

WALL ST. TIRES OF DEADLOCK

LaFollette Hog Ties the Cleveland Conference

SENATOR'S SHIP IS SAILING INTO C.P.P.A. STORM

Bob's Opposition to New Party is Fought

By C. E. RUTHENBERG.
(Staff Writer, Daily Worker)
CLEVELAND, July 2.—The
Conference for Progressive Political
Action which meets here
on the fourth will have within it
two groups fighting for control
of the organization. While both
of these groups are for the nomi-
nation of LaFollette, they are
divided as to how he shall run.
On one side in the convention
there will be a group made up
of practically all of the railroad
unions' leaders and their dele-
gates who are against anything
that would make of the Confer-
ence for Progressive Political
Action a party organization. They
want to endorse Senator LaFollette
as an independent candidate and
at the same time endorse republicans
and democrats for various offices
in the state elections. This group
stands firmly against anything
resembling the organization of
a new party. It wants to perpetuate
the old policy of the A. F. of L.
and of the Conference for Pro-
gressive Political Action with the
one exception that LaFollette is
to run as an independent candi-
date for president and receive
its endorsement.

The voting strength in the Con-
vention is so fixed that these rail-
road unions on a roll call vote will
have overwhelming control of the Con-
vention.

The Socialist Dilemma.
Lined up against this dominant
group are the Needle Trades Unions,
the Socialist Party, together with a
miscellaneous following of political
organizations which are opposed to
the nomination of LaFollette as an
independent candidate. They want
the Convention to declare for the for-
mation of a new party and to compel
LaFollette to run as the candidate of
that party.

This policy is particularly strongly
advocated by the socialists, who find
themselves in a serious dilemma. If
they are unable to carry their point
they face a situation in which the
Socialist Party becomes part of a con-
glomerate mass of voters supporting
an independent candidate with the
likelihood that in the process of the
campaign in support of its candidate
it will lose its identity and disappear.
The division between the two view-
points is so strong, the socialists find
themselves in such a difficult position,
that there is even the threat of a
walk-out on the part of the delegates
favoring the organizing of a new
party should the Convention endorse
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YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUER TELLS HOW MERE CHILDREN SLAVE IN HOT BUNTE CANDY ROOMS IN CHICAGO

Picture 1,200 young girls and boys, slaving in cold and hot
rooms, straining every muscle in their bodies, dipping, moulding,
cutting and wrapping chocolates. This depicts the daily eight
and one-half hours of toil, which the young workers in the Bunte
Candy Company go thru.

Standing on hard cement floors, with the temperature regis-
tering 50 degrees, wrapped in sweaters and shawls, young girls
and boys, some as young as 12 and 13 years, dip, cut, mould and
perform other operations on the candy.
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A FILLING STATION



(Drawn especially for the Daily Worker by K. A. SUWANTO.)

STRONG FARRELL DEFENSE PLEA OVERWHELMED BY FLOOD OF FOUL RAGING ABUSE BY PROSECUTION

(Special to The Daily Worker)
MERCER, Pa., July 2.—When court convened this morning
Attorney I. E. Ferguson, of Chicago, counsel-in-chief in the case
of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania vs. Andy Kovacovich, the
Farrell steel worker being tried on a charge of sedition, sprung
a surprise when he rested the defense without calling the defendant
to the stand.

The defense realized that anything the defendant steel worker
might testify to in his own behalf would never tear down the
barrier of community prejudice. Before making his final argu-
ment to the jury Attorney Ferguson requested the court to
reverse the court rules and that
the defense be allowed to make
its final statement to the jury
following that of Prosecutor
Myers, special prosecutor for
the commonwealth.

The defense also asked the court
to instruct the jury to find the de-
fendant not guilty for lack of suf-
ficient evidence.

Both requests were denied by the
court and attorney Ferguson turned
to the jury and made his final plea
in behalf of the defendant steel
worker. Sitting right back of attor-
ney Ferguson was the defendant steel
worker and all during the final ad-
dress he displayed no emotion except
to smile now and then when the
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OBREGON TELLS WHY MEXICO IS NOW DEAD BEAT

Is Broke But Has Good
Intentions

NEW YORK, July 2.—Citing sev-
enteen reasons in explanation for
the default, President Obregon of Mexico
has announced the temporary suspen-
sion of Mexico's debt agreement with
the international committee of bank-
ers, in a cable to his financial agent
here.
Placing most of the blame on his
former finance minister, Adolfo de la
Huerta, for misrepresentation in ar-
ranging the loan, Obregon goes into
lengthy detail for the government's
reason in failing to pay on June 30
the interest due on its recognized
debt of \$700,000,000.

The decree said a great number of
both civil and government officials
and employes had not been paid for
several months in an effort to make
good the interest due, but gave
assurance the government expected to
be able to pay up all the accumulative
interest due the bankers by the end of
this year.

Kluxers Who Killed Lilly Citizens Get Two Years in Can

(Special to The Daily Worker)
EBENSBURG, Pa., July 2.—Twenty-
eight participants in the Ku Klux
Klan riots at Lilly which resulted in
murder, were given sentences of two
years each, by Judge Thomas O. Fin-
letter of Philadelphia. Their two-
year terms in the county jail begin
from date of incarceration.

Eighteen of the prisoners are klans-
men and the remaining ten are citi-
zens of Lilly who met the violence of
the Kluxers with their own weapons.
Most of those who fought the Klan
are Irish Catholics. Three citizens of
Lilly were killed during the riot
which took place last April.

Send in that Subscription Today.

Morgan's Man

IT is not surprising that John W.
Davis, Morgan's dark horse, who is
trouting for the big prize on the
Garden track, should have been
entered from West Virginia.

The attorney for the House of
Morgan is distinctly a New York
corporation lawyer, who lives with-
in motor car distance of Manhattan
Island. But he had no trouble in
getting the endorsement as the
favorite son of a state where he
maintains only a nominal residence.

West Virginia is a coal barony
of the Steel Trust, the Pennsylvania
railroad and the coal subsidiaries of
Standard Oil. In the first two cor-
porations James Pierpont Morgan,
Davis' employer, is a dominant
financial figure. In getting the en-
dorsement of West Virginia for
Davis it was not necessary to trouble
the democratic voters of that state.
The endorsement was put thru very
easily by means of the democratic
politicians who guzzle at the trough

RINGMASTERS TO CLOSE UP DONKEY CIRCUS

Boost for Klan Lover Gets Bryan a Razzing

(Special to the DAILY WORKER)
MADISON SQUARE GAR-
DEN, New York, July 2.—Na-
tional Chairman Hull, of the
Democratic party, sent word to
warring donkey drivers late to-
day that the nomination dead-
lock must end. Conferences are
being held tonight to agree on
candidates.

Hull's request met with imme-
diate consideration because of
his relation to the heavy cam-
paign contributors, otherwise
known as the "big fellows be-
hind the stage," or the "boys
who get what they want."

Bryan Gets Razzing.
The afternoon session broke up al-
most in a riot as the 38th ballot en-
ded. William Jennings Bryan got
the worst razzing of his old age when
he took the convention stage for William
G. McAdoo.

Bryan's plaudits for the Klansmen's
candidate aroused the hundreds of
Catholics present to wild resentment.
There was a medley of boos and
cheers, cheers from the K. K. K.
McAdoo element and boos and yells
from the Catholics in the New York,
Massachusetts, Indiana delegations.

Cuffs Wall Street.
The Commoner's confused middle
class outlook was never exhibited
more strikingly than this afternoon
when he praised Doheny's lawyer as
the strong progressive which the party
needed and then launched into a
mild attack on Wall Street's attempt
to dominate the convention.

"Oil, Oil!" They Cry.
At the mention of McAdoo's name,
hisses, boos and jeers crashed
against opposing cheers and shouts
of applause.

"The oil man, how about the oil
man?" came up from the floor. Indi-
viduals tried to make speeches de-
nouncing McAdoo's oil connections.

"Oil, oil, oil," came first this one
and then that.
"I'm from Jersey City," cried one
man. "I voted for you three times."
"Will the gentleman inform me of
his status?"
"I'm from New Jersey," was the
reply. "And I voted for you every
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World Communist Movement Fights War and Militarism

TO ALL UNITS OF THE WORKERS PARTY:

The Communist International has called upon all Com-
munist Parties the world over to organize great demon-
strations and agitation against war and militarism and against
the social patriotism of the Social Democratic Parties on the
tenth anniversary of the beginning of the great world war.
The week from July 27th to August 4th has been set aside
for these demonstrations.

The workers of the world are still suffering and bleeding
as a result of the great capitalist slaughter. Altho the effects
of the world war are not yet over, capitalism still exists and
threatens to again engulf the world in a similar slaughter.
The imperialist ambitions of the exploiters are preparing the
ground for new sacrifices of millions of lives and millions of
wealth.

The only force in the world today that stands against
this slaughter for profit are the revolutionary workers of the
world. It is only thru a blow that will abolish capitalism
from the earth that the danger of new wars can be averted.

Here in the United States we see this danger developing
in constant efforts to increase the military power of the
country, in proposals for military mobilization, and mobiliza-
tion of great masses in support of preparedness movements.
At the same time the government more and more openly
interferes in other countries in the interest of the capitalist
class. Animosity between America and Japan which has its
basis in their conflicting economic interests in Asia, American
interferences in Central and South American countries in the
interests of the banking power of Wall Street grows more
and more frequent. And in these activities there are the
germs of a new war, a new sacrifice of the workers.

The Dawes report drawn up by American experts pro-
vides machinery for the enslavement of the workers in
Europe and the excuse for interference by this machinery
should the financial interests of the American capitalists be
in danger at any time.

The Central Executive Committee of our Party enters
with enthusiasm into the campaign in support of the world-
wide demonstration of the Communists. It calls upon all
Party units to immediately mobilize their strength and to
organize themselves for a week of agitation and demon-
stration against militarism, imperialist wars, and for the
social revolution and the triumph of the workers.

The activities of the Party shall take the following form:
1—Mass meetings shall be arranged by every City Cen-
tral Committee during the week from July 27th to August
4th. The National Office, thru its speakers' bureau, will sup-
ply the speakers for these meetings.

2—The Central Executive Committee will issue a mani-
festo in leaflet form for distribution during "The Week" and
every Party unit must order supplies of this leaflet and give
it the widest possible distribution. Sample copies with order
blanks will be sent to the branches within a few days.

3—The new Party pamphlet on American Imperialism
just published by the Literature Department of the Party
shall be sold at all meetings during "The Week." It is our
duty to expose American imperialism's activities in support
of the financial interests.

4—All Party papers shall issue special anti-war and anti-
militarism issues during the week from July 27th to August
4th.

5—Resolutions against imperialist wars and militarism
shall be introduced by all Party members who are members
of labor unions as well as other workers' organizations.

6—Wherever possible, Party organizations shall invite
the co-operation of other workers' organizations such as
trade unions, friends of Soviet Russia, co-operatives, etc., to
join in United Front organizations in support of this cam-
paign.

The triumph of the workers and peasants of Russia in
establishing their Union of Socialist Soviet Republics is the
best safeguard of these workers and peasants against im-
perialist wars and militarism. The party organization and
members in carrying on their work in connection with the
Anti-Imperialist War and Militarist Week must point this out
to the workers. The end of the period of capitalist mass
slaughter can only come with the social revolution and Soviet
Republic of the world.

Comrades! It is our duty to mobilize all our strength in
support of this world-wide demonstration against war and
militarism and against the treachery of yellow reformist
Socialism which collapsed with the beginning of the world
war. Let us answer the call of the Communist International
with fervor and enthusiasm and demonstrate that we are part
of the world party of the proletarian revolution which is
fighting everywhere against world capitalism and its accom-
paniment of mass murder to safeguard the profits of the
exploiters.

Fraternally yours,
Central Executive Committee,
WORKERS PARTY OF AMERICA,
William Z. Foster, Chairman,
C. E. Ruthenberg, Executive Secretary.

WORKERS! Oppose the Fascisti! Expose Murderers of Matteotti! On to the International MASS MEETING Tonight, West Side Auditorium, Racine and Taylor.

