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No Political Capital.

The "Guardian" a week ago was most f emphatic that no political capital should be made out of the release of the strike prisoners. In reporting the great demenstration in their honour which took place in Johannesburg, the same paper cunningly tacks on the end of the report an announcement of a Labour Party function to raise funds for the elections.

Evidently the "Guardian's" idea of no politics means none but OUR politics.

A Vote of Confidence.

Mr. Henderson, the S.A.P. candidate for Boksburg, was accorded an unanimous vote of confidence, and the voice of the heckler was unheard. This seems the lively meeting at Benoni when Colonel conference of shop stewards which met at very encouraging to the S.A.P. But | Mentz, the heroic slaughterer of the Rand | Bloemfontein last week-end. This dewhen it is remembered that the meeting was held in the E.R.P.M. Recreation Hall, and that those of the 200 or so mine employees who formed the audience who were not officials and toadies were under the eyes of their daily taskmasters, from the manager downwards, the absence of the heckler is not surprising.

We know those mine meetings. have been there and had some.

Free Advertisement.

Communist candidate for Parktown, who the morning till late at night, sewing, failed to come up to the call of time on sewing, sewing, to keep body and soul paces on Tuesday evening at Kenilworth nomination day, got plenty of free adver- | together. These are the conditions ob- by his constituents. He stuck to his tisement." So did Parktown-but quite- taining in wealthy Johannesburg while guns pretty well, but it was quite apparundeservingly.

King and Fascisti.

On the occasion of the visit to England of one of the few remaining specimens of of the Labour candidate for Germiston, the genus king, to wit, he of Italy, Fascist guard of honour was drawn up at the railway station. King George and King Emanuel, we are told, inspected the guard, who gave the Roman salute.

These bloodthirsty murderers and assassins of working men are honoured by King George. Of course, the King has no politics, but we did not notice any red army guard of honour when the President of "Labour" candidates that their middle-8. Party Notes. An Election Address. of the Ukraine and his co-delegates enter- class supporters might not approve of the ed London.

> But of course they were Bolsheviks I who executed the bloody-handed Czar, while the Fascisti only murdered and tortured workers.

Don't Want to Work.

eleeping sickness, which is now ravaging which involved a night away from home, Great Britain, is that those who recover | but when he arrived at the meeting he are troubled with various after-effects. was allowed on the platform and was Some are left with complete listlessness presented to the audience, but was not and disinclination to work.

Johannesburg who exhibit these symptoms | safer as vote-getters, probably. without ever suffering from the sleepy disease.

A "Young" Communist.

workers, fled before the jibes of the Benoni miners. referred to Donald Snowdon's recitations from the top of the If the railway shop stewards movement grand piano. The evening paper calls | means business it has a great future behim a "young" Communist. This appears fore it, as it is organised at the point of to be rather stretching it, considering production the workshop or job, which that Donald is the father of a lusty family is where the exploitation takes place. We and is at least over forty.

Our Glorious Empire.

Women sewing clothes for 11d. per hour, men's trousers at 6d. each. Women The "Sunday Times" states that "the seventy years of age working from five in canism and Imperialism.

Not Wanted.

We had occasion to criticise the action a of Mr. George Brown, who refused to allow a speaker to announce the Returned Strike Prisoners' Social, and sell tickets, at his meeting at Germiston.

There was no wish to make any propa-I ganda, but simply to get as many tickets sold as possible for the benefit of our released comrades and their families.

Another example of the cowardly fear presence of genuine working-class fighters on their platforms comes from Springs.

Mr. Jack Allen, who was till just before the elections a member of the Communist Party, was asked by Harry Shaw. one of the released strike prisoners, to allow him to speak at Mr. Allen's meeting on Monday evening last.

Comrade Shaw went cut to Springs One of the peculiarities, we are told, of from Fordsburg at his own expense, allowed to speak. "Comrades" Tielman We could point out quite a number in Roos and R. Waterston were considered

S.A.I.F. Repudiated.

The railway shopmen have repudiated The Rand morning paper, describing Crawford and his bogue Federation at a cision was practically unanimously agreed to, the only centre unrepresented being

They have taken a right step at any rate by getting away from the discredited Federation.

The People's Harry.

Harry Solomon was put through his politicians squabble over Pacts, Republi- ent that for once he was on a losing wicket.

SMUTS ON CLASS WAR.

himself "astounded that there should be any necessity for a class war in this perfectly democrratic country, in which, whether a man was a Prime Minister or a mining magnate, he was no different from

the humblest citizen.

Let us look into this rather long and involved sentence. The first point is the insimuation that the class war is the result of the baleful activity of certain persons or parties. Of course, Smuts knows as well as anyone that no one DESIRES a war of classes, but it is one of the tricks of the ruling section of society to prtend that the men and women who draw attention to certain facts in society are responsible for those facts.

As well might it be argued that the scientist who explains the causes of thunderstorms and earthquakes are responsible

for these natural phenomena.

Communists and other students of sociology are the advance guard of the working class movement, and not only by their propaganda draw attention to the antagouism in modern society, but by their very activity draw upon themselves the full force of capitalist hatred and vengeance.

The class war, however, is not of their creation but is as old as society itself. It expresses itself in various ways in different periods and localities. To-day the two antagonistic classes in capitalist society are ranging themselves for a final trial of strength, and nothing ean prevent the ultimate clash. The class struggle goes on daily, hourly, generally veiled sometimes open hostilities break out, but always everywhere where man is exploited by his fellow-man the struggle reveals itself.

General Smuts prates of this perfectly democratic country and would have his audience believe that there was no distinction between the rich and the poor, knowing full well that the scales of justice are always weighed against the latter. This is true in reference to men of the same race and colour, but much more in respect to native, Indian, and non-

Europeans generally.

The statements of the Bishop of Johannesburg, quoted in our last issue, in regard to the treatment meted out to natives in the law courts of the Transvaal and elsewhere give the lie to General Smuts. That this was not the vapouring of a newly arrived negrophile is shown by the many letters which have appeared in the Press from men of all grades, including those who are familiar with our law courts and who confirm and amplify all and mere than the Bishop said.

But the facts of our everyday life stare us in the face. What equality is there between the hired worker and the boss or

corporation which exploits him.

The miner, mechanic, show assistant, clerk, all have to eat humble vie every day of their lives or take the consequences the sack, which means the slow torture of looking for another boss who in his turn

General Smuts at East London declared will crush what little spirit is left in the applicant.

> Worse still, with thousands looking for jobs, and many of them openly stating that they are willing to take anything at any price, the job is not so easily found.

