

McDONALD, BOUCK HEAD TICKET Will Fight the Campaign On Militant Platform

STRONG MEN ON FARMER-LABOR COMMITTEE

These Leaders Insure Aggressive Campaign

By J. LOUIS ENGDAHL.

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 20.—Duncan MacDonald and William Bouck, candidates for president and vice-president of the National Farmer-Labor Party are both members of the national committee that met here today to plan for the campaign and map the future of the party.

MacDonald is a member from Illinois and Bouck from Washington. The two committeemen of the Workers Party will be William Z. Foster and C. E. Ruthenberg.

Party's Committeemen.

Committeemen of other states and organizations are as follows:

FEDERATED FARMER-LABOR—

Joseph Manley and C. A. Hathaway.

AMALGAMATED METAL WORKERS—

Fred G. Biedenkapp.

RHODE ISLAND—James P. Reid and Helen A. Siegel.

SOUTH DAKOTA—August Peterson and A. L. Putnam.

MISSOURI—Stanley J. Clark and John Mielich.

WEST VIRGINIA—W. E. Naylor.

WISCONSIN—Joel Shomaker and Carl Milde.

COLORADO—George N. Falconer and William Dietrich.

NEW YORK—James Campbell.

MASSACHUSETTS—Thomas F. Conroy and Frank Deluca.

PENNSYLVANIA—J. C. Strong and H. O. McClurg.

NEBRASKA—J. L. Beebe and William H. Green.

OKLAHOMA—S. M. Stallard and Daniel Cobb.

TENNESSEE—Frank Drufenbrock and L. J. Holzapfel.

IOWA—A. Kramer and L. J. Kalvig.

CONNECTICUT—Robert McKenzie and John J. Ballam.

NORTH DAKOTA—R. H. Walker and Alfred Knutson.

MONTANA—J. Haaland, Jr. and Charles E. Taylor.

OHIO—Scott Wilkins and A. J. Feldhaus.

MICHIGAN—Charles S. Girard and William Reynolds.

WASHINGTON—John Curtiss Kennedy and William Bouck.

YOUNG WORKERS' LEAGUE—

Martin A. Hoyt and John Williamson.

ILLINOIS—Duncan MacDonald and Morton L. Johnson; J. Louis Engdahl, alternate.

Play Syndicalism Laws.

Resolutions were adopted by the convention demanding the release of the class war prisoners, including the 100 still confined in California under the criminal syndicalism laws of that state. The repeal of all syndicalism laws also demanded.

Resolutions were also adopted commending the "extravagant and reckless service of the capitalist press to the cause of unity in the convention. The Ku Klux Klan was denounced. Congratulate Mahoney, Hathaway.

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Washington Plasterers Compromise.

WASHINGTON, D. C., June 20.—The striking plasterers and cement finishers returned to work yesterday on a compromise agreement with the bosses. They will get \$13 a day and the five and a half day week instead of \$14 a day and the 40-hour week they struck for.

Twenty-four States' Committeemen

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STRIKING POSTAL WORKERS TIE UP
CANADIAN SERVICE DESPITE SCABS

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MONTREAL, Que., June 20.—The Dominion-wide postal strike seems to have met greatest success in the provinces of Ontario and Quebec, the two largest cities in the Dominion—Toronto and Montreal being hardest hit.

In Montreal letter carriers are out to a man and no deliveries were made Thursday or this morning. Lock boxes were not filled and windows were closed. Police surrounded the general postoffice. In Toronto, headquarters of the Canadian Federation of Postal Employees, 200 strike breaking scabs were taken on.

The postal workers demand higher wages.

CHARLES E. TAYLOR



DECREE DEATH TO INJUNCTIONS AGAINST LABOR

Federated Press Gives Platform Summary

(By The Federated Press)

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 20.—The unanimous adoption of a progressive platform and a determination to launch a vigorous presidential campaign marked the closing of the harmonious third party nominating convention at St. Paul, June 19.

The platform declares: That American plutocracy nullifies the Declaration of Independence and calls for widespread public ownership of industries, transportation and banking. The right of labor to organize on farm or in city work shops.

Death to Injunctions.

