

## FIGHT ON LANDLORDISM GROWS AS RENTS INCREASE

### SHOWER SCABS WITH LEAFLETS IN GASTONIA

Loray Boss Hits Man Half His Size; Police Arrest the Striker

Coal Miners Pledge Aid Local Unions, Workers Groups Send Funds

GASTONIA, N. C., June 2.—Led by the Gastonia local of the National Textile Workers' Union, a mass picket demonstration was held in front of the Loray mill yesterday by the striking textile workers who distributed hundreds of leaflets to the scabs. The leaflets describe the plans of the Manville-Jencks Co., owners of the Loray mill to organize a company union in the plant. They end by appealing to the scabs to join the strike and fight shoulder to shoulder with the striking workers for more wages, less hours and abolition of the speed-up system and other demands of the National Textile Workers Union.

Horace Lloyd, one of the pickets handed a leaflet to a scab who took it with him into the mill. A short time later, the scab came outside with an overseer, who jumped on Lloyd and started to beat him. In spite of the fact that Lloyd is a small fellow, he defended himself so well that the mill owners' flunky did not attempt to get rough with any strikers again. Although Lloyd was arrested, while the straw boss was not molested by the police.

The Workers International Relief brought Lloyd food in jail, also a message of solidarity from the other strikers. "He did not get me," said Lloyd when interviewed in jail, "until I had distributed all my leaflets." Lloyd, who is 29 years of age, has been a worker all his life. Although he has been picketing regularly since the beginning of the strike, this is the first time he has been arrested.

A large distribution of clothing and shoes took place today at the W. I. R. relief distribution center. The workers' guard, who watch the W. I. R. tent colony 24 hours a day to prevent an attack by the agents of the mill owners, were given first choice in the shoes. There were not enough shoes to go around. The W. I. R. yesterday gave baby clothes to Mrs. Ledford, whose baby is expected shortly. At least 50 more pairs of shoes are needed at once, according to the W. I. R. relief committee.

Miners Pledge Help. ZIEGLER, Ill., June 2.—The Illinois District Convention of the National Miners Union pledged their solidarity with the striking textile workers of the South and promised to raise funds for the strikers in co-operation with the Workers International Relief, which is in charge of the relief activities of the strikers.

The resolution of the W. I. R. and the Southern strike, adopted by the convention, reads in full as follows: "We delegates assembled at the Illinois District Convention of the National Miners Union laud the work of the National Miners Relief Committee, working in conjunction with the Workers International Relief for the splendid role they played in the historic miners' strike. While (Continued on Page Two)

### Big Tailor Meet Backs Plans for Fight on A.C.W. Machine

Thousands Demonstrate Against the Hillman Clique; May Call Huge Rally in "Garden"

The mass resentment of thousands of workers in the men's garment industry against the betrayal policies of the Hillman machine in the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union took concrete form on Saturday afternoon when a great crowd of several thousand workers, filling Cooper Union, demonstrated their determination to start an immediate struggle against the ruthless speed-up, wage-cuts, long hours and other open-shop conditions foisted on them by the bosses in connivance with the Hillman machine.

### Says Canter Trial Fixed In Advance

"The trial of Harry J. Canter was sewed up before it started." Such was the statement made yesterday to a representative of the Daily Worker by "L. G.," a person close to the defense in the Canter trial. Canter, a printer by trade and for many years an active Communist, was convicted last Monday by a jury in Suffolk superior criminal court, Boston, Mass., on a charge of "criminal libel" for having carried a placard: "Fuller—Murderer of Sacco and Vanzetti" in an election demonstration of the Communist Party last Nov. 3.

The trial was conducted in the most shamelessly biased manner, all efforts of the attorneys for the International Labor Defense, which defended Canter, to introduce evidence relating to the Sacco-Vanzetti case being quashed by the judge. Canter (Continued on Page Three)

### U. S. S. R. WARNS CHIANG KAI-SHEK ON PROVOCATION

Feng, Chiang Await Result of Intrigues

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., June 2.—Following closely Pravda's denunciation of Feng Yu-hsiang as a tool of Anglo-Japanese imperialism, the Soviet Government today warned Chiang Kai-shek, the tool of American imperialism, that its patience with his provocative acts is being exhausted and that it will be necessary for the U. S. S. R. to sharply assert itself should he continue to carry on as he has been.

The warning was the result of a whole series of provocations carried through by Chiang at the instigation of his American advisers, which culminated in the raids on the Soviet embassies in Northern Manchuria, along the Chinese eastern Railway, which is partly owned by the U. S. S. R. The U. S. S. R. is also provoked by the misuse of the Nanking embassy in Moscow. Travellers desiring visas to travel in China are often forced to get "recommendations" from the representatives of American trading corporations in the U. S. S. R. before the Nanking embassy will issue visas.

Pravda, in a stinging editorial, supports the government's denunciation of Chiang Kai-shek.

PEKING, June 2.—Pending the outcome of imperialist intrigue in China, the tools of the rival imperialists, Chiang Kai-shek on the one hand and Feng Yu-hsiang on the other, are delaying the outbreak of open warfare between their forces. Feng goes as far as offering to withdraw from China if Chiang, the Nanking warlord, will do likewise.

In a telegram that Feng is reported to have sent to the Nanking government, he proposes that both he and his brother warlord, Yen Hsi-shan leave China for a few years, provided what he calls the "Soong Dynasty" also go into voluntary exile. By the "Soong dynasty" he means Chinang Kai-shek, T. V. Soong, finance minister and H. H. Kung, minister of commerce, all related by marriage with members of the Soong family.

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### MacDONALD HAS 'SMOKE SCREEN' READY FOR WAR

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Baldwin May Hang On Wealthy Nobility Hold Lavish Orgies

LONDON, June 2.—Tonight the reports of all but a handful of the voting districts show that the MacDonald "labor" party is in position to either form a government with the consent of the liberals, to form a coalition government with the liberals, or to force a new election. It has the largest representation in parliament, but it does not have a majority.

The vote is roughly, Tories, 8,656,000; labor party, 8,383,000; liberals 5,217,000, Communists 50,000, and others about 100,000. The Communist vote represents the first election campaign on a national scale the party has conducted, and with only 26 candidates. The voting strength in the house of commons, as reported with 9 districts yet to come, is labor, 287; conservative, 253; liberals 57, and others 8. No Communists were elected.

A Disguise for War. Interest in every capital in the world centers in the effect of the probable MacDonald ministry on the clearly seen approaching imperialist war between the U. S. and Great Britain, with many other countries dragged in.

MacDonald's statements throughout the campaign, the repudiation by Philip Snowden (labor party) of the debt arrangement with the U. S., because "the Baldwin debt policy does not leave England free to force France and other countries to repay if the U. S. permits easier terms to England," and MacDonald's history of navalism and empire building during his former brief regime, indicate that the chiefs of the labor party understand very well their position. Their work, the thing that every patriotic Britisher expects of them, is to provide ammunition for the diplomats, bidding for neutral support and more allies, by a smoke screen of pacifist illusions, coupled with hypocritical announcements about limitation of naval armaments, and the usual procession of "disarmament meetings" at which the various governments discover more causes for war, and attempt each of them, to throw the blame for provoking the war on the other country.

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Follows Hoover Line. MacDonald has already begun to justify the criticism of the Communist Party of Great Britain, that he will build a facade of "peaceful endeavors" behind which the war machinery can operate full blast.

Partly in answer to Hoover's memorial day speech, which took exactly the same line and used exactly the camouflage that the British labor party leaders have become expert in using, MacDonald has signified that he is ready for another naval limitations conference.

In order to get started as rapidly as possible on his task as advocate for British finance imperialism, (Continued on Page Two)

For a Six-Hour Day Underground Work, in Dangerous Operations, and for the Youth Under 18!

Call Communists for Picket Duty in Food Demonstration Mon.

Communist Party members working in the needle trades territory and those unemployed are instructed by the New York District of the Communist Party, through William W. Weinstein, district organizer, to appear for picket line duty in connection with the cafeteria strike between 11:30 and 12, Monday, June 3.

"The coming weeks are the most critical in the entire strike," says the call. "The bosses are concentrating their attacks on the workers in a desperate effort to stem the onward march of the union. The courts and police are seeking by the most ruthless methods of fines and violence to break the resistance of the workers. We must rally the workers in the biggest mass demonstration yet seen to meet the campaign of terror and show that the workers cannot and will not be subdued by such methods."



Tens of thousands of Negro workers cheered the parade of tenants last Saturday afternoon in Harlem. Under the leadership of the Harlem Tenants' League, the paraders demanded an end to the system of rent robbery, wholesome houses for workers, no segregation and discrimination against Negro tenants, no evictions, the erection of houses for the workers by the state to be rented without profit and adequate free housing for unemployed. A protest meeting followed the parade at Brooks Sq.

### DECLARE BOSSES 'BLAMELESS' IN CAISSON MURDER

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JERSEY CITY, N. J., June 2.—While scenes of tragedy marked the funerals held yesterday of five of the six compressed air workers who were killed in a blast on the Hackensack Bridge Wednesday, the Foundation Company was declared "blameless" in the caisson blast, by the Jersey City police officials who declared their "investigation" closed yesterday.

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Ignore "Daily" Demands. While placing themselves behind the fake investigations being conducted by the lackeys of the construction bosses, and the one of these farce probes has already declared the company "blameless," the officials of the Compressed Air Workers' Union have ignored the demands of the Daily Worker, made on behalf of the "sandhogs" immediately on receipt of news of the blast.

These demands are: for life-time support of the dependents of the slaughtered caisson workers, the demand for an investigation by the union, the central labor body of the city, and the Metropolitan Area Trade Union Unity Congress, the demands for better wages and shorter shifts for the "sandhogs" so that they can better take care of themselves because of less exhaustion, and the demand for a workers' (Continued on Page Two)

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### The Harlem Press Gags the Mass Protest of Tenants

By SOLOMON HARPER. In connection with securing the permit for the parade of tenants in Harlem to protest rent slavery the Rev. William Loyd Ines was the only minister to sign the Tenants' League application, as a minister. The Rev. James Brown of Mother Zion Church signed as "James Brown," and his church is said to have cost the workers over \$500,000, and is only one of the five half-million churches in Harlem, not counting the various sects which have cost the workers more than \$2,500,000 during the past 30-years. None of these ministers have said anything against the rent-robbery of the landlords, except Ines, who did admit that his members are the poorest in comparison with the big five.

J. A. Davis, owner of the Amsterdam News, admitted to the writer that he could sign the permit application only as J. A. Davis. The editor of the West Indian Review and American News signed the permit, but did not give the League one line about the parade. Neither (Continued on Page Three)

### IRON STRIKERS PICKET TODAY

Bosses Still Can't Get Scabs

Mass picketing by 4,000 strikers of the Architectural Iron, Bronze and Structural Workers Union will today demonstrate the solidarity of the union's attack on the open-shop standards of the bosses, who are still unable to get scabs to help break the strike. This was the decision hailed enthusiastically by a packed mass meeting at Webster Hall, 119 E. 11th St.

Among representatives from sympathetic organizations who pledged support to the struggle were J. Louis Engdahl, acting editor of the Daily Worker; Tom De Faccio, of the Anti-Fascist League, and a delegate from the Uj Elare, Hungarian Communist paper.

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### DENOUNCE MUSTE AT BROOKWOOD STUDENT MEET

Students Fight Sharp Policy Against Left

The students of Brookwood College, which is controlled by the fake progressive group of Muste, denounced the administration in a stormy meeting at which Muste turned over the keys of Brookwood to the decadent socialist party. James Maurer, socialist party candidate for vice-president and chairman of the meeting, refused to let the students guide their own policy. Instead Muste delivered an harangue during which he spoke about introducing the "new policy." This new policy, contained in a memorandum by Muste, made clear that no student who support the left wing will be admitted. Only "militant, realistic, progressive" students will be trained, by which is meant those who are members of or who support the traitorous yellow socialists.

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Town's Negligence Drowned 11; Must Pay Huge Damages

BRANT, N. Y., June 2.—The town of Brant prepared to settle out of court nine suits pending in Supreme Court against the town, aggregating thousands of dollars, growing out of the drowning of 11 persons at Brant Beach in August, 1926. As a result of a special election, the town voted to settle the suits for a total of \$15,750.

### THOUSANDS HAIL MASS PROTEST OF HARLEM TENANTS

Parade, Slogans Are Cheered During March Thru Center

"Mass Organization" Resolution Passed at Big Demonstration

In a parade which made its way thru the center of Harlem, witnessed and cheered by tens of thousands of Negro workers, and in a mass demonstration at the end of the line of march in Brooks Square, white and Negro tenants of Harlem, in a mass voice demanded an end of rent robbery and expressed their determination to continue the organization of tenants, under the leadership of the working class Harlem Tenants League, which by its mass power will be able to refuse to pay rent raises and procure wholesome living conditions for workers.

In this first of tenants' parades in Harlem, which is but the beginning of a series, could be seen the growing power of the Harlem Tenants' League, and the growing response to the Communist Party housing slogans which have been advanced for the municipal elections.

Negro Workers Join In. "Down with Rent Slavery!" "Down with Greedy Landlord Oppression!" "Down with Segregation and Discrimination against Negro Tenants!" "No Evictions Against Workers!" "Defend the Soviet Union!" "The Communist Party supports the Harlem Tenants' League!" were some of the banners carried by the paraders, in their march starting from 126th St. and Fifth Avenue, and awakening enthusiastic response all along the line especially in the worst housing sections. The parade was greeted with cheers, and all along the line of march many Negro workers joined in.

Especially along Fifth Avenue, where are to be found some of the most inhabitable tenements in Harlem, was the parade swelled in answer to the large banner carried in front, which read: "Protest Parade Against High Rents and Bad Houses" (Continued on Page Five)

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### FOOD STRIKERS TO PICKET TODAY

Demonstrate Against Jailings and Injunction

The tenth week of the cafeteria workers' strike for union conditions will begin with a mass picketing demonstration in the garment section today at noon. Besides the strikers, it is expected that hundreds of members of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union, the United Council of Working Women, the Communist Youth League and the Communist Party will participate.