Speakers: Antonio Presi, Enea Bormenti, Alvaro Sadillo, Mat Goreta, Louis Engdahl, Max Salzman

NEGROES MAY SUPPORT THIRD PARTY AS BIG MEET BREAKS FROM OLD PARTY BETRAYERS

By ROBERT MINOR.
(Staff Writer, Daily Worker)

PHILADELPHIA, July 2.—With haste apparently due to a desire to affect the simultaneous proceedings of the democratic convention at New York, the leaders of the annual conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People here on Monday rushed thru the quiet afternoon session a "public statement" which might be interpreted as a hint of Negro support for the democratic national ticket on condition of the nomination of Al Smith.

The prominence of James Weldon Johnson in the work of drawing up the statement, taken in connection with Johnson's speech last Sunday in which he indicated his intention to support Smith if Smith is nominated, lends color to this interpretation. Leaders of the Negro conference frankly admitted their reason for rushing the statement thru was to get it into the press immediately. The whole matter was finished in five minutes, after being presented a day earlier than the scheduled time for the committee's report.

For Farmer-Labor?

Besides this vague hint of Al Smith (if it can be so interpreted), there is much more to the document. It straddles between the Gompers' "punish your enemies and reward your friends" policy, to be applied by Negroes as a group, and the meagrest suggestion of the possibility of the Negroes going over as a group to a "third-party" to be composed of "other submerged classes."

The document contains a medley of suggestions, including the absurd statement that the "northern wing" of the Democratic party has "treated us with great fairness." Instead of offering the remedy of putting under national jurisdiction all questions affecting sectional persecution of Negroes, the statement merely cites the brutal injustices to Negroes under southern local and state laws as an additional reason for pursuing the Gompers' "non-partisan" policy of splitting between Democratic and Republican "friends" and enemies. However the document suggests that a movement or party of "submerged classes" may give the Negro "a chance to vote more directly for economic emancipation," and "save us from a choice between half-hearted friends and half-concealed enemies or from the necessity of voting for the same oppression under different party names."

In short, the statement is a mixture of hints and alternatives. Judged as a statement of policy, the document is entirely worthless—it is no statement of policy. The importance attributed to it here is a "declaration of independence from the republican party." This valuation can be understood only in the light of the fact that the Negroes have been steadfast and absolutely unquestioning followers of the Republican party for seventy years.

Repudiate Republican Allegiance

The full text of the statement follows: "The National Association for the Advancement of Colored People in Fifteenth Annual Conference assembled believes that the pressing problem before the American Negro today is the use of his vote in the approaching election.

"We face the two old parties and a possible third party movement. The Republican Party, which has always commanded the great majority of our votes, has, during the last two administrations, recognized our right to a voice in the party councils and made some effort to carry out our wishes in legislation and administration; nevertheless, although in power in all branches of the government, it has specifically failed to pass the Dyer Anti-Lynching Bill, to abolish segregation in the government offices at Washington, to take any action with regard to "Jim Crow" cars in interstate travel, to withdraw our military forces from Haiti, and to make a loan to Liberia.

"The Democratic Party appears to us in two distinct parts. The northern wing of the party has recognized our demands in many states and treated us with great fairness. But this northern wing is at the absolute mercy of the "solid South" with its "rotten borough" system depending upon the disfranchisement of the Negro; with its segregation and "Jim Crow" legislation, its mob law and lynching, and its denial of proper education to Negro children.

Both Cater to K. K. K.

"Both parties are catering to the Ku Klux Klan, that secret fomentor of religious intolerance, race hate and midnight murder, whose spread is the greatest proof of national decadence and the greatest menace to democracy. "It is manifestly impossible that under these circumstances the enfranchised Negroes of the United States should vote a straight ticket for either of these parties. Our voting must be primarily a matter of individual candidates for office. In order to vote effectively we must know the records of such candidates. We must demand of them clear statements as to their attitude toward matters of vital interest to us.

We must remember that we are electing in the approaching election and other near elections not simply the President of the United States but members of Congress and of the state legislatures; state officials, judges,

members of school boards and other local officials. We must especially keep in mind the fact that the emancipation of the Negro today is more largely a matter of state law and local ordinance than of national enactment and that the interpretation of the law by the courts and the administration of the law by officials are just as important and often far more important than its actual content.

Should Problem

"The need for such determination is shown in many ways but perhaps more especially by the continued attitude of this nation toward the education of Negro children. We have no adequate common school facilities and we have continually put forward by United States government, state and local officials and the great philanthropic foundations, not only undemocratic segregation in education, but the astonishingly undemocratic doctrine that Negroes should have no voice in the education of their own children but that their schools and colleges should be dominated by their enemies. We have repeatedly asked Federal aid for education and in answer we have now a bill before Congress which seeks to grant it but which is a travesty on justice and would perpetuate in local school systems these very discriminations against which we vigorously protest.

"Nothing will more quickly bring the old parties to a clear realization of their obligations to us and the nation than a vigorous third party movement. Such a movement may save us from a choice between half-hearted friends and half-concealed enemies or from the necessity of voting for the same oppression under different party names. Such a movement may give the American Negro and other submerged classes a chance to vote more directly for economic emancipation from monopoly and privilege and a fairer chance to work according to ability and share more equitably in the social income.

Learn How to Vote

"Finally, may we remind the new immigrants to the North as well as Negroes living there that the greatest significance of this migration is the increased political power of black men in America. We have at last found an effective method not only to punish the mob, the segregationist and the disfranchiser through economic boycott, but also a chance to gain for ourselves new political power in order to vote our people into freedom.

"But this means nothing unless it is used with far-reaching intelligence. We must learn to vote; we must study democracy and government; we must not be ashamed, any of us, to confess our ignorance of the machinery of the American government and of the methods of its political life. Let us learn what voting means and for whom to vote and how to vote ourselves into free, modern, industrial democracy."

She Got What She Wanted.

NEW YORK, July 2.—Madeline Dever, beautiful ex-follies girl, was awarded \$20,000 in her breach of promise suit against Philip M. Shaw, wealthy New York broker, by a jury here today.

Miss Dever asked \$100,000, alleging the middle-aged broker proposed to her without telling her he was a

—, you know.

Painters Back Local Labor Party

Painters' Union, Local 275, is after the reputation of being the most wide-awake organization in Chicago. On Monday, June 30th, a call was issued by Duncan McDonald for a conference to organize the Cook County branch of the Farmer-Labor Party, to be held on July 20th. On Tuesday evening, July 1st, Local 275 of the Painters, met and elected two delegates to represent it at this Cook County conference.

Local 275 has about 800 members, and has long been one of the more progressive unions in Chicago. It is a staunch supporter of independent political action for the workers, and will be on the firing line in the coming presidential campaign.

BRENNAN SAID TO FAVOR DAVIS FOR PRESIDENT

Morgan Man May Suit Klux and Anti-Klux

(Special to The DAILY WORKER.)

NEW YORK, July 2.—It is reported here on what seems good authority that the man selected by George Brennan as the democratic nominee is not Al Smith, the Tammany candidate, but John W. Davis, West Virginia, former ambassador to the Court of St. James.

This information comes from one who is in very close touch with Brennan and who "spilled the beans" while his reserve was considerably loosened by the spiritual papulum that flows freely among the elect in the Tammany governed metropolis.

The Brennan confidant—his name will not be revealed, as he exacted the promise—stated that two days before Brennan left his home in Chicago for New York, he held a conference behind closed doors during which he announced his choice.

The Klan fight figured in Brennan's strategy as one of the weapons used to smash McAdoo. This along with the Doheny oil was considered sufficient to put the lid on the oil can.

Recent developments would seem to attest to the correctness of your correspondent's information. The upward swing of the Davis boom, the rapid decline of McAdoo and the announcement of Smith that he would accept second place on the ticket with any other Democratic nominee would seem to point to an agreement between the big guns of the reactionary elements in the Democratic party, to put the Wall Street Davis, flanked by a Catholic pseudo-progressive across at the psychological moment.

Of course, even Brennan's plans do not always work out according to the master's desire, but the dope seems to be straight.

YOUNG WORKERS HELP ORGANIZE CANDY MAKERS

By BARNEY MASS

No sooner did the YOUNG WORKER, official organ of the Young Workers' League, make its appearance at the gates of the Bunte Factory, than three hundred and fifty copies were sold without any effort. The employees came running over to the league members who were selling the YOUNG WORKER, and enthusiastically purchased them.

The national office of the Young Workers' League has received many calls, asking for the Bunte edition of the YOUNG WORKER.

The reception given the YOUNG WORKER, shows that even the so-called flappers and cake-eaters view life seriously and are susceptible to the propaganda of the league.

The newswires of the Young Workers' League carried on many personal conversations with the girls and boys as they came pouring out from the shop. For the first time, the YOUNG WORKER is being sold in large numbers to the young proletariat.

Lunch Hour Inside Factory.

Having but little time in which to eat their lunch, the employees are unable to even get a little fresh air at noon time. The company has its own cafeteria and the employees remain inside until it is time to return home after their day's toil. Only those working in the office get the opportunity of purchasing their candy bars etc., at the neighborhood drug stores and confectionaries. Discrimination between the office help and those working in the plant is evident, and their psychology is also fundamentally different. The former feeling superior and outwardly try to make the impression of being satisfied, whereas the latter are sympathetic and show interest in anything concerning their conditions.

Meeting to be held Regularly. Mass meetings will be held regularly in the evening at the Bunte's chocolate shop, with speakers from the Young Workers' League. At first it was contemplated on holding these meetings in the afternoon, but in view of the above this change had to be made.

Secure Aid of Union.

The Young Workers' League is going to negotiate with the union and enlist their help in the drive to organize the factory. It is the opinion of all who have been out at the Bunte's that an organization campaign of getting them into the union would be highly successful.

Send in that Subscription Today.

King LaFollette

By C. E. RUTHENBERG.

ACCORDING to William Hard, Sen. LaFollette is writing the announcement which will make him a candidate for President. This writer, who has been so close to the LaFollette forces that his statement may be considered a semi-official view says of LaFollette's purpose.

"His candidacy will be personal independent candidacy on a platform which he himself will make and publish before the Convention at Cleveland can make a platform for him.

"He will imply that he intends to be the candidate of no convention and that he intends to bind himself to no platform except his own."

Thus spoke the kings and emperors in the days of their autocratic rule. They made their own laws, they were responsible to no man.

Robert M. LaFollette will ask the American voters to restore the divine right of the individual to rule. He will be subject to no party. He will write into his platform only what he thinks is good for the American people.

There may be some people in the United States who regard a king to rule for them. The small business men, the professional groups, the well-to-do farmers, belong to that class that has no power of coherence and organization and are no doubt ready to accept prayerfully the promise of King Robert LaFollette to rule the nation for them.

But are the organized workers and exploited farmers ready to abdicate in favor of one-man rule? Are they willing to let Robert M. LaFollette say what is good for them and to permit Robert M. LaFollette to put into practice what he thinks is good for them?

LaFollette in effect is telling the exploited farmers and industrial workers: I will write a platform proposing what is good for you. Depend upon me to put that platform into practice, he says to those who suffer the rule of special privilege in this country. You are too ignorant to know what you want. You are too ignorant to work for what you want. Let me, King LaFollette, take charge of your affairs and I will be your saviour.

Are the exploited farmers and the industrial workers ready to accept such a saviour? If they were, they would undoubtedly find that their saviour was but another agent of those who now exploit and rob them. They would find that the measures which he advocated were futile, useless measures so far as saving them from the oppression and exploitation under which they now suffer is concerned.

The time is past to crown new kings—even tho it be a King LaFollette. Kings are always the representatives of exploiting special privileged groups. Those who bear the burden of work and suffering have never been able to win anything for themselves thru the efforts of kings. What they have won, they have won thru their own organized efforts. LaFollette, in assuming the airs of a king, is serving warning on the movement of workers and farmers that it is not thru a LaFollette that they will win relief from the conditions against which they are fighting. A Farmer-Labor Party solidly organized will be a strong weapon in their hands, thru it they can wield the power of their number in the political arena.

LaFollette makes the issue A Farmer-Labor Party or King LaFollette. The workers and farmers will answer by building a great mass Farmer-Labor Party.

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(Continued from page 1.) time you ever ran for president and I'm sorry."

The speaker on the floor said his name was Joseph F. Fitzpatrick of Jersey City.

"Allow me to answer the gentleman's question," Bryan started again. "You have said Senator Walsh is the greatest investigator in the United States. Senator Walsh has exposed the fact that McAdoo was employed by Doheny."

"I'll answer the question," Bryan promised. "Some one yelled 'Give him time—give him twenty years.' 'Are you not as willing to have an answer as you were to ask a question?' Bryan asked.