Then the agony of unemployment, slow starvation, and loss of status, are the lot of the worker who is flattered at red resettes and badges. Fred Pate occuelection meetings by being told that he is pied the chair, and welcomed the class-war as good as the Prime Minister or the fighters home. The welcome was echoed mining magnate.

finitely better than these parasites who fatten on his labour: but his treatment is

very different.

The poorest shelter, the cheapest food and clothing; the most meagre education for his children, and an absence of any decent amusement or recreation. This is the lot of the great bulk of the workers l here as elsewhere, particularly for the working mother.

the Union, give the lie to the main retoo often repeated by the workers, our officials and leaders, both industrial and political.

The old bourgeois republican slogan of Liberty, Equality, Fraternity, has nearly outworn its usefulness as done for the

workers.

Liberty! There is no liberty for the worker excepting liberty to work or starve, and often the former alternative is denied him.

Equality. The term has become a byword when men and women, can be bought body and soul for the price of a rich man's theatre ticket.

be none, there should be none between the parasites who gorge like ticks on the toil, suffering and degradation and en the very life's blood of the workers.

Any pretence of fraternal relations bethe robber barons of finance, industry | driven to pay dividends. and commerce, is thrown away immediately the slaves attempt even in the smallest way to mitigate their sufferings. This lesson has been well taught the South African workers, and Smuts has been the teacher.

We believe that the lesson has been economic sense, and therefore for the elass war.

A Pleasant Surprise.

The extent of the fall of the ex "an of the Moment" may be gauged by the fact that the S.A.P. Press is moved to rejoice because he met with good reco

tions at such Imperialist strongholds as Dordrecht and Queenstown on the occasion of his birthday luncheon. The fact that he received a patient hearing at the former place is referred to as a "triumph." It does not take much to satisfy his supporters now-a-days.

Brakpan's Welcome.

Brakpan has not heard the "Red Flag" sung for many a long day as it was sung at the Masonic Hall last Saturday night on the occasion of the welcome to the released strike prisoners. The hall, which was gaily fest coned with red flags and --other decorations, was packed to suffocation with a crowd of enthusiastic workers and their wives and families, all sporting by the vast audience with loud cheering. Of course, he is as good and often in- of workers from Benoni were present, and party from Johannesburg, including Sanders, Erasmus, and Harry Shaw, arrived by car. singing the "Red Flag." Their entry to the hall was the signal for great applause. Between the serving of refreshments and the dances the 'exconvicts" addressed the gathering. They thanked all and sundry for the efforts they had made to obtain their release, and for The appalling conditions revealed by what they had done for their dependents the Capetown unemployed, and which while they were incarcerated. They have their counterpart in other parts of stood by their actions in the strike and expressed their willingness to again take marks of Smuts, which are unfortunately up the fight with and on behalf of their class whenever called upon to do so.

The gathering was a fine expression of working-class solidarity and will undoubtedly help to solidify the workers'

ranks in Brakpan.

The Crown Mines.

The Chairman of the Crown Mines. The kind of liberty he enjoys is that of I Ltd., in his speech at the annual meeting a dog on a chain; some have longer and of that company, informed the sharelighter chains than others, but all are holders present that the company had pulled up with a round turn if they ex- | mined nearly three million tons during tend their investigations beyond what is the year, producing 827.872 cunces of considered safe by the man at the other fine gold, worth £3,745,500, besides silver valued at £11,496. He indicated that this gold output exceeded that of the whole of the Commonwealth of Australia and double that of India. The profit for the Fraternity. There is none, there can year, after deducting mine working expenses, London office, directors' fees, audiors fees, and debenture interest, etc., was £1,138,620. The capital of this gigantic concern is £15,000,000, on which colossal sum, much of which is purely tween the modern pirates and brigands, fictitious, the mine employees are being

Taradiddles

Speaking at Kingwilliamstown, General sufficiently learned to politically settle Smuts is reported as saying that the the assassin of the workers at the pous British Fleet, the invincible British Fleet, next month, and having taken that step he called it, was more powerful to-day the workers should not rest until the than ever it had been in its history. The system of which he was one of the will- General, being a "world statesman," ing tools has been replaced by one in should know that the two-Power stanwhich there shall be no classes in an | dard has long been a thing of the pastj land that the United States will within first time since the dawn of history ne a very short time have a fleet equal to the British. In the air, France is stated to have an overwhelming superiority.

Brittania no longer rules the waves, to say nothing of the air. So why lie about

Most of the best things we now possess began by being dreams.—J. Russell Lowell.

The Passing of Fascism in America.

By Dr. Anax Junius.

action, in which middle-class and rene- Propaganda was widely used to give the gade working-class mobs are used as in- impression that the Legion had become a strumente, is found in Italisan Fascism. mob of self-seekers more sordid than any It did not originate there; before the orthodox devotee of rent interest and they were able to communicate. He de-World War it was known in Russia in the | profit. guise of Black Hundreds, and in Africa During the year since the middle of in 1914 as "calling out the burghers." | 1923 the Legion, far from being a Fascist Only in Italy has it reached its fullest organisation, has had to fight for its existgrowth and highest capitalist efficiency; ence as did the trade unions in varlier and only in Italy have conditions been days. Radio broadcasting stations have such, economically, as to give it more than | sent out through the country many talks | said that he refused to sign such a documomentary power. The Spanish dictator- against the bonus, and few in favour of ment and wished it to be known outside thip, far from being principally an anti-the Legion. The anger of the Legionlabour and anti-Communist reaction, was naires is no longer against the workingat bottom an internecine squabble of the men who stayed at home to draw high different sections of exploiters.

Hatfield feud, a mountaineer feud of a them. century's standing, at the time of the There is not, at this moment, in Strange, very strange, this sudden ad-West Virginia coal strike of 1921, ap America, even the nucleus of a Fascist miration for Jagger by Hertzog, and peared to be only another case of the same | movement. The aftermath of Fascism | equally strange that only after Smuts had process; yet it was neither more or less has not arrived; Fascism has simply fail- been thrown over in public by the Chamthan a last flare-up of a mountaineers' ed to develop, and there is no economic ber of Mines should Jagger discover that feud, with the accident that one side hap-situation to bring it to life again. One he disagrees with the Premier's policy of pened to hold the local sheriff's office.

of those who had appeared as tools of retarians, that the master-class, despite all its hypnotizing powers of press, orators, entirely opposed to their class. The Ku-Klux, although spreading from the Old South to Oklahoma, Indiana, Ohio, and New Jersey, lost membership as quickly as it gained new adherents. Scarcely a hood of the development of Fascism. The local boy of the Ku-K-lux but diminished groups that stand most to profit by Fasin size and importance within a year of cism have, through the Teapot Dome oil being founded. As the Ku-Klux spread, revelations, been so thoroughly discredited it lost its hold on the parts where it had with the very men who would have to formerly been strong. And since 1922, form the Fasci, that any organisation or the same process has been repeated in mobilisation of them is impossible. You place after place. In Oklahoma the Ku- in Africa do not realise, perhaps, the ex-Klux dictated the governorship and the tent to which dishonesty has been reresignation of the governor in 1922; to- | vealed, and the depths of sordid mis- | erally speaking, the will to rise; if they day the influence of that reactionary body appropriation of Government money that have the "will" they lack the "knowin that State is only a memory. The mas- have been shown up. Nor do you sacre of negroes at Tulsa, Oklahoma, by realise the extent to which the circulathe Klan, did much to prevent further | tion-seeking Press has exploited the sensa- | create ignorance and slavery never cease growth in that State.

