

REPORT HARBIN EXPECTS JAPANESE ATTACK ON U.S.S.R.

Admissions of an Anti-Soviet WAR VETS' Interventionist

We are on the very eve of an imperialist war against the Soviet Union. It is not only a question of diplomatic intrigues and hostile economic and financial combinations, but of immediate military operations against the Soviet Union on the very frontier. The executioner of these military actions is first of all Japanese imperialism.

The mobilization of the masses of workers and peasants throughout the world for the defense of the Soviet Union must be carried out not only on the basis of a generally correct appreciation of the fundamental contradictions between the U.S.S.R. and the imperialists camp, but also on the understanding of the changing and unstable relations that exist between the imperialists, instigating, supporting or encouraging the Japanese adventure.

One of the main reasons of the weaknesses in our anti-war struggle is the fact that our agitation concerning the world war danger has had until now a too general and abstract character. We will not be capable of mobilizing the broadest masses for immediate revolutionary actions against the war if we will not put the question of the imperialist war on a concrete basis. That is, taking into consideration the concrete forces that are already involved in its preparation and the relation of these imperialist forces.

A refusal to try to utilize the antagonisms between the imperialists, no matter how temporary and shifting they may be, would mean a retreat from the Leninist policy which demands the utilizing of each and every force and circumstance that could strengthen the position of the proletarian revolution, weakening the position of our enemies.

While we often in our resolutions and statements confine ourselves to general estimations, the concrete character of the war becomes so clear that it can no longer be hidden even by the bourgeois press and bourgeois statesmen

From this point of view, the interview sent out by the United Press with Major General William S. Graves is particularly significant. It cannot be denied that General Graves has something to say about this problem with sufficient authority. He was commander of the American troops in Siberia, whom, according to the delicate expression of the U.P. telegraphic agency, "The United States sent into the Far East." This means, in simple English, that he headed the military intervention in Siberia in 1919.

General Graves is not inclined to speak about this side of the problem, about the military operations of American troops in Siberia and the result of this operation. But even his more modest topic, about the policy of Japan in this intervention (it is well known that generals, even retired, prefer to speak about the robber intentions of the imperialists of other countries) is very instructive.

According to the opinion of General Graves, the "Tokio government has never, for one moment, surrendered the policy it supported from 1918 to 1922, a policy directed toward the creation of a Manchurian-Siberian empire at the expense of Russia, and with the support of puppet leaders."

The memories of General Graves can help every worker and farmer in the United States to understand the real meaning of the Japanese excuse for the concentration of an army on the Soviet frontier under the pretext of "defending the life of Japanese subjects." He remembers that "a public statement on March 31, 1920, in which she promised the troops would be withdrawn when the life and property of the imperial subjects in Siberia have been secured. I had been in Siberia for 19 months, and I do not believe there was any danger of molestation of any honest Japanese subjects and they certainly were not molested after the troops were withdrawn."

Shanghai Reports Tense Situation at Harbin in Anticipation of **BONUS MARCH** Japanese Attack on U.S.S.R.

A Japanese troop train on the Chinese Eastern Railway was dynamited yesterday by insurgent Chinese troops. 14 Japanene soldiers were killed and 50 injured in the wreck. The Japanese are using the incident for further war incitement

against the Soviet Union, the Nippon Dempo Agency sending out a To Demand Immediate dispatch in which it is stated that Communists of "a certain country" Cash Payment of are being sought in connection with the dynamiting.

RELIEF CUT OF

A Shanghai dispatch reports news from Harbin, Manchuria, that the situation there is tense "in anticipation of conflict between Russians and Japanese.'

Miner Beaten Unconscious at Socialist "Relief" Meeting

Tomorrow the veterans of the last world war will show wild disorder reigned for almost an lief medical unit where the injured where they stand on the bonus hour as socialist gangsters and wob- workers received first aid treatment. question, which is now before bly toughs tried vainly to eject work- Lawson called attention to the fact Red Army, who recently repeated Cogress, by rallying to a monster bonus parade under the "Relief" Meeting at the Rand School socialist outfit in spite of the fact will we give up an inch of our own." leadership of the Workers' Ex-Ser- last night.

TOMORROW

Bonus

Meet at Madison Sq.

To Parade to Union

Sq. at Noon

vicemen's League. Ann Barton, N. M. U. organizer in the name of the miners since The parade, led by the W. E. L. recently released from Pineville Jail January 30th of this year. bugle corps, will follow a mass meet- where she was held for strike activing and demonstration which will ity, was roughtly handled when she said "The Workers International Recommence at 11 a. m. at Madison asked for permission to speak in the lief has aided the miners in every Square and proceed to Union Square, name of the miners. Dan Kilchuck, way to carry on their struggle under where another meeting will be held. miner from Molinoux Mine No. 3, the leadership of the National Min-Three million five hundred thou- Pennsylvania, was black-jacked into ers Union. The socialists plan is to sand veterans of the working class unconsciousness when he sought to go into Kentucky with "relief" as a

need and demand the bonus, which protect the girl from assault. is a back pay debt due them. order to prevent any statement from the National Miners Union and the The bankers and officials of the the miners which would have com- Workers International Relief. This Amercian Legion are opposed to paypietely exposed them as strike- was the strike-breaking role they ing the veterans what is rightly breakers and grafters," said Joe Law. played in the Pennsylvania and Ohio their's because the bankers benefit by

robbing the vets of two billion dollars a year through compound interfascist attack. est rates.

Veterans of all organizations are **7 MEETINGS IN** urged to join this huge parade and demonstration and through mass pressure force congress to pass the **B'KLYN AGAINST**

All veterans of Legion and V. F. W. posts should fall in line. Form one solid united front. Don't rely on congressmen. Rely on your own mass strength.

NEW YORK, April 13 .- Scenes of | At the Workers International Re-Gen. Galen-Bluecher, one of the brilliant commanders of the Soviet ers demanding the floor at the so- that not one cent of relief has been Stalin's warning: "We do not want clalist party-Emergency Miners' given to the striking miners by the an inch of foreign soil, but neither that they have been collecting funds

Unemployed Mass "On the other hand," Lawson Meets in 6 Mid-**Town Precincts**

SOVIET SOIL

Workers Rally to Protest Against Relief Fakers on Friday

Indoor mass meetings of the unemployed, especially of those workers The Workers International Relief whose miserly relief has been stopped today announced that Joe Lawson or cut to the vanishing point, will be will be chairman at a mass Kentucky- held under the auspices of the Mid-Tennessee rally at the Irving Plaza, Town Unemployed Council at 8 p. m. 15th Street and Irving Place, Sunday, this evening in six precincts beeween 17th and 62nd Sts.

The purpose of these meetings is to the W. I. R. calling all members, sym- bring together the rapidly growing pathizers, friends and workers to this thousands of disillusioned and em-

strike breakers and grafters and de- very existence upon the starvation mand that all funds collected by the rations doled out by the Tammany All out to Madison Square tomor- Meetings Tonight Led socialist party for the .niners be Hall "Home Relief Bureaus." Out of cided to suppress the fascist storm



In Interview With United Press Commander of American Anti-Soviet Siberian Expedition Hints at New World War

Admits Imperialists Plan Armed Intervention Against Soviet Union from Both Eastern and Western Fronts

That Japan is rapidly moving for armed intervention against the Soviet Union is fully admitted in a United Press release of an interview with Major General William S. Graves, commander of the American anti-Soviet expedition of 1919. The release says in part:

"Japanese troop movements on the fringe of Russia's eastern territory; warning rumbling from the Soviet press; establishment of puppet 'kingdoms' in Manchuria; a polite disregard for the protestations of Occidental nations-these events offer a sinister significance

DECIDE TO MAKE to Major General Willia S. Graves, U. S. A. retired. **FASCIST MURDER** because, in his mind, they are a repition-or perhaps a continuance **TROOPS 'ILLEGAL'** German Gov't Says New Wage Cuts to Come Soon (Cable by Inprecorrfl)

began in 1918, when the Japanese, supported by the British and White Russians, nearly embroiled the United States in a Far Eastern quarrel of startling dimenions." Gen. Graves sees the Japanese still maintaining their policy of 1919 for the seizure of Soviet territory. He says: "I believed then and I believe now

"They are particularly ominous

-of an international conflict that



wedge to try to win the miners away "The fakers started this riot in from the class struggle; away from

son, striking Kentucky miner from strike and they are trying to repeat Arjay who was also a victim of the it in Kentucky." April 17, 2 p. m.

An appeal has been sent out by mass rally to expose the socialists as bittered workers who depend for their

But the nead of the American intervention army becomes vague in his memory when it comes to the role of America at this time and forgets completely the reason why America preferred to discontinue the intervention.

What was the role of the other imperialist countries in the Siberian intervention of 1918? According to Graves, it was "an international conflict that began in 1918, when the Japanese, supported by the British and White Russians, nearly embroiled the United States in a Far Eastern quartel of startling dimensions."

"Nearly embroiled"! As a matter of fact the attitude of America during a certain period supported the intervention of Japan in its robber plans in its dream to reach Lake Baikal. And it was only the lessons that were given to the invaders by the Siberian workers and peasants, simultaneously with the sharpening antagonisms between Japanese and American imperialism and not by any means the "pacifism" of the American military staff, that prevented America from being embroiled in the Far Lastern quarrel.

General Graves does not try to hide the fact that the war against the Soviet Union, which is now being prepared by the imperialists, will become a world war. From this point of view he differs from the socialfascists and labor bureaucrats throughout the world and also in the United States, who make all efforts to lull the watchfullness of the masses and to paralyze the revolutionary activities by trying to imbue them with the idea that the Far Eastern war will have a local character, that the operations in Manchuria do not represent an immediate military operation against the Soviet Union, that it does not concern them, that finally the "disarmament" conference with the fake proposals of all the imperialists beginning with Tardieu to Stimson, will prevent the war.

"If, unfortunately, this conflict should start, it seems improbable that it would be confined to Siberia, but might extend to Soviet territory in European Russia. If it should reach Europe, no human mind can foresee how far it will reach."

