

## RIGHT WING LEADS POLICE IN BRUTAL UNION ATTACK

### Invade Grocery Clerks Meeting With Drawn Guns and Blackjacks; Beat Up Members

### Socialists Call Out Police Sluggers After Own Gangsters Are Repulsed

Invading a meeting of the Retail Grocery Fruit and Dairy Clerks' Union at 220 E. 14th St., with drawn guns and blackjacks, a squad of detectives, policemen and gangsters, led by the right wing socialist officials of the United Hebrew Trades, last night launched a murderous attack upon the membership after the right wing crew with its thugs had been repulsed by the militant clerks in their first attempt to break up the workers' meeting.

Over a score of the union members, including practically every leader was severely beaten up, some of them so seriously that they were taken to the hospital. Each of the leaders and the most militant of the members, as he was pointed out by A. Heller, the head of the right wing scab outfit, was immediately pounced upon by the cops and detectives and mercilessly slugged.

The meeting was called in celebration of the city-wide victory won by the grocery clerks in the just concluded general strike. One of the incidental results of the victory was the complete discrediting of the right wing strikebreakers. Last night in a final gesture, Heller led a number of thugs into the membership meeting for the purpose of breaking it up.

The right wing gang had evidently forgotten the militancy of the grocery clerks. The right wing gang was immediately repulsed by the membership. Following this, the right wingers called for the police and the murderous attack followed.

About eighty of the union members were taken to the 5th St. police station where the cops headed by Lieutenant Raelly, again beat up some of the workers. The cops tore off Communist campaign buttons, and destroyed "Vote Communist Cards" found on the members. They are being held without charges.

## 500 HEAR BISHOP BROWN IN HARLEM

### Declares Church Tool of Capitalism

"Soviet Russia is the rock upon which imperialism will wreck itself!"

With these words, Bishop William Montgomery Brown struck the keynote of his speech delivered before more than 500 workers, the majority of them Negroes, who filled St. Luke's Hall, 127 W. 130th St., in Harlem last night. Other speakers were Edward Welsh and Richard B. Moore, both Negro Communist candidates. Otto Huiswood was chairman.

Bishop Brown told the workers that his attitude toward the Negroes has completely changed since he became a Communist. Many years ago he had written a book condemning inter-marriage, but now, he said, "I am opposed to all restrictions and discriminations against the Negro race, and I am in entire agreement with the Workers' Party."

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## Boro Park Workers Will Hear Nearing at Nov. 8th Rally

Scott Nearing, Communist candidate for governor of New Jersey, will speak at a meeting at the Boro Park Workers Club on Thursday, Nov. 8. Part of the proceeds will be donated to the Daily Worker.

Due to an error, the meeting was announced in yesterday's Daily Worker as being held this Thursday. Boro Park workers are urged to note the correct date.

## Membership Meet of Workers Party Friday

A call issued by William W. Weinstone urges all members of District 2 of the Workers (Communist) Party to attend a membership meeting Friday evening, Nov. 2, at the Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St., immediately after work.

Only those who bring their Party membership cards with them will be admitted.

## POOR WEATHER STOPS FLIGHT.

ROOSEVELT FIELD, N. Y., Oct. 30 (UP). — Poor weather today caused postponement of plans for a start of a flight to Rome by the allanca monoplane Columbia.

## PARADE TO GREET FOSTER, GITLOW ON ARRIVAL HERE

### Permit for Red March Forced by Growing Strength of Party

### Weinstone Issues Call Expect Overflow Crowd at Garden Sunday

Under the pressure of the growing power of the Workers (Communist) Party, Joseph A. Warren, commissioner of police of the city of New York, yesterday notified Wm. W. Weinstone, District 2 organizer, that his demand for a permit to parade at the greeting of Foster and Gitlow at Grand Central Station on Saturday, 3:30 p. m., had been granted.

The parade will be a show of power of the working class of New York and is a prelude to the monster mass meeting in celebration of the 11th anniversary of the Russian revolution which will be held the following afternoon, Sunday, at Madison Square Garden.

This is the first time since the World War, according to Weinstone, that the working class will demonstrate its power in a street parade. Hitherto, said Weinstone, all efforts to parade have been ruthlessly clubbed down. This sudden reversal of policy is seen as an official acknowledgment of the evident and growing strength of the Workers Party throughout the country.

In his letter to Warren, dated Oct. 28, Weinstone wrote:

"As many thousands of New York workers will be anxious to meet their candidates at the station and escort them to the headquarters of District 2 of the Workers (Communist) Party, 26 Union Square, we herewith ask for a formal permit to parade from 43rd St. and Lexington Ave., to 15th St. and Union Square, the exact route to be determined later."

Warren answers, "Yesterday in reply to this demand, continued on Page Two"

## WEST SIDE RED RALLY TONIGHT

### Communist Speakers to Address Workers

"The lower West Side will have a huge Communist Election Campaign Rally tonight, for the first time, when a squad of over 25 speakers of the Workers Party State Election Campaign Committee, including many candidates on the Communist ticket, will be sent to cover eight open air meetings that are being arranged in this section. This territory, which has been relatively untouched by the militant working class movement, contains thousands of American, Irish, Negro, Italian and Greek workers, who are engaged in various important industries, especially those connected with the waterfront.

This Red Night Election Campaign Rally will mean that thousands of workers for the first time will hear the message of the class struggle and what the Workers (Communist) Party stands for in the present election campaign. All speakers will report to 101 W. 27th St. at 7:30 p. m., headquarters of Sections 2 and 3 of the New York District of the Workers Party, and then will be assigned to various corners along 7th and 8th Aves., etc. continued on Page Two

## LABOR ANSWERS CALL FOR FUNDS

### \$951 Received; Day's Quota Almost Raised

The response to the urgent request of the National Election Campaign Committee for the \$1,000 needed yesterday was splendid, it is announced. Nine hundred and fifty-one dollars was received, almost reaching the quota set for the day. The response from City Central Committees was particularly encouraging. This was expected, since special telegrams had been sent to every City Central Committee, urging them to rush at once, by wire, every dollar they could possibly collect. Seattle, sent \$200; Toledo, \$50; Portland, Ore., \$25; Great Falls, Mont., \$20; Erie, Pa., \$15; Akron, O., \$10 and Milwaukee, \$7. Wilmington sent in \$27 more, bringing their contributions during

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## Kentucky Mine Strike Is Led By New Union

(Special to the Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa. (By Mail).—Three hundred miners, employed at the Morgan Mine of the Pacific Coal Company, with operations in Mercer, Kentucky, are striking against the discharge of the checkweighman and the demand of the company that the miners shall only trade in the "pluck-me" company store maintained by the coal company. The men, all organized and members of Local 701 of the National Miners Union, declared a strike Oct. 22 after their committee had been refused its demands.

The demands of the miners are for the reinstatement of the checkweighman and for the right of the men to trade in whatever store they please. These demands were refused. continued on Page Four

## WOMEN TO RALLY HERE TOMORROW

### Speakers Will Present Workers Platform

The fight of women workers for the Red program of class struggle will be crystallized at the mass meeting for women workers to be held tomorrow, 8 p. m. at Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Place, under the auspices of the Workers (Communist) Party.

The anti-labor role played by the republican, democratic and socialist parties will be stressed by the speakers. The "liberalism" of Governor Smith, who advocates more "equality" for women, but makes no mention of specific social and labor legislation for the woman worker will be exposed, and the arrests and clubbings of women on picket lines in New York under Smith's administration will be cited.

"The hypocrisy of the democratic party's platform will be exposed by the speakers," a statement of the Workers (Communist) Party said, continuing with:

"Neither does the republican party offer any hope to the woman worker," the statement continues. "In republican Massachusetts women are doubly exploited in the textile mills and in the leather goods factories. The same with the women silk workers of republican Pennsylvania. The statement points out that at election times only do the republican, democratic and socialist parties angle for support from women voters by singing their praises, but that woman workers, aware of their position in the class struggle, must organize to fight their bosses politically as well as in the shops.

## SUPPRESS CZECH RED NEWSPAPER

### "Rude Pravo" Banned During Election

(Wireless to the Daily Worker) PRAGUE, Oct. 30.—The "Rude Pravo," principal organ of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia, was today suppressed by government decree on the pretext that the suppression was necessary "for the protection of the republic." The real reason is that the government wishes to hinder the Communist Party election campaign.

Twenty million dollars for the capitalist election campaign! WHAT ARE YOU DOING TO HELP THE \$100,000 COMMUNIST CAMPAIGN FUND?

## SWELL THE WORKERS PARTY CAMPAIGN FUND

### Build a Powerful Mass Communist Party in the United States of America!

By JAY LOVESTONE. Within five days there will come to a close one of the biggest and best campaigns our Party has waged—the presidential election drive.

