

Wilson Bared As Backer of Ruhr Invasion; Oil Scandal Has Rival in Treasury Exposure

NEW EXPOSE HITS LOOTING OF TREASURY

Gigantic Liberty Bond Frauds Stuns Even Washington

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON.—A gigantic bond fraud involving high government and treasury officials threw Washington into another fit of political delirium tremens when Charles B. Brewer, special assistant attorney-general, uncovered evidence of a duplication of liberty bonds running into millions of dollars.

"Where will the graft orgy stop at? Is the question now asked in the hotel lobbies at Washington. Almost the entire Coolidge cabinet is involved already in the War Veterans' Bureau and Teapot Dome scandals. Now the probers have reached the treasury.

Consternation reigns in official circles. Nobody knows where the next bomb is going to fall.

Evidence of a duplication of Liberty bonds was examined by a congressional committee yesterday. The committee will decide:

1.—Whether Brewer's evidence should be presented to a grand jury at once, or

2.—Whether a congressional investigation will precede court action.

Those who have followed Brewer's investigation for more than a year opposed to a Congressional investigation. They say it is more likely to end in a white wash and a covering-up process than getting at the facts. A close guard is kept on the treasury vaults where the evidence is stored.

Senator King, after a preliminary inspection of the evidence presented by Brewer, declared that he was convinced there was something rotten in the treasury and the bureau of printing and engraving. He favored immediate grand jury action, else the constant flow of corruption in Washington would sap the confidence of the people of this country in the government.

Demand Mellon Reveal Facts.
Demand that Secretary Mellon reveal facts on duplication of millions of dollars worth of government bonds was made in the House today by Representative La Guardia of New York.

La Guardia, who yesterday examined the spurious bonds collected by Charles B. Brewer, Department of Justice investigator, introduced two resolutions designed to force Secretary Mellon to reveal the alleged duplicate bonds to Congress.

The resolutions called on Mellon to report to the House the number, amount and serial numbers of all government bonds and treasury certificates issued since 1917 and the number of bonds redeemed and destroyed.

This information, La Guardia intends to check against the evidence collected by Brewer. Brewer's evidence is now in the hands of Representative King, Illinois.

Supreme Court Denies Rehearing to Janitors' Heads

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—William F. Quessé and his associate member officers of the Flat Janitor's Union, of Chicago, who were convicted on a charge of conspiracy to boycott during the strike of the janitors some time ago, were refused a rehearing by the supreme court of Illinois. The case will be carried to the supreme court of the United States. In the meantime an effort will be made to have Governor Small pardon the labor leaders.

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Mexican Huertista Troops Quit Puerto Mexico, Important Center

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 7.—It was learned from a reliable source this afternoon that the Mexican Huertista Fascisti troops are rapidly evacuating Puerto Mexico.

This is one of the most important strategic points in the territory recently occupied by the revolutionists and its evacuation is interpreted here as further evidence of the complete collapse of the Huertista counter-revolution

WHAT IS NEXT?



"BIG THREE" SECRET PACT STIRS WORLD

Wilson, Lloyd George Agreed to Ruhr Drive

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LONDON.—A tremendous furor swept the British Isles and the continent today, on the heels of a charge by ex-premier Lloyd George that Woodrow Wilson and Clemenceau, during peace conference days, fixed up a secret pact behind his back whereby the American president agreed to occupation of the Rhineland by French troops for 15 years.

A sensation such as the Teapot Dome oil scandal created in the United States involved one after another of the prominent figures, who helped make the Versailles treaty.

Busy As Bee-Hives

The French and British foreign offices were busy as beehives; the former issued a flat denial of Lloyd George's charge; the latter put the matter up to the former prime minister for further explanation.

From Paris came an interview with "The Tiger," Clemenceau, denying Lloyd George's assertion; Andre Tardieu, who played a prominent part in peace conference proceedings, did not know of the pact.

The British press today printed at length everything Washington, New York, Paris and London had to say in connection with the alleged secret pact.

Meanwhile Lloyd George was pressed to produce the pact, or at least to answer the indignant denial of the French foreign office. He produced a statement later today.

What happened, in a nut shell, was this:

The French foreign office intends to publish a series of "yellow book," dealing with the making of the Peace of Versailles and sent Great Britain proofs, asking permission to publish them. These were sent on to Lloyd George, "out of courtesy, because in conjunction with President Wilson and Premier Clemenceau, he had been concerned in a discussion of the matter."

The "Yellow Book," presumably was to be France's apology for occupation of the Rhineland and Ruhr. It was to show that Wilson and Lloyd George agreed.

Whether or not this is what the "Yellow Book" proofs contained, Lloyd George, upon receiving them, coincident with the death of Wilson, stated to newspaper correspondents that the secret pact agreeing to occupation of the Rhine had been made while he was away from Paris.

The British foreign office has asked Lloyd George to reply to the French denials of his charge and announced it will probably get consent of the MacDonald government to publication of the "Yellow Book."

Clemenceau Denies Story

PARIS.—Bristling savagely one minute, gruffly good-natured the next, Georges Clemenceau gave the lie direct to a statement credited to Lloyd George in an interview in the London Chronicle to the effect that "The Tiger" and Woodrow Wilson signed a secret pact during Versailles days. "I never signed a secret treaty with anybody. I cannot understand Lloyd George's object in saying so," Clemenceau growled.

Hunt in Wilson's Files.

Woodrow Wilson's private files may yield up an answer to the controversy now raging between London and Paris over Lloyd George's charge that Wilson and Clemenceau arranged a secret pact on the Rhineland occupation, while Lloyd George's back was turned.

What will now be done with those letters depends upon Mrs. Wilson's wishes. No decision will be reached for the present, it was indicated today.

Ford Needs 2,000,000 Tons Steel.

DETROIT, Mich.—Henry Ford will need 2,000,000 tons of steel in 1924, it is estimated by his statisticians, if the proposed schedule of 10,000 cars a day is carried thru. This means that the Ford factories will consume about 5 per cent of the total steel production of the United States, during the coming year.

Work Daily for "The Daily"

"The Big Three"—Liars

Wilson, Lloyd George, Clemenceau— Betrayers of the Peace.

NOT the death of Woodrow Wilson, but the intended publication by the French government of a "Yellow Book" is responsible for the flood of charges, counter-charges and denials by capitalism's statesmen that now fill the press of the world and give additional insight into the workings of the international system of oppression and plunder.

The French government intended to show by documentary evidence that both Lloyd George and Woodrow Wilson agreed to the military guarantees for the payment of reparations that resulted in the occupation of the Ruhr and Rhineland, that disrupted the industrial and financial machinery of the capitalist world and that brought unimaginable misery, disease and starvation to millions of men, women and children in and out of Germany long after the war was ended and a peace treaty signed.

Lloyd George has denounced the Ruhr invasion. He toured the United States to arouse sentiment against it and he made it an issue in the election campaign just fought in Great Britain.

Woodrow Wilson, the apostle of "a peace of understanding and not of vengeance," who posed as a friend of the German people, is now seen to have been not, as many thought, a weak opponent of French capitalism's bloody program, but one of the sponsors of that program.

We care not at all whether Woodrow Wilson and Clemenceau hatched this devilish scheme without consulting the slimy little spokesman of British imperialism; we do not care by what back-stairs maneuvering and bed-room diplomacy the plan of murdering untold numbers of workmen and women and their children was brought into being so that the patriots of the stock markets and the exchanges could collect their interest and dividends.

We are not interested in knowing whether Lloyd George or his secretary were present when the lives of millions of workers and their children were weighed against the fortunes of the class that made the war but did not fight it. Nor are we interested in knowing whether the three men, Clemenceau, Wilson and Lloyd George, representing the great capitalist powers, had breakfasted well that morning and appeared with smiling faces and a white carnation in the buttonholes of their frock-coats.

What we are interested in knowing, and it is well for the masses in England and America to know, is that during and for a long time after the war, they had at the head of their governments men who posed as humanitarian liberals, who denounced the bloodthirstiness of Clemenceau, who appealed to the peoples of the world in the name of justice and brotherhood, who stood forth as the champions of oppressed nationalities and who all the time were arranging, consulting upon and agreeing to a program of mass starvation and murder, enforced by bayonets and machine-guns, without parallel in the world's bloody history.

What was the object of this program, providing for the invasion and occupation of a conquered country which had acknowledged its defeat, overthrown the monarchy which had driven them to the shambles and set up the kind of government which the Wilsons and Lloyd Georges favored?

Its sole object, after the amount of reparations had been set at an impossible figure, the German people disarmed and back at work, was to enslave them to the Franco-German industrialists and financiers, to make them work at the point of the bayonet for the rest of their lives for their own and foreign masters.

Conceived in infamy, this scheme has all but brought France and England to bankruptcy, in the United States has ruined hundreds of thousands of farmers by demoralizing currency system and destroying markets.

Woodrow Wilson is dead and every effort is being made to enshrine him in the national sanctuary; Clemenceau and Lloyd George still live to curse their countries, but no maudlin regard for the memory of the dead or respect for the living should prevent the workers and farmers of the world from learning the lessons taught by the controversial deluge that floods the embassies of capitalist government the world over as one cornered diplomat tries to clear his skirts by laying the blame on a dead man and another, just as guilty, but more honest, involves both the dead and the living in the responsibility for the plot against the workers of all the world.

The Teapot Dome scandal shows us our rulers participating in an outright theft of the nation's wealth. The governmental machinery of capitalism no longer works smoothly at home and the masses get a peep at their rulers without their robes of state.

The governmental machinery of capitalism no longer works smoothly in international affairs and the masses have an opportunity of seeing how their rulers have, as a political gesture—a "compromise," if you please—sold into slavery millions of workers and farmers of other lands while at home they voiced noble sentiments and called upon God to testify to their utter righteousness.

Let the good work go on. It began when the halo of divine right was torn from the brow of a king and the rising capitalist class came into its own.

It will end when, tired of the exploitation and wars carried on under the pretense of doing the people's will, fooled no longer by the lies of capitalism's hypocritical spokesmen, the working class dethrones its present rulers and puts them to work.

If they won't work—
"You talk too much and tell too many lies," said Friar Tuck to the monk, "therefore, go and swim"

OUR DEAD IN MINNESOTA DISASTER

CROSBY, Minn., Feb. 7.—Of the forty-eight men on the day shift at the Milford mine, forty-one were drowned, seven managing to escape by climbing the ladders in the main shaft. Thirty-four of the men were married and leave more than sixty children. The ages of the men drowned in the mine range from 23 to 55.

The men drowned follow:

- Capt. Evan Crellin, 42.
- Clyde Revord, 45.
- John Minch, 28.
- Mike Biral, 55.
- Mike Tomac, 43.
- Nick Radich, 34.
- Martin Valenich, 27.
- Henry Maki, 38.
- Harvey Lehti, 31.
- George Butkovich, 30.
- Peter Magdich, 40.
- Arthur Meybers, 26.
- Alex Jyhla, 45.
- Jerome Ryan, 23.
- Emil Carlson, 32.
- Victor Ketola, 39.
- George Hochevar, 36.
- Jeha Yaklich, 36.
- John Hatcher, 46.
- John Marich, 39.
- Oliver Burns, 38.
- William Johnson, 37.
- Ronald McDonald, 32.
- Nels Ritall, 40.
- Roy Cunningham, 36.
- Joseph Snider, 29.
- Frank Zeltz, 34.
- L. J. Labrash, 35.
- Earl Bedard, 28.
- C. A. Harris, 36.
- Tony Slack, 33.
- Herman Hohm, 40.
- G. H. Revord, 35.
- Minor Graves, 30.
- John Hendrickson, 41.
- Valentine Cole, 31.
- Marko Toljan, 39.
- Elmer Howg, 30.
- Frank Hrvatun, Sr., 47.
- Fred Harte, 37.
- A. E. Wolford, 35.

The men saved were: Emil Kairia, Harry Hosford, Matt Kangas, Jacob Ravnich, Frank Hrvatun, Jr., Carl Franks and Maika Zakattik.

WIDOWS STAY AT FLOODED GRAVE OF IRON WORKERS

Survivors in Disaster Suffer in Bitter Cold

(Special to The Daily Worker)

CROSBY, Minn.—While the pumps which have been working ever since the Milford mine was flooded, when the bottom of Foley lake dropped into the mine were keeping up their steady pumping to drain the flooded galleries, the wives and families of the miners who were killed kept a vigil in the next shafthead. Thirty-four widows and more than 100 orphans have been standing at the mine head waiting.

They are keeping a hopeless watch. It is estimated that it will take at least three weeks for the two electric pumps, which are at work to pump the mine dry and transfer the water almost a mile to another lake.

But nothing can convince the wives of the men who were killed to leave the scene of the disaster. The women stand silent except when they must hush the cries of the children.

