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#### MAY FREE MOONEY.

DIST. ATTORNEY PREPAR. May Have Important Bearing on ING APPEAL TO GOVERNOR Future Trade Relations.

Will Governor William H. Stevens open the prison doors for Tom Mooney? This is the question agitating the minds of thousands of Tom's States and the world.

Data concerning the world famous Mooney Case is being prepared and brought up to date by District Attorney Brady in preparation for submission of the case to the Governor timated that the report he brings with a plea of pardon.

In the light of a number of confessions of perjury of witnesses for the prosecution of testimony which a pardon by the Governor.

may rule that Mooney's case will was another statement made. have to stand over until the statutory period of ten years, from the date of his conviction is up. At the Preparing to Fight.

The fight for Mooney's freedom is Louderback will be rendered on this before June 1.

If the petition for the writ is granted, the case will in all probability be reopened and witnesses called that finishes my journey," he stated by the defense to prove that Mooney is the victim of a criminal con-

Confidence in the Governor's willingness to free Mooney is not held government and to get a first hand by his attorney. "Seeking a remedy acquaintance of the workings of thru the Governor is no remedy at all. His arbitrary action in commuting Mooney's death sentence to life imprisonment shows that no relief is to expected from that quarter," said attorney Parker when apprised that District Attorney Brady was preparng the case for submission to the Governor.

Later. The writ of audita querila was dismissed by the Court. "Mooney's only hope is executive clemency," the Court said.

#### Revolutionary Tactics in Trade Unions

By X. Y. Z. Seattle.

many good men in positions of leadership in the A. F. of L. who do not as yet accept our program, but who cannot be classified as fakers. Their misunderstanding is not intentional All their time and energy have been spent in the practical, technical de-tails of the trade union movement to the exclusion of the study and understanding of the historical meaning of what they are engaged in.

Because of the past "left" tendencies of the radicals in the labor unions, what honesty and decency there is among the leadership of the A. F. of L. is to be found among men who are mostly not yet ready

to accept our program. Honest trade unionists who really desire to better the lot of the workers can be found in positions of dership in nearly every locality. They enjoy the confidence of large rs of the rank and file, and are thouroughly acquainted with the technical apparatus of the trade union

As the lines become more tightly drawn most of these men will ac- home. And along the whole bluffside cept our program, but until they do, were the other pretty frame cotor can be replaced by people of our tages, most of them not the proper use them to gain our ends by throw- and through with hundreds of bulour full support behind them, lets. whenever they show a willingness to go along with us. It should be a take to attempt to replace one of crisis by even a good revolutionist who thru inexperience or lack of son tent. For two weeks no mother executive ability might fall down on in Blackberry had gone to bed ex-

used "pie cards." It will be some time efore we can produce enough trained revolutionists in labor union ork to officer the A. F. of L. Most f our initial victories will be won there are in the A. F. of L. but by ers, winning strikes and fighting using them to gain our immediate fakers. not by fighting what sincere leaders

#### Senator France Sails For Russia.

With a passport and State Department credentials in his pockets, Senator Joseph I. France of Maryfriends in every part of the United land sailed for Russia May 25 via England.

> Senator France denied he represented any governmental department or officials on his journey, but inback to the U. S. may have material bearing upon this country's relations with the Soviets.

"We are the only nation not tradwas instrumental in convicting ing with Russia or seeking future Mooney, and the statements of other trade relations with her," he stated witnesses of the tragedy favorable before leaving. "As far as one man to Mooney and Billings, it is hoped | can, I propose to say my say for a that the testimony which convicted different policy for an interchange Mooney may be upset and result in of commodities and ideas. I hope that the result of my trip will be a In case Governor Stevens rejects better understanding of Russia and the appeal for pardon it is that he the European situation generally,"

Senator France expected to meet the Russian trade commission headend of ten years the case of every ed by Leonid Krassin at London. He person bearing a life sentence is will enter Russia either by the Balsubject to consideration for a pardon. tic route or from Berlin via Riga or Reval.

Intimations that the Senator may being carried on in other ways. Thru not be able to enter Russia in the his attorney the argument for a writ face of the Soviets' published declaof audita querila was heard on May ration that no Americans would be 24. A written decision by Judge admitted until a Soviet representativ is allowed here, did not appear to cloud his anticipations.

> "If they won't let me in, of course He seemd entirely confident however that no obstacle would be placed in his entry and journey to Moscow to interview the heads of the Soviet

France has been most active in the Senate in pushing the establishment of trade relations between this country and Russia. He expects to be absent several weeks.



LABOR CRUCIFIED—THE OPEN SHOP PROGRAM FULFILLED.

#### 'Liberator' to Have 2-nd Class Rates.

Communist Magazine Gets Favorable P. O. Ruling. Will Receive Refund.

The Liberator, Communist monthly magazine, edited by Max Eastman, and to which the late John Reed was a contributor, has had its secondclass mail privileges restored.

Based solely upon the rule that any publication acceptable for mailing thru the United States Postoffice is entitled to the privilege of the special rates for its class, Postmaster General Will H. Hays granted the application of the Liberator for admission to second-class mails on May

The ruling is looked upon as an important one in respect to the post office censorship of the public press. Inasmuch as a number of radical and stresses the importance of industrial socialist magazines and papers were deprived of second-class rates while being allowed to pass thru the mails as mailable matter under the Wilson-Burleson-Palmer administration, the new Hays' ruling comes as a welsuppression of public expression.

The Liberator (then named The Masses) was barred from the secondclass rates Nov. 2, 1917 when Judge Rogers upheld a decision of the Postoffice declaring that "considering the natural and reasonable effect of the publication it was intended to wilfully obstruct recruiting."

Will Refund Excess Charges.

Mr. Hays in announcing his decipaid at the 3rd class rates and what Liberator in postage charges since the Burleson ruling. The cost for the second-class rates would have been only \$3,044.96, a difference of \$11,277.00.

George Hardy Back From Europe.

Chicago.-George Hardy, general secretary of the Industrial Workers of the World, who has just returned from a six months' visit to Europe, where he attended the international conference of industrial unions held in Berlin some months ago, in a report to the thirteenth annual convention of his organization, just concluded at Chicago, recommends affiliation with the Industrial International and closer unity between the I. W. W. and other revolutionary labor groups of Latin-America. He declares that no other organization in the world has the same influence, from a revolutionary standpoint, as the I. W. W.

Touching upon home issues he urges greater efforts among the colored workers of America and more co-ordination between the various parts of the organization, from the job branch to the general office. He education and the carrying on of industrial research to the greatest possible extent, recommending that handbooks giving the facts on the various industries be written.

Hardy was detained in a German come rift in the clouds of official jail for a month, incommunicado, because he was without passports. He finally arrived in Russia, where he conferred with Lenin and active union men and visited factories. As a result of his observations in the Soviet republic Hardy reports, in comparing conditions there with conditions in this country, that those who control the economic organizations will control the revolution.

He said he found that in Russia there is a group of workers who sion stated that the claims of the believe that the industrial unions are Liberator publishers for a refund of capable of running the industries, irthe difference between the charges respective of the government. The I. W. W. secretary, however, states that they would have had to pay at their the Communists were in the majority entitled rates would be paid. This on most factory committees notamount is considerable. A total of withstanding the charge that they \$14,321.96 has been paid by the know little about factory management.

Of the movement of revolutionary bodies of workers in other countries

Hardy has this to say:

"We have the support of the
Italian Syndicalist movement, which is stronger and better organized than our own. The Italian Syndicalists look upon the I. W. W. as a leading organization in the revolutionary movement .... The Germans are also looking to the I. W. W. and take our papers. The Scandinavian countries have squabbles among themselves at to which is nearest the I. W. W. The Danes say they are, is that the Danes have a centralized organization, using the boring-fromwithin tactics. The Swedes are a federation organization and decen-

## Bullets, Babies-and Scab Coal to stay there in the drenching rain

By HELEN AUGUR

Federated Press Staff Correspondent. (Copyrighted, 1921, by The Federated Press.)

saw a little white iron bed in Blackberry City. A machine gun bullet her black winter coat hanging on out of the house. They stumbled into from a Kentucky coal mine had cros- the centerpole of the tent, under a a ditch of water, and lay there, nosed the Tug River, pierced three severed electric light wire. It was body knows how long. My oldest stout walls and zig-zagged across riddled. Radicals in the past, have been too the baby's bed on its way through "Nev' mind, I had two winters' prone to look upon any movement the house. The feathers from the wear out'n it, anyway," she said, on the part of the workers not led little pillow straggled across the torn triumphantly. "But when we crawled by Marxists as futile. There are sheet. The wall behind bore an ir- back here last night to get our

regular design of holes. Eight days before the baby had I told my husband I was going to been snatched from that bed and sleep t'other way of the bed. Look carried to safety with her brothers where the bullets tore open the piland sisters, peltered with shots from highpowered rifles and machine guns, falling almost as thick as the heavy bed. "I'll swear they ain't going to raindrops. The family were only that day crawling back from a rude I was raised in Carolina, where they shelter behind the hill, taking a ain't no war like this, but ef they chance of more bullets, to save the children from pneumonia.

In the living-room, wrecked as if by an earthquacke, the mother was sweeping up great heaps of splintered glass and wood. The mantlepiece mirror was gone, but the deep holes were there to stay. The family pictures were despoiled, books bored through and dishes smashed.

