

FEAR BEN GITLOW MURDERED; KIDNAPPING PLOT ADMITTED

GENERAL STRIKE IN LODZ TO HELP TEXTILE WORKERS

Walkout May Spread
Thruout Poland,
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Protest Move Spreads
May Turn Into Anti-
Pilsudski Protest

WARSAW, Oct. 14.—All workers in the city of Lodz will strike tomorrow in sympathy with more than 100,000 textile workers who have already walked out in their struggle against recent wage slashes and the attempts to increase speed-up. Government officials fear that the strike may take on nation-wide proportions.

The order for a general walkout in Lodz tomorrow was issued by the Central Labor Council at its meeting yesterday. The order was issued as the result of the demand of workers engaged in virtually all of the industries in the city.

That the strike may take on a political complexion and form into a huge labor demonstration against the Pilsudski regime, is a fear widely expressed in semi-official circles. The huge gains made by the Communist Party in Lodz and other industrial centers in the recent national elections have clearly indicated a general swing to the left among Polish workers.

FOSTER EXPOSES TAMMANY GRAFT

Shows "Liberal" Myth
Trickery

Exposing the "liberalism" of Tammany Al Smith as a myth, in the light of Smith's corrupt record as official in New York State and in view of Smith's anti-labor record, William Z. Foster, Workers (Communist) Party candidate for president, addressed the militant workers in Richmond, Virginia, on Friday, Oct. 12. Foster's speech follows:

"The myth that Al Smith is a liberal is a clever political trick, like Smith's appeal to the farmers, to the wets, and for religious tolerance. On the votes he gets by such political chicanery does Smith's election depend. His attempt to get votes from those disgusted with the corruption in the republican party was a failure because every intelligent voter knows that there is nothing to choose between Teapot Dome and Tammany Hall with its street cleaning and milk scandals as well as its long record of corruption against which Smith has never protested, and to which he is a party. Just as Hoover is a party to the oil graft.

"Smith is a machine politician, a regular Tammany man. He got his start from Tammany in its worst days, and has always been intimately connected with, in fact the leader of this reactionary political machine. Smith was Murphy's lieutenant as speaker in the assembly and could always be relied upon to serve Tammany and thru Tammany, the ruling class, the employers and capitalists.

"Monopoly of finance capital in industry and government, centralization of power in this imperialist period in the hands of a few has caused the renovation of Tammany. Today it is not only an organization thru which New York politicians secure the 'spoils of office' in the form of contracts from the city government and graft from criminals, bootleggers and prostitutes for protection, but it is also a powerful weapon in the hands of the big capitalists."

Hold Dept. of Justice Responsible Telegram of the Workers (Communist) Party to the United States Attorney-General

Demanding that John G. Sargeant, United States Attorney General, reveal the role that his agents played in the kidnapping of Benjamin Gitlow, Workers (Communist) candidate for vice president, the Party has sent the following telegram to Sargeant:

United States Attorney General
John G. Sargeant,
Washington, D. C.

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On the basis of this report we demand the following information: (1) What information have you secured from your representatives regarding the date and cause of Gitlow's arrest? (2) What extent have your officers aided and abetted this unheard of arrest of a Communist candidate for vice president of the United States? (3) Did any of your officials collaborate with agents of the Ku Klux Klan, the American Legion or municipal officials in forcing this arrest?

The Workers (Communist) Party brands this arrest as an infamous high-handed outrage against fundamental interests and rights of American workers. This takes away last pretext of democracy in United States and exposes American democracy as the outright tool of the biggest business interests against the workers.

So-Called Liberal Governor of Arizona Responsible for Attack on Gitlow

Executive Secretary of Workers Party to Governor Hunt.

A telegram was also sent to the so-called liberal governor of Arizona, George W. P. Hunt, demanding the immediate release of the vice presidential candidate of the Workers Party if he is still under arrest and holding Hunt responsible for the personal safety of Gitlow. The telegram follows:

Personal.
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State of Arizona,
Phoenix, Arizona.

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We demand from you, as governor, information regarding the following: (1) The veracity of this report. (2) The basis of Gitlow's arrest.

We demand his release if he has been arrested. The Workers (Communist) Party declares we will hold you as chief executive of the state primarily responsible for the personal safety of Gitlow. We insist that you do not interfere with the campaign tour of Communist vice presidential candidate Gitlow in Arizona. We demand that you take vigorous measures to end gangsterism and terror of the Ku Klux Klan and the American Legion. Hundreds of thousands of workers throughout the country join us in our determination to enforce our rights. Please answer promptly by wire collect.

Following telegram was sent by Lovestone to the president of the Arizona State Federation of Labor following the information that labor officials were among those who met Gitlow at the station at Phoenix and forced him back into the train:

"President State Federation of Labor,
Phoenix, Arizona

"William O'Brien, Workers (Communist) Party candidate."

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Starving; Jailed for Taking Can of Milk

Two starving men were arrested and thrown in jail because they tried to steal a can of milk on Saturday. They were John Appa, of 311 East 11th St., and Henry Phillips, who refused to give his address because his wife was ill. They were carrying away a ten gallon can of milk from the Purity Coffee Shop, 45 Third Ave., when they were arrested.

EXPECT IMPERIALIST ZEPPELIN THIS MORNING

U. S. Navy Jingo's Irate at Crew's Silence as Airship Forced to Change Course

WASHINGTON, Oct. 14 (UP).—Based upon radio messages from the Graf Zeppelin, navy officials estimated tonight that the giant German dirigible would reach Lakehurst, N. J., sometime after 8 a. m. Monday.

At noon today, after several urgent messages had been sent to the

dirigible by navy officials, the Graf Zeppelin gave its position as 80 miles east by north of Bermuda and said it had changed to a southwest course to obtain full benefit of trade winds.

Navy officials charted the prob-

able course of the dirigible as south-east of Bermuda to the Atlantic Coast somewhere near the northern part of Florida and then north along the gulf stream. They expected the Graf Zeppelin to first sight the American mainland off Cape Hatteras, and proceed northwest along

the coast from that point to Lakehurst.

LAKEHURST, N. J., Oct. 14.—While unfavorable wind conditions caused abandonment of all hope that the Graf Zeppelin, the giant imper-

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Benjamin Gitlow

GENERAL STRIKE OF CLERKS TODAY GITLOW PROTEST MEET TOMORROW

Two thousand fruit, grocery and dairy clerks employed in over 400 shops of Manhattan and the Bronx are expected to join in a general strike today in response to a call issued by the Retail Grocery, Fruit and Dairy Clerks' Union which for the past year has carried on a bitter but successful struggle for the organization of these trades.

A general wage increase of \$5 per week, recognition of the union and, in the case of most of the 2,000 who will today respond, a reduction of from five to fifteen hours a week are the demands which the union is fighting for.

All Out at 10:30 A. M.
The general strike call is issued for 10:30 this morning. By noon over 400 shops in Manhattan and the Bronx are expected to be completely closed.

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New York workers will voice their protest at the terror instituted against Benjamin Gitlow, Communist candidate for vice-president, and demand that it cease at a meeting to be held tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in Central Opera House, 67th St. and Third Ave.

The meeting has been arranged under the auspices of the Workers (Communist) Party and will be addressed by prominent leaders of the Party.

CHOKER KILLS WORKER
CHEHALIS, Wash., Oct. 14.—Struck on the head by a choker hook, John Kerth, a worker at the camp of the Sunset Timber Co., was instantly killed.

FASCISTS FIRE ON 2 WORKERS

1 Victim Dying, Other in Critical State

(Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., Oct. 14.—The bloody hand of Mussolini reached out to this city on Columbus Day and as a result one militant Italian worker is dying, another is in a critical condition in the hospital and two others are in jail on framed-up charges.

The worker who is dying is Luigi Barra, while Angelo Lenticchia is in a critical condition. Both were shot down by fascists who fired into a group of anti-fascists who had come to protest at a black-shirt parade on Columbus Day.