This demonstration will not only be aimed against the injunction which forbids picketing and all other strike activities, but also a protest against the jailing of the strike leaders, Sam Kramberg and Michael Obermeier, who will be taken to jail today for refusing to pay the \$250 (Continued on Page Five)

Call for Real Struggle. Speaker after speaker called upon the workers to attend the final mobilization meeting in Cooper Union tomorrow night and to make the coming general strike of the furriers a real struggle against the intolerable slavery into which the union-breakers had driven them. Among those who spoke were Louis Cohen, (Continued on Page Two)

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inspector to watch the apparatus used, on which the lives of the men depend.

**Workers Complained.**  
Weak welding in the air pressure line, which regulates the pressure under which the "sandhogs" work beneath the surface of the river, was the cause of the explosion, which buried the six workers alive in the mud of the river bottom. The company must have known of the weak welding, for the day crew, which was relieved by the night crew less than ten minutes before the blast, had complained all day of a sizzling noise, which could have been caused only by a weakness in the air pressure line.

"Nothing Criminal," Says Official.

"There was nothing criminal about the accident," declared Inspector John J. Underwood, of the Jersey City police force, a lackey of the democratic political czar Frank Hague, who has often been accused of being in the pay of the construction companies. "There was no violation of the state code," Underwood declared.

The weak welding was part of the makeshift apparatus in the caisson, which the construction company left in disrepair in its haste to complete the job quickly, to increase its profits.

**Mother, Children, Left Helpless.**

Her young body racked with sobs, Mrs. Mary Heady, the 19-year-old wife of Jack Heady, kept pacing up and down in front of her home at 116 Tonnele Ave., pushing her 19-months-old baby boy in a carriage. Neighbors had tried to make her go to bed all Thursday and Friday night, but Mrs. Heady refused. She told a reporter that she is again about to become a mother, and said, "What will we do now?" The young couple were from Detroit, and had been in Jersey City but two months. Unemployment in Detroit had driven them east, she stated.

**Fled Starvation—To Be Slaughtered**

John Byrne and James Breslin, two of the victims of the Foundation Company's greed for profits, had both come here from Ireland less than three years ago. They were driven from Ireland by long unemployment, relatives revealed. **Union Endorses Fake Probes.**  
Two other fake probes, both endorsed by the Compressed Air, Foundation, Subway and Construction Workers Union, Local 67, to which the victims all belonged, showed signs of ending their "investigations" Monday with a whitewash verdict, finding the company blameless, as has often occurred before in this state. These are the farce probes of the State Labor Commission and the State Highway Commission.

**Over 15 Deaths Hushed Up.**

In the course of the farce probes by these lackeys of the construction bosses, it leaked out that at least 13 "sandhogs" were killed in the construction of the Holland Vehicular Tunnel, completed last year between Jersey City and Manhattan, and that thus far "several" of these workers have been killed on the construction of the Fort Lee to upper Manhattan Bridge. All these murders have been whitewashed.

# 3 Quarry Workers Are Killed in Explosion

SIoux FALLS, S. Dakota (By Mail).—Three workers were killed and three others seriously injured in a dynamite explosion in a granite quarry here. The bosses' negligence is blamed.

**WORKERS' WIFE KILLED.**

ERIE, Pa., June 2.—Mrs. Lucia De Filippo, 56, mother of five children, was killed yesterday when she was struck by a Pennsylvania express train from Pittsburgh while she was carrying a lunch to her husband, a railroad worker.

# Hoover Yells for Big Navy Over Wall Street Victim's Grave



On Memorial Day Wall Street's President Hoover yelled for a big navy, to prepare another slaughter of workers, while pretending to "honor" the unknown soldier at Arlington, a victim of Wall Street's late world war.

# SHOWER SCABS WITH LEAFLETS

## Loray Boss Hits Man Handing Them Out

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Lewis and his official family spent tens of thousands of dollars for wages and expenses, the striking miners and their families were starving. The traitorous U. M. W. A. threw the militant miners out of the barracks which they themselves have built. It was the National Miners Relief Committee, with the help of thousands of workers throughout the country that has fed and clothed the miners and furnished them with tents, thus helping the miners continue their struggle against the operators and the Lewis machine.

**Will Join W. I. R.**

"We pledge our solidarity with the militant textile strikers of North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee, who are fighting a battle against the most extreme exploitation, the speed-up and the 60 to 72-hour week, the \$8 to \$10-wage. We urge them to continue their struggle in spite of the combined efforts of the mill operators, the soldiers, the police and the American Federation of Labor to break this strike. We promise financial aid through our local unions in this district to the Workers International Relief in feeding those militant strikers.

"Fully confident that the organization of a powerful National Textile Workers Union and the near future will witness a fierce struggle of the miners against the miserable conditions under which we work, and further realizing that many struggles are ahead for workers in all industries in their fight to organize new unions, and considering the Workers International Relief as a fighting weapon of the workers in the building of militant organizations, we, the Illinois District of the National Miners Union, hereby affiliate ourselves as a section of the Workers International Relief, and urge all our locals to likewise affiliate. We further call upon our membership in this district to do their utmost to form branches of the W. I. R. in every mining town in this district and to become members of this organization."

**Unions Send Funds.**

Among the contributions received by the Workers International Relief, 1 Union Square, New York, for the striking textile workers of the South is \$25 from the Cooks and Broilers Union, 719; \$25 collected by the workers of the Georgian Forest Mill, Rutherford, N. J., and \$10 from the Lettish Singing Society, Cleveland, Ohio. Trade unions and labor fraternal organizations throughout the country are urged to send in funds to purchase food, tents and medicine for the striking workers.

# REAL WORKERS DEMOCRACY

"Proletarian democracy of which the Soviet regime constitutes one of the forms, has given to the world a hitherto unknown expansion and development of democracy for the gigantic majority of the population, for the exploited and laboring masses. . . The Soviet regime is the first in the world to attract the masses, that is, the exploited masses to the work of administration. . . The Soviets are the direct organs of the laboring and exploited masses themselves, which enables them to organize and administer the State by their own efforts in their own manner. . . The dictatorship of the proletariat is a million times more democratic than the most democratic bourgeois republic."—Lenin: The Proletarian Revolution.

Nobody can examine the recent Soviet elections without feeling the profound truth of these words of Lenin. The American worker who really believes that there is "democracy" in the U. S. A., (of course, as the liberals assure us, "imperfect," "full of abuses," but "real democracy" nevertheless) should take a look at how the Soviet workers and farmers organize, administer and control their own government and he will immediately see the vast gulf separating the formal "pure" (but really capitalist) democracy of the United States from the real workers' democracy of the Soviet Union.

**Draw In Masses.**  
The whole Soviet system is built with the main idea of attracting the masses of the toilers to administering and controlling the government, to politics. The workers elect representatives to the Soviets from their factories, the peasants from the villages. These representatives are workers and peasants themselves, sent to the governing bodies directly from the factory and field. The workers keep a careful watch on the conduct of their representatives in the Soviets; they are required to give regular reports and are removable at any time by the workers they represent. The whole system is so organized as to enable "every cook," as Lenin says, "to rule the country."

Every election campaign in the Soviet Union is a great political event since it involves an intensive mobilization of the millions of the toiling population of the U.S.S.R. to meet the great economic and political tasks on the road of Socialist construction. The greatest efforts are therefore made to carry through the campaign in the most efficient manner, to attract the greatest number of workers and peasants and to arouse their initiative to the highest extent. The recent Soviet elections can be said to have succeeded in the most splendid manner in accomplishing these aims.

**Districts Compete.**  
In the struggle for the best election results, in the last election, various cities, working class districts, works and factories, as well as many villages, organized a lively competition for the most successful election campaign. The Leningrad districts competed with those of Moscow. The Moscow working class district "Krasnaya Pressnya" entered into competition with the whole town of Charkov, and so on. Delegations were exchanged between the towns or districts or factories competing experiences were examined, advice given, and, in general, the perspective and political understanding of the mass tremendously broadened.

The elections were preceded by a reporting campaign, in which the Soviet delegates reported to their constituents in the factories and villages. Of course the attendance at these reporting meetings is an index of the degree to which the masses are involved in the state administration and their initiative aroused. This year the reporting campaign was highly successful, much more than last year. In the Moscow district, for example, the percentage participation in the election assemblies nearly doubled since last year. In 1927, 27 per cent of the electors appeared at the reporting meetings—but this year some 70 per cent. If we take workers alone, the figure rises to 75 per cent and even reaches 85 per cent as far as the metal workers are concerned. In the Moscow district about twenty thousand workers took the floor in these reporting meetings and over fifty thousand written and verbal questions were asked. These figures represent an astonishing degree of activation. The reporting and election meetings were made of a sharp proletarian self-criticism. The work of the individual deputies was examined very carefully and critically. Over 100 deputies of the Moscow Soviet failed to have their work approved by their constituents and so were withdrawn. About three-quarters of the members of the Moscow Soviet were elected for the first time.

The political program presented to the election meetings by the Communist Party of the Soviet Union was not only accepted unanimously but was really worked out collectively. This is shown by the tremendous number of amendments made. Their number is said to have reached fifty thousand in the Moscow district, as compared with the ten thousand of last year.

The participation of the masses in the elections also reached unprecedented figures. In the Moscow district over 85 per cent of the workers organized in trade unions participated in the elections (as against 69 per cent in 1927), the metal, chemical, textile, and leather workers passing the 90 per cent mark. If we discount those who were obliged to stay away from the election meetings for unavoidable reasons (sickness, employment, etc.) the percentage of trade union workers participating frequently reached nearly 100 per cent.

The participation of the women workers was exceptionally high. In Moscow 85 per cent of the female workers took part and in many factories the percentage of women workers participating was higher than among the men. The proportion of proletarian housewives was also high (60 per cent).

A little thought about these figures, a little comparison with how the American workers "participate" in the elections and in the government under our "pure" democracy will teach the workers of this country their most important lesson—that real democracy for the workers can only be obtained by a workers and farmers government, a proletarian dictatorship.

# MacDONALD HAS WAR PLAN READY

## Follows Hoover Tactic of Fake Naval Cut

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MacDonald yesterday hinted strongly that he would accept a coalition cabinet.

"I am so much concerned for the quiet development of industry, the peaceful mind and confidence both at home and abroad, that I will use every ounce of influence I have to prevent another election for the next two years," MacDonald declared.

**Hates to Resign.**

It is by no means certain that the conservative party grip on the government will drop away immediately. Baldwin has a meeting today of conservative chiefs at Chequers, the premier's summer residence, to decide what to do. The London Daily Telegraph, speaking for a large section of the Tory party, states:

"The idea of resignation would be intolerable either to himself (Baldwin) or his party when no other party is possessed of a clear majority."

"The correct constitutional course is to meet the new House of Commons and leave it to others to put him in a minority if and when they choose."

Such a procedure by Baldwin would permit Austen Chamberlain, foreign secretary, to attend the meeting of the Council of the League of Nations, scheduled for Madrid June 10, and Baldwin may also be there, to arrange for the harmonious transference of British imperialist interests from the more openly jingoistic Tory plan to the more effective, fake pacifism and business-like war preparations of the "laborites."

**The Shipping War.**

Even the election campaign document of the labor party, entitled "Nationalization," has a savage shaft or two against American imperialism. The government-owned Canadian shipping lines to the British West Indies are applauded as weapons with which to drive U. S. shipping out of the West Indian trade.

In the event that MacDonald forms a cabinet now, his list is supposed to be as follows:

Chancellor of the Exchequer—Philip Snowden; Foreign Secretary—Ramsay MacDonald or J. H. Thomas; Admiralty—Capt. Wedgwood Benn; Secretary of War—Hugh Dalton; Secretary of Air—Lord Thompson; Minister of Labor—Arthur Greenwood; Health—Margaret Bondfield; Transport—Tom Shaw; Agriculture—Noel Buxton; Board of Trade—William Graham; Mines—Emanuel Shinwell; Education—Sir C. Trevelyan; Dominions—Lord Olivier; Postmaster General—Vernon Harcourt; Attorney General—Sir Henry Slessor; Solicitor General—J. B. Melville.

**Nobility Hold Orgies.**

Meanwhile the nobility and big business men of England show the utmost confidence that MacDonald will do nothing to interfere with their exploitation of the tenants and workers. A gorgeous celebration of the 500th anniversary of the city of Edinburgh took place at the same time as the elections, with hosts of speakers lavishing praise upon "Good King Robert who chartered the city, and Good King George who rules it now."

The Duke of Norfolk celebrated his coming of age during the two days following the election with an ostentatious display. All the semi-royal nobility and many of the lesser ones came to Arundel castle, the seat of the duke's family, to take part in the expensive festivities. The duke owns all the land for 50 miles around, and 90 per cent of the poor farmers were bullied or coaxed into contributing their pennies for a birthday gift, a gold cigarette box, which the duke will add to \$500,000 worth of other gold articles kept in the castle, and accumulated over a long course of history. Yet it is said the Duke of Norfolk is not very rich, as dukes go, and of course does not compare with some of the big capitalists.

# Preparing Flight to Boost Fascisti

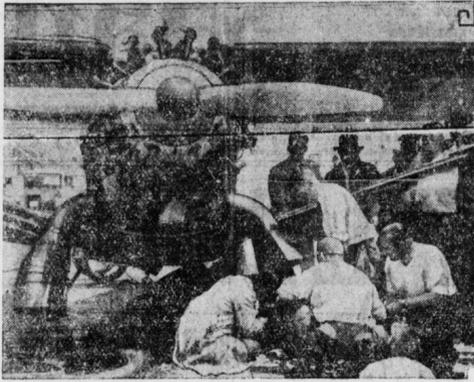


Photo shows the Green Flash being groomed for the Maine to Rome flight, a publicity stunt planned to boost Mussolini's fascist terror government.

# FURRIERS SCORE YELLOW SHEET

## Hold Final Strike Rally Tomorrow Night

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Schiller, Weinberg, Moscovitz, Fanny Warshavsky, and Straus. Morris Taft acted as chairman.

