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Farmers March on Duluth, June 21

Koochiching County Graft

By A TAXPAYER

There is an old saying that "nothing is sure but death and taxes." In Koochiching county while the first is still quite certain it is not at all certain that the impoverished farmers in this Edward Wellington bailiwick of the north will continue to pay their taxes. They are beginning to realize that they have been robbed for years to line the pockets of a bunch of exploiters and grafters. They are learning at last that this graft has been allowed to the politicians as payment for being the instruments of the exploiters; the timber barons, namely Backus, the railroads and the rich, in wholesale plundering of the impoverished farmers thru exorbitant taxes, while the big landowners, the timber barons, and the rich, have been allowed to go practically tax free.

Aroused by Years of Graft

This is not an idle statement. The people of the county have become aroused to the belief that much of the money they have been paying to the county in taxes has gone, not into county roads and other county improvements, but into private pockets. They are beginning to realize that this has probably been going on for years to a much greater extent than they had imagined.

A recent occurrence has been very illuminating in this direction and many people are demanding a thorough investigation of all the departments of the county government. Here is the story:

Farmers Donate Work for Road

Some time ago the people down in the southern end of the county near Northome, realizing the practically bankrupt condition of the county, proposed to the county that the farmers in that locality would donate the labor to fix up a certain road near Northome over which a school bus must transport children to the Northome school, providing the county would furnish the gas. This was done and many of the farmers and others in the community turned out and contributed labor, among them a Mr. Ernest Carlson who had the contract to drive the bus. As a result of this fine, public spirit the road was put into fair shape without any needless expense to the county to speak of, but which did not save the county a cent as will be seen by what followed.

Bus Driver Got \$118.00?

Sometime later when the commissioners' proceedings were published, one of the farmers who had helped to fix the road noticed in the published proceedings that three claims, totaling something over \$118, had been allowed to Ernest Carlson seemingly for that particular work, in spite of the fact that all that work had been donated and that Ernest Carlson had himself put in only a couple of days or such a matter while many others had put in much more time. Can you imagine the indignation among those farmers? Some of them went to Carlson and confronted him with the matter and asked him why he had done this when everyone understood the work had been donated? Carlson said he had never put in a claim for that work and that he had never received any money on it either.

Checks Endorsed in Carlson's Name

This opened the eyes of those farmers. They secured an old bank check on the back of which was Carlson's signature and sent it to the county seat as a sample of Carlson's signature with the request that the three claims mentioned above be examined to learn if Carlson had endorsed them at the time they were cashed at the First National Bank of International Falls and if the hand writing corresponded to that of the sample signature of Carlson sent on the bank check. This examination was made and while the signatures on all three claims were in the same hand, they were plainly not the signature of Ernest Carlson.

Carlson was much disturbed over the matter and asked some of his neighbors what he ought to do about it. They advised him to take the matter up with the county attorney. This he did by either writing a letter or sending word to County Attorney Hadler. In reply Mr. Hadler asked him to come to the county seat for consultation.

County Engineer Indicted

The result of the whole thing was that it was brought before the grand jury in May last for the indictment of County Engineer Roy Martin, for illegally endorsing and cashing the three claims. Now comes the most astonishing part of this story, that part that has to do with the evidence that

was presented to that Grand Jury; and try to figure out as you read, if you can, how it could happen that 12 jurors out of 22 could possibly fail to find sufficient evidence for indictment, unless you are willing to admit that the jurors were handpicked, a probability that is being freely discussed by citizens of the county.

Just how this information as to the evidence presented to the

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SHERIFF SALES IS ONLY RELIEF

Virginia, Minnesota Deputy Sheriffs Start Personal Property Tax Collection

By JOHN KEINONEN

Corbin, Minn., June 11. The poor and oppressed farmers of St. Louis county get relief from the county in the form of sheriff sales.

I am sending a notice, clipped from the Duluth News-Tribune:

Virginia, June 9.—(Special)—Service and collection of delinquent personal property tax warrants started today by deputy sheriffs of the Virginia office.

Nearly 1,000 tax warrants which remained unpaid April 1 will be served, and the work is expected to require some time to complete. The delinquent warrants were turned over to the sheriff for collection by Wm. C. Sargent, St. Louis county treasurer.

In addition to securing the delinquent tax money, the deputies also will collect a clerk's fee of 25 cents, a warrant fee of 50 cents and a service fee of \$1, as well as interest on the taxes.

It is not enough that interest and back taxes be exacted, but the inhuman capitalist leeches must add their share to the already too high taxes.

The United Farmers League of our county will have a real fight on its hands to fight against the sales of poor farmers' cows, "their only means of existence," by the sheriffs—the bloodhounds of capitalism.

Fellow workers and farmers let us unite. Join the United Farmers League. Attend or march in the Hunger March to Duluth on the 21st of June and demand from the capitalist political grafters of this county "the right to live" that is the stopping of sheriff's sales.

Support Striking Ohio Coal Miners and Colo. Beet Workers with Relief

New York.—Calling for an immediate response to the national campaign for strike relief support of the East Ohio miners and Colorado beet workers, the national offices of the Workers International Relief and the Trade Union Unity League yesterday issued the following joint statement:

"Two important struggles, that of the Colorado beet workers and the East Ohio mine strikers are significant struggles against wage cuts and the continued offensive of the bosses.

"The Colorado beet strike is the biggest struggle of the agricultural workers since the last imperialist world war. Mexican as well as native born Spanish-American workers and whole families of small children toil in the fields under a blazing sun 14 hours a day for starvation wages. The Colorado fields are a notorious slave pen of child labor. Tiny children, babies six years of age are forced to toil in the fields side by side with their parents to eke out a miserable existence."

"The beet workers are striking against a wage cut from \$23 to \$15 an acre which the sugar trust is attempting to force on them."

"Having no reserves when they commenced struggle, the strikers are in desperate need of food, medical supplies, etc. The sugar bosses count on hunger and terror to break the strike. But the beet workers are putting up an

FARMERS HEAR FOSTER TELL OF C. P. PLATFORM

Communist Candidate for President Exposes All Capitalist Parties

IS OFTEN CHEERED

Charles T. Taylor Tells of National Nominating Convention Held in Chicago

Between six and seven hundred farmers heard William Z. Foster, Communist party candidate for president, at Brush Lake, Montana on Sunday, June 12. This was a remarkable turnout for eastern Montana and northwestern North Dakota since the heavy rain of the

WILLIAM Z. FOSTER



COMMUNIST CANDIDATE FOR PRESIDENT

made travel over the roads very difficult. If it had not been for the terrible condition of the roads there would undoubtedly have been the biggest meeting ever held at Brush Lake.

Foster devoted his speech to a review of the conditions of the farmers throughout the country and to an exposure of the fake programs offered to the farmers by all of the capitalist parties. He pointed out the meaning of the Communist party platform plank for the toiling farmers.

This plank which read, "Emergency relief for the impoverished farmers, without restriction by the government or banks, exemption of poor farmers from taxes, and no forced collection of rents or debts" is the Communist answer to the real issues facing the American farm masses. Foster was repeatedly cheered as he pointed out the progress which is being made by the workers and farmers of the

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WILL ORGANIZE FARMERS, SPREAD PRODUCERS NEWS

Hobart, Wash., June 5.—A United Farmers League meeting was held here today at which we decided to help organize the farmers in this community better by spreading the farmers own fighting organ, The Producers News.

A comrade was appointed to take charge of the subscriptions to the paper.

Two comrades from a neighboring community, South Prairie, reported favorably on possibilities for organizing a strong unit in their section.

An announcement of the big Foster meeting to be held in Seattle on June 19 was made and everyone was urged to attend as well as to advertise the important event.

The next meeting of our unit

INCREASE SALES OF MINN. FARMS

Hundreds Being Plundered By Rural Credits Bureau Through Foreclosures

The Farmer-Labor Credits Bureau of Minnesota is speeding up its sales program as much as possible because of the steady increase in the number of farms the state is taking over thru foreclosures. Two new offices were opened on June 7, one in Mahanomen and the other in Alexandria. This will make four offices that the R. C. B. has for the sale of the farms which it has plundered from the farmers of the state.

