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### What We May Expect.

In roply to questions asked at their meetings both Col. Creswell and General Hertzog have definitely stated that they would not hesitate to shoot for the purpose of maintaining 'law and order.' Whenever Smuts has shot down the workers he has always done it on the "maintenance of law and order" And, knowing that the Pact leaders differ but little from Smuts in his general attitude towards the working-class, we now know what we have to expect.

### The New Method.

Jamaica is the some of the latest example of the Smute method of dealing with strikers.

Of course the cable reports accuse the in the event of a strike. municipal workers who are on strike of Mr. Brown replied that he would not ascaulting the police, but we have some allow disputes to develop to such a stage. experience of those reports in South But your Labour Government in England Africa In any case, strikers have been killed and no police, which is significant.

# The Imperial Bace.

The Johannesburg Municipality poses to sack its native rattitioners employ white youths in their place.

Whatia vista of possibilities this opens up, particularly if the newspapers run during the next general strike. Rat holes instead of blind alleys. We are getting on.

### Good Old Madeley.

Walter Madeley is one of the lew REAL Labourites left among the leaders of the S.A.L.P.

Heckled as to his views on a republic, he is reported to have said he was not in fav-7. The Pact. The Need for Trades Councils. our of a capitalist republic but a SOCIAL-IST REPUBLIC.

> Why don't some more of the Labouritesat any rate those who were in the Party before it became the hunting-ground of careerists and iob hunters—take the war into the enemy's country?

> Hedge, apologise, and explain less, and l state boldly that they are out to destroy capitalism.

Thousands of workers are waiting for that lead, and if Labour leaders will but give it they will be certain of victory.

Men of the Labour Party: The wobblers will let you down when it suits them. Keep faith with the stalwarts, the real workers, and you are on firm ground.

#### A Poser

Mr. Geo. Brown, Pact candidate for Germiston, was asked at his meeting last Tuesday whether, if he became Minister of Labour, he would adopt the same principle ! as Mr. Shaw, Minister of Labour in England, in protecting willing workers (scabs)

cannot prevent the development of disputes," came the reply. To which retort our friend the candidate made no response. However, as we have the assurance of both Creswell and Hertzog that they will not hesitate to "maintain law and order" in a strike, by shooting, the pious opinions of Geo. Brown don't count for much, although he will be a wonderful man indeed and if, as he thinks, he can prevent the development of disputes where the efforts in | Between 1881 and 1911 the Scottish farm s similar direction of such heaven-sent servant population fell by 49,428; shepherds negotiators as Archie Crawford, J. H. | decreased by 1,229; farmers and graziers fell Thomas, Sam Gompers, and others, have by 4,505; and, lift up your hearts, for gamefailed dismally.

#### Considerate.

Hertzog, at Vereeniging, said: In their intention to do away with the native vote in the Cape Colony the Nationalist Party was prompted by the interests of the natives as much as by that of the white man.

· We can imagine how the native voters wili appreciate this solicitude for their welfare.

### Having It Both Ways.

An American politician once made an eloquent speech to his constituents detailing his political beliefs, and at the end said: "Ladies and gentlemen, these are my sentiments, and if they are not acceptable I will alter them to suit you."

General Hertzog, asked at Vereeniging whether he believed in a State lottery, said as a practical measure he had not much against it but was afraid its moral effect might be detrimental.

He, however, was open to conviction. Most diplomatic. But what does he mean?

# A Shilling a Day.

Colonel Mentz, when questioned as to the adequacy of 7s. 6d a day as a worker's wage in the Transvaal, sharply rejoined: "I've worked for ONE shilling a day, and would do so again if it were necessary."

This toy soldier is one of those objectionable cads who are a disgrace to any Party and should be kicked out of public life.

### "Ill fares the Land-"

keepers INCREASED BY 1,673.

# Trade Unionists and the Soviet. The Marconi Octopus.

leaving agreement name by J. D. Great Britain is final.

Thom, Organizer of the Leaving Pending such decision the employee by private capitalists. Of Distributive and Alfall Workship be supended without loss of wages.

(Britain) and Arcos, Ltd., the Resident Note.—Members of the Union, or Covernment train agency in Indone

follows, and nowhere in British industry !can one be found to equal it:—

Employers shall inform the Union of all proposed appointments to its staff! seven lays before the appointment is confirmed.

If several candidates, possessing equality tentrical qualifications, precent their are pheations, caudidates with Trade Union recommendation shall be given percerby.

The period of probation shall not last longer than one calendar month, after which an employee shall be either included in the permanent staff or dismissed.

Temporary employment shall not last | first claim to any vacancy. longer than one month.

No person shall be employed who has not reached the age of 16.

Employers shall inform the Union of least three days before the dismissal of any employee who is a member of the Union.

other elected Union bodies, may be dis-The terms of the agreement are and missed only with the concent of the Committee of the All-Russian may take place:-

(a) At the employee's request;

(b) At the request of the Union;

(c) On account of reduction in staff;

(d) Owing to unsatisfactory work; (e) Owing to deliberate breaches of

the present agreement; (f) At the conclusion of temporary

work: (g) After sickness lasting over

consecutive months; and

the employee dismissed shall have the total invested

Employees temporarily unable to attend their work in consequence of serious illness shall be paid full salary for the period of four consecutive months.

After the expiry of this period they

may be given a month's notice.

The minimum wage for an adult em-In case of disagreement with reference | ployee of the age of 20 and upwards shall to the proposed dismissal, and after the be £18 per month, or £4 per week.

# THE BAD BOLSHIES

AND ONE OF THEIR "CRITICS."

sponsible for the breaking-up of S.A.P. | would like to see us all burned at the country." Of course, the "Star" never church, he seldom goes to church—on thinks twice about publishing this mon- Sunday evenings, at any rate, for he is strous and scoundrelly libes on some of usually to be seen at the Communist the best fighters in the workers' move meetings. To my knowledge he has atment. Any stick is good enough to beat | tended them in Capetown for six years the "Red Dog" with. But I want to and for at least two years here-scarcely deal with T.B.B. This gentleman (?) missing a week. No other person with a quite often writes to that paper. He used similar record of attendance and with any to write, when in Capetown, to the "Cape | intelligence has failed to be converted to | Argus." He has only two themes—(1) Communism. Which fact holds special self-adulation and snobbish references to significance for our "critic." He is obvihis past social relations with members of ously an out-of-date bigot, clinging to the the upper ten. and (2) slating the Com- | dead past. Hence we don't mind his | munists. He is vain and conceited, and foolish prattling—as long as he keeps possesses a mistaken idea of his own im- within the mark of decency. But for his portance. He worships Royalty—in fact own safety's sake, I would advise him to everything out-of-date including God. I muzz'e his insults. Someone might one His intelligence and knowledge of men day take them seriously. and things would be prenounced by any person competent to judge to be little if anything above that of the parasite: which prey upon the louse. When he writes to slate the Reds he never signs! his full name. When he writes to say that he played golf twenty-five years ago with the toc-nail cutter to Lord Muck he gives his full name for publication. Which fact would indicate that in addition to his other objectionable characteristics, T.B.B. is a coward. And no dirty work? time be justisied.

