

## 40 OHIO LOCALS CALL FOR FIGHT ON LEWIS MACHINE

### DELEGATES WILL ACT ON SERIOUS CRISIS IN UNION

Meet At Bellaire, Ohio May 22

(Special To The DAILY WORKER.) BELLAIRE, Ohio, May 14.—Declaring that a serious crisis exists in the United Mine Workers' Union which the officials of the union are progressively refusing to deal with, over forty locals of Sub-district 5 of District 6 in Ohio have united in a call to a special sub-district convention to be held in Bellaire May 22. Steps will be taken to eliminate the evils threatening the union and to save the strike. A committee to arrange for the special convention has been appointed from among the locals issuing the call.

Second Demand. The demand sent out in accordance with the provisions of the constitution of the Mine Workers' Union follows the adoption by the various locals of a previous call for such a special convention which the officials of the sub-district have ignored.

Among the locals which signed the message are: 393, 430, 170, 3244, 2059, 5714, 4982, 2591, 848, 2262, 3502, 5560, 2159, 2138, 5122, 1297, 2183 and 2112; many others have joined in the movement for the convention.

"Many factors contribute to the need for the calling of such a convention," the circular declares. Among those given are:

Cites Acts of Treachery.

"(1) The vicious expulsion policy of the Lewis-Hall-Cinque machine whereby wholesale expulsions of the members is undertaken because these members dare exercise their right to differ with the machine.

"(2) The vicious policy now being followed by the Lewis-Hall-Cinque machine of cutting thousands of loyal, fighting strikers and their families from the relief list because these members refuse to sign the yellow dog pledge of allegiance to the machine.

"(3) The refusal of the Lewis-Hall-Cinque to adopt the necessary policies to win the strike."

Numerous other abuses are cited among which are the vicious signing of separate agreements, the making of settlements with companies in some districts whose mines are on strike in others, and many other grievances.

A Call To Struggle.

"Brothers, we must fight bitterly," the call reads. "We must win the strike. We must save the union. We must maintain our scale and conditions."

In conformity with the constitutional provisions of Sub-District 5, each local is entitled to one vote for each 50 members. Local unions are requested in the call to fill out an attached credential and return the (Continued on Page Five)

### MILLINERS FIGHT TO SAVE UNION

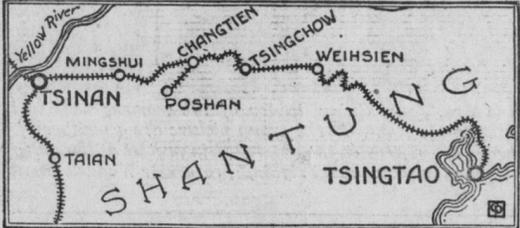
Shops Strikes Reply to Disruption Scheme

With the struggle for the existence of their organization switching from the necessary appeals to higher union bodies, to a struggle on the picket lines, the membership of the Millinery Local 43 is achieving results far more substantial than it knew it could be expected from the reactionaries in control of the union machinery.

The increasing number of employers assisting President Zaritsky and his clique-controlled general board in smashing the militant local of the women workers, is being met with a determined series of shop strikes which have already resulted in several important employers retracting their demand that the Local 43 members register in the right wing controlled Local 24. Registration was demanded by the officialdom after they announced that Local 43, with a membership of 4,000, is no longer in existence, and that all its members must register in Local 24 so that the left wing leadership at the head of the milliners' union be deposed.

Get Privileges. Rothschild and Herschenson, 63 W. 36th St., were granted in return for their union-wrecking activities, permission by the right wing union officialdom to install the piece-work system. After being granted the privilege of speeding up the members of all locals working in their shop, (Continued on Page Five)

### Refugees Fleeing Before Japanese Armies



The picture shows some of the Chinese refugees fleeing along the Taiping wall from the frightful bombardment which the Japanese imperialist armies poured into the workers' quarters at Tsinan. Thousands of defenseless workers perished under the shell fire. The map shows the railroad route, along which the Japanese troops advanced, and Tsinan, the objective of the imperialists in their seizure of Shantung Province.

### KUOMINTANG REACTION TO GET AMERICAN AID

SHANGHAI, May 14.—With the Kuomintang troops pushing their way to Tientsin, foreign forces established an outpost line seven miles from Peking. If the Kuomintang troops

### ARGUE 7c FARE IN SUPREME COURT

Lawyers Swap Gentle Words on Steal

(Special To The DAILY WORKER)

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Destined to strut and fret its hour upon the stage of the Supreme Court at Washington after which, if the politicians have their way, it is to be heard no more, the New York nickel fare, issue of a dozen campaigns, object of passionately verbal allegiance and final betrayal yesterday was made to play in another eleventh hour scene for the benefit of the million voters of New York City.

Arguing before the highest court of the land quite as if the issue had not already been helplessly lost by their own treachery, officials of the city and state today held that the Interborough Rapid Transit Company did not need the increased fare to sustain its profits.

Lawyers Spar.

Counsel for the city, Charles L. Craig, himself a traction attorney, and Samuel Untermyer, for the transit commission, one of the large owners of Interborough stock and spokesmen for the Morgan "unification" plan by which the city would be looted of hundreds of millions, argued that "to the great mass of the city's inhabitants the sum to be taken by the Interborough in excess of five cents entails a serious hardship."

James L. Quackenbush, general counsel for the Interborough, in arguing for the increase declared that anything short of the suggested 8 per cent return on the three hundred millions of watered Interborough stock would be "confiscation." To the (Continued on Page Two)

### 100 WORKERS IN BERLIN ARRESTED

Collect Over \$8,000 For Strike Relief

BERLIN, May 14.—One hundred workers, most of them Communists, were arrested here yesterday as part of the pre-election terrorism of the government in its fight against the rising power of the German Communist Party.

The capitalist parties are showing considerable anxiety over the general apathy of the voters towards their slogans and campaign activities. All signs point toward a swing to the Communist Party on the part of large sections of the working class.

ARMY PLANES DOWN.

HALIFAX, N. S., May 14.—The two U. S. army planes, enroute to Greenley Island to arrange for the hop-off of the Bremen, trans-atlantic plane, to New York, were forced to land near Maitland, N. S., on the Shubenacadie River, about 40 miles from Pictou this afternoon.

The Nanking General Council has sent an appeal to President Coolidge calling his attention to Japanese intervention in Shantung. The United States government has displayed marked friendliness toward the Nanking regime in the last few months.

(Pravda in an editorial several days ago pointed out the conflicting interests of Japanese and American imperialism in Shantung. Pravda pointed out that if Japan persists in her plans to annex Shantung, a clash between Japanese and American capitalism is likely. The Nanking regime is virtually under the domination of American imperialism.)

### District Office Issues Call for Volunteer Aid

The district office of the Workers (Communist) Party issued a call yesterday for all members, especially those now unemployed, to report for special Party work at the district office, 103 E. 14th St., tomorrow at 4 p. m. Also those who volunteer should apply to Bert Miller, organizational secretary.

### HOLD 2 ARRESTED IN MINE TAG DAYS

Collect Over \$8,000 For Strike Relief

The two workers still held following the arrest of six volunteers who were participating in the Mine Relief Tag Days Saturday and Sunday, were arraigned today and held for further hearing on \$500 bail. The case of Rose Markell was adjourned at West Farms Court until Friday. Tillie Lakuner, who was tried at the Sixth Magistrate Court, 161st St. and Brook Ave., was held in \$500 bail until a hearing May 21. Four other workers arrested while aiding in the miners' tag day were given suspended sentences.

At least \$8,000 was collected in the week end tag days in aid of striking miners held under the auspices of the (Continued on Page Five)

### MEET C. G. DAWES, OHIO GANG AGENT

Protege of Hanna and Morgan, Dawes Looks at White House

(Special To The DAILY WORKER) CHICAGO, May 14 (FP).—Born in Ohio in 1865 and agent of the Ohio gang in Illinois since 1896, early protege of Mark Hanna and P. Morgan & Co. in Europe to put over the Dawes' reparations plan, crony of Billy Lorimer and Sam Insull and founder of the first fascist organization in America, Vice

## Labor Candidates Needed by Steel Workers Hold Cloak Mass Meets to Rebuild Union

### MILITANTS WORK AS CONVENTION FAKERS WRANGLE

Delegates Report Plans at Rallies Tomorrow

A number of mass meetings for the cloak and dressmakers here mark the first step taken by the left wing and progressive delegates who arrived from Boston after the National Conference of the delegation locked out by the Sigman-controlled convention of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, was adjourned. The meetings which are to be held tomorrow evening at Cooper Union and other halls, are to be the first step in the struggle to rebuild the organization and regain union conditions over the heads of the reactionary officials who are still bitterly wrangling for control of the International.

Will Render Report.

The leaders of the delegation from the progressive locals will report to the workers in detail on the plans and measures adopted by the National Conference of the locked out delegates for a nation-wide campaign to rebuild the union. All meetings are to be held immediately after work. The other halls designated for mass meetings will be announced in tomorrow's issue of The DAILY WORKER.

The closing sessions of the progressive delegates' conference held in the Hotel Brewster while the right wingers were holding their fake convention at the same time, was marked by the greatest enthusiasm. Another series of resolutions detailing the steps to be taken by the National Organizing Committee in again building up a powerful cloakmakers' union were adopted. One of the last of these calls for a special campaign among (Continued on Page Two)

### WORKING WOMEN TO UNITE FORCES

Shop, Office and Home Workers To Meet

The struggle to maintain the Millinery Union Local 43 against the combined attack of the bosses and the right wing to destroy it, will be the subject of a report by Sylvia Bleeker at the conference to unite the forces of all working women, it was announced last night by the New York Working Women's Federation, which has issued the call for the meeting Saturday, May 19, at Irving Plaza, Irving Place and 15th St. at 2 p. m.

The call urging women in shops, factories, stores, offices, as well as women who are housewives to act at once and send representatives to the conference, draws attention to the great advance in the condition of girls and women in the millinery trade who have won this by their own staunch struggle and effort. Five thousand women and girls have been unionized within the past three years. Unorganized, they suffered from seasonal work and nerve-racking speed-ups followed by slack time and no work. Sanitary conditions were outrageously bad, rooms were overcrowded and dirty, and wages among the lowest paid of any industry in the city. The 5,000 women now in the union have wiped out the old conditions, used their power to gain union standards of wages and hours, and are today engaged in a determined struggle against the new offensive of the bosses.

### Smith "Explains" Everything to the Senators



Governor Alfred E. Smith, candidate for the Democratic presidential nomination, has been called before a senate committee to "explain" the sources of his campaign funds. He was not sure of them, he said. Later, however, it appeared that the heaviest contributor was, oddly enough, a Tammany contractor, William F. Kenny, who thought the nomination was worth \$50,000 to him. Forty thousand of this, of course, was one of those "loans."

### RANKS OF TEXTILE WORKERS ARE SOLID

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., May 14.—Despite the threat of heavily augmented police lines around the mills this morning, made by the city authorities for the purpose of discouraging strikers from participating in the picket demonstrations organized by the Textile Mill Committees, the turnout was large and enthusiastic. Every one of the 58 fine cotton goods manufacturing mills are still as tightly shut as on the first day of the unanimous walkout of 30,000 textile workers against a 10 per cent wage cut four weeks ago yesterday.

### Form Strike Committees.

While mill picketing was the most important phase of the strikers' activities, another and novel form of picketing was also put into regular practice. This method consists of posting committees in the apartments of strikers who are neighbors to a handful of women who had not joined the strike. In this way the few strike breakers were kept bottled up in their homes by the groups of women strikers on guard. The police have not as yet been able to cope with this form of picketing, whose effectiveness is attested to by a recent announcement of the mill owners. The bosses said that these women are employed only to weave sample designs, and should be permitted to go to work.

Picket Leaders Cheered.

