

FOSTER URGES HUGE DEMONSTRATION IN MADISON SQUARE GARDEN MONDAY

By WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

Every friend of the Soviet Union must become alarmed at the accurate timing of Hearst's unparalleled lying, vicious, anti-Soviet campaign with the Nazi and Japanese militarist renewed drive for war against the workers' fatherland.

The baying of the war hounds of capitalism against the Soviet Union grows louder daily. Every advance in Socialist construction in the Soviet Union, with capitalism floundering in deeper crisis, is met by the enraged bosses with more active hate against the land of Socialism.

Secretary of State Hull and Roosevelt have done their dirty parts. They have inspired and encouraged Hitler and the Japanese imperialists to continue their ceaseless steps to war against the Soviet Union.

The immediate rallying point in the campaign to arouse the American people against this war danger is the huge mass demonstration planned for

Madison Square Garden next Monday at 7:30 P.M. This meeting, called by the Friends of the Soviet Union, should get a hearty response from all workers, all anti-fascists, all enemies of imperialist war.

All out to Madison Square Garden Monday night! Defend the Soviet Union!

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WAGNER ADMITS BILL AIDS OPEN SHOP

Chiefs in New 'Truce' as Bronx Elevator Men Vote Strike

Needle, Fur Workers To Strike in Buildings Where Lift Men Quit

Bambrick Calls General Strike 'Unwise' in Talk to Union

Despite a unanimous strike vote by 600 shop stewards of the Bronx local of the Building Service Employees Union at a meeting at Vasa Castle Wednesday night and the settling of a strike "zero hour" for 2 p. m. yesterday, Louis Cooper, president of the local, yesterday agreed to another "truce" with the landlords until 11 a. m. this morning.

Cooper's announcement of the postponement of the strike call followed on the heels of a telegram to the union yesterday from James J. Lyons, Borough President of the Bronx, "suggesting" to Cooper that the strike call be "deferred until the realtors, who are to meet today, have a chance to act."

Meanwhile leaders of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union and the Fur Workers Industrial Union announced that members of their unions would go out on strike in every building where the Building Service Employees Union called a strike.

Fifteen hundred workers employed at 322 Eighth Avenue have already walked out in protest against attempts by the owners of the building to operate the elevators with strikebreakers. It was announced at the office of the Building Service Employees Union.

While the widespread demand among Bronx building workers for a general strike was being dissipated in the setting of "zero hours" which were moved ahead whenever strike action seemed imminent, 6,000 Manhattan members of the union, assembled at a meeting in the Star Casino, heard Bambrick, president of the Local 32B, say that "a general strike is unwise at the present time," and 500 Brooklyn members of the union listened to George Troy, vice president of the Brooklyn local, declare that "any strike you start now without our authorization deserves to be broken by the realty owners."

Before the mass meeting in Star Casino started, Bambrick issued a 24-hour ultimatum to the landlords

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Ledger Halts Strike Parley

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 21.—Trustees of the Newark Ledger broke off negotiations last night in discussion of settlement of the Newspaper Guild's three-month strike by refusing demands of the strikers.

As against the Guild's demands for Guild recognition, return to the job of all strikers, the union shop and discharge of the scabs, the Board of Trustees offered to take back some of the strikers, refused recognition of the union, and offered a minimum wage of \$20.

One of the Guild pickets, John J. Wilson, was attacked by Joe Donovan, sports writer, who first joined in the walk-out and later returned to the job to scab. Donovan, accompanied by several of his cronies, assaulted Wilson. Police who came to the scene pinned Wilson's arms while Donovan belabored him with blows on the face.

Wilson demanded Donovan's arrest, but at the First Precinct police station, Lieutenant Doremus, instead of accepting the striker's charge, asked the scab what charge he would prefer against Wilson. Wilson, whose face was battered, and who later needed hospital care, was charged with "breach of the peace." He will come up for trial Saturday morning at the First Precinct Police Court.

Browder to Speak At Protest Meeting Tonight on China

Plans for new and more carefully outlined attacks against the Chinese Red Army and the entire liberation movement of China have been pushed the past few days, the Friends of the Chinese People pointed out yesterday, when the organization issued a last-minute call for a record-smashing attendance at the Central Opera House meeting tonight, at 205 East 67th Street.

Earl Browder will be the main speaker at this monster protest meeting against the Japanese invasion of North China and the present concentration of forces for war against the Soviet Union. The betrayal of Chiang Kai-shek in suppressing the anti-Japanese movement and the aid rendered by American imperialism in the collective drive against the Chinese people will be discussed at the rally.

MAYOR BALKS FARE ISSUES

Evades Direct Queries; Belief Fare Will Rise Held Confirmed

Mayor LaGuardia evaded, dodged or simply refused to answer questions about the 5-cent fare at his press conference yesterday with a persistence that confirmed the belief in many quarters that a 7-cent or an 8-cent fare is next in the cards.

