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"God" or Bread

THE capitalists and their henchmen are becoming a little nervous these days over the success of the Five-Year Plan in the Soviet Union. A few months ago this plan for the industrialization of the country and for the collectivization of agriculture was ridiculed as utopian. They sneered at the "crazy Communists" for even attempting "to accomplish in five years what has required over one hundred years in this country." And when the last Communist Party congress there, set the completion of the five-year plan in four years as their goal the capitalist sneers became still broader.

But now this sneer is transformed into an expression of fear. They see, after two years, that the "crazy Communists" are actually carrying through their plan "to accomplish in five years (and less) what has required over one hundred years in this country." They know the effect that this great Communist success in the Soviet Union will have on the workers here who are suffering and dying from hunger. They are mobilizing all their contemptible hirelings, therefore, in an effort to counteract Soviet achievements with anti-Soviet propaganda.

Among their willing servants is the editor of the Cincinnati Labor Advocate. In a front page editorial (probably syndicated) he attempts to show that the great achievements in the Soviet Union are detrimental to the interests of American workers. In this he lends himself to the preparation of what Secretary of the Interior Wilbur termed "the fundamental and gigantic struggle" (the war) which the capitalists are preparing against the Soviet Union.

"If the Russian Communist system is a success in five years, immediately then they will be able to sell grain, lumber, coal, machinery and everything else to this country. . . so much cheaper than they can be produced any place else that it will be impossible to compete," says the editorial.

Then he goes further and says:

"In fact, if the Russian system of collectivism ever becomes a success there can be no doubt but what this country and every other country on the globe will be compelled to adopt Communism in a few short years. Nothing else could be possible."

With the latter argument we must confess some sympathy. We also know that "this country will be compelled to adopt Communism in a few short years," but not alone as a result of the success of Communism in the Soviet Union.

Truly the successful building of socialism there will be a tremendous inspiration to the workers here. The oppressed masses here, though, will overthrow capitalist rule, establish a workers' and farmers' government and proceed with the building of a Communist society primarily because they cannot and will not any longer tolerate the misery, suffering and starvation steadily increasing under capitalism in the United States.

This capitalist crisis will not result from "cheap Soviet exports" either. The Five-Year Plan has not "cheap exports" as its objective, but rather the raising of the living and cultural standards of the masses in the Soviet Union. Exports will only be made to the extent that such exports are necessary to pay for machinery and other products needed for the carrying through of the Five-Year Plan. They, most likely, will even be less in the case of most products than the exports of the old czarist empire. So this will not be the cause of the capitalist crisis. On the contrary the crisis causes are inherent within capitalism itself and lead to a continuous impoverishment of the masses—to unemployment, part-time work, speed-up, wage cuts, hunger and starvation. It is these factors, and not "cheap Soviet exports," that lie behind the assertion that "this country will be compelled to adopt Communism in a few short years."

But the editor of the Cincinnati Labor Advocate, anxiously desiring to serve his masters and realizing the weakness of his arguments, concludes with what we presume he thought was a knock-out. He resorts to the inevitable last argument of a bootlicking hypocrite.

"However, we know," he says, "that we do not want that kind of success that the Communists look forward to. We, above all things, do not want to live in a land where there is no God."

Well, God, the capitalists and the labor fakers have all had their chance. And here in the United States we have 9,000,000 unemployed. Millions are working part-time. Wages are being slashed. Starvation and misery are rampant. Suicides occur by the dozens daily. Starving and girls are being driven to prostitution. Graft and corruption are on all sides. This is the picture under the regime of God and the capitalists.

In the Soviet Union, on the contrary, the improvement for the masses is so rapid that the capitalist world readily admits their fear of this great progress. There, unemployment is now non-existent; wages are moving upward; the masses have more food, clothing and better houses than ever before; they own and control the industries of the country; everything is operated for their benefit.

With this contrast before us as an inspiration, as an example of what the workers can accomplish, we are sure that "this country will be compelled" (by the American workers) to adopt Communism in a few short years." In the meantime it is the task of all workers to rally to defend the Soviet Union against the avalanche of attacks now being launched, as a prelude to war, by the capitalists and their hirelings.

Newspaper Methods

HEARST's letter to the publishers and managing editors of all Hearst newspapers, reproduced elsewhere in this issue, is of utmost importance to all workers and not only to the foreign-born. While this particular letter is directed against the foreign-born workers it exposes the methods used by the capitalist newspapers to poison the minds of its readers. The same methods are used against Negroes, against Communists against strikers, against everyone, in fact, whom the capitalists are fighting. It is a means of turning one worker or one group of workers against another.

The method is very simple.

"Whenever a criminal figures in the news," says Hearst, "please state conspicuously if he is not an American citizen, while if he is, state when he was naturalized."

"For instance:

"John Kajuski shoots policeman. Kajuski is not an American citizen. He arrived here from Poland in 1925."

By this method the Hearst papers try to create the impression that every foreign-born worker is a criminal, a murderer of policemen. He tries in this way to poison the readers of the Hearst press against the foreign-born and in that way justify the deportation of foreign-born workers who fight against wage cuts, against speed-up, for unemployment insurance, etc. together with the American workers.

Against the Negro workers the same hatred is engendered by charging them with rape and similar crimes. Special methods are used to cultivate hatred against all fighting workers. And this method is not confined to the Hearst press. It is regularly practiced by all capitalist newspapers—in fact it is through such methods as this that they fulfill their role as instruments of the bosses.

Against this particular effort directed against the foreign-born all workers must rally behind the conference for the protection of the foreign-born workers to be held in Washington on December 1st. Against the poisonous methods of the capitalist press the workers must react by pushing the drive for 60,000 readers for the Daily Worker.

DEMONSTRATE AGAINST EVICTION

Mounted Cops Attack; Council Is Formed

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 17.—A thousand workers and jobless gathered in mass demonstration against evictions at 105 Prospect Ave., yesterday morning and defied police interference

while they heard six speakers, one of them a Negro worker. Mounted cops were called out and finally broke up the meeting by riding their horses into it.

After the outdoor meeting was broken, it adjourned indoors, and continued. The meeting formed an unemployed council, and also a tenants league. Many Daily Workers were sold. Another meeting at the same place was scheduled for yesterday evening. (Editors' Note. The second meeting had not been reported on at the time we went to press.)

200,000 WALK OUT IN STRIKE IN BARCELONA

Strike Spreads Over Country; Workers Fight Police

Set Up Barricades Socialists Try to Betray Strikers

NEW YORK, Nov. 17.—Despite the "calling off" of the general strike in Madrid by the fakers in the trade unions, capitalist dispatches from Barcelona declare that 200,000 workers in this largest industrial city in Spain came out in a general strike in sympathy with the strikers in Madrid.

The Madrid strike is still proceeding. The strike was a spontaneous walkout of the workers, and the trade union officials were forced to "recognize" it when it became a fact.

Fighting took place throughout Barcelona between police and strikers. The United Press cable from Barcelona states:

"By noon the Syndicalist Union order for a strike extending from 24 to 48 hours had brought all activity to a halt. The streets were crowded with student and labor demonstrators who battled police and destroyed property. Several persons were seriously injured and many others hurt in the fighting with stones and pistols."

In many places the pavements were ripped open and the workers put up

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'ANISE' TO SPEAK HERE THURSDAY

Workers Organizations Elect Delegates!

NEW YORK.—The Friends of Soviet Union points out that the conference it has called in defense of the First Workers' State, to meet Thursday at 6 p. m. in Irving Plaza Hall, in defense of the First Workers' State comes at a time of sudden revival of the capitalist crusade against that country. The sudden public exposure by the Soviet government of the war plot engaged in by saboteurs and spies in the U. S. E. A., connected with the government officials and general staffs of France, England, Romania, Poland and U. S. has been followed by an unusual barrage of lies in the capitalist press.

Israel Amer, one of the unemployed leaders recently released from jail, will open the conference at 6 p. m. sharp and will lay bare the conspiracy by which the imperialist powers expect the Balkan states to strike the first blow of armed intervention against the Soviet Union.

The F. S. U. requests all organizations to send in the names of their delegates to the district office F. S. U. by Wednesday to 797 Broadway at the latest and to order tickets for the mass protest meeting which will fol-

low opening at 8 p. m. immediately after the conference. Anna Louise Strong ("Anise"), managing editor of the Moscow News, is the main speaker.

Through the cooperation of the World Tourists a news reel of foreign delegates who visited Soviet Russia for trade relations will be shown.

Newspaper Czar Tries to Support Bills Before Congress

NEW YORK.—Further proof that the widespread Hearst chain of newspapers is deliberately trying by the most unfair and demagogic means to work up sentiment for the bills pending in Congress against the foreign born workers in United States is presented in a letter from Hearst to his editors, recently exposed and a photograph of which is here reproduced.

Hearst's papers are in every large city of U. S., sometimes openly claimed as his, and sometimes merely secretly controlled. In New York Hearst has three, the American, Journal and Mirror.

His instructions to his publishers and managing editors give clear, definite instructions that whenever a crime is committed, or a suspect is arrested, the person charged must be labeled as foreign born and his country of nativity mentioned unless he is born in U. S. If he is not naturalized, that fact must be mentioned too. Hearst gives examples, in his desire that his anti-foreign born in-

Lies About "Soviet Dumping" Show Boss Fear of Communism

Capitalists Afraid U.S. Workers Will Learn How to be Free!

By HARRISON GEORGE.
Two great New York capitalist papers, together with numberless allied papers throughout the country, are running blazing attacks on the Soviet Union. These papers are the N. Y. World and the Post.

What do they say? The headline of the Post yesterday said: "Soviet, On Iron Rations, Wars for Trade Primacy, and the World said: 'Soviets Cruelly Enforce Economic Policy in Rash Gamble to Prop Republic'—strangely contradicting itself on the "rash gamble" by a sub-headline saying that, "British Observer Says First Year's Success Augurs Eventual Triumph."

But if we look for contradiction in these stories, we will find no end of them. The Post writer has Moscow streets everywhere shining with new asphalt pavement, while the World writer weeps over the inhabitants, whom he says must stand "ankle deep in Moscow mud."

