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"Soviet Government Firm in Saddle in 5 China Districts"

COLORADO STOPS MEETING TO TEST CIVIL LIBERTIES

Militia Attack on Strikers Feared

By FRANK L. PALMER. (Special to The Daily Worker) DENVER, Colo., Dec. 15.—Charging that bloodshed was planned at a meeting to test the right to hold meetings, under the direction of George Collins, the New York representative of the American Civil Liberties Union, Major Ardourel of the militia, prohibited the meeting this afternoon.

Feared Militia Attack. Collins derided the idea that either he or his associates planned bloodshed, and denied that others knew of the meeting before Thursday. However, Collins dismissed the meeting to prevent possible attack by the militia upon the strikers.

A habeas corpus proceeding was started in the federal court on behalf of twelve strikers who are being held by the militia in northern Colorado. Either a decision will be given in three days, or trials will be started by the Relief Committee.

Militia Raids Continue. The militia continues raids night and day, searching homes and arresting strikers. "Home to home" picketing is charged, whatever that is.

The operators' effort to prevent a great mass meeting Friday night may be successful as the city authorities objected at the last moment on Thursday to the use of the auditorium for a meeting of the Fellowship of Reconciliation for Peace.

Three university students, the chairman of the Civic Affairs Committee of the Ministerial Alliance, a college professor and George Collins and another minister were to speak. This meeting was a vital issue for the "Peace with Justice" movement.

CHARGE I. R. T. HEADS PLOT TO DESTROY LABOR

Charging that the Interborough Rapid Transit Company was at the head of a nation-wide conspiracy of employers to destroy the American labor movement, officers of both the American Federation of Labor and the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees yesterday filed answer to the Interborough application for an injunction to prevent the further organization of the New York traction workers.

Answer Comprehensive. The answer to the Interborough application, filed before Supreme Court Justice Wasservogel, was made in behalf of the American Federation of Labor and William Green, its president, the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees and Wm. D. Mahon, its president; Hugh Frayne, New York State organizer of the A. F. of L.; P. J. Shea and J. H. Coleman, organizers for the Amalgamated Association, and others.

The reply begins with an attack on the "yellow dog" contract and the company union and is based on the right of labor to exist and function. Attacks Company Union.

The answer attacks the company union on the ground of "illusory" value and calls it a "bogus" union perpetrated upon the workers without their consent and desire. The "yellow dog" contract is declared to be illegal on the grounds that it was drawn under compulsion and duress when company agents threatened to discharge workers who did not sign the instrument.

Further charges against the Interborough are that in reporting to the Transit Commission the company deliberately concealed "from the city of New York and from its citizens" large sums of money expended for such unlawful purposes as spying, strike-breaking and fighting organized labor.

In the attack on the company union it is pointed out that the workers have no right under this "company tool." The company officers have complete control over the general committee of the brotherhood, according to the union's reply.

The hearing upon the Interborough application and the reply of organized labor will take place next Wednesday.



Clarence Darrow (left) and Isaac Shorr, attorneys for the defense in the trial of two anti-fascists in a Bronx court. Under their questioning the "identification" of Greco and Carrillo by prosecution star witnesses broke down.

COSTUMES BY N. Y. ARTIST WILL FEATURE WORKER-FREIHEIT BALL

One of the features of The DAILY WORKER-Freiheit Color-light Costume Ball in Madison Square Garden tomorrow night will be costumes designed by Lydia Gibson, New York painter, which will be worn by DAILY WORKER Builders and others active in the labor movement, and in the literary and art world. The drawings which appear on other pages of this issue are by the same artist.

A group of artists have been engaged for two weeks under the direction of Comrade Gibson making those costumes. Not only will valuable prizes be given to those wearing the best costumes, but prizes will be awarded to those identifying the wearers. The judges will work in relays and will be served with refreshments between acts.

500 Volunteers. Five hundred volunteers met last night in Manhattan Lyceum and perfected arrangements for the ball.

There is a special costume contest between The DAILY WORKER and Freiheit staffs. Both the Freiheit and The DAILY WORKER can boast of a staff member who looks as if he never had a shave. Both of them will be taken to a good union barber Saturday and both staffs depend on their own man to win the prize for the most original disguise.

The arrangements committee announces receipt of applications for blocks of tickets from other cities. George Siskind, district organizer in New Haven, is coming to the ball with his entire membership, in a new Ford car. There will be a special train from Philadelphia packed with left wingers and contingents from Boston, Baltimore and Washington.

The famous cartoonists, Fred Ellis and Morris Pass, will be there in person with their sleeves rolled up ready to take on all comers for a sketch.

Every racial group in the world (with the exception of the Scotch: Pat Devine being on a speaking tour) and every radical who has attended a meeting or a ball for the last five years will be there. It promises to be the biggest affair of its kind ever held in this city. You cannot afford to pass it up. And

its success means the difference between virility and pernicious anemia for the Communist daily press in New York City for some time to come.

Youths' Conference Called For Miners' Relief Here Sunday

The Youth Conference for Miners Relief will hold a mass meeting and conference next Sunday afternoon and evening, respectively, at the new school for Social Research, Tenth Ave. and 23rd St. Representatives of many youth organizations are expected to attend.

Many Delegates Present. A recent preliminary conference was attended by representatives of the Young People's Group of the Church of All Nations, Young People's Group of the Community Church, students of the Union Theological Seminary, students of Barnard College, Young Workers (Communist) League, American Association of Plumbers Helpers, Millinery Workers Union, Local 43, Young Progress and Brownsville Youth Center.

Haggood Will Speak. The meeting Sunday afternoon will be addressed by Powers Haggood, United Mine Workers; Tony Minerich, United Mine Workers; John Williamson, Young Workers League; George

FIND FASCISTS COACHED WITNESS AGAINST GRECO

State Witness Refuses to Identify Greco

"If you keep this up I'll say yes, he is the man, and go home. But why should I send a man to jail for nothing when I'm not sure," shouted Luigi Alfano, star "eye-witness" of the prosecution yesterday in the murder frame-up against Calogero Greco and Donato Carrillo, now on trial before Judge Albert Cohn, and a jury in Bronx county court charged with the slaying of two fascists last Decoration Day.

Thus refusing to identify Greco in Bronx county court yesterday, Alfano, his head lowered, and trembling, nearly wrecked the elaborate legal structure build up by the district attorney, with the active aid and cooperation of the Fascist League of North America.

A minute later the witness fairly screamed: "I'm a Catholic. I must die, too. Why should I say one thing when I mean another."

Death Blow to Prosecution. These answers were all in response to impatient questions by the prosecutor as to whether "Greco looks like the man who did the cutting."

Alfano's testimony in court yesterday, which was interpreted by a court attendant, is almost a death blow to the prosecution, which banked heavily on him as the second "eye-witness" to identify Greco and Carrillo as the slayers of the two fascists last Memorial Day on their way to a Black-shirt demonstration.

Darrow Pierces Frame-up. The defense scored all round yesterday, Alfano, a state witness, was subjected to questioning not only by the disappointed district attorney, but also sat for three hours under Darrow's keen and relentless cross-examination.

Darrow's questioning of the witness brought out a hesitant description of the two occasions upon which Alfano was taken to Brooklyn to identify Greco. Each time Alfano was accompanied by several policemen and fascists, including Caso, a Bronx detective, and Rocco, organizer and secretary of the Bronx branch of the Fascist League of North America, who, with Alfano are the chief props of the prosecution in its frantic attempt to send Greco and Carrillo to the electric chair.

"How did you get to Brooklyn?" Darrow queried.

"In two automobiles," the witness replied.

"What time of the day was it," Darrow asked.

"About 5.30 in the afternoon," Greco Pointed Out By Fascist.

Alfano's testimony revealed the fact that he was taken to make the identification in front of the shop where Greco was at work. He was sitting with several fascists detectives in the parked car on the opposite side of the street from the shop, he admitted to Darrow.

"Did you identify the man you were looking for?" Darrow asked.

"Some young man passed, a little lame, and I think it was him," the witness responded.

Darrow asked Alfano if he had been shown pictures of various anti-fascists. The witness admitted that he had.

"Was it before or after you were taken to Brooklyn?" Darrow persisted.

"Before," the witness admitted. Fascist Leader Behind Prosecutor.

"Did you see Greco among the pictures?" Darrow asked.

"No," said Alfano. The picture was that of "a very large man," the witness added.

Alfano was forced by Darrow to admit that Vindi, the national secretary of the Fascist League of North America, was present at the trial. (Continued on Page Four)

Charge Steel Trust Forced Its Workers To Vote Republican

Pittsburgh, Dec. 15 (FP).

Miners here are interested in an Associated Press dispatch from Harlan, Ky., which declares the United States Coal & Coke Co., mining subsidiary of U. S. Steel Corp. is accused by J. G. Forester, defeated independent candidate for Circuit Judge with compelling its employees to vote for D. G. Jones, the regular republican candidate who was declared elected. The grand jury brought in a true bill against the company and Forester is contesting the election on grounds of fraud.

Pittsburgh miners say such tactics have been used in Fayette County by the H. C. Frick Co., the Pennsylvania subsidiary of U. S. Steel. The corporation thus seeks to control government.

"PEACE" MEETING IN MINE STRIKE ENDS IN FIASCO

Miners Show Hypocrisy of Conference

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—After a flat statement by Secretary of Labor Davis that "it is useless for small bituminous operators to attend any conference unless the major operators attend and agree to remedial measures," Davis' "Peace conference" of soft coal operators and miners broke up today without reaching an agreement. This was the result expected by progressive miners since the conference call was issued.

The two groups were asked to submit later recommendations on which a settlement could be negotiated.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 15.—Although a few minor coal companies have accepted Secretary of Labor Davis' invitation to the joint conference with the miners' officials opening in Washington today, it is clear that Davis' offer is only a cover for strike breaking, and there is small chance of any speedy settlement or change in the lockout situation, and it seems certain that the miners are facing a long winter of pitiless war.

Big Operators Reject "Offer." Twice the large coal operators, the decisive factor in the coal war, led by the Mellon-controlled Pittsburgh Coal Company, have contemptuously rejected the conference call, and reaffirmed their refusal to have any dealings with the miners' union.

"We have definitely and permanently severed all relations with that organization," states the Pittsburgh Coal Company.

"We will not meet with representatives of the United Mine Workers of America with whom we have no contract," is the answer of the Ohio Coal Operators' Association to Davis' telegram. . . . It would not benefit the miners who remain unemployed, because we have already offered and yet continue to offer them employment at the highest wages now possible.

