

WHITE GUARDS ADMIT ASSASSINATION PLOTS AGAINST USSR CHIEFS TO SABOTAGE SOCIALISM

Russian Fascist Publication Confesses Conspiracies To Murder Communist Leaders and Workers

BLOW UP INDUSTRIAL PLANTS

Ukraine Terrorist Killed Soviet Consul's Secretary and Wounded Official in Plot—Moscow Communist Party Exposes Agents

(See Editorial on Page 6)

Twenty-three more white guard assassins sent into the Soviet Union with the express purpose of murdering workers, blowing up industrial plants, and killing Communist leaders of the U. S. S. R., were executed, according to latest cable reports from Moscow. This brings the total of those executed, following the assassination of Comrade Sergei Kirov, revered leader of the Leningrad workers, up to 103.

With the announcement of the twenty-three additional executions, the Daily Worker received translations from the "Fascist," a White Guard Russian publication, boasting of its organization of murder, sabotage, and destruction in the Soviet Union. The "Fascist," a periodical in the Russian language, issued irregularly, but now appearing nearly every month, is the organ of "the General Staff of the Russian Fascists," and is published in Putnam, Conn.

In the March, 1934, issue of the "Fascist," the resolution of the Supreme Council of All-Russian Fascist Organizations on "building the all-Russian Fascist Party," we read the following: "In 1934 the organ-

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SOVIET GAINS ROUSE HATE OF ENEMIES

Izvestia Says Fascists Cannot Hamper Its Forward March

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Dec. 18 (By wireless).—The shots fired at Comrade Kirov," declares Izvestia, Soviet newspaper, "make us raise our vigilance and watchfulness to a high degree to single out the terrorist crimes and to take decisive measures in this field on the basis of special decisions for the most rapid extermination of the fascist terrorists."

Replying to the capitalist press throughout the world which tries to distort the significance of the events since the assassination of Comrade Kirov, Izvestia, in its editorial: "With Firm Step Forward," declares:

"Yesterday's resolutions of the leading Party organizations in Moscow and Leningrad are the most important documents in our Party history during the recent period. The foreign fascist or pro-fascist press sing one and the same melody in different variations: that on the streets and towns of the U. S. S. R. uprisings are taking place; that within leading circles there is panic; that there is no sharp change in the direction of military communism and the reign of 'naked terror' in reply to the shots fired at Kirov."

Workers Approve
"Paying no attention to this contemptible jackal howl, the bolsheviks came forth with documents which fully approve, on behalf of many hundreds of thousands of advanced elements of the working class, the decisions of the last plenum of the Central Committee. These decisions (abolition of the card system on bread and other foodstuffs, also re-organization of the political sections and going over the usual forms of party organizations within the machine and tractor stations); express the tremendous growth of our resources, of our strength and our confidence in complete victory."

"This is the transition, on the basis of collective farm victories and industrialization, to tremendously expanded Soviet trade and the strengthening of the ruble with the further improvement of the whole financial system, the establishment of real conditions for economic accounting, for the policy of lowering prices universally, and for the most rapid development of commodity turnover."

Firm Revolutionary Law
"The 'judicial superstructure' of this is the most complete carrying out of revolutionary law and order which is so strongly emphasized by the election campaign for the Soviets."

"The treacherous shot fired in cowardice at Comrade Kirov in no circumstances will force us to change our firmly accepted Party policy. No matter how much the fascists and their agents within our country would like to hamper this course of our home policy and hamper our course for peace in the field of our foreign policy, they will not succeed."

"The resolutions of Moscow and Leningrad approve the iron determination to carry out our planned course. The shot fired at Kirov makes us raise our vigilance and watchfulness to a high degree to single out the terrorist crimes and to take decisive measures in this field on the basis of special decisions for the most rapid extermination of the fascist terrorists."

Responsibility of Deviators
"The shot at Kirov, as a disclosure of the fact that his physical assault was connected with the scum of the former Zinoviev anti-Party group, deserves the closest attention. The Party, under the leadership of Stalin, has destroyed all counter-revolutionary deviations: The Trotskyites, the Trotskyite-Zinoviev bloc, the right wing opportunists, the right and left wing bloc, the nationalist-deviationists, but now the whole importation of the old Leninist statement regarding the danger of tolerating mistakes is particularly and clearly seen in the light of the murder of Kirov."

"Those who have not recognized their errors sincerely and openly, those who concealed their views, kept them quiet, having changed their color into Party hues, those who put a stone in their bosoms with the view of casting it in the face of the Party at a suitable moment—all of them have created an atmosphere wherein a disgust-

Vienna Communists Defy Fascist Police In Demonstrations

VIENNA, Dec. 18.—Leading large open demonstrations in the suburbs of the city, Austrian Communists yesterday distributed numerous pamphlets and Soviet emblems, and heroically faced the fascist police of the Schuschnigg government. The crowd loudly cheered for Bolshevism and a Soviet Austria and boomed when the present clerico-fascist regime was denounced. On several roofs large wooden Soviet stars were lit. The fear and cautiousness of the police in the face of this expression of the powerful and growing anti-fascist movement was evidenced by the immediate release of 100 workers who had been arrested for participation in the demonstrations.

NAZIS DENY SHOT REPORT

Austrian Dispatch Said Daughter of Brueckner Fired at Hitler

BERLIN, Dec. 18.—Reports that Hitler had been shot by the daughter of Helmut Brueckner, deposed Silesian governor, were denied here late this afternoon. Today's issue of the Austrian newspaper, the Linzer Volksblatt, carried the original dispatch, which stated that Brueckner's daughter and her chauffeur were instantly killed by fascist guards following the shooting. Nazi officials, however, claim that the oldest daughter of Brueckner is five years of age.

The cancellation today of furloughs of the secret police (Gestapo) throughout Germany forecast that Hitler's extermination of all rivals and "radical" Nazis, now proceeding under the mask of a "moral purge," would be extended everywhere. Many police who were here on vacations have been ordered back to their home towns to receive private orders for widespread arrests.

Helmut Brueckner, who was personally wiped out of the political scene by Hitler and subsequently expelled from the Nazi party, has not been arrested, but spirited away—murdered some believe. Brueckner represented one of the few remaining higher officials of the fascist regime who had become bitterly disposed toward Hitler for the latter's "unequal" disposition of favors and huge sums of money and for having failed to carry the Nazi government's campaign of demagogic "reforms" and "economic rehabilitation" to higher levels.

With many public fanfares announcing a new "moral purge," a clique of the highest Nazi officials, including Hjalmar Schacht, Goering and Goebbels, respectively Hitler's finance minister, premier and propaganda director, are reported entering upon a second massacre of rival groups bearing as few real "moral" grounds as the "purge" of June 30.

MILWAUKEE, Dec. 18.—The Federated Trades Council of Milwaukee (A. F. of L.) has decided to advise all local unions to place the Boston Store on their don't patronize list. The Building Trades Council here has likewise taken action which may result in the calling out the carpenters, electricians, painters and linoleum layers who are still working in the store. Other unions are taking steps to call out the meat cutters, tailors and shoe repairmen. Picketing continues at all entrances of the store, while the support to the strikers, especially through the efforts of the Women Shoppers League, has been so effective that the store's trade has been hit very seriously.

The Socialist Party's daily paper here, the Milwaukee Leader, in its Friday's and Monday's issue carried a full page advertisement of the Boston Store. The advertisements in the Milwaukee Leader are especially used by the department store owners against the strikers as proof that

MANY GROUPS IN 27 STATES FOR CONGRESS

Support Grows in All Sections for Social Insurance

NEW YORK.—The tremendous mass backing of the National Congress for Unemployment Insurance, which will meet in Washington on Jan. 5, 6 and 7, continued to mount yesterday as notices of election of delegates and local actions in support of the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill poured into the office of the National Sponsoring Committee.

Workers' organizations in twenty-seven states have thus far elected delegates to the National Congress for Unemployment Insurance, and more credentials are coming into the office every day, the committee stated.

Since during the period of the Christmas and New Year holidays most organizations do not meet, every effort must be made this week to elect delegates. In cities where conferences are being held it is necessary to get the organizations elected directly, the National Sponsoring Committee stated, otherwise it will be too late for the representatives at these local conferences to report back to their groups for definite action.

Unless outstanding funds are sent to the National Office, 799 Broadway, Room 624, New York City, at once, hundreds of delegates, especially from the South, will be unable to attend the National Congress, the Committee said.

Penna. Miners Union Act

SCRANTON, Pa., Dec. 18.—So overwhelming was the rank and file support for the National Congress for Unemployment Insurance at a mass meeting held here Sunday night by Local 13 of the United Anthracite Miners of Pennsylvania, that Thomas Maloney, district president, was also forced to declare his support of it. He also recommended all U. A. M. locals to send delegates to Washington.

At the district convention of the United Anthracite Miners of Pennsylvania last February, Maloney opposed the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill on the grounds that it provides so much for the unemployed that no one would want to work.

As a result of the overwhelming support of the rank and file, the local sponsoring committee, which has already been set up, will visit all locals for the election of delegates to the National Congress.

MANAYUNK, Pa., Dec. 18.—One member of the Socialist Party and several A. F. of L. and independent trade unions are represented on the local sponsoring committee here. Endorsers of the National Congress include the Young Men's Democratic Association of the Twenty-first Ward, Italian-American Club, Crusaders Catholic Club, Glen Rock Club and the Ukrainian League of Manayunk.

The sponsoring committee meets

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Socialist Daily Strike Truce Publishes Ad In Steel Pushed Of Scab Store By Roosevelt

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—President Roosevelt took a personal hand today in the attempt to conclude a no-strike agreement in the steel industry, calling a conference of members of the Steel Labor Relations Board, William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, and Eugene Grace, steel magnate, were also present. These negotiations have been going on for some weeks. The United States Steel Corporation and the government propose that the "truce" include recognition of the company union, in the form of "minority" and "individual" representation. Green agreed to compulsory arbitration, but fears that the rank and file will rebel if some concession is not made to them. All are agreed that in the American Federation of Labor steel union the rank and file movement should be crushed and the militant steel workers driven out of the union. The rank and file in the Amalgamated Association of Iron, Steel and Tin Workers opposes the no-fight policy of its president, Mike Tigue.

House Committee Suppresses Telegram Sent by Hathaway; Ryan Slanders Communists

Communist Party Denounces Maneuvers Of Committee

In the name of the Communist Party of the U. S. A. Clarence Hathaway, editor of the Daily Worker, yesterday wired to Chairman McCormack of the House Committee investigating "un-American" activities, denouncing the committee's maneuvers in presenting lying and slanderous testimony against the Communist Party while barring any opportunity for an answer to be made.

The text of the Communist Party's wire follows: "John W. McCormack 'Un-American' Activities 'House Office Building' 'Washington, D. C.'"

"The Communist Party vigorously protests against the refusal to hear spokesmen of the Communist Party, accomplished through the arbitrary adjournment of your committee sessions, contrary to your publicly announced plans, when you were informed of our intention to send a delegation on Wednesday morning to present our reply to the slanderous and distorted statements made before your committee by well-known reactionaries and professional red-baiters. Your refusal to hear authoritative spokesmen of the Communist Party when supposedly you are 'investigating' Communist activities shows up your committee for what it really is: a tool of the Chamber of Commerce and the National Manufacturers Association in their openly announced drive to legalize the Communist Party and to deport and imprison active Communists as the first step toward cutting workers' wages, speeding up production, cutting relief for the unemployed, and introducing fascist measures for the suppression of the workers' movement as a whole. Your committee started out to investigate Nazi and fascist activities in the United States. Now, in line with the demands of the bankers and manufacturers, for whom the Hearst press has spoken most boldly, you suddenly shift your investigations to Communist activities, and, without ever hearing Communist spokesmen, you publicly declare your intention of proposing new laws at the opening of Congress aimed at the suppression of Communists. This your committee does in the name of 'democracy.' Like your prototypes in Italy, Germany and Austria, you cloak your vile attacks on the workers' movement and on the workers' living standards with endless talk of defense of democracy. In the name of democracy you become the midwife for fascist suppression and then open fascist dictatorship. The Communist Party denounces your hypocritical maneuvers and declares its determination to expose them before the masses of the American people. C. A. HATHAWAY, "For the Communist Party, U. S. A."

N.R.A. Reorganization Talks Will Be Opened In Washington, Jan. 9

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—The question of "labor representation" and methods of procedure at "stake" will be one of the subjects of open hearings scheduled by the National Industrial Recovery Board to begin on Jan. 9.

These hearings are to be held in connection with the coming "reorganization" of the entire N.R.A. and the reopening of the codes. Other hearings will be held on "employment, production control, small business, code administration," including enforcement, and price fixing.

"Reorganization" of the N.R.A. is being attempted by the Roosevelt government along the lines now being laid down by the employers at White Sulphur Springs.

Mass Rally in Sweden For Prisoner's Release

STOCKHOLM, Dec. 18.—At So-detalje a mass meeting in support of the political immigrants was organized which was attended by Socialist, Syndicalist and Communist organizations. The meeting demanded the release of Karl Preuss, a German immigrant who at his arrival from Germany was arrested on the spot and put into prison.

I. L. D. Denounces Gag Method Used By House Inquiry

The International Labor Defense yesterday wired its protest against the fascist methods of the Dickstein committee. The text of the telegram of Anna Damon, acting national secretary, follows: "John W. McCormack 'Committee Investigating 'Un-American' Activities 'House Office Building' 'Washington, D. C.'"

"We protest your failure to hear our representatives by hastily closing hearings after admitting lies and slander against International Labor Defense though you knew we were prepared to state the position of our organization Wednesday morning. Your gag rule follows suspiciously after our telegraphic request officers of International Labor Defense be heard by your committee. Construe your action as deliberate attempt to hide facts and to facilitate fascist measures against American workers. We will carry our protest to the American workers."

"ANNA DAMON, "Acting Secretary, International Labor Defense."

NEEDLE UNION EXPOSES LIES

Ben Gold in Statement Tells of Winning Fund For Jobless Members

The false charges of William Green, president of the A. F. of L., against the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union were exposed yesterday in a statement of that union, as a lying attack on thousands of needle trades workers in New York City.

The statement issued by Ben Gold, general secretary-treasurer of the N.T.W.I.U. states that Green, together with Matthew Woll vice president of the A. F. of L., made common cause with the sweat shop employer Albert Williams and the fascist police lieutenant James A. Pyke, in slanderous attacks on the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union before the McCormack-Dickstein investigation committee in Washington on Monday. The union, hearing of the committee's adjournment, sent a telegram of protest to John McCormack, demanding a public hearing in New York for the union and the workers.