But the general reveals that he has no grasp of the situation by describing the policy of American imperialism precisely now in April, 1932, on the very eve of the new war against the Soviet Union. Of course, the head of the Siberian intervention has no doubt of the readiness of American imperialism to "protect the peace." But how can this "influence for peace" be exercised. Graves looks for an answer and cannot find it. More than that. He hints that the main hindrance lies in the "prejudices against such peace efforts on the side of the United States." Graves asked helplessly: "The United States can always be depended upon to exert her influence for peace, but in Far Eastern affairs where sia is involved, it is difficult to see how the United States could exert any influence at all because of the absence of a speaking acquaintanceship with Russia. If she tried to use her influence in the interest of peace, she would almost surely be suspected of prejudice, as was shown when she called the attention of China and Soviet Russia to their obligations under the Kellogg-Briand Pact."

The recalling of the "peaceful" activities of the State Department in 1927 when the Chinese militarists, under the provocation of Japan, tried to seize the Chinese Eastern Railway, is not a subtle diplomatic gesture on the part of the General.

It is ridiculous now, when the robber plans of Japan in Manchuria generally, and the relation to the Far Eastern Railway in particular, are so clear that even the author of the interview does not try to cover them up, to say that the actions of Stimson in 1927 under the pretext of stopping the Red Army from penetrating into Manchuria can be called a measure to "exert any influence for peace." The workers and farmers in the United States who are ready to

truggle against imperialist war could help the general to find an answer to this question that troubles him so much. In order not to be directly responsible for the conflagration of world war this Spring, American imperialism must, first of all, stop encouraging Japanese imperialism, change its own hostile policy towards the Soviet Union and put an immediate stop to the shipping of munitions and material for amn directly or indirectly to Japan.

Can the general and all who are behind him deny the hostility of ration towards the Soviet Union and end Over's a UND OL PAGE T

by Williamsburg Council **Tenants of Arnow Ave.** Tonight the Unemployed Council Jobless World-War Win Demands, Led by of Williamsburg will hold seven Unemployed Council meetings to protest the shutting off of relief by the Home Relief Buros. NEW YORK .-- Under the leader- Fifty-six thousand workers who were ship of the Unemployed Council, the registered at the Buros in New York tenants of 788 Arnow Avenue organ- City are left to starve. The Coun- World War veteran, returned home ized themselves and put forward con- cil in Williamsburg has already on the evening of April 4th to find crete demands which the landlord, shown its ability in winning relief his furniture and all his belongings in view of their determination to and halting evictions as in the case lying the street at 606 East 13th strike, had to grant. of 108 McKibben St. and 235 Moore Street. On top of the furniture lay The demands were the following: St. The present shutting off of re- the certificate of honorable discharge 1. An average reduction of \$1 per lief must be met by a protest which from the U.S. Army. This was so will again win for the workers at raw that the Democratic ward healer 2. Recognition of the Home Com- least the meagre relief given up to who obviously had something to do nittee. now. Once before such demonstra- with the eviction, tried to keep the 3. No evictions of unemployed tions soon forced the city adminisfamilies. tration to vote new funds. The meetings in Williamsburg will discharge asking the worker to come 4. No discrimination against any be held at the following places: 61 to see him in the evening. of the tenants. 5. Repainting and alterations Graham Ave., 46 Ten Eyck, 118 Cook whenever necessary. St., 795 Flushing Ave., 226 Throop so. The politician cried crocodile Ave., 285 Rodney St. and 73 Myrtle tears and promised to have hte rent Have you sent in your Half-Dollar? Avenue.

Harlem Demonstration Starts Intense Scottsboro Campaign

A protest demonstration against der has endorsed the Scottsboro Dethe decision of the Alabama Supreme fense Movement of the International Court to electrocute the 7 Scottsboro Labor Defense and the League of boys on March 13, will be held in Struggle for Negro Rights, and has Harlem and Brooklyn, Saturday, extended an invitation to Mrs. April 16. The demonstration in Har- Wright to be their guest at the aflem will start at 125th St. and Lenox fair to be held at the Bronx Coli-Ave. at 2 p.m. From there the parade seum on the night of April 16, where of Negro and white workers will pro- Mrs. Wright will speak.

ceed up Lenox Ave. to 132nd St. east On April 16, at 4 p.m. Mrs. Wright to 5th Ave. on Fifth Ave. to 135th will speak at Larkin Plaza, Yonkers, St. west to Lenox Ave. up Lenox to N. Y. Mrs Wright will also speak 141st St. west to 7th Ave. and then at the following places while she is down 7th Ave. to 116th St. east to in New York: April 16 at the New 5th Ave. down 5th Ave. to 110th St. Hope Church, Newark, N. J., at 4 There the demonstration will end in p.m., April 17, at 9 p.m. at Pythian mass meeting.

Hall Coney Island, April 18, Workers Three protest demonstrations will Center, 1813 Pitkin Ave., Brooklyn, also take place in Brooklyn on April at 8 p.m., April 19, Ladies Aid Hall Mrs. Wright, mother of two of 42 Lewis St. New Brunswick, N. J. the Scottsboro boys, has accepted at 8 p.m. April 20 there will be a the invitation extended by the Ger- monster mass meeting at the Renaisman Red Aid to tour Germany and sance Casino, corner of 138th St. and other European countries in behalf 7th Ave. Harlem, as a farewell to of the fight for the freedom of the Mrs. Wright. nine innocent Scottsboro boys. A

16.

All meetings are under the joint series of mass meetings and demonstrations will mark the last week in auspices of the International Labor Defense and the League of Struggle this country of Mrs. Wright before for Negro Rights. All organizations she sails for Europe. Negro and white, are invited to send In behalf of the Scottsboro boys

the International Workers Order cel- delegations to this meetings on April brating the anniversary of the Or- 2013

turned over to the Workers International Relief.

> Vet Evicted, Block **Committee on Job** the following halls:

Louis Vasolarides, an unemployed case away from the Block Committee by writing a note on the back of the

Vassolarides finding the note did

paid for this ex-serviceman. Meanwhile however the Block Committee of the Unemployed Council had returned the furniture. The unemployed worker has received, instead of the rent from the Democratic politician who saw a

chance to get some votes and break the influence on the Block Committee, a summons to appear in court on April 15 on a charge of disorderly conduct



BRIDGEPORT, Ohio, April 13. -Alfred Wagenknecht. National Secretary of the Workers International Relief arrived in the strike areas today. He gave out the following statement: "The Workers International Relief will establish relief headquarters in Bridgeport and relief distributions in the strike areas to give relief on a united front basis to all strikers, whether members of the United Mine Workers, the National Miners Union or unorganized.

Relief kitchens will be established and a campaign for funds and food launched immediately in Pennsylvania, Ohio, West Virginia and Northern New York. Our first relief kitchen will be set

the meetings will come plans for ac- detachments throughout the Reich. tion against the Home Relief Bu- The decision represents splendid reaus, which have been forced to election material for the socialists. open twice in the las tien months, This action is a gesture rather than and can be forced again. a real prohibition. It is expected The meetings, which will take that after the Diet elections the pro-

place simultaneously, will be held in hibition will be withdrawn. The Rote Fahne (central organ of the Communist Party) today refuted

East Side-103 Lexington Avenue: 413 East 17th Street. the lies of the orwaerts (central or-

West Side-451 W. 29th Street; 301 gan of the German socialists) ac-West 29th Street; 236 West 62nd cording to which "most Communist Street; 450 West 53rd Street. officials of the Blankenburg branch All of the above addresses are speof the Communist Party joined the cial campaign headquarters main- fascists." Inquiries at the Blankentained by the Mid-Town Unemployed burg branch reveal that no single of-Council and its branches in the campaign against the cutting and stopping of the city's relief. These headquarters are open all day every day, implacable enmity towards the fasand until 10 p. m. every evening. cists. Workers who are ready to protest

against the Home Relief Bureau, are urged to come in and register.

"Big Six" Unemployed day was a fiasco Labor Minister Stegerwald spoke at the congress for Endorse Government the government rejecting the A. D. Social Insurance G. B. plans as containing the danger of inflation. He announced that the Yesterday by a vote of 200 to 3 Emergency Degree policy is to be

against, the unemployed House of continued and further "levelling" Call chapel at 24 West 16th Street, will occur at the end of April, in other Typographical Union No. 6, endorsed words further wage cuts are to be the government Unemployment In- handed out. Stegerwald stated that surance resolution proposed by the it was hardly possible to expect a A. F. of L. Trade Union Committee crisis improvement before 1933. The for Unemployment Insurance and speech made a deep impression on the hand-picked congress. Relief.

(Cable by Inprecorr)

themselves desperately. Many workers

Disarm Police

and workers occurred throughout the

day in Bruex when police cordons

were broken and police parties were

Collisions with the police, soldiers

Many were arrested.

Fierce Battles Take Place in

surrounded and disarmed. A com

them to form barricades.

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ried out with demonstrations every-

where in defiance of police prohibi-

that time and for a few years later was not able to resist by force any

violation of her sovereign rights "The question is very different

now, and there is no doubt that any effort to send troops into Russian territory would be resisted by force." Gen. Graves does not explain that the various imperialist expeditions were driven out of the Soviet Union by the Soviet masses, and that the Soviet masses were aided by soldiers in the expeditionary forces who finally refused to fight for the imperialist aim of re-enslaving the emancipated Soviet masses. He admits ficial left the Communist Party and the firm peace policy of the Soviet that the whole branch stands firm Union, but sees the Soviet masses behind the Communist Party with determined to defend every inch of their soil.

An introductory note by the editor The special "crisis conugress" of the A. R. G. B. (German socialist of the United Press states:

"At the close of the World War, trade union organization comparable to the A. F. of L., Ed.) in Berlin tothe United States sent into the Far East a division of troops under Major General William S. Graves. now retired, in one of the strangest military adventures on record. America's participation in the chaotic events then in progress in Siberia, with its conflict of interests and purposes between Japanese, Bolsheviks, White Russians and British formed one of the most amazing chapters of post-war military diplomacy.