"The gentleman asks about McAdoo's retainer from Mr. Doheny. Let me answer that," he continued. "McAdoo's retainer had to do with oil in Mexico. But I'll go farther than that. If any oil has ever touched W. G. McAdoo, the intense and fervent opposition of Wall Street washed all the oil away.

"No man who allows Wall Street to influence his action has any right to criticize McAdoo.

"I want to present an issue larger than any man," Bryan said.

"Is Youngstown, Ohio, in Mexico, where he got \$200,000 for getting taxes back?" interrupted Dennis Dunleavy of Ohio.

"You dodged to something else—you are not willing to hang the case on oil," Bryan retorted.

That Italian Coal Contract. "How about the coal contract in Italy—do you excuse that too?" shouted another heckler.

"The same old dollar bill?" several shouted.

"The bar associations have the right to disbar him if he has been acting unethically," Bryan continued speaking of McAdoo. "But I want to speak of something more important than men."

"You're killing the chances of every man you name," came cries from the floor.

Once the delegates got after Bryan on the oil issue, he did not regain his stride. His speech rather trailed off at the finish.

Bryan eulogized Wilson's son-in-law as an embodiment of the election hopes of the democratic party because he was a "progressive." Avoiding such terms as "workers" and "farmers" Bryan declared his belief that the "people" would support him because they demanded a "progressive" and he was a "progressive."

TEACHERS OPPOSE FACTORY SYSTEM FOR EDUCATION

Denounce Rockefeller Influence

Attacking the Carnegie and the Rockefeller foundations for their opposition to expenditures for education, and for their attempts to impose a system of industrial education on the public schools, members of the American Federation of Teachers, assembled in annual convention at the Webster Hotel, went on record as opposed to the introduction of factory methods and business standardization in the schools.

"Such institutions as the Rockefeller foundation exercise peculiar underground influence on the schools," said Miss Jenny A. Wilcox of Chicago. "The board of trustees of the foundation will hint that the public is spending too much of its money for education. Within a few weeks the board of education of one city will decide that teachers' salaries are too high. In the cities of a neighboring state the directors of the board will suddenly begin to consider the merits of the platoon system—which is simply a money-saving device."

Condemn War.

"The Rockefeller foundation has been particularly eager that children be trained to take jobs in factories and in offices, instead of being given general education."

Reconstruction of courses in the schools to eliminate teaching that makes for war and the attitudes that lead to war was recommended to the convention by the committee on legislation. The convention condemned war as "a menace to civilization." The committee also advocated the creation of a world court to develop an international code and that a referendum be taken before any war is begun.

Platoon System Coming Up.

How to take part in the class war politely, and make over the industrial system without breaking any of the rules of etiquette, was explained to the convention by representatives of the Brookwood Labor College at Katonah, N. Y., by means of pamphlets containing speeches of Brookwood professors. "We advocate work in the labor movement, but we cannot agree with those who preach a doctrine of love," is the statement contained in one of the circulars.

The platoon system will come up for discussion at an early session of the federation.

Senator's Ship is Sailing into the C. P. P. A. Storm

(Continued from page 1.)

LaFollette's candidacy as an independent.

Miscellaneous Adherents.

While the C. P. P. A. is largely a political organization of the railroad brotherhoods, a miscellaneous lot of delegates from other organizations are expected in Cleveland. All the political groups, such as the Committee of 48, Single Taxers, etc., who have some hobby as their panacea, will attend this Convention. Compared to the June 17th Farmer-Labor Convention, representing the rank and file of the industrial workers and the exploited farmers of the country, this will be a hodge-podge gathering of groups with various class interests, all of whom look upon LaFollette as the Moses who will lead them out of the wilderness.

It is more than likely that the group that wants to endorse LaFollette as an individual, letting him run as an independent candidate, will dominate the Convention and nothing having any resemblance to a new party will come out of it.

Electric Stations Increase

MOSCOW, July 2.—In 1917 there were 561 electric stations for public use, according to official figures made public. Out of this amount only 18 were in rural districts. At the beginning of this year there were about 1,000 electric stations, of which 345 are in rural districts.

INTERNATIONAL MASS MEETING TONIGHT TO DECRY FASCIST RULE

Workers of Chicago, are you raising your voice with the rest of the workers of the world in protest against the brutal murder of the Socialist Deputy Giacomo Matteotti by the black Fascisti officials of Italy? Then you'll be at West Side Auditorium, Racine and Taylor sts., at 8 p. m. tonight to show it.

J. Louis Engdahl, editor of the DAILY WORKER; Max Salzman, secretary of the Young Workers League; Nat. Goreta, of the Jugoslav federation; Alvaro Badillo and Enea Sorment of the Italian; and Antonio Presi, editor of "Il Lavoratore" will speak at the big international mass protest meeting.

HIGH COURT DECISION FASTENS GUILT OF NOTORIOUS LORIMER BANK ROBBERY ON GEN. DAWES

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, July 2.—If Diogenes went looking today for a capitalist candidate who did not have oil in his system, not alone would he be unsuccessful but it is more than likely that he would find the oil stolen out of his lantern before he was satisfied that his quest was hopeless.

While General "Hell an' Marie" Charles G. Dawes was on his way to Washington, to consult with Coolidge over ways and means to convince the voters that they must "Keep Kool with Koolidge" for the next four years, two bombs came from somewhere and caused the volatile Dawes to swear a blue streak.

One was a supreme court decision hitting the Central Trust Company, of Chicago, of which Dawes is president, for the tidy sum of \$165,000 for being involved in a bank swindle with the notorious William Lorimer, ousted United States senator, organizer of the LaSalle Street bank, which gipped depositors out of \$1,250,000 with the aid of the said respectable pillar of capitalistic society, Mr. Dawes.

Oil in Dawes Family

The second unwelcome piece of news that may bring heartache to the master of vituperation was the announcement that one of the oil gangs recently hit by a federal suit is the Pure Oil Company, of which Beman G. Dawes, the General's brother is president.

The story of Dawes' relations with Lorimer are interesting and instructive. Lorimer was a first class Republican boss, who understood the value of dough as a convincing political argument. Appeals to patriotism and the flag may be alright with certain people but there is nothing like the jingle of coin to make people see straight around election time.

To the uninitiated, money is rather hard to get together and those who amass great sums without any apparent effort are looked on with awe by the less fortunate. But it is easy when you know the game. Lorimer knew it.

Around here, a check for \$1,250,000 butts into the story, accompanied by the forceful personality of Charles G. Dawes, the terror of evil doers, demagogues and gentlemen of easy financial virtue. This is the same Dawes who handed the state of Illinois over to McKinley in the year 1896. For his kindness and ability he was made Comptroller of the Currency from 1897 to 1902.

Dawes Opens Bank.

There no doubt he learned a trick or two about currency which stood him in good stead when he left that position, returned to Chicago and organized the Central Trust Company with the aid of capitalists he favored while on the big job in Washington.

So far so good. Mr. Lorimer was then in high favor in Republican Party circles. He was elected United States senator by the Illinois legislature after a deadlock, but so much money was used up in purchasing the seat for him that the senate kicked him out by a vote of 55 to 28 on July 13, 1912.

But the clean, pure and politically wholesome Dawes that highly of Mr. Lorimer. Here is what he thot of him as shown in a letter put into the record during the senate trial of Lorimer:

"Your election means that in its relation to governmental legislation this state will always have its proper position."

That letter was dated May 27, 1909. In the following year, Lorimer began his career as a political banker. His bank sure enough was very much like every other bank. It opened its doors and invited all and sundry to bring their money which would be gratefully accepted. The money came alright. The bank was organized with a capital of \$1,250,000. It started well. In two years it had lost \$500,000. It being a national bank and Lorimer having been expelled from the senate it was feared an examination might be embarrassing, so it was decided to change the name of the bank from the La Salle National to the La Salle Trust and Savings bank. The state law required that capital and surplus should be paid in cash before a bank could do business.

A Friend in Need.

This is where the law abiding, open-shop, strikebreaking, reparations' expert, comes in and violates the law. Lorimer did not have enough money in his bank to buy a badge for his special policeman so he called on his friend Dawes for assistance.

"A friend in need is a friend indeed" is what Lorimer warbled as Charley gave him the warm handshake. Yes, together they would fool the banking laws of the state of Illinois. Break the laws! What are the laws between friends? Laws under capitalist society are only made for keeping the workers under the lash of the profit takers. Those who make the laws are superior to their own creation.

The state examiner was called in.

MC DONALD MEETING REPORTED IN FULL IN OUR NEXT ISSUE

Because the DAILY WORKER goes to press too early, the meeting held last night to open the Farmer-Labor campaign for Duncan McDonald, for president, and William Bouck, for vice president could not be reported in this morning's paper. A full account will be given in the next issue, including McDonald's first big speech since he was nominated at St. Paul.

The burglars did not get him drunk but they showed him a check for \$1,250,000, drawn on the Dawes bank and counted out the cash in the vaults of the bank. The examiner marked O. K. on his report sheet and left. But the money stayed in the Dawes bank and Lorimer had nothing to protect his depositors except bundles of worthless paper. This little piece was enacted on October 21, 1912.

On June 11, Lorimer's bank exploded leaving a terrible casualty list. The creditors got busy and discovered a check for \$1,250,000 drawn on the Central Trust Company, the Dawes bank.

The Latest Decision.

The creditors and receiver demanded that Dawes come across with the \$1,250,000 which the records showed he had in his vaults. The case went into the courts and after several decisions all but one of which went against the Central Trust, Mr. Dawes may now have to turn over \$165,000 to the creditors whom he helped to defraud.

What happened to Lorimer? Did he go to jail? Ha! Ha! Ha! Whatnell-areyettalkinabout? Do you think he is a "red"? A man who can steal a million and a quarter dollars to go to jail! The idea is ridiculous and preposterous. Lorimer did not go to jail, and for all we know the capitalist courts may take ten more years to bring the case against the Central Trust Company to an end.

However its a skeleton out of the General's closet that he is liable, to cuss at frequently during the election.

King Tut Imposter Besides These Old Chinese Sleepers

(Special to the DAILY WORKER)

MOSCOW, July 2.—Royal Chinese tombs older than that of the almost too famous and popular Tut-Ankh-Amen have been discovered by Professor Peter Kozloff, Russian archaeologist, near Urga, Mongolia. The imposing structures of wood were found at a depth of fifty feet under earth.

The walls of the tombs are richly hung with embroidered silks and satins and bear long inscriptions in ancient hieroglyphics. Furniture and miniature figures of animals, birds, and men were found in the sarcophagi.

The professor did not disturb the sleeping royal highnesses who have remained untouched for more than 4000 years. He is reorganizing an expedition to go into Tibet to resume excavations in the "lost" city of Kharkhota which he first found some years ago.

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CHILDREN SLAVE IN HOT CANDY FACTORY

(Continued from page 1.)

Where the cocoa and other chemicals are cooked to be prepared for confectionaries, the rooms are shockingly hot and there we find girl wearing only aprons, perspiration rolling down their faces, laboring for measly wages of \$16, 17, or \$18 a week. The boys, with cloths wrapped around their heads, to keep their hair from falling into their eyes, operate various machines, demanding their alertness and attention.

\$20 For Young Workers.

For heavy labor the boys receive salaries ranging from \$20 to \$23 per week. The efficiency system cannot be surpassed. Each sort of candy goes thru a number of operations, and the young workers are forced to keep pace with the speed of the machines.

While asking one girl working in the cough drop department if it was possible to receive any injury, she replied, "No," but at the same time narrowly escaped getting her fingers entangled in a machine performing four to five operations simultaneously.

Machine Replacing Slaves.

This machine replaces 25 to 30 workers. It loads and seals tch cough drops in the box. It was recently introduced and is only two months old, but the company is well satisfied. Another new machine is one compressing the candy to the shape desired. Before this operation was done by a boy sitting on top of a paddle with a candy placed in between. This old method is still in existence. The old way is inexpedient and wasteful as the boy has to judge the time, sometimes causing the candy to be squeezed too lightly. The new policy hurries production, replaces help in periods of business revival. Another new machine is one cutting and wrapping caramels. A woman, standing, feeds the fudge into the machine and is continually under a high nervous tension. While going thru the plant I noticed that she was replaced by another in two hours' time. More and more modern machinery is being introduced causing the discharge of many workers, with harder and speedier work for those remaining. In some departments the noise of the

machine is deafening.

