

INDIA WORKERS TO STRIKE; HIT TORY COMMISSION

Three Mine Strike Leaders Will Address Meeting Here

EMBREE, SABLICH WILL APPEAL TO NEW YORK LABOR

Rally for Relief Will be Held Monday

With Milka Sablich and E. S. Embree on the field in New York to aid in the organization of relief work, a huge mass meeting with Milka Sablich and Embree as speakers will be held here at the Central Opera House next Monday night to spur the campaign for funds and clothing for the striking miners of Colorado, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Milka Sablich, girl strike leader of Colorado, and Embree, organizer of the Colorado strike, will speak in company with William F. Dunne, of The DAILY WORKER; Tony Minerich, striking coal miner from Pennsylvania; Bishop Paul Jones, of the Fellowship of Reconciliation, and Solon De Leon.

The Central Opera House is at 67th St., near Third Ave. The meeting will open at 8 p. m., Monday.

Joint Auspices.

The meeting will be under the joint auspices of the Pennsylvania-Ohio-Colorado Miners' Relief Committee, the Emergency Committee for Strikers' Relief, the Colorado Miners' Relief Committee and the Youth Conference for Miners' Relief.

Sablich, whose two brothers were killed in the Ludlow, Colo., massacre of strikers in 1914 and who was herself beaten by thugs hired by the mine-owners and dragged to jail by the Rockefeller-controlled Colorado state police in the present strike, is known throughout the Colorado field as "flaming Milka."

Divide Proceeds.

Proceeds from the meeting will be divided between the Colorado field and the Pennsylvania and Ohio fields.

Robert W. Dunn will preside. Minerich is chairman of the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Committee of Pittsburgh. De Leon is treasurer of the Pennsylvania-Ohio-Colorado Miners' Relief Committee. Sablich is (Continued on Page Five)

MORE COLORADO MINE VIOLENCE

(Special to The Daily Worker)

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 27.—Investigation into the wrecking of the miners' hall at Trinidad, Colo., shows that after the 64 miners were arrested there for sleeping in the building, which had been "condemned as unsanitary" by notices posted, but bearing no name of any member of the board of health, seventeen state police entered it and wrecked it, also completely demolishing all furniture of the apartment in the rear of the hall, occupied by the secretary of the strike committee and his aged mother.

Six hundred dollars belonging to the secretary's mother was stolen, and other valuables are missing. All this happened in a country which is not under the governor's "state of insurrection" declaration.

It was learned today that Frank Palmer was offered his freedom Christmas night, when the other strikers in Greely Jail were released, providing he would leave the strike zone. Palmer refused, and is being punished by solitary confinement as "dangerous."

DENVER, Colo., Dec. 27.—Violence against the Colorado coal miners now on strike continues. On Christmas day (Continued on Page Two)

Forty Turks Drown

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 27.—Forty persons were drowned in the Sea of Marmora today when two Turkish steamers collided, one of them, the Sevindji, sinking immediately with all hands aboard.

Ditch Prince Carol

LONDON, Dec. 27.—The National Party, which led the movement in Roumania for the return of former Crown Prince Carol, has deserted Carol and his royal aspirations, according to a report telegraphed from Carlsbad today.



The holidays mean little to the miners. After nine months of courageous fighting, the striking coal miners are still holding their ranks. Holiday "cheer" was a grim joke to the wives and children of the coal miners who have been living on the ragged edge of subsistence for months.

Photo shows an official of the miners' union addressing groups of miners and their families. The reactionary leaders of the strikers have done little in promoting the struggle of the workers to maintain their organization.

PENN MINERS' SPIRIT RENEWED

By AMY SCHECHTER.

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 27.—A message of workers' solidarity in the shape of truckloads of food and clothing sent out to thousands of striking miners and families throughout Allegheny and Monongahela Valleys and Panhandle section, also camps in Ohio and Central Pennsylvania was received by strikers.

In camp after camp miners, women and children were out in full force to receive shipments. Signs bearing relief committee name and slogans "Fight on for the Living Wage and your Union" and "Down with the Open Shop" brought cheers from the men and were taken from trucks and posted up in union halls and around camps.

Strikers facing the holiday season in hundreds of cases literally with nothing but bread in the house and children crying from hunger were joyful over the shipments. They were deeply moved by concrete proof of workers in other industries at last beginning to rally to aid of miners in coal war and preparing to stand back of them in the fight.

Besides staples and produce and bacon the first milk hundreds of children had tasted for months were sent in and loads of apples for children.

Shipments were especially welcome in a number of camps where no relief of any sort had been received this week.

A general statement of U.M.W.A. now puts three dollars weekly per family as the general average relief for western Pennsylvania today with Central Pennsylvania the same and Ohio much less. A steady stream of contributions is imperative to carrying on the great struggle against the open shop to a successful conclusion. Send contributions to Pennsylvania-Ohio Relief.

MORE HOURS, LESS PAY.

MANCHESTER, England, Dec. 27.—The Cotton Spinners' Federation, an employers' organization, proposes to increase the working week by four hours and to reduce wages by 12½ per cent, it became known yesterday. Although the wage cut has not yet been acted upon, vigorous opposition by the workers in the mills is planned.

FREE AIR.

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., Dec. 27.—Arguments on the request of certain residents of Scarsdale and New Rochelle to prevent planes of the Atlantic Airways Corp. from flying over their lands and houses will be heard before Supreme Court Justice Morschauser Friday.

No Haste Now to Raise Sub

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Dec. 27.—"It will be impossible to raise the S-4 sooner than next June," said Tom Eadie, diver of the sunken undersea craft, just before going down today. "It is very cold down there and it is going to be a lot colder within the next few weeks. It will also be a lot rougher in the next few days."

But the navy is severely criticized by numerous seamen and some congressmen for its slowness in saving the lives of the forty men on board, its lack of life-saving apparatus, and its tactics in sending out submarines to shift for themselves, without any tender to warn surface craft. Secretary of Navy Wilbur says this is from now on a set policy of his department, which desires, at whatever cost of life, to simulate war conditions.

Tammany Paymasters Fear 2d Investigation

Attempts are being made to abolish the New York section of the Bridge and Tunnel Commission having charge of the Holland Tunnel route to New Jersey and turn over the present duties of this commission to the Porth Authority of New York, according to circles close to Tammany Hall.

The present tunnel commission, a highly over-staffed agency, has a yearly payroll of nearly \$1,300,000. Fearing further disclosures of inefficiency and perhaps even of graft, such as that revealed in the Queens sewer investigations, Tammany Hall, especially in the person of Al Smith, is hastening to liquidate the New York section of the Bridge and Tunnel Commission before criticism begins, it is reported.

Five hundred forty employees on the present over-staffed commission, many of whom are known to be soft job holders, is the total of Tammany's patronage in this work.

"Make Munitions Privately," Says Sec. Davis; He Has Connections with Big Powder Firms

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Congress is called upon to "revive" the private manufacture of war munitions in an official letter just made public by Dwight F. Davis, secretary of war. Secretary of War Davis is connected through banking interests with the group financing munitions manufacturers, and while on the War Finance Corporation, always worked in close collaboration with the Dupont powder trust and the steel trust. He is a member of the board of directors of the State National Bank, and a director of the Security Building Co.; he is also secretary of the Davis estates.

In one of the most brazenly jingo documents since the armistice of 1918,

3 MORE DAYS OF SALE AT BAZAAR

Tonight and for three days more bargains will be the main attraction at the Joint Defense Bazaar at Grand Central Palace.

The Joint Defense Committee has decided, in order to dispose of its tremendous stock, that these last days of the bazaar shall be given over to the selling of merchandise at the lowest possible prices. Thousands of articles, including suits, dresses, coats, millinery and jewelry will be offered.

In ordering to enable thousands of workers to take advantage of these last day sales, the admission to the bazaar until Saturday will be only 35 cents. This includes free movies and dancing and makes the bazaar not only the most interesting but the cheapest show in town. The best movie features are shown daily on the mezzanine floor.

Continue Bargains.

Bargain sales will continue until Friday night, when all the remaining merchandise will be removed from the booths, and the two floors cleared for the final event of the bazaar, the grand costume ball taking place on Saturday, New Year's Eve. For the best costumes chosen by prominent representatives of the labor movement including the needle trades, prizes will be awarded.

Word has been received that Calogero Greco and Donato Carrillo will appear at the ball Saturday night. This is the first time these workers will participate in a large gathering of the labor movement since their imprisonment five months ago on a frame-up charge organized by the Fascist League of America. The entire labor movement will come out to welcome its fellow needle trades workers and express pleasure at their escape from what promised to be another Sacco-Vanzetti Case. Tickets to the ball are \$1.00 and 75 cents.

Hearst Forger Had Big Trade

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—The senate's investigation of the Mexican documents published in the Hearst newspapers was resumed here today with Frank Y. McLaughlin, an American oil man who has spent most of the last seven years in Mexico City, as the first witness.

McLaughlin identified himself as a structural engineer who went to Mexico in 1920, later becoming identified with the El Sol Petroleum Company as director and vice president. He said he had many "personal relations" with Mexican officials.

Kellogg-Sheffield Forgeries.

The witness created a mild sensation in the committee room when he testified that Miguel Avila, the American-born Mexican who sold the documents to the Hearst papers, once tried to sell him a confidential file of correspondence between Secretary of State Kellogg and Ambassador James (Continued on Page Two)

Unemployment Grows; 75,000 Idle in Md. City

Employment in the major industries is decreasing, the U. S. Employment Service of the Department of Labor says in a report. The employment service reports that the textile, shoe, iron, steel, automobile, and building industries are all employing far less than last year.