We had seen the father, Ward, down the track toward Matewan. He is a railroad section fore-man, The war in Mingo County is between the miners and the coal operators, and the railroaders are no party to the dispute. Yet here was the baby's bed, and the wrecked ing we should not hesitate to ty of the miners, riddled through

Back of the houses lay the brown canvas tents of the striking miners. There were two babies in the Stafthese men during a strike or other ford tent sick with pneumonia from exposure, and another in the Jack Most of us in the past have suf-red from "leftism" and have sufered from "leftism" and have re- had driven them to cold cellars in

their nightclothes. Thirty bullets had made their easy way through the White tent. Mrs. White, wan with days and

aims along lines of organizing work-

clothes off and have a little rest. lows. H't made me right nervous." She looked at the rifle under the do this any more. I'm tired of it. start again, I'm going to put my four least ones in a cellar, and help the men shoot." Silky blind rabbits, born during the

battle, snuggled in the sunshine out-

side. Almost every other living thing on the bare hill had been mowed down-the miners' cows, and even their rose bushes. But now, after five days' unwonted silence, the ground-hogs were venturing out of their holes, and the children were perching again on the fenceposts. Many of the families had not dared houses peered sightlessly for them George Tindsley and his wife were tired. For a solid week before the three-day battle they hadn't had their clothes off because of the night First Hand Information From shooting. The chimney and the kitch en range had been considered safe places to crouch, until shots from Dear Comrade:highpowered rifles had sent bricks tumbling from the chimney. Then

on us," said Mrs. Tindsley. son came running down the hilltop. "picking up" are cigar and cigarette They had aimed at him and one of stumps and such scraps. Just how the state constabulary up there. We work is picking up will be seen by ran down to the stone cellar of the the fact that the Pullman Car Co.

they and five small children and

in their cellar until they found it

and seven grownfolks, and we had for two days and nights. We had no food or water, any of us, for 36 hours. Then we ran down Sulphur Hollow, and a colored man and his wife took in these families.

"We wasn't so bad off as some Matewan, W. Va.-Yesterday I nights over a piece of sheet-iron Rob Moore's wife had to get her son was threatened that day by mine Clarence,"

Their 17-year-old son, Clarence, was shot in the back and killed by Baldwin-Felts detectives in the Matewan shooting a year ago. He was

carrying no arms. We crossed the village to the bluff's edge. Across at Allburn little cars of coal were rounding the mountain-scab coal. On the plateau be-Kentucky militia were drilling. The sun beat down on their hot uniforms our ears. The strikers, squiting along the holes in the porchposts, sighted out the positions from which three machine guns had poured terror from the green Kentucky mountains.

We went down the steep road toward Matewan. High from a hillside came the song of a little girl rocking her doll to sleep. There was a bullet hole through its leg.

#### to come back, and their devastated HOW INDUSTRY IS "PICKING UP".

Wilmington, Del.

As it is the duty of all class-conother sections of conditions in their mission were also reduced 30 per of the packers) were 95 millions in grandchildren had spent the nights part of the country, I will send you cent, which of course the bosses re- 1918 and this in a time of war? some facts about conditions in Wil- fused to do, but laid off some musiinsecure. After that it was "over the mington, Delaware.

The "kept press" of this section "My but the only things I have seen

around us. In a space eight by ten It is reported the street car comfeet there were nineteen children pany is to reduce wages next week

### TWO QUOTATIONS& SOME FIGURES.

STARTLING FACTS OF CONDITIONS OF AMER-ICAN INDUSTRIES.

By JOHN L. JONES, British Labor Party.

this year except so much as may be class. We are all workers." added this year to the total ammount. The fact is far otherwise, newspaper articles and editorials that wealth now existing has been pro- the people of America actually lato age, not by preservation, but by best of everything? perpetual reproduction." John Stuart and their rifles cracked faintly to Mill another quotation., "To the 26% live study the Society column of worker let me say that he stands the newspapers and read accounts of where the farmer does. The work their European tours, their Florida of the world waits on him. If he homes and their yachting trips. 15th, 1917.

labor. Working men of Amercia, do the privilege of living on the earth? you know that through and by your labor the annual wealth produced in year, 668 millions in interest and the U. S. has increased from 35 bil. 2,136 million dollars in profits? lion in 1915 to 78 billion in 1918 an increase of over 100%?

-but they are not going to cut fares the musicians to accept a wage cut sons, of 289 million dollars? of 30 per cent. The musicians agreed scious workers to inform workers of to do so-provided the prices of ad- the "Big Five" (The One Big Union cians instead.

The Dupont Motors Co., builders "I was washing clothes Thursday is proclaiming the fact (?) that of the Dupont automobile, have postnoon, when the machine guns opened things are picking up industrially, ed a notice to the effect that the plant will close May 25. About 100 workers will be thrown out. There lot of the working class with the are now nearly 20,000 unemployed in aforementioned.

Workers of the World Unite; you milkhouse below the hill, with the laid off 50 per cent of their force have nothing to lose but poverty and thunder and bullets crack-cracking of between 800 and 1,000 men. the Bosses' profits to gain. Fraternally

O. E. Gray.

When men talk of the ancient | Do you know that the "New York wealth of a country, of riches in- American" in an editorial on Nov. herited from ancestors, and similar 11th 1920 stated, when commenting guards, and his married sister got expressions; the idea suggested is on European radicalism, "The La-him on a train just in time. We was that the riches so transmitted were boring classes may be excusable in that the riches so transmitted were boring classes may be excusable in awful afraid they'd do him like produced long ago, at the time when Europe, because there are other classthey are said to have been first es, classes that do not labor. In acquired, and that no portion of the America such an idea as a working capital of a country was produced class is a joke, for there is no other

Do you know that in spite of The greater part, in value, of the the facts are these: only 38% of duced by human hands WITHIN the bor; 36% are the young, the old last 12 months! And again-, "Cap- and the infirm, while 26% do no fore the powerhouse a company of ital is kept in existence from age work of any kind, yet receive the

If you wish do know how the idle

slackens or fails, ARMIES AND Do you-know that we have 400 STATESMEN ARE HELPLESS." more millionaires in 1918 than in President Wilson's proclamation April 1915? Do you know that the workers

Labor produces all wealth and no (the only wealth producers) pay wealth can be produced but through every year 602 millions in rent for Do you know that you pay, every

Do you know that 67 persons in the United States receive an income of 6 million from rent, 21 million from interest, 84 million from pro-The Topkins, Ginns Co., which con-trols the theatres here have asked a total yearly income, for 67 perfits and 178 million from divide

Do you know that the profits of

Do you know that the profits of the American Sugar Refining Company were \$6,661,683 in 1918 and this in the time of sugar famine?

If you still believe that there are no classes in America compare the

Do you know that in 1915, 5% of the school children in New York City were found to be greatly under nourished while in 1918 (in spite of our annual production having in-(Continued on page 4.)

### A Miners' Resolution

Dillonvale, O., May 1st, 1921, PRESIDENT OF U. S. A.

Mr. W. G. Harding, Washington, D. C.

We the coal miners of many Local Unions of the U. M. W. of A. and members of different groups and councils of organized Labor, assembled on the May 1st-"Worlds" La-bor Day" celebration held in Dillon-

vale, O. Resolve:-That Capitalism is an international cancer with the words of truth and promise on the lips but with spirit of the devil and falsehood in the heart, and

Be it further resolved,-That we American producers assembled in the monster May-Day mass-meeting hereby emphatically protest agains the further brutal persecution practiced against members of organi labor and their leaders in general in the U.S., a persecution evidenced by violence, savage sentences, maltreatment and murders; so we pledge ourselves to resist in united action such barbarity as the Open-Sho drive which would lead to modern slavery and further-more:-

We pledge ourselves to help give reign of terror and to obtain in various ways the liberation of the victims of the terror.

The mass-meeting also enters its protest against the continued imprisonment of Mooney and Billings and furthermore hereby demand of the President of U. S. A. to declare a general amnesty for Debs, Hay-wood and all others who sincerely opposed the war and the wage system through economical or political con-

### THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE 2nd CONGRESS OF THE 3rd, COM of 'black' and 'yellow' color. At the congress

OF HI INTERNATIONAL.

(Petrograd Pravda, Aug. 8. 1920.) Yesterday in the opera house was held the solemn concluding sitting of the 2nd Congress of the HI Communist International. The opera house was full to overflowing. On the stage sat the delegates of the 2nd Congress and members of the All-Russian Central Executive Committee and of the Moscow Soviet. The orchestra and balconies were crowded with representatives of the Moscow workmen.

Comrade Kalinin opens the sitting. He points out that in this 2nd Congress we see how a certain portion of the revolutionary task, a certain burden, is being transferred from the shoulders of the Russian proletariat to those of the international toiling classes.

Then speaks the representative of English workmen, Comrade Gallagher, who declares that at the present moment, just as the delegates of the 2nd Congress are about to disperse, he has received word that the English Government is preparing a new attack on Soviet Russia. On returning to England, says Comrade Gallagher, he and his comrades will think only of one thing-how to make the working class of England understand and how to persuade it to adhere to the Russian proletariat for common struggle to victory over world imperialism.