Fascists Open Fire.
Barra and Lenticchia were standing on the corner of Russell and Vernon Highway with other fascists. As the parade passed they shouted in Italian various anti-fascist slogans. Out of the mass of parading blackshirts skillfully concealed revolvers replied. Barra and Lenticchia dropped, blood spouting from them. They were both rushed to the hospital, where doctors declared that there was little hope for Barra's recovery. His companion is also in a critical condition and he may be permanently incapacitated.

A panic broke out in the crowd when the shooting started, women and children screamed and everybody rushed for cover. The fascists immediately raised a cry that the anti-fascists had done the shooting.

Police Aid Terrorists.
The police who had arrived on the scene co-operated completely with the blackshirts and arrested two anti-fascist workers, Richard Ruffini and Leon Beccoloni, on the charge that they had fired on their own comrades.

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N. Y. NEWSPAPER REPORT SINISTER.

A special dispatch from Phoenix, Ariz., published in the Sunday edition of the New York Herald-Tribune under date of Saturday says that the chief of police of Nogales admits that the Communist candidate is being held by him in the Nogales jail "but did not say whether any charge had been made against him." The same telegram makes the sinister suggestion that such violence has been used against Gitlow upon his arrival at Phoenix as would cause the local officials to try to keep the matter "as secret as possible." The inference is clear that "local officials" participated in whatever crime may have been committed against Gitlow.

A published report that Gitlow had been taken by his kidnapers to Nogales, Ariz., on the Mexican border is in conflict with the declaration of the chief of police of Nogales that Gitlow is not in the jail in that city. The Associated Press made an investigation and reported that Gitlow is not in the Nogales jail. The possibility that the Communist candidate was spirited through Nogales and into Mexico remains, however, and if this is so the inference is that the criminals had the purpose of violence and perhaps murder.

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Gitlow Abduction Is Another Link in Chain of Capitalist Terror, Says W. Z. Foster

WORKERS PARTY PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE SCORES A. F. OF L. "LEADERS" FOR AIDING ATTACK

Urges Mass Struggle Against New Offensive of Capitalist Class

WASHINGTON, D. C., Oct. 14.—William Z. Foster, Workers (Communist) Party candidate for president of the United States, who is here on his own national campaign tour, issued the following statement regarding the terror against Benjamin Gitlow, vice-presidential candidate, who was kidnapped in Arizona and has not been heard from since last Tuesday night:

"My running mate on the Workers (Communist) Party ticket, Ben Gitlow, has been made the victim of a sinister capitalist plot. We know that he has been kidnapped, but his whereabouts remain unknown. An Associated Press dispatch states that Gitlow is held in jail in Nogales, Arizona, but the Chief of Police of Nogales denies any knowledge of his imprisonment. Under such conditions there is ground for our fear that Gitlow has been murdered.

"While the details remain obscure, the outstanding fact glares in the face of the whole working class. The fact as stated in the *Arizona Gazette* (Phoenix Ariz.) is that police officials, labor bureaucrats, 'hundred percenters' of the citizenry and other reactionary elements made an attack on Gitlow when he arrived by train at Phoenix, Ariz. on Oct. 10 to address an election campaign meeting of our Party. The *Gazette* expressly declares that the purpose of the attack was to save Arizona from a campaign on behalf of the militant workers' revolutionary program.

Link In Terror Chain.

"The attack on Gitlow is not an isolated incident. It is a link in the chain of anti-working class activities carried on in these United States. Where federal and state injunctions, federal and state military forces are utilized to break the workers' struggles for a better life; where the Klu Klux Klan's crimes are openly encouraged; where raids on militant labor unions are an everyday occurrence; where workers' election meetings are forcibly broken up by the American Legion fostered by the government of the United States; where the oppression and lynching of Negroes are taken to be a matter of routine and even civic duty, and where labor bureaucrats shamefully cooperate with the reactionary forces against the working class—these attacks on militant leaders in a state like Arizona, notorious for the brutal treatment of over 1,000 miners in Bisbee in 1917, is not at all surprising.

Trade Union Bureaucrats to Blame.

"On the labor bureaucrats rests, next to the government, the guilt for the hideous attack on the vice-presidential candidate of the workers. It is the labor bureaucrats who, by resorting to the power of police, detectives and slugs to protect their jobs whenever workers manifest a militant spirit, by taking to their bosom the American Legion and by supporting all militarist and imperialist activities of Wall Street, have made such actions as the plot against Gitlow possible. It is the labor bureaucrats who, discriminating against our colored fellow citizens and countenancing and encouraging racial and other minority oppressions, have made terrorism their daily practice. The hand of the labor bureaucrats is also revealed in this, their latest atrocity.

Workers Must Rally.

"In voicing my own protest and that of the hundreds of thousands of workers supporting our Party, I am confident that the working class of the United States will learn the lesson of this plot and will be mobilized in full force, both in the election campaign and outside of it, around the only Party that leads the workers in its class battles, the Workers (Communist) Party."

OPEN AIR MEETS GROcery CLERKS FOR THIS WEEK TO STRIKE TODAY

Out-of-Town Cities on List

The following open air meetings have been arranged by the Workers (Communist) Party to take place throughout the city during the following week:

TODAY.

Rutgers Square. Wright, Spiro, Milgram, Blum, Wattenberg, S. Hurwitz.

28th St. and Lexington Ave. Powers, H. Davis, I. Zimmerman, James Cork.

1st Ave. and 49th St. Baum, Frank, Silber.

Grand St. Ext. and Havemeyer, Brooklyn, Midola, Zam, Gertrude Welsh, M. Reiss, J. Cohen.

Stanley and Patterson. (Noon.) Markoff and Y. W. L. speaker.

TOMORROW.

Sutter and Williams, Brooklyn. Aronberg, Primoff, Spiro, Julius Cohen, S. Freeman.

Prospect and 163rd St. Grecht, Taft, Severino, Cibulsky, J. Cohen.

5th Ave. and 125th St. Stachel, O'Flaherty, B. Friedman.

Eagle Pencil. (Noon.) Gussakoff, Sumner, Anna Block.

39th St. and 9th Ave. Joe Cohen, Bydarian.

142nd St. and Lenox. Williams, Fishman, Alexander, Lloyd.

133rd St. and Lenox. Frace Lamb, Braverman, Richard Moore, Cod-kind.

Nine Classes to Begin at the Workers School

The following classes are scheduled to begin at the New York Workers School this week:

History of the U. S., James Cork, instructor, Thursday, 7 p. m.

Fundamentals of Communism, H. Fox, instructor, Wednesday, 7 p. m.

Marxian Economics 2, J. Mindel, instructor, Tuesday, 8:30 p. m.

Anarchism, Socialism, Communism, M. J. Olgin, instructor, Monday, 7 p. m.

Principles of Marxism 2, A. Markoff, instructor, Wednesday, 8:30 p. m.