"Our mines are not closed to them as individuals and our information and belief is that many would return to work but for the misleading and unwarranted advice of the union officials."

Out to Smash Union. In unmistakable terms the coal operators of all three districts declare that they are out to smash the union, bring the open shop into Pennsylvania and Ohio to stay, and establish the slave conditions and starvation scale of the Kentucky, Alabama and West Virginia fields.

In all the strike districts the food situation is daily more official. In the majority of local unions the district has been unable to increase its relief allowance for months, yet every week finds more families destitute and in need of immediate relief. (Continued on Page Two)

Newark USSR Meeting Will Be Held Tonight

The Russian revolution celebration meeting stopped by the Newark police Nov. 13 will be held in Newark tonight at New Montgomery Hall under the auspices of the Workers (Communist) Party. The speakers will be William W. Weinstone, district organizer of the party; John Williamson, Young Workers (Communist) League, and Juliet Stauart Poyntz.

COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL CALLS WORLD LABOR TO RALLY FOR AID OF CHINESE REVOLUTION IN NEED

Reactionary Nanking Government Breaks Relations with Soviet Union

Renegades Want U. S.-British Financial and Military Help Against Masses

Imperialist Ally Workers Asked to Demand Withdrawal Of Foreign Troops

(Special to The Daily Worker)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.—The Nanking government today severed diplomatic relations with the Soviet Union when Quo Tai-chi, vice minister of foreign affairs, handed the Soviet Consul General at Shanghai his passports and requested that all representatives of the Soviet Union leave territory controlled by the Nanking government within a week.

Commercial as well as diplomatic relations were severed, the Nanking government demanding that all commercial agents from the Soviet Union leave within a week.

Imperialist Allies. That the recent successes of workers' and peasants' revolts and a desire to strike a bargain with Great Britain and the United States precipitated the move was indicated in the official statement issued by the Nanking government. The communique declared that the Nanking government feared wide-spread revolts of workers and peasants similar to that in Canton.

Quo Tai-chi at a dinner given by the American University Club last night expressed the hope that the

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POWERS EVADED DISARM ISSUE IS LITVINOV CHARGE

Reviews Work at Geneva at Party Congress

MOSCOW, Dec. 15.—That the capitalist powers took every possible measure to prevent the discussion of disarmament and elbowed aside the proposal for complete and immediate disarmament when it was brought before the conference by the Soviet Union's delegation was the charge made against the Geneva Preparatory Disarmament Commission by Maxim Litvinov, Vice Commissar of Foreign Affairs, at the Fifteenth All Union Communist Congress today.

Litvinov said that the correspondence concerning Soviet Union's participation in the conference emphasized the Soviet Union's lack of confidence in the League of Nations' disarmament activity. Things seen and heard at Geneva left this lack of confidence unshaken, he said.

Evade Issue. "The International Disarmament Convention draft, elaborated after prolonged work, contains no disarmament cypher," he declared. "The draft contains not a single important

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Injunction, "Yellow Dog" Contract, Company Union; the Unholy Trinity in Traction

Article II. By ROBERT MITCHELL.

The injunction which the Interborough Rapid Transit Company will seek to obtain on Dec. 21 against the whole organized labor movement will in most respects break the existing injunction record. This claim can be made even though in these days of Injunction Democracy it is no longer simple to carry off the highest laurels in the fields.

In the past injunctions have sought to prevent the organizing of workers, the collection of dues, picketing, the payment of strike benefits and other union activities. The recent injunctions in the Pennsylvania coal fields have ordered the striking miners not only to refrain from speaking to "scabs" but also to refrain from sing-

ing or even attending certain church services at which they might meet with the strike breakers. But the injunction sought by the Interborough goes even farther. If this order is granted and observed, its ultimate effect will be to legislate the organized labor movement out of existence. Indeed, this is exactly what the order is intended to accomplish.

Injunction, a Political Weapon. In the case of other injunctions a certain pretense might still be maintained that they arose out of the variation of purely economic struggle. In the case of the Interborough injunction no such pretense can any longer be held out. An instrument aimed at millions of workers in every part of the country (Continued on Page Two)

Imperialist Ally Bars Consulate in China

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Nanking government would establish friendlier relations with the "western democratic countries."

(Special Cable To DAILY WORKER.)

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.—The revolutionary worker corps offered the mercenary troops in the employ of the right wing the sternest resistance when the reactionaries entered Canton, according to reports received here. Bitter fighting took place in the streets of the city.

The revolutionary troops were for a time surrounded but they succeeded in breaking thru and leaving the city, their losses totaling four thousand killed and wounded.

Chiang Kai-shek at a meeting of the plenary session of the Central Committee of the Kuomintang not only proposed a break with the Soviet Union, but proposed to join the imperialist powers in a struggle against the Communist Party and to end any kind of a mass movement.

Murder Workers.

CANTON, Dec. 15.—Three leaders of the workers' and peasants' revolt were shot today and ten others sentenced to death after being brutally beaten and paraded thru the streets. Thousands of other workers and peasants were shot down without the formality of a sentence by troops of Chang Kai-shek who have entered the city.

Try Advisers.

SHANGHAI, Dec. 15.—Five foreign military advisers to the Nationalist armies who were arrested here a month ago will be tried on the charge of aiding the workers' and peasants' rebellion at Swatow in September.

Big Delegation At Defense Meet For New England States

BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 15.—Arrangements have been completed for the annual conference of the International Labor Defense of the New England District to be held in Boston on December 18th. Credentials have been received from all the branches of the International Labor Defense in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maine, New Hampshire and Connecticut.

The 7,000 members of the Independent Workers' Circle are sending delegates. Twenty other fraternal organizations and trade unions accepted invitations and are sending delegates. More credentials are expected during the rest of the week. A large number of prominent labor leaders and former class war prisoners will be there. A complete success is assured for the unity and consolidation of all defense forces in New England.

BOOST THE DAILY WORKER!

Soviet Union Petroleum Parley Starts in Spain

MADRID, Dec. 15.—Negotiations for the purchase of oil in the Soviet Union are reported to be here. The proposed petroleum contract is conditional on the recognition of the Soviet Republic by the Spanish government. While many elements in Spanish governing circles are known to be opposed to recognition, it is confidently believed that the need for oil will prove stronger than their hostility. The contract would mean the breakdown of the tariff war which the Spaniards have been waging with the Soviet Union on nearly all products except oil.

ARREST 9 FOR BEGGING.

Nine men, all out of jobs, were arrested yesterday for approaching Christmas shoppers in the Broadway district and asking for money.

BOOST THE DAILY WORKER!

Party Members and Sympathizers Notice

The anthracite Young Workers' League is just beginning to organize. So far we have three units. One of our main troubles is that while our members are eager to get knowledge and to read proletarian literature, yet the wages are so low in the mines, silk mills and garment factories that our members cannot afford to buy enough literature to keep up with their needs, so the Y. W. L. has decided to organize a circulating library for the three units and any other units which will be organized. The books will be used for Y. W. L. members and sympathizers and other workers who may want to read them. Many Party members have many books which they have already read and have no more use for. They could easily supply us with books for the Y. W. L. library in the anthracite region. In case you do not have any books, cash donations will also be accepted to purchase books. Come, let's have your books or money. All contributions of books or money should be given to the Jimmie Higgins Bookshop (106 University Place), which will forward them to the anthracite region.

Keep This Day Open!
January 13th

Miner of Zeigler Near Prison, in Fear for Family

Henry Corbishley, leading progressive of the Illinois miners who was sentenced to prison by the decision of the Illinois supreme court which upheld the conviction of the lower court in the case of Corbishley and three of his comrades is preparing to go to the penitentiary for from 1 to 14 years. The men were convicted on charges framed against them by their enemies in the Ku Klux Klan, which they fought vigorously, and by reactionary union officials.

"I received notice from attorney Holly today," writes Corbishley to International Labor Defense, which was in charge of the case for the miners, "that the court had denied a new hearing in our case. I suppose we will be called in a few days by the sheriff to go to prison. I am not surprised or shocked by the news as I was fully aware of the forces behind the case. I wish to personally thank the International Labor Defense and all comrades and friends for the active support we were given in this case.

Everybody Enjoined, Including the Lawyers.

Beginning with William Green, individually and as president of the American Federation of Labor, Wm. D. Mahon, individually and as president of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America, and naming some 40 others, the application goes on to ask "for an order enjoining and restraining * * * the defendants and each of them individually and each and every member and officer of the organization known as the American Federation of Labor, and each and every member and officer of the association known as the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees of America * * * and each of their agents, servants, attorneys, officers, confederates and any and all persons acting in aid of or in concert or in combination with them * * *"

Insurgents Help Organize Senate For Republicans

WASHINGTON, Dec. 15.—With the insurgents all voting the straight party ballot, the Republicans today completed the organization of the senate by electing their whole slate of candidates for senatorial offices.

Senator George H. Moses of New Hampshire was elected president pro tem of the senate by a vote of 42 to 30, over Senator Key Pitman of Nevada, the Democratic nominee. The vote was on party lines, with several Democrats stepping out of the chamber to offset absent Republicans.

Col. Edwin B. Thayer of Indiana was re-elected secretary of the senate over Col. Edwin A. Halsey of Virginia by a vote of 43 to 41.

David S. Barry of Rhode Island was re-elected sergeant at arms over J. L. Dohell of Montana by a vote of 42 to 40.

French Senate to Kill Woman Suffrage Bill

PARIS, Dec. 15.—On the grounds that the only French women who are interested in winning the ballot are engaged in radical activities, the majority in the French senate is expected to turn down the woman's suffrage bill which is again before it, after passing the House of Deputies.

It is reported, however, that the ministerial conference has announced its intention of recommending the measure despite the senate committee's opposition.

Injunction, "Yellow Dog" Contract, Company Union; the Unholy Trinity in Traction

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The Interborough Injunction in the clearest sense becomes a nation wide political order. In its real purposes and effects it is intended to operate like any other piece of government legislation.

In this connection an interesting question may arise. The injunction aimed at all members of the A. F. of L. would include not only workers in the United States but thousands abroad, for instance, many railroad workers in Canada. Without taking the question too seriously it may be asked: Just what will the Canadian government say to this bit of Interborough presumption, seeking to bind Canadian citizens? The affair might even result in international complications, perhaps even to war!

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The acts which the injunction would forbid are included in twelve main divisions. Under the combined restrictions of the "yellow dog" contract, the company union and the injunction—the Unholy Trinity in Traction, the workers in this industry may find considerable difficulty even in breathing.

Advice Is Prohibited.

The first demand would prevent those enjoined from advising the employees of the Interborough to leave their employment or to strike.

