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ONE DAY STRIKE FOR FUNERAL OF ELLA MAY WIGGINS!

Build Workers Defense Committees---Disarm the Fascist Thugs Who Murdered Ella May Wiggins!

The gunmen arrested for the deliberately planned murder of Ella May Wiggins will not be punished by the law. This is already indicated by the charge placed against them -not of murder, but of second degree murder or manslaughter. Note the difference: When Fred Beal and the others of the sixteen mill workers and union organizers defended themselves, the charge was murder, carrying with it automatically the death penalty and permitting no bail. On the other hand, Ella May Wiggins was murdered by mill superintendents and their gunmen who went out in automobiles heavily armed for the purpose of running down and murdering mill workers on their way to a peaceful unarmed meeting. But the guilty mill agents and gunmen-who beyond the slightest doubt committed deliberate, premeditated murder, are charged with a lighter offense and are released on bail of \$1,000, ridiculously easy for the mill owners to produce.

Add this to the fact that Governor Gardener, a rich textile mill owner, appointed Solicitor Carpenter to investigate the previous mob rampage after the victims had declared that Carpenter was one of the instigators and leaders of the mob. Add the arrest of the victims of the mob for "conspiracy to overthrow the state" with a few puny little shot guns, while everyone knows that the mill owners' superintendents and gunmen are freely roaming the streets and organizing murder expeditions armed with high powered rifles and automatic pistols. Everybody knows that the mob that flogged Wells and murdered Ella May Wiggins is still armed and still exists as a standing organization which is now only divided into smaller groups as active as ever in roaming the streets and country, trying to terrorize the

The law does not operate to stop the arming of the fascist bands. On the contrary, the whole machinery of the law helps to organize these mill owners' bands, and protects them in their crimes as shown by the fact that policemen and state prosecutors participated in the mob that flogged Wells. The machinery of the law does not restrain the criminal acts of the fascist bands, but on the contrary protects them as shown by the light treatment of the murderers of Ella May Wiggins, and as shown by the failure even to record on the police blotter the fact of the violence of the mob of last week, and as shown by the horde of "alibis" that are produced for every criminal agent of mill owners caught in crime.

No matter what temporary gestures of "fairness" may be made -such as the momentary arrest of some of the gunmen for the murder of Ella May Wiggins, followed by the shameful release on a ridiculous bond signed by the mill bossess-the workers must firmly keep in mind that the aim of the mill bosses' government is to crush the union and to railroad the defendants of Gastonia to death on the electric chair. The state legal apparatus will do nothing to punish the murderers

of Ella May Wiggins, but will seek and find some sort of false "alibis" or other excuses to realese them. The mill owners' state government will proceed to use every device to burn to death on the electric chair Fred Beal and the other

heroic mill workers who threaten the swollen profits of the mill owners who also own the state government, the courts, the police, etc. The object of the entire state apparatus remains today just the

same: The drowning of the union movement in blood, so as t unhindered in squeezing profits out of the mill workers with still more terrible pressure of the stretch-out system and starvation wages.

Why then did the police arrest a handful of the mill agents for the "slaying" (they do not even call it murder) of Ella May Wiggins? It was only an arrest "among friends." It was made only out of fear of the mass anger of the hundreds of thousands of mill workers.

Why did they release the eight workers who were under arrest for "conspiring to overthrow the state" with a half-dozen shotguns?

They released these eight workers after the nurder of Ella May Wiggins only because of fear of the anger of the n.ill workers aroused by the murder. They had not intended to do so. Such charges were not made merely to prevent these workers from attending a meeting, the charges were made with the intention of carrying them through

In the release of these eight union men from the charge of "conspiracy to overthrow the state," can be seen the result of mass pressure

Mass pressure is the only force that has done anything for the mill workers in this struggle. And mass pressure, mass action, is the only thing that will do anything for them in the future.

The workers should remember that "we are many, they are few." But our numbers will count only if we are mobilized.

From the defense of the sixteen workers on trial in the Gastonia case, there has grown a tremendous struggle of class against class. From the economic struggle in the North Carolina mills has arisen with startling rapidity a major political struggle. With equal rapidity the mill owners' government has thrown oft the mask of "democracy" and has come out with open fascist violence.

The speed of these developments proves the intensifying sharpness of the class struggle in the United States at this time and the need of mobilizations.

Every worker in every mill, factory, shop and mine must be reached with the ghastly facts of the murder of Fila May Wigginswith the call to organize!-with the call to defend the right of our class to organize and to defend itself-with the call to their working class duty of building in the mills and shops their Workers' Defense

DENTAL WORKERS Shalkan reported, about 25 non-union laboratories have signed agreements with the union More

More Days

Dental Laboratory Workers' Union call the strike. was authorized by the membership signed expressed their willingness at a meeting held last night at Irving Plaza, Irving Place and 15th St., to call a strike in several days if those laboratory owners who have not signed an agreement with the of the Strike Committee. at a meeting held last night at union refuse to do so by that time.

Those at the meeting, which was well attended, was informed that 80 Greek Needle Workers per cent of the laboratories whose agreement with the union expired Laboratory Owners' Association.

Sign Non-Union Shops. addition, Organizer Max present.

than 300 workers are affected, he added, by these agreements.

Many of the employers who have not as yet signed, requested that the union give them several more Give Employers Few days, as they were out of town on their vacations and just returned. The membership agreed to give the The Strike Committee of the authorizing the Strike Committee to

Workers in shops that have not of the Strike Committee.

The Greek Executive Board of on Sunday, have renewed them. the Needle Trades Workers Indus-They include many laboratories trial Union will meet tomorrow, which are members of the Dental right after work at 131 W. 28th St. E. Wiggins labor. to take up important questions.

Their Mother Murdered By Manville-Jenckes Mill Thugs



The five small children of Ella May Wiggins, the textile worker, active member of the National Textile Workers Union, whom mill thugs murdered as she was on her way to the mass meeting of the mill workers in South Gastonia.

NO AGREEMENT

Hit at French Army

nervous commentary on the armament question is gradually exposing the forthcoming five-power confer-

now revealed that all of Dawes' and Corporation of Gastonia.

MacDonald Delays.

which 35 will be armed with six- fense. inch guns, and 15 with eight. U. S. demands 21 cruisers carrying eightinch guns.

empire will not be satisfied with home. less than 315,000 tons of cruisers.

The MacDonald visit has been from London state.

Scrap Over Subs. have really agreed upon, according to authoritative reports from London, is a decision to face the conference with a joint statement in favor of absolute abolition of submarines.

This will never be accepted by either France, Italy, or Japan, and the argument will then begin over reduction of these countries' submarine tonnage. Here the three countries which, because of their position find subs most useful, especially against Britain or U. S., will split, as Italy claims absolute par- 21st district, arrested with seven

not readily accept this. American naval officers to have the enth Ave. and 137th St., has been Japan is said by British and largest fleet of seagoing submarines in the world, and as U. S. fears for the Philippine and Hawaiian connections, so does England McKiniry in the West 54th St. for her routes to Australia and the

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Build Up the United Front of the Working Class From the Bottom Up-at the Enterprises!

Mourn Ella M. BY FIVE POWERS Wiggins; Fight URGED ORGANIZE Fight Develops on Subs More Defiantly Read TUUL Leaflets

From various capitals continued, Statement of the ILD on Mass Funeral

ence as anything but a harmonious lowers its banners in mourning be- gans emphasized in leaflets distrib-Despite the British press' almost fighters-Ella May Wiggins-texhysterical reiteration that "accord tile mill worker of Bessemer City, parity has almost been reached North Carolina, murdered by the between U. S. and Britain," it is gunmen of the Manville-Jenckes League, an organization affiliated

Britain demands 50 cruisers, of ber of the International Labor De-

Mother of Five.

Britain claims she must have mother of five children, she strug- committees. 39,000 cruiser tonnage, and U. S. gled through the 12-hour day in the

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MOORE RELEASED KILL 16 ARABS

Richard B. Moore, Communist Party candidate for Congress in the ity with France, and France will other workers Friday night, when police broke up an open air meeting arranged by the party at Sevthree days' sentence. He was convicted by Magistrate Richard F. night court.

Rebecca Grecht, Communist Party campaign manager and candidate for assembly in the Fifth district. the Bronx: Ruth Shipman, Paul Rymorko and Steve Mesaroski were also convicted and released with (Continued on Page Two)

Workers Here to Meet Friday The membership agreed to give the bosses several more days before to Honor Ella May Wiggins

Bill Dunne, Ben Wells, Sophie Melvin Will bodies had slipped through the Brit-Address Masses: Gaston Defense Meet Also

Ella May is dead but her memory | International Labor Defense will be will not be forgotten by the work- held in Irving Plaza, at Fifteenth ing class of New York, which will St. and Irving Place, Wednesday meet Friday night in night, when further mobilization for Central Opera House, Gastonia defense and relief will

revere this martyr for which was to be held Wednesday retary of Commerce and William L. workers expressed their solidarity would go, and let me tell you there the cause of organized night, has been called off not to Cooper of New York to be Director with the textile workers . Prior to that meet- ing.

Leaders of the Joint Board will be ing, a mass joint meeting of the The joint defense and relief com- the senate today by President the whole of the mountain people is a former Loray mill employe, writes, (Continued on Page Two) Workers International Relief and

METAL STRIKERS

at Carteret, N. J.

"Organize your own union, keep the labor fakers out, get the support of the militant workers The International Labor Defense throughout the country!" were slo side the grave of one of its bravest uted to the 2,500 strikers of the U. S. Smelting & Refining Company at Carterest, N. J., yesterday morning by the Metal Workers Industrial

with the Trade Union Unity League. MacDonald's talk served merely to Among the first to join the Naexpose a discrepancy of 15,000 tons tional Textile Workers' Union and morning and throughout the day on in naval strength and armaments of to come forward as an energetic three 10,000-ton cruisers, which leader and organizer of the mill lets urged a continued fight for about the lets urged a continued fight for a conti strikers, she nevertheless found time lition of the bonus system; ten cent pay decreases time and one half for tional Textile Workers Union in Demonstration In Endless, excruciating toil had week; no discrimination against Ville-Jenckes mill thugs Saturday always been her lot. Widowed, the strikers, and recognition of factory

The strikers are urged to attend workers in South Gastonia. will have 300,000. The American mill only to find endless duties at the Metropolitan Area Trade Union Unity Conference at Irving Plaza Such courage proved dynamic in Hall, 15th St. and Irving Place, Satthe strike struggle. She was, there- urday, 1 p. m., Sept. 21. A review postponed until January, reports fore, signalled out for special per- of the strike will be a feature of secution by the mill barons and their the conference, at which workers The water in her will also report on the New Jersey The only thing U. S. and England well was poisoned. Death threats car struggle and other fights in New Jersey and New York. The official report on the Cleveland tion will also be given.