BALTIMORE, Md., Dec. 27.—It is estimated by merchants here that the total dollars and cents volume of holiday trade will run far behind the year of 1926, due to the critical unemployment situation in this city. Labor officials state that at least 75,000 men are out of work, which is 50,000 above the average for this time of the year.



DWIGHT DAVIS.

Davis declares that "modern war is a war of machines; modern war requires these machines in numbers heretofore unheard of."

Davis says that the system of awarding contracts to the lowest bidder is "very detrimental" to the program of the war department. The secretary of war offers a scheme whereby munitions manufacturers will be placed with them "educational offers" in time of peace.

WILL IMPROVE PORT ANTOFAGASTA, Chile, Dec. 27.—About \$60,000 will be spent to improve the harbor here. Antofagasta is the chief nitrate port of Northern Chile.

Scotland Yard Wants to Confiscate Films On Sacco-Vanzetti

LONDON, Dec. 27.—Scotland Yard operatives are searching for a film dealing with the execution of Sacco and Vanzetti, it was learned here today. According to the report, the film was brought from America about 10 days ago. They are said to be a historical record of the case and are intended for working class audiences on the continent. It is said that European ports have been watched for the film for the past three weeks.

RETURNED UNION MEN CHEER USSR

Eleven more members of the rank and file trade union delegation to Soviet Russia returned yesterday on the Muretania. Members of the delegation were uniform in their expressions of enthusiasm with the conditions under which the workers in the Soviet Republic are living. "As trade unionists from a dozen different occupations," was the statement of one member, "we were especially interested in the contrast between the Russian government's attitude toward organized labor and the attitude of the U. S. government, characterized by anti-union injunctions."

One section of the delegation, which was separated into three sections, reported about a week ago. Another is still in Europe. The members of the section which came in yesterday are: D. W. Bellaver, Edward Codomo, E. J. Lever, R. C. Kling, R. P. Forrest, Harriet Silverman, Betty Yaris, Carl Haessler, correspondent.

(By Federated Press.)

"Soviet Russia wants to learn from the United States and to buy from (Continued on Page Five)

INJUNCTION CASE A UNION VICTORY

Morris Taft, manager, Local 41, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, who recently admitted violating a supreme court anti-picketing injunction, was found not guilty of contempt of court by Supreme Court Justice Thomas C. T. Crain yesterday.

The decision came as a surprise to the New York labor movement, since Taft announced in court when tried last week that labor must take a definite and militant stand against the anti-labor injunction policy of the courts and the employers in all industries.

"It is apparent that he misunderstood the order which was served upon him and had not intentionally disobeyed it," Judge Crain said in discharging Taft. "The leaflet complained of was in print, whereas the injunction language was 'verbally or in writing,'" the judge added, referring to a leaflet on which the case was based. Over Taft's signature it urged the workers to violate the injunction in question.

Jail Remus Witness

CINCINNATI, Dec. 27.—John S. Berger, witness for George Remus, recently acquitted of murder, was sentenced to 10 days in jail and fined \$250 by Judge Chester R. Shook today for contempt of court in presenting a petition signed by the jurors, asking that a perjury indictment against Berger be dismissed.

Insurance Plot Foiled

ROCKY POINT, N. C., Dec. 27.—A plot to collect a large insurance fund by running off with an automobile and reporting a "theft" to police, was upset when the car broke down here, and the license plate recognized by the repair man.

58 Below; Mail O. K.

CIRCLE, Alaska, Dec. 27.—Braving the severest storm in twenty years, with the thermometer 58 degrees below zero, Mail Sled Driver Jewell successfully delivered the mail on time from Chatanika.

7-Hour Day in USSR

MOSCOW, Dec. 15 (By Mail).—On January 1st, the 7-hour day will be introduced in four of the biggest textile factories in Ivanovo-Voznesensk (textile centre of the USSR).

DECIDE ON ONE DAY WALKOUT AT NATIONAL MEET

First Session Anti-Britain; Proposes Boycott

MADRAS, Dec. 27.—Hundreds of thousands of Indian workers are expected to participate in a one-day general strike accompanied by mass demonstrations when the British Statutory Commission, headed by Sir John Simon, arrives on Indian soil, in response to resolutions passed by the All-Indian Nationalist Congress at its opening session here yesterday. No Indians in Commission.

In a session characterized by intense hostility to British imperialism, the 5,000 members of the Congress declared for a complete boycott of the British Commission. The Commission, which was appointed by the English Tory government to consider a reform of the Indian government, contains no Indian members.

Further resolutions, calling on all members of the Legislative Council to abstain from voting except for the purpose of opposing anti-Nationalist legislation or voting down the government, were passed.

The Congress then declared itself unconditionally against "untouchability," and has taken up the fight for equality of the sixty million Indian "untouchables," men of the lowest castes who are considered unclean and are forbidden intercourse with the higher castes.

Mme. Sun Yat Sen, widow of leader of Chinese Nationalists, has been invited by India's Congress resolution of the Congress to tour the country in the interests of the Indian independence movement.

Aid Chinese Revolution. The Congress also voted to organize and equip a Hindu Ambulance Corps to be sent for service with the Chinese Nationalists. Large sums of (Continued on Page Three)

TO USE \$100,000 IN GRAFT DEFENSE

At least \$100,000 will be spent by Maurice E. Connolly, borough president of Queens, in an attempt to "defend" himself in the \$16,000 sewer graft charges, it was learned yesterday.

Max D. Steuer, his lawyer, who ordinarily gets \$1,000 a day and more for his service, will undoubtedly take a large portion of his sum. Thus far Steuer, who will have former U. S. District Attorney Emory R. Buckner as an opponent, has limited himself to the job of advance publicity for his client.

Date Not Set. Buckner has just taken a suite of offices in the Court Square building, Lafayette Pl. "I do not know when the hearings will begin," Buckner said. "The charges are not limited to sewer graft, I shall conduct a general investigation."

The hearings into the gigantic swindle which will be used by the republican party for its own political nest-building, will not be concluded until late in March, it is generally agreed. At least a month will be taken by Justice Scudder, recently appointed by Al Smith, Tammany governor, to hear the facts connected with the high-handed plunderings of the treasury of Queens borough.

Will Raise Big Smell. Six bright young lawyers, formerly associated in his office while he was U. S. district attorney, have been hired by Buckner. They will try to dig up all the unsavory facts which have culminated in the present scandal.

RABAT, Morocco, Dec. 27.—Communication lines between the French and Spanish zones in Morocco were destroyed yesterday in the floods which are sweeping across the northern part of the country.

Mexican Government Yielding to American Pressure on Oil Land Laws

OVER 4 MILLION CHINA PEASANTS IN FAMINE GRIP

Report Blames Raids by Chang Tso-lin

PEKING, China, Dec. 27.—More than four million poor peasants are in the grip of hunger in north China as the result of famine and the heavy taxation levied by northern officials, according to the report of competent foreign observers made at the request of the Chinese International Famine Relief Commission for more exact information.

Altho the Chinese committee which is dominated by adherents of Chang Tso-lin, blamed the drought and locusts for the famine, the international committee charged that "banditry and exorbitant taxation" were equally to blame.

Live on Grass. Thousands of peasants in Chihli and Shantung, are kept alive by the bark of trees and grass. The approach of winter, the observers state, will result in the death of thousands of peasants.

The confiscation of crops by the soldiers of Chang Tso-lin and his allies is one of the principal reasons for the poverty of the peasants, one of the observers intimated. The new famine wave will be as intense and as disastrous as that of 1921, it was also stated.

U. S. Imperialism Hit at Brussels

BRUSSELS, Dec. 12 (By Mail).—After describing the policy of intervention pursued by the United States in Central and South America, Salvador de la Plaza told the General Council of the League Against Imperialism which is in session here that the Latin American struggle against United States imperialism was steadily gaining in strength. The League is making considerable progress in Latin America, he said.

The struggle of the Philippine Islands for independence was brought before the general council by Alminiano, while Emir Shek' Arslan reported for the Arabian National Committee on the Syrian struggle for independence against France. Herlet declared that French workers afforded their full support to the Syrian struggle for independence.

The Indonesian representative declared that the struggle for freedom against Dutch imperialism was gaining strength.

U. S. Troops in Panama May Mean Intervention Report Police Disarmed

PANAMA, Dec. 27.—The continued maneuvers of the United States troops in Panama territory are causing general uneasiness in the Republic. While the government papers are denying that the presence of the troops is a threat of the United States to interfere in support of the Chiari administration at the coming elections, El Herald asserts that the American forces are the beginning of intervention.

The rumor that the Panaman police have been disarmed in pursuance of instructions from Washington is also being zealously denied by the Chiari officials.

Widow, 73, Who Refuses to Retire, Praises Soviet Union

By CARL HAESSLER. BAKU, Caucasus, (FP) Dec. 18.—She seemed well beyond ordinary working years as she joined the group of western labor men and women in the principal park of Baku, the big Soviet Union oil town. She did not understand the addresses made in English over the common grave of the 26 Soviet Commissars executed in 1918 through the efforts of British imperialism. But she got the spirit of the occasion and she soon found an American delegate who spoke German.

Hardworking Men. "I knew those Commissars well in the first days of the Revolution," she related. "They were devoted, hard-working farseeing men. They were terribly tortured before they were finally shot in the desert. There have been great changes since the czar's days."