Despite the fact that Mrs. Angelina Tsoupreas, and Mrs. Christina Simons were scheduled to come up for (Continued on Page Three)

### EXTEND WIND-UP OF CENTER DRIVE

To Award Banner at Affair June 2

Today marks the official conclusion of the drive to establish the Workers Center, 26-28 Union Square. Many workers are preparing to make this last day the high point of collections for the campaign. Though the drive ends officially today, it has been decided to yield to the request of many Workers Party units, as well as individual workers, that they be given a little more time to collect pledges and fulfill their quotas. By this special dispensation those units which, because of unemployment among their members or other reasons, have thus far fallen short of their quotas (Continued on Page Five)

### CALL FOR SUPPORT IN BUILDING UP OF STEEL UNION

White Is Pittsburgh Nominating Delegate

The importance to the exploited steel workers of working class candidates for president and vice-president of the United States was voiced yesterday by W. J. White, a steel worker and member of the Central Com. of the Workers (Communist) Party. White will attend the National Nominating Convention of the Workers' Party which will open with a mass meeting at Mecca Temple, Friday evening, May 25. Delegates from almost every state in the union will be present to select the Communist standard bearers for the presidential campaign.

"The need of a party which will enter the political field and build up a political power which will be representative of and voice the interests of the workers in the steel field and in the political life in the cities and towns is at this time particularly imperative," said White.

"In the years since the Homestead strike and especially since the organization of the United States Steel Corporation, the towns and cities where steel is made have been almost completely captured, politically and otherwise by the steel corporations," he continued.

"The steel corporations while they were wiping out and annihilating the organization of the iron and steel workers, learned the lesson very well indeed how useful it was to them to have control of the political offices of the Senators, Congressmen, and also the Burgesses, or Mayors in the towns where a strike was threatened or was being carried on. They very well knew the use that they could make of the policeman's club and what values lay in the power of breaking up the meetings called for organization purposes. This lesson they have learned and they are ready to spend thousands of dollars in order to hold their power in the city councils where valuable rights are to be given away and which the steel corporations want.

In many towns in and around Pittsburgh there is no right of assembly or of free speech for those who are trying to organize the workers.

In the great steel strike of 1919 led by Bill Foster the policemen who had beaten in and around the steel districts received from the Steel Corporations, such as the Jones and (Continued on Page Two)

### AMALGAMATED TO IGNORE 40-HR. WK.

Keynote of Biennial Is "Help Bosses"

CINCINNATI, May 14.—With the principal slogan summed up in the sentence "Bigger and Better Cooperation With the Bosses," the biennial convention of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union of America opened here yesterday morning in the Emory Auditorium. After the election of several temporary committees the "most peaceful convention," as it is termed, will adjourn to begin the rounds of a series of banquets, receptions, etc., which are to continue throughout the week.

That cooperation with the manufacturers will be the main concern and achievement of the convention was learned when the details of the report to be delivered by the general executive board were made public.

"Will Review the Past."

With the betrayal of the demand of the membership of the union for the 40-hour week safely accomplished by the recent signing of the new agreements in the Chicago and Rochester markets, the Hillman administration announces that the convention will be mainly occupied with "reviewing the past, rather than to broach new policies." The spreading evil of the open shop, the continuous "reorganizations" in all the big markets (which means the regular dismissal of workers not able to keep up with the increasing demands of the speed-up system), the displacement of hundreds of workers by new machinery, which can only be relieved by the 40-hour week, are to receive no consideration.

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### BALDWIN, PASSAIC PICKETS WIN CASE

TRENTON, N. J., May 14.—Roger N. Baldwin, secretary of the Civil Liberties Union, and four Passaic textile workers, were today freed by the Court of Errors and Appeals of charges of unlawful assembly, growing out of the Passaic textile strike in 1924 and 1925. Baldwin had been sentenced to serve six months in prison and the strikers fined \$50 each for holding a strike meeting on October 6, 1924. Besides Baldwin, the others arrested were John Butterworth, George Cabrizza, Basil Effra, and Davis Nitkin. They were convicted by the Common Pleas Court and the sentence upheld by the New Jersey Supreme Court.

15 FIREMEN OVERCOME. Fifteen firemen were overcome and \$75,000 loss was caused by a fire which burned 250 feet of the 2,250 foot pier of the New Point Comfort Steamboat Co., at Keansburg, N. J.

Prominent leaders of the working-class will address the mass meeting in rotation from three platforms. Among those who will speak will be Jay Lovestone, executive secretary of the Workers (Communist) Party; James P. Cannon, national secretary of the International Labor Defense; William W. Weinstein, organizer of District 2, Workers (Communist) Party; Robert Minor, editor of The DAILY WORKER; Carlo Tresca, editor of Il Martello; Giovanni Pippan, editor of Il Lavoratore; M. J. Olgin, editor of The Hammer; Richard B. Moore, organizer, American Negro Labor Congress; Robert W. Dunn; Louis Hyman, manager Joint Board Cloak and Dressmakers Union; S. Leibowitz, assistant manager Joint Board Furriers Union; Anthony Birba, editor of Laissez; Hugo Gellert, president, and Emory Balint, secretary of the Anti-Horthy League.

# TWELVE SPECIAL AGENTS NOW IN FIELD ON NEW "DAILY WORKER" SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE

Twelve special DAILY WORKER subscription agents left yesterday for various parts of the country to start an intensive campaign that is expected to add many new subscriptions to The DAILY WORKER.

The 12 workers who are already in the field and the districts they will cover are: Anna Herbst, the Anthracite; L. Sisselman,

Pittsburgh and District 6, Ohio; M. Powers, St. Paul, Minneapolis, Duluth, Rochester, Superior and Cleveland; S. Sklar and Minnie Lurie, Grand Rapids, South Bend and Chicago; Leon Callow, Albany, Utica, Schenectady, Syracuse, Rochester, the Mohawk Valley and Buffalo; J. Shaffer, Boston and vicinity; Roy Stephens, Massachusetts (Springfield, Worcester, Lowell, Lawrence, etc.);

George Saul and Eli Keller, New Jersey (Paterson, Passaic, Jersey City, Newark); Arthur Starr, Connecticut; and Arnold Ziegler, New Jersey (Trenton, Perth Amboy, Bayonne) and parts of New York State.

The departure of these 12 special agents, several of whom are National Training School students, definitely inaugurates on

a broad scale the new drive for subscriptions to The DAILY WORKER. Each of the agents will make special efforts to reach unorganized workers in the industrial sections of the country. All workers and particularly members of the Workers (Communist) Party are urged to give these agents all possible support in order that the subscription campaign may be a success.

## CLOAKMAKERS TO HEAR OF BOSTON AT RALLIES HERE

### Delegates Report Plans For Building Union

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the great numbers of unorganized young workers that are rapidly changing the composition of the needle trades industry.

#### Gold Among Speakers.

Ben Gold, militant leader of the New York Joint Board of the Furriers' Union, which is also engaged in a life and death struggle against the campaign of the right wing and the bosses to destroy the organization, addressed the conference at its closing session. After an enthusiastic reception he urged the delegates to fight against the attempts of the socialist bureaucracy of the Sigmans and the A. F. of L. bureaucrats to change militant workers' organizations into company unions.

#### Sigman and Schlesinger Grapple.

BOSTON, May 14.—While the first organizational steps are being outlined into action by the returned progressive delegates, the Sigman and Schlesinger cliques continue to be locked in a bitter struggle for control. All efforts of William Green, president of the A. F. of L., together with such leaders of the socialist party as Jacob Panken, to patch up the differences between the two groups has met with utter failure according to their own admissions. The Sigman forces refuse to permit the Breslau-Schlesinger clique to take any strategic job in the International.

#### Admit Demoralization.

Ninfa, in presenting the minority report of the resolution committee on the Schlesinger demand for a referendum for the presidency, admitted that "almost complete demoralization" is the condition of their ranks. "The thousands of workers who have registered with the International are falling away from it," is another significant admission made by Ninfa, a leader of Schlesinger forces.

That the split among the reactionaries is extremely serious is evidenced by the fact that after three days' "peace-making" by William Green, et al, the Schlesinger gang announced that they will refuse renomination for some of the vice-presidencies now in their control.

The decision of the "convention" to call a general stoppage in New York and Toronto has been exposed as a "blind" by the wrangling of the reactionaries. It was plainly seen to be another maneuver to compel the workers to pay dues to their fake unions. This belief was confirmed when they railroaded thru a resolution to tax the membership of the International a sum totaling about \$2,000,000.

## Folk Music Concert to Be Given in Detroit

DETROIT, Michigan.—An international concert of folk songs and folk music in native costume by various language groups will be presented here by the Detroit Council for the Protection of Foreign-Born Workers, Sunday at 8 p. m., at McClellan Hall. Feature numbers will include the Detroit Denishawn dancers, Negro spirituals and the Lithuanian South-Slovak Chorus of 100 voices.

## SEVENTEEN DOLLARS AND TEN CENTS

### Textile Wage Before Ten Percent Cut Was Below Life Level

By SCOTT NEARING, (Fed. Press). NEW BEDFORD textile workers are on strike against a 10 per cent wage cut. The bosses insist there is no other way to meet competition and pay a reasonable return on the money invested. The workers retort that it is impossible for a man to support a family even on the present level of earnings.

Are the workers right? Will earnings in the New Bedford mills provide for family support?

Average weekly earnings in New Bedford according to the reports of Massachusetts department of labor and industries were \$19.79 for 1925, \$19.05 for 1926, \$19.95 for 1927 and \$19 for the first 3 months of 1928. These averages cover a considerable variation. Nevertheless they indicate first, that earnings in New Bedford have remained about the same during the past 4 years; second, that they average in the neighborhood of \$19 a week, or \$1000 a year, and it might be observed that earnings were slightly lower the first 3 months of 1928 than for any of the three preceding years.

What does \$19 a week mean in New Bedford? How much coal,

## MINE WOMEN WHOSE JAILING AROUSED WORKING CLASS IN OHIO



A new picture of principals in the recent jailing of 51 women at St. Clairsville, Ohio. At the left is Mrs. Janet Guinn, leader of the women; next to her, above, is Paul V. Waddell, prosecutor, and, below, Oscar Guinn. Sheriff Clyde C. Hardesty is shown next to the right. In the group picture are a number of the women who were jailed and their children. The women were herded into the Belmont County jail through a ruse when they marched in protest at the arrest of Save-The-Union leaders. All so-called civil liberties were abrogated. "We have had to forget what we learned in school about rights," prosecutor Waddell admitted when faced with the charge that the laws had been violated.



## WORKING CLASS TICKET NEEDED BY STEEL MEN

### Republicans, Democrats to Be Exposed

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Laughlin and United States Steel, as high as \$130 a month outside of their regular salaries, from the city of Pittsburgh. Needless to say they did willingly the bidding of the steel officials in breaking up meetings and driving the workers off the streets and in every way they knew trying and using their influence to get the workers to enter the open shop mills.

#### Need Labor Candidates.

"It is high time that some such move as this nomination convention took up the very necessary work of putting up candidates and went out into the field and propagandized for a party of the workers and workers' candidates. The United States has long been the outstanding wealth producing country of the world. It has also been the most outstanding country in which the weakness of its organization of workers into industrial unions was marked by its weakness in the numerical strength of its unionized workmen.

#### Must Expose Socialists.

"The part the political parties of the owners and the socialist party play in the class struggle must be exposed. It is up to the Nomination Convention to thus make clear and expose the part big business plays in the political arena. What better way can be used to do this than to place candidates of the working class revolutionary proletarian fighters up for the offices to be filled and use the occasion to promote the movement for independent working class political action.

"We must also use the occasion to show the direct connection between the weakness of labor on the industrial field and the same conditions on the political field as well. Now is the accepted time to begin this very necessary work.

#### Organization Work Lags.

"The organization of the steel workers is now at its lowest ebb. So far as organization is concerned the steel workers union is to all intent and purpose annihilated and wiped out. The part the political parties of the bosses played in this destruction must be shown and the steel worker made to see the necessity to begin to organize on the industrial field and at the same time he must be shown that he can expect nothing from the republican and democratic parties and just as little from the socialist party. The time is ripe and rotten ripe. I do not at this time, I hope, have to show any steel worker or for that matter any miner or other worker that the time has come for an about face of labor. Let us once for all drop the leadership of the Greens, Wolls, Lewises. Let us recognize in the republican and democratic parties a real menace to the workers and begin right now to build the political power of labor!"