With the American Legion the economic fact that brought a break with Fascist tendencies was the question of th 'honus." The same interests that had willingly used the Legion as a labourbreaking body promptly became anti-Legion when the ex-soldiers asked for a bonus. The same means that had been used to make the Legion submissive to the will of Wall Street were now used to discredit the Legion. Mollon secretary WHAT ABOUT RENEWING YOUR of the treasury, doctored the figures to ISUB. TO THE "INTERNATIONAL"; is 85 per cent.

The type of force-using capitalist relishow that the bonus could not be paid.

wages on munition work, but against the In the United States, after the war, munition profiteers who have safeguaged surface appearances indicated the rise of their war-time profits in tax-exempt Fascism to power. An organization of ex- securities. It is not, however, correct soldiers, calling itself the American to say that the Legion is to-day a pro-Legion, started on the same path as the labour body; but it is well within the flattering reference at Upington to Mr. Fascisti; in the South, the "Ku-Klux- limits of truth to say that in few, if any, Jagger's railway policy. Klan, revived from the '60's, began ter- places can it be counted on to take any Now we are informed that Jagger has rorising negroes and Catholics. During action on the capitalist side. The bonus 1920 and 1921 everything indicated that issue has been a "show-down" and has the course of events in Italy was to be made the Legionnaires realize that their duplicated. The outburst of the McCoy- erstwhile capitalist friends have deserted

factor in this situation has been the dis-But with the winter of 1921-22 the tribution of prosperity and hard times in whole situation changed. Economic facts the last two years. Except for the faronce more brought a change in the actions | mers, all lines have been enjoying an increase of prosperity since the beginning of action. So large a proportion of Legion- 1922; and there has been no occasion for naires and Ku-Klux members were prole- excitement against any class, other than the inevitable and ever-present struggles in its ordinary form. There and the like, could not keep these men has been no striking conflict to abring forth Fascism; and meanwhile the Fascist | which is the perpetuation of a state of reactionary impulse has died.

The last few months have, moreover, permanently put the quietus on any likeli-I tional news, without reference to the more remote effects it might have in alienating l their readers from supporting the class that owns these papers. Only the exreactionary that fell into the Presidency, Coolidge, have seen this possibility.

> Vinegar Rock, New Jersev, April 24th, 1924.

Stassen Dies Game.

REFUSES TO BLAME OTHERS.

At the welcome social to the released strike prisoners, Comrade Saunders stated. in the course of his address that after he had been condemnéd to death Stassen occupied a cell immediately opposite, and clared that Stassen made the following statement: That the prison authorities suggested to him that he should sign an appeal for mercy to the Governor-General and that the appeal stated that he had been led astray by others and that he regretted what he had done, etc. Stassen that he died rather than try to throw the blame on others who had been his comrades.

Coming Events.

Two weeks ago we quoted Hertzog's

resigned from the Smuts Government.

Is it merely a case of rats leaving the sinking ship, or is Jagger preparing the way for an understanding with the new Premier?

industrial development so fundamentally that he feels compelled to hand in his Ministerial portfolio.

How to Strangle the Working-Class.

Every country in the civilised world has a 'Labour' Party, the chvious policy of slavery for the workers. To understand why this is so a slight acquaintance with psychology is necessary, and, with this little understanding the problem is clear.

PUBLIC MOVEMENTS.

Movements of all kinds, religious, political and social have their flow and ebb. They rise and fall in proportion to the needs and depths of feeling of the people. The masses in every land are characterised by apathy; it is the lot of the dispossessed. The 'have nots' have not, genhow." Ignorance begets ignorance; slavery begets slavety, and the forces that from work. But it is a natural lawthat tyranny bears within itself the seed of its own destruction. In the process of subecting a people to slavery the seed of treme reactionary sheets, such as the hatred for the tyrant is sown in, even, an "New York Times," and that poor little hundred human souls, and in course of time the patriot and the revelutionist appears.—"Irish Weiter."

> Before the Soviets came, there were only four in every hundred of our soldiers able to read and write; to-day the proportion

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Engine Drivers' Dispute.

CHAMBER OF MINES WANTS ARBITRATION.

The winding engine drivers organised much-advertised methods of conciliation of the mine magnates, and eventually the peace. and investigation.

engaged the attention of the Mining Industry Board, which, composed as it was of capitalist nominees, naturally

vetoed any rise of pay.

Again the drivers made an attempt to obtain tardy justice by putting in motion the machinery created as a result of the notorious "Brace" Commission, which

got them no further.

drivers' society was organised by a dis- on a lonely road in the dark whistles to gruntled aspirant for office in the old keep his spirits up. They pretend to society, backed up by A. Crawford. The believe that the tide is turning in their organisers of the new society had a suspiciously free hand in approaching the drivers on the mines, so much so that in many quarters it is looked upon as a fake | fastnesses of British Toryism in the Eastunion organised at the instance of the mining bosses. In confirmation of this take the brunt of the workers' attack on general impression, the union, although the Rand. of mushroom growth and only embracing This military populary got a taste of Scottish Communist Scotes was promptly recognised by the Gold Pro- I him when he was ignominiously driven I ducers' Committee (a euphonism for the from the S.A.P. meeting in Benoni. was agreed to restore certain privileges approve of the almost elemental passions' which had been withdrawn after the 1922 which the memory of the murder of their strike. These "privileges" chiefly refer comrades excites in the minds of the Rand to long service drivers, to 'reward' whom an increase in wages is given of ing for a good hearing for Smuts when he per hour extra pay after one year's larrives there. Senator Whiteside and service, a similar additional amount after other respectable Labourites also try their two, three, and four years' unbroken cervice. The maximum then being reached of 2d. per hour. The effect of this mines, he reverts to the original minimum | treated during the War period because | Glasgow. rates of pay, and it need not be pointed they refused to bow to the hysterical out to those who, know anything of in- ingo fever of the period will not be able dustrial conditions that the effect of such to recall any appeal for fair play from a system is to the men to the job and to Creswell or any of his lieutenants. Not

pay, irrespective of the importance or responsibility of the job sape the sense of

solidarity amongst the men.

wage for all certificated winding drivers leaders hate the vanguard of the Labour worker and the owner of capital." equal at least to the present basic wage, imcvement more than they do the capi- | Co-operation and confidence indeed. plus the bonus, and being weary of the on May 21st.

attempt to intimidate the men was made talist politicians. by the Inspector of White Labour, R. Millar-who one regrets to eay, is a meniber of the A.E.U.—by pointing out that Annual Subscription, 10/-; half-yearly, 5/- the Industrial Conciliation Act makes it. a punishable offence to strike until the conciliation machinery provided by the Act has been put into operation.

were temporarily withdrawn, and a meet- | the Capitalist Press is the attemp theing ing of the men called for the 27th at made to produce a death-dealing ray. proposal to take the question at issue planes.

drivers, in common with all workers, will We are witnessing to-day a race beany value unless we are in a position to blood-bath and the social revolution.

