

The Fight to Organize the Southern Workers That Began in Gastonia, Where on June 7, 1929, the Workers Defended Themselves From Attack, Must Be Broadened by Demanding the Freedom of Powers and Carr

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## A.F.L. CHIEFS VOTE DEATH INDICTMENT IN ATLANTA

### Hot Champions of "Freedom"

WHILE under the order of Ramsay MacDonald, leader of the "socialist" Second International, the British Royal Air Force is raining high explosives on the women and children of Northern Indian villages; while in Rangoon British troops have shot down at least 200 strikers; while every Indian city is filled with dead and dying as the "labor" government of England pours machine gun fire into masses demanding independence, the incredible hypocrites of the Second International have the effrontery to address a letter to the workers of the Soviet Union in behalf of "freedom":

The text of the letter as adopted by the executive committee of the "socialist" International at Berlin on May 11-13, is now being used as anti-Soviet propaganda in the United States. It says that MacDonald and his ilk are filled with "worry over news from Russia." But not a word do they say about the Soviet Union.

With the blood of Karl Liebknecht, Rosa Luxemburg and thousands of German workers murdered by the Noskes and Zoergiebels on their hands, the German "socialists" join with MacDonald in a plea to the Russian workers "to save the revolution." But not in Germany, and not in India; in the Soviet Union!

How to save the revolution? Still more effrontery! It is suggested that "economic freedom," perhaps the kind MacDonald insists on the Indian peasants having, be "restored" to the Russian peasants. Undoubtedly MacDonald is willing and anxious to send the airplanes of the British Royal Air Force from India northward across the mountains to "restore" the same "freedom" to the Russian peasants that they are forcing the Indian peasants to accept now.

The "socialist" international is putrid beyond all description. Its American section, through the mouth of Norman Thomas writing on India, is at loss how to cover up the imperialist massacre by Thomas' British colleague MacDonald, and in the current issue of his social fascist sheet says:

"The only hope I see in the Indian situation is that while the Labor government talks like any imperialist government in parliament, it may be quietly and unofficially negotiating with Gandhi."

Thomas, the imperialist scoundrel himself, tries to hide the fact that MacDonald is not only "talking like an imperialist in parliament" but murdering Indians like any imperialist in India.

Moreover, even if MacDonald had been "quietly and unofficially" negotiating with Gandhi, it would be only to bribe him to come out more openly in his betrayal of the cause of Indian independence.

However, even this boon of consolation is denied the Reverend Mr. Thomas, who wishes us to believe that his fellow social fascist MacDonald is "secretly doing good" and that daily bloodbaths given the Indian masses are only a "disguise" for "private piety." A London dispatch Saturday stating that the British India Office has issued an "emphatic denial" of the rumor that MacDonald was secretly dickering with Gandhi. But Thomas, too, as a part of the "socialist" Second International leadership, has the consummate audacity to join with MacDonald and Zoergiebel in hypocritical solicitude about "saving the revolution," about "freedom and democracy"—in the Soviet Union!

Of course the truth is that the whole kit and caboodle of the Second International are only encouraging world imperialism to attack the Soviet Union, for all they pretend to "oppose" such attack. Thomas' seeming indecision on India is only because U. S. imperialism is undecided whether to help the Indian revolution in order to steal Britain's big market there, or whether to aid British imperialism against the revolution for fear the revolution will be a Soviet revolution. If Thomas were sure that India would go Soviet and cast off its bourgeoisie, Gandhi and all, he would not now be expressing Philistine pain at MacDonald's imperialism.

To give Thomas a line, Henry Cabot Lodge in the Herald-Tribune has written that while America is profiting by India's revolt against Britain, American exports to India have grown 292 per cent since 1914, while British exports to India have grown only 19 per cent in the same time, yet, cautions Lodge, "all business in India is dependent on law and order," and "before we rush in headlong, it would certainly do no harm to realize that we have powerful reasons for being sympathetic to the British," even though "the most obvious way in which to measure our interest in India is to look at the trade figures."

The "socialist" Thomas and his Second International are thus urged to be careful about too much demagoguery on freedom in India. But all the wolf pack, from Deterding to Thomas, from Easley to MacDonald, have a free rein to howl hypocritically for freedom in the only country that has it for the workers, the Soviet Union.

### The Senate Lobby "Investigation"

THERE was a sensational exposure of lobbying by Congress in 1913. The result? Lobbying has doubled and redoubled every year since. Dozens of Congressmen and government officials, including such men as "Uncle Joe" Cannon and Herbert Hoover, have been forced to admit this fact. The gigantic power trust lobby has also been "investigated," with the same result.

The uncovering of the way in which the steel trust's lobby broke up the "disarmament" conference of 1927 did not keep Charlie Schwab of the Bethlehem Steel Corporation from getting his cruiser-building contracts. It is ridiculous to think that a government controlled by capitalists and corporations ever has, ever can or ever desires to stop lobbying. A yellow cur does not give orders to its master.

Does the present Senate lobby investigation committee, with all its length and confusing "hearings," intend to bring out the whole story of the activities of the lobbyists? Of course not. Many of the most powerful lobbies are not even discussed.

For example, members of the Senate committee have admitted that the rayon lobby responsible for many over-night "changes of mind" when the tariff on rayon was drafted will not be investigated. (This lobby is doubly important because of the war character of the rayon industry—because rayon factories can easily be changed into explosives factories.)

The reasons for no investigation? There are two very good ones. First the DuPonts with DuPont-Rayon—one of the big sections of the rayon trust—plays a powerful hand in the control of the government and the capitalist political parties. Thousands of their dollars flow into the hands of the Democrats and Republicans. John J. Raskob, vice-president of the DuPont Company as well as chairman of the finance committee of General Motors, is chairman of the Democratic National Committee.

The second reason is like the first. Lieutenant-Governor Lehman of New York, a member of the powerful Lehman Brothers, bankers, is finance director of the Democratic National Committee. Lehman Brothers financed the big Associated Rayon Corporation. The Associated Rayon Corporation is the financing body of the international rayon trust. (The Lehman bankers also are very closely connected with certain leaders of the "socialist" party.)

The avoidance of publicity and exposure by the rayon lobby is only one example. Many other lobbies are escaping. Even the "liberal" member of the "investigating" committee, Thomas J. Walsh of Montana, has been doing all he can to help the power trust, through the Montana Power Company, to grab the Flathead power sites.

The lobbying that is exposed, lurid as it might seem to one who is not yet aware of the complete domination of the government by the corporations, is only exposed for the cheapest of political reasons. The Democrats call down Houston, and the Republicans retaliate by razzing Raskob. Both are careful not to go too far. Just a little game to fool the masses.

The workers must not be misled. The purpose of a lobby investigation by the Senate is not to stop lobbying. It is not even to "expose" lobbying. The purpose of this superficial "investigation" is to fool the

### NANKING TROOPS IN CHANGCHOW JOIN RED ARMY

Government Officials in Changchow Resigned

Fall of Hankow Near British Gunboats to Suppress Revolts

AMOY, June 1.—As Changchow, an important city 30 miles west of the port of Amoy, has been besieged and isolated by Red troops and peasants for two days and may fall at any moment into the hands of the revolutionists, the growing revolutionary consciousness of the soldiers in the government troops has reached its maturity, while the Kuomintang government officials in the city are trembling and panicky, knowing that their end is near. A recent report definitely stated that a large section of Kuomintang government troops garrisoning the

### HOLD N. J. STATE MEETING JUNE 7

To Bring Real Issues to Workers

NEWARK, N. J., June 1.—Swinging vigorously into the election campaign in New Jersey to present the workers the burning issues confronting the working class, the Communist Party of New Jersey has issued a call for a State Ratification Convention, to be held Saturday, June 7, 1930, at 1 P. M., Workers' Center, 93 Mercer Street, this city.

The campaign to secure the signatures for nominees is well under way, with reported house-to-house canvassing in Paterson, Nutley and Dover. But more signatures remain to be secured, and Elias Marks, state campaign manager, has called upon all workers to help secure more signatures and apply at the following places: Newark: 93 Mercer Street, Paterson: 3 Grover Street, Passaic: 25 Dayton Avenue, Trenton: 20 Second Street, and Perth Amboy: 308 Elm Street.

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workers into thinking that the Senate really wants to "clean up" the activities of the lobbyists. At the same time, each capitalist party hopes to bring out a few things about the graft of the other party to discredit it in the election campaign and thus to catch some of its votes. They try to do this, however, without injuring the capitalist class, the class which owns all capitalist parties, including the so-called "socialist" parties.

The workers should know that the capitalists will never either expose or "correct" the rottenness of capitalism, because it is all rotten; rottenness is inherent in capitalism because it is founded upon exploitation—robbery. Capitalism cannot be "cured" by electing "good men." It can only be destroyed.

The only "clean government" possible is one that destroys capitalist relationships between man and man, that destroys capitalism and suppresses all capitalist resistance trying to restore exploitation. That is why the Communist Party urges all workers not to rely upon capitalist government, but to build their own organized power in the shops, mills and mines, to fight for their immediate interests now and prepare the forces of working class revolution to seize power for the workers and farmers, to establish a Soviet Government.

