

# LEOPOLD SHOP MANGLES CHILD Swindled Farmers Basis of Loeb's Riches

## REPUBLICAN PARTY PUBLICITY ISSUING FAKE "PROSPERITY" REPORTS AS FACTORIES CLOSE

By JAY LOVESTONE

Prosperity talk is the bunk; industries are shut down or on part time and vast numbers of workers are unemployed. Yet—The powerful publicity machine of the republican party, feeding thousands of newspapers and magazines thruout the country is again working overtime to convince the country that good times are here again and that we are on the threshold of a new period of prosperity.

The machine that has organized this huge propaganda campaign is the same machine that put over Harding's election with a seven million majority. It is the same gigantic machine that worked with such deadly efficiency in the drive to put over the Mellon tax scheme for saving the multi-millionaires hundreds of millions of dollars.

The concerted offensive to fool the farmers and the workers into the belief that a turn for the better is at hand bears all the earmarks of the most careful preparation down to the minutest details.

The numerous Hearst publications in the industrial centers, the big chain of Capper papers in the agricultural districts, the editorial columns of the most influential dailies in every division of the country, the financial sections of the daily press, are all being stuffed with reports that industrial and business improvement is at hand and can't be prevented.

Wall Street Bunk.  
Some of the biggest publishers like the Curtis Publishing company, publishers of the Saturday Evening Post, The Ladies' Home Journal, and The Country Gentleman, are also acting as wholesale prosperity drummers by inserting full page advertisements in the most influential dailies.

The whole campaign, with its vast publicity, is being directed and inspired by some of the most powerful men in the New York financial district, in La Salle Street, Chicago, in Tremont Street, Boston. These men are working in the closest touch and harmony with the National Republican Committee.

The "prosperity" drive is plainly a maneuver on the part of the biggest business interests to put Coolidge back into the White House.

No Prosperity.  
But every factor which is considered a barometer of economic development shows that there is no prosperity in the offing.

A survey of the situation at hand shows plainly that business, employment, and wages are on the downward grade.

"The industrial recession, which has been developing during the last three months, took another million and a half dollars out of the weekly payrolls of the factories of New York state from May to June. This makes an estimated reduction of at least twenty million dollars in monthly earnings, since the second, more rapid."  
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## RAIL LABOR BOARD NOT VERY POPULAR BUT DOESN'T CARE

Chairman Hooper of the United States railroad labor board is afraid of losing a valuable meal ticket. The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Enginemen have challenged the right of the labor board to take evidence in the controversy now on between the brotherhoods and some fifty western carriers over wages and working rules.

Mr. Hooper is trying to have the Department of Justice use its power to force the brotherhoods to comply with the orders of the board. Mr. Hooper believes "court proceedings in the federal courts" should be instituted against the labor leaders.

The brotherhoods demand a five per cent increase and the carriers countered with a request for a change in the working rules.

## FACTION OUSTED FROM I. W. W. IS PLANNING SPLIT

### May Set Up Temporary Headquarters

That the five General Executive Board members of the I. W. W., who were ejected from the general office after being suspended on charges of disruption, are setting up a rival headquarters and attempting to lead a split in the organization was reported from several reliable sources today.

This came to light by news from both Chicago and outlying points to the effect that telegrams signed by James Rowan of the Lumber Workers' Union, and Fred Bowerman of the Metal and Machinery Workers' Union, had notified subordinate branches of the I. W. W. that they were setting up temporary headquarters rival to the Doyle-Fisher administration still occupying the regular national office at 1001 West Madison street.

Members Warned in Special Bulletin.  
According to the special bulletin issued by the group remaining in control of the administration, this split movement was foreseen and the membership warned against yielding to pleas of the Rowan-Bowerman group. In this bulletin the Doyle and Fisher group state:

"We call especially to your attention that we will not consent to or countenance any attempt on the part of any industrial union general office to withdraw from the I. W. W., and we call upon all members to watch for any such attempt and to crush it at the beginning."

According to reports, these five deposed officials, consisting of James Rowan, Fred Bowerman, P. D. Ryan of the General Construction Workers, Charles Anderson of the Metal Miners' Union, and Harry Trotter of the Railroad Workers, all members heretofore of the General Executive Board, continue to refuse to recognize the legality of the action taken against them, before their suspension that their group constituted a legal majority sufficient for regular action.

Against this claim the elected general officers, Tom Doyle, General Secretary-Treasurer, Joe Fisher, General Organizer, James Morris, Assistant Secretary-Treasurer, G. E. B. members Arthur Linn of the Agricultural Workers and Charles Gibson of the Oil Workers' Union, supported by representatives sent from the Marine Transport Workers' Union and from the Building Construction Workers' (Continued on page 2.)

## Allies Agree On Dawes Plan; Herriot Flops

(Special to the Daily Worker.)

LONDON, August 3.—"Only the devil can now separate us," declared preacher Ramsay MacDonald as he grasped the hand of premier Herriot of France after the Allied conference reached an agreement on the Dawes plan. There are plenty of devils lurking around as Mr. MacDonald is very well aware and one of them is no other than Henri Poincare, "Peck's Bad Boy" of the Dawes.

There may be other devils. The German and French Communists rae bitterly opposed to the Dawes plan, because it means more bitter suffering for the workers.

The Poincarist press is bitter in its opposition to the settlement and it is not improbable that Herriot may find himself a premier without a majority on his return. He will have, however, in his fight with Poincare, the cash of the House of Morgan at his back, just as Poincare had prior to the election, when Herriot was using strange words in order to catch votes—words that Morgan did not understand. He understands them now.

Call It Surrender.  
The Poincarist press brands the agreement a capitulation on the part of France to England. This is the way Liberté puts it: "August 2, 1914 invasion—August 2, 1924 capitulation."

The settlement was given an impetus by the arrival of Morgan. His lackeys were getting nervous over their failure to make Herriot come to terms. It is rumored that it was Morgan's promise to back up Herriot in France, was the argument that induced the radical-socialist premier to buckle down.

A feature of the political situation in Europe just now is the united front between the social democrats and the international bankers. The socialists in England, France and Germany are being used to iron out any obstacles in the way of the financiers' plan for complete hegemony over Europe.

The interview on socialism given by Ramsay MacDonald to an American correspondent, is considered here as another step on the part of the British Premier to prove to the bankers that socialism, according to Sain MacDonald is capitalism's best friend. It is.

Germans Invited.  
An invitation was sent to the Germans to come to London. Thus for the first time in ten years the "Huns" are again welcomed into the family of international robbers. All their sins are forgiven.

The French wanted to trade forgiveness of their debt to England in return for immediate evacuation of the Ruhr. MacDonald would not consider such a proposition. As the agreement stands at present, the United States bankers hold the whip hand and Ramsay MacDonald is their European Simon Legree.

### A. F. of L. On Nicaragua

WASHINGTON, July 31.—A statement on conditions in Nicaragua, and of the attitude of the American Federation of Labor toward rule of that republic by American marines, directed by Wall Street bankers, will be made by the A. F. of L. executive council during its quarterly session at Atlantic City. Hartwell Pronson, who has returned from a trip to Nicaragua in the interest of the Pan-American Federation of Labor, will report to the council on his observations.

### U. S. Ambassador Quitting

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Myron T. Herrick, United States Ambassador to France, plans to resign shortly. Herrick has been in poor health for some time. The ambassador is 60 years old.

## LITTLE FACTORY SLAVES' BLOOD ON LEOPOLD, SR.

### Caught in Machine of Slayer's Father

By KARL REEVE.

MORRIS, Ill., August 3.—Another slight slip of a lad lies in the Morris hospital today, his body crushed and mangled as a sacrifice to the "million dollar" Leopold defense. The huge maws of Nathan Leopold's bloodsucking Paper Mills, the giant machines that crush to despair the young citizens of Morris, last Friday clamped on the leg of Donald Steele.

Donald was working in the paper box department of the paper mill owned by the father of the Franks slayer. He has just completed his second year of high school. Donald gave his age as sixteen, to dodge the child labor laws and aid in the support of an impoverished family. But his school companions declare Donald to be fourteen years old.

Exhausted, Machine Mangles Him.  
On the day of the accident Donald had already been working for eight weary hours with two hours to go. His salary is only 15 dollars a week. He had been speeding all day, tending the paper box machine, and was very tired. The production had to be (Continued on page 2.)

## TALLENTIRE IS GREETED WITH EAGER CROWDS

### Finde Spirit of Workers Splendid

By NORMAN TALLENTIRE.

(Special to THE DAILY WORKER)  
OMAHA, Neb., Aug. 3.—The workers here have shown a fine, cheerful spirit and are pushing the party work ahead with vigor. This is partly due to the presence of Comrade Snyder, who is putting the work on a systematic basis.

Today Snyder and other party members from Omaha are going over to Sioux City, Iowa, to organize an English branch there.

### Meetings Grow Larger.

The meeting at St. Louis was smaller than would have been the case if longer notice had been given. But the members who came showed their generosity and a splendid spirit of optimism. Much literature was sold, Communist Internationales and Labor Herald and a collection of \$25 was taken.

At Kansas City in spite of great heat, 150 people turned out and paid 25 cents admission and then donated \$15 more for the work and expense. Those present were well satisfied with the meeting. Comrades Bill Browder and Jack Mihelic, chairman, were busy.

### New Members Enter.

Over 200 people gathered here on the streets when comrades Counts and Snyder opened the meeting. They were eager to hear more when the rain dispersed them in about half an hour. Street meetings here are proving a great success. From 100 to 400 workers turn out on the different nights.

New members are coming into the party and the spirit of hope and optimism among both new and old members is inspiring. The message of the Workers Party is being spread by the members and will bring results.

Send in that Subscription Today.

## AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

Governor Len Small of Illinois is a wealthy gentleman. One would hardly think so from the eulogies poured on him by the labor fakery. He is supposed to be one of the "people." How did he get his money? By being a tool of the railroad magnate Shonts. He started in with Shonts and from then on had no difficulty connecting with other railroad magnates. Small is a millionaire. The governor is now a witness in his own behalf before Master in Chancery Briggie, to answer charges that while treasurer of the state he lent state money to the packers, making a large profit on the transaction which he pocketed. Mr. Small is a good witness—for Mr. Small. It appears that the records which could either prove or disprove the charges made against the governor are missing and Mr. Small is in a state of blissful ignorance as to their whereabouts. The governor of Illinois is a wiser man than the governor of Indiana. The latter is in Atlanta for robbing some bankers. They are both—or were both—Republican governors. But Small did not rob the bankers.

James O'Donnell Bennett, staff correspondent for the Chicago Tribune is engaged in the pleasant task of writing about John W. Davis, one of Morgan's candidates for president of the United States. Bennett is a clever journalist and his stuff is readable. Davis' ancestors never used the rod on their children. They used a more effective weapon. It is that Davis "look." Looks like a talcum powder advertisement. Mr. Davis' sister said to the reporter, "the look of a gentleman is terrible to see." Then Bennett got his medicine. He (Continued on page 3.)

## FOSTER WINS WORKERS FROM CAL'S STATE

### Farm-Labor Party Goes for Workers Party

BOSTON, Aug. 3.—The convention of the Farmer-Labor party of Massachusetts unanimously went on record as endorsing both the national and state tickets of the Workers Party. The Farmer-Labor party was formed prior to the June 17 convention and had delegates in that convention. All of the unions and fraternal organizations which affiliated with the Farmer-Labor party at the original convention were represented and concurred in the endorsement of the Workers Party ticket.

Among the organizations represented are the Stitches' Union of Lynn, with 3,000 members; the Journeymen Tailors Union, the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Local and Joint Board, and a number of other local unions and fraternal organizations.

The convention nominated John J. Ballam, district organizer of the Workers Party, as the Workers Party candidate for governor, and a full ticket will be placed on the ballot, including presidential electors.

## W. Va. Workers Send Donations to Feed More Hungry Germans

The national office of the International Workers Aid reports that Comrade Hermann Muller, Box 307, Philadelphia, W. Va., collected \$10 for the aid of the hungry German workers and their families. Those from whom Muller accepted contributions may know that the money was received in the national office and will be sent to the starving workers with the money donated by other friends in this country.

Send in that Subscription Today.

## DAILY WORKER BARES SOURCE OF MILLIONS MAIL ORDER KING IS USING FOR HIS SLAYER SON

Albert H. Loeb, vice-president and treasurer of the \$150,000,000 Sears-Roebuck mail order corporation, is resting quietly in his cool Michigan palace while his millions are fighting for the life of his slayer son in the close atmosphere of the murder trial room in Chicago.

By what ruthless exploitation of the workers does Albert H. Loeb get the sinews of alienists' warfare?

That is a question the DAILY WORKER will answer. We will tell in a series of articles about the speed-up system in the mail order branches and the corporations' factories and we will lay bare the other crimes against the working class this corporations is guilty of.

But first we will briefly go over the history of the rise of the Sears-Roebuck business which now stands first in volume of business and financial resources among the mail order institutions of the world.

A Great American Success.  
The story of the rise of this huge corporation from a charlatan peddler's take stock to the titanic enterprise capitalized at more than \$150,000,000 for its common stock alone, is a story of swindle and hard practice that parallels the story of the early days of the Standard Oil—with this difference, that whereas Rockefeller sold genuine oil the Sears-Roebuck outfit spread sham goods over the country all thru its early years.

