice bogeys of the old ladies of the D. A. R. He demanded the electric chair for the anarchists. Later he admitted to a fellow state employe that knew nothing whatever about the case.

Goodwin's speech was concocted by the Keymen of America, a labor-baiting outfit. Pamphlets containing the speech were printed by the thousands for the use of the Industrial Defense Association which also makes labor-baiting pay.

Gunning Agents

OTTAWA, Ont., April 25.—The Canadian government will lodge a protest with the United States government regarding the danger to Canadian citizens from bullets believed to have been fired by American federal officers operating under the Volstead act.



Tom Mooney in San Quentin prison and Warren Billings in Folsom prison, suffering twelve years for the working class, can obtain their liberty only if the workers join the mass movement now being organized by the International Labor Defense for their liberation.

Another "Smoke-Filled Room"

Colonel Osler just walked in and forced Colonel Stewart to take \$759,000 in bonds. Colonel Stewart didn't think he was entitled to the money and protested "I don't care to have any of these profits." But Osler was firm. He bulldozed poor Stewart, president of the Standard Oil Co. of Indiana, and tyrannically compelled him to receive the three-quarters of a million dollars in bonds. Stewart did not think to ask Osler where the funds came from, and he didn't give a receipt for them. He didn't make even a memorandum of the date on which he received the bonds—in fact he didn't even open the package, and when afterward he wrote a document pertaining to the subject, he did it with a pencil so as not to have to trust a stenographer. But there couldn't have been anything dishonest about it, because Stewart didn't ask where the three-quarters of a million came from.

This idiotic tale is the explanation which Thomas J. Walsh, Standard Oil servant from Montana, is now putting over publicly to account for the huge corruption by which Coolidge now holds office and which affects his entire cabinet as participants or accomplices to the swindle.

John D. Rockefeller jr., who is the owner of Senator Walsh, and who is now clearly as deep in the affair as Harry Sinclair (but who is bigger and therefore "holier" than Sinclair), is being protected from the "investigation" by the "investigators." Rockefeller was put on the stage by Walsh to strike a "holier-than-thou" pose, and the capitalist press bowed down to worship Rockefeller as the one outstanding representative of "honesty in business." Rockefeller publicly "disapproved" of Stewart's refusal to give information as to the whereabouts of the three-quarters of a million of Continental oil graft—but a few days later saw to it that Stewart was elected chairman of the board of directors of the Rockefeller's Standard Oil Co. of Indiana. While Rockefeller was taking the holy pose on the witness stand, and while Walsh, his servant, and head of the "investigation," was grovelling before the saintly Rockefeller, the three-quarters of a million in graft funds were lying in the safe of Rockefeller's Standard Oil Co. of Indiana. For public consumption Rockefeller scolded Stewart, then in private permitted Stewart to be elected to head the Rockefeller properties in the Indiana corporation. After Sinclair was safely acquitted through a framed-up trial, Rockefeller's man Stewart comes forth with his childish tale as an explanation of the gigantic government graft.

And Walsh himself stepped over the heads of the other members of the committee to provide Stewart a legal way "out" from the danger of prosecution for his earlier refusal to testify.

Of course the tale that Walsh is fabricating through this manipulation of the "investigation" is intended to protect all the bribe-givers, bribe-takers and general swindlers as well as the chief of the oil ring, Calvin Coolidge.

Of course the committee of senators is fabricating a huge historical lie of childish ridiculousness.

The "investigation" farce has reached a new stage. It is quite evident that both the republican and the democratic parties are to be protected and have agreed on this swindle to save the high and mighty grafters, both politicians and corporation heads. How could it be otherwise with both Andrew W. Mellon and John D. Rockefeller Jr. involved? The political servants of the different groups of corporation interests have come to an agreement under the orders of Rockefeller and Mellon. Walsh, Rockefeller's servant, has stirred up nothing but whitewash.

The corruption which the senate pretends to investigate had its starting point in the famous "smoke-filled room" in a Chicago hotel at 2 a. m.—at the conference by the aid of which Harding, Coolidge, Sinclair, Jess Smith, Harry Daugherty, Jake Hamon, Albert B. Fall, Andrew W. Mellon and Rockefeller started these two wonderful administrations of the government of the United States.

The "investigation" of the corruption has come to an end in another "smoke-filled room" in the senate building. The agreement reached there is just as foul with corruption as the huge swindle of 1920, through the proceeds of which Harding and Coolidge bought their election.

This is capitalist government. This is the rule of the capitalist class. The servants "investigate" their masters and find them innocent.

TENANTS ORGANIZING FOR RENT PROTECTION

The last meeting of tenants under the auspices of the Harlem Tenants' League was attended by a strong delegation from the Academy Tenants' Association. The president of this association, Mrs. Lucile Zeumer, in a spirited address told of the struggle for the extension of the New York State Emergency Rent Laws.

These laws would never have been extended but for the persistent fight of the tenants' associations. Though the extension bill has been signed, it covers apartments between \$10 and \$15 per room per month for six months only. This means that thousands of tenants will be faced with increases and rent raises next December.