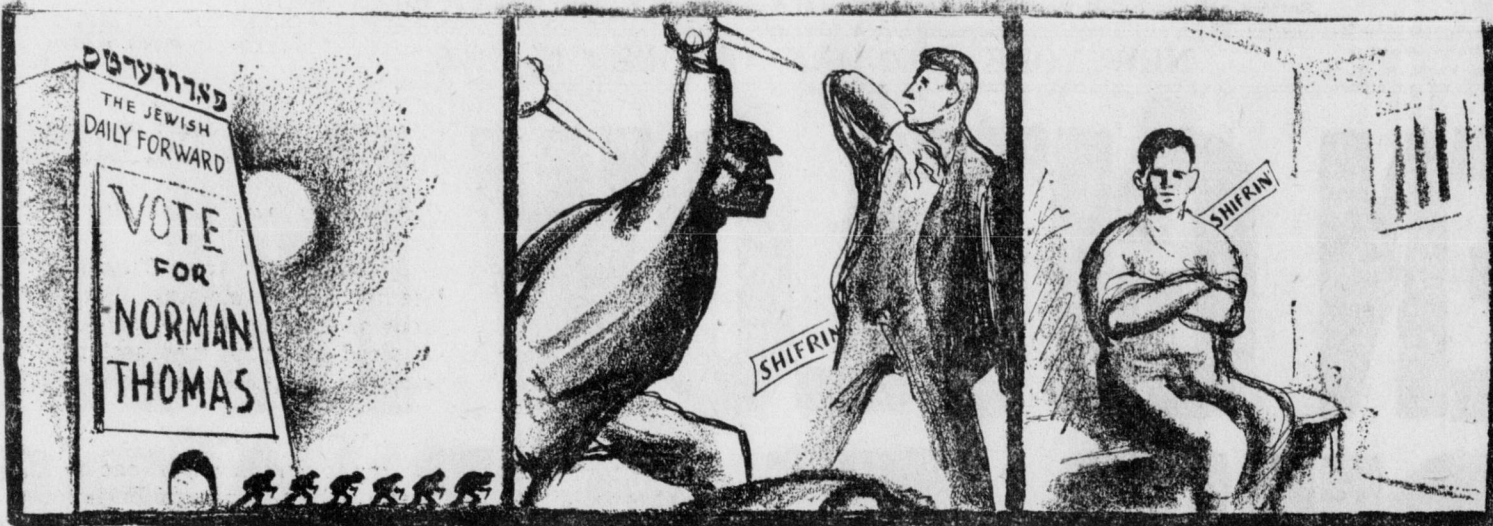
English 3, Serby, instructor, Tuesday, 8:30 p. m.

English 3, Fields, instructor, Thursday, 7 p. m.

English 5, Brooks, instructor, Tuesday, 8:30 p. m.

English 6, Wright, instructor, Tuesday, 7 p. m.

The "Unofficial" Campaign of the Socialist Party



Communist Party Holds Government Guilty in Kidnapping or Murder of Gitlow

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date for Governor of the State of Arizona reports the following:

"The Phoenix, Arizona, Oct. 13 Gazette states Gitlow got off train at Phoenix, advised to get back on by Legionnaires, labor and city officials and police. Reporter unable to trace origin of story. Republican published dispatch today has rumor he was taken to Nogales. Need Help, have best attorney in Phoenix."

"We demand the following information from you? First, give us name of labor official referred to; Second by whose authority did this labor official act in collaboration with American Legion and Municipal Government officials against a well known and loyal representative of the American working class, now candidate for vice-president of the United States on the Communist ticket?"

"The attitude of the State Federation of Labor in Arizona reflects the attitude of the American Federation of Labor as a whole. Present treacherous leadership of the American Federation of Labor, shares responsibility for oppression of Negro masses in Arizona and in the entire country. American Federation of Labor Bureaucracy which endorsed the American Legion, is responsible for the hundred per cent patriotism, war preparedness policies, notorious anti-labor gangsterism of this organization. The American Federation of Labor's non-partisan policy is responsible for election of such so-called liberal officials as Governor Hunt who tolerates and aids such unheard of political persecution as kidnapping and jailing of the vice-presidential candidate of the only working class party in this country, the Workers (Communist) Party of America."

"We call upon all workers of Arizona to join our protest against action of the government, the K. K. K., American Legion and labor officials."

DEMAND INFORMATION OF NOGALES POLICE CHIEF.

A wire demanding an accounting from the chief of police of Nogales was at the same time dispatched in which the report was quoted declaring that Gitlow had been locked in the Nogales jail and that there was a suspicion that such action was taken was the result of the attempt by police officials to keep secret "criticisms" of an attack believed to have been made on Gitlow:

"City Chief of Police,
Nogales, Arizona

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"We demand from you as Chief of Police of Nogales a reply immediately to the following questions: 1. Is it true that you are holding Gitlow under arrest? 2. When did you arrest Gitlow? 3. Why did you arrest him? 4. Is Gitlow still in your jail? 5. Which agents of the K. K. K., or the American Legion participated directly or indirectly in securing this outrageous arrest of the Workers (Communist) Party Vice-Presidential candidate? 6. Which city, state or federal officials have in any way acted with you in securing the arrest of our vice-presidential candidate?"

"The New York Herald-Tribune dispatch further states: It is believed that local officials are seeking to keep it as secret as possible, lest it add to the criticisms which have been made of the far from cordial reception which Mr. Gitlow received in this state."

"This statement leads us to conclude that personal violence has been done to Gitlow. We notify you that we will hold you strictly accountable for any and all such acts. Wire us his condition. Please send information promptly by wire collect."

BOSS YIELDS TO SILK STRIKERS YIELDS POINT TO OBREGON KILLERS

Pickets Will Try to Enlarge Strike

PATERSON, N. J., Oct. 14.—One of the important silk manufacturing firms here, the Delfield Silk Company whose plant was included in the strike call that was answered by 5,000 workers, reached a settlement with the union officers yesterday. The agreement gives official recognition to the Associated Silk Workers' Union and concedes the demand for a ten per cent wage increase. The contract also provides for operation on a 8 hour day, 44 hour week basis.

Members of the union working in plants not on strike voted at a meeting Saturday night for the recommendation of the union, that they pay \$1 a week as assessment to go for the strike funds.

Efforts are being intensified by the striking workers to get out of the mills those workers who were not members of the union. Picket lines are to be thrown around all plants on strike, according to the plans reported on in the strike hall. The strikers declare that they intend to go to the silk factories not affected by the strike to try to get those workers to join the walkout.

Fred Hoelscher, union secretary, stated that 25 other firms were making overtures toward terminating the strike, but he did not say to whether settlements would be reached with them. The striking workers, however, would under no circumstances permit ending the strike in any firm or with any group of employers which will not give unconditional recognition to the union, their sentiment on this question shows.

MAY FREE MOTHER-KILLER

BUENOS AIRES, Oct. 14 (UP).—Mrs. Juana Cotto Poretti, 35, is awaiting trial here on charges of shooting her daughter, but officials indicated tonight that she might be freed on grounds that she had performed a humane act in killing the girl.

Mexico Drops Charge of Conspiracy

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 14.—The withdrawal of the conspiracy charges against a number of persons arrested in connection with the murder of President-elect Obregon is seen here as a natural outcome of recent developments which have pointed to the probable whitewashing of the Catholic church from official responsibility.

Those against whom the conspiracy charge was dropped beside the assassin who fired the shot, Jose de Leon-Toral, include a nun, Mother Superior Concepcion Acevedo de la Leota and eleven others who were shown to have been accomplices in a plot worked out at the convent of which the Catholic nun was head.

Expect Imperialist Zeppelin Today

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alist dirigible, now flying somewhere over the Atlantic would arrive here before tomorrow morning, high navy officials were nursing their resentment at the persistent refusal of the crew of the Zeppelin to divulge information about its exact position. Rumor has it that the reticence of the crew is due to the fact that the owners of the big airship, whose flight is another stunt (for very practical purposes) of the imperialist war-mongers, have let no opportunity to feather their nests slip by them and have contracted with an American news agency to supply it with exclusive news of the flight.

Fear Ben Gitlow Was Murdered; Plot to Kidnap Him Is Admitted

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southwest is aroused by news of its candidate's imprisonment, but continues to plan for his appearance at meetings. Dispatches from Houston, Texas, say that Mr. Gitlow is expected to speak at a rally of the Party there tomorrow evening.

LAST WORD TUESDAY NIGHT.

No direct word from Gitlow has been received since Tuesday night when he addressed a mass meeting at San Diego, Calif., as a part of his nation-wide tour as vice presidential candidate of the United States on the Workers (Communist) Party ticket. He did not appear at Phoenix the next night. At that time there was apprehension regarding his safety because Ben Gitlow is known never to miss a meeting unless he is forcibly prevented from doing so.

STORY OF TWO JAILS.

Telegrams indicated that Gitlow had been met at the train at Phoenix and forced to remain on the train while it proceeded more than four hundred miles to El Paso, Texas, where he is alleged to have been lodged in jail the night of October 10th and taken to Nogales, Ariz., about 300 miles westward again, on the night of the 11th. Such a story was published in various papers through the Southwest, but it is discounted because of the distance between the points described. It is more than probable that the capitalist press is in the conspiracy and that these stories were intended to throw the supporters of Gitlow off the trail.