Thus far in 1932 these plunderers have sold 75 farms covering 7,239 acres. On June 1 the state had 2,456 farms as compared with 2,240 on February 1. In three months the number of farms taken over by the state has increased by 216 despite its vigorous attempt to get some other poor farmer to buy them.

3,000 BY JANUARY 1, 1933

The increase in the number of farms which the state is robbing from the toiling farmers is continuing at such a pace that the Rural Credits Bureau estimates it will have 3,000 farms on hand by the first of next year.

This is the program of the capitalist class, carried thru by its Farmer-Labor agents in the state government and in the Rural Credits Bureau. These are agents of the capitalist class. This is a capitalist party.

FLAT REFUSAL OF ROAD WORK

Fifty Farmers in a Dozen Cars Will Go From Corbin to Duluth

Corbin, Minn., June 11.—Because of the ever worsening condition of the workers and farmers the UFL called a meeting at the workers hall here a week ago, where a committee of action was elected to go and see what our newly appointed county commissioner wants to do to relieve the distress and want of the starving workers and destitute, "have been" farmers.

The resolution of demands adopted at the meeting were: To begin work real soon on four road projects proposed by the committee and repair of old roads.

The answer Commissioner McKenzie gave the committee was "There is no money. Can't build an inch of new road. Can't repair the old roads."

Yes, the answer is always the same when the poor go to ask for work to buy bread. It was the same answer our committee got last winter from the county board when the money was yet unused.

Nevertheless the grader man works grading the "ones were" roads every day.

The poor farmers are not going to swallow the lies of our capitalist politicians any more. They will give their answer by attending the Hunger March on the 21st. About 50 people with about a dozen cars are preparing to go from Corbin.

They are going to find out what became of the public funds and demand relief for the starving citizens of this powerful and free country.

ST. LOUIS COUNTY HUNGER MARCHERS WILL PRESENT DEMANDS FOR RELIEF DURING PRIMARIES

Demands of St. Louis County Farmers Linked with those of Communist Party

VOTE COMMUNIST

United Farmers League to Rally Farmers to Support Only Workers Party

By JOHN LINDMAN

Never has it been so in the history of mankind that millions of farmers and workers are starving, miserably living without clothing and shelter when large warehouses are filled with food and goods to wear and millions of homes empty because the workers have been evicted from them. Most of the poor and middle farmers are crushed to earth by enormous burdens the bankers and the government has placed upon them in the struggle to get out of this crisis. Heavy taxes and loan interest has squeezed the farmers to a ragged living skeleton. The farmers no longer own their land or homes for the bankers and state have seized them for his inability to pay the mortgages and taxes.

FARMER-LABOR IS CAPITALIST PARTY

And in America in 1932 the capitalist parties, Republican and Democrat and the capitalist third party, the Socialist, are out after the poverty ridden farmer for his support and vote. Also the Farmer-Labor party of Minnesota with its double faced policy, demagogically before the country people with solutions to all the farmers' problems; but their solutions are not for the poor or middle farmers but only the bankers and the rich farmers.

The farmers hunger march in St. Louis county, Minnesota, under leadership of the United Farmers League, will take place just in the heat of a political sham battle of the bosses. The UFL which is NOT a political party, nor a political organization, is a farmers economic organization fighting for the farmers immediate every day needs as the demands of the farmers of St. Louis county are. The demands are very simple but sharp to the point. The members and those farmers closely connected with the UFL in many localities are looking to their own political party, the Communist party, for their political guidance in the coming fall election.

COMMUNIST PARTY IS PARTY OF POOR FARMERS

The Communist party leads the workers and poor farmers in their day to day struggles and in the

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Conference Called by United Farmers League Organized March

Virginia, Minn., June 7.—Thirty United Farmers League delegates and 33 fraternal delegates of St. Louis county met in Virginia, Minn., June 5th to discuss the past activities of their United Farmers League locals and to lay down the final preparations for the Farmers Hunger March to Duluth on June 21st. The following number of cars and trucks were set as the quotas for each locality to mobilize for the farmers Hunger March: Pike-Florenton 15, Embarrass 15, Pyla 5, Cook 4, Meadowbrook 10, Sturgeon 15, will try 24, Balkan 6, Idington 5, Brittmount 4, Nebraska one truck, Buhl 5, Cherry 10, Sax 5, Kelsev 3 trucks, Whiteface 5, Markham 14, Palo 10, Corbin 20, Virginia 10, Gilbert 10, Eveleth 25, Chisholm 15—total 213.

A committee was elected to canvass the range towns for gasoline and oil for the cars and trucks. Another committee was elected to draw up the final details on the demands that were approved at the conference which included:

- Exemption from taxation for all poor farmers.
- Reduction in the taxes of the middle farmers.
- Cancellation of the back taxes of the poor farmers.
- No evictions, sheriff sales or mortgage foreclosures of the poor farmers.
- No discrimination in giving out county road work.
- Immediate cash relief for the poverty ridden farmers.
- Unemployment insurance for the workers and poor farmers.

In order that these demands can be carried out the United Farmers League demands that the taxes be raised on all large property owners such as banks, railroads, mining companies, large land owners, etc. The United Farmers League has made good headway since the last conference of the UFL. In his report the St. Louis county organizer reported that since January 15 to June 1st, 377 new members were recruited into the UFL in St. Louis county. Eleven new locals were organized during this period. The subscription drive for the Producers News has not gone ahead as good as it should have. The importance of building the circulation of the Producers News was stressed by the national secretary.

The conference was adjourned by singing the International all the delegates pledged to mobilize as many farmers as possible for the Hunger March so that the quota of 3,000 workers and farmers can be filled for the Hunger March on June 21st.

Demands Are Ignored for over Nine Months

By RUDOLPH HARJU

The St. Louis county cut over lands, raped of all the immense natural forests by the big timber interests has for years provided an escape channel for the thousands of metal miners of the Mesaba Iron Range, after they have worn themselves out in the mines of the steel trust. For the past 25 years iron miners from the range mining towns have moved to the cut-over lands. They have in the course of years built with sweat, toil and privation a well improved farming territory of the whole of St. Louis county. For a period it appeared as if these pioneers of the backwoods, the transformers of stumps and stone into modern farming communities, would be compensated for their efforts, and their livelihood and old age would be assured. Many of them had illusions of becoming independent and prosperous. The farm provided food and shelter for the families and work for the wife and children while the farmers themselves worked, some in the woods, others in nearby mines and others again on the county and state road projects. Sufficient income from

all these sources were available so that no one even thought of the specter of poverty, or of ever being driven out of their homes because of adverse conditions.

But the system of capitalist robbery and exploitation decreed otherwise. Even though the agricultural crisis has profoundly effected the farm industry for years before the present acute capitalist crash set in, the farmers of northern Minnesota did not feel it as intensely as farmers elsewhere.

Dairy farming has been fairly advantageous until about two years ago. Prices have been fairly high for butterfat and since the country is well suited for dairy farming so things went well for a while even after the crisis had set in.

Tax Burden Unbearable

Most of the farmers of the northern counties of Minnesota at the behest of the bankers had mortgaged their farms for loans to improve their farms in the form of buildings, extending the clearings, buying more machinery, dairy cows and equipment for extensive dairy farming, etc. The vast majority of the farmers of St. Louis and other northern Minnesota counties had mortgages on their farms when the capitalist crash took place in November 1929. The tax burden had been unbearable even before the crisis but because the farmers had some income and could scrape together with tremendous sacrifices enough cash to meet the tax payments there was not so much to kick about it.

Capitalism Means Hopeless

For the past two and one-half years with the deepening of the economic crisis of capitalism, the conditions of the farmers have gone from bad to worse. There is no more outside work to be had as formerly. The price of farm produce, particularly butterfat, has reached new low levels every week. No market for the little timber that is still left. And while this has happened the mortgage burden has become oppressive and threatening and the taxes imposed upon these farmers has climbed continuously. The threat of mortgage foreclosures, sheriff's sales and evictions stares these farmers and their families in the face. There is no way out of the situation through capitalist means. Utter ruin and destruction is inevitable.

St. Louis County Farmers See Hope in Organization

These farmers who have been

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THOUSANDS MARCH

Farmers Will Reach Court House In Duluth at One P. M.