The second would restrain anyone from advising or inducing them to join any union or association other than the company union. The provisions of this section are sufficiently broad to include a prohibition of even fraternal or religious organizations.

The third is a restriction against the advice to the workers to break the "yellow dog" contract. The fourth would prevent the holding of meetings; the fifth seeks to prevent the circulating of notices, handbills, letters or other literature among the workers. The sixth would enjoin any written or oral discussion of wages or other conditions with the traction workers.

Would Enjoin Generations Still Unborn!

Another provision seeks to enjoin all those named from "doing any act whatsoever * * * by way of advice, persuasion or otherwise to induce the employees of the plaintiff present or future * * * (emphasis mine, R. M.) from any act * * * interfering with the employees of the plaintiff * * *"

And if all these demands are not sufficient, the Court is further asked "for such other relief as to the Court may seem just and proper in the premises * * *"

That this injunction if granted and observed would have the effect of separating friends, relatives and acquaintances from each other and causing them to spy upon and testify against each other, has already been emphasized.

The further effect of setting up this Unholy Trinity in Traction would be to broaden the already deeply entrenched espionage system of the railroads to a national institution. Locally, the demolishing influence of this system of spies, stool pigeons and degenerate tale carriers, would certainly be felt immediately.

For instance, Tim McCarthy, a bricklayer and member of the union, might one evening meet his friend Ed. McGowan, a sub-station operator, at the Kilkenny Irish Club or perhaps at St. Margaret's Church some Sunday morning. Tim might be so rash, during the course of the services, as to suggest that the wages of a bricklayer are higher than those of a subway motive power operator. For this bit of daring Tim might be hailed into court and sentenced to jail for having violated the Interborough injunction.

Impossible, you may say. Ed. McGowan would never do such a thing. The thing couldn't happen, it is all imagination.

Not at all! For Ed. McGowan is not an imagined character at all but a real one. And Ed. not only would do such a thing but under the influence of the Interborough espionage system has already been drawn into such activities.

Ed. McGowan is like "Danny" Holland, another of the company informers. Listen to Ed. testify:

How It Is Done.
"Affidavit of Edward McGowan, Verified July 23, 1927.
"Edward McGowan being duly sworn deposes and says:

vegetables from produce dealers. The Journeymen Tailors delegates present promised shop collections.

The steel towns in Beaver Valley have entered the relief movement. Delegates from organizations representing many nationalities met in Ambridge, Pa., Sunday night. A house to house collection will be the first thing undertaken. Stations to which to bring clothes and food will be established in every Beaver Valley town.

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 15.—Labor at this town created its relief committee Sunday for the striking miners. Labor unions and workers' fraternal organizations were represented by delegates anxious to start work at once.

The first undertaking will be a mass meeting to awaken the city to the need of full cooperation.

GREENSBURG, Pa., Dec. 15.—Relief conferences will be held in Westmoreland County, Pa., and in Fayette County, Pa., this Sunday.

The Westmoreland conference takes place at Greensburg, Columbus Hall, 10 a. m.

The Fayette conferences will be held in Republic in the Croatian Hall, at 3 p. m. Wide activity for relief is expected among the unorganized miners in both these counties.

CANTON, O., Dec. 15.—Hobart Scott, relief organizer for Ohio, has organized a house to house collection in Canton. Akron, Warren, Lima, Columbus, Cincinnati and Toledo will be visited by him shortly.

RANKIN, Pa., Dec. 15.—The relief committee of East Pittsburgh will hold a two-floor dance in the Croatian Hall, Rankin, Pa., Jan. 14. The industrial workers of this proletarian section, steel workers, Westinghouse workers and railroad workers, all unorganized, will attend in numbers.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Dec. 15.—Relief conferences will take place at Wilkes-Barre, Old Forge and Luzerne, Dec. 18. Anthracite workers intend taking greater interest in the struggles of their brothers in the soft coal fields.

Since two miners from the Pennsylvania coal fields visited New York City thousands of workers are on tip-toe ready for service in aid of the miners. An office has been established at 799 Broadway, Room 233, which according to last reports, was so full of warm clothes for miners, their wives and children, that the secretary had to do business in the hallway. Special youth women's and language conferences are under way.

Contribution lists have had a wide distribution and a house to house collection and tag day are scheduled for January 7 and 8.

Only serviceable clothes and shoes should be contributed to the various relief committees. Emphasis is placed upon money contributions so that food can be bought.

Sunday will be an eventful day in the campaign for the relief of the striking and locked-out miners of Pennsylvania, Ohio and Colorado being carried on by the Miners' Relief Committee, 799 Broadway.

Besides the conference called by the United Council of Workingclass Women, taking in all women's organizations, for Irving Plaza, Victoria Hall, at 7:30 p. m., there will be a similar one at 604 Sutter Ave., Brooklyn, at 10 a. m., called by the East New York Workers' Circle. All workers' clubs and similar associations are invited to attend.

A Striker Will Speak.

At each of these a striking miner direct from the field will outline the situation graphically.

The Miners' Relief Committee sent four large crates of clothing to the Pennsylvania field yesterday and will send four crates to Colorado today. A package containing a complete outfit of baby clothes is being dispatched to Russellton, Pa., where the first baby born in the barracks erected by the evicted miners was brought into the world a few days ago.

Arrangements can be made through the committee for a striking miner to address any relief meeting in this district. Organizations are urged to send the committee their meeting dates so that they may be addressed on the subject of the miners' strike.

LEGION SHOULD WORRY.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Dec. 15.—National Commander Edward Spafford of the American Legion today called off the proposed legion prohibition poll, although he had suggested it in a recent address in New York. The poll was to have been taken by the various posts in the legion. But it is understood that considerable disagreement with the proposal was voiced in many sections of the country.

Hearst a Sorry Figure at Investigation

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The money had never been paid to the senators.

"Have you any evidence to indicate the senators knew anything at all about these documents?"
"Nothing at all."

Paid For Forgeries.

"How much in all did you pay for these documents?" asked Reed.
"About \$15,000 or \$16,000, I think," said Mr. Hearst.

"You have some holdings in Mexico, haven't you?" asked Robinson.

"I think I have," the publisher said, smiling, "I have some ranches and some mines."

Millions in Mexico.

Hearst said he could not describe the properties, but he estimated their worth at "around three or four million dollars."

Dodged Libel Suit.

"One of your reasons in publishing these documents was to provoke a congressional investigation?"
"Yes."

"You wanted a congressional committee to publish the names you were unwilling to publish?"
"Yes, if they so desired."

"Did you give any consideration to the liabilities for libel if you published the names?"
"I don't know—I didn't publish the names."

Senator Heflin, (D), of Alabama then denied that he had ever been approached by any agents of the Mexican government.

"The attempt to link my name with the charges before this committee is an infamous and cowardly fraud," said Senator LaFollette. "I have never been approached either directly or indirectly by any person or persons in connection with the relations between the United States and Mexico."

Links Hearst With Coolidge.

"It seems to me the committee is under obligation to prosecute this investigation to the limit. I am not unmindful of the fact that his newspapers have been supporters of the present administration and I also am not unmindful of the fact that I have been—in the senate and in my magazine—a bitter opponent of the administration's policy. This dastardly attack will not cause me to deviate by a hairs breadth from the course I have laid down for myself on the attitude of this government toward Mexico."

He also denied receiving any money.

All Demand Probe.

All of the senators whose names appeared in the Mexican correspondence insisted that the committee should "go to the bottom" in its investigation concerning the authenticity of the documents.

Senator Norris of Nebraska, whose statement was taken by Senator Johnson because illness prevented him from appearing in person before the committee, said "there's nothing to it so far as I'm concerned."

Senator Borah of Idaho, was the next witness. He took the oath as LaFollette had. Senator Reed then read from the purported ledger account of the Mexican government, indicating that \$1,215,000 had been paid out, \$600,000 to Borah.

"It is rather difficult to deal with this subject, all I can say is that nobody ever approached me."

"The documents purport to show that this money was sent to Arturo Elias by telegraph and that Dr. Dudley Field Malone acted as an intermediary between Elias and the senators mentioned," said Senator Reed of Pennsylvania.

Never Met Elias.

"Mr. Malone never spoke to me about it," said Borah.

Borah said he had never met Elias. Dudley Field Malone, former collector of the port of New York City and a prominent attorney, was called next.

"Are you acquainted with Arturo M. Elias, the Mexican consul general in New York?"
"I am not."

Knows No Mexican Official.

"Do you know Manuel C. Tellez, the Mexican ambassador?"
"I do not," said Malone. "I've never seen him."

Lindbergh May Bring More "Good Will" to Nicaragua and Cuba

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 15.—Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh, who has demonstrated the ease with which army airplanes can cover Mexico, may complete the reconnoitering expedition which is under the war department's direction, by flying to Nicaragua, Cuba, Central and South America, to consolidate the fields in which American imperialists are actively interested.

Army Planned Trip.

Major William Blair, of the Army Signal Corps, stated that army officers had no doubts about Lindbergh's safety, because they had planned every phase of the trip with him and knew of the large amount of gasoline he carried. However, Lindbergh stated that he strayed two hours in the fog and was dependent upon the gleam of the surf along the coast to direct him.

Regular Air Service.

That a regular air service will probably be established to more adequately control the American owned oil fields in Mexico as a result of Lindbergh's experiment was learned today from William P. MacCracken, Jr., of the Commerce Department of Aeronautics.

Carried Rifle.

Lindbergh, who carried a loaded rifle in the cockpit of his plane, stated that the purpose for extending his trip, was to demonstrate the desire "to help along good relations with peoples in those countries."

RICH VACATIONER'S STILL BURSTS.

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., Dec. 15.—An explosion in the town of Florida wrecked the Tippecanoe Lodge, widely known summer resort, wrecked telephone connections between North Adams and Boston and New York, broke windows for several hundred yards around and frightened women and children today. The explosion is said to be the result of liquor making.

MURDERED WOMAN'S DIARY INDICTS MANY.

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 15.—Many members of the fashionable Hermitage Country Club here will be involved in the trial of John Wesley Faison, secretary of the club who is accused of the murder of Elsie Holt Snipes.

Mrs. Snipes kept a complete diary of her dealings with the wealthy clubmen, and will furnish the basis for the prosecution.

Reed then read a letter written to President Calles of Mexico by Elias, which said, in part: "On the 14th of this month (August 1926) I delivered to Mr. Field Malone the sum of \$1,200,000 to be delivered to Senator Wm. E. Borah."

"I never heard of it before," said Malone.

"Have you ever acted as intermediary for the Mexican government?" asked Reed.