DENIAL FROM NOGALES.

The latest telephonic information direct to The Daily Worker from Wm. F. O'Brien, Communist candidate for Governor of Arizona, stated that the chief of police of Nogales flatly denied that Gitlow was in a Nogales jail. The special telephone message follows:

NOGALES POLICE HEAD DENIES GITLOW IS IN JAIL.

(Special Telephone Information to the Daily Worker)
PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 14.—In a telephone conversation with William F. O'Brien, Communist candidate for governor of Arizona and Attorney Croaf, the Daily Worker got information about the following facts:

It is impossible to locate the whereabouts of Gitlow. The representative of the Associated Press tried to find him and asked the Chief of Police in Nogales for information. The City Chief of Police denied flatly that Gitlow is in the city jail.

Thomas J. Croaf, attorney in Phoenix and E. L. Striots, attorney in Nogales have been secured to take care of all necessary legal work. Mr. Murphy, the Los Angeles representative of the Civil Liberties Union is already in Nogales and tries to get in touch with Gitlow, or to get information about his fate.

DENY GITLOW IS IN NOGALES JAIL.

PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 14.—William O'Brien, Communist candidate for governor of Arizona, is heading a search for Benjamin Gitlow, whose continued absence has given rise to the fear that the vice presidential candidate of the Workers Party has been murdered by Ku Klux terrorists. Denials have been received here from police chiefs of both Nogales, Arizona and Nogales, Mexico (there are two cities of the same name) in which the emphatic declaration is made that Gitlow is not being held in the jails of either city.

O'Brien was arrested for holding an election campaign meeting at which Gitlow was to have spoken, but was later released.

SEARCH IN MANY STATES.

Searches are being made in a number of states for Gitlow, particularly in Arizona, New Mexico and Texas. Gitlow was booked to speak in the latter state after finishing his engagements in Arizona.

A series of telegrams received at the campaign headquarters of the Workers (Communist) Party tell something of the unfolding of the conspiracy against Gitlow that now causes grave concern for his fate.

The first indication that something was wrong came Wednesday when from O'Brien at Phoenix the following short telegram was received:

"No word from Gitlow. Met all trains. Opposition strong."

Next came the report on Thursday of the breaking up of the meeting Gitlow was to have addressed and the arrest of O'Brien, candidate for governor, which read as follows:

"Gitlow not here. Held meeting and police locked me up."

Soviet Union Building Many Merchant Ships

The U. S. S. R. through its Council of Labor and Defense has entered on a five year program which calls for the construction of 258 steamers and 2,400 barges and ferry boats, aggregating more than 2,000,000 tons, according to the current issue of the Economic Review of the Soviet Union, published by the Amtorg Trading Corporation.

In addition, 250 wooden and concrete landing piers are to be built and the internal waterways system of the country extended to give the Volga River a navigable outlet to the sea, make the Dnieper river navigable in its entire length and provide deeper channels in other rivers. About 50,000,000 roubles had been invested in the various branches of shipbuilding, up to January 1, 1928.

MET AT TRAIN IN PHOENIX.

Immediately, efforts were made to locate Gitlow from the national office at New York. Early Friday morning the following telegram was received from one of the active workers in Arizona:

"It is reported that Gitlow was met at station in Phoenix last night and ordered not to get off train, but to keep going. Was not here for meeting. Have not heard from him."

At the same time another telegram came from O'Brien as follows:

"No word from Gitlow. Waiting reply from Tucson. Am released on bond too late for Tucson meeting. Will wire Los Angeles. Broke up our meeting on Monroe School house steps. Wanted me to plead guilty to trespassing. Refused. Charged with disturbing peace. Car and books returned. Need a speaker."

SEARCHED SMALL TOWN JAILS.

Next efforts were made to try to find Gitlow in one of the small town jails as indicated by the telegram of Friday which read:

"Unable to find Gitlow. Looking in small town jails. No court action today."

Then on Sunday, the following wire came to the national office:

"PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 13.—Gazette states Gitlow got off train at Phoenix, advised to get back on by Legionnaires, labor and city officials and police reporter unable to trace origin of story, republican published dispatch today have rumor he was taken to Nogales. Need help have best attorney in Phoenix."

A second telegram reads as follows:

PHOENIX, Ariz., Oct. 13.—Authentic information that Gitlow kept on train Californian morning of October 10. Held in El Paso jail that night, taken to Nogales morning of eleventh. Associated Press unable to locate him in Nogales, but our attorney is there working on the case in Nogales. Send Saul if you think advisable. Need help—O'Brien."

ARIZONA WORKERS TO PROTEST.

Announcement comes from the National Office of the Workers (Communist) Party that a demonstration will be held in Phoenix, Ariz., on Navy Day, October 27th, against the terror in that state. Wm. F. O'Brien, candidate for governor of the state of Arizona, was notified by Jay Lovestone, secretary of the Party, that prominent speakers will be sent to the meeting and that the Workers (Communist) Party will see to it that the meeting is held.

DEFENSE SQUADRON PROMISED.

From Colorado came offers of Communist workers to go to Arizona and rescue Gitlow from the hands of the Legionnaires and Ku Kluxers. The offer is in the form of a telegram as follows:

"Denver, Oct. 13. Red Front Fighters await instructions concerning Gitlow."

Yesterday came the following telegram:

"Denver, Oct. 14. Wire Gitlow's whereabouts. Will dispatch squadron red front fighters to return him to Phoenix and protect meeting." (Signed) George J. Saul.

Strike Against Open Shop in Staten Is.

Open shop for the past six months, the Jut Fur Dressing Company at 7 Cross St., Staten Island, was compelled to capitulate to the Brooklyn Fur Dressers' Union Local 58 and agree to the unionization

of the shop after a strike of one and a half days had been under way. The recently empowered left wing leadership of the local, in carrying on its organization drive against the numerous open shops the previous right wing leadership had permitted to develop, had signed up the workers in that factory one day before the strike was called.

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FASCIST SPIES ABROAD

Reveal Organization in Switzerland

(Red Aid Press Service)

GENEVA (By Mail).—The Swiss labor press publishes a report from Tassin in connection with the Rossi case, proving that the fascist authorities in Italy, despite their denials, are actually forming espionage organizations in Switzerland by means of blackmail.

A certain Albertante Bartolomeo was arrested in Leghorn some time ago, but released. This man is a social democrat who fled from Italy to avoid arrest for smuggling. He found work in Leghorn and remained there, but his wife and children could not obtain passports enabling them to join him. The director of police in the province of Novarra, to whom this was known, sent for Albertante and promised to bring his family over the frontier if he would find out how and where revolutionary literature was smuggled into Italy.

Albertante undertook to do this, and his family was brought over; he brought, however, the police no information. As a result, the head

of police was called upon by the Italian government to extradite Albertante, who was designated as a person of moral inferiority, a smuggler, etc. Albertante, on being arrested, brought forward the whole of his correspondence with the head of police. A domiciliary visit brought nothing more to light, and he was able to prove that he had kept his political friends informed of the course of events. On this he was released. Comment is needless.

At Least 12 Killed in British Crash

GLOUCESTER, England, Oct. 14.—At least twelve persons were killed outright, and forty injured in a triple railroad collision at Chalfield, early Sunday morning.

An express train bound from Leeds to Bristol collided with a freight train standing on the main line. Explosions and fire broke out immediately. A second freight train ran into the wreck a little later, no warning signals having been placed.

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11 AND 13 HOURS A DAY SLAVERY; CRUEL SPEED-UP

Even Workers Glee
Club Is Banned

(By a Worker Correspondent)

Our city is under the complete control of the open shop manufacturers. They rule us with an iron hand. In the plants of the American Wire & Steel Co., the Johnson Motor Co., the John Mansville Co., the Chicago Hardware Foundry Co., etc., the workers of Waukegan and vicinity are slaving long hours for miserable wages. For them the 3 hour day at present is just a beautiful dream, for they work from 9 to 11 hours during the day and on night shifts from 10 to 13 hours. Failing to pay us a living wage, the employers naturally compel us to make up for the low wages by working long hours.