Both of them agree on two things: First, that the Soviet is "dumping" goods abroad. Second, that the whole Five-Year Plan of socialist construction is a menace to the capitalist world. Let us examine these claims.

Needle Bosses Tax Workers to Get Strike-Breaking Fund

Employers Meeting Under Pretense of Helping Unemployed and Fund Will be Disguised as Aid to Jobless; Industrial Union Acts

NEW YORK.—All unemployed dressmakers are called by the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union today at 2 p. m. at 131 West 28th St. An unemployed council will be formed for the purpose of fighting for relief controlled by the workers and jobless and at the expense of the bosses. The coming dressmakers' strike will be one of the chief topics for discussion, as it is most closely connected with the solution of the problems of the unemployed.

NEW YORK.—The needle trades bosses have one of the most vicious schemes through which to take back some of the already miserable pay received by those working a couple of days a week. On the pretense of being very sorry for the poor unemployed needle workers, various manufacturers met at an aristocratic luncheon in the Garment Center Capitol Friday to "work out ways and means of raising funds for unemployment relief."

According to the decisions of this luncheon meeting, where Samuel Kline of the Industrial Council of Cloak, Suit and Skirt Manufacturers and other heads of the various garment exploiters associations were the leading lights, "each firm is to have its employees contribute 1 per cent of their pay for the next three months low opening at 8 p. m. immediately after the conference. Anna Louise Strong ("Anise"), managing editor of the Moscow News, is the main speaker.

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Wants Wages Equally Low. Samuel Kline, well known to the

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For instance: "John Kajuski shoots policeman. Kajuski is not an American citizen. He arrived here from Poland in 1925"

Or else: "He is an American citizen and was naturalized in 1928"

Also, if possible, state whether he is illiterate or victim of drags.

W. R. HEARST, Los Angeles, Cal., Nov. 5, 1930.

structions not be misunderstood or evaded on this point.
Finger Printing and Exile
The reason for this jingo crusade is of course the chance to pass bills pending before congress when it opens sessions in December. There are bills for finger-printing, segregation, registration and easier deportation of the foreign born. These are



But first, let us understand just what "dumping" is. Briefly it means selling goods in foreign lands at a price less than it costs to produce them. Right now Canada is accusing the United States Farm Board of "dumping" wheat on the world market. The capitalist papers here don't say anything about that, of

course. But read some from Canada.

"Dumping" is an established capitalist habit. Any farmer will tell you that the International Harvester Co., with headquarters in Chicago, sells binder machines in Czechoslovakia, Argentina or Italy for less than it costs to produce, but makes him pay three prices here under high tariff. So there's nothing "immoral" in dumping under capitalism, provided you are not the capitalist hit by it.

To begin with, the amount of wheat, oil and other things the Soviet is selling abroad is by no means as much as Russia used to sell abroad under the Czar, so that is NOT a "menace." But is it "below cost?" Here all capitalist experts get hysterical. "By any ordinary standard of measurement," says the N. Y. Post writer, Soviet products are being sold at less than cost. But any "ordinary" standard means a capitalist standard.

Here's the difference: The land in the Soviet Union belongs to the nation, not to landlords, and the billions upon billions which under capitalism here in America is paid to landlords or in land purchases before production can actually begin, is absent in Soviet production costs.

Also, there, production is organized and planned under one national scheme; here, all is anarchy in spite

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DOWNTOWN JOBLESS SEND 30 TO PROTEST EVICTION

NEW YORK.—In spite of all obstacles thrown in their way by the Tammany government, and in spite of a rainstorm, the Down Town Unemployed Council held a meeting attended by about 2,000 jobless near the city fake employment agency on Lafayette St., at noon yesterday.

After listening to Owerkling, of the Trade Union Unity League, and others, a large crowd followed the speakers to 27 East Fourth St., where many joined the council.

A group of 30 was elected to go over to Brooklyn to attend the unemployed demonstration against the eviction of a shoe worker who had been out of a job for a year.

Geneva Economic Conferences Try Build Anti-Soviet Front

"Dumping" Main War Cry, But Leads to Internal Conflicts

GENEVA, Switzerland, Nov. 17.—The preliminary arms conference is now practically a dead letter, wrecked on the refusal of U. S. imperialism to consent to any limit on the amounts to be spent to make warships deadly, and the refusal of France and other colonial powers to limit army reserves. But the plots against the Soviet Union go on behind the scenes, as always.

They appear, also, in aggravated form with all the complications among the delegates from 40 coun-

120 DELEGATES AT ANTI-LYNCH CONVENTION PLAN NEGRO RIGHTS STRUGGLE

Enthusiastic Convention of American Negro Labor Congress in St. Louis Maps Out Fight on Lynching, Discrimination

Changes Form of Organization and Name to League of Struggle for Negro Rights

Fight Against Atlanta Death Threat; Delegate Says "We Must be Willing to Die If Necessary for Negro Liberation"

By CYRIL BRIGGS.
ST. LOUIS, Nov. 17.—With new arrivals, delegates at the National Anti-Lynching Convention called by the American Negro Labor Congress, number 120, representing 18 states, and 17 organizations. There are 73 Negro and 47 white delegates.

The spirit of the delegates is enthusiastic. Many of the delegates actually fought their way here.

Shepherd of San Francisco was chairman of the morning session. Moore presided over the afternoon session.

A new name was adopted by the convention—League of Struggle for Negro Rights. There will be a looser form of organization than heretofore.

The national committee will contain 25 members, with an executive committee of seven.

The Convention called for mass protest against the Atlanta case, where Negro and white workers face death for organizing in trade unions. A resolution for the defense of the war danager.

The centenary of Nat Turner's execution on Nov. 11, 1830, was commemorated.

The Communist Party, through its representative here, Earl Browder, pledged support in mobilizing the white masses for Negro struggles. Mary Pevey, southern Negro delegate, denounced the preachers and other fakers saying, "We must be willing to die if necessary for the cause of Negro liberation."

The delegates were housed and fed by the Workers' International Relief.

N.J. SPINNERS GET WAGE CUT AFTER 3 WEEKS LAYOFF

NTWU Meeting Tues., November 18
(By a Worker Correspondent)
GARFIELD, N. J.—I am a worker in the New Jersey Spinning Mill Co. and want to tell you of another wage cut we just got.

Three weeks ago this whole mill shut down and the other day, after three weeks, it reopened. Before any worker could punch the time clock the boss told us we must accept another five per cent cut and if we don't like it to go ring up the clock as there were hundreds waiting outside the mills for jobs.

Families Are Starving
Well, how the devil can we of this mill, feed ourselves and families and pay the rent for the very little wages we get? We are all almost starving with our families after not working three weeks and before that, part time and now another wage cut.

Before 180 machines were working, now only 60 are doing even more work than the former 180 machines. Talk about working us to death! We don't even get any time at all for lunch. The day shift starts at 6 a. m. and works right through to 2 p. m. Night shift starts at 2 p. m. to 10 p. m. No lunch period.

And our wages are 30 cents for women who operate thirty-six spool machine that has to be changed every hour. And for men forty cents an hour. Before two women operated the machine. Only one does the work now.

I've just heard there will be a meeting of the National Textile Workers' Union Tuesday, November 18 at Passaic. You bet I'm going up there and a lot of other workers and we are all going to join up with the union so that we'll be strong enough to fight against wage cuts and for better living conditions.

INDIAN VILLAGE RESISTS SUDDEN ATTACK.
BOMBAY.—A raid by police on a village near Belgaum near here met with the stiff resistance of the villagers. As a result many police were injured and 22 casualties among the peasants were reported.

Chinese Decline To Be Suppressed

Disturbing tricks on the part of the Bolsheviks are becoming quite annoying to the Imperialist catspaws in China who have a difficult enough job trying to suppress all the workers and farmers who no longer care to be robbed. The boss lie-grocers pass this over the counter:

"Today the Communists may boldly uphold the red cause while tomorrow, if necessity demands, they may appear as peaceful farmers."

Better to say the peaceful farmers of yesterday are boldly upholding the red cause today. Build the Red army of the Daily Worker. Join the drive for 60,000 circulation. See page 3 for campaign news.

Don't miss the full story of circulation gains in Wednesday's Daily Worker.

Civil Liberties Gets Praise of Bosses In Attack On Reds

Employers Association Commend Their Work in Helping Courts Jail Communists; Link Up With Drive Against USSR

NEW YORK.—The League for Industrial Rights, the legal arm of employers associations in the U. S., is openly approving the American Civil Liberties Union decision in its refusal to give bail to the International Labor Defense for imprisoned Communist workers and linking this incident with the campaign against the recognition of the Soviet Union.

The decision of the Civil Liberties Union, not to give any more bail for Communist workers grew out of the Gastonia strike when the five men departed for Russia after sentences of up to 20 years were imposed upon them by the Courts of North Carolina with no chance of amnesty from the southern millowners. Roger Baldwin, one of the directors in the Civil Liberties Union, had stated publicly that neither the International Labor Defense or the Communist Party approved of the departure of these workers. The International Labor Defense is raising the money to repay the American Civil Liberties Union.

In its official organ Law and Labor, the employers' associations point out that the "American Civil Liberties Union is satisfied that it cannot trust the Communists and it has announced that no further bail will be written or recommended for members of the Communist Party by the American Civil Liberties Union." In this same editorial the bosses' magazine states that "various governments in Europe have recognized the Soviet Union, and their recognition has been followed by confusion and controversy involving charges that the Communist government has failed in its obligations." The next sentence in its editorial "Law and

Daily Worker Irkes Socialist Clown

NEW YORK.—Heywood Brown, chief clown of the socialist party, who continues his "socialist" campaign with the fat salary of \$50,000 a year on the New York Telegram is much disturbed by Coolidge's recent statement, "If monopolies were permitted a few men in key positions would soon control our economic and probably our political destinies." He tries to extricate Cal Coolidge from the implication of his statement, and like a good one hundred percent adviser, "Have faith in America, Mr. Coolidge."