The abolition of labor injunctions and the use of the police and militia against labor. It declares that the police and soldiers should help and not hinder labor.

Child welfare legislation is declared for and maternity benefits, insurance for sickness, accidents, old age and death, to be paid for by a tax on wealth. A minimum wage, and residential qualifications on voting is also included.

Land for Users.

The farmer planks demand the land for the users of land, government marketing and distribution and government loans to the farmers without interest. Economic and legal equality is demanded for women and the economic and political emancipation of the Negroes.

Foreign affairs calls for the recognition of Russia, Philippine independence, self determination for the United States colonies, withdrawal of U. S. marines from the Caribbean countries, non-interference in other lands to safeguard the investments or to collect the debts of financial interests.

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ELECTRIC TRUST SLAVES HEAR W.P. PROGRAM

Daily Worker Sales On Increase

Thousands of workers in the Western Electric plant yesterday congregated on "THE DAILY WORKER" corner, and listened to Jack Johnstone advocate the Workers Party message of "All Power to the Workers."

The workers at the plant have accepted the Workers Party open air school as a regular institution. They read the party literature, buy the paper, and take a chance on being late to work by remaining even after the quarter of one whistle blows. Foremen were scattered thru the crowd today and several of the workers said to DAILY WORKER "newsies." "I can't buy it now. I'll see you tonight." The foreman who was Reeve's boss while he worked in the plant bought a paper from Reeve yesterday and asked how the exposure was going.

Reeve on Trial Today.

Judge Henry Sandusky has ordered back numbers of the DAILY WORKER so that he can be informed on the Western Electric stories when Karl Reeve comes on trial today in the Cicero police court. Reeve is charged with disorderly conduct and distributing leaflets without a permit.

After Jack Johnstone was thru speaking on the Twenty-second street side of the plant yesterday, a relative of R. L. Fairbrothers, 2255 South Koln avenue, complimented the Workers Party members on their exposure of the Western Electric's policy of squirring out of pension payments.

Fairbrothers worker at the Western Electric for thirty-five years and was fired as a "disturber," not receiving a cent of pension money.

Big Meeting Monday.

George Ettlinger and Karl Reeve were other speakers at the open-air meeting. Another noon meeting will be held on Twenty-second street on Monday.

The sales of the DAILY WORKER on the South Side and Cicero neighborhoods have very noticeably increased since the exposure of the Western Electric slave-driving speed-up conditions.

An important Western Electric expose article will be in next issue.

G. O. P. IS BOMBED ON R. I. SENATE FLOOR; MAY CALL THE TROOPS

PROVIDENCE, R. I., June 20.—The State Senate, sitting here, has gotten to the point of throwing poison gas as a method of settling disputes. Bloodshed is feared if the Republicans refuse to stop their filibuster. The Democrats want the Republicans to attend the sessions of the Senate so there can be a quorum. The Republicans, wishing to keep whole heads, avoid the Senate floor.

Yesterday when the Republicans attended the sessions, someone threw a bottle of chlorine gas on the Senate floor. Four G. O. P. senators are in the hospital today as a result of the playfulness of the Democrats.

The Governor is threatening to use troops to get the Republicans to do their duty and attend the sessions. Open war is feared.

MINE STRIKERS FIGHT BOSSES' GUARDS' ATTACK

Union Hall Burned by Coal Operators

(Special to the Daily Worker.)

MORGANTOWN, W. Va., June 20.—State Cossacks today patrolled Brady, a little mining town in the mountains near here, following a battle between striking miners and company guards of the Brady-Warner Coal Company. The bosses attempted to evict strikers from their homes at midnight.

One man was injured in the firing, which lasted to 3 a. m. The union hall was destroyed by fire and many of the miners' homes were riddled with bullets.

Bosses Blast Town.

Four blasts of dynamite rocked the town, and between 500 and 600 shots were exchanged between the strikers and the guards. Women and children in the company houses were forced to seek refuge in cellars to escape the hail of bullets that tore thru the flimsy structures.

The Brady mine recently went on an open shop basis, and when the union miners refused to accept a cut in wages the company brought in strikebreakers. A vote was taken by the strikers to drive the scabs from the settlement.

Police Rule With Terror.