Workers of the fur department of this union receive unemployment insurance paid for by the employers. This fund is administered by the workers' elected committees and accounts fully audited and presented to the employers. The workers pay union dues to their union of two per cent of their wages. When unemployed, they are in good standing in the union and are not required to pay dues. This is the true condition in the industry, the N.T.W.I.U. statement points out in answer to Green's brazen attempt to discredit the union by his slanderous lies that the union "extracts" these funds from the employers.

The union has won these conditions through militant strikes and through their organization's policy of militant struggle. The statement of the union follows in full: "The Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union has wired a demand to the McCormack-Dickstein investigation committee, challenging them to conduct a public hearing in New York on the charges against the union, presented to them by the employers, William Green and Matthew Woll. The union is ready to produce thousands of workers to refute the slanderous accusations made before the Committee."

Insurance Fund
"It is consistent with Green's and Woll's reactionary policies that they align themselves with the employers who seek to destroy the unemployment insurance fund established in the fur industry in 1932, through the efforts of our union. The fur manufacturers are paying one and one-half per cent of their payroll

Elks Ruler Attacks 'Daily'-Immigration Head at Hearing

By Seymour Waldman (Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—Representative John W. McCormack, of Massachusetts, fascist-minded chairman of the Dickstein or Special Congressional Committee investigating un-American activities suppressed the telegram sent him by Clarence A. Hathaway, representing the Communist Party, which demanded "full opportunity for a presentation" of the Communist Party position and "a reply to charges of reactionary, anti-working class forces now swarming around your Committee."

Obviously afraid to hear from a Communist Party representative on the many lying, stupid and ridiculous charges made by employers' representatives and reactionary Veterans' officials, McCormack kept the telegram from other members of the committee, speeded up the hearings so that witnesses officially scheduled for tomorrow could testify before the expected arrival of the Communist Party delegation and kept the hearings going until long after the usual noon recess hour.

In conducting what is supposed to be a public hearing, McCormack made it clear that he is interested only in the anti-Communist gentry by publicly reading a telegram from Joseph P. Ryan, president of the International Longshoremen's Association, which attacked the Communist Party and boasted of his part in breaking the great West Coast general strike.

"Is the committee going to give Mr. Hathaway a hearing?" after correspondent asked McCormack after the latter had adjourned the hearing sine die.

McCormack Sarcastic
"Mr. Hathaway has the freedom of the capital. He can go anywhere he chooses," McCormack hedged in a tone of sarcastic hospitality. "But are you going to hear him as a witness?"

"The hearings on Communism are over. If Mr. Hathaway had come during the hearings we would have heard him," replied McCormack hypocritically. Why he had failed to read Hathaway's telegram to the committee, the public and the press, McCormack refused to explain.

Thomas W. Harwick, former U. S. Senator from Georgia and counsel for the committee, apparently unaware of McCormack's decision to prevent the Communist Party from being heard, told your correspondent after the hearing that he thought the public session would be resumed tomorrow or Thursday.

The American Legion officialdom, Army and Navy "Intelligence" (Secret Service), the Elks' "Grand Exalted Ruler" and Col. Daniel W. McCormick, Commissioner of Immigration of the Labor Department executed the anti-Communist Party line which was recently broadcast by the Chamber of Commerce of the United States, the highly organized propaganda organ of the big bankers, industrialists and landlords who are making concerted efforts to outlaw the Communist Party as the wedge in the plan to smashing the working class movement.

Attacks Daily Worker
Hardwick encouraged the anti-Communist witnesses to make the sky the limit. "Just make such statements as you desire about Communist activities," he instructed Michael F. Shannon, the grand executor of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks. Shannon's attack on the Daily Worker and "Asiatics and Negroes, not representative of their race" brought forth applause from a clique of big-bosomed patrician matrons who were observing the proceedings for their various reactionary organizations. He recommended the "investigation of subversive activities of organizations and individuals by the Department of Justice with authority to take the necessary legal measures used in investigational work and supplied with ample funds and personnel." "That Congress decree" organizations which "advocate the overthrow by force and violence of the system of government guaranteed by our Constitution to be illegal organizations," that the mails be closed to "newspapers, or other publications ad-

Russian fascist paper that boasts of conspiracies by white guards and other counter-revolutionists to assassinate Communist leaders and perform acts of sabotage in the Soviet Union.

ization must concentrate its forces for conducting propaganda in Russia. Transfer of propaganda and agitation literature into the U.S.S.R. remains a central task.

AIM TO ASSASSINATE COMMUNIST LEADERS

It is pointed out later that the aim of the propaganda is to assassinate Communist leaders, to blow up factories, and to shoot down workers loyal to the Soviet Union. The purpose of this campaign of slaughter and sabotage is expressly declared to be to impede the development of Socialism in the Soviet Union and to precipitate war to institute a fascist dictatorship after the destruction of the workers' fatherland.

The "Fascist" had connections with the anti-Soviet forces in Poland, Finland, Rumania and Germany, who participated in sending the armed bands over the border who were later executed by the Soviet Union. In fact, the "Fascist" of January, 1934, on page 15, reports one of the incidents of murder:

"MURDER OF A BOLSHEVIK. A youth, an eighteen-year-old student of Lvov University, Lemek, arrived at Lvov upon order of the Ukraine terrorist organization for the purpose of KILLING THE SOVIET CONSUL, but unfortunately through an error HE KILLED THE SECRETARY OF THE CONSUL and wounded an official. The youth is arrested."

Referring to an interview with the "Rond," the Berlin organization of the Russian fascists, financed by the Hitler government, the "Fascist," of October, 1933, had the following to say:

"Do you carry on open struggle with Marxism in Russia?—Yes! I hope that in the interest of the work, you will not insist on details."

ACT TO SABOTAGE PRODUCTION

In the same issue some of the details are given in "Thesis No. 4" of the General Staff of the All-Russian Fascist Organization:

"A constant preparatory agitation must be carried on in the factories and the plants, in trade unions for the purpose of SABOTAGING PRODUCTION AND TRANSPORTATION FOR EXPORT. In addition to our general slogan, our slogan in this agitation is: 'Not a single grain, not a single ton of coal, not a single tank of oil—abroad!'"

"These 7—the kulak masses (rich peasants) must play a large revolutionary [] role. The All-Russian Fascist Organization must pay the greatest attention to work among the kulaks."

In the January, 1934, issue of the "Fascist," on page 9, is reported some more deeds of murder and sabotage committed by its members: "A detachment of the Brotherhood troika No. 6 made a sudden attack on the station Oskopivok. Tanks with benzine for the state farm tractors were blown up. During the fire exchange with the red guards, two brothers were killed. Their bodies were carried out."

SEVEN BARGES WITH FREIGHT SUNK

"During the Summer, Brotherhood troika No. 5 (the detachment of the Altaman (chieftain) Rukavoi) conducted special operations on the River Pripeti. SEVEN BARGES WITH GOVERNMENT FREIGHT WERE SUNK. The workers who were not party members were put ashore. COMMUNISTS NUMBERING NINE WERE DROWNED."

From a bulletin of the executive center of the Brotherhood of Truth, in "Fascist," February, 1934, page 9:

"As reported by the Polish press, the red authorities in White Russia (Minsk) succeeded in smashing one of the local secret anti-Soviet active organizations, which Bolsheviks themselves defined as 'a sect of revenge of Czarism.' The organization was headed by the Don Cossack Kacharov. It consisted of 300 people out of whom about 20 belonged to the terrorist center, which was killing Communists wherever they happened to be. . . . The above mentioned organization, according to the Polish information, is connected with 'the Brotherhood of Russian Truth.'"

To those who cry for evidence of the counter-revolutionary assassin deeds of the white guard Russians, we reply: Here is the proof out of their own mouths. Here is their confession of guilt.

Those who were executed in the Soviet Union were proved to be of these bands of Czarist and fascist terrorists. They were armed in Germany, Poland, Finland and Rumania with revolvers and hand-grenades and sent over the border in their futile attempts by murder and sabotage to try to impede the development of Socialist construction, and to assist the German fascists and Japanese imperialists in their war plots against the U. S. S. R.

The latest resolution of the Moscow District Committee of the Communist Party points out that these white guard assassins and counter-revolutionary agents sent their agents into the various opposition factions to utilize the former Zinoviev group's (and others) fight against

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Cleveland Jobless Complete Plans for Hunger Relief March

Homeless Men Win Partial Aid Demands

Mass Rally Saturday Will Precede March To Court House

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 18.—Seventy-five thousand leaflets and 3,000 proclamations setting forth the demands of the unemployed are being distributed here in preparation for the mighty demonstration and mass march on Saturday, Dec. 22, for winter relief. All workers are being urged to call at the offices of the Unemployment Council, 542 Prospect Avenue, Room 463-2, at the Small Home and Land Owners' Federation, 4323 Lorraine Avenue, for these leaflets.

The march will assemble at Public Square, Saturday at 1 p.m., and proceed to the City Hall, where a delegation will present a six-point program of demands. These demands set forth:

1. \$40 emergency cash relief for families and \$15 for single workers for winter necessities to be paid before Christmas.
2. Increase of \$1 in relief, cash rent for all unemployed.
3. Public investigation of discrimination against Negroes.
4. Representation of the unemployed on the Relief Board.
5. Immediate suspension of payments to bankers till the passage of the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill.
6. Immediate stopping of all evictions and foreclosures.

Side by side with the demonstration, Friday and Saturday have been set aside as penny collection days to finance the sending of the Cleveland delegation to the National Congress for Unemployment Insurance, which will be held in Washington Jan. 5-7.

As the support for the demonstration grows day by day, a campaign announcing that "nothing can be gained by demonstrations" has been launched in the local newspapers. However, already important concessions have been wrung from the welfare department. In addition to promises of granting partial demands, the single men have forced a public investigation of the conditions in the Welfare Lodge.

Following the demonstration at Public Square, a huge march will be held, proceeding up Euclid Avenue to Ninth Street, North on Ninth to Superior Street, West on Superior to Ontario Street, and North to the County Court House. There a public hearing on the demands of the unemployed will be held with Cuyahoga County Relief Administration officials, city and county officers and the unemployed.

Hail Advances Of Soviet Union

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ing scum of rogues and scoundrels originates, if it uses moral language—fascist agents, if one uses the language of politics.

"It would be very naive to regard this political banditism only from the viewpoint of a mere individual act. It is a question of its connection with the opposition to socialism on the part of internal counter-revolution, which is linked up with fascism abroad. The class enemies within the country are detachments of scouts and sappers of a still very strong army—the world counter-revolution. Their terrorism against the representatives of Soviet power and the Party is the continuation of the mass terror against the fighting workers and peasants. Therein lies the chief essence of things.

"Our enemies will not succeed in any of their plots: With firm cool-mindedness and in exemplary order, the iron ranks of the Party are closely welded around Comrade Stalin as our great country marches toward the solution of its next great tasks. And fully conscious of its historic mission, the working class will march forward with firm step, mercilessly destroying all its enemies, all traitors and all cowards. All to your posts! No mercy to criminals! No mercy for murderers or their inciters! No mercy to base enemies!"

Socialist Daily Prints Scab Ad

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"The labor movement is not giving serious backing to the strikers." Women's Wear Daily, national organ of the women's apparel retail establishments published in New York, declares in its Monday issue: "It is interesting, to note that whereas the Socialist Daily in Milwaukee, which has a circulation of about 40,000, refused to accept public utilities' advertisements during that strike last spring and printed many articles condemning the street car company, it has followed an entirely different policy in connection with the Boston Store strike. Its articles in this situation have been virtually as impartial as those in the other newspapers and it has continued to carry advertisements of the Boston Store. To some this appears confirmation of the belief that the strike against the Boston Store does not have the widespread sympathy in organized labor circles in Milwaukee as did the street car strike."

However, the workers of Milwaukee, including many active Socialists, have shown their support of the strike by boycotting the store.

Thaelmann Is Tortured, Says Former Red Editor

Tells of Brutal Acts of Nazi Jailers in Prison Hells

MOSCOW, Dec. 18.—"The low cunning and hangman's psychology of the 'People's Court' must not be underestimated for an instant. Ernst Thaelmann may be murdered without warning, after a secret trial in which his 'defense' will be a mockery of justice," emphasized Werner Hirsch here.

Former editor-in-chief of the Rote Fahne, Communist Party organ of Germany, Werner Hirsch cited his own experiences in the prisons and concentration camps of fascist Germany as an indication of Thaelmann's own suffering in an article in Pravda, newspaper of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

Shifted 18 Times

"During the 18 months of my imprisonment, I changed my lodging 22 times. On 16 occasions I was beaten until I lost consciousness; as a result I have become deaf in one ear. A blow with a knuckle-duster nearly caused the loss of an eye.

Braschwitz, a former official of the criminal police of Berlin, who joined the Nazis, pointed out Hirsch to the Brown Shirts as an object for their special hatred. "Ever since that day I was kept in prison, at first in the Alexanderplatz, afterward in the Lethersstrasse. On April 13 I was taken to the Karl Liebknecht House on the pretext of an examination. . . . I do not know whether it was a coincidence or not, but Braschwitz received me in the very room which I had used as a study when I was editor-in-chief of the Rote Fahne."

After a volley of oaths, Braschwitz left the room, and his place was taken by a group of Storm Troopers, who beat Werner Hirsch for two hours and a half. Hirsch tells of the blows, threats and humiliations which he had to suffer for several months; finally, in September, he was transferred to the concentration camp at Brandenburg.

"House of Death"

"This camp was a sort of rallying place for everyone who was coarse, brutal, sadistic or unnatural. There was a building there which the prisoners had nicknamed 'the house of death.' It was in this building that the body of a militant Communist of Brandenburg, Gertrude Piter, was found naked and violated."

Werner Hirsch was kept shut in the basement of this "house of death."

"We were beaten unmercifully at least twice a day and often during the night." The torturers used a leather thong loaded with powdered steel.

"Thaelmann, and thousands of other anti-fascists, are being tortured exactly with this treatment, and even worse. In the world-wide agitation for the release of Ernst Thaelmann," Hirsch concluded, "there is a powerful lever for the overthrow of fascism in Germany altogether."

Social Insurance Gets More Support

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every Monday night at 3863 Terrace Street. A conference will be held Thursday evening, Dec. 20, at 3863 Terrace Street. All individuals and organizations have been asked to attend this conference, which will take definite steps for the election of delegates to the National Congress.

S. P. and Miners Represented

BELLAIRE, O., Dec. 18.—Two official Socialist Party delegates, representatives of eighteen locals of the United Mine Workers of America, delegates from thirty-two fraternal groups and one representative from a large co-operative movement met here last week to make local plans in support of the National Congress for Unemployment Insurance. In all, 172 delegates representing 33 organizations with a combined membership of 15,000 were present.