#### 153 POLICEMEN FINED.

One hundred fifty-three members of the police department, including two lieutenants and two sergeants, have been fined from 1 to 45 days' pay for violations of departmental regulations.

#### TRAIN FIREMEN HURT.

BOSTON, May 14.—The fireman of a narrow gauge railroad train was injured when the brakes of the train failed to work properly, resulting in it crashing through a terminal bumper and plunging into the harbor.

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suggestion thrown out by attorneys of the city that riots would result from the attempt to collect an increased fare. Quackenbush replied that "such fears are self-conjured. They exist only in the minds of officials." He even hinted that the city officials had "long pursued a policy of incitement" and that to them "the wish for public resistance to judicial decree is father to the thought."

#### "Sound and Fury."

Both sides continued to paraphrase Shakespeare but neither came to grips with the real fact, of course, which is that the whole "fight" is but a sham battle from which the workers and straphangers have nothing to gain. It was initiated under precisely these conditions which would ensure a decision favorable to the traction interests.

Widespread sentiment against the imminent fare steal is under the direction of the Workers (Communist) Party which is arranging protest meetings throughout all sections of the city of New York.

## Blacklist Cincinnati Scab Amusement Park

CINCINNATI, May 14.—The Cincinnati Labor Council has declared the Chester Amusement Park unfair to organized labor, following the announcement of the park's management that it would not employ union workers.

## EXPLOSION KILLS 4 WORKERS

KOKOMO, Ind., May 14.—Four women workers were killed, six other workers seriously injured and 1 slightly hurt as the result of the explosion yesterday of a flat work steam mangle in the Fridlin Laundry.

## POLISH TERRORISM IS RAPPED BY COMMITTEE

The evasive reply of J. Ciechanowski, minister of Poland to the United States, to the protest of the Committee Against Polish Fascism, brot a sharp rebuke yesterday from the committee, thru Robert W. Dunn, secretary. The Committee had protested against the persecution and imprisonment of thousands of workers and poor peasants for being members of the Hromada, the Russian Workers and Peasants Party.

#### Part of Protest.

The Committee's statement reads in part as follows: "No doubt the minister of Poland, Mr. Ciechanowski, consulted Pilsudski's government at Warsaw before making his elaborate reply in justification of that government's arrest, persecution and even murder of workers and peasants. The Fascist Polish government, through its United States Minister, tries to wipe its bloody hands clean of its crimes against the toiling masses of Poland. In its desperation, it talks of conspiratorial organizations, Soviet intrigue, Comintern activities, Mopr actions, and tries to pass off its acts of terror and persecution by prattle of foreign interference, and so on.

"To all thinking and progressive-minded people, such unique excuses are not novel to explain away the rise and development of workers' organizations. The fascist Mussolini, the Horthy government of Hungary, the Siguranza of Roumania, and other capitalist nations in Europe try to explain away their actions against the working peoples by talk of conspiracies and what not. However, the facts speak for themselves and the government of Poland is indeed hard put for excuses.

#### Had 98,000 Members.

"The Hromada is a society of conspirators, declares Pilsudski's government, and therefore must be destroyed and its supporters imprisoned or killed. A conspiratorial organization! Yet it had in March, 1927, no less than 98,000 members organized into 1720 branches. It has the support of at least 85 per cent of the two and a half million white Russian population of Poland. Its "conspiratorial" aims are:

"To fight for the liberation of the White Russian toiling masses; to

fight for the right of self-determination; for land to the peasants; for the right of existence of a national culture; against the terrific taxation of the poor peasantry and, for a free union of all the toilers of Poland and a workers' and peasants' government.

#### Trials Now Starting.

Today, in the City of Vilna, occupied by the Polish militarists, the trial of the first '6 of 490 arrested members of the White Russian Workers and Peasants Party, "Hromada," is now taking place. Included among the defendants are all of the former Sejm deputies of the Party and its most active and best known members.

The trial is of the sheerest mockery of "justice" of Pilsudski's fascism, but its serious purpose is the crushing of the legitimate national, social, cultural and political aspirations of the White Russian minority which has suffered so frightfully from the oppression of Polish domination. The White Russian Workers and Peasants Party, Hromada, was the mass movement that had the confidence of the whole White Russian people.

#### Whole People On Trial.

Now the trial has begun, and a whole people is on the bench of the accused. Already a series of similar trials are being prepared in Eastern Poland.

The insolence and terrorism of Polish fascism has been additionally strengthened by Anglo-American capital, and it is thanks to the aid of Wall Street that gives millions to fascism in order the better to suppress and enslave the toiling masses and prepare the war against the Soviet Union, that Pilsudski is still in power. It is the duty of every American worker, of every liberal-thinking person to answer the call of solidarity, to organize a campaign to prevent the fascist knife from sinking into the body of the White Russian and Ukrainian peasants, into the bodies of the toiling masses of all Poland.

## MEET DAWES OF THE OHIO GANG

### Dawes Casts Glances At White House

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named but it will take an Illinois man to carry Illinois. New York is expected to go for Smith in November and Pennsylvania will go republican. But Illinois and Ohio are doubtful. Ohio has a democratic governor and Illinois may have one. With the Chicago Journal of Commerce and Midwest business generally hostile to Hoover, it will take a native favorite to stem the popular democratic tide. Frank "Pullman" Lowden is shop-worn in many respects—four years older than Dawes, smirched in the 1920 pre-convention corruption, a lawyer masquerading as a farmer. Dawes is the boy.

But not for labor. He recently participated in the purchase of the Evanston News-Index, his home town paper, and transferred it from the union to the open-shop column. He denounces organized labor. He almost went crazy with jubilation when the Daugherty-Wilkinson injunction against the railroad shop strike appeared in 1922. He helped in the open-shop drive of his neighbor James A. Patten against the Chicago building trades. And in the Minute Men of the Constitution he laid the framework, now latent, of a Mussolini dictatorship, under banker encouragement, of young business and ex-service bloods over the United States.

## Transit Workers, Denied Scale, Threaten Action

DETROIT, May 14.—Members of the Firemen and Oilers' Union, Local 32, are threatening action as the result of the Detroit city car lines' failure to pay the men at the Coolidge Ave. plant the regular rate scale of 75 cents an hour. The scale is paid in all other plants operated by the transportation department, while firemen working in the Coolidge plant receive only 60 cents an hour. The superintendent of transportation, Reynolds, has disregarded the recommendation of the commission members to pay the Coolidge plant workers 75 cents.

## DEWEY TO STUDY SCHOOLS IN USSR

A farewell dinner will be tendered Dr. John Dewey, of Columbia University, by the American Society for Cultural Relations with Russia, on Tuesday at the Town Hall.

Dr. Dewey, who has been closely associated with the educational committee of the society, will sail May 19 for Russia, under the auspices of the society to study the educational system and attempt to draw together the educational interests of Russia and America, according to Lucy Branham, secretary of the society. Dr. Dewey has been invited by Lunacharsky, commissar of education. He will announce his plans at the dinner, Miss Branham said.

Other speakers at the dinner will include Dr. Lucy Wilson, principal of the South Philadelphia High School for Girls, who will describe the "Educational Theory and Practice in Russia"; Dr. Jacob Lipman, director of the Agricultural Experiment Station at New Brunswick, on "Russian Agricultural Education"; Dr. R. G. Truwell, and Dr. Efim London, noted biochemist of the Russian Academy of Science are also scheduled to speak.

electricity, bread, meat, clothing will it buy?

Most of the workers in the New Bedford mills are trying to support families on their earnings. How much money does it cost in New Bedford to buy those necessities with which a family would be able to maintain health and decency?

MANY standard-of-living studies have been made in recent years. One was made for Boston in 1923 when living costs were approximately the same as now. 10 per cent has been cut from this Boston minimum standard to allow for lower rents and other lessened living costs in a smaller city.

At the prices prevailing in 1925 a New Bedford family of 5 would have needed \$2204.04 to maintain health and decency. In 1926 the cost was \$2208.57; for 1927 \$2184.63. Since average New Bedford earnings for 1927 were \$1037.40 the mill workers received less than half enough to provide family health and decency. Put in another way, their deficit on the year's budget was \$1147.23.

Some of the workers were better off, of course. The mother as well

as the father went into the mills. Children were sent to work as soon as the law allowed. Lodgers were kept. By various means the worker family pushed up its income toward the standard minimum, or forced down its expenditures toward the starvation level. But in any case the textile workers of New Bedford have been facing a tough struggle the past 4 years.

NOW the bosses propose to cut weekly earnings 10 per cent. That means a subtraction of \$1.90 from the average weekly earnings for January, February and March 1928. What remains is \$17.10, offered by the bosses in New Bedford to the makers of fine cotton fabrics, a wage in a town where the family minimum is officially set at \$42.10 a week.

It's an old story in New England. Comfortable property income for the owners of capital; smug respectability in executive mansion, in legislative halls, on the Bench; masses of unpaid, exploited workers. And for the Saccos and Vanzettis who cry out in protest against such iniquities, the electric chair.

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# Railway and Textile Strikes Spreading in India; 150,000 Out in Bombay

## RED LABOR INT'L. URGES FIGHT TO RESCUE BELA KUN

### Protest Meetings Held Thruout U. S. S. R.

(Special Cable to The Daily Worker) MOSCOW, May 14.—The Executive Bureau of the Red International of Labor Unions has issued a new appeal urging revolutionary workers thruout the world to intensify their efforts to win freedom for Bela Kun, Hungarian Communist leader, who was jailed in Vienna.

The protest movement against the extradition of Bela Kun is spreading thruout the Soviet Union. Lunch hour meetings have been held in all Leningrad factories and resolutions have been adopted demanding the release of Bela Kun.

Protest mass meetings and demonstrations have been held in the Don Basin.

PRAGUE, May 14.—Thousands of workers participated in a mass meeting under the auspices of the International Red Aid Saturday to protest against the extradition of Bela Kun. The meeting sent telegrams of protest to the Austrian and Hungarian governments. A number of workers were arrested by the police.

VIENNA, May 14.—Mass meetings are being held here to protest against the extradition of Bela Kun.

## MILL STRIKE NOW BEGINS 5TH WEEK

### Police Threat Answered by More Picketing

(Continued from Page One) trial this afternoon in a local court charged with disorderly conduct, both of these militant women participated in the picketing demonstrations this morning. They were received with great enthusiasm by the other strikers. These two workers were the first to be arrested since the struggle is on.

### Relief Work Continues.

The resourcefulness of the strikers drafted to organize relief collection and distribution has by far exceeded the hopes of relief work leaders, is the gist of a statement issued by the Workers International Relief, which is handling this vital form of strike activity for the Textile Mill Committees. This was proven yesterday when the strikers organized themselves to go out on fishing expeditions, and brought in over 8,000 pounds of fish for the relief distributing station.

### Many Fishermen Here.

New Bedford has long been known as a fishing town, in addition to its being the main center for fine cotton goods, the majority of workers here are Portuguese and the large fishing fleets here are almost entirely manned by Portuguese fishermen.

The fishermen are either members of the strikers' families or in many cases the strikers themselves.

In addition to the other activities of relief work volunteers, such as collecting foodstuffs from farmers in the surrounding countryside, the Workers International Relief is mobilizing aid from New England cooperatives and trade unions and is carrying on a general campaign for funds thruout the country. The so-called relief committee of city politicians, organized by the Textile Council officialdom, has practically ceased functioning, frankly declaring that it has no funds.

### Share Prices Drop.

The continuing slump in the stock market shares of all the companies whose mills have been shut down, and the steady rise of value quoted for the few mills operating because they did not join in the general wage slash, gives rise to the belief among competent observers that the mill owners will soon launch a strike breaking offensive.