Keep Vigil in Cold.

A driving north wind and a blinding sleet snow clouded the bare hills near the Milford mine. The mercury is below zero but the women and children continue to stand and watch the water being pumped from the mine.

The homes of the miners are as cheerless and bare as the cold hills. Many of them have little food and less coal. The homes are mere shanties covered with tar paper.

The men who tend the pumps work in short shifts because of the bitter cold. When they pass the women who stand at the shaft house they ask them to go to their homes, but are greeted with silence. The seven men who escaped death in the mine are the hardest workers at the pumps.

Gave Life For Fellows.

They remember the heroic action of Clinton Harris, shipman of the mine, who was working on the lowest level of the mine when the flood broke. He stood at his post sounding the bell which warned the others of danger and called to them to run till the slime and water had engulfed him. Everybody "on the tangle" is talking today of but one thing—the heroism of Harris, when they talk at all.

When representatives of the mining company, who operate the mine, went among the families of the miners who were killed and assured them that they would be taken care of financially by the state workmen's compensation law, they turned away with out a word, the bitterness

HERE IS STATEMENT OF LLOYD GEORGE THAT STARTED THE STORM

Here is the statement made by Lloyd George in an interview which has aroused statesmen in England, France and the United States:

"There was the proposal for 15 years military occupation of the Rhine frontier by the allies. I was opposed to it. I was called away to London. When I returned I found that Wilson had surrendered to Clemenceau and thus the French gained that right to occupy the Rhine country. I have only quite recently discovered that during my absence in London, Clemenceau and Wilson signed a secret compact on this question."

they felt plainly visible on their faces.

For the most part, the families of the dead will have to depend on charity for food and coal. The slim wages of the iron miners did not permit any saving.

No Sleep, Since Disaster

Mrs. Valentine Cole, whose husband was one of the miners killed, is typical of how the families of the men killed were affected. Mrs. Cole sits with her seven months old baby on her lap, and her four year old son standing beside her. She sits and moans and rocks her body back and forth. She has not slept since the disaster. She goes to the little two-room shanty that is her home and prepares food for her two children. Then she comes back to the shafthead and sits. At night she puts the children to bed and comes to sit and wait.

Carl Ravord, 14, was made an orphan when his father was killed in the mine. His mother has been dead more than ten years. He wanders about on the mine workings with a set face, saying an occasional word to the men working the pumps, and asking the women who stand at the shafthead to go home. Carl's uncle, Gasper Revord, was also drowned.

DENBY'S PIGNIC SPOILED

WASHINGTON.—The Teapot Dome scandal has called off Secretary of the Navy Denby's proposed trip to Cuba to watch fleet maneuvers.

A large company of American newspaper editors, invited by Denby to be his guests on the trip, will sail Sunday from Charleston, S. C., without their host.

Denby's office announced he had decided to remain in Washington because of the Senate investigation. The editors will be gone three weeks.

M. POINCARE SEES DEFEAT ON TAX BILL

Holds Power Only by Use of Trickery

(Special to The Daily Worker)
PARIS.—Premier Poincare remains in office today solely by virtue of a technicality and without the support of the majority of the deputies.

In a session of the chamber, the most stormy in recent years, Premier Poincare, after the debate on his new taxation bill, was saved by the fact that signers of the petition for a public vote on the question refrained from voting and thus left a quorum.

M. Poincare received 253 votes for his measure, the smallest number since he took the premiership two years ago. The whole left block in the chamber, 220 deputies, refrained from voting with the hope that a quorum would not be had. The leaders of the center parties, including Louis Loucheur, Andre Tardieu, Aristide Briand, the Marquis de Chambrun and M. Koltz voted against the government.

The fact that the rules of the chamber require that fifty signers of the petition must vote and automatically make a quorum is all that stands between Poincare and defeat.

Had all the deputies voted the premier would have had a majority of from three to five votes—a margin so small that his resignation would have been necessary.

The measure which passed by the technicality gives the government the right to institute certain economic and financial reforms by decree without appealing to the chamber of deputies.

There are 19 more clauses to be passed upon and after what was to all intents and purposes a defeat it is doubtful if Poincare will be able to secure approval for them.

The belief is growing here and has been immensely strengthened by the recent narrow escape of Poincare that his ship of state is due to founder soon upon the rock of the taxation question.

Kilts Will Whirl, War Pipes Shirl, at Scotch Ball

"Did you ever see a Scotchman without kilts?" asked our inquiring reporter.

"Thank the Lord, no," I replied, being of a very modest and retiring disposition, if you wish to put it that way. "I have seen them with kilts and camouflaged in more modern styles of haberdashery but my curiosity never prompted me to get beyond that."

"Oh, you somewhat exaggerated what I am trying to get to your comprehension," retorted our inquiring reporter, who is somewhat of a highbrow along with being inquisitive. "What I want to drive home is, that a Scotchman in his kilts and in something else are two entirely different propositions."

"Go ahead," I declared, being somewhat puzzled.

"Now, listen. A Scotch friend of mine, a carpenter by trade—never mind his name, invited me last year to a concert and dance given by his union. Such a night of fun I never enjoyed. Without the aid of even the tiniest morsel of liquid Scotch I laughed as never Harry Lauder giggled at his own jokes.

"The title of the affair was 'A Night in Scotland.' I left wishing that I could spend my lifetime there. Topping the list of entertainers was the Chicago Highlanders' Pipe Band. How they could play! Then came the pupils of the Minnie Dalgleish school of dancing and the Scottish entertainers. They danced Irish jigs, Scotch reels and sword dances and English clog dances. It was one exciting night."

Again this year the same friend accented me somewhat abruptly and asked, "How would you like another night in Scotland?" "Lead me to it," I replied. Whereupon he sold me two tickets to a concert, which will be held in Wicker Park Hall, 2040 North Ave., tonight at 8 in behalf of the Progressive Building Trades Worker.

Juggling Muscle Shoals.
WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—The entire Muscle Shoals project would be turned over to a special governmental corporation, termed the Federal Chemical Corporation, by a bill introduced in the senate by Senator Norris, Nebraska, today. Under the terms of the bill the government would complete the construction of dams one and two. The corporation would take over the nitrate plants and the dams and sell fertilizer and power.

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U. S. Senator Couzens Shows Mellon, Treasury Head, Is Corporation Tool

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Charging Secretary of the Treasury Mellon with "playing directly into the hands of the corporations," Senator Couzens, in another tax letter today said Mellon's laxity in enforcing the law is costing the government much revenue.

"It is the administrative provisions of the law and the lax enforcement which is cutting down the revenues, if they are being cut, as you claim," Couzens stated.

"You are directing no effort to get the corporations, but rather are playing directly into their hands. For example, you are selling billions of dollars of government securities at unreasonably high interest rates.

"It is estimated that you have paid the banks over one hundred million dollars in excessive interest rates and you did this even though the banks pay no income or corporation taxes on government securities.

How Mellon Bank Escapes
"Your own bank, the Mellon National of Pittsburgh, holds nearly forty millions on which it pays no taxes whatsoever."

Couzens submitted two tax reduction proposals to Mellon:
1.—Tax all dividends and interest of personal holding companies on the same basis as individuals, or

2.—Raise corporation taxes from 12 1/2 to 25 per cent if Congress reduces the maximum surtax to 25 per cent.

Rich Avoid Taxes.
Couzens cited Teapot Dome testimony to prove that rich individuals are avoiding the tax laws in various ways, especially by the formation of personal holding corporations, for their own personal stocks and bonds.

"The greatest loophole for avoiding surtaxes is the formation of holding companies in addition to the large number already in existence," Couzens wrote. "Will you tell me if there is any reason why they should not be taxed, or in other words, why corporations receive all the preference?"

TWO WISCONSIN CITIES IN SNOW FACING FAMINE

Rotary Plows in Battle with Big Drifts

(Special to The Daily Worker)
MILWAUKEE, Wis., Feb. 7.—At least two Wisconsin cities isolated by the recent blizzard are reported facing food famine, according to meager reports trickling into Milwaukee with the partial resumption of crippled wire service.

These reports indicate that both Reedsville and Two Rivers are completely shut off from the outside world following the most severe blizzard in years, and have about exhausted certain necessary supplies and are in danger of a food shortage. Rotary snow plows today were attempting to crash thru the huge drifts in an effort to carry food and supplies to the inhabitants of the isolated cities.

Tugs with supplies were being sent from Manitowoc to Two Rivers in an effort to relieve the situation there. Trains running north out of Milwaukee have been at a standstill and due to the huge drifts have been unable to make any headway. Conditions unparalleled in almost half a century are reported in a blizzard-swept area.

Snow fell here again last night and with a good stiff northwest wind, railroad and interurban tracks which had been cleared of snow the night before, were again covered by new drifts today. The sky was leaden this morning and clouds were hanging low, giving indication of more snow during the day.

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Bankers Alarmed as Pound Rises on Russ Recognition

NEW YORK.—According to information, communicated to The Federated Press from New York financial quarters, both the London City and Wall Street are contemplating an offensive against the pound sterling on the international money market. The recent sudden rise in sterling after the advent of a Labor government in Britain is looked upon with dismay by those New York bankers who are opposed to Russian recognition.

Coming immediately subsequent to the recognition of the Moscow regime by Britain, the rise in sterling is branded as "calculated to heighten not only British Labor, but also Soviet Russia's prestige."

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ANNA FRANCIS SLATER
The Daily Worker regrets to announce the death of Anna Francis Slater, head teacher of the United Workers' Sunday Schools and active worker in the revolutionary movement. She passed away after a brief illness. Her many friends extend their condolences to the bereaved husband, Thomas Slater, and her daughters, Alice, Dorothy, Isabel and Jean. She will be buried in Elmwood Cemetery, Saturday, 2 P. M., from her late residence, 648 North Leamington Avenue.

Now Heads Bank.
ST. LOUIS.—Edward J. Manion, president, Order Railroad Telegraphers, has been re-elected president of the Telegraphers' National Bank. Leonard J. Ross, general secretary, O. R. T., will serve another term as vice president and cashier of the labor bank. The bank showed deposits of \$3,069,177.08 on Dec. 31.

SOLONS FREE FALL TO GET HIM LATER

Doheny Registers One More Memory Lapse

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON.—Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, was released today from his subpoena by the senate committee investigating the naval oil reserve scandal.

The committee decided not to try to question Fall further, because it thought that, if he was compelled to testify, he might claim immunity from prosecution in court.

The action of the committee was taken on advice of Atlee Pomerene and Silas Strawn, the special counsel selected by President Coolidge, but not yet confirmed by the senate.

One ground on which Fall last week refused to answer the committee's questions was that he might incriminate himself.

Acting upon the advice of Pomerene and Strawn, Senator Walsh of Montana, chief investigator, proposed a motion to the committee in executive session, stating that, as there was a chance of Fall escaping legal prosecution, the subpoena which would have required his presence before the committee tomorrow morning, be vacated. This motion was adopted without objection.

Debate started in the senate today when Walsh had an editorial read into the record. The editorial accused the Republicans of "playing politics in Teapot Dome."

Senator Willis, Ohio, Republican, answered this by reading a speech at the last Democratic convention, nominating Doheny as a vice presidential candidate. The speech lauded Doheny.

"I am glad to say that the Democratic convention almost unanimously rejected that nomination," Senator Ashurst, Arizona, Democrat, declared.

"I state it as a fact that Mr. Doheny turned against the Democratic party in the last campaign and voted for Mr. Harding," Senator Harrison, Mississippi, said.

"I would like to inquire if there was any reference in that nominating speech to the skill of the proposed candidate in bribing Republican cabinet officers?" Senator Glass, Virginia, Democrat, asked.

The Walsh resolution, calling upon the interior department to bring court proceedings to determine legal title of sections 16 and 36 of Naval Reserve No. 1 in California, was then adopted without objection.

It has been claimed that these two sections were being drained, and that this caused Fall to lease the entire reserve to Doheny.

Senator Reed, Missouri, Democrat, made a fiery speech denouncing the leases.

"We are about to decide whether oil kings and cabinet officers are immune from the laws that govern the common people," Reed said.

"This is one of the most gigantic steals of history."

Doheny's Poor Memory
Edward L. Doheny, lessee of two naval reserves, today corrected his testimony regarding the amount of committee, stated he had paid McAdoo, as a legal retainer.

Doesn't Need Money Now.
MIDDLESBORO, Ky., Feb. 7.—Gustave Salomez refused to leave the poor house today to claim \$1,000,000 estate he has inherited.