The main report was made by Oscar Gwynn, president of U.M. W. A. Local 3917. The conference endorsed the National Congress and elected fifteen delegates to represent the local conference. To carry on the work of the National Congress, the conference established a federated body of one delegate from each organization.

While the keynote of the local conference was the mobilization of a mass movement to force the enactment of the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill, every delegate raised the question and formulated proposals for struggle around the immediate needs of the unemployed in Ohio Valley.

More Support from the South

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 18.—"As labor director of the Highlander Folk School, I will be glad to do everything I can . . . in support of the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill," writes Zilla Hayes, labor secretary of the South for the Socialist Party. "Since we now apparently have an official united front in the South, it is all the more urgent that we work together on such issues as this." Hayes concluded.

Representatives of the local sponsoring committee here, who are touring the South to enlist support for the National Congress, report widespread endorsement of the Congress among the Negro people.

Last Thursday night, about 100

Chicago Conference Rallies Wide Defense For Workers' School

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Dec. 18.—Presenting a broad united front against the fascist attacks initiated by the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the Hearst press against the working class, 152 delegates, representing Chicago trade unions, cultural and other organizations, attended the emergency conference called by the Chicago Workers School, and held last Saturday afternoon at 505 So. State Street.

The conference declared that the attempt to outlaw the Chicago Workers School and jail its instructors was an attack on the entire working class and on all anti-fascists. It unanimously endorsed the anti-fascist mass meeting called for Friday evening, Dec. 28, at the Drill Hall, Capitol Building, 159 North State Street, and adopted resolutions calling for the repeal of the Illinois criminal-syndicalist law, for academic freedom for the teachers, and for the release of the nine Scottsboro Negro boys. The conference also voted energetic support to the mass fight against U. S. Attorney Arthur C. Falls, of the Inter-racial Commission of the Urban League; John Werlick, chairman of the American League Against War and Fascism; Robert Minor, of the Communist Party, and Beatrice Shields.

(Special to the Daily Worker)

TOLEDO, Dec. 18.—Sixty-nine accredited delegates from 49 organizations, and representing more than 7,000 men, women and youth of Toledo and Northwestern Ohio, convened Sunday afternoon at the Y.M. C. A. Auditorium in the first Toledo conference of the American League Against War and Fascism.

The trade unions predominated at the conference. The Mechanics Educational Society was not only the largest union organization attending with the conference, but the largest single organization represented as well. Of the A. F. of L. unions, the Bricklayers, the Cloakmakers, the Street Carman and the Women's Trade Union League were the largest unions represented. Two Greek letter fraternities sent delegates.

Chicago's trade unions were represented by delegates from 15 local unions, including five A. F. of L. locals, three locals of the Teachers organizations. Delegates were also present from the Y.W.C.A., the Chicago Workers Committee on Unemployment and the Chicago Labor College, despite the refusal of its Board of Directors to join the fight in defense of working class institutions, schools, press, etc.

Conspicuous by its absence was the Socialist Party, before whose State Committee a delegation of workers had appeared with an appeal for support of the united front.

White Guards Admit Assassination Plot Against U. S. S. R. Leaders

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the correct Bolshevik, revolutionary program to impede and hinder the proletarian dictatorship.

"The abominable cunning agents of the class enemies" says the Moscow District Committee's resolution, "the cowardly scum of the former Zinoviev anti-party group, have torn Comrade Kirov from our ranks. We will stand up every one of the vile counter-revolutionary followers of the Zinoviev anti-party."

"Pravda," official organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, in an editorial on this point declares:

"Agents of the class enemies within the party are not yet wholly exterminated. Concealing their beastly hatred of Soviet power and party, the class enemies and their agents, smashed in open political battle, are resorting to the most bloody method in their struggle against the Soviet regime—the method of isolated terrorism. The assassination at Smolny completely unmasks the malicious enemies of Lenin's party and the working class—the vile dregs of the former anti-party Zinoviev group."

White Algeorn Lee speaks on the same platform with the Czarist white guards, who openly announce their aim of assassination and terrorism in the Soviet Union, the Social Democrats in Norway pay tribute to our slain comrade, Sergei Kirov.

Ole Colbjornsen, one of the leaders of the Norwegian Workers' Party, writing in Arbeiderbladet, official organ of the Party, declared:

"The murder of Kirov has deprived the Soviet state of one of their best men and greatest statesmen. Besides Kaganovich, he was no doubt the most important one among the new leaders. He grew with his tasks and had a happy practical grip. He was an arduous soul working with the greatest enthusiasm for the accomplishment of the mighty tasks. Kirov was a man of really great accomplishments of whom there are not many. His death is a grievous loss for the young and large workers' republic."

Every worker should stand solidly behind the proletarian dictatorship of the Soviet Union in its drive to literally exterminate these vile murderers and saboteurs of Socialist construction.

Negro and white workers, attending the regular meeting of the Tarrant City Relief Workers League, enthusiastically endorsed the National Congress. Secretary Thorpe of the Workers' Union, spoke on the Workers' Bill and the program of the A. F. of L. rank and file.

CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 18.—A large delegation of Chicago trade unionists is expected to attend the National Congress for Unemployment Insurance. Special round trip train fares to Washington have been arranged at \$16, and bus fares at \$9. A large percentage of the 51 unions which endorsed the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill are expected to send representatives to the Congress.

Twenty from Denver

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 18.—A house on wheels will carry 20 or more delegates from here to the National Congress for Unemployment and Social Insurance. The delegation will leave on Jan. 1, after a monster send-off banquet. Several A. F. of L. delegates, representatives of independent unemployed organizations, Spanish fraternal organizations and the Unemployment Councils are included on the delegation. Four or five delegates to the Congress from Utah will travel with the Colorado delegation.

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 18.—The conference for the support of the Workers' Unemployment and Social Insurance Bill, representing a total membership of 719 people, which has just met here, endorsed the Workers' Bill and the National Congress. The conference was composed of the following organizations: Polish Workers Club and Polish Women Progressive Club, Polish Chamber of Labor, Polish Branch of the International Labor Defense, Polish Branch 3532 of the I. W. O., Polish Falcons Club and Tax Payers Association.

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C. P. Is Barred At Inquiry

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vocating or encouraging or affliated with any organization advocating or encouraging the overthrow of government by force and violence," that it "is a felony for an individual to publicly or secretly advocate, promote or encourage the overthrow or change of our form of government by force or violence," that Congress "make clear and certain the laws for the deportation of all aliens advocating the overthrow or change of our system of government by force and violence and make certain the impounding without bail of any such aliens pending deportation," and revoke "the naturalization of any naturalized citizen who advocates the overthrow or change of our government by force and violence."

"There Ought To Be a Standing" The group agreed with Samuel Dickstein, vice-chairman of the committee, "that there ought to be a standing on un-American activities to which all bills dealing with this subject will be referred and which would work with the Department of Justice."

Dickstein repeated his now familiar plea to "penalize" the "naturalized or native-born citizen" engaged in "subversive" activities, but Shaber would not take a stand on the "native-born" angle.

Col. John Thomas Taylor, legislative representative of the American Legion and lieutenant-colonel (Reserves) in the Chemical Warfare Service, presented Homer Schallau, "the national director of Americanism" for the Legion, and Dr. Thomas H. Healy, assistant dean of the Foreign Service School of Georgetown University (controlled by the Catholic Church hierarchy) and chairman of the national defense committee of the Legion. Taylor did not take the stand. "Taylor is not going to speak," one of his associates informed your correspondent. "His job is to try and put over the damn legislation."

Attacks Cannery Union

Schallau, who lives at 777 North Meriden Street, Indianapolis, Ind., told the committee of "the industrial unrest on the Pacific Coast caused by Communist agitation." He attacked the Cannery and Agricultural Workers Union as "backed by aliens." Ninety-five per cent of "those taking part in the Brawley, Cal., [Imperial Valley] strike were aliens," he said. He added that "practically all the violence in the Pacific Coast strike was carried by Communists," despite widely published documentary proof of police and employer thuggery and the officially published Imperial Valley report on the violation of Constitutional rights of strikers by the employers' vigilantes.

George K. Brobeck, the legislative representative of the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the U. S., declared that "we have no gunshoe activities because we believe that veterans can attend to these things in the open and by definite action." He charged that the Veterans National Bank and File Committee act "as Communists" and recommended "legislation to make Communism illegal in this country. . . . the immediate deportation of alien Communists"; the "closing of Communist summer camps for children"; the "finger-printing and photographing of labor leaders"; and "exclusion of all aliens until American law has had time to get employment."

"You recommend this for the native-born as well as the naturalized citizen?" Dickstein asked Brobeck encouragingly.

"Yes."

Ray Kleinberger, Police Commissioner of Los Angeles, came from the Coast, apparently at public expense, to present the Committee with "45 exhibits" of "the Los Angeles Police Department on Communists." No Committee member questioned Kleinberger about his department's well known operations on behalf of the various anti-union employers' organizations.

Wants More Laws

Commissioner McCormack speaking officially for the Labor Department, virtually pleaded with the committee to recommend the enactment of more stringent laws so that it will be easier to deport foreign born labor leaders. At the present time, he explained, he could deport only for anarchism or overthrow of the Government, he declared:

"We have tried to determine, without much success, to find to what extent the alien is responsible for labor disputes. We find that most of the people in labor disputes are American citizens."

Shannon pointed out that "in San Francisco 373 persons were arrested as aliens. Each case was investigated. Of the 373, 272 were proved inadmissible to be citizens. Of the 111 aliens, 14 were deported and of that 14 only 1 was deported on radical grounds."

"This data is sufficient," McCormack continued, "to raise in the mind of the committee as to whether we must propose as the source of radical activity." Referring to the employers' and government raids during the West Coast strike, (participated in by the Labor Department), McCormack declared that "out of 448 persons arrested during the strike only 1 was found to be deportable under the existing law."

Defends Deportations

He said: "We are frequently charged with deporting labor leaders during times of labor unrest. It is true we are likely to deport labor leaders during times of unrest but not because the information brought to us by the other side (the employers, the police, the Communist, the archivist, etc.) Once we are put on notice as to the alleged status of an alien we must proceed with deportation, without consideration that he may or may not be a labor leader. If a police organization reports to us that they have an alien we

N.R.A. BACKS SLASH IN WAGES OF NEGRO TEXTILE WORKERS

Anti-Labor Bills Drawn In California

Permits \$2 Cut Because Negroes 'Need Longer Training'

By Carl Reeve

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Dec. 18.—Local financiers and manufacturers got together last Saturday with southern California legislators to map out an anti-working class program for the next session of the State's law-making body, as southern California rail workers expressed their sympathy with the demands of the workers of the Pacific Electric Railway for a strike on that system, as a result of their growing disgust with Roosevelt's national mediation board.

The legislators were given their orders by speakers at a meeting of the Economic Council of southern California. These orders called for more drastic laws against strikers, and particularly against the Communist Party, Harry Bayette, American Legion leader, called for laws supporting the program of the Legion, the U. S. Chamber of Commerce and the Elks to "eliminate Communists and Communist propaganda."

"Communism is going to be suppressed in the United States," declared Bayette. "In California we are going to do it by lawful methods, but unless it is stopped one way it will be stopped another," he stated, clearly threatening an increase of the fascist violence of vigilante bands and police against the working class and its organizations, with a renewal of the raids and mass arrests which were initiated by the bosses and their agents during the San Francisco general strike and the West Coast longshoremen strike. On the very night that the Economic Council met, the San Pedro headquarters of the Marine Workers Industrial Union was raided by vigilantes and office furniture destroyed.

E. V. Latham, assemblyman from Alhambra, is considering introducing several new tax measures against the working class, including an increased sales tax, and a "personal" income tax hitting at the small business men.

A. G. Arnold, secretary of the Economic Council and secretary of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce proposed a resolution calling on Governor Merriam to take up with National Relief Administrator Hopkins the question of redistributing unemployed families who are on relief.

are obliged to go ahead with an investigation which does not go beyond the circumstances of the case."

Ryan's telegram to Chairman McCormack read as follows:

"Regret meeting our Atlantic District Executive Board being held New York prevents me from appearing before your committee stop our organization has never claimed Communist influence was responsible for strike on Pacific Coast every port on West Coast struck to be released of an intolerable situation on system of hiring men stop the night after strike had been called Communists in San Francisco injected themselves into situation complicating it to such an extent that strike was prolonged for a much longer period than would have been necessary stop I can say however that for past five years the Communists have been very active on Atlantic Coast seeking to disrupt our organization using effort to prevail upon our membership to violate the agreements with the New York Shipping Association but our men have paid no heed to them."

(Signed) Joseph P. Ryan, President of the I.L.A., Brigadier General Alfred T. Smith, officer in charge of Military Intelligence and a member of the War Department General Staff, testified that "the interest of the War Department has mainly to do with its (the Communist Party) effect on the military services." He declared that the "effect of Communist propaganda on the armed forces is absolutely negligible" and urged the Committee "to make it a felony to ask any member of the armed forces to violate his oath."

Commander V. L. Kirkman of Naval Intelligence, testified as the spokesman for the Secretary of the Navy. He presented "exhibits" which, he said, show "the advance of mutiny, rebellion, disobedience and assassination."

Shannon attacked Sam Darcy, who was the Communist candidate for Governor of California, "Sam Darcy of California, and all the other Sam Darcys," he said, "who appeared upon State ballots all over this nation in the November elections, merely used the ballot as one of many ways of advertising and flaunting a subversive and destructive international movement. Sam Darcy is not a California problem—he and his prototypes are symptoms of a national disease that is being allowed to grow and spread unchecked by official action of our Federal Government." Shannon had nothing to say about the murdering of workers by California fascists.

War Vessel Revealed Smuggling Nazi Books

KIEL, Germany, Dec. 18.—The naval vessel "Karlruhe," which is on a foreign cruise, is carrying 30 copies of Hitler's book, "Mein Kampf," destined for distribution at the ports touched at by the "Karlruhe," according to the Kieler Neuesten Nachrichten.

Priest Urges More Planes For 'Defense'

Coughlin in Favor of Building Large Fleet For War Purposes

By A. B. MAGIL (Special to the Daily Worker)

ROYAL OAK, Mich., Dec. 18.—Father Charles E. Coughlin, radio priest and organizer of a new fascist-tinged movement, the National Union for Social Justice, today declared in favor of building up a large air force for "National Defense."

"I think we should have one plane for every mile of coast line," he said.

This would make a total of 4,833 planes—even beyond the War Department's present demand.

Coughlin also revealed that he is receiving inside information concerning the Senate Munitions Inquiry from Senators Vandenberg and Nye, "and others." This indicates that the radio priest has direct connections with Government sources.