## Help Fight Attack of Enemy!

We repeat a little today, for emphasis. We repeat as well in order to cement our forces, to multiply support for the Daily Worker and our Party ten-fold; yes, a hundred-fold. It is necessary, comrades.

House Resolution 220 gives Speaker Longworth the power to name a committee to "investigate Communist propaganda in the United States, particularly in our educational institutions; the activities and membership of the Communist Party . . . the ramifications of the Communist International in the United States. . . the Daily Worker—all entities, groups and individuals alleged to teach, advise or advocate the overthrow by force or violence the government of the United States, or attempt to undermine our republican form of government . . ."

Representative Fish of New York, who represents all the big fish at Washington, D. C., screamed himself into hysterics when the House passed this bill some days ago. He said we intended to destroy the capitalist system, make war on capitalism, were creating turmoil in southern textile towns, were stirring up the Negroes, were fomenting strikes, riots and crime.

### More Rebel As Gandhi Plots With British

BULLETIN.

BOMBAY, India, June 1.—Late today it was reported that seven were killed and nine wounded in the fighting at Peshawar. The British officials admit the situation in the northwest is the most serious they have faced so far.

Fifteen thousand raiders smashed the two-mile long police cordon at the Wadla salt works here and seized salt; 25 were injured by charging police and 47 arrested.

Capitalist press service stories from India admit now that the death list at Rangoon, where strikers fought the scabs, police and British soldiers, is now 200 and growing, furthermore, that a considerable number of police were among those killed and injured.

The whole Peshwar district is reported seething with indignation against the killing of two children and wounding of a woman by a lance corporal of the "King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry." The British government's excuse that the shot was accidental does not modify the Northwest frontier tribesmen, who want to know what the British troops are doing there anyway.

Try Disarm Troops.

After the murder of the children, crowds surged through the streets of Peshwar, and fought police and soldiers. They attacked a police station, and tried to disarm a detachment of an Essex regiment, which "found it necessary to open

### THOUSANDS AT PICNIC CELEBRATE 5-YEAR PLAN

Thousands of workers turned out to celebrate the growth of Socialism in the Soviet Union at an all-day picnic at Ulmer Park, Brooklyn, Saturday.

The various features of the occasion were enjoyed by the assembled workers, with good turnout to witness the Red Dancers under the direction of Edith Segal and several track and field events by the Labor Sports Union.

A cablegram from the German section of the Friends of the Soviet Union was received and read. In turn a cablegram was sent to the Fifth Congress of the R. I. L. U., pledging the American workers' support in the realization of the Five Year Plan.

Max Bedacht, Ludwig Landy and T. H. Li were the speakers.

### MILITIA AIDS OKLA. MOB TO LYNCH NEGRO

Capitalist Officials With Fake "Defense" Aid Lynchers

Absurd "Resistance" Oppressed Must Defend Selves from Mobs

OKLAHOMA CITY, June 1.—The lynching of Henry Argo, a Negro, at the town of Chickasha near here, follows the same form as that of the lynching of George Hughes, Negro worker murdered by white capitalists at Sherman, Texas, recently. It is the old fairy tale about the capitalist authorities "defending" the Negro against the mob, which "over-comes" the authorities and murders the Negro without anybody being hurt but the victim.

Argo, as usual, was accused of "rape," as was Hughes, although Hughes was later shown to have committed only the "crime" of demanding three weeks' wages due him from his employer. Argo, denying the charge, was put into the Chickasha jail.

A mob gathered, and the ancient formalities of a pretended "defense" were gone through. The mayor "argued" with the mob. The city attorney and county attorney "pleaded" with the mob. If it had been a crowd of unemployed workers led by Communists demanding bread, there would have been clubs, bullets and gas bombs unsparingly used. But the mob didn't demand bread, only the life of a Negro. So they were allowed to go ahead by the capitalist government authorities.

The National Guard was called, but not to protect the Negro, a militia officer who undoubtedly would have turned machine guns without hesitation into a crowd of strikers, "failed to quiet the mob" by adding his "argument" to the other capitalist officials. When he ordered his men to fire, it was only with blank cartridges!

So the militiamen were on the defensive and "took shelter under a rain of bricks." The force was continued by the mob besieging the militiamen, virtually imprisoned with the Negro in the jail. Then the militia made an agreement with the mob to allow the mob to get at the Negro while the militiamen, guns and all, walked out of the jail! Not the slightest effort was made to afford the Negro any chance.

Then when the mob entered and shot Argo through the head, he was taken out, wounded, to a hospital, but the hospital refused him. Then he was carried back to the jail, which was supposed to be "guarded." Nevertheless, the husband of the supposed "raped" woman, one G. W. Skinner, was allowed to enter the jail and stab the Negro through the chest, thus adding to his wounds from which he died here later after being brought from Chickasha. Skinner and two or three others were arrested, but let go free without even any bail.

AGAINST WHITE TERROR.

The Wisconsin state conference of the Lithuanian Women's Organization adopted a resolution in support of the class war prisoners and sent \$6 to the I. L. D.

### PROSECUTOR DECLARES WILL SEND TO CHAIR EVERY COMMUNIST WHO COMES TO STATE, INCLUDES ALL MILITANTS

CAPITALIST PRESS RECOGNIZES THAT MARY DALTON'S ASKING EMBARRASSING QUESTION AT GREEN'S MEETING IS REASON FOR PLAN TO KILL HER

COMMUNIST PARTY WILL MAKE FIGHT ON TERROR CHIEF POINT IN ELECTION CAMPAIGN IN SOUTH; MAY NOMINATE DEFENDANT STOREY FOR GOVERNOR

ATLANTA, Ga., June 1.—Indictments charging Mary Dalton, Anna Burlack, Henry Storey and Gilmer Brady with "attempting to incite insurrection," and "distributing insurrectionary literature" were returned here Friday by the Fulton County grand jury, made up of high officials of the American Federation of Labor and slave driving business men of Atlanta.

The charges against the four just indicted are the same as those facing M. H. Powers and Joseph Carr, and, under a Georgia law unused since the Civil War period, conviction carries the death penalty.

The charges declare the prisoners "assembled a crowd, made speeches and by per-

### PRESS REPORTS HECKLING CHARGE

Trial Attempt to Stop Jobless Organizing

ATLANTA, Ga., June 1.—Everybody can see here the hand of the American Federation of Labor bureaucracy, working alongside the hand of the cotton mill owners and their state government, to burn to death not only Powers and Carr, but the other four labor organizers. The United Press news service, in a special article from its Atlanta correspondent, refers to the indictment Saturday as being "on charges of insurrection growing out of the Communist demonstrations here and the alleged heckling of President Green of the American Federation of Labor during an address here" and states, "the new defendants are named Mary Dalton, Atlanta, charged specifically with heckling President Green; Ann Burlack, Atlanta; Henry Storey, Atlanta Negro, and Gilmer Brady, Negro, New York."

Though the charge of heckling Green does not, as a matter of fact, appear as one of the counts in the formal indictment as signed by the Fulton County grand jury, it is undeniable that the United Press accurately reports one basis of the charge and reflects the argument for rendering the indictment.

Bosses Hate Union.

Although the industrial and financial interests of Atlanta and Georgia have not voiced themselves openly regarding the prosecution, it is clear that these elements are led by such forces as the Fulton Bag and Cotton Mills, where the National Textile Workers' Union, with Mary Dalton as organizer, has been active in organizing the workers.

"Fulton Bag" is one of the few textile mills in this section that is still working full time. There are two shifts, 10 hours and 40 minutes for the day shift and 12 hours

suasion and by circulating books, papers, pamphlets, circulars and literature for the purpose of calling, assembling, bringing together certain persons, in order to incite, to organize and establish combined resistance to lawful authority of the state of Georgia."

Death For Selling Daily Worker.

The proscribed literature, on which this charge is based, are: Daily Worker, Liberator (organ of the American Negro Labor Congress), "Out of a Job," by Earl Browder; "Why Every Worker Should Join the Communist Party," "On the Road to Bolshevization," "Trade Unions and Socialist Construction in the U. S. S. R.," "Communist Manifesto" (written by Marx and Engels), "Women in the Soviet Union," "Program of the Communist International" (with constitution and statutes), "Labor and Southern Cotton Mills," by Myra Page; Lenin's "State and Revolution," his "Revolutionary Lessons" and "Proletarian Revolution"; "Program of the Trade Union Unity League" and "Communist Party, U. S. A., District 17," this last being a leaflet for distribution on May Day. None of this literature was found on the defendants; it was all seized in other raids elsewhere.

Communists Answer.

Tom Johnson, district organizer of the Communist Party, immediately on receipt of news of the indictment, issued a statement scoring it as part of a planned attempt to smash the entire militant labor movement in the South.

"It shows clearly," says the Communist statement, "that the ruling class of the South is determined to outlaw every organization which really fights for the interests of the Southern workers and poor farmers."

"According to the indictments of Dalton, Burlack, Bradey and Storey, it is now punishable by death to sell the Daily Worker or a copy of the T. U. L. Program.

"The Communist Party will meet this latest attack by rallying the

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### TO PROTEST N. J. JOBLESS TRIAL

Flaiani and Graham to Speak at Meetings

NEWARK, N. J., June 1.—Postponement of the trial of the eight workers charged with sedition for participating in an unemployment meeting Feb. 11, will be demanded by the defense today. The appeal from the sentencing of Dominic Flaiani to up to seventeen years imprisonment as the leader of the unemployment meeting, is still pending.