Five million pieces of literature have been distributed. Over three hundred thousand special issues of the Daily Worker have been put in the hands of working men and working women. Hundreds of meetings have been held throughout the country. Government terror has been defied. At a time when American democracy is on dress parade—election time—our meetings have been broken up, our speakers jailed, halls denied us, the radio closed to us, the press shut to us, our own paper, the Daily Worker, struggling against terrific odds, denied access to the mails; the church, the Klan, the Legion, the patriotic Daughters, the reactionary trade union bureaucrats, the treacherous socialist party, the entire coterie of the blackest forces of capitalist reaction—have been all mobilized against us. But we have gone forward despite the reactionary attack.

Hoover and Smith are vying with each other as to who is a more loyal lackey of the biggest business interests. The La Follette-Norris-Borah "progressive" forces are a sorry spectacle of bankruptcy, having gone over board and baggage to the camp of big capital. The socialist party has completely turned its back on the workers and degenerated into an out-and-out party of the apostles of capitalist justice, law and order and fake democracy.

In the face of this, our Party and the hundreds of thousands of

## WYOMING MINERS REPUDIATE LEWIS WAGE CUT PACT

### Vote Down Agreement Despite Efforts of Machine

### New Mine Union Active Miner Leader Killed in Rock Fall

By R. SHOHAN.

(Special to the Daily Worker) ROCK SPRINGS, Wyo., Oct. 30.—Wyoming coal diggers overwhelmingly rejected the new wage cut agreement signed for them by the Lewis machine. Despite the intimidation and vote-stealing methods employed by the operators and Lewis henchmen, the miners voted down the cut with 20 out of 25 locals balloting.

That the Lewis machine and the operators will make further attempts to nullify the will of the miners appears certain, according to those who know the lengths to which the labor traitors will go.

With only the northern field not voting, the coal diggers, even on the basis of the announced vote, have shown how bitterly they are opposed to the wage cut. The total reported, with 2,000 to 1,500 against the cut, is only a small indication of the real sentiment.

The Reliance local voted 130 to 60 against; Blairtown, 130 to 50; Superior 400 to 100; Winton 214 to 13; Elko 24 to 1; Frontier 100 to 37. Other locals voted similarly.

Bosses Intimidate Miners.

Officials of the Union Pacific Coal Company rode about in company automobiles hauling miners out to the polling places and forcing them to vote for the wage cut.

The new National Miners' Union is vigorously continuing its drive to organize this district under the banner of the new union.

Emil Shean, one of the most militant leaders of the district, was yesterday killed in a rock fall.

## RAIL WORKERS' DEMANDS DENIED

### Mediators Recommend Terms of Bosses

(Special to the Daily Worker) WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Confirming predictions which have been made in well-informed circles, the emergency board appointed by President Coolidge to investigate the wage dispute on western railroads today handed down its decision denying the demands of the trainmen and conductors who have already taken a strike vote.

The decision recommends an alternative, straight 6 1/2% increase, or a 7 1/2% increase with certain speed-up changes in rules as against demands for increases varying from 15% to 27% made by the workers and for which a strike vote has already been taken. The same offer has at one time or another been made by the railroads themselves and by the present emergency board in the special emergency board is seen a confirmation of the charge that the

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Needle Workers! Get a collection list at the headquarters of the Needle Trades Campaign Committee, 28 Union Square, Room 202, and collect funds for the election campaign of the Workers (Communist) Party.

## 4,000 Leather Workers Walk Out in Boston

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BOSTON, Mass., Oct. 30.—Four thousand workers of the Cambridge Leather Factory walked out on strike yesterday when their demands for better working conditions were rejected by the company.

At an enthusiastic mass meeting this morning the strikers accepted the program of the left wing and rejected the leadership of the federal organizer. A strike committee was organized with Ammann, Neasimiro, Lame and Ira as the leaders.

## POWERS FREED IN FRAME-UP

### Case Against Organizer Topples

After being out three hours the jury in the frame-up case against George E. Powers, organizer for the Architectural, Iron, Bronze and Structural Workers Union, was yesterday forced to render a verdict of "not guilty" on an obviously trumped up charge of felonious assault.

The two-day trial, which ended yesterday, followed an indictment brought against Powers last spring based upon a malicious and false identification by Max Tanenbaum, a foreman in the Garman Iron and Bronze Works, 53 Davis St., Long Island. Tanenbaum tried to make it appear that Powers had led an attack on him during a strike at the scab plant.

Obvious Frame-Up.

Evidence that the case was a frame-up was so clear that even the jury, consisting of hostile business men, were forced to find him "not guilty." The case was tried before Justice Francis Mancuso.

Though the Garman shop had been a union shop for more than twelve years prior to the strike, which was brought about by the attempt of the firm to break down the union conditions and run on an open-shop basis, a Tammany judge, Justice Burt Jay Humphries of the supreme court of the State of New York, issued a permanent injunction last spring forbidding picketing at the Garman shop and appointing a referee to assess damages upon the union.

The Powers frame-up was a continuation of the attempt of bosses to injure the union. When the case first came up, on April 26, in the Magistrate's Court, the scab, Tanenbaum, was represented by Propper, a lawyer of the Allied Building Metal Industries, a notorious open-shop association. Propper had secured two previous injunctions against the union, the Grossman and the North American.

Powers is the Communist candidate for president of the Borough of Queens.

Return 35 New Poll  
Fraud Indictments

Thirty-five additional indictments were returned by a special grand jury today in connection with the investigation into alleged irregular registrations in New York City.

Yesterday the grand jury returned 101 indictments in this same connection and these were handed to Judge Koenig today.

Bench warrants have been issued for all of those named in the indictments, but thus far their names have not been made public.

## RULE RED TICKET OFF OKLAHOMA BALLOT

### Courts, Election Board and Reactionaries in a Conspiracy to Eliminate the Communists

### Party Begins State-Wide Drive to Inform Every Worker to Write in Candidates' Names

GUTHRIE, Okla., Oct. 30.—The Oklahoma courts have denied the Communist candidates the right to appear on the ballot in that state, taking their cue from the tactics of the state officials and supreme court of Nebraska. The Communist candidates were placed off the ticket of the farmer-labor party of Oklahoma several months ago. It had been made impossible for the ticket of the Workers (Communist) Party to appear in that state. The conspiracy to eliminate them had been going on since that time.

The reactionaries got 100 signatures to a petition protesting against the Communist names on the farmer-labor ticket, and the secretary of the State Election Board rejected the signatures of the Communist petitioners, demanding that 1,000 new signatures be submitted from at least 10 different counties to overcome the protest. This despite the fact that many of the 100 signatures on the protest petition were not those of members of the farmer-labor party, as required by law.

The reason given by the signers of the protest petition was that the Communist filing was "frivolous and not made in good faith." The Oklahoma News reported that the contest was based upon the fact that a hyphen had been omitted between the words farmer-labor.

The Party had put up sufficient bond money (\$250 for one elector), but the election board refused to accept it, alleging that it was too late. If the money had been accepted, it would have been forfeited unless the candidates received 10 per cent of the vote of the farmer-labor party in the primaries. By such devious devices does capitalist democracy seek to make impossible the campaign of a working class political party. The law requires that each of the 10 electors in Oklahoma receive 5,000 signatures, a requirement that is obviously aimed at small working class parties, many of whose followers are not citizens.

Hugo Oehler, district organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party, who has made many tours of the state to get the Party on the ballot, is now organizing a campaign to reach every worker with directions to write the names of the Communist candidates in on the ballot when the voters go to the polls.

Continuing his tour from Boston tomorrow evening, Gitlow will travel to New Bedford, where the workers who participated in the huge textile strike are preparing for an overflow meeting on Thursday evening.

Throughout New Bedford, reports state, the workers are anxiously awaiting the arrival of the candidate of the Workers (Communist) Party, which militantly led the textile workers throughout the months of their struggle. The New Bedford meeting will be held at the Montepio Hall, 52 Wing St.

On Friday Gitlow will speak in Wooster, Mass., where he will appear at the Belmont Hall, and Saturday to Providence, R. I. where the A. C. A. Hall has been procured for the campaign meeting.

The workers throughout Massachusetts have for a long time been awaiting the Communist candidate, whose Party has been the leader in all of the working class struggles in the reactionary open-shop state in which the ruling class murdered Sacco and Vanzetti. They are anxious to hear the platform of the class struggle which the Workers (Communist) Party represents. Because of this fact the attendance at the Gitlow meetings scheduled for this state are expected to break all previous records.

## FOSTER ON AIR TONIGHT AT 10

### Will Use WGBI After Scranton Rally

(Special to the Daily Worker) SCRANTON, Pa., Oct. 30.—After his campaign rally to be held in this city tomorrow, William Z. Foster, Communist candidate for president, will deliver a talk over the radio, employing the same medium John L. Lewis used a short while ago when talking to the miners in favor of the republican ticket. This is the first time the Communist Party has received permission to use the radio in the anthracite region.