May Be Massacre

Sixteen Bedouin tribesmen, part of a larger force, revolting against released from jail after serving a the British mandate government of Palestine were killed in battle at Hattin, near the Sea of Galilee, according to press reports reaching

The British news censor permits no real details of the fighting to reach Jerusalem of the outside world, but confines itself to the statement that the Bedouin "raiders" were encountered by British military patrols, with the result stated.

There is no announcement of Brit ish casualties. May Be Merely Massacre.

While it has been known for several weeks that the desert tribes from over the Jordan were marching on Palestine, and that several h cordon along the borders, it is considered here that this story of command's y "telling of another (Continued on Page Three)

REWARDING FRIENDS. WASHINGTON, Sept. 16 (UP) .- at Gastonia, wrote to the Interna-

The nominations of Clarence M. tional Labor Defense today and, has agents here trying to get us at Third Ave. and take place.

The nominations of Clarence M. tional Labor Defense today and, has agents here trying to get us Sixty-seventh St., to The needle trades conference, Young of Iowa to be Assistant Sec- with hundreds of thousands of other to scab for the mill and not a man conflict with the joint mass meet of the Bureau of Foreign and "The general talk here in the here." Domestic Commerce were sent to mountains is all about Gastonia and "Let me know," this mountaineer, backing the National Textile Work-Hoover,

COMMUNIST PARTY AND UNION CALL FOR MASS PROTEST, WORKERS' DEFENSE COMMITTEES, DISARMING OF FASCISTS Wave of Indignation Against Mill Bosses' Murderers Forces Judge to

Dismiss Sedition Indictment's Against Eight Organizers

Evidence of Eye Witnesses Shows Murder of Woman Organizer Was Premeditated, Planned and Carried Out by Mill Bosses

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Sept. 16 .- Ben Wells, just able to leave his bed after being flogged last Monday night by mill owners' thugs, appeared in court today to identify his assailants and Judge Shaw ruled out his testimony because Wells said he did not believe in god.

GASTONIA, N. C., Sept. 16 .- The funeral tomorrow of Ella May Wiggins will be the occasion of such a mass protest as has been seldom seen anywhere against the murderous campaign of the mill owners who try to stop the National Textile Workers' Union from organizing, and who resort to attempts at lynching, to court trials with electrocution of the workers in view. and to deliberate and planned assassination, like the murder of this woman textile organizer on the road from Bessemer City to Gastonia, when mill thugs broke up the union mass meeting.

Ten thousand leaflets calling for a one-day protest strike against the murderous mill owners' campaign of terror, calling for mass protest at the funeral of Ella May against the murder-terror of the Manville-Jenckes company and its state authorities, demanding the disarmament of the fascist terror bands, and calling on the workers to organize their own defense units in all mills, have been issued.

A new drive of the National Textile Workers' Union is beginning. It is an intensive campaign for 100 per cent organization of the textile industry of the South.

"Every mill worker into the National Textile Workers' Union," and "Every class conscious worker into the Communist Party," are slogans of the leaflet, which is signed by Hugo Oehler, southern organizer of the N. T. W., and by Bill Dunne, organizer for the

Chicago Streets

demonstration against the murder

of Ella May Wiggins, active fighter

for the National Textile Workers'

Union on the Gastonia battlefront

where she was trapped and killed

by mill thugs Sunday, rallied hun-

dreds of Chicago workers to the

Relief Committee at Washington

Under banners denouncing the

terrorism against the strikers and

Y. C. L. Demonstrates.

MONESSON, Pa., Sept. 16.-

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Build Up the United Front of

"The Manville-Jenckes Company

is some sure that needs work up

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slogans of the Gastonia Defense and

CHICAGO, Ill., Sept. 16 .- A mass

Victim of Mill Thugs



Ella May Wiggins, one of the hour day and 44 hour week, with no most active members of the Naovertime for all workers; pay every Bessemer City, murdered by Manwhile she was on her way to attend a mass demonstration of mill

Trade Union Unity League conven- More Mass Arrests of Square yesterday. Workers in Manchuria savage murder and the organized

(Wireless by Inprecorr) -Commenting on the Chiang Kai- scene of the demonstration. British Call It Fight; Railway and the Manchuria situation be held tomorrow at the People's to jail, the police having found to be held tomorrow at the People's to jail, the police having found tion, Pravda declares that the Nan- Auditorium, 2457 W. Chicago Ave. some shotguns in the house. Judge king militarists are engaged in cardsharping.

Nanking refuses to recognize Article VI of the Peking agreement concerning the non-toleration of or- Denouncing mill boss terror against ganizations making hostile propa- the Gastonia textile strikers, hunganda against the parties to the dreds of young workers demonagreement (China and the U. S. strated for the immediate release S. R.). The Chinese militarist gov- of the prisoners at Donner and ernments are deliberately intensi- Fifth Ave. yesterday. fying the conflict, says Pravda, Police arrested Joe Tash, national hoping for the promised interference of the powers of the League of

Pravda points out the political the Working Class From the Bot-(Continued on Page Two)

"We're Behind Union, ILD,"

Writes Carolina Mountaineer

Mountain People Rapidly Learn Lessons of

Bitter Class War in Carolina

The mountaineers of North Caro-jers Union and the International La-

lina, rapidly learning the lessons of bor Defense to the limit," the moun-

the furious class war being waged taineer writes.

and arrest of eight N.T.W.U. organizers last Thursday on charges of conspiring to overthrow the government of North Carolina merely a campaign of the state and county authorities to make easier such murders of unarmed workers as that of Ella May Wiggins Saturday, or such lynching outrages as that against Wells, Saylor and Lell Monday of the same week, WORKERS ASSAL for the case against the eight organizers to be nolle prossed,

CHARLOTTE, N. C., Sept. 16.—Facing the indignation

of thousands of textile workers, who see in the disarmament

the city solicitor today asked and charges against them were

No Charge At First. The men arrested last week and charged with sedition, all released



C. M. LELL.

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Sept. 16. aded through the streets to the today are: C. M. Lell, C. D. Saylor (two of those attacked by the lynchshek government's answer to the Taking advantage of the mass re- ers Monday night), Dewey Martin, Soviet Union's proposed alterations sponse to the intensified fight Tom Gibson, Taylor Shytle, Edward in the text of the joint declarations against the Gastonia railroading, Rich, Paul Shepard, and George proposed by Chiang in regard to the local defense committee is mobtle control of the Chiang Faston the seizure of the Chinese Eastern ilizing for another protest meeting been entered and they were taken



C. D. SAYLOR.

Shaw the next day informed the city solicitor that they would have to be dismissed unless a charge was made against them. Possessions is not illegal in North Carolina.

Thereupon the solicitor produced the famous warrant, charging them with attempting the overthrow of the government by conspiring to hold the South Gastonia meeting Saturday, for the purpose of disseminating Communists.

Press reports from Gastonia describe the thugs identified and ar-(Continued on Page Three)

WORKERS HERE TO HONOR ELLA **WIGGINS FRIDAY**

Skid Road, Seattle, Sends Defense Aid

(Continued from Page One) mittee reports \$750 has been received from Bakers' Local, No. 3, of the A.F.W.

Among the speakers at the Central Opera House Friday night will be Bill Dunne, Ben Wells, Sophie Melvin, and other organizers.

Skid Road, Seattle, Washington, where all unemployed workers on the West Coast turn up at some time or another, has heard of Gastonia and shown its indignation with a collection of \$50.

Mother Ella Reeve Bloor, who spoke before the unemployed and impoverished workers, declared their response was splendid. Her telegram from Seattle declares, "Sending you \$50 from workers of Skidway Road. Seattle, to the brave Gastonia fighters. If you need me at any time at Gastonia," she writes, "you know that I am ready."

The mobilization of the nation's workers, young and old, is rapidly increasing, for the mass collection days September 21 and 22, and the entire campaign of the Gastonia

and the Brooklyn Workers Soccer class. League.

Fifty dollars was received today from the Shelton Weavers' Club, of New Haven, Conn.

An intensified campaign among ficialdom of the union, yesterday must be exposed as such and all U., 764 40th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. organize, to fight wage cuts, to betfeatured developments among the support should be given to the

business agents of the Amalga-mated, while the other pressers all lyn, N. Y. received a \$2 cut in their wages.

A feature of the ship's somewhat the ex-marine's vacated crown. radical design is that the pilot can increase or decrease the lift of the wings by changing the curvature in about the heavies one of the year's

Latin-American Electoral Ball.

The Spanish Bureau is arranging an election campaign rally and ball for Saturday, Sept. 28, 8:30 p. m., at the Harlem Casino, 116th St. and Lenox Ave. Latin-American dances and songs, Negro jazz band. Leading Communist Party candidates will speak. Admission 75 cents.

10th Anniversary Celebration.

Williamsburg.





Training youth as future killers for Wall Street. Wall Street starts them young for use in future imperialist warfare, as this photo of a group of American Sky Cadets, learning how to bomb from the

Sports of All Sorts

Anti-Labor Elements Unite in Struggle Against by the armed thugs of the Penn- and economic situation in Man- and if it has my place in the de- lutionary trade unions. They stand lutionary trade unions. They stand Labor Sports Union

other renegades of the Labor Sports boxers have proved their ability in At the preliminary youth confer- Unions, unable to deceive the work- past performances and are known

ence for Gastonia held yesterday in ers with the radical phrases and for their courage. Workers' Club, Brownsville Youth in building up a so-called labor dock is three inches shorter. Center, Williamsburg Truly Friends sports movement. A provisional Yet, regardless which of the two victims. Section committee consisting of Palm, Uur- wins, the other will not lose as the Downtown Workers' Club, Unista tamo, Frank Strunc, Clarence O. promoters are paying a handsome gins, remember the 16 strikers and on the Chinese Eastern Railroad, gins, remember the 16 strikers and on the Chinese Eastern Railroad, and charging them with "sabotage." National Textile Workers' Union, tion of this committee clearly shows performance. Harlem Progressive Youth Club, that it is an enemy of the working

This committee continues to mas-

The United States.