Patent Medicine Swindle.  
Albert Loeb, vice president and treasurer of this corporation, is able to finance the "million dollar defense" because farmers were tricked into buying alcoholic and poisonous patent medicines, that ruined their kidneys, and gilt watches whose gold remained behind in the advertising columns of Sears-Roebuck.

Getting His Start.  
The founder of the Sears-Roebuck enterprise was Richard Sears who started out late in the last century on something less than a shoestring. (Continued on page 4.)

## Dillonvale Young Workers to Picnic Sunday, Aug. 10

DILLONVALE, Ohio, Aug. 3.—An International Picnic will be the feature of the day next Sunday, Aug. 10. The Young Workers' League are responsible and promise everybody who comes to the Joa Kasal place, East Dillonvale, a grand good time. There will be an orchestra playing that will make the feet itch until they dance. Special entertainment will be part of the program.

Speakers in English will address the happy crowd and refreshments will save the hungry and thirsty from a sad end. All profits will go to the benefit of the Young Workers' League of America and boost the youth movement of the working class thruout the country.

Admission for men is 25 cents; for women 10 cents; and everybody is welcome.

## Chicago Federation Of Labor Nominates Convention Delegates

Arne Swabeck and Jack Johnstone of the painters and J. Uhlman of the machinists, were nominated for delegates to the convention of the Illinois Federation of Labor, as representing the left wing of the Chicago Federation of Labor, at yesterday's meeting of that body.

"Plain" Democrats  
WASHINGTON, July 31.—In a modest suite of thirty large rooms in the newest and biggest office building in town, headquarters for the Democratic national committee have been opened. Only eight big rooms have been assigned to press work. Chairman Shaver is going to prove that this is a fight for the plain people. Economy—with-in reason—is his slogan.

## FARMER-LABOR OF PHILA. FOR FOSTER-GITLOW

### Philadelphia Unionists Flay LaFollette

By ABRAM JAKIRA.  
PHILADELPHIA, Aug. 3.—After a considerable discussion the candidates of the Workers Party were endorsed by a conference of the local Farmer-Labor Party held Thursday night, July 31st, in the Machinists Temple. Those who participated in the discussion pointed out that the workers can have nothing in common with La Follette and Wheeler who are being backed by millionaires as Frank A. Vanderlip, the banker and Rudolph Spreckles, the sugar king of California.

The conference did not have to go far for facts to be convinced that the LaFollette movement means suicide to the Farmer-Labor Party movement. The Pennsylvania State Farmer-Labor Party is one of the victims of the LaFollette onslaught.

The record of both William Z. Foster and Benjamin Gitlow was brought to light by some of the delegates who had the opportunity to see those two men in action.

The conference also decided to continue its work as a local Farmer-Labor Party and elected Andrew W. Pitt of the Tapestry Carpet Workers Union as its permanent president in place of Adolph Gersch who resigned because of the fact that he was leaving town in the near future.

The statement adopted unanimously by the conference follows in full: "It has been and still is the aim of (Continued on page 2.)

## CARMEN'S UNION WILL ORGANIZE STRIKERS AT HEGEWISCH TODAY

The Hegewisch street car strikers hold an important meeting this morning, when they will be organized by John Hogan into the Brotherhood of Railway Carmen. Out of 2500 men working in the struck Western Steel Car company, only 200 are now at work. Plant production has completely stopped. The striking steel workers have forced other departments to close for lack of work.

Jack McCarthy will also speak at today's meeting. Hogan, who was recently asked to take charge of the strike, will speak this morning on the value of a definite union organization to hold the men together. The Brotherhood of Railway Carmen is the only union that takes in all branches of carbuilders.

# NEGROES BEGIN TO SCRAP FAITH OF OPPRESSORS

## Significant Discussion at N. Y. Convention

By CATO JONES.  
(Special to the DAILY WORKER)  
NEW YORK, August 3.—The international convention of the Negro peoples of the world, beginning its business sessions here today after the ceremonial opening of last night, is discussing the idea of the Christian "Holy Trinity" as being composed of "a black man of sorrows" (Jesus), "the Virgin Mary as a Negress," and "a Holy Spirit . . . of imaginary semblance of the black race."

It is a fantastic effort to reconcile the religion so deeply implanted in the Negro race on the slave plantations by their white masters, with a fast growing consciousness that religious taught by masters to slaves were not taught for the slaves' benefit.

Many sad experiences of Negroes with the treachery of preachers of their own race, often subsidized by those who wish to keep the Negro contented in subjection, are a spur behind the weird plan to accept the white man's trinity only in black. The fact that the whole religious conception would remain just as enslaving in black terms as in white, receives slight attention.

Revolts Under Religious Guise

Certainly nowhere on earth—except in a convention of this sort—could such a discussion be heard. Many readers unfamiliar with the history of the Negro people would be misled by the preoccupation of a convention with such matters. Yet it is an outgrowth of the historical past of the Negro. In centuries suffering under the lash of slavery, the Negroes found their first aid, at that time, the only possible opportunity for gatherings, discussions and organization, in the guise of religious congregations. Such excuses for assembling gave the Negro slave his first social grouping, his first leadership—and indeed, in some notable occasions laid the groundwork for slave revolts in pre-Civil War days. The most famous example was the revolt led by a black preacher, Nat Turner, nearly a century ago.

With this historical background, there has always been a touch of religious ceremonial about Negro organizations. Negro meetings of no matter what sort, invariably open with prayer, even as this one is now opening.

Beginning of Religious Revolt.

But he who would let the subject drop at this point, would be badly deceived. A close examination will show that even in the observance of the practice in this instance, is an inconspicuous effort to get away from at least the "white man's" version of the religion which was used by the southern slave-owning planter to paralyze the minds of his black victims. The effort in this case is to translate the forms of oppressor's religion into terms of the Negro's racial self-respect. His unwillingness longer to submit to a white master-caste is gropingly expressed in his unwillingness to worship a "white god." Still wandering in the mists of the religion which helps to enslave him, the black man has at last become disinterested with the color of the mist.

Anti-Clerical.

The Universal Negro Improvement Association, as shown by its published motto: "One God, One Aim, One Destiny," is not an anti-religious organization. But it is distinctly anti-clerical. Week after week its official organ, "The Negro World," thunders its denunciation against the preachers who mislead the race and against "Christian religion as applied by the white man." The efforts of the organization have done much to free the Negro from the baneful influence of the church which has weighed so long upon the Negro and retarded his enlightenment. It remains without saying that the organization's practice may in future tend to hold the Negro in superstition thru its unwillingness to reject theology. On the other hand, it may develop from anti-clericalism into definite, modern, scientific rejection of religion and its enslaving influence.

Sentimental History.

BENTON, Wis., August 3.—This little mining town was today back to normalcy following a big centennial celebration, which was featured by a two-mile pageant depicting historical events. Gov. Blaine was the chief speaker.

MONTREAL, Aug. 3.—The Montreal local of the International Typographical Union proposes a Canadian vice-president of the union at the convention that opens in Toronto Aug. 11.

English Flier Held.

PETROPAVLOSK, Kamchatka, Aug. 1.—Flight Commander A. Stuart MacLaren of the British Royal Air Force, who is attempting a round-the-world flight, was still weatherbound here today.

# REPUBLICANS FAKING PROSPERITY

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id, phase of the depression began in March," says the latest bulletin issued by the New York State Department of Labor.

Enormous Slump.

This report covering the conditions in the Empire State, goes on to say: "For the first time in two years wage rate decreases were significant. A year ago, in June, 1923, factory payrolls reached the highest point of the expansion in manufacturing which was then under way. Weekly payrolls were estimated to be at least thirty-eight million dollars. This June they were down to about thirty-two and a half million dollars. This is a cut of five and a half million dollars in the weekly income of a large group of the population."

State Industrial Commissioner Bernard L. Shientag further says that "The heaviest drop in payrolls for any group of industries is that in the textiles." Conspicuous decreases have also been noticed in the metal industries, where payrolls have been cut in half. In the automobile industries payrolls have been cut one-third. In all the wearing apparel industries, clothing, men's shirts, underwear, shoes and leather goods, the same tendency has been evident.

Factory Shut-Downs Continue.

At Lawrence, Mass., the Everett Mills have just shut down for three weeks after running half time for a while. In Lowell, Mass., the cotton mills closed down for ten days after operating on a three-day schedule for two weeks. In Webster, Mass., it is likely that the Slater company will soon throw out of work fifteen hundred. The Amoskeag Manufacturing company is planning to go on a three-day schedule.

A report just made public in Charlotte, North Carolina, says that cotton mill curtailment in the state is still twenty-five per cent.

Layoffs, Wage Cuts, Misery.

All Massachusetts shoe centers report a slackening in production. In Brockton, Lynn, and Haverhill, operations are below normal, about one-third capacity.

William Skinner and Sons, silk manufacturers, the Lyman Cotton Goods Mills, and the manufacturing divisions of the American Thread company have closed down for ten days, according to Holyoke reports. The Farr Alpaca company is also closing. The Lockwood Cotton Mills, at Waterville, Maine, has decided to run on a four-day schedule all summer. Announcing its decision to shut down for another ten days, the Hamilton Wool company said: "It is unprecedented in this company."

The International Paper company mills at South Glens Falls, New York, is still shut down. The Union Bag and Paper Corporation, Hudson Falls, Fort Edward Mills, is continuing to operate on a four-day schedule. The Dwight Manufacturing company of Chicopee, Mass., is to run on a three-day schedule.

The New London Ship and Engine company has just laid off two hundred workers at New London.

The Reading Railroad company has informed the four thousand men at Reading shops and the several thousand more in its outlying plants, that all shopmen are to work from now on a four eight-hour day schedule week.

Wage Cuts Kept Up.

Wage reductions are continuing. The Tamarack Mill at Pawtucket has cut wages ten per cent. In Philadelphia, there is talk of reducing the wages of the clothing workers. In Haverhill, Mass., the counter and top-lift manufacturers are demanding that the Shoe Workers' Protective Union should accede to a wage cut of twelve and a half per cent and a restoration of Saturday morning work. Similar demands are being made by the manufacturers in Brockton, Mass. The workers employed by the Panther Rubber Company at Stoughton, Mass., are on strike against a twenty per cent wage cut.

After operating on part time for several weeks, for the first time in a quarter of a century, the Spencer Wire Company Mills, of the Wickwire-Spencer Steel Corporation, has decided to cut wages about ten per cent.

Business Panorama Dark.

"General production thruout the country is, at the present time, running fifteen per cent below normal" says the last issue of Bache's Review.

The preliminary estimates issued by the United States Geological Survey show that the production of bituminous coal for June was the lowest on record except for the strike year of 1922. Anthracite output was the lowest since June, 1919, except for the strike months of 1922. The Interstate Commerce Commission is attempting to help the coal market by asking that autumn and winter purchases be made now.

Loadings of revenue freight for the week ending July 12, show a decrease of ten per cent from the corresponding period of last year. Miscellaneous and merchandise freight are in a similar condition.

Steel and Oil Down.

The iron and steel industry is still running at about forty per cent capacity. The Bethlehem Steel company, the largest of the independents, has passed its dividend on common stock for the second quarter.

There is heavy reduction in the oil industry. At the first of the month copper stocks showed a drop of nearly three million pounds from June first.

Two of the biggest mail order

houses in the country are reducing their prices by nearly ten per cent in order to stimulate business.

In the Chicago Federal Reserve Bank district, there was a further decrease of nearly four per cent in the number employed and nearly six per cent in the wages for last month. Iron and steel mills laid off nearly ten per cent of their men in addition to curtailing production.

The latest Federal Reserve Bank report shows that production in the basic industries declined nine per cent in June and was, on July first, twenty-two per cent below the level of the first two months of the year. Tho iron, steel, and cotton, were hardest hit, the decreases were general in almost all the other industries.

Bluffing the Country.

Altogether too great stress is now being laid on the billions of dollars that are supposed to be flowing into the coffers of the farmers because of the failure of European crops and the shortages in Canada and some of our own states.

The fact of the matter is that even if the farmers were to get all the money that they are supposed to be getting, but which the speculators are now actually getting thru the rise in the price of wheat, corn and hogs, there would be no increase of purchasing power for the whole country. This is true because something like eighty-eight per cent of the wheat produced in the United States is consumed in the country and the additional money that the farmers are supposed to be getting now thru higher prices would therefore, have to come out of the pockets of the country.

At best the rise in the much over-advertised farm prices can be only a shifting and not an increase of purchasing power. Besides, many of the farmers have sold their wheat, have assigned it long in advance in order to meet mortgage payments, bank notes, and tax bills. Then, it will take years of genuine widespread prosperity to pull the farming masses out of the hole in which they have been thrown by the last five years of severe depression.

The few and scattered signs of revival in some of the lesser important industries are only seasonal. In the view of the authoritative financial journal, The Analyst, the present situation is to be summed up as follows:

"Unemployment, which in the factory field has already attained an alarming rate of increase is becoming more marked. The Minneapolis Federal Reserve District sees an excess of farm labor in all sections of the district.

Kidding the Country.