Hoover Fires Workers, Uses Convicts

NEW YORK.—That the Hoover administration is following a policy of firing civilian workers on government jobs and employing convict labor was revealed yesterday by a worker. The army base at 59th St. and First Ave., fired 100 civilian workers, labor-

"Chain Gangs," Texas Jobless "Solution"

SWEETWATER, Texas, Nov. 16.—An increased use of the "chain gang" as a solution of unemployment was advanced by the Texas sheriffs in session here. All workers found on the roads without jobs, they recommended, should be arrested and put

Workers' Budget Provides Workers' Welfare

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—During 1930-31 the workers organizations, including workers' clubs, will acquire several thousands new automobiles. This, consequently, brings up the question of garages. This matter has already been taken care of which is typical of the speed with which problems are solved under workers' rule. Appropriations amounting to \$11,000,000 have been made for the purpose. Five millions

Tax Steel Workers for Relief to Jobless

YOUNGSTOWN, O.—Workers are being forced to pay for their own relief with a vengeance in the Youngstown Sheet and Tube Steel Mills. When the small property owners of the city turned down the mill tax levy for unemployed relief at the recent elections, the Youngstown Sheet and Tube announced its solution for the problem. Emphyes will be made to contribute to a special fund to pay some of the light, gas and rent bills of unemployed workers. At the same time slips are being handed out to workers by foremen, pledging

NEEDLE BOSSES

TAX WORKERS

Employers Raise Fund to Fight Strike

(Continued from Page One) cloakmakers for his vicious attacks upon their already miserable conditions, openly states that in his opinion "the situation which now prevails emphasizes the justice of the council's appeals for uniform standards throughout the industry. . . if the council members are given a reasonable degree of equality in labor costs with other sources will operate more successfully." In other words, his sacrifice at the unemployment luncheon was to declare that wage-cutters are necessary to equalize the labor costs.

The Needle Trades Workers' In-

Labor" contradicts its own statement by saying that "in this country, various business organizations have had successful business relations with the several business representatives of the Communist government."

The League for Industrial Rights, the publishers of "Law and Labor," with Gordon Merritt as its chief council, is the legal representative of manufacturers and employers' associations in various injunction fights and strikes in general. Merritt is the man who headed a number of years ago, the fight against the hat-makers' union in the Danbury struggle when a decision was handed down by the United States Supreme Court of over \$250,000 damages in favor of the bosses, and the ransackable homes of workers in Connecticut were taken away by the courts to pay the "damages" incurred through a boycott.

When the American Civil Liberties Union made its decision not to give any more bail to the International Labor Defense for imprisoned Communists, Wm. Z. Foster immediately resigned from the executive committee of the organization, pointing out, "that for many years I have allowed my name to stand on the list of executive committee members for your organization. . . but I am forced to the conclusion, by your actions in the Gastonia case that you are no longer seriously engaged in the fight for civil liberties, that you have become a tool in the hands of Norman Thomas and his party of apologizers for capitalism and that the workers have nothing to expect from you in the way of assistance in their desperate struggle against capitalism."

20,000 SPANISH MINERS GO ON STRIKE

OVIEDO, Spain.—Striking against the conditions they are forced to work under, and against the fascist dictatorship, more than 20,000 miners in the coal fields here walk out a few days ago. Their ranks are solid.

THE ADVENTURES OF BILL WORKER

—Their Belly's Full—

By RYAN WALKER



MASS REVOLT IS IN THE MAKING IN VENEZUELA

General Oil Strike in Mene Grand Fields

NEW YORK.—Cable reports transmitted to Balboa, Canal Zone, from Maracaibo, Venezuela, state that a mass revolt is brewing in Venezuela against the dictator Gomez and his backers, the Royal Dutch Shell Oil Co. and the Standard Oil Co.

A general strike has broken out in the Mene Grande oil fields of the Royal Dutch Shell Co. The immediate cause of the strike, according to the meagre reports, is the discharge of 500 to 600 workers. Despite the vicious terror of the Gomez regime, the workers are preventing the oil companies from carrying out any work until their demands are acceded to.

At the same time reports from the state of Zulia, suppressed in the Venezuelan press, declare that attempts were made to assassinate Vincenzo Perez Soto, president of the State of Zulia, and a tool of Gomez. Several shots were fired, and the president's bodyguard were assaulted.

Venezuela is the leading oil producing country in the world. There is a sharp battle going on between the Royal Dutch-Shell (British) and the Standard Oil, with Gomez, the dictator, balancing between both, and making huge fortunes out of the exploitation of the rich oil lands.

The workers live under the worst reign of terror ever known in Latin America. Thousands have been put to death in Gomez's dungeons after being inhumanly tortured. The entire population is seething with revolt, as the workers and peasants have been reduced to the most miserable conditions imaginable. Gomez has been able to maintain his regime only by means of his vicious terror and wholesale murders and jailings.

Party Activities

A SPECIAL MEETING OF ALL PARTY MEMBERS WORKING IN THE needle trades in the downtown district (14th St. to South Ferry) will be held this Wednesday, Nov. 19, right after work, at 6 p. m., at the Section headquarters, 27 E. Fourth St. This meeting is of utmost importance; all Party members must show up on time.

Labor and Fraternal

RED UNIONS: Let workers know of your meeting nights and activities. This column is for this purpose and should be taken advantage of. Write up your notices as short as possible and mail them in.

THE WORKERS' LABORATORY THEATRE OF THE W. I. R. Holds its organizational meeting Wednesday, Nov. 19, 8 p. m., at the new headquarters of the Workers' International Relief, Local New York, 131 W. 28th St., first floor.

Bronx Open Forum At 569 Prospect Ave. near 149th St., Sunday, Nov. 16, at 8 p. m. Subject: "Youth in Industry."

NEW JERSEY Jersey City Workers interested in taking courses at the Workers Center, 327 Henderson St. (one flight up), should register at once at the above address. Fees for each course (12 evenings) \$2. Unemployed fee. Come up and talk it over, Friday night.

A Class in Workers English. At the Harlem Frog, Youth tonight at 8 p. m. at 1492 Madison Ave. See us about tuition rates, unemployed comrades, 50 cents for the entire course.

For a Good Meal and Proletarian Prices Eat at the UNIVERSAL CAFETERIA Cor. 11th St. and University Place (Special Room for Conferences)

EAT THE BEST AT THE HONEY DEW CAFETERIA Incorporated Fourth Ave., Cor. 12th Street HOME-MADE MEALS You can select the best foods, as we have a great variety.

We are sure you will like our cooking the conditions they are forced to work under, and against the fascist dictatorship, more than 20,000 miners in the coal fields here walk out a few days ago. Their ranks are solid.

12,000 Textile Workers Start General Strike at Reading

Rank and File Forces Declaration; National Textile Workers Union Warns Mill Hands to Organize for Control

READING, Pa., Nov. 17.—Due to the deliberate mismanagement of strike arrangements by the U. T. W. only about a thousand of the mill workers here responded to the strike call. There were no leaflets, no demands published, no arrangements for moving the picket line, only a newspaper notice of a mass meeting in the ball park. The strikers are left demoralized by the U. T. W. tactics. The U. T. W. officials did not organize any picket line at the Berkshire mill, where there are 4,000 workers, but they did try to intimidate members of the National Textile Workers' Union who distributed a circular exposing the betrayal, demanding mass picketing, a rank and file strike committee, and demanding 10 per cent increase, no speed-up, equal pay for equal work, etc. The N. T. W. is calling a mass meeting tomorrow.

READING, Pa., Nov. 17.—The insistent demand of the 12,000 textile workers in Berks County has finally overborne the false tactics of the officials of the Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers' Union, a subsidiary of the United Textile Workers, and the strike was voted yesterday to start today at 10 a. m. The workers at the meeting at the Orpheum yesterday demanded revocation of all wage cuts since January 1, 1930. This means they demand practically twice the wages they have been getting since the last cut was ordered at the Berkshire and other mills.

The mass meeting was addressed by Callaghan, Phillips and Ritchie of the U.T.W. Their policy has been to call on the workers to organize to prevent a strike, they have invited in the U. S. "Conciliation Bureau" and have aligned themselves with the Reading socialist administration which has already promised plenty of police protection to the bosses.

MASS FIRING AT KLEIN'S STORE

Discharge 200 in Wage Cutting Scheme

NEW YORK.—Saturday about 200 girls were laid off at Klein's Department Store on Union Square, one of those "business houses" which continually beseech the police department to use greater severity in dispersing workers' mass meetings in the Square.

Not even business depression or bad times was the reason. The girls were discharged because the efficiency experts decided that those who had been working for years and were earning \$15 or \$17 a week could be replaced by others, cheaper.

Many when given their discharge notices burst into tears. Some of them who earn \$15 a week have families to support, the parents having been out of work for a long time. They must realize that crying will not help them. Only organization will give them power to resist these attacks by the boss. They should get in touch with the Trade Union Unity Council, at 16 West 21st St.

Klein's is one of the worst hell holes in the United States. Here the girls work long hours at low pay. Sometimes they have to put in overtime without pay. Klein's has a little scheme to bribe the girls. Each worker gets a \$500 life insurance policy, free. Providing she is working there at the time, her relatives can collect the money when she dies. Due to wholesale discharge, no girl ever works long enough in Klein's to die of old age, and the company nds the life insurance business pretty cheap.

THE 75th JUBILEE of Comrade MORRIS VINCHEVSKY

(The Pioneer of Jewish Revolutionary Literature)

will be celebrated by all revolutionary workers

Saturday Evening, November 22

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Unusual Attractions Feature Evening

NEW YORK.—Among the attractions at the gala concert of the United Council of Working Class Women, Friday, Nov. 21, at 8 p. m., Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. Fourth St., will be a series of recitations by Yosef Kotler. The Freiheit Mandolin Orchestra will appear in several classic numbers and recent revolutionary orchestrated pieces.

The concert will fittingly celebrate the seventh anniversary of the United Council. Presentations to the councils and individual members in recognition of their work will be an added feature of the evening.