T.B.B. (full name, T. B. Blathwayt) God. He does not believe in freedom of wrote to the "Star" last week to inform! thought. He is a musty relic of the dark the public that the Communists are re-lage of the Inquisition, and no doubt meetings, and he says that they consist to stake. Although a devoted believer in the a great extent of the 'moral scum of the Almighty and a staunch supporter of the

C.F.G.

# Bailey Bunkum.

Sir Abe Bailey stated at Kimberley that he believed in Trade Unions but did not agree with them taking part in politics.

It is sometimes said that 'politics is a dirty game."

them, and they will be mugs of the first Some time ago the brilliant remark water if they over relinquish their efforts immoral because they did not believe in wing of the one bird-"Power."

Wireless telegraphy has become one of Trade Unionists who are afraid of procedure provided for has been com-Communism, or what many prefer to call, plies with, the decision of the Pleninational communication, and a continua-Bolchevier, are invited the first proceeding Representative of Russia in our and unscrupulous fight is proceeding the most important means of rapid interfor the control of the wireless apparatus

> In so far as the Marconi activities in Great Britain ure increased, the power of the International Wireless Ring approaches closely to a world monopoly. Union of Soviet Employees. Dismissal The Marconi Company is one of four companies, described by Senator Marconi as 'the only four important companies in the world developing long-distance wireless telegraphy," which have combined to form the Commercial Radio International Committee.

The other companies are the Radio Corporation of America, the Cie, Generale four | de T.S.F. (France), and the Gesellschaft fur Drantlose L'elegraphie of Germany, (h) On account of dereliction of duty. Together, according to the Radio Cor-Dismissals under Sections (c) and (g) poration of America, they represent a capitalisation £34,000,000.

> Apart altogether from the International Ring, the Marconi Company itself has world-wide ramifications, and is interest ed in no less than nineteen different companies, in fourteen different countries.

> Within the British Empire it has gone far towards securing a monopoly. In Australia, Canada, and South Africa, and to a lesser degree in Great Britain itself, it already conclucte, or is about to conduct, high-power services.

> It has a twenty-five years' concession from the Swiss Government. It has taken over the wireless, postal, and telegraph services of Peru for twenty-five years. In Koumania it has secured a fifteen years' concession; and has recently concluded an agreement with the Greek Government for the installation of wireless throughout Greece. Patriots like Mr. Godfrey Luasce are more anxiom that his company shall squeeze profite out of what has become a national necessity than they are for the welfare of the Empire they prate so much about.

# That Wonderful Budget.

British official Labour journals and sections of the Capitalist Press have bean: lauding the Labour Chancellor to the skies as a heaven-sent financier and his reduction of the duty on tra, sugar, etc., as a revolutionary departure.

"Justice" says:-

There is altogether too much blather about the 'Housewife's Budget.' It is not going to be nearly so helpful to working-class homes as some would have us believe. Eome shopkeepers reduced their prices at once in accordance with the reduction in the duties, but others did not. They are waiting for the old stocks to be disposed of or to become undisposable. Does Sir Abe want to do ALL the But we should like to know how far the doubt his fear of the Reds whom he is | Anyhow, the workers are finding out | posed especially to cater, have experienced always so courageously reviling will in that what is good for the boss is good for a reduction in the quality of their teas with the knocking off of 4d. a lb. Meanwhile, there has been a distinct tendency escaped him that the Communiste were to seize both the political and industrial for other articles of food to rise in prices, certainly in London

## Nationalists Prevent Communist Meeting.

The Durban Labour organ, comment- writes, under date June 6:- "Kindly says it is right that a man should be ment: A public meeting having been ad- Comrades S. P. Bunting and W. H. a Labour man, Nationalist, S.A.P., or Communist.

the other party to the Pact, or at least Commandant Harry Shaw, and M. Shall. tion with the Labour and Socialist movea section of it, as the following incident The local committee of the National ment from 1913 onwards. during which will show.

The Communist Party advertised a meeting to be held in Vrededorp on Thursday last, in the open-air. On arrival at the pitaform (a wagon), the speakers—two of whom, Harry Shaw and General Erasmus, were among the nine lately released prisoners-were approached by the Chairman of the local branch minority movement and has not a powerof the Nationalist Party and informed ful Press to carry on indignant propathat it had been decided that the meet- ganda against the forcible breaking up ing should not be allowed to proceed. of public meetings. Hence we do not played courage, both moral and physical, Argument was of no avail. and threats expect any protests from the leaders of of a high order, particularly on May Day, were made that the wagon would be seither of the two Parties to the Pact. burned if an attempt to carry out the programme was made.

Under the circumstances, to avoid a row the meeting was abandoned.

The next evening the following was published in the Johanneeburg "Star":--

IN VREDEDORP.

COMMUNISTS DEBARRED FROM

SPEAKING.

Mr. A. J. Boshoff, of 36, Twelfth Street, Vrededorp, secretary of the Vrededorp Branch of the National Party, !

ing on the series of noisy meetings which allow me space in to-morrow's issue of General Smute has attempted to address, ["The Star" for the following announceallowed to speak his mind, whether he be | vertised by the Communist Party to be | Andrews, chairman and secretary of the held in Vrededorp this evening, the Communist Party respectively, were the speakers would have been the following speakers. Comrade Andrews reviewed This opinion is evidently not shared by gentlemen: General Erasmus, C. F. Glass, | the history of our late comrade's connec-Party took the matter in hand, and, after | time he filled many important offices and these gentlemen were debarred from speaking, the public requested the committee to denounce any association with the workers. He paid a tribute to the the Communist Party, for which there is no room in South Africa."