The big mobilization meeting in Cooper Union right after work tomorrow night is expected to be fully as epoch-making as the similar rally held by the dressmakers several months ago in final preparation for their victorious general strike, which was also conducted by the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union. Ben Gold, Louis Hyman and other leaders of the union will speak at this meeting and outline plans for the strike.

**Union Issues Appeal.**

In an appeal to all fur workers, the Industrial Union states: "The 40-hour week has been wiped out. The bosses are gradually introducing piece-work instead of week-work in accordance with the deal put over by the traitorous officials of the scab Joint Council. "Higher rates for overtime are a thing of the past in the fur trade. Legal holidays are not paid for, workers are being thrown from the shops at the bosses' will. A huge proportion of the workers are paid below the minimum wage. Finishers are getting 50 cents an hour. The contractors are working day and night and thousands of workers are unemployed.

**Strike Is Only Hope.**

"A general strike must put an end to these terrible conditions. A general fur strike will call a halt to the pogrom-terror and to the ruthless exploitation of the workers by the bosses. "Every shop must be mobilized and be ready to answer the call for the historic struggle for the interests of the fur workers. Come to the mass meeting in Cooper Union tomorrow immediately after work. Come and stand solidly behind your strike."

# Coppellini, Misdemeanor of Miners, Decides Not to Run for Congress Now

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (By Mail).—Rinaldo Coppellini, reactionary misleader of the United Mine Workers in this district, has announced that he has dropped his plans to obtain the congressional nomination to succeed the late Congressman Casey who was prominent as a misleader in the Pennsylvania Federation of Labor. Coppellini gave his candidacy up so that Casey's widow could run.

**ROOF KILLS MINER.**

WEST SCRANTON, Pa. (By Mail).—Peter Dravowski, a coal miner at the Archibald mine, was killed when caught under a fall of rock. He leaves a wife and six children penniless.

# COMMUNISTS HIT BOXLEY LYNCHING

## Negro Dep't Calls for Solidarity

A call to Negro and white workers to answer the brutal lynching in Tennessee last Wednesday of Joe Boxley, a Negro farm laborer, by a mob helped and incited by white officers of the law, is contained in a statement issued by the National Negro Department of the Communist Party of America. The statement follows:

The lynching of Joe Boxley, aged 18, and a Negro, Alamo, in Tenn. by a mob of more than 2,000 is a direct attack not only against the oppressed Negro race but against the entire working class.

Organized workers of America must now take a decisive stand in mobilizing their membership in mass protest meetings throughout the country against such brutal acts against a member of their class.

The capitalist newspapers try to justify the lynching of Boxley, stating that he made an assault on the magistrates' wife "a white woman." In order to justify the vanity of white supremacy, Boxley, an innocent Negro was lynched.

The events in Gastonia and Tennessee have shown that lynch law has become a standard weapon against the working class and its organizers.

Blame A. F. of L. Misleaders. The lynching of this young Negro is partly the fault of the A. F. of L., which has closed eyes for decades while the Negro brothers were tortured, and burnt at the stake, by such vicious organizations as the Ku Klux Klan and the American Legion.

Negro workers, along with their class-conscious white brothers and sisters in the new left wing trade unions, and the Communist Party of America, are fighting to put a stop to these dastardly cold blooded murders by organizing new militant trade unions that will drive terror into the hearts of the exploiters.

The Communist Party, the historical leader of the American working class, calls upon every class conscious worker, black and white, to wage a merciless campaign against the A. F. of L. bureaucracy for militant industrial trade union in America, that will be capable of rallying the workers in militant struggle against the present system of race and class oppression.

The class conscious white workers of America are once more put to a test to show their real class solidarity with the oppressed Negro workers of America in their struggle against race discrimination, segregation, lynching, disfranchisement, Jim Crowism and all forms of capitalist exploitation. The American Negro Labor Congress, the militant Negro organization also pledges itself to fight shoulder to shoulder with all militant trade unions in the United States as well as along with the Communist Party, the leader of the American working class and the oppressed Negroes of America against capitalist imperialism.

**IRON WORKERS BURNT.**  
WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (By Mail).—When a pot of molten iron with which they were working upset in the plant of the Wilkes-Barre Iron Works, Philip Allen and Arthur Bowman, workers were severely burnt.

# BACK FIGHT ON ACW MACHINE

## Thousands at Big Meet in Cooper Union

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ruin and chaos wrought by the Hillman terror clique. "Sixteen years ago we revolted against Rickert and his gang in the United Garment Workers and with untold sacrifices began the building of a real union, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers. The workers, by their heroic struggles and sacrifices, built up a powerful union which now, under the leadership of Hillman and his corrupt henchmen, has been transformed into a company union. The time has come when a new revolt and a new struggle have become necessary."

**Big Drop in Membership.**

Hourwitz discussed in detail the frightful conditions in the shops and the corruption that has permeated every part of the union machinery. He pointed out that from 45,000 dues-paying members in New York City in 1923, the number has now decreased to only 8,000, thanks to the class collaboration tactics and the terror and expulsion campaign of the Hillman machine.

Other speakers gave further details of the open alliance of the Hillman clique with the bosses and called on the workers to strike a mighty blow for their emancipation from these leeches. All the speakers were greeted with great enthusiasm.

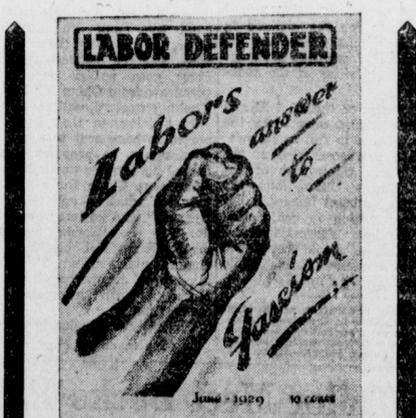
**Gold Brings Greetings.**

Bringing a message of solidarity from their brother needle trades workers, those of the ladies' garment industry, Ben Gold, secretary-treasurer of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union, was given a thunderous ovation. Gold told of the preparations being made by the fur workers to establish union conditions by means of their coming general strike and declared that only by militant struggle will the men's clothing workers be able to emancipate themselves.

A resolution was adopted calling for a consolidation of all progressive forces under the leadership of the Trade Union Educational League, for the launching of an energetic struggle against expulsions and for one industrial union to include all needle trades workers.

# ANTI-FASCIST ISSUE

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# Using the Old to Slaughter the Young

Photo shows civil war veterans in jingoist Memorial Day demonstrations. Wall Street uses the old to whip up enthusiasm for imperialist war, so that young workers may be sacrificed for profits.



# Jingoists Use Wall Street Victims to Prepare Another Imperialist War

Photo shows part of the jingoists' ceremony on Memorial Day, over the graves of some of the victims of the last Wall Street war. The day was used by the jingoists to call for another imperialist war.



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# Secret Imperialist Meet in Madrid to Plan Continued Oppression of Minorities

## ANTI-USSR BLOC BASIS OF PACTS OF SUBJECTION

### League Council Held in Dictator's Sity

GENEVA, Switzerland, June 2.—The Council of the League of Nations will meet in Madrid, the capital city of Rivera's dictatorship, in secret session sometime before Thursday, when it will open its discussion of the European minorities.

So great is the movement of the minorities to overthrow the oppressive dictatorship in various parts of Europe, thus threatening to overthrow the system of alliances and spoils by which the British and French imperialists have been able to set up and maintain their dictatorships and form a bloc of aggression against the Soviet Union, that the League is forced to try to come to some compromise between the various governments in secret before venturing to touch the question publicly again.

### Anti-Soviet Basis.

Stormy clashes occurred between the German and Polish delegates at the Lugano session of the League last December and again at the March session in Geneva. It is intended to surround this new session with utmost secrecy. At the very basis of the whole question stands the system of "buffer" states erected by the imperialists along the Soviet frontier, states which have been split off from the former allies of the German imperialists, and others which have been taken from the Soviet Union by the forced terms of the Brest-Litovsk peace. In addition, the rumbling of unrest and organized resistance of the oppressed minorities, threatens the very existence of the dictatorships.

Under the terms of the peace treaties 30,000,000 minority populations of Europe were supposed to have been given "equality of treatment" with the population of the new states, a provision which was interpreted by the governments as worse than the most exploited section of the home workingclass.

### Oppression in Poland.

Poland was built up and financed by the British and French imperialists, who are now facing the "co-operation" of the Yankee imperialists, out of land taken from the Soviet Union and from Germany, as a center of aggression against the U.S.S.R. In the process western Ukraine was subjected to the brutal terror of Pilsudski's legions, and the Ukrainian workers and peasants now under the dictatorship in Poland cannot help but look with longing eyes towards a Soviet of their own. They have been subjected to the most brutal of terrors, their schools, newspapers and organizations suppressed and many of them killed and thrust into jail. Western Ukraine is also being used by the imperialists, thru their agent Pilsudski, as a basis of provocation against the Soviet Union.

### Danzig Corridor.

The talk of certain political concessions to be given to the German imperialists at the reparations conference in Paris, talk which has been supported by the Yankee imperialists, may result in the alteration of the treaty which gives Poland the Danzig corridor, splits German territory, and created the independent city of Danzig, where an imperialist arsenal is being conducted by the French General Le Rond. This was the cause of the friction between foreign minister Stresemann and foreign minister Zaleski of Poland at the session of the League. British and French imperialists will undoubtedly attempt to frustrate this hope of agrardism on the part of the German imperialists, backed by Wall Street. In the agreements between various Balkan countries for a military alliance against the Soviet Union, Danzig is to be the central point for the shipment of munitions to Poland by the British and French imperialists.

### The Macedonians.

In the states of Yugoslavia, Bulgaria and Greece, among whom the Macedonian people have been divided, the movement for autonomy, often misled and used for nationalist purposes by the Balkan powers, has often led to open warfare. In addition there are Bulgarian, Serbian and other nationalities in these countries subject to cruel dictatorships.

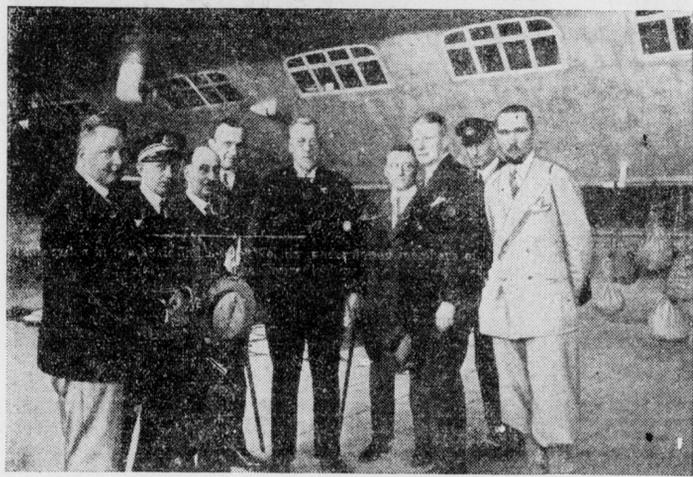
Despite the defeat of the conservative government in Britain, Austen Chamberlain, who has been so instrumental in building the system of national oppression, will be present at the Madrid meeting of the League council. From the British laborites the continuation of the system of blocs and alliances can only be expected.

### Soviet Union Beckons.

There are also oppressed minorities in France, the Alsacians, and in Belgium, the Flemish, and the Catalonians in Spain are also engaged in a movement for freedom from the dictatorship of Rivera. In the Balkans alone there are at least 50 nationalities subject to the iron heel of oppression.

To these peoples the example set by the Soviet Union, in granting full social and cultural autonomy to the nationalities within its borders, is a beacon light pointing the way in their struggle.

## The Flight That Failed — German Imperialist Zeppelin Turned Back



The German imperialists' Graf Zeppelin is shown above at Cuers, France, after the flight to boost German imperialism failed due to bad motors. Commander Eckener is shown in center of group above.

## TRIAL OF CANTER FIXED IN ADVANCE

### Use Trick to Keep Him Jailed Pending Appeal

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is now in Deer Island in Boston Harbor, serving his one-year sentence, pending the appeal to the state supreme court by the I. L. D. The judge refused to release him on bail.

Trick to Make Him Serve.

"L. G." went on to discuss the trial. (Because of his closeness to the defense his name cannot be disclosed while the appeal is pending.)

"Judge Robert Raymond's refusal to allow bail to be furnished for Canter's release pending the appeal, while technically 'Kosher,' is a trick to make him serve. The state supreme court won't sit until October and no one can tell how long it will take before they grant the appeal—if they grant it. This fact, however, is not putting any damper on the efforts of the International Labor Defense to free him, and no stone is being left unturned towards that end. The defense has until July 10 to file its exceptions based on the exclusion of its evidence and on Judge Raymond's unusually vicious charge to the jury.

Tipped in Advance.

"The trial was all fixed in advance so as to tie the hands of the defense completely. The defense admitted, of course, that Canter carried the sign and then wanted to prove that the meaning of the sign, that Fuller was morally responsible for the murder of Sacco and Vanzetti, was justified by the role Fuller played. But when the judge ruled out all such evidence and declared that the sign must be taken literally, what else could the jury do but convict? As a matter of fact, there were even reactionaries who thought that Judge Raymond was too 'soft' with the defense. Chief Justice Robert Perley Hall bawled him out for allowing defense witnesses to testify concerning the Sacco-Vanzetti case on the first day of the trial. The fact that this evidence was given with the jury out of the room and was not included in the record was not enough for this austere upholder of the sacred capitalist law. The result of the bawling out was that on the second day Judge Raymond refused to hear any more defense witnesses, including Fuller himself and Big Chief Mede who engineered the Bridge-water holdup for which Vanzetti was framed and given 15 years. In some miraculous telepathic way Fuller, who had been subpoenaed by the defense, knew that he wouldn't have to testify, and that day found him not in Boston, but at his summer home in Rye Beach, N. H. Can it be that Fuller was tipped off in advance?

Show Fuller's Guilt.