Talked at Press Conference

Coughlin's statements came in the course of a press conference in the basement business office of his Shrine of the Little Flower, his million-dollar church built with money from the Government.

Asked by your correspondent whether he was against big war appropriations, he said: "Absolutely," but immediately went on: "You know, Russia's got it on us like a tent. They're not spending any money on a navy; they're building an air fleet. That's what I'm in favor of. Ample defense is what we need. The Constitution is a wonderful document. We never use the word 'Offense' in the Constitution; all it talks about is National Defense."

When it was pointed out to Coughlin that he has declared himself against all war, he said: "In theory, yes, but let's be practical; we're dealing with fallen human nature, aren't we, and we're talking about a defensive war."

Supports Imperialism

When questioned further on his conception of "defensive war," Coughlin made it clear that he stands for the Monroe Doctrine, that is, he supports American imperialist domination of Latin-American countries and the policy of military intervention to maintain Wall Street's oppressive rule.

Only a moment before the priest had characterized the Senate munitions investigation as "the greatest movement toward peace the world has seen in two thousand years." He subscribed to the taking-the-profits-out-of-war propaganda, under cover of which the Roosevelt Government is going ahead with intensified war preparations, but when asked to comment on the President's recent conference for the mobilization of all war resources, he shrewdly refused to discuss it.

Chances Subject

Coughlin also concluded a number of statements he had made in a talk in the chapel next to his church last Tuesday night. In that talk he had introduced an anti-Semitic innuendo when he ended a discussion of usury by mimicking a Jewish accent.

Last Tuesday night he had declared that 6 per cent should be the maximum interest allowed on loans; but today he had forgotten all about that and said 4 per cent should be the maximum.

Last Tuesday he said the Government had made a deal with the bankers; today, "The new deal is trying to break away from the big financiers." He also declared that the policies of the Roosevelt Government had nothing to do with the increase in million-dollar incomes, and lauded Secretary Ickes for a ten-billion-dollar public works plan as "right down our alley."

before the committee with slanderous charges against our union was Police Lieutenant James A. Peka. Lieutenant Peka has a notorious record of intimidation and false arrests. Numerous workers have brought charges through the American Civil Liberties Union against Lieutenant Peka for illegal searches, brutality, illegal arrests and intimidation; so that when Lieutenant Peka goes before the investigation committee with charges of "strong arm" methods he is only citing his own record, as a brutal, vicious tool of the employers.

"The workers in the fur industry have established a record of remarkable achievements through the efforts of our union. At the height of the crisis, when Mr. Green and Mr. Well were advising the workers to grant wage cuts, our union secured wage increases and shorter hours for many thousands of workers and established an unemployment insurance fund. This is the reason why the employers and the reactionary officials of the A. F. of L. seek to use the Dickstein investigation committee to deliver a blow against our union, which would be a blow against all of the organized and unorganized workers in this country."

"The telegram of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union protest against the sudden adjournment of the committee is declared: "Committee Investigating 'Un-American' Activities, 'House Office Building,' 'Washington, D. C. 'We protest against adjournment without giving our Union opportunity to testify and refute slanderous charges of employers and William Green period demand public hearing in New York for Union and workers."

"BEN GOLD, General Secretary-Treasurer Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union."

Remarkable Record

"Mr. Albert A. Williams, an employer, who testified against the union before the committee has his own reasons for fighting the union. This firm has been an open sweatshop for 117 years and it was our union that broke the superstition of this employer and compelled him to recognize the rights of the workers and to grant them union wages and union conditions.

"Another witness who appeared

Needle Union Exposes Lies

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and the fur dressers and fur dyers three per cent to this fund. The total receipts of the unemployment insurance fund is \$111,478. Of this amount \$70,840 have been disbursed as payments to unemployed members of the union. A reserve of \$40,638 is at present in existence. Payments to unemployed workers are being made by a specially elected committee of workers who have the exclusive rights to administer the fund.

"The charge that such payments are 'exacted' from the employers is absolutely untrue as the employers have concluded contracts with the union, agreeing to make such payments. Naturally the employers were not particularly happy when the workers, through their organized power, obliged them to establish an unemployment insurance fund. Neither are they happy to pay a living wage which they also claim is 'exacted' from them by the workers.

"The charge that the union is 'exacting' a two per cent assessment from the workers is ridiculous. The dues payments of the fur dressers and fur dyers amounts to two per cent of their weekly earnings and when they are unemployed, they do not pay anything and are still considered good standing members of the union. If membership dues payments constitute a crime, then every existing union organization is committing this 'crime.'

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WEST COAST SEAMEN WIN STRIKE ON LUCKENBACH STEAMSHIPS

WAGE CONCESSIONS WON ON VESSELS IN SEATTLE PORT

Everett Longshoremen Win Union Control of Hiring Hall—Seamen Meet in Gulf Port To Protest Against Wage Scale Plan

SEATTLE, Dec. 18.—The Luckenbach seamen's strike is won! This rank and file victory was won on two fronts—against the bosses and over the heads of Olander, Fureseth and Gill, reactionary International Seamen's Union heads.

Concessions are, average inter-coastal wages; for sailors, \$50 per month; firemen, \$60; proportionate increases in all other departments. Warning against Olander's betrayal of the concessions was sounded by Walter Stack, Marine Workers' Industrial Union organizer, who stated Olander already has cut the original demands of last summer's strike to \$57.50 for able-bodied seamen.

Ship committees must be set up immediately to maintain these gains, Stack said, and prepare to force action on the original demands through united action by Jan. 1.

Crews on Luckenbach ships not yet in port, and those who signed on in New York should demand resigning here at \$50 pending action on original demands, Stack said.

The strike was carried to the floor of the Central Labor Council last week, when a delegate demanded the I. S. U. officials be censured for their conduct. Answering the boasting of a representative of the M. F. O. W., this delegate stated: "If the officials had been sincere they would have been helping to win the strike, not trying to break it."

Stack in Court

SEATTLE, Dec. 18.—Walter Stack, Marine Workers' Industrial Union organizer, went on trial here in Superior Court, appealing a six-month "suspension" sentence handed down by Police Court Judge Bell Oct. 17.

The trial is expected to continue several days.

"I thought I put you away for good," said Bell in passing sentence, referring to a previous conviction of three months given Stack during the maritime strike.

"I'll put you away this time! You are an organizer of trouble!"

This blow is aimed primarily at the militant Marine Workers' Industrial Union by the ruling class, who think that with Stack out of the way the union can easily be broken.

Stack was threatened by members of the red squad for his activity in the Luckenbach strike, just won.

Dockers Score Victory

EVERETT, Dec. 18.—The I.L.A. here has scored a tremendous victory on the most controversial subject of the whole waterfront struggle—the hiring hall and union control.

Everett's new waterfront hiring hall will be in the building owned by the Dwyer estate at Grand and California let under a three year lease to the Everett local, International Longshoremen's Association.

According to information received several days ago, that is the main point of the agreement drawn up between representatives of the I.L.A. and of the employers.

In addition, all charges and alterations in the hall are being made by the local as the men see fit.

As in the usual "joint" hall set up since the strike, expenses of light, rent, fuel, water, janitor are to be split 50-50.

Seamen Protest Wage Scale

NEW ORLEANS, La., Dec. 18.—A meeting of one hundred and fifty seamen, called by the Waterfront Unemployment Council, has written Victor Olander, national secretary of the International Seamen's Union, protesting against his acceptance of a wage scale of \$57.50 a month for able-bodied seamen.

The meeting voted unanimously demanding: 1) no reduction in the original demands of the seamen without approval of the seamen; 2) the same wages and conditions for the seamen of the West Coast, East and Gulf ports, the Gulf to be included in negotiations; 3) any decisions are to be submitted to a vote of all seamen except scabs, regardless of union affiliation; 4) any agreement negotiated must guarantee Centralized Shipping Bureaus in each port, controlled by elected committees of the seamen, and the right of the seamen to belong to unions of their own choosing. \$75.00 a month scale for able-bodied seamen, with the rest of the crew getting wages in proportion.

The seamen demand an answer to the demands by January 1, 1935.

The Furrier Workers Industrial Union, N. Y. City contributed again to the Daily Worker fund, \$21.33. Has your union sent the maximum funds to help put the Daily Worker drive over the top?

AFAIRS FOR THE DAILY WORKER

Detroit, Mich.

Wm. Weinstein, District Organizer of the Communist Party will speak on "Karl Marx: His Life and Works" Thursday, Dec. 20, at 8:30 p.m. at Macabees Auditorium, Woodward at Putnam. Sponsored by John Reed Club of Detroit. Admission 25c.

East St. Louis, Mo.

Benefit Banquet, Sunday, Dec. 23, 7 p.m. at Y. W. C. A., 137 Collinsville St. Admission to banquet, 25c per plate.

Glass Strike Pact Is Secret After Month

New Union Head Silent on Terms Though He Ended Walkout

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 18.—Although President Glenn McCabe, of the Federation of Flat Glass Workers (A. F. of L.), announced that an agreeable settlement with the major window glass companies had been reached at the time the glass workers' strike was called off a month ago, inquiry fails to bring to light anything resembling an agreement and the statements of glass workers brand McCabe's announcement a brazen lie.

McCabe, shoved into the presidency of the Federation by Frank Morrison, secretary of the A. F. of L., at the time the union was organized, called off the strike without any vote of the membership of 5,000, and is now doing the work of the glass employers in telling the union not to strike or ask for higher wages.

At a meeting of the Arnold local last week McCabe appeared and informed the 400 employed at the American Window Glass Co., that the company "cannot afford" to pay more wages unless the price of window glass is raised generally. Negotiations with the union, under McCabe's guidance, were broken off on that basis.

A meeting of glass manufacturers is scheduled in Pittsburgh next week, and a committee from the union will attend to demand the increase, but their top leaders have told the committee not to ask this unless the conference decides to raise glass prices.

With the collaboration of the American Federation of Labor the glass workers are still split on a craft basis. From the Cutters' League, including the highest paid of the flat glass workers, who form a sort of aristocracy, McCabe was designated as president of the Federation, which was to be the new industrial union. But the cutters still meet and operate separately, and there is no guarantee that they would come out if the Federation struck.

Starvation Threatens 900 Families As Relief Gives Out in Little Rock

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Dec. 18.—Nine hundred families here, in which no one is able to work because of sickness or old age, face starvation after Dec. 24, unless the city and county authorities stop evading the issue as they did at a meeting last week, and vote the funds necessary to keep them on relief.

These families have been living on the meager sum of \$3.08 per month, but now that the funds, raised by a voluntary tax on utility bills, has been depleted, none of the local officials will take the responsibility for their care. Frank Gregg, a grocer, who supplies the food orders, said at the hearing that the plans to give these families 50 cents a week until the first of the year was a crime. The average purchase on a 50-cent order is a 30-cent sack of corn meal and 20 cents for salt meat, he explained.

Unemployed Leader Arrested in Kenosha

KENOSHA, Wis., Dec. 18.—Mike Kunza, militant leader of the Kenosha Relief Workers Association, was railroaded to 90 days in the County Jail by Municipal Judge Calvin Stewart, at the conclusion of his trial last Friday.

Kunza had been arrested twice in recent weeks on "disorderly conduct" charges, for fighting for decent relief. He had gone to the clothing department in the court house to see that those waiting for clothing were being properly cared for. The police, in each case, had not dared to arrest him in the presence of the workers waiting in line, but waited to get him alone.

Share Croppers Union Member Framed Up On Accusation of Rape

MONTGOMERY, Ala., Dec. 18.—Jim Carter, militant Negro and a member of the Share Croppers Union, is held in Lowens County Jail on a trumped up charge of attempting to rape a white girl, although the girl in question is reported to have denied the charge.

An attempt was made to lynch Carter before he was taken to the jail, and a letter smuggled out of jail reports that the jailers have threatened to turn him over to the landowners' lynch gangs which are engaged in a systematic campaign of terror against all known members of the Share Croppers Union.

out with the proposal of saving the United States from the destruction of the Communists. And Mr. Dickstein, following the politics of those Jews who were licking the boots of the Czar, while Jewish blood was spilt all over Russia, wants to be the hero and savior of the ruling class, hoping to save his skin in case the United States would turn fascist.

What do the Communists do? What do the Communists want? Why all the hullabaloo about our Party? What are the crimes of the Communists against which the chambers of commerce, the Fishs, the Matthews Wills, Dickstein and Co. are launching their attacks? It is that the Party leads the workers in the daily struggle for better conditions, that mercilessly exposes the rottenness of this society, that is fighting for more adequate relief, that, in the final analysis, shows the way out for the masses—the way to a Soviet America as the only solution to get rid of the chambers of commerce who are so busy working out schemes how to raise profits, and lower the standard of living of the masses; to get rid of the war makers, to get rid of a class of parasites. And in doing so, is the Communist Party aiming at the destruction of the American liberties?

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Perjury Charge Made Against Prosecutor In Syndicalism Trial

Court Ignores Gallagher's Proof That Prosecution Agents Tamped With Jurors and Encouraged Newspapers to Print False Reports

By Jack Crane (Special to the Daily Worker)

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Dec. 18.—Following the sensational exposure of the prosecution's tampering with the jury panel in the trial here of 18 workers on charges of criminal syndicalism, Leo Gallagher, International Labor Defense attorney yesterday demanded that the court institute perjury proceedings against District Attorney McAllister and Assistant Deputy D. A. Buchler, and called for a mistrial on grounds of a packed jury.

Gallagher also demanded that Judge Dal M. Lemmon cite Sacramento newspapers for distorted reports of trial proceedings in playing up McAllister's fantastic claims of "Red threats" to jurors, despite the collapse of that attempted frame-up and the revelation of close relations between Juror Mrs. Rose and McAllister and Buchler, who were frequent recipients of gifts of ducks from Mrs. Rose. Local newspapers omitted these facts, and insinuated that Communists had tampered with the veniremen.

The defense further demanded that the court question Jury Commissioner Le Grave, Deputy Sheriff Baker and others, including a "mystery" woman, on reports that visitors had threatened Mrs. Nix, a juror, whose connections with "Red" Hynes of the Los Angeles police "red squad" were exposed last week.

All motions by the defense were denied by Judge Lemmon.

The class character of the prosecution of the defendants was clearly brought out during the past few days in the questions of both the defense and the prosecution to prospective jurors. In questioning one of the prospective jurors, the prosecution gave the following significant distortion of the Communist analysis of capitalist corruption and greed and the robbery of the toiling masses:

"Because the defendants believe that the country is rotten," the prosecution asked, "would that prejudice you against these people?"

Gallagher objected, and put the question to the effect that the defendants believe that the country is good and can be converted into a paradise for the masses, but that this is opposed by a small group of capitalists; therefore to accomplish a change to a workers' and farmers' government, the toiling masses must throw the capitalists off their backs.