A second mass meeting to protest against the sentencing of Flaiani and the threatened sentencing of the eight now on trial will be held Saturday, June 14, in Military Park.

A mass protest meeting is also arranged for Perth Amboy, Wednesday, June 4, at 8 P. M., at the Workers' Home, 308 Elm Street, where Flaiani and Dolzer Graham, Negro worker and Communist Party candidate for Senator from New Jersey, will speak.

### A.F.L. OFFICIAL GRAND JURY SECY

State Federation Head Aids Prosecutor

ATLANTA, Ga., June 1.—Open collaboration of the American Federation of Labor's official regime in Atlanta and throughout the state of Georgia with the capitalist state government and the mill owners in the plan to send six workers to the electric chair is brought to light by these facts:

First: A. Steve Nance, president of the Atlanta Federation of Trades, the local A. F. of L. central body, was assistant secretary of the grand jury that returned the indictments charging "an attempt to incite to insurrection" and "distributing insurrectionary literature" against Mary Dalton, Henry Storey, Gilmer Brady and Ann Burlack. Business men were prominent among the members of this grand jury with Nance in framing the judicial lynching indictment.

Second: This is the same A. Steve Nance who presided at the A. F. of L. meeting here addressed by President William Green, at which Mary Dalton, as organizer of the National

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### HAIL THE CHINESE SOVIET CONGRESS

Mass Meeting June 4 at Central Opera

The opening of the first Chinese Soviet Congress and the march of the Chinese Red armies to the city walls of Changchow signals the consolidation of the achievements of the Chinese revolution and its forward march.

The Congress' opening date was set for May 30. Probably the congress will still be at work by June 4, when at the Central Opera House (67th St. and 3d Ave.) the workers in New York, themselves struggling against the enemies of the Chinese workers—one of them being the Wall Street government—will celebrate the First Chinese Soviet Congress and mobilize support for the Chinese and Indian revolutions.

### Police Break Up Anti-Lynch Meet

Police, one with a drawn gun, broke up an open-air meeting held to protest the lynch terror in Mount Vernon under the auspices of the Young Communist League.

One after another the speakers were dragged from the stand and taken to the police station, while the crowd of workers, including many Negro workers, booted the police.

On the following day a leaflet was given out explaining the role of the police and calling upon all the workers to participate in a body next Friday, June 6, at 9 p. m. to stage a real anti-lynching protest meeting at the same spot, Seventh Ave. and 3d St.

# KOREAN WORKERS AND PEASANTS REVOLT IN JAPAN'S MANCHURIA

## Fight Both Chinese Imperialist Troops and Japanese Government Forces

### Chinese Peasants Assist Koreans; None Taken After Attack on Consulates and Offices

TOKIO, June 1.—A large group of Korean workers and peasants in the Chientao district of Kirin province in Manchuria revolted yesterday against the unbearable oppression inflicted upon them by the Japanese imperialists and their lackeys, the Chinese militarists. The rebels raided the centers of Japanese influence in Yenki, Lung Chintsun and other towns in the Chientao district, attacking Japanese consulates, buildings and schools of the Korean Association.

Chinese troops assisted their Japanese masters in fighting the Korean rebels, but the population, largely Chinese peasants, were so sympathetic that all of the rebels escaped and none was arrested in spite of the much superior numerical force and arms of the police and soldiers. The Japanese consulates in Manchuria are different from the ordinary consulates. Aside from their commercial and diplomatic functions they also exercise governmental power over Japanese and Korean residents in Manchuria and are actually overlords of Chinese militarists, landlords, gentry and capitalists. The so-called Korean Association in Manchuria is specially organized by Japanese imperialists and Korean stool-pigeons for the purpose of detecting and suppressing Korean revolutionary activities. Korean children were also forced to attend Japanese schools and subjecting themselves to the poison of Japanese imperialist propaganda.

## \$12,000,000 Increase in Italian Naval Budget

ROME, June 1.—Mussolini's war speeches a few weeks ago were substantiated by a \$77,000,000 naval budget which the Minister of the Navy, Admiral Siroani, brought before the Chamber of Deputies for discussion on May 28. The budget bears an increase of \$12,000,000 over last year's budget, about \$9,000,000 of which is due to increased building. This year's building program also includes a large number of submarines.

## "Fireproof" Dormitory Fire Menaces Many

Out on Long Island, where graft always did grow good, somebody in 1911 arranged to have passed as a dormitory for attendants at Central Islip state hospital a \$200,000 "fireproof" building that burned like tinder last night. It burned so fast that 9 firemen were trapped and injured, and a score of nurses barely escaped by sliding down ladders or jumping into nets from second and fourth story windows. For a time hundreds of insane patients were in great danger.

## Poland Provokes War Against Soviet Union

The Polish government continues its war propaganda and provocations against the Soviet Union. In a recent editorial in the Polish Gazette, semi-official organ of the Polish government, the question of an independent Ukraina from the point of view of Polish security was openly spoken of. This paper is generally considered as expressing the views of the governing clique in Poland.

## Negro Women Protest Jim Crowing by Gov't

Fifty-five Negro Gold Star Mothers, who are being used by the Wall Street jingoes to "popularize" and sugar-coat the sacrifices which the Negro and white workers will soon be asked to make again in the new imperialist war, told President Hoover in a petition that they would refuse to visit the graves of their sons on European battlefields if the Jim-Crow ruling separating them from the white women were not abolished. The War Department, however, ruled that it would continue its policy of segregation.

## Even A Dead Soldier Can Be Profitable!

A big sign in the window of the main office of the Consolidated Gas Co. in New York carries this patriotic sentiment: "In Paris, under the arch of triumph, at the tomb of the un-

## Murder Another Ohio Penitentiary Prisoner

COLUMBUS, Ohio, June 1.—One more Ohio prisoner killed by guards. After a third of the penitentiary inmates, locked in their cells, were burned to death, and several shot by militia because they protested guards at the London prison farm near here shot and killed Sam Mazel, with the specious excuse that he was trying to unlock the door from the inside, and escape with 45 others said to be in the plan with him.

## Chicago Conference to Protect Foreign Born

CHICAGO, Ill., June 1.—A conference of working class organizations called by the Chicago district of the International Labor Defense to mobilize against the persecution of the foreign born workers will be held Sunday June 29 at 10 a. m. at Kedzie Hall, 205 S. Kedzie Street. Delegates will be present representing trade unions, workers clubs and fraternal organizations. The conference will also denounce the congressional investigation, the prelude to an attack on the Communist Party of the United States. The I.L.D. office is located at 23 South Lincoln Street.

## Fight Sedition Law in Pittsburgh, Pa.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., June 1.—Lil Andrews and Charles Guynn who have recently been freed of Criminal Syndicalist charges in the State of Ohio were the principal speakers at a mass meeting in Pittsburgh on Sunday, June 1, at the Labor Lyceum, 35 Miller St., at 8 p. m. Petitions demanding the unconditional release of the three comrades who are serving five year sentences in Blawnox workhouse as the result of a conviction under the Sedition law in this state in 1927 and against the Sedition law are in circulation and it is hoped that a half million signers will be procured for these petitions. A special leaflet entitled "Smash the Sedition Laws" is being distributed in the Pittsburgh District. The first printing amounted to 50,000 copies practically all of which are already distributed.

## I.L.D. Mass Meeting Against Lynching

CINCINNATI, Ohio, June 1.—Many Negro workers and local Negro organizations in this city are rallying to the International Labor Defense campaign against lynching. Two mass meetings to mobilize the Negro and white workers against the lynching terror in the South and for the liberation of the six workers who are facing the electric chair at Atlanta, Ga., have been arranged. The first will be held on May 30th at 7 p. m. in the lot on the corner of West Court and John Streets. The second meeting will take place May 31st at 7 p. m. in the yard of St. Mary's Church on Carbine Avenue near Eastern Avenue. Both meeting places are in the heart of the Negro working class section.

## Scab's Wages Cut by Pittsburgh Cab Co.

PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Even strike-breakers are apt to balk at wage cuts. This has been proven among the Pittsburgh taxi scabs, who had a reduction to \$5 a day recently. When the strikebreakers received this cut they complained. Formerly the strikebreakers got \$8 a day and 40 per cent of meter receipts. After the cut they only got \$5 a day plus the receipts. The strikebreakers were mad. After this these strikebreakers won't be so ready to take one of these "easy" jobs.

# A.F.L. OFFICIAL POLICE MURDER GRAND JURY SEC'Y NEGRO WORKER

## State Federation Head Aids Prosecutor

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Textile Workers' Union, was arrested when she attempted to ask a question.

Third: Louis P. Marquardt, secretary of the Georgia State Federation of Labor, is an "assistant" in the offices of the prosecutor. Solicitor General John A. Boykin, whose name is signed to the indictments Marquardt is one of the most extreme "red baiters" in the state. He is the connection between the prosecutor's office and the fascist forces of the A. F. of L. in the state.

There is a very evident resentment among workers, however, at these openly fascist activities of Nance and Marquardt. This is reflected in the hostility voiced by such leading elements in the local labor movement as Mary Barker, national president of the American Federation of Teachers, who openly denounces the use that is being made of these Civil War "insurrection" laws to legalize the activities of the militant section of the working class, and by Jerome Jones, the aged editor of the Atlanta Journal of Labor.