The Wind Up.

The leading articles and cartoons in the Capitalist Press indicate a state of feel-Meanwhile, a new certificated engine ing similar to that of the small boy who favour, but they don't believe it themselves. The Premier has retired to the ern Province and leaves Colonel Mentz to

workers. Barlow in Bloemfontein is ask- section of the C.P. of Great Britain. hand at allaying the storm on the Rand. It is not difficult to understand their

force them to submit to conditions a word of protest was raised by the against which they would otherwise kick. Labour politicians against the brutal Labour Premier Ramsay Macdonald, House accomplices.

sympathy, which accounts for the wring- acts prove it.

Immediately the Gold Producers' Com- | ing of hands when the workers, still sore mittee arranged a meeting with the from the wounds of 1922, give vent to drivers and the union officials, and an their feelings against capitalism and capi-

The Death Ray.

The item of news which is at the mo-In any case, the notices to cease work | ment being given most prominence in

Brakpan. At this meeting nothing de- | The British Government's interest in finite was decided on, but at a mass meet- the matter is probably not greater than ing of drivers and firemen, held in the that of other nations, and we may seen Trades Hall, Johannesburg, on Wednes- | see added to the armoury of the nations day evening, after considerable discus- a still more devilish engine of destruction sion, which revealed the fact that the than poison gas, submarines, or aero-

again to arbitration was unpopular with Meanwhile the apologists of Capitalism a considerable section, they were over- prate of peace and lose no opportunity of in the S.A. Amalgamated Engine Drivers' | ruled and a Conciliation Board under the | vilifying the revolutionary workers beand Firemen's Association demand a new Act will be applied for. | cause they insist that the class struggle revision of their rates of pay and condi- The forces of inaction have triumphed is a fact and that the overthrow of the tions. For two years they have pati- for the time, but it is a foregone con- | homicidal maniacs who govern the nations ently tried to obtain redress by the clusion that the Board will take the view is a pre-requisite to any talk of world

The question was one of those which discover that nothing can be obtained of tween the organisers of the next world

Mussolini wants peace with dignity. MacDonald builds new cruisers and aerial warships. The United States is determined to possess a fleet as formidable as Great Britain, and so in every capitalist country fear rules the rulers, and in very terror the workers will be hurled at one another's throats if the madness is not stopped.

Any hope that there may be of world peace and a return to sanity lies in the victory of the proletariat, and whatever his political label the man who is against the workers' revolutionary movement is promoting war and the continual enslavement of the great mass of mankind.

A. Ferguson, who received 11,167 Chamber of Mines), and on May 6th it | The leaders of Labour do not altogether | votes in the Relvingrove (Glasgow) byeelection, is labelled Labour in the cable reports. He is, on the contrary, a Communist, and secretary of the Chasgow

He contested the same seat in the General Election last November, and only lost by 1,004 votes against Hutchinson, whose death caused the bye-election. It is possible that Comrade Ferguson's candidature was endorsed by the Labour is that a driver after four years' unbroken be in the seats of the mighty, and they Newbold and several others at the Genreceive 1s. 4d. per day over the starting know that they cannot carry out their eral Election, but it is certain that he rate. It will be seen that this increase promises even if they had the will, and stood as a Communist, and his handsome is conditional on the driver remaining at they fear the wrath that in due course vote clearly indicates that the C.P. is one job four years. If he is sacked or will descend on their heads. | gaining ground even in such bourgeois leaves, and restarts on another group of Those who were mobbed and mal- localities as the University Division of

Selling Out.

Further, the differentiation in rates of treatment of men and women who dared speaking at the I.L.P. Conference at then to criticise Smuts and his Corner | York, said: "We will try to change industry from a battleground of strikes to The drivers demand a consolidated. The inference is obvious. The Labour co-operation and confidence between the

talists. They would rather see a S.A.P. This is the dope that Capitalist politicians interminable delays, actually handed in capture a seat than a Communist. They dish out. But then, of course, Macdonald twenty-four hours' notice to cease work are essentially bourgeois in outlook and IS a Capitalist politician. His words and

Nationalism and Nationalism.

As a writer in last week's "International" remarked, in this election no again means "the earth for the Empire," policy is considered necessary on either that is, for the leading British exploiters, side, It is "Up Smuts" or "Down who want it for raw material for markets, Smute," and that is enough. Unless we and ESPECIALLY FOR CHEAP are absorbed in the immediate scramble I.ABOUR. for office, however, we cannot escape some LOYALTY TO-LABOUR CHEAPsense of the poverty of this subjectmatter by itself; and as a matter of fact l the various parties are after all introducing, not policies indeed, but nationalist involved. On the contrary, they are appeals both unworthy of the occasion and wholly unprofitable to the masses whose "loud and prolonged cheers" they excite, besides being, as all nationalisms are, inutually contradictory—in spite of the boast on both sides of having "killed | racialism."

IS RACIALISM KILLED!

Hertzog appeals to Dutch nationalism and arouses enormous enthusiasm, although he holds out no benefit for the enthusiasts from secession, indeed he cannot promise secession at all, the Pact bars it—and they cheer the Pact!

Emuts and Creswell compete in appealing to British nationalism for what else l is their rival assurance of "no secession," "no hauling down of the Union Jack," but a slogan every bit as nationalist as Hertzog's?

At the same time, Hertzog appeals for British as well as Dutch support, and Smuts and Creswell for Dutch as well as British.

would never discern it from the politi- in Scuth Africa the Britisher's cheers for Affairs (MacDonald's department) said: cians' speeches, even those that harp, his flag leave the Dutchman cold, and vice "No reports of slave owning or slave irrelevantly enough, on "alien" finan- versa. In favour of the Nationalist in- trading within or beyond Liberian terriciers") a class fight between British-cum- | deed it may be said that his nationalism | tory had been received, but traffic in Dutch capitalists and British-cum-Dutch is well founded on resentment against a CONTRACT LABOUR had been from workers.

side, inherent in nationalism, is that the list purpose; but the British-born Labour- British subjects from Sierra Leons among unity of these white races is based on a lite railing at "Big Business" yet loyal to the gangs."