In answer to a challenge by the district attorney on the Communist position on the Negro question, Gallagher explained that the Communists fight for full equality for the Negro people, including the right of the Negroes in the "Black Belt" of the South to govern the territories in which they constitute a majority of the population. Caroline Decker, one of the defendants, asked Juror King, "If you should learn that the organization in the indictment fights for the freedom of the Scottsboro boys would that prejudice you against me?" The prosecution immediately objected, and was sustained by Judge Lemmon.

Judge Lemmon also ignored a challenge by Albert Hougaard, another defendant, on the exclusion of Negro and Mexican workers from the two regular and four special jury panels called so far.

The fourth special panel was exhausted today before the jury was completed, and another special panel will be called.

Share Croppers Union Member Framed Up On Accusation of Rape

attempting to rape a white girl, although the girl in question is reported to have denied the charge.

An attempt was made to lynch Carter before he was taken to the jail, and a letter smuggled out of jail reports that the jailers have threatened to turn him over to the landowners' lynch gangs which are engaged in a systematic campaign of terror against all known members of the Share Croppers Union.

Socialist Participation In Cleveland Meeting Announced in Error

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 18.—The gymnastic presentation at the celebration of the 17th anniversary of the Russian Revolution here was offered not by the D.T.J., a Socialist youth organization, as announced by the arrangement committee, but by the Communist Progressive Club. The error occurred because some individuals who took part in the performance are members of both clubs.

Six Denver ERA Pickets Get Terms

9 Held on 'Riot' Charge Are Freed—ILD Plans Appeal for Others

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 18.—Sentences ranging from two to six months in prison and \$200 fine have been imposed on Henry Brown, William Golden, James Jobs, Clarence Anderson, Gene Corish and Elihu Preston, F. E. R. A. pickets arrested following a police attack on a mass picket line here on Oct. 30. The other nine workers held on charges of "riot" were acquitted.

The workers on the F. E. R. A. projects in nearby Arapahoe County had struck against a 51 per cent cut in wages, favoritism in relief and the administration of relief under State Relief Director Shawver. Under the leadership of the Colorado Workers Union, the 690 strikers marched on Denver projects in a mighty flying squadron. The first picket visited came out. At the next job, the Platte River project, police opened fire. Henry Brown, one of the convicted men, who is president of the Englewood local of the Colorado Workers Union, was shot in the hip.

The trial, which has just been concluded, was marked by the judge's threat to send the defense attorney to jail. An appeal is being planned by the International Labor Defense.

Relief Slash Lurks Behind Ouster Charge

(Daily Worker Ohio Bureau)

CLEVELAND, Ohio, Dec. 18.—Ten cents out of every relief dollar in Ohio goes to pay the salaries of the officials and the cost of administration, admitted Governor-elect Martin L. Davey, to justify the intended ouster of Adit-Gen. Frank D. Henderson, present Ohio Relief Administrator, whom he wants to replace with one of his own henchmen.

Davey charged that relief workers, who in most of the cases owe their appointments to political pull and are totally unfamiliar with the work they are supposed to perform, are receiving excessive salaries and that the administration expenses are also totally out of proportion to the money actually spent, on relief. It was brought out that the cost of administering the relief in Ohio was \$282,212 for the month of October, or 9.2 per cent of the total money expended. Charges for gasoline, office, electricity, traveling expenses, office supplies and printing, alone amounted to \$175,309 for the month.

Behind these official accusations of excessive relief administration costs lies the threat of more relief cuts for the unemployed. The coating of official palaver about "relief costs," the unemployed feel, will be laid bare for a slash similar to the threatened dropping of "unemployables" from the relief rolls.

The Cleveland Unemployment Councils and the Small Home and Land Owners Federation have called for a city-wide relief march on Saturday, Dec. 22 at 1 p.m. from the Public Square to the City Hall to demand increased relief and an emergency winter relief allowance of \$40 in cash for each unemployed family and \$15 for single persons.

500 Held, Homes Looted In Anti-Red Campaign In Bulgarian Cities

SOFIA, Bulgaria, Dec. 18.—Bulgarian fascism continued its attempt to crush the Communist Party here by mass seizures totaling over 500 persons. The immediate provocation for the arrests was the lying report spread by the government that an attempt was being made "to set up a Communist state."

Homes of suspected workers at Kaskovo were raided and wholesale beatings and looting took place on the excuse of searching for ammunition. The Communist leader, Stoeff, was arrested. Recently six Communists, five of them soldiers, were hung and their bodies mutilated for having led mass actions in the struggle against the terrorism of the Bulgarian fascists.

Rail Workers Receive Pay Cut Restoration

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 18.—One million railroad workers are to receive a five per cent increase in wages beginning Jan. 1. This is a partial return of the 10 per cent wage cut imposed upon the workers in 1932, which according to the agreement the carriers made with the officials of the union last April is to be returned in parts.

It shows, on the contrary, of being the best champion of the American tradition of liberty, which teaches that when it becomes necessary the American people have the right to change their government, and even resort to the use of arms. Certainly, a Soviet America, in which the workers, the large majority, will rule, would not use silk gloves on these parasites who allow potatoes, meat and cabbage to rot while workers are starving; and would not handle with silk gloves those people that sucked profits from the blood of those who were fighting on the battlefield for liberty, the chambers of commerce and the Dicksteins mean the liberty of the bankers, the industrialists, to exploit the masses to the bone—then, yes, we are for the destruction of such liberties. We are for the achievement of real liberty of the toiling masses, their liberation from a system based on exploitation.

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THREE STATES CALL LOCAL MEETINGS OF YOUTH GROUPS

Youth Organizations in New York, Chicago and Newark To Meet in Preparation for National Youth Congress in Washington Jan. 3

Regional youth congresses will be held in several states during the next few days in preparation for the National Youth Congress to be held in Washington, D. C., Jan. 3 to 5. Credentials are pouring in from hundreds of youth organizations for the Regional Congress on Dec. 21, 22 and 23, in New York City at the Union M. E. Church, 229 West 48th Street, and the congress promises to be the broadest gathering of youth in the history of New York.

The congress will open with a mass meeting Dec. 21 at the Central Opera House, 67th Street and Third Avenue, with round table discussions the next day on problems of youth in industry and agriculture, unemployment and social insurance, the international situation, crisis in education and child welfare, and racial relations. On Sunday there will be a symposium on "Political Trends," with discussion and action on resolutions.

Ledger Boss Dodges Offer Of Mediation

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 18.—After stalling for more than a week, Lucius T. Russell, publisher of the Newark Ledger, declared last night that there is "nothing to mediate" in answer to the offer of the Regional Labor Board of New York to mediate the strike of his editorial workers.

This is being answered by preparations for a great mass labor march in support of the strikers, on Sunday at 3 p.m., from Washington Park. Every labor organization in the city has been canvassed to participate in the event which is to be made into a demonstration for unionism. The parade will proceed down Broad Street to Branford Place, up Branford to Washington, then back to the Newark Ledger office, and will end at the strike headquarters of the Guild, 78 Bank Street, which is next door to the Ledger.

The strike committee points out that the Ledger strike has been endorsed by organized labor and invited all unions to participate. The strike of the forty-four editorial workers, which is now in its fifth week, has evoked enthusiastic solidarity from every part of the county, as shown by the list of contributions sent until Dec. 13 and published in the Reporter, issued by the strikers. A total of \$4,229.36 for the strike relief fund came in from Guilds having a membership of 4,830. Support continues to pour in and the strikers remain as determined as ever.

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NEWARK CALLS PARLEY

NEWARK, N. J., Dec. 18.—A second Regional Youth Congress in preparation for the National Youth Congress will be held here Dec. 29 and 30 at 899-901 Broad Street. The congress will open with a mammoth mass meeting at which well-known youth leaders will speak. On the arrangements committee for the congress are representatives of the Boy Scouts, Court Street Y. M. C. A., Jewish Division of the American Jewish Congress, New Jersey College for Women and 17 other organizations.

NEW HAVEN, Conn., Dec. 18.—The regional conference of the American Youth Congress held here Saturday carried forward the united front achieved last August by bringing together about fifty delegates from numerous youth organizations in New Haven, including the Y.M.C.A., Y.W.C.A., Y.M.H.A., the local Community College (F.E.R.A.), the Young Circle League and the Young Communist League. The conference took place at the local Y.M.C.A. and was sponsored by a provisional committee with the aid of the National Continuations Committee in New York.

The conference heard a report of the origin and work of the American Youth Congress by Theodore Draper who represented the National Continuations Committee. After considering the program of the Congress in seminars, reports were brought in to a general session. The plenary session voted to support the original program with only minor changes and elected a continuations committee of eleven to broaden and intensify the work.

Plans are being made to get a maximum number of New Haven delegates sent to the Washington National Youth Congress on January 3, 4 and 5 where delegates from the whole country will gather to make plans how to carry the program of the Congress into action.

During a membership meeting of your organization, ask for the floor and make an appeal for a collection for the Daily Worker Fund. Over \$4,000 are still needed to complete the quota.

WHAT'S ON

Philadelphia, Pa.

Carlus Lamont will lecture on "The Soviet Union and Religion," Friday, Dec. 21, 8 p.m. at Musicians Hall, 129 N. 18th St. Admission 30c at 6:00.

Mass Meeting and send off for Delegates to National Congress for Socialism and Unemployment Insurance, Friday, Dec. 21, 8 p.m. at Broadway Arena, Broad and Christian streets. Speakers: Herbert Benjamin, Mother Bloor, William N. Jones, Felix G. Sangs, Parein, Workers' Harmonica Band.

John Reed Club presents Michael Gold, author of "Jews Without Money," on "The Crisis in Modern Literature" Thursday, Dec. 20 at 8 p.m. 18th St. Musicians' Hall, 129 N. 18th St. Adm. 30c.

Detroit, Mich.

Dance at "Rainbow Gardens," 6515 Chene St., Friday evening, Dec. 21. Jimmie Davenport and his 13-piece Harlem Orchestra will play for dancing from 8 p.m. until dawn. Auspices, Scottsboro Defense Com.

Boston, Mass.

Scottsboro Mass Meeting, 8 p.m., Wednesday evening, Dec. 19 at Workers Center, 38 Causeway Street, West End. Auspices, West End Unit of Communist Party. Interesting speakers. Adm. free.

Ohio Jobless Plan Is Seen As Anti-Labor

Gives Factory Owners Chance To Run Away From Unions

COLUMBUS, O., Dec. 18.—Abolition of direct cash relief in favor of the so-called "work relief" plan is the basis for the reorganization of unemployment relief on a nationwide scale proposed by Federal Emergency Relief Administrator Harry L. Hopkins, and now being concretely worked out by President Roosevelt and his advisers.

The plan which calls for the placement of all unemployed on subsistence farms and in "production-for-use" factories, unknown to the general public, has been in operation for some time. The Ohio Production Units, a forced labor system for the unemployed of that state, has been in operation as one of Hopkins' experiments for his new plan. If this plan is adopted, only those who will work in the "production-for-use" factories or on the subsistence farms will be eligible for government relief.

Paid in Scrip

Ohio Production Units, a work relief project, operates factories with unemployed labor, paying its workers wages corresponding to their "budgetary needs" (on home relief)—averaging \$18 a month for a family of four in Ohio. While workers are permitted to work overtime, they are paid for this time in book-keeping credits, scrip, or are allowed to apply their overtime on purchases of products produced in other government "production-for-use" factories.

The Ohio Plan, as the system is currently known, takes over idle factories, abates the taxes of the owners and pays the owners rent on a contractual basis (that nets him a greater profit than he would be likely to get if he were running the factory on a commercial basis and paying his workers a living wage) which permits the owner to take back his factory in good running order as soon as he thinks he can produce profitably for the commercial market.

Constitutes Strikebreaking

Such a system constitutes a direct strikebreaking agency because whenever a manufacturer finds his plant so well organized that he is forced to pay decent wages, he can simply turn over the plant to Ohio Production Units.

Theoretically the unemployed workers in these "production-for-use" factories are allowed to organize. But this is not an actuality for organized workers would immediately demand a living wage, which is incompatible, in the eyes of the government, with this scheme, a scheme that calls for the utilization of the unemployed at subsistence wages.

If every reader contributed \$1, or got two or three friends to raise a dollar bill collectively, the \$60,000 mark would be reached immediately. Send dollar bills today!

Investigations Reveal Parasitism of American Capitalism

THE front pages of the New York bourgeois press of last Thursday carried revelations of two inquiry commissions that put the Stavisky scandal in the shade. The munitions inquiry in Washington disclosed that while the American boys were bleeding on the battlefields of France, the munition makers made profits of 800 per cent during the World War, and millionaires grew like mushrooms. And here is the tragic comedy! These same virtues who profited from the war, who made 800 per cent in profits, sucked from the blood of those who were fighting for "democracy," are the backstage rulers of the country. How can we explain such a contradiction that these rulers are today being investigated by an inquiry commission? While, through such a commission, the government wants to bluff the American masses, showing the face of "liberalism," it is precisely under the mask of this comedy that a War Board is being set up for the purpose of speeding war preparations, from which Dupont and Co. will again get new billions and the American boys, new bullets.

In the city of New York, an inquiry into the administration of the Welfare Department shows that thousands of pounds of veal, cabbage and potatoes were left to rot on the piers; and from the lips of

Mr. Hodson and the Mayor of New York we have the most candid explanation of such a crime. Mr. Hodson, in so many words, says that it is not his business to over-step the allotment of relief given to the unemployed, which corresponds to the barest minimum.

Why should the Welfare Department be overburdened with some new task? The problem is to keep the unemployed just alive. The distribution of more potatoes, more cabbage and meat would have stimulated the appetites of the masses on relief. And the Mayor of New York, the "liberal" Mr. LaGuardia, explains that the problem was not to give more relief than was previously decided upon, but through the purchase of potatoes and cabbage, the T. E. R. A. was aiming to help the producers. Here we are. The inquiry shows that these people with big fat salaries, who live in luxury are well fed, well dressed, moving from banquet to banquet, with endless numbers of courses, consider the unemployed in a category of lower animals, that must live on a minimum of cabbage and potatoes. The diet is probably the outcome of consultations with expert veterinarians concerning the diet of dogs, cats or the diet for the various animals kept in the New York Zoo.

While such rottenness is revealed,

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By F. B.

out with the proposal of saving the United States from the destruction of the Communists. And Mr. Dickstein, following the politics of those Jews who were licking the boots of the Czar, while Jewish blood was spilt all over Russia, wants to be the hero and savior of the ruling class, hoping to save his skin in case the United States would turn fascist.