"The testimony of witnesses who testified on the opening day was unusually interesting. The testimony of William G. Thompson, attorney for Sacco and Vanzetti, was full of revelations which showed that Fuller deliberately sent the two Italian workers to their death, actively directing the frameup. Robert Lincoln O'Brien, former managing editor of the Boston Herald, testified that Fuller told him on June 13, 1927, that the government's case was breaking down completely. On June 29, 16 days later, Fuller, when he told that he was 'convinced' of the 'guilt' of the two workers and that he had secret sources of information which he couldn't divulge. What happened in those 16 days to cause this sudden about-face will probably never be known.

"The Boston capitalist newspapers played up the Canter trial in the most sensational manner. One of them, the Herald, recently shown to be controlled by the power trust, carried one of the most disgusting pieces of provocation I have ever seen. On the opening day of the trial the Herald ran a story, apparently out of a clear sky, that ever since the Sacco-Vanzetti case, Fuller's house has been guarded against possible bomb-throwers. This was, of course, calculated to incite 'public opinion' against Canter. All the other newspapers were bitterly hos-

## Third Earthquake in Week in Argentine

MENDOZA, Argentina, June 2.—The third earthquake in less than a week killed five persons here today, and raised the death list to 52 for the week. One was killed in the ruins of Villa Autel, destroyed by the first shock. Intense cold has caused great suffering among the homeless.

### 71 APARTMENT BUILDING BURNS, FIRES OTHERS

A 71-family apartment building at 354-364 Ninety-first St., Brooklyn, burned yesterday afternoon. Burning embers set fire to other buildings in the vicinity, and to the quartermasters supply shed in Fort Hamilton, a quarter of a mile away.

### DEMOCRATS TRY TO MEND FENCES

WASHINGTON, June 2.—With John J. Raskob presiding, the democratic party leaders will hold another inquest here June 10 into the cause of the demise of the national campaign last year. An attempt will be made at the meeting, which will first consume a dinner, to fix the blame, fire the guilty, and divide what posts and prestige still remain, in the interests of various badly quarreling groups in the party.

### ROTTEN BEEF FED TO CITY PATIENTS

Condemned beef is being fed to the patients in New York City hospitals, said William Bullock of the republican county committee, yesterday. Beef coming in from Cuba, which is condemned unfit for human consumption by the Bureau of Animal Industries, is taken over by the hospitals, he announced.

### RELIGION HAS GATS TOO

Mrs. Winnifred Gatling, wife of the Son of the inventor of the Gatling gun, is back from Jerusalem. She is a fanatical faith healer, and says that she will make Jerusalem the center of the world through the spread of a cult which resembles christian science. Part of her theory is that the Anglo-Saxons are the lost tribes of Jews.

### WOLL AGAIN HINTS AT WORLD CONTROL

Matthew Woll has repeated in the latest issue of the Photo Engravers Journal, out today, his program for world power for his own gang of misleaders of labor. He wants a world federation of reactionary unions with the International Federation of Trade Unions (The Amsterdam International) supreme in European affairs, and the Pan American Federation of Labor (Controlled by American imperialism) supreme in the western hemisphere.

The labor movement of the Soviet Union (11,000,000 strong) must be excluded from such an arrangement, said Woll.

CHICAGO, June 2.—The arbitration of the strike of iron workers was postponed from tomorrow till Tuesday, it was announced here late tonight.

## The Harlem Press Gags the Protest of Exploited Tenants

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did the Negro World, the New York Age or the Dunbar News of the Rockefeller Jim-Crow house for landlords, and middle-class tenants.

The New York News carried a small item, and in an editorial advised the tenants to apply to Abraham Grenthal, republican leader who is now fighting Fred R. Moore, the Negro alderman for leadership of the republican party in Harlem. Though both of the owners of these two papers, the Age and the News, are Negroes, they are not on speaking terms. Harris of the Real Estate Men's Association of Trade and Commerce, to which John E. Nail, real estate dealer for St. Phillips Church, with a \$1,000,000 collection per year, and member of the mayor's Housing Commission, belongs. Of course Nail and Company are going to make only recommendations to suit their own commissions and profits.

The League's fight is just starting, not only for the tenants of Harlem, but for all tenant workers of the city. The capitalist press refused to give any mention of the parade until it was over and took pictures of only the right end of the Prooks Square group, and in this way exposed themselves.

Especially so with the World and the Daily News, one saying that only 100 were in the parade, and the other saying that only 200 were in it, and none showing the white workers and grown up Negro workers standing together for the picture. This writer has several photographs showing the group, however, and Cyril Briggs of the Crusader News Service and editor of the Negro Champion, has several he took.

The Tenants League will meet today at 103 W. 135th St., to organize into housing committees and block groups to cover all of Harlem. The membership fee is low, so that every tenant can join.

Many slogans were carried by the 500 to 1,000 paraders. These signs were as follows: "Negroes fight for your rights," "Negro workers and white workers join hands against landlord oppression," "Down with consumption breeding ten a n t house," "Down with overcrowding," "Down with eviction of workers," "Join the Communist Party," "De-

fend the Soviet Union," "The republican, democratic and socialist parties are tools of the landlords," "Capitalists are responsible for segregation of Negroes and for continuation of high rents," "Join the Tenants League, 235 W. 129th St.," "White and black workers unite."

The capitalist press today will carry an article by the social democrat, Norman Thomas, a sky pilot row used in the last moment to again fool the tenants and then quit, leaving them out in the cold as before. There is only one Tenants League. Don't join the fake organizations now being promoted by the landlords. They are the same as company unions.

## Chinese Fascist Flyer Is Here on Flight to Boost Nanking Killers

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., June 2.—Arriving here on his world tour by air, Tien Lai Huang, Chinese fascist aviator, announced he plans to complete his trip by flying from the west coast of the United States to China. Tien, an aviator for the Kuomintang, which has slaughtered tens of thousands of militant Chinese workers and peasants, has been flying thru Europe, and received receptions from his brother fascists in Budapest and Bucharest. The flight is a publicity stunt for the bloody Nanking government.

## U. S. ENGINEERS TO AID BIG USSR IRRIGATION PLAN

### Will Develop Cotton Crop in Turkestan

Arthur P. Davis, formerly director of the United States Reclamation Service, former president of the American Society of Civil Engineers, builder of the Roosevelt, Arrowrock, Mokolunne, and other large dams, left yesterday with his family for Soviet Turkestan, where he will act in the capacity of Chief Consulting Engineer of the Sredazvodkhoz, the Central Asiatic Water Economy, which is in charge of the irrigation projects in the cotton growing regions of Soviet Central Asia. Accompanying Mr. Davis was his assistant Lyman D. Wilbur, who will also be employed by the Soviet organization. Two more American engineers will leave for the Soviet Union in a few weeks.

Mr. Davis, who resigned his post as chief engineer of the East Bay Municipal Utility District of California in order to participate in irrigation projects in the U.S.S.R., spoke very optimistically regarding the possibility of expanding the cotton growing areas in Soviet Central Asia and Transcaucasia. He visited Russian Turkestan in 1911.

"Cotton up to now has been grown only in a small section of the Soviet Union, in the extreme southern part of the country," stated Mr. Davis yesterday at the offices of the Amtorg Trading Corporation. "Even in the regions where climatic conditions are favorable for cotton cultivation, the insufficiency of irrigation facilities reduces the cotton acreage. The Sredazvodkhoz is developing several irrigation projects which will make available additional large tracts of land for cotton growing. Irrigation will also make it possible to cultivate cotton in certain regions outside of Central Asia and Transcaucasia."

The area of cotton under cultivation in the Soviet Union, which five or six years ago was reduced to only a fraction of the pre-war acreage, has shown substantial expansion in recent years, reaching a total of 2,300,000 acres last year, an increase of 31 per cent over the 1913 acreage and of 22 per cent over 1927. The rapid development of the Soviet textile industry necessitates, however, considerable imports of American and Egyptian cotton, which together make up two-fifths of the total consumption in the U.S.S.R. The construction of the 900 mile Turkestan-Siberian Railway, in addition to the irrigation projects, is expected to have an important effect in stimulating the further development of Soviet cotton cultivation.

Several score American engineers are at present in the Soviet Union in connection with various industrial projects.

## TRAIN KILLS SIX

BUENOS AIRES, June 2.—Seven persons were killed by a passenger train at the Liniars Station of the Western Railway, on the outskirts of the city. The victims had just alighted from a train and were crossing the tracks when a passenger train coming from the opposite direction ran over them, killing them instantly.

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## Wall Street Building 25 Huger Planes for Imperialist War Use

WASHINGTON, June 2.—Contracts for 25 V-3 type airplanes and accessories to cost \$1,440,971.40 have been awarded the Glen L. Martin Company of Baltimore, the navy department announced yesterday.

An option of an additional five planes of the same type costing, with 25 per cent of their spare parts, \$239,375, also is included in the contract, it was stated. These war planes are part of the huge preparations for the coming imperialist war, being planned by the Wall Street government.

LONDON (By Mail).—The driver and helper of a lorry which collided with a railing may die as a result of their injuries. The accident occurred in Paddington.

## Reports on Subjugation of Mexico



Photo shows J. Pierpont Morgan's straw-boss in Mexico, ambassador Morrow, reporting to Wall Street's secretary of state and former straw-boss in the Philippines, Henry L. Stimson, on the enslavement of the Mexican workers and peasants under Wall Street's yoke.

## USSR EDUCATION GAINS

### Illiteracy Being Overcome in Ukraine

KHARKOV, Ukraine, U. S. S. R. (By Mail).—The Ukrainian Commissar of Education, Skrypnyk, addressing the Eleventh All-Ukrainian Congress of Soviets, stated that during the past seven years about 3,000,000 persons in Ukraine were taught to read and write. At the present time the percentage of illiteracy in towns is 74 and in villages 43, as against 42 per cent and 15.5 per cent, respectively, before the revolution.

Ukraine now has five times as many universities and one and one-half times as many mass technical schools as it did before the Revolution. Among the universities are 50 industrial and engineering schools, 25 agricultural schools, 63 teachers' colleges, 9 medical schools and 9 art schools. These universities comprise upward of 62,000 students. The technical high schools give instruction to 110,000 students.

The output of the Ukrainian publishing houses, which has increased from 50 to 60 per cent against last year, now amounts to 500,000,000 copies. In addition there are in Ukraine 232 Ukrainian newspapers with an aggregate daily circulation of 1,000,000 copies.

## 6 Bulgarian Peasants Drowned in Big Flood

SOFIA, Bulgaria, June 2.—Six peasants were drowned yesterday and hundreds were still endangered by floods in the Razgrad district of Eastern Bulgaria, it was reported here.

Heavy rains caused the river Lom to overflow, inundating the town of Razgrad. The water in some places was five feet deep and household goods was floating through the streets. Serious damage was done in surrounding villages. Communications with outside points were severed.

## Hillquit Hurries to Cheer for Henderson

Morris Hillquit, speaking as one misleader to another, has sent his congratulations to Arthur Henderson because the workers of England revolted against their Tory government and voted the labor party ticket in protest.

Hillquit, who has had some experience in the New York needle trades situation of the way workers who once start leftward are likely to pass by the yellow socialist swamp and become real militants, thought it wise to cable, not write, and be sure that Henderson got the congratulations while he still had the masses fooled. He told Henderson that "the socialists of America rejoice in your glorious victory."

## Mexican Reactionary "Rebel" Leaders in Cuba; To Settle Here

HAVANA, June 2.—Colonel Ricardo Topete and General Ramon Iturbide, former leader in the Mexican clerical "rebellion" which was recently put down by the Portes Gil-Calles government, arrived here yesterday, stating they were en route to the United States. They will join a huge colony of reactionaries and churmen, who have fled to the United States after their outbreaks against the Mexican government failed.

## Mexican President Orders Visas for Exiled Catholics

MEXICO CITY, June 2.—President Portes Gil has instructed the Mexican consuls abroad to issue visas to the exiled Catholic bishops, thus removing the ban on the church and allowing free play to the clerical-fundal forces.

An understanding reached by Archbishop Ruiz and President Portes Gil through the services of Dwight Morrow, Yankee imperialist minister, has already been informally accepted and full ratification is expected by July 1. With the announcement that masses will be resumed, the church is again given its reactionary sway.

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The "boss" is a local king, and looked up to as a benefactor by the clergy, because he circulates such a lot of money in the shape of wages! The socks are sold in the English and Scottish market at 1s. a pair and more.

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## TRADE BALANCE IN USSR EXPORT SHOWS GROWTH

### 28.4 Million Rubles at End of April

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R. (By Mail).—The U. S. S. R. export over the European frontier in April, 1929, amounted to 58,000,000 rubles, against 61,000,000 rubles in March, 1929, and against 45,000,000 rubles in April, 1928. The import in April amounted to 59,000,000 rubles, against 54,000,000 rubles in March, and against 66.5 million rubles last April.

The total foreign trade of the U. S. S. R. across the European boundary for the first seven months of 1928-29 (October-May) amounted to 768.8 million rubles, against 756.8 million rubles for the corresponding period of 1927-28, exports constituting 398.6 million rubles, against 338 million rubles last year, while the imports aggregated 370.2 million rubles, against 418.8 million rubles for the same period of last year.

During the seven months the U. S. S. R. foreign trade across the European frontier resulted in a favorable balance of 28.4 million rubles, compared with an unfavorable balance of 80.8 million rubles for the corresponding period of last year.

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# Wages Cut Without Warning in Mines of Wheeling Section, Says Worker Writer

## NO SAFETY FOR COAL DIGGERS IN WEST VIRGINIA

### Charge Double Prices in Company Stores

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 WHEELING, W. Va. (By Mail).—The wage cutting policy of the coal operators is now on in full swing in the mines of the Wheeling section. Anyone familiar with the life and working conditions of the West Virginia miners and especially in the Wheeling section would think that the miners are surely getting the full effect of the weapons of their exploiters from one side and on the other side are reaping the fruits of their past indifference to unionism. Seeing the present deplorable and miserable conditions you might think the bottom was reached, but the worst for the miners has yet to come.

**Cheated on Weight.**  
 Until now two or three days work a week was the custom among us here, making in many cases not even \$25 for two weeks' work. We pay 75 cents for lamps, whether using them or not. We get no pay for dead work, and we are cheated wholesale on the weight.

We are compelled to deal with the company store, where double prices are charged us, for everything is sold higher there. We must deal with the company stores or else we are fired. We also have to live in company shacks fit only for pigs.