"I never did," said Malone.

Hearst's Men On Stand.

Malone was then excused and E. D. Coblenz, editor of the New York American, was then called.

Reed asked the editor what assurance he had as an editor that the Mexican documents were genuine.

Mr. Coblenz replied that he had been assured by John Page, Mexico City correspondent for the Hearst newspapers, that the documents were authentic, and also by a "Mr. Avila."

Coblenz identified "Mr. Avila" as "a former member of the United States military intelligence department." He revealed that Avila, with the aid of a clerk in Elias' office and Page, secured enough documents from Elias' office to corroborate and "tie in" with the documents previously secured from Mexico City.

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FINANCIAL CZAR FOR NICARAGUA STARTS ON JOB

Cumberland, U.S. Agent, Reaches Managua

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Dec. 15.—With a view to investigating Nicaraguan finances for the purpose of a large American loan, Dr. William W. Cumberland, formerly Financial Adviser and Receiver General of Customs in Haiti, arrived here yesterday. Cumberland was appointed by Secretary of State Kellogg several weeks ago to make the survey.

American bankers are contemplating a loan of \$20,000,000, a good part of which will go to pay for claims made by American citizens for alleged damage to property in the fighting in Nicaragua.

The appointment of W. W. Cumberland as virtual czar over Nicaraguan finances was severely attacked by Manuel Gomez, Secretary of the United States section of the All American Anti-Imperialist League.

If the proposed \$20,000,000 loan is made, which appears almost certain, virtually all of Nicaragua's resources, including the National Railway and the Nicaraguan Bank, will be made security.

German Government to Ignore Eight-Hour Day

BERLIN, Dec. 15.—Yielding to the threat of German iron and steel manufacturers that they would close every iron and steel plant in Germany on Jan. 1 if compelled to initiate the eight-hour day as required by law, the German government tentatively promised today that certain firms might postpone the change until a "more favorable time." The government will establish a special commission to decide which firms will be allowed to postpone the new system.

Leningrad Trade Union Schools Grow Rapidly

The Leningrad Trade Union Council has developed extensive mass work in the workers' university. There are now 8 branches of the university in all districts of the town. Apart from that there is a branch with several shifts depending on the shifts in the factories. Altogether 2,300 workers attend the university.

Lithuania Dissolves Volunteer Militia as Poland Builds Armies

WARSAW, Dec. 15.—Premier Waldemaras today dissolved the Lithuanian volunteer militia, according to advices from Kovno.

The premier's action was represented as the result of his desire to comply with the agreement reached at Geneva abolishing the state of war between Lithuania and Poland.

Filipino Workers Hit Col. Stimson; Politicos Approve

MANILA, P. I., Dec. 15.—The appointment of Col. Henry Stimson, who aided the overthrow of the liberal government in Nicaragua, is hailed by the reformist politicians here.

Manuel Raxas, one of the leaders of the nationalist party, in a statement issued yesterday declared: "Mr. Stimson's appointment has been favored from the start by our Party and has been favored by Filipinos more than that of Forbes."

Aginaldo, former insurrectionary leader who now leads a group that is most favorable to American interests also hailed the appointment of Stimson with unqualified approval. "I do not believe that President Coolidge could have made a better selection."

Labor groups here are strongly protesting against the appointment of Stimson.

De Valera Reported Leaving Dublin For New American Trip

Eamonn De Valera was scheduled to leave Dublin for New York on the Leviathan today, according to a Dublin dispatch. He will attempt to strengthen his organization in America and sound out the prospects for a new loan in the event he gains power in the Dail at the next session.

Coincidental with the departure of De Valera, Mary MacSwiney, representing the Sinn Fein, is reported as denouncing De Valera and his party, declaring they are no longer republicans because they entered the Dail and took the oath of allegiance.

De Valera is also reported hoping to raise \$1,000,000 in America for a new newspaper. He has already raised \$100,000 for it in Ireland, the dispatch says.

Save Greco and Carrillo!

REACTIONARIES MURDER WORKERS AND PEASANTS



Reactionary troops who have retaken sections of Canton from the workers and peasants have murdered militant workers without the semblance of a trial. The above photo shows vanguard of army of General Chang Fak-wei, one of the reactionary leaders.

Rumania Releases Fascist Students Who Murdered Five

BUCHAREST, Dec. 15.—All but forty-four of the four hundred fascist students who were arrested after murdering five Jews and Hungarians and pillaging and looting scores of towns in the province of Bihar have been released, the Rumanian Regency announced yesterday.

The Government has on a number of occasions been charged with subsidizing the pogroms, while the municipal authorities in the towns of Cluj and Oradita Mare where the worst riots took place charged that they had notified the government authorities and military in ample time to prevent the outbreaks. The prefects of the two towns were removed yesterday.

Two Italian strangers, who were mistaken for Jews, were severely beaten by Fascist students here yesterday.

Anti-Soviet Speaker Disgusts Even Those He Expected to Win

GARY, Ind., Dec. 15.—When a speaker calling himself "Maravski," lectured at the Neighborhood Settlement House on "The Bankruptcy of Bolshevik Regime" here, his remarks were too absurd even for the anarchists and non-partisans in the audience when he said, "the peasants have no land, are reduced to absolute slavery, schools are shut down, nothing but misery and starvation in Russia."

Last Visit 1918-1919 He admitted not having been there since 1918-1919. Maravski will not forget Gary. He left through the back door to avoid being mobbed, not by Communists, but by other Russians who felt humiliated at having him for a representative.

GERMANS SEEK LOAN. BERLIN, Dec. 15.—A \$100,000,000 loan from the United States is being sought by the German Federal railroads, and government officials have already broached the subject to S. Parker Gilbert, agent general for reparations, it was learned today.

Latin-American Leader Lauds U.S.S.R.

(Released By All American Anti-Imperialist League) Manuel Ugarte Says U.S.S.R. is Inspiration to All Oppressed.

Manuel Ugarte, outstanding Argentine novelist and recognized leader of the growing movement among Latin American intellectuals for Latin-American unity against Monroe Doctrine imperialism, has been in Moscow attending the celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Russian Revolution.

The United States section of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, 30 Union Square, New York, has just received the verbatim report of a speech which he delivered in Moscow and which indicates that the men of Ugarte's group look to the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics as a point of support and a dependable friend of all oppressed peoples.

The speech, a translation of which follows, is of the greatest significance owing to the fame which Ugarte has achieved through Latin America during the past two decades as a result of his activities against imperialism: Turn to U. S. S. R.

"In the name of the Latin American delegation represented here by delegates from Argentina, Mexico, Chile, Brazil, Colombia, Venezuela, Cuba, Ecuador and Uruguay, I bring greetings.

"Our republics of the South,—that is the half of a continent,—inhabited by eighteen million people, have suffered so many blows at the hands of imperialism and so many arbitrary acts of local oligarchies that today they are turning their eyes toward this center of rebirth and of light.

"The ten years of Soviet experience have had and will continue to have a decisive influence among us, even upon those of us who do not belong to the Communist Party, because they have helped all of us to understand our own problems in two important spheres.

"First, in the sphere of International relations. They have revealed to us how it is possible for a people to exist without giving in to im-

Fear Palestine Power Project Will Fall Into Hands of Great Britain

JERUSALEM, Dec. 15.—The Jordan River hydro-electric power enterprise is endangered by the necessity of borrowing funds upon terms that may shift control of the company to British interests, it was learned today.

Dr. Rutenberg, one of the chief sponsors of the power project, will go to London soon to borrow \$1,225,000 from a British insurance company under a guarantee from the British government. The insurance company demands a deed of trust, giving it control of the power enterprise, and also a promise that all machinery be purchased from British firms.

USSR Scientists Plan Expedition to Pamir; To Work With Germans

LENINGRAD, Nov. 30 (By Mail).—The Academy of Sciences has decided to organize with German scientists an expedition to survey the Pamir next May.

Geologists, meteorologists, botanists, geographers and others will participate in this expedition. The academy will be represented by Prof. Korjenovsky, Tashkent University, the geologist Stcherbakov and Prof. Beliayev, while among the German scientists will be Prof. Ficker, director of the Berlin Meteorological Institute, the geologist Rickmers, and others.

Liverpool Saved From Fire by River Tide

LIVERPOOL, Dec. 15.—After passing a night of great anxiety, this city awoke today to find that the tide in the River Mersey had saved it from what might have been a serious conflagration.

With the ebbing tide 10,000 tons of naphtha, gasoline and other highly combustible spirits were being carried out to sea, the dangerous mass was spread over the surface of the river when the American oil tanker Seminoe broke in two.

No Fire Facilities In Death-Trap For 50 Quebec Children

QUEBEC, Dec. 15.—At least fifty inmates were burned to death in the fire which destroyed the Catholic St. Charles Orphanage, according to police estimates. The building, which was very old and which had few fire-escape facilities, burned last night.

Eighteen bodies have already been recovered by police and firemen, while fifty children are reported to be missing by officials of the orphanage.

Frantic parents besieged the Orphanage when they learned of the fire. The institution served as a school as well as an orphanage. The ages of the children ranged from three to sixteen.

Suffering as terrible as the hundreds of refugees were forced out into the freezing temperatures clad only in sleeping apparel. One child died of cold and exposure three hours after rescue.

A new wing which housed 200 other children was saved. It was only the old section erected in 1823 that was consumed like matchwood.

Polish-Lithuanian Relations Strained Waldemaras Admits

PARIS, Dec. 15.—Despite statements issued by League of Nations officials, the relations between Lithuania and Poland are still strained, Premier Waldemaras of Lithuania declared in an interview last night.

"There are still many obstacles to overcome before the relations between the two countries can be smooth," Waldemaras said.

By agreeing to end the technical state of war with Lithuania, Poland automatically admitted the Vilna question still open, Waldemaras declared.

That Poland will consider the return of Vilna to Lithuania is regarded as extremely unlikely here.

Ratchford, Former Head Of Mine Workers, Dead

MASSILON, O., Dec. 15 (FP).—Michael D. Ratchford, 67, former president of the United Mine Workers of America and father of the 8-hour day in the mining industry, is dead here.

Powers Evaded Disarmament Issue, Maxim Litvinov Charges

(Continued from Page One) item of agreement among the powers. The preparatory commission so far made no disarmament proposal, merely considering the question of armament rates in different countries.

"The concluding part of the draft contains the British proposal that the convention be invalid in wartime and that every state have the unlimited right to increase its armaments. This they call 'sober realism', in contradistinction to our proposals which are regarded as 'utopian.'