RAISE NINE DEMANDS

Insist on the Commissioners Answering Demands Without Any Evasion

Virginia, Minn., June 10.—Under the leadership of the United Farmers League thousands of farmers of St. Louis county will demonstrate in Duluth on June 21 demanding relief for the toiling farm masses of the county from the county commissioners.

The line of march of the farmers of the county to Duluth is as follows: Orr, 7 a. m.; Cook, 8 a. m.; Virginia Co-operative Creamery, 9 a. m.; Cotton, 10:30 a. m.; Highway No. 8 at 11 a. m. The march will reach the Court House at one o'clock p. m.

The demands of the farmers of the county are contained in a letter sent to the county commissioners by the United Farmers League which reads as follows:

St. Louis County UNITED FARMERS LEAGUE Virginia, Minnesota

To the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners:

Sirs:

More than eight months ago a delegation representing several thousand poverty-ridden farmers of St. Louis county presented a program of demands to the board of St. Louis county commissioners for adoption and execution, to relieve the serious starvation condition of the small farmers and the unemployed workers of the cities. The board of commissioners has deliberately resorted to evasion to avoid straightforward action on these demands.

The resolution presented to the board of commissioners, September 21, 1931, pointed out that:

"Thousands of small farmers in St. Louis county are crushed under the burden of high taxes, debts, rents and mortgages, faced with the daily threat of foreclosures, evictions, sheriff sales and suffering dire need and even hunger because the full burden of the farm crisis is thrust upon their shoulders."

MARCH ORGANIZED JUNE 5

After eight months since the foregoing was said, the economic crisis has increased many fold thus adding misery and suffering upon already unbearable starvation conditions. It was with this situation in mind that the United Farmers League at the St. Louis County Convention held at Virginia, Minnesota June 5, 1932, unanimously resolved to bring such pressure to bear by mobilizing and organizing thousands of farmers back to the program of these reasonable demands for the alleviation of the miserable conditions of the small farmers, so that the matter will have to be taken up and acted upon favorably without opportunity of evasion or responsibility. It is for that reason that copies of this letter are sent to all members of the board of commissioners that they may have ample time to study the demands here presented and be prepared to state frankly their position on the same to the delegation of workers and farmers who will appear before the board of commissioners meeting on Tuesday, June 21, 1932 at three o'clock p. m.

DEMANDS SUBMITTED

After a thorough and detailed discussion the United Farmers League at the St. Louis county convention adopted the following demands which are herewith submitted to the St. Louis county

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TOILING FARMERS VOTE FOR THE PARTY OF YOUR CLASS, VOTE COMMUNIST

With the approaching of the coming election campaign American capitalism finds itself in the worst economic crisis in its history. For almost three years the crisis has continuously deepened. Fifteen million workers have no jobs. Misery, hunger and starvation is rampant in rich America. Hundreds of thousands of poor farmers are being driven to prostitution. Mortgage foreclosures, driven to destitution. Mortgage foreclosures, sheriff sales of poor farmers' homes and their means of livelihood, and eviction from the land are increasing daily. Capitalism has reached its stage of decay and disintegration. The capitalist system finds itself in a blind alley. The ruling class is making desperate attempts to overcome its difficulties by shifting the entire burden of the crisis on the shoulders of the toiling masses.

PLAN ATTACK ON SOVIET UNION

Further than that the capitalist class is trying to find a way out of the crisis through imperialist war and an attack upon the Soviet Union where workers and peasants, under the leadership of the Bolshevik Communist party of the Soviet Union are building socialism—where there is no unemployment or starvation and where the living standard of the workers and farmers is getting better every day. While in the capitalist countries the world over the workers and farmers are slowly sinking deeper and deeper into despair and desperation, the living standard of the workers and toiling peasants of the Soviet Union is becoming more secure and better as time goes on and will continue to do so provided the imperialist robbers can be prevented from executing their sinister plans of imperialist intervention.

WAR IS ON

The imperialist war has already begun. Japanese imperialism with the tacit understanding of the United States and other imperialist nations, despite the mutual contradictions of imperialist interests, has murdered thousands of Chinese workers, has plundered Shanghai and Manchuria, preparatory to an open attack against the Soviet Union. American imperialism is aiding Japan and assuming leadership in the very front of the imperialist attack against the Soviet Union.

CAPITALISTS TRY TO FOOL FARMERS

It is in a situation of this kind that elections in America will be carried on. More than ever before will the capitalist class resort to demagoguery to fool the toiling masses. Every agency of capitalism will be brought into play. Hundreds of tons of paper and tons of ink will be spread from one end of the country to the other, and thousands of professional demagogues will be employed to serve the master class to mislead the toiling masses during the election campaign. The Republican Democrat, Socialist and Farmer-Labor parties are all serving the interests of the capitalist class in the coming elections. They are all enemies of the workers and farmers. They all have one program: the continuation of the capitalist system of starvation and war.

SOCIALIST BETRAYERS

The Social-Fascists have a special role to play and are the most dangerous to the workers and farmers. The Socialist party with its Thomases, Hilquits and Hoans, is preparing further betrayals of the working class. The records of the Socialist administrations of Milwaukee, Wisconsin, and Reading, Pa., are classic examples of the Socialist party's program of betrayal. In both instances the hunger and misery of the workers is as acute as in any other capitalist city. In both places the hungry unemployed workers have received the same treatment as they do in other cities. In "socialist" Milwaukee hungry unemployed workers are given police clubs and jails, instead of bread and relief.

The recent Socialist party convention in Milwaukee further proved that it is a willing tool of decaying capitalism. The Socialist party at its national convention called for the entrance of the United States into the Imperialist World Court (Point 4 of the Socialist party platform) and helps the imperialists to cover up the war-making character of the bandit League of Nations by phrases to the effect that the U. S. should enter "under conditions which will make it a more effective instrument for world peace." The Socialist party is here representing the League of Nations as an instrument of peace and is covering up its robber and war making policy against the Chinese people and the Soviet Union. The Socialist party is an enemy of the workers and farmers and deserves the enmity of all workers and farmers.

PROGRESSIVES, TOOLS OF WALL STREET

Similarly the fake Progressives in and outside of congress are serving the interests of the capitalist class. They have no other program or solution for the hunger and misery of the working class than the program of capitalism. Their

radical phrase mongering is intended for deception and betrayal. The Farmer-Labor party of Minnesota is serving the interests of capitalism just as the other social fascist groups are doing. In Minnesota where the Farmer-Labor party has been in power for almost two years, the conditions of the workers and poor farmers are no better than in any other state. During the Farmer-Labor administration the state Rural Credits Bureau has cleaned out thousands of poor farmers through mortgage foreclosure and many thousands more will be foreclosed during the next few months. At the same time when the Rural Credits Bureau has carried out its foreclosure policy, the Farmer-Labor governor, Floyd B. Olson, has handed out over \$2,500,000 for the national guard for the purpose of training cannon fodder for the Wall Street masters to be used in the impending imperialist world war and in an attack against the Soviet Union, the country where the workers and farmers rule.

The fake progressives of all shades and colors and the Farmer-Labor party are tools of capitalism for the continuation of hunger and imperialist wars.

MISLEADERS AID CAPITALISM

In addition to the foregoing, the willing servants of the Wall Street government, the misleaders of the fake farm organizations, the Farmers Union, Grange, the Farm Bureau and all the functionaries of the Farm Board, the agents of the Farm Board subsidiaries (marketing co-operatives) are going to expend every ounce of their energy demagogically appealing to the farmers to save capitalism by supporting the various candidates of the capitalist class, whether they are Republicans, Democrats, Socialists, Progressives or Farmer-Laborites.

Of all the capitalist parties and their candidates, not one of them has a program that would relieve the farmers of their destitute situation. Only the Communist party has a program for the poor farmers that will be of benefit, and adequate, to the toiling masses of the countryside.

COMMUNIST PARTY PLATFORM

The poverty ridden farmers of the countryside are keenly interested in the coming elections. The question of being driven from their homes through mortgage foreclosures, sheriff sales and eviction assumes profound and paramount importance for the farmers in the coming elections. The Communist party in its program demands for the poor farmers:

Emergency relief for the poor farmers without restrictions by the government and banks; exemption of poor farmers from taxes, and no forced collection of rents or debts.

This demand coincides with the urgent needs of the poor farmers. It is the only remedy that is adequate, that will save hundreds of thousands of American small and middle farmers from destruction, ruin and consequent slow starvation and death.