It is generally conceded tho, that the growing power and influence of the Textile Mill Committees among the strikers will be sufficient not only to stop this offensive but to break it. The T. M. C. is being more and more publicly acknowledged as the sole leaders of the struggle.

## Manufacturer Forges "Union Made" Label

WASHINGTON, May 14.—A manufacturer who labeled his goods as "union made," when they were non-union, has been ordered by the Federal Trade Commission to stop. The name of the manufacturer was protected and was not made public by the trade commission.

## Engineer Praises USSR

BOSTON, May 14. (FP).—Educational and industrial progress in the Soviet Union were praised before the Kiwanis Club by Peter P. Alexander, General Electric research engineer recently returned from Moscow.

## Even Fascist Spain



Photo shows Ignacio Jimenez and Francisco Inglesias, Spanish aviators, who are planning a propaganda flight from Seville, Spain, to Havana, Cuba.

## Dunn Rudely Awakens the Dozing 'Profs'

PHILADELPHIA, (FP) May 14.—Professors accustomed to neat metaphysical twists and meticulous hair splitting, quit dozing at the annual meeting of the American Academy of Political and Social Science and looked up suddenly when Robert W. Dunn, author of American Foreign Investments, wove the warp of foreign investments and the woof of state department foreign policy into a tough fabric he called imperialism. America's penetration along the road of colonial empire is "not due to an accident," he told professors busy polishing eye glasses, "or to certain 'mistaken policies' on the part of our rulers. It is the natural fruit of the growth and dominance of finance capital in the United States."

## CLEANING GRAFT HEARING OPPOSED

### J. A. Higgins in Move to Aid Tammanyites

A further move to squash the exposure of wholesale graft in the Street Cleaning Department is seen in the statement by Commissioner of Accounts James A. Higgins, appointed to investigate the charges, that he is opposed to holding public hearings. This coincides with the expected appearance this morning before the Bronx Grand Jury of William J. Loughheed, garage foreman who recently created a sensation by confessing his part in the graft activities, which, it has been learned, have covered the entire city for more than two decades. Evidence given to the Grand Jury by Loughheed at his previous appearance consisted largely of payroll padding and other irregularities in the department. At today's session Loughheed is expected to go into further details of the activities of the graft ring.

### Preparing an Alibi.

As a result of disclosures over the week-end that the graft in Brooklyn alone reaches more than \$2,000,000 annually, Michael Laura, deputy street cleaning commissioner of Brooklyn has issued a statement in anticipation of the disclosures that will take place in that borough if Tammany Halls allows the investigation to continue.

Tammany leaders frankly admit that a thorough investigation would "show up things pretty bad" and nervous hit other departments. They also admitted that they have known of the graft for a long time, but took no action to stop it.

### In Main Office.

It was further learned yesterday that the graft ring has been working in the main office of the department, several of the leading assistants of Alfred A. Taylor, commissioner of street cleaning being involved. Altho, it is known who they are, no move to either arrest or question them has been made.

Several veteran employees of the department have pointed out that if it had not been for Loughheed's exposure of graft, it would have continued indefinitely without any move being made to clear up the situation. They stated that in the past, when any suspicion of graft was uncovered, the men accused have "sat tight" and in that way have kept the graft proceedings from becoming generally known.

## GENERAL STRIKE LOOMS IN LARGE ARGENTINE PORT

### Government Is Rushing Strikebreakers

BUENOS AYRES, May 14.—Scores of strikebreakers are being rushed from here to Rosario in an effort to break the general strike with which labor in that city is planning to meet the brutal attacks the authorities have made against the striking stevedores.

A general strike is already under way and is gaining with great rapidity, despatches from Rosario state.

The indignation of the government is extreme and it is generally felt in official circles that the situation in the big port, which is the second largest in Argentina is an opportunity for a showdown between capital and labor.

The Rosario workers are excellently organized, however, and it is believed that they can maintain a long struggle with the authorities.

### Strike Unbroken.

ROSARIO, Argentina, May 14.—The strike of the stevedores which is tying up this port and preventing the loading and unloading of a score of vessels remains unbroken in spite of the attempts of the authorities to smash the picket lines and workers' demonstrations.

Strike leaders declare that the spirit of the men was never firmer.

## FRAME MILITANTS IN FASCIST ITALY

### Hundreds Jailed Since Milan Bombing

PARIS, May 14 (By mail).—Since the explosion in Milan, Italy, all evidence pointing to the fact that the deed was the work of the fascists themselves, hundreds of workers, anti-fascists and particularly Communists are being arrested. The imprisonment of the young student Romolo Tranquilli near Como, whose only crime is the fact that he is the brother of a well-known Communist, was followed by the pronouncement of a phantastic charge against him by the General Military prosecutor. Those acquainted with him are also included in the indictment.

### Papers Suppressed.

The General Military Prosecutor has also issued an order to the press prohibiting publication of news on the event not officially sanctioned. Officially, however, no news has been issued. The "Corriere della Sera" which had received information from a witness which proved the innocence of Tranquilli, was prohibited on account of this publication. "Secolo," which appears in Milan, published a news item with the information that Tranquilli was far away from Milan on the day of the explosion. The paper was not allowed to publish anything further on the matter. The same fate was suffered by the "Stampa" in Turin which had published news from Tortona and Venice which was in favor of Tranquilli.

### Obvious Frame-up.

Mussolini ordered that the persons allegedly responsible for the explosion, should be immediately sentenced to death. Up to the present time the police have produced no evidence. But the prestige of Mussolini and his hangers in at stake; guilty persons must be found. The latest dispatches announce the Special Tribunal will deal with the matter and that the trial will take place with the exclusion of the public. It is known that people tried by the Special Tribunal are not permitted to choose a lawyer for their defense. They are not able to secure witnesses as persons mentioned are immediately arrested as accomplices.

The International Labor Defense is now arranging protest demonstrations thruout the country against the increasing tyranny of fascism, whose representatives are now in the United States.

## Police Terrorize Bakers in Detroit

DETROIT, May 14.—Members of Bakers Union, Local 20, on strike against the Fred Miller bakery and retail shops here since April 20, have experienced a taste of capitalist justice in the shape of police terrorism. Pickets at the Miller shops have been repeatedly assaulted and jailed. Alex Zysk, 19-year-old worker, who was arrested while carrying a sign on picket duty was ordered by police to put his sign on in the cell and remain standing stiffly, while police cursed at him and threatened him.

### HODCARRIERS' UNION GROWS.

EDMONTON, Alta., May 14 (FP).—Forty-four applications for membership were received at the last meeting of Hodcarriers' Local 92 of Edmonton.

## French Imperialists Fear Revolt of Indo-Chinese Troops



The French imperialists fear that Indo-Chinese troops who have been despatched to China may revolt. Jacques Doriot, French Communist leader, who visited Indo-China several months ago was jailed for addressing meetings of native workers and peasants. Photo shows detachment of Indo-Chinese stationed at Tsincju.

## DELAY TRIAL OF DONETZ PLOTTERS

### Case Will Open on May 18th; to Last Month

(Special Cable to The Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, May 14.—At the request of the defense in the Donetz Basin sabotage conspiracy, the trial has been postponed from the 15th to the 18th of May. The trial is expected to last about a month.

Fifty-three persons were arrested in connection with the conspiracy the object of which was to hamper the economic development of the Don region. A number of technicians and engineers are implicated.

Preliminary investigation of the conspiracy revealed that the accused had received funds from foreign firms and from monarchists who had owned the miners under the Czarist regime. A number of the accused admitted receiving subsidies from foreign agencies for carrying on counter-revolutionary work.

## ARGENTINE PARTY MAKES BIG GAIN

### Elects Its Candidates in Local Poll

BUENOS AYRES, (By mail).—The Communist Party won a sweeping victory in the elections in the town of Canada Verde in the province of Cordoba, according to La Internacional, the official organ of the Communist Party of Argentina.

The workers and peasants bloc, organized under the direction of the Communist Party, elected its full ticket, including the mayor, the treasurer, four councilmen and their alternates, and a judge.

La Internacional reports that the "Hot Stern," the official organ of the Jewish section of the Argentine Communist Party was suppressed at the request of the Polish embassy.

## Killed While at Work

ALBANY, N. Y., May 14 (FP).—Five women and three children were among the 145 industrial workers who died in April in New York state from accidents suffered while at work. Eighty workers left 65 widows and 97 children. One worker is survived by a widow and eight children whose ages range from 3 to 15. Another widow has seven children, aged 2 to 13. Two other workers left widows with six children each.

## For Strikers Relief

PROVIDENCE, May 14.—The collection for the striking textile workers of New Bedford today netted \$150. A committee for the relief of the strikers has been organized that will discuss and formulate plans and direct future relief work in this city.

## What I Saw in China

by TOM MANN

For the past three years the Chinese masses have been struggling for freedom from the clutches of Imperialism. Everyone nowadays is either talking or writing China. Tom Mann, "grand old man" of the British labor movement, contributes his observations after a stay of six months in China with the International Workers Delegation.

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## SEIPEL REGIME BARS RED FRONT FIGHTERS

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

VIENNA (By mail).—The Seipel government has issued an order barring the Red Front Fighters League of Austria. The order was issued at the request of the Vienna police praesidium.

The leaders of the Red Front Fighters have appealed to the courts against the government decision and the Communist Party of Austria has issued an appeal urging the defense of the League. The prohibition of the Red Front Fighters, the appeal points out, would mean a serious advance for the Austrian fascists and a setback for the Austrian working class.

In spite of the government order, the Red Front Fighters participated in the May Day demonstrations.

## Hat Union Leader Worries for Bosses

Youths who make a habit of going bare-headed are hurting the hat business, declared Herman Finkelstein right wing secretary of the United Hatters' Locals, at a recent two-day union label conference here. "We do wish they would buy some hats," Finkelstein said, who apparently shares the hat bosses' business worries. Other speakers at the conference were the reactionary A. F. of L. leaders, John Sullivan and Matthew Wolf.

## Organization Needed

WATERLOO, Ia., (FP) May 14.—The Deere tractor works at Waterloo will hire no worker unless he signs a yellow dog contract agreeing not to have any relations with trade unions. The Litchfield Co. follows the same policy.

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## U.S.S.R. WORKERS SEND FUNDS TO R. R. STRIKERS

### Bombay Meet Pledges War On Capitalism

BOMBAY, May 14.—Workers of the Great Indian Peninsular Railway are expected to join the strike of the East India Railway this week, it was learned Saturday evening when a huge mass meeting of railway workers was held here. A resolution pledging support to "the workers of all countries in their war against capitalism" was adopted by the strikers.

With the spread of the railway and textile strikes, the situation here is regarded as critical by the British officials. More than 150,000 textile workers have gone on strike against the speed-up and have succeeded in shutting down all but four of the textile mills.

Plans for the intensification of picketing were made today when it was announced that the employers had rejected the demands of the trade unions.

Railway strikers have received 7,000 roubles from the railway workers of the Soviet Union. The workers in the Howrah shop of the East India Railway have appealed to the workers of other countries for support. Six of the strikers were killed several weeks ago when British troops opened fire on a strike demonstration.

## Protest Strike May Be Called in Bogota

BOGOTA, Colombia, May 14.—Militant trade unions have joined a call for a general strike in Bogota to protest against the arrests of numerous workers in connection with recent strikes. No date has yet been set for the strike.

## Boston Spring Ball

BOSTON, May 14.—The Young Workers (Communist) League of Boston will hold the last Spring Youth Ball of the season next Friday evening at the Scenic Ball Room, 12 Berkeley St. Proceeds will go for the benefit of the textile strike relief campaign.

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# Foremen Joining in Big Kenosha Hosiery Strike, Mill Correspondent Writes

## ALLEN A THUGS FAIL AT MURDER; BEG POLICE AID

### Locals Underwrite Help for Two Years

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
KENOSHA, Wis., (By Mail).—The thirteenth week of the strike against the Allen-A Company finds the strikers more enthusiastic and hopeful than ever. The national office of the American Federation of Full-Fashioned Hosiery Workers has wired them that the various locals of the union have agreed to underwrite their strike benefits for a period of two years.