What do the Communists do? What do the Communists want? Why all the hullabaloo about our Party? What are the crimes of the Communists against which the chambers of commerce, the Fishs, the Matthews Wills, Dickstein and Co. are launching their attacks? It is that the Party leads the workers in the daily struggle for better conditions, that mercilessly exposes the rottenness of this society, that is fighting for more adequate relief, that, in the final analysis, shows the way out for the masses—the way to a Soviet America as the only solution to get rid of the chambers of commerce who are so busy working out schemes how to raise profits, and lower the standard of living of the masses; to get rid of the war makers, to get rid of a class of parasites. And in doing so, is the Communist Party aiming at the destruction of the American liberties?

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CHANGE THE WORLD!

By MICHAEL GOLD

WE LIVE in an epoch of swift, deep-going social changes. All around us is the chaos, the hunger and the bewilderment bred by the collapse of capitalism. Our lives are the lives of people who walk along the edge of a precipice. We do not know whether tomorrow the world will be plunged into the chaos of a new horrible world war or whether we shall wake up in the morning to find ourselves jobless, our furniture on the street, and ourselves facing the miseries and terrors of starvation.

There is no security. There is no feeling of well-being. There is spiritual as well as material hunger in our world.

We live our lives, millions of us, like people in a nightmare. It is a nightmare peopled with terrors and horrors. It is impossible to believe at times that people who have hearts or heads should suffer as we see people all around us suffering.

A great many of us feel helpless. Some of us have been clerks for years and years. We are high school graduates or college graduates. The world seemed fairly simple to us. All one did was graduate from school, get a job, get married, have a little fun. There were no yawning abysses under our feet. There was no black invisibility of the future before us. We believed that if you worked hard, if you were earnest, sincere, and honest, all in the end would be well. The boss would be impressed. You'd get a raise. Or you'd join the local Democratic or Republican Club and get in well with the district captain. This would assure you the necessary political pull when you needed it.

Life was something to work hard at, and if you were a good student you passed the examination.

Or you were a worker in a textile mill. Your hands learned and knew every movement of the loom. Your eyes understood each strand and thread. You said to yourself, if you worked hard and you were honest and trustworthy and saved a little money, maybe the kids wouldn't have to go to work in the mill. Maybe the kids would get the education you didn't have. Maybe they'd get a chance at the life you never knew. They'd go away to the big cities. They'd go to work in some office, become doctors or public accountants, and have an easier life than you had.

Everybody was dreaming that life would be good to us. Life could be conquered. If only we worked hard, if only we didn't anger the boss, if only we were honest.

The End of a Dream

AND today, the whole dream has collapsed. We know now that no matter how well we work, how honest we are, how sacrificing and hard-working, it doesn't matter. Five years of hunger, unemployment, increasing poverty has taught us that. We've learned to see that the cards are stacked against us. Our government is not ours at all. It belongs to the boss just like the mill belongs to him, or the office furniture, or our jobs. We don't own anything, except the right to sweat and hunger. We are at the bottom of the social ladder. We're the nameless, obscure, million-strong and million-named mass.

Look around us. Look at our class. Look at the millions of workers and toilers like ourselves whose lives repeat ours like each drop of water repeats the life of a million other drops.

We work at every possible occupation. Wherever there is something to be built, or broken, or hammered, or woven, or mended, there you will find us. In the tenements in the big cities, in the frame houses in the mill towns, in the shacks of mining camps, in the road gangs on the desert, in the cotton fields by the river, you'll find our class. Everything that's made, we make. Everything that's grown, we grow. Everything is ours except the right to enjoy the products of our labor. Except the right to use what we have earned.

They buy and sell us like slaves on the block. Have you ever seen a crowd of stevedores standing in front of the freight office? Have you ever seen the boss picking out the biggest muscles and the largest shoulders from among the hundreds of workers standing in the crowd? They used to select slaves like that on the block. Only they had to feed the slave and keep him during the winter. It is much cheaper for them this way. It doesn't cost as much, and they have as many of us as they want.

Some Still Believe

AND now after five years some of us are asking questions. Deep, burning questions. But not all of us. Some still think that they are hungry and poor and out of work because they're not good enough, not smart enough, not shrewd enough. They think the boss is a boss because he is smarter and shrewder and worked harder. But think: the richest men in America do nothing at all. Nothing. Because mills and men work for them. All they do is gamble with stocks—stocks which represent the back-breaking work we are doing in the mills.

Others think they can escape history. They climb into a hole and pull the hole in after them. Become little storekeepers, or keep a miserly little job and work hard and be honest and history and capitalism will be kind to them. They refuse to look at the cruelty and the heartlessness and the poverty of workers under capitalism full in the face. They are trying to play possum with war and hunger and fascism. But they can't escape.

The Others

BUT there are still others. These have come to realize that nothing that is good for all and good for themselves can be granted to them while the bosses continue to own the mills and the lives of millions of workers.

They have said to themselves that the government is not their government. It is the government of the bosses. It belongs to them, it is run by them and their tools, it is their office boy.

And these have realized that the war that hangs over their heads is a war which has been born out of the same womb that gave birth to their hunger and poverty.

They know that their class is divided in a thousand ways. That the struggle to survive is intense and terrible. Their class is divided by racial hatreds, native-foreigner hatreds, sectional hatreds. But they know that all these hatreds are illusions carefully fostered by the boss who owns the mills and their lives.

They know that between worker and worker there is a deep ineradicable unity of labor. Before this, no false walls, no lying barriers can survive. They will fall.

And they know that only when their class, only when those who make and grow and create, will own the mills and the land and the houses will be able to make life worth living. They know that in Russia other workers have this. They know that the workers can create and administer their own laws and courts. And when they look at the richness and greatness that lies unused and despoiled by the brigands of America, they know that some day in America too, just as in Russia, all the walls will fall and over their ruins will be peace and plenty. Only then.

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Peasant Guest Houses in Soviet Union Cement Bond Between City and Country

Free Shows, Concerts, Lectures for Guest Peasants

This is the second of four articles written by Ben Field on the life of farmers and peasants in the Soviet Union. Ben Field recently returned from a visit to the U. S. S. R. where he made a study of farm conditions, visiting many collectives, as well as attending the Writers Congress. He contributed while there to Pravda, Kolhoznik, the Literary Gazette, and is the American correspondent for the Soviet Peasants Gazette and the French "Voice of the Peasant."

By BEN FIELD

The Peasant Guest Houses have done much to break down the age-old antagonism between farm and city in Soviet Russia. Every Peasant House is not only a home for the peasants when they come to town, it is also a club where they can meet their comrades, the city workers. It is a school, a museum, the gear box where the peasants can study as under a great lens the swiftly moving different parts of the socialization of agriculture.

There are 5,000 of such Peasant Guest Houses throughout the U. S. S. R. Moscow province alone has 154. The Peasant Guest House in the city of Moscow has accommodations for 700 peasants. Here Cossacks, Kalmuks, Tadzhiks, Tartars, Uzbeks, peasants from the far-flung corners of the U. S. S. R. stay as the guests of the Moscow workers.

The peasants generally stay for three days. Lectures, theatres, concerts, excursions to factories, etc., are free. From 9 to 4, peasants go on their own business. After 4 every guest house makes it its business to entertain and instruct its farm guests. You often see Cossacks with cartridge belts and daggers or Uzbeks with their skullcaps and padded coats file into Moscow theatres to be given the front row seats or the boxes.

In the Moscow Peasant House there are always up-to-date exhibitions. Here the peasants can learn in the electric hot-house how the excellent champagne mushrooms are grown. They see sheaves of rye only once in 1930 in Moscow region. They study charts showing the progress in airplane building. Almost 1,000,000 acres of wheat were sown in 1934. The peasants can hop into the seat of a tractor from Rostov or from Chelyabinsk. The average Soviet tractor gives three times the service of a John Deere or a Fordson. Here is a fax cutter invented by a Soviet worker cutting ten acres in eight hours. There heaps of corn kernels with advice as to seed selection. In another section of the exhibition the peasants come across scenes in the dramatic fight against drought, which the Soviets are fast conquering. The Soviet harvest was only 2 per cent

A Happy Man in A Happy Land



This is a typical, staunch Soviet peasant. Millions like him are taking part in the collectivization of farming, thus speeding up Socialist construction in the Soviet Union.

lower than last year's record harvest, while the American harvest was the lowest in 50 years. Pictures of Michurin, the plant wizard, after whom a city has been named, whom Soviet Russia has given hundreds of thousands of rubles, hundreds of acres, assistants, students to carry on his work of helping transform Russia into a real Soviet garden.

Every Peasant House has its dining room, room for women, room for men with newspapers, books, chess games, nursery. When we stepped into the nursery the nurse pointed to a cot. A little girl with a cheek like a winceap apple opened one black eye at us. She is the only child of young peasants who are collective farm actors. While her parents were visiting Moscow theatres, she was being well taken care of.

Peasants Talk Freely
Our guide is a young student who carries with him Romani Rolland's novel "Jean Christophe." He brings us downstairs to the courtyard where peasants are sitting in the sun talking. We talk to one of the peasants. And here something happens that helps again above the lie down the throats of those who cry there is no freedom in Russia, that interviews with foreigners are "staged."

With us is a young woman from Oregon. Seeing the bust of Lenin in the Peasant Guest House, she had said, "There must be Lenin factories everywhere in Russia."

Collectives Better Than Former 'Deaf' Village Life

When our guide is called aside by one of the men in the office of the Peasant House, she picks up her car. "Red tape. He ought to be smashed in the face. I'll bet he's afraid the peasant'll tell us too much. That's why he's bawling out the student."

The student comes back flushed. Oh, nothing. He's been scolded a little for not having brought the Americans into one of the rooms inside, taken several peasants with us where we would all be comfortable, he able to find out conditions satisfactorily, at great length. Not standing on one leg, so to speak.

The peasant is an elderly black-bearded man with a stick. He leans heavily on his stick. He listens carefully. His answers are soft, hesitant.

He is a member of the collective farm Spark of Paris Commune. Does he know what the Paris Commune was?

He considers for a second. He shakes his head. The student tells him. He nods. No, he did not know but he was one of the first to join. He knows what the electric Spark of Paris Commune is. In the old days he lived on a farm of three acres. Seventeen eaters in the family. Every loaf was torn to crumbs and every crumb a loaf. They had no horse. Now his brigade alone made 4,000 pounds of wheat. There are 100 cows and 75 working horses on the collective.

The Old "Deaf" Village Life
The peasants are happy? The peasants are happy. In what other respects is collectivization better than working the old way?

In every respect. In every respect. There is nothing in which the collective is not better than the old "deaf village" life. In every respect.

He has come to the city for a month to have his eyes operated on. He can not see well enough to do his work.

How can he afford it? How can he afford to leave his wife and children alone, travel to the city, and spend a month here?

His lids move softly over the swollen gray-clothed eyes. Every member of the Spark of Paris Commune is insured against sickness. The collective pays. His family works on the collective while he is away.

What would have happened in the old days, in the old days under the Czars?

Nothing. Nothing. He puts his hands over his eyes like blinders. Nothing.

We wish him speedy recovery. He shakes hands. He sits down on the bench in his best shoes. He waits in the warm sun.

They Gave Up Their Freedom; Now They Call for Your Support!

By SASHA SMALL

THE magic of the N. Y. Times fund for the Hundred Neediest Cases isn't working so well this year. There's a hitch somewhere. So far only \$116,657 has come in, \$6,000 behind last year. This magical sum is supposed to rehabilitate families—100 exactly—that are completely on the rocks.

The International Labor Defense is in the midst of a drive for neediest cases too, at this moment. Its Prisoners Relief Department is conducting a Christmas Drive for Political Prisoners and their families. This drive makes no such modest claims as the New York Times! It knows that even a very substantial sum of money and a fine bundle of clothes and shoes and food for the destitute families of the men who are behind bars for their loyalty to the working class, will not solve the problems of these neediest cases. It will take something much more far reaching and basic than a Christmas gift to do that.

But the need of these families is very great. They are practically destitute except for the money they receive from the Prisoners Relief Department of the I. L. D. However, their spirit is not broken. Their letters are filled with misery but not despair. Their courage is inspiring—but it needs solidarity to keep it from being crushed beneath the burden of hunger, cold and loneliness.

The Christmas Drive for political prisoners and their families has as its chief aim the raising of this solidarity—this moral and material aid to the victims of ruling class justice. Its slogan, "They Gave Their Freedom, Give Them Your Support," must be translated into reality by

a flood of contributions, money, clothes, shoes, books to the Prisoners Relief Department, I. L. D., Room 610, 80 East 11th Street, New York City.

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to be cared for and fed, she has her hands full.

EMMA BREITIG is 40 years old and serving a two-year sentence in one of the country's worst prisons, Blawnox Workhouse, Allegheny County, Pa. "Inciting to riot" was the charge which sent her up on the testimony of the Jones and Loughlin Company's thugs. Her actual crime was running a relief kitchen in the Ambridge strike. During the first few weeks of her sentence she lost 14 pounds, but there is no medical attention at Blawnox. In addition to her two-year sentence there is a \$500 fine against her and \$200 court costs. She has an unemployed husband and two children, 6 and 9.

PHIL FRANKFELD, young leader of the Unemployment Councils of western Pennsylvania, is another prisoner at Blawnox. He is serving two to four years for "inciting to riot and obstructing legal process," i.e., leading the unemployed in halting the eviction of another unemployed worker from his home. He has been put to work in the shop, where he spends all the hours of daylight breathing in diseased-laden dust. He is allowed only one letter and one visitor a month. His young wife, Mary, has just had a baby.

"He is a very sweet baby," she writes. "He is good, he sleeps a lot and he certainly can eat. He didn't see his daddy yet, nor did his daddy see him." Last time Mary went to see her husband, he said, "When I write to you I should tell you that he is all right and he will be a better soldier and even more loyal to the workers when he gets out."

Book on Unemployment Insurance Carefully Ignores Workers' Bill

UNEMPLOYMENT AND RELIEF, by Robert G. Elbert, Farrar and Rinehart, 136 pp., \$1.

Reviewed by HOWARD BOLDT

HERE are two little towns, Dewey and Colp, Illinois, pressed down by the misery of the economic chaos and resultant unemployment. Ninety-five per cent of the 315 families in these two towns are on relief; 70 per cent are Negroes.

Here is another small town, Vanetta, West Virginia. Starvation is rampant and relief is spasmodic. A glance at the monthly reports of the Federal Emergency Relief Administration shows that relief in Virginia during May (the last report available) was \$2.09 a week for a family; \$1.53 a week in Kentucky; \$2 a week in Tennessee; \$2.25 in Missouri.