With the intensification of the itself against the attacks of fascists, police and other anti-labor elements. The real meaning of "Gastonia!" two formist forces are using every police and other anti-labor elements. formist forces are using every More support should be given the days of protest demonstrations, From Tailor Shop With

Aid of Amalgamated

formist forces are using every means possible in fighting the work-ing class in the interest of the strengthening of the only Labor Three pressers of the Superior Fashion Clothing Co., Fifth Ave. and 14th St., were discharged with the L. S. U. should write to Walter the permission of the right wing Burke. See'y, at 764 40th St., Brooks that are interested in sports and are not yet members of the L. S. U. should write to Walter physical instructors as well as those preparing to call a conference.

The International Labor Defense lease of the prisoners, and telling of their activities in the campaign of the grave of Ella May Wiggins, at the grave of Ella May Wiggins, the physical instructors as well as those preparing to call a conference.

The International Labor Defense of the grave of Ella May Wiggins, at the grave of Ella May Wiggins, at

Boxing Notes.

The coming bout between Compolicy of the company union, the T. U. U. L. is arranging a mass meeting which will be held shortly. It is also launching a drive for \$5,000 to building the Amalgamated Section. T. U. U. L. collections will be taken in the shops by the structors for the growing labor spring structors for the growing labor spring much to clear up the muddle in the project should communicate with J. Raskow, chairman of Technical Committee, 764 40th St., Brooklyn, N. Y.

Shoe Union Official Sentenced to 1 D is also communicate with J. Raskow, chairman of Technical Committee, 764 40th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. will be taken in the shops by the shop delegates of the Amalgamated succeeded in pounding Tom Heeney

With all the noise going around

Intl. Branch 1. Section 8.

Meets Wednesday, Sept. 18, 8:30 p.
m., at 154 Watlins St., Brooklyn.

Unit 10F, Section 2.

Meets Wednesday, Sept. 18, at 1179 Broadway.

Communist Activities

The 10th Anniversary of the Communist Party of the U. S. A. will be celebrated Friday, Sept. 20, 8 p. m., at Miller's Assembly, Havermeyer and Grand St., Brooklyn. Prominent speakers; entertainment; admission free, Auspices of Section 6, C. P., and the Young Communist League of Williamsburg.

Meets Wednesday, Sept. 18, at W. 23th St. and Mermaid Ave., Coney Island, Executive at 8 p. m.; membership meeting at 9 sharp.

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Workers Dramatic Groups.

The district agitprop department calls all members of the Party and the League who belong to workers framatic groups to a meeting it is a section 3.

Meets Thursday, Sept. 19, 6 p. m. at 1179 Broadway.

All the reformist anti-labor ele-| overlooked. The bout of Oct. 2, bements are joining their forces in a struggle against the only labor struggle against the only labor. Thus the turning of mine owners. Thus the turning of the thugs brought in by the parasite copper mine owners. Thus the turning of the thugs brought in by the parasite copper ists from the League of Nations is and strengthen the Daily Worker and strengthen the Daily Worker and Freiheit. Our enemies want and Freiheit. Our enemies want and Freiheit. Joint Defense and Relief Campaign ica. Palm, Uurtamo and several quite an interesting affair. Both the Labor Sports Union of Amer- the two boxers, should prove to be

Irving Plaza, at which Dave Mates being bankrupt as far as having any

The bantam division has never Wiggins shall not have died in vain. read the organizational plans, the organization is concerned, have now produced two fighters like these be- A thousand local defense units following youth organizations were enlisted the support of the socialist fore. Both of them are as tall as should spring up the nation over in represented, East Side Workers' party, the I. W. W., the Muste group an average middleweight. Brown her name. Tens of thousands of Culture Club, Bronx Hungarian and all the other anti-labor forces is five feet and eleven inches, Bal-

Labor Sports Union Notes.

The object of this committee is "to unite all sports and physical culture organizations and to affiliate ture organizations and to affiliate to the Lucerne (Socialist) Sports Union. But it will be to the Lucerne (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the committee in the committee in the object of this committee is "to unite all sports and physical culture organization and to affiliate to the Lucerne (Socialist) Sports Union. But it will be to ni a Prisoners," Mecklenberg Labor Sports Union. But it will be to the Lucerne (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the committee in the object of this committee is "to unite all sports and physical culture organization addressed to the Gastley County Jail, Charlotte, North Carolina (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the committee in the object of this committee is "to unite all sports and physical culture organizations and to affiliate to the Lucerne (Socialist) Sports to the County Jail, Charlotte, North Carolina (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing that will help the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the kind of boxing the county Jail (Socialist) Sports the

posses. The Second and Third Con- At the present time the L. S. U. homes, on the streets, in the work vention of the Labor Sports Union is planning to start a drive to build shops and at factory gates. the members of the Amalgamated of America, with headquarters in up an organizational fund of \$1,000 Workers! Southern textile labor Clothing Workers' Union by the New York, the real Labor Sports so that it may be able to send out must be defended in its struggle to Amalgamated Section, Trade Union Union affiliated to R. S. I., clearly organizers in the field. All organ-defend itself against the murderous work there. I am willing to go at Unity League and a continuation of exposed the role of the reformists izations, trade union, fraternal and onslaughts of the fascist "Black any time." the policy of betrayal of the work- in the labor sports movement. The benevolent, should contribute to this Hundreds" of the mill owners; it His letter follows hundreds from ers' interests by the reactionary of- Palm, Uurtamo gang of traitors fund. Send all donations to L. S. must be supported in its efforts to workers and their organizations

Instructors' Conference.

To fight against the sell-out The coming bout between Com- course so as to develop more in-

Track and Field Meet. BUILD PLANES FOR "PEACE." to the canvas. Heeney was about The Toverit Athletic Club of played out as a contender anyway. Jamaica, N. Y., will hold a track and Dan Palter shoe factory, 151 W. MITCHELL FIELD, L. I., Sept.

On the other hand Scott, in his past performances, proved that he had performances had performances being performances. The performances had performances had performances had performances had performances had performanced by the performance had performed by the performance h conducted here with a new cabin monoplane known as Alfaro, built by a Cleveland Aeronautical de
where tests are being performances, proved that he had everything but a fighter's heart. Victory of either over the other therefore will not help much in response the number of contenders for the number of co ducing the number of contenders for pole vault and 100 meter dash. whether they are citizens, and sim-Women and juniors, three events.

Discus throw, high jump and 60

Capt. Brady, of the 10th precinct, suspended sentences. Mesaroski was riciously heaten when arrested and most interesting fights is being Entries should be sent to Paul unionist had interfered with the With blood. The charges against unionist had interfered with the Recognition of three miles will also be lied. 173rd St., Jamaica, N. Y.

> Soccer Banquet Success. The joint banquet of the W.S.A. torney for Zimmerman. Meets Wednesday, Sept. 18, 6:30 p. m., at 253 Atlanitc Ave. to discuss the Arabian revolt in Palestine, Nonmembers invited. An open air meeting in the Arabian section will follow.
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> (Soccer Section of L.S.U.) Metropolitan Soccer League and the combined Referees Group, held last night in the Czecho-Slovak hall, was a hig success. Over 150 soccer. night in the Czecho-Slovak hall, was a big success. Over 150 soccer was a big success. Over 150 soccer players and officers attended. The Union Demands Today poned until today, when they came banquet was arranged to present awards for the winners of the Na-

Unit 12. Section 3.

Meets today, 6:30 p. m., at 1179 plans are being laid to hold another in the near future. At this banin the near future. At this banAccording to Cohen, picket line quet a collection was taken for the have been established throughout

Statement of the ILD on Mass Funeral

(Continued from Page One) on last Saturday, she joined her comrades to demonstrate in the mass meeting of the National Textonia. This act required heroism. She knew the assassins of the mill life of a great city. barons' "Black Hundred" would try to stop the meeting. But she did not falter.

Killed Immediately.

The death bullet that pierced her frail body blotted out life almost instantaneously: Yet the memory of her will spur workers to greater and more courageous deeds in the

gins recalls that of Fannie Sellins, met, Michigan, victims of the thugs king is growing. of the working class.

name for the defense of class war

Club, Young Communist League, Senior and Sam Gordon, of the sosum of money to each of them. The organizers still facing death in the organizers still facing death in the Continuous arrests, with over Metropolitan Workers Soccer cialist party of Chicago, and J. Mar- real losers will be those who pay electric chair; that seven facing long League, Youth Committee of the tinek of Cleveland. The composition their hard-earned cash to watch the terms, the others facing the trumped up charges of sedition. Send camps, prey to disease, starved, torthese telegrams of greetings and tured, and murdered one by one, is resolutions of protest from your or-Boxing will play a big role in the ganization addressed to the "Gas- ers in Manchuria.

to build up fighters for the class Workers! Push forward to the querade as the Labor Sports Union of the United States.

struggle and not to enrich promotres. The working class needs strong ory and to the honor of our martyr-

living.

the permission of the right wing Burke, Sec'y. at 764 40th St., Brook-that are interested in furthering greater defiance, greater will to mass collection days Sept. 21 and business agents of the Amalgaathletics, for the purpose of work- struggle against employing class 22 are: Memphis, Tenn.; Sulphur ing out definite plans to start a tyranny, with greater energy than Springs, Fla.; Buffalo, N. Y.; Suthree months' physical instructor's ever in defense of class war fighters. perior, Wis.; the Sovo Farmer Labor

pendent Shoe Workers Union was sentenced to one day in jail yesterday by Magistrate Louis B. Brodsky in Jefferson Market Court.

Sixty garage owners, members of ket court. tional Cup Comeptition and for win- the Garage Association, will today Robert Minor, editor of the Daily ning teams of the three divisions of grant the demands of the striking Worker; Abraham Markoff of the the M. W. S. L. It also served members of the Garage Washers Anti-Fascist League, Walter Burke as a rallying point for mobilizing and Polishers Union, according to a and Lena Cherninko were released forces for a struggle against the statement issued last night by Her- on \$25 bail each, while the bail for soccer organizations, the man Cohen, president of the union. Nick Aconomos was \$100. Four-USFA and for the building of the Fifteen hundred members of the teen others were released in the leagues for the present soccer sea- union employed in 300 Bronx gar- custody of Buitenkant, I. L. D. atages went on strike Friday, demand- torney. Due to the success of this affair ing recognition of the union, a nine hour day and a minimum wage scale

Fraternal Organizations Workers Sports magazine, which is the Bronx. One picket, he added, carrying on a campaign for funds. The collection totaled \$26.53.