He will speak over Station WGBI, wave length 230.6 meters, at 10 p. m. The rally, which will be held at Labor Temple, will be preceded by a parade which will start at 6:30 from Lackawanna depot.

## Weinstone and Moore at Negro Meeting in Brownsville Tonight

William W. Weinstone, district organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party, and Richard B. Moore, Negro Communist candidate in the 21st congressional district, will be among the speakers at a huge election rally for Negro workers of Brownsville to be held tonight at 154 Watkins St.

Other speakers will be Edward Welsh, Negro Red candidate for assembly in the 21st district, Harlem, and Joe Polchick of the Young Workers (Communist) League.

The keynote of full equality for Negro workers will be struck by the speakers tonight, and at the same time they will expose the hypocrisy of the stand taken with regard to Negroes by the other political parties.

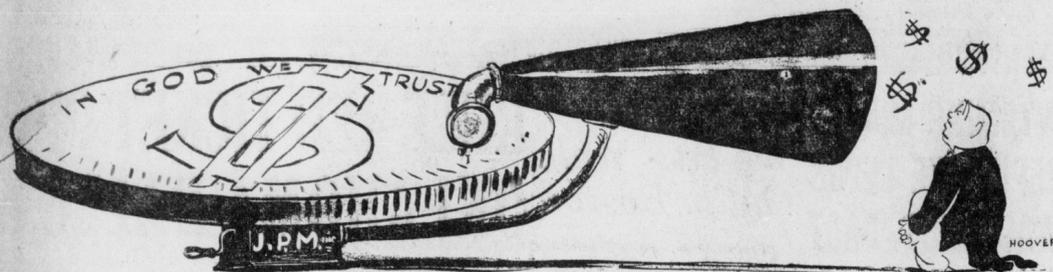
3 DEAD IN FIRE.  
LOGAN, O., Oct. 30 (UP).—Three children were burned to death when fire destroyed their fathers home at Mound Crossing near here late today.

11th Anniversary  
Issue on Nov. 3

The Eleventh Anniversary of the Russian Revolution Edition of the Daily Worker will appear on Saturday, November 3. Greetings for this edition from Party units, trade unions and fraternal organizations will be received until Thursday, November 1, at the Daily Worker, 28-29 Union Square, New York City. Order a bundle of papers for distribution at \$6 a thousand.

THEIR MASTER'S VOICE

By Jacob Burck



WEINSTONE PANS EXPERT PATRIOT IN DEBATE IN L. I.

O'Brien Wilts Before Pointed Questions

J. Robert O'Brien, "Constitutional Crusader," professional patriot and member of a baker's dozen jingoist and fascist organizations, was reduced to the sorry spectacle of a lame apologist for a corrupt system as a result of the scathing attack on capitalism made by William W. Weinstone in a debate held Monday night at Moose Hall, Broadway and Eleventh Ave., Astoria.

Astoria is the stamping ground of the John J. Dwyer Post 260 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, which has been carrying on a campaign of vilification and slander against the Workers (Communist) Party and the Soviet Union through its "Americanization Directors," "Constitutional Crusaders" and similar ostensibly lucrative offices. Indicative of the lame showing made by O'Brien was the scanty and half-hearted applause which followed his speeches, as compared with that which greeted his appearance at the stage.

Hot Question. "Resolved that the present form of government is opposed to the best interests of the masses." That was the subject, with the district organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party for the affirmative. At the end of the debate the audience of workers was so resolved.

Weinstone, in his opening speech, quoted Woodrow Wilson and other "respectable" historians who admitted that the American constitution was framed by a minority of the wealthy class with the conscious aim of safeguarding capitalist interests against the masses and for the perpetuation of private property. He pointed out that under the present system of society "the rich get richer and the poor get poorer," and that there is a concentration of wealth in the hands of the big capitalists.

Wilts Under Barrage. As evidenced by the trunkful of "documents" and by the nature of his speech, O'Brien came prepared only to sling mud at the Soviet Union and to startle the American audience with the astounding revelation that the Workers (Communist) Party is part of an international Communist organization. He visibly wilted under the barrage of charges laid down by Weinstone—charges which the latter challenged his opponent to answer. No answers were forthcoming, except a forced admission of the fact that unemployment cannot be done away with under capitalism.

About the insecurity of jobs, czarism in the factories, child labor, war, increasing exploitation, poverty being the lot of the masses, points which Weinstone hammered home, inviting a defense, O'Brien had surprisingly little to say. Weinstone contrasted these conditions with those in the Soviet Union, where the workers rule, where the 7-hour day has been established, where the trade union movement is the backbone of society and factories are administered by workers, where living standards are constantly improving.

Why Does it Fight Soviet Union? In his rebuttal, Weinstone exploded the myth set up by O'Brien that the Soviet Union is adopting

Red Caravan Brings Election Message



The usual avenues of publicity, such as the press and the movies, are, of course, closed to workers and their militant party, the Workers (Communist) Party. But the workers of Cleveland have found a way to bring the Communist election message before the workers. The photo above shows how automobiles, covered with red campaign posters, announced the arrival of William Z. Foster, Communist candidate for president, to the workers of the city.

PARADE TO GREET FOSTER, GITLOW ON ARRIVAL HERE

Expect Overflow Crowd at Garden Sunday

Continued from Page One Commissioner Warren yesterday wrote to Weinstone:

"I am enclosing herewith formal application for parade permit. If you will fill it out and give us the necessary information so that we can properly police the parade, I shall issue the permit."

Plans to make this parade the most spectacular show of power in the history of the New York labor movement immediately got under way. Committees were formed to marshal and route the march. Various trade union and fraternal organization heads called upon their members to take part in the marching demonstration.

Weinstone made public a call to all the workers of New York. It read:

Workers Must Participate.

"For the first time since the World War the workers of New York will parade through the streets of the city in demonstration of their class solidarity on the occasion of the arrival to New York City of William Z. Foster and Benjamin Gitlow, candidates for president and vice president of the United States on the Workers (Communist) Party ticket, Saturday, Nov. 3, 3:30 p. m., at the Grand Central Station. This will be the first appearance of our standard bearers in the city before their appearance the following day, Sunday, at Madison Square Garden.

Defy Labor Fakery.

"The thousands of workers that will march in this parade will show to the labor bureaucrats, to the socialist lackeys, that the militant spirit of labor is aflame and that the workers mean to give back blow for blow against the attempts to fasten upon them the chains of a still more brutal slavery and a still more ruthless oppression.

"Working men and women of the city of New York—needle trades workers, textile workers—make this parade a show of power! Show to your enemies the capitalist class—the Hoovers and the Smiths, the Thomases and Hillquits—your unity and strength.

"Needle trades workers, you are fighting against company unionism and sweatshop conditions.

"Traction workers, you are fighting Hedley and the reptile company union.

"Workers of all crafts, organized, employed and unemployed, skilled and unskilled—this is your parade! Negro workers: You are fighting for race equality, against lynching, against segregation, against Jim Crowism. This is your parade. Join with your white fellow workers in a common struggle for emancipation!

"Come to the Grand Central Station, 43rd Street and Lexington Ave. Parade through the city of New York for the abolition of capitalism and for the establishment of a workers' and a farmers' government.

The route of the parade according to the arrangements committee will be announced tomorrow.

Minor Exposes Three Capitalist Parties

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Minor made it clear that the program of both Hoover and Smith is imperialist war and that the election of Norman Thomas, were that possible, would also mean imperialist war despite his pacifist cloak.

Minor was preceded by speakers representing the republican and democratic parties and by Louis D. Waldman, socialist party candidate for governor of New York. Waldman, after describing himself as "a very conservative socialist," criticized the two big capitalist parties because they were "unintelligent."

He spoke respectfully of "lawful, constitutional methods" and presented a program for improving the efficiency of the capitalist system.

McAllister Coleman, socialist party candidate for U. S. Senate, acted as chairman of the symposium and tried in vain to cut short Minor's speech.

ARREST OFFICIALS MEXICO CITY, Oct. 30 (UP)—Forty Catholic women and a priest were arrested after attending mass at Querataro, the correspondent of El Universal said today.

Working Class Mothers Force Mayor to Make Concessions



Following a protest demonstration held outside of the City Hall, a committee of working class mothers, representing the Parents Association of Olinville, forced Mayor Walker, who had been trying to dodge them to make several concessions in order to relieve conditions at Public School 89, the Bronx.

Tasks of All Party Members for Nov. 4

Here are the tasks of every Party member in District 2 to make Red Week the reddest in the history of New York.

We must distribute in every shop and home, where workers are to be found, a leaflet advertising the Madison Square Garden Meeting, Sunday, Nov. 4.