Cold Eyes of Witnesses Watch Pussy Choke in Lethal Chamber Where Human Beings Perish Today

(Special to The Daily Worker)
CARSON CITY, Nev.—A "rehearsal of death" was held at the Nevada State Penitentiary here today to assure officials in charge of the lethal gas execution of Gee Jon, Chinese, and Thomas Russell, Mexican, condemned murderers, that there will be no hitch in the grim business set for tomorrow morning.

All preparations so far as E. B. Walker, cyanic fumigation operator, could determine, were completed.

He tested the hydro-cyanic gas tanks which will force the gas into the death chamber in a fine spray to deal death to the two men, went over every inch of the cell surface to find leaks and made sure that the door would seal promptly.

A cat was placed in the death cell, the gas turned on and thru the glass windows, where witnesses will watch the passing of the two murderers, they observed the passing of the cat.

STANDARD OIL HAS MONOPOLY ON CRUDE OIL

So. Dak. Governor Asks Coolidge to Act

(Special to The Daily Worker)
PIERRE, S. D., Feb. 7.—Gov. W. H. McMaster has demanded that President Coolidge act to smash the alleged corner of the crude oil market by Standard Oil.

In a telegram to the Chief Executive the South Dakota gasoline "trust buster," asserted it was the duty of the federal government to protect the interests of the public.

"August 7, 1923, as Governor of the State of South Dakota I started a fight against excess profiteering in the sale of gasoline with the result that the price was reduced in this state from 26.6 cents to 16 cents a gallon," he wired President Coolidge.

"If a state government has performed its duty in preventing excess profiteering in the distribution of gasoline within the state shall not the federal government likewise perform its duty and prevent excess profiteering in the refining of gasoline? This is a commodity which is a daily necessity in the lives of the American people.

"It affects 90 per cent of our homes. "Will you not make a reality of your statement to the effect that the people are supreme?"

Mr. Coolidge will notify Governor McMaster that a searching inquiry will be made without delay.

Another "Thoro Investigation".
WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—President Coolidge today directed the federal trade commission and the Department of Justice to make a thoro investigation immediately of charges that the Standard Oil Company has raised the price of gasoline at the refineries 130 per cent. The charges were made in a telegram sent the President by Governor McMaster, South Dakota.

GERMANS' LACK OF GRIEF BRINGS RAGE OF LEGION

Fire Envoy; Starve Country, Is Cry

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON.—Smarting under the German ambassador's refusal to take any official part in the earlier mourning demonstrations for the 14-point betrayer of his country, Washington is considering the most severe retaliatory measures, it was learned today.

Pressure is being brought to bear on cabinet members to cancel all German relief plans as a punishment on the nation whose government failed to fall in with the public display of grief for the death of the man who symbolized America at war. The American Legion is urging that Ambassador Wiedefeld be given his passports at once.

Wiedefeld's attitude was in obedience to the express commands of the Berlin government, which forbids him to take any official part in the Wilson mourning. The German finally yielded to the threats of a mob, which had gathered in front of his embassy building, and to the frowns of his diplomatic colleagues sufficiently to half mast the flag the noon Wilson was buried, and he had a florist charge a wreath to his personal expenses.

The outcry against the ambassador is said to have been encouraged by Attorney General Daugherty's jacksals, who are anxious to distract attention from the scandal which is engulfing their paymaster.

DIRT FARMERS ABSENT AT N. D. N.P. LEAGUE MEET

Only Four Delegates from Trade Unions

(Special to The Daily Worker)
BISMARCK, N. D.—The state convention of the Non-Partisan League of North Dakota is in session here with 97 delegates representing most of the 53 counties in the state present.

Only four of the delegation are trade union members sent by the labor organizations, which are very weak in North Dakota. Many of the delegates give the impression of hopelessly milling around the old Nonpartisan League program which has become a dead letter. These delegates are still clinging to old hopes and plans and are in despair.

Dirt Farmers Not There.
On the whole the delegation does not represent the dirt farmers of the state who perhaps, have been hit harder by the farm depression than the farmers of any other state. Most of the delegates gathered at Bismarck don't speak for the mass of dirt farmers.

Many delegates have inflated political ambitions of their own. They seem to be more concerned with their own immediate political ambitions than with the critical condition of the poor farmers of their state.

Many of them are looking for a way out of their own economic hardships and are planning to use the convention in order to get themselves elected to political office and thus free themselves from their present farm troubles. Hence these delegates are not showing much interest in the urgent problems confronting the farmers of the state.

But this very bankruptcy of the League program and some of its old standbys is creating a strong sentiment for the organization of a State Farmer-Labor Party at this convention. Those delegates who represent the dirt farmers are hopeful that the obvious failures of the office seekers will make it impossible for them to hold back the convention from taking this step towards effective Farmer-Labor unity.

Coolidge Endorsement Up.
A sharp fight is also looked for by everybody on the situation created by the Coolidge endorsement at the meeting of the Republican State Central Committee in this city last December.

There is no doubt that this action of the State Central Committee will bring on a real fight. All the delegates feel that this fight cannot be avoided. Many are preparing to jump hard on Mr. Roy Frazier, the chairman of the State Committee, and his lieutenants who were responsible for spreading the false notion that the farmers of North Dakota are for Coolidge.

Myerscough Will Speak Tonight at Amalgamated Forum

Thomas Myerscough, militant miner who was expelled by the Lewis machine for opposing corruption in the Pittsburgh district, speaks before the open forum of Amalgamated Local No. 39 at Ashland Auditorium tonight at 8 o'clock; talk on the "Left Wing at the Miners' Convention," a subject he knows thoroughly. The open forums of Local No. 39 have been very successful this year, hundreds of workers attending. Discussion follows the addresses of invited speakers.

Strike Against Short Weights.
MURPHYSBORO, Ill.—When a checkweighman employed by the Western Coal and Mining Company short weighed the employees of that company working at the Bush Mine No. 2 the miners demanded his discharge by the company and on their refusal to do so 700 miners quit work.

The dispute was referred to the executive board of District 12 for settlement.

DOUGLAS DAY CELEBRATION
The Liberal Culture Society
At the
Wendell Phillips High School Auditorium
Prairie Ave. (Pershing Road) and 39th Street
SUNDAY NIGHT, FEBRUARY 10TH, 1924
At 7:30 o'clock
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Mr. MCKINLEY WHITE, Baritone.

A Night in Scotland
With the Chicago Highlanders' Pipe Band, Pupils of the Minnie Dalgleish School of Dancing and the Scottish Entertainers
February 8th, at 8 P. M. Wicker Park Hall, 2040 West
Under the Auspices of The Progressive Building Trades Worker
ADMISSION 50 CENTS
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TEAPOT OILMAN TELLS HOW TO PURCHASE PRESS

Buy Advertising and Get News, He Says

(By The Federated Press)
MINNEAPOLIS.—"The co-operation between the news and advertising departments of our newspapers is surprising."

The above statement sounds as if it might have emanated from some radical soapboxer whose oratory is to overthrow the republic before breakfast, doesn't it? And yet it isn't. On the contrary it is the carefully prepared statement of one of Minneapolis' most respected business men.

It is the statement of Paul E. Hadlick, secretary, Minnesota Petroleum Association, a branch of the organization controlled by the so-called independent oil men, who recently have been figuring in the Teapot Dome scandal in congress. Hadlick is one of their most influential officials, and he knows all there is to know about American daily newspapers. So he goes a bit farther and declares that when the advertising contract is safely in the business office of the newspaper, the editors very readily accept publicity articles submitted by the paying advertiser.

Hadlick has just sent out the monthly bulletin of the Minnesota Petroleum Association. It goes to all the members, who are expected to follow its suggestions and avail themselves of Hadlick's services. The bulletin is dated Jan. 28, and is No. 2.

"Unodubtedly you will do some advertising in the near future," suggests Hadlick. "The co-operation between the news and advertising departments of our newspapers is surprising. The secretary will be glad to help any member in the preparation of publicity articles about the industry generally. Newspapers readily accept such articles when advertising contracts are signed."

Oil Fights Workmen's Compensation

MINNEAPOLIS.—The Minnesota Petroleum Association, composed of powerful oil men of the state, is preparing to join in the attack upon the Minnesota workmen's compensation law. A circular which has been sent to members from the association headquarters, 638 Builders' Exchange here, includes a questionnaire designed to help Secretary Paul E. Hadlick conduct the fight.

"The workmen's compensation law in Minnesota," he says, "is about as hard on the employer as any in the union. A recent amendment at the last legislature increases the employers' liability so that with the revision in rates now being made, the present rate of \$1.50 per hundred for oil jobbers is apt to be increased. The secretary desires actual facts and experiences with which to make a fight not only against a higher rate but, if possible, for a lower rate. Please co-operate by answering all questions and sending them to the secretary. Your individual replies will be treated confidentially."

Hadlick wants statements for the years 1918, 1919, 1920, 1921, 1922 and 1923, showing the payrolls of oil men, premiums they have paid on workmen's compensation insurance and losses paid by insurance companies.

Middle-West Gives Stirring Greeting to "Fifth Year" Film

"The Fifth Year," a motion picture of conditions in Russia since the famine which is being put out by the Friends of Soviet Russia and Workers Germany, is meeting with general approval all thru the middle west where it is being shown now.

Showings of the picture have been arranged by Fred Biedenkapp in places as far apart as Louisville, Ky., and Duluth, Minn. Biedenkapp has had the co-operation of all sorts of organizations of workers in the various cities he visited to arrange showings.

Feb. 14, the "Fifth Year" will be shown in Muncie, Ind., under the auspices of the local F. S. R. In Dayton, Ohio, on Feb. 15, the picture will be shown under the joint auspices of the F. S. R. and various local Socialists.

In Louisville, Ky., arrangements were first made to show the picture in a Unitarian Church, but the church backed down and the Y. M. H. A. hall was secured and the "Fifth Year" will be shown there, Feb. 18.

Governor Len Small has expressed his intention of seeing the picture when it is shown in Springfield, Ill., on Feb. 22. The Chatterbox Theater, the largest in the city has been rented for this showing. Gov. Small said that he wants to get a real idea of conditions in Russia, and is going to see if the "Fifth Year" will help him form one.

Other dates are: Feb. 24, Duluth, Minn.; Feb. 25, Madison, Wis., where many students at the University of Wisconsin are helping to make the showing a success; Feb. 26, Ironwood, Wis.; Feb. 27, Superior, Wis.; Feb. 29, Ely, Minn.

The Finnish workers in Wisconsin and Minnesota, are working hard to put the picture across and make all the showings a success.

How many of your shop-mates read THE DAILY WORKER. Get one of them to subscribe today.

\$1,100,000,000 Luxuries Imported in 1923 by U. S. Ruling Class; Have Half the Diamonds of the World

By LELAND OLDS.
(Federated Press Industrial Editor)

Diamonds, pearls, jewelry of all kinds, precious metals and silks in quantities undreamed of by Aladdin are pouring into the United States to deck the women of American men of wealth who have attained world power on the basis of exploited American labor.

These vast importations of luxuries reached a total of \$1,100,000,000 in 1923. Such tribute does not differ a particle from the precious stones, silks, ostrich plumes and sweet smelling ointments that came in tribute to the kings of Babylon, Thebes or to the imperial oligarchy of Rome centuries ago.

Half the World's Diamonds

The enormous wealth of the upper classes in America today is indicated by the possession of one-half of all the diamonds in the world. Women of the leisure class can sparkle on an evening with approximately \$2,000,000 worth of diamonds if they deck themselves at one time with all these jewels that repose in safes, strong boxes and safe deposit vaults.

Today American wealth is imported from 80 to 90% of the world's annual diamond output, according to figures made public by the U. S. department of commerce. Diamonds imported in 1922, were valued at \$52,000,000 while for 1923, the figure will reach \$65,000,000.

Perhaps nothing more clearly reflects the rapid rise of American capital to a position of dominance in the economic imperialism which today shapes the destinies of all peoples than the rapid growth in the importation of precious stones. Figures compiled by the National City Bank of New York show that imports of precious stones have grown from \$150,000,000 for the year 1900, to \$1,050,000,000 in 1919. The depression of 1921, brought some falling off but with the revival of 1922-23 the tribute in precious stones is again mounting.

"Pearls, too," says the bank, "have greatly increased in popularity since 1914." In fact since that date which

Ohio Coal Miners Join in Fight Back to Michigan Case

Ohio coal miners have entered the fight against the persecution of militant labor leaders under the so-called "criminal syndicalism" laws. Local Union No. 5497, of the United Mine Workers of America, Powhatan Pt., Ohio, has pledged its full support to William Z. Foster, C. E. Ruthenberg and the 30 other Communists arrested by the Burns-Daugherty stool-pigeons in Michigan.

Moreover, the union has given concrete evidence of that support in the form of a check for \$119 mailed to the office of the Labor Defense Council, 166 W. Washington St., Chicago, to be used in the defense of the Michigan cases.