Sheriff Yost of Morgantown, who went to the scene of the shooting with a force of deputies, returned at dawn with four prisoners.

F.-L. CANDIDATE SEES WORKERS RISING TO POWER

Glad Movement Takes Negroes in Equally

By ALFRED V. FRANKENSTEIN.

(Special to The Daily Worker)

ST. PAUL, June 20.—Disruptionists seeking to split the Farmer-Labor convention in session here were branded as political witch burners by Julius F. Emme, candidate for congress from the Farmer-Labor ticket from the fourth district of Minnesota, in which St. Paul is located.

"The only difference between us as delegates trying to build a mass Farmer-Labor party is not whether we are Socialists, Communists, Farmer-Laborites or members of the Workers' party; the only difference is whether we belong to the class that is exploited or the class that exploits," Emme said.

Rush the Movement.

"Here at St. Paul," the speaker continued, "we are building the hub of a great movement, each spoke of which is a plank in our platform. The only difference between us must be if we are willing to push this movement thru, not what particular sect or philosophy we may subscribe to."

Emme stressed the fact that the convention, in adopting the platform, had declared for racial equality between white man and Negro. He spoke of the way in which the International Association of Machinists has sidestepped this question, and praised the convention for calling a Negro a man with the rights and privileges of a man.

How Farmer-Labor Began.

The speaker told how the farmer-labor movement originated in Minnesota. Though Minnesota had always been republican, St. Paul was run by a democratic machine. As a result of a raw deal handed the workers of the city by this gang in a street car strike, the labor movement entered a ticket of its own. The first year one candidate was elected.

The party began organizing on a state basis, fighting the reactionary labor officials every step of the way, and bringing the Non-Partisan league, the socialists, the labor unionists and the farmers into line. The party had as great difficulties to face as the present national farmer-labor movement, but it was in the end successful, and Emme predicted as great a success for the national organization perfected here during the last three days.

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COAL DIGGER AND FARMER HEAD CLASS PARTY IN CAMPAIGN TO SMASH WALL STREET'S RULE

By J. LOUIS ENGDAHL
Editor of the Daily Worker

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 20.—Duncan MacDonald, coal miner of Springfield, Ill., and William Bouck, farmer of Sedro-Woolley, Washington.

That is the national ticket of the workers and farmers of the United States organized into the National Farmer-Labor Party here. It is the presidential ticket born of the herculean efforts of the nation's workers and farmers to unite their forces politically thru-out the nation.

Altho the cloud of LaFollette hovered over the convention, and especially the nomination of candidates to the last, the nominations went over unanimously, no other candidates being even voted on.

MacDonald Hails Unity and Power.

The unbridled enthusiasm of the delegates in greeting their candidates may well be expressed in the spirit of MacDonald's closing remarks in accepting the nomination, when he said:

"By uniting their forces the workers and farmers can move the universe, and when they do that the world will be theirs."

Hats in the Air.

Pandemonium broke loose as MacDonald finished. Delegates cheered, applauded, threw their hats in the air. They felt the joy of a big job well done.

The way for the making of the nominations came with the adoption of the unanimous report of the committee on nominations. Even the California stalwarts, including Walter Thomas Mills and George C. Kidwell, lined up for the report.

Gomperites Swamped.

When the vote came about three votes, those of the so-called Starkey faction of St. Paul Gompers business agents voted against it, continuing their disruptive tactics.

All indications are that this Starkey group is acting under direct orders from the Gompers headquarters in Washington. Gompers is receiving daily confidential reports of the convention from his agents in the convention.

Howat Names Fellow Miner.

Alex Howat, of Kansas, a fellow

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'IRON MAN' OF ITALY NOW A BROKEN REED

Latest Murder May Be His Last

ROME, Italy, June 20.—The tense situation here has been aggravated, not abated, by the finding of the horribly mutilated body of the Socialist deputy Giacomo Matteotti, for whose murder the recent Fascist chief-tains and officials are being held in jail. The United Socialist Party has determined to constitute itself a "civil party" and to sue for damages.

Even the Fascist majority in the parliament, thru its executive committee, is demanding that Premier Mussolini reconvene the assembly of deputies for a thoro investigation into the Fascist murder of the Socialist deputy and even more thoro inquiry into the persistent charges of monstrous graft on the part of high Fascist officials. Mussolini is being pushed to a more sweeping "house-cleaning" to save the Fascists from complete repudiation and ruin.