"We must not be lulled to sleep by the temporary gain, but must re-double our efforts to build our tenants' organizations," Mrs. Zeumer said. "For it is the organized power of the tenants which is respected by legislators and officials. The need for powerful tenants' organizations is greater than ever."

"Profiteering landlordism is a pillar of prostitution," said Miss Grace P. Campbell, vice-president of the Harlem Tenants' League.

"We are oppressed by powerful and ruthless forces which are not in the least concerned about the health, morals or welfare of the masses of the people," said Richard B. Moore, president of the Harlem Tenants' League.

"At the hearing on the dwellings law bill which provided standards of health and safety, all the wealth interests, chambers of commerce and realty associations massed their forces to defeat it. The hypocrisy is too thin. We all know they want profits and still more profits. Their interests are directly opposed to the interests of the tenants who want better homes and lower rents.

Organization Is Slogan.
"The property interests will struggle against every move to improve the conditions of the tenants. We must organize our power to save ourselves from rent profiteering and vicious conditions. We must build the Harlem Tenants' League to protect our homes and families. Only the organized mass power and militant struggle of the tenants and workers will avail to protect them against ruthless exploitation and oppression. 'Every tenant a member' is our slogan. We are resolved to rouse and organize the tenants to fight this oppression to a finish."

The Harlem Tenants' League meets every first and third Monday evening in the Public Library, 103 W. 135th St.

Tasks of the Labor Youth Conference

By P. FRANKFELD.

The second Brookwood Labor Youth Conference will take place May 5 and 6 at the Irving Plaza, in New York. This conference will be a further continuation of the discussion started at Brookwood on December 30 and 31 of last year. Although we demanded more action and less discussion at the time of the first youth institute, nevertheless we recognized and realized the fact that these conferences were still in their first stages—and as far as American labor was concerned, was a real step forward. However, to have seen only the positive sides of such discussions, and not to have taken a critical attitude at the same time and demand and point out the necessity of starting actual organization of the unorganized young workers would have been tantamount to yielding to vague and vacillating theories and leaders who do not know where they are headed for.

The discussions are divided up into several parts: Firstly, A. J. Muste will report on findings of First La-

bor Youth Institute. Secondly, facts about young workers in industry; numbers, distribution, conditions by Tom Tippet. Thirdly: Legislation affecting conditions and status of young workers by Lefkowitz.

The question of unionization of young workers is divided into 3 subdivisions: a) In miscellaneous trades such as laundry workers, candy workers, paper box makers, etc.—Rose Schneiderman; b) in mass industries such as textiles, steel, automobiles—C. Miller; c) in skilled industries such as building, printing, etc., speaker to be announced.

Saposs will report on young workers in the union and their organizational, recreational, and educational activities. In conclusion, there will be a discussion on how to spread the message of this conference.

It is of significance to us as left-wingers and Communists to know that C. Miller, former president of the Plumbers' Helpers Union, will report on organizing the young workers in mass industries. The plumbers helpers have long been fighting for ad-

mission in the union. The helpers have expressed not only desires to be organized, but showed the finest of fighting spirit during the plumbers strike in Brooklyn, and then later in the lockout of the plumbers that took place last year. They did not scab on the plumbers. The helpers—95 per cent of whom are youths—took their stand solidly with the adult workers. Now—and yet—they are still maintaining their organization and have not been recognized by the officials of the plumbers union.

The tasks of the youth conference are: 1) The discussions must be summarized into concrete form in the form of adoption of resolutions on methods of organizing the young workers in the miscellaneous trades; in basic industries on the question of education; sports; and on making the unions more attractive to the youth. These resolutions should be sent out to every local and central body in the A. F. of L. 2) Unlike the last conference, where a very vague and unofficial committee was set up, this conference must elect a

regular and official committee representing trade unions and youth delegates from the shops. This committee must proceed to carry out the decisions of the youth conference on organizing the unorganized young workers. 3) The conference should issue a call to all unorganized youth, greeting them, and pointing out that this conference has laid the basis for their actual organization into the trade union movement of America. The statement should also point out the necessity and benefits of unionization. The statement should be distributed to all the young workers in the factories, mills, etc. 4) Immediate preparations and steps must be taken right in New York City to organize a general working youth conference within a period of two months to ten weeks. The central trades and labor council must be approached to endorse and co-operate with this attempt to organize the young workers. The question of jurisdiction can be solved by having representatives from the different locals involved on the organization committee.

5) Special mass meetings of unorganized young workers should be held. 6) All working class youth organizations should be drawn into this work and their support and aid solicited and obtained.

Must Have Results.

These in brief are some of the tasks of the conference, and after the conference. We must have something more than mere talk result from this youth conference. The left wing and the Communists must see to it that some progressive steps are taken at the conference to help organize the young workers. The left wing, together with the progressives, must make this the starting point for an organization campaign. The A. F. of L. bureaucracy is unwilling and unable to unionize the youth. If the progressives present at the labor youth conference fail to go beyond the stage of mere mouthing of empty phrases, then the left wing and the Communists will be faced with the tremendous task of organizing the young workers by themselves.

