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## "INVESTIGATION" TO FRAME UP HEROIC VESTRIS SEAMEN

### "Let 'Black Gang' Die; Save the Rich Passengers!" Hoover to Push Nicaragua Canal During His Tour

### NEGRO SEAMEN RELATE HORROR OF SUPPRESSION

"Get Back You S—  
of a B—" Yelled  
Captain

"Got to Keep Mum"  
Officer Used Gun to  
Terrorize Crew

An unbelievable tale of the incompetency of the officers of the Lamport and Holt liner Vestris, and a description of the treatment of the Negro crew as if they were animals to be caged and sent to the bottom of the sea, were stories told to two reporters, Dunjee and Harlow, of the Negro Champion, by rescued members of the crew.

At first the Negro seamen refused to talk, saying that they had been ordered to say nothing about the disaster or to give any statements. But later, after the reporters had convinced themselves that they were not spies, some members of the crew talked freely.

Licorish a Hero.  
H. Williams, Negro seaman from Barbadoes, gave Dunjee a vivid account of the fearless actions of many of the crew, especially of Licorish, Negro quartermaster on board the Vestris. Licorish, seeing the ship was in danger, jumped into the sea from the crowded life boat he was in, and struggled with the raging sea until he secured oars, and then swam to a boat. He succeeded in saving 20 persons. Williams also told how those in the boat in which he was, succeeded in picking up one woman and five men, after wrapping the woman in their coats and landing her safely on the frypan. This woman thanked them by referring to them as "niggers."

"Below, You Black Dog."  
The most vivid story of all was told by Joshua Ford, fireman for the last five years, to Harlow. He said:

"When we left Hoboken, coal port on starboard side was partly open and ship had 3-feet of water in bilge. After leaving port, ship took back to starboard side and quarter-master told me that she would not answer her helm. On Sunday starboard boilers were out of commission on account of water in fire-pan. When I went on deck I found passengers getting ready to take to life boats. The captain and officers in no time gave orders to lower life boats, it was impossible to do so."

"While on deck I saw a friend of mine, Miss Henrietta Cabbins of Brooklyn (one of those rescued and St. Vincent's Hospital) who had been ill and was about to place her hand on the chief reefer engine, when she was pushed up to me with an axe in her hand and shouted, 'Go below a black dog.' In my opinion, captain and officers were incompetent. The crew acted coolly and efficiently, owing to the dried out condition of life boats, it was impossible to do so."

An equally vivid story was told by Donald Holder, fireman. "Came off watch Sunday 12 o'clock. Ship had had list to starboard. Boiler room was full of water. I came off watch. Engine roomkeeper and Miller Handle told that everybody must get in the way and assist hauling out the starboard coal port. Went on deck Monday, had no rest since Sunday night. The chief engineer asked us to try and get up steam."

### earing to Talk at Russian Revolution Meet in Washington

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 15. The workers in this city will celebrate the 11th anniversary of the Russian Revolution with a huge demonstration of working-class solidarity and a demonstration against reaction tomorrow at 808 Eye St. thwest. Scott Nearing, noted socialist lecturer and author, will be the principal speaker. The entire proceeds of the celebration will be sent to the Daily Worker.

### Heroic Negro Seaman



Licorish, Negro member of the Vestris crew, who saved the lives of 20 people in one of the most notable exhibitions of courage and self-sacrifice ever witnessed at sea.

### WHITE CHIVALRY KILLS ONE MORE

### Lynch Mexico Worker in New Mexico

FARMINGTON, N. M., Nov. 16.—White chivalry in the South has another notch on its bloody gallows. Rafael Benavides, a sheep-herder, alleged to have attacked a 60-year-old woman, Mary Lewis, was dragged from his bed here yesterday by a masked band and lynched. Benavides was accused of the attack last Thursday and an armed posse went on a man hunt. When he tried to defend himself, he was wounded. How he got to the Farmington Hospital is not stated, but today he was taken out by armed, masked men and lynched.

Three men arrived at the hospital quietly. "We want Benavides," the leader said. Nurses made no resistance. The Mexican, too weak to stand, was bundled into an automobile and driven rapidly to a forsaken ranch two miles away. A rope was tossed over the limb of a locust tree and he was swung into the air. At the time of the lynching nearly 100 men had gathered.

Physicians who examined Benavides' body said that he probably would have survived the gunshot wounds inflicted by the posse at the time of his capture.

### FAKER BROUGHT INTO SILK STRIKE

### Muste, U.T.W. Man, in "Impartial" Role

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
PATERSON, N. J., Nov. 16.—As the membership of the Associated Silk Workers Union, whether on strike or working, express more emphatically their adherence to the real strike committee, and condemn the officialdom for attempting to dissolve it, the desperate fear of the officials made itself shown yesterday when they invited A. J. Muste, notorious among militant workers as a reactionary who fraudulently poses as "impartial" in labor disputes, to Brookwood Labor College dean.

Muste showed his real intention on arriving by delivering an insulting speech to the strikers' mass meeting this morning. He unloaded himself of the following gems of "impartiality": "You damn fools! Why don't you use horse sense? You yourselves are responsible for your condition. If you had any sense in those wooden heads of yours you would act differently!"

Strikers Enraged.  
To the storm of angry cries that arose from the strikers, in which they charged Hoelscher, chief official, with taking strikebreaking steps, his impartial mustiness replied: "I am not prepared to charge Hoelscher with taking strikebreaking steps." And to Gertrude Mueller, left wing leader, who pointed out that it was the officialdom who dissolved the highest body in the midst of a strike, Muste sneered: "And I am not yet prepared to call you acts strikebreaking."  
More than to workers in other  
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### PARTY STATEMENT

TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY OF AMERICA:  
DEAR COMRADES:

The Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party of America has informed the Communist International of the expulsion of James P. Cannon, Martin Abern and Max Schachtman as Trotskyists. The Central Executive Committee herewith presents to the membership of the Party a cablegram decision which it has just received from the Communist International relative to this matter:

"The political secretariat confirms energetic measures taken against leaders of the Trotskyist opposition and calls on all workers who formerly supported this opposition to repudiate it publicly and definitely."

We welcome the endorsement of the action of the Executive Committee by the Communist International. The Central Executive Committee is certain that every Party member will rally behind the Party and the Communist International against the attack of any Trotskyites who may still be in our Party and the enemies of the Party who are already outside our ranks. The district committees have been informed of the action of the Central Executive Committee, and we are confident that they will protect the interest of the Party in a truly Communist spirit.

For the Party and the Comintern!  
Against the social democratic Trotskyism!  
CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,  
WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY.

### DEMONSTRATE AT WAR MOVE SEEN MINER'S FUNERAL IN RADIO MERGER

### Coal Diggers to Defy Pittston Terror

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
PITTSBURGH, Pa., Nov. 16.—Thousands of coal diggers aroused to mass fury at the shooting Wednesday of their comrades by the paid henchmen of the coal operators and the Lewis-Boylan machine will today turn the funeral of Jacob Loyack into a demonstration against the terror of their bosses and their boss-tools, the city officials.

The funeral demonstration, which will be carried out this morning at 9 o'clock, will take place despite any orders or threats which the little dictator of Pittston, Mayor Gillespie, may issue. Thousands of miners here, steeled through years of struggle against their enslaving struggle against their enslaving boss-owners, and against just such boss-servants as Gillespie, will not be held back in honoring their comrade, fallen in the battle for their freedom. Nor will they be stopped by the veiled opposition of the treacherous McGarry crew which it was learned today has united with the Lewis-Boylan machine in a complete sell-out.