Dictate to Dictator.

The country is in turmoil despite the desperate efforts of the dictator, now virtually the tool of his supporters in parliament, to quell every disturbance and keep the labor and radical leaders in prison. The general protest strike is far more effective than the fascist directory will admit.

The feeble attempt to pin the Matteotti killing to an "international adventurer" proved futile, altho the man did admit that he was hired by Amerigo Duminal, leading Florence fascist and criminal, to shadow the murdered deputy and assist the fascist conspirators in securing the documents showing their graft, which the deputy had intended to expose.

Sell Titles Like Buttons.

More of the "dirt" is discovered daily. Sig. Filippelli, former editor of the suspended fascist organ, Corriere Italiano, made a fortune by selling Italian knighthoods at monopoly prices.

Sig. Aldo Finzi, dashing young fascist

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HOWAT CHOSEN FARMER-LABOR PARTY CHAIRMAN

By J. LOUIS ENGDAHL.

(Special to The Daily Worker)

ST. PAUL, Minn., June 20.—Alex-ander Howat, Kansas, was unanimously elected chairman of the national committee of the Farmer-Labor party at its first meeting here today, called to organize its forces, determine its attitude towards the conference for progressive political action soon to meet at Cleveland, and to plan the campaign for its national ticket—MacDonald and Bouck. In spite of the last broadside of the yellow press, the delegates were going home today, following adjournment last night, united in support of the organization created here. "He's sorry this morning," was the way the Nebraska delegation characterized delegate Taylor, Nebraska, one of its members who threatened a lone bolt. "He is sorry this morning that he made any such threat."

Progressive Farmers Meet.

SALT LAKE CITY, June 20.—The Utah Farmer-Labor Progressive state convention will be held in Salt Lake City beginning July 23, according to a call sent out by its secretary, M. P. Bales.

DENMARK GIVES SOVIET RUSSIA OFFICIAL RECOGNITION HANDSHAKE

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, June 20.—Denmark has given de jure recognition to Soviet Russia, according to the official report of the American minister at Copenhagen, John B. Prince. Denmark has recently elected a "Labor" government similar to that of MacDonald in England and the new ruling party had announced its intention to give the Soviet government full recognition as the legal government of Russia. With Japan and France ready to extend their recognition to Soviet Russia, it will be increasingly foolish for the United States to withhold its official recognition.

ELECTRIC TRUST WORKERS FLOCK TO STREET MEET

Big Crowd Hears How Workers Party Helps

Two thousand Western Electric workers spent their noon hour listening to speakers representing the Workers Party and the Young Workers League, who talked to the men from the back of the DAILY WORKER truck.

Labor Heralds, Liberators and DAILY WORKERS went like hot cakes as the Western Electric workers listened to four speakers. They stayed until the whistle blew, and many of them turned away reluctantly, securing copies of "Why every worker should be a Communist and join the Workers Party," before they went back into the shop.

Barney Mass told the workers about the class struggle. "The Workers Party is here to see that you men have a means of organization and expression against the profit system which makes you slave," Mass told his audience. As soon as Mass opened up the meeting, real estate men and card juggling soap sellers lost their crowd.

The Workers Party meetings are becoming a regular institution at the 22nd St. site of the Western Electric plant. They will be held here every day in the future.

Manuel Gomez spoke on the significance of the workers having their own political working class party, and told how one is now being formed in St. Paul. He showed up the republican Teapot Dome convention, and said the democrats would be just as corrupt.

Karl Reeve spoke on conditions inside the Western Electric. "What is the remedy?" Reeve asked. "It's a big problem but the Workers Party tells you that the problem of low wages and bad labor conditions will never be solved until you workers own and run the plant yourselves under your own workers government."

"At the present time," Reeve declared, you beg like hell for a job, and then you work like hell to keep it. The bosses give you a meager wage and out of your labor reap millions of dollars in profits. Your problems will never be solved until the damnable profit system is abolished, and the workers take over the factories and run them to serve each other as workers, and not for the dividends reaped by capitalists."