Their strike benefits are as follows: For married men, \$20 per week and two dollars extra per week for each child in the family; for single men, \$16 per week; for girls, \$12 per week.

**Foremen Join Strike.**

Besides this good news, their enthusiasm mounted when they succeeded in winning over to their strike two foremen who were employed by the Allen-A. As these two foremen are highly skilled workers and their absence will greatly hinder the attempts of the open-shop firm to instruct unskilled scabs in the work of the knitters and toppers, the winning over of these two men by the union forces is a considerable achievement.

The two foremen who refused to train scabs any further were greeted with cheers by the strikers. It is evident that the Allen-A Company is fighting desperately with its back to the wall and will in all probability soon capitulate.

I am enclosing a timely excerpt from the Kenosha Hosiery Worker published by the American Federation of Full-Fashioned Hosiery Workers.

**Guns.**

"The guns have appeared in the hands of the Allen-A strikebreaking outfit. And it is due only to a miracle that actual murder was not done.

"As it is, one of our Kenosha boys is lying in a hospital, shot down by the crew which went out on last Friday night to try to spread terror among the locked-out workers.

"Some of the facts in connection with this episode have not been given the people of Kenosha. It is interesting to know, for example, that at least six Pennsylvania thugs were in the cars which attacked the locked-out workers.

**Murder Cars.**

"When the 'murder cars' came up to the Allen-A mill, after their return from the shooting, these six men got out of the cars and rushed into the mill. After that, two of the cars went over to the policeman guarding the mill and asked for protection! That has been an old game of these thugs. First, to attack our men and then rush to the police and ask for escorts to their homes or to the mill.

"We ask you to examine the arsenal found in these two cars by the police, which we reproduce in this issue. This proves all the contentions we have been making about the guns, black-jacks and other deadly weapons carried by these out-of-town strikebreakers and their aides of this city.

"What has been happening at the mill that led up to this open defiance of the law? Our informants have kept us advised from day to day that the Pennsylvania sluggers and gunmen have been inciting the local strikebreakers to attack our men. In order to stir up the local strikebreakers to action and gun play, stories were circulated through the mill that leading members of our union had been beaten up by the outside men. It was said that Maceo Kueny had been treated in this fashion, and that Erich Tillman had had his car damaged beyond repair.

"The purpose of these stories was clear. It was to make the local strikebreakers think that, if such prominent members of the union could be handled in this fashion, that others could be shot down like cattle.

"We are reliably informed that there were two sawed-off shotguns in the 'murder cars'. Where these went to, no one knows. Perhaps the out-of-town sluggers took them with them when they went into the mill.

"The time has come, beyond doubt, to halt this intimidation of Kenosha citizens. The Pennsylvania thugs must be expelled from our city!

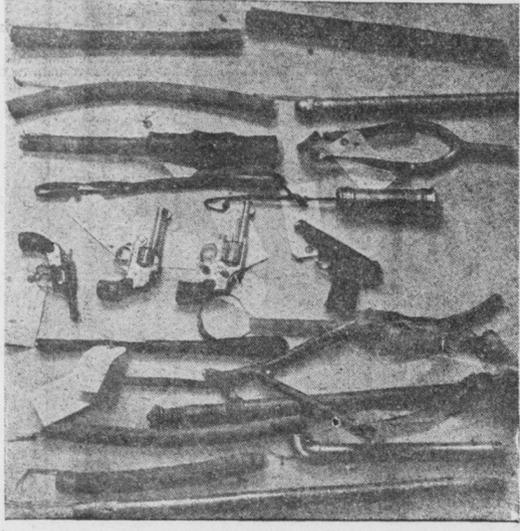
"Taxpayers of the city will be interested in the latest attempt of the Allen-A Company to bring underground pressure on the police department.

"The company has not been satisfied with demanding and securing 50 policemen at its plant at 5-00 in the evening, without cause. They have also sought to make a strikebreaking employment agency out of the police. They have attempted to get the police to do the dirty work of intimidating our members to go back to work under un-American conditions.

"This was being done, incidentally on the day following the brutal attack on our men by the gun squad of the Allen-A strikebreakers. While our members were still sorrowing over their brother worker lying wounded in the hospital, the company had the audacity to try to make these secret overtures to some of them. The attempt proved a dismal failure.

"It is our opinion that the police

## The Implements of Company Terrorism



For months the strikers of the Allen A Hosiery Mill in Kenosha, Wis., have been carrying on their courageous struggle against the company and the dozens of armed thugs which it has imported into the city. The knitting concern, which is gradually being worn down in the fight, has not stopped at bloodshed in its attempt to crush the hosiery pickets. The picture shows some of the instruments of terror taken by the police from Allen A strikebreakers.

## "DAILY" TEMPTS MAN ON TROLLEY

(By a Worker Correspondent.)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., (By Mail).—While riding in a trolley car the other day I left a copy of The DAILY WORKER on the seat and then moved away. An individual noticed the paper and after many suspicious glances to the right and left at last plucked enough courage to pick it up and read it. The look upon his face was one of startling guilt and confusion.

As I watched the effect the incident had upon the man I began to marvel at the extent of meekness and actual fearfulness that the ruling class of our "Democracy" had succeeded in instilling into the ancestors of such rebels who had defeated the great English empire in the Revolutionary War of 1776. From a nation of independent, courageous men the capitalist oppressors had changed this country into a nation of docile workers, accepting conditions of unemployment, piece-work, wage-cuts, etc. without a murmur. Each worker scrambles from place to place in a mad attempt to place himself in such a position to be a little above the average (the majority) of workers and in order to hold on to his supposed "soft" job he becomes a groveling "slave" of his employer while turning a deaf ear to the conditions of the rest of the workers, apparently not aware that even his own position would be bettered were he to help the majority in their struggles for better conditions. He firmly believes that success, that is, the making of a living wage, rests solely upon his own initiative and energy. As for energy, no one, I believe, would differ in the opinion that employers will not stop a worker from producing more than the next fellow, but were he unto him if he cannot keep on increasing in his production. And the more the workers produce the more of them are laid off. And the more men that are laid off the more small businesses fail because of the decrease in customers due to unemployment. Thus do the big financiers get a stronger grip upon the workers. So it goes on, the worker trying to keep himself among those that are employed and the employers continually using the unemployed as a weapon to keep down those that are employed.

And what is the result? The U. S. is now a country in which every member of the household who is physically able becomes the bread-winner whenever he or she can find employment. In many cases husband and wife must both work in order to make both ends meet. The demand for women in industry becomes greater as the demand for men becomes less for the simple reason that women will work for a cheaper wage.

In Philadelphia this situation is very noticeable, but the workers trudge on daily keeping their mouths shut and screwing up their courage. Everywhere one hears about bad times. Even the old stall about bad times before election is being doubted by many individuals. Workers in

are unduly overworked as it is. It is an insult to their intelligence for the company to ask them to do this illegitimate underground work. Why has it hired its MacDonalds and other detective strikebreaking agencies for anyway?

"Have the Bell Detective Agency and MacDonald proved such duds for the company that it must seek to misuse the instruments of the law?"

"If it were not against our principles, we think it would be in order for us to ask an injunction against the company—to stop its secret and open intimidation of our members."

—A.

## GIVE LEWIS THE AIR, MINER ASKS

(By a Worker Correspondent.)

MYSTIC, Ia., (By Mail).—Things are going to hell here. While Lewis is giving the "reds" hell he is looting the largest coal country in this state.

I have been in California for a year working on a water line, the Oakland pipeline. I was doing riveting work. And I am certainly surprised to see what Lewis has done to this place since I was away.

Now is the time to give him the air.

—HOWARD.

## Ask Increase in Safety Inspectors

PETALUMA, Cal., May 14.—The State Building Trades Council has petitioned the California Industrial Accident Commission to appoint additional safety inspectors, due to a rising accident rate. An increase in workmen's compensation from \$20.83 per week to \$30 was also asked.

Philadelphia who for many years have been sleeping have now begun to talk about what should be done. Those who have foresight even join labor organizations because they realize that only in numbers do they have the power to demand that which is possible for all workers to enjoy.

There are some Philadelphians however, who are not so docile and talkative. They also act. They have made it possible for a worker's paper to reach the homes of workers daily and point the way for them to attain their just rights as workers who produce the necessities of life. These workers implore the other workers not to be bamboozled into believing that the army and navy make men, as the trolley placards would try to convince you. A man is not one who lets himself be trained to keep in subjection a majority of industrial slaves. A man is not one who forces a worker to give in to his oppressor. In the days of Patrick Henry a man was one who said, "Give me liberty or give me death." Today, a man is he whose philosophy is, "down with industrial slavery and down with those who exploit the majority for their own selfish luxuries and interests."

—J. F.

## PLUMBERS LABOR UNDER VICIOUS SPEEDUP SYSTEM

### Urge Aid to Helpers in Organizing

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
Conditions in the plumbing trade in New York is entirely different than one year ago. At that time there was a strike, while today we have the men on the job working without an agreement under the most vicious speed-up system ever introduced in the building trades. You must not let the other man do more than you can, say the bosses.

Beyond a doubt, the Building Trades Association of the bosses have started to break the plumbers' locals. There is no more a chance to get a job from the gaffer (foreman) thru the local or from a friend. Only those connected with the labor bureaucracy, the rubber boots, the spies for the bosses can get a job and hold it.

Today we find the delegates coming on the job in their annual hand-shaking tour. Well, election will be here and we must get elected again. Ask brother delegate about unemployment and he will tell you that there is none. And what about the helpers, O, hell, they don't want to be organized but we will do something for them anyway.

Local 1 at the last meeting passed a motion to organize the helpers. Altho the American Association of Plumbers' Helpers are put aside by these fakers, the plumbers must insist on this motion going thru instead of as in the past, lots of discussion and no action.

Brother plumbers, fight the labor bureaucrats that delude you and elect real progressive elements. Fight for the 40-hour week. Assist the plumbers' helpers in their fight for organization.

—JOHN KELLY.

## WORKING WOMEN FACE PROBLEMS

(By a Worker Correspondent.)

The talk of women's work and women's problems is becoming more and more audible. Not only do the workers talk of women's problems but this question seems to bother even women of the middle class. It is therefore evident that women do have special problems. We must, however, draw a clear distinction between the interests of the different classes of women.

The bourgeois women have for their aim to help their men to perpetuate the system of oppression which offers them a comfortable and luxurious living as is shown by the adoption of the resolution by the Daughters of the Revolution to fight the enemy within and without.

These women make political equality their main issue and expect to do away with all evils of society through the use of the ballot. When "The League of Women Voters" wanted to adopt certain measures against war, they decided to vote for Coolidge.

The working woman is the only one whose problems are of a fundamental character. The working woman in the house always has the problem of making her demands of life coincide with her husband's wages. The working class mother has the problems of being a wife, mother and provider at the same time. The women in industry are met with the problem of being

doubly exploited, suffer from conditions which effect women more than men. These problems can be solved only through actual participation in the every-day struggle side by side with the men comrades.

—B. G.

## WORKER LEARNED CLASS STRUGGLE FROM FARM SALE

### Agency Took \$1,200 He Lost

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
In 1925, when I was still the victim of every capitalist illusion that came my way, I conceived the idea of becoming "free," by purchasing a small farm and settling down. I confess I had cherished this dream for some years and there seemed no way so easy as to buy me the little farm of my heart's desire from the firm which boasts of being the largest real estate agency in America as well as the most honest—the E. H. Strout Farm Agency, with headquarters in New York and hindquarters in scores of smaller places. It advertises in literally hundreds of newspapers and magazines, and there are thousands of persons who read its alluring literature year after year, wishing and hoping to get a Strout farm, sooner or later.