At the last meeting of the local, Richard Brown delivered a warm address to the members, after which they voted to check off one dollar from each man's pay and contribute it to the Labor Defense Council. Nate Vanaman, financial secretary of the Powhatan Pt. organization, forwarded the money, together with a letter of encouragement.

Hear Ruthenberg Appeal March 1st

Because of the congested condition of the court calendar, the appeal of C. E. Ruthenberg in the Michigan Supreme Court, will be held over until March 1. The hearing was scheduled for this month, but it has been postponed with the assent of both sides. That the prosecution intends to jail all the 32 defendants in the "Michigan cases" if it possibly can, is illustrated by the care which the prosecuting attorneys are taking in the preparation of their brief. I. E. Ferguson, one of the lawyers for the defense, reports that the prosecution's brief has not yet been presented. He adds that the State attorneys are determined to press the Ruthenberg case to its conclusion, irrespective of delays.

Amalgamated Local No. 39 Plans Big Support for 'Daily'

Local 39, of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, is squarely behind the DAILY WORKER and mean to see that all the workers in their local buy and read it daily. This is the largest local in the Amalgamated in Chicago.

At the last regular meeting it was decided to set aside 15 minutes at each meeting for the discussion of plans for increasing the circulation of the DAILY WORKER among the clothing workers of Chicago. The time set aside for the DAILY WORKER at the first meeting was taken up by the distribution of subscription books to the active members of the local.

The executive committee of the local was instructed to call a meeting of all the shop chairmen of the local and have them plan ways of pushing the sale of the DAILY WORKER in the shops.

The local also voted solidly to have the next national convention of the Amalgamated held in Philadelphia.

A thousand new members wanted the "I-want-to-make-THE DAILY WORKER-grow" club. Write for

FREE PRESS IN MEXICO WHILE CIVIL WAR RAGES

Oregon Gives Rein to Hostile Papers

By BERTRAM D. WOLFE.
(Staff Correspondent of The Federated Press)

MEXICO CITY.—At the outbreak of the revolution here, the president asked the chamber of deputies for the suspension of civil guarantees. When opposition was manifested, he withdrew the request. Shortly after he issued a statement to press correspondents that the freedom of the press would be completely respected. In so far as has been in his power, he has made good his word.

The result is that a half dozen scandal sheets of ephemeral existence subsist in the capital on the doubtful trade of rumor mongering. Daily they appear, "El Manana," "El Omega," "La Epoca," "La Revolucion" and a half dozen more, with startling headlines of new rebellions, of assassinations, of tremendous defeats for the government forces, of 30,000 fascists being at the gates of the city, of the governments moving to Queretaro—but nobody pays much attention to them. In addition, big dailies like "El Universal" pursue a scarcely veiled policy, none too friendly toward the government, nevertheless with scrupulous attention to accuracy.

There have been a few attacks on the liberty of the press but never by the authorities of the central government. "El Manana" being only a block away from the headquarters of the Mexican Federation of Labor, was the victim of "direct action" as they call it here, its machinery being smashed by an incognito band at night. The band is not making great efforts to preserve its incognito. However, the paper is out again. In Tampico the commanding officer of the garrison closed up a big daily and carried off part of its machinery. This was reported to the Union of Newspapers here and they adopted a unanimous protest which they ordered published in all dailies in the capital and which they also sent by telegraph to the president.

Federated Press Accuracy Stands Up Under Test

By CARL HAESSLER
(Federated Press Industrial Editor)

CHICAGO.—Two recent attempts to impeach the accuracy of Federated Press news reporting have failed to register. One met defeat at the United Mine Workers' Convention at Indianapolis and the other was officially scotched by the secretary of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council.

The Indianapolis attempt was staged by Ben Williams, an international organizer, who tried to convict Tom Tippet, F. P. staff correspondent, of false reporting when he covered the Taylorville, Ill., sub-district convention. Williams cited an anti-administration story about the Tennessee district in a non-labor paper and said the editor had told him that Tippet wrote it. Tippet immediately told Williams that he had not written such a story and also that there had been no anti-administration resolution on the subject by the sub-district convention at Taylorville. Williams stuck to his version.

On wiring to the editor of the paper in question, the Taylorville Courier, Tippet received the following telegram from him:

"Taylorville, Ill., 1924, Jan. 25, P. M., 4:46.

Tom Tippet, Federated Press Representative, Indianapolis, Ind. Article in question was clipped from the Springfield, Ill., Register and was not given nor authorized by you or anyone else. No such resolution was passed by the sub-district convention. Did not tell Williams that article was written or inspired by you.

LON E. MARTIN,
Editor Courier."

In addition, William Daech, Taylorville sub-district president, stated on the Indianapolis convention floor that Tippet's reporting had been perfectly fair and above criticism. Allen Haywood, District No. 12 executive board member from the Taylorville field, and Herman Vonderlack, Taylorville delegate, supported Daech's position. Daech attempted to read the telegram into the Indianapolis convention record, but was ruled out of order.

The Vancouver episode dealt with the withdrawal of the indorsement from the British Columbia Federationist, formerly the official organ of the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council. The F. P. carried the story of the withdrawal which was subsequently denied in the columns of a daily labor paper on the Pacific coast. The question of fact was settled in favor of the Federated Press by the following letter from Secy. P. R. Bengough, Vancouver Trades and Labor Council:

"The report appearing in the Federated Press stating that the Vancouver Trades and Labor Council had withdrawn its indorsement from the British Columbia Federationist is correct in every detail."

The original story had been sent in from Vancouver by Sydney Warren, F. P. staff correspondent.

Watch the "Daily Worker" for the first instalment of "A Week", the great epic of the Russian revolution, by the brilliant young Russian writer, Iury Libedinsky. It will start soon.

Machinists Join in Fight to Rid the City of Dangerous Firetrap Schools

Labor unions are becoming interested in the fire-trap schools of Chicago. They are not reassured by the whitewashing investigation being conducted by the board of education. The DAILY WORKER has been read by unionists and they know that the board of education is trying to dodge and continue its policy of economy at the risk of the lives of the children of the workers.

Lodge 478, of the International Association of Machinists, adopted the following resolution without a dissenting vote:

"Whereas, the chief engineer of the Board of Education and the bureau of fire prevention of the fire department have both repeatedly said that more than fifty public school buildings in Chicago are fire-traps and unfit for use as schools, and

"Whereas, most of the unsafe unsanitary firetrap school buildings are in working class neighborhoods and are attended by the children of workers,

"Therefore be it Resolved that we, the members of Lodge 478, of the International Association of Machinists, protest against the continued use of such school buildings and the placing of the children of the workers in constant danger of their lives, and be it

"Further Resolved, that we demand that a bond issue be authorized and floated large enough to furnish a fund sufficient to replace all unsafe, and firetrap schools by new, modern and fireproof buildings."

Copies of the resolution were sent to the City Council of Chicago and the President of the Board of Education.

Negro Organizations Forming United Front Against Lynchers and Klan at All-Race Assembly Next Week

The eyes of millions of Negroes will be on Chicago all thru the coming week while the first "All-Race Assembly," or Sanhedrin, will hold its sessions and seek to build a united front of all Negro organizations against the bitter persecution now being carried on against the still enslaved race.

More than a hundred delegates are expected from the organizations that are coming together for the first time in a common defense grouping. Colored delegates from the Workers Party will be there; delegates from the African Blood Brotherhood; from the Friends of Negro Freedom, the International Uplift League, the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the National Equal Rights League, the National Race Congress and other organizations.

Day sessions will be held thru the week at the Wabash Avenue branch of the Y. M. C. A., at 3763 South Wabash avenue; evening sessions open to the public, at Wendell Phillips High School, 30th St., and Prairie Ave. Kelly Miller of Howard University, Washington, D. C., will preside.

The entire week will be known as "Negro Week" by the hosts of colored people, who are behind this effort to unite and organize their forces against murder, disfranchisement and peonage. Thruout the large Chicago area on the south side, referred to by capitalist newspapers as the "Black Belt" meetings will be held to further the unity program of the Sanhedrin.

Minor, Fort-Whiteman, Speak Robert Minor and Lovett Fort-Whiteman will speak to a mass meeting of Negroes and Whites in Wendell Phillips High School, this Sunday evening. The mass meeting is being called in honor of Frederick Douglas, great negro who worked so effectively for abolition long before Lincoln penned his document. Minor and Lovett Fort-Whiteman will tell of Douglas's daring escape across the Mason and Dixon line and the brilliant services he rendered in organizing the forces of abolition and the retaliatory efforts of the slave owners to have him returned under the Fugitive Slave Law.

"Lynching, Ku Kluxism, segregation, disfranchisement, unequal enforcement of the law and peonage are cited as evils against which the All Race Assembly must fight in the original call sent out for the Sanhedrin. The fight for industrial betterment will be equally emphasized. The call, which is signed by representatives of the organizations listed above, read in part:

For Emancipation, Says Call

"The world today has come to a critical period of its existence. Our race likewise has reached a crucial situation. The promises of amelioration and of full citizenship so easily made during the critical period of the Great World War have failed of fulfillment. In this time of readjustment there is growing a very menacing spirit of animosity against the Race and a determination to thrust the Negro down into the most servile and degrading status and to maintain him there forever.

"Now while world readjustment is in progress and when every other oppressed group is exerting itself to the utmost to gain its rights and liberties, the Negro Race must bestir itself, must concentrate its best thought and energy to withstand the terrible onslaughts made against it and secure its due and right status: equal manhood rights and opportunities in every department of life. The Race must be stimulated to utilize all available opportunities for constructive endeavor and must be brought into harmonious working relationships with the white race.

"The need is urgent, nay imperative, then, for the assembling of a national All-Race Assembly to consider the present position of the Race, to ferret out and unmask the hostile forces arrayed against it, to formulate a plan of defence and protection, to discover the forces, agencies and organizations which may be utilized in that defence, to effect a United Front of the Race, and to devise ways and means for full and complete emancipation.

2 Dead, 1 Hurt in Political Feud at Palmetto, La.

NEW ORLEANS, La., Feb. 7.—Louis Meyer, merchant, was dead today, the second victim of a gun battle resulting from a political feud in Palmetto.

Mrs. Roland Clark, candidate for Mayor of Palmetto, was killed, her daughter seriously wounded and Meyer fatally hurt in a fight Tuesday.

Meyer, wounded by a son of his two victims, was rushed here for medical treatment, but died from an operation last night.

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MINES CLOSE AS SCAB SHOPMEN CRIPPLE PENNSY

Transportation Break down Lays Off 4,000

By LELAND OLDS
(Federated Press Industrial Editor)

The Pennsylvania railroad has again fallen down on its job as a result of the bitter open shop policy which it has followed in defiance of the U. S. railroad labor board and the will of congress. The breakdown of its service to the Bicknell, Ind., coal district forced the closing of all mines in the district and threw 4,000 miners out of work.

This debacle occurred when interstate commerce commission inspectors found ten locomotives operating in the district unsafe and ordered them out of service. It follows closely on the heels of train delays thruout the Indianapolis region where fifty engines were ordered out of service and of a serious wreck on the road in which both engineer and fireman were killed. Engine crews operating locomotives conditioned under the open shop regime on this railroad are forced to face an unnecessary risk.

Pennsy 100 Per Cent Unsafe

Coal producers in the Bicknell district are reported, to be begging the railroad to bring its service to a par with that in other coal fields. Secy. W. M. Zelle, Knox Consolidated Coal Co., of this district, thinks "there is something very decidedly wrong" when Pennsylvania equipment is found to be 100 per cent unsafe, while other roads in the country are declared safe.

Yes, Mr. Zelle, and if you will call on the officers of the shop craft unions, they will tell you what is decidedly wrong. Not the government inspectors, but the determination of the management to crush independent labor organization among its shop employes and to substitute a servile shop force organized as a company union. The Pennsylvania has locked out its experienced shop employes and destroyed the morale which is nineteenth of efficiency.

Zelle complains "our mines depend upon the Pennsylvania for car supply and have only been able to operate three days a week for the last two weeks." Twice the miners have had to walk home because there were not fit locomotives to pull the miners' train. On one day work was stopped at 11 a. m. for lack of cars. "This is a sample of Pennsylvania service."

Thousands Laid Off

Following a policy which considers profits of absentee owners more important than steady wages to the men who keep the road in condition the Pennsylvania recently laid off tens of thousands of employes shutting down at least 25 per cent of its equipment repair work. It took the lead in a similar fashion in 1920-21 when railroad executives were ordered to administer the "unemployment cure" to their employes as a means to wage deflation. This open shop attitude means that a faithful worker can count on no security of job other than such as the interests of the profit makers dictate.

The results appear clearly in the present predicament of important shippers. The business of coal operators has been severely hampered to permit an unwarranted saving in wages coupled with a willingness to add to the present margin of unemployment.