Jack McCarthy made a ringing appeal for the workers in the Western Electric to subscribe to the DAILY WORKER, and not to be afraid to join a union, if they would be men and not slaves.

MINER AND FARMER HEAD CLASS TICKET

(Continued from page 1.)

worker of Duncan MacDonald in the United Mine Workers union for many years, nominated his comrade, Howat received an ovation as he came on the stage.

"I want to nominate a man who cannot be bulldozed or beaten by anyone," said Howat, who then proceeded to tell of MacDonald's long record of service in the organized labor movement.

"He was first a member of the executive board of the Illinois Mine Workers' union, later becoming the president of the 100,000 Illinois coal miners, as good a bunch of fighters as can be found anywhere on the American continent.

Fighter From Word "Go." "He is a real fighter from the word 'go.' That is the kind of man the workers and farmers need at the present time. That man is Duncan MacDonald," and a bedlam of enthusiasm broke loose in the convention.

Alice Lorraine Daly, of South Dakota, seconded the nomination, declaring, "It is a great satisfaction to me to second the nomination for president of their industrial worker of Illinois." Miss Daly pointed out that MacDonald had been born on the farm, that he had worked on the farm and in the mines. That he understood the needs and the problems of both the industrial and land-workers.

Member of Our Class. "Friends, he is of us," she continued. "He shares our viewpoint and our aspirations. He is a man of force, strength and kindness. I believe we have found a real man as our candidate for president."

It was at this point that Delegate P. A. Peterson, of Minnesota, raised the bugaboo of LaFollette once more. He wanted to know if LaFollette had rejected, under or over his signature, the nomination of the convention. William Mahoney was called upon to answer. Mahoney stated that no definite written rejection had been received from LaFollette, but in a lengthy review of the situation he again showed that LaFollette would not accept the nomination.

Mahoney On LaFollette. Mahoney then gave his interpretation of the attitude towards LaFollette, growing out of the report adopted by the organization committee. Mahoney held that the national committee of this convention will negotiate with the Cleveland gathering of the conference for progressive political action on the question of candidates, inferring that if LaFollette became the candidate at Cleveland, instead of McDoo, as is anticipated, that LaFollette would become acceptable to the forces gathered here, who

would thereupon, thru their national committee, withdraw their candidates.

Must Accept F.-L. Program. This seemed to satisfy Delegate Peterson, who thereupon withdrew his nomination of LaFollette. Delegate William Z. Foster, of the Workers party, in reply to Mahoney, then made the following statement:

"In view of the statement just made by Mr. Mahoney, relative to the candidacy of Mr. LaFollette, I feel it incumbent upon me to state the position of the Workers party on this matter. In the coming negotiations between the national committee of the national Farmer-Labor party and other groups relative to combined action upon a presidential candidate, the only basis upon which the Workers party will accept LaFollette as a candidate is, if he agrees to run as the Farmer-Labor candidate, to accept that party's platform and its control over his electoral campaign and campaign funds."

When MacDonald was ushered to the platform for his acceptance speech as the party's candidate, he did not mince words as to where he stood towards LaFollette. He referred to him as "one whom he hoped at one time would be with us."

MacDonald then argued that the United States was now in a position similar to that in the Roman empire before it crumbled into dust. He said it was a period where all power had fallen into the hands of the few.

Better Red Than Oily. "I suppose I shall be presented as the candidate of the Reds," continued MacDonald. "But I am not particular about what the press says in that respect. I would rather be called red than be smeared with oil up to my eyebrows like the gang at Cleveland. We have reached a crisis in this country. The common people must speak up. They say that we are backed by Moscow gold. Well, so far as I know, every time the Communists hold a meeting in this country they always have to pass the hat to raise expenses."

MacDonald then took up the question of war and militarism. He said that the workers and farmers, on the eve of the next war must declare to the ruling class: "If you start a war and fight it. We are going to stay at home." The dominant idea must be, not only in America but all over the world, "there must be no more wars."

MacDonald Hits C. P. P. A. MacDonald then directed a few shafts at the coming gathering in Cleveland of the conference for progressive political action. "Do not entertain the hope that Cleveland will subscribe to our platform," he said. "We have made the start here. We are marching forward to victory, if

not this year, then in the very near future."