The United Council and affiliated councils have been active participants in all of the struggles of the workers in this city, taking part in the Communist Party election campaign, anti-injunction campaign and have always responded to active duty on the picket line.

Tickets may now be secured from any of the councils.

PHILHARMONIC. The Philharmonic-Symphony Orchestra, under the direction of Toscanini, will give their next concert on Wednesday evening at Carnegie Hall. The program includes the Schubert Symphony in B minor ("Unfinished"); "Wanderer" Fantasy, Op. 15; Mephisto Waltz, Liszt and Danse Macabre, Liszt. Alexander Siloti will be the soloist. The same program will be repeated on Friday afternoon.

For the Students' concert on Saturday night at Carnegie, the program will comprise the "Anacreon" overture of Cherubini, Mozart's "Haffner" symphony, and Strauss' "Ein Heidenleben."

Saturday morning, the Children's concert under Ernest Schelling, will illustrate the flute in works of Mendelssohn, Brahms, Gluck, Ljadov and Moussorgsky.

FRANKLIN THEATRE. An eight-act vaudeville bill is the chief feature at the Franklin Theatre program this week; while Ann Harding is to be seen on the screen in "The Girl of the Golden West." The acts include Gaudsmith Brothers, Al

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Delegates to Foreign Born Conf. to Meet

NEW YORK.—All delegates elected to the National Conference for the Protection of Foreign-Born and all members of the executive committee for the protection of foreign-born and representatives of mass organizations are called by the district committee to a special meeting Saturday, Nov. 22, at 3 p. m., at Irving Plaza Hall.

MURDOCH GIVEN 60 DAY SENTENCE

Judge Shields Gorman U.T.W. Betrayer

DANVILLE, Va., Nov. 17.—William Murdoch, national secretary of the National Textile Workers' Union, was found guilty of "slandorous remarks" against A. F. of L. officials and was sentenced to 60 days in the local jail and fined \$100 in the criminal court here.

No witnesses for the defense were permitted to testify to prove the truth of Murdoch's statements, and the prosecutions' only witnesses against the militant union's official were five men who claimed that they had received the circular containing the exposure of Gorman, the United Textile Workers Union bureaucrat who betrayed the Marion strikers.

Gorman was subpoenaed by the defense but did not come to court to answer the charges made against him by Murdoch.

Judge Lees in the Criminal Court here ruled at the opening of the case that "the burden of proof is on the defendant."

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ANTI-INUNCTION PICKETS MILITANT

Urge Greater Action in Telegram From Jail

NEW YORK.—The Smash The Injunctions Committee of the Trade Union Unity Council goes on with the necessary organization work to continue the effective mass violation of the injunctions against picketing. All workers in shops, and particularly all unemployed workers, are urged to stand ready for the next call to defiance by mass picketing of the injunctions by which the bosses and A. F. of L. combine now to use the courts against every strike for better conditions.

Last Thursday's demonstration was a success, though 36 were arrested and 35 of them are in jail, waiting trial today or tomorrow under Paragraph 600 of the state code, a section which provides penalties for violations of an injunction. They are militant and have sent a telegram to the Trade Union Unity Council from their cells in jail, where they are awaiting the railroading before the curious New York court of special sessions, which sentences workers to anything up to three years without trial by jury. The statement of the 35 is as follows:

"We, the group arrested on the picket line Thursday before the Zelgreen Cafeteria, awaiting trial in special sessions, greet you and are with you in spirit. Keep up the fight against injunctions until it is won. We are with you in the fight!"

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LETTERS FROM THE SHOPS

BEDOE SPEEDUP AT MANHATTAN RUBBER PLANT

Layoffs For the Last Four Months

(By a Worker Correspondent) PASSAIC, N. J.—What are our conditions today at the Manhattan Rubber Co.? We know that all over the U. S. workers are starving and living under the most miserable conditions. But are we the Manhattan Rubber workers any better off?

The bosses are always thinking up clever ideas for their own benefit, so they introduced the Bedoe system. This Bedoe system has made slaves out of us. Our bosses put in this vicious scheme to make us work faster and faster.

Terrific Speedup
Under this Bedoe system we must slave under terrific speed up in order to make 60 Bs. which is called a day's work. And if we make over 60 Bs the bosses reward us with a measly few cents extra.

And what happens to us workers who can make the 60 Bs in spite of working like h—l? Well, if we don't we get a red mark at the end of the day next to our name. And oh boy! A red mark means the unfortunate one gets bawled out by the foreman (a gang of them) and is heckled to work faster. And a few red marks means getting fired. The foreman comes and politely tells you that you are not needed any more.

Layoffs are taking place daily for the past four months. And we who are working here today may be out of a job tomorrow. We are really shivering for our jobs.

Organize Against This
The women here get even smaller wages, for the same work the men do. Why should the women get less for the same work? It's to the bosses' benefit because wherever possible he fires the men, and hires women to work much cheaper (for less than half in many cases).

I and many other workers are getting sick of working under this rotten Bedoe system and bonus scheme and getting such low wages. Why doesn't anyone come down and organize us in the Trade Union Unity League.

Chase Crippled Vet Off the Street So "Ladies" May Pass

(By a Worker Correspondent) NEW YORK.—On Thursday, Nov. 13 I saw a former war veteran begging in front of Stern Bros. department store on E. 42nd St. This veteran was minus both his legs and was compelled to push himself around with his hands. He had a sign which indicated that he was in the First Division, 28th Infantry. For the benefit of those who do not know, Stern Bros. tells the ladies of class (parasitic class).

The sight of this veteran, and the fact that he was one of those who fought for 'democracy' would have been too much for the dear ladies who were to buy their gowns, etc. compelled the special officer to chase the vet. "Beat it before I run you in," he shouted when the legless refused to move. This threat was enough to make him move on. He lost his legs making the world safe for Wall St. Now the Wall Street ladies wouldn't even let him beg.

DARCY STRESSES DEFENSE ON TOUR

Carry Out 8-Month Campaign Plan

NEW YORK.—Membership meetings of the International Labor Defense, held throughout the country to discuss the Eight-Month Plan, are now in full swing. Sam Darcy, assistant secretary of the organization, is attending these meetings to discuss with the membership the various problems confronting workers' defense during the coming year.

Darcy is coming direct from the convention of the American Negro Labor Congress, where he discussed the various problems confronting the Negro worker in the United States, especially in the South, and the discrimination and persecution of the Negro is his militant activity against unemployment, low wages and the speed-up.

The International Labor Defense districts are actively preparing their campaign for the repeal of syndicalist and seditious laws in the various states and a general amnesty for all imprisoned workers.

Sam Darcy will be at the membership meetings in Detroit, Nov. 18 and 19, and in Buffalo on Nov. 20.

Out of a job? Got spare time? You can earn a little money and take a crack at the system by selling Daily Workers. Come up and we will explain. 35 East 12th St.

Strike Against 10% Wage-Cut In New Haven Pants Shop

(By a Worker Correspondent) NEW HAVEN, Conn.—Fifty workers mostly girls went out on strike this morning against a 10 per cent wage cut in the Fenichels pants factory, 50 East Street. We work on the piece work system and we can only make from \$12 to 15 a week, now we are not going to stand for any lower rates. We are going to form picket lines and win our strike.

BOOSTER FOR THE 60,000 DAILY GOAL

Tells of Speed-Up In Sugar Mill

BERKELEY, Cal.—I am a proletarian booster for our great weapon, the Daily Worker. When I read my copy I am so enthused, that I want to throw my hat in the air, and carry on like a jubilant youth again. I am 37 now, and it takes something powerful to affect me.

Every issue of "our paper" is a power for good to the working class. The Daily Worker lurches forward like a powerful steed, the kind, you know, that is exhibited and can't be still for a minute, as it is so full of life.

Brothers Killed
I travelled 120 miles to make contact with a class-conscious worker on an outpost of the American Sugar Refining Co., where the workers are miserably exploited and done to death through long hours, speed-up, accident and slow starvation, life and hope nearly gone from their poor bodies. I know, because I worked there. Two of my brothers were killed there, by accidents that could have been prevented. I am soliciting subs, putting the paper into the hands of the workers on the job and off.

When they get on their fighting mits over-production will be a blessing instead of a night-mare, as they will have a substantial base to begin the new union on.

On with the good work! Here's the money to extend my sub!

R. B. W.
On to the 60,000 goal

TAXI GANGSTERS STILL RULE ASSN.

(By a Worker Correspondent) NEW YORK.—As a member of the Amalgamated Taxi Ass'n Inc., I want to thank you for your fearless article in the Daily Worker of September 17, 1930.

Since the meeting in August which the certified public accountant brought in their report the grafting officials have held their power by the aid of gangsters and non-members who were given membership books for the occasion.

Gangsters Still Rule
It is over 3 months that the audit committee hired attorneys to audit these fake officials for malfeasance of funds and they still hold on to their jobs of collecting and disbursing the organization's funds. How much longer this will continue I do not know but I can assure you I will deal with them differently if I had the power.

The fight to oust the fakers must continue in the organization. Call rank and file meetings and elect your committees. Get in touch with the membership and continue until all who take part in the corruption are sent to hades.

Stockton Workers Building Movement

(By a Worker Correspondent) STOCKTON, Cal.—Here in Stockton we had demonstrations August 1st and September 1st and many meetings of the unemployed, and many workers proposed to join the Party, the revolutionary unions and the unemployed councils. Five hundred copies of the Daily Worker was distributed and the Daily Worker sold every day.

Though there are few big factories here, Stockton is one of the agricultural centers of California and here many Mexican and Filipino workers gather.

The conditions of the agricultural workers are worse than that of last year. Many more unemployed.

It is our task to organize these workers into organizations and to start a big mass movement of unemployed as well as that of the employed against the rotten conditions.

BOSS PAINTERS USE TRICK TO GET MORE WORK

Only Organization Can Fight This

(By a Worker Correspondent) NEW YORK.—It is worth mentioning some of the many tricks used by bosses in extracting a few minutes extra work from a workman, that really belong to the worker. A few minutes do not seem much, but take a few minutes each day for three hundred and sixty-five days and you will find it means a lot.