She was of German birth and had married a German steamboat captain who transported a steamer by rail from Riga to the Caspian sea and navigated it there for 39 years until his death. The couple and their children had lived very comfortably in a 7-room house, well furnished and money in the bank.

Like a flash the revolution had na-

"Butcher" Machado



Machado, puppet of American interests and maintained as President of Cuba by the National City Bank and the sugar trust, will probably preside at the Havana Conference.

AUSTRALIA PLANS TO BAN STRIKES

LONDON, Dec. 27.—A bill that would outlaw strikes has been introduced in the Australian House of Representatives by the Attorney-General in the guise of an amendment to the Arbitration Act.

The amendment also provides for a secret ballot where ten or more members of the union demand it. The introduction of the measure followed the walkout of fifty thousand dockmen several weeks ago which completely tied up shipping. Coal miners threatened to join the dock workers in a sympathetic walkout.

Rush U. S. Gunboat as Nicaraguan Liberals Under Sandino Gain

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, Dec. 27.—The U. S. S. Tulsa will probably be despatched to Cape Gracias to aid in the attack against Nicaraguan liberals commanded by General Sandino who are believed to have pushed their way from Nueva Segovia to the Cape. Marines will probably also leave for Cape Gracias as the result of a request from officials connected with the Diaz government.

Religion Doomed to Disappear in Near Future, Says Freud

VIENNA, Dec. 27.—"We have reached a stage where the intellectual development of humanity is endangered by the superstitions of religion," declares Sigmund Freud, founder of the psychoanalytic school in his latest book "Die Zukunft der Illusion" (The Future of an Illusion).

Declaring that religion is an illusion Freud says, "They are ideas contrary to the practical world, cosmic ideas coming from madness which science in the last centuries has done much to dissipate."

French Boys and Girls Can't Even Sell Selves For \$100; Too Few Jobs

PARIS, Dec. 27.—Many boys and girls who attempted to auction themselves off as farm laborers at the labor auction at St. Etienne returned to their homes jobless because there were twice as many jobseekers as jobs.

Factory girls hired themselves out for \$100 a year. Most of the girls who were auctioned off were between 15 and 17 years old.

Bechterev Bequeaths Brain to Institute; Scientists at Burial

MOSCOW, Dec. 27.—The body of Dr. Vladimir R. Bechterev, famous psychiatrist and authority on brain diseases, was cremated today with the exception of the brain, which has been bequeathed to the Red Pantheon.

Five hundred distinguished scientists from all parts of the U. S. S. R. and Europe, who are here attending the Neuro-Pathological Congress, followed the catafalque to the crematory, where orations were delivered. According to Dr. Bechterev's living instructions, an autopsy was conducted upon the body Sunday. A minute examination was made of the brain. Dr. Bechterev, who was 69 years old, died on Saturday after a brief illness.

Frighter Hunt Fails

PORT ARTHUR, Ont., Dec. 27.—Search for the missing freighter Kamloops failed to yield the slightest clue to the whereabouts of the ship. The ice-breaking tug James Whalen returned to this port yesterday afternoon without any news.

CAIRO, Dec. 27.—Locusts are returning to Egypt and destroying hundreds of thousands of dollars worth of crops. Steps are being taken to combat the pests.

INDIA WORKERS STRIKE; PROTEST TORY COMMITTEE

Vote Money to Aid the Chinese Revolution

(Continued from Page One) money were provided for this purpose. It is hoped that the sending of the Ambulance Corps will counteract the anti-Chinese moves of the British officials.

Unity between the Hindus and the Mohammedans at the Congress was ensured by a preliminary unity convention where the two warring religious factions signed a peace pact to arbitrate their differences and present an united front to the British imperialists.

Besides the delegates from India proper, which represent practically all the major political divisions, there are delegates from Ceylon and Brahma. Among the delegates are: Mahatma Gandhi, Pandit Moulai Nehru, N. C. Kelkar, Shrinivas Iyengar, Lala Lajpat Rai, the Hindu delegate to the International Labor Conference at Geneva, Annie Besant, and Sarojini Naidu.

Decisions Bound By Congress. The decisions of the Congress are mandatory on all the delegates who attend those of the leaders in the country, and they will be carried out by immense nation-wide allied organizations. Mahatma Gandhi has already declared that his "political conscience is in the keeping of the Congress and that he will be bound, by whatever measures the Congress decides to take.

Muslim Amin Khan, a Mohammedan and President of the All-India Nationalist Congress, has declared that until a round table conference in which Indian statesmen are invited to participate as plenipotentiaries is called by the British, or until a Commission with a majority of Indians on equal terms with the British is set up, the All-India Nationalist Congress will not take any part in the work of the Statutory Commission.

British Resist. The British officials are reported to be stubbornly opposed to coming to terms with the All-India Nationalist Congress. It is believed that the Indian government, emboldened by its success in defeating the British general strike and counting on the support of the reactionary leaders of the Independent Labor Party are determined to put up a stiff resistance to the demands of the All-India Nationalist Congress.

BOMBAY, (By Mail).—What Indians think of the Simon Commission and the "Labor" members thereof might be illustrated by a thousand extracts from the Press here. The following extracts are typical:—

"Our Labor friends in Parliament roundly condemn the exclusion of Indians from the Commission, but by long experience we know that the Labor Party is a broken reed for us to lean upon; otherwise would it have allowed two of its members to accept places on the Commission?"

"Once again let it be remembered that our salvation lies in our own hands."—The Hindu.

"The solid phalanx of Tory gentlemen are in the delightful position of finding that their Liberal opponents are their friends along with a few Labour Imperialists in the great sport of humiliating India."

"India is not so servile as to be content with the right of making representations to the Commission—the Committee trick is nothing more."

"India insists on a determining voice, and not the voice to beg. Let the Labor Party make no mistake about that."—Bombay Chronicle.

New Italian Quakes?

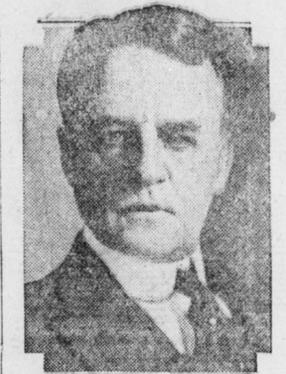
ROME, Dec. 27.—Apprehension was aroused in some quarters today over the earthquake tremor that rocked this city and adjacent territory for several minutes on Monday afternoon. It was feared that additional quakes will follow for yesterday's tremors were the second within three months.

WHAT TUNE DO YOU LIKE?



You will find hurdy-gurdys with monkeys, lunch counters, soda fountains and book stalls among the innumerable attractions at the Nine-Day Fair of the Joint Defense Committee now being held at the Grand Central Palace, Lexington Ave. and 46th St.

Dwight Morrow



New American envoy to Mexico, and former partner in the House of Morgan, who is believed to be connected with the introduction of the Calles measure providing for changes in the oil land laws favorable to American interests.

MAY LIFT BAN ON MEXICAN PLANES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Relaxation of the embargo on shipments of arms and munitions to Mexico was forecast at the state department today.

Following an announcement by President Coolidge that the entire embargo question will be considered by this government, it was announced today that as a first step in the new policy, the state department has approved the purchase by the Mexican Government of the Ford airplane in which Mrs. Evangeline Lindbergh flew from Detroit to Mexico City. The plane will be used in the Mexican military service.

Lunacharsky May Be Italian Envoy

MOSCOW, Dec. 27.—Important diplomatic changes are imminent in the Soviet Government, according to reports current this afternoon. Education Commissar Lunacharsky probably will be appointed ambassador to Italy, succeeding Leo Kamenev, while Chief Menzinsky of the "Ogpu" (political police) is slated to succeed Lunacharsky.

M. Mikoyan probably will become head of the secret police. Former Finance Commissar Sokolnikov, will be appointed trade commissar, it is understood.

Soviet Union Extends Aid to Poor Peasants

MOSCOW, (By Mail).—In conformity with the Manifesto of the Central Executive Committee, the Soviet of People's Commissars in Koralia has granted 35,000 roubles to the aid fund for aged peasants.

Already in the current year state aid will be given to a group of 500 aged peasants, chosen among the poorest Koralian peasantry.

Delegation of Italian Workers Reach Moscow

MOSCOW, Dec. 15 (By Mail).—An Italian workers' delegation elected by the revolutionary workers of Italy has arrived in Moscow. Metal workers, printers and building trades workers are included in the delegation.

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PLANES FOR PAN-AMERICAN DRIVE IS HAVANA PLAN

U. S. Companies to Gain by New Scheme

WASHINGTON, Dec. 27.—Far-reaching steps to link the United States with Central and South American countries by a network of air transport lines will be taken at the Pan-American conference at Havana, Cuba, which meets January 16 it was learned today.

The first move, it is expected, will be the lifting by this government of the embargo on airplanes and air equipment to Mexico. Secretary of State Kellogg has under consideration the recommendation by Rep. Edith Nourse Rogers, (R.) of Massachusetts, that this be done. The entire aviation industry of the United States is behind the recommendation.

"Good-Will" Hokus. It was believed that the order raising the embargo will be timed for the opening of the Pan-American conference.

Colonel Charles A. Lindbergh's flight to Mexico and his projected "good will" tour of Central American countries has resulted in strong support for lifting the airplane ban.

Should the embargo be raised, Mexico is said to be ready to place orders at once for American planes, both for commercial and military purposes. Reports from Mexico City state that the Mexican government is prepared to purchase at least one huge Ford transport tri-motored plane at once. It was in such a plane that Mrs. Lindbergh made her flight to the Mexican capital.