The Communist Party is at present a l

Nevertheless, the Nationalist and Labour Parties would do well to remember the fate of the Unionist Party, which dragooned the workers into sub- fact encouraged, by the officers of the mission and organised white terror against | police and C.I.D. its political opponents, and the probable fate of the S.A.P., which through Smute has pursued similar tactics.

History is no respecter of persons or parties, and although the treatment meted out to Communists during the past | which our departed comrade has so often nine years may appear to have been car- led, the "Red Plag." ried out with impunity the record of those responsible has not been forgotten, and in due time their turn will also come.

It is the custom to taunt the Capitalist parties with making promises election time which they have no intention of even attempting to carry out.

With the advent of Labour Parties to power we have been told this kind of nolitical dishonesty would cease. Has it?

One of the main planks in the British The Labour Government, true to its Labour Party's programme was the oapital levy. Since the Party took the reins of government we have heard noth-Toros the Emergency Powers Act, i.e., a has appointed a committee of enquiry, modified Martial Law, if the strike- composed of capitalist financiers, to encomposed of capitalist sinanciers, to enquire into the whole matter.

> findings and recommendations will not hurt a hair of the heads of the capitalist

"Socialist Review," the organ of Rameay | all the surplus value. Capitalism lives Macdonald, says: "The capital levy can- on surplus value, hence the solution of the paper this turns out to be based | not be introduced, as things are, because | unemployment means the fall of the the information that nine stations the country does not understand it, and, system, and a few more incidents like the have to consider that understanding is afraid.

Rand, with its bombs and mechine-suns. not understanding, is afraid."

settle to the Bernark and file tuted by "Labour Party" then the state-

A The minority! The Labour Party is afraid of its! menters the capitalists who centrol the the second section and temper with the life of the compact of capitalism by The state of the s

(Charles on from of many col.)

Memorial Meeting.

TRIBUTES TO D. IVON JONES.

The speakers at the Sunday meeting on the Johannesburg Town Half steps all took as their theme the life-work and untimely death of Comrade D. Ivon Jones. There was an unusually large audience present when Conrade Shall opened at 7.30 with the singing of "The Internationale."

was a driving and inspiring factor in the development of the left wing section of heroism and self-sacrifice as well as the outstanding ability of Ivon. which was fully endorsed by those present.

The lovable character of our comrade was emphasised by Comrade S. P. Bunting, and he recalled the several occasions during the War period when Jones dis-1917 when a vast crowd of hostile and war-inflamed hooligans set on him and other comrades and were allowed to work their wicked will unmolested, rather in

A telegram from the Capetown Branch was received, joining in the deep regret at the death of Ivon Jones.

The meeting, which was most orderly and impressive, closed with the song

# Work or Maintenance.

Speaking of our slogan, "Work at full rates or maintenance," is it poesible for the capitalist class to foot the bill? Of course not. The more they try to deal with the matter the more they get into difficulty. In the Cape there has been formed "The Constitutional Democratic Party," and one of the methods of d-aling with unempleyment is the following, "Protection for legitimate industries with safeguards against profiteering." The general programme, consisting of fourteen clauses, is very similar to that revolutionary Newcastle programme produced by the Liberals some 15 or more years ago, except for its Protection clause. Protection has been tried in all its phases for generations and breeds the same social ills as Free Trade wherever it is to be found.

It is a foregone conclusion that their | We demand our slogan, and at the same time realise that this system cannot give it. If the Capitalist class absorbs all the unemployed, the price of labour Meanwhile, the current number of the (wages) will go up and in its turn absorb Rand, with its bombs and machine-guns, will hasten the process.

> Instead, Mr. Snowden reduces the bette on tea, suger, and biogeopes, and is acquired by Liberal and Labour Fress all as the earthur of the location.

Links Party outporters that ha 

# Workers & Officials. Labour Party Promises.

The shopmen and other railway workors, by their lightning strike in London and on the Great Western Railway, provide the latest demonstration of the resentment of the workers at the do-nothing policy of the trade union executives and l officials.

The N.U.R., as usual, is sabotaging the han and acting the part of a scab Let us see. supplying and strike breaking agency.

-capitalist outlook, is going to protect soobs and maintain public services.

breaking tactice of the National Union of Railways (J. H. Thomas's Union) are not

It is amusing to read the cabled reports on the progress of the strike.

We read on the one hand that 90 railway stations have been closed, and the next day big bendlines appear asserting that the strike is breaking down and in

Whether the twell of the strike, it is I If the word 'country' was substi-A resolution to the semiprostation of worms ment would about fit the case.

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# A Nobler Man.

made by a woman at a S.A.P. meeting struggle and acted as the situation at to the effect that she considered Garns. the moment demanded. of South Africa."

To be considered nobler than General Smuts is but faint praise; as by no pro- to a court-martial of the enemy, some cess of reasoning can the Prime Minister | hanged, others narrowly escaped, and are be credited with such an attribute, and to call Garnsworthy THE here of South Political expediency. Every attempt is Africa may be an exaggeration.

But to argue from these statements and the fact that Garnsworthy and other released prisoners have been on the same platform as Pact candidates that South African politics are thereby being degraded is the most dishonest cant and political moonshine. That South African politics, in common with those of most other countries, are degraded, goes! without saying.

nations.

by jury.

The "Mail" prates about "terrible atrocities on the Brakpan Mine." That killing tock place there in March, 1922, is true, but it was not one-sided. Both the mine manager's party and the strikers had arms in their hands, and used them, both believing themselves to be justified in so doing. The former were entrenched; the strikers attacked in the open. There was no cowardly assaseination such as the Government troops! were guilty of. Killing is always rogrettable, but to describe this particular episode as an atrocity and to belaud the shooting by the Government Forces as In short, there is perpetual civil war one of the generals or commandants of justifiable and the men who engaged in it going on in society. For considerable 1922 could be sent to instruct the reverend as patriots and heroes is an example of periods it expresses itself in small disputes haters of black scab missionaries as to the the almost universal tendency to con- cver minor questions of wage conditions, best methods of scab conversion. demn the actions of those with whom etc. It efferveses at election times in One of the missionaries had the good in the enemy's camp is looked upon with hostilities, and at long intervals a real people. detestation, but on the side which sent struggle for power takes place. Our l'Let them allow the people to teach what

meaning, of course, that a successful side, whether successful or otherwise, will I trines.

rebel legalises his conduct by his successbe acclaimed, and if they suffer and fall, and becomes a hero and a patriot.