The Cocoa Packing Room.

At the present time only one-half of the force is working. Sitting under two tubes from which the cocoa pours, a young girl and boy, apparently about 12 and 13 years old, load it into cans. The temperature in this room is very cold, to keep the stuff from sticking.

The air is charged heavily with the odor of coa, and to an outsider it is difficult to catch ones breath. Yet for eight and one-half hours these two young people (this is when production is at a low stage; under normal times this room employs 5 to 6 people) labor under such conditions, for an insignificant salary of 12 to 13 dollars per week. Such conditions breed tuberculosis.

Hand Dipping Department.

Girls crowded together, numbering one to eight, sitting on each side of benches, 15 to 20 in all, dip the confections by hand. On coming into the room, seeing them with white caps and going thru peculiar motions, exerting and over exercising every muscle in their frail bodies, one is strangely impressed. Those who are more experienced go through the actions so fast that even a machine could barely equal the speed.

One elderly woman was conspicuous, by her frenzied labors in order to earn \$20 to \$25 for her week's toil. That she earned the contempt of her co-workers for her furious pace could be judged by the expression on the faces of the other girls. They are paid by piece work and probably this woman has many mouths to feed. The looks that greeted a person in passing thru were those of helplessness, apathy, and resignation to the fate of gradual death. They earned from \$12 up. But to earn much more means the killing of all womanhood in every one of the young girl wage slaves.

The Wrapping Department.

Here the girls stand catching the candy from belts and wrapping them in tissue paper. They also get paid by piece work. As fast as the candy comes so is the speed adjusted. At times it is rather difficult to keep up with the pace set by the machine.

The machine drives, and unless they can keep up with it, discharge

is the outcome. Shirking is not tolerated, but the efficiency system must be upheld. The rooms in which they work are of the same temperature as that of the cocoa packing room, about 50 degrees.

Going out of cold rooms into the hot air means the tissues suffer a sudden change and with regular repetition causes irritation and tuberculosis sets in many times. Bunte's quality confection manufacturers never boast of their producing tubercular patients.

Hard Candy Department.

In the future, lemon drops, etc., lose their flavor for me, especially after one sees that the flavoring includes human sweat and blood in its production. In hot rooms with no ventilation the material is cooked, flavored, cut and shaped.

Taking the stuff hot from the pot it is spread on greased tables and then the process of beating, mixing in the flavor takes place. Most of this work is done by young boys as it is too hard for girls. Their salaries are even worse, comparatively, than the others.

As one boy confessed, a fellow feels like nothing after the day is finished. In view of the Bunte Brothers' new advertising campaign, gaining world wide recognition for its quality, it should be noted the human side is not mentioned.

The people who enjoy the delicious flavors of Bunte's choice candy will have their appetites dampened and the taste will smack of filth when once they see it produced.

By every time clock is a large sign: Those running to the clock before the whistle blows will be immediately discharged. This means that the young wage slaves must remain at their posts, dipping, cutting, moulding, etc., until they hear the sound of the whistle to deliver them from their living hell. They must not use the time of the company in washing their hands and making themselves suitable to return home, because it means that the company might lose probably a few dollars and this cannot be tolerated in an efficiency slave shop.

What have the young boy and girl slaves of Bunte to say about their conditions? Will they remain silent, or get into action?

MORE BOSSES SEEK TERMS OF AMALGAMATED

Strikers Spurred by First Settlements

(Special to the DAILY WORKER)

NEW YORK, July 2.—The Amalgamated Clothing Workers are keeping a militant picket line around the shops which are not affected by the settlement with the New York Clothing Manufacturers' Exchange.

Many of the independent bosses have applied for settlement terms, the Amalgamated announces, but the union insists on a general surrender of all the remaining bosses. The statement follows:

Amalgamated Statement

"The New York Clothing Manufacturers' Exchange, representing the most responsible makers of men's and children's clothing in this market, have quickly recognized the importance to the industry of a prompt settlement of the demands of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America which were made in order to put an end to the unbearable conditions which the chaos in the industry during the last two years had brought about, as well as to stabilize the industry.

"This agreement provides that the union shop shall prevail in all the shops of the members of the exchange, as well as the contracting shops working for them.

"It provides for a minimum scale of wages, dependent upon production, which will not add to the present cost of production, but stabilize it. Immediate steps are to be taken to put an unemployment insurance plan into effect similar to that already in operation in the Chicago clothing market.

"The necessity of providing a means for a quick settlement of differences between the workers and the manufacturers is recognized, and arbitration machinery is to be installed which will enable these differences to be settled quickly without in any way dislocating the process of production. Such machinery is in no sense a new experiment, as it has been working successfully for some years in other markets where the Amalgamated has agreements with the clothing manufacturers.

"This agreement made with the New York Clothing Manufacturers' Exchange should clear the way for prompt settlements on the same basis with those manufacturers in the New York market who are not affiliated with this body. The union has already had many applications for settlements, but has declined to take any step until a basis was laid down that would result in stabilizing the entire industry."

Ashes to Ashes—If Forbes Doesn't the Ice Cream Will

PRESCOTT, Ariz., July 2.—Three hundred patients and employes of the United States Veterans' Bureau hospital at Fort Whipple, near here, were recently taken ill after eating tainted ice cream. The ice cream was served mid-afternoon and two hours later the patients and employes became sick. Thirty nurses and aides were unable to report for duty the following morning. No fatalities occurred.

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BOOTLEGGERS FOUND BRIDEWELL NICE PLACE TO SLEEP BUT DID NOT KEEP REASONABLE HOURS

The House of Correction was no place for "Butch" Crowley and Richard C. Burrill, wealthy bootleggers and beer-suppliers to southern Illinois. "Butch," former chief dog catcher's son in Joliet, missed his gold doorknobs, tapestries and oriental rugs, as well as his daily exercise in the Rolls Royce or one of his other cars.

"Butch" and Burrill made arrangements two weeks after their commitment to bridewell three months ago for bribing a federal agent to ride out in their fine cars whenever the weather permitted, to take in the ball games, to enjoy their usual pleasures in the cabarets so that the girls wouldn't get lonesome, and finally to use the northside apartment of a woman "friend" of Burrill for their "head-quarters." The two prisoners spent the nights—what was left of them—at the house of correction.

Burrill got in too late one night and lost his privileges, but "Butch" kept right on having his fun. His noisiness in Joliet and the evicting of the "best citizens" from their club headquarters got him in trouble originally. He didn't have the champagne, you know, tho he had all the beer. And his noisiness has tripped him again.

Brice Armstrong and other federal dicks have been building the case against "Butch" and his pal Burrill. Probably the two beer boys didn't offer the federal official a big enough bribe in the first place! Their income was only \$300,000 yearly apiece.

Linn Gale Out of Jail He Tried to Escape by Stooling

WASHINGTON, July 2.—That Linn A. E. Gale, now on parole from Ft. Leavenworth, not only betrayed his radical associates but tried to blacken the liberal Mexican government in official American eyes, is recalled here by men who have watched the renegade radical's movements, after his arrest on a technical charge of army desertion following his wartime flight to Mexico to escape the draft.

At the time of his trouble in Mexico he wrote Samuel Gompers, offering to give the department of justice "evidence" that the Obregon government was in league with Moscow. Gompers and the American Civil Liberties union publicly denounced him. Gale now says he pretended to have given up his radicalism in order to extricate himself from a web of life which the oil interests had woven.

Workers Help to Dig Out Dead in Devastated Town

(Special to The DAILY WORKER.)

LORAIN, Ohio, July 2.—Death list from the Lorain tornado rose to 94 today. Workmen began dynamiting the fallen walls of the concrete municipal bath house, in the belief that many bathers may have been caught inside when the storm wrecked the building.

Lorain buried its dead privately today, the 74 known victims of the devastating storm of Saturday evening, while downtown in the ruined business section of the city, khaki-clad troops moved about. Where the State theater had stood, a light steam shovel puffed as it scooped at the debris where more bodies may be found.

Lorain is not under martial law, according to Gov. Vic Donahey, for the local government is still functioning, but has a bigger job than it can handle alone and the troops are helping out.

Nine-tenths of the business district of Lorain will have to be rebuilt, engineers say. Nearly all of the buildings left standing were so badly weakened by the tornado, they will have to be torn down.

All of the homeless had temporary shelter today. School buildings and tents, furnished quarters for about 2,000 persons.

Mexican Oil Flow Speeding Faster Than Any in World

MEXICO CITY, July 2.—Mexico takes first place in the world's production of oil according to the report of the Royal Dutch Shell. The oil production of the Royal Dutch for 1923 was more than 14,676,031 tons which amounts to 102,802,000 bbls., according to Dow, Jones & Co. For the year 1922 Royal Dutch Shell produced 8,999,035 tons or 63,000,000 barrels.

The world's oil production increased 10 per cent in 1923 over 1922, while the production of Royal Dutch increased 60 per cent. In Mexico alone this company produced 4,632,000 tons last year—thus outstripping its subsidiaries in the East Indies, Venezuela, Egypt and Roumania.

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NO DAILY WORKER OUT TOMORROW; WATH FOR SATURDAYS PAPER!

There will be no issue of the DAILY WORKER on the fourth of July, because that day is considered a holiday by the printing crafts unions. The next issue of the DAILY WORKER will be the regular Saturday paper including the magazine supplement.

Coal Business Makes Public Its Confession of its Crookedness

Extraordinary care must be taken by Chicago people to keep from being cheated by coal dealers, according to the Chicago Coal Merchants Assn. In prominently displayed ads in the daily papers the association warns every Chicagoan that:

"you are at the mercy of the shortweights unless the utmost vigilance is exercised. Use every means to check up on deliveries of coal into your bins. On the least suspicion insist that your fuel be reweighed on a public scale. Do this regardless of who the coal merchant is."

The association wants a recently invalidated city ordinance safeguarding weighings to be re-enacted so that it will stand court tests.

Cal Still Pushes "Tax Reduction," Economy, To Win

WASHINGTON, July 2.—More economy in government and more tax reduction "for the people" is the keynote of the administration's financial program for the coming fiscal year.

At the semi-annual meeting of the business organization of the government last night, President Coolidge announced his determination to see that this program was followed out.

The president announced that the executive branch of the government would take drastic steps to do its part in economizing and declared his first move would be to require that preliminary estimates of expenditures for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1925, tentatively set at \$3,953,000,000, be cut below \$3,000,000,000.

British Flyer in China.

HONGKONG, July 2.—Major A. S. C. MacLaren, British world flyer who arrived here after a six hour flight from Haipong, intends to push on tomorrow to Foo Chow, and possibly on to Shanghai, the same day. MacLaren's cumulative mileage to date is 9,055.

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FASCIST CABINET OFFICIALS OUT-- SYMPATHIZERS IN

Mussolini Guards Own Interest in Changes

(Special to the DAILY WORKER)
 ROME, Italy, July 2.—Benito Mussolini has announced four new ministers in his cabinet which is supposed to be "constitutional" and include representatives of different parties. The Liberals, Democrats, Catholic Nationalists and others whom Mussolini has chosen are all fascist sympathizers.

Senator Casati takes the place of Sig. Gentile in the ministry of education; Deputy Gigno Sarrochi succeeds Sig. Gabriello Carnazza as minister of public works; Senator Cesare Neva takes over the ministry of national economy from Sig. Marloa Orso Corbino; and Deputy Prince Lanza di Scalca takes the ministry of the colonies from Mussolini since the transfer of last week which left that ministry in the hands of the blackshirt leader.

Want Ben Out, Too

Few of the people are fooled by this re-reading of the cards and the demand for Mussolini's own resignation persists.

The King Victor Emanuel politely referred to the murder of the Socialist deputy Giacomo Matteotti as a crime but made no reference to the graft charges which have so befouled the fascist regime since their exposure as a result of the murders of Matteotti. The king remarked to the representatives of the senate and chamber who came to the Quirinal palace with a reply to the king's address from the throne that all Italy must work together to save the nation.

No Word Against Grafters

Neither Mussolini nor the king have shown any eagerness to prosecute the grafting fascists, formerly high government officials, whose hands were stained black with American oil money and red by the blood of the workers and Matteotti whom they slew. The king has been more silent than Cal Coolidge in the U. S. over the Fall-Doherty-Sinclair transactions. He may actually have known less than Cal of what was going on.