The representative of the Finnish workmen, Comrade Maner, says that if the Finnish bourgeoisie dares to carry out the orders of the Entente and attack Petrograd, then it will receive a blow in the back from the revolutionary proletariat of Finland. The representative of the German proletariat, who next speaks, Comrade Levi, is greeted by a loud ovation from the entire gathering. Comrade Levi says that at this decisive moment, when the Entente tries to send its troops across Germany into White Poland, the German proletariat knows that the time has arrived to come forward in defense of the world revolution. "When the Red Army approaches the frontier of Germany," concludes Comrade Levi, "it will hear from the other side of the frontier a shout of welcome from the German proletariat: 'Long live Soviet Rus-

SOLEMN CLOSING OF 2ND CONGRESS MUNIST INTERNATIONAL: Moscow 1920 OF HI INTERNATIONAL.

FROM "THE SECOND CONGRESS OF THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL," PUBLISHED BY THE RUSSIAN DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE.

Comrade Radek speaks in the name of the f of five years, Soviet Russia will give to the Polish workmen. He expresses the deep conviction that the Polish proletariat, which has always marched in the first ranks of the Russian revolution, will show in deeds how it will handle its own bourgeoisie and the officers of the Entente. The Russian Red Army will meet iron detachments of Polish workmen, who, together with the former, will march to the final triumph over imperialism.

Comrade Trotzky makes a long and brilliant speech. He says that the 2nd Congress of the Communist International met one and one-half years after the 1st Congress. These 18 months were rich in profound historic content, "Now we have come out on the road that leads to world communism. We must look back, in order to determine the road traveled, and without taking our eyes off our enemy note the landmarks, and without losing time go forward." Comrade Trotzky then gives a brilliant characterization of the collapse of bourgeois Europe and of the League of Nations. "Between England and America," he says, "an unprecedented duel is being fought for the rule of the seas. France is bankrupt and begs for economic gifts from England. Europe, ruined and exhausted by the war, has become even more povertystricken and desperate during the last 18 months. They tell us, from the parliamentary tribunes, of the economic reconstruction of Europe. But is it possible to reconstruct Europe without Russian raw materials and Russian grain? Is it possible to reestablish Europe without German technical equipment and the German working classes? No; it is impossible. And so the representatives of the workmen of these countries on returning home will say: 'On the basis of what we have seen we can testify before the world proletariat that if the imperialists leave Soviet Russia in peace, if the workmen will give technical assistance even in small proportions, then in three years, or at the maximum

European working class five times more bread and raw materials than gave the old Tsarist-bourgeois Russia."

Comrade Zinoviev makes a concluding speech and summarizes the work of the 2nd Congress of the III International, pointing out the increasing strength and influence of the Communist International among workmen throughout the world.

The Congress is closed with the powerful singing of the International. The Italian delegates, supported by all present, sing Italian revolutionary songs. The concluding solemn sitting of the 2nd Congress left a deep in + pression on the foreign delegates and the Moscow workmen.

#### ZINOVIEV'S SPEECH AT CONCLUDING SITTING.

(Petrograd Pravda, Aug. 10, 1920.)

Comrade Zinoviev, president of the III International, makes a beautiful and brilliant speech; he was greeted by long and fervent applause:

"During the entire time that this Congress has been in session we have seen the actual alliance of the whole world proletariat. Only a few months ago the idea of convening in Moscow a World Congress seemed to many audacious, but the yearning of the workmen of the whole world to join us was more powerful than all difficulties and obstacles which the world bourgeoisie put in the way of our Congress.

"With complete satisfaction we can say tha the Congress has been an entire success. After the World War and the collapse of the II International the workmen were waiting to be united, and this passionate desire for unification was the driving force of the workmen's International and of world history despite the fact that the blockade of Russia has not been raised and that in many counthe Congress representatives not only of European and American countries but also of the Orient and of colonies. We are convinced that the movement in the Orient will grow and will merge with the Communist movement of the proletariat. At the Congress were represented many phases of the labor movement. Since the collapse of the II International the proletariat in many countries is still at the crossroads. The Congress has united all that is alive and healthy in the labor movements. We welcomed organizations that had not yet fully assumed a definite form. We have in our ranks the pick of the syndicalists and anarchists, representatives of English factory committees, of the American Industrial Workers of the World,' etc. Many of these organizations do not yet share fully our program, but we considered it necessary to open the doors of the III International to all revolutionary detachments of the world proletariat that are ready to go with us, with arms in the hands, to carry on a common struggle.

"At our Congress were also represented groups of penitent 'compromisers.' They came humbly before the judgment seat of the III International and petitioned for amnesty. The sense of their speeches was: 'I am guilty, but I deserve indulgence.'

"Our Congress put forth 21 conditions for admission to the Communist International, so that not a single opportunist should be able to slip in. Only a year ago many feared lest we remain a small group; now another danger threatens us-the III International has become the fashion and many, fearing to fall behind the majority, strive to come

"The resolution of colonial and national questions was adopted unanimously, and this represents a moral victory for us. The III International continues the glorious traditions of the I International, uniting in its tries our parties exist illegally. We have at | ranks the toilers not only of 'white,' but also

was organized the International of Trade Unions, and thus was destroyed the last bulwark of the bourgeoisie—the yellow Amster. dam International. We had to have many debates and discussions with our English and American comrades. On the basis of the experience of the Russian revolution we told them that they must go to the masses instead of withdrawing from mass organization. We said that in each country there must be only one Communist Party. Whoever knows what authority the III International enjoys among the revolutionary proletarist. will understand that this wish of the Congress will be realized."

Comrade Zinoviev further craws a consparison between the bourgeois International and the proletarian International, and says that while in the former a constant conflict is going on, in which the brigands of world imperialism are knifing each other, in the III International despite all the differences social conditions under which the proletariat and bourgeoisie live and in spite of the varied character of the political structure of countries represented at the Congress, the III International demonstrated complete solidarity on all questions.

"The Soviet idea has won the entire working class so completely that the resolution on Soviets did not call forth any discussions at the Congress, and was adopted unanimously. We outlined our path for long months of struggle, we strengthened our international alliance by adopting by-laws and constitution which will create a strong, disciplined and militant International. The whole course of civil war has forced us, with inexorable logic to create a party with iron discipline. This experience was used by the Congress to create a similar international fighting apparatus."

In conclusion, comrade Zinoviev states that many comrades on their return from the Congress will have to face trying difficulties: "But they can be sure that we at any moment will render them all the assistance that is at our disposal."

(Next week, Activities of Executive Committee of Communist International.)

### HAS MEXICO A LABOR GOVERNMENT? ing the many advantages and a few draws nearer with every new day. It

#### WHO IS TELLING THE TRUTH ABOUT MEXICO?

By GEO. N. FALCONER.

A writer in the N. Y. Call of Mar. | bor Movement, Samuel Gompers and 4th says of the Mexican-American his fellow labor leaders who were Press: "Some of these papers are recently in Mexico City as delegates owned outright by American Capital- to the Pan American Congress. ists, others by Mexican Capitalists, they are equally reactionary and have the same custom of lying and From Gale's Magazine for Dec. 1921. misrepresentation." "My advice is to seriously doubt news from Mexico quoted from Mexico City papers for they are as big liars as are the professional prevaricators who fool the American Henry Dubbs." Paul Hanna Federated Press Correspondent, writes for the labor press of America as follows: (Feb. 20)

"One cannot publish abroad the truth about Mexico under the Obregon government without increasing the danger to which Mexico is directly exposed. On December 1 I reported from Washington the story, quire that our rights be observed." which Washington believed, that a A delegation of workers, representworking agreement had been concluded between President Obregon, on the one hand, and Senator Albert B. Fall, representing the American capitalists who demanded a revision N. Morones, head of the Federation of the Mexican constitution and laws of Labor and chief of the munitions "hostile" to foreign investors. That report pictured President Obregon paying the price of peace with the United States and striving to save what he could of Mexican independence.

Today I believe that report was

So telling the truth about Mexico is no easy job. You see the big majority of Capitalist newspaper readers in the states prefer apparently, a beautiful lie to an ugly truth. The lies are easy to digest; the ugly truths are apt to give one indigestion-hence the reason, presumably, for so many "liars and prevaricators" referred to by the Call correspondent. There is a monthly magazine published in Mexico City that claims to tell the truth, not only about Mexico, but all about International Communism. bor, science, art and sexology. It. But appearances may fool, dear is advertised as follows:

THE TRUTH ABOUT MEXICO. Read it in Gale's, America's most brilliant Radical monthly.

Let us glance through the pages of, say, the last three issues of about Mexico's Labor Government; tries." then read a few extracts from recent

author and host closes with-"The government contains many Radicals. The labor unions are all

ask admission to the League of Na-

tended by the League, it would be

ing 9,600 employees in the govern-

factory, be retained in office. Ob-

regon responded that he had already

to be expected, since he and Morones

Morones fled with him from Mexico

brakeman, he left for the north to

escape the wrath of Carranza and

start the revolution that terminated

"Today in Mexico we have a gov-

ernment which gives the people free

speech, free press and free assemb-

ly and the right of the workers to

ground the government has succeeded

in establishing order and peace, and

behold, dear reader, the flock of

visitors. It seems that they were

waiting for that very chance. Order,

peace and good foundation for whole-

sale exploitation of peaceful peoples.

reader, and the order that now reigns

in Mexico may be only a lull before

the storm of Social Revolution."

a few weeks later."

everywhere and according to the New OBREGON THE WORKER'S ready want them to come and help PRESIDENT. us in our work of propaganda, education and organization. But we want "In the first few days after enter- them to come without misunder- capitalists had at their disposition who now and then throw the spot ing office, Obregon made numerous standings That is why I have made statements regarding his future poli- this extended statement.

cy which, altho carefully worded. I want to state the facts honestly indicated that he will not be ruled without varnish or whitewash. by American Big Business. In one I invite correspondence with ininterview he said, "Mexico will not terested comrades.