**Lack of Safety.**  
 Talking about safety in the mines, there is not even a vestige of it; as a natural result of this lack of safety miners get killed every day in explosions or are permanently crippled.

These are only a few of our sufferings. On top of this the coal barons are beginning to wage a wholesale wage-slashing drive.

In Triadelphia and Elm Grove, in the three mines owned by the wholesale murderers and robbers, the Priestly Co., of Cleveland, this method was put into effect last week in a somewhat dirty manner. Fearing that the miners would not accept their "generous" cut from 85 cents to 50 cents a ton, they did not warn the miners in advance, but waited until all the men went in and started to work, and then they posted the notice outside of the mines, at the same time going around telling the miners individually about this cut, adding that, if anybody did not like it, he could take his tools and get out.

**Men Walk Out.**  
 Some, of course, threatened with starvation, accepted the cut, and about 20 per cent walked out, carrying their tools. This served as a great stimulant in our local of the National Miners Union, which we organized some time ago.

In Moorwood, West Virginia, a suburb of Wheeling, where two mines are operated by the Constance Coal Co., the same miserable conditions are prevailing and the same wage cut policy is in order. There is only one way out, one way to fight these rotten conditions, and that is to unite the miners under the banner of the only militant mine union, the National Miners Union, and, together with all the workers of the world, to mercilessly fight our common enemies that exploit and rob us—the bosses. NICK.

## Gangsters Use Court to Hold Down Capone

CHICAGO, June 2.—The Chicago Journal said today that Scarface Al Capone, now in jail in Philadelphia, was escorted from the now famous gang "peace meeting" in Atlantic City to Philadelphia by Detective James "Shoey" Malone and then arrested by Malone. According to this information the court and warden in Philadelphia are merely carrying out the orders of gangland, which ruled that Capone must be retired for one year, as part of the "peace pact."

## BREAKER BOYS SLAVE

### Young Mine Workers Conditions Bad

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (By Mail).—Here are the conditions of the young boys who slave in the hard coal fields of Pennsylvania. There is a tremendous number of young boys employed as breakers (coal crushers). Many of the up-to-date breakers employ as high as 300 boys, each breaker averaging about 150 to 300 in the anthracite.

**Hard on Nerves.**  
 These boys are yanked out of school at the age of 12 and 13 years and forced to slave 8 hours a day under the most miserable conditions, for \$2.65. Their job is to sit alongside of the conveyer, (which carries the coal to the cars ready for shipment) and pick out all the impurities mixed with the coal. They are forced to listen to the grind of the breaker all day long. This plays hell with these young workers' nerves.

**Nipper boys, (trappers) whose job is to open doors and throw switches, receive \$3.25 a day. While some drivers receive \$3.28 a dayable conditions.**

## Soviet Workers Brand Trotzky as a Traitor

Dear Comrades, American Workers:  
 I am a worker of the Soviet State and I invite you to visit our free country in order that you might be convinced that Trotzky is a traitor to the workers' government.

Trotsky went abroad and as a traitor to the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics he began to publish there in the bourgeois press every possible lie and calumny upon the workers' and peasants' authorities.

For these lies and calumnies the English pay to Trotzky hundreds of thousands of dollars. In doing so they think to frighten the revolutionary workers to other countries thus hoping to weaken their revolutionary spirit.

But we know that the American workers will not believe Mr. Trotzky. No man of Mr. Trotzky's type can force the working class to change its course on the right hand side or on the left hand side. We will not turn the Revolution from its right way and none of us want it. Our Revolution was correct and so we are carrying it out.

Though we are surrounded from all four sides by the bourgeoisie, nevertheless we are marching ahead towards Socialism, although slow but sure and this is not frayed only, but a real fact.

**REBUILD AND BUILD MORE.**  
 After the Revolution we did find only a heap of fragments or as our Russian saying runs: "we found ourselves by a broken trough." But now we are rapidly increasing our industry.

No one of the bourgeois countries goes as quickly along the way of economical development as we do. Russia always remained behind in her industry as well as in the development of economy of her peasants.

Now the antediluvian, small, dwarf-like village economy receives machines and organizes "Kolkhoses" which means the Collective economies. The peasants willingly join the village economy communes and they get from the workers' state the tractors and other harvesting machinery on a long pay.

Do come here and you will see.

**WOMAN RUNS FACTORY.**  
 I could show you many facts taken from life of our textile factory. Our spinning house though it is situated in a far away provincial place, is not a small one. Comrade Molostnova is managing it and she is a poor widow who has children. The majority of workers in our factory are women and especially in the spinning house.

On the 21st and 31st of March we held meetings. They were attended by 9,850 workers. All of them like one man stamped Mr. Trotzky with ignominy of a traitor to the U.S.S.R. and an urgent telegram was sent to the Central Committee of All Union Communist Party in Moscow accordingly.

Trotsky is cursed throughout our union as an agent of the bourgeoisie and traitor to the U.S.S.R. We can see that in our press.

I wonder whether that press reaches you or is it suppressed and so you, perhaps, do not know that Trotzky is a traitor to the workers and that he does publish lies and calumny about the U.S.S.R.

—ROJKOV, Worker of the Textile Factory at Rodniki.

## Draftsmen at the Baldwin Locomotive Have Hard Lot

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 PHILADELPHIA (By Mail).—In the ruthless exploitation of labor for which it is notorious throughout the country, the Baldwin Locomotive Works spares its white-collar slaves no more than it does the shop workers. The drafting force, in fact, leads such a hand-to-mouth existence that the term "labor aristocracy" when applied to it becomes a source joke. This force now runs into the hundreds and takes up three whole floors of the newly erected six-story office building at Eddystone.

A Baldwin job is a see-saw proposition at best. Long slumps, during which half or even three-quarters of the "personnel" is flung into the streets, are followed by short-lived "boom times" when every-man jack is rushed to death.

Right now the plant is up to the rafters in work. But instead of hiring extra men to take care of the extra jobs and thus easing the unemployment situation hereabout, the drafting department bosses, like the bosses in the shops and foundries, saddle them with compulsory overtime and whip them on with a nerve-snapping speed-up. Three nights of overtime, four hours a night, are "obligatory." No excuse short of death will get a drafting stiff off. And unless he knows how to buck the chief crimp, he will find himself working six nights a week and Sundays to boot.

No Overtime Pay.  
 More than half of the draftsmen are paid on a "salary" basis, which means that the 16 hours or more of extra time that they put in every week, undermining their health and ruining their eyesight under the one-lightning-bug-power lights, means nothing to their pay envelopes. Their "loyalty" does not so much as insure them a hold on their jobs. When the inevitable slack period next rolls around and the efficiency expert gets out the axe for the payroll, they are likely to be among the first to go.

It is not unusual for men who have slaved five or ten years on a Baldwin board to get the gate. In the last lay-off draftsmen who had spent all their lives in the service of the blood-sucking owners were thrown on the bone-yard together with the newcomers. Where these workers would end up, knowing nothing but locomotives and the Baldwin system, was no concern of the bosses.

For months on end the skeleton crew that is retained in a "bad season" works only three days a week. Then with the arrival of rush orders the slaves, bent double over their drawing tables, and thin-blooded from lack of exercise, are kept on the go for 16 hours at a stretch. Starvation first, then overwork. In either case the Baldwin "system" helps to fill the drug-store, the hospital and the morgue.

**Steal Inventions.**  
 Once a draftsman has been favored with a job, the bosses claim a monopoly on his brains. Whatever inventions he designs automatically becomes the property of the company, and he is lucky to get a "thank you" for his pains. There is the case of a young drafting room worker who recently perfected a which would have brought him a fortune in the open market. But one of the chief engineers got wind of the idea, grabbed his plans and patented the device in his own name. Today it is standard equipment on all Baldwin locomotives, the inventor is not richer by a plugged nickel.

The wage scale in force at the Eddystone plant is known far and wide as the low-water mark of heavy industry. It is a common saying among local draftsmen that "Jerry Baldwin's" is a half-way stop on the road to the poor-house. Robinson, the head slave-driver, likes to get hold of youths just out of high school and "break them in," paying them as little as 25 cents an hour to start. The high school is his inexhaustible source of cheap labor. Even the handful of designers (who in other plants would be rated as engineers) do not make much over \$40 a week. The rank and file average is about \$30, detailers the junior draftsmen getting 45 cents an hour—in exceptional cases. Yes, brains will tell.

Until the drafting department was removed from Philadelphia to Eddystone the 47-hour week was in effect. It has since been cut down to 44 hours—and 16 to 24 hours of overtime piled on.

Such is the envious state of one section of the "labor aristocracy." Draftsmen elsewhere are hardly better off. Lack of organization is to blame of course. Their one union, so far as known, is the decadent American Federation of Marine Draftsman, and that, to all intents and purposes has passed out of the picture, as the overwhelming mass of drafting workers never heard tell of it. Which is nothing to weep about, because it only claim to fame rests on the fact that it "voted" to hold the draftsmen at work when the rest of the workers went out 100 per cent in the great Cramp Shipyard strike some years ago.

—N. B.

**Build shop committees and draw the more militant members into the Communist Party.**

## GROUP GANGWORK POLISHED VERNON FOR WOMEN IN CAFE—HELL HOLE AUTO FACTORIES FOR THE WORKERS

### Lower Wages Than for Men Workers

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 DETROIT, (By Mail).—As I went out to get a paper this evening, I saw a copy of the Labor Defender for the first time. I read it with much interest. The article "Rationalization in Automobiles" appealed to me especially as I am working in one of the plants in the great General Motors Combine.

I am a night worker which I like better than days because I do not have to break my neck to get to work at 6:30 a. m. I work from 4:00 to 12:30. Many things have puzzled me since I joined the factory workers. Why, for instance, should a woman be paid only a little more than half of what a man gets per hour for doing the same kind of work? On small punch press work especially, women have nimble fingers and can correspondingly put out more work so they ought to be paid more, not less. Heavier work is and should be the men's portion. Men would get more anyway even if they were paid the same because they work longer hours. Of course, I am talking now of group work or "gang" work as it is sometimes called, with a bonus. The highest a woman can make is 92 cents an hour whereas the men start with 40 cents.

I had never done factory work before. I had done office work and later on worked as a waitress where I made anywhere from \$20 to \$40 a week. This factory work pays about \$20 and occasionally \$22 or \$23. It is unusual to have a full twelve days on a pay and then the pay is less than \$20 a week.

Piece work is almost entirely abolished in Detroit, and then it is only in the cheaper factories where the price per thousand is so low that the average worker does not make \$5 a day. Even here there is a limit to how much you can make for the price per thousand or hundred is cut if a worker can put out more and then you have to work harder to make what you did before the cut.

I also worked in the book department of one of the big stores. It was worse paid than the factories. Fifteen dollars a week. When my feet began to suffer I could not put by enough money to supply myself with proper arch supports. At least in the factory I do not have to have a well dressed appearance and I can sit down at my work.

I have often wondered why there were no unions to force better pay for the factory workers and voiced this wonder to one of the women who seemed of a higher mental calibre than the others. She told me I must not talk of such a thing as it was "heresy" in a non-union city like Detroit.

—WOMAN AUTO WORKER.

**EDITOR'S NOTE —** Women's wages would not be lower than that of the men in the auto plants were the women workers and the men organized into one, militant, industrial auto union, and fighting shoulder to shoulder. Such a union, of whose existence "Woman Auto Worker" is evidently unaware, is the fighting Local 127 of the Automobile, Aircraft and Vehicle Workers Union, located right in Detroit at 55 Adelaide St. "Equal pay for equal work" is one of its demands—that is, equal pay for women who do the same work as the men.

**WOMEN AUTO WORKER.**  
 Recently the Vernon slaves have been aroused by the news of the organization plan of the General Ford Workers Industrial Union and some have joined, while others are sending in their applications. They realize that only through organization will their intolerable conditions be abolished.

—BROWN.

**Four Workers Killed in Blast at Maryland Firework Mfg. Co.**  
 ELKTON, Md., June 2.—Four workers were killed and several others injured in an explosion of the Firework Sparkler and Novelty Co. Fireworks Factory. Backfire from a truck ignited a load of chemicals. Company neglect is charged by workers.

**CHICAGO IRON WORKERS STRIKE**  
 Tie Up Many Big Jobs of Construction  
 CHICAGO, June 2.—A strike of all organized bridge and structural iron workers in Chicago begun Saturday, has succeeded in completely tying up over \$200,000,000 worth of construction work. The workers on strike are all members of the Bridge and Structural Iron Workers Union.

The workers are demanding an increase in wages from \$12 a day to \$13 a day. A compromise offer by the boss contractors of \$12.50 a day was refused.

Among the construction jobs tied up are the Merchandise Mart, the world's largest building, the new building of the Chicago Civic Opera on the river front, and the new Board of Trade Building.

The overwhelming demand of the strikers that no compromise offer by the bosses be accepted made the officials of the union decline the \$12.50 a day offer. The officials of this union have a long record of class collaboration and opposition to militant action, and attempts to sell out the strike are expected.

**OFFICIALS "COMPROMISE."**  
 CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa (By Mail).—Organized electrical workers' officials "compromised" the workers demands for a \$1 an hour increase of wages into an increase of 40 cents an hour. The rate is now \$9.40 a day.

## SCENE FROM "THE VILLAGE OF SIN"



Yastrebitsky and Mme. Pushkaya, two of the leading players in the Sovkino film "The Village of Sin," now in its third and final week at Little Carnegie Playhouse.

## WOODS OPENS NEW SEASON WITH "FRANKIE AND JOHNNIE"

"Frankie and Johnnie" by John M. Kirkland, the dramatized "legend of a woman done wrong," will be A. H. Woods' first managerial activity since his return from abroad. The play, which has scenes laid on the levees of the Mississippi fronting St. Louis of 1850, has a cast of some fifty principals. The play has incidental music written by Eugene Bonner.

Among the players are Grace Kern, Leona Mariolo, Georgia Drew Mendum, Helene Sinnott, and Louis Heydt. "Frankie and Johnnie" opened last night at Hempstead Valley Stream and will play the following night, and then go to the Adelphi Theatre, Chicago.