Washington was a pernicious rebel to and even in England-now the U.S.A. is worker to hold. the most powerful capitalist country in the world—honour is done to his memory.

It follows, then, that the attitude towards and estimate of the conduct of men depends on our point of view and the side that one takes in a quarrel.

The class struggle, the existence of which is so often denied by the Capitalist Press and publicists, is proved by the comments of the "Rand Daily Mail" to be a very real factor in modern life.

Mail" waxes Consciously or otherwise, Garnsworthy

worthy 'a nobler man than General They were on the workers' side and class war will cease with the abolition of Smuts," and again that "he is the hero against that which the Capitalist. Press all exploitation by the triumphant proleis paid to advocate. Therefore they tariat. were imprisoned, tried by what amounted only at liberty purely as a matter of made to hold them up to odium, hatred and contempt even when free, and it is I claimed to be a disgrace to Party candidates if they are seen on the same political platform as the men whom Smuts dares to call "these criminals." It is notorious that no prominent Nationalist or Labour man went near the released men or gave them a word of welcome or. cheer on the day of their release, and only when the popular demonstration was seen to be overwhelming did a few over-Capitalism corrupts everything that it come their scruples against "shaking ! touches-religion, art, morals, learning, hands with murderers" and attend the and not least the political life of the welcome home function organised by the class conscious minority. The workers The polities of South Africa are not cor-lare beginning, however, to learn the rupt because of the presence on political lesson that the enemies of the Capitalists platforms of men who have been un-lare their friends, that the men and justly sentenced to death by a special I women who are hounded and execrated Court carefully selected to ensure a con- by the propaganda agencies of the boss viction, and denied one of the safeguards | class are so treated because they are hated against governmental tyranny—a trial and feared as enemies of the present system, and must therefore be the workers champions. In a strike the masters Press praises the scab as a 'loyal' worker and condemn the strikers as hooligans, etc. In a revolt the insurgents are denied l the usages of war, are given no quarter if captured, and are shot down in cold blood like vermin if defeated. Witness! the Paris Commune and the wholesale! elaughter of revolting workers in Finland. Germany, and almost every European country during the past few years against black parsons. A deputation to a sinister indication that the same temper exists here.

revered as martyrs.

This is the idea expressed by the woman the English Government and King; to referred to at the S.A.P. meeting, and it the Americans the father of his country, is the right and only decent view for a

> Of course this is dangerous to the ruling class and therefore every agency is brought into requisition to blacken the working-class heroes in the eyes of their comrades and to praise them and express appreciation of their actions is denounced as a degradation of politics and even treason to the State.

> Responsible Labour leaders essily fall to this capitalist morality, thus demonstrating their unfitness for their position.

We, for our part, will honour the memory of the working-class fighters of all righteously indignant over a remark and many others took sides in this times and all lands, including our own, and work for the time when, with the conquest of power by the workers, the

## Ecclesiastical Bolshevism.

.The Southern Rhodesian Missionary Society seems to be getting the wind up.

At its Conference in Salisbury last week the reverend gentlemen became almost hysterical over a native sect called the Watch Tower Bible and Tract Society.

The leader, it seems, claims to have been sent to set up a kingdom of God on earth.

There is a familiar sound about such nonsenses. A few thousand other adventurers at various times have made similar claims. They used to be burned at the stake, or even more scientifically tortured.

Of late years, public ridicule is considered sufficient to deal with them.

But the good missionaries of Rhodesia scent danger to themselves in this new dcparture of the natives, and shriek Bolshevism, Russia, and the overthrow of the power of the white man.

It was only when Mr. Thomson, M.L.A., the manager of the Wankie Colliery, was asked to speak, that the cat leapt out of the bug. He said it was the first time the natives had a church WITHOUT EURO-PEAN CONTROL and the idea was popular among the natives.

There you have it. The dear missionaries are in danger of losing their jobs through the competition of their cheaper I lack brethren, and therefore appeal to the Covernment instead of praying to their God to help them. Why not have a strike of reverend gentlemen and demand the re-Benoni or Fordsburg could get some usefu! tips as to picketing, commando parades. essential services, etc., etc. If required,

one does not agree and praise the conduct rowdy meetings and a little horseplay. seese to point out that 'they were moving -however open to censure by unbiased Occasionally big strike movements ow in a dangerous direction when they asked onlookers—of those with whom for the ing to the hatred and terror of the gov- the Government to decide what kind of time being we are in sympathy. A spy erning class, take on the form of open religious seaching was to be given to the

him as a self-sacrificing hero. estimation of the actors in these struggles they would, believing that ultimately the Rebels are of course anathema to con- depends on our point of view, on which truth of God would prevail." Sensible stituted authority, and if they fail are side our sympathies lie. That point of words which not ony parsons but politiruthlessly punished. It has been said view should be dominated by our class cians would do well to remember when perthat there are no SUCCESSFUL rebels, interest, in which case the fighters on our secuting people who hold unpopular doc-

# Tom Hann.

#### SELECTED FOR PARLIAMENT.

The Amalgamated Engineering Union has taken a ballot for three of its membern to stand as candidates for Parlia-1 ment at the next election in Great Britain.

Out of a hundred names, Comrade Menn comes out first with 6,502 votes in the first ballot, and as his vote is nearly double the next best he is pretty sure of being one of the A.E U. nominees at the next election.

In a letter from Moscow this mail, "Comrade Tom sends his greetings to South African comrades, mentioning many ty name.

He is on the International Metalworkers' Propaganda Committee, and writes optimistically of the progress being made in motor lorry and automobile building.

Comrade Mann was in Leningrad for the May Day celebrations, when 75 per cent. of the whole population marched past the Winter Palace.

He particularly urges the formation of Trades and Labour Councils to coordinate the activity of the workers in the various localities, and looks forward to the defeat of Smuts as a steppingstone to better times for the toilers.

Tom is still in the fight and "urges all | South African comrades to continue in the good cause and "we shall soon have the satisfaction of realising the revolution."

# An Election Address.

Election time is near, my boys, So come and vote for me Says the Corner House and Jakhie Smuts

And the wealthy S.A.P:

Remember when the War was on The boss put up your pay, And when the war was fought and won He took it all away.

Why, damu it, don't they give you work?

Provide you with your wages, Keep Æditors to write you lies, And meek and holy sages.

Who tell you of the World to come To keep you quiet here, To work and wait and trust in fate, While they mop up the beer.