For instance, I worked for a boss, a painter, my hours were eight till twelve, half hour lunch, quit four thirty. About twenty-minutes past four my boss would come sneaking around the job. In a smiling manner he would say "Finish that stretch of wall, or cut in those two sash before quitting." Now that stretch of wall or those two could not be done in less than a half hour, no matter how hard I worked but to hold my job I had to finish it. Now that boss got twenty minutes from me that did not appear in my weekly stipend.

"Give a Hand" Bunk
A job is near completion, scaffold is packed up, ready after for the express wagon to take it back to the shop. The boss comes around on the job of four thirty with the wagon with an excuse something like this "I am sorry I could not get here sooner, give us a hand to load this scaffolding." Which means another twenty minutes, that benefits the boss in coin and labor.

It is such underhand methods that are practiced by bosses, large and small, against the workers today. The A. F. of L. does not interfere for our betterment but play into the hands of the bosses. The Trade Union Unity League are just as interested in small matters as well as the larger issues for the workers' benefit regardless of what line of livelihood he follows from laborer to past master mechanic, also disregarding color or nationality. If you are looking to better your conditions, also your relative and working comrades conditions who are to come after you, unite under the Trade Union Unity League.

Jobless Women Tell Of Miseries

(By a Worker Correspondent) SACRAMENTO, Cal.—Here are some interviews of unemployed women workers:
"My name is Mrs. Perry. I am a widow and have two children. I am out of work and I live with my sister and we are almost starving. My second husband is in New Bedford, Mass., almost dying in a hospital."
"Mrs. Balshor a widow, age 60. Have a nephew, we are out of work and starving. I am Portuguese."
—J. K. SYLVIA.

N.Y. News Club Boosts Order to 1400 Copies Daily and Sends Challenge to Chicago

The Red Builders News Club composed of jobless workers who live by the sale of the Daily Worker proved it was still alive and kicking at its second hot dog jamoree at 27 West 4th St., Sunday night. The club increased its order from 1100 to 1400 at its roll call.

A series of open air meetings will be held this week, the central point of which will be the promotion of the Daily Worker. The meetings will be held at 10th St. and Second Ave. each evening during the present week. The role of the Daily Worker will be explained to the workers and headlines and excerpts read from the platform. Subscriptions will be taken and papers sold.

The Red Builders News Club sends a challenge to the Daily Worker Boosters Club of Chicago to sell twice as many papers as the latter club during the first week of December.

The N. Y. club intends to double its membership during the coming week, through each member obtaining one new member. New members are expected to be added during the street meetings. Ten new members joined the club Sunday making a membership of 32.

Seven Members of Club Get Prizes
Seven members of the club were awarded prizes of "Red Cartoons" for having sold more than 250 papers during the week. The honor members of the club were Shoholm, Stevens, Marino, Barnes, Gomez, Voss and Reese. Comrades Gomez and Barnes sold over 400 papers during the week.

During the coming week a plaque of Lenin will be awarded to all who sell over 250 copies during the week. Any unemployed worker who comes to the office of the Daily Worker can enter this competition.

During the past week there were 3500 papers actually sold by club members in New York.

The Red Builders News Club also is entering the campaign for paid subscriptions. All members now have subscription blanks. Regular customers will be asked to subscribe. Club members will receive 10 cents a month commission for subscriptions.

Charts to Show Philly Progress
M. Silver, Daily Worker representative in Philadelphia sends in copies of charts with blank spaces to show gains in subs and bundles for every unit and section in the district. Silver promises to fill in the spaces with figures soon.

Expects Increase In Grand Rapids Order
Wh. J. Conn, section organizer in Grand Rapids says: "The number of copies sent to Grand Rapids will increase. I am sure, as a result of house to house distribution we are undertaking now."

He also sends in the following original thought:
"Also we will begin to send some more money for the Daily."

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Four American Girls' Lives Prove Private Property Is More Valuable Than Life

dress themselves. They have maids to fix their hair and lay out their clothes for them. Not that we envy these girls. Not one bit. Such an idle and parasitic existence as theirs is demoralizing, and one that no self-respecting person could endure. The point is the rank uselessness of the arrangement.

Wealth and Ease
Barbara Hutton is the granddaughter of James Woolworth, of five and ten cent fame. From this she has inherited \$60,000,000 which she amassed primarily by sweating it out of adolescents who went to work even below the minimum age allowed by law for six, eight and ten dollars a week. Along with Barbara Hutton, Doris Duke is "coming out" in society this fall.

INTERNATIONAL NEWS

EXPOSE LABOR OFFICE FAKERY

Pravda Scores League Of Nations

MOSCOW.—Referring to the report of the International Labor Office of the League of Nations on world unemployment in which the French "socialist" Albert Thomas, is compelled to admit at least that "unemployment in the Soviet Union has greatly decreased," the "Pravda" writes:

There are some facts which are so obvious that not even the social democrats can deny them. The architect, Thomas, cannot conceal from the masses that all capitalist countries are suffering from acute unemployment and he therefore tries to conceal the fact that in the Soviet Union unemployment has not only "greatly decreased," but actually been liquidated altogether. The social fascists dare not admit that the liquidation of unemployment is not the result of a passing boom, but the logical organizational result of the Soviet system. This would represent their greatest defeat. Instead they do their best to persuade the workers that the Soviet government is refusing to pay support to unemployed workers, concealing the fact that no unemployment support is being paid out in the Soviet Union because there is no one to receive it. The report of the International Labor Office follows the policy of the "Vorwarts" and "Le Populaire" in their attempts to prevent their readers from learning of the great successes of socialism in the Soviet Union.

BOSSSES VICTIMIZE BERLIN STRIKERS

BERLIN.—Thanks to the treachery of the reformist trade union leaders, the employers are now in a position to carry out mass victimization although part of their agreement was that no victimization should take place.

Sixty workers have been victimized at the Frister works, 60 in Steffens & Noelle, 15 at the Lorenz works, 15 at the Krupp and Druckenmuller works, 13 at the Norddeutschebankwerk, 43 at Siemens Plania works and the whole revolutionary opposition.

At the Lorenz works the social democratic trade union official, Schulz, took up his position at the gates and only let those workers in whom he knew not to be members of the opposition.

In the A. E. G. works in the Ackersstrasse the trade union official, Loeffler, declared that all the workers who struck at the call of the revolutionary trade union opposition, i. e., one day before the union called the strike, would be victimized. The Metal Workers' Union had agreed to these victimizations.

Police and civil guards are patrolling the streets with rifles, guarding public buildings both in Madrid and Barcelona. The red flag was hoisted in Barcelona on a street car in front of University Square after the car had been stoned. The strike started in Orta, a suburb of Barcelona, with workers stopping the street cars by tearing up the tracks. Many Communists were arrested.

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POOR FARMERS READY TO FIGHT

Realize United Farmer Is Their Paper

(By a Farmer Correspondent) LITTLE FALLS, Minn.—The "United Farmer" is being distributed here among the farmers and preparations made to organize a United Farmers League a little later. Two meetings will be held, one west of town and one east.

Germany Is Bulwark Against Bolshevism Says Boss Newspaper

BERLIN.—The "Deutsche Allgemeine Zeitung," the organ of German heavy industry, publishes a sensational article under the title, "Why does Germany isolate itself?" The article contains, inter alia, the following:

"At last the danger of Bolshevism is being realized more and more in the world in general and in Germany in particular. People are beginning to realize that Germany could be an important bulwark against bolshevism as a member of the European and American defense front. England is anxious, at least conservative circles in England which will take over the reins of government again sooner or later. The question is raised there: does Germany want to be a bulwark in defense of bolshevism or against it? This is the question which is in the background of all discussions between British and German political and economic leaders. Conservative England wants clarity as to Germany's standpoint. The best earnest of our sincerity would be a cabinet of the right wing with a foreign minister, who whilst not endangering Germany's interests and whilst making no diplomatic errors, would adopt a very different attitude towards Russia."

This article throws a very clear light on the secret negotiations which are proceeding between German and foreign politicians with a view to tightening up the encirclement of the Soviet Union as the first step to an imperialist war of intervention.

GENERAL STRIKE IN BARCELONA

Socialists Try to Betray Strikers

(Continued from Page One) temporary barricades, smashing street cars and engaging in fighting with the police. A battle took place near the ambla, Broadway of Barcelona.

In one case armed workers ordered scabs off the job. The strike is proceeding in many other parts of Spain, though the capitalist newspapers report the police have "matters well in hand."

The general strike is still on in Madrid, with frequent clashes taking place between police and workers.

Railroad workers throughout the country, who are demanding higher wages, have threatened to stop all railway traffic. There is a food shortage in Madrid as the result of the strike, with the capitalists becoming frantic. The socialists, who have an alliance with the republican bourgeoisie, are trying to prevent the workers from forming councils to supervise the distribution of food supplies.

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Some farmers believe in the farmer-labor party here in Minnesota, but when they begin to see this party is no better than the other old parties, they will turn to the left and fight a good deal harder than they are now doing.

INCREASE LAND SOWN IN U.S.S.R.

35,949,000 Hectares Already Seeded

MOSCOW.—Up to the 25th of Oct. 35,949,000 hectares of land in the Soviet Union had been sown. Eight million, nine hundred and ninety-seven hectares were sown by the collective farms and 1,537,000 hectares by the Soviet farms. In the southern districts the sowings are being continued.

The People's Commissariat for Agriculture has confirmed the plans for the spring sowing. A total area of 78,118,000 hectares of land will be sown, representing an increase of 23.4 per cent on the area last spring. The collective farms will sow 41,000,000 hectares and the Soviet farms 7,400,000 hectares. The socialist sector of the sowings will be 62 per cent as compared with 38.5 per cent last spring.

The sugar beet yield has now been brought in to the extent of 94 per cent. The total yield will be 131 million cwt. 165 factories will work 4 months and produce 18 and one-half million cwt or two and a half times as much as last year.