The night shifts are longer than the day shifts because like all criminals, the American Wire & Steel Co., the Johnson Motor Co., the John Mansville Co., and others are trying to hide from the world their lark deed of slowly killing us by long and strenuous hours of work. In order to prevent us from getting together and rebelling against these conditions the open shop companies have agreed among themselves to establish and maintain a spy and blacklist system not only in the shops but extending to our homes, public and social life. Anyone who dares to talk unionism or to object to the rotten conditions in the shops is immediately reported, blacklisted and fired. We are prohibited to read papers which we would like to read; we dare not belong to organizations of our own choice; we are not free to attend meetings which we would like to attend. The spies of the open shop exploiters follow us into our homes, sneak into our mail, infest the organizations to which we belong, attend public meetings and carry back their reports to the spy departments of the open shop companies which penalize us. Recently several men were fired by the American Wire & Steel Co. because they were reported having attended a picnic given for the benefit of the striking miners. The men had to plead and to promise not to attend such affairs any more before they were taken back. Just a few weeks ago members of the Swedish Glee Club were prohibited by the officials of the American Wire & Steel Co. to sing at the picnic of the Waukegan Cooperative Society at which Magnus Johnson spoke. The paymaster of the American Wire & Steel Co. was noticed at the meeting of the International Labor Defense arranged to demand freedom to hold open air meetings by labor organizations in Waukegan. The paymaster, a "champion of free speech," He was sent to spy upon the workers and scare them from attending future meetings of this kind.

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Plane Down in Publicity Flight for Fascists



An overload of f.e. forced down the Columbia plane belonging to Charles A. Levine, publicity hound, on its second attempt to start on a flight from Curtis Field, Long Island, to Rome. The flight was planned as a publicity stunt for Levine and the fascists.

FACE WORKING YOUTH PROBLEMS AT MEETING

(By a Worker Correspondent)

A Working Youth Conference was held on Sept. 29 and 30 at the Irving Plaza.

This is not the first time that such a conference has been held. It surpassed the previous conferences, however, with its clean-cut analysis of the present problems of the working youth and its eagerness to carry on all outlined proposals.

If you will compare this recent conference with the conferences which have been held by the Brookwood Labor (pardon me, I mean "Slobber") College, there is all the difference between day and night.

At the Brookwood conferences fat-bellied lads, respectable gentlemen and ladies, professors and other mucks who care about the youth as much as a religious Jew cares about pork, played the main role. These learned men tried to teach us to be respectable and other sweet things.

"In days gone by when we were lads and lassies like you, we were the same," they said, "when we got older we got wiser. You have to take it easy. You will do the same when you grow up." This is the usual bunkum you can expect from them. Muste tried to teach us what is good for us. In order to hide his crookedness he gloated towards heaven like a nun. Muste at last has shown his true color by appearing at the funeral of the United Textile Workers' Union with MacMahon.

At the recent youth conference none of these gentlemen were present. We didn't miss them either. All the delegates acted natural. They said what they meant in the best language they knew. No professors were there to teach us ethics, in other words, we hit the nail on the head.

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OHIO WORKERS WELCOME RED CANDIDATES

Miners Face a Hard Winter

(By a Worker Correspondent)

CLEVELAND (By Mail).—Comrade Sadie Van Veen, of Cleveland, member of the National Campaign Committee, has been touring the state for the past few weeks and reports excellent spirit and response in all meetings in towns where there is no organization.

She has conducted meetings in many industrial and mining towns and finds the following conditions: Low wages, bad working conditions, much unemployment, and a great desire on the part of the workers to listen to the message of workers' solidarity and a political party of the working class.

In Corning, Ohio, a mining camp, Comrade Van Veen spoke for two hours to 200 miners, who listened eagerly to her. She found that the miners here are facing another bad winter. Some of the children in Corning are not in school because they have no clothing. They also have to pay for school books. The demand must be raised and fought for: free books, and one good meal at noon for the school children.

Comrade Van Veen tried to see the president of the local school board, who lives in a luxurious house in the "best part" of town, but he was away on a visit. She then spoke to another school board member, who is leaving shortly to spend the winter in Florida. This gentleman claimed great ignorance, and declared that he did not know the miners were in their sweat and blood, and knows nothing of their suffering. This is the kind of man that the state appoints to the school board.

The Corning mines are scab mines, the men make five dollars a day, and the majority of them are out of work.

In Zanesville and Coshocton, Ohio, the pipe and tile works pay from \$2.50 to \$4.50 per day, and the workers have been forced into complete submission, knowing what unemployment means to their standard of living. Coshocton, a town of 15,000 is dead. Even small candy and fruit stores are hard-pressed, for no one buys. Comrade Van Veen addressed a meeting of 500 at Coshocton. Five of these, a miner, a steeple-jack, a laborer and two factory workers, agreed, after the meeting, to join the Party. She received the promise of a large number of workers that they would vote for the candidates of the Workers (Communist) Party. In this way, she entered a town without any connections; she left behind a number of sympathizers who are ready to work for the Party.

At Zanesville, she spoke for two hours to a crowd of 200. A heckler who started a rumpus was summarily dealt with by the crowd, who answered his heckling with counter-questions, and declared that every word Comrade Van Veen had said was correct, and no two ways about it. They pointed out that he was a stool-pigeon. Our Red campaigner states that she has been heckled several times, but she did not expect the crowd to participate so heartily on her side. She got the names and

NAZIMOVA RETURNS TO STAGE



The noted Russian artist will play an important role in "The Cherry Orchard," which will be revived by the Civic Repertory Theatre at their Fourteenth Street Playhouse this evening.

Vaudeville Theatres

PALACE.

Sophie Tucker, Vanessi, in her latest vaudeville offering, staged by Sam Channon, with music by Jay Gorney; The Foy Family; Hooper and Gatchett, with Eva Hartman; Herman Hyde and Sally Burrill, and others.

BROADWAY.

Adeline Bendon; George Beatty; Primrose Semon; Billy Burke; Reynolds and White; Norton and Bower and Nicol and White. Feature play: "Singapore Bound," starring Ralph Ince and Estelle Taylor.

RIVERSIDE.

Feature photoplay Victor Hugo's "The Man Who Laughs" starring Mary Philbin and Conrad Veidt. William Hootter and Anne Pritchard; Joe Weston and Colette Lyons; Toby Wilson and Company; and Arthur Petley and Company.

Broadway Briefs

Arthur Hopkins announces that his second production of the season will be "These Days" by Katharine Clugston. Settings are to be designed by Robert Edmond Jones and Mr. Hopkins is staging the play. Rehearsals are now in progress. The opening is to be out of town late this month, with a New York premiere to follow soon after.

"Tin Pan Alley," the Lang and Forbes' production featuring Claudette Colbert and John Wray, opens at the Broad St. Theatre, Newark, Monday, October 22, prior to its Broadway premiere.

Arthur Richman's comedy "Heavy Traffic" moves to Henry Miller's Theatre tonight.

addresses of 15 workers of Zanesville who are ready to support the Party in the campaign and after.

Comrade Van Veen will spend several more days in the mining section, and will continue her work until the elections.

L. N.

"Straight Thru the Door"

William Hodge Makes Up for Everything That Is Lacking in His Mystery Play.

HERE is a mystery play without cocktails or spicy language but the transients who flocked to the 49th Street Theatre to see "Straight Thru the Door" were more than compensated for their inability to worship Bacchus from a distance by the excellent acting of William Hodge in his mystery comedy which is based on the murder of a contractor with the appropriate name of Wowsler, said murder being a by-product of the flirtations of the wife of Eugene Thomas, wealthy playwright, impersonated by Mr. Hodge.