NATIONALISM IS ANTAGONISM.

Modern nationalism is not "human nature." It is a superstition produced by ceaseless propaganda from the mother's knee, through the school, pulpit, press, etc., right up to old age and death, in the | undoubtedly appears even in a Moscow | interest of a ruling section. And those | demonstration? All the difference in the | names under which American Fascism who are loudest in protesting that it is world. No trace there of the bourgeois masquerades. The Wilkesbarre, Penn., human nature are just those who have nationalism that exploits and enslaves local post of this White Guard organisa-

AGAINST some other race or nationality are the least loyal in the Workers' Re- Mayor Hart to decide what meetings shall or section. It is really the effort of one public, the first act of which was to de- and shall not be held in future. group to enslave or exploit another and proclaim Russian exploitation of other live at its expense (and this generally races. And so we find a considerable means at the expense of the mass even of proportion, and those not the least enthe enslaving and exploiting nationality thusiastic, of those cheering Colshevik as well as of the enslaved and exploited crowds, are members of non-Russian one). A nationalism that wishes equally races formerly subject but now emanciwell to all other nations groups and sec- pated.

ated with the cause of a landowning class cause the proletarian revolution has taken! All meetings demanding civil liberty -Junkers, Boyars, etc.; that is, with the place so far only within the Russian will be dispersed, the Mayor and legioninterest of the few land monopolisers as nation (if a couple of a hundred nation-laires declared, unless they have the

ciated with the policy of "keeping the nations because the majority of the work-Kaffir in his place," i.e., really keeping ers in them still blindly support their. Without an economic organisation and him OUT of his place; in other words, capitalist Governments. without economic power, the fruits of driving and keeping him off his land and But the Russian workers, already the any political victory the workers may taking possession of it and reducing him | most internationally-minded in the world, | achieve will turn to ashes on their lips. to slavery.

British nationalism or imperialism

Nothing there for any of the masses direct sufferers from the resultant cheapening of labour. The "poor whites" who I taught and used by the ruling classes for cheer for the Vierkleur and the workers their own ends at last dissolve into the and unemployed who shout for the British connection are thereby alike inviting their own degradation to Kaifir and Coolie level. They are cheering only the gain of however unconscious, lying behind the the boss and landlord class at the price of cheers at our election meetings, and it

their own undoing. lulled with cries of 'segregation,' patriation of Asiatics," etc., as if these of races but the real struggle of classes, would really mitigate cheap labour com- and strives for the only victory worth petition. (Indeed, the Asiatic cry least is almost admittedly not a worker's over their oppressors and the end of all but a shopkeepers' affair—if you took class rule. away all the Indian labour from Natal the African continent would still supply all the cheap labour necessary to bring Labour Party and Slavery. away his job.)

AS OTHERS SEE US.

All these nationalisms are equally hollow. We cannot see it in ourselves, but we can all see it in the other fellow. We look How is this possible? Partly, no doubt, upon the racial squabbles of the Balkan fused to publish the reports, and Mr. because the fight is at bottom (though you | peoples, for instance, as madness. And | Ponsonby, Under-Secretary for Foreign. | conqueror, and is moreover serving, in | time to time brought to the notice of the That is the bright side of it. The dark | the present crisis, a useful, anti-Imperial- | Government owing to the inclusion of common hostility to the black races. the flag of Big Business (due to the fact | Gangs, "contract" labour. Sounds that he typifies not labour but Small fishy, Mr. Ponsonby. A "Labour" Min-Business) is simply foolish, and serves no lister, too. Oh, fie! useful purpose whatsoever:

"NATIONAL BOLSHEVISM."

What, then, of the national pride which propagated it in their own interest. others. The classes that trade on tion, which broke up the Lenin Memorial 3 Such nationalism is always directed nationalism elsewhere are just those that meeting, has been given the authority by

Thus nationalism is frequently associ- alism AGAINST some other nation; be- ing them physically against the landless masses. alists can be called a nation) and is sur- Logion's permission. In this country it is very closely asso- rounded by other nations still hostile as

are cheering not their own race as such F. V. T.

but their local victory over local capitalism plus the hope of similar victories elsewhere. And the more the revolution spreads to other countries the less its votaries will show of nationalism. What indeed could be less "nationalist" in the bourgeois sense than that scuttle from the front with the cry, "Peace and Bread," which was the foundation of the Bolshevik revolution?

THE NOBILITY OF CLASS LOYALTY.

As in March, 1922, on the Rand, so in a world scale, in an intense crisis of the class struggle, the bastard loyalties supremely enucbling loyalty to the inter-

national working class.

There is something of that loyalty will one day emerge clear and predomin-Lest they discover this truth, they are ant over the politicians' bogus appeals, "re- because it reflects not the false struggle at fighting for, the victory of the workers

The 'Labour' Ministers in the House of Commons are becoming adepts at concealing unpleasant facts from the House. On the question of Abyssinian slave trade, the Secretary for the Board of Trade re-

American Fascisti.

The American Legion is one of the

This decision was made at a conference with the Mayor when Harry Winitsky and Herbert Benjamin, reprisenting the Workers' Party, declared that they would insist on the right of free speech in Wilkesbarre.

Legionaires at the conference tried to intimidate the workers' representatives Yes, there is still the element of nation- and seemed to be with point of attack-

THE ITALIAN ELECTIONS.

COMMUNIST GAINS.

In spite of the unparalleled terror exer is a clear one: the revolutionary prolethe Italian workers made some show resistance to his dictatorship.

G. Masci, in 'Imprecorr,' writes as follows:-

All parties declare themselves eatisfied with the results of the elections, because all parties up to the eve of the poll had had no criterion, not even an approximative one, wherewith to make forecasts, and all of them felt themselves to be crushed by the Fascist terror.

votes of the three parties, the Communist, Maximalist and Reformist, have in 1924, surpassed those which the Socialist Party polled in 1919, i.e., in the period of the sults of the elections declare that against Fascism no other opposition is possible than revelutionary opposition. The Communist Party is the sole workers' party which has scored an electoral success: it had thirteen deputies in the last legislature, and it now has seventeen. The Reformists have sunk from 83 deputies to 25: the Maximalists from 46 to 22. In the industrial towns (except Milan), the Communist Party has polled more votes than the Maximalists, in some towns, especially in the South of Italy, it has polled more votes than the Maximalists l and Reformists together. The indication

Communist Party and is abandoning the Maximalist Party which has the majority of its sympathisers among the rural wageearners.