The splendid red poster by Fred Ellis, advertising the meeting, must be placed in every window, meeting hall, in every large industrial building.

Every working class organization, union or fraternal should call upon its members to attend as a body.

Throughout the week, every Party member is to carry on personal agitation in his shop about the meeting. Every Party member should bring not less than ten workers from his shop.

All Party members are instructed to attend the Party membership meeting promptly after work, at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East 4th St., on Friday, Nov. 2, 6:30 p. m., to receive important last minute instructions in connection with Election Day and the closing days of the Election Campaign.

Every unit is to elect a committee of 10 to be part of a committee of 1,000 to have charge of the floor at the Madison Square Garden and to report on Sunday morning at 10:30 a. m. in the Garden.

BYRD SHIP SOLD.

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30 (UP).—Sale of the steamer Chantier, formerly used by Commander Richard E. Byrd, for \$34,000 to Ole Froiland of New York, a Norwegian citizen, was authorized by the United States Shipping Board today. The vessel will be used on the White Sea and Baltic Sea trade.

WEST SIDE RED RALLY TONIGHT

Communist Speakers to Address Workers

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tending from 14th St. to 47th St. There will be a large wind-up meeting in front of the section headquarters at 9:30 p. m.

The following speakers should report to 101 W. 27th St.: Gibulsky, Peer, Joe Cohen, I. Cohen, B. Gusakoff, Wright, LeRoy, Huiswood, Bydarian, Glazin, McDonald, P. Shapiro, I. Zimmerman, G. Spiro, Pasternak, R. Rubin, G. Primoff, Mania Res, Charles Alexander, Harry Blake, N. Wilks, Biedenkapp, H. Davis, Nat Kaplan, Lawrence Ross, Max Kagan, Magliacano, Candella, Kalfedis, B. Rubin, Napoli.

1. All speakers assigned by the District Agitprop Department of the Party for the Downtown West Side Red Night Rally should report to 101 W. 27th St., at 7:30 p. m. sharp.

2. All speakers of Downtown Units 1 and 2 of the Young Workers (Communist) League should report to 101 W. 27th St., 7:30 p. m., to be assigned to the various corners.

3. All members of Section 2 and 3 of the Party and Units 1 and 2 of the Y. W. C. L. should

7 New Classes Will Begin This Week at the Workers School

The Workers School continues to start new classes this week. Seven courses will have their opening session at this school as follows: English V, Monday and Wednesday from 8:30 to 9:50 p. m.; English VII, Monday and Wednesday from 8:30 to 9:50 p. m.; Public Speaking for Working Women, Thursday from 8:30 to 9:50 p. m.; Fundamentals of Communism, Tuesday from 7:00 to 8:20 p. m.; Principles of Marxism I, from 7 to 8:20 p. m.; Theory and Practice of Trade Unionism, Thursday from 8:30 to 9:50 p. m.; Problems of Workers Children (for Pioneer Leaders) Monday from 7 to 8:20 p. m.

The course in Theory and Practice of Trade Union Work to be given by John J. Ballam on Thursday 8:30 p. m., in addition to taking up the role of trade unions and the class struggle, the History of the Trade Union Movement in the U. S., will go into great detail on the whole question of the world situation and the tasks facing the labor movement

report at headquarters, 101 W. 27th St., for work in connection with the Red Night at 7:30 p. m.

4. The Red Night called by the Downtown Units 1 and 2 of the League for Wednesday evening has been combined with the Red Night of the Lower West Side Section of the Party.

capitalism. "Private trading in Soviet Russia is constantly decreasing," said Weinstone. "On the other hand co-operative and state trading is developing. All basic industries are in the hands of the proletarian state." An unanswerable question put by Weinstone was, "If it is true that the Soviet state is adopting capitalism why is the capitalist world fighting it and plotting against it?"

To O'Brien's charge that Sandino is a bandit, Weinstone replied that American capitalists have always hidden their attacks against workers under the pretense of righteous action in pursuance of an ideal, this time by stamping Sandino a bandit and a menace. "Since they are in the minority," said Weinstone, "capitalists must of necessity rely on deceit and chicanery to hoodwink the workers." The notorious case of Sacco and Vanzetti was cited by

him as an example of the conscious crimes against the working class framed up by the master class.

Right of Revolution.

Anticipating O'Brien's sentimental appeal against the use of "force and violence," Weinstone quoted Lincoln's inaugural address, in which he said that the masses have the right "to dismember and overthrow the existing government." Immediately, O'Brien fished from his bagful of tricks a copy of the address in question and read it through, hoping to find a misquotation. Failing in this, he maintained that his Communist opponent had "misconstrued the meaning."

"What Lincoln meant," O'Brien apologized, "was that the people have the right to amend the constitution."

In his final charges, Weinstone stressed the growing repression in this country, citing the increased use of drastic injunctions, the use of the militia in strikes, denial of the right of picketing—all of which "makes of American 'democracy' an open dictatorship."

"Give the Poor Thing a Chance."

Weinstone continually harassed the tottering O'Brien with demands that the charges brought against this government be defended by him. To this O'Brien made a heartrending appeal that "American democracy be given a chance," completely ignoring the past hundred and fifty years.

At the close of the debate questions were asked from the floor which both debaters answered. Weinstone took advantage of these questions to further elaborate his charges against American capitalism, and emphasized his previous statement that an international, militant organization of workers is essential to fight the international combination of capitalists. This statement of Weinstone's took considerable wind out of O'Brien's already sagging sail.

Robert W. Dunn of the American Civil Liberties Union presided.

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# India Masses Greet British Imperialist Commission with Protest Demonstrations

## POLICE CHARGE WORKERS; WIRE FENCES PUT UP

### Complete Freedom for India Demanded

CALCUTTA, India, Oct. 30.—A number of workers and students were seriously injured at Lahore today when police charged several thousand demonstrators protesting against British rule in India on the occasion of the arrival of Sir John Simon and his commission.

The railroad station at Lahore was guarded by armed police behind barbed-wire when the Simon Commission arrived today on its tour. Thousands of demonstrators carrying black flags as a symbol of British suppression and banners with slogans calling for the return of the Commission and complete independence for India approached the station, but before they had even reached the barbed-wire fence, the armed police charged them. A general fight followed, but the numbers of injured are not known.

All railroad stations along the route being covered by the Commission are heavily protected and special guards are stationed over every inch of ground covered by Simon. The stations from Poona to Lahore are all protected by barbed-wire entanglements.

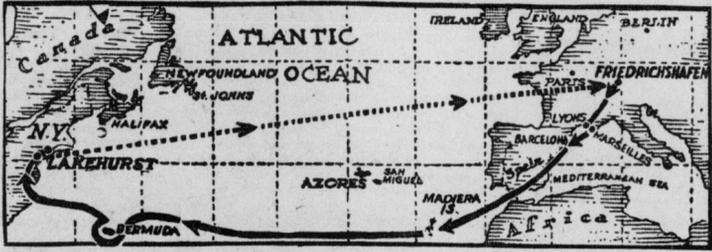
The Simon Commission, sent by the British Government to attempt to form a compromise with the liberal groups in the India parliament on the question of independence, is now on its second visit. So great was the protest of the India masses during their visit last year that they were forced to withdraw for fear of serious uprising. They do not seem to be more successful this year and from the very first day of their arrival they have been met with storms of protest and huge threatening demonstrations, although demonstrations were forbidden.

While the upper house of the parliament, made up mostly of native princes and corresponding to the British house of lords, had pledged cooperation with the commission, the lower house, although elected in an indirect way, had refused to cooperate in any form whatsoever.

## Move Hunger Striking Atheist to Hospital

LITTLE ROCK, Ark., Oct. 30.—Chief of Police Burl C. Rotenbury has denied that Charles Smith, the atheist who went on a hunger strike two weeks ago in protest against a jail sentence of 27 days for campaigning against the proposed anti-evolution law, has been released from his status as prisoner. The mayor has ordered Smith's transference to the city hospital, but he is maintained under guard as a prisoner.

## Graf Zeppelin Returns—Flight Pleases Jingoos of Both Countries



The black line in the above diagram shows the course of the giant German dirigible, Graf Zeppelin, in its 6,000 mile flight to the United States. The dotted line shows its probable course on its way back to Germany.

## RAIL WORKERS' DEMANDS DENIED

### Mediators' Recommend Terms of Bosses

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method of "mediation" is but a way of making official the actual terms of the bosses.

How "Mediation" Works.  
Under the Watson-Parker Law, set up by the railroads for the purpose of thwarting strikes, the workers are prevented from acting for thirty days, during which time, even should the officials of the unions call a strike, the railroads are enabled to prepare their strikebreaking forces against the men.