"Disarmament made no progress there. On the contrary, measures were taken to prevent even the discussion of disarmament questions. It is known that the disarmament question is raised in connection with the security problem, and a special security committee must determine the degree of security of every state.

Hence, when the Soviet delegation spoke of real disarmament at the Preparatory Commission, the latter regarded it as sacrilege.

Sabotage USSR Draft. "The position of the capitalist representatives toward war is truly difficult. They could say nothing against our complete disarmament proposals. The objections made against our proposals were absolutely ridiculous.

Some said the draft was too simple, others too good, others that such a draft could have been thought of before and there was no reason therefore for considering it now. Stress was also laid on the difficulties of controlling states which might after effecting disarmament, have recourse to new armaments.

"Attempts to sabotage the draft were unsuccessful owing to the perseverance of the Soviet Union delegates, with the result that the Soviet draft will again be considered at the next session of the Preparatory Commission. Doubtless the representatives of capitalist countries will pursue the same tactic at the next session and a serious struggle awaits our delegates in attaining consideration for our proposals and for a change in the commission's working methods.

"Generally speaking the German delegation supported our resolution, also insisting on the speedy convocation of the Preparatory Commission. Finally, however, it gave in on the question of the convocation period. In the last analysis, between the representatives of all capitalist countries and ours is bound to be a certain cleavage.

Resort to Forgery. "The following is a general summary of our activity on the disarmament problem: Our first aim, to raise the question before the world, was achieved. Let Boncour and Bech say that the Soviet proposals contain nothing new. The fact remains that a complete disarmament proposal was first made, which cannot be ignored. The program of the Soviet Union delegation secured broad sympathy, not only among the true friends of peace, but even among the reformists who declared their sympathy.

"During its stay in Geneva, and now on its return, the delegation has received numerous letters and statements from various groups and individuals supporting the Soviet program. The capitalist countries resorted to forgery methods to dispel any sympathy for the Soviet delegation. A certain apocryphal Stalin letter containing fictitious figures concerning our forces, particularly our air forces, was circulated by some underhand agency. This shows how powerful an impression was made by the Soviet delegation, if to counteract it, the capitalist powers are resorting to such methods.

"One socialist proposed that the USSR disarm first and that capitalist countries will decide later on the expediency of disarmament. This is pure hypocrisy. Instead of disarmament, this constitutes an attempt to disarm the USSR. Our position is clear. We declared our agreement with the undertaking of complete disarmament simultaneously with all other countries. The best means to prove our sincerity will be for the other powers to endorse our program. The refusal of the capitalist countries to do so will convince the broad masses throughout the world that complete disarmament and cessation of war is possible under the Soviet system."

Discuss Gosplan. Discussion on the five year economic plan ended today. Sokolnikov, one of the last speakers, declared his cardinal difference with the Opposition on the question of the five year plan and inner Party questions. The last two years' experience has annulled any serious differences between him and the Party.

After Rykov's and Kzhizhonyev's concluding remarks, the congress unanimously adopted the Control Commission's thesis on the five year economic plan and elected a Resolution Commission.

MOSCOW, Dec. 13.—Gosplan Chairman Kzhizhonyev reported on the five year plan of economic construction, saying that the 11th Party Congress in 1920 for the first time considered a unified economic plan. It adopted a resolution emphasizing the plan as the basis of economic revival and declared that economic development must proceed on an electrification basis. Six years of intensive work completely restored the national economy bringing a new phase of development consisting of new construction.

"In general the 1920 construction plan considered the erection of thirty electric stations in the course of 10 or 15 years with an investment of twelve hundred million rubles," he said. The same plan considered the investment of eight hundred million rubles for industrial construction. The same plan considered the investment of seventeen million rubles in the course of 10 or 15 years for industrial and transport electrification.

"This plan, despite certain miscalculations concerning export and foreign loans, has been satisfactorily accomplished. Lenin regarded that plan as being of the greatest importance. The Gosplan will present the coming Soviet Congress with a definitely elaborated five year plan for the prospective development of U. S. S. R. economy. Together with the five year plan, Gosplan will elaborate a general plan for the further development of Soviet economy."

British Planes Bomb Native Tribes in Iraq. BASRA, Iraq, Dec. 15.—An unknown number of natives were killed when British planes bombed a rebellious tribe of Wahabis in the Nasirish district.

The natives returned the fire slightly damaging one of the planes.

BIRDS OF A FEATHER. DUBLIN, Dec. 15.—Resignation of Timothy as Governor-General of the Irish Free State will be announced tomorrow, it was learned today. His successor probably will be James McNeil, Free State Commissioner in London.

LENINGRAD SKI CONTEST. Leningrad ski amateurs are organizing a trip from Leningrad through Tornio to Stockholm on skis. The best skiers of Leningrad will participate.



Daily Worker Indictment Upheld

The decision handed down by the Federal Grand Jury upholds the sentence in the case of David Gordon, a contributor to THE DAILY WORKER. This decision means 3 years in jail for Comrade Gordon unless THE DAILY WORKER can arouse mass sentiment against this attack.

In addition to the jail sentence, THE DAILY WORKER is fined \$500.00. This is not an isolated incident but is in line with the policy of the Dollar Patriots to stifle every radical movement which might be in their way of involving the workers in another world conflict.

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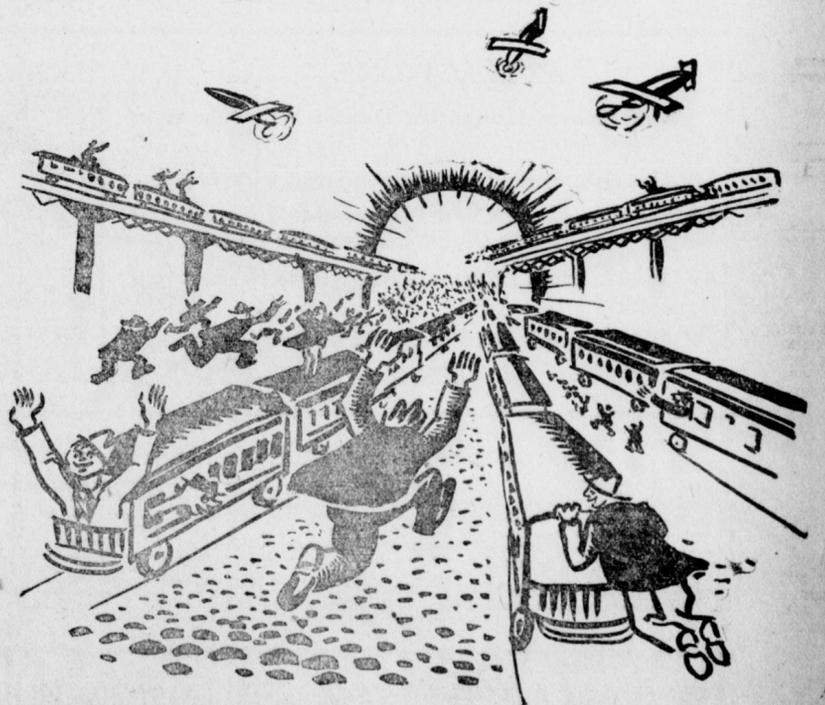
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Fascist Witness Coached at Greco Trial

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America, had taken him to the 183d St. "L" station, the scene of the murder, a number of times. He denied that he had received money either from Vindi or other professional fascists, although he had testified early in the afternoon that he has been out of a job for a long time.

Had Kept Quiet About Killing.

Alfano admitted under cross-examination that he did not tell anyone about the murder until he met a friend of his, a fascist, "a few days after." This friend, it appears, was the one who communicated with Vindi and arranged the meeting with Alfano at the fascist headquarters which subsequently took place.

That he did not communicate any of his information to the police until he was taken to the station by Vindi, was also admitted by Alfano on the witness stand. He had met Vindi "five or six times" since the murder.

Alfano said, and now sees him "every day in the court."

Judge Is Sullen.

Judge Cohn angrily overruled practically every objection made by Darrow and Hays. Several times when the defense lawyers rose to cite legal authorities to substantiate their contentions, Judge Cohn appeared visibly annoyed. On one occasion he raised his voice above the formal and precise judicial whisper which he affects and said:

"It's no use arguing. I have made my ruling; you can take exception, if you wish."

On another occasion, when Attorney Hays cited a specific New York statute dealing with the impropriety of permitting counsel to cross-examine its own witness, as Hays claimed District Attorney Henderson was doing in the case of Alfano, Judge Cohn announced, his face flushed:

"Irrespective of the statute, I've

overruled the objection. You may take your exception if you desire, Mr. Hays."

Yesterday the court as usual was jammed with spectators, but everyone was compelled to show credentials at the door. The prosecution will proceed with its case at 10 o'clock this morning.

Protest Meeting Sunday.

A meeting to protest against the frame-up of Greco and Carrillo will be held next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock at 1347 Boston Rd. The meeting, which will be addressed by Max Shachtman, John Pippin, and others, is under the auspices of the Bronx branch of the International Labor Defense.

Refute Slander On Darrow.

Reports that Clarence Darrow, chief of defense counsel, is receiving \$2,000 a day for his services was last night emphatically denied by the Greco-Carrillo Defense Committee, 70 Fifth Ave.

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Aside from Rheinhardt's magnificent lighting effects, and perfect costuming, the thing that thrills in "Jedermann" is the interpretation of the title role by Moissi. A somewhat dull and long winded and bloodless character is Everyman in the original. A somewhat shallow, slight puppet-like effect it must have had with any ordinary person acting it.

But Moissi, with his genius for representing a butterfly, flutters around in his yellow coat and furs, dines in his furs, makes love boisterously in his furs, and with fluttering fingers and fine voice, turns all those long winded speeches into the realistic garb of a self satisfied rich man. Moissi is delightful. His half comical collapse into abject fear when Death lays hand on his heart at the banquet is perfect. His rally into hopeless dignity and his toasting of all his light companions is all that could be desired, and accomplishes the Church's purpose of good will towards the rulers of earth, as long as they remember that the Pope is supreme.

Plays an important role in "The Doctor's Dilemma," Shaws clever satire at the Guild Theatre.

For "Everyman" is propaganda. It is ruling class propaganda. As Rheinhardt dishes it up, it is technically perfect, technically revolutionary even, and therefore extra good propaganda. It is standing proof, along with "Metropolis," the Ufa class collaboration film, and "Potemkin," the Russian revolutionary film, that propaganda and art are quite capable of combination, with startling results.

The propaganda angle is this: The Church found the rich in the Middle Ages developing a kind of happy paganism. It produced a morality play, "Everyman," that is, "Every Rich Man," showing a wealthy burgher boasting of his gold and the excellence of his house and refusing clarity to debtors and poor neighbors, but brought to virtue and Paradise in the end.