Every effort is being brought to bear, however, against such elements by the prosecution that openly announces it is planning and working for "an electric chair verdict."

## JUNE 7 MEETS FOR ALL SOUTH

### Protest Atlanta Cases on Gastonia Date

GREENVILLE, S. C., June 1.—Textile workers of Greenville are planning to demonstrate on Saturday, June 7, the first anniversary of the defense of the Gastonia textile strikers' tent colony. The demonstration will be against the arrest and imprisonment of the six workers at Atlanta, now facing the electric chair.

Anna Burlak, one of the Atlanta prisoners, was an organizer here for the National Textile Workers' Union before going to Atlanta to represent the International Labor Defense in organizing the struggle for the lives of M. H. Powers and Joseph Carr. She had only been in Atlanta for a few days in this capacity when she, too, was arrested.

There has been a growing resentment against the arrest of Anna Burlak and the other Atlanta prisoners among the workers in the Woodside, Dunean, Mills, Poe, Sampson, Poinsett and the Brandon Mills. In her capacity as organizer of the union, Anna Burlak has held many meetings at these mills, many of them at midnight, when the night shift gets 30 minutes off for lunch, many coming out of the mills during this short rest period for a breath of fresh air.

She has also spoke in nearby towns, such as Conatsee, Clinton, Greer, Spartanburg, Seneca, Walhalla, where she did valuable work for the union and where her arrest and imprisonment have become a central topic of discussion among the workers.

Meeting Today.  
This Greenville textile mill area includes about 40 mills, employing in normal times 30,000 workers. Union activity in this area is now in charge of W. G. Binkley, who is organizing a preparatory meeting on Monday at 222 River St. at 12 o'clock noon.

WINSTON, SALEM, N. C., June 1.—Dewey Martin, writing on "June 7, the Day That Shook the Entire Solid South," says: "The lessons and experiences of June 7, when workers fought in self defense, and saved themselves from massacre, and the events before and after that day last year, will serve to mobilize many thousands of tobacco workers who are slaving 11 and 12 hours a day here, and the thousands of textile workers, on starvation wages."

McGRATH GETTING ALONG FAIRLY  
Philadelphia M. W. I. U. Sends Greetings.

According to the reports of workers who went to see James McGrath at the Bellevue Hospital, he is getting along fairly well from the stab wound he received at the hands of a Lovestonite.

The Marine Workers Industrial Union at 140 Broad St., New York, N. Y., received a telegram of greeting from the recent mass meeting called by the M. W. I. U. of Philadelphia for McGrath, as follows: "From a mass meeting of the union we send its best wishes for your immediate recovery as a concrete expression of our appreciation for what you have done. We shall exert every effort for the building of the union. Down with the Lovestonites! Revolutionary greetings for a quick recovery."

Demand the release of Foster, Minor, Amer and Raymond, in prison for fighting for unemployment insurance.

## Riddled Without Excuse on Way to His Home

CHICAGO, Ill. (By Mail).—One of the most glaring cases of police brutality recently took place in Chicago. At 2:30 on the morning of Wednesday, May 21, a Negro cigarmaker, Joseph Guilford, 55 years old, who has for many years lived and worked on the South Side, was stopped by a police squad car two doors from his home at 5313 La Salle St., and was questioned as to his reason for being there. He told them that he was on his way home. Without warning, the police opened fire upon him with their pistols and a machine gun.

It was reported by Ernest Williams, the undertaker to whom Guilford's body was brought, that 24 bullets had been fired into his left side, almost tearing it completely away.

No one will doubt that this is a move on the part of the police authorities in Chicago to precipitate a race riot.

## Wave of Lynchings.

The alliance between the underworld mob and the ruling class police is clearly shown in these cases where, in one part of the country, Negro workers are lynched and burned by lynch gangs, while in the North and West Negroes are openly shot on the streets by legalized gangsters, the police.

Negro workers on the south side of Chicago are openly resenting this most brutal killing. On Sunday, May 25, the Communist Party staged a mass protest meeting against all forms of brutality leveled against workers, Negro and white. Two hundred and eighty-five Negro and white workers participated in the meeting, 53 of those present joining the Communist Party to carry forward the work of fighting against legalized violence against workers in every part of the country.

## PUSH TARIFF AND SPEED NEXT WAR

The Senate-House tariff conference is again ready to return the Smoot-Hawley bill to the Senate. It has changed the flexible tariff provision which displeased Hoover and Vice President Curtis, and has substituted instead a provision empowering the Tariff Commission to "specify rates" which, however, can only become effective on the president's approval. Thus the right to change rates is really transferred from Congress, where it now resides, to the president. And this is what Hoover has been fighting for.

Wall Street wants the president to have the right to change the tariff rates. This means placing a highly important economic power in the hands of its direct agent and removing it from the control or influence of Congress where the opposition of the representatives of the small manufacturers, farmers and petty-bourgeoisie often interfere with the plans of the big trusts and banks. Hoover's flexible provision, therefore, is of more permanent and basic importance to it than the billion dollar rates of the present bill.

Yesterday the capitalist press was given the resolution on India passed by the Second International executive committee meeting, May 11-13, the socialist party international to which the British Labor Party belongs, which hails such negotiations as the very best way to create a "fully responsible and fully autonomous" government in India—none of these workers' republics of course, but a real capitalist government that can kill the Indian workers without embarrassing the socialist parties. The resolution makes it clear that "no unusual pressure will be brought against MacDonald" by the international.

## Labor and Fraternal Organizations

Office Workers Annual Dance, June 18, at the Heckscher Roof Garden, 16th St. and 5th Ave. Admission 50 cents.

LL.D. B. Nick Spanoudakis. Ball and entertainment Saturday, June 7 at Workers Center.

Communist Activities  
Bronx Y.C.L. Dance, Saturday, May 31, Bronx Workers Center, 4th Ave. near 140th St. May Day movies.

Volunteers for I.L.D. Needed, comrades with slight experience in office work to volunteer their services for working up statistical tables, etc., room 430, 79 B'way.

Unit 4, Section 4. Special meeting will be held on Monday, June 2 at 8 p. m. Unit bureau meets 6:30. Action against non-attendance.

Unit Meetings.  
Unit 11E, Section 2, discussion on Party Thesis and election for delegates to section conference, Monday at 8:30 p. m. Unit 3, Section 4, meets Tuesday, June 3, at 8:30 p. m. at 208 Lenox Ave. Election of functionaries and delegates to Section Convention will be held, Unit 21, Section 6, Williamsburg, Monday, June 3, at 8 p. m. 48 Williamsburg St. Unit 10, Section 4, discussion and election of delegates to convention, Unit 3, Section 4, 8 p. m. at 1890 Seventh Ave.

Open Air Meeting.  
Unit 13, Section 5, at 149th St. near Third Ave. Monday at 8:30 p. m. Louis A. Baum, speaker.

Section 4 Dance and Entertainment, Saturday, June 7, at 8 p. m. 208 Lenox Ave. new headquarters of Section 4. John Reed Club entertainment. Jazz band. Admission 50 cents at the door.

# "Garrick Gaieties" at Guild "Lysistrata" Opens Thursday

The Theatre Guild will present the third edition of "Garrick Gaieties" at the Guild Theatre, Wednesday. Among the big group are Albert Carroll, Edith Meiser, Philip Loeb, Nan Blackstone, Sterling Holloway, James Norris, Ruth Churpenning, and Thelma Tipson. The music is by twelve composers; the same number of lyricists and sketch writers have been enlisted. Philip Loeb has staged the production.

On Thursday evening, Aristophanes' comedy, "Lysistrata," will have its premiere showing at the Forty-Fourth Street Theatre. This is the Gilbert Seldes version. The leading players include Violet Kemble Cooper, Miriam Hopkins, Ernest Truex, Eric Dressler, Mary Blair and Sydney Greenstreet.

"Milestones," by Arnold Bennett and Edward Knobloch, will be received by the Players Club at the Empire Theatre, Monday. Tom Powers, Selena Royale, Beulah Bondi, Dorothy Stickney and Ernest Cossart are some of the principals.

The Vanderbilt Theatre will offer Tuesday, a mystery play authored by Joe Byron Totten under the title of "Spook House." At the head of the cast is Leo Donnelly and his companions include Wilfred Lytle, Dorothy Blackburn, Leslie Bingham, John Lorenz and Edwin Forsberg.

## More Rebel as Gandhi Schemes With Ramsay

(Continued From Page One.)  
fire on the crowd, but the casualties were slight—not more than a couple of hundred, evidently, which was considered slight in the first Rangoon dispatches.

It is clear that the MacDonal Labor Party cabinet, after killing and torturing without mercy hundreds of Indian workers, is arranging with Gandhi and the Indian National Congress party to compromise the matter. The Gandhi bourgeois nationalist group prefers imperialism to a real proletarian and peasants' revolt, and events move toward such a revolt.

Such negotiations have been often hinted at lately by British Labor Party papers and other papers, and were officially announced Saturday in New York by S. N. Ghose, head of the Indian National Congress in America. The usual meaningless denial has been issued by the British Secretary of State for India.