Kennedy Names Bouck. When the cheering had died, Delegate John Curtis Kennedy of Washington was recognized to place the name of William Bouck, president of the Western Progressive Farmers, in nomination as the candidate for vice president.

But first he spoke a few words of MacDonald, who, he said, was a splendid representative of the industrial wage earning group, a man in whom we can have the fullest confidence.

Then Kennedy told of how Bouck had followed the advice of Horace Greeley and gone West, first into the mines, to be driven from one mining camp to another, and then going into Washington, where he helped organize the agricultural workers.

Solution Under Capitalism. "The Western Progressive Farmers has made a new departure in the organization of farmers. It recognizes that there is no solution of the problems of the farmers under capitalism. This organization knows that all power must be wrested from the money power. That the exploited must build their own workers' and farmers' republic."

When William Bouck was called to the platform following the ovation that greeted his unanimous nomination, he didn't indulge in pyrotechnics, but immediately began discussing internationalism.

Internationalism Vital. "They tell us that we must have nothing to do with anything that smacks of internationalism. I want to say that I claim the right to investigate conditions in other countries as

well as in this country, and to learn how those conditions affect us. I want the farmers to talk internationalism. They all know that the price of their wheat is fixed in the Liverpool market. Liverpool settles the price of world wheat. You farmers can crawl back into your Minnesota and your North Dakota but your markets, the price of your wheat and other grain will not crawl in with you. That is an international question."

Bouck Praises Wobblies. Bouck also paid tribute to the Industrial Workers of the World, amid the cheers of the delegates, showing how they had cleaned up the lumber camps in the state of Washington and were now enjoying a decent wage and conditions better than the farmers.

It was at this point that Delegate Starkey of St. Paul again projected himself into the proceedings. He wanted Delegate Foster to repeat the statement he had made about the LaFollette candidacy. He came up to the front of the convention hall and declared in the best threatening attitude he could muster that "I'll have to remove myself from the convention if Foster's statement means that the Communists are in control of the convention."

Starkey Laughed Out. While the convention laughed Starkey out of countenance the chairman, Delegate Taylor, ruled that he was out of order, and Starkey was glad to drop into the nearest seat.

Delegate Joseph Manley then made the report for the platform committee. The report, after two hours' discussion and numerous efforts to amend, was finally adopted in its original form as it appears in another column.

MISS ALICE LORRAINE DALY



One of the most eloquent speakers in the Farmer-Labor movement, and South Dakota school teacher, who was elected secretary of the Farmer-Labor-Progressive convention at St. Paul.

Thrill of Lifetime At Young Workers Big Picnic Today

Did you ever come to a picnic and find yourself surrounded by a crowd of a few hundred working class children singing revolutionary songs? Have you ever seen the children of the United Workers' Sunday School in action? Have you ever seen the junior section of the Young Workers' League carrying on its work among other working class children?

If you haven't you have cheated yourself of a thrill that comes once in a lifetime. Come to the picnic of the United Workers' Sunday Schools, to be held this afternoon at Brand's Park, 3255 Elston avenue, near California and Belmont avenues. The fun starts at 2 p. m. and will continue to about midnight. Come.

For the kids there will be games and other pleasures. Ice cream, yum, yum, and all sorts of good things to eat. For the older folks there will be speakers, a concert, and for those who cannot control their feet there will be dancing.

Admission at the door is 50c. If you meet someone selling tickets before the picnic starts, you can get a ticket for 35c.

Church Goes Don't. NEW YORK, June 20.—"In proportion to the Protestant population, the decline in church attendance over the last thirty-three years is 52 per cent," according to the report on rural churches by the Institute of Social and Religious Researches, New York.

More Prison-made Goods. TRENTON, N. J., June 20.—Competition of prison-made goods with union made products will be increased if plans of a conference in session in Trenton materialize. Gov. Silzer has called here representatives of twenty-seven state institutions from six states adjoining New Jersey to arrange for interchange between states of prison-made goods.

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A Hard Picture

LaFollette is still the "voice crying in the wilderness," as William Hard, the political correspondent who has observed the Wisconsin boss build his machine, calls him.