**Baptist Lefts Win by Continued Writ to Keep School Open**  
 DES MOINES, Ia., June 2.—Another victory was registered for the left wing of the Des Moines University, Baptist Theological Institution, when Judge Frank S. Shankland refused to dissolve the students' temporary injunction under which the school is operating.

The college had originally been closed by Dr. Shields of Toronto, at the time a member of the group which for the years had waged a relentless war against those students of the college whose faith had been contaminated by gleams of scientific truth.

The lefts protested against the stoolpigeon tactics used by Shields and his agents to uproot the religious "sedition," and, pointing to damning evidence in a hotel register, charged that that Shield's relations with his girl friend and stenographer had been dangerously carnal.

The school had been closed subsequent to an attack on the building by the baptist boys, who swore by their holy bibles to get vengeance on Shields. The servant of the lord, however, escaped by hiding in the darkest corners of the cellar, subsequently leaving town under police protection.

**Cappellini, Traitor to Miners, Shows He Is Friendly to Fascisti**  
 WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (By Mail).—Rinaldo Cappellini, ousted president of the United Mine Workers of America, District No. 1, and under whose bureaucratic reign, four insurgent miners were murdered in Pittston, has just openly shown himself as friendly to fascism.

At a banquet given by the Italian-American Society, in honor of Marquis Cesare Grimaldi, fascist vice-consul of Scranton, held in Wilkes-Barre, at 157 North Main Street, on May 16, Cappellini was chairman. Mayor Daniel Hart, of Wilkes-Barre, who also claims to be the "workers friend," was the chief speaker. This organization is a fascist organization.

—JOSEPH MOSEBAUER, 24, a worker in the yards of the New Jersey Central R. R., suffered a broken leg in a fall while at work.

## BIGGER MACHINES TO SPEED UP THE PAPER WORKERS

### Speed Is Three Times as Great

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 MONROE BRIDGE, Mass. (By Mail).—There are often many worker correspondence letters in the Daily Worker dealing with speed-up and rationalization in industry and what it means to the working class. I would like to bring attention to an outstanding example of rationalization in the paper industry. This is in the nature of larger and larger machines being built and run at almost unheard of speeds. And this is all in the face of what is considered a most serious rate of over-production in the industry.

Several years ago a machine 145 inches wide and running 500 feet per minute was considered extremely large. Today the newest machine in the paper industry is 304 inches wide and runs at a speed of 1,500 feet per minute. The capacity of this machine is well over 200 tons per day. It would take over a half dozen of the old machines to do that. And this machine is operated with the same number of workers as the old machines and often less than the others were.

From the economic point of view efficiency is desirable, but under capitalism it only leads to distress for the workers, then unemployment and a lower standard of living.

L. A. PAPER WORKER.

**PLUMBERS SOLD OUT.**  
 CHICAGO, (By Mail).—Plumbers who struck while working on a job at the Michigan Boulevard Garden apartments were betrayed into going back to work without any gain.

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# Communists Urge Cleveland Carmen to Fight Sell-Out by Treacherous Misleaders

## STRIKE BOUND TO COME, MEN SLAVE UNDER OPEN SHOP

### Union Officials Wild About "Daily" Expose

CLEVELAND, Ohio (By Mail).—The Communist Party issued a bulletin to the Cleveland carmen, who are considering the question of a strike, warning them to "be on guard against fake promises of your union officials."

At the meeting of the carmen held Tuesday, May 28, the officials certainly did make their fake promises. Fred Schultz, president of the union, has decided that it is no use negotiating with Mr. Alexander, president of the street railway company. Alexander refuses to sign any agreement with the carmen, even an "open shop" agreement. He told Schultz point blank that there would be no increase in the scale this year. He men demand an increase of five cents and an improvement in the conditions.

Faker Excited. At the meeting on Tuesday, three men were the "stars." Walter Arndt, vice-president, was all excited over the fact that the Communists distributed the leaflet at the meeting which it stated that "Schultz says his hands are tied." He declared at this should form the basis of an action against the Daily Worker. Why, he did not state, but he was advised not to start anything that would have more to prove than he wished. Another recommended that the men tear up the leaflets and throw them in the hands of the distributor.

Shea, one of the international officials, warned them to do nothing of the sort. "They don't know anything," these Communists. They are aided by Moscow, so I advise you to row the leaflets in the waste basket."

No leaflets were thrown into the waste basket, for the leaflets told the men the truth.

### More Comes Out

More than this came out at the meeting. At the conference with Alexander, Shea, Schultz and Rea, secretary, were called over to a corner for a whispered talk by Alexander, and when it was over they reported to the committee of which was sent by the union. What took place in this whispered talk? What was promised the union officials? What did they demand? This the men demanded to know, but they learned nothing.

### A Sell-Out

This deal is a clear sell-out. The men accused the officials of cheating and although they are not as outspoken as they would wish to be, owing to the fear of being denounced by the union officials to the company and losing their jobs, this is the pronounced feeling.

The Communist leaflet, which was eagerly received by the men, reads part as follows:

"The main question is that of an agreement. What is an 'open shop' agreement? It is an agreement which allows the company to hire non-union as well as union men. The company prefers non-union men, for on it can handle the men as it sees fit. The Van Sweringens are among the street railways, and these people are the most vicious enemies of unionism. What they want is no union or a company union. "An open shop agreement will mean that one by one the union men will be fired and non-union men will be in their places. You know that today the company fires good union men, and you have no comeback."

### Call for Fight

The leaflet calls on the men to fight for the closed shop. It advises them to throw out their cowardly officials, and put real fighters in their places. It also recommends an organization of barn committee, and the preparation of a strike.

The Carmen of Cleveland will need to fight for the closed shop. They will have to fight for the unionization of the 350 busmen, and 500 men. They will have to fight despite the court decision which declared that owing to the fact that the street railways are a monopoly, they can sign no agreement with the workers. This is an unheard of decision, and will have to be fought as such decisions must be fought.

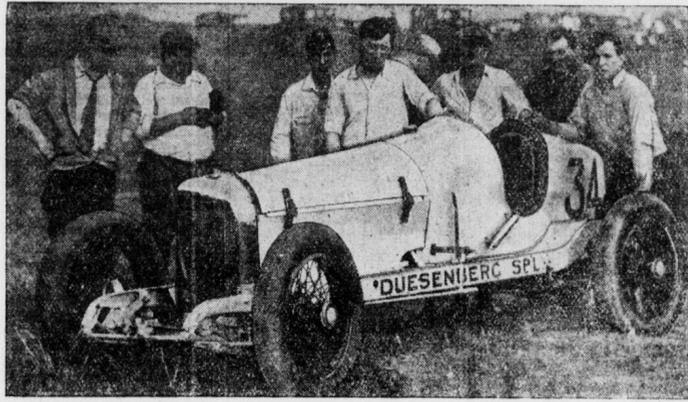
### Strike Inevitable

This fight will not take place in the courts but in a defiant strike. The men will not be able to improve their conditions or get recognition of a union, unless they are prepared to fight. A strike is inevitable on the Cleveland street railways, and the progressives are now mobilizing their forces for the fight. The Communists pledge the men support in their strike and in their leaflet state that: "The Communist Daily Worker will publish the truth about your struggle, for the capitalist newspapers will line up with the street railway company and the Van Sweringens, as they support the capitalists in all strikes of the workers." —CARMAN.

### DITCH DIGGER KILLED

BALTIMORE, Md. (By Mail).—A man Letta a worker was killed when a ditch he was digging caved on him.

## Racing Driver Dies—For Auto Bosses' Profits



Two were killed, including a racing driver and a spectator injured on Decoration Day when a racing car plunged into a crowd of spectators at Metropolitan Heights Fair Grounds, Queens. These drivers sell their skill for the benefit of the auto magnates, who profit from the publicity.

## AWAIT RESULT OF CHINA INTRIGUE

### Lords Offer to Retire for Imperialists

(Continued from Page One) go into exile after the rebuff of Sun Yat-sen, which was completed on Saturday. These declarations of the tools of the rival Anglo-Japanese and Yankee imperialists, may point to negotiations between the imperialists for the stopping of actual hostilities pending an agreement for setting up a central government at Nanking, which, with the removal of the chief warlords, would be able to maintain peace in China, for the imperialists to exploit it all the more viciously.

### Recall Nanking Envoys

BERLIN, June 2.—Reports received here from Nanking state that the diplomatic representatives of the Nanking regime and consular officials at Moscow have been recalled. The Soviet Government protested sharply against the provocative raids on the Soviet consulates in Northern Manchuria carried out by Chiang Hsueh-liang, the Manchurian warlord on the orders of the Nanking regime.

The note delivered to the Nanking charge d'affaires in Moscow said that the raids were of violent and unlawful character, and declared that the reports of Communist meetings in the consulate at Harbin were senseless inventions and a futile attempt to evade responsibility for the atrocious action.

### Sun Yat-sen Buried

NANKING, China, June 2.—The memorial force enacted by the Nanking regime is now finished. The body of Sun Yat-sen, one of the leaders of the Chinese revolution while it was in full swing, is buried on a hill outside of Nanking, falsely claimed by Chiang Kai-shek, who had sold out the revolution to the imperialists.

### WYOMING SHOVEL STRIKE

BETHEL, Pa. (By Mail).—The strikers of the Wyoming Shovel Works, out for three months, were misled by federal and state mediators into returning with little gain.

### MINER KILLED

NANTICOKE, Pa. (By Mail).—Louis Cenci, 39, a laborer at the Auchincloss colliery of the Glen Alden Coal Co. was killed in the mines when caught beneath a fall of rock.

### Long Live the Revolutionary Struggle of the Oppressed Colonial Peoples!

## Brookwood Students Denounce Muste at Fiery Meeting

(Continued from Page One) itself is measured, half-friendly terms beside which the section of the left wing is denunciation. The memorandum boasts of the fact that Brookwood can co-operate with the Y. W. C. A. and labor colleges in Salem, Philadelphia and elsewhere, while unable to win the confidence of the Communists. Can a left wing institution maintain its integrity in such a situation?

It further claims to have the support of the "more vigorous elements in the socialist party." Is Brookwood, then, to line up with the socialists, whose union record it too notorious to need recounting here?

The memorandum even goes so far as to state, "Brookwood sets itself a particular kind of educational task in order to advance a militant, realistic, progressive labor movement. Members of the staff should be chosen for their willingness and ability to take part in such a task." Hereafter no left wing instructors will be tolerated.

### Muste in Wild Attacks

On the occasion of discussion of this. A. J. Muste, dean of Brookwood and leader of the "progressive" forces, took the opportunity to savagely attack Arthur W. Calhoun, left wing Brookwood instructor and critic of progressives, and Robert Cruden, who condemned the anti-left character of the progressive conference held in New York City last week-end. "The faculty of Brookwood," said Muste, "is heartily in sympathy with the progressive movement. Arthur Calhoun is out to kill it. In view of the circumstances the faculty feel that they can work no longer with Arthur Calhoun." Students generally regard it as notice of dismissal to this left wing instructor. This is especially ironical in view of the fact that at workers' education conferences the Brookwood faculty has always prated at great length about "academic freedom." Cruden's request to answer charges of A. J. Muste was refused by James H. Maurer, white hope of the progressive movement.

### BAKERS GAIN

HAZELTON, Pa. (By Mail).—Recognition of the union and an increase varying from \$1 to \$4 a week have been won by bakers here. There contract calls for an 8 hour day, time and a half for overtime, no work on legal holidays.

## FOOD STRIKERS TO PICKET TODAY

### Demonstrate Against Jailings and Injunction

(Continued from Page One) fine against each of them imposed by the Supreme Court for defiance of the injunction.

The fines were imposed by Supreme Court Justice Thomas Crain on May 18th who ordered them paid to the Wil-Low Cafeterias, Inc., before May 28th. Further legal action to appeal the case is being taken by the union lawyers.

Additional contempt proceedings against the strike leaders has been started by the United Restaurant Owners' Association. One hundred and fifty strikers are scheduled to appear in the Court of Special Sessions today, charged with violation of Section 600 of the Penal Law, which is a loosely worded, antiquated law utilized by the capitalist courts to "punish" strikers for violation of an injunction. As the strikers refuse to stop picketing the courts are growing more desperate in their determination to help the bosses break the strike, and are now arranging the strikers as fast as time and space will permit for defying the order of the supreme court to stop "interfering with the business" of the bosses.

Kramberg and Obermeier, in their last speech to the strikers before going to jail, urged them to keep up the fight in spite of the great difficulties and obstacles placed in their way by the united front of bosses, police, courts, big chain cafeterias, and the reactionary A. F. of L. misleaders. They have asked the Daily Worker to appeal to all workers to rally to the aid of the cafeteria strikers whose ranks are holding firm in spite of police brutality, in spite of the injunction, and although weakened somewhat by the fact that so many are in jail.

Continued treachery on the part of the corrupt A. F. of L. fakers has aroused great indignation of the rank and file, who report the strike-breaking tactics to the Hotel Restaurant and Cafeteria Workers Union. The bureaucrats are still providing "union" signs to the cafeteria owners whose places are struck. In these places, only one or two cake bakers are members of the A. F. of L. Local 500. Flagrant instances of graft accepted by the labor fakers from restaurant and cafeteria owners are reported by these rank and file workers who are thoroughly disgusted with their "leaders." More expulsions of progressives who are supporting the cafeteria strikers are expected in the near future.

## Court Martial Put Off in Militarist Quarrel

Indefinite postponement of the court martial of Col. Berkeley Enoch's former chief of staff of the Second Corps Area, originally set for today, is announced at Governor Island. Representatives of the Judge Advocates office in Washington arrived today. It was said the case has not been prepared and that a date for the court martial will be decided upon later. Charges were preferred against Col. Enoch by Major General Hanson E. Ely, corps commander. Reports indicate that the charges are the outgrowth of a quarrel over the officers mess, supervised by Col. Enoch.

### BUILDING WORKER HURT

NANTICOKE, Pa. (By Mail).—Arthur Wells, 30, a worker for the Brown-King Construction Co., received severe leg injuries when he was caught between falling lumber while at work.