At a feast in honor of his leman's birthday, Death seats himself in Everyman's chair, at first unnoticed by the rest of the guests. This is an excellent scene as Rheinhardt produces it: the tipsy, good-natured, rollicking dinner guests have such a jovial time until Everyman feels the icy fingers, and begins to give evidence of both auditory and visual hallucinations.

Finally Death becomes apparent to all, but gives Everyman an hour to find some one to go with him along the road, and keep him clear from the Devil. None will go. Mammon will not go, and scornfully informs him that gold is good for this world alone. The best thing that can be done with gold, the Church wishes the world to know, is to build cathedrals with it.

Everyman's poor crippled good works are personified as a female, willing to walk with him, but of little use. Faith appears, drives the devil away, and leads Everyman to Heaven thru the grave.

Church propaganda. Ruling class propaganda.

Sokoloff plays both Death and the Devil. His marvellous acrobatic skill, which gave an original if un-Shakespearean touch to "Puck" in "Midsummer Night's Dream," is hampered in Death by many robes, and in the Devil by a heavy woolen union suit and a pinned-on tail. But he portrays the medieval church's self confidence about the Devil as a scrawny, powerless creature—greater than man, but helpless against Mother Church. In the Middle Ages the audience poked fun at him when he came on the stage, showered him with rubbish and

nut shells. Our more Methodist generation does not know what to do with a scrawny devil and looked on with wonder while Sokoloff twirled his tail and complained about there being "no way" for him. This weakens the propaganda uses of Everyman in this generation, but is faithful to a time when the morality plays were convincing.

Dagny Servaes as Everyman's paramour is a fine healthy creature. Even the church would have the rich man show good taste.

The stage properties do not play at important a part as in the traditional Rheinhardt piece.—V. S.

Broadway Briefs

"Sisters," John Willard's new play in which Roberta Arnold is featured, is playing at the Majestic Theatre, Brooklyn this week preliminary to its Broadway premiere.

Another play being readied for New York is "The Royal Family," the comedy by George S. Kaufman and Edna Ferber which Jed Harris will present here Christmas week. The production is at the Broad Street Theatre in Newark this week. In the cast are Haidee Wright, Otto Kruger, Ann Andrews, Sylvia Field, Jefferson DeAngelis and Orlando Daly.

George Arliss will make his first appearance as Shylock in Shakespeare's "The Merchant of Venice" on January 9, in the Shubert Theatre, New Haven and coming here on Monday night, January 16.

"The Prisoner," which opens at the Provincetown Playhouse December 27 has been translated from the German by Alexander Berkman, author of "Prison Memoirs."

"Paradise For Two," a musical comedy, will be presented at the National Theatre, Houston Street and Second Avenue on December 23.

19% WAGE REDUCTION. MANCHESTER, N. H., Dec. 15.—A ten per cent wage reduction affecting 10,000 employes of the Amoskeag Manufacturing Company's mills here was announced tonight. The reduction is to take effect Saturday.

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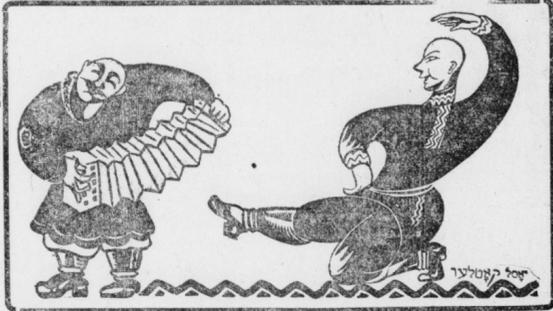
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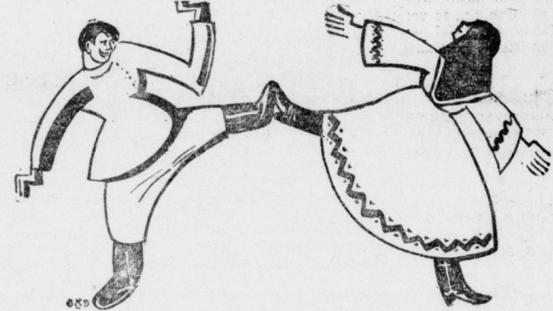
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Cloak Union Will Hear Verdict In Contempt Trial

Supreme Court Justice Erlanger will today consider the recommendation of Murray Hulbert, referee, who found the leaders of the New York Joint Board of the Cloakmakers' and Dressmakers' Union guilty of contempt of court Wednesday. Hulbert recommended that they be fined \$10,000 for violating an injunction.

The endorsement of the recommendation may mean that 18 left wing leaders of the union may face jail sentences, it was said yesterday.

The injunction prohibited the Joint Board from calling strikes or picketing the shops of dress manufacturers.

Send Unity Resolution.

In a letter requesting an early reply, the "Committee of 50" cloak and dressmakers which last Saturday launched a peace movement, has sent a unity resolution to Louis Hyman, manager of the Joint Board, Cloakmakers' Union, and Morris Sigman, president of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union. The resolution was passed at a recent conference of shop chairmen and demands that both the Joint Board and the International combine to end "the civil war in the organization."

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LABOR AND FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

A special membership meeting of the United Council of Workingclass Women will be held tonight, 8:30 p. m. at the Labor Temple, Second Ave. and E. 14th St. in the large auditorium. Juliet Stewart Poyntz and Mother Ella Bloor will speak on the work of the conference called for Sunday evening at Irving Plaza for relief for the striking miners of Pennsylvania, Colorado and Ohio.

Bentall to Lecture.
J. O. Bentall will lecture on the foreign born workers at the Yorkville Workers' Forum tonight, 8 p. m., 350 E. 81st St.

Sarah Regosin, recently returned from the Soviet Union, will lecture this evening at 227 Brighton Beach Ave., Brooklyn, under the auspices of the United Council of Workingclass Women, on "The Women in Soviet Russia."

Ballam to Speak.
John J. Ballam will speak on "The Injunction Attack Against the American Labor Movement" tonight at the Harlem Workers Forum, 81 E. 110th St.

Iron Workers' Meeting.
The Architectural Iron, Bronze and Structural Workers' Union will hold a mass meeting tomorrow afternoon at the Rand School, 7 E. 15th St., to acquaint the workers with conditions in the trade.

I. L. D. Dance.
To raise funds for class war prisoners the German branch of the International Labor Defense will hold a dance tomorrow evening at Sokol Hall, 523 E. 72nd St.

Members of Local 38.
Members of Local 38, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, who have articles for the Joint Defense Committee Bazaar, should take them before Wednesday, to 41 Union Square, Room 714.

Robert W. Dunn To Lecture.
Robert W. Dunn will lecture on "Private Life in Russia" at the New

Mike Gold to Lecture At NY Workers School

Michael Gold, co-director of the New Playwrights Theater, will lecture on "Modern Plays and the New Trend in the Theater" at the Workers School, 108 E. 14th St., at 8 o'clock tonight. The talk is part of a series on "Social Forces in American Literature" conducted every Friday night by Floyd Dell and Joseph Freeman.

School for Social Research.
School for Social Research, 465 E. 23rd St., at 5:30 p. m. tonight, under the auspices of the open forum of the Students' Association.

Juliet Stuart Poyntz will lecture on "The World Situation and its Effect on Labor" at the Bronx Open Forum Sunday at 8 p. m. at 2075 Clinton Ave.

Road To Freedom Ball.
A Road to Freedom group costume ball will be held Christmas eve at the Harlem Casino, 116th St. and Lenox Ave.

Newark Christmas Dance.
The International Labor Defense of Newark will hold an entertainment and dance Christmas eve at the Workers Home, 37 Sixteenth Ave.

For Striking Miners.
8 p. m. tonight a meeting will be held at the Labor Temple, 243 E. 84th St. to discuss ways and means to collect clothing for the striking miners.

All members of the Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit Fund are urged to come.

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Workers Party Activities

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An important meeting of IF, ID will be held tonight at 6:30 p. m. at 126 E. 16th St.

Traction Week!
This is traction week! All Party members should see their unit, subsection or section organizer at once about important work that must be done.

Sport Meeting Saturday.
The district sports committee will meet Saturday at 1 p. m. at 108 E. 14th St.

An anti-injunction meeting will be held next Tuesday at 7 p. m. by Section 2, Workers (Communist) Party, at Bryant Hall, Sixth Ave. and 41st St. The speakers will be Jay Lovestone, executive secretary of the Party, and William F. Dunne, of THE DAILY WORKER. Juliet Stuart Poyntz will preside.

Section 2 Meeting.
An enlarged executive committee meeting of Section 2 will be held tonight at 101 W. 27th St. All subsection and unit organizers are expected to be present.

Arrange For Lenin Memorial.
Rehearsal for the dance in the forthcoming Lenin Memorial Pageant will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. at Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Place. Edith Segal is in charge. The address for the rehearsal was incorrectly announced yesterday.

Condemn U. S. S. R. Opposition.
At a meeting of Young Workers (Communist) League functionaries Monday evening a resolution was unanimously passed condemning the Opposition in the Communist Party of the Soviet Union. Bertha Woolfe led the discussion. All units in District 2 will be visited on this subject.

Hudson County Membership Meet.
The Party branches of Jersey City, Union City, Bayonne and Cliffside will hold a membership meeting this Sunday at 2 p. m. at 160 Mercer St., Jersey City, to discuss the Opposition in the Russian Communist Party. Emil Gardos will report for the district executive committee.

Comrades, Attention!
All comrades having banners or costumes of peasants, red soldiers and red sailors should communicate with Adolf Wolff, 225 W. 12th St., to volunteer for the Lenin memorial pageant to be held at Madison Square Garden Jan. 21.

Section 2 Meeting.
All unit and subsection agitprop directors and literature agents of Section 2 will meet Saturday at 1 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St.

To Discuss Injunctions.
A mass meeting for a discussion of

He Resists Temptation



On his way to The DAILY WORKER Ball with his best girl, Harry M. Wicks is accosted by a jewelry salesman, but Harry boldly passes by and takes his escort with him.

Paper Box Union Has A Successful Meeting

Five hundred paper box makers attended an organization meeting last night at Webster Hall, 119 E. 11th St., by the Paper Box Makers' Union. Plans to organize special locals for the various sections of the trade were made.

The speakers were Alexander Marks, American Federation of Labor organizer; M. Feinstone, secretary of the United Hebrew Trades; William Leary, Teamsters' Union; S. E. Beardsley, Jewelry Workers' Union; Maude Schwartz, Women's Trade Union League, and Clinton Golden, Brookwood Labor College. Clarina Michaelson, secretary of the Paper Box Makers' Union, presided.