Asked whether the 5-cent fare wasn't fixed by law, the Mayor dodged.

"Listen, I gotta organize this thing first," he complained. "One thing at a time."

The "thing" to be organized is the purchase of the B.-M. T. by the city at the price already agreed upon, \$185,000,000 net, and the unification of the B.-M. T. with the city-owned Eighth Avenue subway. If this goes through, the 5-cent fare will definitely be out, it is felt, since State law requires all municipally-operated lines to be self-supporting.

A "Legal" Fare Rise Under unification, with the heavy burden of paying the interest on and retiring the securities that will be given the present owners of the B.-M. T. and meeting the financial obligations incurred in constructing the Eighth Avenue line, the subway system will not be self-supporting. In order to meet its obligations the unified line will thus legally "have" to raise the fare.

To the proposal of John H. DeLaney, chairman of the Transit Commission, that the new unified line be operated by a quasi-public body, the Board of Transit Control, to be set up by act of the State Legislature, and thus not come under the provisions of the State law requiring city-owned lines to be self-supporting, the Mayor would not commit himself.

3-Cent Fare Smoke-screen That the path to an increased fare might be a devious one was also indicated by the Mayor. Questioned about the possibility of a 3-cent fare on the unified lines a proposal hinted at the day previously, the Mayor termed it "a possible competitive fare." According to the Mayor's strategy, this would help bring the price of the I. R. T. down.

U.S.S.R. URGES BROAD PACTS AGAINST WAR

Calls for Real Carrying Out of All Plans to Save Peace

(Special to the Daily Worker) MOSCOW, Feb. 21 (By Cable).—Because of the wide publicity given by the Soviet government to certain features of the recently concluded London agreement between France and Great Britain which would spur fascist Germany to war against the Soviet Union, the French Ambassador Alphonse Lamont, Foreign Commissioner for the Soviet Union, the opinion of the Soviet government concerning the agreement. In its answer, published here today, the Soviet government pointed out that annulling or weakening the present system of non-aggression pacts and Eastern European treaties would render a general European war imminent.

For Security Pacts "We have long since come to the conclusion," the Soviet communiqué stated, "that in the face of the manifest impossibility of the realization of complete disarmament and the difficulty of the control and limitation of armaments, the only means of counteracting the approaching real danger of a new armed conflict among the nations is a system of regional pacts, securing mutual assistance among those states which sincerely strive to ward off that danger."

"Therefore the Soviet government learned with satisfaction that the French and British ministers have outlined a scheme of such pacts which would secure the safety of all states in Europe, especially at the most vulnerable points. At the same

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Ready for War, Italy Declares

ROME, Feb. 21.—The war policy of Mussolini came out into the open today, when the dispatch of troops to East Africa was speeded and the Supreme War Council of the Italian bankers and industrialists declared that it was prepared to thrust its war sword into the Negro nation of Abyssinia to the hilt.

The traditional belief that Italy is poor in war materials is no longer justified," boasted a communiqué at the end of the War Council's meeting.

It was admitted Italy could not supply enough food stuffs to feed adequately the colonial army of invasion and the starving population. The deficiency was especially sharp in meats. In metals the country "possessed appreciable resources" of iron, lead, zinc, etc. Nitrogen, the basis of all explosives, will be provided by a number of recently constructed plants, which "are now functioning with satisfactory efficiency."

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Ranks Swell in Support Of F.S.U. Rally in Garden

Unions, Professionals Join Protest Against Anti-Soviet Acts

Scores of labor organizations and prominent individuals have issued statements endorsing the mass demonstration next Monday at Madison Square Garden to protest the break in U. S.-Soviet trade negotiations, the Friends of the Soviet Union announced yesterday.

Among those who have endorsed the demonstration are almost a hundred prominent American writers, educators and editors, as well as many important New York unions.

A telegram from J. B. Matthews, to the F. S. U. calling for wide support to the Garden demonstration, declared:

"Hearst-Morgan-Roosevelt prepare for war and impoverishment of American workers. Trade Unions, liberals, Socialists, Communists, can and must unite in supporting Lundeen bill resumption of trade negotiations with U. S. S. R. and in opposition to war and fascism."

J. B. Matthews is to be one of the speakers at Monday's demonstration. Other speakers will be Congressman Ernest Lundeen of Minnesota; James Waterman Wise, editor of "Opinion: A Journal of Jewish Life and Letters"; Prof. Charles Kuntz, national head of

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MINE BOSSES PLAN TERROR

Strikers Look for Move to Spread Walkout in Anthracite

By George Morris (Special to the Daily Worker)

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Feb. 21.—Thomas Meloney, district president of the United Anthracite Miners of Pennsylvania, announced yesterday a special meeting of all local presidents and secretaries of District One of the union, to take place Sunday evening. While no announcement was revealed as to the purpose of the meeting, striking miners are generally looking for a move to spread the strike and for more decisive measures to counter the attack of the Glen Alden Coal Company.