Yours for Soviet Mexico and Sotion but should an invitation be ex- viet America.'

given consideration." At a banquet GALES FOR JAN.-FEB. SEES in Cafe Chapultepec, Mexico City, BOLSHEVISM STEADILY PERhe remarked. "We will respect the MEATE MEXICO. rights of others but we will also re-"As water soaks into a spongue little

meating every nook and corner of ment's munitions factory, visited President Obregon promptly on his accession to office to ask that Luis

The process is steady and sure. Growth of revolutionary sentiment is no sky-rocket, fly-by-night happening but a regular, gradual process that possesses stability along with decided to keep Morones. This was increasing momentum.

The New York Times, American have been friends a long time and capitalism's most reliable spokesman, recently remarked (before the in-City when, disguised as a railroad auguration of Obregon), that while there was a question as to what Obregon would do, it was feared that even if he tried to crush Bolshevism in Mexico, he would be unable to do it, so strong a hold has this "pernicious" philosophy acquired here.

The Times did not err. Neither Obregon nor anybody else could strangle Communism in this country. organize as they please. Upon this He has not attempted to do so and it is not anticipated that he will believe it a danger for the nation so ignorant of Samuels' labor his But he could not if he wanted to.

> months President of Mexico.) Comment: Up-to-date there is no real Communist movement in Mexico. There

MEXICO GOING RED. Meanwhile, the government of-"belongs to Bolshevism"-and in Bolshevist ideas spread like an ir- us."

exclusive property of a very few.

of the things not to expect should is inevitable. If the government dis- From March Gales: you make the trip, our communist creetly acquiesces in the rising tide, it will be a comparatively peaceful

be "the Soviet Russia of America." government, with numerous Com- practical philosophizing." Such a country obviously is invit- munists in office and composed of ng to Radicals. We who are here al. others sympathizing with the work- ed friend and leader-Harold Lord ers, and hating the capitalists, cooperates with the Great Change, it will obviously be easier than if the Mexican workers and revolutionaries classes of all countries love and a docile and obedient state.'

> "Socialists capture three states." "Then the reds carried Campeche." Army."

History Being Made in Mexico. "Voting \$1 to the Magon brothers in an American prison is not Communism, nor is the election of Socialist tickets in three states, nor yet is the establishment of work- ported specially to boost the Workers' schools by the government. Yet ers' Mexican Government. "Workthese things when viewed in connecby little until every wrinkle and tion with the rapidly increasing rekink is filled, so Bolshevism is per- volutionary spirit of the Mexican Congress, "stand by your governwage slaves, the succession of strikes, the Bolshevism in the army and the other interrelated developments, are worthy of serious mention and consideration.

> History is being made in Mexicohistory of vast moment to the proletariat everywhere.

> The moving finger writes. And its message is-Soviet Mexico is near."

Comment: The foregoing excrepts by the workers here." show the Mexican revolution is making steady progress; the army is being Bolshevised; the red dawn is and center the eyes of the world on erally is becoming hotter. OBREGON NOT FRIENDLY TO

SCABBING. "Newspaper men asked President Obregon the other day in the course ments to that "grand old man of of a lengthy interview, "Do you labor," King Gompers. Why? Is she that the Socialists have gained power tory? (Obregon has only been five in Yucatan?"

group that may go into power will the states Gompers and his fellows have to submit to our legislation and have been spreading the glad tidto the political system of the Re- ings of Mexicos' wonderful labor is but a tiny party apparently the public while it remains as it is. The government. In the March Mexican Socialists will have more or less ad- Review, a high class capitalist magavantages during the time that they zine, Samuel says,govern but their government will "We found in Mexico much evid-

grand old man of the American La- you come to Mexico." After describ- The Social Revolution in Mexico tional are perhaps more correct. people as any government on earth

MEXICO GOING RED.

"In Mexico, as elsewhere in the world, it is the effort of revolu-Revolution-as peaceful as can be tionary communists to proceed along democracy." expected anywhere. We know that more scientific lines. We are trying Radical. Radical sentiment is found the capitalists will not joyously to rid ourselves of the utonian tenagree to being expropriated. But if | dency of taking fanciful trips York Times, Mexico may prove to as may be the case in Mexico, the through the sterilized ether of im-

> This lingo sounds like our depart-Varney?

To a small group of I. W. W. light of publicity upon questionable tactics of Gale and the Mexican MEXICAN GOVERNMENT MOST Federation of Labor leaders, the fol-"Bolshevism rampant in Mexican lowing bouquet was distributed free of charge:-

"Either they are well meaning fanatics or they are cold-blooded conspirators serving sinister ends." MOTHER JONES.

Seemed as if she had been imers," she shouted during her several addresses during the Pan-American ment and it will stand by you." "The pulse of the world is throb-

bing today," declared 'Mother' Jones. "Humanity is watching the new Mexico. I want to tell you that there will be no intervention by the capitalist robbers of the United States in the affairs of Mexico. We won't stand for it. We are going back to the United States and appeal to the workers there to stand

When she shouted, "You are going to bring the new day in this country nearing; and the atmosphere, gen- Mexico as well as Russia," the applause was tremendous.

·Didn't Mother Jones boost for Woodrow Wilson in 1916? And Mother Jones paid many compli-

Once more the workers' government. This was Obregon's answer: "Any Since their return from Mexico to

have to adjust itself to the federal ence of progress and our delegation "The future as Soto y Gama says, ficially is keeping hands off while representative system that rules is a unit in expressing the belief that the present government of Gale's and read what he has to say Mexico before several other coun- resistible flame into every section of Comment: It will be seen that Mexico is composed of able men of the country. Some occupants of gov- Obregon is slowly but surely be- integrity and initiative. The govern In this same issue is an advertise- ernment posts are openly the unof- coming stableized. The word stable ment of Mexico is as near to being writings of that incomparable (?) ment entitled, "What to expect if ficially helping the Bolshevist cause, is significant. Legal and constitu-

and the principle reason to be proud "Many of the government officials of this fact is that so far as we are members of organized labor. were able to determine, it is a government devoted to the principles of

The kind of democracy, presumably, for which 10,00,000 lives were butchered?

Union declares in several articles that:- "Obregon is the idol of the lower classes of Mexico." Obrego will assuredly be pleased to hear some radicals and discontents, but this. It is surprising how the lower they constitute a very small minoriidolize their Kings, Czars, Kaisers and Presidents.

LIBERAL.

"Mexico has today the nearest approach to a labor government this the truth? Neither, continent has ever seen," declared William H. Johnston, of the International Association of Machinists, returning to Washington from the and blackenning the Workers Repub-Pan-American Labor Congress in lic of Russia. Why so? When you Mexico late in January.

Louis Morones, president of the Mexican Federation of Labor, is chief of the military commissary department and ranks as a cabinet minister. The governor of the federal district in which the City of Mexico Jos. W. Kelly, of the Machinists' is located is a union shoemaker.

"The people appear to have every confidence in President Obregon and his associates. Of course, there are

Compare Johnstons' "small minority of radicals and discontents" with Gales-"The social revolution in Mexico draws nearer with every new day. It is inevitable." Who is telling

Meanwhile Gompers and his labor allies are working overtime damming

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### That 'Share in Management'.

Shop Committees there are-and also other Shop Committees -the Bosses own. The Shop Committee of the workers, by the workers finds its parallel in the institution of the Bosses' Shop declared the earth, the woods, the Committee-a "democratic" committee composed of elected workers and appointed Bosses' representatives. It's an old game-this Bosses' Shop Committee, which poses as a true workshop representative of both the workers and the employers. The Bosses do love 'democracy' so!

The Bosses' press has given considerable space to the new "Assembly of Joint Representatives" which the Swift Packing Company has inaugurated as a means of obtaining a "closer com- a living. munity of interests between employe and employer." "A miniature joint government is provided whereby problems which affect the employes in the plant may be taken up and disposed of satisfacorily to both sides." Get that "satisfactorily to both sides."

Let us see what this magician's wand looks like that can turn the class-struggle into a rose bower where exploiters and exploited Destruction goes on because for far may gambol together to the honeyed melody of pure democracy. "The plan provides for an assembly composed of equal numbers of elected representatives of the employes and appointed representatives of the management, acting in detail through committees of the assembly. The assembly will discuss and make recommendations on all questions referred to it or raised by it, relating to the joint interests of the company and its that it is the beginning of a new mployes and two working condtions in particular, such as wages, hours, afety, sanitation, and like matters.

"When any decision of the Assembly of Joint Representatives is reached by a two-thirds vote it will be sent to the management for action and will knowledge, understanding. Earnest have binding effect upon both employer and employes, unless within fourteen days the Board of Directors of the Company or the Employes' Representatives request the assembly to reopen the matter for further consideration with a view to reaching an agreement.

"When after such reconsideration in the assembly it is deemed impossible to arrive at a collective agreement by joint conference on any orbi issue, the management and the employes are at liberty to take such action outside of the plan as they may think desirable. But such action will not of itself terminate the general use of the plan which shall continue in full force so long as it is desired by employer and employe."