UNITED FARMERS LEAGUE SUPPORTS COMMUNIST PARTY

While the United Farmers League is not a political party, yet it does not stand aloof from the political struggles and for that reason it points out to the toiling farmers to support the only political party which represents their class interests. The United Farmers League is a leader and organizer of farmers for struggle against capitalist robbery, against the entire capitalist system and the capitalist class. The United Farmers League organizes farmers to fight for the cancellation of mortgages and debts for the poor farmers; for exemption from taxation for poor farmers; for unemployment and social insurance for workers and small farmers at the expense of the government and the rich; against imperialist wars and for the defense of the Soviet Union and finally for the abolition of the capitalist system of robbery and exploitation and for the building of socialism. The Communist party's election program shows the revolutionary way out of the capitalist crisis. The United Farmers League would be remiss in its duties to the class that it represents if it did not urge the toiling farmers and the countryside to support the Communist party in its election campaign.

VOTE COMMUNIST!

Fellow Farmers: Join the workers of the cities for a determined struggle under the leadership of the Communist party against hunger and imperialism wars and for the defense of the Soviet Union! For a determined struggle against the capitalist parties and for the support of the workers' and poor farmers' candidates, the candidates of the Communist Party!

UNITED FARMERS LEAGUE,
Rudolph Harju, Secretary.

Militarist and "Farmer"

The first number of the Roosevelt Rooter which has just been issued from the headquarters of the Roosevelt politicians carries the slogan: "Make this Country Safe for Democracy in Business." This country has been "safe for democracy in business" during the whole history of capitalism. "Democracy in business" means capitalist ownership of the industries, and starvation and privation for the masses of toilers. This is what Roosevelt stands for, just as the other agents of the capitalist parties.

DARING MILITARIST

The "Rooter" in its leading article points out what an efficient cog in the war machine Roosevelt was during the last imperialist slaughter, "when as business manager of the navy, Roosevelt displayed the most daring uses of emergency executive power ever exercised in a high government position." This is a promise to the capitalist class that Roosevelt will be just as efficient and "daring" in the next imperialist war, just as "daring" in the attack on the Soviet Union if he is elected president.

MILLIONAIRE FARMER

Finally to fool the farmers, Roosevelt is displayed as "farm raised and farm bred, a lover of fine stock which he still raises on a large scale." "Farming" for this bankers' agent is a game, for the toiling farmers it is a wretched struggle.

Doings of the Advance Guard

Did you miss this little column last week? Well, it wasn't there. And this week it might not be as complete as it should be. The trouble with us here at this end is that we have to eat. We don't expect to get fat but we have to eat a little once in a while. Sometimes we must leave our happy home in order to go out somewhere else and grab a few dollars to apply on our grocery bill. That is just what we did last week, but getting work and getting paid for it is almost a thing of the past here as well as anywhere else.

Have you noticed this column has been getting shorter lately? This should not be so. We want it to grow and grow until we can fill a whole page with it. Everybody must get busy and get a lot of new subscribers, also get the old ones to renew.

Another way you can help us a lot is by getting some job work for us. We can print campaign cards with your pictures on, posters, bills of all description and anything in the printing line. Send in your order and don't send it in just at the last minute. If you want special campaign articles in the paper, send the articles to us in time. We can mail a copy to every voter in your county if you send us the names, but we can't afford to do this for nothing. Twenty dollar per thousand is the best we can do. The Producers News plant must be kept going and we must eat a little off and on in order to keep up the spirit. Organize, get more subscriptions, get some job work and advertising in.

Willis Hibner, Buhl, Idaho, sends one sub and renews his subscription. He writes: "Know of many farmers who are ready for the UFL. Yours, while I live, for this final struggle for civilization."

Fred Davis, Stockton, Calif., requests information about the UFL. Richard Koski, Richwood, Minn., sends in two subs.

Ellen Semponen, Superior, Wis., sends in two subs.

Nestor Vaino, Angora, Minn., sends in three sub cards.

MORE SUBS FOR PAPER
Julia Kjordstad, of Williston, N. D., sends in one sub: "When our campaign manager comes we'll have some meetings and then I think we will get a lot more subs for the paper," says Julia.

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PIKE-FLORENTON TO RALLY 100 FOR MARCH TO DULUTH

Virginia, Minn., June 12. — A mass meeting is to be held at the Florenton hall June 19th where we are going to have a lot of questions to discuss. I hope everybody will be there so we'll have a good meeting.

We're also going to take an active part in the Hunger March to Duluth on the 21st of this month. Our quota is 100 persons and we are going to get the quota if not more.

Now let's all be there as only thru struggle will we beat the boss class down.

NICK ALLEN,

ST. LOUIS COUNTY HUNGER MARCHERS

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commissioners and copies sent to the individual members of the board:

1. Exemption from taxation of all poor farmers. Immediate cancellation of all delinquent taxes (back taxes) on property and homes of poor farmers. Necessary increase in the taxes of large property owners, corporations, rich farmers, mining companies and banks in order to get funds for the execution and application of these demands.

2. Cancellation of debts and mortgages for all poor farmers by the state Rural Credit Bureau, Federal Land Bank, etc. No foreclosures, no evictions, no sheriff sales on livestock, implements and property of small farmers.

3. Unemployment, sick, maternity and old age insurance at the expense of the state and employers for small farmers who are dependent wholly or in part on outside employment.

4. Immediate resumption of large scale public works beneficial to workers and farmers, such as farm roads, road improvements, drainage ditches, opening up of rivers for flood prevention, etc.

5. Distribution of all county and public work according to need without discrimination against single, married, young or foreign-born workers.

6. Minimum wage of 50 cents an hour for all county and public work and recognition of the Grievance Committees elected by the workers, 8-hour day, time and one-half for over time, no piece work or contracts.

7. Cash relief for all needy families, of not less than \$5 per week, plus \$1 a week for each additional dependent. Free medical and dental aid for all poor families, adults and children.

8. Abolition of county agricultural agents and the reduction of salaries of all county officials so that no official receives more than \$1,500 a year.

9. The free use for small farmers, young and adults, of all public recreational facilities such as halls, auditoriums, sports facilities, etc.

get into the fight again securing subs for Our Real Farmers' Paper."

FOR FARMERS AND WORKERS
Sam J. Olson, Forest City, Iowa sends money for sample copies: "It sure is great stuff. It's coming good. I tell the farmers we will refuse to pay taxes. We don't need a bunch living on our backs. It will be the farmers and workers. One for all and all for one," he says.

Willis Hibner, Buhl, Idaho, sends one sub and renews his subscription. He writes: "Know of many farmers who are ready for the UFL. Yours, while I live, for this final struggle for civilization."

Fred Davis, Stockton, Calif., requests information about the UFL. Richard Koski, Richwood, Minn., sends in two subs.

Ellen Semponen, Superior, Wis., sends in two subs.

Nestor Vaino, Angora, Minn., sends in three sub cards.

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We support the demands of the city workers and unemployed for relief and unemployment insurance against wage cuts, speed-up, evictions, etc.

DEMAND IMMEDIATE ANSWER

The foregoing demands adopted at the UFL county convention are clear and to the point. The poverty ridden farmers of St. Louis county feel that it is the duty of the county administration to adopt such emergency measures as will give immediate relief to the farmers and city workers, by placing the burden of the relief on the shoulders of the rich farmers, land lords, bankers, corporations, mining companies who can well afford it out of the profits they have acquired at the expense of the workers and farmers. The farmers expect immediate action on these demands. Evasion and promises will not do. The needs and suffering from hunger and want cannot wait any longer. We trust therefore that the board of commissioners as a body and each individual member will be ready to meet the delegation of farmers on Tuesday, June 21, 1932 at 3 p. m. to discuss and act upon the foregoing demands.

St. Louis County U. F. L.
Reino Tanttila, Secretary.
John Lindman, Chairman.

DURING PRIMARIES PRESENT DEMANDS

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final struggle of over throwing this rotten capitalist system which has brought about this industrial and agricultural crisis. The third demand on our party platform points out the correctness of the Communist party in the leadership of the farmers' struggles.

3. Emergency relief for the poor farmers without restrictions by the government and banks; exemption of poor farmers from taxes, and no forced collection of rents or debts.