Big Australian Steal Exposed by Labor Members

(By The Federated Press)

MELBOURNE.—Labor members in the federal parliament are demanding an inquiry into the sale of saw mills purchased by the federal government some time ago for providing timber for the construction of homes for returned soldiers.

The mills were purchased in January, 1921, for \$1,230,000 and have now been sold back to the original owners for \$580,000—less than half the purchase price. Labor members contended that either too high a price was paid to the private owners in the first place, or the mills have been sold back again to the former owners at less than half price.

Australian Unions Oppose Flooding of Labor Market

(By The Federated Press)

SYDNEY, New South Wales.—Trade unions are protesting against the move being made by employers to bring skilled immigrants into Australia from other countries, and the announcement by the employers that they have plenty of work waiting for such workers immediately when they land.

The union heads point out that if the employers can find work for skilled immigrants from overseas they can also find work for the thousands of jobless skilled workers already in the country. It is estimated that there are at least 30,000 skilled workers unemployed in Australia at the present time, while the number of unskilled workers who are unemployed is much greater than that figure.

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THE CHEWING GUM CANDIDATE MAY STICK TO SENATE

Wrigley, Jr., Said to Be Gumming the Works

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON.—If Hiram Johnson ever lands in the White House he will not have to thank spearmint gum for his victory. The DAILY WORKER correspondent was informed that the financial backers of the Californian political white hope, chief among them being the Chicago millionaire who made his fortune by giving the people something to chew on, are considering tightening up their wads and letting Hiram paddle his own canoe.

There are other ways of enjoying life besides betting one's money on a political dark horse. A candidate for the presidency nowadays is in constant danger of having oil squirted on him, and the millionaires do not like to handle an inflammable proposition. They do not want to risk burning their fingers.

So far Johnson has escaped the storm in a teapot, which is now whirling thru the closets of the Washington statesmen and throwing open the skeletons therein to public view. But nobody can tell when he may get hit by a stray oil can. Today every candidate for the presidency is guilty until he is proven innocent.

If the California senator quits the race and leaves the country to its fate and in danger of entering blindfolded into foreign entanglements, who will be the jockey to drive the unwieldy hulk of the Republican elephant to victory? Always a hard animal to manage, it is now expected that the sight of a gasoline station will throw him into a frenzy during the coming campaign. Before the automobile came into such general use, his trainers might be able to sneak him across the country in the presidential race without falling into an oil well, but one can hardly cover a block nowadays without running into some animated hunk of tin that gets its motive power from the Teapot Dome.

Not that the Democrat jackass is any better off. He was laughing and wagging his ears at the predicament in which his more dumsy brother was in, but when a gusher gushed in the vicinity of William Gibbs McAdoo, the Democrats began to look around for a candidate among the celebrities in the comic strips of the Sunday supplements. Barney Google, or Jiggs, may be selected. They cannot be any funnier than the gentlemen that have already made laughing stocks of themselves.

Calvin Coolidge's presidential bug is not biting any more. While he has escaped a frontal squirt from the petroleum fusillade, most of his cabinet are now busy trying to explain why they were working twenty-four hours a day auctioning off the United States of America to the highest bidder. His intention to hide his intellectual bankruptcy behind a mantle of silence until the voters returned him to his present residence is now broken and he is giving long statements daily of his intention to punish the guilty.

While the capitalist parties are groveling in filth and political corruption, the movement for a real farmer-labor party is growing by leaps and bounds. The opinion in Washington is that the Teapot Dome scandal and the assumption of the powers of government on the part of the British Labor Party will give a great impetus to this movement. The Coolidge machine which spent a good deal of time staging milking contests and staging other contests to seduce the progressive senators are too busy painting signs reading "Handle with care; this is inflammable" on the superstructure of their presidential platform. It is soaked with oil and it requires only a spark to burst it into flame.

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"A Week" Every Day

THE decision has been made. The world-famous story of Russian life since the great revolution of November, 1917, will appear DAILY in the DAILY WORKER. The first installment of "A Week" will appear Saturday, Feb. 16.

The daily installments were decided upon so that the DAILY WORKER will live up to its best traditions as "A DAILY." Our paper is a DAILY. It is in the fight from day to day. It wants its readers to realize this fact. It wants everyone to feel it. Publishing only weekly installments of this great novel would still perpetuate the idea that we are working on a weekly basis. This must be swept away forever.

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The Power Column

The Bulwark of THE DAILY WORKER.

There has been some lack of understanding regarding the 20 per cent commission which THE DAILY WORKER allows to branch agents, for all subscriptions secured by them.

In some instances objection has been made to the granting of commissions on the grounds that class conscious workers will serve their paper, without having to be "bribed" by the offer of commissions. Others hold that the commission system is too capitalistic a way for a working class organization to do business.

Spanish Dictator Likely to Tumble from High Horse

(By The Federated Press)

MADRID.—Primo de Rivera, military dictator of Spain; after completing the ninety days of dictatorship, authorized for cleaning up Spain, now talks of the necessity of six or seven years of dictatorship. He no longer talks of resigning, but the growing chorus of his opponents is beginning to talk quite energetically of it. The republican movement is growing and there is a schism in the army itself, the basis of the dictator's power.

When Rivera exiled the powerful Marquis of Cortina for mere criticism of him in the press, the conservatives charged that he did not have the courage to try the marquis for more serious ministerial crimes. Significantly enough important members of the high military command went to see the marquis off, a direct political manifestation against the dictator.

Liberal and even conservative political leaders have issued statements to the effect that the king so insulted them by giving over the power to the military dictatorship on the ground that "the political parties are all too corrupt for the parliamentary system to continue," that if the dictatorship should fall they will refuse to honor the request of the king to form a new civil government. The king in that event would be forced to abdicate and either a new sovereign or a republic would result.

Rivera, to save the situation, has granted various reforms, including a dummy civil government that represents nobody. He is on the defensive against powerful papers not easily censored. The conservative foreign press associations predict his downfall and that of the king as well. Rumor says that the French government has a hand in the affair in an effort to protect itself from the isolation resulting from the alliance of Italy and Spain. Powerful Franco-American financial interests are opposing this new line-up, it is said.

Hillman Still Sick

Sidney Hillman, president of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, is still sick at the Hotel Morrison here. He was confined to his bed early last week with the grippe and has not been out of his room since then. Although not seriously ill, he is unable either to work or to return to New York, and said yesterday that he has had for several years. Hillman's doctor hopes to have him able to get back to work by the end of this week.

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WORKERS' CITY EXPELS IDLERS AND PARASITES

Moscow Gives Bums Rush to Social Lice

By GERTRUDE HAESSLER.

(Staff Correspondent of The Federated Press)

MOSCOW.—For some time the municipal authorities in Moscow have been struggling with the housing problem. A vigorous campaign has recently been initiated to expel from Moscow all "undesirable" and "socially dangerous" elements, and those not engaged in socially necessary labor. In connection with this campaign, the following notice appeared in all the daily papers in Moscow:

To All Citizens of Moscow

The acute housing crisis and the fact that Moscow is being filled with socially dangerous elements, has led the State Political Department (G. P. U.) to undertake the clearing of Moscow and the other large centers of the R. S. F. S. R. from the dregs of nepism, which, instead of taking part in normal trade and production, are exploiting the New Economic Policy for the purpose of leading a parasitic existence.

In fulfillment of the instructions of the Government and of the newly elected Moscow Soviet regarding the clearing of Moscow of persons not engaged in socially necessary labor, the G. P. U. has for the last few days carried out the arrest and expulsion of socially dangerous persons.

Parasites Classified.

So far 960 people have been arrested, of which 532 have been expelled from Moscow. The others will also be expelled shortly. The arrested and expelled persons are as follows:

- (1) Traders in illicit spirits, 110.
- (2) Swindlers and sharpers, 156.
- (3) Smugglers of precious stones and valuta, 120.
- (4) Persons with no definite occupation and living in luxury, 453.
- (5) Cocaine dealers, 24.
- (6) Keepers of houses of ill fame, 53.

Total, 916.

The G. P. U. announces that similar arrests and expulsions to outlying districts of the R. S. F. S. R. of persons without definite occupation and living a parasitic existence in Russia will be continued in future and the only way to avoid arrest is for such persons to leave Moscow and the Moscow Province voluntarily.

The G. P. U., however, desires to announce that persons engaged in normal trade and industry, paying the required duties, and conforming to the laws of the U. S. S. R. may continue their occupations in security, since they are not liable to arrest and expulsion.

Chairman of the O. G. P. U.

F. DZHERZHINSKI.

Moscow, Dec. 24, 1923.

Contrast with America.

The conception which the G. P. U. has of "socially dangerous" persons brings to mind the case of old Tom McDermott, who was a staunch wobbly. In 1920, in San Francisco, he was arrested under the criminal syndicalism law and after his jury disagreed, he was dismissed by the court. Immediately after he shipped out for Australia on a windjammer. In Australia he visited wobbly headquarters and he agitated among the sailors on his boat. When he came back to San Francisco seven months later, with all his pay in his pocket, he was arrested as he stepped off the boat on the charge of vagrancy—"no visible means of support." He was convicted to six months in the County Jail.

Tom was out of work at the moment, it is true, and the authorities wanted to "get him." But the G. P. U. does not consider as "socially dangerous elements" the workers who are unemployed—unless they have a mysterious source of income which permits them to live in luxury.

Political Con Men In Workmen's Circle Terrorize Members

The reactionary machine of the Workmen's Circle, which is an organization of 80,000 members, is using every means to terrorize the membership into re-electing it to office, thus perpetuating the rule of a clique of unscrupulous, dishonest politicians of the blackest stripe.

A regular drive has been started against the left wing of the Workmen's Circle, against all those who dare to criticize the shady dealings of the backstairs politicians.

In line with this policy of terrorization two of the most active members of the Workmen's Circle, Abe Epstein and David Siegal have been made members at large, which deprives them of the right of being active in the branches.

Besides, the machine has committed all kinds of frauds in elections in various branches. The membership of the Workmen's Circle is being propagandized by the reactionary machine against the radicals in the organization, and the money to defray the expenses of this campaign of propaganda and abuse is being taken from the treasury of the Workmen's Circle.

It is obvious that the yellows at the head of the Workmen's Circle will stop at nothing in order to perpetuate themselves and their vicious rule. All methods are good enough for fighting the honest militant elements in the organization who are seeking the welfare of the membership of the Workmen's Circle and of the radical labor movement in general.



THE ROSE BUSH

By HERMINIA ZUR MULLEN

The Rose-Bush did not know where she was born, and where she spent her early days—it is a well known fact that flowers have a bad memory, but, to make up for that, they can see into the future. When she first became conscious of herself, she stood in the middle of a magnificent green lawn. To one side of her she saw a great white stone house, that gleamed thru the branches of a linden tree, to the other side stood a high trellised gate, thru which she could see the street.

A thin, tall man carefully tended the Rose-bush; he brought manure, bound the drooping twigs of the Rose-bush together with bark, brought water for the thirsty roots of the Rose-bush to drink. The Rose-bush was grateful to the man and, as the buds she was covered with, opened into the dainty roses, she said to her friend, "You have taken care of me, it is on account of you that I have become so beautiful. Take some of my loveliest blossoms in return."

The man shook his head. "You mean well, dear Rose-bush, and I would gladly take some of your beautiful blossoms for my sick wife. But I dare not do it. You don't belong to me."

"I don't belong to you!" exclaimed the Rose-bush. "Don't I belong to the person who has taken care of me and troubled himself about me? Then to whom do I belong?"

The man pointed with his hand to the gleaming white house among the trees, and replied, "To the gracious lady who lives there."

"That can't be," replied the Rose-bush. "I have never seen this lady. It is not she who has sprinkled water on me, loosened the earth at my roots, bound together my twigs. Then how can I belong to her?"

"She has bought you."

"That is something different. Then the poor woman must have worked hard to save so much money. Good! Half of my blossoms shall belong to her."

The man laughed a little sadly, saying, "Oh, beloved Rose-bush, you don't yet know the world, I can see that. The lady did not lift a finger to earn the money."

"Then how did she get it?"

"She owns a great factory in which countless workers drudge; from these comes her wealth."

The Rose-bush became angry, lifted a bough up high, threatened the man with her thorn-claws, shouting, "I see you enjoy yourself at my expense, because I am still young and inexperienced, telling me untruths about the world of men. Still I am not so stupid, have observed ants and bees, and know that to each belongs the things for which he has worked."

"That may be so among bees and ants," the man sighed, deeply, "yet among men it is different. There the people receive just enough to keep them from starving—all else belongs to the master. The master builds splendid mansions, plants lovely gardens, buys fowers."