The unions involved in the present dispute are the Brotherhood of Railroad Conductors and the Order of Railway Conductors. Demands for increases have been pending for over a year, during which through the machinery of the mediation law, action has been stalled off from conference to conference, a procedure in which the officials of the unions are known to have taken part with apparent enjoyment. About three months ago a strike vote was finally forced by the men. Seventy thousand voted almost unanimously to go out should their demands be rejected. The calling of the emergency board by Coolidge followed.

Nominal Increase and Speed-up.  
In the present decision the alternative recommendation of a 7 1/2% increase involves a change in operating rules in connection with the operation of double-headers on freight trains and the elimination of the present rule limiting the tonnage of freight on a single train. In other words a speed-up is offered as an alternative to a nominal wage increase.

"We have not given serious attention to the specific demands of the conductors and trainmen for increases amounting to from 15 to 27%," the decision brazenly admits. It is generally believed that the union officials will now attempt to crawl out of the strike situation and that only an insistent demand by the men can force action.

## Mussolini, Scared by Anti-Fascists, Stays Away From Ceremony

PARIS, Oct. 30.—Forty miles of new railway between the French Riviera and the Italian Piedmont were opened today without the presence of Mussolini, who had originally expressed his intention of being present at the inauguration ceremony.

As a result of the protests of Italian refugees and anti-fascists in France Mussolini was so frightened that he decided to stay away. But an unusual watch over the Italian minister of National Economy, Signor Giurati, who participated in the opening, was ordered.

The speeches of the French and Italian diplomats were not very enthusiastic due to uneasiness concerning the military strategy of the new line. They were further embarrassed by the recent arrest for espionage of an Italian clerk in the Italian consulate at Lyons. Documents concerning the French defenses of the Alps the Mediterranean coast and Corsica were found on the spy, who revealed a plot to obtain the new French automatic rifle for the Italian government. When the spy was caught, plans had already been made to smuggle the rifle across the border.

## U. S. Steel Profits for 3-Month Period Jumps \$10,000,000

(By United Press)  
United States Steel Corporation yesterday published its earnings statement for the three months ended September 30. Net earnings in that period after federal taxes, interest on bonds of subsidiaries and before depreciation was \$52,148,476, against \$41,373,831 in the same quarter of 1927.

## NEW OIL DIRECTOR

(By United Press.)  
Arthur W. Cullen today was elected a director of Sinclair Consolidated Oil Company to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of P. W. Thirtle, comptroller. Thirtle was elected a vice-president.

## LABOR ANSWERS CALL FOR FUNDS

### \$951 Received; Day's Quota Almost Raised

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the last few days to \$80, with more promised soon.

Secretary Stephen of Toledo wrote: "Dear Comrades: In answer to Comrade Lovestone's telegram that you needed at least \$50 from Toledo immediately, we got every available dollar to gether and you will find check for same enclosed. We will try to raise more on the lists we receive and from the membership here and forward it as soon as possible."

Other contributions received yesterday, which should be mentioned, as \$48 from Section 1, New York City; \$35.50 from the members of the Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit Fund, Branch 28, Long Island City; \$38 from the Bronx Ukrainian Society; \$22 from workers in Haverhill, Mass.; \$19.50 from Grand Rapids, Mich.; and \$8.25 from workers in the Rockefeller Colorado Fuel and Iron Co. in Pueblo, Colo. The Oakland, Cal., nucleus sent in \$65, of which \$15 was collected at a meeting of the unit.

With the \$951 received yesterday, the total so far received in the \$10,000 Emergency Drive amount to \$2,859. The day before yesterday, \$741 was received, but due to an error at the Daily Worker office, the story about this contribution was omitted from yesterday's paper. With 6 more days before Election Day the National Election Campaign Committee must have \$1,000 each day in order to keep the campaign going at its present pace. Anything less than this will curtail the activity of the campaign to that extent. Rush by wire or special delivery, all funds collected to the Committee, at 43 E. 125th Street, New York City.

## DENY GILLIS PAROLE

SALFORD, Mass., Oct. 30 (UP).—Mayor "Boss" Gillis of Newburyport today was denied a parole from Salford Jail, where he is serving the fourth week of a two-month sentence for selling gasoline without a permit. Petitions signed by 3,500 Newburyport citizens, asking the mayor's release from jail, were dismissed by District Attorney William Clark and Probation Officer Charles A. Salisbury following a conference.

There is still time to regain our positions by a formidable counter-offensive. And the achievements of decades of struggle will not be lost.

The French proletariat is now in best form, answering blow for blow. The class war is now in its ascending period and the provocation of the reactionary government only exasperates the workers more, sharpening their will to liberate themselves from bourgeois tyranny.

—L. D.

## TRAITORS INSIST KEEP PROTECTION AGAINST SANDINO

### Both Candidates Want Marines to Stay

WASHINGTON, Oct. 30.—Complete submission to the United States government, no matter whether conservatives or liberals are put into power, and continued adherence to Washington after the elections on Sunday, was assured today by Don Alejandro Cesar, Nicaraguan minister to the United States.

He declared that his government would welcome the continued presence of the American forces, and he hoped that they would create a powerful national guard and remain at least until the next elections in 1932.

"Reports to the effect that American marines will continue to be stationed in Nicaragua following the presidential elections on November 4 have been received by the Nicaraguan government with feelings of deep satisfaction," Minister Cesar said. "It will be recalled that both General Jose Moncada, the liberal candidate, and Dr. Adolfo Benard, the conservative candidate, have expressed through an interchange of correspondence their desire that the United States government should supervise the national elections in 1932."

It seems to many that both political groups are extremely anxious to have the protection of the United States military against the popular sentiment for Sandino and his struggle against American domination.

## BLOOR COVERS WEST ON TOUR

### Plan Windup Meeting in Phoenix

DENVER, Colo., Oct. 30.—"Mother" Bloor, veteran Communist speaker and campaigner, who has been covering the middle and far west of the country, is now beginning the last lap of her election campaign tour, which will carry her through the states of Colorado, New Mexico and Arizona.

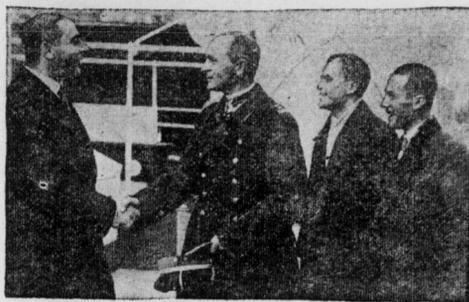
At present she is touring Colorado, covering almost every point in the state, and addressing coal miners and other workers in the industrial cities and centers on the various militant struggles which the Workers (Communist) Party is conducting.

After her Colorado campaign is completed, Mother Bloor will swing down into New Mexico, carrying the message of the class struggle to the exploited workers of that state. From there she will turn west again to Arizona, where on the last day of the election campaign she will address the workers of Phoenix, where the jingoist organizations recently attempted to crush the campaign of the Workers Party by plotting to kidnap Benjamin Gitlow, Communist vice-presidential candidate. The windup meeting in Phoenix is expected to be one of the biggest ever held in the state.

## SAILOR COURT-MARTIALED

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 30 (UP).—Lieutenant Cusutemec Perez, of the Mexican navy, has been cited for court martial for attempting to bootleg liquor into the United States the Universal's Vera Cruz correspondent said today. The bootlegging attempt was said to have been made in a recent voyage from Agua Prieta to United States ports.

## Will Advertise Polish Fascism



Polish fascism has sent its crack cavalry team to this country to take part in an international meet. Photo above shows members of the team being welcomed on their arrival by Roman Lackey, council secretary of the Polish embassy.

## HOOVER TO MAKE LATIN AMERICA INTO COLONY

By ALBERT MOREAU.

The American financial oligarchy has made the best choice in having secured the nomination of Herbert Hoover as the presidential candidate for the republican party. If he is elected president of the United States on November 6th of this year—and there is no doubt that he will—American imperialism will make a further step in the realization of its program of merging financial capital and government apparatus. For Mr. Hoover is not only an obedient servant of capitalism, a strong man for the maintenance and furtherance of colonial aggression, but he himself is an expert financier whose interests are involved in Latin America, particularly in Colombia and Mexico.

### Hoover a Millionaire.

Hoover's annual budget is estimated to be over \$100,000. The meagre salary as secretary of commerce that he has been getting until recently hardly covered the expenses for the rent of his modest mansion. His services to the capitalist class brought a lucrative return and, furthermore, the experience in the investment of capital in foreign trade monopoly served him to change his position from a mere manager to a respectable investor, a financier of good abilities looking after his "future."

### Hoover's Interests in Mexico.

According to "American Politics and Mexican Concession," a bulletin issued by Jonathan Whickwire, Hoover is known to have been on the board of the General Petroleum Ltd. which merged in 1926 with the Standard Oil of New York through the Continental Mexican Petroleum Company. These combined interests control 7,500 acres of oil lands and 250 acres of water frontage at Tampico, Mexico.