Volunteer Plumber.

Plumber wanted for volunteer work. See Comrade Pasternack at the District Office, 26 Union Square.

The United Council of Working Women will hold a general membership to all interested in this work. For information write J. Grimm, 36 Park Ave., New York.

The United Council of Working Women will hold a general membership meeting on the Palestine upplies the workers Center, 26 Union Square.

The Weinstone will speak in English; good Yiddish speakers; questions and discussion to follow. Open to U.C.W.W. members only. All are requested to be present.

Spartneus Film League.

Volunteer Plumber.

Plumber wanted for volunteer wanted for the local. A committee was elected to investigate the local's activities. It brought back a Cord water wanted for what the investigation would bring out, the reactionary group removed Daniels from office to prevent him from testifying against the moved Daniels from office to prevent him from testifying against the moved Daniels from office to prevent him from testifying against the moved Daniels from office to prevent him from testifying against the moved bring of what the investigation would bring out, the reactionary group removed Daniels from office to prevent him from testifying against the moved days at the local. A committee was elected to investigate the local's activities. It brought do what the investigation would bring out, the reaction of wanter wanted was

MOURN ELLA MAY Something New in Film Art NEEDLE WORKERS WIGGINS; FIGHT "The Man with the Camera" FAVOR BAZAAR

A NEW picture from the U. S. S. You see the crowd gather at the moving picture theatre, see the film tributed by Amkino, is running at placed in the projecting machine, The Film Guild Cinema, The at- see the orchestra poised, bow on tempt is made in this picture to ad- string, ready to start, and then the and the End of St. Petersburgh, Moscow awakening, rising, washing Supporting Affair for where masses, open country and sea- its face and brushing its teeth, goscope, cloul effects, machines are ing to work, and the various sorts made to tell part of the story, by of work-ranging all the way from were often directed at her. Finally appropriate camera angles. In the the job of physicians and nurses in Morning Freiheit Bazaar is voiced present production, "The Man With an obstetrical ward (heavily cen- in a statement issued last night by The Camera," subtitles are avoided sored in America!) to the heaviest the Trade Union Unity League of altogether, and the story is told by sort of muscular effort, and all the Local tile Workers' Union at South Gas- a series of short views of the dif- grares of skill. The picture even Trades Workers Industrial Union. ferent aspects of the multitudinous finds a little time for the amuse-

(Continued from Page One)

militarists.

The United Press correspondent in new members should enroll in her government there has issued a communique declaring that it has or- terwall of black water. dered extensive arrests of Soviet Union citizens formerly employed Continuous arrests, with over 2,000 in prisons and concentration the fate already of the Soviet work-

BEHIND I. L. D

Endorse Organization That Defends Them

(Continued from Page Ons) "when you need me for any kind of

list of resolutions demanding the re-Club of Frederick, S. Dakota; Marshfield, Ore.; Mass, Michigan; Scheka, Minn.; Racine, Wis.; As-Sentenced to 1 Day toria, Ore.; and many other industrial and agricultural districts.

The majority of the workers in these sections are holding mass protest meetings, mobilizing for the mass collection days Sept. 21 and 22, building nited front committees in their shops, mills and mines to save the defendants from lynching or le-

Served Three Days

meter jump. A special cross country was the chief witness against Zim- viciously beaten when arrested and run of three miles will also be held. merman. He charged that the shoe was brought into court all covered Ahola, Sec'y. Toverit A. C., 87-88 police, while actually Zimmerman Rose Rubin, Ann Collins and Ethel was manhandled by Brady, who Shipman were dismissed. Jacques threw him out of the factory office. Buitenkant, representing the Inter-Jacques Buitenkant, appeared as at- national Labor Defense, appeared in court as attorney for the arrested workers.

the Mexican consulate were post- Star of "Czar Ivan the Terrible" up for a hearing in Jefferson Mar-

Open Air Meetings

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esting things in it. You can par- reported that they are preparing to ticipate in the development of a new have a large assortment of ladies' art-by helping to build up a pub- coats and suits at the bazaar. They The other items on the bill will tions and fittings will be done by

"Only the Communist Party stood But in spite of a noble effort, your staunchly with us, suffered with us reviewer is of the opinion that much throughout our struggles. The fore this technique is perfected correct line of struggle. The Com-

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ter its pitifully low standard of the cities represented in the long

Israel Zimmerman, of the Inde-

missed when arraigned in magis-

vance on the technique of Potemkin picture comes. It is a picture of ment worker.

improvement will have to come be- Communist Party showed us the This picture is still mostly a curi-osity, in which the man with the with us and bled together with us. camera eems to be trying more than anything else to put his machclass struggle until emancipation is More Mass Arrests of usual position. Perhaps I am lacking in real artistic appreciation, but Daily Worker and the Morning Workers in Manchuria a picture of the underside of a moving train still looks just like the underside of a moving train to me, with us and help us build the revosylvania steel mill owners; with the churia is worsening rapidly, and velopment of the story or impressivith us in all our struggles against women and children who died in the because of that, the Mukden gov- sion this film is apparently trying our enemies. They will stay with Christmas (1913) disaster at Calu- ernment's dissatisfaction with Nan- to carry (which even I can feel at us in our struggles yet to come. pages in labor's history reveal the illusory, says Pravda. The Work- think of a migratory workers' life, to crush them. We must rally them sacrifice of the women and children ers of the U. S. S. R. maintain their but they soon become tiresome. The old position, says Pravda, that they same with photographing bits of Tre International Labor Defense are for peace if possible, but are machinery. The man in whose own pledges itself before the working well prepared to reject all attacks field these particular machines are by imperialists and the Chinese not used, feels that some fool trick Garden to be held Oct. 3, 4, 5 and is being played on him-at least I 6, for the benefit of these two pafelt that way, until I saw the ink pers must be made a success. The rollers of an old style press-just dressmakers, together with all other Mukden, Manchuria, wires that the the ink rollers-right after and evi- workers must make sure the success dently suggested by a long low wa- of this bazaar.

> are interes'ing, but I like Potemkin and The End of St. Petersburg for the Bazaar Journal. We must and The End of St. Petersburg. Maybe later, when the language of machinery is clearer, we will all see things in "The Man With a Camera" which I, at least, miss now. Not that you shouldn't go to see

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office Workers Meet.

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French Troops Rushing to Occupy Rhineland Territory Evacuated by the British

OVERTURE TO WIN **GERMAN SUPPORT**

French Follow Opposite Or "Firm" Policy

WIESBADEN, Germany, Sept. 16. -The main body of British troops occupying this territory are ready to depart for England today, in accordance with Minister Snowden's declaration at the Hague conference to discuss the Young Plan.

As was intimated at that time, the French command has issued notice that French troops will immediately move into this zone, and hold it until next June, according to the letter of the terms of the Young Plan

Make It Headquarters.

It is also announced here that the Inter-Allied High Commission, the administration body of the occupied zone, will move to Wiesbaden from

This is apparently, and is accepted here, as illustrating the growing antagonism between British and French imperialism; the British making a gesture to win German support, while the French take the opposite alternative, and stick to

Red Aid Mobilizes For lows: Victims of Jugo-Slav

(Wireless by Inprecorr) MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Sept. 16-The executive committee of the Intenational Red Aid has issued an appeal against the barbarities of the Jugo-Slav military fascist dictatorship, declaring that the militarists no longer mask with the farce of "justice," their intention to annihiliate revolutionary elements, but are resorting to outright murder. Killing of workers' leaders is going on systematically in public places, on the streets, and even in the victims' homes.

Ten thousand workers are imprisoned, and 16 workers have been murederd recently. The I. R. A. appeals to interna-

tional solidarity to defend the Jugo-Slav workers.

> (Wireless by Inprecorr) Hunger Strike in Warsaw.

WARSAW, Poland, Sept. 16 .-A hundred political prisoners are on a hunger strike in the notorious give color to a probable line of de- ganizer fellows and I reckon the Wronki prison. They started the fense by the murderers, that there rest of the 22 folks in that truck strike on Sept. 14 to force improved was some kind of fight, or that the went for the same reason."

Ready Next Month to tional Labor Defense.

ibles in construction at the Good- forms of "investigating" this latest cussings. year plant, which will embody outrage, perpetrated by his fellows experts of the British labor party Despite the unfavorable condibelieved it then. extraordinary features. Use Over Egypt.

stantial than the German style, with at and hunted "like rabbits." she may take with a load of bombs. testified before the coroner's jury.

FIRST RHINE WITHDRAWALS he decisions at the Hague Confer- shot and killed me!"



Fresh from his victories for British imperialism at the Hague reparations conference, Philip Snowden, chancellor of the exchequer in the British labor government, is shown here with his fellowcabinet members, Foreign Secretary Arthur Henderson (left) and William Graham (right).

The value of the labor government to the tottering British empire was again indicted by the chorus of unqualified press approval lavished on Snowden when he pounded the table at the Hague conference and at the eleventh hour won 85 per cent of Britain's

NO AGREEMENT DAY STRIKE FOR ELLA MAY

Fascist Bands

(Continued from Page One) rested, undoubtedly for whitewash- ciple of reduction and limitation to ing later, for they are held only on personnel and material, whether of manslaughter charges and are released on \$1,000 bonds each, sup- limitation of the strength of any

I. M. Sossman, a mill boss at Man-ville-Jenckes; Will Lunchford, a mill either directly or indirectly, by Military White Terror foreman, who watched his men shoot into the fleeing group of getary limitation, or both; fourth, unionists until he thought it better recognition of competent internaenough shooting, boys."

Troy Jones, who sued the union for "alienating the affections of his wife, although she published a statement that he was a scab, and she cluding France and her military would not on her own account go allies, will never accept the prinback to him. He also tried to bomb ciple of the imitation of trained reunion speakers and threatened to serves. The United States, Engblow up its headquarters.

for Manville-Jenckes.

and thus sprung th etrap for the vention must be left to the "good political rights because they conmurder of Ella May. He is one faith" of the nations, that is, U. S. ducted a demonstration by singing We should fight with the United of 100 and he had others of them treaty. in his car.