"Is that really true?"

"Yes."

The man went back to his work and the Rose-bush began to meditate. Yet, the longer she thought,

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the worse her temper grew. Yes, even tho she usually had very fine manners, she spoke roughly to a bee who wished to visit her. The bee was still young and timid, and flew off in fright as fast as his wings could carry him. Then the Rose-bush was sorry for her rough behavior, because she was naturally friendly, and also because she might have asked the bee whether the man had spoken the truth.

While she was so engrossed in thought, suddenly someone shook her and a mischievous voice asked, "Well, my friend, what are you dreaming about?"

The Rose-bush looked up with her countless eyes and recognized the Wind, that stood laughing before her, shaking his head so that his long hair flew about.

"Wind, beloved Wind!" joyfully exclaimed the Rose-bush. "You come as tho you had been called. Tell me whether the man has spoken the truth." And she repeated everything the man had said to her.

The Wind suddenly became serious, and whistled thru his teeth so violently that the branches of the Rose-bush began to tremble.

"Yes," declared he, "All this is true, and even worse. I came here from all over the whole world, and see everything. Often I am so seized with anger that I begin to rage; then the stupid people say, 'My! what a storm!'"

"And the rich people can really buy everything?"

"Yes," growled the wind. Then suddenly he laughed. "Not me. They can't capture and imprison me. I am the friend of the poor. I fly to all lands. In big cities, I station myself before ill-smelling cesspools and roar into them, 'Freedom! Justice!' To tired, overworked people, I sing a lullaby, 'Be courageous, keep together, fight, you will conquer!' Then they feel new strength, they know a comrade has spoken to them." He tittered, and all the leaves in the garden stirred. "The rich would like to imprison me, because I carry the message, but I whistle at them. At night I rattle their windows, so that they become frightened in their soft beds, and then I cry, 'Hoho, you idlers, your time is coming. Make room for the workers of the world!' At that they are frightened, draw the silken covers over their ears, try to comfort themselves: 'It was only the wind!'"

(To be continued Tomorrow.)

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PHILADELPHIANS HOLD OVERFLOW LENIN MEETING

Many Become Members of Workers Party

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The Lenin Memorial Meeting held here will long be remembered by the 2,000 people who jammed the Musical Fund Hall. An overflow meeting had to be started, but even that could not accommodate the hundreds who came too late and were turned away by the police.

The Memorial Meeting was one of the most impressive that Philadelphia ever saw. When the chairman uncovered a huge portrait of Lenin at the opening of the meeting and the Orchestra began to play Chopin's Funeral March, the whole audience rose as one man to give last honors to their dead leader. Even the police were impressed by this demonstration. There was many a workman's hand that wiped away tears that could not be suppressed.

The chairman read the proclamation of the All-Russian Congress of Soviets, and then introduced the speakers. The meeting was addressed by Feinstone in Russian, Ludwig Lore and W. F. Kruse in English and Shachno Epstein in Jewish. Not a single person left the hall until the orchestra ended the International and the chairman declared the meeting adjourned.

An appeal for funds, to aid in the Defense of the Communists who were in jails because they propagate the ideas for which Lenin worked, netted \$177.

Many people approached members of the arrangement committee and filled out application cards to join the Workers Party, the party that propagates the ideas for which Lenin stood.

The meeting was a grand tribute to the man who has become an inspiration to all true revolutionists.

Letters to 'The Daily'

What He Thinks of Us. To the DAILY WORKER: It's damn little radical literature I read—I'll buy it but I'll be damned if I'll read it—but while laying around wondering whether or not I'll have to have my appendix chopped out, I happened to start to read your article "Our Party—Three Tendencies"—and hadn't got very far before said, "What the hell!" for it was the first time I had ever run against anything as easily understood and comprehensive. But alas, and also slack, I commenced to flounder at the top of the third column and from there on muffed about half of it, and my idea that it would make one fine and dandy circular went glimmering. You had ought to do something about it for the first half of the article is the very thing that is needed to enlighten the workers as to what the Party is—I never knew before as I am above the average of intelligence, it's hardly to be expected that the ordinary run of humanity would know either. And you sure need some such circular—not for the mutt element—you can hardly get it down to their intellectual level and at the same time say anything, but for us—well, what I call "minor intellectuals." Also I don't think it should be an obvious propaganda circular if that point can be avoided.

But here I am again trying to tell the untellable radicals something! I am an optimist all right. Still you fellows seem to be a damn unusual sort of an outfit—I was remarking today a friend to whom I handed my copy of the DAILY WORKER that it was the first radical paper I had ever seen that printed interesting news items in Americanese. You are unusus', all right!—J. A. N., Los Angeles, Cal.

Still in the Ring.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 7.—Hiram Johnson today announced definitely that he will not withdraw from the presidential race.

"I consider it a contemptible trick that statements are issued every few days from Coolidge headquarters intimating that I will withdraw from the race," said Johnson. "I want to say once and for all that I am going to put up a brave fight and am going to stay in until the end."

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Children of Worker's Family Bring Home Undesirable Picture

TO THE DAILY WORKER: I am writing this letter to you with the request that you answer it in the columns of the Daily Worker. I have been a workingman all my life and am convinced that the only remedy for present evils is communism, the cause to which I am devoting my life. Regardless of the fact that I did not have the advantage of an education, I have done everything else within my power to help the great movement.

Now, my only wish was to have my children share my ideas. For this reason I sent them to the Socialist Sunday School, but to my great sorrow their friends had more influence over them than I did.

Recently something occurred that strongly convinced me that I could no longer endure the animosity of my children. On coming home from work one night, I found a picture of Harding on the wall. "What's that?" I asked. "How does his picture happen to be in my house?" In reply my son told me that he and his friends had organized a Harding Club, and that he wanted the honor of having Harding's picture on the wall. I cannot describe in words the anger this answer provoked in me.

"Are there no greater characters that have done more for humanity than Harding? Have my feelings no value to you?" My children, as usual, started to ridicule me. I could no longer control my anger. I pulled down the picture and tore it. My children reproached me for the action, which they said was one of a tyrant and despot. My wife sides with them.

Now, I want you to answer the question I will put to you, the answer to which my children will read: Are the feelings and thoughts of my children so superior to mine that they could heartlessly do everything in the attempt to shatter my ideals, while I am not allowed to do anything?—A Disappointed Father.

Problem Deserves Attention.

Our Answer—The above letter touches a problem which deserves attention. It has been the experience of many radicals to see their children spurn the ideals for which their parents sacrificed so much and become active or passive supporters of the capitalist system and all its works and pomps.

The reasons for this are many. Most radicals endure hardships which are shared by their families owing to their opposition to the capitalist system and their children who come under the influence of capitalist schools, read capitalist papers and associate with children of capitalistically minded parents. Capitalist papers judge the radical philosophy on the basis of its effect on their conditions and not being sustained by idealism prefer to follow the line of least resistance and place personal gain ahead of the collective good.

Radicals as a rule do not take the necessary steps to see that their children are acquainted with the philosophy of socialism or communism.

GERMAN CENSUS GIVES 26,000,000 ADULT WORKERS

Proletarian Elements in Vast Majority

By LOUIS P. LOCHNER (Staff Correspondent of The Federated Press)

BERLIN, Germany. — Interesting statistics have been produced by the "Annual for Economics, Politics, and the Labor Movement," published by Carl Hoyt, Hamburg. In the year 1920 Germany had a total of 59.4 million inhabitants. The adult population included in this total fell under the following categories:

Agriculture and Forestry	9,825,000
Mining and Industry	14,510,000
Trade, Traffic and Hotel	5,000,000
Personal Service	330,000
Public Service and Free Professions	2,440,000
Without Profession	1,700,000
Total	33,865,000

The term "without profession" includes people living on their incomes.

In the above classification, bosses and workers are thrown together, so that it is not clear how many people belong to the possessing and how many to the working class. This relation becomes evident from the following classification.

In the same annual, Prof. E. Varga, a noted Russian economist now living in Berlin, groups the population of Germany as follows:

Ruling class	4,400,000
Semi-proletarian elements	3,500,000
Workers and proletarian employees	26,000,000

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UNIVERSITY RUN BY JUDGE GARY BARS NEARING

Northwestern Cancels Invitation to Economist

By CARL HAESSLER (Staff Correspondent of The Federated Press)

EVANSTON, Ill. — Pres. Walter Dill Scott, the advertising expert who heads Northwestern university, has banned Scott Nearing, radical economist and lecturer, from the campus platforms. Neither in classroom nor in university meeting hall may Nearing lift his voice to uphold the newer economics and the newer sociology against the doctrines sanctioned by University Trustee Elbert H. Gary or University Trustee R. W. Campbell, Gary's son-in-law, the president of the Northwestern board.

The steel dictator's son-in-law signaled his accession to the head of the board table by announcing that the Northwestern campaign committee engaged in getting donations from the big fellows in industry and business had obtained so far the sum of \$7,217,470.71.

After the Dough With Gary and Gary's son-in-law on the university board, a begging campaign for big money in progress and Scott Nearing wanting to talk at the invitation of the College Liberal Club, Advertising Expert Walter Dill Scott saw his way without any difficulty or hesitation. Let a radical spouter spoil the golden harvest by giving the Northwestern undesirable advertising with the conservative and affluent alumni? Not while Expert Scott knows his duty to Gary and the board.

So the Northwestern Liberal club did not hear Nearing on the campus.

Nearing Spoke Anyhow But he talked in Evanston just the same. The Garrett Biblical Institute Discussion group had arranged a meeting for the unorthodox economist, and there he spoke, listened to by many Northwestern students with the added zest of enjoying forbidden fruit.

Scott of Northwestern knew that this might happen. He took steps to prevent it. He wanted the Garrett Biblical meeting stopped. Evidently they have no Garys on the Garrett board and no son-in-law of Gary and no advertising expert as president of the institution.

Nearing talked and the next meeting of the Garrett group will listen to a radical with a prison record, no matter what the effect on the Northwestern campaign for millions.

BIRTH OF NATION, K. K. K. PICTURE, STILL ON SCREEN

Judge Gives Verdict on Case Today

The anti-negro, pro-Ku Klux Klan motion picture, "The Birth of a Nation," will continue to be shown here until after today, when further argument on a motion to hold Chief of Police Collins in contempt of court will be heard before Judge Sullivan. Yesterday the judge spent the entire day hearing arguments on the law involved in the case and continued the hearings till today.

Negros in Chicago are indignant at the delays in stopping the picture. They say that the picture plainly violates a law passed in 1917 and aimed at the "Birth of a Nation," which says that any picture inciting to race hatred cannot be shown.

"The Klan is behind this picture," said Lovett Fort-Whiteman of the staff of the Chicago Defender, a negro newspaper, "and they are trying to find loop holes in the law that will permit them to show the picture as long as they can. They know that they will finally lose out in this fight, but they are trying to delay. The picture ridicules and defames the negro. It should be stopped at once."

Chief Collins ordered the picture stopped because he held that it violated the law of 1917. The exhibitors went to court and asked that he be cited in contempt because he had violated an injunction obtained in 1915, forbidding interference with showings of the picture. The legal argument was all concerned with the issue whether the law passed in 1917 set aside the injunction. Judge Sullivan yesterday held that it did and said the only question was whether or not the picture violated the law by inciting to race hatred.

Monday night police stopped the picture for the second time. After the stopping of the picture the first time Sunday night the management of the Auditorium theater announced that they would continue to show it till their case was decided in court. Monday afternoon the picture was shown, but the police stopped the evening showing. Yesterday for the third time they defied the police by running the picture. The police have indicated that they will permit the picture to continue till they get a ruling from the corporation counsel on the law as it stands since Judge Sullivan's decision.

Watch the "Daily Worker" for the first installment of "A Week," the great epic of the Russian revolution, by the brilliant young Russian writer, Iury Libedinsky. It will start soon.

Youth Views

By HARRY GANNES

Crime and the Working Youth. Fat widows of dead business men, retired churchmen and professional capitalist social workers and reformers find common employment in protecting the youth and children from lives of crime. This is the safest kind of diversion.

At the twenty-second annual meeting of the Illinois Juvenile Protective Association, a prize collection of old maids, peless preachers and paid social workers, the growth of crime among the youth and children was discussed from the point of view of sex and religion. The proposed remedy for the advance in the number of youth criminals was —recreation!

On thing is positive in crime: the lower the wages of the parents, the more apt are the children to become criminals. Is the remedy for this recreation? When a bunch of kids are forced to live together like a herd of cattle because their father does not get enough even to buy them enough to eat, or because the father has been killed by the industrial machine, what mockery it is to invite the children to recreation as a panacea for their affliction.