> "Today, watching the continued clash of interests in that sector. General Graves is convinced, as he was then, that the Tokyo Government has never for one moment surrendered the policy it supported from 1918 to 1922-a policy directed toward the creation of a Manchurian-S'berian empire at the expense of Russia, and with the support of puppet leaders."

The responsibility of the United general strike in support of the min- Workers were machine-gunned with States imperialists for the developers occurred today in Northern Bo- three dead and many wounded as a ment of this world war threat is hemia. Fierce collisions with the result. Automobiles were stopped to clearly seen in the shipment of arms and munitions to Japan, in the agi-Dragoons attacked a demonstration | tation by the United States govern-The first collision in Oberletuens- in Kopist where workers unhorsed ment officials for an economic boydorf occured when Draggons at- three of the mounted soliders and cott against the Soviet Union and in various other anti-Soviet activities

Out Into the Streets liceman. Masses stormed the police and some soldiers were wounded. auto overturning them and using May 1st! The Interna-The strike was magnificently cartional Day of Struggle Against Hunger and Warl

One Day Slovak General Strike (Special to Daily Worker) PRAGUE, April 13 .-- A one-day missar flung himself into the canal police resulted in the death and take the wounded to the hospital. wounding of miners. tacked a demonstration of 3,000 strik- mauled them severely. The collisions ing textile workers. The workers in Komotau resulted in the serious tore up fence spikes and defended wounding of five workers and a po-

up in Bellaire, Ohio."

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DAILY WORKER, NEW YORK, THURSDAY, APRIL 14, 1932

Negro Trade Union Committee COURT REFUSES Mrs. Wright at Spring Praises Mass Defense Fight TO OUST CROOKS for the Nine Scottsboro Boys IN METAL UNION

NEW YORK .- Praise for its ac-| German and English sections tivities in organizing the mass defense for the Scottsboro boys is contained in a letter to the International Labor Defense from the International Trade Union Committee of Negro Workers, with offices in Mrs. Ada Wrights, mother of Andy Hainburg. Germany. boys, in part:

"Your organization has certainly made a splendic fight for the Scottsboro boys. Our committee is trying to collaborate with the. for Europe.

preparing meetings, material, etc. As you have noticed, the last issue of the 'Negro Worker' is largely devoted to the campaign.'

The letter and Roy Wright, two of the nine speaks of the tremendous support Scottsboro boys, has acepted an indeveloping among the European vitation from the German Red Aid workers for the fight to save the to tour Germany in connection with the now world-wide mass fight

against the Scottsboro lynch verdicts and the national oppression of the Negro masses. She is leaving soon

Workers Attempted to **Get Injunction Against** Officials

Tammany Judge Levy of the district Supreme Court always ready with injunctions against workers has turned down the request of an injunction against the corrupt officials

of Sheet-Metal Workers Union, Local 28, who refuse to leave office although their terms expired last December. The injunction was asked for by the union members. In the

request for the injunction it was stated that the officials have in-Plans for Monument to Ford stated that the officials have inontrol the huge sum of \$160,000 in Victims Move Forward Fast the treasury. The racketeers are terthe treasury. The racketeers are ter-And in this terrorization they have

been aided not only by the court but Preparations are going forward, will be announced in every coming also by Secretary of Labor Doak. under the auspices of the Auto issue of the Auto Workers' News. Last week Doak announced that he Workers' Union to build in Wood- Thus far, two committees have was going to investigate the local for mere Cemetery a monument to our been chosen; a smaller committee to "Communism." This was at the remurdered dead who fell in the Ford take actual charge of the work and quest of the labor fakers. But the massacre on Bloody Monday. Al- a larger committee of publicity and deportation hungry secretary met ready a campaign to raise the neces- moral support. This last committee such a storm of protest that he had sary funds is well under way. Prac- embraces not only the best known to back down. tically all the militant labor groups radical labor leaders, but scores of The workers in the union should

throughout the work have been in- the most prominent humanitarians, now realize that in the fight against picket line. volved. Contribution lists have been artists, scientists, educators and lib- corruption they cannot expect any issued and plans have been made to eral writers throughout the world. aid from the courts or the governexhibit movie films of the hunger It has been said, apparently ment. The fight must go on with march and the funeral at an early through Ford inspiration, that Henother methods. Competition among proleta- ry Ford "will not allow" us to build

rian artists for suitable designs has that monument. He has been used 'Golden Mountains" been announced and already some to seeing his slaves jump when he designs of rare merit have been sub- cracked the whip. That day is done Soviet Film, Opens At the Cameo Today That monument will stand in

personnel of the various committees Woodmere Cemetery, by Vernor Highway, where thousands daily pass Golden Mountains," new Soviet others, were blacklisted and unable in full view of the Ford Rouge plant, talkle opening today at the Cameo to find work. a challenge to the power of Henry Theatre, is the first Russian director Ford and all his class-a challenge to "revolt" against the strict stylistic that is also prophecy. That monumethod of film making which has ment will stand a granite prophecy of that not far distant day when a marked the Soviet films. Speaking united working class weary of cap- before the Societ of Motion Picture Mobilization for Mem- italist and of landlord, shall take Workers, Yutkevitch said, "The theunto themselves their rightful herit- ory of montage, which was merely a age-the land, the mines, the mills, technological ideas in the beginning the aid of comrades, to get along and

good of all. dustrial Union calls all unemployed We shall build two monuments-Shoe and Slipper Workers to a meeting today, Thursday, at 1 p.m. at Cemetery, of granite and bronze.

At this meeting the Union representatives will discuss the present powerful Auto Workers' Union to situation in both trades and the significance of the Shoe and Slipper Shop Conference called for Saturday April 16, at 2 p.m. at the same hall.

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Workers Mee

bership Drive

The Shoe and Leather Workers In-

Manhattan Lyceum, 64 East 4th St.,

New York.

Unemployed Shoe

mitted. Detailed information as to We will build that monument.

A delegation of the unemployed to this Conference will be elected at this meeting. All Shoe and Slipper Warkers, Union members as well as lum Tower, Detroit, Michigan. non-Union members are called to this meeting and rally behind this Conference as a call for a wideindustry.

All members of the Joint Council, Organziation Committees, All Shop Chairmen are called for special mobilization meeting tonight right after work at the Union headquarters, 5 E. 19th St., New York, to take up final

preparations for the Saturday Con-

style. I want to use the motion pictwo altars to the memory of our ideas, cultural development. I want dead. One shall be in Woodmere to do away with the aesthetic pic- tor." turization of the factory."

The other monument will be a Yutkevitch also questioned whether carry on to victory the fight for the the case of "Golden Mountains" deemancipation of mankind from the cided in the affirmative. Although yoke of capitalism for which they died. The world shall know that they have not died in vain. and in the psychology of its four

Send all contributions to the Treascharacters. urer, Marie Hempel, Room 3115, Bar- Yutkevitch, who is still under thirty.



PAUL, Minn-The Co

Dance for "Liberator" and 'Working Woman' Mrs. Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro boys, will speak at the

pring carnival and dance for the Liberator and the "Working Woman" to be held on April 16th at the Workers Center, 50 East 13th St.,

New York. Within a week Mrs. Wright will go to Germany where she has been invited by the German Red Aid to go on tour in connection with the fight for the release on the nnocent Scottsboro boys.

It is most important that the "Working Woman" and the "Liberator" be built up and distributed to the masses of white and Negro workers in the North as well as in the South

Worker's Baby Dies; City Sends Dog Catcher's Wagon

> By S. V. During the Paterson strike of the textile workers under the leadership Union, one of the strikers, formerly of Passaic, who had worked at the Morrand Silk Shop, was active on the

He told me that he was, worried, that his wife was about to give birth and there was no food in the house The United Front Relief Committee

did all they could to help him at that time

A bitter struggle was put up for union conditions. It is now history how the Gitlow-Muste-A. F. of L. forces broke the strike and forced the workers back into open shop con-Sergei Yutkevitch, director of of ditions. This worker, as well as many

Recently I met this worker again. Unemployment and starvation have wrecked him. Although he is 24 yrs. of age, he looks forty. He told me

the following story: For about five months after the baby was born, they managed with the factories, to be operated for the is growing into a formal, complicated keep alive. The baby got sick and having no money for a private docture for showing real life, political tor, they called the city doctor in, commonly known as the "horse doc-

This faker hardly glanced at the motion pictures neded plots, but in was dying of pneumonia.

Upon the death of the child, the has been artist and architect and director, producer and actor in the tell the stricken parents how they with Mooney's alleged crime. would dispose of the body. "Blue Blouses," traveling

Worry and grief have so underactors of Russia. He also worked in mined the health of the young the Proletkut Theatre with Eisenmother, that she has become ill and stein before becoming a motion pichas lost all her teeth. ture dirctor. In his arly film, "Lace," and "The Black Sail," he used an Workers, this is only one picture

extremely formalistic technique, which caused much discussion in textile workers, not only in Pater- of it, Mr. Byington held a conver-Mountains" he has abandoned stylism | Carolina and Fall River. in favor of simple, direct technique

URGE WORKERS TO ELECT LEFT WING SLATE IN ILGW LOCAL 22

NEW YORK.-In a call issued by the left wing group of Local 22 of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union the dressmakers are asked to participate en masse to day in the election of a new administration and delegates to the convention; to vote down the fake progressive administration responsible for the present misery of the dressmak ers, and to vote for the candidates who stand on the program of a class struggle union fro real unity and rank and file control.

The following are the left wing candidates endorsed by the left wing group in Local BBS

EXECUTIVE BOARD MEMBERS

50-Drench, Max

56-Goldberg, Max

61-Hersher, Max

78-Minsky, Max

88-Soloff, Harry

89-Somergrad, A.