"But there is no doubt that Wall Street would like to see the country talk itself into a state of cheerful optimism toward the future and is willing to lead the way. It is quite as true in business as in other human contacts that optimism is both contagious and infectious. If such a condition develops, and it would represent nothing more nor less than a psychological change in commercial sentiment, it should first be evidenced in an increase in forward orders. In this one direction lies the main difficulty. Those whose products are a long while in the process of manufacture have been literally geared to a hand-to-mouth scale, and they continue to be so geared."

Here we have the real objective of the grand offensive that has been launched to psychologize the country into the belief that prosperity is with us again. The employing class propagandists have political and economic reasons for their campaign of misrepresentation of the present state of affairs in industry and business.

# FACTION OUSTED FROM I. W. W. IN PLANNING SPLIT

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Union, contend that the group acted in violation of a rule adopted by the last convention requiring two-thirds majority for any legal action of the General Executive Board. Further, that the Rowan-Bowerman group continued to violate this rule after being warned, attacked the right of the general convention to make this rule for the G. E. B., and rejected the peace offer of a proposed board meeting to include all members, which was at first one of their leading demands.

In the special bulletin mentioned above, the membership is solicited for decision on a number of constitutional questions arising in the controversy, such as the power of the General Organizer on the General Executive Board, the authority of the administration in suspending three members who violated the adverse ruling of the last convention on the commutation controversy, and the membership's desire for a special convention to take up the present differences.

Decay or Revival.

So far, the controversy appears on the surface to be legalistic, and neither side has yet defined or analyzed its own or the opposition's action from another viewpoint. Neither side has yet offered a statement explaining or justifying their action from a point of view of revolutionary unionism. It remains on the surface as similar in nature to the internal quarrels for control in the regular non-revolutionary unions. The only indication that this controversy may yet assume a nature of a revival of the traditional fighting spirit which has largely been dissolved by the pacifist and liberal penetration and control, is the activity and prominence of a rank and file committee. If this indication does not materialize, and the struggle for control remains unexplained by either side from the viewpoint of the revolutionist, the controversy will indicate that it is a crisis of disease and not of returning health.

# FARMER-LABOR OF PRILA. FOR FOSTER-GITLOW

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The Local Farmer-Labor Party to unite the workers of Philadelphia for Independent Political Action. It was our hope that a great National Farmer-Labor Party will be the outcome of the St. Paul and Cleveland Conventions held during the months of June and July.

"We learn, however, that the Farmer-Labor Party movement has been betrayed and prostituted by the so-called Conference For Progressive Political Action. By its endorsement of the independent candidacy of Senator LaFollette it has completely surrendered to the two old capitalist parties.

"The LaFollette movement is not a working class movement, and is calculated to completely obscure the issue of Independent Political Action. It is a movement of small business, manufacturers, bankers and rich farmers. The working class has nothing to gain by supporting the small exploiters against their more powerful rivals.

LaFollette Danger.

"The action of the Pennsylvania State Conference for Progressive Political Action held in Harrisburg, July 21, and attended to by a few hand-picked and self appointed "delegates" shows clearly that the LaFollette movement is a big danger to the Farmer-Labor Party movement of this country. A motion to run LaFollette in this state on the Farmer-Labor Party ticket was voted down. Furthermore, the Harrisburg conference decided not to nominate an independent State ticket, but to endorse various candidates of the old capitalist parties. The Harrisburg conference thus decided to continue the old outworn policy of 'reward your friends and punish your enemies.'

Foster and Gitlow.

"Against this petty bourgeois movement of LaFollette there are the outstanding figures of William Z. Foster and Benjamin Gitlow, the candidates of the Workers Party, whose true working class character no one can deny.

"The Workers Party has for the last two years carried on and still continues to carry on a vigorous campaign for the formation of a truly working class Farmer-Labor Party. It is at present the only political labor organization which refused to betray the working class of this country and which struggles against LaFolletteism dominating the labor movement.

"The Second Conference of the Farmer-Labor Party at Philadelphia therefore approves the action taken by the National Executive Committee of the Farmer-Labor Party formed at St. Paul in endorsing the candidates of the Workers Party and pledges itself to support in every way possible the campaign and the candidates of the Workers Party and calls upon all workers of Philadelphia to do likewise.

# Turpin and Gloria to Jazz Workers on the Bosses' "Labor Day"

By J. LOUIS ENGDHAL.

TODAY, and during the days of the rest of this month of August, the workers in their trade unions will be discussing the celebration of this year's Labor Day, Monday, Sept. 1.

The discussions, the committee reports, the recommendations, concerning the Labor Day celebrations will all be a confession of how the organized workers, bankrupt in idealism, possessing no militant program, and lacking in aggressive leadership, do not know how to celebrate a holiday of their own.

Instead of planning huge demonstrations, raising vital demands against their exploiters, the trade unions will arrange picnics, baseball games, horse races, barbecues, or some other form of outing, without meaning, the only purpose of which will be to bring in funds for high-salaried and reactionary officials to spend. Sometimes the affairs are arranged by business agents, organized together for the purpose, who pocket all the proceeds themselves. At other times old party politicians arrange the affairs for their own aggrandizement.

Occasionally parades are held, and an effort made to give them a real working class nature. But these instances are few and far between. Chicago, for instance, hasn't had a parade in years. "It's no use," say the officials. "The workers won't come out."

Thus we accept, as something to be expected, the headline in the socialist weekly, the Oklahoma Leader, of Oklahoma City, Okla., announcing "MOVIE STAR IN LABOR DAY FETE—WEEK OF ENTERTAINMENT IS PLANNED BY COMMITTEE." That is typical.

Glenn Smith, chairman of the trades council's Labor Day committee, announces that, "Oklahoma City's Labor Day features will include a visit here, of Gloria Swanson, Mae Murray or Ben Turpin." This publicity sounds more like Oscar Ameringer, editor of the Oklahoma Leader, and P. T. Barnum of the socialist movement, and not like Labor Leader Smith. Gloria, the vamp, or Ben, the slapstick comedian, are to give the workers a thrill on Labor Day that will keep them jazzed up in the service of the bosses for the rest of the year.

It is seriously announced that in the event the movie clown, Turpin, comes to town, he will be allowed to lead the Labor Day Parade. Gompers should be at his side. But if "the gilded dolls of the silver screen" appear, they will be permitted to ride in the float with the Labor Day queen. Balloting on the queen has already started.

This is the Labor Day that the bosses have legalized for the workers. No "red plots" are announced for this day. The day is thoroly respectable in every way.

Labor Day had a little meaning in the beginning. It was intended to offset the drift of the workers to the real holiday of labor, International Labor Day, May 1st.

It was in 1882 that the Knights of Labor paraded in New York City on the first Monday in September. In 1884 another parade was held. It was then decided that this day should be set aside as a regular holiday.

In 1887, open shop Colorado, with its Cripple Creek strike, numerous struggles of the coal miners, the Ludlow massacre and the kidnapping of Moyer, Pettibone and Haywood, made the first Monday in September a legal labor holiday.

By 1909, Labor Day was observed thruout the United States, we are told, except in Arizona and North Dakota. In Louisiana it is only a holiday in New Orleans, and in Maryland, Wyoming and New Mexico it is not established as a holiday by statute, but in each may be proclaimed as such in any year by the governor.

It is well that the political spokesmen of organized greed call it "Labor Day." Otherwise the workers might not know it was a day set apart for them. They will learn, this year, for instance, that all the capitalist politicians will use the day, in conjunction with movie queens, race horses, and sports of various kinds, to drum up a crowd to listen to their usual bunk about the full dinner pail, and the promised prosperity that will surely come in the glorious future if the workers and farmers will only cease listening to the terrible Communists.

This year's Labor Day will not be different from those that have preceded it. It will as usual serve notice on the rich parasites that it is time to come back to cities after summers spent at the seashores, the inland lakes or in the mountains. To be sure they must come back to the cities for a short time before running off for the winter to Florida or California or Europe.

But for the workers, Labor Day, the first Monday in September, has ceased to have any significance, if it ever had any. The task of the Communists is to win all workers instead for International Labor Day, May 1st, the day when enlightened labor in all lands unfurls its challenge in the face of the hostile ruling class, and demonstrates its strength thru its united numbers.

While the organized workers, many of them very innocently and ignorantly, are making plans for silly celebrations on September's Labor Day, let class conscious workers carry on an incessant fight for Labor's own holiday, the First of May.

# MEXICAN RECOGNITION OF RUSSIA PUTS GOMPERS IN ABSURD POSITION

(By The Federated Press)  
WASHINGTON, August 1.—Announcement from Mexico City that the Oregon government has recognized the Russian Soviet government came as a complete surprise to Latin-Americans here. It was known that President-elect Calles favored recognition of Russia, but it had not been anticipated that President Oregon would shoulder the responsibility of disposing of this issue before his friend should come into office.

Speculation began as to whether Gen. Calles, on the three months trip in Europe which he is about to undertake, would get as far east as Moscow.

One of the humors of the Mexican recognition of Russia is the fact that the American Federation of Labor has taken pride both in its sympathy with the cause of Oregon and Calles and in its opposition to any American dealings with the Russian workers and peasants government.

# LITTLE FACTORY SLAVES' BLOOD ON LEOPOLD, SENIOR

(Continued from page 1)  
kept up. The Reliance prison manufacturing trust, which exploits thousands of convicts, must be supplied with its Black Beauty shirt boxes. Nathan Leopold junior was in trouble for butchering another son of the perverted rich. Profits had to be ground out to pay for the million dollar defense of the carefree "Babe."

Suddenly it happened. Donald's foot, weary from the long hours of standing on the hard cement floor, slipped into the relentless Leopold machine. There was a crunching sound. Donald is now seriously hurt, his right leg mangled and crushed, his toes smashed, his bones broken.

Dr. H. M. Ferguson, 50 year resident of Morris who once before came into the "ranks case as the eye specialist who help put the prosecution on the track of the owner of the glasses, now re-enters the case in a less glorious role. Ferguson is the corporation doctor of the Leopold plant. He treats all the accidents in Nathan Leopold's sweat shop.

Leopold Doctor Talks.

Dr. Ferguson, when interviewed by the DAILY WORKER, admitted he is entirely satisfied with the Nathan Leopold plant. He gets all the accident cases, and he admitted there are many. "Steele was pretty badly hurt," said Dr. Ferguson. "I told W. Beckwith, the manager of the plant, it was not absolutely necessary, but was most advisable, to send Donald to the hospital. Beckwith immediately said, 'sure, send him to the hospital. That shows how well Leopold treats his help.'

But after the DAILY WORKER reporter had telephoned the Morris Heald, and they had refused to give any information on the case, saying, "he was only slightly hurt," another reason for sending Donald to the hospital became apparent. The Morris hospital is over a mile out of town. Better for the "good name" of Nathan Leopold to have the cripple secluded from the eyes of the other workers, than to have him hobbling around the Morris streets, a walking advertisement to the other workers of the horrors inflicted by the Leopold factory.

While Nathan is Smiling.

At the very moment when Nathan Leopold, Jr., sat smiling in the courtroom, amused by the \$250 a day alienists testimony as to Nathan's childish phantasies, Donald Steele was writhing in pain at the injuries inflicted by Nathan Leopold, Senior's, machines. While the Chicago kept press is heaping sympathy upon the elder Leopold for the "sting inflicted by his child," other children—but poor people's children—are giving up their best energies, their toll-racked bodies, their dull souls, to pay for these alienists. Nathan Leopold is willing to pay \$250 a day for an alienist to save his perverted son from the gallows, but he begrudges even \$15 a week to children whom he has been willing to take out of high school in order to roll up his ill spent wealth.

..... Cheating the Cripples. ....

"Leopold takes good care of his injured help" asked one of Donald Steele's companions when told that Dr. Ferguson had said they were well taken care of. "Like hell he does. They get yanked down to Ferguson, treated and sent home or to the hospital. The Leopold factory is supposed to pay half the wages, which is just \$7.50 a week. But very often the men don't get even that, and they have no way to get justice."

MADRID, Aug. 3.—Primo de Rivera is between the devil and Morocco. The Spanish military campaign in that country has gone from bad to worse and the dictator would fain wash his hands off the whole business but he finds his hands tied.

Recently he announced that the dictatorate which rules Spain decided to withdraw the troops from many of the outposts held by the army. But when the proposition was broached to the army officers who captured those posts at considerable risk and discomfort, they would not hear of it.

Then the Moors waded in so insistently that the Spanish troops could not let go even if they wanted to. It looks as if the Moors feared a loss of their favorite outdoor sport if the Spanish troops withdrew.

The latest communique from Morocco is to the effect that Spanish artillery bombarded the positions of the rebel Moorish tribesmen causing many casualties.

In the meantime the King of Spain is enjoying himself at the watering places dancing with prepossessing American belles.

MILWAUKEE, August 3.—A day off for city and county employes who are by the nature of their work compelled to be on duty Sundays and holidays, is asked of the council by the City and County Public Service Employees' union.

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# "BLACKJACK" PERSHING COMES FROM EUROPE'S BATTLEFIELDS TO MOBILIZE FOR NEXT WAR

"Blackjack" Pershing is back in Washington after dining around Europe with the Belgian king and other notables in France and England.

General John J. Pershing, who commanded United States forces in the last great war, has just returned from "inspecting" the cemeteries where the thousands of young men whom he sent to slaughter for the imperial capitalists are rotting.

And this same Pershing has the audacity to come "home" in time to assume charge of the preparations for the next big "killing" of the best young men of the nation, thousands more of the young workers who were under age or escaped death in the last world war.