Every child in the juvenile detention homes in the city of Chicago is the child of a wage worker. To find a pretty bourgeois kid in a penal institution is as rare as discovering a Lenin among the social democrats. Juvenile institutions were built for the workers' children. That is why they are so rotten; that is why they are schools of crime and perversion.

With overcrowded schools, increased employment of children and young workers, lowering of wages, a jump in the number of young criminals is inevitable. The Juvenile Protective Association reported 3,060 complaints last year, with all their "recreational" remedies we predict about a 25 per cent increase in business in the next year for them.

The standard of living of the parents is an accurate index to the amount of crime among the youth. To decrease crime, increase wages, strengthen the organization of the workers; to eradicate crime, destroy the capitalist system which looks at everything thru the spectacles of profit. Recreation and social activities are important problems for the youth, but to try to solve them within the capitalist system is like operating around the region of the heart with a rusty saw.

The tragedy of criminality among the youth is that after the young have fallen into the hands of the authorities once, for some real or fancied misdemeanor, their career of crime is assured. They are thrown into some juvenile home with expert teachers of crime, not only among the inmates, but among the "guards."

WITH THE JUNIOR SECTION

Information for Parents and Children's Leaders.

Juniors Tell It to the World

The Communist Children's Movement thruout the world has established a system of International Correspondence between the children's groups of the various countries. Thru this medium the Juniors of America are telling the world of their rapid progress. The following communication should prove of interest to our readers:

"Children of the Proletariat of America: Dear Comrades: We, the children of the proletariat of Soviet Russia, are sending you this letter with the greatest joy. In the name of the group of the (Young Spartacus) we are sending you our heartiest greetings. In this letter we wish to inform you about everything that is going on here. How we live, how we work, and how our group is getting along.

We live in the Ukraine, in the City of Kherson, in the children's home No. 7.

We are living pretty well. We are being clothed and fed and educated. Our teachers are treating us very nice. We all live like one united family.

We would like, comrades, to acquaint you with the life of our group, how we are being educated in the Communist spirit. The leader of our group is a member of the Young Communist League. We are having gatherings, readings, and discussions on revolutionary subjects. We are also having excursions and 'Poster Newspapers' (Notes). The poster newspapers are written by the children. They also draw cartoons for it, and then paste them on the walls in the city.)

We would appreciate if you would write us about yourself and your life. What are the relations of the elder comrades towards you? How are you being educated? How are your Communist Children's Groups? How are you spending your time?...

We must correspond more frequently, in order to establish closer contact between us. Frequent correspondence between the children of all countries unites us in one strong family.

Long live the close contact between the children of the world! Long live the children of the Proletariat and the Communist Groups of America! City of Kherson, Odeskaia Gubernia. Young Pioneers Children's Home, No. 7."

For all information on the Junior Section of the Young Workers League and its official organ, "The Young Comrade," address: JUNIOR SECTION, Young Workers League, 1009 N. State St., Room 214.

Lodge Launches Frail Craft to Salvage Denby

(By The Federated Press) By LAURENCE TODD

WASHINGTON.—"It's lynch law, that's what it is," cried Senator Lodge, furiously, protesting in the senate against the resolution demanding the resignation of Secretary Denby. "It is an outrage on every principle of justice and fair play. It is a proposal to deprive this official of the right to be heard; it would strip him of all the ordinary means of defense it gives him no opportunity to avail himself of the rights that are granted the meanest skulking thief."

Nobody had called Denby a mean, skulking thief. He had merely been charged, and proven by much testimony, reviewed for the senate by many of its prominent members, to have known the unanimous protest of the naval officers against his giving away control of the naval fuel supply to Fall. He had been shown to have taken part in this lawless and indefensible betrayal of public interest, and to have testified afterward to abysmal ignorance, and finally to have written a letter saying that if he had the chance he would do it all over again. Then the Robinson resolution had called for his resignation. Trammell had offered the same resolution as an amendment, to the Walsh resolution ordering suit to recover the oil lands, and declaring their transfer from the navy illegal.

Admits Denby Wrong Lodge admitted, with much reluctance, that Denby had been in the wrong all the way thru, but argued that there was no "proof" that he is not an honest man. Maybe he had shown incompetence. But that was the worst that could be said of him.

On the other hand, Lodge begged the senators to remember, this demand for resignation of a cabinet member was a direct invasion of the prerogative of the executive head of the government. It violated the plan laid down in the constitution. It is a dangerous move.

Borah indicated that he, too, thought congress had no right to dictate resignations from federal office—it could only impeach.

Pittman asked why the senate, which had exercised its constitutional power in confirming Denby's nomination to the office he holds, was not equally entitled to notify the president that it had changed its judgment as to Denby's fitness to hold public office. He agreed with Borah, however, in asking Trammell to withdraw the Denby resignation measure as an amendment to the oil lease cancellation resolution, and to let the senate deal separately with it. Trammell consented.

More Raw Justice Wanted "Let's have less of refined justice and a little raw justice right here," offered a substitute resolution on the lease cancellation issue, whereby the government would proceed to seize the naval oil lands, expel the Sinclair and Doheny companies, on the ground that they are trespassers, and then bring suit to recover the price of all oil thus far taken from these reserves. The senate defeated this plan without a roll call, just before it adopted, unanimously, the Walsh resolution.

During the morning of this final day of debate on the cancellation measure, President Coolidge had, for the first time, called to his office, any of the Democratic senators. Walsh, with Robinson, the minority leaders, saw Coolidge for a few minutes, and talked over the propositions which congress is now compelling him to begin. Republican leaders were also consulted by the president, separately from the Democrats. The game seemed to be one of sidetracking the resolutions demanding that Denby resign. The town was full of reports that Coolidge had arranged for "voluntary patriotic" resignation by Denby and Daugherty, but had found them disinclined to get out unless he should publicly guarantee their characters.

A. F. of L. Hits Daugherty The A. F. of L. News Letter has come to the support of the movement aimed at forcing Daugherty out of the cabinet. It contrasts his haste in attacking the railroad shippers, thru injunctions, with his utter disregard of his duty of law-enforcement in the Teapot Dome case. There is now no press statement from Daugherty, such as he frequently gave out during the shopmen's strike, as to how he would protect "government by law."

The suggestion is made that a few individuals in this case may be made scapegoats, but that the higher-ups will go free and keep the swag they have hidden.

Know a worker who needs a working class education? Get him to read THE DAILY WORKER.

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FIGHT FOR ALIEN WORKERS WAGED BY JEWISH REBELS

Yellow Labor Leaders Spurn United Front

The movement initiated by the Jewish Federation of the Workers Party in New York City for the protection of the foreign born against discriminatory laws is spreading with great success. At the conference held on Saturday, Jan. 26, to plan a campaign, committees were present representing the Jewish Federation, and workers of the following nationalities: German, Russian, Lithuanian, Ukrainian, Finnish and Polish. The invitation to this conference was also accepted by the left Poale Zion, but was rejected by the right Poale Zion and the Jewish Socialist Federation.

The United Hebrew Trades held their own conference on Sunday, Jan. 27, with the purpose of starting a similar campaign, altho it was known that thousands of workers were entering into the united front movement initiated by the Jewish Federation. But Max Pine of the United Hebrew Trades and his cronies in that organization don't believe in a real organized fight for the protection of workingmen. A committee representing the united front movement proposed to the conference of the United Hebrew Trades to enter into the united front of thousands of workers who are intent upon starting a tremendous campaign against the exception laws being planned by the government.

But Max Pine delivered a lengthy speech the long and short of which was that the United Hebrew Trades is the whole universe and can go it alone, that it doesn't want to go into partnership with anyone. And the conference of the United Hebrew Trades sustained its hero, Max Pine, by voting down the proposal to really do something.

Frozen Anti-Toxin Makes 25 Students Ill in Massachusetts

BOSTON, Mass., Feb. 7.—Twenty-five students at the McElwain school, Bridgewater, inoculated with frozen "toxin anti-toxin," have become infected and are ill at their home, it was learned today.

With 19 students already ill at Concord Academy, Concord, the treatments appeared rapidly assuming the proportions of a scandal.

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Fruits of Imperialism

Attentive observers of current politics know that trade follows the flag. It is also gradually becoming a commonplace that the flag follows the dollar.

The why and wherefore of the United States spending more than three million dollars annually on maintaining a fleet of battleships and torpedo boats, called the "banana boats," in the Caribbean in order to help certain American capitalists exploit the weaker Latin republics are put in the bold relief of the dollar sign in the latest reports of the Cuba Company and the United Fruit Company.

These corporations are amongst the greatest beneficiaries of the imperialist policy the United States is now pursuing in Central and South America. Their last financial reports disclose some facts that are never told the working masses when they are called upon to finance punitive naval and military expeditions to these countries in order "to save civilization." It is also rather instructive coincidence that the two corporations were born in the very years in which America launched its offensive imperialist campaign.

Since 1900 the United Fruit Company, operating in these Latin republics, has already paid out nearly \$150,000,000 in dividends alone. In the last seven years alone it has almost doubled its assets. Last year it made a net profit of more than 23 per cent, or \$23,097,330.

The story of the Cuba Company, which owns many miles of Cuban railroads and sugarfields, is no different. This corporation has recently come under the thumb of the New York Central Railroad. Last year the Cuba Company's railroad profits alone exceeded the 1922 figures by more than five million dollars.

These are some of the sweet fruits of imperialism garnered by our capitalist class. Our school teachers never tell our children about these cold dollar and cents advantages of imperialism to the employing class. Our dollar democrats and dollar diplomats are usually silent about this side of our "civilizing" activities in the Latin countries. But every one of these dollars has come into the world "sweating blood and dirt from its pores," as Marx would say. Every one of these dollars of titanic profits pocketed by our leading citizens is only the congealed sweat and blood of the exploited and suppressed masses in these so-called backward countries.

More than that. The sweet fruits of imperialism are the fruits of death to the American working and farming masses. The continuation of this system of capitalist imperialist plunder is dependent on the maintenance of huge armies and giant battle-fleets. These sweet fruits of imperialism have within them the germs of war and all the fiendish destruction of working class life that war entails.

Honoring an Enemy of Labor

The Chicago Federation of Labor at its last meeting passed a motion expressing the sorrow of the organization over the death of Thomas Woodrow Wilson, the champion political mountebank of the world and the grave digger of what little freedom escaped the attention of the capitalist class before this country entered the world war in 1917, to serve the interests of the American plunderer.

The motion might not have passed had not John Fitzpatrick, former "progressive," shut off discussion before the class conscious delegates could take the floor and expose this charlatan Wilson as an enemy of labor.

Fitzpatrick has not alone brazenly taken his place with the lackeys of Gompersism but he has not even the courage to allow those who oppose his backward crawl, the right to express their views on questions involving the honor of the labor movement.

The Chicago Federation of Labor expressed no regret over the death of Nicolai Lenin, the leader of world labor; a man whose name will stand out on the pages of history when Wilson's will be lost in the abyss of oblivion. Lenin, the foe of oppression and the brilliant strategist whose every thought was for the emancipation of his class, passed away with the Chicago Federation of Labor as silent as the Chicago Chamber of Commerce.

Woodrow Wilson, the double crosser, the intellectual tin can, the man who violated every principle he ever stood for, the man who issued injunctions against the workers, loosed a horde of stool pigeons among the American workers, invaded Russia without authorization of Congress and committed other crimes too numerous to mention, is honored in death by the representatives of the workers he crucified when living. The twenty-three delegates who voted against the motion deserve the thanks of all honest workers.

Klan Democracy

Amongst the most vehement and raving defenders of pure American democracy, as enjoyed by the employers, is the hooded horde of Kleagles and Cyclops of the Ku Klux Klan. The principles of this pure democracy and hundred per cent Americanism are supposed to be founded on the bed-rock of the inviolability of the ballot box. It is customary for the Klan hooligans and gangsters to parade about the country as the defenders of this sacred American institution of peace and civilization against the force and violence of the wild-eyed labor agitators, "reds," and foreigners.

Fortunately the great mass of workingmen and farmers has not fallen for this hypocritical talk of the masked maniacs of capitalist reaction. But perhaps the most damning evidence yet offered to unmask the dangerous pretensions of the Klan is the survey sent to the United States Senate by Hume Graves, the Texas Senate Deputy Sergeant-at-Arms, on the election of the Klan Senator Earl R. Mayfield. The findings show that the Klan was able to send its agent to the Senate only thru committing the worst frauds and outrages against the very ballot box institution they have been defending so vociferously in the open. Ballot boxes were found unopened. Only ten of the 165 precincts checked up so far have been found to be within the law. Many election officials have admitted that they wrote in Mayfield's name before handing out ballots. In one county the ardent democrats even went so far as to burn the ballots.