Aviation officials pointed out that Lindbergh's flight to Mexico and his Central American tour will result in a boom for aviation in the countries south of the border and that United States industry is preparing to take advantage of this stimulus.

Argentine Police Seize 70 Workers

BUENOS AYRES, Dec. 27.—Using as a pretext the bombing of the National City Bank on Saturday, the Buenos Ayres police are carrying on a terrorization of all workers and labor organizations in the city.

At least 60 workers and several members of the former Sacco and Vanzetti committee have been seized and held by the police while others are being rounded up.

The arrest of the Sacco and Vanzetti workers followed the statement by Robert Woods Bliss, the American ambassador to the Argentine, that "he thought" the outrage was the work of Sacco and Vanzetti sympathizers. The police have as yet been unable to find any evidence which could lead to the arrest of the bomber.

Many labor, progressive and fraternal organizations have been invaded by the authorities in their hunt and headquarters have been closed and meetings prohibited.

The only casualty to date is Manuel Taboada, who was selling to the bank clerks at the time of the explosion. The bank resumed operations this morning.



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President Calles



APPOINT CALLES FINANCIAL CZAR

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—The Chamber of Deputies granted President Calles power to legislate on the public debt during 1928 at its session early this morning. The decision was made as the result of Mexico's inability to meet the payments due the international bankers.

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—The Mexican railway question as well as the general debt situation will be placed before a group of international bankers, headed by Thomas W. Lamont of J. P. Morgan and Co., when Fernando de la Fuente, chief of the Mexican Department of Credit arrives here. The Mexican Ministry of Finance in a statement issued several days ago declared that it would be unable to meet payments due to international bankers.

A new international agreement is expected to result from the Fuentes mission in view of the friendly terms which have recently been established between the Mexican government and Wall Street. The new oil land law which has been introduced in House of Deputies, is also expected to establish friendlier relations between the Calles government and the American financiers.

34,000 MILES IN TWO YEARS BERLIN, Dec. 27.—Capt. Karl Kircheiss and his crew of four sailors have just returned after a two years' world cruise on a small cutter. They were warmly greeted upon their arrival here.

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CALLES MOVE TO AMEND LAWS FOR BENEFIT OF U. S.

Deputies Pass Measure on First Reading

MEXICO CITY, Dec. 27.—As the result of the "good-will" diplomacy practiced by Ambassador Morrow and the easier relations between the Calles Government and American oil and financial interests, the Chamber of Deputies passed the first reading of bill sent by President Calles amending Articles XIV and XV of the Mexican oil regulations.

The bill, if passed, will permit American oil companies to acquire oil land for more than fifty years and makes the American claims permanent. A decision by the Mexican Supreme Court on oil land held by the Mexican Petroleum Company had already weakened the oil land articles considerably.

The amendment to the XIV Article as proposed by Calles follows:

Text of Article. "Article XIV. There shall be confirmed without expense by means of concessions the following rights:

(1) Those derived from lands on which oil exploitation works were commenced prior to May 1, 1917;

(2) Those derived from contracts made prior to May 1, 1917, by owners of the surface or persons under contract for them for the purpose of oil exploitations;

(3) To owners of oleoducts and refineries or authorizations issued by the Department of Industry, Commerce and Labor, and in regard to those concessions or authorizations;

"Confirmation of these rights will be granted without limitation of time, when on behalf of surface owners and for the time mentioned in contracts reached by surface owners and other parties.

USSR Co-ops. Aid India

MOSCOW, Dec. 14 (By mail).—For the relief of the destitute Indian peasants in the flood-stricken area of the Gujarat, the Moscow Centrosoyuz (co-operatives) have sent \$2,500 to the Secretary of the Co-operative Institute of Bombay.

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Labor Must Hit Attack of Bosses' State by 1928 Vote

By ANTHONY BIMBA.

NEVER before, since the great reaction of 1920-1922, was the working class of this country confronted with such a systematic and well-planned offensive of the capitalist class as it is today. Our trade unions and the entire labor movement are pushed against the wall and they must either fight or surrender completely.

The situation of the miners is a desperate one. In the bituminous fields the United Mine Workers of America are made almost entirely helpless against the blows of the employers. The prolonged strike has been effectively crippled by dozens of the most sweeping injunctions. It is hard to find a coal town or shaft affected by the strike in which there is no injunction.

In the Pittsburgh district, thousands of miners' families are on the verge of starvation. Even the leaders of the American Federation of Labor, after months of silence to the suffering of the miners, found it necessary to make an appeal for the relief of the starving women and children. Even they could no longer disregard one of the greatest struggles in the history of the American labor movement.

The Colorado Massacre.

THEN the Colorado strike! Over five weeks ago the miners went on strike. They were condemned by the leaders of the U. M. W. of A., but they had to make a stand against the onslaught of the mine owners.

The strike swept like wild-fire throughout the state, engulfing one mine after another until the entire coal industry was shut down. Men, women and children went on the picket line and with songs on their lips and fire of hatred in their hearts, they braved the brutality of the master class.

On November 21st, the state troops were sent to smash the picket line and put an end to the resistance of the workers. Without any provocation, fire was opened upon the workers, and five of them were murdered in cold blood, while a sixth miner died and many others were wounded. The Ludlow massacre of 1914 was repeated. The blood of the workers was once more shed by the hirelings of the Rockefeller interests.

Capitalists Rejoice.

The blood-thirsty master-class rejoiced with the success of this blood-letting. The New York Evening Post hastened to defend the murderers. "Public opinion," said that organ of the ruling class on the morning after the massacre, "will stand solidly behind Governor Adams in his determination to restore law and order in the Colorado coal fields. It will always stand behind its authorized officials when the issue is thus clearly drawn between the I. W. W. and the American government."

To murder the peaceful workers in cold blood is to restore "law and order!"

In New York.

IN New York we have a most determined stand of the traction interests against any attempt to organize the traction workers. The I. R. T. is asking for an injunction against the entire American Federation of Labor. Thanks to the criminal policy of the right wing, the trade union conditions in the needle trades industry of New York have been destroyed in the shops and the unions are prostrated.

We hear that in Maine the wages of the textile workers have been slashed by 10 per cent. There can be no doubt that this wage cutting business will be extended to the other textile centers of New England.

Anti-Alien Bills.

MR. DAVIS, secretary of the Department of Labor, announces that he will insist on the adoption by Congress of the anti-alien bills. This is another attack upon the workers—an attack of the most brutal and dangerous character.

The Frame-Up System.

ONLY a few weeks ago Sacco and Vanzetti were murdered. About the same time, nine needle trades workers in Mineola were sentenced to prison for long terms.

In New York, two innocent Italian workers, Greco and Carrillo, have been released only after a fascist frame-up was exposed.

In Cheswick, Pa., twenty miners are facing prison terms.

The miners of Zeigler, Ill., lost their appeal and must go to prison. And so on and so forth on all sides and in all directions we see a general offensive against the workers.

Even Bureaucrats Aghast.

Even William D. Mahon, president of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, one of the most conservative labor officials, while discussing the I. R. T. injunction, on Nov. 22, declared:

"This injunction is aimed not only at the Amalgamated but at the whole labor movement throughout the United States. There is a very definite connection between our struggle with the I. R. T. and that of the miners in Pennsylvania with the coal operators, railroads and other industries which, it is charged, are conspiring to disrupt organized labor."

Perfectly correct. Even a blind person could see that there is concerted action on the part of the capitalist class against the entire labor movement with the aim of disrupting and smashing it.

But where is the way out of this situation? Whither do we have to go to repulse this onslaught upon the

Slaps Labor's Face



How better could the need for worker political action be shown than by the action of the "dollar diplomacy" president who was deaf to the plea of the struggling coal miners. Some time ago a number of labor leaders, cap in hand and on bended knee, appealed to him to intervene in the fight of the mine workers. Coolidge made a feeble gesture in the form of buck-passing to Davis, secretary of labor, whose friendship for the coal operators is as great as his chief's.

working class? Mr. Mahon, as well as Mr. Green and other leaders of the trade unions, are not even attempting to show us the way. It seems that they have neither the desire nor the will to do so.

The Pinchot Farce.

THEY had a conference in Pittsburgh only a few days ago. It was reported that about 400 trade union officials gathered to discuss this offensive against the trade unions. They sat there for a few days and talked and listened.

higher wages at this time would put many mines out of business, he believes," we read in the newspapers on the morning after the mission of our leaders to the White House. In other words, Mr. Coolidge slammed the door in the face of Mr. Green and Mr. Lewis and told them that nothing will be done to help the miners and that the latter must accept a slash in wages. Then he laid plans for anti-strike legislation.

What else could anybody expect from Mr. Coolidge or our boss-controlled government?

Bosses' Politics.

A complete unity exists today between big business and the government of this country. In this new offensive against the workers we see the government with its courts, police and army and machine guns in the forefront. In Colorado, in Pennsylvania, in New York, the govern-

ment forces are completely at the disposal of the employers. So much for the political action of the employers.

They chose Mr. Pinchot as their spokesman, who has nothing to do with the labor movement—or, at least, has nothing more to do with the labor movement than any other agent of the employers. This Mr. Pinchot, in this most trying hour of the American working class, suddenly became a new Messiah to the leaders of our labor movement. And so they followed him!

Green Sings "Star Spangled." Mr. Green, the president of the American Federation of Labor, and Mr. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, thousands of members of which organization are starving in the Pittsburgh district, went to the White House singing the "Star Spangled Banner." They knelt down before the strikebreaker Coolidge and pleaded with him to beg the coal operators to meet with them in a conference.