With them was arrested, on the same charge, George Lingerfelt, the we'd go down there this Saturday KILL 16 ARABS

Bulwinkle For Defense. Lingerfelt was evidently held to "I 'lowed to hear on of the oroverturning of the truck caused the organizer's death. Lingerfelt was our organizer—had been a-telling British Call It Fight;

British Super "Zeps" represented by R. F. Sigmon and H. us a lot about what might happen. L. Kiser, attorneys for the Interna- but we warn't honing for trouble," Major A. Z. Bulwinkle, attorney Overawe Her Colonies for the Manville-Jenckes mill and "They said if the law don't promember of the prosecution staff in tect you, protect yourself, but I tribesmen or peasants gathered in LONDON, Sept. 16.-While the Gastonia case trial of 16 work- warn't prepared for fighting. No- a village, by artillery and airplane British and American empires spar ers on charges of murder, was de- body in the truck had any guns. warily over cruiser strength, they fense counsel for all the thugs. "We got to Gastonia and the mob go right ahead with the more im- Solicitor Carpenter of Gastonia, in automobiles turned us back. They

portant lines of naval competition. identified as leader of a lynch gang hollered, Got going' and we headed being partially suspended its exten-As in answer to the U. S. anthat tried to kill Wells, Saylor and
nouncement of two enormous dirigLell last Tuesday, went through the
a-chasing us and pestering us with
a campaign against the Arabian

government are boasting that their tions for truth caused by the pres-"R-100" and "R-101" will be ready ence of Carpenter as prosecutor, evifor testing at the end of the month dence of the witnesses showed a away and was a-hitting it up. Mrs. The Mirror prints these faked and will also be super-Zeps, with clear case of planned murder, the Wiggins and Mary Goldsmith was photos in spite of the fact, that capworkers in the truck being trapped a-standing by me in the truck. italist news dispatches from Paleswith automobiles, their truck About right then a Essex car came tine last week stated that an in-They are thicker and more sub- wrecked, and the unionists then shot whizzing past us and stopped right vestigation of those killed was made

greater cruising radius. They carry | Charles Shope, one of the riders | "We couldn't stop, so hit it smack | Jewish and Arabian doctors, who re-100 passengers, instead of 20, as in in the truck, which was taking over in the rear. Then, bang went a gun. ported that the charges of the Zionthe Graf Zeppelin. The R-101 has 20 Bessemer City mill workers to Mrs. Wiggins shouted, 'Lord'a- ists that the Jews had been mutilheavy oil engines, to save quantity the South Gastonia meeting, accord- mercy, they done shot and killed ated was false. of fuel, and will be tested on a ing to the report of the New York me!' I caught her and Roy Carflight to Egypt and India, a flight Times Correspondent in Gastonia, penter helped me hold her up.

sleeves. There were blood stains in gang of men with rifles and shot-LONDON, Sept. 16 .- The first his shirt and trousers for "Miss guns shooting every which-away. British soldiers withdrawn from the Ella May," as he called the slain Some of the boys started running Party must not be allowed to sup- their Zionist allies. Rhineland came into London yes- woman, had fallen into his arms, across the cotton patch and the men terday. It is intended, in line with crying, "Lord-a-mercy, they done was a-gunning for them. I reckon

ence, to withdraw more French and "I heard it discussed at Bessemer shots fired. British troops next month. Ger- City Friday night at a union meet- "After we got Mrs. Wiggins in a many is paying extra for them to ing," testified Shope, "that there house across the road I got going was a-going to be a big meeting home."

Coblenz, after the British troops go. Call for Disarming Fight Develops on Subs Hit at French Army

"First, application of the prinland, sea or aerial forces; second, plied by the mill companies, as fol- force, either by limitation of its numbers or · period of training or enumeration, or indirectly by budupon the execution of the disarmament convention.'

Hot Resistance.

European conscript nations, inland, Italy, Japan and other lead-Lowrey Davis, a hireling of Man- ing nations will never accept inter- lant-Counturier, editor of L'Human-Theodore Simms, an office worker ment of a disarmament convention.

an we-all went.

"Well, Mr. A. W. Williams-he's he continued.

Nobody Around.

features unheard of before in Zep- in the Manville-Jenckes Committee shot up,' one of them hollered. To its Zionist ally. Yesterday's issue pelin construction. The aviation of 100, and his business associates. tell you the carned truth I never of the Mirror published several

The Ambush.

in front.

"I warn't much skeered till I He took the stand in his shirt looked out in th efield and saw a there must ha' been forty or fifty

ENGLAND MAKES Serves Empire Through Labor Government MAJORITY FOR FARMERS HAVE Morrisania Milk Drivers COMMUNIST BLOC A NOTHER BAD IN FRENCH C.G.T.U. YEARINN. DAKOTA

Holding Congress

(Wireless By Inprecorr) PARIS, France, Sept. 16 .- The

mmittee for the congress.) ed report concerning the majority policy in the C. G. T. U. in the pres-

Struggles Are Political. Gitton declared that all struggles of the workers are in the last resort of a poltical character. He exposed the treacherous role of the reformist leaders and appealed to the minority to abandon its oppositional attitude, because it object-

ively assists the bourgeoisie. Gitton closed by saying that the C. G. T. U. would form a united bloc with the Communist Party as the advance guard of the proletariat.

When discussion opened the minfull opportunity to defend themto give the command: "That's tional authority to watch and report selves and their struggle against what they called the "domination by willing to loan money on this grain and it is inconceivable with the the Communist Party" and the "sup- and raise the slogan "hold your fact for him to leave such a soft pression of trade union democracy. The matter will be discussed fur-

> Persecute Prisoners. (Wireless by Inprecorr.)

PARIS, France, Sept. 16 .- Vail- of holding their grain. against official chicanery.

NEAR GALILEE

May Be Massacre

(Continued from Page One)

The Daily Mirror, has for the time masses who are fighting for libera-"'You fellers are going to get tion from British imperialism and "Well, sir, we got bout five miles violent action against the Arabians. ist party.

by a joint committee of English,

Hates Communists.

United Federation Is Farmers Union Wants to Bleed Them

(By Farmer Correspondent.) WATFORD CITY, N. D.-Last Fifth Congress of the Confederacion year there were practically no com-Generale de Travaille Unitaire (the bines in this county (McKenzie). militant French labor movement This year at least 100 combines are center, as distinguished from the in operation, cutting and threshing right wing C. G. T.) opened here wheat and other grain. Most of the yesterday. The imprisoned French farmers are going to have a big vorkers were elected as honorary time paying for these machines. Bepresidium (or managing executive sides combines a hundred or more tractors lave also been bought by Delegate Gitton delivered a detail- farmers of this county this year.

The yield of wheat right here is ent situation, which he analysed as averaging 12 to 16 bushels per acre. one of serious economic crisis, and Still fields are very spotted, and it intensification of class struggle, ra- is certain, with prevailing prices, tionalisation, persecution, and the that the farmers will not make anything on this crop.

There is a good deal of talk by Farmers' Union leaders that farmers should hold their grain for a higher price. This means nothing A. F. L Misleader because few farmers can hold it off the market, and if they do they have to go to the expense of storing the grain and paying interest on the loans they must make against it.

The Farmers' Union leaders, however, are anxious to sell grain tanks to the farmer because this means McLaughlin, a delegate, astounded bigger business for them, and they the membership by declining to be ority delegates present were given loans being backed up by state law "organize the Plumbers Helpers." in North Dakota and Montana. It is casy to see why the banks are a delegate of Local 1 for 13 years

wheat for a higher price." Former Governor Walter Mad- week. After such a long time of dock of North Dakota, a servant of taking it easy it is rather imposbanks, talks to the farmers over the and use his tools, radio about the "value" to farmers

national control for the enforce- ite, organ of the Communist Party why the business interests and the Why not? Because he had his chance ed to call in the near future a deleof France, was arrested yesterday banks are for this plan. What helps in 1927 when the Plumbers Helpers gate conference, representing all The United States especially has al- and taken to the Sante prison, the exploiters certainly cannot help organized in the American Associ- class-struggle union locals, left wing F. C. Morrow, the drived of the ways championed the theory that Thirty-five other political prisoners the farmer who must take out of ation of Plumbers Helpers, de- locals in other unions, shop and mill car which stopped the union truck enforcement of a disarmament con- there have just been robbed of their his living expenses to pay urgent

of the Manville-Jenckes Committee reserves the right to break any the International and in other ways, Farmers' Educational League for a militant farm conference and we should also have a real farmers' paper to fight our battles.

> BIG THEATRE COMBINE. NEW HAVEN, Conn., Sept. 15 .--One of the biggest theatrical deals in the history of Connecticut was to perhaps McLaughlin wants to start murderous bosses not only of the be consummated here when repre- it again but the helpers sure won't textile industry, but of all others. sentatives of Warner Brothers, film be fooled again. producers and the Hoffman Brothers theatrical enterpise sign papers. turning 19 theatres in the state over to the Warner interests. The combine will make thousands

of workers jobless.

COOLIES STRIKE IN SAMOA. APAI, Samoa (By Mail). Chinese coolies on strike in British Samoa attacked the offices of the Chinese commissioner and were fired on by troops. Fourteen coolies were killed or injured.

HILLQUIT HEADS SOCIALISTS Morris Hillquit, notorious enemy of the working class, has been photos which are supposed to be elected chairman of the National Jewish and English which calls for Executive Committee of the social-

Not only has the bourgeoisic forged the weapons that bring death to itself; it has also called into existence the men who are to wield those weapons—the modern working class—the proletarians.—Karl Marx (Communist Manifesto).

Build Up the United Front of the Working Class From the Bottom Up-at the Enterprises!

port the Arabs and commended the Several days ago, the Mirror also police who broke up the open air published an editorial calling for vio- meeting of the Party at Stone and lence against the Communist Party Pitkin Ave., Brooklyn, last Friday, for its support of the Arabian mass- which supported the Arabian masses es. It stated that the Communist against the British imperialists and

Often Work 16 Hour Day

which is located at 883 Tinton Ave., us deposit bottles for which we get the Bronx, employs 70 drivers be- a bill immediately when we come side inside help and office workers, to the store we find that they are It is a hell hole for the workers all household bottles, with no deposit Slavery in Service No there. Each man must be at the on them. We ask in the office about job at 2 a. m. and some must come it and they say it happens too

Sixteen Hours Slavery.