On the streets one meets people worked up to a pitch of fury against the government and particularly against the blackshirt terror. One of the correspondents is going the rounds with his story of the bright-eyed young girl who suddenly stopped him in the street and asked him to repeat after her: "Long live Matteotti!"

Workers Still in Jail

In spite of Mussolini's bland declarations that the censorship is over, it is extremely difficult to get the details of what is going on and still more difficult to send out information obtained.

Communist leaders and workmen are still held in prison where they were thrown by fascists as soon as the outcry against the disappearance of Matteotti became loud.

There is a possibility that parliament may not be reopened until October, with Mussolini vainly hoping that the future will die down by then. The demand of the official opposition is for immediate "constitutional" reconstruction work and the reconvening of parliament.

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STRONG PLEA FOR STEEL WORKER

(Continued from page 1.)

strains from the Democratic band in New York City, delivered via radio, became noisy and woke up one of the aged jurors who has exhibited a tendency to bow his head in sleep all during the trial.

Workers Party Not Illegal

Attorney Ferguson made no appeal to the galleries, but devoted his closing statement to marshalling the facts in the case and he scored point after point in showing that the prosecution has at no time produced any evidence to show that the defendant steel worker has sold literature as charged in his indictment. The Workers Party of America organized in open convention and openly elected its officials and never has attempted to conceal its identity as an organization aiming to establish a Republic of Workers and Farmers. The defense scored a point when it challenged the prosecution to deny that the U. S. government did not know about the initial organization of the Workers Party and that it still exists, and contrary to the allegations made by Lennon on the witness stand, it has never made attempts to conceal its membership or location of its national or district headquarters and that the party has held thousands of mass meetings throughout the country since its organization.

Taking up the W. P. program introduced by the prosecution, attorney Ferguson again challenged the prosecution to show where there was anything "seditious" contained therein. Leaning towards the jurors he again scored when he pointed out that key-note Pat Harrison at the Democratic convention made a speech in which he charged that the Republican administration has a different foreign policy for each oil well.

What About International Bankers?

"Is working class political action seditious in Pennsylvania?" exclaimed attorney Ferguson. Is international working class solidarity seditious and have not men and women engaged in a common cause always availed themselves of every opportunity to join hands together? Does the prosecution claim that the international organization of bankers is seditious?"

The constitutional right of the people to assemble and peacefully attempt to bring such changes in government as they deem right was violated when the Farrell steel workers were jailed. At no time has it been shown by the prosecution that the defendant committed acts of violence against the life or property of the commonwealth. That alleged act of offering for sale alleged seditious literature, was committed in the light of day.

That no conspiracy has ever existed and the prosecution has produced nothing to show that the defendant was other than a peaceful hard working steel worker and a member of a political organization known as the Workers Party of America.

"A conviction here," exclaimed attorney Ferguson, "is a blow at liberty. The founders of this country came here to escape the persecution the prosecution is urging you to inflict upon this defendant. If their doctrines are wrong, it is the duty of their opponents to show they are wrong through argument and not persecution. Members of the jury, the defense demands in the name of justice, that the defendant steel worker, Andy Kovacovich, be restored to his liberties and that the brand of criminal be lifted from his name."

Prosecutor Myers, of Pittsburgh, speech to the jury followed and in typical 4th of July style the special prosecutor used all the tricks ever practiced by members of the bar in convincing a jury that they are right when the facts are absent.

Prosecutor Gets Het Up

The keystone in the arch oration delivered by Myers to the jury in the first session trial was delivered during the first part of his final address, and the sleepy juror in the back row was called back to earth when the booming voice of the prosecutor started the blood running in streams down the streets of Moscow.

"Mercer county is my home county," exclaimed Myers, "and it is a pleasure for me to return and defend it against the attacks made upon my state and fatherland. The commonwealth is not trying the Workers Party and defendant for what they have said, but is trying them for what they have DONE. There are NO dictatorships," roared the captain, "in Amer-

ica, and when it does come it will CEASE to be America. I am proud of the witnesses who have testified against the defendant Andy Kovacovich. They have come here and defended the country of their adoption which is a task that few Americans would care to do under the circumstances.

"This hall in Farrell was known as Bolshevik Hall by the police and law abiding people in Farrell. Oh, I'm seeped in this thing, I've heard it so much. Those of us who are interested in fighting this damnable thing could scarcely believe our eyes when we read in the DAILY WORKER that the Workers Party of America is the only Communist Party in America. Look at them—who are they? Wm. Z. Foster, national chairman; there is C. E. Ruthenberg, executive secretary, and also J. Louis Engdahl, editor of the DAILY WORKER. Why, I honor Bob LaFollette for denouncing these men and their party."

Such Devils, Those Reds!

"Revolution, members of the jury, has been defined as being a successful revolt. Revolt is civil war and that's what this defendant and the organization of which he is a member wants. Oh, they are a 'jealous' lot who would take from you what you have earned thru honest investments. Down in West Virginia a handful of these alien radicals urged the native Americans there to revolt which ended up in civil war. Oh, they have pleasing personalities and act innocent like, but they are DEVILS (presenting his compliments to the defense and Daily Worker reporter), devils, I say."

The ex-captain did not arouse the sleeping boys in Flanders this time, but flooded the streets of Moscow with blood and according to his figures killed off about three-fourths of Russia. The LaFollette statements against the St. Paul convention and his press statements against the Communists was flung at the jury by Myers to bring about the conviction of this defendant steel worker who sat in his chair dazed-like while the captain prosecutor heaped burning coals of prejudice upon his head. Myers played well his part of persecutor and prosecutor.

K. K. K. Kounty

The Ku Klux Klan along with the other mysterious forces of oppression dominating in this hill country, have added another name to the roll of honor dedicated to the sons and daughters of Labor who since the beginning the time have led their fellow men away from the beaten paths of slavery in quest of a better system of society.

Judge McLaughry charged the jury and instructed them not to consider the fifth count in the indictment where the defendant steel worker was charged with destruction of property. Chief counsel for the defense, I. E. Ferguson objected several times when Myers was making his "Blood and Thunder" address to the jury compelling Myers to cease killing off the last five millions of Russian peasants and workers and saving the few million Americans that so far had resisted the civil wars and other things Myers charged the Communists with stirring up.

Other Trials in Fall

The two remaining steel workers under indictment, who are W. P. members will be brought to trial in September or October. The appeals of the first steel worker Tony Kovacovich will be argued before Judge McLaughry in September by attorney Ferguson. Four steel workers are still to be tried—two are charged with being members of the Workers Party and the defense expects that these will be tried next and following them the last two, members of no organization, and the only thing they can be charged with is being hard working slaves in the steel mills of Farrell.

The defense is making every effort to secure the release on bail of John Radias and Andy Dugan, two of the defendants yet to be tried who were out on bail and were rearrested early in the trial when their bondsmen surrendered them to the sheriff and demanded their security. They are confined in the Mercer county jail. The Sharon Herald continues its wild crusade of stirring up community hatred and prejudice. Its Red and Reds with this sheet which has poured forth lies against the steel workers since their arrest and indictment and editorially has attacked the two workers so far tried and found guilty.

It is alleged that John Vugrnick, called the prosecution's "star witness" by the Sharon Herald, was at one time committed to an insane asylum and has been arrested for selling white mule. The defense is endeavoring to cure the facts.

"Russia Germany" in Brownsville
 NEW YORK, July 2.—"Russia Germany, the 8-reel film showing conditions in the Soviet republic during the years 1923 and 1924, will be shown in Brownsville on Wednesday, July 9th, at Sheffield Theatre, Sheffield and Sutter Avenues. This is the first and only showing of this picture in Brownsville.

The performance will begin at 6 P. M. and continue until 11 P. M. Admission is 25c. The picture will be shown under the auspices of the International Workers Aid for the benefit of the starving German children.

PLATOON SCHOOL SPREADS BOSSES' PROPAGANDA BEST

Margaret Haley Shows New Systems' Evils

The introduction of the platoon system in the schools of Chicago is nothing more than a drive on the part of big business to save tax money, that it attempts to divide children into industrial and professional groups so that employers will have an easier time with these same children when they become wage slaves, that it introduces factory methods into schools and standardizes human beings as the modern factory standardizes its products, that it is being made the means for the introduction of underhand propaganda favorable to the ruling class, were among the charges made by Margaret Haley, head of the Chicago Teachers Federation, in a debate with Prof. E. L. C. Morse, at a meeting of the South Shore Protective Association in the South Shore Presbyterian Church, 76th street and South Shore Drive.

"The platoon system is really the Gary system under a new name," said Miss Haley. "The Gary plan was tried out in New York, and got such a black eye that it had to change its title before it could be considered in Chicago."

"Fordized" Schools

"I was one of a group that went to Detroit to study the platoon system as it is in operation there. I went from the schools into the Ford factory, and I hardly know that I had changed my location. Everything about the platoon system is so standardized, so mechanical, so lacking in natural human freedom, that a school in which this system is in use is nothing but a huge educational factory.

"Every thirty minutes the children have to change from one room to another. The building is placed under traffic regulations so that the children can pass through the halls without killing one another. A first-grade child comes into contact with as many as thirteen teachers a day, and all chance for individual contact is lost. The teachers of Detroit know this, and they object to the system, but if they raise a voice in protest, they are told that they will have to get out. This has happened to more than one teacher who dared to say what she honestly thought of the platoon."

"Psychologized" Kids

"Psychological tests are given the children when they enter the schools to determine what grade of work they shall do. If we had worked out any psychological test that we could rely on as giving an index of intelligence, and if the people who give them to these children were not usually in need of sanity tests themselves, there would be less objection to their use. But children are arbitrarily graded for four years on the basis of a sin-

Opponent's Pretty Promises

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Miss Haley stayed away from the convention of the National Education Association in Washington this week so that she could fight the platoon system, which will come before the board of education for final consideration within the next month.

Still Sailing

CALCUTTA, India, July 2.—The American round the world flyers left here this morning for Allahabad 450 miles from Calcutta.

MEMBERSHIP MEETING JULY 8 TO HEAR OUR PARTY WORK PROGRAM

The Party Membership meeting for July 8, for Local Chicago, at Imperial Hall, 2409 N. Halsted St., before which Comrades Wm. Z. Foster and C. E. Ruthenberg will speak, assumes increasing importance for every Communist.

In order to mobilize and unite the membership of the Party for systematic activity on every field, the Central Executive Committee of the Workers Party is formulating a new statement on the immediate work of the Party, a program of action. Comrades Wm. Z. Foster and C. E. Ruthenberg have been assigned to cover jointly Party membership meetings throughout the country.

Comrades Foster and Ruthenberg will speak on "Our Immediate Program of Party Work." This will embrace the questions of our Labor Party Campaign, Industrial Work, Shop Nuclei Organization, Membership Campaign, DAILY WORKER Campaign, Unemployment Campaign and Educational work of the Party.

Every Party and Y. W. L. member is instructed to be present at the July 8 membership meeting to become fully familiar with the Party's Program of work. Remem-ber: BE PRESENT TUESDAY EVENING, JULY 8, 1924, 8 P. M., AT IMPERIAL HALL, 2409 North Halsted St.

gle hour's work. No attempt is made to hide from children in the lower grades that they are of inferior intellect.

"These tests are made the basis of dividing children into industrial and professional groups in a way comparable only to the caste system of India. Children in industrial groups are given such training as cafeteria courses. They learn how to become bus boys. They are forced from school into every type of blind-alley job."

Platoons For Propaganda

Miss Haley quoted from a pamphlet written by Charles L. Spain, deputy superintendent of schools, on the working of the system in Detroit.

"I wonder if Mr. Spain knew," she asked, "how much more he said than he meant when he wrote the following:

"During the war the public schools came to be recognized as a powerful agency thru which to spread propaganda. It is certain that society will expect more from the schools in this respect than in the past. The platoon system is much better adapted to this work than is the regulation school."

"That is just what our schools are becoming—agencies for spreading the propaganda of the men who are introducing this system so that the public may think they are caring for the children while they are only trying to get away with so much cold cash. There is an unholy alliance between politicians and business men."

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LYING RUSSIAN PAPER SHOWS ITS IGNORANCE

"Authority" on Moscow Blunders in Chicago

Russian delegates attending the second conference of the Federation of Russian Schools at 1902 W. Division street, tonight, are having a good laugh at Ruskyy Vestnik, the anti-Soviet Russian language paper published in Chicago.