The Communist Party which emerges politically strengthened from the elections, will therefore have a well defined task to fulfil: it must continue and intensify the campaign for the proletarian united front and for the workers' and peasante' government, to this end taking I advantage of the parliamentary tribune. The working class has, however, re- The peasants who have been shattered Urban Areas. vesied resistive forces exceeding all ex- by the elections and who, in the great It urges that the Natives Land Act of pectations. At Milan, the combined majority, have been compelled by means 1913 be either repealed or amended in of terror to vote for Fascism, will realize f more continually that from the present] entuation the only way out is by revolutionary means. In the South of Italy, It suggests that the European court highest revolutionary development: the the Fascists have only by means of un-56,000 votes in 1919 have grown to heard of acts of violence succeeded in 66,000 in 1924. The working class has subordinating the peasants masses on the proved in a magnificent manner its his felection day; throughout the whole area torical function as champion in this (which comprises one-third of the terri- Provinces of the Union. sphere of opposition to Fascism; the re- tory of Italy) the Communist Party formerly had not even one deputy, and now it has three: one in Silesia, one in Apulia and one in Campania. The economic situation of these populations is a terrible one: emigration has been rendered impossible by the American immigration laws, and the area of land under cultivation has for this harvest been decreased by the great land-owners. The Fascist terror can only for a short time prevent a for many districts heretofore unrepresentwave of revolts, as took place in the decades from 1860.—1870 and from 1890.— 1900. The three Communists elected in the South therefore have historic significance which can surpass all expectations.

Sending Money to Russia.

The following information, which we reprint from 'Information and Review.' may be of service to comrades who have relatives or friends in Soviet Russia:

Foreign money may be transmitted within the U.S.S.R. only in letters, on which the value is declared; or in special money envelopes. The former niethod is intended only for paper currency; no more than three coins may be sent, except in money envelopes. By the latter method, no more than 50,000 gold roubles may be sent at once. Foreign money found in cals, will be confiscated:

Cancelled Soviet and other money tokens of numismatic interest may be transmitted even in ordinary or registered letters.

The transmission from abroad of Tsarist gold and silver coins is strictly prohibited. Any Tearist coins found in the post must be handed over to the State Bank; the addressee will be recompensed at the official rate of exchange.

rency, banknotes, and drafts, may be sent from abroad into the U.S.S.R. in any quantities in any kind of letter, except when there are special regulations with particular countries. Similarly, currency in circulation in the U.S.S.R., including the State Bank notes, may be transmitted freely abroad unless there are mecial agreements.

South-West Diamonds.

FIG PROFITS BUT NO DIVIDENDS

At the annual meeting of the Consol. Diamond Mines, S.W.A., Mr. H. C. Hull, the chairman, stated that the total race or colour. sold, and the working costs for same pending General Election. ounted to £2,446,000.

received in taxes 33 per cent. or tion, but surely if the whole cost of the throughout the Union. war which made it possible for Mr. Hull! and his friends to acquire this valuable! property has been borne by the Union of South Africa, he cannot complain of paying something in return. But these gentry are never satisfied. Enormous! sums are to be spent in new develop-Foreign money, and also Soviet cur | the Government will be urged to remit | paid labour, be it said. Pact Government to this appeal.

> That the conduct of individuals is determined largely by the conditions under which they live is as well established as !

Native Voters and the Election.

At the Convention of native voters held cised by Mussolini and his Fascist thugs, tariat is reorganising itself around the on May 15th it was decided not to support any political party officially during the Elections, but the following manifesto was drawn up for the guidance of native voters:-

> This Convention is of opinion that the time has come for the Government to open facilities for the natives to enjoy the privileges of the Agricultural Land Bank from which they are at present debarred.

> It strongly desires that the Urban Areas Act, 1923, be amended so as to permit the natives to acquire freehold rights in

> accordance with the recommendations of the European—Bantu Conference of Johannesburg (Beptember, 1...

> interpreters abould be replaced by natives.

It urges upon Parliamentary representatives the demirability of extending franchise rights to the natives of the other

It urges that the Pass Laws as they at present operate in the Northern Provinces be abolished.

With regard to the Native Affaire Act of 1920, this Convention recommends:— That Local Councile be established for the communities that desire them; that the number of delegates invited to the Annual Government Conference be enlarged so as to secure more adequate representation ed; that the inclusion of native members in the Commission is desirable.

. It feels that the time has come for the appointment of a whole time Minister for Native Affairs.

It is opposed to the importation into the Union of ultra-Union labour.

It desire to express its approval of minimum wage regulations which would protect workers in all kinds of occupations by compelling employees to pay not less than the fixed minimum wage for all skilled and unskilled labour irrespective of

profit for the year was £418,701. He! It calls upon Parliamentary parties or further stated that in four veurs candidates to define in detail their segre-£3,800,000 was received for diamonds gation policy before the polling day of the

period was £1,725,000, adding certain It resolves that native primary educaother sums received from other sources; tion be transferred from the Provincial the gross profits for the four years am- | Council and be placed under the direct control of the Union Parliament; that a Mr. Hull then goes on to complain that uniform system of native education be inordinary or registered letters, or in par- of this handsome sum the Government augurated through the Union; that a Superintendent-General of Education be £1,240,000. He calls this crushing taxa- appointed to direct native education

Rebuilding.

The Workers' Hall in Benoni, which ment which make the declaration of divi- was deliberately destroyed by bombs in dends impossible, and on these grounds March, 1922, is being rebuilt. Not by Bubecriptions a portion of the diamond tax. We shall have been raised to buy the necessary watch with interest the response of the material, and members of the Benoni branches of the building trades union are putting in voluntary time on Saturday afternoons and Sundays to get the work completed. The job is now well edvanced, and it is hoped that within a few months this fine hall will again be availany axiom of political science.—J. Allen able for working-class gatherings social and otherwise.

Crisis in American Farming.

Agriculture has reached a crisis unprecedented in the history of America.

In one year, 1921-2, over two million l farmers abantloned their farms.

290 per cent., but increased productivity | Premier, on Empire Day.

culture published the findings of a special lions of subject peoples who sweat and survey touching 2,289,000 farmers in 15 suffer hopelessly so that a comparative few years, 1921-2, 600,000 of them went Ireland, Mesopotamia' could tell a difproperty by foreclosure or other logal bicularly funny when read in South moral effect." This is not surprising but process; 122,000 lost their property by Africa, where to say nothing of the quite in keeping with the methods of all default without legal process; 377,000 | forcible dispossession of the natives from | Empires, the British included. Governthough bankrupt, retained physical pos- their ancestral lands the British Empire session of their property, through the has grabbed from the Boers and Germans leniency of creditors.

The mortality continues.