Mr. Hoover, vice chairman of the republican national committee, and Mr. Hoover's pre-convention manager, is chairman of the Transcontinental Oil Company, a \$52,000,000

concern and owns 50 per cent of the interests in Papatula Oil Company of Mexico with 2,000 acres on Vera Cruz field. The republican presidential candidate has also been, according to this bulletin, a director of the Santa Gertrudis Ltd., a \$10,000,000 concern, and also of Camp Bird Ltd., a parent \$7,000,000 concern. In gold and silver mining properties Hoover controlled and operated 600 acres in Hidalgo, 1,364 in Puebla and 733 acres in Zacatecas.

Thus, American concessions in Mexico are entangled with the personal interests of the Hoovers and the Morgans. The political and economic consequences in the future can be well visualized.

### Colombian Interests.

Here, Mr. Hoover, through his associates and particularly Mr. Huston, is concerned with the Transcontinental Oil Company, a \$52,000,000 firm listing 1,787,000 acres of land. Theodore Jesse Hoover, the candidate's brother, was a director of the Oroville Dredging Company Ltd., a \$1,000,000 corporation. This company controls three gold mines and 22,000 acres in the Nechi River district, Antioquia, Colombia. (American Petroleum Concession in Colombia, map by Jonathan Whickwire.)

### An Astute Politician.

The properties personally owned by Hoover and through his associates are not listed since 1920. It is quite difficult to trail his name in connection with other American interests in Latin America. Since his entrance into politics, Hoover has managed to have his name barred from corporation directories. But according to statisticians, no date on disposition of properties can be found, thus denoting his efforts of hiding his direct relations with the American imperialists.

The further penetration of capital in Latin America, the successful endeavor of complete monopoly of the oil, coal, rubber, coffee and

## ANTI-FRUIT CO. PARTY LEADS IN HONDURAS POLL

### But U. S. Firm Holds Control

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras, Oct. 30 (UP).—The election of Dr. Vincente Mejia Colindres, liberal-republican candidate for president, seemed assured today on the basis of incomplete returns from Sunday's election.

Dr. Colindres was opposed by General Tiburcio Carias, conservative-nationalist. Dr. Carias overthrew the Lopez Gutierrez dictatorship after Carias had failed to win the election in 1923. He was barred as a candidate by the United States in the last election, which was won by Dr. Miguel Paz Baraona.

Sunday's election will be approved by the national congress before it becomes valid.

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras, Oct. 30.—Behind the elections and the pending border dispute between Honduras and Guatemala is the United Fruit Company, an American concern, which has most of its holdings in Honduras, although many of its plantations are spread throughout Central America.

It is reported that General Tiburcio Carias, conservative candidate, is being backed by the fruit company, and many conservatives claim that they will win the elections despite returns thus far. The province administrations as well as the central government is now in the hands of the conservatives, which militates considerably against any other party trying to gain power.

Thus far the returns indicate that 90 per cent of the electoral districts have been won by the liberal candidates.

### EARTHQUAKE SHOCK FELT

CINCINNATI, O., Oct. 30 (UP).—An earthquake shock of moderate intensity and estimated at 2,000 miles south, was recorded on the seismograph at St. Xavier College last midnight. A secondary shock was felt four minutes after the first tremor.

Other natural resources of these countries will be completed ably if Hoover will be the next president. Hoover, the imperialist, knows his game. He will do all in his power to continue Coolidge's program of forcible intervention in other countries of Latin America as he did in Nicaragua. Hoover, the iron heel of imperialism, will execute the program of more colonial oppression by American imperialism. He will execute the plans for war preparations which this time will involve the millions of workers and peasants of Latin America.

## FRANCE ON THE ROAD TO FASCISM

### Fascist Dictatorship Substituting for Bourgeois Democracy

(Special to the Daily Worker)

NICE, France.  
Since the last legislative elections which brought the national bloc to power, fascism, gradually but visually, is substituting bourgeois democracy in France. It is being introduced so systematically and with such tact that it cannot be combated with the same vigor and the same facility as in a country where it appears as a minority party standing outside and against the actual regime.

The French type of fascism is characterized by the fact that it springs directly out of a democratic governing body, elected according to purely bourgeois-democratic methods. This type of fascism is distinguished from all other types hitherto exposed by the European bourgeoisie, by the fact that it does not have recourse to a special coup d'etat, nor to preliminary armed battles of particular fascist organizations with the revolutionary workers. On the contrary, since Poincare is in power, or rather, since his ministry took a fascist attitude, the existing fascist organizations like the Jeunesses Patriotiques, led by Taithinger, the one led by Millerand, the royalists, the Faisceaux, etc., have disappeared from the active political battlefield. Have they been assured by the present government? Have they been pacified by the promise that fascism will be instituted by legal means? Can it be explained otherwise when all fascist organizations have suspended their material activity?

Pact with Fascists.  
It is as evident as day that the Poincare ministry has concluded a compromise with the different fascist organizations, promising to install fascism with the aid of all the forces at the disposal of the state, and that only in case the revolutionary proletariat presents a serious resistance, should the fascist organizations take part in the fray. They constitute, in brief, the reserve or emergency troops of the democratic-fascist government.

municipalities were stripped of all authority in the communes under their control; where the government denied the mayors the right to give their electors an account of their mandate. Or the mass deportations of foreigners, on the simple nod of the fascist consuls, or for simply being members of trade unions. The imprisonment of editors of the labor press, interference with Leninist schools, persecutions of the Friends of Spartacus, and the Friends of the Soviet Union, organizations embracing workers elements of various beliefs and which are not political. The banning of Soviet films, the levying of parliamentary immunity of workers' representatives in parliament or other legislative bodies; the brutal suppression of peaceful workers' demonstrations, etc. Add to these facts the recent Boncour law on the militarization of men, women and children, regardless of age, in time of war, and the present press campaign against the Communist Party and against the factory correspondents of the "Humanite," demanding the outlawing of correspondence and the imprisonment of workers' correspondents in the munition factories, on the ground that they are a part of an immense network of espionage.

## AMERICA PREPARES THE NEXT WAR

by JAY LOVESTONE

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# Labor Defense to Fight Ousting of Two Young Pioneers from Bronx Public School

## PRINCIPAL MAKES THREAT TO CALL JINGOES TO AID

### Expulsions Climax of Long Persecution

"I intend calling in the American Legion and the Veterans of Foreign Wars to help me exterminate the Pioneers from this school."

Thus Principal McGuire, of Public School 61, Crotona Park East and Charlotte St., openly expressed his determination to use fascist methods in persecuting the Communist children's organization. He made this statement on Monday to Jacques Buitenkant, attorney for the New York Section of the International Labor Defense, who had come to see him in regard to Harry Eisman and Bernard Kaplan, two Pioneers, whom McGuire had suspended from school because of their militant activity.

McGuire made his threat after insulting Buitenkant and abusing the Workers (Communist) Party and the Young Pioneers. He also admitted that he is playing the role of an open provocateur, as he has reported Eisman to the police department, the immigration authorities and the board of education.

### Long Persecution.

Eisman and Kaplan were suspended as a climax to a long series of persecutions at P. S. 61 that began to take an acute form on Monday, Oct. 22. On that day McGuire attacked the Pioneers in a speech in the school auditorium. Eisman raised his hand to speak, but was ignored. He spoke anyway and defended the Pioneers, as a result of which he was sent home and told to get his brother to go with him to the district superintendent.

The following day the "Young Spark" the school paper of the Pioneers, was distributed at the school. For this "crime" Eisman, Kaplan, Jeannette Rubin, Nathan Singer and Daniel Melitz of Monroe High School were taken to McGuire's office. After many threats by McGuire, the children were sent back to their classrooms. The following day the "Young Spark" was again distributed and Eisman, Kaplan, Libby Taft and Miriam Rosenfeld were ordered to bring their parents to school. A committee of parents saw McGuire and all the children were ultimately taken back with the exception of Eisman and Kaplan, who were indefinitely suspended. McGuire tried to force Kaplan to make a statement repudiating the Young Pioneers and promising to stop distributing the "Young Spark," but despite the principal's threats the Pioneer refused to turn traitor.

### I. L. D. to Fight Case.

McGuire has declared his determination that Eisman, who is the leading spirit in the work of the Young Pioneers at P. S. 61, shall not return to his school. He is willing to take Kaplan back, but wants to punish him by putting him in a lower grade.

The New York Section of the International Labor Defense yesterday issued a statement, signed by Rose Baron, secretary, denouncing the persecution of Young Pioneers at P. S. 61 and the terroristic threats made by Principal McGuire. The I. L. D. has started a fight to compel the principal to reinstate, without reservations, the two militant working class children.