94-Weiner, Joseph

82-Rosenberg, Morris

87-Silverblatt, Nathan

FOR MANAGER: 2-Stamper, Morris **CONVENTION DELEGATES:** 9-Drench, Max 14-Hersher, Max 22-Rosenberg, Morris 23-Silverblatt, Nathan 24-Soloff, Harry 6-Stamper, Morris

The left wing group urges the workers to vote for these candidates and no others.

of the National Textile Workers FAMOUS WRITERS AFL LOCAL FOR **UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BILL**

Score Attempt to Keep Detroit Painters and Machinists Endorse Bill

today by the National Committee

to the A. F. of L. New York Committee and to the International Headquarters of the Brotherhood. motion was brought to the locals by the Unemployment Committee of the

tional Unemployment Insurance Bill. At this local as at all the others the

5969-14th St., 2 p. m.

The governor is basing his verdict upon an investigation conducted by Louis F. Byington and Matt Sullivan A month after these men had begun their investigation, at a time when of the starvation and suffering of the they were supposed to be in the midst

Only the building of a strong union "investigator" asked, for his own in-



lenged the A. F. of L. Upholsterer. Union Locals 44 and 76 to a debate at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St. onight at 8 p.m.

The subject of the debate will be: 'The Trade Unoin Unity vs. the A. F. of L."

John Cuneo and Harry Wagner are challenged to represent the A.F. of L. J. Rubin and M. Pizer will reheld in New York City the first Napresent the Industrial Union.

Banking Department

Deaf to Demands

tional Workers Theatre Conference and Spartakiade. The conference, called by the Workers Dramatic **DEPOSITORS OF US** Council of New York and the Drama-Buro of the Workers Cultural Federation, is of great significance. **BANK IN STRUGGLE**

To Organize Workers

Dramatic Union in

United States

On April 16 and 17 there will be

The Spartakiade will be a revolutionary competition between fifteen workers theatre groups from many parts of the country - from such places as Boston, Philadelphia, Newark, and perhaps even from Chicago and Los Angeles

NEW YORK, N. Y., April 13 .- Five Preliminary competitions to choose workers appointed by the Committee the best groups are under way. The of 25 representing the Bank of the sixteen Jewish workers drama sec-United States depositors, were given tions in New York City have held evasive answers by Mr. Henenman five such competitions, with part of and Mr. Ilfield of the State Banking the proceeds going to the Conference Department when they presented and Spartakiade Fund. Other workers theatre groups are raising funds Mr. Henenman and Mr. Ilfield re- to send delegates and groups by run-

and admitted only 2, Kissel and The main work of the Conference Greenbaum, who demanded that all itself will be to review the achievemoney at hand be turned over to the ments and shortcomings of the workers theatre movement, to map out They were told that out of the 9 the line of further development, and million dollars at hand last Decem- to establish a Workers Dramatic ber, only 2 millions in cash are now Union of the U.S.A. as the American available, and that over 7 millions section of the International Workers

The representatives of the De- various workers theatre groups and DETROIT, Mich .- At its regular positors' Committee demanded that mass organizations on the following monthly meeting April 5th, Local Untermeyer's plan be turned down, subjects that will be dealt with at the Conference

Tasks of the Workers Theatres. Methods of work

Shortcomings, Problems, and Dificulties.

Methods of improving the existing groups and of building up new forces. Tasks and Constitution of the Workers Dramatic Union of the U.

S. A. Resolutions, recommendations, and motions with reference to these or other subjects concerning the Conference are to be sent in as soon as possible.

Every mass organization, every workers theatre group, and every individual interested in the rise of a revolutionary workers theatre, should support the National Workers Theatre Conference and Spartakiade by sending delegates, raising funds and by popularizing the idea of the Conference and Spartakiade through discussions, publicity in the press, etc. Communications should be sent to the Dram-Buro, 16 W. 21st St., New

LOCAL 66 URGED TO VOTE FOR LEFT WING DELEGATES

NEW YORK .- Election for delgates in the Embroidery, Tuckers and Pleaters and Hemstichers Local 66 will take place today from 12 o'clock noon till 8 p. m. at the Rand School, 7 East 15th St.

the full and immediate payment of The left wing group of Local 66 all their deposits. Policemen attacked them. Mrs. Post, a 65 year old has put up the following candidates: Rose Auerbach and Max Daches, who



Mooney in Jail

A protest against the further imprisonment of Tom Mooney is issued

for the Defense of Political Prisoners. whose membership includes Theodore Dreiser, Sherwood Anderson, Lincoln Steffens and Waldo Frank. The protest is based upon Gov-

ernor Rolph's new investigation of the case. The governor is basing his verdict upon an investigation conducted by Louis F. Byington and Matt Sullivan. Byington is charged by Melvin P. Levy, Secretary of the

National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners "with a complete lack of knowledge of the case and investigation of "an amazingly superficial quality.

An announcement credited to sources close to the Governor of Califorchild and left a powder to be mixed nia that Mooney will not be released with the baby's milk. The child was for two more years because "the running a temperature of 104 de- Governor's advisors fear the effect of grees. Alarmed the parents sent for Mooney's release under present ecothe plot of this picture is simple, it a doctor who, after examining the nomic conditions, if he were free to is worked out fully, both in action child, said it was too late, the child go about the country lecturing and organizing, is also protested.

The statement brands such imcity sent a dog catcher's wagon to prisonment as imprisonment for potake the body away and refused to litical causes having nothing to do

The statement says in part:

film groups in Russia. In "Golden son, but in Passaic, Lawrence, North sation with Mr. Edward B. McKenzie in San Francisco. At that time the

local. Naturally there was an oppo-

sition from the officials of the local. Machinist Locals Endorse Bill. The International Association Machinists, Local 1122 at is meeting Sunday, April 3rd, indorsed the Na-

reactionary officials made an attempt to fight the proposal, but the rank and file members told them to shut up and stood solidly for demanding unemployment insurance. The Ma_ chinist local decided to take part in be held April 17 at Finnish Hall.

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BANQUET FOR COMRADE AMTER.

The banquet in celebration of Comrade Amter's 50th Birthday takes place this Friday at the Central Opera House, 67th St. and Third Ave. Tickets are on sale at the Communist Party District Office, 50 E. 13th St., Workers Bookshop, 50 E. 13th St., Young Communist League Office and T. J. U. C., 5 E. 19th St. Please ta

their demands yesterday. fused to hear all the five delegates ning affairs. depositors, jobless and starving.

are tied up by the Court on account Dramatic Union. of unsettled cases.

Union 37 Painters, Decorators and as the purpose of this plan is not Paperhangers of America, indorsed that of raising money for the dethe National Unemployment Insur- positors but that of freeing the stockance Bill. Copies were oredered sent holders and directors of the bank from their responsibilities. They promised to call the Depositors'

Committee to fight this plan when The proposition for adopting this it goes before the Court. To the question why after six

months they do not do anything to collect money from the stockholders and directors on their assessments. the two officers of the Banking Department answered that they are not

prepared as yet. The representatives of the depositors demanded that the Banking Department collects the money in 60

days from the stockholders and directors of the Bank of the U.S. After the two workers left the Banking Department, a mass-meeting was held on the corner of Center and the May Day Conference which will Pearl Streets. Over 500 depositors were present. Beside the 2 above

> named workers, the Secretary of the York City. Depositors' Committee, Goshen, spoke denouncing the Banking Department as protector of the directors and

stockholders. All those present at the meeting pledged themselves to help in organizing all the depositors. As the meeting was over, the de-

positors started to march toward the Court House to protest and demand

Discussions are to be held in the



PAGES FROM HISTORY OF THE MOONEY CASE

TOM MOONEY



5000 DETROIT STUDENTS IN DEMONSTRATION

Fighting Against High **Tuition Fees**

DETROIT, Mich .- Students from City College, 5.000 strong demonstrated Monday, April 11 at the City Hall against the City Council decision concerning the "putting of the College on a self supporting basis." This means an increase of tuition fees and wage cuts for the teachers. Many of the students are of working parents or small store owners. Many of them are hungry and walk miles to school not being able to uay the street car fares. Many of them had to quit the college altogether on account of the fact that it was impossible for their parents to pay the present tuition which is \$150 for out of city and \$100 for the city students. The National Students League is calling another mass protest meeting for tomorrow right at the College Campus in front of the school. The authorities and the bosses in the city are trembling in their boots seeing that already students know how to defend their rights and that they folow the workers by staging demonstrations before City Hall. The sentiment among students is very acute and there are predictions that if the City Council will not reverse its decisions the students may walk out on strike.

Last Pay Envelope Given to Workers Warns on Disease

(By a Worker Correspondent) and fifty Standard Sanitary Manu-

By ROBERT MINOR II.

ILLIAN BISHOP SYMES, who in 1916 was Secretary of the City Central Committee of the socialist party, became the instrument of Cameron H. King, the rea power behind the leadership of the socialist party of California in circulating subterranean propaganda to the effect that Tom Mooney was guilty, in order to induce the socailist party to make no defense of Mooney. Just at the time that my letters on behalf of the International Workers' Defense League were being sent out to the socialist party leaders, Mrs. Symes, really acting for the socialist party bureaucracy, sent out a secret circular letter warning the locals of the socialist party throughout California that they should "have nothing to do with the Mooney case," that "Mooney is an anarchist, not a socialist, and suggesting that' Mooney is "very likely guilty." This woman's letters made allusions to the MacNamara case with the intimation that the Mooney case would inevitably end in a "plea of guilty."

But while the "socialist" lady advised party members to "have nothing to do with" the Mooney case, she herself had much to do with the Mooney case by going to the district attorney, in the name of the socialist party, to "free" the socialist party of any "blame for the fiery young strike leader then under indictment for murder; and to do this it was necessary, of course, for the "socialist' lady to give every possible asistance to the district attorney and police . .

This was the real attitude of the top leadership of the socialist party toward the Mooney Case. It was the same as the attitude of the A. F. of L., whose national and California officials were actively lending every asistance to Fickert and the San Francisco police for the framing up and hanging of Mooney, Billings and the other defendants. A. W. Bruillet, president of the San Francisco Labor Council, whom we later succeeded in ousting, and John O'Connell, its secretary, were in daily consultation with District Attorney Fickert, advising the best course for a successful legal and press campaign to break up the defense movement and consummate the hanging of the left wing labor unionists.