Machine Shows Hand.  
In the meantime, under the order of the Boylan machine efforts have been made to secure the release of the murderer who shot down Jacob Loyack and seriously wounded his brother Mike, now lying in the hospital. It is understood that these treacherous officials are now working with the police who they serve to have the murderer released under habeas corpus proceedings. The McGarry machine has completely sold out to the Boylan crew, following a secret conference held last night at the office of Sheriff McCluskey, which lasted over three hours. At this conference were present John Boylan, head of the Lewis machine, John Kaeta, district board member, and International board member Davis. For McGarry  
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### THREATEN WORKERS WITH LOSS OF CHILDREN

### Young Participants in Armistice Day Parade Freed After Imprisonment

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 16.—The three young revolutionaries who were arrested when the Communist demonstration in front of the War Department buildings was broken up by police, came up for trial yesterday in the juvenile court. With threats of permanent separation from their parents and even imprisonment in the House of Correction, the quivering little judge sus-

ended their sentences. All three in rendering their testimony openly defied the right of the court to stop them from manifesting of John Foster and imperialist war. Foster is a young textile strike leader and vice-president of the New Bedford Textile Workers Union. Helen Cotowhey, one of the young militants, resolutely told the crowd that she prefers to face jail

rather than be released on bail or fined. Meanwhile, stories of privation and suffering come from the 29 demonstrators now serving jail terms. With great care, the prisoners are served with a fare that is as rotten as it is scarce. They have appealed for food from the outside. Great danger of deportation by the state department is faced by a number of the prisoners. The Immi-

gration Department's "investigation," begun when the arrests were first made, are still continuing. The Daily Worker is arranging to report stenographically, the trial of the 29 when it comes up. Karl Reeve, editor of the Labor Defender, and one of those arrested at the demonstration, together with Paul Crouch, secretary of the All-American Anti-Imperialist League, also a demonstrator, will report the trial.

### SWIFT PASSAGE FOR WAR SHIPS BEHIND PROJECT

Military, Diplomatic,  
Banking Forces Active  
in Undertaking

See British Opposition  
Nicaraguan Politicians  
"Agreeable"

WASHINGTON, D. C., Nov. 16.—Plans for war, necessitating the swift transfer of battleships thru a Nicaraguan Canal are the motives behind president Hoover's visit to Nicaragua, a high official of the state department disclosed today.

Military, diplomatic and banking forces have already been operating to clear the way for the immediate construction of inter-ocean canal, and it is believed that the entire project will be completed and the quick route between the Atlantic and Pacific opened for naval vessels within five years.

Lavish Expenditure.  
Lavish expenditures are envisaged by the government and no cost will be spared to hasten the construction work.

It was to secure a free way across Nicaragua that the American marines invaded that country and the supervision of the presidential elections was assumed, the state department official asserted.

The expedition against Sandino which while not yet successful has cost so heavily in human life, had for its object the clearing away of the last obstacles to the American imperialist advance.

No opposition to the canal project is now expected from any group in Nicaragua, except the army of independence under General Augusto Sandino, which the United States forces have failed to destroy in a bloody campaign lasting over hundreds of miles of interior jungle and mountain.

Politicians Willing.  
The state department informant declares that both General Jose Maria Moncada, the successful candidate in the recent elections and Adolfo Benard, the conservative who was allowed to run as a foil against his wage personal assurances of their willingness to support the American canal project during their visits at Washington in the past year.

Opposition to the project is expected from an entirely different source in the contentions of the governments of Honduras, and Salvador that Nicaragua violated their rights in granting the United States a naval base in the Gulf of Fonseca which is the common harbor of the two countries.

It is the belief of the state department that whether or not these countries carry their case before an international tribunal, they will receive encouragement from Great Britain which feels that the canal is an open move in the growing war danger between the two countries.

Taken in conjunction with the Coolidge Armistice Day speech and the naval program, it is felt that danger of open conflict between the United States and Great Britain has been greatly hastened.

It will be a principle object of the Hoover expedition to conciliate the governments of these neighboring states in the plan to push the work of canal construction.

### Try to Frame Crew, Ignore Company Crime



"Workers have no right to be alive if even one precious bourgeois is dead." This was the judgment in the minds of government officials even before they started their so-called investigation of the Vestris disaster. The purpose of the "investigation" is to frame the surviving members of the crew and to completely whitewash Lamport & Holt, owners of the rotten vessel, and the U. S. Shipping Board inspectors of criminal guilt in the disaster which cost 113 lives. Photo shows U. S. District Attorney Tuttle questioning members of the crew.

### Why Should They Die?

Out of the welter of charges and counter-charges surrounding the sinking of the Vestris there is one charge which should make the blood of every worker, and more especially every Negro worker, boil with fighting anger. Capitalist dailies flash it in screaming headlines across their pages: "Call Vestris Crew To Tell Why They Live."

The Daily Worker, defender of the working class and of the oppressed Negro race, emphatically asserts that such an attack on the exploited and oppressed is a class attack, a part of the class struggle which went on before and during the sinking of the Vestris and is thus continued. It is an attack on the working class as a whole and on the Negroes as a race.

Slaves of the international shipping trust, blacklisted if they organize, subjected to the foulest conditions, whipped by hunger into long hours of under-paid labor on rotten tubs unfit for sea, re-quired to bow and scrape before socially useless parasites and pot-bellied exploiters who give never a thought to the lives of the crew unless it be to report them for some "incivility," these workers are asked to lay aside their ideas of class struggle at a crucial hour when, unwarned of their peril, tied in the hell of the stake-hole, these workers as well as the parasite passengers, faced death.

All honor to those workers, white or black, who did not forget the class struggle in that hour! Any worker, white or black, who chose to save himself or another worker, rather than some idle parasite or sleek exploiter, did as he should have done. But now the capitalist government seeks to prosecute, to imprison these workers, for violation of the rules of capitalist society, the ethics of servility and slavery, the tradition that workers of the sea must die to allow idle parasites of a "superior" class to live.

Behind the demand that the seamen should die in order that parasites should be saved, lie the grim facts of the class struggle. The capitalist class wants the workers to live and to slave for them and, at the end, to die for them. Workers everywhere will glory that the Vestris crew, if they had to choose, refused to die that parasites might live.

Stand by the Vestris crew!  
Stand by the class struggle!

### MILWAUKEE WILL GREET THE USSR

### Workers to Celebrate on Saturday

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Nov. 16.—A celebration of the 11th anniversary of the Russian revolution will be held here tomorrow at 2:30 p. m., at Liberty Hall, Eighth and Walnut Sts.

William F. Kruse, who has recently returned from the Soviet Union after three years stay there, will be the chief speaker. The meeting will also be a demonstration for the defense of the U. S. S. R. against the threatened attacks of world imperialism.

### Illinois Labor Misleaders Seek to Aid Coal Bosses

HERRIN, Ill. (By Mail).—A class collaboration scheme was introduced in the convention of the State Federation of Labor, calling for the cooperation of the federation with the coal bosses' association, the Illinois Coal Sales League. It recommends that committees be appointed to visit all coal fields in "promoting the use of Illinois coal."

### SOCIALIST PAPER IMPORTS SCABS

### Italian Daily Tries to Evade Rules

The Italian socialist paper, "Il Nuovo Mundo," has locked out the members of the Italian Typographical Union No. 261, and is trying to man its composing room with imported socialist scab printers from various parts of the country.

Attempt to Cut Wages.  
In an effort to maintain their support from the few union workers who still support their sheet, the Italian socialist outfit defames the membership of the union by calling them fascists and publishing statements that the union membership are protecting fascists. The real motive for the lockout, however, is an attempt to cut the wages of the printers.

The Fascist Fraud.  
"Il Nuovo Mundo" contends that the union fights them because they discharged a fascist. The facts in the case are that the man discharged was suspected by the union members three years ago of being a fascist and so reported to the management of the paper. An investigation was held and the management decided the man was not a fascist, or so at least they told the rest of the workers. The management further denounced the workers for charging the man with having fascist sympathies.