Following a complete standstill in its mines for five days, and systematic soliciting of scabs by foremen, the Glen Alden Company announced today it will attempt to open six of its fifteen collieries tomorrow. The company chose those mines which strategically offer them the better opportunity to get scabs. The announced opening confirms the warnings of Unemployed Councils and the C.P. of this

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UNIONS FIGHT SLAVE WAGES

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UNION PLANS TO SPREAD DRESS STRIKE

10,000 Out in Chicago for New Weekly Pay Minimum



Ernest Lundeen

CHICAGO, Feb. 21.—While police seized scores of pickets in the walk-out of 10,000 wash dress workers here, plans were laid down by the International Ladies Garment Workers Union to open additional strike halls to strengthen the strike. All of Chicago's shops in the industry, union leaders said, are spread over a wide area, and additional halls will make the strike more effective.

The strike was called, according to Morris Blais, vice-president of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union and manager of the Chicago District, against 30 manufacturers, who, after forming a new union-smashing apparatus, refused to grant union recognition and wage increases.

Demand \$16 Minimum The strikers demand \$16 a week minimum wages, 15 per cent increase for cutters, and more equal distribution of work.

The newly-formed manufacturers' group voted last night to continue its refusal to recognize the union, but several firms have applied for a settlement.

Marshal Field Shop Closed Marshal Field's shop in an outlying section has been closed down, and pickets are stationed at the Wholesale Division in the Merchandise Mart.

Declaring that the strike call has not yet reached all shops, the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union today offered its assistance in bringing out the workers in the South Side especially, where the strike is weakest.

DECATUR, Ill., Feb. 21.—Twelve pickets were arrested here today in the wash dress strike that has been called in four shops.

Paris Toilers Rap Fascists

PARIS, Feb. 21.—Ten thousand Socialists and Communists massed tonight at the East Railway Station in a huge demonstration against the fascist Austrian government, which drowned in blood the heroic defensive uprising of the Vienna workers last year. The occasion was the arrival of the Austrian Chancellor, Kurt Schuschnigg, and Foreign Minister Egon Berger-Waldenegg.

The Socialists and Communists chose an excellent hour for their demonstration. Four thousand police and Mobile Guards deployed strategically around the station, with reserves hidden in the subways, but they were foiled by some 50,000 commuters who entrain at the station between four and six o'clock.

Building Service-Men--Defeat Arbitration!

AN EDITORIAL

The building service workers have voted on various occasions in membership and shop steward meetings for strike for their demands. The Bronx shop steward meeting voted for strike at their meeting Wednesday night.

The vote of the building service workers in favor of strike shows that the union membership realizes that they cannot rely upon employers' politicians who are the representatives of the Realty Board. The building service workers learned when LaGuardia's arbitration Board gave its anti-union "award" that the LaGuardia administration was acting in the interests of the employers.

The strikebreaking role of the LaGuardia administration was once more confirmed when LaGuardia engineered this week's "truce" which once more granted the terms of the employers that the "award" should stand for six months. LaGuardia openly

Company Unionism Upheld in Measure, N. Y. Senator Says

No Digression From Status Quo, Senate Is Informed

By Marguerite Young (Daily Worker Washington Bureau)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 21.—Senator Robert F. Wagner, bluntly declaring it his purpose to "stabilize and improve business," and to "reduce the likelihood of another conflagration of strife such as we witnessed last Summer," today revived his labor disputes bill. The measure "The National Labor Relations Bill," would legalize company unions, revitalize the National Labor Relations Board and lay a basis for compulsory arbitration, thus infringing on the right to strike. It would label the Labor Board an "independent agency," but would have its three \$10,000-a-year members appointed by President Roosevelt.

For Status Quo Wagner, the Tammany Senator who headed Roosevelt's National Labor Board and dominated the making of strike-breaking policies which led workers to call the Board part of the "National Run Around," presented his bill to the Senate. At the same time the Senator inserted in the record a speech saying:

"Let me emphasize that nothing in the measure discourages employees from uniting on an independent or company union basis. It does not even state that Congress favors the policy of a closed shop. Far from suggesting a change, it merely preserves the status quo."

The bill was referred to the Senate Committee on Education and Labor. At the moment, it lacks full Roosevelt Administration support because the dominant industrialists oppose the Wagner bill's proposal to declare majority-rule the standard. This provision is designed to revive the illusions of workers who have struck and retracted against the present Labor Board's tactic of calling sham elections.

Green Gives a Hand While Wagner pushed his bill, President William Green of the American Federation of Labor joined a House Committee in advancing another means of propping up the N.R.A. structure. Green en-

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SACRAMENTO JUDGE RILED

Shouts When Gallagher Attempts to Introduce Evidence

By Michael Quin (Special to the Daily Worker)

SACRAMENTO, Calif., Feb. 21.—Yesterday's session in the framed criminal syndicalism trial here of 15 worker defendants was marked by bitter clashes between Leo Gallagher, International Labor Defense attorney, and Judge Dal M. Lemmon, as Gallagher vigorously fought the combined efforts of the court and the prosecution to block the defense's exposure of the prosecution's distortions on the Communist position against individual acts of terror.