The demands of St. Louis county farmers in their struggle for relief from the county and state are closely linked with the Communist party platform pointing out that the farmers place their confidence in the leadership of the Communist party in their struggle for relief.

VOTE FOR ROINE IN ST. LOUIS COUNTY

In the state of Minnesota the workers and farmers will boycott the bosses' primaries in order to be able to sign the petition for placing the Communist party on the general election ballot. The Minnesota election laws disqualify the voters right to petition if the worker or farmer votes in the primaries. In the seventh commissioner district of St. Louis county the workers and farmers have placed Andrew Roine as the Communist candidate for county commissioner. There the Communist voters will vote for their candidate and boycott all the others.

Thus boycott the bosses' and the bankers' primaries and vote for relief, cancellation of debts and mortgages, tax exemption for all poor farmers and lowering of taxes for the middle farmers.

ST. LOUIS COUNTY FARMERS ARE NOW SLAVES OF BANKERS

By A STUMP FARMER
Cherry, Minn., June 10. — The farmers in this community are facing starvation and misery.

Most of us are blacklisted miners of the Steel Trust from the Mesaba Range. We moved to the rocky and timbered hills to try and make our living with the idea of being independent of the Steel Trust. But now we find that, after we have sweated and toiled for many years and have built a small farm for ourselves we are losing everything. We get nothing for our products, our taxes remain the same. Many of us have mortgages until we are in a position that we are slaves to the bankers.

In this locality we are making preparations for the Hunger March to Duluth on June 21. The farmers are beginning to realize that the United Farmers League is the only organization of the farmers that actually is fighting for the interests of the farmers. On to Duluth in thousands!

DEMANDS IGNORED FOR NINE MONTHS

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reduced from well-to-do farmers to paupers, are beginning to see the way out through organization and organized struggle. As we have already alluded, the vast majority of these farmers are former workers from the industries and therefore many of them have gone through many bitter struggles, strikes, etc., while they were in the industries. They have an industrial background and, therefore, it is no accident that the struggle of the St. Louis county farmers takes a very militant form. They have learned through bitter experience that only organizing into militant organizations will the Wall Street master be compelled to make concessions to the farmers as well as to the workers.

UFL Organized a Year Ago

Little more than a year ago the United Farmers League officially entered this territory. It was discovered that the poor farmers were beginning to be alarmed at the seriousness of the situation. Scores of farmers meetings were held where the farmers' problems were discussed. These meetings finally culminated in a county-wide United Farmers League conference last August where a program of demands were formulated and a detailed plan was worked out for a huge farmers Hunger March to the county seat at Duluth. Among the demands then formulated were:

1. Exemption from taxation for all poor farmers.
2. Cancellation of debts and mortgages.
3. Against mortgage foreclosures, sheriff sales, evictions, etc.
4. Cash relief for the needy.
5. Minimum wage of 50 cents an hour on county work, time and a half for over eight hours, recognition of grievance committees on jobs.
6. Abolition of the county agent and the reduction of the salaries of county officials not to exceed \$2,000 a year.

Farmers Present Demands to County Board

No one dared to anticipate the proportions that the farmers Hunger March would reach. The county board of commissioners was informed that on Sept. 21st a delegation of farmers would meet with them to discuss the farmers' demands. And on the morning of September 21st the march began from Orr, which is about 150 miles from Duluth, and at every important road intersection additional numbers of farmers' cars and trucks filled with farmers and their wives and boys and girls, joined the procession.

When it finally arrived at Duluth more than 1200 farmers were in the march and over 4,000 workers of Duluth were waiting for them at the court house square. It was one of the biggest demonstrations of militant workers and farmers ever held in Duluth.

Demands Ignored

At the meeting a committee was selected to meet with the commissioners. The delegation presented the demands to the commissioners but could not get any definite answer. As usual the commissioners complained that they had not "studied" the demands and were not in a position to act upon them. The delegation offered to give them time and meet with them after they had "studied" the demands and the following Wednesday was set as the date for a new meeting.

At the scheduled time the farmers' committee was present at the arranged meeting place. It was the same story—more time. At this meeting the commissioners promised to take the matter up at their next meeting and report the action to the St. Louis county secretary of the United Farmers League, Comrade R. Tanttila. Nine months have passed and nothing has been done. The farmers have patiently waited for months. They have gotten tired of waiting. Their misery and hunger has increased many fold since Sept. 21.

March Again June 21
The St. Louis county United Farmers League again has taken up the question of fighting for relief for the thousands of poor farmers of the county. Under the United Farmers League another farmers' hunger march has been organized which will take place on June 21st.

On June 5th at the UFL county convention held at Virginia a new program of demands was formulated, basically the same as the ones presented to the county commissioners last September. Elsewhere in this issue the demands are published and the readers are urged to study them carefully. These demands will be formally submitted to the commissioners in connection with a huge farmers' Hunger March June 21.

Farmers Will Not Tolerate Further Evasion

The county board of the United Farmers League has sent a copy of the demands to each member of the board of county commissioners so they cannot put the argument they have not "studied" the demands. The farmers this time will insist upon a definite answer to each demand. The St. Louis county farmers are determined to mobilize enough farmers to back up the demands that the county politicians are compelled to make concessions. The farmers Hunger March June 21 must be of decisive importance to the farmers of the entire state of Minnesota. It will mean the turning point in the attitude of the farmers toward mortgage foreclosures, sheriff's sales and evictions. It must mean the further entrenchment of the United Farmers League in the farming masses not only in St. Louis county but in all the northern counties of Minnesota. After the last September farmers Hunger March several hundred members have joined the UFL. Similarly it must now also result in hundreds of new members and above all in hundreds of new readers for the Producers News. There will be a thousand extra copies of this issue distributed during the Hunger March and those farmers who for the first time see the paper must be urged to subscribe and become readers of our paper.

Through a mass circulation of our paper we can keep the farmers informed about the politicians and if need be organize other demonstrations of farmers to force the Wall Street lackeys to stop mortgage foreclosures, sheriff sales and evictions. The farmers can do that; only by militant struggle and organized mass pressure.

Forward to a huge St. Louis County Farmers Hunger March!

Build the United Farmers League, the leader of farmers' struggles!

Struggle against imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union.

Build the circulation of the Producers News, the fighting paper of the militant farmers!

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grand jury leaked out, the writer has no way of knowing. He is merely giving here what is now general report and seems to be quite general, common knowledge.

How Grand Jurors Voted

Here are the names of the grand jurors who heard this evidence, and their names are arranged in two groups; in one those who voted for indictment, and in the other those who, it is alleged, voted against indictment.

FOR INDICTMENT

J. D. Schall Loman.
A. J. Langard Gemmell
Andrew Shoemaker Laurel.
John Ettestad Wildwood.
Ira Smoots Indus.
Anton Lundberg Northome.
G. Nybo Holler.
F. B. Green International Falls.
Elmer Solvang Holler.
Thomas Savard Int'l Falls.

NO INDICTMENT

Anton Rauch Greaney.
Frank Babbitt Greaney.
Walter Dickson Big Falls.
E. J. Chigren Int'l Falls.
H. C. Grove Big Falls.
Mike Dobbs Littlefork.
Vic. Byman Littlefork.
Emmett Durrin Northome.
Andrew Howard Int'l Falls.
Ed. Graham Big Falls.
G. N. Millard Int'l Falls.
Eugene Keable Big Falls.

County Attorney Helped Crook

County Attorney Hadler presented to the grand jury the evidence on which indictment of Martin was sought. The glaring insincerity of Hadler is at once exposed by the fact that he permitted Martin, so it is claimed, to appear before the grand jury as a witness.

One simple enough to believe that Hadler is so lacking in the knowledge of law that he does not know that to permit a person against whom indictment is sought to appear as a witness before the grand jury considering the case would invalidate any indictment the jury might return. Rather do the people seem to be generally agreed that Hadler saw a chance to parade before the taxpayers as a watchdog of their interests by bringing this case before the grand jury, while at the same time carefully shielding Martin from every chance of harm by permitting a step that would invalidate any indictment the grand jury might bring should the hand picking of that jury prove ineffectual.

Checks Cashied by International Falls Bank

Martin admitted before the grand jury, so it is alleged, that he made out the claims in Ernest

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week preceding the meeting had Soviet Union in the construction of a Socialist system, and when he called on the farmers to rally for the defense of the Soviet Union.