Then vote, my boys, for Januie Smuts, You'll never see his like. Remember how he stood by you When you were out on strike.

A moral, idealistic man, We know it to our sorrow, The promises he makes to-day Hell break them all to-morrow.

A statesman he of high degree, Be sure you put him in, And when Election time is past You'll see the fun begin.

Then damn the greasy Labour crowd, Don't let that scum advise you; But vote for Smute and aeroplanes, With them he'll civilise you.

# From Information & Review.

MAY DAY CELEBRATIONS.

Soviet Union as usual this year with large demonstrations of workers during fore had to be left in private hands. The the day and meetings and socials in the private wholesaler will disappear, not as evening. Everywhere special homage was the result of suppression, but because he paid to Lenin. in speeches, slogans and is being beaten on his own ground by the flags.

special military parades, the soldiers use every endeavour to encourage the mingling with the workers, peasants and latter in preference to the former, and it

Tashkent, Erivan, and in all the far- the New Economic Policy. The developflung provinces of the great workers' union | ment of State trade marks the beginning of Soviet Republics, bundreds of thous- of the advance from the line of retreat reands demonstrated their solidarity the workers of the world.

#### TRADE UNIONS.

The Congress of the Russian Miners' Union, held in the Trade Union House, Moscow, showed that the union and the oil products, including over 300,000 tons mining industry are much stronger than of kerosene, 160,000 tons of benzine, last year. Of 318,614 mine workers, 100,000 tons of lubricating oil, and 280,124, or 85.7 per cent., are in the smaller quantities of parassin oil, mazut, union

Of the officials, 73 per cent. are mem. It is estimated that the total oil prowith the unions, and an increasing pro- 64,000 tons. portion of workers' purchases are made with the co-ope in some districts rising as high as 60 per cent.

The unemployed on January 1st this year were 4 per cent. of the total workers The Union owns 385 libraries with 462,578 volumes.

cluding address, said:-"We are now until recently at the other end of the masters in our own house. At the same town. The long walk to and from work. time we are also workers. For this was very tiring. Alongside the factory reason we have to think twice about every | there was a monastery. step, about every demand we may make. The workers, passing the monastery -to become schools of Communism. conquest of power."

#### RAILWAY WORKERS' UNION.

Out of 804,255 railway workers, 791,753 are now members of the Railway Workers' Union. There has been an increase of 50,000 since October, 1923. The Union runs 593 libraries with 1,729,100 books.

#### THE CENTROSOYUS IN THE U.S.A.

The award of the American court, by which the deposits, amounting 2,500,000 dollars, in the National City Bank of the old Centrosoyus Department in America are handed over to the Soviet Centrosoyus organisation, marks another triumph of the Soviet Union over Russian 'emigre forces.'

#### THE END OF N.E.P.

have been referring to the Congress Commercial Exchange's resolution trading policy as a "Soviet war on on the basis of the growing productivity circles carry on their work there.

of State industry, the State enterprises May 1st was celebrated throughout the have gradually been enabled to conduct wholesale trading operations which be-State organisations and co-operatives. In all the processions there were no The Soviet Government will, of course, students in the processions. | is in this sense that the present decisions Kharkov, Odessa, Sevastopel Baku, imply rather than preclaim the end of with presented by the New Economic Policy.

#### RUSSIAN OIL EXPORTS.

During the first six months of the current economic year the Soviet Oil Syndicate has sold abroad over 800,000 tons of and other products.

bers of the Communist Party. The co- ducts sold during the current year will operative movement is closely linked up exceed the pre-war sales of oil by about

#### SOLVING THE HOUSING PROBLEM.

In Pakov, on the banks of the River Velika, is the first State leather factory, the "Protetary." Two hundred workers The chairman, Schwartz, in his con- are employed there, most of whom lived

I should like the Mineworkers' Union to daily, looked longingly at it, wondering take first place in carrying cut the pre- whether it could not serve a more useful cepts of Ilich (Lenin) to the trade unions | purpose by being converted into living quarters for them all. The factory comwe are to carry on our work in this spirit, mittee was instructed by a general meetno one will ever be able to rob us of our ing of the workers to take up the matter. The provincial executive committee was sympathetic, and, after some trouble, an agreement was concluded between the municipal department and the Proletary factory, whereby the dwellings of the monastery were taken on lease by the factory and the church was closed.

Repairs were carried out rapidly; and homes were provided for the workers who were most urgently in need of them. Rooms were also provided for a club. a theatre, libraries, a school, and a childreu's home. In addition, premises were provided for a local co-operative society and baths. The workers are cultivating for their own use and pleasure the gardens and orchards.

It is true that there is no longer a monastery with its cross, but instead there is a pleasant workers' suburb, over which waves the Red Flag.

there is churches, but houses are scarce. One The usual White Guard sources at Riga large church in particular was often of empty, until the Viatka leather workers em- | took it in hand. In a short time it was phasising the need for an active State converted into excellent dwellings for the workers.

traders" and "suppressing private capi- A club was also organised, in which tal." This, of course, is merely an ima- | there is now a popular library and reading ginative view of the development that has room, recreation rooms, and a gymnasium. taken place. What has happened is that Active dramatic, reading, and musical

# Mint Paver & Communism

IRRESPONSIBLE ORATORS AND THE 1922 STRIKE.

by the Transvaal Legal Defence Com- which no one had ever proposed doing: on mittee," which is otherwise a very useful | the contrary, they had received marvelcontribution to the liberature of those stirring few weeks in 1922, there is a very obvious bias against and hatred for the Communist Party and members.

A considerable part of the paper is obvithe ex-Chief ously written by Magistrate of Johannesburg, Mr. McFie, discernible in some of the chapters.

first paragraph the report specifically ballot would be held." having contributed to the funds of the the strike passed out of what the Govern-Committee.

member of the Party was one of the founders of the Committee and that the Communist Party undertook, as its share of the work, to relieve the Committee of "International" the expenses and work of defending its own members, many of whom, contrary to the impression sought to be made by the writers of the report, were arrested, fined, and served various terms of imprisonment.

It may therefore with equal truth be declared that the members of the Communist Party who were imprisoned received no assistance from the Committee.

absence.".

organised in the Council of Action who (those that still live) make no apology. strike movement from Randfontein to lives never met again until the strike was Springs, and included such men as Harry | over, and then met under Martial Law whose names even now it would be unwise the conduct of the general strike in the to mention.