"Blackjack" Pershing is taking personal charge of the plans for National Mobilization day, Sept. 12 and he has come fresh from the burial mounds of the battlefields of Europe where American lads lie sacrificed to the greed of imperial capital.

### Governors Line Up.

One by one the states' governors are getting behind President Coolidge in this great militaristic mobilization. If the governors are democrats they grumble a little and pretend that Coolidge is "going too far," but they would go the limit themselves if war were forced upon them by the international financiers and capitalists.

John W. Davis, democratic presidential nominee, has seconded his running mate's, Charlie Bryan's weak protest from Nebraska, mildly criticizing the little puppet in the white house for including civilians in the mobilization and "inculcating the militarist spirit" in the people. But Morgan with a crook of his finger would make both Johnny and Charlie run to do his bidding and order the boys out from all the factories, mines, mills, and workshops (except munitions works) in the country to make real war on workers of other lands.

### Utah Ready.

Governor Charles R. Mabey of Utah has announced that he is "squarely behind President Coolidge in his call for the observance of National Defense Day." He even uses Cal's revised name for the military holiday of the war lords.

Governor Fields of Kentucky has sanctioned "the day" and is taking an active part in arranging the details for his state's participation.

### Bob's Man Approves.

Governor "Jake" Preus of Minnesota has vowed he will do all he can to make Mobilization Day a success in his country altho the farmers are not interested in fighting for a government which has given them no consideration whatsoever.

Governor Blaine, LaFollette's reactionary "tail" in Wisconsin, has issued a proclamation demanding the observance of the Mobilization Day, Sept. 12. The Socialists will probably go along here, too, with Bob and his tough old governor.

Governor A. V. Donahey of Ohio will assist in the mobilization of all possible military forces in his state in spite of a storm of protest from church organizations whose appeals to Secretary of War Weeks may be found in his waste basket.

### Texas Waiting.

Governor Pat Neff of Texas is "considering" what his position on Mobilization Day will be. He has received the official propaganda of the Coolidge Republican imperial-capitalist-militarist gang on the subject and will undoubtedly fall in behind the patriotic band.

And this is just the beginning of the lining up of forces. Illinois mayors meet next week to decide their part in the military show. All over the country from now until Sept. 12 the state and local politicians as well as the national ones will be scheming how to get the most votes out of their participation in the Mobilization Day.

### To Scare World.

By "the day" the forty-eight states will be in line, whether they all like it or not, and the workers will be forced to lay off a day and strut around in goose-step to intimidate Japan and France and all other nations that may entertain any idea of hindering American imperialism's tri-

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# 5,000 WORKERS PLEDGE SELVES AGAINST WARS

### Boston Common Packed in Anti-War Meet

BY JAMES J. LACEY.

(Special to The Daily Worker)  
BOSTON, Aug. 3.—Five thousand workers on Boston Common pledged themselves to refuse military service and to fight and oppose the next imperialist war that this country engages in. At a mass demonstration held under the auspices of the Workers Party as part of the International Anti-War week campaign, John J. Ballam, District Organizer of the Workers Party, Lewis Mazrks of the Young Workers League and Charles G. Roberts of the Friends of Soviet Russia spoke to the assembled thousands and for two hours received their undivided and enthusiastic attention. At the close of the meeting fully 90 per cent of those present held up their right hand and pledged themselves to unalterable opposition to all imperialist adventures of the ruling financial oligarchy of this country.

The meeting was opened by Comrade Harry J. Canter who told of the International Demonstration being arranged simultaneously in every country of the world by the affiliated sections of the Communist International in these countries. Comrade Roberts spoke of the feeling in Britain at the opening of the last war, of his and his comrades' experiences with the Defense of the Realm Act (their equivalent to our Espionage Act) when they pointed out the hollowness of Britain's claims to the title of Protector of Small Nations in the face of their treatment of the peoples of Ireland and Egypt.

**N. Y. PAYROLLS DROP \$1,500,000 IN SINGLE WEEK**  
**Hard Facts Refuting Prosperity Boosters**  
(Special to the Daily Worker.)  
ALBANY, N. Y., Aug. 3.—Another million and a half dollars was clipped from the weekly payrolls of factories in New York state between May and June, according to commissioner of labor, B. L. Shientag. The reduction since March in the monthly income of the factory population amounts to \$20,000,000.

Wage rate decreases, says the report, were significant for the first time in 2 years. Wage cuts during the month outnumbered the increases. In June 1923 factory payrolls in the state reached the highest point of the boom then under way. Weekly payrolls were estimated at not less than \$38,000,000. This June they were down to about \$32,500,000, a decrease of \$5,500,000.

The heaviest drop in payrolls for any group of industries is in textiles. Average weekly earnings of individual textile workers were cut almost \$2. The reduction went over \$2 in cotton, carpet, and knitting mills. All wearing apparel industries the same way.

Conspicuous decreases are also noted in the metal industries where payrolls have been cut in half in the iron and steel mills and cut one-third in the automobile factories. Paper mills and shoe factories have been severely affected. Average earnings in Rochester shoe factories were down to \$19.49 compared with \$22.72 in June, 1923.

**Russian Chemical Association Plans Widespread Action**  
(Rosta News)  
MOSCOW, Aug. 3.—At the last session of the "Dobrochin" (Volunteer Chemical Association), held under Mr. Trotsky's, the People's War Commissary's chairmanship, a number of important questions were discussed, connected with the statutes, the organization of branch associations thruout the Union of Soviet Republics and the raising of funds. Mr. Trotsky has been finally elected Chairman and Mr. Frunze (Acting People's War Commissary), Mr. Piatakov (Chairman of the Chief Concessions Committee) and Mr. Ipatieff—Vice-Chairman of the "Dobrochin."

A number of sections and under-sections of the Bureau have been organized, covering all the various eventual activities of the new national organization. The main objects of the "Dobrochin" are to propagate and practically find ways and means for the application of chemical resources in all the fields of the life and activities of the Union of Soviet Republics, including national defence and the economic restoration of the country.

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I think the youth on land and sea,  
Who meet the next emergency  
Will wish before the end is gained  
That oldstyle war had been retained,  
And quoting Shakespeare awfully well,  
Say, "War by any name is hell."  
That was some relief for the pacifist women. With one accord they applauded and gave rousing cheers for Bill Lloyd, author of the Dinner Pail Epics, the Federated Press jingles.

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ST. LOUIS, Aug. 3.—The Missouri supreme court has sustained a verdict for \$15,000 in favor of Lucien DeClue, switchman, against the Missouri Pacific Railroad Co. The award is for injuries sustained in 1920, while he was switching cars for the defendant company.

# ANOTHER IRISH CRISIS FACES J. BULL CABINET

### MacDonald Caters to Ulster Tories

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LONDON, Aug. 3.—Another Irish crisis confronts the British government. The British Labor Party officials are dealing with the situation in much the same fashion as previous governments handled it. That is, by trucking to the Ulster reactionaries. The present crisis is over the boundary commission. The Ulsterites refused to accept a third man appointed by the British government on the commission. The law creating the Free State called for this but the Belfast plutes care very little for any law that does not suit themselves. In 1914 the Orangemen took up arms against the threatened enforcement of the Home Rule Bill. The leader of the rebels, Sir Edward Carson, was rewarded by a cabinet position. The same government that placed the woosack on Carson, soon afterwards murdered James Connolly, opposing conscription with arms.

The MacDonald government is following the policy of Asquith, Lloyd George and Baldwin in dealing with the boundary crisis. To show his absence of party spirit he invited leaders of all the other big parties into conference and the signatories to the Free State treaty.

The privy council has ruled that the government cannot create a new commission to settle the boundary question unless new legislation is enacted. With the opposition of the Tories this will be difficult. To complicate matters, Ulster members of parliament are on their way to London to oppose such legislation.

**U. S. Sailors Interested.**  
The chairman introduced Comrade Ballam by holding up a copy of the Transcript of last September which contains a reproduction of Ballam's photograph and Bertillon measurements taken from the records of the Plymouth County Jail (where Com. Ballam served a year under the charge of obstructing recruiting). The significance of this and of the fact of Ballam's unchanged opposition to all capitalist wars was not lost to the audience which stormily applauded his appearance and applauded again and again every point he made against the war makers and their assistants the social-patriots. Many sailors of the U. S. Navy were in the audience and they followed with interest his remarks on the gross profiteering that went on under the Wilson administration.

**Shown the "Gold Fish."**  
After a running gun battle today with two boys whom they discovered, they say, robbing a South Side store, police captured Albert Green and Robert Karkovitch, each 15 years old, who confessed to 215 robberies in the past few weeks. The boys, who said their activities last night included eight burglaries, took police to a cache where thousands of dollars in loot was discovered.

### Forward with Foster.

Placards and posters bearing lettered slogans were loudly applauded as they were hung on the railing of the stand. Among others were these slogans: "Back to '76 with LaFollette or Forward to Soviet America with Foster." "Universal Peace thru the Communist International or Imperialist War thru the League of Nations." "Millions for War but not One Cent for Unemployment." "War is Hell—Let the Boss Go to War." "A vote for the Workers Party is a Vote Against War." "Capitalism is the Cause of War—To Abolish War Abolish Capitalism."

During the rest of the week at all street meetings thru the city demonstrations on a small scale will be held.

**Bill Lloyd Himself Turns Up With Red Bandanna Bundle**

MILWAUKEE, Aug. 3.—A suspender created a good deal of commotion among the guests at a tea given by the pacifist women of Milwaukee. The uninvited guest was badly in need of a shave and took very kindly to the cake and ice cream which he grabbed without ceremony. He failed to remove his evil looking felt hat which apparently had negotiated the Biblical flood and every storm since then. His unshined heavy shoes did not improve the rugs. His red bandanna bundle, slung over his shoulder, came dangerously near the painting on the walls.

It looked like one of the lamentable situations where pacifism breaks down and force and violence comes to the rescue until he made himself comfortable in a Chippendale chair and recited:

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# AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

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wanted to write some sweet nothings about Mr. Davis' family. Nothing doing says the female scion of the House of Davis—not David. The reporter persisted. He got the "look." It is in the family.

Of course every capitalist candidate must be lousy with virtue once Wall Street decides to put him on the tracks for the great political marathon. Nothing more can be said about Coolidge and he keeps perfectly silent. He does not make news. Davis is a good subject for the reporters to work on. Those who read the capitalist press should not take capitalist reporters too seriously. They write what they must write. A New York World reporter, at the Indianapolis convention of the United Mine Workers of America, got a sick stomach listening to James J. Davis, the Secretary of Labor making a speech. "That nut makes me sick," he said. "He is crazy anyhow. Why, he jumped off a train one night while on his way to a convention," etc. And so on. But that reporter wrote a glowing account of Mr. Davis' speech, telling how eloquently he flayed the radicals.

Bennett is doing the same thing for Davis. This "look" which the Davis family inherited is a cross between a look of dignified command and one of withering reproach. How does Mr. Davis look when he comes into the presence of J. P. Morgan, his lord and master? The donkey jockey will need much more than the ancestral look to prove to the American workers that he means anything to them except a willing taskmaster. It is significant that the capitalist press are as fulsome in their praise of Davis as they are of Calvin Coolidge. It means that whatever difference hitherto existed between the two parties are now practically eliminated.

Peggy Joyce has dropped the Count. Not so very long ago she took the Count. It happened very hastily as is usual with Peggy when doing such things. "Marry in haste and repent at leisure," is an admonition having no terrors for the conjugally versatile actress. Four times, if her memory serves her right, Peggy had been over the road, when Count Costa will not.

Morner came into her lonely life. He was the picture of a viking, had a title, and had recently launched into a campaign to make money via the tooth paste route. Swedish Count and tooth paste king! Peggy was intrigued so she hopped onto him. The Count took the count in short order, threw up the sponge and threw up his job as a manufacturer of tooth paste. Instead of cleaning teeth he was going to clean up on Peggy.

But ah! Peggy found out that he was cruel and the Count left nothing to the imagination after he asked the Countess to pay his laundry bill for the 99th time. "A man who cannot maintain himself in clean linen is no viking," said Peggy, or words to that effect, whereupon, the Count invoking Thor, lit on Peggy. She did not have a Chinaman's chance. The next act will be staged in the divorce court. There is no moral to this tale. It is sufficiently adorned without one. Neither the Count nor Peggy are Bolsheviks, so the capitalist press and William Jennings Bryan will draw no nasty conclusions from the incident, or blame it on evolution.

Mexico has recognized the Soviet Republic. The president-elect of that country will visit Europe and may take a trip to Moscow. This news will not add to the equanimity of our bewhiskered Mr. Hughes. The latter is now in Europe trying to clear the road for the Dawes' plan. Rakovsky, the Soviet delegation leader in London, is reported to have suggested to Moscow that unless the British government get down to business it is no use wasting any more time in London. France is smuggling closer to Moscow. Germany has just saluted the Soviet Republic. Stresemann did not exactly rub his forehead in the mud but his head went below his knees. Ramsay MacDonald's so-called labor government refuses to recognize Mexico because the latter was not exactly nice to Lord Cowdray's oil company. Lots of news in one paragraph. One other item. British airplanes were wrecked while bombing Indian villages. This happened a few days. Not for the first time. Will Debs and Oswald Garrison Villard protest to MacDonald? They will not.