What a disgrace!

Keeping Cool With Coolidge.

THE result: "Coolidge refers to Labor Department the request of the miners for a conference with the operators; he sees difficulty in the plan; Workers' Politics.

AT the present time, the working class is at the tail end of the bourgeois political parties.

There is no mass organization of the workers on the political field.

So why should Mr. Coolidge pay any attention to the trade union leaders who cringe before him when he knows perfectly well that they are safe boys, that they supported his party yesterday and will support it tomorrow and that they are the strongest opponents of a political party of the workers?

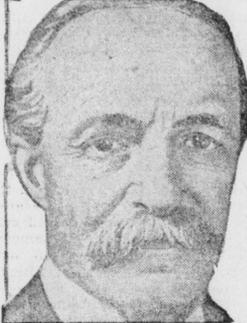
Election Should Be Used.

Next year we shall again have elections. In view of this new bloody offensive of the employers against the labor movement, in view of the open strike-breaking activities of the government, the time is ripe to make such preparations for the election campaign of 1928.

This election campaign can be utilized by the workers against the political power of the ruling class and for the strengthening of the political forces of labor.

Let, for instance, a united labor ticket or a labor party formed by organized workers poll a million votes in the 1928 elections. It would be the greatest blow to the arrogant ruling class, to the strikebreaking government and to the system of injunctions. It would be the beginning of the separation of the working class from the capitalist class. It would lay a firm basis for building up a powerful mass political labor party in this country.

Hopeless White Hope



Gifford Pinchot, recently designated as the new political "white hope" of reactionary labor. A conference just held in Pittsburgh, at which misleaders of the American workers were present, hailed Pinchot as "their man." Incidental to the chant for Pinchot was some mild discussion about the present struggle of the coal miners for existence.

Green Will Do Nothing But Crawl.

But will our Greens and Lewises, even after seeing the fiasco of their mission to President Coolidge, even after receiving the rebuke from the strikebreaking government—will they fight the democratic and republican parties? Will they work for the building of a labor party? Of course

3,000 Unemployed Eat at Mr. Zero's Party

"For God's Sake Give Us a Job! Less Gods and more Goods," were signs hung from the tinseless Christmas tree at a dinner party for more than 3,000 unemployed at the Bowery Tub of Urban Ledoux, self-styled "Mr. Zero."

The salvation army fed about 3,000 more hungry and ragged unemployed men. A headwaiter in formal attire was the army's idea of a special treat. It was the "swell's" job to see that the men kept on eating and moved on as soon as they were through. The unemployment in this city is greater now than it has been in the last few years, according to statisticians.

Mother, 5 Children, Die

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 27.—Mrs. Jennie Scarpelli and five of her children died in their beds last night because the lights were blown out, and fumes of gas asphyxiated those asleep.

not! They will again remain at the tail end of both of these capitalist parties. The organized workers cannot and must not expect anything better from their conservative leadership. They will again be asked to support their enemies during the elections.

Our Greens would rather crawl on their stomachs before the Coolidges than to organize political power of the working class and lead them into a serious fight. They will do everything in their power to fight together with the employers against any and all attempts of the workers to set up their own political party. In the trade unions, they are fighting bitterly against those who stand for independent political action of the workers.

As far as the labor movement is concerned and the defense of the most elementary rights of the workers, the main issue of the 1928 elections will be a campaign for independent political action of the workers—for a labor party. No matter how hard the trade union movement is being pressed by the employers and their government, no matter how openly the republican and democratic parties are fighting the workers, our conservative leadership will not join a campaign for a labor party.

This campaign will have to develop from the depths of the trade unions—from the rank and file.

The Workers (Communist) Party is doing everything in its power to arouse the labor movement to the necessity of independent political action of the working class of America in the 1928 elections.

DRAMA

"Los Angeles" Interesting

Geo. M. Cohan's New Production at Hudson Deals With Hollywood

"LOS ANGELES" by Max Marcin and Donald Ogden Stewart, produced by George M. Cohan at the Hudson Theatre is a play that while it will not set the town on fire, is unusually interesting.



Frances Dale

As one can guess by its name, the play is concerned with Hollywood. Altho it does not go deeply into the conditions to be found in that town, the center of the world's motion picture industry, it gives us a slice of the happenings there that are worth while viewing.

The story tells of Ethel Grierson, played by Frances Dale, who leaves New York for Hollywood to make some easy money. She takes along as her bogus aunt, the matron of a New York night club. The matron is Allison Skipworth who plays the part in her usual superior fashion.

Reaching the mecca of the movies, Ethel, who pretends that she is a convent graduate, is employed by an unscrupulous millionaire who directs her to blackmail a noted motion picture comedian Eddie Trafford, portrayed by Alan Brooks.

Eddie treats Ethel square, and of course she falls in love with him. In the end everybody is happy when the comedian holds in his arms the girl who was supposed to ruin his career.

While the play is machine-made to a large degree, using the sure-fire formula, it is sprinkled with bright lines.

In addition to those named, the rest of the cast is adequate, adding all that is possible to the play.

The production is staged by that veteran Sam Forrest, who by his showmanship deserves a major share of the credit for any success the play will secure.—S. A. P.

Keating, the magician, is presenting his entertainment for two weeks at the Booth Theatre in a series of holiday matinees.



RUTH THOMAS.

One of the principal players in "The Mikado," Gilbert and Sullivan's tuneful operetta at the Royale Theatre.

Broadway Briefs

Two openings listed for this evening include "The Prisoner" at the Provincetown Playhouse and "The Royal Family" at the Selwyn Theatre.

Tony Sarg is back on Broadway. He has set up his miniature stage at the Edyth Totten Theatre in the Arabian Nights tale "Ali Baba and the Forty Thieves." The Marionettes will give daily matinees at 3 o'clock until Jan. 2. Fridays and Saturdays there will also be shows at 11 a. m.

TELLER ACCUSED OF THEFT. Rowland Dwyer, a teller in the West New York Trust Company, is being held without bail in a county jail of New Jersey, accused of embezzling \$5,700. Dwyer stated that he took the money to help his aged mother. Four children are dependent upon him for support.

2 RESCUED FROM BURNING SHIP. Wilfred Wade, captain of the schooner Orleans anchored off the Red Hook flats, and Charles Bauman, the engineer, were rescued from the burning ship by fireboats that were attracted to it by a red glare in the skies.

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SOUTH PITTSBURGH, Tenn., Dec. 27.—Adjutant General W. C. Boyd of the Tennessee National Guard today assumed command of the state militiamen who are patrolling the streets here following the shootings Christmas day in which six officers of the law were killed and others wounded.

The shooting Sunday night, climaxing months of bitter feeling between the sheriff's forces and the city marshal's officers over the open shop policy adopted by a local stove factory, resulted in the deaths of Sheriff Copinger, a Deputy Chief of Police James Conner and three policemen, two others were wounded.

According to Deputy Sheriff Thomas Connor, a brother of the slain chief, the sheriff's forces were seeking to arrest members of the city marshal's office for displaying their weapons in a threatening manner, while overawing union strikers. The sheriff's deputies were unionists and the marshal's assistants company gunmen. Thomas Connor was not hurt in the fight.

No inquest will be held. The coroner is said to have declared that none was necessary. No arrests were made and none is likely.

Returned Union Men Cheer for U. S. S. R.

(Continued from Page One) her," the American rank and file trade union delegation on disembarking from the Mauretania yesterday said in an informal statement. The delegates had left Moscow Dec. 12 and spent several days in other European capitals before sailing from Southampton Dec. 21.

Labor Safeguarded.

"Unlike England, which remorselessly used up the children in the factories during her industrial revolution, and unlike America, which devoured wave after wave of immigrant labor, the Soviet Union is enforcing every kind of labor protection and developing its workers as becomes a modern industrial state," the statement continued. "We are confident that our American labor leaders would cast off their prejudices about Russia after seeing for themselves the tremendous development of the first workers' republic on a sound trade union basis."

"Centuries" to End Run Next Saturday

Em Jo Basshe's play, "The Centuries," which has been running for three weeks at the New Playwrights Theatre, 40 Commerce St., will close Saturday, in accordance with the schedule of the theatre, which allows four weeks to each production.

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Hungarian Workers	9	1	2	40	21	20	7	1	2	42	5	16
Bronx Hungarian	7	1	4	31	15	18	7	1	1	39	9	15
Scandinavian Workers	4	2	3	25	17	11	5	4	1	21	22	11
Spartacus	2	6	5	21	30	9	2	5	2	9	36	6
Atlantic Park	2	2	4	9	11	8	2	6	1	6	23	5
Red Star	3	5	2	14	17	8	1	3	1	4	19	3
New York Eagle	3	8	2	17	35	8	0	4	0	1	12	0
Freiheit	1	6	5	7	10	4						
Armenians	1	1	1	10	4	8						

RESULTS ON DEC. 25.										
Division "A."					Division "B."					
Hung. Workers vs. Armenians, 3:2 (3:2).					Prague vs. Spartacus, 8:0 (4:0).					
Freiheit vs. Bronx Hung. 2:0 (1:0).					Hung. Workers vs. Blue Star, 8:0 (5:0).					
Atlantic vs. N. Y. Eagle, 2:0 (1:0).					N. Y. Rangers vs. Red Star, 2:1.					
Red Star vs. Spartacus, 3:0 (2:0).					Freiheit vs. Bronx Blue Star Ex. Exhibit.					
Scandinavia by.					Red Star "C" vs. Cooperative Exhibit.					