An attempt by the court to prevent the reading of an editorial from the Western Worker by Sam Darcy, Communist candidate for Governor of California in the last elections, was defeated by a stubborn struggle by the defense.

Judge Shouts

When Darcy was told by the court not to read the editorial, Gallagher declared he would put another witness on the stand to identify the paper as one sold at the Workers' Book Shop here at the time of the vigilante and police raids on the shop. Judge Lemmon declared he would "not permit such foolishness," and Gallagher retorted by citing him for error. Lemmon, losing his judicial "dignity," shouted: "Quote any more of this, Mr. Gallagher, and you and I will have a private session by ourselves."

Gallagher, unflinched, removed Darcy from the stand and swore in the defendant, Fred Kirkwood, former literature agent, and had him identify the paper as among the literature seized in the raids. He then recalled Darcy to the stand and forced the court to allow the reading of the editorial, entitled "Workers Demand the Right to Defend Themselves." It was printed last February in connection with the attacks by landowners and their vigilante bands on Imperial Valley and San Joaquin strikers.

Communist Position

The editorial, clearly defining the Communist position on force and violence, cautioned the strikers against any individual acts of violence.

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Farmer in Montana On Relief Sends \$1 For Scottsboro Fund

"I am sorry I couldn't send the dollar long ago, but as I am on relief, I get \$9 a month, and I can't get hold of a cent any other place, and I had to wait until I got the check today."

"I am sorry I can't send \$100 instead of 100 cents."

This letter from a farmer in Montana is typical of the response, mainly from the poorest people in the country, to the appeal of the International Labor Defense for the Scottsboro-Herdon Defense Fund.

With the Herndon case coming up for argument before the United States Supreme Court within the next couple of weeks, and the decision in the Scottsboro cases pending, funds are urgently needed to carry through the legal defense and the mass campaign.

Rush funds for Scottsboro-Herdon defense to the national office of the I. L. D., Room 610, 80 East 11th Street, N. Y. C.

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Mine Strikers Vote to Return

By Tom Keenan (Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Pa., Feb. 21.—Three thousand miners of the Vesta Coal Company voted last night to end the walkout which has kept Vesta Mines No. 4, 5 and 6, of the Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation shut down tight since Tuesday morning. The return to work is being made only on the basis of further consolidating forces throughout District 5 of the United Mine Workers.

The strike, which started Monday in Vesta and quickly spread to the other two shafts, was called specifically against enforcement by the management of a clause of the contract covering the wearing of safety goggles. But basically it was a walk-out against accumulated grievances against which the Lewis contract gives the miners no recourse.

At local union meetings during the shutdown, many voiced sentiment for continuing the strike against the agreement, for a new wage scale, for the \$6, 6-hour day, 5-day week, etc., but it was finally decided to build towards April 1. A mass meeting is called for Sunday afternoon in Daisytown for the joint pit committees of the Vesta mines, to which delegates from the J. and L. steel workers are invited.

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RESISTANCE IS RISING AGAINST SALES TAX PLANS IN TWO STATES

Mass Conference in Philadelphia Monday—City Pays Nothing for Jobless—N. J. Tax Plan Scored by Communists

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 21.—The West Philadelphia Unemployment Councils today called for a mass conference of all groups to plan the fight against the State sales tax proposals of Governor Hoffman. The conference will be held Monday night at 8 o'clock at Kings Hall, 507 North Forty-first Street.

The call for the conference points out that Governor Earle's taxes upon the masses call for relief expenditures of \$120,000,000 over a two-year period despite the fact that under the present relief, a total of \$480,000,000 is being spent for a similar period. This double-edged sword aims to slash relief even below the present standards while at the same strike it will put the burden squarely upon the backs of the working population.

Relief Stop Threatened

While unemployed throughout the State are threatened with a complete stoppage of all relief under a recent announcement of Relief Administrator Johnson, the city of Philadelphia has contributed not one penny to relief to its 450,000 jobless since 1931, it was reported here yesterday.

The barrage of publicity being given to this fact at present is intended to prepare the way for sweeping sales taxation upon the masses.

While the city is completely ignoring the destitution among the working population, the relief lists in Philadelphia last Friday reached the highest point of the crisis with 99,300 families on the lists. The previous peak was reached in May, 1933, when 70,000 families were on the relief lists. Fully 450,000 are unemployed, the Unemployment Councils state. Relief, when given, averages only \$8.23 a month for each family.

Around a program for relief financing which calls for increased taxation graduated upwards on all incomes above \$5,000 a year, increased levies on large realty holdings and taxes upon the profits of all utilities and corporations, the Unemployment Councils are holding mass meetings and calling for support from all groups.