# GERMAN LABOR FEELS DANGER IN DAWES PLAN

### Minister of Finance Gives No Comfort

BY LOUIS P. LOCHNER.

(Federated Press Staff Correspondent)  
BERLIN.—(By Mail.) The leaders of the German trade unions, not only of the General Federation, but also of the Christian unions and of the Hirsch-Dunker independent trade unions, have appeared before the government to express their fear that when the Dawes reparations report is put in effect, the obligations will in the main have to be borne by the workers. The unions insist that there must be an adequate distribution of the burden.

Little encouragement did they get from the government. Minister of Finance Luther blandly declared that the workers must abandon the dream of a further seizure of property. In other words, income taxes, inheritance taxes, taxes on profits, etc., are not to be increased. The minister of finance holds that the possessing class is carrying all that the traffic will bear.

Luther holds that the only way to meet the additional obligations is by indirect taxation on consumption. This means that the workers will be the hardest hit.

More than ever the Dawes report will be executed on the backs of the workers.

**14 Cent Hourly Wage.**  
The average wage per hour of a male skilled worker in a German factory today is 55 pfennigs (14c), for an unskilled worker, 45 pfennigs (11c), and for a female worker, 35 pfennigs (9c).

The skilled worker, if employed full 50 weeks per annum, gets on an average, \$325, an unskilled male worker, \$265, and a female worker \$200 for the year.

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The National Office of the Workers Party is receiving from time to time requests from members of the Party for credentials authorizing them to transfer to the Communist Parties of other countries.

It is the rule of the National Organization, established by the National Convention of 1922, that no Party member may leave the United States without first securing permission from the Central Executive Committee of the Party.

### Apply To National Office

Party members who desire to leave the United States in an organized manner or individually, should write to the Nat. Organ. or to the Dist. Office for an application blank. This blank must be filled out in complete form and must be endorsed by the branch of which the applicant is a member and by the City Central Committee and District Executive Committee and forwarded, thus duly certified to the National Organization to be acted upon by the Central Executive Committee.

In regard to emigration to Soviet Russia, the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics has made a very strict rule that workers desiring to come to that country must come as part of an organized commune. This rule is intended to promote the Socialist basis of the economic system in that country. Individuals are permitted to enter Soviet Russia only under special conditions and no individual can enter the country without first having received permission of the Soviet authorities.

### Russian Rule Strict

Party members who desire to enter the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics will, if permission is granted by the Central Executive Committee to leave the United States, be advised as to how to proceed to secure permission to enter Soviet Russia. As stated above, however, such permission can only be secured in very exceptional cases for individuals and no individual who is a Party member will be able to secure such permission without having first secured consent from the Central Executive Committee to leave the United States.

# HARRY THAW PAID ALIENISTS \$15,000; HOW MUCH WILL GO FOR LOEB-LEOPOLD DEFENSE?

The battery of alienists employed by the defense for Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb will eat well into the "millions for defense" if the Harry Thaw specialists' bills are an indication. The trustees of Thaw's estate have just turned in their account, showing that \$15,000 was spent for alienists alone to get the rich murderer out of the hospital for the insane. The lawyers' choice fees were not mentioned.

Harry Thaw, rabbit-biter, did not have such a brilliant gallery of psychiatrists and mental disease specialists as the two debonair young millionaires. The Loeb-Leopold defense has gathered from all over the country the most respected (and most expensive) men in their profession. These doctors have tested and examined the nonchalant slayers in every way, mentally and physically.

Wanted to Use Dough. Harry Thaw was trying to prove himself sane so that he could come out in the world and enjoy the million dollars that had accrued to him during the seven years of his incarceration in the insane hospital. His yearly income from just two trust estates belonging to him is \$60,000, besides which he has securities of \$700,000, according to his trustees, Walter Riddle and Howard Irish.

Dr. Hill, chief medical expert called by Thaw, will get more than \$2,500 and other alienists employed will get between \$1,500 and \$2,000 each.

Six Famous Doctors. In the Loeb-Leopold defense there are at least six internationally known American alienists who will testify, when Clarence Darrow, leading defense attorney wins the court fight now on between State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe, Judge Caverly and Darrow. The "millions for defense" will undoubtedly win a hearing for the young murderers. There are other medical experts who have spent considerable time examining the boys and whose findings were incorporated into the general report issued by the defense on the mental state of the boys.

It won't take the exploited workers who are making the "millions for defense" of Leopold and Loeb long to figure out that the blood money of their toll will go into the pockets of a lot of alienists and lawyers and maybe into official hands that shouldn't be mentioned so that the two degenerate boys who had too little to do may live, even to the behind the walls of an insane hospital or behind the bars of the penitentiary. Quiet departures from such cloisters can easily be arranged after a lapse of time, for wealthy victims. But workers know that never such a chance comes to them.

The workers who are making the

**RIVERVIEW**  
RAIN OR SHINE  
August 10th --- Sunday  
Press Picnic Day

What If Bankers Press? MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., August 3.—Farmers of the northwest should not sell wheat for less than \$1.75 per bushel this year. They will receive that much or more if they are not too quick to sell, according to T. H. Hagen, Dakota County "Farmer," member of the Minneapolis Chamber of Commerce and formerly manager of the U. S. Grain Growers' Sales Company. Mr. Hagen is decidedly bullish on all food products and particularly wheat, rye and corn.

Send in that Subscription Today.



Definite results and great experience gained from participating in the life of the Chicago workers marked the reports given at the city convention of the Young Workers League of Chicago, held here Sunday at the Workers' Lyceum.

The report of the organizer, Comrade Peter Herd, showed that the league here had taken part in every important strike in the city and vicinity; that it had taken the important first steps towards the organization of the league on the basis of shop nuclei; and that they were getting out among independent league campaigns among the youthful workers of Chicago. Wherever mistakes were made and wherever shortcomings could be found, they were bluntly disclosed and criticized in order that future work would find the league in a position to make good use of the experience gained in its various fields of activity.

The campaigns of the league and its official organ, The Young Worker, in the Pullman strike, the Western Electric, Bunte Chocolate Co., and National Biscuit Co., were reviewed. It was pointed out that the eyes and minds of the membership were being slowly but surely turned away from the direction of routine internal work and that it had participated also in the young workers who feel the bitter lash of exploitation in the factories.

The report of the district organizer, Barney Mass, was received with enthusiasm. The short time of the existence of the newly organized district executive committee had already proved its worth in initiating the various economic campaigns. Especially pleased were the two-score of delegates assembled to hear of the organization of the heater boys who are still striking out in Hegewisch.

Manuel Gomez, in reporting as fraternal delegate from the Workers Party, local Chicago, indicated that the two local units enjoyed about the best relationships in the entire country. Successful joint work was recorded, especially in the trade union and political campaigns of the party. It was pointed out that the relationships would have to be cemented

"millions for defense" see their wages diminish as the defense bills pile up; see their hours lengthened; see improvements in the places where they work vanish. And all to save two parasites who might have used their superior intellects and training for the welfare of all under a different society.

# ANTI-WAR NEWS SPREAD BY N. Y. PARTY MEMBERS

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—The distribution of the anti-war leaflet, "Ten Years After," by the party membership in New York City has been a splendid demonstration of the enthusiasm with which the comrades are now getting into party activities.

In every section of the city, the call to branches to elect committees for the work of distribution, met with a fine response. A house to house distribution was organized in important centers which proved the most successful one yet arranged in the city.

Even Kids Help. Over three hundred comrades reported at the headquarters of the Harlem section on Sunday, July 27, where the various branches were assigned new territory to be covered. A committee of 50 represented the Finnish branch. Almost the entire membership of the Scandinavian Branch responded to the call, which is all the more significant as this branch has been rather inactive for some time. The Italian Branch, lately organized, showed its eagerness to take part in party work by coming down almost in full force. In fact, not a single branch in Harlem the biggest section in Local New York, failed to participate in the distribution.

In Williamsburg, a much smaller section, the response was equally as good, more comrades reporting for duty than at any previous distribution.

Brownsville also gave evidence of the new spirit of activity within the ranks. The English and Jewish branches of the Workers Party and the Young Workers League have each been assigned an evening for distribution. Even the junior section of the Y. W. L. has been enlisted.

All Sections Work. Other sections, the Bronx, Lower Manhattan, and South Brooklyn all reported success. Credit for organizing the distribution must be given to Comrades Nemes, Nessim, Levy, Belle Robbins, Cohen, and others active in building up the section committees. Good co-operation was also given by branches of the Young Workers League.

The unusual turn-out of the membership for the distribution evidenced new life within the party organization. A spirit of enthusiasm and willingness to work is manifesting itself in all branches. The present political policy of the party and the program of action have caused a general waking up throughout the ranks. They can be depended upon to put their utmost energy into making the coming election campaign a success in New York City.

# Philadelphia to Hold Huge Anti-Capitalist War Meet Wednesday

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., August 3.—The Workers Party of Philadelphia is calling a huge mass meeting on Wednesday, August 6, 1924, the tenth anniversary of the great world war.

Ludwig Lore, the well-known editor of the New York Volkszeitung and speaker of national reputation, will head the list of splendid speakers who will address this great demonstration.

The meeting will be held in the Machinist Temple at 13th and Spring streets, Wednesday, August 6, 8 p. m.

Those who have heard Lore at the famous Lenin memorial meeting will not fail to hear him again.

This anti-war mass meeting is a part of the great world-wide demonstration staged by the workers of all countries against the imperialist wars of the past and the great world war of the future that the imperialist powers of capitalism are preparing even now while we have hardly recovered from the last deadly debacle.

Comrades and fellow workers, while your attention is being absorbed by the daily struggles to earn a livelihood, the capitalists of the world are scheming a new and deadlier war than the world has yet seen and your lives and the lives of your children will be but so much cannon fodder when the signal for the great slaughter is given.

Protest against the imperialist war that is coming. Demonstrate your solidarity with the workers of the world. Come to the great anti-war demonstration. Hear one of the foremost opponents of capitalist wars.

# 50,000 WORKERS OF WASHINGTON GAGGED BY LAW

## Civil Service Employees Can't Talk Politics

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—When old Washington Gardner, head of the Pension Bureau, some two years ago discovered that one of the clerks in his bureau had confessed to being a Socialist, the man was brought before him, lectured on his "lack of patriotism," and dismissed, on charges of political activity.

But when the press room at the White House, at the start of the presidential campaign, sends out over the country an account of how President Coolidge had a political conference with Inspectors J. P. MacArdle and Joseph Bromley of the safety appliance bureau of the Interstate Commerce Commission, not a single whisper of protest is heard. MacArdle is a former active member of the Order of Railway Conductors, and Bromley was formerly active in the Locomotive Engineers. MacArdle has been under the protection of the classified civil service law for 10 years, and Bromley for 15 years. They were quoted at the White House as having assured Coolidge that lots of the railroad brotherhood men are for Cal.

Favored May Speak. When their bureau chief was asked whether these inspectors would be disciplined, or whether the political gag was off the entire staff of the Interstate Commerce Commission, he anxiously denied that they had been given permission to talk politics. Certainly the gag was on the rest of the staff, and would stay on.

"Mr. MacArdle is in charge of the Massachusetts district, and is a friend of Mr. Coolidge," he explained. "He was a purely personal call and Mr. Bromley, who has the New York district, accompanied him. Mr. Clark one of the secretaries to Mr. Coolidge, is a special friend of Mr. MacArdle, and I assume it was in that way that the political story was given out."

Praise Cal Only. Fifty-five thousand government employees in the District of Columbia are forbidden to talk politics, under the civil service regulations. But any body who can say anything favorable to the unattractive and colorless individual who now holds presidential power will henceforth during the campaign feel safe in applying the Daugherty principle. They try to qualify for better paid jobs regardless of law.

# BERLIN JUNKERS CROOK A KNEE SOVIET REPUBLIC

## Make Good Damages for Embassy Raid

BERLIN, August 3.—The German government made a complete and unconditional surrender to the demands of the Soviet government over the raid on the Russian trade legation, which resulted in the Soviet government breaking off relations with Germany and closing up all its trade offices in that country.

The pretext for the raid was the alleged escape of a prisoner escorted by German police into the Soviet legation. But the police who went to look for him, instead of making an effort to find the missing prisoner, ransacked the Soviet files and carted away thousands of documents and arrested several hundred employees.

Great indignation was felt in Moscow over the incident. The Prussian police official who instituted the raid was dismissed and the Prussian government disavowed the incident. The Soviet government was not satisfied but demanded reparations for the damage done and the establishment of the right of extraterritoriality for Soviet embassies in Germany.

These demands have been met by the German government and both governments have agreed to rush work on a commercial agreement and have it concluded if possible before the end of the year.

The German surrender coming shortly after the recognition of the Soviet Republic by China, is further proof of the growing power and influence of the workers' government.

# Daily Worker Music Critic Writes from Europe About "Scoop"

The music critic of the DAILY WORKER staff, Alfred V. Frankenstein, has sent a card from on board the S. S. America on which he is journeying to Europe. Says Frankenstein:

"Aboard is Herma Menth, a wonderful pianist, whose Chicago concert I was the only person to review. I have scooped them all by a year on that."

Frankenstein will send special articles of interest directly to the DAILY WORKER during his European travels.