The Question of Wages.  
The paper has been trying for years to get a reduction in wages, on the plea that it was in financial difficulties. The printers did everything they could to aid the paper but refused to violate union rules or work for scab wages. For instance the printers had loaned the firm 20 per cent of their wages for the past nine weeks. They also contributed to certain sustaining funds and bought bonds that they knew were worthless, only in order to aid the paper. But that was not sufficient. The socialist outfit wanted a scab shop, preferably under the guise of still maintaining a union shop. The work-

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### SEVERE GRILLING GIVEN TO SEAMEN IN TUTTLE PROBE

Officials Are Trying to  
Shift Blame for  
Wreck to Crew

Intimidate the Sailors  
Guilt of Government  
Is Definite

The "investigation" into the causes of the sinking of the Vestris was continued in Room 337 of the Post Office Building in New York yesterday under the jurisdiction of U. S. Attorney Tuttle.

Four members of the crew of the sunken liner appeared in yesterday's hearing. They were intimidated, browbeaten, by the same investigator who the day before had been so congenial to the stories of the wealthy passengers who survived the disaster.

The actions of Tuttle were reminiscent of the actions of the prosecution in the subway disasters last summer, when the courts in collusion with the L. E. T. officials, tried to frame up the subway workers. The entire purpose of the "investigators" was obviously to frame up the workers who manned the Vestris and to exonerate the Lamport and Holt officials and both the United States and British shipping authorities, who by their combined activities and criminal negligence in allowing the rotten old hulk that the Vestris has been proven to be to leave port, are chiefly responsible for the disaster and the accompanying tremendous loss of life.

Start Official Frame-up.  
As in the case of all disasters, big business, through the government which it controls and of which it is an integral part, has started its legal machinery going at top speed to give itself a clear bill of innocence and to railroad to prison the workers it imperilled and sent to death in its employ.

The first steps in this frame-up procedure were taken two days ago when Negro members of the crew of the ill-fated ship were imprisoned and virtually held incommunicado in the Seamen's Church Institute, 25 South St. Yesterday the vicious legal machinery of the capitalist class was definitely geared for action.

Workers Uphold Charges.  
The members of the crew who were called before the investigating board yesterday upheld the charges that were made immediately upon their arrival after they had kept themselves alive in rotten life-boats until rescue came. The overwhelming pile of evidence against the Lamport and Holt Company and against the United States and British shipping authorities remained substantially and basically the same. These facts were:

1. That the Vestris was old, rotten, unfitted for the rigorous trip on the Atlantic. Rust had eaten into the plates, rendering the vessel completely unseaworthy.
  2. That the Lamport and Holt officials had known this before the ship had left England, and had deliberately and criminally failed to rebuild the corroded parts, but had covered the Vestris with a new coat of paint to hide the rotteness of the vessel.
  3. That government shipping authorities, both of the United States and Great Britain, had inspected this rotten hulk before the fatal voyage, and, knowing its condition, had allowed it to make the trip.
  4. That Captain Carey, commander of the entire Lamport and Holt fleet, had ignored the demands of his crew and of the passengers that he send out calls for six lifeboats, and had refused to do so. The investigation was discovered after leaving port, and had criminally "hidden the ship-boarded" in an effort to right the badly-loaded cargo in order to save the company the salvage costs.
  5. That the officials of the United States navy had kept the giant dirigible, the Los Angeles, from going to the rescue of the Vestris after the S. O. S. calls had been received, because of the expense involved in such a course of action. The Los Angeles could have reached the scene of the disaster in several hours, and acted as a pivot point for the rescue work, and made possible the rescue of all on board.
- Obvious Frame-up.  
These facts, although in the possession of U. S. Attorney Tuttle and the U. S. government, were completely ignored when the investigation was begun yesterday, in the

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# Mexican Capitalists Have Devised Elaborate Scheme of Reforms to Enslave Workers

## PORTES GIL IS AUTHOR OF PLAN TO BIND LABOR

### All Power in Hands of Capitalists, State

MEXICO CITY, Mexico, Nov. 16.—A judicial hierarchy controlled by the large industrialists and financiers and selected and sanctioned by the government is disclosed by a fuller perusal of the so-called labor reform legislation issued by President-elect Emilio Portes Gil yesterday. The actual purpose of this plan is to weave a net of legality around the revolutionary efforts of the Mexican workers.

Under an appearance of liberal legislation involving the eight-hour day law, prohibiting child labor, and promising equal wages for men and women workers, such as capitalism often throws to the workers, the government has placed before the Mexican congress one of the most skillfully constructed codes for enslavement yet devised.

The machinery by which the Mexican government is preparing to secure the obedience of its workers includes an elaborate system of councils for each ship, for a central labor council and for a national labor council. There is also a supreme labor court. It is significant that the proposed legislation specifically states that judges of this court "enjoy the same consideration and emoluments as magistrates of the supreme court."

President's Appointees. The supreme labor court will be made up of five magistrates named by the president of the republic.

Class collaboration between the workers and the capitalists is a feature of the system of councils in the shops projected in the Gil plan. All power, however, is carefully limited to the capitalists.

Every industry will have its own economic council, made up of representatives of employers and employees, which shall cooperate with the industry in the adoption of new methods, maintain order and discipline, intervene in differences and safeguard contracts between workers and employers.

This body will also be charged with seeing that the decisions of boards of arbitration and conciliation are strictly complied with. It cannot, however, intervene in the financial administration of plants nor meddle with contracts between employers and employees.

The proposal further provides that the Central Labor Council will be charged with study of labor conditions, including the cost of living, thus limiting its powers practically to study and investigation.

The purposes of workers' syndicates is defined with great exactitude by the plan. It states that a syndicate is composed to make contracts with employers, but these contracts cannot endure for more than three years nor less than one. Contracts are mutually binding on employers and employees. Municipal, State and National Labor Courts are empowered to enforce contracts.

It is further stated that plants may suspend without violating their contracts when excess production makes further operation unprofitable or for lack of raw materials or when there are acts of nature, such as epidemics, earthquakes or fires.

Public service employees may not declare a strike except on ten days' notice. If the finding of the Board of Conciliation and Arbitration is against the strikers, their contract may be annulled if the employer wishes.

Each municipal board of conciliation and arbitration will consist of a judge named by the governor of the state, three representatives of the employees. Judges must be Mexicans by birth. There will be six labor tribunals in various parts of the country to enforce the finding of the arbitration boards.

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would not consent to such a strike, and told the management

Discharged Worker. Looking around for an opportunity to fight the union and break the alien laws, the socialist management it upon the idea of firing the worker who was formerly suspected of socialist sympathies. When the man was fired the union demanded his reinstatement with pay for lost time, as it is compelled to do according to its laws. After agreeing to reinstatement and giving the man a check for his back pay amounting to \$104.74, the management ordered the bank to stop the check. When the man, who had been a strike and returned on the settlement of the case learned of the check against the worker, they wanted and were locked out.

Printing Council Show. The Allied Printing Trades Council is slow to recommend that other workers refuse to work in the scab shop managed by so-called socialists. They claim that their organizer is a scab and cannot act. Meanwhile the men are still out and have had the lockout into a strike.

## Jury in Oil Magnate's Perjury Trial



Photo shows the 12 men and women who constitute the jury in the trial of Col. Robert W. Stewart, who is on trial for perjury in connection with the so-called oil investigation of the special senate committee. The evidence against Stewart is so complete that these loyal servants of the capitalist class may be compelled to convict one of their chiefs, provided bribery (already a factor in the trial) doesn't make them change their minds.

## ATTEMPT TO FRAME UP HEROIC NEGRO SEAMEN

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attempt to fasten the blame for the disaster on the ill-treated, half-starved and persecuted members of the crew, both Negro and white.

The obviousness of the frame-up which the U. S. government plans to perpetrate was indicated in the behavior of Tuttle. Two days ago he was sympathetic with his witnesses, all of whom were passengers on the Vestris. He allowed them to tell their own stories, occasionally interposing a quiet question.

Yesterday, however, when the workers aboard the Vestris appeared before him, he was a vicious, belligerent prosecutor. He put questions in a sharp staccato voice and paced beside the rail of the witness stand. He became exasperated when the workers gave evidence against the company, and subjected each of the workers to a severe cross-examination.