I went to its sub-agency at Charlotte, Michigan, where I was shown a number of their farms, all of which were priced out of all proportion to their value. When I was about to leave, another man came in and the smooth-tongued agent soon persuaded him to sell his farm to me through them. I looked it over with them. It was a 40 acre tract with fair buildings and somewhat low land. The price was set at \$3,700, which seemed very high to me, although I am accustomed to high-priced land. Still it was the best that I had so far seen. I liked the country. At that time I had absolutely no knowledge of modern sales psychology or the expert methods of the Strout people in putting things over on their customers. But I soon learned at a very heavy cost, and it was practically a complete education in itself! I bought the place, paying \$500 down, the balance on a contract at \$200 a year with interest at 7%. It was all an "honest, strictly-business deal."

After I had settled down, I found no person who knew the place who believed that it was worth even \$2,500. The interest rate, same as in the west from where I had come, was much too high in Michigan. I discovered that out of my \$500, the agency kept \$350 paying the owner only \$150. I saw that I had been terribly "stung." To top my troubles, the owner was very bad and exacting, the year was not a good one for the crops, and my health became bad because of the exertion and hard work. Finally I went back to the agency, asking them to list my farm again for sale. They agreed setting the price now at \$4,200, with a ten per cent commission for themselves, when no other agency selling land in that region charges five per cent. Of course they didn't sell the place for me. I saw that I was going to be the loser no matter what happened, so in the fall, I forfeited my contract and made no payments, but sold out my equipment and moved off the place, went to Chicago and got a job in an industrial plant. I lost in all about \$1,200, but I gained through my bitter experiences a knowledge of the class struggle, and the nature of capitalism in its entirety, that I will never forget; and I will never cease working for that time in America when its young men can obtain the use of land without virtually paying their life-blood to get it—when the farmers and workers will rule and run America instead of blood-sucking parasites.

—LAND SEEKER.

—B. G.

## DRAMA

## "Grand Street Follies" Set for May 24th at the Booth

MARGALO GILLMORE.



## CARPET STRIKERS FIGHT NEW WRIT

PHILADELPHIA, May 14.—Picketing and persuasion of all kinds is "verbotten" by a sweeping injunction handed down from the bench by Judge McDevitt to the H. G. Fetterolf Co., manufacturers of Wilton carpets and rugs. A strike has been in effect since Feb. 21.

Members of the United Textile Workers are forbidden to picket the plant, singly or in groups. They are forbidden to congregate near the homes of the strikebreakers. They are forbidden to accompany strikebreakers between the mill and their homes, or to approach them at any time, or in any manner with intent to swing them over to the union's side. If strikers accept the injunction, their fight for unionism at the Fetterolf plant is practically doomed. The overwhelming sentiment among them, however, is for open violation of the writ.

## Hanging Is Staged

CHICAGO, May 14 (FP).—Propaganda against capital punishment and against judicial frameups is put over the footlights in the play "Miss Justice," in the Art Colony Playhouse in Chicago. The story is a melodrama that sends a minister to the gallows with no detail of the execution spared to the horrified audience. It was written by a San Quentin convict in the death cell awaiting hanging. He is now serving a life sentence as a result of last minute intervention. The actual conviction is widely believed to have been a frameup and the production of his play is one of the steps taken by his friends to obtain justice for him.

—LAND SEEKER.

## AMUSEMENTS

The Theatre Guild presents Eugene O'Neill's Play, **Strange Interlude** John Golden Thea., 58th. E. of W'way Evenings Only at 5:30.

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## Broadway Briefs

Magda Bennett has been added to the cast of "Ten Nights in a Barroom" the seventy-five year old drama at Wallack's Theatre, and Courney Travers has replaced Oscar Weidhaas in the role of the villain.

"Get Me in the Movies," the new Charlton Andrews-Philip Dunning farce opened at the Shubert Theatre at Newark last night. Next Monday night the opus will be seen at the Earl Carroll Theatre. Sterling Holloway and Helen Baxter are in the cast.

Another new playhouse, to be called the Craig Theatre, which is nearing completion on West Fifty-Fourth Street, will open early in August with the London success "Potiphar's Wife."

Following a long tour in the eastern cities, Jane Cowl will return to New York next Monday night in Robert E. Sherwood's clever satirical comedy "The Road to Rome." The play will reopen at the Playhouse where it ran for over a year. Sir Guy Stauding will have the role of Hannibal.

## Concert for Pioneer Camp Is Scheduled

WAUKEGAN, Ill.—A concert and dance will be held here for the benefit of the Pioneer Camp, Saturday at 8 p. m., at the Workers' Hall. The program will include orchestral selections by the Young Workers League Orchestra, a scene from camp, several interesting talks and many musical numbers.

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# Amalgamated Convention Talks Boss "Welfare" As Old Sweat Shop Looms

## 40 HR. WK. IGNORED BY HILLMAN GANG

### "Help Bosses" Is Slogan at Biennial

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What the general board's report does contain in the way of new proposals is "increased cooperation with employers." In face of the growing misery and unemployment among the union membership the report of the Hillman administration recounts in detail the woes of the manufacturers. Fluctuating price levels, the need for installation of new machinery, chain store competition, the trouble entailed by needed reorganization of working forces, the general industrial depression and many other ills of the bosses are related in the report. As remedies the following policies are offered in addition to the general one of cooperation: Development of union leaders skilled in knowledge of the industry's technical problems, so that advice can be offered the bosses "for the good of the industry;" a further extension of the policy of lending thousands from the Amalgamated treasury in order to tide "worthy" manufacturers over difficult periods. This policy was recorded as having been successful in preventing "disaster" for at least three manufacturers. Other proposals, such as suggesting new lines for manufacture, are outlined by the "union leaders."

A Good Time For All. The other manifold "activities" of the 300 delegates who invited 700 to accompany them as "guests" on special trains at union expense are partly related by announcements issued yesterday. The general executive board members were entertained Saturday night at a banquet in the North Bend Inn. The convention, at its opening yesterday, enjoyed an "extended" musical program. "Delegates and guests" are to partake of the first entertainment, after which they will enjoy a steamship ride up the Ohio River.

More plans for entertainments include: two receptions for Monday night, the expense to be borne by two Cincinnati locals; two other locals to pay for two receptions on Tuesday night; a sightseeing tour and dinner-dance for Wednesday afternoon and night; a large reception Thursday night; a special entertainment to be given at the expense of the local Joint Board for the women "guests" of the delegates. A grand dance for everybody on Friday night on the roof of the Hotel Gibson will conclude the convention of the union officials and their "guests."

## National Labor Sports Meet to Be Held Here

A national track and field meet will be held Sunday, May 27, at 10 a. m. at College Point, under the direction of the Finnish Sports Club, "Yesa," 15 W. 126th St., which has invited all sports clubs connected with the Labor Sports Union to participate.

The program will include a 200 metre run, 400 metre fence run, 1,500 metre run, 4,200 metre run, 1,500 metre walk, broad and high jump contests, shot put (16 pound), hammer (36 pounds) and javelin throw.

The contests will be governed by the rules of the Labor Sports Union. All entries must be made before May 24.

## Texas Federation of Labor Meets May 21

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., May 14.—The Texas State Federation of Labor will hold its annual convention here beginning May 21. The Texas Labor Federation is completely under the domination of a reactionary clique, which favors non-admission of Negro workers into unions and staunchly supports the democratic party. Texas workers are among the lowest paid in the country.

## Church Head, Murderer

PITTSBURGH, May 14.—Fred Tyrrell, superintendent of the Sunday School of the First Christian Church in Munhall, a suburb, was arrested today for the murder of Phillip F. Clark, attorney.

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## Workers Party Activities

**Night Workers Meet Today.**  
A special meeting to discuss the 1928 election campaign will be held by the International Night Workers Branch this afternoon at 2:30, at 60 St. Marks Place.

**To Elect Delegates to Convention.**  
The election of delegates to the national nominating convention of the Workers (Communist) Party will take place Friday at 8 p. m. at 108 E. 14th St., at a meeting of all Party functionaries. All unit functionaries must attend the meeting.

**Coney Island Branch Meet.**  
The Coney Island Branch will meet Wednesday at 8:30 p. m. at 2901 Mermaid Ave.

**Section 1 Agitprop Directors.**  
A meeting of all Agitprop directors of Section 1 will be held Thursday at 1 p. m. at 60 St. Marks Place.

**Literature Agents Attention!**  
All literature agents in the future will secure their literature from the Workers Bookshop, 26-28 Union Sq., one flight up.

**FBI 2C, formerly 2E, will meet tomorrow at 8:30 p. m. at 136 E. 16th St.**

**Leaflets Are Ready.**  
Leaflets and throwaways advertising the mass meeting that will open the national nominating convention of the Party are now obtainable at the district office. All units should call at once for their quota. No charge will be made.

**Tracton Leaflets.**  
The new leaflets on the seven-cent fare will be ready for distribution at the district office on Wednesday. All units should call for their quota.

**Workers Party Picnic.**  
The Workers Party Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 24th, at Pleasant Bay Park.

**Newark Meet.**  
A membership meeting in Newark will be held this evening at 93 Mercer St. Comrade Ravitch will represent THE DAILY WORKER at this meeting.

**FDS, 3E.**  
Unit FDS, Subsection 3E will meet today at 101 W. 27th St., at 6:15 p. m.

## CROUCH, SANDINO TO SPEAK AT MEET

### Anti-Imperialist Meet Thursday

Paul Crouch, who has just returned from the Soviet Union, and Soerates Sandino, brother of the Nicaraguan rebel leader, will be the leading speakers at a rally of the New York branch of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League this Thursday, May 17, at 8 p. m., at the Royal Palace, 16 Manhattan Ave., near Broadway. Other speakers will be Manuel Gomez, U. S. Secretary of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, and V. Touras, editor of *Laisve*, Lithuanian Communist weekly.

## Atheist Leader Tried on Straton's Charges

Charged with sending atheist letters to Dr. John Roach Straton, fundamentalist preacher, Charles Smith, president of the American Society for the Advancement of Atheism, was on trial in special sessions court yesterday.

Straton took the stand as the first witness for the prosecution and was cross-examined by Smith, who is a lawyer. When Smith asked why Straton had waited six months before he decided to bring legal action only after learning that Smith was sending similar atheist articles to children.

Straton also told of a conference at his home, between himself and Smith, last October.

"At the end of the conference," he said, "I formally demanded that Mr. Smith stop sending me this literature. He sort of sneered and the letters kept on coming."

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**Astoria Concert.**  
The International branch of Long Island Relief Saturday and Sunday at Bohemian Hall, Woolsey Ave., Astoria, Long Island.

**3E 1F.**  
Unit 3E 1F will meet today at 6:15 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St. A roll call will be taken.

**International Branch Meeting.**  
Comrade Darin will discuss the miners' situation at an educational meeting of ID 11 (International Branch) tomorrow evening at 7:30 at 60 St. Marks Place.

## MILLINERS FIGHT TO SAVE UNION

### Shop Strikes Reply To Disruption Scheme

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They ordered the milliners to register. Twenty girls, working for the Quintet Hat Company were told to go to the union office by the employers. They were led to the office of Local 24 where they were tricked into surrendering their membership books of Local 43. After learning that they had been duped they went to the office of Local 43, and held a shop meeting where a resolution of protest against the action of the officialdom of Local 24 was unanimously passed. They then took out new union books and pledged their wholehearted support of their union.

**Workers Fighting.**  
In many cases the men workers belonging to Local 24 asked to be called out on strike, since they know that the bosses help can be obtained only by concessions worsening the conditions of all workers.

The threat of the Quaker Hat Co. and the Herman Frank Shop that all those not registering would be immediately discharged, was met by the immediate walkout of all the girls employed in the plants. Enthusiastic picket lines are being conducted before all shops locking out their workers.

## 40 MINE UNIONS CALL CONVENTION

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original to the arrangements committees before May 21. The credentials and all resolutions should be sent to Robert Matussek, 4591 Harrison St. Bellaire, Ohio.

Leaders of Sub-District.