Wonderful plan! If this doesn't satisfy the slaves of the packers they are hopeless. The reader will observe how far the workers' "share in the management" reaches. It reaches exactly to the point and they must be overcome. Though -and no further-of the Packers' inclination to grant it. True, it is the same on the workers' side-EXCEPT-the Boss has the future beauty must be visualized. whip hand because HE OWNS THE PLANT. There's the difference. Nothing essential is changed. The same relations of exploiter and exploited remain. The worker works and is robbed. The ackers exploit and roll in wealth. The "Joint Assembly" doesn't change that. Nor is it intended to.

The sole intention is to fool the workers, to make them believe fore. Everything, they say, has been that the country can do very well to see that to serve the new society that in this fake "management" they have a real share. Beware destroyed, nothing built up. The of any such efforts of the Bosses to hand the workers lemons of this brand. They are fakes.

#### Learning to Work.

A sad tale comes out of Jugoslavia concerning 1,500 "high greatness of it; only when its effect class" Russian emigres who followed Wrankel's defeated army out is noticeable everywhere do we realof the Crimea. But it is a tale that draws no tears. It seems that the hordes of parasitic Barons, Dukes, Princes and Princesses and it takes place we see only a part of took it upon itself to see to it where everyone has to do some use other parasites belonging to the former Russian ruling class were it; sometimes only the fringe of it. that every citizen is provided with ful work, and that in a country of unable to bring "their" property with them when they fled before And everyone thinks only of the food, clothing, shelter and fuel. This one hundred and twenty million peo Judenny's Red Cavarly. They left behind the land upon whose serf small part which he sees. labor they and their kind had lived a life of luxury and uselessness. They left behind them the industries they "owned" and out of volution. If one goes to Russia and the village the products of the soil ministration. I have already written hose workmen they exploited riches beyond the dreams of has dealings with dishonest com- and from the city the products of about the system of the Soviets. I avarice. Bereft of the supporting arms of the Russian working munists, the revolution appears as the factories and divides these among shall surely write more about that lass, they now suffer privations egal to those endured by the Russian masses under their former bloody rule.

Bearing upon their royal persons remnants of their former prosperity and titled degorations, they now wander melancholy If a third one sees that the minority changel to Odessa, from Minsk to now a securely established instituabout Europe, half starved, untrained to work, their world gone parties have no right to issue their Jakutsk, turn to the apparatus of tion all over that vast country. It

the necessities of life. Notably the women and mothers whose ef- was placed under arrest by the extraforts to keep their children from starvation are to be commended ordinary commission which has but are no more pathetic than millions of cases of workers.

However unfortunate may be the circumstances into which comes a universal spy system. these emigres may have been driven by their rashness, folly and fear of the Soviets, one is unable to feel sympathetic impulses toward them. They serve no cause in their privations. Their social has failed to see the revolution in their fellowmen, while again there and grow. and political alignments are with the enemies of labor. They have its entirety as an occurence of world deserted Mother Russia when she called for strong sons and historic import. daughters to help her bear her burdens. They have sown the wind, let them reap the whirlwind.

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During the steel strike in Pennassemblage were denied the strikers, the first period of its history. union meetings were broken up, and many of the strikers, and union of-ficial were arrested, and beaten were arrested, and beaten up.

# EDITORIAL PAGE OF THE TOILER

# HAS ACCOMPLISHED.

An Answer to Those Critics Who Do Not Understand the now takes into consideration the Vast Historical Significance of That Revolution.

> By M. OLGIN.-Translated by S. SMITH. (From the Jewish Daily Forwards, New York.)

private ownership of houses. It has will. workshops, the factories, the coal man to work and the duty of the

All this was easy. In a time of revolution it is easy to destroy. There is no need of any great genius, any well thought out plan, for that. The breaking up goes on because the people are stirred up. too long the people have suffered. In the dust and smoke and blaze of battle, age-old structures are shattered. And, when everything old around us is broken up, scattered world, a new era.

But it is not so easy to build as to destroy. For that is needed thing into its own hands. labor is necessary. A plan is necessary. People drunk with joy will not accomplish much. Fine talk is not enough. The holiday mood and holiday clothes must go, for there is work to be done, the handling of the lime, the bricks, the iron and the stone for the new structure. Those who have a plan must work together and encourage each other in the stupendous task. Great patience is needed. Difficulties will be met with the walls are bare and the roof unfinished in the new structure, its

Russia's Accomplishments.

Thousands of people do not think so. Thousands of people believe that things are worse now than ever be-Russian Revolution was pushed into way out.

Is it really so?

It is hard for a man to grasp a we are several years removed from it do we begin to understand the that celebrated "private initiative." historic moment. In the time when

Many an honest man reached a True, a few have learned the art of providing themselves with pens to have a relative there who hood. tivities, the revolution to him be-

> And everyone thinks that he saw the revolution and that he appraised

already lasted long enough to peralready acquired a distinct form so not been time enough for it to be Brest-Litovsk, the German invasion

What has the Russian Revolution accomplished in these tew years?

At this stage let us see what the paratus for taking care of the Russian Revolution has accomplished economic life of the country. It has in its first three years. We know it proven that this is possible, in spite has destroyed much. It has driven of the contentions of the learned out the big landowners and abolished and practical men of the times that that class. It has driven the manu- it is impossible. It has proven that facturers from their factories and a people can take into its own hands deprvied them of their capital. It all the productive forces and use has taken houses from the rich who them for its own good, ruling over owned them; there is no longer any these forces according to its own

No one says that the economic apparatus of Russia is working very mines, the oil wells, the railroads, smoothly. None of the Russian leadthe steamboats and the houses, the ers is pleased with the economic arproperty of all the people. It has rangement of the soviets. There is abolished all titles, privileges, class bureaucracy. There is too much red rule, private enterprise and profits. tape and too little work done. Every-It has declared the right of every thing works slowly, where it should work as a well-oiled machine. Here government to supply everyone with and there the machine becomes altogether clogged up, and it takes time to get it working again. Now one part breaks down, then another. There is cause for grief and may be

But the leaders in this Herculean struggle are not discouraged. They know that it could not have been otherwise. A new class has acquired power. It lacks knowledge. It lacks experience. The old intelligencia has sabotaged the new system and its ideals. The new intelligencia is not and destroyed, the victors announce yet ready. The country was worn of one kind or another when the out even before the revolution: the economic body was debilitated long before the working class took every-

> It is almost seven years since the beginning of the war. During this time there was no possibility of maintaining the nation's means of production, no possibility of making necessary repairs and renewals. The machines were old and worn out; the locomotives damaged, the rolling stock deteriorated; many of the materials needed for repairs were lacking altogether, and for many materials substitutes of a much lower grade and quality had to be used. When we keep in mind that the management of the factories is not of the best and that the work- Not so quickly does the spirit of everything running smoothly?

Yet it remains a fact that the apparatus is here, that it works, that productivity of labor increases and much pain and trouble may begin and produce for all that is in you, most rabid opponents of the present even though they are not to be the a corner, they say, and there is no order, the Mensheviks and social re- leading spirits in this new societyvolutionists, do not say that the facprevious owners, The Russian Revoworld-historic occurence. Only when lution has taught even them that the

(2) The Russian Revolution has distribution. This is altogether new The main thing is that for the first in the history of mankind. The state is in order that some may not have ple. too much and others not enough. The wrong conclusion in the Russian Re- apparatus of distribution takes from new system of jurisprudence and adthe rule of thieves. If another goes the people according to a specific in the future. About one thing there to Russia and sees that there is not plan. And the people consist of one is no doubt, and that is that the enough to eat, the revolution to hundred and twenty million souls. Soviet regime has no equal in the that one becomes the rule of hunger. The people everywhere, from Ar- history of mankind, and that it is tion as a tyranny. If a fourth hap- ply them with the means of liveli-Itremendous administrating apparatus

are others who suffer terribly. This (5) The revolution has created is so because, first of all, there are But the Russian Revolution has not enough products to go round; and a new social ideal. and secondly, the apparatus of dismit us to view it as a whole. It has tribution is entirely new, there has During the steel strike in Tellius that we may draw conclusions from perfected as a result of practical ex- of Russia, the Czecho-Slovaks, Kolsylvania, free-speech, and peaceable that we may draw conclusions from perfected as a result of practical ex- of Russia, the Czecho-Slovaks, Kolsylvania, free-speech, and peaceable that we may draw conclusions from perfected as a result of practical experience. Nevertheless this apparatus chak, Denikin, Judenitch, the Japanworks energetically and successfully, ese and English in Siberia, the Eng-It has spread over all that vast re- lish and Americans in Archangel, (1) It has given ever all the fact volutionary country, it has reached Peltura, the Esthenians, the Poles, or two. While out at Gary, Ind., U. S. sol- tories, mines and other industrial every village, every town, every Wrangel and Kronstadt. They had Poor, blind critics! They are to now ready to deal with the organization of the bound of t

enemies, that this apparatus works now much better than it did a year or two ago. It is adjusting itself, becoming finer, more complicated. It particular condition of particular provinces, cities or individuals. As soon as there is more wheat, more corn, more meat, more butter, more iron, more wool, more coal, more tools, more paper—the apparatus will work much better, the present shortcomings will disappear and the people will have little reason to complain.

Let us reiterate: the whole machi nery is new. It began to function some three years ago. It had to do its work in a time of great suffering, in a time of insurrections and counter-revolution within the country, a time of wars with both internal and external enemies. And yet Russia has convincingly proven that a country can do very well without private trades, without merchants, storekeepers and speculators of every kind. The law is now permitting the peasant to sell his product in the free market to private people, but it does not permit the existence of the trader, the middleman.