JOB SHARK LIARS TANGLE CAL. CASE

Try to Convict Jobless Leaders in Sacramento

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Nov. 17.—Another one of those frozen frame-ups by which the boss class hopes to rob the workers of their leaders began badly here Wednesday when Mike Daniels, Communist organizer, and seven comrades were placed on trial for having forced "employment agencies" here to refund money collected from jobless workers for jobs which did not exist. The charges are the usual ones employed in such cases—"disturbing the peace."

A crowded court room of sympathizers witnessed the amusing spectacle of the prosecution calling insufficiently coached witnesses to justify their attack upon unemployed workers.

While the complaints against the defendants contain charges of "fighting," witnesses for the employment agency sharks failed to substantiate previous assertions and were greatly confused by the cross-examination of Philip M. Zivert, attorney of the International Labor Defense, who is defending the group.

Prosecution Tangled Up.
J. Neely, witness for one of the "outraged" employment agencies, denied on the stand that any fighting occurred in his shop. Charles Lehman, another unemployment shark, failed to "remember" from whom he mulcted money for mythical jobs, but his memory was quite clear on the point that Charles Bell, one of the defendants, had stated there would "be something doing" if the sharks didn't refund the money.

The defendants in addition to Comrades Daniels and Bell include William Malone, Emmet Lachley, Tom Roy, James Black, Paddy McGill and Francis Henderson. They are being tried before Judge L. M. Shelly, of police court, and a jury of nine men and three women.

BOARD TRIES TO JUGGLE MARKET

Yesterday rumors spread over all the wheat exchanges that the Farm Board through its "Grain Stabilization" Corporation had sold for future delivery to foreign countries its 60,000,000 bushels of wheat. There was a counter rumor that the Farm Board was again buying wheat, and some indication that it had placed an order for 10,000,000 bushels of December wheat.

The result was extraordinary chaos, wild excitement among the gamblers and fluctuations of wheat ranging from 69 to 73 cents. The net result seems to be to leave wheat about where it was a few days ago, in price, and the farmers as badly off as ever.

Meanwhile the premiers of four Canadian provinces are conferring as to what to do about the price there, which is around 60 cents. When wheat fell to a dollar, in February, the situation was deemed serious enough for the provincial governments to issue a statement that the "whole backing of the prairie provinces is behind the wheat pools." Bankers' exorbitant demands for interest and payments on money loaned wheat pools has now forced these pools of liquidated, mad with a disastrous fall in prices. The provincial premiers do not seem to have any remedy.

The United Farmers League, headquarters in New York Mills, Minn., denounces all this juggling with the market as a swindle on the farmers, and calls for the farmers themselves to organize for their own advantage, to refuse to pay rents and mortgage payments, and to force the reduction in price of agricultural machinery, fertilizers, and other necessities.

ACUTE DANGER OF IMPERIALIST WAR

By I. AMTER.

As an indication of how gloomy the prospects seem, some German liberals believe the promised debate is more liable to end in a declaration of war than in limitation of armament.

Thus the New York Times correspondent speaks of the session of the Preparatory Disarmament Commission at Geneva, at which the question of limitation of arms was being discussed. The Versailles treaty is breaking through into the discussion, and this will necessarily include the Young Plan.

The exposure by the Soviet Government of the war plans of the imperialist powers against the Soviet Union has suddenly met with silence from the capitalist centers. First indignation denied—then silence upon the declaration of the Soviet Government that plans had been prepared for an armed attack on the Soviet Union.

The Danger Grows.

Is there danger of war? No sane person will contend today that the Kellogg peace pact or the London naval treaty has aided in promoting peace. The mere scrapping of old battleships and vessels has not diminished the danger of war. On the contrary, it has heightened it, for each nation is now building up to the limit and modernizing its navy.

Imperialists Prepare.

According to Congressman Britten, the imperialist powers, outside of the United States (about which Britten is significantly silent) expend more than \$6,000,000 a day on war preparations. France is building forts on her eastern frontier—300 forts within a range of 200 miles. France, England and the United States are building forts on wheels. Italy is reorganizing her army and putting it on a basis never surpassed. New guns, gas masks, chemicals are being invented and discovered, and the story of the death rays will not down. Nearly \$3,000,000,000 is being spent annually by the seven leading powers, this not including the billions appropriated by the satellites and vassal states of the powers, such as Finland, Czechoslovakia, etc.

It is obvious that preparations are being made for another massacre, and yet the working class still is not convinced that war is approaching. True, Hoover speaks about the peaceful intentions of U. S. imperialism, just as every saboteur has done and does. Even Mussolini, the wildest man of all, wants "peace"—peace that comes from the graveyard after the imperialist war. But when Comrade Litvinoff denied the right to speak about "disarmament," or even mention the word, when his speech before the Disarmament Commission is refused translation because he caustically analyzes and exposes the hypocrisy of the imperialist governments in regard to disarmament, then it is apparent that the atmosphere is tense and must have a political and economic basis.

They Admit It.

"In the eighteen months since the commission last met," said General Kasprzycki of Poland, "the tendency toward peace and the feeling of security have grown weaker and from day to day suspicions are growing more manifest, people are talking war and how to wage it, talking even more than before 1914. Can one in the face of these facts admit that we are marching toward peace?" Kasprzycki spoke of the "menacing contradiction existing between the peace pact outlawing war and the spirit of hatred and the international and social upheaval which we see developing before our eyes."

General Ludendorff sees war in 1932, with the world divided into two fighting camps; Colonel Alexander Powell sees potential war danger in many situations in Europe, merging his impressions into the slogan "thunder over Europe."

Why So Much Talk?

If there is no danger of war, then why so much talk? If there is no danger of war, why the intensive preparations? If there is no danger of war, why does each statesman and politician emphasize the love of peace of his particular country?

Because the world is fast approaching a war—perhaps not as expressed by Frank Simms, that we are as near to war as in July, 1914, for the international situation is different from 1914, and the impending factors are much stronger. Today we have the Soviet Union, the Communist International and its sections in every capitalist and colonial country. Today there is mass discontent throughout the capitalist and colonial world, and these are deterrents on the actions of the imperialists.

What are the economic and political factors leading to war? The world economic crisis is deepening, with fully 25,000,000 workers jobless in the capitalist countries, and no sign of improvement in any capitalist country. France, the sole exception to this situation a few months ago, is fast getting into the grip of the crisis with bank failures following one upon the other. The world economic crisis cries for markets, but no markets are available, and capitalist industry sinks into the crisis as never before in the history of capitalism. To refer the critical economic situation in the United States, England, Germany, etc., to the general crisis, does not help capitalism out of the morass. It merely begs the question when Hoover, MacDonald and Bruening declare that the world situation must improve before the crisis will lighten in their respective countries.

The Economic Basis.

Each capitalist country is searching for markets in order to start industry once more and check the decline, but the outlook is black. The revolutions in Latin America, instigated by U. S. and British imperialism in rivalry for markets, are based upon the mass discontent and unrest due to the internal crisis. The refusal of British imperialism to give up India is based upon the diminishing trade with India, and to its being rapidly supplanted by the trade of other imperialist powers with India. The need of markets and colonies by Italian imperialism, which directly conflicts with the aim of French imperialism, is fast creating a war zone in the Balkans. These conflicts may and can break out at any time and embroil the world in an imperialist slaughter, such as the world has never experienced.

Anti-Soviet Plot.

But foremost is the plot against the Soviet Union. This is based primarily on the splendid success of the Five-Year Plan, which is demonstrating that Socialism can be built up in a workers' and peasants' country in the midst of a capitalist world. This challenges the very right to further existence of capitalism and demoralizes to the workers and exploited peasants

in the capitalist and colonial countries that there is no further need of tolerating the miserable conditions that capitalism imposes on the workers and peasants in the capitalist and colonial countries.

The church crusade, the acts of sabotage in the transportation and food industries, the "anti-dumping" regulations against Soviet products adopted in the United States, France, Belgium, England, Ireland and other countries, the fiction of the dumping of Soviet grain being the cause of the agrarian crisis, the formation of the agrarian block of the Balkan and Baltic states under the leadership of Poland, the renewed attacks of the white guards in Manchuria, against the Soviet Union, inspired and equipped by British, American and French imperialists, the new threat of the British government regarding propaganda of the Communist International in England, and finally the war plot of British, French, Polish and Rumanian imperialists, with the aid of counter-revolutionists in the Soviet Union and supported by the socialist international, are some of the facts that point clearly to the preparations of the imperialists for military intervention in the Soviet Union.

In the U. S. S. R.

The Soviet Union is going through a different period of the building of Socialism. Hampered by inexperience, lack of trained forces, organized sabotage, continued disorganization and lack of organization of work intensified by the obstruction of wanton saboteurs, lack of raw material, the Soviet Union is carrying out a task that has never been undertaken by the working class in history. And yet through the enthusiasm of the workers and peasants, led by the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, the industries are building up and meeting with the unqualified admiration even of every capitalist representative who has participated in or witnessed this growth. The collectivization movement goes on apace and will supply the Soviet Union with the needed raw materials and food for the continuance of the work.

The imperialists know that this difficult period is the time to provoke war—but they also face difficulties, owing to the mass unemployment, wage-cuts, discontent and unrest in their own countries. Hence, their war plans cannot be realized so readily. But the need of markets drives them on, and only an "incident" is needed to start the blaze.

Workers, Be Warned!

The war danger is acute—and the workers must be warned. What can the workers do against the coming war?

What You Must Do.

The Communist Party is mobilizing the workers to struggle against the intolerable conditions that the workers are suffering: against unemployment, for the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill, against wage-cuts and speed-up. These struggles will mobilize the workers for action and will make the governments and capitalists understand that the masses are not to be inveigled into another slaughter. The manufacture and shipment of arms and war supplies to the colonial and capitalist countries—to Latin America, China, etc.—impose tasks upon the workers and the workers, tasks that the workers and the sea must carry out. The mobilization that is taking place, through the press, radio, etc., must be combatted and the workers rallied to the side of the struggling workers and peasants of China under the leadership of the Chinese Soviets, of the workers and peasants of Latin America, India, etc. This will build up a mighty anti-imperialist movement, not only giving courage to the colonial revolutionary movements, but building up the resistance of the American workers to increasing exploitation.