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## CUBAN WORKERS FACE STRUGGLE

Cuban dispatches state that the fascist government of Machado has arrested two workers, Figueroa Botomero and his brother, on a charge of "distributing seditious literature" at a meeting of railway workers.

The railway workers are fighting a wage cut, at the same time being compelled to fight the fascist "union," the "Hermandad Ferroviaria" which is part of the Pan-American Federation of Labor.

There are 35,000 railway workers in Cuba, only 8,000 organized in the fascist "union," in which there is a left wing and outside of which the left wing has wide support. The rank and file are preparing a strike probably for July 1, and the left wing has the task of immediate creation of a new and genuine union.

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## They Hope for Revival by End of Autumn

Having failed to procure any economic miracles with his magic sixty-day formula, Hoover has stopped dishing out short-term predictions. Rather than weakening his ballyhoo about recovery and exposing himself as only a cheap, nickel star-gazer, Hoover has now taken to the safer but meaningless business of long-term predictions. The latest "hit" from the White House is the rather stale joke that "the unemployment situation would be corrected and normal business conditions would return by late fall." At least this is what Edward Corsi, president of the Colombian Republican League, reports after an interview with the White House oracle yesterday.

One of the major sports of the American bourgeoisie today is the dismal game of expressing pious hopes and wishes. The entire crisis is a mystery to them in which tail is head and head is tail and nothing is as it should be—according to all the rules.

Meanwhile, the bourgeois financial and economic surveys continue to publish pessimistic reports—with the usual pious assurance that God's in his heaven and everything must turn out all right in the end. The Guaranty Survey of the Guaranty Trust Co. represents the general opinion of the financial reports in its latest admission that "definite signs of revival are still absent." "The seasonal peak of spring activity was passed in March, and the normal influences making for curtailment are now in evidence," the survey states: "Business failures are at a record level, and the decline in commodity prices has continued. Both of these conditions represent strong deterrents to business enterprise and any genuine improvement in the outlook for general trade must await their correction," it concludes.

## LIFE FOR PETTY OFFENSE

The Appellate Division of the New York state judiciary placed its approval on the life term given a woman, Ruth St. Clair, for shoplifting. The amount she is convicted of taking was nominal. She is a dope fiend and hardly responsible for her actions.

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# U. S. DEPORTS WORKER'S WIFE AND CHILD; TO PICK ON HIM LATER

## Detroit Worker Tells of Rotten Tricks of Immigration Officials

### Auto Bosses Afraid of Growing Influence of Communist Shop Papers

(By a Worker Correspondent)

DETROIT, Mich.—I feel it is time that the rotten ways of the United States government should be exposed. I paid my head tax into the States from Canada on July 23, 1923. I asked for something to show it had been paid. They told me it was not necessary as it was recorded in their books. My wife paid hers a little later on. She got a paper showing she paid hers.

Later on they took it from her and told her they would give it back to her as soon as they made an investigation. But she has never been able to locate that guy.

Now they are holding her and my boy at immigration detention quarters for deportation. My wife was in Canada for about ten years before she paid hers and entered the state at the Detroit port.

I expect by what I hear they will be looking for me to give me some of their rotten two-faced medicine. She may face being sent back to Scotland and my boy deported to Canada and likely myself.

Let every one of us organize and put every bit of pep into the fight against the rotten affairs of the bosses.

I am an auto worker, just making enough to get by on. Working for the Hudson motor works, where they are making as much hell for us as they can by speed-ups and layoffs, and have threatened to fire anyone buying the Communist papers.

# Oakland High School Boys Learn Art of Murder



The "Blue" army defeated the "Red" army in a "sham" battle between high school boys in Oakland, Cal., the other day. These boys are being prepared for the coming war and are being taught to war on Reds as well. The Daily Worker exposes and fights capitalist war preparations, attacks against the Soviet Union, against the Communists and workers in this country. Help the Daily Worker to more fighting by getting new readers and by contributing to its \$25,000 Emergency Fund.

# Today's "Daily" Receipts Necessitates Warning You

We want to interest you deeply in the dollars and cents aspect of our campaign for the \$25,000 Emergency Fund. Every contributor writes: "We must save our Daily." And it can be kept going, it can be made a power, we can secure mass circulation for it if all our readers and supporters will work diligently to help us meet our financial obligations which piled up during the last six months and which threatened stoppage.

We made our first call for your quick support on May 9. We had before us at least \$5,000 in bills that had to be met at once. Many other large obligations which we had postponed paying also faced us. Take the \$5,000 we had to meet at once from the total received so far, and there remains \$3,750, about. We need \$350 a day to publish the paper each day besides our normal income. For 22 days this totals \$7,700. This means that \$3,750 has been contributed to meet an accrued deficit of \$7,700 for 22 days. You will readily see that although we bettered our situation because you enabled us to pay old obligations, contributions are not yet, in addition, covering cost of publication.

Yesterday's income again falls below the needs of the situation. Comrades and readers of the Daily Worker, allow us to impress you with the quick action and action by all of you.

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TOTAL \$331.05; Emergency Fund Needed \$25,000.00; Contributed to May 30 9,856.45; Balance Still Needed 15,943.51

# Argentina Workers Fought Police

BUENOS AIRES, May 30.—Workers of the town of Andradas, in the State of Minas Geraes, fought a political battle with the police yesterday. Eighteen persons were killed and thirty wounded. The police commander and the local political chief, the instruments of the bosses, are reported to be among the dead.

# Heywood Broun with Social-Fascists

Heywood Broun, who did his best to help the bosses fight the organization of the jobless into militant unemployed councils under the revolutionary leadership of the Trade Union Unity League, and who hands out his "liberal" slop in weekly radio addresses and nitwitty newspaper columns, finally landed in the camp of the social-fascists. Admitting that he is himself fed up on "liberalism," he joined the Socialist Party last week, much to the delight of the lawyers, clergymen, shopkeepers, etc., who belong to it. While joining the social-fascists, Broun, "of course," reserved "the right to his own opinions." The dear fellow just hasn't the temperament for being a hundred per center, he says, even if it is a hundred per cent social-fascist. We needn't comment further on the "Socialist" party.

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# PROSECUTOR TO ASK DEATH FOR ALL COMMUNISTS

## Answer Atlanta Fiend in Election Campaign

(Continued from Page One) workers of the entire South to militant struggle against the rising tide of white terror. Struggles against these anti-labor laws and against all forms of oppression of the Southern working class will play a big role in the election campaign of the Communist Party in the South. Workers, both Negro and white, throughout Georgia, are urging that Henry Storey, Negro Communist now facing death, be named as Communist candidate for governor of Georgia by the coming state ratification convention of the Communist Party.

"Defend Them."

An immediate call was sent out by the Communist Party and the International Labor Defense, whose national secretary, J. Louis Engdahl, is in Atlanta, for the masses of workers, all over the world, to realize that this case is the beginning of an attack on them, and to save these six representatives of theirs from electrocution—legalized lynching by the mill owners of Georgia and their henchmen in state and A. F. of L. office.

Assistant Solicitor Hudson, the prosecutor in the Powers and Carr case and the cases of the other four, also issued a public statement as soon as the indictment was rendered. It was his first public statement since the cases began, and was simply one long howl by a blood-thirsty jackal of the mill owners and lynch gangsters.

To Ask Chair For All Communists. Hudson said, in part: "As fast as these Communists come here and publicly preach their doctrine of violent opposition to the laws of this state, we shall indict them, and I shall demand the death penalty in every case. . . . We will not tolerate Communists in Georgia."

In answer to Hudson by the I. L. D., it is pointed out that the prosecutor includes in his death list members of unions, defense bodies, Negro organizations, as well as Communists, and that the attempt to kill these six is openly an attempt to kill anybody who fights for the cause of labor.

# PRESS REPORTS HECKLING CHARGE

(Continued from Page One) for the night shift, with 15 minutes for lunch. Under piece-work conditions it is difficult for the workers now to earn \$10 or \$12 weekly. Plans are underfoot to intensify the speed-up with the resulting lay-offs.

The Bell Telephone Co. celebrated the Memorial Day week-end by discharging 600 workers, most of whom lost their jobs as a result of the installation of the dial system. Many workers are also being fired by the Southern Railroad, the main transportation artery through this section.

Yet it is under these conditions that "Atlanta Life," a weekly ballyhoo organ of big business issues its plea as follows: "Do not shed a tear for Red workers who face trial on charges involving death penalties."

# DIPLOMATS OF FRANCE AND POLAND SIGN PACT CLAIMING SOVIET SOIL

## Join With Czarist Cossack Emigres and Ukraine Counter-Revolutionists in a "Protocol"

### White Guardists Grant a "Protectorate" to France and Poland Over Soviet Regions

MOSCOW (I.P.S.)—The last number of the Zarskaya Westnik (Czarist Messenger), which is published in Sofia, has just arrived here. It contains an article by the Russian monarchist leader Lanind entitled, "Letter to the Russian People." Lanind quotes the text of the protocol signed on January 18, 1929, in Sofia by representatives of the Association of Cossack Peoples in the Don, the Cuban and Terek districts, (the plenipotentiary of the "Ukrainian People's Republic" General Bogayevski, Professor Michael Barshuk of the Lember University, and the delegates of the Caucasian peoples' Mdiviani, Pasimir and Sultanov.