But about the replies to my letters to the socialist party leaders:

One of the first answers came from Eugene V. Debs. It was a letter full of deep emotion, teeming with the spirit of battle and promising his full strength to the defense of the Mooney group. Max Bedacht, who was then editor of the German-

language socialist party organ in San Francisco, the 'Vorwaerts der Pacific Kueste," immediately plunged himself into the defense of Mooney, arranging for the

Editor's Note.-The Socialist Party is MAKING MANEUVERS IN REGARD TO THE MOONEY CASE. Facing contradictions between its claim to be a party of the working class and its increasing role in the present economic crisis as a fighter against every interest of the working class-its role as strikebreaker in the mine fields, the textile fields and the needle trades, its treacherous support of the police against the unemployed and its hardly concealed co-operation with the police and capitalist prosecutors in present-day arrests and jailings of militant workers the socialist party leadership is reaching for new means of securing the confidence of the working class. Among its efforts are-pretenses of building "also" unemployed councils, and, among other things, maneuvers to make itself appear as a "defender" of the most famous of American labor's living martyrs-Tom Mooney.

It is common knowledge around the Mooney Defense Committee headquarters in San Francisco that the socialist party national office has put an ultimatum to Mooneythat if he will refuse to associate himself with the International Labor Defense they are willing to make Mooney their vice-presidential candidate, but that if he does not they will 'drop" his case.

The author of this series, Comrade Robert Minor, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, personally knows more of the Mooney case than any other man. Tom Mooney writes in his recent pamphlet of how Minor rushed to San Francisco and took over the leadership of the defense:

"For two long and discouraging years Minor exposed the frame-ups. His meager wages ... barely kept him alive, the 'labor leaders' vilified him, his co-workers on the Defense Committee slackened up their efforts, some quit altogether, but Minor kept plugging away. His tremendous efforts during the darkest days of the Mooney-Billings case need only be contrasted with the tactics of the labor leaders' who obstructed the defense. to indubitably damn then."

From "Tom Mooney Betrayed by Labor Leaders"-by Tom Mooney.

"Tiv" hall, which was the headquarters of the German paper and the German socialists, to be turned over for the unlimited use of the defense organization. Bedacht later became one of the founders of the Communist Party. This hall became our meeting place and was for some time the only harbor from the clubs of the police and the unwillingness of landlords to give us shelter. After the news of Lenin's leading a mass demonstration for Mooney in Petrograd, "Tiv" hall began to be called "Smolny."

On the second or third day after my arrival in San Francisco to take part in the defense, J. E. Snyder, then editor of the socialist party organ in Oakland, "The Oakland World," came over to offer his services to the Defense Committee. Snyder later joined the Communist Party.

A letter came from Bill Haywood, in which he promised to do his best to put the strength of the I. W. W.

into the fight to save Mooney and Billings and their fellow defendants. Haywood died a member of the Communist Party

In the Chicago Federation of Labor we won our first big victory in rallying trade union support for the Mooney Defense. The two young leaders in the Chicago Federation who bore the brunt of this fight were William Z. Foster and Jack Johnstone. Foster, who was three years later to lead the great steel strike and who is now the foremost leader of the Communist Party, fought on the floor of the Chicago Federation of Labor to line it up for the defense of Mooney and became a member of the Mooney Defense Committee which was organized under the Federation's authority. Jack Johnstone, now a leading Communist, became the secretary of the committee. Joseph Manley, who

later also became a leading member of the Communist

Party, was a member of this committee.

Out in Ohio there was a rising new leader who had injected new revolutionary vitality into the socialist party, and who now plunged into the task of winning the socialist party for the Mooney Defense. This man was C. E. Ruthenberg. Later, Ruthenberg, after years in prison, and more years of brilliant leadership of the Communist Party, died as the Secretary of the Party.

The struggle to win the workers for the Moone defense in Kansas and Nebraska fell under the leadership of Earl Browder, who was editor of the "Workers' World," official organ of the socialist party local of Kansas City, Mo., and the state organization of Kansas and Nebraska and who is now a member of the Secretariat of the Communist Party. Under Browder's leadership the Central Labor Council of Kansas City was placed on record for a general strike for Mooney, although the bureaucracy completely sabotaged the movement. The president of the Central Labor Council went to court to secure an order to prevent Browder from publishing a statement which this man had been compelled to issue, endorsing the defense.

Ella Reeve Bloor, now a famous leader of the Communist Party and known throughout the country as "Mother Bloor," actively lined up with the Mooney defense and fought within the socialist party for that cause.

So did Fred Biedenkapp, who was then financial secretary of a defense committee in New York, I believe, and who is now a leading member of the Communist Party.

Edgar Owens, who later became a leader of the Comunist Party, was one of the first members of the socialist party to line up for Mooney. Norman Tallentire, who later became a leading mem-

ber of the Communist Party, became an active organizer of the Mooney defense.

And one of the most treasured letters that I ever received in my life came from Jack Reed, although I had not written to him, pledging his heart's blood for the Mooney defense. . . .

And, in searching my memory of these long and bitter years of struggle in the most famous of labor cases, I cannot recall a single leader or prominent member of the socialist party who came to Mooney's defense in those early and dangerous days before the Mooney Case became "respectable" who now remains in that party, which has become the party of social-fascism.

* (The third and concluding installment will appear in tomorrow's Daily Worker.)

Barkley, Town Near

Detroit Gives High

ROBERT MINOR

Page Three



Leader of the first Defense Com mittee and in the exposure of the San Francisco preparedness day bomb frame-up and the campaigns to free Mooney and Billings in 1916. Since then Comrade Minor has been in the forefront of the long campaign against the conspirators and the A. F. of L. fakers who have aided the capitalists in keeping Mooney in San Quentin prison.

Demand Use of War **Memorial for May** Day in Baltimore

(By a Worker Correspondent.) BALTIMORE, Md .-- A beautiful War Plaza and building marks the heart of Baltimore. It is dedicated to those who died in the last world war, at least the copper plate with the names of dead workers say so. But whenever live, virile workers demonstrate for unemployment relief and against imperialist wars, the bosses' thugs, the police department of Baltimore, establish a cordon of cops around the War Plaza and force the workers to demonstrate in the street alongside of the plaza.

Local politicians, army oficials, D. A. R's and misleaders of ex-servicemen, Chamber of Commerce, the whole phalanx of capitalism, aided by their lying press, have raised a cry that the demonstration inside of the Plaza by workers would desecrate the significance of this War Memo-Vote to Communists rial.

Precisely so! This War Plaza is DETROIT, Mich .- The workers of used to glorify war and boom up the nearby village of Barkley, gave a war jingo spirit. It is the sanction for more bosses' war.

Workers! We must demonstrate by lentless struggle against capitalist wars on May Day!

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House to House Tag Day in Philadelphia to Prepare for May 1

84 Philadelphia labor and fraternal organizations decided to arrange for Saturday and Sunday, Aprli 23 and 24, house-to-house canvass by the members of the organizations participating in the May Day conference, to invite workers to the May Day demonstration on Saturday, April 30th at City Hall and indoor mass meeting on Sunday, May First at 2:30 at the Market Street Arena, 46th and Market Sts.

The conference calls upon every worker to register with his organization to participate in this house to house canvass and tag day. United May Day Conference,

936 Arch Street. (By a Worker Correspondent) BALTIMORE, Md.—Four hundred LEGION MAYOR OF

ADMISSIONS OF AN ANTI-SOVIET INTERVENTIONIST

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE)

Japanese imperialism on the other? Is the shipment of ammunition for Japan an invention of the toiling masses of the United States, who in all their meetings, demonstrations, resolutions, etc. openly and systematically are accusing the State Department?

We could cite sufficient facts to answer this question, but temporarily we prefer to quote the authoritity for this point of view from the weekly Washington review "Affairs", sent to subscribers only, a review similar to the confidential Whaley-Eaton service. Not being sure General Graves does not belong to the subscribers of this honorable weekly, we do not doubt that he knows the facts that are mentioned here from another source.

"It has been established that large shipments of munitions have been sent to Japan from France and from the French owned munition plant in Skoda, Czechoslovakia. Also some of the nitrates shipped in Japanese vessels from Hopewell, Va., have gone to France."

Hopewell, Va., as far as we know is located in the United States. Nitrates as far as we know consist precisely of raw material that Japan needs so badly for ammunition. France as far as we know is precisely the country which is . . .

But maybe these speculators of war preparations are the wolves of the battlefields who are acting as bootleggers without the knowledge of the "prohibition" agents of the administration. All that we know shows der prevails."

Revolt in Belgian Congo **Frightens Belgian Bosses** BRUSSELS, April 13 .- The growth | 20,000 Negroes were dragged into

gation was made up of all the con-

of imperialism.

of the revolutionary movement in the Matadi-Leopoldville district for a high percentage of the votes in the of the last blood bath that killed the Belgian Congo, Central Africa, forced labor to build the line. With April 4 elections to the Communist 10,000,000 workers. It is a symbol has forced a delegation of parlia- the completion of the line, these candidates who were running for the mentary representatives to change workers were flung aside on their first time here. Arend Wickers, cantheir plans for a visit to the Congo. own resources. This had added to didate for village president drew 160 the thousands to turn the War Me-They were to have left at Easter the already large number of unem- votes. John Stevens who ran for morial into a real memorial of the in order to be present at the sol- ployed workers and ruined peasants Village Treasurer, got 171 votes, dead soldiers by carrying on a re-

emn opening of the new Matadi- in the district and has served to in- George Spiller received 143 yotes. Leopoldville railway line. The dele- crease the revolutionary ferment. Other candidates whose names were stitutional parties, naturally includ- out the Congo, where several of the sticker campaign was carried out, got ing the "socialists," faithful servants mines have been closed down as a 54 and 50 votes.

result of the world economic crisis

to hold the deputation safely and is fered a catastrophic drop. The Bel- stickers were to be pasted and subperiodical announcements of the Col- imperialists in other parts of Africa,

The authorities have offered all of capitalism. Prices for imported tricks in order to win these votes for sorts of excuses for the postpone- food stuffs and other goods have themselves. They even took the cards ment of the trip, except the real ex- gone up at the same time that the issued by the Communist Party with planation that the Congo is too hot prices of local products have suf- the names of comrades for whom

steadily growing hotter despite the gian imperialists, like their fellow stituted stickers with their own names

Similar conditions prevail through- not on the ballot but for whom a

The other parties tried all sorts of

Every worker can give a half-dollar to SAVE THE DAILY WORKEE! Every workers' group can give \$5 er more to the Daily Worker! Every worker can get a commercial ad for the Daily Worker! Every workers' group can order a bundle of May Day Daily Workers! Every worker and every workers' group

ceived their last pay on Saturday, April 9. Accompanying their pay envelopes was a neat little pink slip baby from diphtheria by inlecting anti-toxin."