It may, however, be said now that the effect of that insulting letter was to in- | Executives. furiate the rank and file and to intimidate "They were the official leaders of the strike. They, of the mon and to recommend them to International" is omitted, although not acrees our charity?" throw up the sponge and go back to only was the Communist organ suppresswork.

The "International" of March 10th and the machinery destroyed. (the day of Martial Law) made the fol- It is not recessary to pursue the mot-

Mines). "which acted as a tonic on the between the abrogation on March 5th of rank and file, seemed to leave the Aug- the Augmented Executive of the South mented Executive only more lethargic and | African Federation and the bombardment wavering than ever. With a hesitation | and assault on Fordsburg has been seriunparalleled . . . they resolved in the custy misrepresented when not entirely Capitalist Press had ever asked them to I cal document.

Throughout the "pink paper" issued | take) whether to throw up the sponge, lously loyal support all round. . Last lot proposal (by Mr. Navsmith and Mr. J. George, on behalf of the Augmented Executive) was unmistakably disapproved and the general strike acclaimed."

Executive Augmented To take a few examples. In the very | that meeting turned down the hallot no

> ment Commission report called 'the cutive and was taken over by a general meeting of all the trade union Execu-

> tives. To continue the narrative of the 'The Joint Executives met on Mon-

day. March 6th, in the Trades Hall, and there met in continuous assembly during the greater part of the day in Rissik Street outside a mass meeting of strikers, militant as undoubtedly to stiffen the gow, to certain of their "reliable" workbacks of the gathering within; the result was that by evening the ballot had of Podolsk, some 40 odd versts from been turned down and . a general strike was called for Tuesday morning. On page 5 the statement is made that | The rank and file having throughout | the "Trade Unions lost control and a shown themselves prepared for the sacrito be exercising some influence, and when were entitled to triumph. Within forty-

were the militant section of the workers not be ashamed and for which they Business.

were the driving force behind the whole. It may be said that the Joint Execu-Spendriff, Percy Fisher, and many others and declared the strike off. They left hands of five men, whose names were not When the time is ripe, a full account of publicly divulged but which are known, the happenings between the date of the and three at least of these men spent final letter of the Chamber of Mines and more time in close consultation with the the subsequent events will be published. | C.I.D. than in organising and extending the general strike ordered, by the Joint

absence."

lowing comment on the situation:— ter further. Sufficient has been said to indi-"That letter" (of the Chamber of cate that the happenings during the period)

Comrade Frank Smith, in the current "All Power," methods of British engineering firms who are clamouring for compensation for the factories they abandoned in Russia during the revolution. He says:---

The "Labour" Government are lodging a claim for the payment of £350,000,000, Sunday's meeting at the Johannesburg as compensation to private traders, who Town Hall saved the situation. The ball lost their property, as a consequence of the Russian workers coming into their

What are the facts? Having had the took privilege of visiting a large number of but the work of other hands is also refuge in a meeting of all the trade union industrial establishments during recent executives next day, and promised "if I times, I will give a few of the facts. The first and foremest is, that the past activities of 'foreign' capitalist agents should mentioned the Communist Party as not | From that moment the management of | effectively debar any questions of "compensation" being even discussed.

To quote one or two typical cases. In It omits to mention that a prominent nerveless hands' of the Augmented Exe- Leningrad there used to exist a Russian branch of the Morgans Crucible Co., of Battersea. Certain of the British employees of this concern, who worked in Russia, were instructed to destroy or render obsolete all plant and toole, as a preliminary to their departure for England.

> Similar instructions were issued by the commandoes, etc., whose temper was so Singer Machine Co. of Kilbowie, Glasmen. The Singer factory is in the town Moscow.

The British Thomson Houston Electric Co., to name only one other engineering handful of irresponsible orators appeared fices and risk involved, triumphed as they concern, also did its best to operate a policy of wanton destruction, at the large the outbreak started they became, with eight hours the direction of the campaign dynamo works, on the banks of the Mostwo exceptions, conspicuous by their had completely changed from a strategic cow river, just on the outskirts of that movement to the rear' into a spirited at city. I have seen the effects of the work Those who—unlike Mr. (McFie—were | tack on the enemy wherever he could be | of the sabotagers, and it's a thousand actively engaged in assisting the workers most hurt, and this attack is now being pities that the British Trade Union during the strike, know that this is a de- pressed on an increasing front." Movement was not kept fully informed on liberate mis-statement of fact. This, then, was the work of the 'irre- | the details of destruction committed in The "irresponsible orators" referred to sponsible orators," of which they need Russia by the paid agents of British Big

> And now a British 'Labour' Government are endeavouring to compel the Russian workers to make good the loss and wilful destruction committed by the agents of capitalism. This is not good enough, and has got to stop.

# Charity for Europeans.

conspicuous by their Chief Justice Sir James Rose-Innes, at the annual meeting of the Capetown the Augmented Executive, goaded on by In the list of newspapers suppressed Committee for the Deaf and Dunb, said the Smuts Press, decided to take a ballot | during the period of Martial Law, "The | "Are we going to have the colour ber

Sir James was commenting upon the ed but the party printing office was closed system governing the distribution of Government grants. He said that he noticed that in the Act these grants are expressly "confined to Europeans." Humanity, religion, policy—411 call upon 1's to help people of this disposition, no matter what colour they may be.-- "Cape Argus," May 31st, 1924.

Mezuwhile, Dr. Abdurahman is tourmost critical moment of the campaign suppressed, which is one of the gravest ing the country, advising the coloured to . . . take a ballot (which none but the | defects of the "pink paper" as an histori- | and native to vote for the Government which liss created this cruel bar.