Not that LaFollette, and perhaps many of his admiring supporters, do not fight. But they are sputtering about a billion-handed monster and attempt to beat him with sticks.

Capitalism is an utterly inhuman growth and one that boss LaFollette and his friends could not begin to scotch if they got into the saddle of government.

LaFollette and his liberal lovers nurse their grudges against big business but still take their living from the workers and farmers whom they continue to delude with their own false hopes of making an impossible system work if they surmount the IF that keeps them out of power.

It is significant that LaFollette is an "independent republican." He promises no one anything. He is a lonely prophet with lonely followers, and he offers them no "reward in heaven."

He would like everyone to be a smug little Babbitt under the same old production-for-profits system that would only produce again the present concentration of capital.

LaFollette is indeed a grieving "voice crying in the wilderness"—but the world has moved on.

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The Unemployment Spectre

The American workers are now being rewarded for their unswerving loyalty to their masters. The American market is glutted with an immense over-production of goods.

Wall Street, which has long owned the Republican and Democratic parties, is entirely satisfied with the republican presidential candidates and will be equally sure to have democratic candidates which will perform the tasks imposed by big business.

"Thank God for Coolidge," shriek the big money barons who talk of prosperity in a desperate effort to send their favorite sons to the White House.

But it can't be done that way. Even Cowardly Cal cannot stand in the way of stern economic laws. Over-production, industrial depression, and unemployment have definitely set in.

The contented slaves who, during the war period and the post-war building boom, have been loyally working for the bosses, praying for promotion, being good little boys and spurning the unions and the radicals, are being laid off and sent home.

The large cities are over-run with hungry unemployed workers. The signs along the Madison street, Chicago, employment agencies, "NO MEN WANTED," are being duplicated in every city of the land.

Workers who have laughed at the unions will, for a while be more susceptible to the proven theory that strong working-class political and industrial organizations are necessary if the workers are to have the fundamental right to dictate the conditions and wages under which they shall work.

Let us hope that during the period of unemployment the workers will have time to think of the years wasted in piling up profits for the capitalists, while they receive a meagre wage.

Easily Satisfied

The progressive bloc in Congress thru representative Nelson of Wisconsin issued a statement congratulating himself and his associates on their splendid accomplishments during the last legislative session.

Mr. Nelson claims credit for everything that was not done in Congress to the "people." He does not however, claim any credit for what was done for the "people."

His group helped to whittle down the Mellon plan a little, tho we believe Mellon is on the whole fairly well satisfied. He did not get all he wanted but he has nothing much to kick over.

Mr. Nelson may be satisfied with the results of the last legislative session. The class conscious workers and exploited farmers are not.

At Last!

Recently while in a facetious mood we remarked in a paragraph that it was surprising that the California capitalists, who blamed the Industrial Workers of the World for almost every other misfortune that befell the sunny state, had not yet charged them with responsibility for the foot and mouth disease which caused a loss of millions of dollars to the cattle breeders of California.

Now, a Mr. Fink, district attorney, solemnly announces that the I. W. W. is responsible for the foot and mouth plague and a general roundup of the wobbles will be launched.

It is almost unbelievable that such a charge should be made by a person holding a responsible position and some of our readers may be inclined to dismiss it as a light yarn.

Berry to the Front

George L. Berry, the most outstanding strike-breaker among the reactionary per capita sharks in the American Federation of Labor, opened his campaign headquarters in the Waldorf-Astoria, New York, from which palatial hotel he will conduct his fight for the vice-presidential nomination on the Democratic ticket.

In an announcement, Berry denounced the Republican convention for its reactionary platform. He said the Democratic party had an excellent opportunity to crystallize the progressive spirit thruout the country.

Mr. Berry is one of the two outstanding figures in political life today who has made whatever reputations they have thru the breaking of strikes. The other one is Calvin Coolidge.

He has not alone broken strikes of his own union but he helped himself to union funds and is now the proud boss of several thriving corporations in Tennessee.

Sillinsky for Tailors' Secretary

The election for General Secretary-Treasurer of the Journeymen Tailors which takes place in the Chicago Local today, differs very radically from the usual A. F. of L. elections.