(3) The revolution has established the general law, that he who does not work, neither shall he eat. This is not a law only on paper, it is a law practiced in everyday life. There must not be found citizens in Russia who do nothing. Everyone must do some kind of useful work, physical or mental. Ordinarily everyone selects his or her work according to his or her knowledge, experience and inclinations; to be sure, with the consent of the state. Sometimes, though, the state directs the work state thinks that necessary.

This, people say, is against human freedom. But this freedon does not mean that one should have the right to go about doing nothing useful and living on what others produce. Sure enough, it would have been much better if people attended to the work to be done willingly, without having to be forced to it. But people do not become transformed within two or three years, and the new society must go on functioning. Therefore the state compels the people to serve society, which ultimately improves the life of everyone of the

It is natural to find there cheating, laziness, incompetency and crime ers are not yet everywhere used to community change. There are groups the new order, how can we hope to of people that will never serve honexploiters, those who never worked, and the spendthrifts of the past. it is constantly improving, that the There are groups that only after without private enterprise. Even the is an honor and not a misfortune, these are the intelligentia. There are tories ought to be returned to their people, and many of them, who will under cover of their social position yourself where the prosperity is carry on some dirty practice. This is country can do very well without harmful and is being fought against but it is not a matter of vital importance. As soon as things improve reated a tremendous apparatus of these dirty practices will disappear time there is established a society

(4) The revolution has created is an entirely new institution; there defeat, and none know it better than ing markets. Wages were recently Here too not everything runs as is not a single governmental office smoothly as it should. The most es- left from before October 1917. The charge of counter-revolutionary ac- sential products are lacking. It is revolution has wiped out all the old difficult to get a little food, the system of administration, the old simplest tools, or clothes. Nor is the system of laws and the old system law of equality always observed of administering justice, and in its try. They had to face sabotage and There are some who, in spite of established the system of soviets, it according to its worth. But each everything, do receive more than which work indefatigably, develop ligentsia. They had to face hunger and

new army with a new psychology

And all this in three years, no more. In this time they had to face state, and organized a central apilis considered one of the most imition and animosity within the count of history.

# WHAT THE REVOLUTION IN RUSSIA portant institutions in Russia today. BRAIN TEASERS

Why dont union-men when they go thinking for others, and apparently on strike, stop the salaries of their many do no thinking at all; while officials thereby putting them on the same level as themselves while ing. Others claim they are thinking the struggle is on? Unionism should of, and for humanity, then there are mean that all members should suf- some who think only of the workfer or enjoy together. But generally, ers, while others are paid to think leaders and officials don't think that for the shirkers. What category are way; if they did, they would be you in? Do you work for a living? ashamed to take the money when Then if you do, learn to think of their brothers were fighting. This your class, and its interests. includes the loud mouthed Sammy.

Again, why don't union-men when on strike choose a committee from the rank and file instead of the officials, to deal with the bosses? Should they do so they might win more strikes, also prevent being sold out so often. It seems they should learn something by now, after an injuction was issued against the the sad experiences they have had leaders demanding that they force with their officials. Some officials the miners back to work, and their no doubt are allright, but generally money was tied up by the court so are so few and far between.

In union there is strenght, no doubt England has found it out by her present experience with the miners. Wonder if American miners will learn something by the struggle

It doesn't seem that France wants Germany to pay any indemnity, it rather seems all she wants is to destroy Germany. She wants security dustrially with Germany. If the powers that be will allow Germany equal freedom in world competition, Do you need to guess? no doubt she will be able to pay off her whole debt in time, but that would injure their markets and chances of recovery from the plight they are in and possibly put them in a worse position. But if they deny Germany that privilege then she can't possibly pay. Some mess they have got themselves into. Oh capitalism, it looks as if your days are numbered. Then what after?

are glutted, then he says he expects will continue to deal with the Amalbusiness to pick up, but of cours slowly. Therefore workers, take a reduction in wages, go back to work that will bring us back to Normalcy and an unlooked for prosperity. You see with less wages, you will be able to buy less. And with the foreign markets glutted as Hoover said, ask coming from? And if you don't learn now, you surely will later. It's about time you were getting next to Ignorant Politicians, Humbug Profes-

here. Except the lies and hypocricy.

Are you working? No! Neither am I. Where are you going? Nowhere. Lets go together, I have no putes which was destroyed by the place to go either.

Fifty per cent of the people didn't which leaves to an imp vote in Italy in the recent elections, the settlement of vital disputes about it being a great victory for workers, has proven successful the government. Another victory like throughout the period of depre that and it will mean an eternal the supposed victors themselves.

think they think, and some do the cago and Baltimore. all kinds of trouble from the intelneed. They had to face inexperience. And yet they have created so much, so powerfully created. This was possible because of a great revolution, because of a great, new

And people complain that the revolution has failed. As though the revolution could fail, even if it should happen that tomorrow some general should ascend the throne for a month

some admit they do their own think-

In W. Va. hereafter when an in-dustrial fight is on between the bosses, and the workers in the courts, no union-man will be allowed to sit on the jury, according to a recent law passed in that state.

When the miners went on strike they could not get any strike bene-

The Danbury hatters' strike is another instance of the use of the courts by the bosses, when the union was sued for losses caused by the strike, with the result the treasury of the union was cleaned up and the personal property of the members who had any was taken to reemburse the bosses,

Many more such incidents could be narrated, but the above is sufby enlarging France, because she knows she can never compete inernment when there is a fight between the workers and the bosses?

#### Amalgamated Clothing Workers are Winning.

The railroads so the reports go in Clothing Workers expressed the be-the newspapers will put about eighteen hundred men to work thruout out in the men's clothing industry the country within the week. But which has continued for twenty-four they fail to tell of the hundreds weeks would be settled within a few that are continually being laid off. days. The defeat of the minority To say nothing of the strikes and "war party" in the Clothing Manulockouts. Some more newspaper facturers' Association of New York. Inc. makes it certain that approximately ninety per cent of the manu-Hoover says the foreign markets facturers in the New York market

Although a group of manufacturers has reorganized the New York clothing trade association with the against the union, it was claimed at union headquarters last night that this group does not represent more than seven per cent of the market. "The irreconcilables will soon dwindle away," said a union official yesterday, "because it has been definitely proved during the twenty-four weeks' struggle that manufacturers cannot maintain production without the cooperation of the union. The National sors, Whining Reformers, and Labor City Bank reported that production Fakers who wine and dine with the has been curtailed in this market during the lockout eighty-five per Over theer, just like it is over settled with the union some time here, lockouts, strikes, hunger, hypo- ago and begun production again, this cricy and lies aplenty. Only it is means that the manufacturers who worse over there, than it is over fought the union were unable to produce any appreciable amount of

It is expected that the impartial machinery for settling industrial dismanufacturers last Decem be re-established. This machinery, tween the manufacturers and the in the Rochester and Chicago clothreduced by arbitration between the Amalgamated Clothing Workers and Some people think, some others the clothing manufacturers of Chi-

The twenty-four weeks' struggle in the men's clothing industry l been the most expensive war in the history of the industry. The Amalgamated Clothing Workers raised a fund of almost two million dollars for the relief of its locked-out members. This is the largest amount ever raised by a single union for strike relief in the history of American

The lockout has been characterized the manufacturers who filed dissolution suits against the union are While out at Gary, ind., c. of the shop. The apparatus of distribution to face counter-revolution, insurrection to face counter-revolution, insurrection to face counter-revolution, insurrection, insurrection to face counter-revolution, insurrection, insu will be dropped.

#### National Defense Committee News. By EDGAR OWENS.

The National Defense Committee and the Wolf. heralded as "evidence" seized with- was dismissed. out even a semblance of legality. Law and order must be maintained, even though every law be smashed by the constituted authorities.

In New York City A. Jackira, I. Amter, and E. Lindgren were arrested April 29th. Bail was first set at \$50,000.00 each; later reduced to \$25,000.00; cases dismissed by the magsitrate owing to lack of evidence, whereupon they were kindnapped by the police and held illegally while a grand jury hastily issued indictments against them. When arraigned for alleged violation of the New York criminal anarchy statute, bail was set at \$5,000.00. Lindgren was also charged under a federal act with sending seditious literature through the mails. On being brought before Federal Judge Learned Hand, a copy of The Communist was offered by the district attorney in support of his contention that bail should be set at \$10,000. It was at this time that Judge Hand stated that "Institutions that cannot survive this sort of criticism are already lost," and placed Lingrens bail at \$2,000. Three women, M. Kalman, T. Jerson, and Mrs. Leisman were also indicted for alleged violation of this infamous New York statute and held for trial under bail of \$5,000,00 each. Bail has been secured in all instances now and the comrades are at liberty.

Philadelphia had the largest number of arrests. April 25th forty-eight men and women were arrested, some in their homes, others on the streets. They are charged with having in their possession, and circulating literature of a supposed seditious character. Thirty-eight of them have been indicted under the Pennsylvania anti-sedition act and bail has been set at \$2,500, which has been secured for most of them. In one instance a home was entered wherein a group of people had come together; they were arrested without warrant and hustled off to jail. In ransacking the place the police found some homemade wine and proceeded to get gloriously drunk and indulged in a fight among themselves to demonstrate their respect for law and

Division of the National Defense Committee sends the information that Pittsburgh, Pa., and Akron, Ashtabula, Warren, Cleveland and Davton, Ohio, contributed victims-20 in number-to the fear of the capitalist class of an up-rising of the workers. As usual, the charge is "criminal anarchy."