### WORKER LOST FINGERS

GREENEVILLE, Tenn. (By Mail).—Charles Payne, worker at the C. M. Smith Meat Co., had all the fingers of his right hand amputated when his hand was caught in a sausage grinder.

### STRIKE FOR 5 DAY WEEK

FORTSMOUTH, N. H. (By Mail).—More than 100 organized carpenters here are striking for a 5-day week and a wage of \$9 a day.

## THOUSANDS HAIL MASS PROTEST OF HARLEM TENANTS

### Resolution Passed at Big Demonstration

(Continued from Page One) ing Conditions. Fall in Line. Harlem Tenants' League!"

This organization should be carried out on the basis of the formation of house committees in every tenement, they said.

How the bourgeois Negro press of Harlem sabotaged the parade of the tenants and attempted to defend the landlords and real estate men against the protest of the working class tenants was told by Solomon Harper, Negro member of the Communist Party and of the Harlem Tenants' League. He told how the Tatler, sensational society tabloid, had gone to the extent of holding the landlords up as "heroes" for "doing away with race lines." In reality they accentuated the exploiters' business of prejudice by using schemes, based on color, for raising rents. He also explained how these papers were supported and financed, chiefly by means of advertisements, by the landlords of Harlem.

### Communist Party Support

Harold Williams, district Negro organizer of the Communist Party, outlined the demands of the Party on the housing issue and exposed the maneuvers of the white and Negro politicians of Harlem—many of whom are vicious landlords themselves—in an attempt to gain the Negro vote. He expressed the full support of the Harlem Tenants' League by the Communist Party and its program of the solidarity of Negro and white workers against the exploiting class.

"It is only by voting for the Communist candidates in the city elections, joining the Communist Party and participating in its work as the leader of the toiling masses, that all of us can, together, do away with this system of landlordism and capitalism, one of the products of which is segregation and discrimination against Negro workers, and the terrible housing conditions against which we are protesting now," he said.

There were also speakers for the United Council of Working Class Women and the American Negro Labor Congress, organizations which are giving full support in the fight against landlordism. Williams Burroughs, of the Teachers' Union, also spoke, as well as other Negro and white workers.

A resolution adopted at the close of the protest meeting at Brooks Square summed up the demands of the tenants. The resolution follows:

### Resolution Adopted

"The Harlem Tenants' League, a working class organization formed for the protection of the tenants of Harlem against landlord exploitation, adopts the following resolution and makes the following demands: "Whereas, the Harlem tenants are faced with a housing situation that becomes increasingly worse, and overcrowding is the common practice, which, together with the evil of segregation, makes for a condition where real estate agents and landlords can squeeze from 50 to 100 per cent more rent for flats than is paid by tenants in any other section of the city; and

"Whereas, many of the Negro tenants are unemployed and many others are working for wages ranging from \$12 to \$18 a week and are unable to pay the excessive rents charged; and

"Whereas, even the meager and inadequate protection provided by the Emergency Rent Laws, passed five years ago, has today expired, and the landlords are now planning to take advantage of defenseless tenants whom they will ruthlessly exploit because of the situation, the Harlem Tenants League makes the following demands:

### Low Rents

"1. The fixing of rents of wage-earners upon a basis commensurate with their wages; such rents to be fixed by a Board of Labor Representatives.

"2. No discrimination on the basis of race in the renting or sale of houses.

"3. No evictions of unemployed workers.

### Right of Organization

"4. Immediate establishment of a real Sanitary Code and a rigid enforcement of all sanitary regulations.

"5. And, above all, the Harlem Tenants League upholds the right of tenants to organize themselves and refuse to pay oppressive and unjustified rent increases, and that where such increases are demanded, evictions shall not be permitted.

"6. We demand that the state and city construct homes for workers, to be rented to them without profit."

## Standard Oil Gobbles Up Louisiana Wells

SHREVEPORT, La., June 2.—The Standard Oil Company of Louisiana took over yesterday all producing wells and acreage owned and operated by the Humble Oil and Refining Company in North Louisiana and South Arkansas. This embraces 150 producing wells with 4,000 barrels daily runs. The consideration involved was not made public.

## Fire Negro Waiters, Hire White Girls on Northern Pacific Ry.

SPOKANE, Wash. (By Mail).—Waiters on the dining cars of the Northern Pacific, who are Negro workers, will be replaced by white girls on the Yellowstone Park trains after June 20. The railroad announced that the girls are being trained to replace the waiters, chefs and assistant chefs on trains running between Livingston and Gardner, Montana. The girls will be paid much lower wages than the men are.

## ANTI-IMPERIALIST MOVEMENT HUGE

### Meet Held to Mobilize for World Congress

A conference of representatives of Latin-American organizations opposed to imperialism was held yesterday afternoon at Lexington Hall, 109 East 116th St.

The purpose as expressed by Julio Martinez, chairman of the gathering, was to "prepare for the mobilization of the greatest possible number of organizations and individuals for participation in the anti-imperialist movement, and particularly in the Anti-Imperialist Conference to be held June 15th in New York, at Irving Plaza. This June 15th Conference will send delegates to take part in the Second Anti-Imperialist World Congress at Paris July 20th to 31st. It will also take steps to cement the alliance between the various organizations in the United States which are fighting the aggression of Wall St. and Washington in Latin America and in every corner of the world, with the organizations of the oppressed peoples in those colonial and semi-colonial lands."

Louis Gibarti international representative of the League Against Imperialism and for Colonial Independence, declared that the calling for a Second Anti-Imperialist World Congress has been made necessary by far-reaching changes in the international situation, and that the "steadily increasing aggressiveness of Yankee imperialists" has created urgent tasks of major importance for all opponents of imperialism, and he emphasized the immediate need for an intensified fight and enlargement of the Anti-Imperialist League.

Other speakers were Albert Mooney, secretary of the Latin-American department of the A. A. A. I. L., Luis Martinez, delegate from the Venezuelan Revolutionary Party, and Manuel Gomez, of the executive committee of the Anti-Imperialist League. The Centro Obrero and the Sociedad Mutualista Mexicana sent delegates who participated in the discussion of the problems confronting the emancipation movement in the Latin-American countries under the political and financial domination of the United States.

## Floods Cause Train Derailments in Neb.; Believe Boy Drowned

FALLS CITY, Neb., June 2.—One boy was believed to have been drowned in floods which prevailed in this section today. The high water caused two train derailments, marooned other trains and resulted in loss of crops and livestock.

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## MINES CLOSED, THOUSANDS MAY STARVE IN PENN.

### Overproduction Is the Cause

UPPER PITTSBURGH, Pa. (By Mail).—Over six hundred coal miners were thrown out of work by the closing down of the Seneca Colliery of the Lehigh Valley Coal Co. here, which was shut down when the company had produced a surplus by speeding up the men. The colliery, before shutting down, had worked only six weeks since January 1, 1929. Over 1000 persons, members of miners families, face starvation, and are in a destitute condition.

### LUZERNE, Pa. (By Mail).—Over 450 coal miners, many employed by the Haddock Coal Co. for years, were thrown out of work when the Haddock Co. closed its Black Diamond Colliery here. No prospect for resumption of operation of the mine is seen for a long time.

TREVERTON, Pa. (By Mail).—Suspension of two large collieries here has been followed by destitution and poverty in which more than 100 families, including 400 children, are really in want of bread and the bare necessities of life.

A mother of five children whose husband's appeal for aid from the poor board was refused because he had lived in another district, threatened to go home and kill her children and then take her own life if she did not get relief.

The North Franklin and Kathryn collieries, the former operated by the Philadelphia and Reading Coal and Iron Company and the latter by an individual corporation, closed down recently and brought on a depression. The North Franklin worked about 70 days through 1928 and only a few days this year. About 800 men are employed, most of them residing in Treverton. The Kathryn mines, a smaller operation, closed down several weeks ago.

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## HUGE TOLL OF COAL MINERS; NO SAFEGUARDS

### Bosses' Greed Causes Accidents

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (By Mail).—In one day, Memorial Day, eight miners were severely injured in collieries in this section, all the accidents resulting from negligence on the part of the coal operators.

While at work in the Lehigh and Wilkes-Barre Coal Co. mine, John Potazy, 20, of Ashley, received severe head injuries when a rope broke as he was placing a coal car on the tracks with a block and tackle.

Walter Lipinsky, 27, of Nanticoke, miner at slope number 1, Susquehanna Collieries, at Nanticoke, received severe injuries to the left leg when struck by a mine car.

Caught in a premature explosion, Alex Dubek, 39, of Buttonwood, received severe injuries to the face and body while working at the Loomis Colliery of the Glen Alden Coal Co.

### Rock Falls Injure Miners

While working in Shaft 2, Susquehanna Colliery, at Nanticoke, Joseph Buhalski, 38, of Nanticoke, was severely burnt. He had just begun the day's work.

Frank Gayosky, a young miner, aged 18 of Plains, a door tender for the Lehigh Valley Coal Co. at Dorrance colliery, suffered lacerations to the eyes, head and hands in a fall of rock.

Mike Safulka, 25, of Edwardsville, runner for the Kingston Coal Co., suffered a compound fracture of the right leg under a fall of rock.

Walter Victor, a 21-year-old miner for the East Boston Coal Co. mine, was also caught under a fall of rock, fracturing a leg.

These rock falls are due to improper supports.

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### BROOKLYN

Section 6, Unit 6F. Speakers from the Industrial Dept. at the section membership meeting at Turin Hall, Broadway and 14th Ave., Monday, June 4. A District Office speaker will lead the discussion.

### East N. Y. International Branch, Section 8.

A meeting will be held at 8:30 p. m. today at 313 Hinesdale St. Meetings will continue on Monday till further notice.

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## HAIL, HAIL, THE GANG'S ALL HERE

By Fred Ellis

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### U. S. Imperialism and the British Elections.

It will doubtless startle many workers in this country to behold the eagerness with which the imperialist government at Washington and the capitalist press generally graciously accepts the fact that the MacDonald-Henderson-Thomas Labor Party has won the greatest number of seats in the next House of Commons, although it has failed of a clear majority. The New York Times, organ of finance capital, declares:

"His (MacDonald's) official program was so moderate and cautious as hardly to be distinguished from that of the conservatives..." "It is safe to infer that if he again becomes prime minister he... will not attempt to shake the pillars of society in England."

Only those workers will be startled at this applause from the leading imperialist press spokesman in this country, however, who have failed to acquaint themselves with the actual role of the bourgeois Labor Party, one of Great Britain's three capitalist parties. This has been clearly pointed out by the Daily Worker.

The election results, raising the possibility of another "labor government," makes it more than ever necessary for America's workers to understand the sham fight waged between the conservative, liberal and labor parties, the three parliamentary harlots of British imperialism, with similar policies on all important questions, and the reflections of this situation in the United States.

MacDonald says he is going to do everything in his power to keep the "new government" in power for at least two years. Such a new government will inevitably be a liberal-labor coalition in spite of the excited declarations of MacDonald and Lloyd George to the contrary.

It is a liberal-labor bloc that will best suit the interests of British capitalism in the present period and provide the best instrument for intensified war preparations, increasing opposition in the colonies, and the developing suppression of working class resistance at home. The Tory government sent the Simons Commission (headed by the liberal, Sir John Simons) to India, against the protest of the Indians, but with the endorsement of the Labor Party and containing Labor Party members. It was Sir Alfred Mond, the liberal who gave his name to "Mondism," the program of "class peace" supported by the treacherous British trade union bureaucracy.

It was the liberal-labor bloc in 1910 that helped dupe the masses and prepared the way for British imperialism's entry into the world war in 1914; the liberal-labor bloc that helped carry on the war, so that in 1924 British imperialism was ready for its first "labor government," kept in power for nine months with liberal support.

It is under cover of the new liberal-labor bloc, putting down an increasing barrage of pacifist pretensions, that British imperialism will advance its war preparations.

The Hoover administration at Washington was quick to respond to this situation. Even while the British voters were casting their ballots, the president, while calling for increased speed in the armament race, nevertheless, held out the much tattered olive branch so-called "peace and understanding and closer cooperation between the two great English-speaking nations." Behind the whole smokescreen of threadbare pacifist phraseology emanating from Washington, however, there looms the old Anglo-American struggle over 6,000 and 10,000-ton cruisers, the battle for supremacy on the high seas that broke up the last arms limitation conference at Geneva, the most recent and sharpest of many skirmishes in a war for world trade, raw materials, and the struggle to maintain colonial countries as huge slave pens.

The frantic peace protestations of both American and British imperialisms are a reminder of the fact that it was the Russian czar who proposed the organization of the Hague Peace Conference on the very eve of the Russo-Japanese War's outbreak.

The MacDonald-Henderson-Thomas Labor Party will continue, more loyally than ever, to carry out the policies of British imperialism. The Hoover-MacDonald pacifist passage-at-arms will be already a new development on the world stage of Anglo-American rivalry.

### The Tenants on the March.

Discontent over mounting rents marched the streets of the Harlem section of New York City, Saturday, in protest against landlordism, mobilizing finally in a demonstration at Brooks Square.

The Harlem Tenants' League has thus widened its influence by developing its activities from small hall meetings, that attracted little attention, to an open appeal to the masses that brought instant response.

One reason for the growing response, of course, is the fact that working class tenants now, more than ever, are beginning to feel the pinch of the rent increases being imposed on them. This means that, while the Tenants' League has been quick to take the lead of this protest, nevertheless, the big task lies ahead, which is the agitation and organization of a really mass movement of Negro and white tenants, not only in Harlem, but throughout the entire city.

It is significant that this demonstration of tenants also saw the carrying of a banner with the slogan, "Defend the Soviet Union!" Thus the full meaning of this growing effect of an aroused tenantry to combat the bandit landlords is presented to the working class population.

The housing conditions grow increasingly worse. This calls for a more intensive campaign against these conditions in which the whole working class must join.



## New Unionism in Gastonia

ARTICLE II.  
By KARL REEVE.