# FARMERS SWINDLED FOR LOEB

(Continued from page 1)

After early training in mercantile unscrupulousness as a free lance soap box salesman he hit upon a neat scheme to do the buyer thru the mails. Country folks sometimes got wise to him when they saw him face to face: Sears that they might fall for writings.

Working the Expressmen. His first mail order ventures included the sending of fake gilt watches to false addresses. The watches would cost Sears about thirty-eight cents each but the express declarations would be made on a basis of fifteen dollars a watch. By and by the expressman would write in that there was some mistake and would ask what he should do with the package. Sears in reply would generously offer to let the expressman—poor sucker—keep the watches at five dollars apiece.

Quickly Sears was doing a national business. With the capital by this chicanery he went in for more bunk stunts. The rural population was his chief meat. His glowing advertisements lured farmers in Kansas, Missouri, Wisconsin and Indiana to try his electric belts, rattlesnake oil and above all his patent medicines. There were speedy panaceas for every kind of ailment: lost manhood, lost stomachs and lost kidneys were to be restored at a dollar and more a bottle.

Corporation Finance. The mail order business grew apace: as it grew the business began to adopt more and more the methods of regular merchandising, depending for its profits on low costs rather than the cruder film flaming of earlier days. Finally about 1903 Julius Rosenwald—an experienced merchandiser—came into the enterprise and the company was reorganized on a huge watered-stock scale.

Thirty million dollars of preferred stock were floated, with one share of common stock given away with each share of preferred. Thus the \$30,000,000 common stock in 1903 is seen to be pure water and the \$150,000,000 common stock of today is just five times that amount of water. This is pleasantly called corporation finance, not common robbery.

Albert Loeb's Influence. Richard Sears eventually died. Albert Loeb's influence in the Sears-Roebuck combine grew more and more powerful until he gained the leadership in the board of directors. The business got on what is called a sound management basis in place of the looser methods of raping the public that had prevailed earlier. The patent medicine swindle game was

# CANADIAN FRUIT FARMERS IN GRIP OF TWIN COMBINE

## Government Stalling in Secret Probe

BY SYDNEY WARREN (Federated Press Staff Correspondent)

VANCOUVER, B. C., Aug. 3.—The Canadian government has a special committee to investigate the machinations of the fruit combine in British Columbia but it is holding all its sessions in secret. The fruitgrowers charge they are at the absolute mercy of the fruit and vegetable jobbers represented by two companies—the Mutual and the Growers' Sales Agency, who, they charge, operate under different trade names thru the prairie provinces and in Minneapolis.

Under the arrangement the growers are kept in ignorance of their crop returns for months after the fruit has been shipped and for the past two years apple prices have barely brot the grower the cost of growing the fruit. One grower who has the best 10-acre orchard in Okanagan valley, as well as growing the best grade of apples, received for his crop last year \$632. Another man who spent all his savings and borrowed capital amounting to \$10,000 has been forced to sell his rights to an orchard for \$1,000 quitclaim and return to the city practically penniless. Orchard men who are hanging on in hope of better fruit prices this fall have had to work out at odd jobs to make ends meet as the banks have refused to make any advances whatsoever on prospective fruit crops and the wholesalers have compelled the local merchants to refuse further credit to their customers.

The dominion investigation is regarded by many as a political move in view of the impending federal election.

# Russian Export Plan Succeeding Despite Great Difficulties

(Rosta News)

MOSCOW, Aug. 3.—At the recent national delegate conference of the "Exportkhib" (Grain Exporting Syndicate), Mr. Prigarian, General Manager of the organization, reported that "Exportkhib" had overcome all the numerous difficulties standing in its way and had managed practically to carry out the export plan.

Thus, by the 1st of last May there were 183.5 million poods of grain concentrated in the Soviet ports, which was nearly 100 per cent of the export programme, while by the 31st of that month about 170 million poods, or over 90 per cent of the entire program had been sold to foreign purchasers. As for the various descriptions of grain products destined for export, they were as follows: rye—51 million poods; wheat—35 million poods; barley—18 million poods; oats—9 million poods; maize—7 million poods; oil cake—17 million poods; various other grain products—16.5 million poods.

# CANADIAN LABOR MINISTER HATED LIKE JIM DAVIS

## Workers' Convention Ready to Razz Him

TORONTO, Aug. 3.—If the Canadian minister of labor ventures to show up at dominion labor conventions he will get as hostile a reception as Coolidge's secretary of labor, James J. Davis, got at the miners' convention in Indianapolis last January and at other conventions since. Both of these unwelcome figures carry union cards.

James Simpson, a former official of the Dominion Trades and Labor congress, made a vigorous attack on James Murdock, minister of labor in the federal cabinet, on the floor of the Toronto Trade and Labor council.

"Murdock is the greatest misfit that ever entered the labor office in this country," declared Simpson. "He has done more harm and thrown the labor movement into the dust and disgrace more than any man with a union card in this country. He is not fit to enter the halls of a labor organization. If he shows his nose in the Trades and Labor congress in London (Ontario) and I have the honor to be a delegate, I will create a scene there that Murdock will remember as long as he lives."

Simpson has been elected a delegate to the congress.

### "Law 'n' Order."

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 3.—"Law 'n' Order" is saved again, for a "Law and Order League" has been formed here. One man listed as an officer says he knows "nothing about it" and will give no information. The application for membership gives as the aims of the organization, "upholding and maintaining the Constitution and ideals of the United States." A similar group sprang into being here last year, made considerable noise for a time and died suddenly.

# Party Activities of Local Chicago

- BRANCH MEETINGS
- Monday, August 4
- Enlarged Executive Committee—Room 303, 166 W. Washington St. Federation Secretaries attend.
  - Douglas Park, English—3322 Douglas Blvd.
  - North Side, English—2409 N. Halsted St.
  - Italian, Cicero—1402 S. Fifth St. Cicero, Illinois.
  - Nineteenth Ward, Italian—1103 S. Loomis Street.
- Tuesday, August 5
- City Central Committee Meeting—2733 Hirsch Blvd.
  - Matters to be taken up:
    - The Details of the W. P. Election Campaign.
    - Activities of various language units and problems.
    - Industrial registration.
    - Final arrangements for the Press Picnic.
  - Czecho-Slovak, Town of Lake—Bohemian Prolet School, Whipple and South 51st Street.
- Wednesday, August 6
- Roumanian Branch—2254 Clybourn Ave. Douglas Park, Jewish—3420 W. Roosevelt Road.
  - Terra Cotta, Italian—2707 N. Marshfield Ave.
  - Czecho-Slovak, Cicero—Masaryk School, 57th Ave. and 22nd Pl. Cicero, Illinois.
  - St. Louis, English—Emmett Memorial Hall—Ogden and Taylor Streets.
  - Englewood, English—6414 S. Halsted Street.
  - Czecho-Slovak No. 3—2548 S. Homan Avenue.
- Thursday, August 7
- Finnish—Imperial Hall, 2409 N. Halsted Street.
  - Eleventh Ward, Italian—2439 S. Oakley Blvd.
  - Thirty-first Ward, Italian—511 N. Sangamon Street.
  - South Side, English—3201 S. Wabash Ave., Chicago, Ill.
  - Russian No. 1—1502 W. Division Street.
  - Scandinavian Karl Marx—2733 Hirsch Blvd.
- Friday, August 8
- Scandinavian—South Chicago, 641 E. 61st Street.
  - Letts—435 Thomas Street.
  - Czecho-Slovak, Hanson Park—Bohemian Freethink School Rovnost, Mansfield Ave. near Grand.
- Saturday, August 9
- Daily Worker Agents' Meeting—2:30 p. m., at 1113 W. Washington Blvd.
  - Press Picnic Committee Meeting—166 W. Washington St., Room 307, 5 p. m.

# BOSTON PARTY ACTIVITIES

- Street Meetings, 8 p. m.
- Tuesday—Revere at Shirley and Walnut Streets, Harrison Avenue and Davis Street, South End.
  - Wednesday—Chambers and Spring Streets, West End.
  - Thursday—Blue Hill Avenue and Woodrow, Dorchester.
  - Friday—Heath Square, Roxbury.
  - Saturday, Blue Hill Avenue and Lawrence, Roxbury.
- Hughes With Belgian King. BRUSSELS, Aug. 3.—Secretary of State Charles E. Hughes, who is visiting England, France, Belgium and Germany, will dine with King Albert tonight at Laeken summer palace. Hughes will leave for Berlin tomorrow.

PHILADELPHIA READERS, NOTICE!

# ANTI-WAR DEMONSTRATION

10th Anniversary of the World War

## WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 1924, 8 P. M.

at MACHINISTS' TEMPLE,  
13th AND SPRING GARDEN, PHILADELPHIA, PA.

**LUDWIG LORE,**  
Editor of the "New York Volkszeitung"  
and other prominent speakers will expose the Imperialist conspiracies for the next world war.

ADMISSION FREE.

Auspices, Workers Party, Local Philadelphia.

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## ANOTHER LABOR PARTY VICTORY IN AUSTRALIA

### Workers Now Lead in Victoria Parliament

BY W. FRANCIS AHERN.  
(Federated Press Staff Correspondent.)  
MELBOURNE, Australia, Aug. 3.—The state elections in Victoria mark another stride in the reconquest of Australia by the labor party and also indicate a union of city and land producers.

Five of the six states in the commonwealth of Australia now have given Labor the largest representation in their legislatures. Victoria, the most conservative state in Australia, failed to give the Labor party the clean majority it has in Queensland, Western Australia, South Australia and Tasmania but it gives a Labor lead of 12 representatives over the Conservatives, the second party.

Prior to the June elections the state of parties in Victoria was: Conservatives 29, Country Conservatives (so-called Farmers' party) 13, Labor 22, Independent 1. Now it is Labor 29, Conservatives 17, Country Conservatives 13, Liberals 5, Independent 1.

**Electoral System Unfair.**  
The electoral system had been fixed to keep Labor out of office. In the city districts, mostly held by Labor, the boundaries were so drawn that up to 60,000 voters were included in a single electorate. But in the country, where the Conservatives predominate, the districts held as low as 5,000 voters.

As the city districts numbered 15 and the country 50, it will be seen that under ordinary circumstances there would always be a preponderance of Conservatives over Labor members. A big swing of dirt farmers to Labor helped Labor capture many small country seats.

**Not in Government Yet.**  
Labor is not yet able to form a government in Victoria on its own account, tho it might be able to with the 5 liberals. But on top of the recent Labor victories in the other Australian states it is an indication that there is a big swing to Labor throughout the continent.

There is one other Australian state, New South Wales, in which a state election is to be held, and it seems certain that this state will also return a Labor government. It is also confidently expected that Labor will sweep the federal elections in Australia in 1925.

## FARMERS' FAILURE TO BITE BANKERS' BAIT DELAYS GRAIN MERGER

The Chicago Grain Marketing Company, which was scheduled to take over five old line grain and elevator concerns and begin doing business at once failed to materialize. It was stated at the offices of the company that there had been an unexpected but merely temporary delay in complete crystallization of the \$26,000,000 merger.

## NEGRO WIDOWS VICTIMIZED BY U. S. WAGE CUT

### Capital Scrubwomen Brutally Treated

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Aug. 3.—Widows with dependent children, and women so far on in years that they cannot get more bearable jobs, make up the army of char-women who are now holding protest conferences against the reduction in pay which has been announced by the civil service classification board. At least two-thirds of them are colored—a fact which makes them the less able to defend themselves.

Col. Sherrill, of the army engineer corps, superintendent of public buildings and grounds, is the master of those char-women who are employed in the buildings occupied by the state, war, navy, interior and certain other executive departments. He got control a few years ago by grace of Sen. Smoot, who discovered that the military autocrat could cut down the cost of scrubbing the doorways.

In ancient Rome an official known as a hortator was employed to lash the rowers in the galleys when they fell exhausted at their oars. Sherrill is earning the title. He does not permit these women, for instance, to go up and down in the office elevators with their pails and mops—no matter how early or late the hour. They must climb the stone stairs.

Colored men, backed by the colored press, are demanding that this brutal treatment of scrubwomen cease. They are denouncing Smoot and Sherrill, and turning on Coolidge, who keeps Sherrill on the job. Sherrill's glittering uniform is conspicuous at all important white house social affairs.

## LABOR DEFENSE COUNCIL ELECTS E. C. WENTWORTH

### Robert Buck, Resigning, Lauds Council's Record

Unanimous approbation is expressed at the election of E. C. Wentworth, of Chicago, as the new chairman of the Labor Defense Council, succeeding Robert M. Buck, who resigned, having to leave town. For many years, Mr. Wentworth has been known as an ardent champion of free speech and civil rights. While not affiliated to any working class organization, he has given his support to the workers in numerous struggles. He is the author of several books, the latest of which is the recently published novel, "The Education of Ernest Wilmerding."

Mr. Buck's letter of resignation is as follows: "As national chairman of the council it has been my aim to exercise direct scrutiny of all operations in order to be in a position at any moment to vouch for the conduct of the cause the council represents. Since I expect in the near future to move from Chicago, it will be impossible for me to continue to function in this manner. For that reason I hand you my resignation."

**Praises Council's Record.**

"In leaving the chairmanship, I wish to express my satisfaction with the conduct of the defense in the Michigan cases and the manner in which funds have been solicited, collected and expended. I trust the excellent support the defense has had, will continue in this very important battle in the cause of freedom of speech and political opinion. In this cause I shall maintain an unflinching interest and activity and if there is service I am able to render the council, I trust you will not fail to notify me promptly."