# Re Bact.

## A Facing both ways Party.

present election contest under circum- as McFie's report attempts to provestanges so favourable to victory as to be they go so far as to forcibly prevent Comunperalleled in the history of the munists from holding propaganda meetcountry.

chance to express its opinion the war-time | the Pact. Governments have been kicked out of It is a pitibale spectacle, and only the

At the same time, little credit can be leading to defeat at the polls. We are here discussing the concentragiven to the leaders of the Pact for their | Having driven the Pact leaders, Kemp, I tion of all the working-class forces in the contribution to such a result. It has Hertzog, Creswell and Co., into a corner, localities into effective organs of the class been, and still is, a rank and file fight, the "Star" proceeds to rub it in, and struggle, basing that discussion on things and if the Pact comes into power it will apropos of Creswell's phrase, "A formula as they are and are coming to be, in the

driven by their own political cowardice— their existence." which was naturally taken full advantage. There is a very clear challenge in these organ for marshalling the workers, unifyof by their clever and unscrupulous enemy words, and perhaps an invitation or pro- ing them, expressing their needs and de--into taking up a DEFENSIVE atti- | phecy. Clearly the Pact has no policy tude when their motto should have been but is a compound of divergent interests. "De l'audace et encore de l'audace." It must sooner or later develop anta- focussing their aspirations. It will be paes to the S.A.P.

the sheer weight of the Capitalist Press S.A.P. leaders have much in common. ties of industrial action, the possibilities criticism to repudiate their republican They are all upholders of the present of co-operation, the necessity of class eduwhich in their hearts they hate, and the follow the will-o'-the-wisp of Imperialism | broader social life. This involves an apologised for and sometimes denounced find themselves betrayed once more, and pose this local fusion of all the forces is to the participants in the heroic resistance a re-grouping along the lines of the deliberately create barriers which events which the rank and file of the workers economic interests of the two great sec- are already breaking down or wearing have from time to time put up against tions of society must ensue. Smuts' Government and the Chamber of Our support of Pact candidates has up into special departments is to inter-Mines; and as for Socialism. In Colonel therefore for its object the clearing out of fere in a reactionary sense and to make Creswell's phrase, "it is only a formula." the road of Smuts and the S.A.P. We difficulties in the way of the natural pro-These political paltreons are prepared to believe that the sooner Hertzog and Cres- cess-the inevitable evolution of the ride to office on the backs and by the well have to administer the affairs of movement. Once this is understood, votes of the men who fought, starved South African capitalism the sooner will then the tremendous implications necesand suffered during the 1922 days, and the workers see them in their true colours. sarily following from this local erganisawho in many cases have never regained A true Labour Party will then be post tion of the workers are thrown into hold their grip on life but have been hounded sible, built of the genuine working-class relief. from pillar to post by the vindictive elements inside and outside the existing master class and forced to accept work parties. at mealie-pap standard. The Labour | Our members and supporters are therepoliticians are not, however, prepared to fore asked to vote against the S.A.P. in associate with them during election time order to hasten the time when the real for fear of being considered extremists by i usue will be apparent to all, and the "respectable" supporters who supply workers will see clearly their enemy the the sinews of war. Whilst causassing for capitalist system, and organise to destroy Communist voies in private—which, by it.

ings in their cowardly terror of being in tives, the branches and locals of the The atrocious record of the Smuts Gov- any way associated with Socialists of political organisations approach workingernment, culminating in the orgie of Communists. They have denied, ex- class questions either sectionally or from slaughter in 1922, the inevitable loss of plained, corrected, protested, until there a particular angle. The Trades Council, popularity of a Government after a long is nothing which has ever been put forperiod of office, the unprecedented magni- ward by them as a principle or a plank tude of the unemployed and poverty prob- which at some place or another during lem's, taken in conjunction with the fact | the past week or so has not been repudi- | questions from a common class standthat in every country which has had the ated by one another of the candidates of point and in a general way, with no spe-

office, made the defeat of Smuts inevit- cry of "Down with Smuts" and the deable from the outeet, and we believe that | termination of the mass of the voting | nothing can even now prevent this result! workers to bring about his political exfrom taking place on June 17th. | tinction prevents such weak-kneed tactics | armoury.

be in SPITE of the leaders, not BECAUSE is after all a formula," says: "If the towns and districts. of their fighting tactics. Nationalist Party had ceased to be re-With the ball at their feet and the publican and secessionist if the Labour The Trades Council of the future will Government party hopelessly on the de Party had ceased to be Socialist, there be a body which aims at expressing every fensive, the Pact leaders have been remained no longer any justification for

They have in fact allowed the initiative to gonisms and the inevitable class cleavage such an organ because the workers are not will appear. The Creswellite Imperial. only becoming more politically conscious, The Nationalists have been driven by iste, the Nationalist wire-pullers, and the but are also realising more the possibiliprinciples and to laud the Union Jack, system. but the rank and file who still cation, and the need for culture and a Labour Party leaders and spokesmen have Nationalism and Racialism will inevitably almost entirely new conception. To op-

# The Need for Trades Councils.

The Trades Council is different from all other local working-class bodies in the The two Parties to the Pact entered the | the bye, are not so negligible in quantity | Union branch can only express the needs fact that it is a general body. A Trade and demands of a section of the workers. The Trade Union branches, the co-operaon the other hand, from the very circumstances of its being, can best approach cial preferences for political, industrial or any other kind of action, but with a bias in favour of using the readiest and speediest weapons in the workers'

phase of working-class activity and every phase of the workers' life. It will be an sires in every regard, fighting their battles in every way conceivable, and faway. To try to saut the local movements

# WHY APOLOGISE?

strikers' activities in 1922.

If Creswell did not answer Parrack's friend Smuts and the Corner House," then he ought to have done so.

What right has a Labour politician to Noske, Scherderfan.

Colonel Creswell seems very angry with interfere and hamper the workers when total of over 3,000 unemployed in the Captain Parrack because he is credited they are at death grips with Capitalism? I Cape. with giving a very natural reply to the But of course Creswell is a law and order latter's challenge to interfere with the man (Capitalist law and order of course) and has frequently stated that he would! "there is no need for any man to be out shoot the workers down if occasion reimpertinence by telling him to 'go to his quired just as ruthlessly as Smuts has that the galloping major does not have done.

# Jobs for All!

Inquiries made at the Labour Burgau here the other day revealed the fact that there were registered there lately about 250 European unemployed. It could be safely assumed that there would be atleast 750 coloured. There can be no doubt also that there are at least another 1,000 not registered at all. This number, with 1,100 on relief work, makes to

Major Van Zyl, speaking at Sea Point on Friday evening last, stated that of work who wants a job." It's a pity a go himself. A few mouths on 're-He is an admirer of McDonald, lief" work would just about finish him off.