When Fred Deal, organizer for the National Textile Workers Union, stood on a stump in front of the mill gates of the Manville-Jenckes plant in Gastonia eight weeks ago and declared the strike on in the name of the union, a new page had been turned in the class struggle in the South. For more than a year, over half of the textile workers of the United States have been located in the South, and Gastonia is in the heart of the Southern textile area. The drawing of the tenant farmers of the lowlands and the mountaineers into the factories in large numbers and the accompanying introduction of all of the methods of exploitation, long practiced in the Northern industrial centers, sharpened the class struggle in the South. The introduction of the speed-up system, called in the South the "stretch-out" system or "doubling" and "tripling up," on top of the miserably low wages, child labor, unsanitary conditions, the 12-hour day, goaded the textile workers to revolt. The Southern strike wave has lasted for some months, and will continue. Along with the intensified exploitation there came into the South a militant trade union organization.

**Attitude Toward the A. F. of L.**  
The Southern textile workers accepted readily the leadership of the left wing National Textile Workers Union. It has been stated that the textile workers of North Carolina do not know the difference between the American Federation of Labor union, that is, the United Textile Workers, and the National Textile Workers Union, the left wing organization. This is absolutely incorrect. The textile workers of North Carolina are well acquainted with the A. F. of L. textile union and will have nothing to do with it. The U. T. W. operated some years ago in this area and the workers charge them with stealing the workers' money and deserting them in the midst of their struggle against the mill owners.

When Fred Deal began his organization work last December around Charlotte, by going from house to house in the mill villages, a number of workers at first tried to drive him away at the point of a gun, because they thought he represented the United Textile Workers Union, and it was not until he explained that this was a different union, a militant left wing organization, and not affiliated with the A. F. of L. that the workers listened to his message. In the present strike in Gastonia the workers speak from the platform and unanimously denounce the U. T. W. union as a corrupt organization, with which they will have absolutely nothing to do. This is the general sentiment of all the workers to whom I have spoken in North Carolina. At the present time in Lexington an organizer for the U. T. W. is attempting to break up the N. T. W. U., but has had no success. The workers have answered that they have had enough of the A. F. of L. and will stick to the N. T. W. U.

**Permanency of Union in South.**  
The contrast between the conduct of the Gastonia strike by the N. T. W. U. and the Elizabethton, Tenn., strike, by the U. T. W. (the latter trying from the first to sell the workers out) has not been lost on the textile workers of North Carolina. The N. T. W. U. has won the complete confidence of the workers of North Carolina by showing that it is a permanent institution in the

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South, and by its consistent fighting policy, as opposed to the class collaboration policy and the open corruption of the U. T. W.

The N. T. W. U. in Gastonia has already had four headquarters. Their first headquarters was destroyed by a masked mob a few weeks ago. The second and third headquarters were taken from them by the landlord, who refused to renew his lease. The fourth headquarters was built by the strikers' own hands, and is owned by them. The building of this headquarters, after so many difficulties encountered, has once more struck terror into the mill owners, and has proven to the workers that in spite of all difficulties and all opposition, the union is spreading and growing in the South.

The textile workers of North Carolina, in the present strike, have once more seen the strikebreaking role of the U. T. W. After the reactionary "union's" desertion of the workers in 1921, it has done nothing to better the condition of the workers. But after the Gastonia strike was in full swing, Thomas McMahon, head of the U. T. W., and his lieutenants declared that they would organize the workers into their union. The capitalist press and the mill owners heralded this announcement with great joy in large headlines.

McMahon's union then made its strikebreaking attempt and McMahon spent several days in Gastonia and surrounding territory, snooping around, sounding out the workers. He then announced in the press that he would enter the Gastonia field with his union. He made this announcement because the workers, in spite of all the help given to the capitalist press and the mill owners, declared they would run the U. T. W. organizers out of town if they continued with their strikebreaking

tactics.

At the present time, after eight weeks of struggle in the Manville-Jenckes mill in Bessemer City, Charlotte, Pineville and Lexington, the N. T. W. U. is in a stronger position than ever before, it has the confidence of the masses of the workers and its influence is daily growing. At the mass meetings between two and three thousand people attend every day. Workers in dilapidated automobiles, from both North and South Carolina visit the union headquarters daily by the dozen, contribute small sums for relief, and join the union before returning to their mills. There are 129 mills in Gaston County, and more than 70 of these the N. T. W. U. has members.

**Present Strategy.**  
For some time the N. T. W. U. has concentrated on calling a second walkout in the Manville-Jenckes mill and in spreading the strike to other mills in Gastonia. Just before I left Gastonia, a few days ago, mill committee meetings of union members had been held in a number of Gastonia mills, and we have now succeeded in calling out on strike the Dixon mill, following the discharge of some union members. The strike will probably spread in the near future to other Gastonia mills.

In the Manville-Jenckes mill itself there were in all 2,200 workers in two shifts. Of these, according to the admission of Superintendent Baugh, 1,700 of the original help are still out. Some of these have returned to the mountains and a few have obtained work in other mills. Hundreds are still actively engaged in the strike. A large number of strikebreakers have been brought from all over the South, workers being present from Texas, Georgia, North and South Carolina, Alabama, etc. Many of this outside help is inexperienced. The best workers

from the mill are the most active strikers. Many carloads of work turned out in the mill have been returned by the purchaser as unfit for use. Several small walkouts have already been engineered in the Lora mill, and a general walkout was prevented by the bosses on one occasion only by locking the doors of the various rooms in the mill, placing armed guards to prevent the workers from talking to each other and instituting a general intimidation.

Those workers who have returned to work are not to be considered ordinary scabs. Most of them are friendly to the union, attend the union meetings and declare that only starvation prevents them from joining the strikers. These are the raw elements who have never experienced a strike or have never been in a union, and who are not yet educated to understand the meaning of their strikebreaking. In some cases some members of the family are working, while others are on strike. The union is gradually teaching these workers who are sympathetic to the union and are remaining at work the meaning of union organization. A new walkout is probable in the Manville-Jenckes mill.

**New Developments.**  
The strike has gone through a number of stages and has taught the workers a number of lessons, which will be dealt with in the next article. The strike has gone through a period of terror, of court action against the workers, of police and National Guard brutality, etc. At the present time the mill owners are concentrating on working through company unions. In the Manville-Jenckes plant a company union has been organized, called a "Committee of 100," which uses the argument that the right kind of union is not objectionable, but that the N. T. W. U. is a Russian red organization, made up of foreigners and Yankees, and urging the workers to come into the company union. The N. T. W. U. has exposed this new trick of the bosses and has told of the experiences of the Northern workers with company unions.

**Grant Concessions.**  
Another result of the strike has been that various mill owners have granted slight concessions in an attempt to stem the tide of organization into the N. T. W. U. Some mills have granted a slight increase in wages, others have repaired the homes of some of the workers, and others have announced their intention to abolish night work. The Gastonia Gazette of May 29 reports that a large number of mills are abolishing night work. It is too early to predict how far the mill owners will go in this policy of granting slight concessions, many of which are only apparent concessions. However, the workers realize that those gains, however slight, have been won by the activities of the N. T. W. U. in North Carolina.

Another feature of the present situation is the fact that the union has developed local leaders, who are already beginning to act as organizers for the union, and who speak of the union policies in the language of the Southern textile workers themselves. I have heard, for example, Red Hendricks, one of the leading strikers, speak eloquently of conditions, of the necessity for the adoption of the union's policy of equality in the union, regardless of race or color.

(The next article will deal with the use of terror in the textile area.)

### Workers' Children Swelter in City



No fine beaches for these workers' children of New York City. The rich get the beaches; the children are forced to seek relief from the heat through fire hydrants. A workers republic would change that; the beaches would go to the workers.

Gleb Chumalov, Red Army Commander, who has just returned to his town, where he finds the great cement factory in ruins, the workers demoralized, and the factory committee not functioning, sets about getting things done. The workers demand work, the reconstruction of the factory and the repairing of the single track over the mountain to get wood before the winter sets in.

Gleb forces his way thru to Badin, chairman of the executive of the Soviet. Badin calls in Shramm, chairman of the Economic Council, which supplies the needed materials. The following conversation ensues:

SHRAMM'S face remained dull as before, strained and lymphatic as a eunuch's.

"The Council of Economy receives its tasks and plans from the Bureau of Industry only."

The Executive Chairman gave him a hard black look and leaned forward with his weight upon the table.

"You're hiding behind the back of the Bureau of Industry in order to shelter your Economic Council. But do you even know what's going on on the two floors of your premises? From your written reports it seems that you are doing nothing but auditing and inventories, over and over again. You've an uncountable number of departments and sub-departments with a staff of two hundred persons—but you haven't given us the smallest amount of real creative work. What are the intentions of the Economic Council for the immediate future with regard to the factories, workshops and other undertakings?"

"The Economic Council takes the position that the most important thing is firstly to conserve the patrimony of the State without tolerating any doubtful undertakings."

"How is the District Forestry Committee working?"

"I have nothing to do with that, or, rather, only indirectly. They are under my control, but they have their own apparatus."

"What data have you on the work of the Forestry Committee?"

"The plan of what wood has to be felled."

"And the delivery of the wood to the districts?"

"That is not the business of the Economic Council; that is the affair of the District Fuel Committee."

"Well then, Shramm, listen. The town, the suburbs and the transportation system must be provided with wood for the winter. We must at once get the dynamo of the factory working and install the ropeway to the top of the hill. The Economic Council must carry out this task as quickly as possible, using the machinery of the factory."

"That is not my business; that's the business of the Bureau of Industry. We cannot carry out this plan unless they sanction it."

"It is our business and not the Industrial Bureau's, and we shall execute it without their sanction."

FOR the first time a mournful expression came to Shramm's face, passing like a thin cloud, but his eyes remained glassy and unblinking as formerly.

"How much oil is assigned to the factory?"

"The deliveries are very bad. According to our statistics thirty per cent. is lost through waste. We have been compelled, with the authorization of the Bureau of Industry, to draw upon the oil reserved for the factory, which is in the tanks of the refinery, for the steam mills. With regard to the electrification of the factory and the construction of the ropeways: these items are not included in the plan of work for the year which has been approved by the Bureau of Industry. This question should first be sent for examination to the State Reconstruction Department and to the Industrial Department so that they can go into the details and draw up their estimates. Moreover, I shall myself energetically oppose these schemes, the adoption of which would only lead to the plundering of the people's money and property."

The Executive Chairman's eyes flashed.

"You're not going to speak against it. We shall know how to force you—understand! You will make your report at the next sitting of the Economic Council. And now another question: do you know that the property of the people of which you have charge is being openly plundered?"

The blood rushed to Shramm's face and a shadow passed in his eyes.

"This is unknown to me. According to the recently verified inventory everything is in order."

Badin smiled in the same way as he had smiled at District Chairman Borchi.

"Undoubtedly you are right, seeing that the Economic Council is formally committed to the point of view of the conservation of the people's property."

TERRIFIED, Shramm looked at Badin and could not grasp what the Executive Chairman was saying.

Gleb shook the ashes of his pipe into the ash-tray. The first knot, quite a little one, had been tied. The others would come after. He got up and stretched out his hand to Badin. He saw a smile in his eyes and this time it was a quiet smile without glinting points.

"Comrade Executive Chairman, this is going to rip our guts out and break our backs, but we'll get the job done!"

"Carry on, Comrade Chumalov. The question of restarting the factory will be considered within a definite period."

Gleb stood to attention before Shramm.

"Your Bureau of Industry will send it to the devil with a kick in its behind! We understand how to work it! We'll send the whole Economic Council and you with them to clean out the water-closets! Mildew and red-tape grow lush in this marsh; but we know how to dry the marsh up!"

The Chairman of the Economic Council looked at him in amazement. The blood fled from his face and the shadows in his eyes faded. His face again became soft, strained and still.

"No threats, please, Comrade. We do not accept any projects from outside. Those schemes which are sent to us, we file for posterity without examining them. We are enemies of all questionable enterprises and plans. We must cure our Comrades of their leaning to all kinds of adventures, which will be the best safeguard against disorganizing enthusiasms."

GLEB broke out laughing. Sticking his pipe into his mouth, he looked at Badin and again met a smile in the depths of his eyes.

"Our boots stink of the dust of the highways, Comrade Chairman of the Economic Council, and they are hob-nailed. Our hands are acquainted with rifles and hammers. You must realize this as a Communist. You are a Communist, but you have no knowledge of a workers' policy. You've neither smelt powder nor the sweat of working men. I don't care a damn for your apparatus. . . . You've got swarms of rats there who have sharpened their teeth on Soviet bread, easily earned. You've everything nicely cut and dried—according to hour and minute—nicely camouflaged. But we've got a good scent and good bulldog's teeth too."

The shadows passed over the eyes of Shramm again and he bowed his head.

"Comrade Badin, I demand . . ."

But Gleb did not wait to hear the answer, he went through the sunrays to the door.

And now to Shibis! No one is more needed now than Comrade Shibis.

**Eyes At Sea By Night.**

IN a small office with open window (the powerful light that streamed in was too much for the size of the room) Shibis and Gleb sat at a heavy desk. Shibis seemed to be smiling and yet not smiling—as though his face was behind gauze. It seemed a frank face, with humorous eyebrows, as though ever ready to burst into laughter. At the same time he was shrewd enough and always a little reserved. Now joy was quivering in his face and spinning webs of little wrinkles round his eyes.

"Comrade Chumalov, you can speak at once if your business is urgent, or you may wait a few moments. I just have a minute free. Say what you wish. Are you getting on well with the factory?"

"At present we're only just thinking about it and the work is still distant. We're still in the yelling stage."

Shibis was not listening. He screwed up his eyes at the impact of the warm light.

"I'm looking at the sea now. From here it looks like a soap-bubble. It's curved and the colors are so and so. . . . D'you see it? That is no dream, it is reality. It makes you long to have a bathe or stretch out on the beach. That would be nice and so simple; like getting into another dimension and becoming invisible. . . . and throw pebbles into the sea. And in the woods it's nice too. But look at the sea, how it's heaving and blue. Well, I'm here and the sea's over there. That's the way it will always be with me. Can you realize what it means; 'Forever'? This smells a bit of psychology, eh? What's your idea about psychology?"

"Let it go to the devil! Take an hour off and have a swim! What is there to stop you?"

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