SCHEDULE FOR JAN. 1.										
Division "A."					Division "B."					
Bronx Hung. vs. N. Y. Eagle.					Blue Star vs. Prague.					
Freiheit vs. Armenians.					Red Star vs. Freiheit.					
Atlantic vs. Red Star.					Rangers vs. Spartacus.					
Hung. Workers vs. Scandinavians.					Hung. Workers vs. Prague "C" Exhibit.					
Spartacus by.					Red Star "C" vs. Cooperative Exhibit.					

10 Saved From Fire

CEDAR RAPIDS, Iowa, Dec. 27.—Eight year old Edward Seydel was awakened by flames in his room, and through his warnings, seven brothers and sisters and his parents were saved from death by fire yesterday morning.

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England Digs Out

LONDON, Dec. 27.—England's wild Christmas weather abated today. The blizzard, which was the worst experienced in the south of England for 30 years, has blown itself out. Railroad traffic throughout the country, however, remains in a state of chaos, with gangs of men digging out trains wedged in huge snowdrifts.

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Untermyer Attacks High Fare Agitation

In a letter addressed to the editor of the Herald-Tribune, accusing that newspaper of unreasonable hostility towards his subway unification plan, Samuel Untermyer, special commissioner for the Transit Commission, yesterday charged that paper with seeking to increase the five-cent fare.

Companies Earn Millions.

"The existing subways are confessedly earning large profits on the present fare," Untermyer declared. "The traction companies earned over \$13,000,000 last year, an amount which would have more than paid the city deficit on subway operation." Untermyer in his letter contended that real estate interests had reaped a huge harvest from the building of the subways, and that properly these interests should bear a part of the cost of subway operation. He also charged unscrupulous methods were being used in subway financing.

Untermyer's unification plan, while better than the present dual contracts is known to be the scheme of the Morgan interests and looks to the complete control by this banking group of all the city's lines.

DISCUSS CAPITALISM.

The annual conference of the inter-collegiate department of the League for Industrial Democracy will open this morning with a discussion in Philosophy Hall, Columbia University, between Ivy Lee, publicity director for the Rockefeller interests, and Prof. Harry F. Ward, of the Union Theological Seminary, on "Present Day Capitalism."

SIX HURT IN BROOKLYN.

Six persons were injured, two of them seriously yesterday when a Franklin Ave. trolley car and an automobile collided at Ocean Ave. and Lincoln Road, Brooklyn.

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Haverhill Shoe Union Fights Ten Percent Slash in Wages

HAVERHILL, Mass., Dec. 27.—Following on the heels of wage cuts in New England textile mills comes a reduction of rate for Haverhill shoe workers. The cut is understood to average about 10%.

Wood heelers, the highest paid group, are cut 15 per cent. Cutting and packing departments keep old rates. Sharp dissatisfaction with the new scale is evident among the five to eight thousand workers effected.

Average weekly earnings for Haverhill shoe workers came to \$24 in 1927, the union showed, as against \$25 in 1926. The employers' case was completely discredited by the union with affidavits exposing the figures falsely given as average earnings. Employers used pay envelopes containing two and three weeks' wages in them instead of only one week's.

PARTY ACTIVITIES NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY

Discuss Injunctions Tonight.

Subsection 2E will hold a discussion on injunctions tonight at 6:30 p. m. at 126 E. 16th St.

Spanish Fraction Meeting.

All Spanish speaking members of the Party are urged to attend an important meeting of the Spanish fraction tonight at 81 E. 110th St. at 8:30 p. m.

Ravitch Speaks Tonight.

A. Ravitch, circulation manager of the DAILY WORKER, will speak tonight at 8:30 p. m. at the meeting of Branch 6, Section 5, at the Co-operative Colony, 2700 Bronx Park East.

Section 2 Meets Called Off.

Section 2 has called off all meetings this week. The members are urged to assist at the defense bazaar.

Meeting Called Off.

The Morning International Branch will not hold a meeting Thursday due to the needle trades bazaar.

Y. W. L. Dance.

The Young Workers League, District 2, will hold a dance Saturday, Jan. 14, 1928.

Lenin Memorial Meeting.

A Lenin memorial meeting will be held at Madison Square Garden Saturday, Jan. 21.

China Protest Meet.

A China protest meeting will be held Thursday, Jan. 5, at 8 p. m. at Irving Place and 15th St., by the Workers (Communist) Party.

Feb. 4 Affair.

Subsection 3A will hold a dance Saturday, Feb. 4, at Bohemian Hall, Woolsey and Second Ave., Astoria, L. I. Other Party units are urged not to arrange conflicting affairs.

IF ID.

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

Miners' Relief Meeting.

A miners' relief meeting will be held Jan. 8 by the Upper Bronx Branch of the Young Workers League at 1472 Boston Road at 8 p. m.

Embree, Sablich to Appeal to N. Y. Labor

(Continued from Page One) on a tour begun after her recent release from jail.

With the arrival of four striking miners in this city direct from the picket lines of Western Pennsylvania, the Pennsylvania-Ohio-Colorado Miners' Relief Committee, 709 Broadway, is making a vigorous attempt to conduct a wide appeal for relief.

Send in Date. The committee requests that all organizations interested in the miners' struggle send it the date and place of their meetings, so that one of the miners can be sent to speak on the situation.

Returns from the special Christmas drive for miners' children are coming to the office of the Miners' Relief Committee, both from organizations and individuals. The most gratifying response in the campaign has come from school children, the committee reports.

One contribution of \$10 received from a child was accompanied by a letter pledging the support of a school club.

Children's Letter. "We are only young children, but pledge ourselves to help to our full capacity," the letter said. Another letter received from Henry L. Lieberman, pupil of 9A, Junior High School 126 of Queens, said: "My brother, Eugene Victor, who was named after 'Our Gene,' and I are donating this sum with which we would otherwise have purchased ordinary Christmas presents. . . we would like to have this published in the DAILY WORKER so that all children who read it will send something, too."

Send Clothing. "The Miners' Relief Committee has

STRIKE ASSET TO LAUNDRY DRIVERS

Striking laundry drivers of Local 810, of Brooklyn, with their wives and children celebrated last Sunday the first holiday on strike since they have been organized. The affair which took place at strike headquarters, 42nd St. and 14th Ave., Brooklyn, was attended by over 100 strikers, their wives and children.

Shoe Outputs Grows.

Just as the wage cut was announced a story came from nearby Lynn that the shoe industry is actually on the gain in Massachusetts. Maj. P. F. O'Keefe of the New England (business boosters) Council told the Lynn chamber of commerce that the district's shoe output had gone up 4 per cent this year. Lynn shoe workers are not organized in the independent Shoe Workers Protective but in the Intl. Boot & Shoe Workers Union.

The reactionary officialdom of the Protective Shoe Workers Union and the shoe manufacturers forced this wage cut thru the Haverhill board of arbitration, under the peace pact between the bosses and the union heads.

received a large number of telephoned requests to call for clothing in outlying sections of the Bronx and Brooklyn," a statement said last night. "Due to the fact that the committee has no regular trucking service, calls have been irregular. The committee requests that all people who have a small truck or automobile which they are willing to use for part of a day in this service. Telephone Stuyvesant 8881."

PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 27.—Five members of one family, including three children and their parents, were asphyxiated by illuminating gas in their home here last night, it was learned this afternoon.

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A New Stage of Revolt in India

After every excess of frightfulness against the working class and oppressed peoples, the imperialist powers always repeat the litany, which even they can no longer believe, that the revolution is crushed, that capitalism is eternal and that never again will any force rise to threaten its power. Even the crushing of the revolutionary forces at Canton is hailed as evidence of the undisputed triumph of imperialism in spite of the fact that not even that ruthless bloodletting could assure even the temporary triumph of imperialism in China.

As the Chinese revolution, recovering from its momentary defeat, prepares to launch a mightier drive against the imperialists and their native lackeys, the power of British imperialism is assailed by the All-India nationalist congress, which adopts a resolution to call a general strike accompanied by mass demonstrations when the British Statutory commission sets foot on Indian soil.

This move is especially significant inasmuch as the nationalist congress of India has heretofore been dominated by petty bourgeois elements that comprised a cringing, conciliatory, wavering right wing.

The resolution for a general strike is proof of the profound mass pressure against British imperialism that reflects itself even in such a body as the nationalist congress. A left wing, more responsive to the liberation movement, now dominates the congress in India. It is noteworthy that at the identical time the capitalist world is triumphantly screaming that the influence of the Soviet Union was wiped out of the colonial and semi-colonial world because of the reign of white terror at Canton the India nationalist congress sends a request to Moscow inviting Madam Sun Yat-sen to visit them and also adopts a resolution to organize an ambulance corps to aid the Chinese revolutionists.

So powerful is the leftward swing of the Indian nationalists that Gandhi, former leader of the mystical, religious, non-co-operation movement agrees to abide by the general strike resolution. This fact is historic, indicating the close of an epic for India; the present stand of Gandhi indicates the collapse of Gandhism, the futile attempt to apply a slave religion, christianity, to a situation demanding revolutionary action.

These events in the colonial and semi-colonial countries eloquently testify to the fact that Lenin was correct when he analyzed the important revolutionary role of the oppressed peoples in the period of imperialism, the final stage of capitalism.

It is evident from the actions of the Indian nationalist congress that there is a deep-going ferment among the seething masses of India, the very backbone of the British empire. It is inevitable that the world-wide movement against imperialism will continue until not only in China and India, but in every country that groans under capitalist tyranny there will be realized that accumulation of revolutionary energy, that concentration of force and that continuity of resistance that will scourge the imperialist bandits from the face of the earth.