On Monday and Tuesday, which are collection days, we work until Morrisania stock farms are affili- for a soldier in the 'peacetime" army 6 p. m., about 16 hours for the day. ated with the A. F. of L. but are of Uncle Shylock? Well, I'll try twice he is discharged immediately worker has a grievance he goes to General Lassiter who commands notice in advance.

he is deducted a half's day pay, gether at lunch time in a restauthis morning covering, with dirt, all but you get not a penny for over- rant. better than in many other places, time of which you work an hour or two every day.

Drivers Cheated on Bottles. account of the bottles of milk which company treats its workers.

(By a Worker Correspondent)

At a recent meeting of Local 1

of Brooklyn of the Plumbers, Bill

berth with a salary of \$125 per

the Plumbers Helpers.

Brother plumber helpers, remem-

ber that we do not desire the aid of

The new Trade Union Centre that

against the plumbers helpers and we

shall probably affiliate with it. Hold

the ranks firm and don't be fooled

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 16 .- Be-

cause the management of the Free

Letts' Hall, 531 N. Seventh St., bars

Negro workers from meeting there,

many local labor organizations will

When the International Labor De-

fense discovered on investigation

that the hall management prac-

ticed race discrimination, it imme-

diately urged class conscious work-

ers and workers' organizations to

follow its lead and refuse to rent

the hall.

boycott the hall in the future.

(By a Worker Correspondent) of five cents each. When we load The Morrisania Milk Company up it is dark and instead of giving often with you and do not give you! any credit. In that way a man is short \$2 or \$3 a week. Worse Than Open Shop.

if a worker comes a half hour late union officials are always seen to- the sergeant had us out before chow Something must be done to or- to pick up. That's army efficiency! ganize these slaves so they can I've been having a fine (?) time make a living wage and have short- trying to clean the bedbugs out of

A driver always actually loses er hours. Militant workingclass my bunk. I'll get about five years money out of his own pocket, on families should remember how this at a court-martial if I don't get are sold to the stores, deposit bottles | -EX-MORRISANIA SLAVE.

Textile Centers Hold Means No Good to Big Mass Meetings For Plumbers' Helpers Gastonia and T.U.U.L.

(Special to the Daily Worker.) NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Sept. 16.-Between 3,000 and 4,000 workers of all industries in this city, but cooperate with the banks in arrang- nominated as a delegate, and gave through the recent strike, heard mostly textile workers who fought ing for grain loans to farmers, such as a reason that he is going to William Z. Foster, General Secretary of the Trade Union Unity "Brother" McLaughlin has been League, and others, at a mass meeting in the Common Park, yesterday. Eli Keller, National Secretary of the National Textile Workers Union,

Foster reported on the Trade the Farmer's Union leaders and the sible for him to go back to work Union Unity Convention in Cleveland at which the T. U. U. L. was What does his statement of "or- organized by 690 representatives of ganizing the helpers mean? Does the militant organized unions and Farmers should ask themselves he intend to do so? He does not. the unorganized masses. It is intendmanded admission to the plumbers. committees to meet in New Bedford McLaughlin at that time did not get and organize a Local General Trade up on the floor of his local and offer Union Unity League.

as a reactionary bureaucrat, and at the situation in Gastonia, and he executive board meetings fought called on the workers not only to raise money for the organization of For a long time Local 1 has had the workers of the south, and for the registration system for the the defense of the 16 charged with helpers and since the helpers have murder, but so to perfect their orbeen warned against the system ganization that they can defeat the

Reid At Fall River.

Bill McLaughlin to organize us. FALL RIVER, Mass., Sept. 16 .--N. T. W. Q. addressed a large audigoing to have a convention in ence of mill workers on the Cleve-Cleveland will not discriminate land Convention of the T. U. U. L., and the situation in Gastonia.

A resolution was adopted denouncing the attempts at lagal the National Miners' Union; Pat lynching of textile workers and or- Devine, district organizer of the TLD Exposes Jim Crow ganizers, and the outright murder Communist Party, and Max Salzand attempts at lynching visited man, district secretary of the Inter-Hall in Philadelphia upon the workers during last week.

As far as I am concerned, I can't claim to have discovered the existence of classes in modern society or their strife against one another. Middle-class historians long ago described the evolution of the class struggles, and political economists showed the economic physiology of the classes. I have added as a new contribution the following propositions: 1) that the existence of classes is bound up with certain phases of material production; 2) that the class struggle leads necessarily to the dictatorship of the proletariat; 3) that this dictatorship is but the transition to the abolition of all classes and to the crantion of a society of free and equal. ation of a society of free and equal.
-Marx.

VERMIN MAKE LIFE OF ARMY MEN REAL HELL

Cinch

(By a Soldier Correspondent) Maybe you would be interested in If a man should come at 4 a. m. worse than an open shop. When a and see if I can write such a letter.

altho he is supposed to get a week's the shop steward or president of the 8th Corps and another general the union whose office is with the who commands the 1st Calvary Divi-Conditions are rotten for the in- bosses. They say they can't do any- sion inspected us. This was the side help as well as the drivers, for thing for you. The bosses and second inspection in three days and the trash that we didn't have time them cleaned out soon. Dirt breeds everything and no matter how many times I wash the bedding or bunk they always return? Why? The whole outfit is "crummy!" Come down and pay us a visit if you don't

After inspection we did our usual daily act (changing from uniform into fatigue clothes) and went to WORK! Say, the recruiting posters should show a fellow swinging a pick instead of some "dude" geant dolled up in a tailor-made uniform which was not a G. I. (government issued). It would be lifelike, anyhow, even if it did cease to fool so many of us jobless devils who only ask for three meals and a place to sleep and then have to enlist in this "hell" in order to get it!

Chow at noon consisted of coffee (I apologize), potatoes, bread, gravy and some kind of meat that passed for steak but would have done for shoe soles just as well. Its "filling" and hardly that because it's seldom that we get all we want. If I've written anything that you

can use in the paper you are welcome to it and I'll write more. Someone has to expose this Army and I am of the opinion that the Daily Worker can do it. Trusting that I can help do this when the his aid but instead acted as always Foster's speech dealt largely with Daily gets on its feet again I am, A WORKER SOLDIER.

Protest the Murder of Ella May Wiggins

(Continued from Page One) youth organizer of the National Miners' Union, and Samuel Herman, district organizer of the Young Communist League, under whose Our present policy is to be organized independently of the A. F. L.

The new Trade Union Centre that

FALL RIVER, Mass., Sept. 16.—
Yesterday in Liberty Square James held. Resentment of the workers held. Resentment of the workers held. assembled forced the release of both.

Pittsburgh Workers Protest.

E. PITTSBURGH, Pa., Sept. 16. -Pat Toohey, national secretary of national Labor Defense, will speak at a mass demonstration against the strikers at the Crotian Workers Hall, corner Electric and Northern Ave., at 8 p. m. Friday.

Milwaukee Workers Join Protest. MILWAUKEE, Wis., Sept. 16 .-Under the joint auspices of the International Labor Defense and the Workers International Relief, Milmurder of Ella Wiggins at a mass meeting to be held at Harmonie Hall, N. W. corner First Ave. and

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labor movement first arose in the Philippines about thirty under the direct influence of the National Revolution of the Irst Republic in the Far East. During this revolution the leading role went over spontaneously to the proletarian elements in the towns and to the poor strata of the population in the rural districts-a movement that was headed by Andres Bootfacio against the landowning bourgeois clique who, seriously alarmed at losing their lands, riches and other privileges, hastened to capitulate to the Americans and thus betrayed the rebellion. Subsequently, the Americans defeated the Spaniards (for the revolution in the Philippines was directed primarily against Spanish domination) and commenced to suppress the emancipatory movement of the people. It was only after three years of bitter struggle that the U. S. A. finally got full control of the islands.

The small labor unions that arose in Manila, the capital of the islands, round about 1901-2 were inspired chiefly by a group of prominent intellectuals who had received their education and knowledge of the labor movement in Spain. And so we find the Spanish labor movement of that time, with its small craft organizations, formed chiefly to render mutual aid, emanating a spirit of cooperation between master and man, was thus taken as a model for the labor movement of the Philippines. The predominance of small-scale and handicraft industry greatly facilitated the growth of these forms of the movement and to this day have a strong hold on the islands.

Despite the peaceful outlook observed throughout the movement generally, several strikes occurred during the early days of the movement thanks to the intolerable position of the workers—the result. of the high cost of living that followed the protracted war and the economic policy of the Americans (with the Americans in control the trade turnover rose from 62,000,000 peso in 1895 to 132,000,000 peso in 1903-a growth that was only possible by enhancing the exploitation of the country).

The repressions directed by the American authorities against the strikers and their leaders strengthened the peaceful tendencies in the labor movement, the more so, since at that time the labor organizations were not purely proletarian in character, there being many small shopkeepers, handicraftsmen and others among the membership.

The bitter struggle between the labor leaders (the majority of whom were not workers at all) to use the labor organizations as a means of getting parliamentary seats, started during the first election campaign (1907) when the parliament of the Philippines was first established after the Americans had "pacified" the country, extremely weakened the labor organizations. It was universally recognized at that time that the labor movement would have to gather its forces together and reorganize itself-a task that was undertaken by the Printers' Union-the most progressive labor union at that time. Several new unions catering for the tobacco workers, seamen, carpenters, tailors, boot and shoe operatives and others were organized on a new basis which made it impossible for any of the masters or employing class to become members. By the first of May, 1913, all these organizations had met and formed the Philippine Labor Congress-the largest National Labor Federation in the Islands.

The bitter struggle that arose again between the politicians—the congress leaders-seriously retarded the work of the congress and in 1916 a group of unions headed by one Balmori broke away. This group formed the so-called Federation of Labor which subsequently became the extreme Right wing of the labor movement, zealously supporting class collaboration. This Federation is still the loyal agent of the capitalists in the labor movement of the Philippines.