## Assassin of Obregon to Be Tried Thursday

MEXICO CITY, Oct. 30. (U.P.)—The trial of Jose De Leon Toral, assassin of president-elect Obregon, is scheduled to start next Monday unless delayed by a new court move, it was said tonight.

The next move, however, would necessarily be made by the defense attorneys who signified today that they would be ready for the trial to start.

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petty bosses, small bankers and brokers and lawyers behind it. All these parties of capitalism have the right of way. The road for them is clear. The present government is their government. The reactionary organizations are their mainstays. The enemies of the workers are their friends.

Our friends are the workers in the mines and mills—the mines of West Virginia and Ohio, the coal diggers of Illinois, the iron and copper miners of the Mesaba Range, the textile workers of Massachusetts, the garment workers of New York, the Negro masses in the South and the Negro workers in the Birmingham steel mills, the working farmers on the land.

Our Party is the only Party of the working class. We ask the workers to give until it hurts the capitalist reaction.

Give all you can. Have your shopmate give all he or she can. Get your friend in the coal pit to dig down deep and strike a blow at the open shop army by a donation, no matter how small, for the Communist election campaign. Talk it over with the workers at the factory gate in the lunch hour. Make them see the light in the interests of the working class. Get them into the fight. Get them to give for their class, for their cause.

Party members, workers! Your Party's need is great. Your response to the Party's needs must be greater. The fight we are in is most-worthwhile. Our work to date can only instill us with intense proletarian pride. In the face of the most ruthless and cunning imperialist enemy, sitting atop the world, the forces of working class supremacy and victory—the Communist forces—are marching forward.

Give to beat back the Wall Street war campaign.

Give for the defense of the Soviet Union—the only workers' and farmers' republic, the fatherland of the working class.

Give for the organization of the great mass of unorganized—coal, steel, needle, oil, textile, rubber and other workers, into powerful, militant unions.

Give for the right of the workers to strike.

Give for the complete social and political equality of the Negroes and for the wiping out of the lynchers and their democracy.

Pitch in to stand by the hundreds of workers soon to be tried in New Bedford, in the Western Pennsylvania coal fields, in Kansas, for daring to resist the wage cuts, for striking against the open shop, for fighting for their Party, the Communist Party.

Do your bit to help build a powerful, mass, American Communist Party.

Swell the \$10,000 fund to hasten the day of a workers' and farmers' republic in the United States.

Comrades, workers! Your needs are our needs. Our tasks and duties are your tasks and duties. We have a common enemy and a common job. Let's do our job well and quickly.

GIVE AND GIVE AT ONCE. TODAY. YOUR BEST. YOUR MOST.

## Workers Party Activities

**Workers Party Notice.**  
All units are instructed to meet regularly and promptly every week until the election campaign is over and take up as the main order of business the immediate tasks of the election campaign.

**Party Members Notice.**  
Leaflets for the Madison Square Garden meeting are now ready in the district office. All units are instructed to call for their quotas for distribution on Thursday, Friday and Saturday.

**Night Workers.**  
A meeting of the Night Workers Branch will take place today at 2:30 p. m. at 26-28 Union Square, top floor.

All units are instructed to secure posters and tickets for the Madison Square Garden meeting of November 4th at the district office.

**A. J. Attention.**  
The City Central Committee of Elizabeth N. J. is organizing a Mass-Quarade Ball and Bazaar for Saturday evening, Dec. 1st. All units and workers organizations of nearby cities are requested to arrange any conflicting affairs for that day.

**Brooklyn Y. W. L.**  
The Brooklyn section of the Y. W. L. will hold a youth election campaign rally on Friday, Nov. 2, at 8:30 p. m. at 1400 Boston Road. Phil Frankfeld, candidate in 3rd Assembly District for the Workers Party, will speak.

**Lower Bronx Young Workers League.**  
Tomorrow's open air meeting at 153rd St. and Willis Ave. Speakers: Katz, Adler, Stein, Shiffman, Kasinowitz, Pioneer.  
Friday, All comrades of Y. W. L. Lower Bronx unit be sure to come to the election rally on Friday, Nov. 2, 1400 Boston Road, 8 p. m. sharp. This cancels previous announcements.

**Downtown Y. W. L. Unit 2.**  
All members of Downtown Unit No. 2 of the Y. W. L. must participate in the Red night which is to be held by the Party sections of the district. Please report at 101 West 27th St. today at 7:30 p. m.  
The following comrades are scheduled to speak at the various meetings: Brustein, Gellman, Fox, Milton, Jansky, Duke, Rothman, Cooper, Helfand, Richman, Harris, Rosen.

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## LITHUANIANS ACTIVE IN RED ELECTION DRIVE

### Section Is Playing an Important Role

A report on the election campaign of the Lithuanian section of the Workers (Communist) Party shows the great activity of these comrades. Up until last week, they had distributed 50,000 copies of an election campaign leaflet issued by the National Bureau of the Lithuanian section.

The Lithuanian Bureau sent to all Party fractions and sympathizers in labor organizations an appeal and instructions as to methods of conducting the election campaign, how to get sympathetic organizations to endorse the Communist candidates, the collection of funds, the distribution of leaflets, the Party press, etc.

### Accomplish Something.

The good results of this intensive activity are shown by the fact that the Central Executive Committee of the Lithuanian Literary Society, an organization of over 6,000 members, endorsed the Communist ticket and issued an appeal urging every member who is a citizen to vote for the Communist ticket. The CEC of the Lithuanian Alliance of Working Women took similar action regarding the Communist ticket.

The Lithuanian Communist daily, *Laisve*, has prepared a special campaign issue of which 25,000 copies will be printed for free distribution. The Lithuanian Bureau is also touring Comrade R. Mizera through New England on a speaking tour. Reports received from various cities indicate that the Lithuanian comrades are arranging numerous election campaign mass meetings to acquaint the Lithuanian workers with the Communist program.

### Need Funds for Work.

The Lithuanian comrades say that they could intensify the campaign many fold with greater finances. They are limited in the number of election leaflets they can print as

## Fraternal Organizations PHILA. POLITICIAN HAS SACCO FACTS

### True Criminals Known to Ex-Gunmen

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works for fair, didn't they?"  
"Yes," I said, "and they had no more to do with the jobs than you did."

"He said, 'Everybody in the underworld knew that those two poor wops had been razed dazed,' and then he closed up 'tight as a clam.' I pressed him for further information. I assured him that I wouldn't quote him and that I didn't intend to get anybody whom he might mention into any trouble."

"All I want is the story," I said, "you know that I wouldn't put the finger on any of the mob."

"I know you wouldn't yell copper on anybody," he went on, "but at the same time I'm not going to talk about things that might send somebody to the chair. Suppose I told you what I know about them gunning matches up there in Massachusetts and it leaked out and the mob was nailed for it and went to the chair; what a fine rep I'd have if that happened."

Callahan also expresses his conviction that the true story of the South Braintree affair is buried somewhere in the New England underworld and intimates that he has certain facts or clues in his possession which he does not care to discuss at present. It is believed that Callahan will continue his efforts to hunt down the true murderers of the Slater and Morrill Shoe Company paymasters in order that the Outlook may be able to achieve completely its aim of restoring faith in that "justice" which cold-bloodedly tortured and murdered the two militant Italian workers.

It is, however, considered highly improbable that Callahan's researches will have any effect whatsoever on Governor Fuller, and three members of his commission that conducted the fake "investigation" into the case or any others who helped to frame and murder Sacco and Vanzetti. Fuller has declared himself unimpressed by the confession of Frank Silva, published in *The Outlook*, and Lowell, Stratton and Grant have added their obedient voices to the chorus of the unimpressed.

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Women's Culture Club.  
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Jewelry Workers Welfare Club.  
Jewelry Workers Welfare Club will hold a concert and dance Saturday evening, Nov. 3, at New Webster Manor, 125 E. 11th St. Gregory Matusevitch, Russian concertina virtuoso, Harry Fatkin, violinist, will feature.

Brighton Beach I. L. D.  
All Brighton Beach workers are invited to the next meeting of the Brighton Beach I. L. D. to be held this Friday at 8:30 p. m. at 227 Brighton Beach Ave.

Working Women Council 21.  
Council 21 will hear a lecture by Mary Hartleb at its meeting tonight at 3510 Church Ave., Brooklyn.

C. C. N. Y.—I. L. D.  
Meeting tomorrow at 799 Broadway, Room 422 at 8 p. m.

Office Workers Attention.  
All office workers in the Young Workers League are asked to send in their names and addresses to the District Office immediately.

Harlem Section A Dance.  
A dance has been arranged by Harlem Section A for Monday, Nov. 5, at the Harlem Workers Center, 143 E. 163rd St. Proceeds to Red Campaign Fund.

Women's Council 17.  
Women's Council 17 of Brighton Beach will have a tea party and entertainment Saturday, Nov. 3, 8 p. m. at 227 Brighton Beach Ave. for benefit of election campaign. All comrades welcome.