The chairman of the meeting was Comrade Charles E. Taylor of Plentywood who had just returned from the Chicago convention of the Communist party to which he was a delegate. Taylor gave the farmers a brief picture of the tremendous enthusiasm of the workers in Chicago for the program of the Communist party.

Mother Bloor who concluded the meeting called on the farmers of the northwest not only to vote Communist in the fall elections but to support the Communist party by joining it.

Carlson's name and endorsed Carlson's name on the warrants that were drawn in payment and called by him at the First National Bank of International Falls, of which G. N. Millard, one of the grand jurors in the case, is president.

When, according to report, Millard was asked if it is not the practice of the bank to secure the endorsement of persons cashing warrants, he said it was; and, it is said, when asked how happened that his bank had failed to secure Martin's endorsement on these warrants he replied that he must have forgotten it.

The Mysterious Carlson No. 2

Picked Blueberries
Martin further stated according to report, that the Ernest Carlson in whose name the warrants were drawn is not the same Ernest Carlson living near Northome, and that the work this second Ernest Carlson had done and for the payment of which the warrants were issued was done up in commissioner's District No. 2, between International Falls and Rainier.

It is claimed that the grand jury questioned Martin as to who this second Ernest Carlson is and where he lives, and Martin replied, so it is said, that he was a transient, a man out of employment and came here last fall to pick blueberries and that he had left the country and his whereabouts were unknown.

Unknown to Everyone in County

It seems that the jurymen concluded that a man who had been working on the roads in that locality long enough to earn \$118 would be known by at least one of the other men who had worked on those roads during that same period. It is said the jury questioned men who had done work on those roads at about that time, and also questioned Commissioner Johnson of that district, who said he knew all the men who had worked on the roads in his district, but none of these men had ever seen or heard of a man by the name of Ernest Carlson.

So, this Ernest Carlson No. 2, like the ghost he must have been, has come and gone and like all other ghosts has left no trace behind him, not even his signature on warrants that were cashed in his name. This seems very unkind even for a ghost. The least he could have done would be to leave some evidence of having performed the labor for which warrants were issued to him, and some mandate in a receipt for the \$118 of the taxpayers' money he is supposed to have carried away.

Children, State Representative, Votes for Grafter

It would be well for the taxpayers not to fail to make note that among those jurymen who it is reported, sat there and listened to all this testimony and who, it is claimed, could find in it no evidence warranting an indictment, is the name E. J. Chigren, the state representative from Koochiching county. They will notice that Mr. Chigren's enthusiasm for the interests of the taxpayers in this district in this Ernest Carlson case parallels his respect for their mandates in other matters as shown by his arrogantly forcing upon the people a bond issue of \$300,000 after they had voted "No" at the 1930 election, even though he had to resort to a special act of the legislature to accomplish it. And do not forget the names of all the others of that crowd that

Told In Brief

Club Unemployed in Los Angeles

Los Angeles, Calif., June 9.—Fifty delegates from the Unemployed Council fought a desperate battle here when attacked by fifty policemen as they were demanding relief for the jobless. After the fight police raided the Workers' Book Store and private houses and arrested all jobless leaders they could find. The entire office of the Los Angeles County Welfare Bureau was demolished, chairs broken, windows smashed out, desks split by the fury of the struggle. Traffic was jammed for two hours as 4,000 men and women collected in the street outside. As more and more police arrived the unemployed were finally clubbed into the corners, or stretched unconscious on the floor. All those crippled by the police, 15 in number, were arrested.

Bank, Four Branches, Closes

The New Jersey National Bank and Trust Company, with its main office in the center of the business district of Newark, New Jersey, and four branches in the city closed its doors on June 11. John J. Stamler, resigned as president of the bank more than a month ago because of "ill health." The present president, Harvey G. Redden, could not be reached when the bank closed.

The bank's statement as of December 31 listed its capital as \$2,500,000, surplus and undivided profits \$562,042 and deposits \$13,878,941. It is understood that deposits have been dropping at the rate of about one million dollars a month and in banking circles it was said that this week they were down to about \$6,500,000.

The financial structure continues to weaken despite all of the efforts to sustain it thru forced inflation and loans from the Reconstruction Finance Corporation.

Teachers Robbed to Pay Relief

The teacher of New York have been robbed of nearly \$2,225,000 during the past two academic years by the capitalist class in order to provide relief for the school children of the city. By January 1933 the total taken from the teachers will rise to almost three million dollars according to F. D. Chambers, treasurer of the School Relief Fund.

"The school relief system extends help in a field which is not covered, and cannot be covered, by the existing charitable or relief agencies," Chambers said. "I am sure our relief will continue unabated as long as there is need for it, provided there is no change in the salary situation. Should the teachers' salaries be reduced, our relief work would certainly collapse. The teachers and other employees are now giving much more than the equivalent of their mandatory increases. In effect, their contributions amount to a voluntary cut in salary."

This hypocrite supports this plundering of the teachers' salaries on the grounds that the relief could not be obtained in any other way, in other words to save the capitalist class from paying the relief. He admits that the entire school relief system is built on the teachers and that it amounts to a wage cut for them. This is one way in which the capitalist class is throwing the burden of the crisis on the working class, in this case the teachers.

House Passes Bonus to Fool Veterans

As a result of the mass pressure of the thousands of veterans who have arrived and those who are now on the way to demand the bonus the House on June 15 passed the Patman bill authorizing the payment of the bonus. The House voted for the bonus in order to mislead the veterans into believing that the Wall Street government is now prepared to yield to their demands.

The capitalist press in reporting the passage of the bill by the House points out that neither the Senate nor Hoover will permit the bill to become a law. The representatives in the House know this and therefore could vote for the bill without any fear of having the bill become a law. In the Senate a single objection to discussing the bill at this time would send it to the finance committee to be killed.

Republican Party Prohibition Plank

The Republican party convention which is now in session is attempting to win the support of the masses in the fall elections by an anti-prohibition plank in the platform. However, in order not to alienate the support of some of its dry capitalist support, the plank will probably be a say nothing one even as far as prohibition is concerned.

Both major capitalist parties are using the prohibition question in order to divert the attention of the masses of workers and farmers as much as possible from the real issues facing them—such as unemployment insurance, wage cuts, relief for the toiling farm masses, and the danger of imperialist war.

Organize Bankers Group in Chicago

As part of the growing fascization of the United States under the direction of the Wall Street bankers their agents in Chicago have organized a bankers committee on the lines of the committee of twelve organized under the leadership of Owen D. Young in New York.

Sewell L. Avery, president of Montgomery Ward & Co. and of the United States Gypsum Company, is chairman. Other members are:

George A. Ranney, vice-president and treasurer, International Harvester Company; General R. E. Wood, president, Sears Roebuck & Company; John Stuart, president, Quaker Oats Company; D. F. Kelly, president, Chicago & Northwestern Railway Company; George M. Reynolds, chairman, Continental Illinois Bank & Trust Company; Melvin A. Traylor, president, First National Bank of Chicago; Albert W. Harris, chairman, Harris Trust & Savings Bank; Philip R. Clarke, president, Central Republic Bank & Trust Company, and Solomon A. Smith, president, Northern Trust Company.

In conjunction with bankers' group in other important cities and under leadership of Wall Street this group will help work out the directives for Congress and for Hoover for the attack on the working class.

Pioneer Corner - Youth Section

FURTHER DETAILS ON BRUSH LAKE CHILDREN'S CAMP GIVEN

Parents Should Have No Hesitancy In Sending Their Children to Camp—Best Care Will Be Taken

By HANS RASMUSSEN

The rich people can afford to send their children to the sea shore or up into the mountains to spend their vacations. Most of us can't do that. But there is one thing we should be able to do. We should be able to send our children to the children's camp at Brush Lake, it is going to be worth while, a vacation the children will never forget.

Some people think a flock of children will be turned loose at this camp to do as they please. You need not worry about that. There are going to be strict rules and the rules are going to be lived up to. Things that you would not allow your children to do at home are not going to be tolerated at the camp.

Mrs. Ruth Bert, wife of our editor, is going to be in charge of the camp. If you knew Ruth as well as I do you would not hesitate a minute about trusting your children to her care—it is absolutely safe.