At the present time the percentage of workers organized in the Philippines is very high indeed. In 1927, of about 300,000 workers employed in industry, transport and trade (including lumberers and fishermen working for hire), there were 92,000 organized, of whom 66,137 belong to the Labor Congress (not counting the agricultural workers); 3,268 belong to the Federation of Labor, while 22,786 were lined up in the Independent Unions. The Peasant and Agricultural Workers' Confederation, affiliated to the Labor Congress, likewise became a very strong factor in the labor movement. However, the percentage organized among the agricultural workers is altogether negligible. The Confederation has less than 15,000 workers lined up, although there are more than 2,000,000 workers employed in the agricultural trades of the Philippines.

The growth of the numerical strength of the workers' organizations especially apparent during the post-war period beginning with 1917, went hand in hand with the rapid growth of industry. At that time many new large-scale enterprises arose, equipped on the latest engineering lines, employing large numbers of workers. There was also a marked increase in the number of transport workers, as the railways were extended and other transport facilities introduced.

Despite the fact that a large number of the workers were organized in the trade unions, the mutual aid societies and other organizations, the whole labor movement of the Philippines down to recent was still characterized by its marked division as early period of its development and a craft outlook. (For example, in Manila, alone there were eleven unions catering for the tobacco workers. Some of the organizations could not boast of any members outside a given factory. There were five unions for the seamen, and so on.) The idea of class peace still had a strong hold on the workers, there were no militant leaders; neither were there many active trade unionists. It was the organizational structure of the Labor Congress, which is a loose federation of various organizations and the fact that no paper was published and no dues fixed, etc., that prevented the Congress from becoming a real organ uniting and leading the labor movement. And, finally, it must be said, the weakened side of the labor movement in the Philippines was its complete isolation from the international labor movement.

Besides this, the absence of an independent labor party seriously weakened the unit weight of the labor organizations in the political life of the country. Prior to the formation of the Labor Party of the Philippines in 1928, the workers were mainly influenced by the political views of their leaders who usually belonged to one of the two bourgeois parties. For example, in the struggle for national independence -such a vital question for the working masses of the Philippines—the workers followed the lead of the national bourgeoisie.

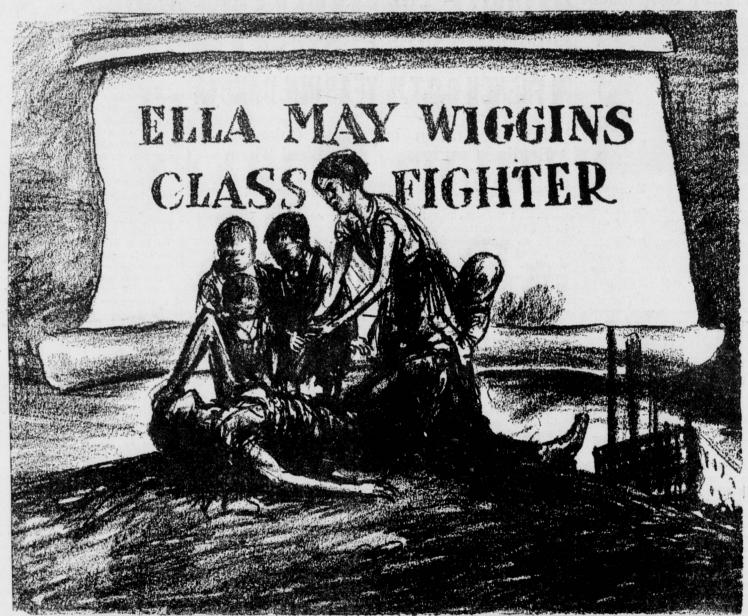
But the last year or two marks a new era in the labor movement of the Philippines. It was ushered in by the tempestuous growth of the revolutionary movement in China and the fact that the Philippines were drawn into the orbit of the international revolutionary labor movement when the Labor Congress affiliated to the Pan-Pacific Trade Union Secretariat (affiliation was made in the middle of 1927 immediately after the Pan-Pacific Trade Union Conference had been held). Thanks to the fine work carried out by the most progressive and revolutionary section of the labor movement in the Philippines to strengthen the unions, to reconstruct them on the industrial principle, to get trade union activities going at the factories and plants, to strengthen unity and propagate the idea of international working class solidarity, urging an implacable class lead, and the strengthened strike movement of the last period, the successes already achieved in the trade union field have certainly been remarkable. For example, Philippine workers and Chinese workers came out together; Chinese and Philippine boot and shoe operatives struck for more than four months: the recent woodworkers' strike should also be noted. The Chinese workers in the islands are united in the so-called Philippine-Chinese Laborers' Association which set up close contact with the Labor Congress, despite the efforts of the native bourgeoisie to foster a spirit of national antagonism. Several strikes that arose at the end of 1928 and the beginning of 1929 were remarkable for the solidarity shown by the workers and the large numbers involved. The growth of the militancy and solidarity of the workers was seen especially during the strike of last December, when 10,000 workers came out to protest against the arrest of one of the tobacco workers' leaders (who had struck a scab).

The conservative elements, however, have been furiously resisting the continued radicalization of the labor movement. (In the Philippines the right wing of the labor movement is nicknamed the conservatives; the left wing-the radicals). At the outset this resistance was seen in the internal struggle in the Council of the Labor Congress and in the way the organizations controlled by the right wing leaders sabotaged the new policy.

Subsequently, the intensification of the struggle between the two tendencies led to a split in the Labor Congress at the annual congress held at the beginning of last May in Manila and a new labor congress of the Philippines, known as the Proletarian Labor Congress was formed. Where the so-called conservatives are leading the labor movement is seen from the declarations made by their leaders (Tehadi and others) after the split had taken place, which state, among other things, that the labor movement of the Philippines must now strengthen contact with the labor bureau (a government body), and resist all outside interference in the labor movement and national life of the Philippines (which means there must be no contact with the international revolutionary labor movement). That the services of these gentlemen have been recognized is seen by the sympathetic way in which the bourgeois press support all their efforts, while rabidly attacking all militant elements and inciting the reactionary forces in the country to perse-

The recent developments and the increased opposition between the

WE WILL AVENGE OUR DEAD



ELLA MAY WIGGINS, Gastonia mill worker, widowed mother of five children, murdered by Manville-

The International Situation and Tasks of the Communist International

Report of Comrade Kuusinen

AT THE TENTH PLENUM OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE COMINTERN

I believe we should more than ever devote our attention to the struggle on questions of wages and working hours. We must place the question of the seven-hour day in the foreground. Owing to the strategy of surrender that is constantly pursued by the reformists, the workers are frequently confronted with a desperate situation. The question of "to fight or not to fight" becomes the question of "to be or not to be" for the worker. If the masses hesitate on this question, the Communists should not make the least concession to the surrender strategy of the reformists. The latest concession would paralyze the radicalization of the masses. We must encourage the masses to take clear decisions. Thus the masses will soon take up independent economic movements, without the reformist leaders, and partly in spite of them. The masses need and are looking for new leaders to organize and to guide their struggles. If the Communists begin to hesitate on the question of developing the economic mass strikes, or if they attempt to replace such a fight by a policy of revolutionary phraseology and semi-reformist practices, they are going to lose their hold upon the revolutionary movement. They are going to divert the leftward movement of the masses from the path of revolutionization to the path of

A further stage in these fights (these stages must not necessarily be conceived as chronological sequences) consists in that the constant action of the bourgeois state in alliance with the employers' associations, with the trusts, etc., imports a political content to the economic struggle of the workers. The fascisation of the state authority and of the dominant bourgeoisie as a whole, beginning with the factories in which open imperialist war preparations are carried on, is a powerful factor in emancipating the masses from the spell of pacifist illusions. The social-fascist practices of the reformists furnish the necessary object lessons to the masses. The old mechanism for the maintenance of "social peace" (social insurance, etc.) is becoming more and more discarded. Nevertheless, certain new methods of corruption may be tried out here and there. In France, for instance, a suggestion was made by a certain bourgeois politician that shares of industrial enterprises be distributed among the trade unions-of course, not among the Unitary, but among the reformist trade unions-in order to get them interested in the profits of the business. (A voice: They are talking about this also in Germany!) This shows the efforts of the bourgeoisie to devise new methods for corrupting a section of the workers. This, however, does not yet constitute the distinguishing feature of the present period. The whole course of the bourgeois class domination is directed towards replacing more and more the old mechanism of the maintenance of "social-peace" by the methods of fascist terror.

The political effect of the reign of terror upon the working class is not so uniform as was the effect of the illusions. As a matter of fact, the problem of mass activity under the fascist regime should be studied more closely than hitherto; because we have to learn to organize the mass movement in such forms as would be able to survive the white terror, which would render it most difficult for the dominant regime to crush the mass movement, to deprive the masses of their leaders, to exterminate the revolutionary leadership, and so forth. On the one hand, terror as a system of government may render the masses passive to a certain extent. Even good revolutionary workers may for some length of time remain passive in the legal organizations, in the reformist trade unions, etc., under the pressure of the reign of terror; while the situation is not yet acutely revolutionary, they are not prepared to make such big sacrifices as they would be called upon to make when the final fight comes and which they will then be prepared to make. On the other hand, the reign of terror leads to a rise in the spirit of class hatred among the masses. But there is an important point to be noted in this connection. Every reaction may lead to the shattering of reformist illusions among the masses and to an increase of their class hatred. These are essential elements in the revolutionization of the proletariat. Yet this does not explain everything that is new in the character of the present mass fights. The regime of terror can make the masses conscious of the necessity for the political fight. but this does not yet mean the starting of the fight itself. This does not yet explain the enthusiastic desire for political mass fights observed in connection with recent mass actions, even with those of an

opportunist and revolutionary tendencies make it imperative for the left wing to stand together solidly and give a clear lead in carrying out its policy, reinforcing achievements already gained and struggling actively to unify the labor movement on the basis of the class struggle, urging an eight-hour day, increased pay, recognition for the unions, protection of female and child labor, both in town and village, against the inhuman exploitation of the agricultural workers and the poor peasantry, thus extending their influence among the workers (news at hand shows that half of the organized workers have already affiliated to the new Labor Congress), organizing the unorganized and taking up their place in the vanguard of the struggle for independence. -ALVAREZ.

economic character. This desire for the political class struggle, this tendency towards stormy extension of the battleground, this aggressive spirit of the proletarian mass fights is the most important new trait to be observed. Not everywhere is this new trait clearly expressed, but it has been already quite clearly signalized by the actions which have taken place in Berlin, in the Ruhr, in Lodz, in Bombay.