Plans are being pushed to send a mass delegation to Harrisburg, the State capital in March to demand increased relief and enactment of the Workers Unemployment, Old Age and Social Insurance Bill by the State pending its enactment by the Federal government.

Fight Jersey Sales Tax

NEWARK, N. J., Feb. 21.—In an open letter to Governor Hoffman of New Jersey, the Communist Party (New Jersey, District 14) demands that he drop his entire sales tax program, which places a levy on every common article of consumption including foodstuffs.

The Communist Party has put forward a six-point program for relief financing and mobilizing the workers behind this program. These call for: endorsement of the Workers Unemployment, Old Age and Social Insurance Bill, H. R. 2827 by the State Legislature, graduated income taxes upon all incomes and inheritances above \$5,000 a year, and funds National Guard, State armories, etc.) to be applied to unemployment relief; relief in accordance with the benefit scales provided in the Workers' Bill, H. R. 2827; complete tax exemption for all persons earning less than \$5,000 yearly, and abolition of all forms of discrimination against the Negro people, youth, women, foreign-born, part-time workers and others.

C. P. Issues Open Letter

The open letter of the Communist Party to Governor Hoffman, which has been reprinted and is being circulated by the tens of thousands, brands his tax program for what it is—taxes upon the masses and increased exemption for the large property owners and the wealthy.

"We read your bill for the sales tax," the letter states, "which also includes a tax on food. The taxes according to your bill would yield \$35,000,000 a year for emergency relief, reducing the income from real estate taxes by one third. You would exempt from taxes hotels and places of amusement which are frequented mostly by those in better circumstances, and make up the amount by a two per cent food tax, thereby reducing the purchasing power of the employed and unemployed workers.

"All you have to offer to the tens of thousands of unemployed young workers is militarized C. C. C. camps, where they are forced to work under the most unfavorable conditions."

Mass Meeting Saturday

At a hearing on the sales tax measures yesterday, Governor Hoffman admitted that the taxes were unpopular and would be defeated if placed before the people for vote. At the hearings, representatives of the Communist Party and other working class organizations united to oppose the tax measures. I. Gordon of the Communist Party demanded the enactment of the Communist six-point program and the enactment of the Workers' Bill, Jack Rose, State organizer of the powerful New Jersey State Federation of Unemployed and Relief Workers, and F. Haugh of the same group, presented the opposition of the unemployed to the sweeping taxes.

Chiefs in New Truce as Bronx Men Vote Strike

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in the fur, garment and millinery districts of Manhattan, saying that if they continue to refuse to accept the terms laid down by the Union at the conference with realtors' representatives Wednesday at the Hotel Holland, the Manhattan members of the union would be called out on strike.

Realtors Walk Out of Session

The conference was broken up by the realtors when their leading representative, Walter Gordon Merritt, notorious open shop attorney, walked out of the meeting. Bambrick had presented the Union's demands of \$26, \$24 and \$22 minimum wages, respectively, for buildings in A, B, and C categories, while the landlords' agents had offered \$24, \$22 and \$20. At the meeting in Star Casino Bambrick declared the union would refuse to budge an inch on these demands.

The groups representing the Manhattan landlords at the conference own 640 buildings in Manhattan, most of them in the mid-town sector.

City Ready With Seabs

Board of Health inspectors were still being held in reserve by Mayor LaGuardia to help break a general strike should one be called. They have been instructed to telephone Board of Health headquarters every hour for instructions and have been ordered to report for special strike duty today, a legal holiday.

Thousands of police were mobilized in the Bronx yesterday when it seemed certain that a strike would be called. Police officials had scores of trucks ready to transport the uniformed thugs to strike points.

Every reference made by Bambrick to Mayor LaGuardia was met with catcalls and jeers by the membership. When Bambrick demanded that the members show their respect for the Mayor, the jeers increased. He was forced to drop the subject when workers shouted, "We remember what LaGuardia did in the taxi strike."

Unions Fight Slave Wages

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ment slashing the works bill to provide only for the barest minimum hunger doses.

As union labor throughout the country besieged Washington with demands that prevailing trade union rates be paid on all relief projects, the A. F. of L. Trade Union Committee for Unemployment Insurance and Relief announced a mass meeting to be held Saturday, March 2, at 2 p. m., at Irving Plaza Hall, Fifteenth Street and Irving Place, to marshal forces to demand union wages and conditions on the jobs, full organization rights, and enactment of the Workers' Unemployment, Old Age and Social Insurance Bill, H. R. 2827.

In Bremerton, Washington, the Bremerton Metal Trades Council, most powerful labor organization in the Puget Sound navy yard, voted unanimously for the payment of trade union wages on all work relief jobs.