In the four north-western States nesota—nearly 550 banks failed.

failed. They are still closing. There are Dominicus and possessions, the British authorities in India, not in the heat of large towns, like Lewistown, and whole their heritage by the landlords, and this the unfortunate Indians to enlist and fight up. Business is on a cash basis.

farmers on their holdings, Congress was the foundation on which the whole monurgency, and an appropriation of 50 mil- strous edifice of oppression is erected. appealed to for help, as a matter of grave lion dollars was proposed in a Billknown as the "Pig and Chicken Bill" - ployers' terms in 1922 or the British coal! for the purchase of milch cows, and pigs miners when they were betraved on Black and chickens in order that they may get Friday? Evidence is forthcoming every started in the way of feeding themselves. week, every day, in one or other parts of Despite this, however, the exodus con-this great capitalist organisation that the tinues, and it would seem that there is no vast mass of the hundreds of millions of most ignorant of the community will desire to remain on the land as a desirable toilers, white, brown or black, who enjoy accept the assertion.

These facts explain the tendency in the United States for the farmers to unite with the industrial workers, and a workers' and farmers' Government is the next White Terror in Germany. J. H. Thomas and Class _step.

Report on the Strike.

printed and ready for sale about teen leading members of the Party, inif possible, be sold at a shilling a copy, bers of the Executive. A Communist was but, as it is an exhaustive report, it may sentenced to eight years' imprisonment; be necessary to charge more. It may also and examples like this can be multiplied be published in instalments during the literally by hundreds from all over Germonth, at a cost of 3d. per each instalment. The Report will be printed in both English and Afrikaans separately. Summary of contents: Chapter 1 Origins and Issues; Chapter 2, History of the Strike; Chapter 3, The Lie as to the Nationalist other Communist papers. Party; Chapter 4, The Lie as to the Bol- | teristic boldness the "Rote Fahne" to the alleged attacks by Strikers on fur die Provinz Brandenburg"—and the Natives; Chapter 6. The True Causes of authorities have not dared to touch it. 11. The Report of the Mining Industry Board; Chapter 12, Chronological History of the Strike; Appendix, Members of the Defence Committee. Balance Sheet, Schedules of Cases Defended, List of Dependants who are Destitute.

Prices in shop windows were once an indication of value. Now they are an the Allied cause, and 10,000,000 of women indication of nerve.—Thos. Jay, England.

ovil and the people who accept it there ling hand, for they it was who thrust l is a certain shameful solidarity.—Victor Russia into the pit. Never forget that, will be kicked out with the rest of the Hugo.

CONSENT.

"The British Empire need not share the I fate of the fallen Empires of the past because it is governed by consent and The value of farms and farm property | not by force.' These are the words of wisincreased in twenty years, 1900 to 1920, dom uttered by Bruce, the Australian

was only 21 per cent. This lying statement passes muster with In January, the Department of Agri- some, but it will not convince the milwheat and corn growing States. In two may lead lives of luxurious ease. Egypt, bankrupt. Of these, 108,000 lost their kerent story. Such a statement is par- | Punjab in order to produce a widespread their portion of the spoil. Hong Kong is another example of the meek and lowly methods of the British Empire, the whole N. Dakota, S. Dakota Montana and Min- history of which, in common with that of all Empires, reeks with blood, slaughter, In Montana every third bank has slavory and tyranny. Leaving aside the counties, in which all the banks have shut act of spoilation, known to history as for their oppressors and torturers. The Highland clearances, and the colossal en-In order to stop the exodus and keep closures of common lands in England, is

ers consent to go back to work on the em-

the blessings of Imperialism and the protection of the great British Fleet, are held down in iron bondage by the soulless gang of financial, industrial and commercial sharks who batten on their misery and prate about an Imperial race and the glory of the Empire.

The revelations being made in the O'Dwyer libel action now proceeding in London give the lie to all this high

faultin' nouseuse.

General O'Dwyer's policy was frankly stated to be to 'strike terror into the ment by consent, indeed. Night raids on villages, dragging youths from their beds as recruits for the 'Imperial Army,' men stripped naked in public and made to undergo all kinds of indignities, orders to crawl, men beaten and thrown down and trampled by horsemen. These are among the pleasantries indulged in by Imperial latest example of government by consent, and that under a Labour Government, is the sentencing of eight Indian Communists to four years' imprisonment for carrying on propaganda, which is perfectly legal in the British Isles.. The expression of Imperial tyranny vary in different parts of the world, but that the British Empire rests on force and fraud is so patent a fact that only the most blatant jingo will assert to the contrary and the

SOCIAL DEMOCRATS PERSECUTE COMMUNISTS.

During the German election campaign there was a perfect hail of arrests and imprisonments of the Communist Party. end of this month. It will, cluding four Reichstag deputies and memmany.

> The "Rôte Fahne" (Communist Daily) was suspended for fourteen days, likewise the Saxon "Kampfer," and numerous With characelections!

In spite of all this the Communist Party secred phenomenal successes.

Gratitude.

"Russia gave ±,000,000 soldiers' lives to and children's lives; for thanks, they made war on us and blockaded us; we ask Between the Government which does them now not to atone but to lend a helpplease!"--Rakowsky.

Warfare.

At a London banquet on Empire Day, Mr. J. H. Thomas, in proposing the A Report on the Strike in 1922 will be Warrants are out for the arrest of four principal toast, made a stirring appeal to people to drop 'miserable class warfare and class talk." (Cheers.) Let them all, he said, no matter of what class or creed, unite in making the Empire worth of the sacrifices of those of all classes who defended the Empire during the War. One can quite appreciate Mr. Thomas's aversion (on a Ministorial salary of £5,000 & year) to class warfare. The Labour Ministry which is trying to carry out the impossible task of serving both capitalism and the workers at the same time naturally finds class warfare very disconcertshevic Influences; Chapter 5, The Lie as immediately published as the "Rote Fahne ing at times But it is a hard reality, and all Mr. Thomas's flowery talk will not banish it. Moreover, the workers of the Strike; Chapter 7, The True Causes | The "Rote Fahne" has published revela- | Britain will not view with any favour the of the Outbreak; Chapter 8. Government | tions of a secret interview in which Kun- | "Labour" Minister's efforts to force by Martial Law; Chapter 9. The Trials | zer, the "civil dictator," demanded the | their just grievances into the background and Sentences; Chapter 10 The Report suppression of the entire Communist Press by unctuously pretending that they really of the Martial Law Commission; Chapter | throughout Germany for the period of the | do not exist or at most are but secondary considerations to the maintenance of the Empire.

Only Postponed.

Mr. H. Burton, the Finance Minister and late Minister of Mines, who brought on the 1914 railway strike which culminated in Martial Law and the deportations, announces that he has not resigned nor does he intend doing so.