Lifeboats Leaked. The workers told Tuttle, on examination, that the lifeboats began filling with water as soon as they were lowered over the side of the sinking Vestris. This testimony, coupled with the previous charges that the lifeboats had been old and rotten, added to the huge pile of evidence against the Lampert and Holt Company. But Tuttle did not take much cognizance of this, preferring to flaunt in the workers' faces the charge of cowardice, conducting the investigation on the vicious premise that the workers should have drowned themselves to save the wealthy passengers aboard.

British Jingoism Aid. Continued verification of the fact that the capitalist courts intend to whitewash the official incompetence and criminal negligence and to frame-up the Negro and white workers of the crew of the Vestris was shown when Tuttle read into the record a letter from Sir Harry Armstrong, British consul-general here, pledging the "co-operation of the British government in obtaining the facts of the inquiry."

The British official suggested, on behalf of his government, that an "expert nautical commission" should be appointed to "help federal authorities in their investigation." He recommended that the commission be made up of two men, one named by Tuttle and the other appointed by the owners of the Lampert and Holt Line.

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industries, the double-crossing impartiality of the faker, Muste, is known to textile workers. Muste has been very busy in negotiating for the merging of independent textile unions with the reactionary United Textile Workers Union.

Hoelscher and Muste's efforts to affiliate the Associated Silk Workers with the U. T. W. only recently failed by the vote of the membership.

Will Eject Muste. Left wing workers are staunchly determined to expose Muste and his efforts, although they will under no circumstances fail to grasp any honorable attempt to unite the union. The workers' sentiment on the reinstatement of the strike committee to all its functions as leaders of the strike is unalterable.

Left wing spokesmen say that they will demand of Muste an account of whom he represents. They will particularly want to know whether he represents the A. F. of L. United Textile Workers Union. If he represents himself, the left wingers will demand that an outsider whom they will choose attend any "unity conferences."

At the mass meeting this morning, Sophie Strechman, left wing head of the relief committee, made an official statement. She replied to the strikebreaking statement of Hoelscher yesterday, in which he

## POLITICIANS IN BRITISH HOUSE UTILIZE PACTS

### Baldwin Hopes for More U. S. Money

LONDON, Nov. 16.—An attempt to make internal political use out of the Franco-British naval pact and bring the commons on record as declaring that it endangered the peace of Europe and the good relations between Britain and the United States yesterday failed and developed into a political attack on Lloyd George, who has himself been capitalizing the situation.

Liberals, laborites and conservatives are using the pact as an occasion for pre-election tiffs, while as far as can be judged from the debate in the commons the naval pact itself is in effect tacitly operative, though Baldwin has declared that "it no longer exists in fact."

Answering Lloyd George's charge that the pact had led the United States to declare for a policy of additional cruisers, Baldwin said that relations could be improved by more intimate contact between American and British financiers. Recalling conversations between the heads of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York and the governor of the Bank of England, which led to the flow of American capital into Europe, Baldwin declared that if this policy were resumed relations would improve.

Indications are that the British government will continue its armament construction with increasing speed.

French Army. PARIS, Nov. 15 (11). The proximity of President Coolidge's peace speech and that of Prime Minister Baldwin, coupled with reports that the United States senate will urge a fifteen cruiser program and that Herbert Hoover plans to call a new peace conference, has stirred the French press to an increasingly acrimonious tone.

The newspapers are reviving all the old bones of international contention with the United States—fustling off and refurbishing reparations, debts, United States' attitude toward the Franco-British naval accord and naval strength.

Echo de Paris says: "Coolidge's phrases signify an inevitable armaments race between America and Great Britain."

Many sections of the French press were inclined to express their wish that Baldwin be more forceful in responding to Coolidge in his house of commons speech.

## Chicago Defense Meet to Hear Tallentire

CHICAGO, Ill., Nov. 16.—The Chicago International Labor Defense has arranged a meeting which will be addressed by Norman Tallentire, assistant secretary of the I. L. D. The meeting will be held at the Workers' Lyceum, 2733 Hirsch Boulevard, tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. and the address will discuss "Boss Justice in the Textile Strike Zone."

Other matters that will be discussed include the annual christmas drive of the I. L. D. and the Annual defenseazaar arranged for Dec. 14-16 at Wicker Park Hall.

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"The Spirit of Canton," like the "Spirit of St. Louis," would be more appropriately named "The Spirit of U. S. Imperialism." Photo shows the plane and the crew, from left to right, Jack Byrne, Tien Lai-huang and D. Starr. They will attempt to fly from Roosevelt Field, N. Y., to Canton, China.

## WAR MOVE SEEN IN RADIO MERGER

### Morgan Bankers Match British Interests

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the Postal Telegraph as well as Western Union intensified the competition.

War Speculation. Both Western Union and Radio Corporation stock have made remarkable advances on the New York stock exchange in the last two weeks. Radio reached 296 yesterday afternoon, a new high and up 11.2 points for the day and Western Union touched 189 1/2.

Newcomb Carlton, president of Western Union, told the United Press exclusively today that "an effort is being made to find a basis to meet the competition" of the British merger, although "the obstacles of the White Act are fully appreciated."

At no time since the invention of the electric telegraph and the submarine cable has there been so much excitement and interest in the world-wide communication situation as today.

The sudden and spectacular rise of the International Telephone and Telegraph under the leadership of the young Col. Soasthenes Behm, who in a space of less than seven years has his holdings in the Porto Rican and Cuban telephone system into the ownership of the Postal Telegraph Company, the Commercial

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## NEGRO SEAMEN RELATE HORROR OF SUPPRESSION

### "Black Gang" Told to Get Back

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which was impossible. At that time you could see the rolling checks on portside.

"We came on deck but were ordered below again by the chief but we could not go below on account of water in the stokehole. Captain at no time gave us any orders. One passenger asked the captain what about the crew. Carey said, 'Damn the black s--- of b---'."

"I saw one colored passenger trying to get into a boat with his wife and child. One of the junior officers ordered him out waving a pistol at him. The passenger was not saved but the officer was."

"Two men and I cut away No. 3 boat, starboard side, and pulled away from ship. We immediately picked up three passengers and the carpenter's mate and chief officer. We were picked up Tuesday morning by ship 'American Shipper.' At no time did officers give any orders. Crew had to look out for themselves."

The Vestris, owned by Lampert & Holt, better known as the Loose & Hungry Line, just ran true to form. Sailors getting \$45 a month, sleeping in vermin-infested berths without blankets, proved themselves heroes.

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# PHILA. POLICE HAVE HANDS FULL OF GRAFT

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
PHILADELPHIA. (By Mail).—A new duty, that of tearing down posters tacked up by the Workers (Communist) Party, was imposed on the already "overburdened" police of this city during the last election campaign.

The bulls, what between cracking their night-sticks on strikers caught in the heinous act of picketing, breaking up cut-door meetings of class-conscious workers, and juggling speakers for failure to shout "glory for Morgan," had plenty to do as it was. And when it is remembered that Philadelphia's "finest" are compelled to spend much of their time collecting commissions from the rum ring, it can be seen that the bulls have their hands full—of graft.

But the spend-up has hit even them. Two comrades who were posted "Vote Communist" and "Poster rally placards is to pole and fences one night recently were held up by a pair of dicks, who had been shadowing them in an expensive motor car. The tools of the hooch trust smashed the remaining posters, and ordered the workers to "beat it." When it was protested the Workers Party was a legal one, a bona fide political party, having as much right to advertise their cause as the democrats and republicans and socialists, whose bills, plastered all over town, are never touched by the police, the ferocity of the legal yeggs became uglier.

"We Got Orders." "We got orders to rip 'em down, one of them snarled. He had no answer ready for the question, "How is it you don't have orders to remove the images of capitalist ward-healers plastered all over the poles?" Instead he began to put the two suspects in the car for a third degree.