Only after one gets out on the sidewalk and takes a couple of sniffs of the beery atmosphere of the speakeasy belt does it dawn on the customer that there is nothing much in this mystery-comedy except good acting. Yet, shiver my timbers, if I did not spend my two and a quarter hours in the theatre betting on the eligibility of a certain member of the cast for the role of villain. And I won my bet.

Eugene Thomas has engaged the services of a contractor to build him a house. He calls in an architect—I suppose he should appear before the contractor—who becomes enamored of Mrs. Thomas, so between the architect and Mrs. Thomas, a pretty lady interior decorator who stalks Mr. Thomas, and the carpenter, plumber, painter and mason, everything is being done except the job. There is much light railery at the expense of the skilled workers who daily in harmony with the dalliances of Mrs. Thomas and the architect, but the workers are no meek individuals and they show that they have a union behind them. Mr. Wowsler is hounding Mr. Thomas for money. Mr. Thomas being an easy-going fellow, refers Wowsler to the architect but the latter is so busily engaged discussing landscape with Mrs. Thomas that he only succeeds in making Wowsler angry.

Things begin to pop when the lady interior decorator, not having anything else to do, does it to Mr. Thomas, who is by no means an Adonis, but he is a playwright. The vamp role is played to perfection by Jeanette Fox Lee, but her assault, literally speaking, breaks against the iron wall of the playwright's ennui. Evidently he was not on a raisin diet.

The shooting of Wowsler brought as stupid a detective as anybody ever met in real life to the footlights. Naturally he suspected the wrong man. This is a conventional play, so after several amusing episodes the culprit was apprehended, not by the detectives but by the suspected killer, only after he had disarmed the detective and his assistant and got them safely handcuffed so that they could not do any further injury.

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Smith's Appeal to Prejudice

Carefully evading discussion of the fundamental issues facing the workers and farmers of the country the candidates of the old parties and their supporters enter upon the last three weeks of the presidential campaign with an intensification of their appeals to ignorance, prejudice, superstition and fear. Hoover's spokesmen still talk learnedly of a non-existent prosperity for the working class. Smith still continues his amusing caterwauling about "prejudice" and "intolerance" against him because of his religious affiliations. If his record as a tool of Tammany is attacked Smith replies that his religion is being assailed. When someone mentions the wide difference between his pre-campaign declarations on prohibition and the official stand of the democratic party he denounces "whispering campaigns."

Meanwhile his campaign managers under the leadership of the open-shop industrial and financial magnate, Rascob of General Motors, a Morgan concern, strive in every way to mobilize the adherents of the roman catholic superstition into a solid bloc for Smith. Smith talks of protestant prejudice in an effort to accomplish a two-fold result: (1)—To appeal to catholic prejudice. (2)—To endeavor to win support from other elements on the plea that he is a victim of prejudice.

Particularly ridiculous is the professed concern of politicians of all camps of capitalism, including the socialist partyites, about the church mixing in politics. There has never been a time within the memory of anyone politically alive today that churches of all denominations have not been wallowing up to their necks in the filthy sewers of capitalist politics. Priests and preachers are all bellowing admonitions to their followers to participate in the election. And anyone who imagines for a second that the catholic clergy has not received orders from Rome to boost Tammany Al must be stupid indeed. But, of course, the Pope himself is for sale to the highest bidder, and Wall Street can bid higher than any others.

But Smith's appeal to catholic prejudice is only part of his campaign. He also appeals to the southern bourgeois prejudice against the Negroes, just as does his republican opponent, Herbert Hoover.

Smith's personal prejudice against and hatred for the Negroes is well known. He carefully evades appointing Negroes to offices for which they are fit.

A case in point was dealt with by W. E. B. Du Bois in the "Nation" of October 17th, who exposed the fact that Smith, as governor, refused to appoint a Negro at the head of the 15th regiment of the National Guard, composed of Negro privates.

The exploited workers and farmers will seek in vain for one act in all the careers of any of the capitalist party candidates that was not in the interest of the ruling class.

Only by voting Communist, by supporting the candidate under the Hammer and Sickle, can the workers and farmers vote for themselves.

An Imperialist Liberal

Mr. Walter Lippmann, formerly secretary to George R. Lunn, when that renegade was socialist mayor of Schenectady, and now leading editorial writer for the New York World, in a radio speech declares he favors Smith for president because he approves the foreign policies of the democratic party, as enunciated and put into effect by the late Woodrow Wilson.

Mr. Lippmann, like all liberals who are time-servers of imperialism, speaks in glowing terms of the predatory policy of Morgan's Wilson:

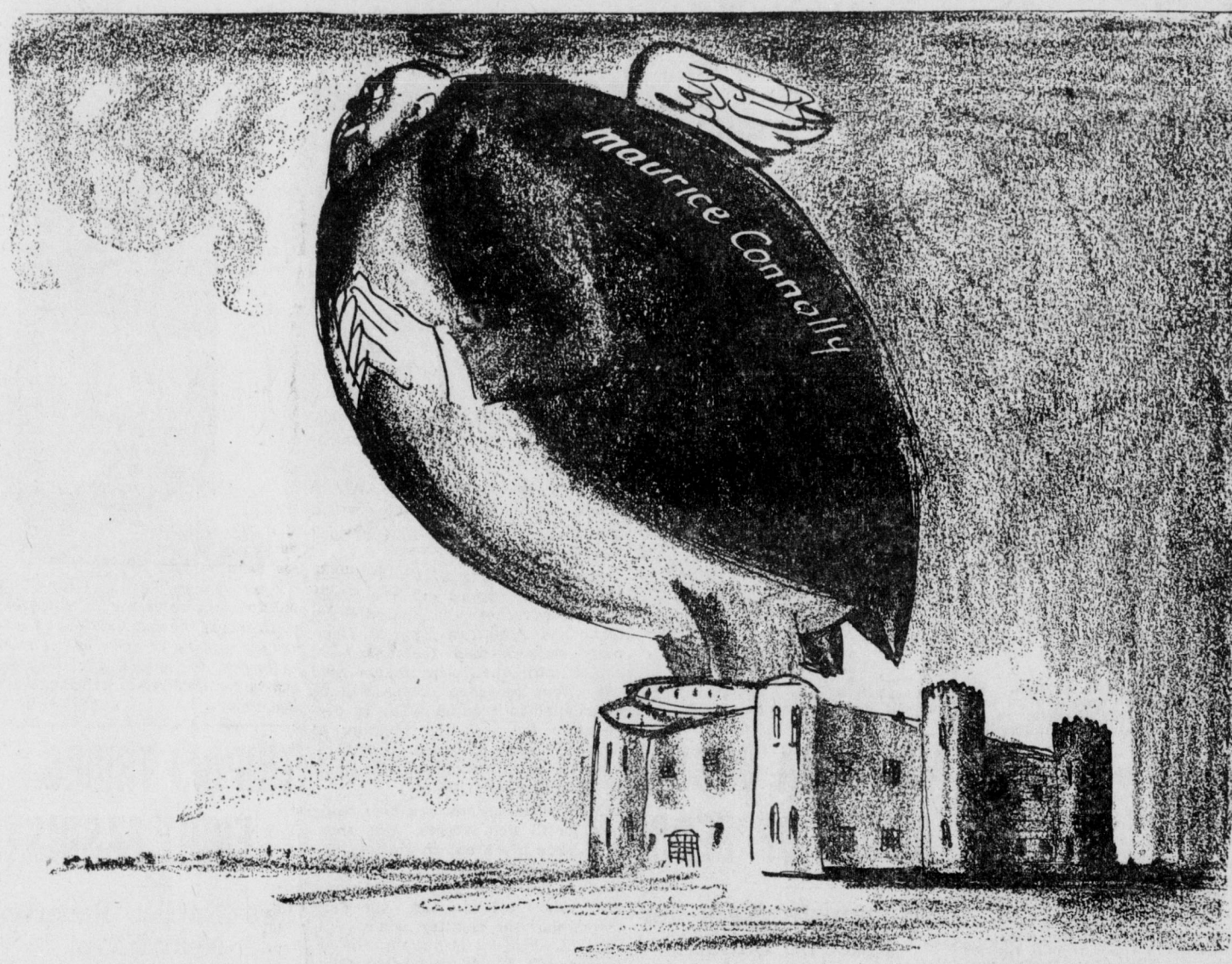
"From those who believe, as did Woodrow Wilson, in the idealistic program of international cooperation for this country, the foreign policy of the United States would be in infinitely safer hands if Governor Smith were elected."