As soon as it became known that Mr. Buck could no longer serve, members of the National Committee of the Labor Defense Council expressed their unqualified endorsement of Mr. Wentworth for the place. John A. Lapp of the National Catholic Welfare Conference, wrote in to say: "I am very happy that you secured Mr. Wentworth to fill the vacancy caused by the departure of Mr. Buck from the city. I approve his appointment very heartily."

Roger Baldwin of the American Civil Liberties Union writes: "I am mighty glad that you have landed Mr. Wentworth, who is a fine man for the job."

**Ruthenberg's Appeal.**

The Labor Defense Council was organized to defend William Z. Foster, C. E. Ruthenberg, and the 29 other Communists indicted in Michigan, following the raid on the Communist Party Convention in the summer of 1922. The Council is now actively engaged in preparing for the appeal in the case of Ruthenberg.

Contact with the actions of Burns, Daugherty, stool-pigeons in the Michigan cases, brought the attention of the Labor Defense Council to the whole question of Professional Spies in the ranks of labor, and it has now undertaken to prepare a comprehensive pamphlet—an encyclopedia of labor spies—which will tell something of the individuals who are engaged in this vile trade. It is expected that the pamphlet will be published sometime in the fall.

think Jim is right? I think everything he said is the truth, and I am going to join his Junior Group. You just bet I am, and pretty soon when all the workers get wise we will put all the rich guys to work and have a Workers' government all over the world.

For information about the Junior Groups, write to Y. W. L., 1113 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago.

**Words And What They Mean.**  
Toll—work very hard.  
Textile—cloth woven.  
Roar—noise.  
Ragged—torn.  
Chill—cold.  
Hasten—go fast.  
Master—one who owns property and makes others work for him. A ruler. An owner.  
Property—factory or house. Anything that is made may be someone's property. Goods.  
Weary—tired.  
Gloom—dark.

**RIVERVIEW—RAIN OR SHINE AUGUST 10th—SUNDAY PRESS PICNIC DAY**

**PITTSBURGH, PA. DR. RASNICK DENTIST**  
Rendering Expert Dental Service for 20 Years  
146 SMITHFIELD ST., Near 7th Ave.  
128 CHERRY AVE., Cor. Ardmore St.

## French Rail Strikers Regain Places They Lost in 1919 Fight

PARIS, Aug. 3.—Several thousand French railway workers who participated in the gigantic railway strike of 1919 in defiance of the government and were dismissed are to be reinstated. The reinstatement follows automatically upon the general amnesty law adopted by the new French parliament.

It is an open question whether amnesty was extended to the railwaymen as an act of justice or to relieve the great shortage of railway workers. The railway administration has for months been clamoring for additional personnel. The men who were given amnesty will be absorbed immediately.

## GERMAN BANK CLERKS WALK THE STREETS

### Halve Forces as Mark is Stabilized

BY LOUIS P. LOCHNER  
(Federated Press Staff Correspondent.)

BERLIN, Germany, Aug. 3.—Half of the German bank clerks and employees who "held jobs during the deflation period are now walking the streets of else holding on to temporary make shift jobs in the hope of later returning to the banking business in which they have been trained.

While Germany was flooded with paper billions and trillions, whole armies of bank clerks were needed just to count the money. The handling of foreign exchange and of the many securities that were bought on speculation required a staff almost three times as large as pre-war days. Young men and women deciding upon a career naturally thought that clerking in a bank offered good chances for advancement.

With the stabilization of the mark, the banking business has gone down to a low ebb. The "deflation" of human material in a number of the largest financial institutions of Germany has been:

Bank	Employees during Inflation	Now
Deutsche Bank	30,000	23,000
Darmstaedter Bank	26,000	16,000
Commerz und Privatbank	26,000	16,000

## Illinois Postal Clerks Continue Fight for Raise

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

JOLIET, Ill.—Protests against President Coolidge's veto of their wage increase preceded a resolution by the Illinois Postoffice Clerks to continue the agitation to bring the compensation of postal workers somewhere up to a living wage. It was the fourth annual convention of the Illinois State Federation of Postoffice Clerks, held at Joliet in July.

Speeding up of clerks in the Chicago postoffice was complained of and Postmaster Lueder, recently defeated for the mayoralty of Chicago, was charged with listening only to the higherups and not to the rank and file of workers.

The Chicago clerks have organized the Chicago Postoffice Clerks Union Loan Assn. in the federal building to provide credit to their members and promote thrift. It is on the co-operative basis. Funds for lending are taken from the sale of shares and deposits in the loan association.

**Not So Yellow in St. Louis.**

ST. LOUIS, Aug. 3.—The machinists' union is negotiating with the Yellow Cab Co. to unionize its St. Louis garage mechanics. That would make this concern strictly union in St. Louis. The drivers recently won a strike lasting nearly two years for the union shop and better wages. The same concern operates notoriously anti-union in other large cities. The company spent \$500,000 fighting the local strike.

Send in that Subscription Today.

## SCAB PENNSY CHIEF SWINGS AT CHURCHES

### Atterbury Defends His Company Union Pill

(By The Federated Press)  
NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—Strike-breaking Atterbury, Vice President of the Pennsylvania railroad, is on the war-path again, this time against the Federal Council of Churches which recently published a mildly adverse report of Atterbury's company union farce among the shopmen on his road. Atterbury writes a long propaganda statement to the Council demanding that it be sent out to correct what he calls unfair conclusions arrived at by the investigators' report.

The report had pointed out that employees under the company union system say their grievances are not satisfactorily met. Atterbury blandly replies: "To predicate any conclusions on grievances as a factor does not appear to be sound."

"2nd: The report seems to stress what it regards as a lack of enthusiasm for the plan or indifference toward it," Atterbury continues. "This also we feel is an unsound criterion."  
"3rd: It is stated that the employees do not regard the plan as affording them any real economic power for the purpose of dealing collectively with the company," Atterbury admits, and then fires his biggest gun: "This undoubtedly refers to the strike weapon and this consideration also goes to the fundamental conception underlying our plan as opposed to the popular and mistaken notion that strike rather than peace is a natural and inevitable state of industrial relations."

## Jugo-Slav Miners Find Kuzbas Work Progressing Well

BY W. A. WARREN  
(Special to The Daily Worker)

KEMEROVO (By Mail).—The Jugo-Slav miners' group has arrived and are now at work. Comrade Babich has also arrived and is in charge of the fairly well equipped tailor shop. Electric motors have been installed at the mines where they are running two coalscutting machines by electric power. Motors have been installed in the kitchen, the shoe shop and the laundry and others are to be installed at the dairy and the carpenter's shop. Coal is being shipped by water transport to Tomsk and Novo Nikolaevsk. The river barges have a draught of between 5 and 6 feet of water, are strongly built and decked over. They are strong enough for a sea voyage. One tug boat takes two barges, each with about 500 tons of coal.

The Colony dairy has now 130 cows and a start has been made in establishing a modern dairy. Last month the Colony sold 150,000 gold roubles worth of coke and got the returns for it. From 15 to 18 cars of coke are being shipped every day to the Urals. A large garden has been planted but summer is slow coming this year.

**Armenian Co-operatives Prosper.**

The new Armenian Central Co-operative Society, the "Aicap," reports to the All American Co-operative Commission the rapid growth of 50 co-operative societies with a combined membership of 16,000. These co-operatives exist in 20 towns or villages as well as throughout the country districts. Besides the co-operative distribution of food and clothing at cost, the American farmers have organized seven central dairy co-operatives and three market garden societies to supply food to cities.

**New California Labor Daily.**

OAKLAND, Cal., Aug. 3.—The Union Labor Record, founded as a weekly labor paper in Oakland in 1918, plans to come out as The Daily Record in August. It will be issued six days a week with a pro-labor policy by the Union Labor Publishing Co., 286 12th street, Oakland, Cal. Stanton W. Lore will continue as editor and manager.

Send in that Subscription Today.

## N. Y. RENTERS WON'T BUDGE FOR LANDLORD WHO DOUBLED RENTS

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—Tenants protesting increased rentals at a west Sixty-sixth street apartment house today barricaded themselves in and refused to admit the owner or his agents. The property has been rented on a semi-philanthropic basis, but was sold recently and the new owners raised rents, in nearly every case double and in some more.

All tenants have refused to pay the increases and most of the men are staying home to guard their firesides. About 1,000 persons, making up 400 families, occupy the property.

## ITALIAN MOTHER WINS RETURN TO HER FAMILY HERE

### Immigration Men Would Have Kept Her Out

(Special to the DAILY WORKER)

NEW YORK, Aug. 3.—Marie Liberatori, whose home is in Milwaukee, was speeding westward today to her four children, having been held at Ellis Island for a month.

Mrs. Liberatori, who is fifty years old, came back to America in June after a two year visit to Italy, her native land, only to be told that she was "excess quota" and "likely to become a public charge." She left the United States in 1922 under the provision of the old immigration law, which granted aliens the privilege of returning to their native lands for a period of six months.

But that she was likely to become a public charge seemed a little unfair to Mrs. Liberatori. She had first come to America in 1908, with her husband and a young son, Francesco. After his father deserted his mother and sisters, Francesco supported the family.

Came the war of 1917, and Francesco, then 18 years old, felt the call of duty. He enlisted in the United States army, was put through hasty military training and was in France within a few months. Three days in France and he was in the front line trenches. Three hours in the front line trenches and he was dead.

The terse dispatch from the war department drove Mrs. Liberatori to distraction, brought on a nervous breakdown and she was soon in the Wisconsin state asylum, an insane woman. Six months' treatment restored her sanity, and upon her release she went back to Italy, for a rest.

The department of labor refused to readmit her until bond was furnished.

**Labor Day in Calgary.**

CALGARY, Can., Aug. 3.—Labor day will be celebrated on the usual large scale by the Calgary Trades and Labor Council which has taken St. George's Island for an athletic program and dance.

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## BOYCOTT FINNISH LOAN, CLASS WAR PRISONERS URGE

### 1,000 Politicals Still Jailed in Finland

(Special to the DAILY WORKER)

HELSINGFORS, Finland, Aug. 3.—While a huge Finnish loan is being floated in the United States, the reactionary government of Finland is hounding its political prisoners at home.

Following the butchery and extermination of 30,000 radical Finnish workers in concentration camps and prisons by the counter-revolutionary government that was installed after the 1917 revolution by Germany and then the allies, the remaining Communists and other radicals have been steadily persecuted. Over 1,000 of them are in prison despite false propaganda about amnesty intended for foreign consumption.

At the Tammsaari institution of penal servitude drunken and perverted jailers inflict punishment at their own whim. Attempts at suicide by the politicians, crazed attempts at murder and other unusual phenomena reveal the desperation of the men who are imprisoned for no overt act but for their opinions or for belonging to the Communist party which has been outlawed by the government.

These political appeals to the civilized world, particularly America, to institute an economic boycott of Finland, if the Finnish loan, floated in the United States by Lee, Higginson & Co., should fail to find purchasers and if trading with the reactionary Finnish government should be curtailed, better treatment is expected to result for the political prisoners.

(The American Labor Yearbook, published by the Rand School, declares "Finland is still in the grip of a strong reactionary government.")

## WM. Z. FOSTER

### What do you know about him?

When speaking to your neighbors, friends and shopmates and urging them to support and vote for William Z. Foster, the working class candidate for president, at the coming election, you will have to tell them what Foster has done for the labor movement. For this we recommend Foster's book:

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## ME AND JIM.

By SUNNY J.R.

We are watching Jackie Jones' party. Me and Jim were not invited. You see Jackie's Pa is boss of a big newspaper. He has lots and lots of money and Jim is only one of his many little newsboys. You see, of course then, that Jim wasn't fit to be invited to Jackie's party. I wasn't either cause I only delivered the Jones' groceries. Jim got a box for us to stand on and we put it up against the side of the house and when we got up we could look in at all the rich kids having a party.

Gee, it was swell! All those kids was dressed up in silks and velvets and everything in the room was beautiful. All kinds of heavy silk stuff hung on the walls and thick carpets and everything. And you should have seen the eats! Yum! I hadn't had money enough to buy a supper and Jim hadn't even had dinner and when we saw all those swell things we got an awful empty feeling in our middle.

Just then Jim swore an awful swear word and then he began to talk kind of excited.

"Look at that kid enjoying himself. Look at the rest of those rich kids enjoying themselves. Everyone of their fathers has plenty of time for golf and everything else and does nothing all day but enjoy himself. The only worry they ever have is to see where they could spend all the money they have. And where do they get the money? My pa and your pa and a lot of other poor workers work hard for them all day and sometimes long into the night. Even our mothers work and still we haven't enough to even buy rye bread and salt her-

ring to eat and we kids have to work.

"They never work, and look what they have, and we are always working, and look what we have. The place where you live and I live is cold and dirty and the walls have been cracked for the last fifty years. All we ever have to wear is ragged clothes that we get from charity, and if we get a cotton suit once in a couple of years we only wear it like when we go to the circus with the rest of the settlement children, and we think we're swell 'cause most of the kids have to wear dirty rags.