Press Aids Prosecution

McAllister now realizes that the frame-up case is crashing about his ears, but is depending on the power of the local political machine and his hand-picked jury to railroad the defendants to long prison terms. In this effort he is being ably aided by the local boss press, which continues to whip up lynch hysteria against the defendants and the Communist Party, publishing reports that the "Reds intend to seize the State government any day." Local hysteria is further developed by the action of the authorities in keeping a special division of the National Guard under arms in "readiness to block the Red insurrection."

Washington Was Called 'Traitor' for Civil War Against King George and Tory Hired Lackeys

By LEO THOMPSON

Today will be heard a hundred and one sentimental tales about the virtues of the "Father of Our Country." All these tales are designed to hide the fact that Washington and his rich fellow-merchants and "smugglers" unfurled the flag of Revolution and Civil War against King George III and his Tory hired lackeys.

LAUNCH ANTI-LABOR DRIVE



Congressman Charles Kramer of California (left) and Congressman John W. McCormack of Massachusetts, of the House Committee for Investigating "un-American activities." These are the gentlemen who hid the names of the rich Wall Street men connected with a plot to organize a fascist army. They are now proposing that Congress outlaw working class newspapers in the U. S. A.

Fur Union to Strive For Unity with A. F. L.

NEW YORK.—At a meeting which packed Webster Hall here, the Fur Workers Industrial Union, affiliated with the T. U. U. L., on Wednesday unanimously and enthusiastically voted to work for a uniting of their union with the Joint Council of Fur Workers (A. F. of L.) for one united union in the industry.

This decision was a unanimous endorsement of the report and recommendations of Ben Gold, general secretary of the industrial union. In his report, Gold recommended that the union send a letter to the Joint Council (A. F. of L.) proposing a meeting as soon as possible to discuss ways and means of uniting all the workers of the industry into one union, affiliated with the A. F. of L., for the purpose of strengthening the forces of the workers against the employers. This letter, a tentative copy of which was read, will be sent to the Joint Council of Fur Workers.

Against Individual Joining

"Then we will know how to act, and the workers will know why we are acting. Then we will fight the Joint Council as the main and obvious obstacle to unity of the fur workers as a menace to the interests of the fur workers, as something that has to be done away with for that reason."

Unity As a Body

"Now we make every effort, we use every means, we try to remove every obstacle, that stands in the way of unity of all fur workers," Gold declared as the workers applauded enthusiastically.

"We propose unity to the Joint Council. We will do everything in our power to arrange a friendly, comradely, disciplined discussion with them. We will discuss everything openly and above-board so that every step can be acted on by the workers themselves," Gold continued.

Boo Lovestonette Proposal

A significant interlude at the meeting was provided by a few Lovestonettes. At the opening of the meeting Gold proposed to the membership that the Lovestonettes be admitted on the basis that they maintain order, speak in their turn, accept the rules of the meeting that apply to all the members. The membership accepted Gold's recommendation.

Firm Caused Death of 13 Miners

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP).—The blame for the death of 13 miners in an explosion on Jan. 21 has been placed on the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. by the Pennsylvania Department of Mines, which ordered the company's Gilbert mine closed until the safety laws are complied with.

Strikers Released

Three of the six strikers at No. 20 Tunnel, Loca of Glen Alden are charged with dynamiting homes of strike-breakers on company property and were released yesterday on \$10,000 bail each. The release of the others also is expected soon. The local press continues to publicize these six workers as a "dynamiting ring" and that they confessed, but no word is said that they pleaded guilty and were put under the third degree.

Demand Investigation

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dorsed the Connery bill to place additional "labor" representatives—that is, A. F. of L. bureaucrats—on the Roosevelt Boards which carry out the anti-union tasks of the N. R. A.

Green testified that it was Emergency Council Director Donald Richberg's interpretation of the "collective bargaining" promised by the N. R. A. that led to present "unrest" in the auto industry. Green failed to say that he personally signed the infamous Roosevelt auto agreement against which the auto workers are preparing to strike. He gave away the inevitable results of adding more bureaucrats to the Roosevelt anti-strike machinery, however, when he testified that employers themselves and the Government already recognize that they need the participation of labor misleaders to solve the employers' problems. Green said:

"It was... as a result of practical experience in a small but important group of industries that both the Administration and management recognized that representatives of organized labor must participate in the code authority work in order to be able to deal realistically with the employment problem of a codified industry."

Boldly attempting to revive worker illusions in the N. R. A. by confessing that it has helped industry and promising that it will now, through this bill, get around to helping labor, Senator Wagner said:

"We have released the business man from the undiscriminating enforcement of the anti-trust laws, which had been subjecting him to the attacks of the price cutters and wage reducers—the pirates of industry."

"While industry's freedom of action has been encouraged until the trade association movement has blanketed the entire country, employees attempting in good faith to exercise their liberties under Section 7-A have met with repeated rebuffs."