Prizes galore will be offered for all sorts of costumes, dances and so forth at the Madison Square Garden Saturday night when The DAILY WORKER-Freiheit Ball is staged.

anti-labor injunctions has been arranged for Tuesday, Dec. 20, at 6 p. m., at Bryant Hall, Sixth Ave. and 42nd St., by Sections 2 and 3 of the Workers (Communist) Party.

Laundry Union Strike In Brooklyn Goes On In Spite of Terrorism

Maurice Schechter, organizer of Laundry Drivers' Union, Local 810, reported yesterday that in spite of the gangster methods of the laundry owners the ranks of the workers were holding fast.

Schechter charged that the Coney Island Laundry, 218 Neptune Ave., Brooklyn, had been especially guilty of these methods. This firm at the beginning of the strike sought to secure an injunction against the union but has thus far been unsuccessful.

Picket Arrested.
Harry Schneiderman, 358 Vernon Ave., was arrested yesterday while picketing. He was taken to the 34th precinct station but was released for lack of evidence.

Workers at nine shops originally responded to the union call for a strike. One shop has since settled with the union, which is fighting for recognition. The other eight are practically shut down and the union officers are expecting favorable results in the near future.

Local 41 Votes For General Strike In Pleating Industry

A general strike was declared in the pleating industry yesterday. At a mass membership meeting of the Tuckers', Pleaters', and Hemstitchers' Union, Local 41, a resolution was carried by a unanimous vote to answer the lockout of the employers' association with a strike against both independent and association bosses.

The executive board was given power to call the strike when it sees fit.

LABOR HITS BERRY PLAN.

The Central Trades and Labor Council meeting at Beethoven Hall last night passed a motion introduced by Abraham Lefkowitz of the Teachers Union to go on record in opposition to the Berry Transit plan and to appear at Monday's hearing.

A Noted Artist



The girl in the costume designed by Lydia Gibson is a well known writer. What she writes is another matter, but if she only wrote checks she is interesting and she will not look like this next Saturday night. Who will tell her name and win a prize?

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KEEP THE COAL MINERS' POT BOILING

By Fred Ellis

Red Rays



Thousands of striking miners and their dependents are in dire need and living in outdoor camps because of evictions from company "homes." They need money, food and clothing to keep them alive thru this struggle until they win.

Throttle the Imperialist Butchers!

Again the bloody fangs of American imperialism have sunk into the bodies of workers and peasants of China.

Again under the pretext of protecting American lives and property the gunmen of Wall Street have played a murderous role by participating in the counter-revolutionary drive of foreign imperialists, the bloody Chinese war-lords and the reactionary bourgeoisie against the matchless heroism of the workers and peasants of China.

Not all the facts regarding the struggle in Canton can be obtained for the reason that the imperialist and counter-revolutionary ring has isolated the city and only news favorable to them can reach the outside world. So vicious, so filled with hatred and fear of the revolution are the stories in the capitalist press that no credence can be given them. We are informed by the Times correspondence that "the radical rabble has been routed," that "the rebels, who were comprised of the riff-raff of the city, were linked up with certain robber bands of the country districts." It is thus that the reptile press describes the revolutionary workers and peasants of China who are fighting against the despoilation of their country by the imperialist marauders and their native agents, the bourgeois generals who are for sale to the highest bidder.

In spite of the paens of victory that are bellowed forth by the enemy press, even the most malicious of them admit that fighting is still in progress and that the revolutionaries still hold the police station, which is in reality an arsenal, still have reluctantly to confess that the flag of the Soviets, the red banner of the revolution, still floats defiantly to the breeze. But even though that symbol of the revolution is temporarily brought down, not any excess of tyranny can long stifle the movement. Not even the most frightful mass executions can do other than to more firmly steel the workers and peasants. New struggles, new and more widespread uprisings are inevitable. In spite of all defeats, against all the international banditti and their native lackeys, the Chinese revolution will continue and eventually annihilate the bourgeois counter-revolution and scourge from the soil of China the armed forces of the imperialist powers.

In this struggle the workers of this country can aid the Chinese workers by an unrelenting struggle against imperialism, against the war on China and the bloody ravaging of other peoples who resist dollar despotism.

Workers' organizations of the United States must come to the aid of the Chinese Soviets!

We must demand that the armed forces be instantly withdrawn and the workers on the docks and in transportation service must be made acquainted with the monstrous role of the armed forces of America in China so that the shipments of arms, munitions and provisions to maintain their war on revolutionary China can be stopped.

Coolidge Contradicts Own Prosperity Talk

In his message to congress the opening paragraph of which was the repetition of the banalities about our "unexampled prosperity," President Coolidge had occasion to refer to the Mellon tax program, wherein he inadvertently contradicted himself.

Speaking of tax exemptions Coolidge said they had increased "until 115,000,000 people make but 2,500,000 individual taxable returns." Let us pause here and briefly analyze this statement in the light of the much-vaunted prosperity the republican propagandists claim for the country. All incomes of married heads of families under \$3,500 are tax exempt; incomes of single persons are exempt up to \$1,500.

The vast majority of the two and a half million who pay individual income taxes are capitalists, large or small. According to reports of the internal revenue department wage earners who pay income taxes are less than 900,000. Included in this category are thousands of high salaried executives whose income places them economically in the small capitalist category. Of actual wage-workers who pay income taxes there are no precise figures, but it is no exaggeration to state that they must be below the half million mark.

To be sure Coolidge does not even refer to the classification of individual income-tax payers, but lumps them all together, big bankers, merchants, industrialists, professional classes, and the well-paid workers who receive wages far above the average. Including all these, only one person out of 46 in the United States pays income taxes.

Out of his own mouth the president proves that his prosperity talk is baseless.

The Workers Forum

A Society Woman's Benevolence.

Editor, DAILY WORKER:
A New York and Chicago society woman who lost one of her ears in an automobile accident advertised for a woman to offer two thousand and five hundred dollars, for an ear from a white person not over twenty-five years of age. A mother of a baby who had heavy bills to pay, offered her ear for four thousand dollars. The society woman is willing to pay the amount if the operation is successful.

Is it not a crime of that woman without the ear to seek out some poverty-stricken mother, (for only a poverty-stricken mother whose love for her child is so intensified by the law of nature would sell an ear to save her baby), and tempt her with money?

The petty reason she gives for her seeking an ear is that she has been forced to wear long hair to cover the deformity. She now desires to bob her hair.

Little does that poor, young mother realize in what jeopardy she puts herself in and also her baby. Her operation may not be successful. She is likely to get blood poison and die.

We need a different system of society. We need sanitary houses to live in, wholesome food, a four-hour day work, more time for recuperation, and individual development, also better schools for our children. This could easily be accomplished if we would do away with such parasitic creatures as society people are.

—FREDA MARGULIS.
New York City.

Money Writes

By Upton Sinclair

(Continued from Last Issue.)
XXXVII.

Boobus Americanus

PONDERING how to open this chapter, through some whim of memory I return to the fashion that was taught me in my tender youth. We had, in our homely old college, an institution known as "chapel." At eight-forty-five every morning we assembled in a large hall, to gaze upon a platform decorated by a row of white-haired old gentlemen, the faculty. Our "prexy," an ex-brigadier-general, would read us from an expurgated edition of the Bible, and then a more or less rattled upper classman would be summoned to the platform to pronounce an oration of his own inspired composition. For a week or two in advance he had been coached for the ordeal by an instructor of elocution, he would take his manuscript and mark it here and there on the margin with cryptic initials, "rg" which meant a gesture with the right hand, "lg" which meant a gesture with the left hand, and "gh" which meant a moment of especial inspiration, signalized by a generous, all embracing gesture with both hands. So we would take our stand upstage centre, with sixteen hundred eyes fixed upon us, and trembling visibly in the knees, and quivering in the voice, we would begin, according to an ancient and immutably established pattern, as follows:

Henry Louis Mencken, one of the most influential and widely-discussed of modern critics, was born in Baltimore, Maryland, on the 12th of September, 1880. He is of German parentage, and was educated in the public schools of his native city, and in the Baltimore Polytechnic Institute. He began his career as a journalist, and was for many years connected with the daily which Baltimoreans know as the "Sunpaper." He then became editor of the "Smart Set," and for ten years imparted to that monthly a character unique and singular. (We had compulsory Latin for five years at our college, and we always got some of it in.) He then founded the "American Mercury," and has built up a large circulation and still wider influence by criticism expressed in a pungent and arresting style—

I get that far, but it doesn't seem right, and at last I realize what is the matter: never during the entire five years of my interment in this venerable college did I hear an oration pronounced upon a subject who was guilty of the vulgarity of being alive. So that was a false start, and I try again, in the fashion of those pungent and arresting biographical sketches which appear each month between the arsenical green covers. So:

Upon an overstuffed plush sofa in the reception-room of the fashionable Women's Athletic Club of Los Angeles sits a short and solidly made gentleman with bright china-blue eyes and the round rosy face of a cherub. He is about to play the lion at a luncheon in the dining room, and meantime he is entertaining a small group with a diverting account of the adventures of a Babbitt-hunter in the land of Babbitts. H. L. Mencken has been making a tour of the South; and when he boarded the train in New Orleans, very much in need of sleep after days of festivities, he discovered that the general passenger agent of the road had tele-

graphed the district superintendent, and this worthy had notified the conductor of the train and all the station agents on the line, so that hospitality might not cease during any hour of the day or night. The steward of the dining-car brought pots of steaming coffee, and the "butcher" brought baskets of fruit, and the train conductor brought real Scotch, or so he said, and the Pullman conductor conjured a magical mint-julep, and at every stop there was a local deputation, with flowers and brass bands and beautiful smiling maidens; in short, it was exactly like a presidential campaign tour, except that the victim would rather have been reading a book. His china-blue eyes twinkled with mischief and his rosy face grew apoplectic as he pictured the efforts of a weary editor to close his eyes in slumber while the outside air rang with "Hail to the Chief!" and the door of the compartment had the varnish worn off by tapping knuckles.

The eminent editor had written that he was coming to see me; and I had mentioned the matter to friends, never dreaming the risk I was running. One day the story exploded like a bomb-shell in the newspapers, and after that my telephone was never still. One newspaper announced that I had announced that Mencken was going to address the local Babbitts; and then it printed an interview with the secretary of the local Babbitts, saying that Mr. Mencken wasn't going to address them, and who was Mr. Mencken anyhow? Another paper announced that I was going to make a socialist out of Mencken, and then came an interview with Mencken en route, saying that it was a mistake, he was going to make a drunkard out of me. All the newspaper men I know begged for a seat at that fight when it came off. But it was a poor show; you don't argue with Niagara, and you don't interrupt a circus.