The Arrangements Committee members who sign the call are presidents of thirteen of the largest locals in the sub-district. These are: W. E. Hines, president of L. U. 2138; Flushing; R. U. Wallace, president of L. U. 2262, Dilles Bottom; Joseph Cantor, president of L. U. 2591, Flushing; James Vall, president of L. U. 2059, Dillonvale; Jack Bell, president of L. U. 971, Yorkville; Frank Butter, president of L. U. 170, Lansing; Joe Venneri, president of L. U. 5714, Powhatan; Robert Matussek, president of L. U. 1840, Shady Side; Frank Sepech, president of L. U. 3562, Neffs.

## Cop Pleads Guilty

Stephen J. Keiper, Staten Island, a mounted policeman attached to the New Dorp Station, now under suspension, pleaded guilty to one reduced charge of petit larceny in the Richmond County Court, St. George, Staten Island, yesterday, when arraigned on four indictments, each charging burglary in the third degree. He was remanded to jail for sentence on May 18.

## HOLD 2 ARRESTED IN MINE TAG DAYS

### Collect Over \$8,000 For Strike Relief

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National Miners' Relief Committee according to an announcement made yesterday by the committee from its headquarters, 799 Broadway. Full reports have not yet been checked up but as soon as these can be tabulated, complete returns will be announced, national aspect, the army of collectors.

The tag days took on a true international character including Yugoslavs, Czechoslovaks, Hungarians, Ukrainians, Finns, Spanish, Polish workers and Russian. It is estimated that in all two thousand six hundred volunteers worked during these two days to save the miners' union: one thousand adults, one thousand school children and six hundred young workers. An active part was also taken by Negroes, working under the Negro Committee for Miners' Relief.

Determination to put the drive across with a bang characterized the efforts of the collectors. One of the children arrested, Isidor Melnick, kept asking his police escort to contribute for the striking miners, explaining the cause. This was done also by a young worker who was arrested in Bath Beach, with the result that the policeman not only contributed, but turned him loose with a warning.

### Well Organized.

Section committees including the Bronx and Harlem committees, the Downtown Committee, the Williamsburg Committee, all did very well, due to the systematic way in which they had organized for the drive. Many new organizations were drawn in and made a fine showing. The most active of the Youth Conference stations so far reported, were the Brownsville Young Workers Social and Culture Club of 118 Bristol St., an organization which for the first time participated in relief work, the Young Workers League of Bath Beach, Downtown Manhattan, the Jewish Workers University, the Harlem youth workers. The largest stations have not yet been heard from.

The Children's Committee for Miners' Relief reported that among the children most active were those of the Pioneers, the Jewish Non-Partisan Workers Schools, the Lithuanian Children's School, the Czechoslovakian School and the Sholem Alechem School.

**KILLED BY TRAIN.**  
BARRINGTON, N. J., May 14.—George W. Genskar, 63, was killed today when his truck was hit by a Reading Railway train at a grade crossing near his home.

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**Entertainment for Miners' Relief.**  
The Uthman Sangerchor is giving a "Solidarity Entertainment and Dance" for the benefit of the striking miners on Saturday, May 19, at 8 p. m. at the New York Labor Temple, 243 E. 84th St.

**Downtown I. L. D.**  
The annual entertainment and dance of the Downtown International Labor Defense Branch will be held on Saturday evening, May 19, at 35 E. Second Street, corner Second Avenue.

**To Aid Miners.**  
The Drohobiner Dramatic Group will present a play and dance for miners' relief Saturday, May 19 at 8 p. m. at the Ukrainian Theatre, 217 E. Sixth St. The organization recently joined the Youth Committee for Miners' Relief.

**Miners' Relief Dance.**  
An entertainment and dance for miners' relief will be given on May 26, at 8 p. m. at Rose Gardens, 1347 Boston Road, under the auspices of the Youth Conference for Miners' Relief, 799 Broadway.

**Plumbers' Helpers Hike.**  
The American Association of Plumbers' Helpers will hike to Palisades Interstate Park on Sunday, May 20. The meeting point will be at 136 E. 24th Street.

**Workers School Hike.**  
The Workers School hike will be held next Sunday, May 20th, to Thirty Deer Ridge, Yonkers. All students of the school are expected to attend. Students will meet at the Workers School at 8 a. m., and Van Cortland Park, 9 a. m.

**Yorkville I. L. D.**  
The Yorkville English branch of the International Labor Defense will hold an open air meeting on 7th and First Ave. tonight.

**To Aid Miners.**  
The United Council of Workingclass Women of the United Workers Co-operative will hold a midnight show, June 2, at 11:30 p. m., at Burke's Theatre, White Plains Ave. and Burke Ave., the Bronx. The proceeds will go for miners relief.

**R. R. CLERKS TO MEET.**  
COLUMBUS, Ohio, May 14.—The thirteenth regular convention of the Brotherhood of Railway and Steamship Clerks opened today. The office of the Brotherhood has been moved from Cincinnati for the convention. Among the important issues before the membership are a proposed amendment to revise the constitution as to representation, and a proposal to change the apportionment of the grand lodge per capital tax.

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**Lecture on U. S. S. R. Working Women.**  
M. Holtman, who has recently returned from the Soviet Union, will lecture on "The Working Woman in Russia and America" at a meeting of Bronx Women's Council 8, on Friday, May 18, at 8:30 p. m., at 1387 Washington Ave., Bronx. Everybody is welcome.

**Downtown I. L. D. Dance.**  
The annual entertainment and dance of the Downtown Branch of the International Labor Defense will be held Saturday, May 19 at 8 p. m. at 35 E. 2nd St., at Second Ave. The proceeds will go to aid the political prisoners in the United States.

**To Discuss Number of Famous Cases**  
The Sacco-Vanzetti case, the frame-up of Mooney and Billings and other famous frame-ups will be discussed by James P. Cannon, national secretary of the International Labor Defense, who will lecture on the American frame-up system Friday evening at 8 o'clock at Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Place. The lecture will be given under the auspices of the New York Section of the I. L. D., 799 Broadway.

Cannon, who has made a special study of the frame-up system, has just returned from a lecture tour throughout the country, during which he visited many class war prisoners. His lecture is of particular interest at the present time in view of the fact that the International Labor Defense has started a nation-wide mass movement to free Mooney and Billings.

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## EXTEND WIND-UP OF CENTER DRIVE

### To Award Banner at Affair June 2

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are given an opportunity to raise them in full. The final wind-up of the drive will take place at a concert and dance that will be given at the Workers Center Saturday evening, June 2. On this occasion the revolutionary banner now on display at the Center will be awarded to the unit making the highest totals in the drive. Up till now the competition among the units has been so intense that it has been impossible to determine the winner. The next few weeks, with the extended opportunity of collecting all pledges and securing new contributions, will decide the winner of the banner.

The concert and dance will also be the occasion for final contributions to the campaign. All units and workers' organizations are urged to make their contributions as high as possible at this affair. For this it will be necessary to sell all the "bricks" on the new Workers Center collection lists. Tickets for the concert and dance are 75 cents and can be secured at the Center.

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## A CHIP OFF THE OLD BLOCK

By Fred Ellis

## Haywood Pays Tribute to the I. L. D. in Letter

A letter from Wm. Haywood, former general secretary of the I. W. W., now reported critically ill in Moscow, has just been received by James P. Cannon, of the International Labor Defense.

This letter from "Big Bill," as he is affectionately known to thousands of workers in this country, to appear in the June issue of the "Labor Defender," indicates how closely Haywood has followed events in the American labor movement through the U. S. S. R., and in failing health for months.

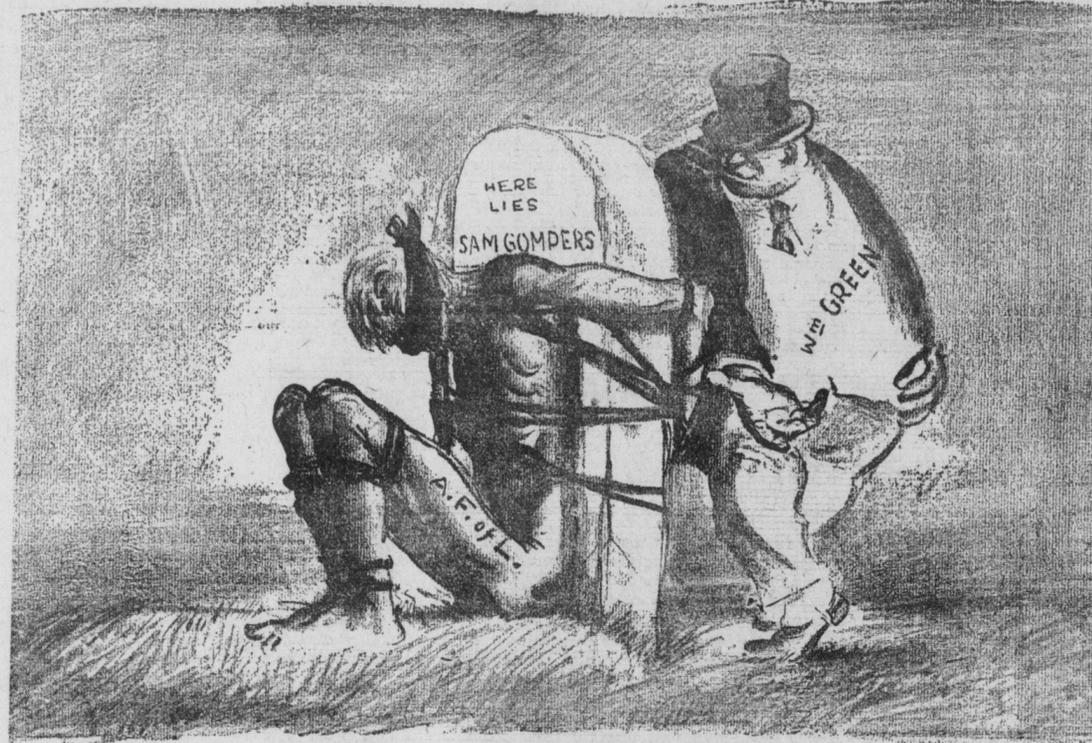
His letter expresses keen interest in the strike of the Colorado miners, a sharp criticism of the editorial attitude of "Industrial Solidarity," organ of the I. W. W. and pays tribute to the share of the International Labor Defense in the victory of the release of Greco and Carrillo, in addition to other matters.

In this same letter he speaks also of his particular interest in the question of labor defense, held since the days of his fighting leadership in the I. W. W.

He hopes for success of his pamphlet he has written for the I. L. D. on the American frame-up system. This pamphlet, the first he has written since leaving the United States, includes his own experiences in the many now historical struggles, and is soon to be issued by the International Labor Defense.

### 9 DROWN IN MAINE.

GREENVILLE, Me., May 14.—Nine persons were drowned in Mooshead Lake today when a boat from which they were fishing overturned.



"William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, at the convention of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, today declared that any union which showed 'red' tendencies would have its charter revoked." (News item.)

## What Is the "Last Step" in the Needle Trades?

The most ominous note that has ever been struck by the agents of reaction in the needle trade unions was struck at Boston in the speech of William Green to the gathering of bureaucrats and fake "delegates" which tries to call itself a convention of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union. In the first place this aggregation of employees and dupes of Sigman with a sprinkling of equally duped followers of the old Schlesinger machine—palmed off as a "convention" of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union—is a monumental fraud.

Beaten by the rank and file, the Sigman and Schlesinger office-holder and office-seeking cliques, actually feared to admit the representatives of the membership of the Union, and called upon a heavy force of Boston police to keep the delegates, from entering the hall.

In the police-barricaded hall Green told the job gathering, fake "convention" that the present ruling bureaucracy of the American Federation of Labor will destroy any trade union which at any time comes under the control of the membership of the union itself.

The language employed by Green in making this declaration will not deceive the workers who know the facts. Hiding behind the expedient of calling the rank and file of the Union by honorable names such as "reds," "Bolsheviks" and "Communists" will not alter the fact that Green declares that the rank and file of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union or any other Union of the A. F. of L. will be thrown out as a body through the revocation of their charters if they undertake any program to resist the encroachments of the bosses or elect to office any persons other than the agents and gunmen of the bosses which make up the two rival gangs of Green's henchmen—the Sigman gang and the Schlesinger gang.