This conduct of the Klan is typical of all the loud-mouthed capitalist enemies of the working class. The fraud and violence committed by the Klan in the Texas election of Mayfield to the Senate show that all the blatant talk by the employing class agents about the blessings of democracy and the dangers of proletarian rule is merely a smoke-screen of poison gas behind which is hidden the iron rule of the capitalist dictatorship over the working and farming masses.

Salvaging the Farm Bankers

In an eleventh hour, desperate attempts to stem the tide of dissatisfaction amongst the farmers of the Northwest, Coolidge called a "relief" conference. At this conference there were gathered God's and the President's chosen noblemen of finance and industry.

An examination of the specific measures proposed by the Coolidge agents convinces one that this is merely an effort to save the farm bankers who have been hit hard by the depression in which the farming masses now find themselves.

The spirit of this conference was manifested in the President's declaration that to help the farmer, who was helpless before the mortgage sharks and credit Shylocks, would be bad business and therefore useless. This is the fundamental feature of all capitalist relief plans. They are all calculated to help those who need help least and to neglect those who need help most.

Diversified farming, that hackneyed hoax the repetition of which tends to make one's nerves raw, was blazoned on high as the prime panacea. But not a word was said to show that this exalted remedy cannot offer immediate relief because it would take several years to develop new farm enterprises. One might add that this proposal is also an immediate relief measure only for the bankers, to whom Coolidge proposes to lend fifty million dollars in order to help start the new farm enterprises. Not a word was said by Coolidge and his aids about the fact that this diversified farming would in effect mean, for the farmers, only a transfer from their present bondage to grain and stock gamblers, to the milk trust and commission merchants.

Then the President's much-vaunted War Finance Corporation was put forward. This institution's record to date shows that at least 75 per cent of the funds it has expended have gone to powerful capitalist organizations and not towards the relief of farmers and workers in distress.

Finally the utter lack of sincerity characterizing the whole Coolidge fit of charity is most clearly evidenced by his offer to extend the period of existing indebtedness of the farmers. The President well knows that a creditor can get as much money from a bankrupt farmer as he can get blood from a stone. More than 15 per cent of the farm owners, and more than 120 per cent of the farm tenants in 15 northwestern states have already been granted such an extension of credit by their creditors and saved from formal bankruptcy simply because the money lenders could do nothing else. Economic necessity settled this policy of leniency for these creditors.

The farmers will not be fooled by the Coolidge maneuvers. The farmers' strong protest of disapproval of this program at the conference is the best sign of the fact that Coolidge can't pull the wool over their eyes. The farm relief program proposed by Coolidge is only an attempt to salvage some of the bankers who have been drawn into the slough of economic depression that has overwhelmed the farmers.

If Florida wants to become really popular as a health resort for cabinet officials it will have to secede so that warrants can't be served there.

'TIS SAID, "PRAYERS WILL BE ANSWERED"



The Prayer, "Permit the Timbers to Stand So We May Make More Money for the Boss."

THE UNITY OF THE LAMB AND THE LION

By MARTIN ABERN
In the January issue of the Labor Herald, Earl R. Browder, writes of the recent moves of the yellow leadership of the trade unions to get together with the bankers, industrialists, and other capitalists in a policy of pulling the wool over the eyes of the working sheep. He points out some of the features of class unity, such as Johnston's "co-operation" scheme for making the unions into efficiency bureaus for capitalist production, and the "Industrial democracy" program of Gompers and Berry at the Portland convention of the American Federation of Labor.

The sell-out of the worker by the bureaucratic machine of the American Federation of Labor seems almost complete. The capitalists themselves feel quite confident that thru these lap-dogs employed by Labor but serving capitalism, that everything will be lovely, and that they need expect no real fuss or disturbance from Brother Johnston, or Gompers, or Berry, or any other of their ilk.

The January bulletin of the National City Bank of New York, one of the most influential banking institutions, not only in the United States, but in the world, speaks quite warmly and reassuringly of their alliance with the reactionary trade union leadership. Here is what this influential organ of capitalist America has to say: "The labor situation is more encouraging than it has been. The prospects are regarded favorable for the maintenance of good relationship between the railroad companies and their employees. WITH-OUT MATERIAL ADVANCE UPON PRESENT WAGES. (The emphasis is ours). The most serious wage disputes in prospect is that in the bituminous coal industry, which is the natural result of the settlement of the anthracite strike. Labor in this country, however, shows a growing sense of social responsibility and in the past year has been vigorously rooting out the radical elements from its councils. It has a growing appreciation for the fact that the real gains for the wage earning class do not come from mere wage advances—

which come back severely upon the wage earning class in the cost of living, but is in improvements in production which increase the supply of comforts for distribution. Once this truth is fully comprehended industry will go forward with great strides. The meaning of this passage is quite plain. Evidently the capitalists feel quite safe that the trade union leaders will deliver their trade unions bound hand and foot and gagged, to them. "Prospects are regarded favorable for the maintenance of good relationship between the railroad companies and their employees, without material advance upon present wages." This, no doubt, is the kind of service Mr. Johnston, president of the International Association of Machinists, had in mind when he spoke of his scheme of "co-operation" between the railroads and the unions.

Mr. Johnston's scheme plainly intends to deliver the union men to the railroads at the lowest possible price, even as others deliver "arch brick, super heaters, stokers, or lubricating oils" at the lowest possible price. Of such is the service of the Johnstons and the Gompers to the labor movement. "Labor in this country, however, shows a growing sense of social responsibility, and in the past year has been vigorously rooting out the radical elements from its councils." A growing sense of social responsibilities of labor, eh? What is meant, rather, is the service, of the labor lieutenants of capitalism, Johnston, Gompers, Berry and Co., to the capitalist class.

The National City Bank statement is clear. Capital and labor leaders have united firmly, closely, aye, organically, it might be said, against the workers and those striving to better the conditions of the workers. This is the new "industrial democracy" that the comrades-in-arms of the Civic Federation, the National City Bank and the like, Mr. Berry of the Pressmen's Union, John L. Lewis and Samuel Gompers, etc., so loudly proclaim.

"That all workers, including managers, get proper compensation for what they put into industry," is one of the principals governing industries," says Major Berry. This means "without material advances upon the present wages," as the National City Bank of New York puts it, else how could there be, as Mr. Berry has it, "adequate compensation on investments, for the employees?" There is no need for Mr. Woll, speaking before the City Club of Chicago, to say "It is labor's hope that there will come into existence an economic and industrial chamber in which all factors of industry shall be fairly represented to determine rules and regulations, shall impose upon themselves and confine political government for the functions which it is best qualified and best suited." Mr. Woll and his company have joined the economic and industrial chamber of capitalism, in which it can be surely stated, they are fairly represented, but certainly not the workers, whom they supposedly represent. If this is the "economic and industrial Chamber" and the new "industrial democracy" which these labor leaders would give us, then, indeed, must the workers call "God help us and save us from our friends."

Yet, this is not so humorous as it all might appear. The fact remains that these lackeys of Wall Street, in the ranks, and, most unfortunately, at the head of the trade unions in America, are going ahead boldly and swiftly with their plans for "class collaboration" or tying the labor unions to the boot of capitalism. This can only mean to the working class lower wages, longer hours, harder working conditions, lower standard of living. Surely the workers can appreciate that or do they think too, as Johnston of the Machinists, Woll, Gompers, Lewis, and the National City Bank? The National City Bank has this to say about wages: "It (labor) has a growing appreciation of the fact that the real gains for the wage earning class do not come from mere wage

advances, which come back heavily upon the wage earning class, in the cost of living, but from improvements in production which improve the supply of comforts for distribution. "Surely not the National City Bank, nor even Samuel Gompers, can kid the working class with such stupid economics. The worker knows quite well that if wages fall, profits will rise, and if wages rise, profits will fall, and, further, that for the most part, improvements in production, instead of bringing more comforts and a higher standard of living, have only brought lower wages relatively and absolutely, and a lower standard of living for the wage earning class. Only under Communism can an improvement in the means of production mean a real advance for the good of the working class. Whenever the workers insist upon a raise in wages, whether they know it or not, they are only making an attempt to get value for the increased value of their efforts, or labor power. If they did not get this raise, their standard of living would sink at once.

All the "co-operation" schemes of Johnston for capital and labor, and the "Industrial democracy" of Gompers and Berry, the banking schemes of Sigman, cannot blind the workers to the fact that the only way they ever get anything from their employers is thru fighting. They never got anything handed to them on a platter, and they never will. Recognizing it or not, they engage in a class struggle with the employing class whether it be for an increase in wages, shorter working hours, or for the abolition of the capitalist system of society itself. They know that every time they "co-operate and collaborate" with the employers, they find themselves getting the dirty end of the stick. It is the co-operation of the shearer and the shorn that Brother Johnston proposes, which is all right for Mr. Johnston who has joined the side of the shearers, but this is not for the fighting trade unionist or for any class conscious worker. Their's is to battle. The moves of the American Federation of Labor bureaucrats, for unity with Wall Street and Big Business, or in other words, the sale of the merchandise, the laboring class, to the capitalists, must be combated to the limit or very vestige of working class independence and strength in the United States will be destroyed. Not class collaboration, but class struggle, not unity with capitalists, but struggle for the overthrow of the capitalist system must be the answer of the militant rank and file in the American Federation of Labor and all the workers to the pernicious schemes of their yellow leadership.

No worker, young or old, can fall for this cheap gaff. So far as the Young workers are concerned, they will raise the cry of greater organization of the workers; not unity with the bosses, but unity collaboration of all workers, young and old, in the unions, and on the political field against the capitalists is the answer of the young workers and the Young Workers League to Gompers and the National City Bank.

AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

Samuel Gompers believes that some day machinery will do all the heavy, laborious work now performed by human beings, according to a feature story in a recent issue of the Boston Globe. The labor leader declared that the world has not yet produced one tenth of what it is capable to produce. When machinery comes into its own, people will not starve even tho they may have to do very little work, Mr. Gompers says.

Gompers decided to devote his life to the service of labor we are told after he witnessed a parade of starving silkweavers in his native land, England. The introduction of machinery threw them out of work. Gompers does not say how those who are thrown out of industry thru the speeding up of the productive power of machinery are going to be provided for. Will the capitalists provide for them?

Gompers believes, according to the Globe writer, that there is enough for every one and then some, and that each receives what he deserves. J. P. Morgan once declared that the longshoreman who worked for \$10.00 a week, was not entitled to any more if he was satisfied with that meager wage. Will Mr. Gompers say that the workers who produce all the wealth of society and receive back in wages only a small portion of it get what they are entitled to or deserve? If Mr. Gompers is as he claimed, devoting his life to the workers, it would be a happy day for the latter if he got disgusted with their ingratitude and joined the nearest Chamber of Commerce. Sam has no solution for the problems that face the workers today. The development of the machine surely will relieve mankind of the drudgery involved in producing the necessities of life but only when that machine is owned and controlled by the workers themselves and not used to swell up the profits of individual owners will the machine be a real blessing to humanity. This is communism; the ownership of the wealth producing machinery by the producers and the control of society by the workers. Gompers does not like this because it makes no provision for labor fakery or labor lieutenants of capitalism as the late and unlamented Mark Hanna called them.

The \$15,000,000 suit brought by the shopmen's organization against the Pennsylvania railroad system was dismissed today by the federal district court on the ground that the United States courts have no power to enforce the decisions of the United States Railroad Labor Board. It appears the only function this fake board served was to fool the workers into the belief that it could serve them. Whenever the board rules against the workers the latter must obey its decisions else injunctions followed by armed troops will be hurled against them, but when the railroads defy the Board's decisions the courts are powerless. Yet we are told all are equal under our laws.

An English worker may now go to sleep just a common piece of clay and wake up an aristocrat with a string of titles and the privilege of wearing a garter and taking a bath. Since Ramsey MacDonald became prime minister he and the king have been busy manufacturing peers of the realm. Under the British constitution certain offices cannot be filled except by peers, so instead of looking around for a peer who might be 100 per cent regular, they simply turn out a brand new one. Thus it happens that Thomas Griffiths, a former tin plate slave who worked for eight cents a day, is now treasurer of the king's household; John Parkinson, a coal digger, is now controller of the royal household, while John Davidson, whose career started in a bootshop, is His Majesty's Vice Chamberlain. The duties of Vice Chamberlain are said to lack dignity tho it is possible the newly created aristocrat, who must see to George's personal requirements, may have an assistant to do the dirty work.

It would be interesting to know how the king feels when his three labor attendants sing the Red Flag. He will probably thank his stars that the leaders of the British Labor party don't take revolution as seriously as they do in Russia, for instance. The English may try to free the workers by elevating them to the peerage. The Russians abolished all titles and hereditary distinctions and made the title of "worker" the most honored in the land. And we believe that the British workers have their toughest fight ahead of them while the Russians are over theirs.

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