Mencken is in a Berserk rage against stupidity, dullness and sham; he is a whole army, horse, foot, artillery, aviation and general staff all in one, mobilized in a war upon his enemies. He has a spy bureau all over the country, which collects for him illustrations of the absurdities of democracy, and he sorts them out by states, and once a month they appear between the arsenical green covers, and once a year they make a book, "Americana, 1927." If you ask Mencken what is the remedy for these horrors, he will tell you they are the natural and inevitable manifestations of the boobus Americanus. If you ask him why then labor so monstrously, he will say that it is for his own enjoyment, he is so constituted that he finds his recreation in laughing at his fellow boobs. But watch him a while, and you will see the light of hilarity die out of his eyes, and you will note lines of tiredness in his face, and lines of not quite perfect health, and you will realize that he is lying to himself and to you; he is a new-style crusader, a Christian Anti-Christ, a tireless propagandist of no-propaganda.

Once I got him to be serious, and he told me the real basis of his faith, which is liberty; he wishes to abolish every restriction upon thought and expression, and to reduce restrictions upon action to the absolute minimum, those things which are obviously and immediately harmful. When I suggested that a man who takes alcohol into his system destroys his hepatic cells, Mencken says to hell with his

hepatic cells; when I tell him that such a man becomes a dangerous lunatic driving a fast machine on a public highway, Mencken says get off the highway; when I say that he destroys the health of his posterity, Mencken says that is posterity's hard luck. At least that is the best I could make of it; he has a tendency to become incoherent when the subject of prohibition is raised, and it took several samples of my rich uncle's pre-Volstead stock to soothe him into rationality again.

He lashes with his powerful language the stupidities of bureaucrats and the knaveries of politicians. He declares that government is "the common enemy of all well-disposed, industrious and decent men." I protest to him that this is a rather sweeping statement; for example, our government distributes the "American Mercury," and is it then "the common enemy of well-disposed, industrious and decent men"? He replies—I am quoting from a written controversy—that the government doesn't want to distribute the "Mercury," and wouldn't if it could help it. But that is obviously no reply, we are discussing a matter of business, not of psychology, and the fact is that the government does distribute the "Mercury," on precisely the same terms as all other magazines. I cite the fact that it issues many postal orders for five dollars each, which the publishers of Mencken's magazine collect. He replies that the government loses most of these orders. I cite the fact that the government will come and save his house if it catches fire, and he answers that fire departments are so inefficient that most fires burn out.

These statements illustrate a unfortunate weakness of our great libertarian crusader, he has very little regard for facts; all he is thinking about is to amuse and startle. He once made a funny newspaper article about me as the man who has believed more things than any other man alive; he managed to compile a plausible list, by including a number of things which I don't believe and never did; also, a number of things which all sensible men believe—including Mencken himself, if you could pin him down; and finally, a few things which I believe because I have investigated them, and which Mencken disbelieves because he is ignorant about them.

For example, fasting. I have published a book setting forth the fact that fasting will cure many diseases. Mencken has never fasted, and has never read a book on the subject—I managed in our correspondence to bring out that fact. I have taken the precaution to fast twenty or thirty times for longer or shorter periods, and I have received letters from thousands of others who have tried it. Since my book appeared, sixteen years ago, many of my contentions have been vindicated by exact scientific research, at the Carnegie laboratories and other places. I offer to my friend Mencken the results of work done at the Hull Biological Laboratory of the University of Chicago, and reported in the "Journal of Metabolic Research," showing the results of thirty and forty-day fasts upon human beings and dogs, a permanent increase in the metabolic rate of five or six per cent. Inasmuch as decrease in the metabolic rate is one of the phenomena of old age, it follows that the effect of fasting is rejuvenation—which is exactly what I have been asserting for sixteen years. But did Mencken trouble to consult the "Journal of Metabolic Research" before compiling his list of Sinclair absurdities? No indeed, and he

didn't consult it afterwards; I am still waiting for him to tell his readers the vitally important facts which have been established about fasting.

Again, I was rebuked in Mencken's review of "Mammonart," for having suggested an identity in the fundamental ideas of Jesus and Nietzsche. That seemed to Mencken the height of absurdity; but he did not give his readers the words I had quoted from Jesus and Nietzsche, which are in substance identical. My friend Halde-man-Julius came forward to rebuke me for disputing with such a Nietzsche authority as Mencken; so pardon me if I mention that Mencken's study of Nietzsche bears the date 1903, while you will find in my "Journal of Arthur Stirling," published in 1903, a complete statement of the Nietzsche philosophy, with translations of many passages.

Liberty, says Mencken. So let me quote him a few words from his great master. "Art thou such a one that can escape a yoke? Free from what? What is that to Zarathustra! Clear shall your eye tell me: free to what?" And that is the time when Mencken's eye becomes clouded. The darling and idol of the young intelligentsia has no message to give them, except that they are free to do what they please—which they interpret to mean that they are to get drunk, and read elegant pornography, and mock at the stupidities and blunders of people with less expensive educations. Mencken has "made his school," as the French say; he has raised up a host of young persons as clever as their master, and able to write with the same shillelah swing. For the present, that is all that is required; that is the mood of the time, cynicism, ridicule, and contempt for democratic bungling. But some day the time spirit will change; America will realize that its problems really have to be solved, and that will take serious study of exploitation and wage-slavery, of co-operation and the democratic control of industry—matters concerning which Mencken is as ignorant as any Babbitt-boob.

There lies on my desk his new book, an onslaught upon democracy. In the fly leaf he has written: "Upton Sinclair, to make him yell!" And perhaps this is yelling—judge for yourself. My friend Mencken has made the discovery that the masses of the people are inferior to himself; but that political fact was known to every French marquis of the ancient regime.

We agree that we want the wise and competent in power; the question is, how are they to get there? The principle of hereditary aristocracy has been given a long trial, and Mencken omits to tell us where in history's roll of wars and intrigues and assassinations he finds the ideal state. At present we have a government based on the right of active and enterprising capital to have it own way; under this system the "American Mercury" has built up a hundred thousand circulation, and the popular editor is not nearly so discontented as he talks. But meantime the masses of labor see themselves disinherited and dispossessed, and the rumble of their protest grows audible. Sooner or later my friend Mencken will have to face these new facts, and choose between the bloody reaction of Fascism and the new dawn of industrial brotherhood. Being seven hundred and twenty-three days older than he, I am going to be his guide and mentor through those trying times, and he will learn, even while he fusses and scolds and insists that he won't.

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DWIGHT MORROW, our ambassador to Mexico, did not give Lindbergh his pajamas but he gave him his blessing. That's more than William Randolph Hearst would give him, unless the pajamas could be forged. At that "Lindy" is worth his room rent to the House of Morgan. And just now he is as valuable as a dose of prussic acid to Hearst. The few will believe it just now, Lindbergh is a more dangerous enemy of the Mexican masses than the discredited Hearst. Even the readers of the mirror know that Hearst is an unscrupulous war-maniac. But they cannot see that the genial Lindbergh is a servicable tool of the dominant wing of American imperialism which flies the eagle of war or the dove of peace as the situation demands. But the imperialist dove is just as predatory a bird as the imperialist eagle.

AS these lines are written Hearst may be on the witness stand before a senatorial committee to tell where and how he secured the forgeries which he has been using in his papers in his campaign against the Mexican government. I have already referred to the self-styled "international spy" "Dr." Joseph Nosovitsky, who first broke into the news thru his activities in the radical movement, or rather on the fringe of it. Nosovitsky not only spied on the leaders of the radical movement, but he swindled those who employed him to spy on them. Which proves that Joseph is a perfect spy, than whom there is no lower form of animal life.

NOSOVITSKY is an "expert" on Mexican affairs. He was employed a few years ago by a capitalist named Marsh and former police commissioner Woods of New York to supply them with the "facts" on Mexico's alleged relations with the Communist International and the inevitable Mexican plot to capture this country. Joseph hired a comfortable room in New York City and produced the goods, for which he received money from Marsh and Woods and more from the Hearst papers.

THIS column is taking form before the origin of the latest collection of forgeries has been traced, but it is logical to assume that Hearst, needing some ammunition in his private war against the Mexican government should turn to his family stoolpigeon for aid. Even should it be proved that Hearst knowingly purchased the forgeries from Nosovitsky, the publisher is already so thoroughly discredited, that any more contumely that may accrue to him thru the probable exposure of his political turpitude will be as barren of result as a dose of castor oil to a dead mule.

NOSOVITSKY tried to horn in on the Passaic strike, but he stubbed his toe against the strike organization and was forced to retire for shelter to his favorite sewer. He was employed by the Korn Detective Agency to spy on the Hungarian Count Karolyi; and is now suing the finkery (slang for detective agency) for \$100,000. Should the scope of the present senate investigation be widened to a thro probe of forgery mills and detective agencies, Hearst may have unwittingly done the American workers a good turn.

WHILE on the subject of spies, it may interest our readers to know that the government has approximately 4,500 spies on the payroll right now, according to a Washington news dispatch in the United Press News Service. After the Teapot Dome scandal exploded and blew Daugherty, Burns and other patriots out of the Department of Justice, and the brains out of Jess Smith, a small army of stoolpigeons were given an indefinite leave of absence by the Coolidge administration. But it appears that a new set of snoopers has been hired since then. And they are not all working for the bootlegging industry, that valuable by-product of the prohibition amendment.

THE field of operations for getting Russian countesses and baronesses is shrinking like a magic carpet in the possession of a man of many needs. Since the Russian revolution, divers nobles of both sexes have panhandled their grub on Fifth and Park Avenues to the great delight of our democratic aristocracy and the profit of the expropriated nobles. But ten years is a long time and our newly-rich must find fresh thrills. Czarist refugees should know better than to stay poor so long. Continual insolventy is the most irritating human weakness.

AND this is exactly what Countess Bronislawa Lamprich de Petschenko learned to her sorrow. The countess organized a ball for the benefit of Russian refugees and high moguls of New York society lent their names to the charitable effort. But suddenly suspicion began to breed rumors and the countess developed a convenient illness. Exclusive circles are now wondering whether Mme. de Petschenko is a countess or merely an ambitious chambermaid. Anyhow the ball is off and the residents of our two most fashionable avenues are hoping that another European monarchy goes broke so that a fresh crop of unquestionably legitimate nobles may be available.

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