The workers must be mobilized against military intervention in the Soviet Union, which is being prepared under various guises. The attacks on the Communist Party, revolutionary unions, militant workers, the foreign-born and the Negroes, are evidences of the war plans of the U. S. government. The role of the social fascist socialist party in these war plans must be fully exposed as part of the social fascist character of this agglomeration, together with their fellows in arms, the fascist leaders of the American Federation of Labor.

The danger of imperialist war is real and grave. An August First can easily again break on the horizon. Unless the workers are prepared they will not be able to meet the crisis. Hence the organization of the workers in the revolutionary unions of the Trade Union Unity League, into the Unemployed Councils, into the Communist Party, the carrying on of systematic work in the vital campaigns are the best means of rallying the workers for ACTION against the war danger.

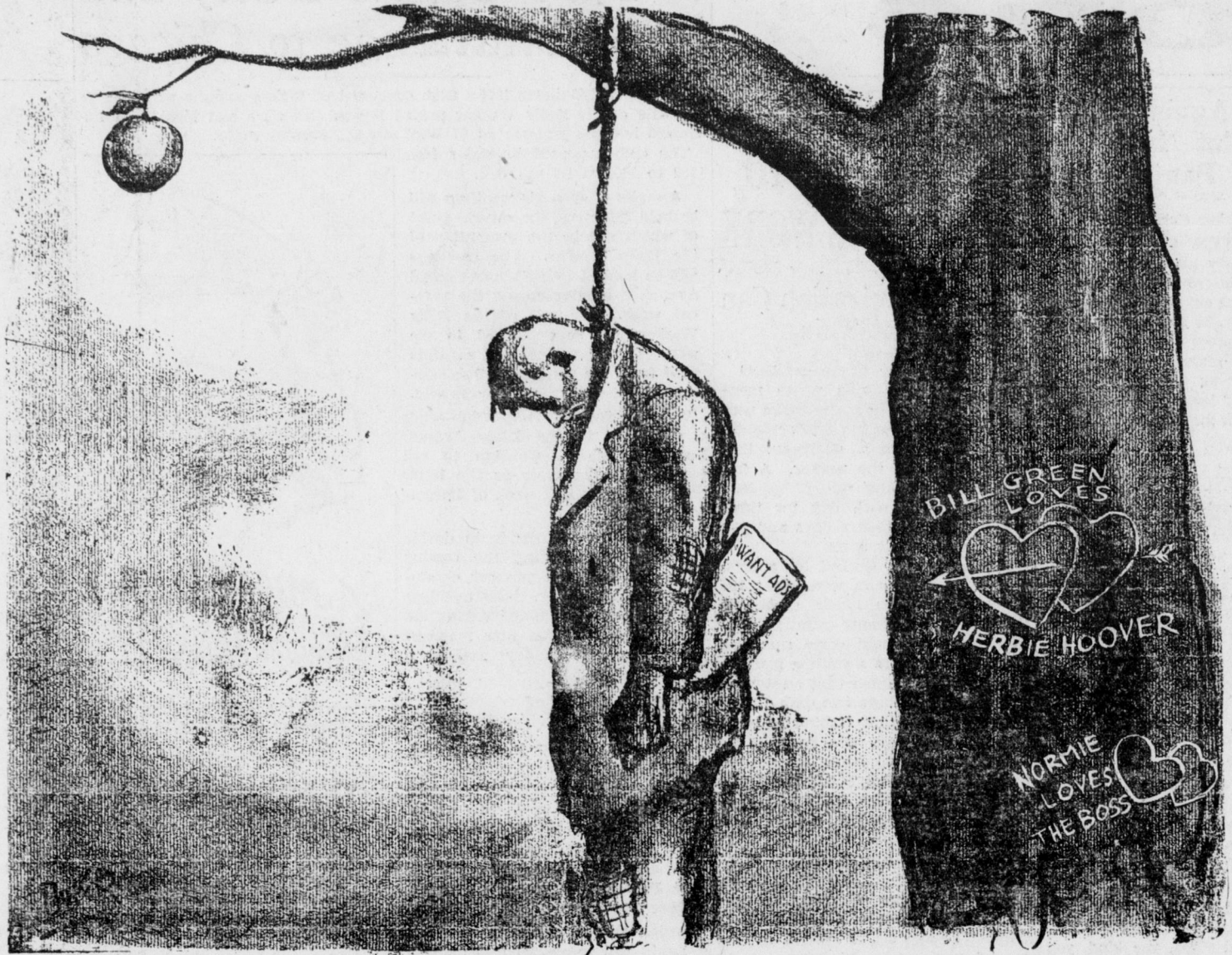
Ford Fires Married Men; Re-hires Single Men at Lower Wages

TWO months ago about 20% of the men were fired at Ford's. Recently a few of the men have been re-hired, while other married old-timers were fired. What was the reason behind this? Was it because Ford wants to "distribute jobs equally" for the benefit of the workers? No, it was because these re-hired men were single men who took the places of the married men at much lower wages. Every one of these single re-hired men had to buy a Ford car on the installment plan. Most of these married men had children to support. They were working for Ford's 10 and even 15 years. But that makes no difference to "big-hearted" Ford. He is primarily interested in his profits; he is not interested in the living conditions of the workers. Young single men can speed-up better, and as they are not married and have no families to support, they can accept lower wages and still take a Ford car on the installment plan.

"That's Your Own Hard Luck"

Ford workers were divided into three classes a few months ago by the foremen. The third class (consisting of the older men around 40) were fired some time ago. Lately the attacks were made on the workers of the first and second class. Those that bought Ford cars on the installment plan told the employment office that they could not make their payments if they were fired. The answer was "that's your own hard luck." In this way the Ford Motor Co. divides the married men from the single men, firing married men while re-hiring single men at much lower wages. After you are given a job at Ford's add buy a Ford car on the installment plan—if you are fired and your car taken away from you, "that's your own hard luck!"

"IN THE SHADE OF THE OLD APPLE TREE"



Bloody November

By JACK SÖDERBERG.

THERE will come a time when our silence will be more powerful than the voices you are strangling today.

These words were spoken by Spies as the rope was being placed around his neck in Chicago, November 11th, 43 years ago. November 11, 1887, marks one of the most callous of frame-ups in history pregnant with murder and blood of the working class. On this date, the four Chicago martyrs were legally murdered by the bosses.

November! Bloody November! On November 19, 1915, in Salt Lake City, Utah, the final chapter was written with the legal murder of the I. W. W. songbird, Joe Hill. On this date the bullets of the firing squad snuffed out the life and stilled the voice of this rebel song writer. "Don't mourn, but organize" was the last words of Joe Hill as he died as he had lived, a rebel to the last, breathing defiance to the end.

November 5, 1916, stands out as one of the bloodiest days on the blood stained trail of the revolutionary workers. On this day, no less than 17 workers were brutally shot and killed as they stood unarmed, packed like sardines, on the deck of the S. S. Verona in the port of Everett, Washington. Some were deliberately shot and killed as they were swimming for their lives in the icy water of Pouget Sound that Sunday Morning, November 5th. Others were killed outright on deck of the steamer by the gunmen and sheriffs of the Lumber Trust. John Looney died in a pool of his own blood with no less than 11 bullets entering his shivering flesh as he lay on the deck.

A year later, November 15, Frank Little, national organizer of the I. W. W., already crippled with a bullet in his knee cap, was dragged out of his bed 4 o'clock in the morning and tied with a rope behind an automobile, and dragged through the streets until nothing remained but a pile of broken bones and a bundle of bloody rags.

November 11, 1919, one of the defenders of the wobbly hall in Centralia, Washington, was beaten half dead and his bleeding body thrown on the cement floor of the cell in full view of his comrades in the cell opposite. Here he lay, the life blood slowly ebbing from his body until that night when he was dragged out by a mob led by some of the most prominent business men of Centralia, placed in an automobile, and after being fiendishly mutilated and unsexed with a razor, he was finally hanged to a railroad trestle and his body riddled with bullets. His last words to his comrades in jail before being dragged out were, "tell the boys I did my best." So died a hero of the working class. So died Wesley that we may live.

In November, 1926, comes the raids and arrests of our comrades in Woodlawn, Pa., with the subsequent conviction and sentence. In November, 1917, comes the bloody massacre at the Columbine mine in Colorado where 6 workers' lives were snuffed out by the machine guns of the bosses' hirelings and more than a score wounded.

Truly November stands out as one of the bloodiest in the history of the working class in the United States. Wherever capitalism has gone ahead, it has left behind it a trail of blood, a trail of murder, and November stands out as the bloodiest of them all.

Fight against fingerprinting, registration, deportation bills; demand asylum for the working class political refugees; elect delegates to the National Conference for the Protection of Foreign Born, Nov. 30th, Dec. 1st, Washington, D. C.

This shows the real hypocrisy of Ford, who tries to pose as a "humanitarian." It proves that he is no different than the rest of the parasites; in fact, he is more brutal and unscrupulous in his scientific, rationalized methods of exploiting the working class.

Ford workers, as well as all auto workers, must learn these important lessons and realize that the only way out for them is to organize and fight against this damnable system which exists only for the profits of the bosses, while workers are kicked out of their houses with their families. Mrs. Henry Ford has plenty of money to spend \$16,000 for a fur coat in New York, but thousands of Ford workers' children have no clothes and shoes.

Ford Workers! Fight Against Wage-cuts and Hunger!

PRE-PLENUM DISCUSSION

Young Communist League, U.S.A.

Chicago Polburo Resolution

THE Y. C. L. PLENUM despite a number of shortcomings marked a step forward in the work of the League. It showed that the League is making the very first beginnings to carry out in practice the turn outlined by the Y. C. L. The composition of the Plenum was as follows: There were 36 delegates without the Party delegation (five). The average age was 20. The delegation was nearly all American but had an entirely too high percentage of Jews—48.5%. There were nine Negro delegates, but only one Mexican and only one Italian. The social composition was good in so far as there were only three students, the rest being workers, but was bad from the viewpoint that only a few were from large factories, and that the majority were unemployed. The largest single group were metal workers of which there were nine. The second largest group was food, of which there were four.