This paper which presumes to speak with such authority on conditions in Soviet Russia showed in yesterday morning's issue that it doesn't know anything about the happenings in the Russian colony in Chicago.

Ruskyy Vestnik takes exception to the statement in the DAILY WORKER that a church school which had attended the first conference had since dropped out. Ruskyy Vestnik then sarcastically asks whether the paper does not know that the "South Side School" was never a church school.

Ruskyy Vestnik Wrong Again

It happens that the DAILY WORKER was not referring to the South Side School, a school, which Ruskyy Vestnik may be surprised to hear has rejoined the Federation from which it had temporarily dropped out. The DAILY WORKER was referring to the school of the Independent Church of Wood street—a church school—which did attend the first conference and later dropped out.

It was amusing also to read the attacks which Ruskyy Vestnik made on the Federation of Russian Schools—saying that its by-laws were made in Moscow. Delegates to the conference are remarking that if Ruskyy Vestnik doesn't know what is going on under its eyes in Chicago, it cannot be taken seriously as an authority on the situation in Russia.

Must Use Jewish Corpses

BUCHAREST, July 2.—The faculty of Jassy University has decided that the Jewish medical students must take their examinations upon Jewish corpses. As the university medical school has no Jewish corpses now, Jewish students, who comprise about 70 per cent of this year's class, will be unable to take examinations and will not receive their diplomas until next year, and possibly not then.

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Party Activities Of Local Chicago

BRANCH MEETINGS
 THURSDAY, JULY 3rd.—11th Ward Italian, 2439 S. Oakley Blvd., 31st Ward Italian, 611 N. Sangamon St.
 South Side English, Community Center, 381 S. Wabash Ave.
 Russian Branch, 1902 W. Division St., Scandinavian Karl Marx, 2733 Hirsch Blvd.
 FRIDAY, JULY 4th.—Ukrainian No. 3, 1071 Stephenson Ave.
 Polish North Side, 1902 W. Division St.
 Lithuanian No. 41, 4138 Archer Ave.
 Greek Branch, 722 Blue Island Ave.
 SUNDAY, JULY 6th.—South Slavic No. 2, 8743 Buffalo Ave.
 Bulgarian, 842 W. Adams St., 7 P. M.
 Armenian, 855 W. Grand Ave., 2 P. M.
 MONDAY, JULY 7th.—19th Ward Italian, 1103 S. Loomis St.
 Taliano Cicero, 1402 S. 60th Ct., Cicero, Ill.
 Douglas Park English, 3323 Douglas Blvd.
 North Side English 2409 N. Halsted St.
 North-West Jewish Branch, 2642 Le-moyne St., 8 P. M.
 TUESDAY, JULY 8th.—NO BRANCH MEETINGS. PARTY MEMBERSHIP MEETING, Imperial Hall, 2409 N. Halsted St.

BOSTON PARTY ACTIVITIES

Open Air Meetings.
 Saturday, July 5. Blue Hill Ave. and Lawrence, Kassner and Schlossberg.
 *Sunday, July 6. Boston Common. *Center and Bloomfield. Chairman, Hurwitz.
 Monday, July 7. Speakers' class at room 310.
 Tuesday, July 8. Harrison Ave. and Davis, S. End. Rothstein and Yaffe.
 *Stevens.
 Shibley and Warren Sts. Revere. Marks and Friedman. *Lacey.
 Wednesday, July 9. Chambers and Spring Sts., West End. *Center and Levine. Kraska, chairman.
 Thursday, July 10. Blue Hill Ave. and Woodrow. Ballam and Schlossberg. *Schwartz.
 Friday, July 11. Heath Eq. Roxbury. *Simons and Dwyer. Chairman, Gerber.
 Saturday, July 12. Blue Hill Ave. and Lawrence. Riley and Kutlisker. *Hurwitz.
 Sunday, July 13. Boston Common. Riley and Rothstein. *Schwartz.
 Monday, July 14. Speakers' class at room 310.
 Accompanying list of speakers and places assigned for first two weeks of campaign. Each comrade to report at Pemberton Square, room 310, at 7:30 PROMPT on evenings assigned. Comrade with asterisk (*) before name is in charge of meeting and is responsible for conduct of same. Must report on blank furnished for the purpose and turn same over to committee on open air meetings. Each comrade receiving this letter should lose no time in getting in touch with the committee, reporting as to what nights he is available and how he can be reached on short notice, phone. ALSO attend class meetings promptly at 8 Monday evenings. For the committee. J. LACEY.

(Special to the Daily Worker.)

Do You Know? why Bishop W. M. Brown's little booklet

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CHICAGO TRACTOR AND STEEL PLANTS LAYING OFF THOUSANDS; "NO HELP" SIGNS ARE ABUNDANT

Most of the large industrial plants in Chicago are on the verge of shutting down completely, and practically all of them are on part time, with less than half of the regular force working, further investigations of the DAILY WORKER into the unemployment problem disclose.

When the DAILY WORKER reporter applied for a job in the employment office of the Crane Manufacturing company, on Kedzie Avenue near 39th Street, he was told, "We are laying men off. Our regular force is 6,000, but we have less than three thousand at work now. The plant will probably shut down completely for at least a month beginning July 1st."

A worker in the Crane plant told the DAILY WORKER reporter, "Maybe it's because this is a presidential year, but whatever the reason, men are being laid off all over the city. The Crane Company will shut down in a short while. At the present time less than half the Crane force is working. Those of us who are now on the job work only four days a week. We come in to work Tuesday morning and quit Friday night. Saturday, Sunday and Monday we are not allowed to work at all."

The Deering Tractor works, 1700 Fullerton Avenue, which is one of the largest factories belonging to the International Harvester Company, is laying off men. "We have 600 on our waiting list, the employment manager said. Two hundred men were laid off in our foundry alone last week. The plant is liable to shut down at any time. We are scraping along on summer orders, and most of the work done is repair jobs. Conditions will probably get worse instead of better."

The Wisconsin Steel Mills, a part of the Harvester Works, is completely shut down. The DAILY WORKER reporter went thru the plant, finding no one at work in the plant except a few men repairing the furnaces.

The watchman said: "The plant is called the Wisconsin Steel Mills, but it belongs to the International Harvester Company. It all comes out of the same pocket. We take individual orders however."

At these steel mills, angle bars and steel bars and ingots are sold. The timekeeper of the plant told the DAILY WORKER reporter, "We won't be able to start work for several weeks at least. Even then, when we start up, we may have to shut down in a week. We will try to open up and keep dragging along on the orders that come in, but I don't see how we can open the plant up at all in the near future."

At the employment office of the Eugene Dietzen Company, a large manufacturing plant on Fullerton Avenue, are large signs, "NO HELP WANTED."

CANADA MINERS HOLDING STRIKE LINES STRONGER Dist. 18 Fights; No Aid From International

(Special to the DAILY WORKER) EDMONTON, Alta., July 2.—An effort was recently made by the operators at Fernie to launch a company union. The men favorable to the aims of the Company called a special meeting to discuss the offer made by the local operators. When the meeting was called an attempt was made to exclude President Sherman from the meeting, but after a fight and by majority vote of those present, Sherman was allowed in the meeting.

The proposition of the "Crows Nest Pass Coal Co." was to the effect that they were prepared to break with the Coal Operators' Association, if the miners were prepared to break with the U. M. W. of A.; form a local (company) union and forgo the right to affiliate with any other body. On this basis the company was prepared to make a five year agreement with the local union, wages to be based on those paid at the Coast, 12 per cent higher the first year, nine per cent higher the second year and six per cent higher the third year than the Coast wages.

Men Reject Offer. Needless to state, such an arrangement, besides taking away all rights of the men, would put them in competition with the unorganized miners at the Coast and was rejected by the miners present at the meeting. It has had the effect of putting more fighting spirit into the men and if relief is forthcoming the miners of that district will hold out.

Luscar local union has circulated all the locals of district 18 condemning the action of the policy committee, and the attitude of the International towards relief for the district.

The resolution sent out from the Midlandvale local calling for a special convention of the district is being widely discussed and endorsed by a number of locals.

Evictions Ordered. Saunders West Coal Operators have succeeded in their action to evict union men from their homes. This action is taken in order to chase the militant members of the local out of the camp to make room for scabs and backsliders. The houses that the men are being evicted from were built by their own labor in the majority of cases. The miners of the above camp have been served with notices to move out on the first of July.

Saunders Creek has a number of men doing development work. Alexo camp is quiet at present and everything is going on well with no signs of them starting for the present time. To the southwest of Edmonton the nonunion stripping mines at mine 47 and 48 are at a standstill. At mine 52½, 53½ and 54 not a man is working at the present time. Foothills has ten men working in accordance with the agreement signed with the local operator. No more new men are being taken on.

Calgary Helps Strikers. Cadomin has 80 men working digging coal in the new panel on promise of the operators that they would not ship coal but would merely dump it. Luscar reports no union men at work, but coal is being loaded by some of the fire bosses. A number of the mines in the Edmonton field are producing coal for the domestic market.

The Calgary Trades and Labor Council donated fifty dollars to the strike fund. The Edmonton Central Council of the Canadian Labor Party voted by a small majority to table a resolution calling upon the Council to donate fifty dollars until they could secure the consent of the majority of the organizations affiliated to it.

There is an active committee of workers in Edmonton taking up the work of securing funds to help the miners of district 18, and they are organizing a monster concert in one of the largest theatres in town. They have also secured from the City Council the privilege of holding a tag day on the 12th of July, all proceeds to go to the strike fund.

Ukrainians To Help. The joint organizations affiliated to the Ukrainian Labor Temple Association in Edmonton held a mass picnic on June 29, for the strike fund. Many of the local unions have donated funds and the sentiment in favor of assistance to the striking miners is good. A second collection was taken up at a meeting of the Communist Party in Canada, at which Jack Kavanagh of Vancouver was the speaker, and twenty-four dollars raised for the miners' relief.

Reports from Winnipeg are to the effect that shop meetings are being held and considerable funds are being raised for district 18 relief.

A Syndicalist Solution for Class Struggle

BY HARISON GEORGE

The Communists have always claimed that many of the syndicalists and anarcho-syndicalists are moved by anarchist individualism, by selfishness elevated into a philosophy and not by class solidarity. A letter from a German syndicalist published in the I. W. W. official organ, *Industrial Solidarity*, of June 25, is proof that the Communists are correct.

More than a column is given to an appeal, signed by the "Chairman, Local Fretal, Syndicalist Labor Federation" of a town in Saxony, Germany, asking for help. It is nothing remarkable to get calls for help from Germany—or from any other countries where the capitalist decline has gone further than in America, therefore heaping greater miseries on the proletariat. From these miseries there is no ultimate escape for the working class but revolution—and the German Communists base their program upon the explosive power of mass hunger and misery. The German Communists, too, have asked for help, but only for such help as will aid them to win

the masses to the army of revolution, only such help as will assist the German proletariat to overthrow German capitalism.

This is another sort of an appeal, this appeal from syndicalists. This appeal is from an official of the syndicalist labor federation of Germany, and it reflects how bankrupt is the syndicalist theory and practice. For this syndicalist official does not ask help for his organization, nor for the German working class as a whole. He merely makes vocal the hopelessness of the syndicalist idea when confronted with reality—and he asks for somebody please to send him transportation to America because he "cannot stand the struggle any longer." What an ambition for a leader in an organization which attacks Communists on the grounds that they are not revolutionary enough! . . . Which fights Soviet Russia and the Red International of Labor Unions . . .

And this rank individualism finds a column of space in a paper named "Solidarity!" In an official organ of the I. W. W., whose Centralia members imprisoned at Walla Walla have

time and again complained that their case lacked publicity! This appeal, to help an individual individualist in Germany to try to run away from the class struggle, is published in full in the official organ of the I. W. W., which, however, did not allow one line of space for the appeal sent to the membership thru the General Headquarters on May 8th, from the Red International of Labor Unions.

When the 13,000,000 workers of the Red International appeal to the membership of the I. W. W. for solidarity in the class struggle, the officials of the I. W. W. despotically decree that they will not permit the membership to read such appeal. But when a German syndicalist who is such a blazing "revolutionist" that he has no faith in the historic mission of the working class, wants to beg someone for transportation to this great promised land of Teapot Domes, Daugherty, Dawes, Open Shop, Injunctions, Blacklists and K. K. K. tar and feather mobs—why, then the I. W. W. will give the poor scissor-bill a whole column! Such is the degeneration of the I. W. W. press under the censorship.