A number of arrests were reported from Chicago Division. Most of these did not have serious results. which the distribution of alleged seditious literature is involved which has been brought before the Imigration Department and deportation proceedings instituted.

Milwaukee Division reports the arrests of four men charged with the distribution of literature that urged "force and violence" for the overthrow of government. Three were released on account of lack of "evidence", but the fourth is being held by the federal authorities. In Kansas City 10 men and women

were holding a committee meeting to make arrangements for May Day. Enter the police. It appears there is no criminal aranchy statute in Missouri-an oversight which will pro-bably be remedied at the next session of the legislature—but a couple of copies of Marguerite Sanger's pamphlets on Birth Control were found, so the charge in this case was "obscene literature" which calls to mind Aesop's fable of the Lamb

is in possession now of practically San Francisco reports one arrest all the details concerning interfer- on April 29th. The comrade was ences with scheduled May Day ce- charged with posting stickers. He Ibrations. Numerous arrests were was found guilty and sentenced to pulled off; some under the various 30 days in jail. On May 8th Floyd state "criminal syndicalist" statutes; Ramp and William Costley were arsome by the agents of the federal rested for speaking in a hall meet-Department of Justice (?); and some ing. They were held in jail over were merely arrested, held for a night and released on bail next day. few hours and released without being When they came up for trial the debooked. Needless to state, in most tective making the arrests charged cases the authorities were themselves them with taking a collection to the most flagrant violators of their finance the revolution, but the magis-

> nitsky, Ferguson and Ruthenberg are cycle begins over again. pending on appeal. Certificates of The capitalist, however, is always position of their cases in the higher from the immediate process. These \$6,000.00. Comrade Ferguson who is ment in other industries. Furtherbriefs in these cases in his spare time such as farming, logging, textile inin prison which cuts down expenses dustries etc., in which the workers considerably. But nothing further are employed only a fraction of the can be done until funds for printing year. Then there are hordes the records are forthcoming. The of poorly paid alien workers, who State Supreme Court in August. In other, as "need" arises. this instance 20 men were convicted The result of this condition in last August on a conspiracy charge capitalist society is that there "norand sentenced to prson for mally" are one million workers unterms ranging from one to five years. employed in the United States the The two Southern Illinois cases, Carr whole year 'round, two million workand Hewlett, will go to trial at an ing only part time. This is during early date. In San Francisco the the best periods. There was an extrials of Reed and Ragsdale have ception during the war, when every again been continued. The appeals available man was turned into an of Jack Carney and J. O. Bentall instrument for killing or for produwho were convicted in the federal cing tools for killing. Industrious or court in Minnesota for violation of not industrious, lazy or not lazy, this war time legislation will probably condition cannot be obviated as long be decided this summer. Deportation as capitalism exist. This phenomenon proceedings against A. E. Georgian is universal, unemployment moving of Minneapolis will be reviewed by like a wave from one country to the the United States Supreme Court on other, during critical periods. Thus, a writ of Certiorari. Numerous de- in twenty countries in the world, portation proceedings are pending in there were about 11,000,000 unemmany quarters. Workers are defend- ployed in 1910; 13,000,000 on 1914; ing these cases. Your help is needed. 33,000,000 in 1919. Send all remittances to Edgar Owens, 7 Bank St., New York City.

#### When Contentment is a Crime. By BISHOP BROWN.

The answer to one of a series of Pittsburg Dispatch reads: Question-Is the feeling of

tentment a vice or a virtue? Answer-On the theory of the supernaturalistic interpretations of religion, contentment is, for the orthodox adherent of any among them, a virtue, because it is resignation to the will of his god; and, on this theory, virtue consists in doing the

willings of a god. But the celestial gods of these interpretations of religion (Jesus Jehovah, Allah, Budha) are not However, there were two cases in realities, but only symbols of the terrestrial god, Capitalism.

And Capitalism divides the world into two classes of people, a class of owners who, as such, are parasites, and a class of workers, who, as such, are victims.

The great unrest which is sorely afflicting the world is due to its division into these classes. While they endure all the discontent which arises from this unrest will be so much virtue, and any contentment on the part of a victim "in that state of life into which it has pleased God (Capitalism) to call him" will be a

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#### THE CURSE OF UNEMPLOYMENT.

greater or lesser degree.

process takes place in all countries present time. and since the markets available are The status of the cases previous limited, there arise periods of overto May 1st in which the NATIONAL production, when production must undertake public works, so that the operating—there is no market for posures that Lansing makes. When line of under-nourishment, 31,718 DEFENSE COMMITTEE is assist- stop and workers be thrown out of unemployed may find means of earn- goods. The workers cannot buy. Pro- the high and mighty get to quarrel, were greatly undernourished and direction must be a second control of the high and mighty get to quarrel, were greatly undernourished and direction must be a second control of the high and mighty get to quarrel, were greatly undernourished and direction must be a second control of the high and mighty get to quarrel, were greatly undernourished and direction must be a second control of the high and mighty get to quarrel of the hi ing are about the same as stated in work. Gradually the markets "adthe last report. The five New York just" themselves, a part of the workcases, that is, Larkin, Gitlow, Win- ers are put back to work, and the causes unemployment. By law, they Then what is to be done?

reasonable doubt were denied which bent on improving his methods of means the comrades will have to production. This denotes higher proremain in prison pending the dis- fit and the elimination of workers courts. Printing of records, which workers are gradually absorbed by must be done before the cases can go the industry expanding as the result forward involves a printing expense of of the improvement, or find employan able attorney has prepared the more, there are seasonal industries, Chicago Communist cases go to the are moved from one country to the

This is the curse that follows the worker from the cradle to the grave. This is what stares at him from every nook at every moment of his life. Unemployment, periods of idleness, times of earning no money, when bread is unobtainable, when wife and children must go hungry, when the sole occupation of the day is tramping from shop to shop, from mill to mill, hearing the same ansquestions by The Wanderer of The wer: NO HELP WANTED! Unemployment, when workers must go hungry although there is a scarcity of products. Unemployment when workers willing to toil must remain idle. Unemployment when crime and disease increase, women are driven to prostitution, men to scabbing. children to stealing, because there is not enough profit for the capitalist. Unemployment, when press, church, school and lecture platform, lawmaking bodies and public authorities. assail the jobless, as being shiftless, vicious, capable of any crime. Unemployment, which undermines man's confidence in himself, and makes him ashamed of himselfwhich makes him feel superfluous in the world! Unemployment, the brutal, tyrannical ogre of the capitalist system!

> And the way out? There are many ways suggested Capitalists and capitalist apologists insist that there are always the poor among us that they are natural, unsvoidable children of the systembut that the system is correct. Capitalists and capitalist apologists, consequently, offer soup kitchens, bread lines, charity bazaars, Y. M. C. A. dormitories, work camps, poor houses. work houses, reformatories, jails and penitenciaries as palliatives. (This is but the sequence of the steps they adopt, in approaching the problem) Capitalists, regarding the unemployed as inevitable, only seek to tide over especially critical times, by feeding them just enough to keep them alive. The unemployed, furthermore, have another duty to perform by their very unemployment. Their existence tends to lower the wages of those still working. The unemployed are held up as a threat to workers or the job. The capitalists use the army of unemployed as means of challenging the Labor organizations, looking to the jobless to do the work dropped by men who insist on union recognition. The unemployed are a curse to themselves and to the em-

The situation, this year, is especially bitter. There are millions of

Capitalist economists and sociolog- in their behalf; the government proists are wont to conceal the fact posed giving them a bonus-a bribe claring unconstitutional laws favoring that "unemployment is a universal to satisfy them. These men have labor, and-as has happened in Eu- under Wilson, has come out into the "our" late "allies" that the U phenomenon: that it is an invariable been more than cruelly deceived. In ropean countries—the arrest and con- open once more, since his resigna- government is not slow in protecting companion to the capitalist form of good faith, they laid down their society. Wherever there is exploita- jobs and went forth to face death. spirators, if not as criminals. tion, there is also unemployment, to Some of them returned crippled for life. Some of them are deformed and The reason for this is clear. Capital- distorted. These men were given pro- the worker? ists take from the workers a por- mises by the United States governtion of their products. This is the ment and their employers—and the profit of the capitalist. Hence it fol- government and their employers lows that the workers as a whole broke every one of their promises! can never buy back what they have Heroes when they went out to the profits. Were every man to be emproduced. Markets must be obtained war, they are now regarded as bums, for what the workers cannot con- vagabonds-simply because they can capitalism that the system could not out warrant, and papers widely sufficient to hold them and the case sume (the portion representing the profit of the capitalist). Since this profit in running factories at the

> Reformers endeavor to induce the laws abolishing the system that would deprive the capitalists of the sources of their profit, reducing the to believe that the capitalists would as could pass such laws. And should, the working class.

by any accident, a dangerous number be elected, the capitalists know quite well how to handle them: exclusion from legislative halls, deviction of radical lawmakers as con-

Is there then no way to remove

Capitalism offers NO solution. Capitalism cannot employ every man. Capitalism requires an army of unemployed, to reduce wages and increase ployed, they could make demands on lem. Capitalism is bankrupt. The everything is coming to a standstill.

the way that workers instinctively fate of a people is decided by men to feed starving Europe in 1919 apcapitalists to the rank of workers! use—the way that capitalists use for who do not understand what they peal to your sense of humour? By law! And they have faith enough capitalist ends. The Russian workers are dealing with and who do not care, Do you know that the children revealed the method. German and except that it means gain for a of fathers earning less than \$900 a consent. Controlling every means of Italian workers are following in their public education, the capitalists are footsteps. Unemployment is driving much that better had not been re- before they reach the age of 3 years? in the position to prevent the disthe working class in every country semination of such ideas-legally or into the same channels. Everything illegally. Controlling public educa- else has failed. Hunger is no partition, the capitalists prevent the elec- cular respecter of customs and intion of such numbers of those who stitutions. The curse of unemployfavor the abolition of the system, ment will become the salvation of



THE BOLSHEVIST MAKER.