"Who puts up the money for these things?" he wished to know. "Not Du Pont and not Kaskob, nor J. P. Morgan either." "Wise guy, eh? Any more cracks out of you and we'll give you the works."

The placards were subjected to a close examination; from top to bottom and from left to right roved the wolfish eyes of the law.

"Kaiserism." "What this mean?" he yapped on coming to the slogan, "Against Imperialist Wars"—the nearest his soggy brain could come to understanding the explanation given was, "Uh, huh—Kaiserism."

"Down with Race Oppression," stamped him worse. "Say, are you guys mixed up with the fellows who was burnin' the crosses around here last summer?" he demanded suspiciously, pictures of Reds and Ku Kluxers befuddled for a moment in his booby mind. Bursting into a snarl, the workers were in imminent danger of being clubbed by a crackpot, all but foaming at the mouth for fury; but in the end, not seeing their way clear to framing "these goddam Bolsheviks," the doxy defenders of "law and order," hopped into their high-priced car, and were off to the rum agency or police station as it is sometimes called in jest, barking in parting, "Don't let us catch you around here again."

On retracing their steps, the workers discovered that every last one of the posters they had put up had been torn down by the dicks.

The Higher Up. It is altogether in line with the new status of the bulls that they carry out orders issued from the office of Max Boo-Boo Hoff, millionaire bootlegger and real boss of the civil machinery, with so much zeal. For they are no mere tools of a capitalist caste; they have their own graft, they have achieved some monetary standing of their own, and, along with it, the shakedown slant on the working class.

The grand jury "probe" started by job-hunting political hacks has brought to "light" the fact that Philadelphia is and has been for years under liquor law.

On Hoose Payroll. It has been proven in open court that the police department to a man is on the regular payroll of the hoose band. Books "confiscated" by federal agents in "raids" on racket headquarters reveal that millions in protection money were "slipped" gangster-cops in the space of a year or so. Many drew weekly salaries and each member of the force had a price dependent upon rank and dress. One dick profited to the tune of nearly half a million before the jury got after him. Another cleaned up so much velvet in a few months' "enforcement" squad that he was enabled to retire, buy up two hotels and a cafe, in the heart of the city, and settled down to enjoy life. A common patrolman, yet to be called in by the "inspector," has purchased outright a \$60,000 country estate on his weekly wage of \$30 from the municipality. The chief of detectives was well on his way to becoming a millionaire when the district attorney, out of jealousy, spiked him. For a police captain to bank \$500 at a crack was nothing in the two-probe days. (Now they keep it in a sock until Judge Lewis and District Attorney Monaghan have rotten all the publicity they need to blow over). Practically all bulls and dicks have bloated bankrolls, own houses in exclusive residential districts, and live in "glories" in Parklands.

Grafters Unchecked. As for the men higher up, their shingles are simply colossal. Bar a captain and one inspector, they are gone untraced, which was to be expected. In other cases, who were connected with a bribe of five or ten "thousand" now and then, have

been suspended—cheap jacks of that sort are a disgrace to go-getting racketeers and deserve to "get the street."

But the big boys proper, the magistrates, judges, congressmen and other "fixers" in high places, those who shake down a hundred snacks where a bestpounder takes in one, sit tight and try to keep a straight face while the political clown-show roars thru the headlines. There is Congressman Golder, for instance, a known partner of Qzar Boo-Boo, whose name bobs up daily in connection with the infantile proceedings and is daily suppressed in the capitalist sheets.

A Timely "Stroke." At least two other congressmen sit on the board of directors of the hooch trust, which does a five million dollar trade in poison spirits annually and is linked up with Chicago gangdom and the New York bootleggers. Senator Vreese was floored by a "paralytic stroke" on the eve of the "probe," and has been confined to his Atlantic City bed ever since, poor soul. That "stroke" was timely, to put it mildly.

Messiahlike Hoff, in publicly daring the district attorney to "get" him, exhibits the mock "injury" for what it is, a "plant" to swindle the workers. Had it been possible for a working class jury to really investigate the present racketeer-government, indictments against every local job-holder would have been returned at the first sitting, and the whole pirate crew flung into the "clink" en masse. But capitalism and corruption go hand in glove; the state of conditions that obtains here is only a miniature of the national scene.

## City History Club Is Peeved With "Gods of the Lightning"

THE first protest against "Gods of the Lightning," which has several characters who intimate that all is not right in the judicial circles of the realm, has been received. It is from the City History Club of New York, of which Mrs. A. Barton Hepburn is president.

The honorary vice-presidents are, among others, John H. Finley, Otto H. Kahn, William Fellows Morgans, Frank A. Vanderlip, Mrs. Jacob A. Riis and George W. Wickersham. The letter from Mrs. Hepburn is as follows:

"Messrs. Hamilton MacFadden and Kellogg Gary, The Little Theatre, 238 W. 44th St., N. Y. C. Gentlemen: At the meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City History Club, which was held November 8th, the following resolution was passed:

It was moved by Mrs. Wyatt, seconded by Dr. Peterson that the President be authorized to write to the management of the play 'Gods of the Lightning' expressing disapproval of the offensive and disloyal utterings permitted to be spoken in the text. This motion was unanimously carried."

As a patriotic organization we offer this protest to the disrespect to our Constitution and flag.

Sincerely yours, (Signed) EMILY E. HEPBURN, (Mrs. A. Barton Hepburn, President.)

Mr. MacFadden, in replying to Mrs. Hepburn, intimates that the matter isn't so serious and that a research into some of the utterances which attended the birth of these somewhat United States might be interesting to those who feel that the speeches in the play are offensive. His letter follows:

"My dear Mrs. Hepburn: I have received your letter of November 8th. In reply, both Mr. Gary and I would like to say that we have produced 'Gods of the Lightning' because we know it to be one of the most important pieces of dramatic writing we have ever been privileged to read. It is not the province of a historical producer to question the opinions of characters within an author's play except on the ground that such expressions are not motivated dramatically. We believe that the dialogue in 'Gods of the Lightning' is unusually well motivated. As producers, we should welcome suggestions to where we can find equally stirring dramatic speech.

In closing, may I step out of my role of producer and suggest that the History Club of New York might find interesting a perusal of some of the more important utterances that brought about the birth of this country.

Very sincerely yours, (Signed) HAMILTON MACFADDEN."

COTTON CROP WASHINGTON, Nov. 15. — In Arkansas picking and ginning of cotton were somewhat delayed by showers the first part of the week, but good progress was made thereafter, a government report states. In all other sections where picking has not been completed, from the Mississippi Valley eastward, the weather was generally favorable and gathering the outstanding crop made satisfactory progress. Late bolls are reported as opening rather slowly in parts of northern Alabama.

## IN SHAW'S "MAJOR BARBARA"



Winifred Lenihan, who will play an important role in the Theatre Guild production of Bernard Shaw's "Major Barbara," which will open at the Guild Theatre Monday night.

## Sovkino Film Continues at Little Carnegie Playhouse

Due to the remarkable success enjoyed during the past two weeks of its run at the Little Carnegie Playhouse, "Ten Days That Shook the World," the Sovkino film directed by S. M. Eisenstein will be held over for a third week. The UFA feature, "Feeding the Angels" is also being held over.

The Cameo Theatre is continuing for a second week "Mata Hari: The Red Dancer." The film, which deals with the life of the famous spy of the World War, created quite a sensation when first shown in Europe.

Prof. Ivan Pavlov's "Mechanics of the Brain," in which he analyzes animal and human behavior, will be shown the coming week at the Fifth Avenue Playhouse.

The Roxy will show two features beginning today: "Napoleon's Barber," from the play by Arthur Cat-sar, with Otto Matiesen, Frank Reicher and Henel Ware in the cast, and a comedy with Clark and McCullough.

"Eva and the Grasshopper," from the UFA studios, will have its first American showing at the 55th Street Playhouse beginning today. On the same bill will be a new issue of "Soviet News Reel," Charlie Chaplin in "The Vagabond," and Chick Meekins in "Great Moments in Football."