The main shortcoming of the Plenum was the low political level of the discussion. At the same time, the Plenum by its failure to discuss concretely the question of anti-militarist work, showed a complete underestimation of the war danger. The Plenum also failed to discuss adequately the question of children's work, which is still in a crisis. The T. U. U. L. was also inadequately discussed, showing a failure to understand the importance of the T. U. U. L. and the necessity to win the youth in the struggle for partial demands in the shops, and among the unemployed. The coal fields were also neglected, plus the question of building the Young Worker into a mass youth organ.

The Plenum, however, discussed concretely the unsatisfactory situation in the Y. C. L., the progress of the Shock Plan and showed an understanding of how to cope with its present problems. The spirit of the Plenum was very good and marked by a confidence that that League was on the path of changing its poor situation. The Plenum opened the fight especially against the "left" danger, such as phrase-mongering, and the entire sectarian outlook and character of the League. The Plenum also hit expressions of the right danger, which is the main danger, such as, capitulation to difficulties, underestimation of our membership and forces (Chicago), white chauvinism, hiding the fact of the League, etc. The Plenum must be the beginning of the mobilization of the entire League

against the right and left danger, which must be carried concretely to every unit and every member of the League. The Plenum itself proved the necessity of mercilessly combatting left sectarianism and phrase-mongering in the League, which still remains the main obstacle to the turn to mass work.

The leadership of the Party was felt throughout the Plenum, together with the concrete leadership of the Y. C. L. Bureau. At the same time the Party core in the Plenum was very small, and reflects the small Party core in the League leadership and membership, which must be raised to at least 15 per cent immediately. The Plenum hit very sharply certain expressions of vanguardism on the part of the League towards the Party. It also pointed out certain tendencies in the Party that fail to see any progress on the part of the League. The Plenum brought out clearly that the Party in the last analysis is responsible for the work of the League, and that the Party from top to bottom aid the League in making the turn.

Intensify Mass Work

The Y. C. L. Plenum laid out the tasks for the next two months. These tasks are based upon the situation in the League, plus the objective conditions. The main tasks are the building of shop committees of the T. U. U. L. and shop nuclei for the League. The building of the special youth forms such as the Young Liberator and the Labor Sports Union is of utmost importance. The turn of the Pioneer movement into a broad children's movement is also of immediate importance. The tasks set by the Plenum must be considered as a minimum step of the League in carrying out the next steps in its turn towards mass work. The Party Bureau in estimating the results of the Y. C. L. Plenum points out that the Party must feel itself responsible in the carrying through of these tasks. Without the aid of the Party, and the closest working together of League and Party from top to bottom, these tasks cannot be accomplished. The Party Bureau recognizes that the League today is seriously engaged in changing its bad situation, and must receive the everyday political, practical guidance and help from the Party.

Note:—We are quite certain that this resolution will be carried out. This is an example for all other Party districts.

Berkshire Textile Workers Determined to Fight Wage Cuts

By BILL LAWRENCE.

A GENERAL strike of textile workers in Berks County, Pa., that will affect 26 large mills and involve thousands of workers may break out any day. The strike movement began with another wage cut in the Berkshire Knitting Mills. The struggle centers around Reading, Pa., where the socialist city administration promises the bosses "protection."

Part of the reduction is due to general unemployment situation which resulted in reduction in time. Another contributing factor is a cut in rates. The most recent and drastic reduction suffered by the Berkshire workers was imposed last week on "Bemberg" silk work. On the job the knitters were reduced from 48½ cents to 30 cents per dozen. As 80 dozen is the usual output of a knitter at present this one reduction takes approximately \$15 a week from the income of each worker.

More Cuts Coming.

Some time ago the Berkshire abolished its bonus system and further "adjustments" of wages are to be made by the firm soon. In addition to losing their wages the workers of the Berkshire knitting mills are feeling the effects of rationalization and efficiency more keenly than ever before. The old spy system is still in force, and expression of independent opinion is still cause for discharge. In addition the workers there are now being pressed for production more vigorously than ever before.

The textile workers of Berkshire County are determined not to accept any wage cuts and stay ready to fight it out. Sunday, Nov. 9, a great mass meeting was held where the workers representing 26 mills raised their voice against wage reductions and for a fight against the bosses. The "leaders" of the "Full Fashioned Workers," Hoffman, Gallagher and others are trying their best to prevent the workers from a militant fight against the bosses.

Instead of encouraging the workers to organize and fight against wage cuts, as the only means through which the workers can force the bosses to give them better conditions Mr. Hoffman already makes it clear where he is driving to by telling the workers at the mass meeting, "It is impossible now to say whether the strike will be necessary."

U. T. W. For "Business."

In a resolution adopted at the mass meeting the misleaders of labor are worried to death, not over the fact that another wage cut affects the very existence of thousands of workers and their families but rather over the fact that these reductions seriously affect the business and community life, and prevent bringing capitalist economy back to a sound and stable basis. Instead of calling upon the workers of other industries to solidarize themselves with the workers of the textile industry in their struggle against the employers, the resolution of the fakers calls upon "persons in public life and business, and patriotic social and civic and business

Red Sparks By JORGE

Against Bashfulness "It happens," writes Comrade S. S. T., with some reason, "that there exists a very peculiar brand of bashfulness in the ranks of revolutionary trade unionists. Mention the C. P. in their presence, link it up somehow with their activities, and note the flutter of uneasiness. This delicate reaction is even extended to spheres not directly under their guidance.

"As for instance their attitude toward the A. N. L. C., in whose behalf I once conducted an open air meet. I had the temerity to utter the words: 'The C. P., in conjunction with the A. N. L. C., is carrying on a campaign against lynching,' and, lo, the acting chairman and committee, all T. U. L. dignitaries, shivered disapprovingly at such 'insinuation.'

"At several open-air meets of the Office Workers' Union, of whose dainty Unemployed Council I am a member, my avowed declaration of allegiance to the C. P. almost netted me a sound thrashing at the hands of O. W. U. functionaries. I was let off with a private lecture on the 'psychology' of approaching office workers (unemployed) by studiously omitting any sort of connection which might indicate that that organization is red or revolutionary."

He says some more which we will deal with later. But in general we can't say anything in general. Because there are two evils. One of them we mentioned recently on the question of "who are comrades?"

That evil is the making of a red union into a duplicate of the Communist Party, making it so to the point where any worker not a Communist Party member feels out of place or unwelcome, where the Party members conduct themselves as "above" the non-Party workers, as an exclusive inner circle whose interests are separate from those of the general membership.

Then there is this absurd fear that the workers are too delicately reared to hear anything about the Party, that it will "frighten" the workers. Which is rot—and Right Wing rot at that. Both are based on the same opportunist conception of a distinction between the interests of the masses and the interests of the Party.

If these interests are harmonious, we need not, in the first case, be afraid ourselves that if non-Party workers flood the red unions that something dreadful will happen if we do not impress on each and every one of them that the Communists are running things and demand forthwith endorsement of each and every Communist article of faith. Such endorsement is won by deserving it in practical struggle for the workers' daily and simple demands.

In the second case, if the interests of the workers and the Party are in harmony, upon what basis can objection be made that they will not recognize this harmony—if properly presented?

A Communist does not conceal his revolutionary beliefs, but does not make the acceptance of them by others a prerequisite for participation in the struggle for immediate demands. On the contrary he takes the lead in such struggle, invites all to join it, confident that in the struggle they will learn. But he consciously points out at appropriate times the lessons of the struggle and does not allow the "learning" to result in mere confusion.

To fail to do so, to fail to draw from concrete struggle, Communist conclusions for the workers' consideration, is not to "keep politics out" but to allow bourgeois or reformist politics in. There is never a political vacuum.

Marx said and Lenin seconded him, that trade unions are "schools for socialism." We must have teachers who know their business, yes. But if we are not to follow Marx, we are not Communists.

Do You Like Eggs?

Government reports show that in the warehouses of this fair land there are 6,777,000 cases of eggs in "reserve," which is 1,847,000 cases more than were in reserve this date last year. Each case has thirty dozen, so that makes 102,100,000 dozen eggs "in reserve," with the hens still producing.

Will some bourgeois expert kindly step forward and explain why, in this situation, the price for Grade "A" eggs went up in the New York chain stores from 69 to 71 cents a dozen last week?

Probably society notes will soon remark that Henry Ford, besides buying his wife a \$16,000 fur coat, has purchased her a necklace of hard-boiled hen fruit.

But seriously, this growing robbery on eggs and a thousand other necessities, should be fought against. And nobody is doing it. That's what makes us peevish. Particularly so in view of the deliberate campaign in the capitalist papers, to make workers believe that the cost of living is being reduced.

What the Captain Says

One of the staff, trying to get warm in the public library, was browsing over the "Infantry Journal," which is practically the official journal of the army officers of infantry. A columnist in the Infantry Journal, Capt. M. B. Driscoll, O.R.C., contributes a column called "Modern Maxims." In the November issue it gives the following, which aren't so worse:

1. Many a spy sneaks around for a month to get what the Statesmen's Year Book would give him in two minutes.
2. "Not to recognize another nation may be moral, but it is foolish not to recognize another nation's army."
3. "When an enemy talks war, he may be bluffing; when he talks peace, he always is."

What About It, Boston?

"Dear Comrade Jorge:—For purposes of reference, in case you send out any more Sparks about Rhode Island, that state is NOT in the Connecticut district. We have all the criticism we can handle in Connecticut, without shouldering the sins of Rhode Island as well. Comradely yours, Wm. Schneiderman, D.O., Dist. 15."

organizations to interest themselves in this paramount issue.

The National Textile Workers Union is on the job, preparing leaflets and calling upon the workers to organize and fight against the wage cuts as well as proposing some real working class demands.