Mr. Elbert does not cite these figures in his little book—he examines into some superficial and outward causes of mass unemployment, barely scratches the surface and offers his panacea. Thus, he writes: "Depressions grow out of a complexity of causes. A potent cause is a defective monetary policy," and cites maladministration in the Federal Reserve System!

But any understanding of this book, which, despite its title, devotes itself entirely to the question of unemployment insurance, must necessarily turn upon Robert G. Elbert himself.

He is a retired capitalist who calls himself an "economic free thinker and realist." He has served as a member of the Industrial Advisory Board, and is at present a member of the Business Advisory and Planning Council of the Department of Commerce.

AS ELBERT warms up to his subject, he touches lightly upon a few basic causes of mass unemployment. And now he says, "A wide gap between productive output and national purchasing power is alone a strong enough factor to bring on a depression, even under the best monetary policy conceivable." And further on, "the four cigarette companies known as the 'Big Four' actually paid more to their stockholders in cash dividends in the year 1932 than the American tobacco farmer received for his entire crop." (Author's emphasis.)

Beyond doubt, Elbert has devoted considerable study to the question of unemployment insurance. Although the slender volume takes into consideration only a few of the plans thus far proposed, interspersed throughout the text are references that show that the author is quite thoroughly conversant with his subject.

Briefly, the book outlines the main phases of the Wisconsin Unemployment Compensation Act, the Wagner-Lewis Bill, the Ohio Plan and the "model bill" proposed by the American Association for Social Security.

Briefly, it enters into a criticism of each of these plans. Thus, Mr. Elbert says, "I think the Wisconsin plan contains about every possible defect that it is possible to incorporate into an unemployment insurance or 'compensation' scheme." He "considers the segregation of reserves by companies, as embodied in the Wisconsin law, a fundamental

defect," and later points to the fact that almost every individual company reserves measure thus far projected has broken down under the stress of prolonged crisis.

Mr. Elbert points to all the evasions permitted under the Wisconsin act by which it is possible for the employer to deny benefit payments to his workers. Inefficiency and misconduct clauses, Elbert shows, enable an employer to "keep his reserve fund completely intact by declaring that every man he lays off is inefficient."

UNEMPLOYMENT compensation, or insurance, Elbert correctly says, "is primarily a social service, and it is only indirectly a protective relation between any one employer and any one man."

Had he stopped at a criticism of the various measures projected in the name of unemployment insurance, Elbert would have produced a valuable handbook on the question of unemployment insurance, limited though it is in its scope. But he puts forth his own observations on the subject at hand—and here is revealed the anti-labor hand as clearly as was shown in the drafting of the Wisconsin Bill, the Wagner-Lewis Bill, the Ohio Plan or the "model bill" of the American Association for Social Security.

Unemployment insurance, according to Elbert, is "a spread in wages; income for a limited time to which employes contribute" and to cover only a limited number of workers.

In what he calls a "tentative plan," Elbert puts forward the following proposals: farm workers, domestic servants, professional people, federal, state and city employes, casual workers and school teachers should be excluded from benefits. Workers should contribute, but if continuously employed shall have no right to draw upon the reserves which they themselves have built up. Benefits should not run for more than twenty-six weeks; a penalty should be exacted upon those fired for "misconduct," and "benefits should not be paid to insured persons who are participating directly in a strike." Sickness, old age and other forms of social insurance are not propitious at this time, Elbert states, and as other problems must be handled in another way.

Workers should contribute to any unemployment insurance plan, Elbert states, in order that the worker may "feel that his interest in the fund is equal to that of his employer," a new slant that has here come to our attention for the first time, and repeats the benefits would be in the nature of a gift unless contributions were exacted from the worker.

CERTAIN basic facts are ignored by Elbert and all of his ilk, whose main purpose is not to grant a measure of security to the workers but to secure their own profits. The loss in income among the working population is at once a direct challenge to the older forms of social and unemployment insurance that have been in effect in European countries, and a turning point to newer forms that will be wrested from the owning class only by the mass weight of numbers who are rallied behind such a measure as the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill.

This is the essence of the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill, the measure which guarantees income commensurate with existing wage levels to all unemployed under direct impost on that class which is most able to pay, and through the use of war funds.

But the learned apologist, Mr. Elbert, had not heard of the Workers' Bill.

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John Reed's Famous Book to Be Issued By Modern Library

John Reed's famous "Ten Days That Shook the World," the story by an eyewitness of the Russian Revolution, will be published in a Modern Library edition in the early Spring. Lenin's letter of appreciation to John Reed will be printed as a foreword, and the volume will include facsimiles of some of the all-important Russian manifestoes of the period that changed the lives of a hundred and fifty million people.

TUNING IN

- 7:00-WEAF-Pickens Sisters, Songs
- WOR-Sports Resume-Stan Lomax
- WOR-Charles Keating
- WABC-Myrt and Marge-Sketch
- 7:15-WEAF-To Be Announced
- WOR-Marion Chase, Songs
- WJZ-Plantation Echoes, Mildred Bailey, Song; Robinson Orchestra
- WABC-Just Plain Bill-Sketch
- 7:30-WEAF-Press-Radio-An Experiment in Public Service-Dean Carl Ackerman, of Columbia University School of Journalism
- WOR-Letvite Ensemble
- WJZ-Red Davis-Sketch
- WABC-The O'Neills-Sketch
- 7:45-WEAF-Uncle Ezra-Sketch
- WJZ-Dangerous Paradise-Sketch
- WABC-Roake Carter, Commentator
- 8:00-WEAF-Play-Trigger, With Mary Pickford, Actress
- WOR-Lene Ranger-Sketch
- WJZ-Sing of the Scythe-Sketch
- WABC-To Be Announced
- 8:15-WABC-Edwin C. Hill, Commentator
- 8:30-WEAF-Wayne King Orchestra

- WOR-Variety Musicale
- WJZ-Lanny Ross, Tenor; Saller; Fred Evans, Bass; Songs
- WABC-Everett Marshall, Baritone; Elizabeth Lennox, Contralto; Mixed Chorus Arden Orchestra
- 9:00-WEAF-Fred Allen, Comedian; James Melton, Tenor; Hayton Orchestra
- WOR-Hillbilly Music
- WJZ-20,000 Years in Sing Sing - Sketch, With Warden Lawes; King Singing Band
- WABC-Nino Martin, Tenor; Kostelanets Orchestra
- 9:30-WOR-Lum and Abner-Sketch
- WJZ-John Charles Thomas, Baritone; Concert Orchestra
- WABC-George Burns and Gracie Allen, Comedians
- 9:45-WOR-Garber Orchestra
- 10:00-WEAF-Lombardo Orchestra
- WOR-Literary Justice-Sketch
- WJZ-To Be Announced
- WABC-Broadcast To and From Byrd
- 10:15-WOR-Current Events-H. E. Read
- WJZ-Beauty-Mme. Sylvia
- 10:30-WEAF-One Man's Family-Sketch
- WOR-Goldie Orchestra
- WJZ-Denny Orchestra; Harry Richmond, Songs
- WABC-Mary Estman, Soprano; Fred Evans, Bass
- 11:00-WEAF-Mixed Chorus
- WOR-News
- WJZ-Colman Orchestra
- WABC-Helene Orchestra
- 11:15-WEAF-Robert Royce, Tenor
- WOR-Moonbeams Trio
- 11:30-WEAF-Dance Music (Also WOR, WJZ)
- 11:45-WABC-A Balanced Budget-or Inflation-Professor Edwin W. Kemmerer of Princeton University.

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**A Call to Socialist and
A.F.L. Workers**

IT IS particularly to Socialist Party workers and members of the A. F. of L. locals that we wish to address this editorial. We wish to discuss with these class brothers of ours the meaning of what is going on in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia. For what is happening there is a serious threat to the weekly pay envelope and the general welfare of every worker and worker's family in the country.

In this fashionable resort, 90 of the country's leading Wall Street industrialists are now meeting in secret session. These meetings are an extension of the recent meetings of the National Association of Manufacturers and the U. S. Chamber of Commerce, both together representing the biggest and most reactionary industrial employers in the country.

And though they are meeting in secret, these industrial capitalists make no secret as to what they are after.

As reported in yesterday's press, they are "working out a few broad principles upon which the entire business world can unite... and set up an organization to make the weight of business unanimity more effectively felt in the government than has been possible since Roosevelt came into power."

Big business, in short, is working for a united front to defend its class interests, with the aid of Roosevelt and Congress.

And what is it that are uniting on? The press yesterday gave us the answer: "on the reshaping of the N.R.A. codes and the development of business unanimity on labor laws."

This is blunt enough. It is in line with the program adopted by the big industrialists' Congress of American Industry in New York two weeks ago.

In brief, it means that the biggest capitalist employers are organizing on a program whose basis is the more open, direct control of the N.R.A. codes by the monopolies, and a smashing offensive against American labor and all the wage standards and union conditions which it has wrung from the bosses by long struggle.

AND this is not some distant program. It is planned for immediate execution by Roosevelt and Congress in January.

What will this mean to Socialist and A. F. of L. workers?

It will mean wage cuts. It will mean longer hours and more speed-up. It will mean an open shop drive that will try to smash the unions and union conditions in the factories.

It will mean terrorism against pickets and strikes. It will mean the introduction of stretch-out on a scale never seen before, with an end of all workers welfare provisions won through strikes. It will mean more hunger, more exploitation, more oppression. That is only too plain.

SOCIALIST and A. F. of L. workers! What are we going to do about this sinister united front of the employers, which menaces us and our families?

Shall we follow the policies of the Socialist Party and A. F. of L. leadership, which continue to split the ranks of the workers with reactionary "Red baiting" drives in the unions and refusals to form united front agreements with the Communist Party?

Or shall we meet the challenge of the united front of the employers with our own class united front?

The capitalists are meeting in their conventions. We, the working class, have our own Congress for Social and Unemployment Insurance to meet in Washington Jan. 5 to 7. This Congress can become the weapon with which we begin our counter-offensive against the new plans of the bosses. They are organizing their wage-cutting, union-smashing drive. Let us organize our working class drive for the 30-hour week, for cash relief, for Federal unemployment insurance, to be paid by the government and the bosses, for the right to organize and picket.

Socialist and A. F. of L. workers! Let us defend our working class organizations, our unions and our mass organizations against the united front of the bosses.

Our common interests bind us together. Our families suffer alike from the exploitation and oppression of the employers.

Why then should there be any delay in welding our united front in defense of our immediate class interests?

Whatever our differences on other questions, on the immediate vital question of wages, defense of trade unions and the right to strike, on relief and unemployment insurance, we must be united.

Support the Congress for Social and Unemployment Insurance! Answer the new offensive of the employers! Build the united front!

**The Big Department
Store Strikes**

THE strikes of retail clerks and other employees of big department stores is another sign of the deep going dissatisfaction of the workers with the miserable conditions imposed upon them by the N.R.A.

Beginning with the large Boston Store in Milwaukee, with Klein's and Ohrbach's department stores in New York City, there is a sweeping move for organization into trade unions on the part of the department store workers. These strikes are the first strikes of department store clerks in recent years.

In Milwaukee the workers of the city have come to the support of the three unions striking, which include the maintenance men and truck drivers as well as the clerks. They are refusing to buy in the store by the thousands.

But the workers of Milwaukee are asking why it is that the Socialist Party newspaper, The Milwaukee Leader, continues to run large advertisements of the Boston Store, which urge the population to do their Christmas shopping at the Boston Store (where seab help is now being employed and a bitter strike is on).

The strikers voted overwhelmingly against accepting a sell-out agreement and voted to continue striking. They took this decision in direct opposition to the state officials of the Federation of Labor, who urged them to return to work under the unsatisfactory agreement.

In New York, the police force of the LaGuardia administration has arrested scores of pickets in front of Ohrbach's, and the courts have just moved for an anti-picketing injunction against the Office Workers Union, which is conducting the strike at Ohrbach's.

With the support of the local unions of the A. F. of L. and the workers who refuse to buy in these seab stores, the department store workers will win their strike.

The organization of the department store workers is aimed to improve the conditions of workers who are among the lowest paid and those who have to work under conditions of extreme hardship.

Party Life

**The New Pioneer
And the Duties
Of Party Members**

THE NEW PIONEER, a monthly publication of the Federation of Workers' and Farmers' Children's Organizations, has been coming out regularly, with little or no direct assistance from our Party as such. The present circulation of this magazine, which is very well liked by not only the children but also by the adults who read it, is about 14,000, distributed over 40 states. Considering the conditions of the workers and their rapid radicalization, the figure should be much higher—50,000 readers could easily be gained in a short time without a great deal of effort.

If only 20,000 copies were sold and paid for every month, the NEW PIONEER would be self-supporting. As things are, it runs at a deficit. Last year it was forced to engage in a campaign to raise \$3,000 with which to pay off its debts. About \$1,800 was raised. This year it is facing a campaign to raise \$2,000.

We are depending chiefly upon the children to raise this money, but it is very essential that the adult comrades help as much as possible. There are several ways in which this can be done. First, adult organizations can make collections of money and send them in directly to the NEW PIONEER. Every Party and Y.O.L.U. unit can make a collection of at least a quarter and send it in. If every Unit did this much, it would help tremendously. Second, every Unit should take a bundle of NEW PIONEERS once a month. Individual members can buy copies for children they know (their own children, if these children do not read the NEW PIONEER). Then the magazine can be used in canvassing. Where you go canvassing with the Daily Worker, take a few copies of the magazine along for the children. They will like the magazine, and you will have an additional approach to their parents, who will often organize for the needs of their children sooner than for their own needs.

It should be necessary to say that every child of every Party member and every child of a member of a mass organization should be a reader of the NEW PIONEER. However, figures and other evidence prove that it is necessary to say this. Many comrades who are good Communists in other respects fail to fulfill their Communist duty when it comes to their own children. They fail to realize the importance of the working class education of the child in our society, where from his earliest years he is given education against the working class in the schools, movies, newspapers, books, etc.

The Boy Scouts at the present time have a membership of almost a million boys ready to carry through the program of the ruling class at all times. In the last war the Scouts sold Liberty Bonds and War Savings Stamps worth more than \$2,000,000. The Scouts are now engaged in a recruiting campaign. They have the full support of the ruling class, naturally.

The working class organization is very important for the working class. Yet we continually neglect it. Beside every branch of every mass organization there should be built a Junior Branch of Pioneers. This is a simple task to accomplish. Children of class conscious parents want to be organized and educated in the ideas of the workers—that is, if we approach them before the schools, etc., have alienated them from the working class. There is such a thing as leaving it until too late.