## PHILHARMONIC

Following a week on the road, the Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra returns in time to celebrate the centenary of the death of Franz Schubert this week. Although Willem Mengelberg has placed the Schubert C major symphony on the program for tomorrow afternoon, the official memorial program is that arranged for Wednesday afternoon and Friday evening at Carnegie Hall at which concerts the Atterberg Symphony, which won the International prize in the Schubert Centennial Contest, will have its world premiere.

A feature of the program will be an address on Schubert by Dr. John Erskine. Balance of program includes other Schubert works; the Overture, Entr'acte and Ballet Music from "Rosamunde," and the "Unfinished" Symphony.

Tomorrow afternoon at Carnegie Hall, in addition to the Schubert Symphony, the program will contain the Sinfonia Overture of J. C. Bach, and the Bruch Scottish Fantasy, played by Scipione Guidi, concertmaster of the orchestra.

Next Sunday afternoon Mr. Mengelberg and his men will be heard at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. The second of Walter Damrosch's Children's Concerts will be given next Saturday morning at Carnegie Hall.

## WYOMING CLERKS WIN

CASPER, Wyo. (By Mail).—Retail clerks union, 202, has forced local merchants to sign a new wage agreement.

## NEW SOVIET FILMS

### Tolstoy's "The Living Corpse" and Gorki's Famous Story New Being Screened

THE latest news from the Moscow film studios has it that Maxim Gorki has at last given his consent to Sovkino to film his book, "The Story of the Book Clasp." Alexander Khokhlova, one of the best directors of the Sovkino, will wield the megaphone.

Of the other new films, already released or almost completed, the press department of the Soviet film makers are kind enough to give the following details to the readers of our dramatic columns:

Late this month will be released a big sporting film, "Spartakiade," "shot" during the competition in Moscow.

"Ten Deaths" Started. Director U. Taritch (author of "Wings of a Slave," "Ivan the Terrible," "Bulyat Batir" and "Captain's Daughter") is producing a new film, "Ten Deaths." It is based on the history of the Russian Revolution and shows the revolutionary struggle of the Russian and Polish workers against the Tsarist autocracy.

Sovkino has also started work on a film based on the story of the proletarian writer, "The Quiet Don," by M. Sholokhov, which is very popular among the workers. The movie houses report great success of "Exploits in the Ice" (racing expedition of the "Krasin and Malygina" for the "Italia"), photographed by the authors with the expedition.

Director O. Preobrazhenskaya, director of the film "Women of Ryzan" and "The Bright City," is screening the picture "Agitation Car," picturing the participation of artists in the Civil War.

"Unwanted Hostility." B. Urtssev, director and author of the children's films, "The Torn Sleeve," has been commissioned by Sovkino to get out the film "Unwanted Hostility" for the 10th International Women's Day. The theme of the picture is the promoting of workwomen to responsible positions and the "unwanted" competition between men and women workers.

In carrying out the campaign against alcoholism, the Soviet cinema plays a particularly important role. Sovkino has demonstrated this point in "Alarm," where is portrayed that owing to drunkenness the worker's productiveness of labor drops at the factory, and then how after an accident he goes insane.

A second film on this subject, "The Crooked Line," gives an example of the battles of a workers' club with a public house and the victory of the club when the club drew into its work the wives of workers.

Culture in the Village. That the fight for a new culture is not limited to the town, but is also carried on in the village, is shown in the film "Tanks of the Eating House." The film shows the struggle of the village social organizations against the kulaks, and the fight of the village social workers for a new Tea-House to replace the village public-house.

Of the many scientific films recently completed, the picture "Alcohol" is the outstanding. Its production was greatly aided by the participation of N. Semashko, People's Commissar for Health, and Prof. Furikova. The picture portrays the experiments conducted by the Institute of Pathological Physiology and the Institute for the Study of Nerve Activity at the Communist Academy.

Tolstoy's "Living Corpse." Based on the theme of the story by Leo Tolstoy "The Living Corpse," Meshrapom-Film together with the German Cinema organization Promotes, is working on a film titled "The Lawful Marriage." It will be "shot" by V. Pudovkin, of "Mother" and "End of St. Petersburg" fame. The well-known actress Nata Vatchandze and Marie Yakobin play in this film. The well-known Austrian actor Gustav Deisel has been invited to accept the role of Karenina. The picture will be "shot" in Germany and USSR.

Another film by the same organization is titled "26 Commissars," and will be directed by V. Meierhold.

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Ralph Wolfe, pianist, will give his debut recital at Town Hall Saturday afternoon, Nov. 24.

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## MILDRED McCOY



In "These Days," Arthur Hopkins' newest production, how at the Cort Theatre.

ITALIAN SAILOR KILLED MOSCOW, Nov. 16 (UP).—An Italian sailor from the steamer Capodado was killed at Nikolayev, on the Black Sea, Nov. 9, it was announced today. Officials said the sailor attempted to cross state police lines around a warehouse despite repeated warnings. He was killed by a soldier as he attempted to enter the warehouse. An explanation was made to the Italian consul.

GRACE CORNELL will give her fourth program of dances at the Booth Theatre tomorrow night.

Dai Buell will appear in piano-forte recital at Town Hall Tuesday afternoon.

FRANCES NEWSOM, soprano will give her recital in Town Hall Wednesday evening.

Juan Pulido, Spanish baritone makes his appearance at the Gallo Theatre tomorrow night.

Katherine Bacon will conclude her Schubert cycle with a Town Hall recital on Monday afternoon, the 100th anniversary of the death of the composer.

Inez Barbour, soprano, will include the following songs at her Town Hall concert on Thursday afternoon: "Bel Piacer, and "Pianero," by Handel; "Zu Freien Im Maiein," Bach; "An Eine Aeolharfe," Hugo Wolf; "Schlechtes Wetter" and "Die Georgine," by Strauss; "Brautfahrt," Buys.

The French pianist, Lucie Cafaret, will give her recital at Town Hall on Monday evening, Nov. 26.

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WORKERS SCHOOL FORUM 126-29 Union Square, 5th floor Sunday, Nov. 18, 9 p. m. Admission 25 cents. OTTO HALL Field Organizer of the American Negro Labor Congress, just returned from a 3 years' visit of the Soviet Union. "The Negro Question As A World Problem." Sunday, Nov. 25 BERTRAM D. WOLFE on "American Varieties of Trotskyism."

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## Wall Street Speculates on Impending War

The soaring of stocks in basic industries to dizzy heights as soon as the election of Hoover was assured is no mere stampede. It is merely cold-blooded speculation upon the impending imperialist war. Since the election of Hoover the administration at Washington and its agents in the most remote parts of the earth have become more aggressive than ever in publicity proclaiming their war designs. The speech of Coolidge on Armistice Day, reeking with defiance to the other imperialist powers of the world, was explicit in every point. After dwelling upon the question of the placing of the armed forces of the nation upon a war basis, Coolidge rounded out his propositions with the declaration that:

"The present size of our army is entirely adequate, but it should continue to be supplemented by a national guard and reserves, and especially with the equipment and organization in all industries for furnishing supplies."

This announcement that the government would aid industries in placing their productive capacity on a basis that would meet the requirements of war, also caused General Motors, United States Steel, DuPont powder and chemical, Standard Oil and other "leaders" to soar.