Wagner naturally refrained from adding that he himself directly participated in devising such "rebuffs" to labor as the Weirton, captive mine and other now notorious decisions. Desperately attempting to maintain the fiction that the President still has labor's interest at heart and wants a "partnership" which would be fair to labor as well as industry, Wagner phrased the universal discrediting of Section 7-A as a "breakdown" of the Section. He said that "a practical situation" is "reducing Section 7-A to a sham by a delusion. Then he promised to remedy the "breakdown" which last Summer "led to a procession of bloody and costly strikes which in some cases swelled almost to the magnitude of national emergencies."

Attempting to conceal the anti-labor Roosevelt decrees against which these strikes took place, and the merits of labor's objectives in the struggle, he declared it is "not material" to inquire "where the balance of right and wrong rested in respect to these various controversies."

platform his proposals were greeted with storm of boos from the entire membership. He proposed that the membership reject Gold's recommendation for merging with the Joint Council as a body, and urged the workers to leave the Fur Workers Union and join the Council (A. F. of L.) as individuals.

When he intimated that the membership was accepting the proposal to join as a whole body only because Gold was "ordering" them to do so, the membership made such a demonstration of disapproval that Gold and cries that the Lovestonette found it impossible to continue his speech and was forced off the stage.

In his summary, Gold emphasized that the union act immediately on the membership vote, leaving no stone unturned for the organization of the workers for struggle against the employers.

Firm Caused Death of 13 Miners

HARRISBURG, Pa. (AP).—The blame for the death of 13 miners in an explosion on Jan. 21 has been placed on the Philadelphia & Reading Coal & Iron Co. by the Pennsylvania Department of Mines, which ordered the company's Gilbert mine closed until the safety laws are complied with.

Strikers Released

Three of the six strikers at No. 20 Tunnel, Loca of Glen Alden are charged with dynamiting homes of strike-breakers on company property and were released yesterday on \$10,000 bail each. The release of the others also is expected soon. The local press continues to publicize these six workers as a "dynamiting ring" and that they confessed, but no word is said that they pleaded guilty and were put under the third degree.

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RAILWAY HEADS PUSH CONSOLIDATION PLANS TO CUT OUT MANY JOBS

Eastman Report on Possible 'Savings' Shows That Job-Slashing Campaign Is Going On—Brotherhoods Must Act Now

TOLEDO, Ohio, Feb. 21.—That the railroads are proceeding with their plans for further consolidations which will deprive tens of thousands of railway employees of their jobs, is shown by a report just made public by Federal Railroad Co-ordinator Eastman. Complete co-ordination in Toledo, the report said, should produce "an even greater economy than that obtained by the New York Central which resulted in savings of \$750,000."

USSR Urges Peace Pact

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time it considers as a step forward the establishment during the London conference of the necessity of rendering immediate assistance to any country attacked in cases foreseen by the pact.

"No War Can Be Localized"

"In setting up a unified scheme embracing various parts of Europe," the statement continues, "the Soviet government is inclined to see the recognition of mutual dependence in preserving the integrity of all these parts—this being a recognition of the impossibility under present circumstances of localizing any war started in Europe."

"If therefore considers that the aim set by the London conference, 'the organization of the safety of Europe,' can only be reached by the realization of all regional pacts and agreements mentioned in the London communication, and that on the contrary, disregarding one or the other of these agreements not only will not serve the strengthening of the prospects of peace, but rather can be considered as an open encouragement to the violation of peace in any given territory. The Soviet government hopes that the same is the conception of the authors of the official communication and that the regional agreements discussed among some states prior to the London conference not only will not be impaired but will receive in London new forms of support."

Few for War

"After the London agreement it is possible to state that the idea and the necessity of adopting the swift and most effective measures to counteract military aggression through pacts of mutual assistance is actively supported by the four largest states in Europe, namely, the U. S. S. R., France, England, and Italy, as well as the countries of the Little and Balkan Ententes. All of these jointly possess a population of 365 million, or 70 per cent of the population of all Europe. Can it be doubted that the prevailing majority of the other countries of Europe also regard sympathetically all that can be undertaken for the strengthening of peace, that thus the existing tendency for the aggravation of the danger of war is represented by a comparatively small number of adherents?"

Under these conditions, "the communique concludes, "it is difficult to suppose that such a unanimous majority of European countries, inspired by one purpose and united in this struggle for peace, would be unable to realize the set task of strengthening peace by those measures which it recognized as necessary and irreplaceable. Welcoming the London agreement on the condition of its full undivided realization in the spirit of the above remarks, the Soviet government wishes to hope that it will be fully and consistently carried into life."

Pressure Needed Now

How the Grand Lodge chiefs "fought" is now a matter of history. In accepting the wage reduction, D. B. Robertson, of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Engineers, made the "fighting" statement that: "Thousands of men will be employed in the next 12 months, who would not have been employed if railway labor had not agreed to the 10 per cent reduction." (March wages, their journal.) How this was carried out is seen by the fact that 145,000 more railroad workers lost their job during the first wage cut year.