Max J. Sillinsky who hails from Cleveland is the candidate who is appealing to the Chicago Tailors to cast their vote only after giving a careful study of the platforms upon which the numerous candidates are running upon.

Although there are some five candidates for the office, the race is actually between Thomas Sweeney, and Max J. Sillinsky.



Candidate for Secretary of Journeymen Tailors' Union.

was the rebuke of the rank and file to the forces of reaction.

Sweeney Slings Slander. "The Tailor," official organ of the Journeymen Tailors Union, has been filled with controversial articles on the coming election, all of which has been used to show the virtues of Sweeney and the vices of Sillinsky.

The rank and file of the Tailors wants to know from the candidates just why they should be elected to the highest office in the union, and Sillinsky is the only one who has stated his program.

ECHOES OF FARMER-LABOR MEET ARE HEARD IN GASOLINE ALLEY

ST. LOUIS, Minn., June 20.—When the Coast to Coast cruiser "Ophelia Bumps," piloted by "Bill" Kruse, the DAILY WORKER movie man, arrived at the tourist camp at St. Paul, there were some misgivings over her welcome.

All doubts were soon dispelled, for "Ophelia" found herself in good company. To the right were two flivvers from "St. Louis, one of them run by the old-time Oklahoma war-horse, Stanley J. Clark.

Revolutionize Camp. Behind the presence of these three machines and their load of trade-union delegates is an interesting story of ordinary "Jimmie Higgins" work.

Lying Press Unites Fighters. The newspapers of St. Paul are being roasted by every delegate in every speech.

Saloon to Auto Camp. Once upon a time the corner saloon was the political forum of the workers. At St. Paul today the scene has shifted.

Ex-Farmer Care-taker. No need to hide political affiliations here, the care-taker is an old ex-farmer who lost the results of his life's work in the slump of farm prices, and who is now as ardent a Farmer-Laborite as can be found any-

where. A fine type, looking after the campers as tho they were his children, seeing and hearing everything that goes on, unconsciously serving the local Babbitts far better than their \$40 per month wages warrant.

Workers Recognize Reaction. NEW YORK, June 20.—Revolt against the reactionary platform and candidates of the Republican party is spreading among workers in New York who formerly voted Republican.

Look How Big! NEW YORK, June 20.—Excess of immigration over emigration and low death rates are responsible for an increase in population in the United States in 1923 of 1,943,000, according to the National Bureau of Economic Research, which sets the present total at 112,826,000.

British Labor Conference. LONDON, England, June 20.—Relations of political parties and trades unions to each other, inter-commonwealth relations, political and economic, world peace, migration, racial questions, industrial conditions and legislation will be discussed at the British commonwealth labor conference.

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The Poor Fish says: I think Coolidge made a mistake in dumping the Old Guard at the convention. They always drew a full house. People would come from all parts to take a look at Lodge's whiskers. Silence may be a good slogan in a hospital, but it is out of place at a convention.

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AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

The New York Nation is satisfied that the last Congress, in spite of its faults was not such a bad congress after all. For one thing, it exposed a lot of corruption. Liberals are gluttons for punishment. They do not want to abolish the rotten social system that breeds corruption.

What the big capitalists would like better than a congress which does not always carry out the instructions to the letter, is a bald dictatorship such as exists in Italy. But even Mussolini's boasted regime is now tottering and the American papers which up until a few days ago, referred to him as the man who saved Italy from destruction, now mutter: "I told you so."

The dictatorship of the capitalists in the form of Fascism may hold back the wheels of progress for a time, but not for long. Capitalism has outlived its usefulness and must go. It will not go down because it governs thru a dictatorship, but simply because it is no longer able to satisfy the needs of the people.

One would imagine that such an obvious deficiency in the capitalist system would open the eyes of the workers to the necessity for making a change. The Communists tell them that the capitalist system must be overthrown and production for use be substituted for production for profit.

The last congress was a bigger failure than usual because the two capitalist parties are breaking down and the small capitalists represented by LaFollette and the so-called progressives are getting pinched by the big ones.

"A dictatorship," the liberal will growl, "would smell just as sweet under any other name. But a dictatorship of the workers is more democratic than the abortive democracy that capitalism now boasts in the United States."

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