There will be teachers and instructors there. Mrs. Salisbury will be one, Roy Miller from South Dakota will be another one, his wife will help as cook. At all swimming hours there will be a life guard. During the night there will be a night watchman. Of other people who have promised their services as helpers can be mentioned James Ostby and his wife of McCabe, Martin Homme of Outlook, Mrs. Wm. Herron and Mrs. Hans Rasmussen of Plentywood, and probably Mrs. Art Wankel and others. These are as respected people as you can find anywhere in the county—people you can trust your children with at any time and any place. They are not all going to be there all the time but there will be some of them there all the time.

The camp will start July 6 and will last 3½ weeks. Your children between the age of 10 and 16 can participate. Let us make a go of it. In order to do that we must all dig up and collect what money we can. Practically all the service will be donated but quite a lot of money will be needed just the same. A lot of food will also be needed. Those youngsters can eat a lot. Donate whatever food you can, a sack of flour, potatoes, butter, beans, eggs chickens, a fattened calf—anything in the line of eats. If a pasture can be secured close by we also expect to borrow some milking cows so the children can have plenty of milk.

During the life of the camp there will be a program and entertainment every Friday evening—it's going to be good ones too and we expect big crowds. Whoever can do so should bring some food along whenever they come.

For further information see the nearest secretary of the United Farmers League, or write Mrs. Erik Bert at Plentywood. Below you will find one of the rules and regulations for the camp which you can rest assured will be strictly lived up to at this camp. "A Pioneer is careful of his own and other workers' health. He lives clean in body and thought, valuing his time as well as the time of others. A Pioneer does not smoke, curse or drink because

these habits hurt a Pioneer's body and make it hard for him to be always ready for the cause of the working class."

This is a typical schedule of activities for all children.

7:00 All up.
7:15 Morning exercises.
7:30 Breakfast.
8:00 Clean up tents and inspection.
8:30 Class, Pioneer organization.
9:30 Music.
10:00 Sports.
10:30 Class, principles of economics.
11:30 Swimming and help in the kitchen.
12:30 Dinner.
1:00 Clean up dining room.
1:30 Current History.
2:30 Arts and crafts and dramatics circles.
3:30 Study circles.
4:30 Swimming and help in the kitchen.
5:30 Free period.
6:00 Supper.
6:30 Clean up dining room.
7:00 Games and dancing.
8:00 Discussion.
9:00 Bed time.

PROTEST ATTACK ON INTERNATIONAL WORKERS' SPORTS

The following resolution was passed by the young workers and farmers present at the North Dakota and Montana National Youth meeting in Flaxton, North Dakota on May 29. Under orders of the capitalist class Loyola University has cancelled its contract for the use of its field for the International Workers Athletic Meet in Chicago July 29 to August 1.

To Loyola University, Chicago, Illinois:

We, the young workers and farmers of Mountrail, Williams and Burke counties of North Dakota, and Sheridan, Roosevelt and Daniels counties of Montana, assembled in mass at the regional Counter Olympic Track and Field Elimination Meet, protest the denial of the Loyola University trustees to grant the use of Loyola field, gym and swimming pool for the International Workers Athletic Meet, July 29, 30, 31 and August 1.

(Signed) MARION OSTBY, Chairman of Resolutions Committee.

"I WENT TO THE SOVIET UNION AND SAW . . ."

Here is a new game that you can even play outdoors on a warm evening. It's really the old game called Grocery dressed up in a new style. You know how that game goes. Someone says, "I went to the grocery and bought M—(milk for instance.) Whoever guesses goes out and asks the next question. Well, we are going to say, "I went to the Soviet Union and saw R—S—(Red Square) or L—(Lenin's tomb) or S—(Stalin) or D—(Dneprostroi). It's just as much fun as the other way and you can learn a lot more from it. Like it?

DID YOU EVER?

Did you ever? Did I ever? Did you ever see a Boy Scout help a worker in his need? Did you ever? No, I never! Of such act you seldom ever, really never, hear or read. For to help the weary worker is no Boy Scout's daily deed. Did you ever? Did I ever? Did you ever see a worker not to like a Pioneer? Did I ever? No, I never! Of such things you seldom ever, really never, read or hear. For to each and every worker, all the Pioneers are dear. Don't I know! I'll say so!

PIONEER PETE'S MAGIC NUMBER

I promised that I'd be up to something every week, didn't I? Well, here goes. Pioneer Pete is going to do some RED MAGIC. (If you follow carefully you'll be able to do it just as well as I can and astonish your Pioneer troop or your friends with your wisdom.) Here's a magic number: 142857. Now I can multiply this number and divide it and my answer will always be the same number arranged in a different order. Look! (a) 2 times the magic number is 285714 (b) 3 times the magic number is 428571 (c) 4 times the magic number is 571428 (d) 5 times the magic number is 714285 (e) 6 times the magic number is 857142 Seven times the magic number equals 999999. And that's not all. If you begin with the number 1 in each of the above lines and write them down in order you not only get the magic number back again but also the answer to dividing that number by 2, 3, 4, 5, 6. For instance, number (c) 571428. Begin with 1 and write the figures in order "142857"—then divide by 5 and see what happens.

WILLIE BROWN, 16-YEAR-OLD NEGRO BOY HELD IN FRAME-UP

Case of Scottabro Boys to be Reviewed by the Supreme Court Next November

Have you heard the good news? The Scottabro boys will not die on June 24. The United States supreme court has decided to review their case. That means they will examine the records of their trials to see whether or not they were fair. We can answer that question for them pretty easily, can't we? This does not mean that we can sit back and take it easy. The supreme court has not granted the Negro boys their freedom yet. And judging by the way it acted in the Sacco-Vanzetti case it's not so certain that they'll grant it to them at all unless we put up the biggest fight yet in the five months we have left until November (when the review of the case will be held) and demand loudly that we have the freedom of all nine Scottabro boys.

WILLIE BROWN HELD FOR EXECUTION

But here's some news that isn't so good. Another Negro boy has been framed up and sentenced to death for something he didn't do. In Philadelphia this time.

His name is Willie Brown and he is only 16 years old. Talk about a frame up. Here's one of the most beautiful examples.

Sometime in February 1932, a 7 year old white girl named Dorothy Lutz was found brutally murdered in a deserted house in Philadelphia. The only clues were some strands of hair that MIGHT have belonged to the murderer.

For weeks the police tried to find the guilty man. Assistant superintendent of police, LeStrang made this statement:

"The police possess no description of the slayer. No one has been able to give us a description of even a suspect; we believe, however, that the crime was committed by either a dark skinned white man or a light skinned Negro."

What a chance to start some real race hatred! That's what the police and the city officials thought. Arouse white workers against the Negroes and they'll forget about their starvation and wage cuts. So detectives and cops searched all the flop houses and grilled many Negroes, trying to pin the murder on one of them.

Then one day Detective Agnew found Willie Brown and arrested him for no good reason. "He did not look so good and I just played a hunch," he said. He was taken to the police station where

THRESHING IT OUT

Hogging It All!

A farmer of Fort Ripley, Minn., recently sold a hog for one nickel, although it cost him \$10 to raise the hog. Here is a statement of the transaction from the commission company which sold the hog!

CREDIT	
One hog, 215 pounds	\$1.61
DEBIT	
Yardage	.13
Corn	.10
State weight charge	.01
Fire Insurance	.01
Hog Inspection	.01
Commission	.35
Haulage charge	.35
	\$1.56

Worrying for Their Masters

From the capitalist press we learn that "the nature of the Russian debts repudiated by the Soviet government is being studied at the Walter Hines Page School of International Relations, Johns Hopkins University, according to a report by Dr. John Van Antwerp MacMurray, director, to Dr. Joseph H. Ames, president of the university.

After fifteen years of proletarian dictatorship the professors and students of the capitalist world still wonder about the "nature of the Russian debts repudiated by the Soviet government." Probably 15 years after the workers and farmers of the United States have established their government some professor or student, slowly foaming in a badger hole, will begin a "study of the 'nature' of the debts which the American toilers have repudiated."