The iron of a degenerate capital- Swoboda Puts Hitch ism that thows its workers and their babies out to starve is surely to be in "March of Peaceseen in this matter.

The bosses and their agents appear to be concerned over diphtheria, but affect their own children.

tained by the robbing and plundering the socialist party. of the Standard workers, the bosses are not afraid of their own children Daily Worker exposed him for what starving

the leadership of the Metal Workers' misleaders. Now in his letter of re-Industrial League and Unemployed signation, Swoboda verifies this ana-Councils to demand work or wages from the Standard Co. Demand cash relief as an anti-

toxin against starvation!

Answer Tammany's Starvation Plans

of Tammany Hall that it intends to ployed Councils must have the funds to mobilize the workers to defeat this starvation plan.

immediately have the funds to issue 250,000 leaflets and prepare for the demonstration before City Hall on April 19.



envelopes was a neat little pink slip in bold print that warned "Save your SOCIALIST PARTY

ful Socialism"

RACINE, Wis .- William Swoboda hypocritically ignore the question of American Legionnaire and wholesale starving babies. It happens that grocer who about a year ago heralded diphtheria spreads and is liable to the socialist party's advance towards "peaceful socialism" by being elected In their economic security, main- mayor of this city has resigned from

When Swoboda was elected the he was, a fascist job-seeker, typical Standard workers! Organize under of all the socialist job seekers and

lysis. "I did not take this step until after the election as I wanted to see what strength the socialists could muster", says Legionnaire Swoboda. He praises his associated of

the other capitalist parties. No doubt the socialist party will now try to whitewash itself by say-

ing that Swoboda sold out for capi-The best answer the workers can tallst favors. But the fact remains make immediately to the declaration that he together with his party had nothing left to sell. Soon after his starve the unemployed workers and election, he with the full knowledge their families, is to supply the Un- of Norman Thomas' party attended employed Councils with means to a public banquet of the Legion and carry on their work. The Unem- was honored by them with no socialist even protesting.

The Unemployed Councils must Moroccan Recruits Stage Anti-War **Protest in Oran**

PARIS, April 13.- Moraccan natives mustered in Oran, Morocco, for compulsory service in the French Army held an antiimperialist demonstration on March 30.

The recruits marched through the streets singing the "Internationale" and bearing at their head a huge placard with the inscription, "Down with French Militar-

According to the laws instituted for the native population (Code d'Indigenat) the subjugated natives are compelled to do two years military service in support of the very imperialism which has subjugated and oppresses

that it is not so. In another issue of Affairs, it is stated:

"One significant but little noticed event last week was a conference at the State Department between three representatives of E. L. DePont Nemours Company, largest munitiions manufacturers in the U.S. The officials, who included Lammont du Pont, conferred with James G. Rogers, Assist. Sec. and Di ! Stanley K. Hornbeck, Chief of the Far Eastern Division and although it is known that they conferred on the question of munitions shipments to the Far East the details of their conversation remained one of the State Department's most carefully guarded secrets. The State Department so far has taken the stand that it will not interfere with munitions sales to Japan or China. This position was adopted after conferences with the British and French, and after the latter had suggested that all three countries discourage parliamentary discussion of munitions embargoes."

China is mentioned in connection with munition sales only, of course for "equilibrium". In reality, the question discussed in the State Depart-. ment was the selling of munitions to Japan and precisely in this question the decisive word belongs, as is shown from this quotation, to France, which the American bourgeois press and this general himself, must recognize as the military supplier of Japan, as well as the instigator of war in the Far East.

Consequently, the last word by defining the "constitutional" rights of Congress by deciding the question of the advisability of "parliamentary discussion of munitions embargoes" belongs to France, that is to Japan.

Does not this explain, by the way, why all the "efforts" of the bourgeois organizations against the shipment of ammunition to Japan, for boycott of Japan, etc., collapsed? Does not this explain the source of the rumors circulated in Washington about the advice given by a high government institution to one of these organizations to postpone the arranged meeting on the question of embargoes precisely at a day when a cargo of nitrate belonging to a high American official left America for Japan?

Only the devoted, self-sacrificing mass struggle of the workers on the basis of the consistent exposure of the war intrigues of American imperialism will force the heroes of the anti-Soviet intervention of 1919-1921 to deny themselves the pleasure of taking part in a new intervention against the Soviet Union.

rest. Three ex-servicemen in the SNATCH WORKERS committee dared the cops to shoot. They said: "We were in the army during the war. There we handled FROM POLICEMEN rifles, not billy clubs and popguns Come on! We'll use our fists against your clubs!" Three of the commit-

MILWAUKEE, Wis., April 11 .--tee were arrested, but the workers Friday afternoon the members of the took them away from the police and Maple Street Unemployed Committee they were never taken to the statook two workers to the relief station tion! One woman got up and made at 14th and Mitchell Sts. One had a speech in the station, defending been denied rent and shoes, the other ; the committee and condemning the food. The relief station attendant cops for interfering.

ordered the committee out, but it The workers taken down to the would not go until the workers had station goth their demands. The their demands satisfied. The at- committee held a meeting across the tendant put in a riot call and twelve street from the station, then marched cops and six or seven dicks swarmed back to a private home where the into the station. There were about basis of several committees was 150 workers, men and women, wait- laid.

ing in the station for relief. 'They The cops threatened to take the were all sympathetic to the unemcommittee for a ride next time it ployed committee. comes back; so next Friday there may The police ordered the committee be some trouble at the station. But out, but it wouldn't go. The cops the workers are determined that if then drew their guns and clubs and the cops start the trouble the worksaid the committee was under ar- ers will finish it.



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WHY THE WAR WILL NOT "G'WAN, CAN'T YOU SEE WE GOT A CRISIS?" "BRING BACK PROSPERITY"

By N. SPARKS

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"The boys of 6th and Lombard Streets are ready for the next war if it will bring back prosperity. Anything would be better than this. We intend to form two squads, and as an added attraction our girl friends are going to join as nurses." (A letter to the Readers' Column of the Philadelphia Daily News). ETTERS of the above type, several of which

have been appearing in the press, should serve as an alarm to our Party of the extent to which some workers, particularly the unemployed and unemployed young workers, are accepting the propaganda for the next war. Recent articles in the Daily Worker have shown how the bosses are preaching that "war will be a blessing in disguise," that war will "bring back pros-It would be a great mistake to characterize letters like the above as expressions of opinion on the part of only the "patriotic" American Legion elements. Over and above the starvation and wretchedness of the unemployed, the hopeless perspective and the misery of unrelieved inactivity of those who have not yet learned to organize and struggie for unemploy. ment insurance, for immediate relief and other needs, lays them particularly open to the capitalist propaganda that the war will bring back employment, activity and prosperity.

The theory that "the war will bring back prosperity" is one of the most dangerous arguments of the capitalist war-makers. It is an argument that must be answered and exposed everywhere that we mobilize the workers to struggle against the war. To accept the theory that the war will bring back prosperity means to accept the capitalist way out of the crisis instead of the revolutionary way out of the crisis. Despite this, we find that this theory has received uncritical acceptance as a matter of course among wide strata of the Party itself. So much so, that we even find the following statement creeping into a recent article in our press:

"The 'high American standard of living' is gone forever, barring a brief period of war prosperity in which the plentitude of bread be exceeded by the rivers of workers' blood

War "Prosperity"-For The Bosses

The period of the last war, as described by the bourgeois propagandists, seems, in comparison with the realities of today, to have been a period of employment for all and of high wages -of typical "prosperity." And in truth it was a period of unexampled prosperity for the bosses. While thousands of workers and farmers had their lives and limbs torn out of them at the front, the bosses piled up millions upon millions of war profits. But what did this typical bloody capitalist prosperity mean for the workers? Was everybody busy? Did every worker have a job? Was unem oyment even temporarily abolished?

By no means. At no time during the war years did the number of unemployed drop below one million in the U.S. And in 1919 the demobilized soldiers again swelled the numbers of those looking for jobs

Low Wages And High Prices

The bosses' propagandists paint the war period as a period of high wages. As a matter of fact the years from 1914 to 1920 were a period of the most terrific increase in prices, while the workers fought tooth and nail thru dozens of strike threats and strikes in a frantic attempt to have their wages catch up with the tremendous increasing rise in prices. As a matter of fact, the figures show that the "real wages" (that is, the amount of goods that could be bought with the wages) of the mass of the American working class were below the cost of living even in 1918 and 1919; that in 1918 and 1919, real wages were no higher than in 1906! The much-advertised high wages of certain very limited, specially-skilled categories of workers, were used as a smoke-screen to conceal the fact that the masses of workers and farmers were still living on the border-line of starvation.

1917-And Now

Yet even the war period of "boom" production-production having its source in millions of workers' corpses, was based upon the fact that the United States, by staying out of the war for two and a half years, had obtained the most tremendous advantages in the foreign markets of the world. While the Allies and the Central powers were already settling their political conflicts by means of war, Wall Street was able to still carry on its political struggles thru loans and "peaceful" penetration, coining money by selling munitions to the warring powers and taking over the foreign markets, which the combatants, due to their complete inmersion in the war, were unable to supply. When Wall Street found it necessary to enter the war in order to safeguard and still further magnify its tremendous war investments and profits, it had already acquired a dominating position which it was able to strengthen still further in 1917 and 1918 at the cost of some 70,000 American workers and farmers killed and 200,000 wounded.