The issue is not in doubt. It is clear cut between Green and the mass of the membership of the great I. L. G. W. As far as support of the membership of the Union is concerned, Green admits his defeat and the defeat of Sigman as well as Schlesinger in the struggle to secure this mass support. He admits that the militant rank and file of the Union "gains control in spite of all we can do." And then he declares he will destroy the Union as the final desperate service to the bosses, as the climax of his and Sigman's long record of strike-breaking.

Behind doors barricaded by police, and with the delegates outside, Green told the fake "convention" the following:

"If in the struggle between trade unionists (meaning the reactionary bureaucrats) and this destructive force (meaning the militant and progressive majority of the membership), it reaches the point where the latter gains control in spite of all we can do, then the last step will be taken. The charter of the Union will be revoked."

In the face of this criminal declaration of war against trade unionism and for the destruction of trade unions, the masses of membership of the I. L. G. W. U. are compelled in the name of organized labor to take the most drastic steps for the rebuilding and protection of their Union and their standards of life.

If Green really thinks the "last step" will be his action in trying to destroy the Union, he is mistaken.

That the militant fighters of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, in spite of all that Green, Sigman & Co. can do, will rebuild their great Union and not permit it to be destroyed and the industry thrown back into an even worse swamp than Sigman and Schlesinger have put it into up to the present time—is known to every man and woman in the New York needle trades.

The "last step" will not be Green's step.

The last step will be the action of the rank and file of the Union in saving the Union from this crime of Green, Sigman and Schlesinger. The real delegates representing the membership of the Union have already sounded the answering note to Green's treason by adopting a program and electing the National Organizing Committee of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union. A determined drive for the organization of the industry will be undertaken and put through with the heroic courage and skill which have made famous the name of the fighting needle trades workers.

All to the front line! Militant rank and file, you have beaten Green, Sigman, Schlesinger & Co. in winning the hearts and minds of the membership—now beat them and their friends, the bosses, in the industry and save your brothers and sisters from the slavery of the open shop!

## Corporations Control Power

Five dominant utilities corporations swept on in 1927 toward control of America's power and light through 828 changes in ownership of individual utility corporations. H. S. Raushenbush, secretary of the national committee on coal and giant power, is authority for the statement that these five corporations now control half the entire power output of the country, while 15 groups control 80 per cent.

Raushenbush, co-author of Power Control, emphasizes the need of keeping a few key power resources, such as Muscle Shoals, Boulder Dam and the St. Lawrence, in public hands to measure private rapacity. Utilities interests are concentrating all their fire on these proposals. Dominant interests in the electrical field, says Raushenbush, are:

Electric Bond & Share, controlling

Electric Power & Light, American Power & Light, National Power & Light, American Gas & Electric and Southeastern Power & Light. These corporations, owning a score of other utilities, control 18 per cent of the national output.

Insull group, controlling Commonwealth Edison of Chicago, Northern Illinois Public Service, Central Indiana, Central Illinois, Wisconsin Power & Light and a dozen other utilities, has 11 per cent of the national output.

Northeastern affiliates, including the gigantic Niagara company, the Mohawk-Hudson system and New England Power, control 9 per cent. Other big interests are North American, Standard Gas & Electric, Allied Light & Power, Stone & Webster and companies dominant in California, New Jersey, Philadelphia, the Carolina Piedmont and elsewhere.

# Guns--Preparing Youth for Another War

By SCOTT NEARING.

When I was a boy we seldom saw guns except in the hands of hunters and of occasional parading soldiers. Today there are guns wherever you look.

The police carry guns. Quite frequently these are strapped in holsters and belted on the outside of coats and overcoats. In Philadelphia, the "City of Brotherly Love," in addition to a big exposed six-shooter, the police wear cartridge belts around the waist filled with shining brass cartridges. Rural traffic police; county police; state constables patrol the principal

highroads gun on hip.

Children are being trained to use guns in high schools, preparatory schools and colleges. There are girls' and boys' rifle teams, regular training days, rival matches with prizes and rewards. "Learn to shoot," is a generally accepted school motto.

Camps Train for Slaughter.

Citizens' military training camps are advertised by all of the arts known to the profession from one end of the United States to another. June, July and August, 1928, are to be gun-toting months in and about training camps all over the United States. In newspapers, magazines, streetcars and on bill boards citizens are urged to

spend the summer learning to fight.

Army and navy posters and recruiting stations located in the principal squares and on prominent corners in all of the leading American cities urge young men to consider military life when they are thinking of lining up a job. Particular appeals are being made to the unemployed to drop civilian life and join the military.

Daily papers, tabloids and Sunday supplements abound in pictures furnished by the marine corps, the navy and the war department, showing the latest devices in bombs, submarines, cruisers, airplanes, tanks, and other agencies of military destruction. No illustrated supplement is complete

without its pictures of coast defense guns; new machine guns, anti-aircraft guns; latest naval guns; guns in position; guns roaring a salute or busy in military maneuvers.

These illustrations all cover the community use of guns. They take no account of the many bootleggers, gangsters and other professionals who carry and use guns for personal profit.

The ruling class in the United States which controls the police, the schools, military training, the army and the public prints is rushing to arms with all of the haste that it can make. Conscious that it must fight for the retention of its domestic privileges and for the extension of its interna-

tional power against the great rival empires, it is deliberately training a generation that will know how to use guns—that will be able to kill effectively and automatically:

Kill whom?

Are the leaders of the United States ruling class stupid?

Or have they merely forgotten history?

When a threatened owning class arms an exploited working class, training it in the art of mass-murder, it is putting into the hands of its class enemy a means of seizing power.

# Imperialist Powers Prepare for War on the U. S. S. R.

By I. AMTER.

Despite the antagonisms of the imperialist powers, which remain in the face of the seeming combines and political alliances, which become more pronounced in spite of the peace talk and palaver, there is one enemy whom they face with a united front of steel, gas and fire. That is the Soviet Union.

The bourgeois press has ridiculed the Communist International and the Soviet government when these have stated that the imperialists are preparing war against the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics and that they are doing everything possible to provoke the Soviet government into war. The raid on the embassy of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics in Peking and on the Arcos office in London, were presented to the naive world as justified. "Soviet machinations," "Soviet intrigues" and what not were concocted in order to expose malign Russian influence and plots against an "honest" imperialist world.

Plots Against Soviet Union. But now the lie is out: Lord Birkenhead, British secretary for India member of the British cabinet, went "golfling" in Berlin a few weeks ago. He had splendid plans in which Herr Rechberg, initiator of the Franco-German economic rapprochement, General Hoffman, who engineered the Brest-Litovsk treaty, and General Ludendorff were to play leading parts.

Lord Birkenhead approached Herr Stresemann with the idea of a British-

German-French offensive against the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, which was not to be of a peaceful character, but in the form of an armed invasion. This unity of the leading imperialists of Europe—Britain, Germany and France—is for the purpose of destroying the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics and returning it to capitalist slavery.

The British government has already started the offensive: On the basis of alleged charges of Irish revolutionists having in their possession British banknotes, which are supposed to have come "from some Russian institution," the British government is threatening to break off trade relations with the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics. Another "Zinoviev" letter!

When will that be? England is doing everything in her power to consummate this triple alliance against the Soviet Union. Sir Austen Chamberlain pretends that he knows nothing about Birkenhead's "golfling" party. But it is clear from the fact that he does not disavow Birkenhead and his actions, he is a silent partner

lent a deaf ear—but Herr Rechberg is convinced that "in Europe and Asia these interests, like Great Britain's, can be endangered only by Bolshevism, so we shall have to stand shoulder to shoulder with the British sooner or later (meaning the Germans.) I don't know what the attitude of the German government toward this question is today. But I know that ultimately Germany must turn westward, away from Moscow."

British Imperialists Lead Plot.

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to the scheme. It is useless to pretend that Birkenhead represents only the die-hard Tories in the British cabinet—Birkenhead, Churchill and Joynson-Hicks. In this exploit, he represents the British government, which sees her interests direfully threatened in China and India.

War Is No Idle Dream.

Does this mean war? The Communist International and the Soviet government this year have pointed out that war is not hypothetically in the air—it is being plotted with all energy. The Soviet Union remains cool, but prepares for defense. The workers must not be deluded. All talk of "community of interests" or "peace" and of "disarmament" is to blind the workers and to lull them to sleep. The workers must be on guard. War is stalking, and if the working

class is not awake, war will be upon us—with the destruction of the Soviet Union as the immediate aim, and the crushing of the entire working class as the ultimate goal.

The imperialists are not too prone to embark on this war. They know the temper of the workers raised to rebelliousness by economic and political oppression. The movement and the vote for the Communists in Poland; the growth of the minority movement in England; the radicalization of the workers in Czechoslovakia and Germany; the unrest in India and Egypt; the growing power of the Communist movement in China; yes even the growing strike movement in the United States—the miners and textile workers—the unemployment and the rising bitterness of the workers—these are factors that the imperialists recognize as challenging a successful attack on the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics. And yet they appear, in the person of Lord Birkenhead, to be willing to risk it.

This is the challenge of the imperialist powers. Is war coming? It is—and now is the time to unmask the imperialists and to prepare not only to resist their plans, but to prepare to overthrow their power. In Europe they are inviting civil war; in Asia they are provoking nationalist revolutions. In the United States—with South and Central America beginning to defy American hegemony—they are instigating bloody resistance.

BE PREPARED, is the watchword. War is coming.

## Leaders in Conspiracy of Capitalist Powers to Attack U.S.S.R.



Photos show some of the leaders in the plot of the capitalist powers to attack the Soviet Union. Left to right are: Baldwin and Churchill, English premier and chancellor of the exchequer respectively; Briand, of France; Stresemann, German foreign minister, and Mussolini, Italian fascist premier and England's puppet.

# Stock Ownership a Scheme of Bosses to Keep Workers Enslaved

There are in the United States 315 companies which sell stock to their employees as part of the "welfare" schemes designed to increase production, reduce the labor turnover, provide a palliative for low wages, and above all to strengthen the loyalty of the workers to the company and to capitalism.

The National Industrial Conference Board, a conservative statistical organization, estimates that about 800,000 employees including clerks and minor officials own such stock amounting to more than \$1,000,000,000. This makes the average investment per employee about \$1250. Only

about three per cent of the workers, clerks, and minor executives in the United States own stock under this "welfare" scheme. Stock, as a rule, is sold to employees on the installment plan. The leading non-union corporations are involved in these schemes. They carry on extensive propaganda to show that capitalism in the United States gives every worker an opportunity to become a capitalist.

Bosses Objected. During the recent sensational rises in the stock market, a number of employees began to sell their shares in order to make a small profit. The companies objected to this on the ground that it defeats the object of

stock ownership plans. The National Industrial Conference Board defines these objects as the creation of "thrift habits and an enduring ownership interest in the progress of the company which employs them."

In order to prevent their employees from selling their shares, some companies have issued a special class of non-negotiable employee stock or have imposed special restrictions on the stock acquired by employees. Thus class distinctions are introduced into stock ownership. The bulk of industrial shares are in the hands of capitalists who may negotiate shares of profit, and an infinitesimal part is in the hands of workers who may not

negotiate in order not to break the new chain binding them to their employers.

Some companies even offer bonuses to their employees for holding their stock over a given period of years. It is admitted, however, that no effective way has been found to prevent workers from selling their stock on a rising market. As a result some companies have established special departments which "advise" their employees on how to sell their stock at an "advantage." The National Industrial Conference Board, representing the corporation viewpoint, urges that by holding on to their stock workers may build up an "estate

which will be a bulwark against adversity and provide for an old age free from financial worry." It also advocates the further extension of stock ownership among 97 per cent of America's workers who have not yet felt the "benefits" of this "welfare" scheme.

The utility of these "welfare" schemes has been pointed out even by so-called conservative a publication as "Commerce and Finance," a Wall Street organ, which said: "They were spurious in that they were a substitute for an adequate wage, and were devised principally to tie the worker to his job, and were to a great extent empty forms devoid of spirit."