Wilson, in order to defend the European investments of the House of Morgan and the Wall Street bankers, hurled this country into the imperialist war. Himself a liberal, he concocted the infamous lie: "Make the world safe for democracy," in order to conceal his real motive to "make the world safe for Morgan's billions." He sent armed mercenaries into Haiti to destroy by blood and terror the duly constituted government of that country and put in its place a puppet government that would serve Wall Street.

As far as predatory imperialist policy is concerned the actions of the Coolidge-Kellogg-Hoover government in ravaging Nicaragua were identical with the policy of the high idealist in Haiti.

The principal service the liberals render the imperialist butchers is to cloak their depredations in superlative terms. However, the victims of Morgan's war and the people of the Latin American countries laid waste by United States marines are unable to appreciate the beneficent intentions of such "idealistic programs."

GETTING READY TO FLY THE COOP



By Fred Ellis

Amalgamated Misleaders in New Betrayal

By DOMENICK FLAIANI

PHILADELPHIA (By Mail).—The treacherous leaders of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers are here to disrupt what little is left of the organization of clothing workers in this city, an organization built through the struggles and sacrifices of the workers.

At the last meeting of Local 139, held here Oct. 3, the present misleaders of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers were unmasked before the eyes of the membership of the union. The local membership meeting overwhelmingly supported the left wing group in the local in their fight against the corrupted high-paid officials of the A. C. W.

Treachery of Officials.

I will give here a few high lights of the latest developments. The so-called "organization campaign" conducted here by the officialdom of the A. C. W., under the dictatorship of Blumberg, has been a complete failure, due to the betrayals and treachery by the misleaders of the A. C. W., Hillman, Blumberg, Weinstein, Morriconi and the rest of the corrupted machine.

During the period of the "organization campaign" the officialdom prevented the meeting of the union locals, joint board, board of directors, etc. Knowing that a strong opposition to the machine was growing among the members of the union, the above method was used to prevent the members of the union from exposing their fake campaign.

Mr. Licastro, an "organizer" of the A. C. W., who came here at the beginning of the campaign, has gone away for an "operation." Blumberg was forced to send away this semi-fascist Licastro, for he knew the members would no longer stand for him. Licastro, among other things, proposed to have the reactionary fascist Judge Alessandrini to preside at a mass meeting of the union.

Hillman then shipped the reactionary, yellow socialist, Sala, here as an organizer, with a mandate to break up any part of the organization where the left wing have control.

The mandate that Sala was given by the bureaucratic reactionary Hillman, who dared openly to state at a mass meeting of the clothing workers here that "To strike against the boss for better conditions is an uncivilized method," is to be put into "effect."

At the last Local 139 meeting De Martinis, who permitted himself to believe a little in the honesty of the present officialdom of the A. C. W., stated to the members that at a meeting of the organizer's staff that all that was taken up was "How to keep out of the local administration the Communists and those who are against the machine; how to expel from the organization Domenick Flaiani, now secretary of the local; how to kick out Noe Maggetti, now president of the executive board; how to expel Iacono, an active member of our local, and others."

Members Aroused.

When the members of the local learned of these plans made by the machine all at once began to call the organizers present at the local meeting "traitors, job-holders, fascists," and other appropriate names for these misleaders of our organization. The members openly stated at the meeting that they would never permit these reactionaries to expel Flaiani, Maggetti or any other members of our organization. Motions were made that the whole administration of the organization, beginning from the manager, organizers and business agents, be removed from their post, and other motions were presented to condemn the treacherous policy of the officialdom. Sala, the yellow socialist, in order to prevent the passing of these motions, which would have been passed with a unanimous vote at the meeting, started a riot and broke up the meeting.

Left Wing Must Lead.

Clothing workers of Philadelphia: If we are to better our conditions, if we are to be able to bring bread and butter to our children, if we are to organize the Philadelphia clothing workers, we must organize ourselves under the leadership of the Trade Union Educational League, under the leadership of the left wing group in the locals, and wage a struggle against the present reactionary agents of the bosses, Blumberg, Weinstein, Morriconi, London and the rest of the corrupted machine.

Organize shop committees in your shop, whether it is a union place or a non-union shop, and get in connection with the Trade Union Educational League. A real campaign to organize the Philadelphia workers can only be successful with these misleaders are gone and the rank and file, take control of our union and use it as a weapon of the workers against the bosses.

Philadelphia clothing workers organize and fight against the clothing manufacturers and against the corrupted leaders of the Amalgamated.

Needle worker! Has your shop contributed to the election fund of the Workers (Communist) Party? Collect funds! Get a collection list at the headquarters of the Needle Trades Campaign Committee, 28 Union Square, Room 202.

A Workers Defense Corps

By PAUL CROUCH.

The disappearance of Gitlow and the fascist terror against the Workers (Communist) Party and the workers in Arizona are examples of the increasing use of violence by the reactionary forces in America, and show the necessity of the organization of workers' defense corps in the United States as a protection against capitalist thugs who are trying to crush the labor movement by force and intimidation.

Fascist methods are making their appearance more and more in America. The American Legion, the Ku Klux Klan, Minute Men and similar organizations are breaking up meetings and demonstrations of the workers. The Minute Men, organized according to a plan prepared by Vice-President Dawes, announced that they "would meet Foster when he comes to Cincinnati." The capitalist government gives indirect aid and looks on the creation of such groups with pleasure, and the reply must be defense corps of the workers to defend strikes, meetings, etc., against the growing fascism in America.

The American Legion has revealed itself as the budding fascists of the United States, ready to resort to any method in order to prevent the workers from organizing against capitalism. In Arizona, where Gitlow has disappeared and labor meetings broken up, the last convention of the American Legion gave its endorsement to violence against the Communists, and the reactionary press has openly glorified the mob actions of the capitalists and called for action to prevent the Workers (Communist) Party from participating in the election campaign.

In West Virginia, the Workers (Communist) Party has been forbidden to hold campaign meetings, and Scott Nearing and others arrested. In Pittsburgh, armed thugs broke up meetings of the National Convention called to organize a new miners' union. In New York, the American Legion and the "Veterans of Foreign Wars" have been active in trying to break up campaign meetings of the Workers (Communist) Party. These are only a few of the many examples of fascist methods of violence against the workers in the United States.

Many workers have thought that there is no need for such an organization in the United States. This shows that they have not understood the role of American imperialism, and that more and more violent methods will be used against the workers when the labor movement becomes a real challenge to capitalism unless they follow the example

of the German masses and prepare to defend themselves against the thugs of the American Legion, the Ku Klux Klan, Minute Men and similar organizations. Such a defense corps would play an important role in strikes, when the most brutal methods are often used against the workers.

For protection against the "legal" persecution of American workers the International Labor Defense was organized. But defense funds and such protection as can be given by attorneys mean nothing to the Ku Klux Klan and the American Legion. Against this "unofficial" terror, we must be prepared to answer force with force.

It is significant that the first reaction of the workers of Denver to the disappearance of Gitlow was the organization of a "Red Front Squadron." This is the only effective answer to the growing wave of fascism in America and is a significant event in the history of the working class of America.

The terror against Gitlow, the Workers (Communist) Party and the workers of Arizona bring to the attention of the masses the immediate importance of building a working class defense corps in this country.

Recent Conversation With Maxim Gorki

(Continued.)

Debate with Anatole France.

Among other things I remember a debate with the old Anatole France. His tremendous artistic intuition had disengaged the tremendous contours of the Russian revolution. But he did not have enough force to give form to his astonished admiration. He was too paralyzed by old habits and by the prison of the superficial liberal catechism which he had received for a half century, in order to retain his sensibility and his clear vision and to look ahead.