# Chamber on the Job.

National Party. It also deals with the obviously an attempt to swing votes for Masses," E. R. Roux. State Bank question, currency inflation, Smuts and the S.A. Party. and Tielman Roos's declaration "that his But the Chamber of Mines is too late party would see to it that the State got this time. The money which they are the major portion of the profits from spending on the circulation of their mining." On the latter questions, it has pamphlet will be wasted. The windy talk yet to be proved that the establishment of of the "incalculable harm" the country a State Bank or increased taxation of the will suffer if the gold magnates' supremmining industry will result in much, if, acy is in any way interfered with, coupled any, appreciable benefit to the workers of with the threat of closing the mines, will South Africa. In fact, if the Pact plays I not wash. Any attempt to create such the game with the people who are going | bogus issues will, as with the secession | to give them the reins of government cry, fall very flat. For the real issue in ment. they will see to it that increased wages this election is plain. The happenand better working conditions are given lings of March, 1922, on the Rand are to the workers on the mines, instead of still fresh in the memory of the workers placing increased taxation on the mining of this country, despite the efforts of the 10s. 8d.; S.A.L.P., 5s.; A.E.U. Disindustry and sinking the proceeds in such | Pact parties to force them into the back- | trict Committee, £5; Junior S.A.L.P., ineffective enterprises as, e.g., locust de ground, and it is obvious that they form 10s.; Acme Military Band, £2 10s.; struction. The Chamber of Mines, of I the basis of the election issue as far as the | Tramwaymen's Union, £8 15s.; Street course, quite naturally objects to any rank-and-file of the workers are concerned. | Collection, £14 11s. 4d.; C.P. sale of measure which will compel them to dis The issue is whether or no the Smuts favours. £17 10s.; Advert., £5; List gorge any portion of their ill-gotten pro- Government, which has played the role of Collections, £3 168. 6d. fits, and raises afresh the threat of clos- footstool to the Rand gold-bugs and The expenditure was £50 9s. 10d., ing the mines. As regards native segre- sinance-capitalists during the whole period leaving a balance in hand of £13 18s. 8d. gation and the stopping of imported it has been in power, helping to smash native labour, the Chamber's objection is every effort of the workers to maintain or similarly grounded, but in any case the improve their standard of life, and using childish absurdity of a million and a half | the armed forces for that purpose without | whites attempting to segregate six mil- reserve, is to remain in office any longer.

pamphlet is not political but is a "plain, vote next Tuesday. unbiased, business statement," setting out

The Gold Producers' Committee of the "the effect on the mines of the adoption Transvaal Chamber of Mines has issued a of the various projects affecting them propamphlet entitled "Party Programmes posed by the opposing political parties." and the Mines' and sub-titled "A Busi- It would under any circumstances be diffiness Statement. It aims at ex- cult to believe that the Chamber could posing the hopeless fallaciousness issue an "unbiased" statement, even of the chief planks in the platforms | though the facts quoted in support of it | of the Pact parties, namely the stopping are substantially correct, for the considof the importation of cheap native labour eration of their profits is always upperfrom Portuguese territory, as proclaimed most in their minds. In this case, howby the Labour Party, and the policy of ever, as the projects criticised are Pact native segregation advocated by General projects, the Chamber's assurance at once Y.C.L.'s," C. Grootswal. Hertzog and the other leaders of the becomes a paradox. The pamphlet is

The Chamber of Mines states that the should, and undoubtedly will, record his 1 1st, 1925.

C.F.G.

# Et tu Brute."

General R. P. Erasmus, one of the released nine strike prisoners, who was billed to speak at the Communist Party meeting in Vrededorp last Friday, having previously consented to do so, has written to the "Star" to say that he "definitely repudiates the statement that he is a Communist." He states that he did not attend headed 'Communist Party.'

We wonder if Erasmus is aware that it of the Communists. exercised in the United Front movement and the Strike Prisoners' Release Committee, which secured the getting up of the several petitions for the release of himself lily attack the political and municipal citaand his fellow-prisoners. Is he aware that dels of power." the Communist Party is the ONLY Party ["Every effort stould be made to extend which initiated and maintained an almost the scope of public ownership. As democontinual campaign for their liberation—| cracy invades and captures public powers, holding meetings and passing resolutions in | public ownership will of necessity be transpractically every Reef town-not to speak | formed and infused with a new spirit. As | This paper will be posted FOR FOUR

their best to help them in their distress, only enter the State as the victim, enters persons recommended as when orthodox Labour men, Trade Union- I the gullet of the serpent." iste and Nationalists were condemning them and dissociating themselves from the strike action as something unclean, EXCUSE OUR INTERRUPTION. sits ill on Erasmus or any of the men who BUT HAVE WE RECEIVED YOUR have suffered with him.

# Maxims of Jim Connoily.

"The only true prophets are those who carve out the future which they announce."

"The principle of complete unity upon the industrial plan must be unceasingly | sought after; the industrial Union embracing all workers in each industry must reas he "had aversion to the meeting" after place the multiplicity of Unions which now he Had "seen the pamphlets (handbills) hamper and restrict our operations, multiply expenses, and divide our forces in the face of the mutual enemy."

> "Concurrently with the gradual shaping! of our industrial activities towards the end of industrial union, Labour must necessar-

Capetown Branch of the Communist Party? | flight. But, without the power of the in- | subscriptions have expired No! Repudiation of the men who did dustrial Union behind it, democracy can from date of expiry; (b) to

BUBSCRIPTION LATELY?

# 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: "Faecism," 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

July 13: "From Isolation to the

# May Day.

JOHANNESBURG COMMITTEE.

The United May Day Committee met at the Trades Hall last week, and the secretary presented the financial state-

The receipts for 1924 totalled £64 8s. 6d., and came from the following sources: Communist Party, £5; B.W.IU., £1

It was decided to bank the balance in the name of the Committee, to be used to start off next year's demonstration.

The secretary was instructed to secure lion natives should be apparent to all. It is on this issue that every worker the Johannesburg Town Hall for May

> It was decided to keep up an unceasing agitation for the proclamation of May lub as à public holiday, also Dingasn's Day.

Members of the Committee pledged themselves to ask every candidate for election whother he will support this propossi. The Chairman agreed to sek the Nationalist and Labour leaders the question in the Johannesburg Town Hall. The Committee decided to get in touch with the May Day Committees in other South African contres with a view to common action in this and other matters.

A vote of thanks was accorded to the secretary for hie invaluable services.

"Here and there to some degraded individuals the victories of Labour mean only increased opportunities for drink and degeneracy; but on the whole it remains true that the fruits of the victories of the organised working class are as capable of being stated in terms of spiritual uplifting as in the material terms of cash."

of similar work done in the Cape by the democracy enters bureaucracy will take | WEEKS ONLY (a) to subscribers whose likely subscribers.

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