"And what have we got to eat? Look at the ice cream and cake and fruit that maid is passing around to those kids. Say, do you know my little sister is sick and the visiting nurse says she must have fruit, and all we have to give her is dry rye bread and salt her- ring. I got her a dried up orange yesterday. I had to hook it from the peddler and the cop chased me and I nearly got caught, but sis was so happy to get it that I am glad I did it.

"It makes me mad to see those rich kids in there stuffing themselves with fruit and cake and ice cream. I hope they eat so much it makes them sick. But what's the good of hoping that. If they get sick they have good doctors, not just visiting nurses who don't know very much.

"I tell you, Mike, I used to think that everything was as it had to be and that it couldn't be helped, but since I have been going to those Junior Group meetings I have learned different and I think the workers are crazy if they don't get together and do something so that they will get what belongs to them."

What do you think? Do you

## UNCLE WIGGILY'S TRICKS



## A LAUGH FOR THE CHILDREN



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The Alliance of the Dying

Samuel Gompers, nearing the end of a career of treason to the working class, has, like the expiring serpent's tail, given a final wriggle.

It is all very much like the romantic fiction of "twin souled" lovers drawn to each other across the seas and the ages, finding in each other's arms the first and final solace this side of the grave.

A touching sight it is, indeed, to find the last hours of these two happy lovers somewhat complicated by the tiresome triangle of the divorce courts.

Gompers has always opposed socialism, represented by Debs, just as he has opposed (as a servant of big business) the liberal and petty-bourgeois trust-busting of LaFollette.

LaFollette has always fought against the socialists and socialism. As a capitalist politician he conflicted head-on with Debs.

Debs has for years opposed Gompers. Debs has pilloried Gompers' ante-diluvian leadership. He stood against Gompers flatly in his advocacy of industrial as opposed to craft unionism.

The puzzle has its answer. The reason for his amazing political triangle, in which the three old men, with a passion not customary for invalids, rush into each other's arms, is very easily explained.

The Workers Party advocates a class farmer-labor party—and was denounced by LaFollette. The Workers Party advocates the waste-basket for labor fakery and industrial unionism for labor—and was denounced by Gompers.

Berger and Herron

In a recent issue of the Milwaukee Leader, an editorial appears taking George D. Herron to task for his betrayal of socialism.

Herron was one of the many who thought the late war was waged in behalf of democracy. He was for it, and lined up with the Allies.

Berger was against the Allies and opposed the war because it was not practical for him to come out openly on the side of the Scheidemanns and Eberts after Woodrow Wilson got this country into the mess in order to save Morgan's millions.

The only difference between Herron and Berger is that the former is a more harmless prostitute than the latter.

Diplomats Surrender to Morgan

Cable dispatches state that the international bankers "have accepted" the proposals of the London Conference for guarantees of the \$200,000,000 loan to Germany.

The whole conference has been a battle, not at all veiled, between the bankers, led by Thomas W. Lamont, of the House of Morgan, and the forces of French imperialism, particularly the Comité des Forges, represented by the "radical socialist" Herriot.

Such "unity" is not unity at all. The moment in which one or the other would feel it possible to crush its opponent in war, that moment would see the end of "unity" and would hear the call to arms.

While the Germans have not yet had their say, and they may bring new discord, yet from every political simpleton, particularly from our liberal, pacifist spokesmen, come peans of joy because the bankers "have accepted" and the American delegation done such "good work."

The time to protest is now. The Dawes plan is Morgan's plan. It is endorsed by Coolidge and Davis. LaFollette is silent and hypocritical as usual, but his supporters endorse it.

Mobilization Day

At last the Wall Street Gold Dust twins, Coolidge and Davis, have found an issue over which they can make faces with each other in order to give the voters the impression that it makes a difference to them whether the republicans or democrats rule the United States for Morgan and Co.

President Coolidge and the war department have designated September 12th as the day on which the militarists will test the ability of the government to mobilize its war machinery at short notice.

Governor Bryan of Nebraska, democratic candidate for vice-president, demurs. He has no objection to preparing for the defense of the country, but he objects to such public flaunting of militarism in the face of the world.

Candidate Davis agrees with Bryan. Davis is for preparedness, but this country should now devote its attention to putting capitalism back on its feet throughout the world.

Bunk Without End

John H. Walker, president of the Illinois Federation of Labor, in a statement to the press hails the new era in industry which is bringing so many blessings "to the laboring man."

Walker finds that large fortunes have lost their glamor and wealthy men are more and more, thinking less of money and using their money to benefit society. The approaching convention of the Illinois Federation of Labor will encourage this tendency and perhaps appoint a committee to call on Doheney, Gary, Henry Ford, Guggenheim, Harry Sinclair, Andrew Mellon and other well-known lovers of the workers, to congratulate them on their new tendency and urge them to continue in the path which has earned the blessing of the thankful Walker.

This slobbering faker was, not so very long ago, a socialist and a firm believer in the class struggle and the necessity of the workers to organize for the purpose of freeing themselves from their masters. Today he looks on labor union merely as pens where the workers can be held while the quack doctors of capitalism inject doses of class collaboration into their systems.

GOMPERS HELPS TURN WORKERS TO COMMUNISM

BY J. LOUIS ENGDALH.

THE Communists of the United States are in the national political arena for the first time. Under the standards of the Workers Party, enlightened labor moves forward for new victories.

What a host of enemies the Party and its candidates will face! All the supporters of the whole capitalist system stand in opposition. The Communists must fight not only the two recognized parties of Wall Street, but also the party of the "left wing of Wall Street," the so-called "Progressive Party of LaFollette, Gompers and Debs."

The Workers Party and its candidates are stating their position clearly in this campaign. They expect no quarter from the enemy.

The whole capitalist press is giving thousands of miles of newspaper column space to Coolidge, Davis and LaFollette. The publicity given the Communist candidates can be measured in inches. Most of the publicity given the capitalist candidates is favorable.

"The International Labor News Service" is only one of numerous anti-Communist propaganda activities of the Gompers' regime in the American Federation of Labor.

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John Watt, a miner of Springfield, Ill., will be the candidate for lieutenant governor. Moritz J. Loeb, business manager of the Daily Worker, is on the ticket for secretary of state.

The candidate for United States Senator is J. Louis Engdahl, managing editor of the Daily Worker, and an expelled member of Chicago Typographical Union No. 16. Engdahl was expelled from this union for non-payment of dues just prior to the printers' 44-hour strike which cost \$16,000,000, and to which Engdahl declined to contribute a thin dime.

Duncan McDonald, recently candidate for governor of Illinois and later candidate for President of the United States of the Communist Farmer-Labor Party organized at St. Paul June 17, was not given a place on this latest Third International ticket.

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IT IS A SURRENDER - By JOSEPH M. COLDWELL

Editor's Note: Joseph M. Coldwell was one of the few members of the Socialist Party who took the St. Louis anti-war resolution seriously.

THE recent action of the Socialist Party in going over to the camp of the LaFollettes has been characterized by some of the "leaders" of that moribund group as a tactful retreat.

I joined the Socialist Party in 1898 and held continuous membership until after the St. Louis convention, when the famous "war proclamation" was issued.

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"leaders" and the camp followers are too cowardly to fight under their own banners, or that the Socialist Party is so weak that it cannot fight its own battles.

It is to the camp of this political "messiah" that the "leaders" of the remnants of the Socialist Party have gone. It is not a retreat; it is a surrender. A surrender of everything that the Socialist Party ever stood for.

A retreat, or even a defeat, against overwhelming odds may have its honors for the vanquished army. But to go into the camp of the enemy and say "Here we are, we will no longer fight against you; we will fight with you," cannot by any stretch of the imagination be called a retreat.

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meeting, at which the nominations were made, was well advertised in the DAILY WORKER. It was not secret. There are a few million working men and women in this country who believe that Dunne's expulsion from the Portland A. F. of L. Convention was to his credit.

As for myself, I have no apologies to offer to Mr. Gompers and his whole reactionary outfit, for being selected as the Communist candidate for United States Senator in the State of Illinois. Alienists should examine the brain of Gompers' agent who gathered the above dope for the "I. L. N. S.," sent out for publication by innocent and unsuspecting labor editors.

Coming from a proletarian family I have always held loyalty to my class as my highest duty. My first memory is of attendance at an entertainment given by a few carpenters in the city of Minneapolis, Minn., under the leadership of my father, for the purpose of raising funds to finance the work of organization.

I actively engaged in my first strike as a day laborer, while earning money, during vacation, to continue going to school. It was my first actual experience with the workings of craft unionism. We laborers came out in a fight against a ten-hour day and 20 cents an hour wage, but the betwe paid and eight-hour day bricklayers, for whom we carried mortar and brick and erected scaffolds, remained at work. They scabbed on us. The strike was broken.

While labor editor of the CHICAGO DAILY SOCIALIST, way back in 1909, not 13 years later as Gompers' report states, I did join the Stenographers' Union, in Chicago. I became the president of the union, and was its delegate to the 1910 convention of the Illinois Federation of Labor, and to the Atlanta, Ga., Convention of the A. F. of L. in 1911.

But the intelligent worker can readily discern that where that word is applied to a Communist, it is always a blot upon the labor movement, placed there, not by the Communist, but by Gompers' reactionary regime intolerant of all progress.

I do not believe in absentee membership in labor unions. When I went to the Milwaukee Leader, it was natural that I should sever my relations

with the Chicago organization and identify myself with the labor movement in Milwaukee, which I did, joining the News Writers' Union, affiliated with the International Typographical Union. When I was re-called to Chicago, in 1914, to become editor of the AMERICAN SOCIALIST, the official organ of the National Socialist Party, I had my membership transferred to the Chicago Typographical Union, since there was no local of the News Writers' Union in Chicago.

At the time I was called to New York to edit the "Workers' Council," "The Worker," the official organ of the Workers Party, the Typographical Union, by referendum vote, surrendered its jurisdiction over editorial workers, recognizing that it had made a complete failure of the job of trying to organize them. I thereupon joined the News Writers' Union, in New York City, of which Heywood Brown, of the New York World was president. Our union in New York City led the campaign to organize editorial workers in other cities and to build up an international union, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor. Our union in New York City made application for a charter in the A. F. of L. at the time the national headquarters of the Workers Party, and with it "The Worker" were removed to Chicago. I offered to sign the New York application for a charter, but was asked to try to do something instead in Chicago. Gompers, at latest reports, had not granted the New York charter, and in Chicago only the editorial workers on Communist publications are anxious to build a union; a union, of course, that would never get an A. F. of L. charter.

The Gompers propagandist, in sending out the reports of the International Labor News Service, loves to play with the word "expelled."

Let Gompers' agents keep up their vile publicity. It will only result in more votes for the Communist candidates, more adherents to the Communist cause among the workers of the United States of America. The workers are learning in the daily struggle who are their real enemies—the reactionaries who fight all progress.

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

For Workingclass Culture.

To the DAILY WORKER:—In Moscow, I was impressed with the part that music plays in the life of the people. They have composed a number of new working class songs; all of them very good music.

Another impression I retain, is the extent to which the art of singing, has spread. Every worker does his share regardless of how he sings. Of course, they do it very well, as they have learned from early childhood.

Most impressive was the scene in front of the English Workers' Club, in Moscow, May first of this year. There were groups of workers from foreign countries standing about awaiting the signal to start on the march to Red Square.

The French Workers sang the Workers' songs of their country. Other groups sang their Workers' songs. The Hungarian Workers sang best of all. Everyone of these Hungarians had taken part in the Hungarian Workers' Revolt. All of them had been in the army. But to hear them sing the "International," it was wonderful, superb. They sing it so well, so impressive, with so much spirit, it seems that just to hear them sing once, would make a revolutionist of anyone.

I wonder if we realize the part that music has played in the Russian Revolution. I wonder if we realize the part that music must play in the life of the Workers' Movement in any

country. Our movement needs music and it should be good music. The Russian Workers have plenty of good music, but I am confident that we ought to be able to produce enough real good music with proper wording, (not subversive) to answer our purpose.

We should also produce Working Class Stories. Short ones would serve the purpose.

The great mass of American People need a new Working Class Culture.

Who is going to start it?—Frank Miller, 9124 114 St., Richmond Hill, New York.

Wages Going Down. To the DAILY WORKER: I am at present employed by Von Platten, Fox and Company at Iron Mountain, Mich., at the rate of \$4.00 per 10-hour day doing construction and repair work outside the mill. But Mr. Fox, the worthy owner, informed us that he had to reduce our wages 50 cents per day or close down the plant; cut to take effect the 15th.

According to Mr. Fox's own statement, beginners here will have to work for \$2.50 per 10-hour day. The charge for board and room in the company house, logging camp style, is \$8 per week. Other places \$11.50.

I like the DAILY WORKER very well and would subscribe but under the present circumstances I am unable. Fraternally, A. S. Nelson.

By JOSEPH M. COLDWELL

The members of the Workers Party are the only ones who can sing: "We want no condescending saviours To rule us from a judgment hall. We workers ask not for their favours Let us consult for all. To make the thief disgorge his booty, To free the spirit from its cell. We must OURSELVES decide our duty. WE MUST DECIDE AND DO IT WELL. The socialists cannot sing that song now, but we can and will.

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The Poor Fish says: I thought the Communists were nutty when they said Morgan was running Europe, but it looks that way now. Practically every government official but Coolidge is over there, and he would go but he is afraid somebody might ask him a question and there would be nobody around to answer it for him.