NEGROES TOLD KLAN ISSUE IS BIGGEST FIGHT Must Crush Political Rise of K. K. K.

(Special to The DAILY WORKER.) PHILADELPHIA, Pa., July 2.—James Weldon Johnson, Secretary of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, in an address at a mass meeting of the Fifteenth Annual Conference of that Association, held at Metropolitan Opera House Sunday afternoon, urged Negroes in the United States to make the Ku Klux Klan the main issue in the coming election. Mr. Johnson said:

"The most imminent question before the American Negro at the present time is that of his political responsibilities and opportunities. The biggest single political issue before him is that of the Ku Klux Klan. Colored Americans should not be lulled into a feeling of security by the fact that the Klan is seemingly no longer anti-Negro. The Klan is as much anti-Negro now as it was the day it was organized.

"At present it is not spending much time in tarring and feathering or branding or mobbing individual Negroes. It is devoting its energies to a bigger job, the job of gaining political power, of gaining control of government. When it has done this, if it succeeds, it will again turn its attention to the Negro and it will then execute its policies not upon individual Negroes but upon the race as a whole.

Fighting in Politics. "If the Klan gains the power which it contemplates, it will at once begin to take from the Negro, his guarantees and even his claims to the common rights of citizenship. That is one of its deepest laid plans. It is, therefore, the duty of Negro citizens in states where the Klan is an issue and where the votes of Negroes count and are counted, to discard sentimental political allegiance to any party and vote against candidates who are named or supported by the Klan. Farmer-Labor Party for Negroes.

"The situation in Indiana is a case in point. There the republican nominee for governor has the open endorsement of the Klan, an endorsement which he has fully accepted. In that state the republican senator, James E. Watson, who stands high in administration circles, openly confers and consorts with Klan leaders.

"In the states of the north and the northwest, where the vote is close and where the Negro holds what may be the balance of power, we must use our votes in a manner which is demanded not only by common sense, but by safety."

Pacifists Announce Campaign Against Gas, Guns, Bayonets

WASHINGTON, July 2.—Answering the almost daily attacks of officers of the regular army, who are inspired by Secretary Weeks, the National Council for Prevention of War announces a nation-wide campaign to stop war by international co-operation. From July 26 to Armistice day it will stir the country with posters, pamphlets, meetings, etc., with the purpose of committing all candidates for congress and the presidency to a definite program of world peace.

Klan Klucker Kaught. NEW YORK, July 2.—The Rev. Charles Lewis Fowler of this city, a Baptist clergyman, editor of the American Standard Magazine, and said by the police to be a member of the Ku Klux Klan, together with his son, Louis Hunter Fowler, nineteen, a college student at Greenville, S. C., are held in \$1,000 bail each on a charge of criminally libelling Governor Smith. The article complained of stated, in effect, that Governor Smith was not a fit person to be president because he was a member of the Knights of Columbus, which was "dictated to by the Church of Rome."

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ONE COMMUNIST YOUTH EXECUTED; MANY IN PRISON

Poland Sentences 77 in Three Months

(Special to the DAILY WORKER) MOSCOW, July 2.—Within the last three months 77 members of the Young Communist League of Poland, have been sentenced to a total of 479 years of hard labor in the jails of Poland. In Grodno a 17-year-old girl, Klempner, received a four-year sentence. Still another youth, Samuel Engel, 19 years of age, was executed for shooting an agent-provocateur. He was executed 12 hours before the time allowed by the court expired.

The agent-provocateur, Luchak, was a personal friend of Engels, and was not suspected. But after a few meetings had been raided by the political police, and many of the members of the Young Communist League received heavy sentences, he was discovered. Engel decided to avenge his comrades and at the same time remove a dangerous snake from the ranks of the Communist movement, which is an underground movement in "democratic" Poland.

It is worth while to note that many bandits who received death sentences from the court martials have been pardoned, but this youth has been executed.

Rebel Against Poland KOVNO, Lithuania, July 2.—The local press is full of reports about the insurrection of the Ukrainians in Volyn, Poland. The insurrection is spreading all over the Ukrainian territory held by Poland. The headquarters of the revolutionists are at Lutsk. According to the local press the revolutionists are organized into 80 companies and are well armed.

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FARMER-LABOR CAMPAIGN OPENS JULY 6, DETROIT

Alex Howat, Alice Daly Give First Blasts

DETROIT, Mich., July 2.—Alex Howat, Kansas miner, and Alice Lorraine Daly, recent candidate for governor of South Dakota, will open the National Farmer Labor Party campaign in Detroit Sunday afternoon July 6th, when they will tell the story of the great convention held in St. Paul where Duncan McDonald, of Illinois, and William Bouck of Washington were unanimously chosen to serve the Farmer-Labor Party as its candidates for president and vice president.

Howat True Fighter.

Howat, who is chairman of the national committee of the F. L. P. is one of the best known labor leaders in this country. He was the greatest single factor in smashing the infamous Industrial Court Act of Kansas which was solely designed to outlaw strikes and make strikers criminals. He was compelled to spend nearly two years in prison in the process of "extracting the teeth" from that law. His fight against the reactionary Lewis machine in the United Mine Workers has further endeared him to the militant rank and file of the labor movement.

She Ran for Governor.

Alice Lorraine Daly is one of the leading figures in the Farmer-Labor movement of South Dakota and the North West. In accepting the secretaryship of the St. Paul convention she confessed that she was a product of the schools of Minnesota, including its State University but insisted that she had fully recovered from the mis-education inflicted upon her in those institutions of "hire" learning.

Both Howat and Daly are well qualified to present the case for McDonald and Bouck and the Farmer-Labor Party.

The rally will be held in Campbell's Grove, two blocks beyond the end of the Mack Avenue car line. The grove is easily accessible to automobiles and there is an abundance of parking space.

In addition to the speaking there will be a program of athletic contests, vocal and instrumental music and dancing. Workers of Detroit and vicinity are urged to avail themselves of this opportunity to hear about the National Farmer-Labor Party from two such able speakers as Howat and Daly. In case of inclement weather the rally will be held in the House of Masses, Gratiot and St. Aubin Aves.

Filipinos Lose Lives.

MANILA, P. I., July 2.—With the capsizing of a sailing vessel near the coast of Leyte 50 persons were drowned. Six saved their lives by swimming ashore.

RUSSIANS PREPARE TO OPEN NEGOTIATIONS IN FRANCE; ENGAGE ROOMS

(Special to The DAILY WORKER.)

PARIS, July 2.—Hotel quarters have already been ordered and 1200 visas of entry to France have been signed, for Russian officials who expect to come here to participate in the negotiations with France for recognition and restoration of diplomatic intercourse. The French government has not made a definite announcement of its recognition plans yet, but it has already signified to United States secretary of state Hughes that it would not continue to be bound by the Poincare agreement. Former King Manuel of Portugal occupied the suite now assigned for the Bolshevik leaders when he was last in Paris.

Your Union Meeting

FIRST THURSDAY, JULY 3, 1924.

- | No. | Name of Local and Place of Meeting. |
|-------|--|
| 10 | Allied Printing Trades Council, 59 E. Van Buren St., 6:30 p. m. |
| 271 | Amal. Clothing Workers, 409 S. Halsted St. |
| 227 | Bleed Makers, 2040 W. North Ave. |
| 93 | Boat and Shoe, 1939 Milwaukee Ave. |
| 409 | But and Shoe Wkrs., 10258 Michigan. |
| 14 | Brick and Clay, Shermanville, Ill. |
| 186 | Brick and Clay, Glenview, Ill. |
| 13 | Bridge and Struct. Iron Wkrs. District Council, 738 W. Madison St. |
| 13 | Carpenters, 113 S. Ashland Blvd. |
| 62 | Carpenters, 6416 S. Halsted St. |
| 341 | Carpenters, 1440 Emma St. |
| 494 | Carpenters, South Chgo., 11037 Michigan Ave. |
| 594 | Carpenters, Ogden and Kedzie. |
| 2103 | Carpenters, 759 W. North Ave. |
| 180 | Drug Clerks, 431 S. Dearborn St., Room 1327. |
| 154 | Electricians, 1507 Ogden Ave. |
| 795 | Electricians, 7475 Dante Ave. |
| 115 | Engineers, 9223 Houston Ave. |
| 1632 | Field Assessors, Victoria Hotel. |
| 429 | Fireman and Enginemen, 38th and Campbell Sts., 7:45 p. m. |
| 269 | Hod Carriers, South Chgo., 3701 E. 92nd St. |
| 25 | Janitors, 59 E. Van Buren St. |
| 60 | Janitresses, City Hall, Hearing Room. |
| 18 | Ladies' Garment Workers, 328 W. Van Buren St. |
| 54 | Ladies' Garment Workers, 1214 N. Ashland Ave. |
| 100 | Ladies' Garment Workers, 328 W. Van Buren St. |
| 12 | Leather Workers, 810 W. Harrison Street. |
| 233 | Molders, 119 S. Throop St. |
| 371 | Painters' District Council, 1446 W. Adams St. |
| 371 | Painters, Dutt's Hall, Chicago Heights. |
| 2 | Piano and Organ Wkrs., 180 W. Washington. |
| 669 | Plumbers, Monroe and Peoria Sts. |
| 281 | Plumbers (Railway), Monroe and Peoria Sts. |
| 515 | Railway Carmen, 1299 Cornell St. |
| 724 | Railway Carmen, 75th and Drexel Ave. |
| 1082 | Railway Carmen, 1900 W. 17th St. |
| 278 | Railway Clerks, 549 W. Washington. |
| 504 | Railway Clerks, 8138 Commercial Ave. |
| 14872 | Siam Hangers, 810 W. Harrison St. |
| 38 | Signalmen, 6238 Princeton Ave. |
| 12 | Slate, Tile Roofers, 1224 Milwaukee. |
| 110 | Stages, Employes, Masonic Temple, 10:30 a. m. |
| 742 | Stone Cutters, 180 W. Washington St. |
| 742 | Teamsters, 2906 Houston Ave. |
| 784 | Teamsters (Dairy), 220 S. Ashland. |
| 785 | Teamsters, 30 E. 8th St. |
| 110 | Upholsterers, 180 W. Washington St. |
| 17616 | Warehouse Emp., 166 W. Washington. |

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Independence Day

The historical significance of July 4th, and its revolutionary effects upon the development of capitalism, lies in the fact that the breach between King George and his American colonies that gave birth to the United States of America, was the release of a young and rising class, destined for a time to rule the world, from the dead hand of feudal aristocracy.

Today it is capitalism that has run its course and now stands as the obstacle to further progress. Capitalism, that in 1776 was the regenerating and revolutionary force, is today threatening to destroy the world.

In the dialectics of history America has come to another parting of the ways, to the time for another declaration of independence. Today it is the capitalist class that chokes humanity; the class that is rising to power is the working class.

The decaying and corrupt capitalist class attempts to use the traditions of its birth, the associations of July 4th, to bolster up its tottering power. It tries to renew its youth by appealing to history. But the lesson of July 4th in history is not the reconsecration of capitalism, but the inevitability of its downfall, of the necessity of the rise of the working class to power.

Negro Emancipation

After generations of chattel-slavery in America the Negroes were finally "emancipated." Chattel slavery was abolished. The Negroes were given the privilege of working for wages, just like the white wage-slaves, and another page was turned in Negro history.

But a more important "emancipation" is now occurring. It is the emancipation of the Negroes from the domination of the capitalist parties, the breaking away from bourgeois thinking, the assertion of the Negroes as an integral part of the whole working class, white, black and yellow.

Yesterday that organization adopted a resolution, greeting the formation of a party opposed to both the republican and democratic parties, as a step toward the political and economic emancipation of the Negro.

The next step for the Negroes is to recognize that their problem is not strictly racial—it is part of the struggle between the working class and the capitalist class. The Negro is suppressed because he bears the tradition of past slavery, and because it helps to keep the working class divided and thus more securely bound in wage-slavery.

"The Men in the Back Room"

Arthur Brisbane, a kept writer of the Hearst sheets, is supposed to be "in the know" on political matters. He wants his readers to think that all the mysteries of conventions and deals, candidates and platforms, are an open book to him.