The fact that there was at hand the October report indicating a fall in steel production and that orders were below last year did not affect the rise of the market. Two days after the Coolidge address an announcement was made that plans were under way for the organization of a gigantic "association" in the lead industry embracing United States, Mexican, Canadian and South American concerns. That this association not only embraces lead companies, but chemical producers as well is indicated by the following observation of one of the financial writers of the New York-Herald Tribune:

Membership in the Lead Industries Association will comprise corporations interested in the mining, smelting or manufacturing of lead in the United States, Mexico, Canada and South America. Some of the companies to be represented in the organization are Alameda Lead Company, American Smelting and Refining Company, Birmingham Mines Company, Bunker Hill and Sullivan Mining and Concentrating Company, Cyro de Pasco Copper Corporation, Chief Consolidated Mining Company of Canada, Ltd., Eagle-Picher Lead Company, El Potosi Mining Company (Howe Sound Company), Evans-Walloway Lead Company, Federal Mining and Smelting Company, Federated Metals Corporation, Fleck Brothers Company, W. P. Fuller & Co., General Cable Company, Glidden Company, Hecla Mining Company, Metals Refining Company, National Lead Company, Northwest Lead Company, Park-Utah Consolidation Mining Company, Remington Arms Company, Sherwin-Williams Company, Silver King Coalition Mines Company, St. Joseph Lead Company, Tintic Standard Mining Company, Utah Apex Mining Company, Utah Copper Company, United Metals Selling Company, USL Battery Corporation, United States Smelting, Refining and Mining Company.

This was instantly followed by most of the concerns mentioned joining the ranks of the Wall Street speculative favorites.

Thus it is plain that the upward swing of the stock market does not in any way reflect the actual industrial condition of the country at present, but is based upon the expectation of increased activity in all branches of industry in order that the nation may be placed as speedily as possible upon a war basis.

Unquestionably there will develop within the next few months a vastly greater disparity between productive capacity and actual production than already exists. This apparent contradiction leads to much confusion of thought among bourgeois economists who fail to perceive the fact that the increase in productive capacity is predicted upon the preparation of a new war for a redivision of the world between the imperialist powers. It is plain that the increase in productive capacity is imperative if the war-mongers are to be in position to realize Coolidge's program for the "equipment and organization in all industries for furnishing supplies," for the armed forces of the country.

## Many New Courses to Begin at the Workers School During Week

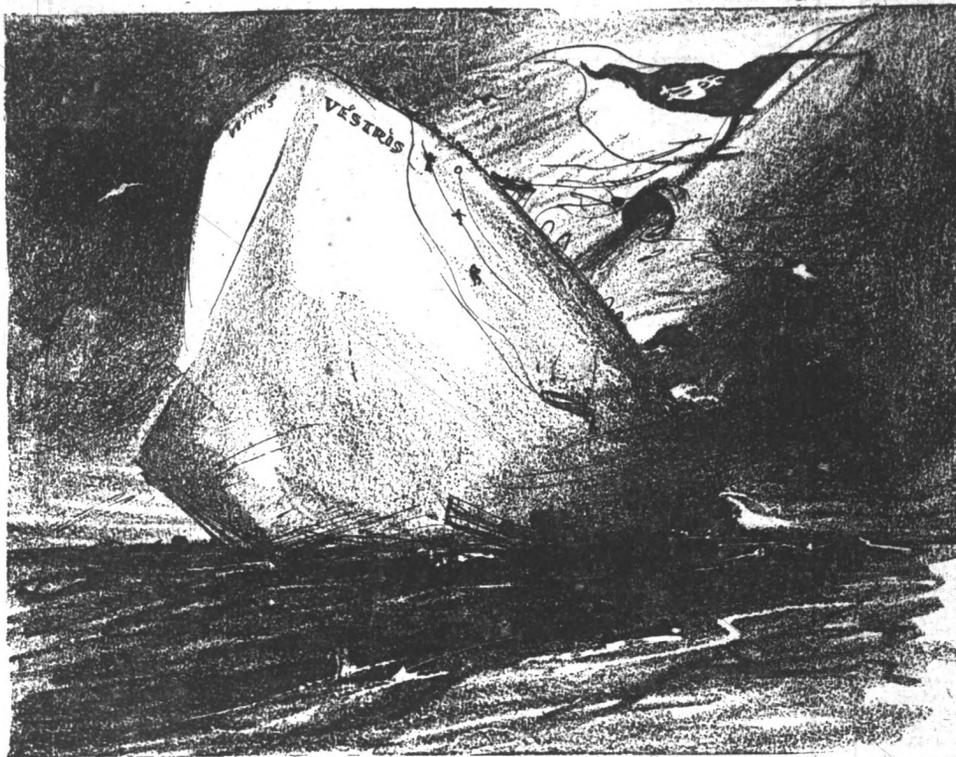
Two important classes for fundamentalism of the Workers (Communist) Party are scheduled to begin this week. "Party Organization Problems" will open this Thursday at 7:30 p. m., with Bert Miller as the instructor, and "Program of the Communist International" will start on Friday at 8:30 p. m., with William W. Weinstein as the instructor.

The course in Party Organization will deal with the concrete organizational problems arising out of the political problems facing the Communist movement and the working class.

In addition to these the following are scheduled to begin this week: "Historical Materialism," Bertram D. Wolfe, instructor, on Thursday from 8:30 to 9:50 p. m.; "Fundamentals of Communism," with Rebecca Grecht, instructor, Friday, at 7 p. m.; "European History Since 1789," on Friday, at 8:30 p. m., with Juliet Stuart Poyntz, instructor. The course in Marxist Economics I, that takes place on Thursday at 8:30 p. m., will have Ray Ragosin as the instructor.

**BELGIAN WORKERS WIN**  
BRUSSELS (By Mail).—The workers of the Belgian National Arms factory, located at Horstal, have won their strike of 11 weeks. The agreement reached includes compulsory social insurance and the extension of paid holidays.

## "BUSINESS AS USUAL"



By Fred Ellis

## Misleaders in the American Labor Unions

(From "Misleaders of Labor," by William Z. Foster.)

MITCHELL, a real Communist, defended capitalism in general and protected the interests of the mine owners in particular. Many acts of betrayal stand to his discredit. In 1902, he prevented the Mountain miners from striking with the anthracite miners, to the great harm of both groups and of the union as a whole. In 1903, during the bitter Colorado strike, when victory was in sight, he forced the miners in the north back to work, leaving those in the south to be starved into submission, a betrayal from which the district did not recover for many years. In 1904, in spite of a solid vote of the union against wage cuts and for a strike, he conspired secretly with the employers and finally accepted for the union the wage reduction the employers wanted. In all these maneuvers the priest-like looker Mitchell had the support of the U. M. W. A. secretary, W. B. Wilson, who has since become a big democratic politician.

Mitchell was favored upon and flattered by the capitalists. Says Lincoln Steffens of him, ("World's Work," August, 1902):

"When Mitchell came to New York in 1900, to see J. P. Morgan, the financial head of the coal business, he was not received. This year an associate of Mr. Morgan's happened to meet him socially, and when he reported what manner of labor leader Mitchell was, Mr. Morgan received him at his downtown office."

Then followed banquets and close social relations with great capitalists and politicians, Carnegie, Hanna, Belmont, Robbins, etc. At a famous Pittsburgh supper with coal operators Mitchell was presented with a "diamond badge" as a token of their esteem. He became a leading figure in the National Civic Federation and a warm friend of President Roosevelt.

These things aroused the then powerful socialists in opposition. They forced Mitchell first to quit the Civic Federation and eventually to get out of his union office.

After holding important political posts during the war, Mitchell died in 1919, a capitalist and an officer of the government. His wealth, exclusive of extensive personal property in the name of his family, totaled a quarter of a million dollars, as follows:

Stocks	.....\$156,000
Bonds	..... 71,000
Notes	..... 2,000
Bank Deposits	..... 14,120

\$244,200

Among his assets were bonds of Armour and Co. and the E. & O. N. Y. Co., and C. R. I. & P. railroad, all union crushing concerns. He was a "labor lieutenant" of capital well rewarded for his betrayals of the workers. His memory is revered by the A. F. of L. bureaucracy and the employers.

**Other Traitors.**  
Tom L. Lewis, who succeeded Mitchell as president, was guilty of various acts of treachery to the miners. He was a typical "labor lieutenant" and "red" fight r. He was driven out in 1914, and immediately became secretary of the New River Coal Operators' Association in West Virginia. This organization is one of the bitterest enemies of the union in the West Virginia district where the attempt to maintain a union has been made under almost all war conditions. Working in this treachery with Lewis is E. G. McCullough, formerly vice-president of the U. M. W. A.