Gorki, however, had broken thru this stage. His robustness, his more ample artistic spirit, more imperious, keener, had saved him. As to the rest, he had always been very close to the revolution. Now he saw in the life of Russia above all the spirit of Lenin.

"If the Russian masses have accomplished their need of remaking themselves, and persisted at it, it is because they have followed the spirit of Lenin. Lenin lives again in the collective. Those who have known him personally recognize it."

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"The Man in Uniform," By Paul Crouch, to Be Published in "Daily"

The promises of the recruiting officers are exposed in "The Man in Uniform," a book by Paul Crouch, telling the story of actual life in the army, which will soon be published serially in the Daily Worker.

In addition to description of life in the American capitalist army, and conditions in the workers' Red army, the book deals with the purposes of capitalist militarism, and the demands for servicemen by the Young Workers (Communist) League.

The tasks of forming a workers' defense corps, and the attitude of the working class to militarism, are discussed in "The Man in Uniform."

Wall Street Enslaves Cuban Workers

By JOHN SMITH

The people of Cuba have always been exploited by one or another group of masters, but their plight has never been so pitiful nor their suffering so intense as at the present time. The institution of the joint resolution fostered by the McKinley administration actually has placed the destinies of the Cuban people under the grasping, greedy hands of Wall Street agents in Washington.

In vain has been the attempt to hide the real purpose of the United States government in wringing control of Cuba from the Spanish crown. The separation from the mother country was of far more interest to certain American interests than to the people of Cuba. The suffering under Spanish rule was torturous, but it was spectacular and the whole world knew of it. The suffering under the hand of Machado and his predecessors is subtle and scarcely a thing is known about it by the world at large.

Machado Rides. Practically every avenue of publicity is closed through the influence of Wall Street. The Cuban press is stifled. Cuban speech is silenced. Cuban liberty is completely crushed. Machado literally rides upon the backs of the masses and only another Uncle Tom's Cabin could adequately portray the misery existing under his brutal misrule.

Cerardo Machado is the modern Attila of Cuba and he is personally responsible for the night raids and drownings by armed fascist bands. Countless sugar factory workers, for twelve hours for one dollar a day are the land owners of

yesterday. The sugar factory masters are Yankee despots who mercilessly exploit the workers with fear and actual whippings. This, together with the unfit rice and coffee diet is driving the Cuban workers into tuberculosis, insane asylums and early ignominious graves.

The conditions in Cuba during the past three years beggar description and they are daily growing worse. Some day something will crack and a blind perdition will be let loose that will sweep all before it, visiting vengeance upon innocent and guilty alike. In the meantime Machado tramples under foot all the noble principles enunciated by Martí and fans all the consuming fire of destruction with sordid, selfish ambition.

Specific instances read like tales from the inquisition. Machado has equipped himself with the basest types of men to commit his wanton murders. Santiago Trujillo, chief of detectives in Habana, is the originator of the night raids and kidnappings. Alfonso L. Fors, chief of the judicial police, works hand in hand with Trujillo.

Fake Red Plots.

Together these two assassin chiefs have manufactured a red conspiracy purporting to have originated in Moscow in spite of its having been conceived and born in the city of Habana. "El Pas" in its issue of July 12th sets forth the promise of a new persecution about to be inaugurated throughout the whole island. The campaign will be directed by Fors and Trujillo with local police and plain clothes men actually doing the dirty work. Many an opti-

mistic labor fakir, professing still in the subterfuge that Cuban workers have any rights to organize, will pay dearly for their stupidity. Machado's position can only be secured through the maintenance of fascist bands who in order to hold their jobs are forced to create sensational situations. A little while ago Trujillo announced the "discovery" of a plot to overthrow the government and assassinate Machado, supporting the ridiculous disclosure by the statement that Domingo Germinal, an anarchist, had announced thru Moscow his plan to put Machado out of the way.

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one time it was a habit as I call it, to separate the powers: those who realized and those who appreciated. Gorki admitted that they were organically bound. But he did not admit the aggressive character which sometimes the estimation of theoretical and practical work take on in the Soviet Union, nor the violence of the personal attacks which result from erecting oneself as a judge. Already, in his asylum of Sorrento, he was surprised by the echoes of these sharp disputes. Since then his opinion had not changed, and while recognizing that it was always necessary to combat certain dangerous tendencies, as bureaucracy and the tendencies inherited from the old world, he added:

Our Mistakes.

"It is not necessary that we be intimidated by our mistakes and our faults. This persistent self-examination is a part of work, but it is not a reason to fight against each other and to fight. The virulence of language freezes you and leads you backwards."

Above all, he is inclined to think that the Russian people underestimate themselves—in any case, that they do not take account of the full amplitude of the socialist realization, that the sharp interior discussions adds in reality to a certain disintegration, and that a stranger, face to face with this realization, who is savagely ignorant of its methods and its rhythm, forms an unfavorable impression.

Maxim Gorki has a great plan, which will shortly take life: a monthly review called "Our Realizations." This periodical will have as its purpose to clear up ignorant and hostile public opinion, but also, and above all, to give to all the Russian workers a consciousness of themselves:

Gorki's Plan.

"It seems indispensable to me to create an organ which will reflect like a mirror all the manifestations of our work: indispensable, because it seems to me that we do not see

with sufficient clearness all that we have done in the U. S. S. R., and in this Moscow where every man walks today in an altogether different way than he did ten years ago."

We touched on another subject: the new art, proletarian literature. That is an important question which has to do with art and social life in an altogether new way. I explained to Gorki that one of the aims of "Mondo" (Barbusse's magazine) is to disengage this new form of expression of the new man, to which he replied: "Even tho it makes a small start it is working at a great thing." The art which emanates from earth itself and from the very multitudes, on the soil of the fields, and on the streets of the city, renewed by its enormous health, by the impetus and by the force of its own movement, the artistic life of humanity. In the midst of this grand life that is beginning to breathe, before this mass-rooted seed that is beginning to germinate, what will become of our refined, decadent and inconsistent literature, the form of expression of our rich society?

Only remnants. When I, at the head of the population of Moscow, at the station received Bela Kun, escaped from the Hungarian grasp, I saluted him in the name of the International Bureau of Proletarian Writers, because during the time that he was in power, he gave a large place to the new proletarian art, and he made war against the bad bourgeois literature, which "as in vogue then as it is today, and which represented all the luxury and vices of the decadence. It is this struggle between all that expresses the old order of things and that which expresses the new vision of humanity that we are now engaged in."

Approves of Program.

Gorki highly approved this program, in which he will collaborate with joy. But it is highly necessary that this vast campaign which is just beginning will be accompanied by a determined effort to uncover

the education, the intellectual enrichment, the documentation of the new soldiers of the ideas. For this battle, as for all others, it is necessary to be well armed. He asked me what I thought of the abundant biographical and retrospective literature which flourishes now in France. I gave him my point of view:

"The abundance of these works in our country is a sign of poverty. Bourgeois literature is a literature of decline. It has nothing to say because it is not directed by any ideas nor by any ideals. It can only repeat in a fashion more or less perfected what has already been said, it can only search for new fountains to let loose its sentimental egoism which it has so often exhausted and explored, and to renew the plots which it has already used so many times. It cannot turn towards the future which holds forth no promise for it; it turns towards the past and fishes into the retrospective. It marks time and moves in a circle."

Workers' Writers.

"That is true," said Gorki, "but these works are useful from the point of view of documents, and it is necessary to keep in touch with them. But, without doubt, the new people ought to create its writers, and it will create them."

He perceived in the days to come a literature of combat.

"Literature ought to be more revolutionary than ever. It ought to search for the essential traits of the new man and to initiate an artistic critique of actuality. Our petty bourgeois scribbles, the most detestable of types (I get angry when I think of them), ought to be scrapped without pity. They are criminal and dangerous, they penetrate into all the little holes, these new bourgeois mendicants. They are now more organized than before, more detestable, than at the time of my youth."

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