The protocol also bears the signature of a representative of the French embassy in Sofia. It must not be forgotten that behind this comic opera mummy the spectre of armed intervention is hidden. These "representatives of the cossack peoples," and so on, would be torn into little pieces if they showed themselves to the masses they are supposed to represent, but for the imperialists they serve as a moral stamp on the intervention game, a stamp calculated to deceive public opinion in the capitalist countries.

The protocol contains two articles: No. 1 registers the commonality of interests of the peoples of the Ukraine, the Caucasus and the cossack districts and expresses their wish to be independent of the Soviet Union, whilst No. 2 points out that in accordance with the decree of the president of the Ukrainian People's Republic and the confidential circular of the Ataman of the cossack troops of February 29, 1928, the protectorate of France and Poland over the districts mentioned in Article No. 1 is recognized, and that the peoples of the "Southern Union" shall send representatives to the capitals of the two countries mentioned.

The protocol was drafted in the presence of the Polish ambassador to Bulgaria, Baranovski, and of the French diplomatic representative in Bulgaria, de Chemineau.

"Labor" Fakers Reject Dover Tunnel Project. LONDON, June 1.—Sitting on the same Committee of Imperial Defence with Stanley Baldwin and Lloyd George, the British leaders of the "labor fakers," MacDonald and Snowden, turned down yesterday the project for the construction of a tunnel beneath the strait of Dover which will join England and France by steel rails. This project, which was strongly opposed by the army, navy, and particularly the air forces, as undesirable for defense purposes, was obviously vetoed by the committee primarily on this ground, despite Snowden's attempt to cover up the incident by other explanations. War is the word that hovers in the mind of those war makers who rejected this proposal.

# Belgian Bosses Attack Smoot Tariff

With Belgian exports to the United States dropping steadily and threatening to be curtailed still further should the Smoot-Hawley tariff bill become law, Belgian capitalists are reported to have urged their government to follow the example of Canada and introduce a special tariff reprisal law of their own. Under the Belgian-United States commercial treaty dating from 1875 American trade has shown a steady increase. The imperialist struggle for markets is assuming the most colossal proportions and is speedily driving towards another imperialist slaughter. This struggle will not be abated even should the Smoot-Hawley tariff bill fail to become law.

# Soviet Georgia Ends Big Job

TIFLIS, U.S.S.R. (I.P.S.)—The Tiripolsk canal has been officially opened in Chivaili, in southern Ossetia. The new canal is 42 kilometres long and will irrigate 26,000 hectares of agricultural and garden land. The representatives of the Trans-Caucasian government and numerous workers and peasants delegations were present. The speeches enumerated the great successes of Soviet Georgia on the way to the building up of socialism.

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# Belgium Miners Kick Out Misleaders in Strike

BRUSSELS.—On February 14, 1930, a strike was called of miners in Limburg mine Flardrio on account of increased exploitation. At first the reformist syndicate led the strike, but the strikers noticed soon enough that the leaders, as usual, intended to sell them out. Therefore, on February 17, they elected a rank and file committee which now leads them on a class struggle basis.

# Ex-Guardsman Tells Colonel Where to Get Off At

KENOSHA, Wisconsin.—After the successful March 6th unemployed demonstration here a friend (ex-guardsman and now class-conscious worker) and I were going home when we met one Colonel Alexander of the Kenosha National Guard. The colonel immediately recognized my friend and greeted him. The ex-guardsman felt insulted and said something about Hoover's "prosperity" being rotten to the core. Then the colonel wanted to know why my friend kept company with a "bunch of foreigners" meaning the unemployed demonstrators, and said that he had explained enough of such matters and also hinted of a job if he'd discontinue keeping company with them, and stick out his chest, and be one of the "good boys." The ex-guardsman felt disgusted and indignant and told him that he was in the country seventeen years with an empty stomach and besides that he couldn't exist on hot air and promises. The colonel felt cheap over the argument and left. —WE'RE BOTH FOR A RED ARMY.

## UNEMPLOYMENT, THE A. F. L. AND THE S. P.

In the preceding installment Comrade Dunne exposed the directly fascist role of the A. F. of L. in relation to unemployment, and piled up the evidence against the "Socialist" party.—Editor.

By BILL DUNNE.

Callous and cynical, American capitalist government does not even compile figures for unemployment. "The Federal Bureau of Labor Statistics makes the most comprehensive collection of data concerning the status of employment in the United States, but its figures do not refer to unemployment." (Eberling—Current History, April, 1930.)

The U. S. senate committee on unemployment recently stated: "Government interference in the establishment and direction of unemployment insurance is not necessary and not advisable at this time."

President Hoover is against unemployment insurance furnished by the government.

A king of France, who after lost his head, said when told of the misery of the masses: "After me, the deluge."

The Communist Party raises the demand for full unemployment insurance to be paid by the government from the profits of the capitalists on the basis of full union wages. This is one of the immediate and partial demands of our Party.

To abolish unemployment the working class must abolish capitalism and set up the dictatorship of the working class against the present dictatorship of the capitalist class, led by the Communist Party, headed by Lenin, carried through the social revolution, employment is increasing. This is the only country in the world of which this is true.

Hungry workers will be asked and compelled to enter the armies of their bosses' government and fight to make the robbers richer, to destroy the only working class government in the world.

### III

#### The Objective of the Imperialist Drive—The Communist Program.

The present drive against the working class and its most advanced section, the Communist Party, is no ordinary wage-cutting campaign. There is a tendency even among militant workers to look upon the capitalist offensive merely as the result of the natural desire to take advantage of the economic crisis and mass unemployment to reduce wages and increase profits.

They fail to see that the difference between the present offensive and the previous "open shop campaigns," "American plan" drives, etc. consists in the fact that American imperialism has for its objective in this offensive the destruction of the whole historical and social base of the living standards of the working class.

The speech of Owen D. Young, spokesman for the big capitalists, whose name has been given to the financial plan which enslaves the German working class to American finance capital, with the enthusiastic aid of the German social-democrats, leaves no doubt as to their intentions:

Young said: "Let no man think that the living standards of America can be permanently maintained at a measurably higher level than those of other civilized countries."

By "America" Young means the American working class and the working farmers. Does anyone think that Young is proposing that the capitalists reduce their huge profits? The return to the big corporations of \$163,000,000 in back taxes by the Hoover-Wall Street government when millions of workers are jobless and hungry is the answer to this question.

American imperialism has loaned billions to "stabilize" the shattered capitalist systems of the European countries. It has insisted, and the social-democrats of the Second International and the Amsterdam International of trade unions have gladly agreed, that these loans were to be guaranteed by the drastic reduction of wages and living standards of European workers.

This has been done. Only the Communist Parties and the sections of the International of Labor Unions have led the working class in struggle against these attacks. The social-democrats (Kautsky, Hilferding, Mueller, Zoergel, etc., in Germany, Vandervelde in Belgium, MacDonald, Snowden, Caxton, etc., in England, Jouhaux, Boncour, etc., in France, Bauer in Austria, etc.), have all joined with the capitalists and their governments to make the working class bear the full burden of "stabilization."

Now the leaders of American imperialism demand that the American working class accept, be forced to accept, the still lower living standard of European workers in order that their rulers can add to their swollen fortunes at home and compete more successfully in the world markets.

This is no ordinary wage-cutting offensive. It is the beginning of a new phase of the class war in which the offensive of the capitalists and their government has for its objective the wiping out of all social, economic, historical and political factors which have resulted from the fact that in its rapid rise to a position of world domination American imperialism has had to bring in from outside its territorial confines only one important commodity—labor power.

The American ruling class intends to destroy every economic and social advantage that the working class has gained from the fact that American capitalism developed in a huge coun-

try where free land existed up to three decades ago, that it had no mass of peasantry which it could drive from the land into the industries, that rising capitalism, as compared with the European capitalism which arose on the ruins of the feudal system of society with its millions of serfs, was faced until recently (in the historical sense) with a continual shortage of labor.

The so-called "American standard of living," the special features of capitalist democracy, etc., are the result of these factors. (Among others which we cannot go into here.)

Marx pointed this out with the utmost clearness. Writing of conditions in the United States in the early period of capitalist development he said:

"In colonial countries (Marx here refers to new countries like the United States and Canada where there was no mass native population to be exploited) the law of supply and demand favors the working man. Hence the relatively high standard of wages in the United States. Capital may there try its utmost. It cannot prevent the labor market from being continuously emptied by the continuous conversion of wage laborers into independent self-sustaining peasants. The position of wage laborers is for a very large part of the American people but a probational state, which they are sure to leave for a longer or shorter term."

The exhaustion of free land closed the avenue of escape for the workers. First herded into the industries with no other means of livelihood except that of selling themselves to the capitalists, between seven and eight millions of workers are now driven out of the industries by rationalization and the inevitable cyclical crisis of capitalism.

The capitalists see in permanent mass unemployment a factor which, coupled with every available means of suppression (mass arrests of striking workers, fascist terrorism, injunctions, long prison sentences for Communists, deportation of foreign-born workers, lynching of Negroes, against whom special methods of torture and terror are used, and upon whom the misery of unemployment and low wages bears heaviest, etc.) will enable them to put across their slave program for the working class.