But today the situation of American imperialism is vastly different. Far from sitting on top of the world, the United States is today in the third year of the deepest crisis-a crisis worldwide in scope and unexampled in intensity. It is from the depths of this crisis, and in an attempt to solve this crisis, that the U.S. is today driving for an attack on the Soviet Union. driving for a new world war. The United States has today no exceptional position. Just as in the European countries from 1914 on, the war meant an increase of all the contradictions of capitalism and the utmost poverty, misery and suffering to the workers, the same will be evident from the start this time in America also. (To be concluded)

Reaching Wider Masses in the **Election Campaign**

By L. SISELMAN.

THE coming Presidential Election Campaign of-I fers our Party great opoprtunities of building the Party and all other mass organizations. We have the best chance to make inroads in virgin territories and reach workers who were never approached before, but are ready to listen to us at present because of the starvation conditions that they are going through. Here are a few facts:

In New York State the election campaign has

for carfare. The results obtained through these determined efforts, however, will be of great value of furthering the work of the Party in these territories where we have not had contacts before and only established recently through these election campaign committees.

Through the organizational scouts of the elec tion campaign were we able to reach these workers and win them over for the class struggle while collecting signatures to place the Party on the ballot.



MINERS---SLAVE AND FREE

By MYRA PAGE Foreign Correspondent of the Daily Worker

"Brother miners, across the ocean we extend you our hand. Take courage! What you must now struggle against, we also had to go through, in the past. You, like us, will win freedom, and for your children a life far different from the one you've had to endure. Let us come closer together, uniting our strength against the common enemy."

These words come straight from Soviet coaldiggers, their wives and children, to the 18,000 miners battling for bread and the right of organization in Kentucky and Tennessee. It is their message to the seventy-five thousand miners on strike last year in Pennsylvania, Ohio, and West Virginia, and to all coal-diggers in the industry who sometime in the near future will join their forces in a general move against the coal barons in a gigantic "Strike against Starvation."

"WHAT WE HAVE DONE YOU CAN DO!"

"Tell them our hearts are with them," Soviet miners said to us. We had come to the mining town of Gorlovka, in the coal region of Don Bas. The men, their eyes rimmed with fine coal dust, which sticks in spite of daily scrubbing under hot showers, pressed around our delegation of workers from six foreign countries. Their voices grew thick with emotion; inking monidly sturdy wives, hugge their children. How different these tots, with their plump bodies, warm clothes and shining faces, from those thin little bodies I had seen a few months earlier in Pennsylvania, searching for coal on the slate dumps so that their families could have a bit of fuel for the stove. "How well we know what they're suffering," they continued. "For many long years for us it was the same. See, here are bullet wounds Mark got in the fight for freedom from our masters. And many a man and woman from Gorlovka never came back from the front at all. Well, that's over now. For fourteen years the workers have been the rulers of this country. You've seen for yourself what changes it has made. . . . Tell the American miners that we are humans like they are. We also go down into the bowels of the earth, to dig and sweat, but we dig gladly-for the coal we mine is for our own-Soviet-factories and engines.

these older houses, which have been re-conditioned. With the rapid growth of Gorlovka in the last years, from a small village to a town of 40,000 and with the great shortage of labor to meet all the construction programs which every industrial center in the Soviet Union has embarked upon, there has not been a chance to build new apartment houses fast enough to house everybody. I mention this, because Soviet workers always say: "Don't hide our difficulties. Explain our problems. Say what we're doing to meet and overcome them. Then the workers in your country can better understand how we build up our socialist world."

About four-fifths of the population are already living in the new apartment houses and it is planned to build enough for the rest in the next one or two years. These houses are constructed along modern lines, similar to those in which the middle-class live in America, with shower baths, hot and cold water, electricity, steam heat and central reading rooms. There are free day nurseries for the small children, and new restaurants in the new town. Asphalt sidewalks, lined with grass and young trees, run from one apartment to another, and to the mine, and the new mine machine-building factory which is supplying a good part of the machinery to mechanize Don Bas mines.

WHEN MINERS AND THEIR CLASS OWN AND RUN ALL

cheap; and all medical atention is free, the miners find their wages well able to meet all their wants.

While accident and death rates in American mines are climbing fast, in Soviet mines the rates are falling even more rapidly. In the Gorlovka Mine, for instance, the accident rate has been reduced by twenty-five times what it was under the czar. This has been accomplished by. the Soviet Government's introduction of all the safety devices and precautions which science has developed. The cable to the cage, for example, is carefully tested night and morning, while all timber work must meet strict requirements and is constantly checked up.

We went down the Gorlovka mine and saw for ourselves what improvements have been made. Coming up we got out of the clothes, furnished to the miners free of charge for their work, and had hot showers in their new bathhouses.

MINERS' PALACE OF CULTURE.

In New Gorlovka there are also public schools for their children, several food and clothing co-operative stores, and a large "Palace of Culture." This clubhouse, similar to others I have described before, has a well-equipped library, an auditorium seating several thousand, with stage, movie apparatus and broadcaster; many study and work-rooms, where miners, their wives and youth can join in study circles to improve themselves technically and in general. There are groups taking up political questions, dramatics, music and painting. One class of men and women are learning to read and write. I talked with a young miner of twenty-one who is m and writes for the papers

There was an exhibit of local miners' art

when we were there. The John Reed Club could

feel proud to have many of these as members.

in his free time.

By BURCK How We Deprive Workers of a Chance to Read

(EXPERIENCES WITH THE PARIS COMMUNE ANNIVERSARY MEETINGS)

HARD as it is for workers in large cities to get hold of Party and other working class literature, the workers in the smaller towns, where no bookshops exist, and where there is no literature distribution in action, have a million more difficulties. Not only can they not buy the literature they want, but they also have no way of knowing what literature is actually available.

What more direct way have we of telling the workers what there is to buy, and what easier way is there of having it on hand when they want to buy it, than our large agitational meetings in connection with our campaigns?

A very superficial examination of the role played by literature in the Paris Commune meetings on March 18 gives a rather dark picture of the stagnancy of our literature activities. The literature which was to have been pushed at the Paris Commune meetings was first of all the two available pamphlets on the subject -one highly agitational, "The Paris Commune -A Story in Pictures," by Wm. Siegel, with an introduction by A. Trachtenberg drawing the lessons of this historic event, and the other classic-Lenin on the Paris Commune. Besides that the current I. L. D. pamphlets on our present cases-Imperial Valley, Mooney, Scottsboro, etc .- and, most certainly, the "Labor Defender."

We have a few reports of very successful literature sales at some meetings, notably at the Manhattan Lyceum in New York City. But District 2 in general ignored literature at its other meetings to a really serious extent. The literature was actually available in the District office, but was returned to the publishers practically as it was sent out. The various meetings in New York City itself had little literature, but the smaller towns fared still worse. At Newark, where Siegel himself spoke, not one copy of his pamphlet was available. At Paterson, the only literature that was sold was the organ of the Friends of the Soviet Union, "Soviet Russia Today." No announcement was made from the platform on available literature, and if there was a literature display on a table, it certainly was not apparent.

In Hartford, Connecticut, the situation was a little better. Here 25 or 35 copies of Siegel's "Paris Commune" was available. But that was all. Lenin's "Paris Commune" was not there, none of the I. L. D. pamphlets on present cases, not even the Labor Defender. Here the speaker himself announced the "Paris Commune" from the platform. He would have announced others had they been available. There was no table, no whir of selling activity by a systematically organized literature committee before and after the meeting. But the comrade succeeded in selling the 35 copies he had and would have sold more and other pamphlets as well, had they been there.

At the request of the national organization, bundles of the Paris Commune literature were sent out to certain of the larger cities. Los Angeles, Buffalo, Cleveland, and Chicago refused to take the bundles out and sent them back unopened. Chicago sent a letter which showed plainly that the comrades in charge of the meeting did not consider literature as part and parcel of a campaign and of a meeting. The pamphlets arrived in plenty of time.

The letter stated simply that they had no money. Yet, the comrades most probably did secure money to pay out in advance for other expenses in connection with the meeting-a deposit on the hall, money for printing tickets, for leaflets, for other expenses in connection with making the meeting a success. Not only was literature overlooked as a chance to make a little profit, but it was also not considered as a necessity for the meeting. This betrays an attitude toward literature which amounts to sectarianism. Is not literature an organic part our activities? Is not the presence of liver-

been started. Committees were sent out to the remotest places of the state of New York to collect signatures, so that the Party can be placed on the ballot in as many counties as possible. The comrades who are on the road have shown great determination in their effort to reach the workers, and the response was very good and encouraging. A few extracts from their letters prove how we can build our Party while carrying on the election campaign and show that this work can be successful only by determined effort made by our comrades and all revolutionary workers.

"We have started to collect signatures in Auburn, N. Y. We picked a territory around the International Harvester Works. Most of those workers were Polish-the majority of them religious. We approached them on the basis of supporting the struggle for unemployment insurance, funds to be supplied by the bosses and the government. These words were new to them and they listened very attentively. We have succeeded in establishing contacts and got signatures. This holds true for the Italian Section of the International Harvester Works-misery, anemployment and starvation is widespread."

"We met an unemployed worker, native born, in Auburn, who is a potential Party orranizer in that county. He was enthused for the Party program after reading it and promised to do everything he could to place the Party on the ballot."

The same encouraging reports came from the counties and from the other towns which they visited places like Batavia, Ithaca, LeRoy, Ovin, etc. All these towns were considered 100 per cent Yankee towns. The committee reports they found workers sympathetic to the Soviet Union and to the Party. They were ready of follow the leadership of the Party in the fight for unemployment insurance and relief. In Batavia, the committee writes, they witnessed a parade of the American Legion. Signs and placards were carried by these war mongers stating. "the depression is all over." But when we reached the workers in their quarters, we found starvation and misery is as widespread as all over, and only a few miles away in Ovin we found that the only bank of the town was closed down and the Erie Railroad shop was also shut. That is how "the depression is all over."