Kentucky Workers Would Give Child Away

In small print, in an out-of-the-way section of the Chicago Herald and Examiner, the following advertisement appeared June 11:

Young Kentucky couple will give newly born, blue-eyed girl for adoption to people of means. Add TG 56, Her & E. Unwilling to let their baby starve to death, the young couple offers to give it away. These are the straits to which working class parents are reduced in Kentucky. But it is not only Kentucky that children die for lack of food. Every one of the 15 million unemployed men and women in this country face the same fate for their children. The question that dines in their ears is "Where will we get the milk for our babies?"

When capitalism kills children and takes babies out of their mothers' arms, don't you think it's time to call quits, and replace it with a government run and owned by the workers and farmers?

Not Kindness but Class Struggle

The Park Region Echo of Alexandria, Minn., dated June 9, editorially commenting on the Minnesota Primaries, had this advice to give to the farmers:

"The one thing to consider in nominating men for county commissioner at the coming primary is: Will they be kind to the taxpayer?"

In this way they try to hide the fact that the election campaign is an inseparable part of the class struggle and that the candidates for office are not "kind" or "unkind" to the taxpayer but they are or are not representatives of the toiling class, representatives of the toiling farmers and workers in their struggle against capitalist misery and oppression.

Those who are "kind to the taxpayer" are the representatives of the BIG taxpayers, of the rich. Those who represent the toiling masses of city and farm are the Communists and the Communists only.

The Face of the "Progressive"

On May 30 Senator LaFollette showed in the senate that his real role behind all his demagogic and phrase mongering is to maintain the security of the capitalist system in the United States. LaFollette's demonstration of this fact was the result of the admission of Senator Reed that the economic crisis was becoming worse week by week, that the capitalists of the rest of the world were losing confidence in the stability of the United States.

LaFollette immediately jumped to the defense of Wall Street and told Reed that he should make such admissions.

"The Senator from Pennsylvania, Reed, is doing nothing less than strike a blow at the confidence in the American order when he arises on the floor of the senate and makes speeches of the character he made this afternoon," said LaFollette.

The "progressive" LaFollette outcries are the stand-pat, rock-ribbed Reed, in rushing to the defense of American capitalism, the system which has brought the toiling masses of America to hunger levels. To the masses this same LaFollette shouts demagogic phrases, "attacks" on Wall Street.

Where Apes Live in Luxury

Suzé, a chimpanzee, has arrived in this country from France. She occupied a first class cabin on the Mauritania which cost several thousand dollars and she dressed, sat at table and washed her teeth. This reminds us that there are many monkeys already doing nothing out of sailing across the ocean, dressing, sitting at table and washing their teeth!

Art and Capitalism

Enemies of a workers' society have tried to say that under socialism, individual initiative would be stifled and artists and inventors would find no outlet for their genius. The scientific and cultural levels now being reached in the Soviet Union belie their words. What, however, about the artists of capitalism who recently held their wares on the sidewalks of New York? Many of them, unable to pay their rent, sold their drawings for 10 cents to \$1. This hardly looks like the budding of talent under capitalism, it looks more like the stifling of initiative through slow starvation.

The Young Guards

We're marching towards the morning,
We're struggling comrades all,
Our aims are set on victory,
Our enemies must fall,
With ordered step, red flag unfurled,
We'll make a new and better world.

REFRAIN:—

We are the youthful guardsmen of the Proletariat
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We knew the chains of labor,
In the earliest childhood years,
We've toiled in dusty factories,
We've shed our blood and tears,
We're going forth with all our might,

We've toiled and we have learned to fight.
(Refrain.)

The days we've spent in labor,
Have given us the power,
To overthrow oppressors and
Bring on the workers' hour.
We are a strong, determined band,
Each with a weapon in his hand.

(REFRAIN)

Young Comrades, come and join us,
Our struggle will endure,
Till every enemy is down
And victory is sure.
In struggle and in valiant fight
We're marching to the workers' right.
(Refrain.)

Socialism in the Fields

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Landlords Kept Peasants Ignorant

The landlords and their lackeys tried to make idiots of the peasants. They created in the village an ideal environment for so-called "peasant idiosyncrasy"—in other words, for the narrow mindedness of the peasantry, their inability to take a wider view of things and to understand their own role, to grasp their own position in regard to the larger issues of the class war and the means of agricultural development.

The working class, on coming into power, freed the peasants from this "peasant idiosyncrasy" and it simultaneously placed in an idiotic position all those "Socialists" who look upon the peasant as an overgrown child. It is the Russian Mensheviks, and the Social-Democrats who follow their foolish example, who are the idiots. It is no longer a matter of theoretical dispute whether it is possible to use industrial methods in peasant agricultural economy, or if it is possible to collectivize peasant farms. Actual facts are the proof and only lunatics suffering from an entirely non-peasant form of idiosyncrasy can dispute this point.

All the peasants, poor peasants, middle peasants, and kulaks alike, turned out to be much more intelligent than the stupid-clever Social-Democrats.

This is the story of the Old and the New—the old Russian peasant who used a horse and a wooden plow to cultivate his little strip of land, the new collective farmer whose broad fields are swept by tractors, whose fields are seeded by airplanes.

Resistance of Rich Farmers Overcome

The kulaks immediately understood the situation, saw that the game was up and showed it by the desperate resistance which they offered. They began to destroy cattle, thereby causing great losses to the cause of collectivization. Thanks to the kulaks and their agitation, cattle breeding is now the only sphere of agriculture which is definitely backward.

The class enemy rubbed his hands with glee, and exaggerated the difficulties which the Soviet Union began to experience in connection with draft oxen, meat, milk, butter and leather. But the government workers do not cry over spilled milk but double their efforts to overcome the difficulties which the individual farmer is disappearing, and the words "bednyak" (poor peasant) and "serednyak" (middle peasant) are now disappearing, organizing large scale cattle breeding on the Soviet and collective farms; and already this year the number of cattle in the Socialist sector alone is half as large again as that of England, and

Growth of Collective Farms

The following facts indicate how the toiling peasants answered the appeal of the working class for socialism in the fields. During the past year the Communist Party decided to bring the number of collectivized peasant farms up to 50 per cent of the total. Madness! shouted the Social-Democrats, when it was a mere question of 25 per cent by the end of the Five Year Plan. The first half of the year passed by. What were the collectivization figures? Sixty per cent! This is the average throughout the Union. But in some districts, those which give the majority of the grain for the market, all around, 100 per cent collectivization has been achieved. Not only has the kulak disappeared but the individual farmer is disappearing, and the words "bednyak" (poor peasant) and "serednyak" (middle peasant) are now disappearing, organizing large scale cattle breeding on the Soviet and collective farms; and already this year the number of cattle in the Socialist sector alone is half as large again as that of England, and

ant convinced of the fact that the tractor is a mighty technical achievement, that the combine means a revolution in the collecting of grain; and if in America this revolution serves only to increase the army of unemployed and fill the pockets of the capitalists, in the Soviet Union it increases the welfare of the toilers, frees the peasant from the sweat and toil of hard labor, and breaks the fetters of the women.

Machines Help Russian Peasant

The ruling workers provide the peasantry with hundreds of thousands of complicated machines, about which the peasants of capitalist countries would not even dare to dream. Already this year there are 1,040 tractor stations at the service of the collective farmers. The Soviet Union is the chief buyer of tractors in America but it has already begun large scale production of its own tractors, its own combines, complicated threshing machines, new machines for the flax industry, for the production of cotton, sugar beets, etc. And these are merely the first steps on the road to mechanizing agriculture; this year the first stations which will serve to elec-

trify agriculture are being installed—an event of world-wide historical importance, which will serve to destroy the disparity existing between town and village.

Can the enemies of the Soviet Union deny all this? No. The capitalists not only do not deny it but they shout from the house tops that these successes of Socialism in agriculture will bring about the downfall of capitalism. The Social-Democrats try to throw the shadow of calumny upon collectivization. They rave about "forced labor," about how the Soviet government is "driving" the peasants by force into the collective farms. The futility of such calumny is obvious. In order to force the peasants to increase the sown area, one would have to station an armed soldier behind each peasant. Half the peasantry would work and the other half would stand and watch them work—the work would not go far! But there is yet another fact that directly refutes all this calumny. The influx of peasants from the villages to the towns has considerably diminished. Unlike the American farmer, the Soviet collective peasant does not flee from hunger into the factories. He prefers to remain in the village and work in the fields.