Enlisting the services of the fascist leaders and upper stratum of the A. F. of L., finding in the socialist party an agency whose historical role is to confuse and betray workers into the camp of their class enemies, the capitalist class and its government, are trying to turn American workers into a slave class, cowed, submissive, disorganized, chained to the machines of the imperialist order, driven into the slaughter of a new war for the destruction of the Soviet Union and the conquest of the entire globe for American imperialism.

American imperialism can live only by the lowering of the social, economic and political standards of the working class to the slave level.

Without the destruction of the historical part of the value of the labor power of American workers, which will allow the still more drastic lowering of the physical factor to the point where workers exist below even the present subsistence level, all advantages obtained so far from rationalization by the ruling class will be lost.

American imperialism will be driven from all the world markets except those it can hold by military force.

Says Marx: "The value of laboring power is formed by two elements—the one merely physical, the other historical or social. Its ultimate limit is determined by the physical element, that is to say, to maintain and reproduce itself, the working class must receive the necessary absolutely indispensable for living and multiplying. . . ."

"Besides this more physical element, the value of labor is in every country determined by a traditional standard of life. It is not mere physical life, but it is the satisfaction of certain wants springing from the social conditions in which people are placed and reared up. The English standard of life may be reduced to the Irish standard; the standard of life of a German peasant to that of a Livonian peasant." (Value, Price and Profit.)

American imperialism is trying to destroy entirely that portion of the value of American labor power which has its origin in special conditions of American capitalist development. It is this fact which the A. F. of L. fascists, and the socialists, carefully try to conceal from the working class.

It is quite clear that the strategy and tactics of the working class must be of a much higher order—open political struggle of the most militant character—to combat a capitalist offensive of the character we have proved it to be, than if we faced merely one of the many "open shop" drives of the previous period.

It is precisely in their attempt to conceal the class character of the struggle and the sweeping objectives set for itself by the capitalist class, in conformity with its desperate needs, to confine the struggle to the mere question of wages and hours, to try to conceal the extent and imminence of the danger facing the working class, to delude the workers with the theory that the election of "friends of labor" of the parties of the class enemies of the workers, will change the course of events, as the A. F. of L. does, or to spread the still more dangerous delusion that legislation secured by the election of candidates on a reformist program will change the capitalist system, as the socialist party does, that the treachery of these fascist and social-fascist betrayers of the masses consists.

(To be continued)

### Decoration Day

By IRED ELLIS



these co-operatives have been thriving and their real (not formal) relations with the Communist movement growing closer and closer."

#### A Year and a Half Ago.

This is what Renegade Lovestone's official mouthpiece now states. About a year and a half ago, when in the leadership of the Party, the same Lovestone officially instructed the Finnish Bureau to open a struggle against these "incurable" opportunists "drifting away from the Communist line." Officially these instructions are recorded in the Polcom minutes from January, 1929.

This in itself proves that Renegade Lovestone has become a political deflower of George Halonen and that he thereby gives his official indorsement to Halonen's anti-Communist united front built officially by the fascist bureaucracy of the A. F. of L., (social fascist S. P. elements, Trotskyite Sulkanen, whom Lovestone with great beating of trumpets expelled from the Party), with Calumet and Hecla controlled Finnish white elements, with elements directly under the control of Finnish white consulates, with petty bourgeois anarcho-syndicalists, etc., etc. All of these elements who hitherto bitterly fought the Communist line in the co-operatives, are now united with Renegade Halonen against the Communist Party and the line of the Comintern and state word for word exactly what the Lovestone "Revolutionary Age" prints in its columns.

#### Lovestone and Halonen.

In the light of all this it is no accident that, despite the fact that Lovestone some 18 months ago issued instructions to fight Halonen's social democratic line in the co-operatives, he at the same time refused to raise his finger to remove Halonen from the position of the C. C. co-operative fraction bureau secretaryship and that he refused to take any steps against Halonen, when the latter in the last pre-convention period came over to the ex-majority! The tragedy of this new alliance is, however, the fact; that the same Halonen opened a struggle against the Party last spring by pretending to fight the Lovestonites and by pretending to defend the line of the Comintern Address in doing this! All this, however, does not prevent Lovestone from printing in his counter-revolutionary sheet the following about the origin of this struggle:

"It is clear that at the bottom of the crisis in the co-operatives is the same 'third period' idiosyncrasy that characterizes the line of the Party and the Comintern everywhere!"

And furthermore:

"According to the new ultra-left theories, the mass organizations have no right to be non-Party organizations . . . with the result that these organizations are being wrecked . . . this is what was attempted against the Finnish co-operatives — but fortunately it has failed. . . . This is what the Secretariat was informed by Comrade Halonen (our italics) . . . but this of course meant nothing to the Party," etc., etc.

Is it true, as the Lovestone sheet claims, that the co-operatives "have constituted an important support to the revolutionary struggle in this country"—under the leadership of Renegade Halonen? No! This is a wanton distortion of facts. Quite the contrary. The facts are that at first the opportunists in the co-operative movement raised the importance of the basically reformist co-operative trading on the same level with the trade union work and the revolutionary party of the proletariat.

In practice this meant that all the activities of organizing the unorganized and of building the Party fractions in the co-operatives were branded as "unprincipled machinations," all Party forces were drowned in building big business turnover for the co-operatives, persistent efforts were being made for gagging the Party press from saying a word about the issues of class struggle in connection with co-operatives—whatever forces the Party had were to be at the disposal of the business efforts of the co-operatives, but the Party was not to be in a position to ask anything from the co-operatives, following the line of Renegade Lovestone's "Comrade Halonen."

#### "Neutrality."

Exactly against this petty bourgeois line the Party finally took up a decisive struggle. During this struggle the opportunists built the above mentioned united front against the

Party under the pretense of "being neutral towards different tendencies in the labor movement." This "neutrality" included the appealing to the fascist bureaucracy of the A. F. of L. to organize a strike against the Finnish Communist daily, the *Yomies* (as a recent bulletin of the Minnesota State Federation of Labor proves), a brazen attempt to acquire the control of the Party daily, the *Yomies*; of initiating a splitting move in the workers' clubs and women's councils against the Communists, etc., etc., which were decisively defeated. Furthermore these opportunities developed in an amazingly short period in open fascism in the struggle against the Communist line. Lovestone's sheet makes a plea for the poverty of the Co-operative Central Exchange, when the question of giving financial support to the struggles carried on by the masses, by the initiative of the Party was concerned. But this has by no means prevented this same "poor" Exchange from spending some \$30,000 in the struggle against the Party line during the last six months!

#### The Meaning of the "Crisis"

"Fortunately," states the Lovestone sheet, the Finnish co-operative movement has been saved from the Party! Looked at from the surface and without taking into consideration the dialectical development taking place, the renegades may for a brief time rejoice from their "victory" in the Finnish co-operatives. This they achieved by padding the delegation, by padding the membership meetings of the local co-operatives where the delegations were elected—and in most cases even as such, receiving a "majority" varying from 1, 2 to 5.

However, in this struggle the Party has for the first time been built in District 9. This "crisis" has been nothing else but a bolshevization process in the traditionally social democratic Party organization of District 9 and in the mass organization surrounding it. The Party organization has purified itself and is gaining decisive influence among the masses. The best proof of this are the mass demonstrations of August 1, March 6 and May First.

Another undisputed proof of this is the rising of the Lumber Workers Union, the Metal Miners Union and of the new Marine Workers Union in this District. An unquestionable proof of this is the fact that the workers' mass organizations have categorically rejected the brazen social fascist line of Halonen. And the organization of the revolutionary left wing in the co-operatives, having in its first delegate meeting some 300 delegates present, the carrying on of a systematic struggle against these agents of the bourgeoisie, the fact that over 10 large local co-operatives have already in this brief time openly declared themselves against the social fascists and for the Party, and the ever more acute growing capitalist crisis both in the industrial field and in agriculture, will give sufficient guarantee of the fact that neither Halonen nor his new ally, Lovestone, will have time to grow gray on the laurels of their "victory" in fighting the Communist International and the Communist Party of the U. S. A. in line with the multi-millionaire, Dr. Warbasse, now in the leadership of the American consumers' co-operatives, deteriorating rapidly into agencies of the chain store system of finance capital, and becoming an open adjunct to the capitalist oppressive system, directed against the workers.

In the Brooklyn co-operative, an open ally of Halonen and through him of Renegade Lovestone, a clear example of this development was given a few days ago in connection with the May Day preparations. When the Brooklyn, N. Y., police arrested a worker employed by the Brooklyn co-operative (under the leadership of S. P. and Trotskyite forces (for distributing the Daily Worker, the S. P.-Trotskyite management promptly fired him upon his return from the jail after being released on bail.

Renegade Lovestone finds himself in a very worthy company! We may congratulate him, because the sooner he openly parades in this company, the sooner will his "majority group" of a few score of degenerated intellectuals divide in the oblivion of the scrap heap of history. Already now we may justly speak about him by starting the story: "Once upon a time there was . . ."