Mine Bosses Plan Terror

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section that the reign of terror is a preparation for such a move; that the miners should not be caught napping but prepare to meet the mass picketing. Tomorrow morning, it is expected, will prove of decisive importance in the strike.

The same methods will, no doubt, be used to put across the consolidation and layoff plans. Do not be fooled by Eastman's talk of a dismissal wage. It amounts to nothing. Their plans can be stopped by the united efforts of the members of the Railway Brotherhoods. Adopt resolutions in your lodges letting the Grand Lodge Chiefs and others know that we railway employees will resist consolidations and their accompanying layoffs to the last ditch. Form anti-consolidation committees in your lodges. Support the Associations for the Prevention of Consolidations, which are being formed in various places.

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HOME LIFE

By Ann Barton

There are a series of pamphlets about women and the woman question just published by Workers Library Publishers...

These pamphlets form a kind of small encyclopaedia on the woman question, and contain a real wealth of information...

A review of these pamphlets will take them up in much more detail. But in brief—"What Every Woman Wants" by Grace Hutchins is a splendidly written exposition of the needs, conditions and demands of the jobless woman...

Preparations for International Woman's Day meetings must include the wide sale of these pamphlets, as well as the special March issue of the Working Woman...

We haven't had a poem for a long time. Here's one from R. L., a member of the Women's Council.

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Burr's cartoon book, "Hunger and Revolt" is now offered in a \$1 edition with renewals and new subscriptions.

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From Factory, Mine, Farm and Office

Railway Labor Heads Block Jobless Insurance Fight

Railroad employment for January, 1935, was almost 2,000 below the lowest month in 1934, recording continuation of the merciless drive of the roads to ensure profits by moving more traffic with fewer and fewer men...

The Association of Railway Labor Executives, meeting in Washington the week of Feb. 11 to 16, took no part in the hearings for the Workers' Social and Unemployment Insurance Bill, H. R. 2827, addressed by representatives of trade unions from all over the country...

Sham Legislation Fight This makes a sham of the whole campaign of the labor executives, who say they will "appeal to Congress to write into any railroad legislation it may pass a provision similar to the Section of the Emergency Act, which expires June 16, and which undertakes to stabilize employment."

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N. R. A. Ignores Violation

NEWARK, N. J.—When the Belmore Cafeteria opened here in Newark about 2 months ago, I was hired as a bus girl at \$11.50 a week. The prevailing conditions in the Cafeteria made me susceptible to the approaches of the organizers of the Cafeteria Workers Union here...

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The Ruling Class By Redfield



Soviet Workers' Vacations Described by Telegrapher

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—In my first letter I mentioned that the telegraph operators here get one month's vacation with pay each year. The question presents itself then how does the vacation of a Soviet telegrapher differ from that of a worker in a capitalist country...

Types of Vacation Grounds 1-Sanitariums.—Most of these are located on the shores of the Black Sea and at the mineral water centers of the Caucasus. These places are fully equipped for the treatment of various diseases such as rheumatism, heart, stomach, lung and other ailments. They are attended by a competent medical staff.

Postal Workers Hit By Wage Cuts

By a P. O. Worker Correspondent NEW YORK—I am a carrier in one of the terminals of the New York Post Office. I have been buying the Daily Worker for quite a while and have read about the different problems which the workers in outside industries come up against...

Lake Seamen Fight Forced Labor

By a Marine Worker Correspondent CLEVELAND, Ohio.—The seamen of the Port of Cleveland began picketing relief headquarters at East Ninth Street last Friday. During the latter part of January, the relief officials announced that the seamen would start work on Feb. 1. This work was to consist of building a road from the Coast Guard Station to East Ninth Street, twenty-four hours per week for one dollar. Immediate action was taken by the seamen, and to date the relief fakers have not made a success of the program that was to start Feb. 1.

News-Stands Cut Pay

By a Worker Correspondent NEW YORK.—Most of us agents, who work for the Collier Service Corporation, the company that runs the newsstands in the subway, got a raw deal two weeks ago when they cut our commission. We agents are always afraid as soon as we take in more money then Colliers will cut our commission, i.e., our wages. I know that a lot of fellows working along the line are grumbling, and are sure Colliers' bosses will give them a chance to make a little money. And the point is we worked harder and longer the last few weeks on account of the cold weather and snow. Thus if we work harder, make more profit for Colliers, we get less.

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YOUR HEALTH

By Medical Advisory Board

THE response to our appeal for subscriptions to Health and Hygiene, magazine of the Medical Advisory Board, proves, we believe, that there is a need for such a magazine and that readers of the Daily Worker believe that the work of the Medical Advisory Board should be extended in this manner.

Sugar in Urine and Frequency COMRADE M. R. of St. Louis, Mo., writes: "My urine contains slight traces of sugar. I try to combat this by drinking a lot of water. I am forced to urinate very frequently and in the winter especially am forced to get up two or three times at night to pass water. What is your opinion?"

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