The announcement is not vital, as he gang in about two weeks' time.

No Home, No Hope.

The S.A.P. Government has no consideration either for Native or European. In the Capetown Magistrate's Court we have Mr. Harmer remarking as follows No. 19, Bloem Street, Capetown, regarding five or six Natives found wan-

dering on Woodstock Beach:

Magistrate (addressing the Prosecutor): Supposing he (the oldest of the trio) went felt by demanding work or maintenance. into town now; say he walked cut of here and went from store to store, or into the market, would he get a job? I doubt it. He is not capable of working, and he is brought here, "found wandering abroad without visible means of support." Ad-1 dressing the old man: "You may go, but I' here."

was also charged with wandering abroad possible new, on the foreshore of the Marine Drive, having no lawful means of support.

She was remanded for one week.

Raid on Board of Aid.

something had to be done.

the Board for about 51 hours, a grant of three shillings was obtained. A miserable sum; an insult, in fact.

means in their power to get the away, but they would not budge. only alternative for the officials was to bring in the police; this they hesitated to do.

The City Council, which consists of at least 30 heartless, soulless brutes, with Donald Snowdon, and had reached the been raised, 900 promised, and the figure not the least thought or time for the worker, is responsible for starving the Board of Aid, and refuses to institute a special rate to deal with the matter. It does not represent the citizens of Capetown, but only a small minority. The electoral law is such that one individual platform. . . may register 158 votes. At the last In vain the candidate tried to get a elections 63 property owners registered hearing. Three times a vote of "nc conover 1,000 votes. This is an example of sidence" in the candidate was proposed, the democratic institutions which Smuts | but the chairman refused to put it to the mates about.

thing, and, backed up by Col. Denys Flag." Reitz, has decided not to provide any subsidy for men over 55 years of age; nor for unfits, even if they were rendered unfit during the war to end war!

Comfortable Dividends.

dividend of 421 per cent. for 1923.

The working profit was £611,448, out strength of the British Navy. of which the Government received in Are we heading for another war to end WEEKS ONLY (a) to subscribers whose taxes and share of profits £151,528.

This company at any rate cannot com-

plain of being over-taxed.

Springs Mines, Ltd., paid out two same period, 30 per cent., which is not to SUBSCRIPTION LATELY? be sneezed at. But Phey cannot afford to pay decent wages to the bulk of the READ AND PASS ALONG TO YOUR workers who produce this wealth. MATE!

Capetown Unemployed.

Comrade W. Green, the secretary S.A. Unemployed and General Workers' Union, writes asking for unemployed in

The Capetowir unemployed and relief workers are getting going and now have a regular organisation which has made itself Comrade Green says:--

It is noteworthy that whilst about three ! months ago Col. Reitz would not listen to the demands of the unemployed, on Wednesday, the 14th, he was eager to do sc. It is quite evident that now is the time to l obtain concessions. Budding M.L.A.'s June 1: "Imperialism and the World warn you that you must not hang about are flocking to our support. Whatever | War," E. S. Sachs. or else you will be continually brought the men will get after the elections the June 8: "The Post-War Revolutionary Lord only knows, but we are determined Period," A. H. Michalson. Again: A European woman, aged 30, to exploit the circumstances as much as

Y.C.'s at the Forefront at Benoni.

The reception given all along the Reef | Masses," E. R. Roux. to the S.A.P. candidates is a proof that Three or four hundred unemployed, the Rand workers have reached a stage marshalled by Messrs. Ash and Green, where any future toleration of Chamber made an attack on the offices of the Board of Mines apologists has become impossible. of Aid on Friday, the 23rd inst. | And rightly so. This was the attitude | Hundreds of men have been continu- taken up at Benoni last Monday. After ally visiting the Government Labour dropping bombs on Benoni and then ex-Bureau, without any hope whatever, so pecting Benoni to listen to Government candidates is rather taking liberties.

p.m. At 7.30 a huge crowd had as post free, is within the reach of all. Send sembled outside the hall. With the open- P.O. to Box 4179. The Board of Aid officers tried all to get inside. When Captain Rennie, men who was in the chair; saw there was no The hope of silencing the crowd, he called upon Billy Harrison, of the Y.C.L., to other working class organisations, sent address the audience. Comrade Harrison | delegates to the number of 260 to the met with an enthusiastic reception from Conference to organise help for the Gerthe meeting. He was reciting a poem by man workers; 3,000 dollars has already part about

> "The bloody shambles of Benoni And ramshackles of Dunswart,

Where women and children die---' when the chairman pushed him off the

meeting. The meeting ended at 11.30 The Government also refuses to do any- | p.m. with the singing of the "Red |

Where was the Junior S.A.P.?

Peace Preparations.

The chairman of the Naval Committee of the U.S.A. has advised the House of The Brakpan Mines, Ltd., declared a Representatives that 150 million dollars must be expended if it is to equal the

war? It looks like it.

EXCUSE OUR INTERRUPTION. dividends of 12½ and 17½ per cent. in the BUT HAVE WE RECEIVED YOUR

COMMUNIST PARTY NOTES.

JOHANNESBURG BRANCH.

Members will please make a mental note of the monthly Branch meeting next Wednesday, June 4, at 8 p.m., at the Fransvaal to get in touch with him at No. 4, Trades Hall Eusiness impertant and interesting.

YOUNG COMMUNIST NOTES.

WINTER CLASSES.

Comrades and friends are reminded of the lectures given on Sunday nights at 4, Trades Hall. Time, 8.15 p.m. Public invited.

June 15: "Fascism," W. Kalk.

June 22: "The Third Internationalism and Leninism," E. S. Sachs.

June 29: "Militarism and Anti-Militarism," M. Shall.

July 6: "The Educational Work of the Y.C.L.'s,' C. Grootewal.

July 13: 'From Isolation, to the

The Communist International.

ORGAN OF THE E.C. OF THE COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL.

No. 1 of the new series has just come to hand. It contains 200 pages of most On this last occasion, after holding up The meeting was to have started at 8 interesting matter, and the price, 1s. 3d.

German Famine Relief.

The Labour Unions of New York, with aimed at is 10,000. The strong and active committee appointed are confident of exceeding this figure before spring.

After over two years' interval, S. P. Bunting has resumed legal practice at 42-45, Asher's Buildings, Fox and Joubert Streets. 'Phone 4427.—(Advt.)

Social Lice.

Sir Abe says: "Comb them out."

Sir Abe censiders that Natives are a kind of social lice AT ELECTION TIMES. and IN THE NORTH.

In the Cape the Natives are regarded as useful citizens by the South African Party, but in order to pacify the Eurcpean voter the Juvenile Advisory Board recommends employers to discharge Native shop boys and replace them with European boys leaving school.

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