A Warning Signal for Mexico

Press dispatches tell us that the Mexican chamber of deputies has passed the first reading of a bill presented by President Calles amending Articles XIV and XV of the Mexican oil land regulations. These articles were the particular thorns in the flesh of the yankee imperialists—the mineral, oil and land thieves—as they substituted fifty-year concessions for the doubtful claims to ownership acquired previous to the year 1917 through bribery and corruption of other Mexican administrations. The Wall Street groups held such retroactive legislation confiscatory and waged a bitter fight against it. As a matter of fact even the fifty-year concessions were inadequate. The imperialists should have been summarily ousted from that country. But even that fifty-year concessions compromise was not satisfactory to the imperialists. The greedy and avaricious plunderers from the United States demanded that their thievery be legalized and their claims made permanent.

For a long time the state department at Washington indulged in the most odious and vicious provocations against Mexico. The stupid and arrogant Coolidge-Kellogg policy was carried to extremes by Ambassador Sheffield and only succeeded in consolidating all anti-imperialist elements in support of the Calles government.

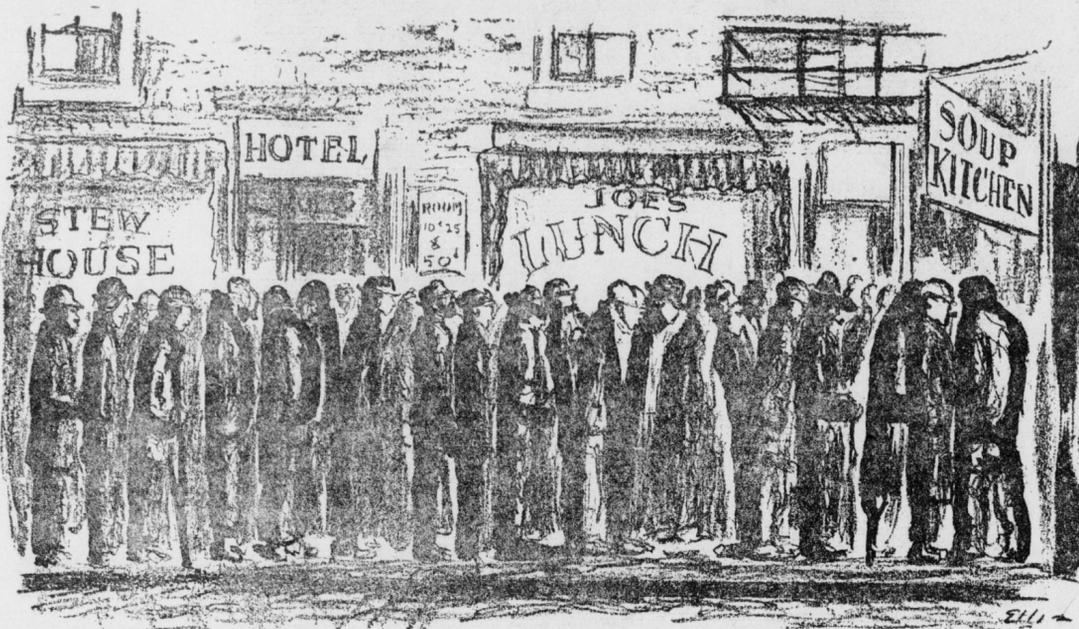
Dwight W. Morrow, luminary of the House of Morgan, was dispatched to Mexico as ambassador because his fellow imperialists were convinced that the present situation is favorable to bringing Calles into line with the policy of the loan-mongers and also of the land and oil thieves through the wiles of diplomatic intrigue, backed by the unlimited financial power of Wall Street.

This proposal of the government of Mexico to amend the objectionable articles of the oil laws is only the latest of many indications that the Morrow game is working. It is a warning signal for Mexico. It signals the attempt to weaken the government of Mexico by trying to incite it to apostasy to the revolution and the 1917 constitution by bringing it into the imperialist sphere and developing a situation where the Calles regime will no longer be able to depend for its support upon the masses but must rely upon the armed intervention of the United States forces.

By yielding to the overtures of Morrow the Calles government abandons the role of organizer and leader of an anti-imperialist Latin American bloc that history has imposed upon it and makes the first step on the inclined plane of reaction.

The Mexican masses, battle scarred from fighting in the series of revolutions and counter-revolutions that have convulsed that country, must be alert to detect the first signs of governmental wavering and by mighty mass upheavals must compel the government to change its course and fight against the Morrows instead of yielding to them. Any other action only paves the road over which they will be led in the chains of the most bestial and rapacious imperialism ever known to mankind.

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Unemployment is worse than at anytime since 1913 as the "prosperous" 1927 comes to a close.

By Fred Ellis

The Unyielding Kroger Spirit

By WALT CARMON.

B. H. Kroger was one of my employers. From a small capital of \$750 "by unyielding spirit," the papers report, he has developed a business of \$160,000,000 a year from 3,600 stores throughout the country. I worked in one of these stores in Detroit. I helped to make this fabulous yearly income for Mr. Kroger. I can swear to the truth of his own story in the press: H. B. Kroger's success that has brought him millions was due entirely to his "unyielding spirit."

Because I "was raised in a grocery store" I got the job. I needed it. Henry Ford laid us off for some weeks too many that winter. For two weeks I was assistant manager at a salary of \$25 a week. I learned again how many pounds of potatoes were in a peck. I learned the proper way to weigh sugar to assure no loss for Mr. Kroger. I listened to the manager. I learned a lot more by watching him do some things he did not tell me to do. In a few weeks I was the manager of a small Kroger Grocery Store that did \$750 worth of business a week. Strange figure it seems now after reading of Mr. Kroger's success. That was the initial investment that grew to a business bringing \$160,000,000 a year from 3,600 stores.

Kept Her Busy.

I was the manager. I opened the doors at seven each morning and I closed them carefully against theft each evening at six. I made out the daily orders to the central office. I swept and mopped the floors. I opened cases and put the goods on the shelves in neat row after row. I filled bags of potatoes in pecks and half-pecks—and sometimes just a wee bit less. I jealously guarded each grain of sugar. I carefully watched the girl who was only a clerk in my store (I was the manager) at \$15 a week and I kept her busy.

Extra Work One Night.

Every day the district manager came to the store. He was a dumpy, important sort of person. He personified the "unyielding spirit" of Mr. Kroger who developed a business of \$160,000,000 yearly in 3,600 stores throughout the country. The drivers who delivered goods from the warehouse were no respecters of his person. "Mr. Kroger" they called after him in derision. He was not their district manager.

He was my manager. He counseled a little more water to freshen the vegetables. He suggested I wash the prunes that got mouldy. "Oh, they're alright. It's this damnably damp weather we're having." He appeared in the store and watched me wait on the customers while I rushed around the counters to give "Kroger Service" to impatient women. He had the keys to the tape in the cash register which we could not open to read the totals. Each month he came to take stock of an evening for which we did not get paid and the total of which we also were not told. He brought word from the office that the stock-taking "checked"—or he warned to be a bit more careful.

Work the Wife.

The business grew to \$900 a week. We sold more Kroger products. We made more steps each day. Sometimes we did not close until seven. Saturdays the day began at seven and ended that evening at ten. The store had to be cleaned and the window dressed and it was eleven before we dragged our weary bones to deserved rest. The district manager was not without appreciation. If the business went to a thousand a week we could have another clerk. "If your wife would like to earn \$3 for helping out on Saturday..." Well, two could not live comfortably on a manager's salary. The extra money would come handy.

There was a little "graft." Drivers from the warehouse would sell an occasional bag or box of groceries that they found accidentally superfluous in their wagon. But this graft went to the credit of the business, the total of which we were never certain was on the right side of the ledger. Your job depended on the fact the store was "paying." Every manager of the 3,600 stores throughout the country that were bringing in \$160,000,000 a year was aware that his store had to pay. The spirit of Mr. Kroger was absolutely unyielding. The district manager had the spirit.

An Unyielding Spirit!

I ate my lunch in the back room of the store between customers. Strange what thoughts will come to a Kroger store manager: If the business grows to a thousand a week, we'll get another clerk. The district manager said there might be a raise in it. "Of course," he counselled, "you've only been with us for a few months." Saturday sure is hell. Sixteen hours of steady walking, reaching, stooping, listening to short tempers of a thousand customers. Your legs hurt, your arms are tired and your mind is a blank. Thank Christ tomorrow is Sunday. Strange what thoughts will come to a store manager's mind... when he's not too tired to think.

"With capital of less than \$750," the papers report, "B. H. Kroger started a business that has grown to a chain of more than 3,600 stores doing a business of more than \$160,000,000 a year. The basis of his success, revealed Mr. Kroger in his own account, was an unyielding spirit..." An unyielding spirit... of course, it was! 3,600 store managers and at least 10,000 clerks will swear to that.

(The End)

Stalin Answers Opposition

Speech Made Before the Soviet Union Communist Party Executive

Expulsion Explained.