John F. White, successor of T. I. Lewis, was a typical reactionary. He lined up with the Kansas operators to crush Howat and committed many corrupt acts. He retired to a political position during the war. He became interested in the Hayes Powder Co. For a time he worked for the operators in the Kansas Arkansas districts. Now he is a "negotiated-up" representative of the workers and bosses in District 15 one of the worst "open shop" territories.

M. D. Hatchford, president before Mitchell, when defeated was made a commissioner for the coal operators in Illinois.

From Socialists to Republicans.  
Francis Roebuck, a one-time radical, was candidate for governor of Pennsylvania on the Socialist Labor Party ticket in 1902. He defeated the notorious labor crook, Pat Delar president of the vital Pittsburgh district in the union elections, but soon became a friend of the operator and was thoroughly corrupted. Finally he degenerated into a republic politician, and supported Hughes for the presidency in 1916. He was forced out of the union and is now a well-paid official in the Bureau of Mines.

Dean Haggerty, in collusion with the mine operators, ordered Calk Creek, W. Va., miners back to work during the heat of a bitter struggle and when they refused he cut off their strike relief. Haggerty later became a coal operator in this district and a bitter enemy of labor. He was merely a prominent U. M. W. A. official.

**NEW MODEL SPEED BOAT.**  
BUFFALO, Nov. 15 (AP).—A revolutionary in design and promise to create a sensation in the world of motorboating, the "Flying Fish" of hydroplane motorboats made its debut here yesterday. The boat is to be given tests for the next few weeks.

## Women Must Fight War Plans

By PHYLLIS NEAL

IN face of the growing threat of imperialist war, the greatest danger for working women lies in the feeling which is so strong among them that a repetition of the horror of 1914-18 is impossible. It was so terrible, they think, so much more ghastly and devastating than any but a few realized that it would be, that no government would now dare to plunge into a similar carnage, nor would the peoples allow themselves to be driven into it.

This is a perilous illusion, which must at all costs be dispelled by the Communist parties. Those who prepared the last war (with their ententes and alliances, their secret treaties, their piling up of armaments, their carefully fostered mistrust between the proletariats) were precisely among those who best understood the colossal wreckage and devastation that such a war would bring. And they proceeded deliberately. Why? Because war was the only hope of solution under capitalism for their antagonisms, the only means of gratifying their mutual rapacious desires for new markets, new sources of raw materials and cheap labor, new spheres of investment.

**The Facts.**  
These antagonisms have not been resolved. New and more powerful groupings have arisen. The securing by the victors of new spheres of exploitation at the expense of their vanquished rivals, and of the defenseless colored peoples, has only intensified the enmity between them. And above all, the emergence of the first working class state, the U. S. S. R., constitutes such a challenge to the criminal rule of the whole crowd of imperialist robbers, that they cannot afford to tolerate its existence.

Does any working woman think this is merely an alarmist view? What are the facts?  
The powers are spending more upon armaments at present than in 1918. Reorganization of armies and navies in the direction of greater efficiency, and the building of air fleets, are proceeding rapidly. Chemical warfare (introduced as an element of surprise during the last war) is being systematically studied with a view to wholesale use in the next. The development is being encouraged, and even participated in by the capitalist governments, of such industries as are readily convertible to the production of lethal chemicals (e. g. manufacture of dyes; commercial chemical products.

## Activity in Factory, Street and in Mass Organizations Necessary

extend and improve their war equipment so enormously. Why have they been forbidden to conclude pacts of neutrality with their Soviet neighbor? What is the meaning of air-bases in north-western India?  
But at least the socialist and labor leaders will marshal the workers to prevent this crime? Let any working woman examine the past and present action of these leaders: let her carefully read the manifesto of the recent congress of the I. I. International, and say whether they are not the most valuable assistants of the war-makers, either by identifying themselves with the designs of their imperialist masters, or by the preaching of pacifism, which unfits the workers to resist.

**Women Prepare!**  
If we have permitted the capitalist class to complete its preparations, militarizing industry, shack-

ling the trade unions, perfecting its machinery of terror, preparing the appropriate psychology in the masses, will not the attempt to organize passive resistance be doomed to failure? And even if we were to succeed by this method in forcing a pause for the moment, matters could not rest there. The war will have become a historical necessity for the capitalists: there will be no third alternative to the prosecution of the imperialist war or the grasping of power by the working class.

Let every working woman face these facts, (especially, since their rulers are leading the war-plans, the women of Great Britain) and take up actively now the fight against the war-makers: rousing the women around her, in the factory, the street, and the mass organizations; opening the eyes of her men folk; promoting solidarity between the working women of her own land and those of Russia (one means to which is the coming conference of the Friends of Soviet Russia), the colonies, and the rival imperialist nations; and above all by enrolling in the Communist Party, the revolutionary vanguard of the world's workers.

## USSR EXPLORERS IN PAMIR MAKE FINDS

MOSCOW (By Mail).—Chief of the Pamir Expedition, Gorbunov, returned to Moscow, reporting that as a result of four months of constant work the expedition very carefully explored and studied the so-called "white spot" of Pamir—unexplored region extending over 2,500 square miles.

The expedition discovered over thirty new big glaciers with a general area of over 500 kilometers. The greatest glacier in the world, Fedchenko, which so far was explored only for 15 miles, was now thoroughly studied. It proved to be more than 75 kilometers long, thus surpassing the very well-known Karakorum glacier, which until now was considered as the greatest glacier on the earth.

The expedition discovered also about 50 mountain peaks which were quite unknown until now, although they were from 5,000 to 7,000 meters above the sea level. The majority of them are even higher than Elbrooz and all of them without ex-

ception higher than Mont Blanc. The expedition explored mountainous passages from Pamir to Darvaz, discovering five new passages, including Tanymass and Kamal-Alli, which were known only by legends. Besides that the expedition collected abundant materials for making geologic maps of those regions and made several meteorological observations of the sun radiation which reaches its maximum near the Lake Kara-Kul; observations were also made of the quantity of dust in the air.

The expedition found new salt-petre-bearing fields, which is of great scientific value. In one place there was discovered some unknown combinations of yellow color containing probably uranium and radium. Gorbunov highly praised the work and endurance of German scientists participating in the expedition. The fact that alpinists Vin, Alvaev and Schneider, under very difficult conditions, climbed the Lenin Peak, reaching its top at the height of 7,000 meters, shows that they had an excellent training.

## 29 Workers Jailed in Washington Demonstration



Twenty-nine militant workers, representing seven national organizations, were jailed last Saturday in Washington for a demonstration for the release of John Porter and against the imperialist war preparations. Photo shows the workers being marched to jail after the arrest. Following the policemen carrying confiscated banners are Karl Reuss, editor of Labor Defender, Paul Crouch, secretary of the All-American Anti-Imperialist League, Ben Thomas, well-known Philadelphia militant and representative of the Workers (Communist) Party, and Helen Colodny, 16-year-old Pioneer leader. (Photo, Washington Daily News.)

## Snake Venom Called Cure for Epilepsy

CAPTETOWN, South Africa, Nov. 15 (UP).—F. W. Firsimons, director of the Port Elizabeth Snake Park, claimed today to have discovered a cure for epilepsy by inoculation of vaccine prepared from snake venoms. One case in Port Elizabeth and several in the Transvaal have been successfully treated. The cure was discovered when an epileptic backwoodsman in Canada was cured after being bitten by a rattlesnake, Firsimons said.

## Labor Bureau Aids Coal Bosses' Scheme

WASHINGTON (By Mail).—The United States Bureau of Labor Statistics has given its official endorsement to the new scheme of the Colorado coal operators to blind the miners to the class struggle by establishing a "department of health, sanitation and medicine."