Lewis Big Help to Company Unions in Missouri Mines

By HUGO OEHLER.

Conditions in the Missouri and Iowa coal fields are the fruits of the Lewis policy and could not have developed under left wing leadership. Without doubt the driving force at present is the economic situation but the pilot that is leading the miners' organization on the rocks is Lewis. The dual union (company union) and the operators, together are crowding out the United Mine Workers more each day.

This dual union is more than that, it is a weapon of the operators that is spreading and consolidating its forces over the southwest. It is a variety of the company union that the Lewis machine is competing with to serve the operators. Why accuse the Lewis machine of giving birth to such a son? Would the Lewis machine be so stupid as to allow this? Let us see.

Result of Lewis Policies.
First the Lewis machine stabbed the miners of the southwest in the back when Howat and the Kansas miners were fighting the Kansas Industrial Court Law. This treachery weakened this section and bore fruit for the operators. Later the separate agreement policy of the Lewis machine further weakened this field. The representatives of the operators and the miners of the southwest meeting in Kansas City last fall signed a separate agreement until April, which again strengthened the operators.

In Missouri there are over 9,000 coal miners and today less than 3,000 are organized in the U. M. W. A. Lewis has capitulated to the dual union and so far has failed to check its advance. Now the rank and file is thinking and seems to be ready to act.

The Lewis henchman of the district, Helm, in the last election was not even nominated. The miners had learned to know him. He had been an official for 12 years and was also a friend of the Nelson, Paterson, Rivers labor gang of Kansas City. Removed from the payroll, this faker continued to serve his real masters, the operators, just as Farrington continues to serve the operators. Helm acts now as an official of the com-

pany union. A defeated district president, a separate agreement, a demoralized union force gave Helms the basis to start a dual union of miners at Lexington, Missouri. The Consolidated Sales Company, owners of the four mines at Lexington, South, East, West and Woodward, a subsidiary of the Mis-

souri Pacific, decided that the miners' conditions, issued by them in the book on wages and working conditions. A yellow dog contract!

Form Company Union.
The company decided to push the workers further. Helms formed a union, made a compromise, signed a contract with the company to end

Sept., 1929, and then furnished scabs. The initiation of the dual union set up is \$2.00, the dues are 50 cents. The contract gives the diggers \$1.03 a ton, and outside men \$5.00. The U. M. W. A. refused such an offer so Helms and his company union fill the bill. No checkweighmen are permitted and the Pit Committee takes grievances to the president of the company and the "union," together they "arbitrate" and decide. The whole scheme is nothing but a form of the company union, with the company in full control of the union. Helms is the secretary-treasurer of the organization, called the Independent Mine Workers of Lexington, Mo., with about six hundred members today. The dual union signed up accepting a 30 per cent wage reduction. The former secretary of Local 171 is president of the dual union.

Picket Mines.
When the dual union furnished scabs last fall, the rank and file formed a picket line, met these men at the gates and turned them back and kept down coal production. The war was on.

A temporary restraining order was issued and three days later Judge Otis of Kansas City issued an injunction against the Lexington miners and today three such injunctions stand over the U. M. W. A. heads in Missouri.

The local business men lined up with the company dual union. Scabs were deputized and later business men also were called into service to protect these miners from the U. M. W. A. rank and file.

By this time, Mayor Minor, a miner, elected by the miners, issued information that he would arm two miners to every scab and business man. This brought on a conference for peace by the chamber of commerce. Three representatives from this body, three from the business men and three miners' officials, the president and two others, were chosen as a committee. Such a committee in the first place is stacked to favor the operators and when the officials of the union are of the Lewis type it is still worse. This is what happened: They kicked out Helm and would have to agree to the wage con-

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Slowly, relentlessly, the steel machine pounds in an endless rhythm, and the b'ne jaws open and snap shut again, open and snap shut again, open...and...snap shut...again.... And Jonah the feeder stands before it throwing gaudy cloth into its jaws when it opens, taking out pulp when it opens again, throwing gaudy cloth in its yawning mouth when it opens again; always gaping, always snapping again, again,....again.... Which is the man and which the machine? Dress Jonah up in a steel-blue suit and you will never know the one from the other. But Jonah is human: his thoughts outside the factory are those of every man; he hopes, and in his eyes is a sparkle that even the machine cannot dim. There is happiness which is not his but which he dreams of. Jonah hears a woman's voice and turns around to see, forgetting the machine and the gay bright cloth. But the machine never forgets; it opens its yawning jaws and Jonah is caught! (The machine cannot distinguish cloth from a man.) It opens, and Jonah is its food this time; it snaps shut again, and spits out pulp. But the pulp this time is not of cloth, — it is bloody pulp, gaudy as Iokanaan's head was gaudy, and horrible.

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