The Shaking of the Relative. Equilibrium.

What are the objective causes to this new character of the mass fights? I should like to draw a comparison with the war period. The of the war, when the front of all the imperialist powers was still strong. At that time, the radicalization of the soldiers was an exceedingly difficult process. But as soon as the difficulties started at the front, as soon as the soldiers began to be aware of a weakening in the situation, a different spirit asserted itself both at the front and in the rear. The same is shown by examples from the Russian Revolutions of 1905 and 1917, as well as by the German revolutionary events of 1918-19 and 1923. Similarly, such a semi-reformist, semi-revolutionary mass movement at the shop steward movement in England in 1919-1920 was obviously connected with the objective crisis experienced then by the ruling system of British imperialism. If the situation were today indeed as appraised by Humbert-Droz and other conciliators, if capitalist stabilization were, really getting stronger, then the present semi-revolutionary, militant character of the mass movements would be a puzzle.

The thesis of the German conciliators says: "Economic strengthening of the present basis of the relative stabilization, and consequently of the political might of the bourgeoisie" (December Memorandum by Ewert and others). Even if they go on to "recognize" generally the existence of the capitalist contradictions, this is of no political significance, if there is really an economic strengthening of the basis of the political might of the bourgeoisie going on. But we know this to be utterly wrong. This is also in sharp contradiction to the line of the Sixth World Congress. We know that owing to the intensification of the essential antagonisms during the present period, the relative stability gained by the capitalist world during the second post-war period is becoming more and more undermined. In my opinion, "relative equilibrium" is a more appropriate term than "stabilization." Lenin spoke at the Third World Congress about a "relative, temporary equilibrium." The talk about "stabilization" came into vogue in our political language only in connection with the stabilization of the currency of the different countries. Of course, one may use also this term, if properly applied and correctly understood. For instance, if one speaks about "contradictions of stabilization" this is rather a vague expression, and when German conciliators speak even of "structural changes inside of stabilization," is is so sophisticated that I fail to grasp this mysterious stabilization; it appears almost like a modern hotel "inside" of which everyone may accommodate himself as he sees fit.

According to the conception of Humbert-Droz and Ewert, the objective character of the present period is confused with the subjective stabilization aims of the bourgeoisie in the different countries and with the pious wishes and illusions of the social democracy.

be sure, the bourgeoisie may even now attain some partial success here and there by stabilization. Yet it is exactly the specific character of the present period that even these "achievements" of the bourgeoisie serve only to itensify objectively the fundamental contradictions of the capitalist system, to set into motion ever-stronger counter-forces on a national and international scale, and thus to accelerate the tremendous clash. Certainly the relative, temporary equilibrium of the capitalist world is not yet liquidated. This will be accomplished only at the end of the process which is going on during the present period. But the dynamics of development in the present period are fundamentally different from those of the second post-war period.

The Character of the Present-Day Mass Struggles.

It is highly characteristic that the present process of the shaking of the capitalist equilibrium has been better understood by the large proletarian masses than by some opportunistic Communists (like the conciliators). The masses have an instinctive feeling that the revolutionary struggle is now possible. There is now no longer any hesitation whether to fight or not to fight; there is not even the heavy consciousness that the fight is objectively unavoidable even if hopeless; there is rather an eagerness for the fight, for the political class struggle, for the political mass strike.

During a stabilization period of capitalism the center of gravity in the struggle of the masses-and this is a vast difference-lies in the immediate partial demands. The linking up of these partial demands with the strategical goal of the revolutionary movement during such a period is to the large masses more or less a matter of indifference, or a sub-conscious objective. This linking up of the ultimate revolutionary slogans with the immediate demands is chiefly of propagandist importance during such a period. Also during the present period, the masses are struggling for

By Fred Ellis Translated by Brian Rhys

CONTAMINATION

A Bulgarian among a group of Italian refugees who are working on the Cote d'Azur under the eyes of the Italian police tells a story of his native land-a village swathed in snow, a church tower, children playing.

"THE father," he said, "was standing there, standing on his big feet, flat as platters, and first he watched the children at play. Then off he went, on his big feet.

"The children wore little sheepskin caps, some grey, some black. Some new, others worn bare in places. They had soft leather leggings and shoes like leather stockings. When they called to one another by name they said 'Mentcho, Netcho, Dinkcho.' "What were they playing at?"

"Ah, that was it. They were playing at the big, important things they had heard talk of. They were playing at Life with a big L!"
"Children," sententiously remarked a Piedmontese who spoke

French, "are more intelligent than men, because they know less foolishness. But they've one big fault; they imitate men as much as they can!" The Bulgarian, who had waited till the Piedmontese had done

"A few years back-and several of these children were only just crawling about and making noises then-they were playing at war. Armies, generals, gun firing, beating of peasants by loud-voiced, goldstriped soldiers."

CLEARLY this Bulgarian had the gift of expression.

"You're a school teacher?" "Yes. But they had heard that the war with foreign countries was over. So war games were no longer the thing. They were playing at police games now, instead of war games. They had herad tales of the dire deeds of vengeance done by police officers and judges, men who search houses in towns and make their appearance in villages, like the destroying Angel in the Bible story; and these tales had had an exciting effect upon their imaginations.

"Now there were three criminals who were far more famous than all others; the three men guilty of the outrage in the Cathedral: Koeb, Zadgorski, and Friedmann. These were the three, but Marco Friedmann was the tallest in height, and they talked especially of him.

"Thousands of men had been killed by the police heroes after the bomb exploded in the Cathedral. But they hadn't, unfortunately, taken photographs of all that, whereas Friedmann's trial and end had been cinematographed. The children knew that fifty thousand people had been there to see the ceremony and that it had been like a great festival. They also knew all that Friedmann had said: how in court, he had never stopped crying: "I am innocent."

AND the journalists' cameras had recorded his smallest movements at the last, up to the very moment when the gods of justice had hung him, under the spectacled nose of the Public Prosecutor, before Pope and officials and officers and soldiers and fifty thousand good people.

"It was this final scene that the children were acting. The prosecutor was there, the general, the Pope and the executioner, and Marco Friedmann. The crowd was the only missing thing, but, after all, they had what really mattered. "The boy who was Marco Friedmann wasn't very pleased. He

frowned and looked gloomy, and that was all to the good. "The royal judge clenched his fists and pursed up his lips. His forehead had a wrinkle. He had put spectacles on to be more like the judge.

"And now the pigmy Friedmann grew excited and began shouting: 'I am innocent!' "'Silence, scoundrel!' cried the Pope, tapping the ground with his

foot. But he didn't dare to move too much, for fear of getting his legs mixed up in his Pope's skirts. "The children had chosen this place for the trial because there

was a swing standing there and it did capitally for the gallows. "'Hang him!' they cried. "They did just what the picture postcards, newspaper photo-

graphs and cinema had shown was done. They tied a rope to the hook up top and round the neck of the condemned; they put a sack on his head. They made him get up on the table. "THE sentence was read. The prosecutor took it from the clerk's

hands and read it himself. He read it really well, emphasizing his words, and trembling a little because these were serious doings (and the sentence was the real sentence, carefully copied out). 'Away with the table!' they said.

"The moment was such a solemn one that his majesty's prosecutor threw away the cigarette he was smoking like a man.

'Marco Friedmann's tiny legs kicked about in the air. "And they hanged him.

"They cut him down. But a few moments had come between, strangely exciting, voluptuous moments, and when they cut him down, there was nothing left but a poor little puppet of flesh and blood. The face underneath the sack, which was not easy to take off, was so still and so white, so like the snow, that they let him drop to the ground and ran away. "The father was a long way off at work. No one knew anything

till the evening."

The other Bulgarian, with the blue muffler, now began to speak, and the sound of his voice seemed familiar.

44 KNOW that story about the child actually hung by his playmates. But it didn't happen exactly like that. It was in June or July, and there wasn't any snow. It was in the country, near Bourgas."
"Not a bit of it," interrupted the third Bulgarian, with the black

muffler for colors. "It was in a suburb of Pleven that all this happened. A little boy was found, stiff as a log; his playmates had hanged him for fun, to copy grown-up people as far as they could."
"What's all this?" one of us asked.

Explanations followed, and it appeared that the first was right, the second wasn't wrong, while the third had told the strict truth. There were several more or less similar episodes, and all ended the

The true story happened several times over. It is more than true, then. And what is no less true, is the contamination spread by savagery, and mad and criminal acts.

(Tomorrow: And We Were Celebrating Peace.)

their immediate everyday needs. This we should constantly keep in mind when framing our tactics. Nevertheless, the struggle is now no longer limited to these immediate partial demands; there is now a distinct and strong tendency for the struggle to go beyond these limits. A fight is now waged even in such cases when the workers know that the immediate fulfilment of the demands cannot be attained; a fight is waged in order to show the power of the proletarian class, in order to avoid surrendering to the class enemy like abject slaves. Force against force, such is the sentiment among the large masses of the workers. Eventual partial defeats during this period no longer cause mood of depression, and heavy defeats are borne even more easily than cases of surrender without a fight. (Hear, hear.) The masses are now raising more or less consciously the demand for fortifying the fighting positions in order to prepare for a new trial of strength against the class enemy.

This is the character of the proletarian offensive which is now more or less clearly revealed in some of the mass fights, as against the defensive character of the movement during the second post-war priod. Whether the fight is based directly upon the slogan of higher wages, or upon resistance to wage reductions, is immaterial to the character of this movement. The approaching revolutionary upheaval is foreshadowed-I should say-by a certain red glow upon the horizon. This arouses the fighting spirit of the masses, the eagerness for political mass fights. This is connected also with the growing revolutionary attraction of the Soviet Union for the large masses of the proletariat in the capitalist countries. The Soviet Union is a living, grand, gigantic example that the Socialist revolution and the proletarian dictatorship are possible. Hence, the great interest now shown in the Socialist construction efforts of the Russian proletariat.

The revolutionization of the mass movement is a process which has just started, or has reached only the middle of its course; but it is bound to develop farther. The farther it develops, the more it will lead to the growing influence of the Communist Parties, if only the

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proper tactics will be applied by the Communist Party.