Why has the Party expelled Trotsky and Zinoviev? They were expelled because they were the organizers of the whole action of the opposition, because they set as their aim the destruction of all normal relations in the Party, because they wished to create a new form of aristocracy in the Party. But are we Bolsheviks who routed out the old aristocracy, going to establish a new form of aristocracy in our own Party? We expelled Trotsky and Zinoviev because we have one law in the Party for all members, equal rights for all Party members. If the opposition wishes to remain in the Party, then it must subordinate itself completely and unambiguously to the will of the Party, to its laws and to its directions. If the opposition is not prepared to do this, then it must go. We will not create new laws giving the opposition special privileges (applause). The opposition must disarm completely, both organizationally and ideologically. It must give up its anti-Bolshevik opinions openly and honestly before the whole world, it must condemn its own mistakes which were crimes against the Party. It must in-

form the Party of the whereabouts of all its groups so that the Party can destroy them absolutely. Either it does that, or it does not, in which case it must leave the Party. And if it should do neither, then we will throw it out. (Cries of "correct" and protracted applause.)

Summary Given.

To sum up, the following can be said about the period since the XIV Party Congress:

Firstly, we have worked for peace with the surrounding states, despite great difficulties and despite the provocative actions of the bourgeois "Great Powers."

Secondly, we have consolidated the fraternization of the workers of the Soviet Union with the workers of the imperialist and colonial countries, despite great hindrances and despite the flood of lies of the corrupt bourgeois press.

Thirdly, we have increased the authority of the proletarian dictatorship in the eyes of the millions of toilers in all parts of the world.

This is a continuation of Stalin's answer to the speeches of Zinoviev and Trotsky already printed by THE DAILY WORKER: Trotsky last Wednesday; Zinoviev Tuesday.

Fourthly, as a party we have assisted the Comintern and its sections to consolidate their influence in all parts of the world.

Fifthly, we have done everything possible that one land could do to develop and bring about the proletarian world revolution.

Sixthly, we have developed our socialist industry, established a record tempo in its development and consolidated its hegemony over the whole of our national economic system.

Seventhly, we have established a firm connection between our socialist industry and peasant agriculture.

Eighthly, we have consolidated the alliance of the working class with the middle-peasants supported by the poor peasants.

Ninthly, we have consolidated the dictatorship of the proletariat in our country, despite hostile international encirclement and demonstrated to the workers of all countries that the proletariat is not only able to destroy capitalism but also to build up socialism.

From all this there is only one logical conclusion, and that is that we are on the right path, that the policy of our Party is correct.

And from this a further conclusion results, and that is that along this path we shall inevitably arrive at the victory of socialism in our country and in all other countries. That of course does not mean that we shall encounter no difficulties, but we are not afraid of them, for we are Bolsheviks steeled in the fires of the revolution. We shall overcome these difficulties just as we have overcome all our difficulties in the past. Forward for the victory of Communism in our country and in the whole world! (Storms of protracted applause. Ovals of the whole Party congress for Comrade Stalin.)

A SUMMARY

What the Trotskyist Opposition in the Communist Party of the Soviet Union Say About Themselves

In the general extensive material on the work of the Moscow Party organization, exhibited at the exhibition of the Moscow Party Conference, this summary occupies a very modest position, but it is worth one's while to linger at.

It consists of 20 items showing what Zinoviev and Kamenev said against Trotsky, their present leader. The summary is so interesting that we cannot refrain from presenting it in full.

1. Any factional struggle within the Party becomes a struggle for power. (Zinoviev's speech at a meeting of active members of the Lenin-grad Communist Party organization, December 1923.)

2. Trotsky gives expression in our Party to everything that is not strictly Bolshevik. (Zinoviev, "Bolshevism versus Trotskyism," Nov. 1924.)

3. Trotskyism served in no other capacity but as a Menshevik agency. (Kamenev.)

4. Trotskyism always charmed the intellectuals within and around the Party. (Kamenev, "Leninism versus Trotskyism.")

5. A bad nut will not become good by being lightly gilded.

6. To substitute Leninism for Trotskyism—such is the task which Trotsky has undertaken. (Zinoviev, "Bolshevism versus Trotskyism.")

7. We must see to it that Trotsky should abandon once and for all the idea of "saving" our Party, we must stop organizing regular "crises."

8. All possible elements may accept Trotsky as their own but not the Communist elements. (Kamenev, speech at the XIII Moscow Party Conference, 1925.)

9. We old Party members have known Trotsky's path for 20 years; it leads to the downfall of the revolution. (Kamenev, speech at the V Conference of the Krasnoyarsk district, Moscow, December 1924.)

10. It would be a crime against the Party not to be firm on the question of factions. (Kamenev, speech at a meeting of active Party members of Moscow, December 1923.)

11. Let us swear to combat mercilessly those who will attempt to undermine the unity of the Party. (Zinoviev, "The New Lenin Enrollment and the New Chapter in the History of our Party," 1924.)

12. It is sometimes necessary to amputate affected parts of the body to save the whole organism. (Kamenev, concluding remarks at general meeting of the Zamoskvoretsky district, Moscow, Dec. 1923.)

13. Our Central Committee is a residue of the Party after 25 years of its existence. (Zinoviev, speech at meeting of nuclei executives in Leningrad, December 1923.)

14. We cannot stroke people on the head for making big mistakes. (Zinoviev, concluding remarks at VI Plenum of the Executive Committee of the Communist International.)

15. We must call to order the disorganizers who take advantage of the discussion in order to weaken and demoralize our Party. (Kamenev, speech at a conference of the Krasnoyarsk district, Moscow, Jan. 1924.)

16. A hundred Chamberlains cannot do as much harm as three of "our" wiseacres. (Zinoviev, "On the Necessity of Three Guarantees," 1925.)

17. This is not such criticism which could be useful to the Party.

18. You must await the congress in a disciplined manner as befits Bolsheviks and not run to the nuclei in order to undermine their confidence in the Central Committee. (Zinoviev, speech at a meeting of Moscow active Party members, Dec. 1923.)

19. The task of the Bolshevization is the complete liquidation of Trotskyism as a tendency within the Party. (Zinoviev, "Theses on the Bolshevization of the Comintern Parties," Plenum of the Executive Committee of the Communist International, 1925.)

20. We must not forget the decisions of the Tenth Congress. (Kamenev, "What May and What May Not Be Done," Dec. 1923.)

Zinoviev and Kamenev spoke well and did not write so badly, in their time.

SCHOOL FRATERNITY SUES.

The recent decision of the New York City Board of Education, which prohibits high school students from belonging to secret societies, will be tested in court when the Alpha Phi Pi, a national high school fraternity, brings mandamus proceedings against this ruling. This was decided at a national convention of the latter organization.

The Unholy Trinity in Traction

Injunction, Yellow Dog Contract, Company Union

ARTICLE IX.

By ROBERT MITCHELL.

The Interborough application for an injunction, one of the most unique documents in labor history, contains within its printed pages the record of all that has become vicious and enslaving in the capitalist system of exploitation.

The concluding summary of this discussion may perhaps best be devoted to a picture from another angle of the whole scheme set up by the traction masters, the unholy trinity in traction.

Non-Union Job.

There are approximately 350 pages of sworn testimony in the printed application. Needless to say the printing itself was not done by a union shop. The traction masters have their "own" printing plants in which scab printers are forced to toil at wages no higher than those received by the other traction slaves.

The several hundred affidavits which are contained are each sworn to before a separate notary public. The purpose of having the testimony recorded by these scores of different notaries seems to be to avoid any possible charge of collusion. The usual charge by a notary for witnessing an affidavit is \$5.00.

History False.

About one quarter of the document is taken up with a history of the efforts to unionize the Interborough, going back to 1905. For the most part this "history" is completely false or distorted. Yet the task of gathering material in its preparation must have cost many hundreds of dollars.

Affidavits of Spies.

Approximately the last half of the volume is devoted to the affidavits of which over one hundred are from company spies, company union delegates, "dollar-a-day-men," spotters, etc.

What are the main points of this tremendous effort?

The document proves first of all that the company union of the Interborough, organized in 1916, to ward off the legitimate union of the workers, is an instrument intended and regularly used as the company's most effective tool against the workers' power. Evidence of this fact is abundantly found in the numerous affidavits of the activities of the company union delegates, the part

they have played and the control they have exercised. It has been possible here to quote only a small portion of this evidence, but the testimony of such company henchmen as "Danny" Holland, Phil Welch, Frank Hislop, Dan Readyoff, Thomas D. White, Abraham H. Getskin, Robert Spitzer, Manuel Gomez, Samuel Rothman, Louis J. Linsky, and various others including the main gang in charge of the company union, "Paddy" Connolly, Mangin, Grosso, La Salla and others—the evidence of their sworn activities show only too clearly how false is the Interborough claim that the company union is an organization working for the benefit of the men.

Spy System, Basis of Co. Union.

The second main point revealed in the Interborough document is that the company union, born as it was under misrepresentation and violence, owes its existence to the spy system of which it is as a matter of fact an extension and outgrowth. The company union has provided the framework within which the spy system has been able to develop and flourish to a record growth.

The Strike Weapon, All Powerful.

A whole method and tactic might be elaborated for fighting this reptile growth which might or might not work in practice. The traction workers have already learned, however, that the most powerful weapon at their command is the strike. This is the tool which unquestionably they will have to employ as a final move.

The history of company unions has shown that the only way to destroy them is to operate from within and "take them over" in the interests of the workers, or to destroy them from without by means of a strike. The first method is almost impossible in case of the I. R. T. company union due to the entrenched spy system. The method of a strike will no doubt, be found the only available one.

Concretely this means, first to organize as many as possible of the workers, but more important than this is the task of carrying on a struggle for a proper fighting policy, for strike preparations and for militant and honest leadership without which the traction workers cannot now succeed. But in the end the movement of 40,000 exploited workers cannot be held back and inevitably must come out victorious.