Yes, dear Mr. Brisbane, we know that the lair of the Imperial Wizard in the Hotel McAlpin is only one of innumerable "invisible empires," all subject to the super-empire of the "boys in the back room" who have the direct wire from Wall Street.

Mr. Brisbane will not, of course, embarrass his superior officers by disclosing any "deep stuff," if by chance they were so careless as to let him in on it. He is a discreet person. He must write knowingly and wink a sly eye to his audience.

"Communists Not Welcome"

Announcement is made by Labor, weekly organ of the Conference for Progressive Political Action that anyone "tainted with Communism" will be shown the door at Cleveland, if they have the temerity to appear. To be "tainted with Communism," in the eyes of William H. Johnston, now means to be in favor of a farmer-labor party to fight against both old capitalist parties all down the line.

So the Communists are not welcome. They are not wanted in Cleveland because they cause workers and farmers to become "tainted" with the desire to build a party of their own. And it is indeed embarrassing to have Communists around when some dirty political trick is to be pulled, because the Communists point out these betrayals, the Communists show how to put up a real fight, and they lead in the struggle against the traitors.

The Communists are welcomed by everyone who is getting into a fight against the employers, because they are the best fighters, and a struggle cannot be made effectively without them. But the Communists, for the same reason, are not welcome when the order of the day, as prepared by the "official leaders" of the labor movement, is to deliver the labor vote to a capitalist party or candidate, and to knife the Farmer-Labor Party.

Illiteracy in the U. S.

There are more than 4,300,000 illiterate voters in the United States, according to a statement issued by the National Education Association, meeting in Washington. The N. E. A. is a most conservative body, the interests of which are to make things look as rosy as possible.

In the richest country of the world it is thus revealed that in education for the masses it is among the most backward of the industrial countries. The only explanation of such a phenomenon is the fact, long known to all students, that capitalism is inherently antagonistic to all education except the kind and amount necessary to produce a highly-trained class of industrial workers.

Capitalism in America has, in common with the system in Europe, passed beyond its progressive phase. Today it represents nothing but reaction, alike in education as in politics and all questions affecting the toiling people.

On the Neck of LaFollette

Socialist Party delegates are going to Cleveland July 4th, placing their fate at the disposal of LaFollette. On one thing they are divided—some of them, like the Wisconsin group that has experienced LaFollette first hand, would demand guarantees that LaFollette would break with the republican party; but the national leaders, knowing the complete bankruptcy of the S. P., throw themselves completely on LaFollette's neck.

With the faith born of desperation, Morris Hillquit, intellectual leader of the S. P., declared on June 30th, that a third party headed by LaFollette is certain. This, in spite of the declaration made by the men "who have the votes" at Cleveland, that "it is not contemplated that independent candidates will be put up for senate and house of representatives." The C. P. P. A. which meets at Cleveland is inextricably bound up in the old party machines in the various states.

Wm. Jennings Bryan, the man who wants to burn school books that mention evolution, and wishes compulsory teaching of fundamentalist religion in the public schools, prays in the New York convention that "religion shall not be made a political issue." It is to laugh!

Canadian postal employes got the same kind of a deal from the Ottawa government, as the U. S. postal workers got from the White House. They have the advantage, however, in that they at least put up a fight.

The democratic fight over the Koo Kooos was even more of a fake than the fight over the Candidate. The results of the convention on every major point as charted in Wall Street before the convention opened.

LaFollette has let it be known, thru his friends, that he wants no nomination from the Cleveland conference. All he wants is support. Nominations mean responsibility, and LaFollette is determined to be responsible only to himself.

"War against war" can only be effectively carried out by means of "war against capitalism." The middle-class pacifists are the advance agents of imperialist war.

After two years of government by assassination, Mussolini has, at last, about reached the end of the road. The proletariat is gathering its forces to deal the Fascist dictatorship its death blow.

Lenin's Last Political Teaching

By Karl Radek

WHEN the All-Russian Central Trade Union Council sent a delegation to the International Peace Conference at the Hague which was convened by the Amsterdam International in December, 1922, Vladimir Ilyitch, Lenin, exhausted by the work for the World Congress of the Comintern just ended, was unable to take part in the consultations held by the Congress of the Comintern of the Russian Communist Party with the delegation of the Trade Union Council with regard to the tactics to be adopted by our delegation. Lenin discussed this question with some of the members of the Congress of the Comintern and drew up a sketch of these, which was handed me on the day I left for the Hague.

Lenin at once seized the bull by the horns. He declared that "none but the completest fools and most hopeless liars could suppose" that we could reply to a war by revolution or strike: "It is impossible to reply to a war by a strike, just as it is impossible to reply to a war by a 'revolution' in the plain and literal sense of the word."

Four years of war and six years of peace lie behind us, and the peace years have not been much better than the war years. Not only do the majority of the reformist leaders quiet the masses of the workers by declaring that they will not be thrown into the jaws of war again as cannon fodder, but the masses of the workers themselves regard a fresh war as impossible, because they are afraid of the possibility. Great masses of workers in western Europe take part in the pacifist demonstrations held under the slogan of "Never again war!"

The great realist and strategist of the proletarian struggle did not shut his eyes to the disagreeable truth: "We give the masses no actual living idea of how a war can break out. On the contrary, the dominating press hushes this question up to such an extent and spreads such a daily veil of lies over it, that the weak socialist press is completely powerless in comparison, the more in that it has always adopted a wrong viewpoint on the subject, even in peace times. Even the communist press is at fault in this respect in most countries."

It need not be said that even the

best organized propaganda work cannot protect the masses of workers from the war danger. If class conditions do not give rise to a wave of revolution in every country, we are not safe against the impending danger of a world war, of a war which may come despite the fact that even the capitalists fear it. As Lenin rightly puts it: "... a war may break out any day with no further cause than a quarrel between England and France with regard to some detail of their agreement with Turkey, or between America and Japan over some unimportant difference referring to a question of the Pacific Ocean, or between any of the other great powers with regard to disagreements about colonies, tariffs, or general commercial politics."

If revolution does not develop in the most important capitalist countries before these latter, having recovered from the world war of 1914, plunge afresh into another world war, then the masses of the workers will again be confronted by the question of defense of native country, a question which, as Lenin observes: "the overwhelming majority of the workers will inevitably solve in favor of their own bourgeoisie." This is a very hard truth. It is difficult to proclaim this truth after all the lessons of the war, after ten million victims have been sacrificed, after half of the globe has been devastated.

Our revolutionary council of war has now had this book published in the Russian language. But our newspapers make no comment on it. No practical difficulties lie in the way of our propaganda and agitation in questions of international policy.

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why they must take part in it he further explains definitely by saying that the sole possible means of combatting war is "the maintenance or formation of an illegal organization of all revolutionists taking part in the war for the purpose of carrying on unceasing work against the war." It might be thought that this is no very great task. But when we recollect the situation in all countries after the outbreak of the war in 1914, when month after month passed away, and there was still no organization of revolutionists fighting against the war; when we remember that the whole war dragged out to its end and still there was no country except Russia successful in creating such an organization to any mass extent, then it must become clear to us that it would be of tremendous importance, and constitute an enormous stride forwards, if we communists could rise as one man against war, as a compact, international organization. The preparation for the formation of such an organization demands closest study of the total political experience gained during the last war, and requires that the communist workers shall become thoroughly familiar with every shade of opinion formed during the war in the camp of Socialism, and which form the fundamental principles on which political action will be based in the future.

The tenth anniversary of the outbreak of war is approaching. On this day millions of workers will be better able to meditate over the lessons taught by the last ten years than they can on ordinary work days. The Comintern must utilize this moment for conducting an extensive campaign of propaganda and agitation on the lines laid down by Lenin's last teaching.

AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

The Blacksmith's Journal is angry because Judge Gary would "get" Bishop McConnell, and in the words of the title of the article in the current issue of the above magazine, "wreck the Christian religion." The Bishop, it is true, was and is a friend of the steel strikers, but if the labor leaders, instead of depending on God and bishops to help them, organized the workers to help themselves, there would be no necessity of crying to heaven for salvation from the Steel Trust demon.

Brigadier General Dawes called on Calvin Coolidge in Washington. He was accompanied by his brother Henry M. Dawes, comptroller of the currency. The latter job seems to run in the Dawes family. Charley had it once, before he organized the Central Trust Company. Perhaps Henry may start another bank when he quits the job. The General had nothing to say to questions asked by reporters about his plans except, "I wonder." The reporters were disappointed that the usually vocal Dawes was so uncommunicative.

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telegraphs. The labor fakery will take good care of South Africa for the British Empire.

Because Premier King of Canada failed to welcome the British squadron visiting Canada, the opposition launched a vigorous attack on the pacifistic policy of the government. This brought forth a vigorous reply from the government spokesmen, who flayed Vice Admiral, Sir Frederick Field, who is credited with stating that Canada should come to the assistance of old England with four new cruisers. "Tell the admiral to mind his own business" said Roche Lantot, a government member. It looks as if Canada intended to cut the leading strings with the Pirate Empire before long.

Mussolini will not attend the reparations meeting of the interallied conference to be held in London this month. He is too busy trying to keep his head above water as a result of the latest Fascist murder—but one. The latest atrocity committed by the Fascists was the brutal killing of a motorman who announced his intention of observing the ten minute no-work period in honor of the assassinated deputy. Because the motorman was not a millionaire his death was not flashed to the four corners of the earth. Mussolini is on the toboggan and his fall is hourly expected.

The expected has happened in Japan. A jingo, perhaps a hireling in the employ of American warmongers, cut down the American flag from the staff at the United States embassy and a delicate diplomatic situation developed. The incident will not result in war NOW, as neither country is prepared for such a development. But when the time is ripe and the imperialists of both countries see no other way to solve their irreconcilable problems, such an incident will not be wanting to provide the excuse for another bloodletting.

The Irish Free State government intends to pension those soldiers who fought in the Easter Week revolution against the British government, later on during the Black and Tan struggle and again against the Republicans. The government hopes that this pension will help to allay the dissatisfaction among those who fought during the civil war, with the recent actor of the army authorities in demobilizing large numbers of soldiers.



The Poor Fish Says: I liked the religious atmosphere at the Democratic convention. Whenever the delegates were going to murder each other over God an appeal to the Deity was generally effective.

THE VIEWS OF OUR READERS ON LIFE, LABOR, INDUSTRY, POLITICS

Sent With His Verse. To the DAILY WORKER.—You are calling for the workers to take an interest in their daily and help edit it. It would be too strenuous a job for me to attempt editing my favorite paper from this city; and anyway, it strikes me that you are doing a pretty good job as it is. I read A. B. C.'s criticism with much interest. Doubtless, the paper isn't perfect, and could stand improving; but it is so superior to anything of its kind being published today in America, that I have nothing but applause for it.

Western Electric Slavery. To the Daily Worker.—Western Electric. The place where people are hoarded like cattle and driven like slaves. The nickname given to Western Electric by a great many boys is "bandhouse," meaning prison. I am a student, and I secured a job at "Westerns" during the vacation at 27 cents an hour. After going thru a lot of red tape I finally ended up by getting a physical examination. The next day I started working. It was a pretty good job but the amount of work I was supposed to "get out" at the end of the day was something unbelievable.

I was a feeder to a machine, which revolved about twice in a minute and

contained twenty holes, and in order to put out my rate I could not miss a hole, and so had to make 40 pieces a minute. During lunch the first day, I was reading a paper when the whistle blew, and after I got to my machine I was told by the strawboss that the machine should be started the instant at which the whistle blew.

Another instance of the grouchiness of the company is shown when one boy left his machine to go to the toilet. After staying there about 7 minutes the strawboss went after him to bring him back to his machine. The company employs mostly boys, girls and old women, who work for a small salary, and give out a great deal of work. At the end of the day if the employe falls to make his rate he is severely reprimanded. I assure everybody that the above facts are nothing but the truth.

Western Electric Worker. To the DAILY WORKER.—You can use the following information in the next issue of your paper.

Jack Kennedy, head night paymaster working for the Western Electric Company, department 50-50-I, under Mr. Nelson's supervision was heard recently to make the following statement:

He said that no matter how long you work for the Western Electric Company, you are never appreciated. In fact, that the longer you worked for the company the less you were appreciated.

Mr. Kennedy works out of Mr. Peter Hoffman's office (sheriff), and we believe Jack knows what he's talking about.—Western Electric Worker.