## PRE-CONVENTION DISCUSSION

### Not Only Self-Criticism But Also Self-Correction!

By I. AMTER

(Written in Jail)

THE demonstration on March 6th marked the beginning of a mass movement, in the real sense of the term, behind the Communist Party. These demonstrations indicated two things:

(1) The radicalization and militancy of the workers.  
(2) The recognition of the Communist Party as the fighter for the working class and its power to rally them.  
May First, in many cities, demonstrated the same fact. Demonstrations and parades took place in districts and cities where none had been held before. The mobilizing record achieved through March 6th, the readiness and ability of the Communist Party members to lead the action, the arrest of hundreds of Communists—Party and Y. C. L. members and Young Pioneers—have made the workers understand that there is but one leadership in their struggle and that is Communist leadership.

#### Two Facts.

It is true that two facts have enabled the Party to become the leader of masses, namely the crisis and the ridding of the Party of its former opportunist leadership and their policy, together with the co-ordination of all Party forces. These are two potent factors that take the first rank.

In judging March 6th and May First, however, we find that what was stated in criticism of March 6th has to be repeated—almost without modification, namely: (1) Failure of the shop nuclei to carry on organizational work in the shops by forming united front committees (which serve as embryos of shop committees affiliating to the T. U. U. L.); (2) failure to concentrate upon certain selected shops and factories of basic and particularly of war industry; (3) failure to mobilize the T. U. U. L. as a whole (although some affiliated unions and leagues functioned better than for March 6th); (4) failure of the T. U. U. L. groups in A. F. of L. and other unions to raise the question of May Day and of strike (although the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. reported more than 20 per cent of its membership out of work at that time—40 per cent of the organized building trades in New York City); (5) failure to rally Negro workers (an unpermissible neglect); (6) failure of the sections and nuclei to be given and to assume responsibility not only for carrying out certain tasks, but for developing initiative in devising methods of doing the work, issuing leaflets, shop bulletins etc.; (7) failure to bring the unemployed to the demonstrations in organized bodies.

Although the fraternal organizations responded better (which showed an improvement in the language work) nevertheless the demonstrations indicate: (1) Failure to correct at all the mistakes of March 6th as far as the districts, sections and nuclei are concerned; (2) failure to draw all the T. U. U. L. unions, leagues and groups into organized mobilization work; (3) failure to build the T. U. U. L.; (4) failure to build the Daily Worker.

#### Resolutions Not Enough.

It was not sufficient for the Central and District Committees to adopt resolutions on the March 6th and May First campaigns and discuss them with the membership. It was not sufficient to get united support of these resolutions by the membership and in drawing up the plans for May 1st to get recognition of the mistakes of March 6th and look for the correction of the mistakes.

The error of the Districts, and therefore of the Central Committee, was a major political

and organizational error, which, if repeated, will lead not only to the Party's "reliance on spontaneous response" of the masses to the slogans of struggle of the Party, but to the Party losing its ability to mobilize and lead the workers in struggle.

#### The Question of Spontaneous Action.

The question must be put fundamentally: (1) Can the masses attain the revolutionary goal through spontaneous action; or must the Party organize them through struggle for immediate issues and lead them through more and better organization, greater consciousness and militancy to the overthrow of capitalism? (2) Can the Party expect to organize for the revolutionary liberation of the masses if it continues to fail to plan concretely, carry out and lead in organized manner the masses in demands and demonstrations for immediate issues? (3) Can the Party and the masses learn to approach the revolutionary goal in organized manner if there is continued repetition, with little correction, of basic weaknesses and errors?

Many of these defects are due to the type of district and section committees and nuclei functionaries and bureaus. This must be radically changed in the elections of the coming conventions, at which live, young, militant, new elements who have made the turn and are quickly responsive to rapid changes and new situations, must be elected to responsible positions.

#### Check-Up and Control.

Secondly, the Party must, from top to bottom, at last institute a regular system of check-up and control. The time has come when we must know exactly where we stand: our forces, strength in the unions, general support, work done for the Party press, building up mass organizations, etc.

Finally, the Party must learn that organization for demonstrations like March Sixth and May First is not mere mobilization for a certain day, but entails the building up of permanent organization, establishing the Party press. The Party has not yet learned how in the process and just in the swing of organizing the masses for a specific demonstration, the best conditions exist for building up the revolutionary unions, the Party press, the workers' defense, the I.L.D., F.S.U., W.I.R., etc., for building up the Party. The Party still conceives of the building up of these organizations as distinct and separate campaigns.

This is a serious mistake. March Sixth and May First afforded splendid opportunities for doing all of this work, which would not only have made the demonstrations even more imposing, but would have left permanent organization in many shops and factories.

#### Coming Tasks.

The Party now faces many union conventions, the July 4-5 Unemployment Convention, August First. These are all part and parcel of the campaigns carried out on March Sixth and May First. They are not separate campaigns, but must be integrated as parts of one another and particularly of the election campaign, which must be their immediate climax.

If this is not done, the Party will develop good agitprop qualities, but will not organize and mobilize the masses in organized manner for the struggle. The Party will not establish itself in basic industry; it will not reach the masses of Negro, women and young workers.

The errors of March Sixth and May First must be corrected at once ideologically and organizationally. Not only criticism and self-criticism, but also correction and self-correction!

## Language Fractions and T.U.U.L.

By JAMES LUSTIG.

THE foreign born workers working in the steel, mining, auto and the other basic industries are those who are feeling the greater burden of the present economic crisis in the United States. The bankers, the capitalists of this country want to solve this crisis by putting the burden on the shoulders of the workers. They want to produce cheaper articles in order to be able to take up the fight on the world market against their rivals. They try to accomplish their aim by speeding up the workers, by wage cuts, by lengthening of the hours of the workers and worsening the general conditions of the toilers.

The attack of the boss is aimed firstly and mainly against the unorganized and unskilled and semi-skilled workers. Hundreds of thousands of foreign born workers belong to these categories. This is why these workers are hit the hardest by unemployment, speed-up, wage cuts, etc.

Every class conscious worker must draw the conclusion that it is his or her duty to build up the Trade Union Unity League. There are hundreds of thousands of foreign born workers organized in different fraternal organizations, the problem before us is to link up these workers, organizing these organizations with the T.U.U.L.

The first and most important step in this direction is to bring before these organizations the question of the T.U.U.L. The most important form of organization between the foreign born workers are the different sick benevolent societies. Now we must present the question of the T.U.U.L. in such a form that each and every member of the organization shall realize the importance from the point of view of his or her organization, the necessity of building up the T.U.U.L. We can bring up a number of reasons that will convince every thinking worker of this necessity but we are mentioning only a few.

1) With the introduction of speed-up the industrial accidents are increasing very rapidly in New York State. Last year alone there were 3,000 mortal and 500,000 injurious accidents. From this fact alone you can prove to the members of the sick benevolent societies that their members are liable in connection with the speed-up to get hurt on the job and in this way increase the expense of these organizations. The Trade Union Unity League is the only organization which takes up the fight

against speed-up. It is self-evident that it is to the interest of the members of the sick benevolent societies to help build up the T.U.U.L. and fight against speed-up.

2) With the lengthening of the hours and with the introduction of new machinery the number of unemployed is increasing.

From this follows that many members of these organizations on account of unemployment are incapable of paying their monthly dues. This is one of the reasons why these organizations are losing so many members. It is the T.U.U.L. who takes up the fight against unemployment, against the lengthening of the hours. Therefore, it is clear to each and every worker that it is in his interest to help to build up the T.U.U.L. These two examples are sufficient to prove to each member of these fraternal organizations, the absolute necessity of their participation in the building up of revolutionary trade unions.

It is not sufficient to carry on agitation and propaganda among the workers organized in these fraternal organizations. Outside of education and propaganda we must take organizational steps. Therefore, it is imperative that at the very earliest moment possible we shall elect T.U.U.L. organizing committees of the branches of these organizations. The business of these committees will be to get the names, addresses and occupations and all the other necessary statistical data about the workers organizing these fraternal organizations. This material shall be turned over to the local office of the T.U.U.L.

This very important work will be successful only if the Party comrades who are members in these fraternal organizations are going to take the leading part in the work in the committees to be elected at least one Party member must be represented. Those comrades must make the reports every week to their units in which they are members in order that the work shall be carried on systematically.

The T.U.U.L. shall issue a leaflet directly to the foreign born workers organizing these organizations where we did not have any Party fraction and in this way trying to get into contact with these workers.

The Party comrades working in the fraternal organizations must understand and realize that the most important campaign of the Party at the present time is to get 50,000 new members for the T.U.U.L. In this light they must carry out these instructions of the Party in these organizations.

## The Renegades Find Each Other

By K. E. HEIKENEN

IN the Lovestone "Revolutionary Age" No. 12 (dated April 21) we read an article carrying the headline "The Crisis in the Finnish Co-operatives." For one who has followed the English "Pyramid Builder" and the Finnish official organ of the petty bourgeois Halonen's clique, it is self-evident, that this unsigned article originates from Halonen's office in Superior, Wis.—from sources the present counter-revolutionary Lovestone in bygone years used to characterize as "social democratic," because the content is word for word

a repetition of what Halonen has for the last nine months been peddling.

In the first paragraph of said article we read the following:

"The chain of consumer co-operatives in Northern Michigan, Northern Wisconsin and Northern Minnesota, which unite about 20,000 Finnish workers and poor farmers, has always been one of the largest mass organizations under the ideological leadership of the Communist Party and has always constituted an important support for the revolutionary struggle in this country. For the last few years