The NEW PIONEER is an organizer and educator of workers' and farmers' children. Yet we continually neglect it. We do not spread it, even though the task of spreading it is so easy. Let us stress again that it is a good magazine, generally conceded to be the "best in our movement." Children like it. Yet many children of our class-conscious parents don't even see it! Surely this negligence is a criminal thing, arising from a lack of understanding the political importance of preparing our children to fight with us and not against us.

Let us correct this attitude, comrades! Let us organize Junior Branches in every mass organization. Let us buy the NEW PIONEER, give it to our children, take it with us when we go canvassing, and, until such a time as the magazine through our work will have become self-supporting, let us support it financially as a valuable instrument in winning the working class children for the working class.

Had this been true it would have meant a serious if not a disastrous blow to the Red Army.

What is the actual situation? The taking of Juikun is confirmed and is not "a disastrous blow to the Red Army," quite the contrary. The effective carrying out of the new strategy and tactics of the Red Army of China has proved to be a disastrous blow for the sixth anti-Soviet campaign of Chiang Kai-shek. This is flat-footedly admitted by all outstanding imperialist spokesmen in the Far East.

Before quoting from the press of the enemy, we want to refer to a brilliant article, entitled "New Conditions and New Tactics in Soviet China," by Wan Min, member of the Executive Committee of the Communist International. This article will be published in full in tomorrow's issue of the Daily Worker. Comrade Wan Min declares:

"According to the Japanese news agency, Shimbun Renbo, which reports from Shanghai, Nov. 14: 'The increasing main fighting forces of the Chinese Red Army on Nov. 10

Sung Hsu received a sentence of 12 years, Lin Sung Wu seven years, and Chen Sui Yang six years. Similar sentences were given the other prisoners. In the Nanking prison, where they have been held since their arrest, the eight Chinese militants have been subjected to the most inhuman treatment.

The eight Chinese anti-imperialists were arrested for their participation in the anti-Japanese boycott and for having initiated the movement for armed self-defense against the invasion of Japanese imperialism as set forth in the manifesto of Madame Sun Yat Sen. In 1932,

they stood for the defense of Shanghai against the Japanese. For these crimes, Chiang Kai-shek and the imperialists are now threatening to execute the eight militant fighters for the liberation of China.

Another Group Held
Another group of Chinese militants is being held in the prison of the International Settlement in Shanghai. One of these, Pen Chen-Sen, died early in November from the suffering and torture he was forced to undergo in prison. His funeral on Nov. 12 was made a gigantic demonstration against international imperialism and the Kuomintang.

A committee for the defense of both groups has been formed in China and is leading a militant protest movement in their defense.

The International Labor Defense yesterday appealed to all organizations to wire their protests on the brutal treatment and threatened execution of these Chinese militants to Chiang Kai-shek, Nanking, China; to Dr. Alfred Sze, Chinese Embassy, Washington, D. C., and to the Chinese Consulates throughout the country.

Have you sent your dollar bill to put the Daily Worker over the top in the financial campaign?

TAKING A LEAF FROM HITLER'S BOOK



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**Chiang Kai-shek Drive on Soviets--
A Boomerang Against Imperialists**

By Harry Gannes

A reading of the English language imperialist press in China and Japan shows that the foreign military advisers and financial backers of the Chiang Kai-shek anti-Soviet war are bitterly disappointed and fearful over the outcome of Chiang Kai-shek's "victory" in Kiangsi province.

The carefully laid plans of Chiang Kai-shek, abetted and aided by American imperialism, Italian and German fascism, have not only gone awry but have proved to be a disastrous boomerang.

Chiang Kai-shek has been endeavoring to encircle the central Soviet district with a ring of steel fortresses, of over 800,000 soldiers, and 300 bombing planes. His aim was to draw the iron chain tighter and tighter, and finally to strangle the Chinese Soviets.

But this strategy of the Kuomintang butcher, assisted by the best military experience of the imperialist bandits, plus their millions of dollars, has been defeated by the Chinese Soviets. The iron ring has been pierced in three points, and it lies broken, embracing an empty void, while the Red Army marches onward to greater assault against the Kuomintang, against imperialist and native landlord capitalist rule in China.

Was Strategic Move
In this respect, we must point out that failure to understand the strategic move of the Chinese Soviets, has led some friends of the Chinese people into very grave and dangerous errors. While in reality attempting to expose the lying statements of Chiang Kai-shek, the New Masses in its latest issue has been unconsciously too much influenced by his official news agency. Denying that Juikun, capital of the central Soviet district had fallen into the hands of the Kuomintang, the New Masses in an editorial declares:

"Had this been true it would have meant a serious if not a disastrous blow to the Red Army."
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abandoned Juikun—up to now the capital of central Soviet China—and took their positions in the direction of Szechuan. The surrender of the city followed in conformity with a previously prepared plan, whereby all administrative buildings and military quarters, including the central bank and military academy were completely evacuated.... Although not yet confirmed by our own sources of information this report from a Japanese imperialist may be considered as very likely true. These strategic measures of the Red Army of China are neither startling nor unexpected for us, since this step, so loudly proclaimed in the dispatches lying before me, had been long foreseen by the high command of the Chinese Red Army as an essential condition arising out of new conditions of struggle which continually stipulate new tactics."

The main objective of the Red Army was to pierce the Kuomintang iron ring in the South, and to join with the forces of the Red Army in Szechuan, with the aim of concentrating the largest forces in that territory, extending the Soviet districts, transferring the central Soviet district to a territory a hundred-fold more favorable for its success. This aim is being achieved. Even Chiang Kai-shek is forced to admit it. The Chinese Revolution now has a more powerful, a more impregnable base, insuring the final victory of the Soviets over all of China.

At the same time, the Red Army pierced the Kuomintang armed forces in Fukien Province, marching to Northeastern Fukien and Southeastern Chekiang Province. Another army smashed its way through Hunan Province, marching more deeply into China, completely set at naught the carefully worked out military plans of Chiang Kai-shek.

The successful carrying out of the tactics of the Red Army under the new conditions has presented Chiang Kai-shek with greater difficulties by far than he faced when he first began his anti-Communist drive.

Proof? It is so voluminous we will have to content ourselves here only with the choice bits of evidence. First a Reuter dispatch published in the North China Daily News, Shanghai, Nov. 8, from Nanking, which gives it an official stamp: "Realizing the disastrous consequences if the Communists were to succeed in entering Kweichow, thus joining forces with the Reds in Szechuan, the government is urging the southwest forces and Hunan troops to rush reinforcements to check the escape of the Communists."

On Nov. 13, Chiang Kai-shek had

World Front

By HARRY GANNES

**"They Eat Even Tree Bark"
Starvation in Japan
Peasant Mother's Advice**

ON THE question of starvation in their own lands the imperialists mutually accommodate each other. The American boss press prints nothing about the devastating famine in Japan, of which there is voluminous pictorial, statistical, oral and written evidence. The Japanese press, likewise, doesn't say much about the hunger of the unemployed in the United States.

For a long while, the Japanese press tried to hide facts of the famine, at its worst in the Tohoku district. But failing in that, it has now come out with some of the truth.

On one day we see a picture in the Japanese press (Osaka Mainichi, Nov. 21, 1934). We see the reproduction of a photograph with the heading: "They eat even tree bark." Below the caption reads: "Starvation has caused the people of Tohoku to seek anything that may be called edible. It has now become a common practice to scrape off the bark of trees, as here shown, pound it into pulp, and mix it with something else (perhaps the good wishes of the Osaka Mainichi-H. G.), just to keep their stomachs filled."

The American workers are getting their stomachs filled with Roosevelt's promises, which are even less edible than the scrapings of the tree trunks.

In later issues of the Osaka Mainichi there are more pictures of people tearing at tree trunks to keep themselves alive.

THE pictures, like the one I have before me now, are ghastly. One woman is shown furiously hacking into the tree bark to get at some of the pulp. Another, weeping bitterly, stuffs some of the scrapings into her mouth. On her back is an emaciated infant. Another child, with that aged, pinched look of starving children.

The government, considerate of the morals of the people, has pasted up posters throughout the district saying: "Don't sell your daughters!" More than 30,000 have already been sold to houses of prostitution, now frequented more than usual by the rich landlords, who have come to enjoy the new crop that has come out of the starvation of the peasantry.

"Amanojaku," the Walter Winchell of Japan, describes the exodus of the girls of the Tohoku district to the brothels. "Ruthless famine forces many districts to become desolate, deprived of all budding girls," he headlines his column. Then he becomes poetic and touching: "Deserted Village" by Goldsmith in touching Tableau Vivants. Amanojaku goes on to say:

WHEN told to accept the life of shame in the hell, the girl usually nods her assent—but not without tears and inward bleeding. A country lassie has her sense of modesty.

"It is when the girl packs up her few things and is about to bid farewell to her parents and her little brother and sisters that the most unimaginable thing happens. "Her mother, with her eyes swollen from weeping all night, and ever so sad to see her daughter taken away from her, holds the child in her arms and whispers in her ear: 'Don't return to this cursed place if you can help it!'"

Life must be indeed bitter for the Japanese peasants if a mother tells her daughter a house of prostitution is better than slavery and starvation for the rich landowners.

In preparing war against the Soviet Union, the Japanese imperialists, the rich landlords and industrialists, are insuring greater starvation for the Japanese workers and peasants. The Japanese war budget is the largest in all history. Taxation is increasing, and the rich landlord transfers it to the peasants, depriving them of every grain of rice, of all hope of paying of his debts.

It is this dual effect of the Japanese war plans, the constant need for enlarging its war machine, and the impoverishment of the masses, that speeds the day of war. Japanese imperialism is in a race with war and revolution. The imperialist masters war—in order to stave off revolution. But they will not be able to escape revolution of the starving, oppressed masses.

The Communist Party of Japan, despite ferocious terror, despite over 7,000 of its members suffering in fiendish prisons, is striving, fighting day and night, to rally the forces of the Japanese proletariat to end such horrible starvation, such terrible war moves that result from the rule of the Japanese war lords.

**Women's Delegation
Visits the Saarland**

SAARBRUECKEN, Dec. 18.—The delegation of nine women from Metz and Orne Valley, which arrived in Saarbruecken on Nov. 30 and which was organized by the Women's World Committee against War and Fascism, has gone on to the mining district of Merschweiler. Some members of the delegation are remaining in Saarbruecken.

The delegates are visiting families, will speak at room meetings, and show the courageous Saarland antifascists that they have allies in other countries. The Dutch delegate, Lie Tillemé-Meinen, a pacifist, has just arrived. She attended a united front meeting of the Young Communist and Young Socialist Leagues in an evening, an event unknown in her native country, where the Social-Democrats have rejected the united front proposals.

Have you sent your dollar bill to put the Daily Worker over the top in the financial campaign?

**Answer the Counter-
Revolutionists**

TOGETHER with the news of the executions of 23 more white guard assassins and terrorists in the Soviet Union, the Daily Worker today publishes revealing extracts from the Russian Czarist organ, the "Fascist."

The "Fascist," published in the United States by dregs of the white guard emigres, openly boasts that it, and its associated organizations throughout the world, work for the sending of armed groups into the Soviet Union to assassinate Communist leaders and to sabotage Socialist construction.

When 103 of their members are caught in the crime, after the assassination of Comrade Kirov, when the workers' fatherland treats them as they deserve for trying to bring back the hunger regime of the Czar with its degeneracy and misery, no wonder a yelp is let out here by all foes of the victorious workers' revolution.

What is most despicable, however, is the assistance of the Socialist leader, Algonquin Lee, given to these white guards in their "protest" after they so openly boasted of their murder deeds, and their criminal objectives in the Soviet Union.

It is not surprising further that these white guard terrorists should penetrate into the Trotskyite and former Zinoviev groups. These degenerate elements recognize in these groups a common aim of advancing the cause of counter-revolutionary resistance to Socialist advance in the U.S.S.R.

The Trotskyites bitterly assail the construction of Socialism in one country, furiously slander the stalwart and brilliant leader of the Soviet Union, Comrade Stalin, as well as the Communist Party of the U. S. S. R. They thereby give heart and encouragement to all capitalist forces willing to use any instrument against the workers' fatherland no matter what spurious banner it gives itself. The main activity of the Trotskyites has been to work up a counter-revolutionary lynch spirit against the proletarian leaders in the Soviet Union.

Nothing likes company better, without being concerned about its origin, than the counter-revolution against the Soviet Union. These forces travel down the same road no matter what songs they whistle to keep up their courage. And when one of their murder detachments finds it has reached a blank wall, why should there be any howling except from those who are grieved to find their plans have gone awry against the fortress of the world proletarian revolution?

We urge all our readers not to fail to read the editorial from "Izvestia," also published on our first page today. "Izvestia" declares that no cowardly shot, no terrorist efforts can stem the glorious and rapid advance of Socialist construction and its extremely happy phase now unrolling in the Soviet Union.

Against the united front of counter-revolution, which aims above all to stop the success of Socialist construction and its revolutionary inspiration to the workers of the entire world, the working class should weld its united front against reaction and for the defense of the Soviet Union.

The united front of counter-revolution, stretching all the way from the Japanese imperialists to the German fascist butchers, on down to the Russian white guards, the Trotskyites with their unholy alliance of J. P. Cannon and A. J. Muste in this country, and the Socialist Algonquin Lee, should be answered by the revolutionary workers in this country and the friends of the Soviet Union by a united front for the defense of the Soviet Union.

A New Deportation Drive

THE employers are striking new blows against the foreign-born workers in this country.

A new wave of deportations is rising, with the Roosevelt government taking the lead in spreading terrorism among militant foreign-born workers.

Since the San Francisco general strike more than 20 workers have been deported as a result of their militant activity in defense of the welfare of the workers against the employers.

Almost every day another worker is seized. In two days two workers, Oscar Mannisto and Paul Kettinen, come up before the Federal District Court, where the government will attempt to railroad them out of the country.

Roosevelt knows what he is doing in this terrorism against foreign-born workers. His Labor Department is cooperating with the new offensive begun by the National Chamber of Commerce and the National Association of Manufacturers to split the ranks of labor and smash the labor movement.

To meet this reactionary drive which helps pave the way for fascism, and for the smashing of all workers' organizations and living standards, the Conference for the Protection of Foreign Born will be held Sunday, Jan. 13, at 2 p.m. at Irving Plaza, New York City.

Support of this conference is a serious duty of all working class organizations. Funds to aid the fight against the Roosevelt deportation drive should be sent to 80 E. 11th St., Room 611, New York City.

The deportation of foreign-born workers hits the wage standards of native workers, since in this way the employers seek to weaken the working class in its fight for class unity. When they can split the workers this way, they can reduce the wages of all workers, native and foreign-born.

We must fight this chauvinism and this reactionary terrorism! Fight the deportation drive! Defend the full rights of the foreign-born to economic, social and political equality!

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