In LeRoy the committee got in touch with a social club of young workers and without much effort, the club subscribed to the Young Worker. The Rochester comrades were informed to this effect and there are possibilities that the young workers of this club will be won over for our movement. However, not only are the city workers ready to follow the Party, but among the farmers, you hear words such as "By God, something will have to be done,"-for the situation is getting worse from day to day.

True that these contacts were established thru hard labor. These comrades who were on the youd have gone through snow storms, walking

These results prove that our election campaign must and will widen our scope of influence, and must break the prejudice that still prevails in the minds of many of our comrades and many revolutionary workers against participating in parliamentary elections.

These facts, as well as many other in the course of the campaign, will prove to every member and sympathizer the importance of developday struggle for relief. insurance, against wage ing a gigantic campaign and to link up our every cuts, against shutting off of water, electricity and gas, with the organizational problems of the campaign and getting the workers to vote for our Party as the only Party that takes up the fight for these demands.

May Day, Soviet China, and Class War Prisoners

HISTORY OF MAY DAY, by A. Trachtenberg, 10 cents

SOVIET CHINA, by M. James and R. Doonping, 10 cents.

FREE THE IMPERIAL VALLEY PRISONERS. issued by International Labor Defense, 5 cents.

DID you know that May Day, international day of solidarity of the working class, originated in America? Did you know it started around the struggle for the eight-hour day? The ten-cent pamphlet, by A. Trachtenberg, entitled "History of May Day," gives many more interesting facts, and also gives the historical significance of May Day.

In connection with the day of international solidarity, we must begin to learn more about what our heroic comrades and fellow workers in China are doing in establishing their proletarian dictatorship. The new pamphlet "Soviet China," written by two Chinese comrades who are familiar with what is going on now in China, gives extensive information for the first time of where the Soviets are in power, the dangers that beset them, the heroic struggle against the imperialists both within and outside of China who are trying to destroy these Soviets. and gives an illuminating picture of what the Soviets are accomplishing in raising the standard of living of the Chinese masses in the Soviet territory.

"Free the Imperial Valley Prisoners," the latest pamphlet issued by the International Labor Defense, is a pamphlet very much needed now. The prisoners may be paroled some time around May First. But that only means that new dangers beset them, and some of them face deportation to fascist countries. Our campaign must be intensified for their unconditional re-This pamphlet gives the facts in the lease. case and will rouse any class-conscious worker to action in behalf of these framed-up workers. All three of these pamphlets can be obtained from Workers Library Publishers, P. O. Box 148, Sta. D., New York City, Discounts on quantity orders

A faw families are still living in the best of

"Tell your American miners to fight on, for ahead lies freedom. What we have done, they, also, can do."

LABOR SOLIDARITY THAT SPANS OCEAN AND CONTINENTS.

Gorlovka and Don Bas are many thousands of miles from Kentucky. Probably many miners' families in the States know little about the Soviet Union. But the Soviet miners know a lot about you. They know your conditions, your struggles. In their papers, movies and study circles they learn about their brothers in other countries. They know how the labor fakers are betraying you. They rejoice to see you organizing your own National Miners' Union, led by men whom you can trust. They hurrahed at the news of five hundred miners recently joining the Communist Party. They feel your fight is their fight.

When they read how you're starving they say, as some did to me, "If only we could do more to help them! Here, food is plentiful. If we could get it to them. Of course, there are boats. But we know, from experience, the damn capitalists who run the United States government wouldn't let us help you. They'd coller 'convict labor' and 'Soviet dumping.' Any lie serves them to keep their workers starving and to prevent American workers from learning the truth about us."

FROM HOVELS TO MODERN APARTMENTS.

As we went through the old part of Gorvolka, where the miners had been forced to live, under the czar, I thought: "How like the mining camps in America!" Small houses crouching close to the ground ,a few rambling shacks or barracks. Behind, the smoking tipple besmirching the air. No water in the houses, toilets, light or heat except from the stove. Dirt streets, no trees or grass. Once there had been the company store and saloon, where many miners, deadened from eleven hours' labor, would waste their smallearnings in an attempt to "get away from it all."

Soviet miners are anxious to have the mines fully mechanized, as it makes their work easier and they can earn higher wages, also. They do not have the problem that American miners have, where the machines, as well as the mines, are owned by another class, the capitalists, There is a six-hour day in all Soviet mines, calculated from bank to bank. The average wages. based on a progressive piece-work system, average around 300 rubles or \$156, a month, while many of the best diggers earn four and five

So, American miners, this is what happens when your class takes over the whole worksmines, government and all. Everybody here in the Soviet Union is watching your heroic struggle. They hope to see you win. And they know that you will carry hundred and even up to six hundred. Since on until the time will come when you say, too, work is steady; rent, food and clothing are "Once we were slaves, but now we are free."

Kentucky Coal Five Cents a Ton

A New Method of Wage Cuts! The Red Cross and the Associated Charities Help the Coal **Operators to Increase Starvation!**

THE Cary Mine in the Straight Creek section was shut down a few weeks ago. The bosses claimed they had no orders for the coal at any price. Over 100 miners were thrown out of work. Since the miners worked, previous to the closing of the mine, only one or two days a week at starvation wages, the first day of the closing of the mine they had to go to the Associated Charities in Pineville for relief.

The Associated Charities is a combination of the Red Cross (the wonder is that anything "Red" can exist in Bell County), the American Legion, Kiwanis, Chamber of Commerce, etc. Also it has full support of Mayor Books, Judge Van Beeber, Walter B. Smith and all the other coal operators, their agents and stool pigeons. Through all these organizations during the period of over 14 months a sum of about \$3,000 was raised for the relief of the hundreds of miners' families with thousands of dependents. The Associated Charities, through the local fascist sheet, the Pineville Sun, have repeatedly stated that their funds are exhausted. Also the few cents given to the families of the most needy is given only after they have worked 8 hours a day for \$1.00.

Since this has proven to be a good business for the local "good samaritans" who, while "saving" the poor by a \$1 donation, turn right around and get these poor to do from \$3 to \$10 work, as they must work at any job. A good carpenter or painter, etc., who would otherwise receive \$10 for the 8 hours work now does it for \$1. When the miners came for relief the charity heads and their masters, the coal operators, decided to turn this into profit. The miners were told that in order to receive they have to work. The charity made an arrangement with the owners of the Carey Mine to "permit" those who receive relief to work in the mine and about twenty men were working daily.

However, the wages paid to these men are down to less than five cents a ton. The cars in the Carey Mine weigh about one ton and 200 to 300 pounds. A miner loading up to five of these cars a day, receives 25 cents. If he loads up to nine cars, he receives 50 cents and for ten cars or over, he will receive \$1 in relief from the Associated Charities.

There are rumors, based on statements of those who are close to the owners that he will take over the mine again and run it on the same "scale" as the charities. Evidently there was conspiracy on the part of the mine owners and the Associated Charities to use this underhanded method to fool the miners to accept the lowest wages anywhere in the United States for the loading of coal. We wonder why the zealous officers of Bell County do not investigate this conspiracy to defraud and starve the red-blooded Kentuckians? Or is it that the zealous officers are coal operators or controlled by the coal operators?

Their inactivity in the defense of the miners is the best proof whom they serve. If one "Red" attempted to expose this bare faced robbery, the whole damn county government with its sheriffs, thugs, warrants galore, etc., would be organized to suppress the Reds, but nothing is done to the bosses.

The Glendon Mine also has been closed down for "lack of orders." Now it is to re-open with a wage cut of 11 cents or from 35 cents to 24 cents a ton. Other mines in the Bell-Harlan field that cut the wages twice since the new year are preparing for the third cut.

The miners, both employed and unemployed, must see through all these schemes of the coal companies and their government. They must organize branches of the National Miners Union in every mine, and Unemployed Councils in every town or closed mine. The employed and unemployed must fight all the attempts to lower the wages or worsen the conditions.

The unemployed must demand a soup kitchen in all the unemployed centers. The place and food for these kitchens to be furnished by the government and the bosses and the kitchens to be run by committees elected by the unemployed. All the unemployed who cannot eat at the kitchen are to be given relief through the unemployed committees. All the unemployed when given work, shall be paid the prevailing union

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ature at a mesting a vital necessity?

Facts speak louder than words. No need to draw long lessons from this experience.

Let May First see a turn in our attitude toward literature selling. Speakers at meetings are already getting into the habit of popularizing our literature. Now let the Districts and Sections and Units see to it that when a speaker wishes to popularize the campaign literature at meetings from the platform, that the literature itself is actually being displayed and sold there.

"The Soviet Union Stands for Peace," the great speech made by Comrade Litvinov, representative of the Soviet Union at Geneva, shows the peace policy of the Soviet Union and the war plans of the capitalist nations. One cent pamphlet.

scale in that trade. Free medical attention for all unemployed and their families. School books. clothes, busses, etc. to be furnished free to the school children of the unemployed workers. The employed miners must resist all wage cuts To do it succensfully they must immediately get all of the former members of the National Miners Union into the mine branch. At the mine branch the membership must discuss the methods and the posibilities of forming the broadest united front with the miners who are not as yet members of the NMU, also those who belong to the UMWA.

Our branches can best develop the united front by forming demands based on the conditions in the mines. Through chalking up the cars, trap doors, ribs, black boards with our demands for the check weighmen, pay for dead work, etc., we will raise these demands to the point where the miners will discuss them and naturally the sentiment and the support for our demands and our union will be crystalized.

In the mines where the grievances have reached higher stages, and the resentment of the miners is voiced openly, the NMU branches must call for a mass meeting of all miners, draft the grievances in form of demands, elect a grievance committee from among the miners, present the demands to the boss and strike if he will not accede to our demands.

Only by answering the bosses' starvation policies with the mass resistance of the employed and the unemployed, and answering the bosses' terror with a well knit disciplined and led organization of the workers will we halt this mass starvation of the real red blooded Kentuckians.

"Poverty Midst Riches-Why?"-a pamphlet issued by the National Unemployed Councils, will convince any worker that his path is struggle. Five cent pamphlet.

Mobilize the workers to fight for unemployment insurance in connection with May Day, Sell the pamphlet, "Social Insurance," by Grace Buraham. Tes sente ------