#### HAS MEXICO A LABOR GOVERNMENT?

(Continued from page 2.) hear Soviet Russia attacked and villified bear in mind that those wh attack and villify are the same pirate crew who attack, villify, betray and enslave the workers everywhere. So well pleased are Gompers' masters that their imperialist organ. The N. Y. Times said only the other day:

"The American Federation of Labor does good service not only to the rights of labor but to free government everywhere, by showing as the hideous thing it is this pitiless autocracy."-The Soviet Republic.

THE RAILWAY STRIKE. Two more items to illustrate the workings of our Mexican' Workers' government:

Mexico City, March 7 .- President Obregon, after a four hour conference here today with a committee representing the striking railroad workers and a delegation of Congressmen, admitted that the workers were justified in going out on

The strike is practically won now, t is declared in well-informed circles here. The Federation of Syndicates has declared a general sympathetic strike which has been unanimously indorsed by the power workers, whose walkout would suspend lighting services and water transportation.-From the N. Y. Call, Mar. 10.

A "sympathetic strike" that was all. Mexico City, March 1 (By Mail) .-Alvaro Obregon, president of Mexico, stands today at the parting of the way.

On the one way is the alternative of crushing the mammoth railway a business men's committee for atmen's strike and the possibility of revolution as the result.

On the other hand is the choice of letting the railroad men win, avoiding revolution and-bringing American intervention a bit nearer.

Before this is in print, the wires will doubtless have told the story of Obregon's decision, and he who runs fessors, lawyers, judges, labor-leadand reads may predict the after-results .- From Gale in Butte Bulletin, Mar. 18.

March 19th. The strike is declared hundred of course, have lost their ex-servicemen out of work. Hund-reds of thousands of them are walk-Bye and bye jobs may be found for ing the streets of America, some in disloyal workers. One more victory med. Hasn't the Russian Worker's

ers; one more dearly bought, but tter inadequacy of the present form of craft unionism, and the labor betrayers of these unions.

The Mexican workers will learn let us hope, that no enslaved class can be set free by the journalistic and oratorical appeals of politicians, be they called communist, socialist or friends of labor. The workers here will come to realize the true nature of the social system under which they live. Realizing a better form of society they will develop the will to fight for better things. They will learn, they are learning the truth uttered by Eugene Debs:

"Ignorance and superstition are the twin servants of the privileged, exploiting class and the twin enemies of the working class."

Paul Hanna, quotes Alvarado one time socialist rebel and Governor of Yucatan, as saying to a congress of revolutionary workers held recently in Mexico City:

"General Alvarado regards the Labor party (Labor Party: Political expression of Morones and his Mexican Federation) and its allies as too yellow and given to compromise to effect the liberation of the working class in Mexico. The high spot in his address to the new party convention here was, "You may have power must go to the workers."

Has Mexico a Labor Government? No it has not. It has what all knights and bowmen to prey upon and keep in suppression the serfs of the surrounding country, so the capitalist robber of today maintains his teachers, editors, preachers, proers and political heelers for the same purpose. The robbery is equally complete, the spoils of the idle robber greater than ever before. off. Men are back to work. Several Only the methods have changed. The robber game goes on.

The house of labor must be cleansed. The labor leaders must be trim rags. Special appeals have been made for the Mexican Railway bondhold- Revolution taughts us anything?

# Mr. Lansing and Mr. Wilson

tion during the Peace Conference. He the rights of American imperialists has come out to explain to the world all over the world-NO MATTER just why it was impossible for him HOW! the curse that blackens the life of to collaborate with Mr. Wilson. (Although to be more exact, collaboration did not take place at all. Mr. Lansing was completely ignored by Wilson, both before their departure for Paris and after.) The defenders of Wilson are hot on the trail of Lansing, asking him the unanswerable York City alone and yet they call question, why he remained in the cabinet, when he saw he was not wanted.

governments, municipal and state, to system is defunct. Factories are not Wilson and Lansing, but the exing a living. Socialists would make duction must cease. Slowly, surely, ing, some good is bound to come of 5,284 were in a chronic state of it. We learn secrets that otherwise under-nourishment? would not be disclosed to the prole-There is a way—the direct way— tarian masses. We learn how the lars was voted for, in Washington, small coterie of capitalists. We learn year die at the rate of 170 per 1,000 vealed, if the safety of the capitalist Children of fathers earning between system is to be maintained.

> openly arrived at," as propounded so earning \$2,000 a year die at the rate day, during the Peace Conference, it 1,000, under 3 years old, die whose became clear that Wilson was be- parents earn \$2,500 a year. (All traying the stand he took when pro- these facts are from U. S. census claiming the "brilliant" fourteen and Government documents). points. But the cynicism of it all is Do you know that if you wish to appealing, when one thinks that it give your children a fighting chance was the lives and destines of millions you must organize with your class of human beings that were being to overthrow the capitalist system bargained for-bargained for secret- of exploitation? protest! Thus, in the words of Lan- Sept 29th, 1920.) The mine price for nearly all the negotiations at Paris, New York City of \$5.40, yet the but in the final act of withholding people are charged \$15 a ton. (N. knowledge of the actual text of the Y. Times, Sept. 25th, 1920.) treaty from the delegates of most of Do you know that American coal the nations represented in the Con- can be sold in Canada for \$6.29 and ference, the spirit of secretiveness in European cities at \$7.22 while it seems to have gone mad!"

> war prizes that were to be distribut- Commerce, Sept. 27th 1920.) ed to the lucky claimants or the Do you know that from 1891 to loudest complainers. Shantung, ac- 1913 an average of 3,000 railway cording to Lansing, was awarded as workers have been killed and 57,000 a bait to Japan, to keep her in the injured every year? (Annual report

up in the dictionary by the average valuable lesson for the poorly paid, sadly harrassed Mexican wage slaves.

A much needed reminder of the utter inadequacy of the present form

A much needed reminder of the utter inadequacy of the present form however, it was only a means of the victorious Allied nations cheating Germany. Had the colonial possessions been distributed to the Allied nations as prizes of war, Germany could have contended, and, in the dustries while the American workthe value of these possessions should be deducted from the indemnity that Germany would have to pay. But in distributing the mandates, the League Workers of Au of Nations, "would presumably do forward march of your class and and the mandates would be accepted by the powers as a duty and not to obtain new concessions. Thus, under the mandatory system, Germany lost be free, self governing and their have greatly reduced her financial debts to the Allies, while the latter

obtained the German colonial possessions without the loss of any claims for indemnity." Such altruism! Such idealism!

The mandates were distributed! And further secret treaties were made, even behind the back of Wilson, the preacher of Copen treaties" and the maker of secret ones! And today, the United States government, in whose interests Wilson made these secret treaties, is disputing the validity of the other secret ones. The U. S. government is contesting the a political revolution every month right of Japan to the Island of Yap and still not win your freedom. All and the right of Great Britain to the oil fields of Mesopotamia, And the negotiations are going on JUST AS OPENLY AS THEY DID AT bourgeois, capitalist countries have: PARIS! When negotiations are concluded, the American working class tending to the affairs of big busi- will know whether it may wait a ness. Just as in former days the short time longer to put on war respectable robber class hired their mail, or should settle its affairs and

Mr. Lansing, Secretary of State prepare immediately to show ev

#### TWO QUOTATIONS AND SOME FIGURES.

(Continued from page 1.) creased over 100%) the number ha increased to 21%? Do you know that there are 12,000 paupers in New it the richest city on earth?

Do you know that out of 171,691 school children examined by the The thing of interest to us, how- Board of Health in New York it was system cannot function. The credit ever, is not the controversy between found that 29,781 were perfectly

Does the fact that 100 million dol-

\$1,300 and \$1,700 per annum die at One of the significant things bared the rate of 100 per 1,000 before they is the wonder of the "open treaties are 3 years old? Children of fathers magnificently by Mr. Wilson. Day by of 80 per 1,000 and only 60 per

ly, without their being allowed to Swift's gross profits in 1919 were say a single word of approval or 14 million dollars. (N. Y. Times, sing: "Intrigues, which were only coal in West Visginia is \$3.40 per possible through secrecy, stained ton and the shipment \$2, a total in

can only be sold in American cities Shantung was added to the list of at \$14 or \$15 per ton? (Journal of

U. S. Commerce Commission).

Mandatories, supposedly obliga-is killed in the U. S. A. for every tions, moral and otherwise, on the 421 employed and 1 injured for every part of "altruistic" capitalist na-tions, were another species of in-trigue and deceit. At that time, the word mandatory had to be looked for every 1,851 employed and 1 injured out of every 134. (Senate document No. 90.)

times the rate of the capitalist? It is because, as Mr. Gompers stated, the European workers are organized and inclined to wards radicalism and so can der ers are unorganized and conservative and so their Masters find it cheaper to kill them off than to introduce

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