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## Some Negro Leaders Surrender

American Negroes are reaping the result of leadership by men whose station in life makes them dependents of the white ruling class.

This is strikingly exhibited in the public appeal signed by a long list of "prominent Negro leaders" in connection with the election campaign. This appeal purports to be an appeal "for a public repudiation of this campaign of racial hatred" which, it is pointed out, both the democratic and republican parties are conducting in connection with the presidential election.

But this is not the essential character of the "appeal." The language of the document contains such shameful, humiliating surrender of the Negroes' rights of manhood and womanhood, that this other quality, the quality of surrender, overshadows any weak little note of protest there is in it.

After condemning the action of the two big capitalist parties in regard to "the emphasis of racial contempt and hatred" (with which condemnation, as far as it goes, we heartily agree) the signers of the "appeal" then get down on their knees to say:

"Do not misunderstand us. We are not asking equality where there is no equality. We are not demanding or even discussing purely social intermingling. We have not the slightest desire for intermarriage between the races. We frankly recognize that the aftermath of slavery must involve long years of poverty, crime and contempt; for all that the past has brought and the present gives we have paid in good temper, quiet work and unflinching faith."

There are other passages not so bad, not so abject; but the tone is one of submission at the present time, with only a whimper of timid and polite hope for the "gradual disappearance of inequalities between racial groups" (our emphasis).

The tremendous question of social equality—which is in reality a question of million-fold classes—is dismissed by these "leaders" as though the matter to them has become nothing more than the wearing of a dress shirt by some colored intellectual at some rich white parasite's dinner party. The question of the laws of some thirty-odd states which put the Negro on the level of lower animals by forbidding marriages of persons of different race is tossed aside by these "leaders" with the shallow, cynical, meaningless words: "We have not the slightest desire for intermarriage between the races."

What is the matter with these leaders of an abused race of men and women engaged in fighting against slavery?

We think what's the matter with them is that they have lost their social vision; they have become soft with living as "intellectuals" on the crumbs from the table of the white bourgeoisie. They have lost touch with the million-fold masses of black men and women who are sweating in slavery at the hardest industrial labor and on southern plantations. We say categorically that the great masses of the Negro people—working people—cannot and will not give up the struggle for full emancipation here and now.

These blind "leaders" are still creeping on their knees before the republican and democratic parties (or the little "socialist" party) of capitalism!

Have these "intellectuals" lost their historical sense? Are they, like Garvey, descending to the level of those other Negro "leaders" who, in the decades before the American Civil War, licked the boots of the American Colonization Society, agreeing to the deportation of the Negro to far-away Africa because they did not know and could not understand that "Impending Crisis" of social upheaval and class struggle which was about to overthrow the then existing order and abolish chattel slavery?

The trouble with these genteel men and women "leaders" is that they believe in the present system of capitalist society which includes the oppression of the Negro masses as a special and inferior labor caste for cheap exploitation. They have lost their historical sense.

But as these leaders retreat—and the more they retreat—the great masses of toiling Negro people are gaining in understanding of historical events of the present. The Negro masses are more and more coming to understand that the "impending crisis" of so-

cial upheaval of today is far bigger and more deep-going than that struggle between classes nearly three-quarters of a century ago in which the Negro was at least partly freed of chattel slavery. The greater class struggles of the immediate future (and of the present, beginning with 1917 in Russia) which include the struggles between the working class and the capitalist class in capitalist countries and already convulse a large part of Asia—call the Negro masses to the fight for freedom.

The toiling, sweating, enslaved masses of Negro men and women have already begun to find their own leaders among their own working class ranks—black men and women who see the "impending crisis" of the present day and who know how to engage in that class struggle which will make a new world of freedom and equality for men and women of all races, through the overthrow of the parasite class by the enslaved who themselves will make the new world.

That is why the Negro workers in every case where they can be reached in the present political campaign by the Workers (Communist) Party are flocking to its "Program of Class Struggle."

## Smith's Threat to Latin America

Al Smith's speech on Latin America Monday night was a thinly disguised piece of imperialist impudence hypocritically couched in biblical language. This product of Tammany Hall and candidate of the House of Morgan declared:

"Believing as I do in the great brotherhood of man under the fatherhood of God, I am satisfied that the American people will always be ready and willing to assume their fair share of responsibility for the administration of the world."

This banality was uttered by way of introducing the question of imperialist policy toward Latin America. The democratic candidate asserted that through application of the Monroe doctrine "we hope to regain the confidence of our neighbors in Latin America."

A former president of the United States, Woodrow Wilson, also a democrat and agent of the House of Morgan, showed the peoples of Haiti and Santo Domingo just how the democrats interpret the Monroe doctrine by using armed mercenaries to overthrow duly constituted governments and place in their stead puppet governments that would supinely serve the interests of Wall Street.

The Mellon-Coolidge-Kellogg-Hoover government has extended and intensified the banditry inaugurated by Wilson to include Nicaragua and other nations.

Smith approves the same sort of frightfulness and insults the victims and potential victims of imperialist vandalism by calling campaigns of wholesale murder examples of "the brotherhood of man." Just as Torquemada, the dungeon builder of the Roman Catholic inquisition in Spain solemnly declared that he burned people at the stake because he loved them and only desired to save their souls, so Smith, who embraces the same superstition, uses the arguments of the inquisition in dealing with Latin America. The difference is that Torquemada acted as agent of the feudal barons, while Smith speaks in behalf of modern imperialism.

There is but one demand, and one only, that can be made to ensure the confidence of Latin Americans and that is the unconditional evacuation of those countries. Withdraw all armed forces and permit the peoples of those countries to conduct their own affairs.

But none of the capitalist parties, democratic, republican or "socialist," will ever do such a thing because that would be equivalent to abandoning their imperialist designs. Only the Workers (Communist) Party fights effectively against imperialism. We wage a fight in this country against the imperialist government by endeavoring to mobilize the masses for a revolutionary struggle against the Wall Street government at Washington and at the same time we make common cause with the Latin Americans and other oppressed peoples and try to incite them to rise as one power against the murderous Yankee imperialism and to drive its armies from that part of the world.

A vote for a republican or democrat or socialist is a vote for imperialism. A vote for Communism is a vote against imperialism.

## THAYER: "TOO LATE NOW YOU ANARCHISTIC BASTARDS!"

By Fred Ellis



## Does Campaign Offer Hope to Toiling Masses

By JOHN J. WATT. (President, National Miners' Union)

On the sixth day of November, the workers will march to the polls to cast their votes for one candidate or the other, hoping that by that act they may help bring about better conditions for themselves and their families. They are hoping almost against hope, because of the bitter experiences they have had in this "prosperous" nation during the last few years, where especially in the mining districts, starvation, prosecution have been their lot. All of this has been brought about under the administration of republican and democratic politicians, who now are asking to be returned to office to continue the "prosperity" that does not exist so far as the working class is concerned.

The Political Parties, and Their Candidates. Whom Do They Represent?

I find the rank and file workers in the mining strike areas have a much clearer understanding of what faces them politically than do the workers of other sections who have not faced the injunctions, evictions, clubbings, jailings and starvation. The republican party with its man Hoover, is very repugnant to them. "Prosperity" is a mythical issue to them—it does not exist so far as they are concerned, and with such support behind the republican party as Wall Street, Big Booze, Non-Union Bosses and Labor Traitors, the workers see no hope for them in that party. They view as an "Unholy Alliance" the trinity of John L. Lewis, Andy Mellon and John D. Rockefeller, lined up behind Hoover. Haven't they suffered enough under Lewis, Mellon, and John D. Rockefeller in Colorado, Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Workers Have Their Number.

Do these not all stand for Company Unions, and huge monopolies of capital, for no interference with Big Business? Sure they do, and the workers have their number.

Millions of workers in America at the present time are unemployed; union after union is now being smashed under the republican administration aided on the industrial field by its trusted labor lieutenants of the Lewis type. When the workers endeavor to break away from the old unions that have been sold out and can no longer serve them because of the traitors who rule them, we see this same treacherous leadership backed up by the political administration, with the use of police and thugs, attempting to prevent the workers from organizing unions that will serve them. No clearer demonstration as to the alignment of the labor leadership and the open-shop politicians is needed than that which was exposed in Pittsburgh on September 9, 1928 when the militant's within the miners union (many of whom had been thrown out of the old U. M. W. A.) met to form a real fighting union. The reactionary officialdom, police and gunmen tried to prevent them from doing so. This was indeed a complete exposure and an open confession that John L. Lewis and Andy Mellon's Pittsburgh police were out for one and the same cause industrially, as they now are out for the one and the same cause politically. Coupling all this with the injunctions served, with the clubbings from the cossacks and mine police, arrests, evictions, barracks and starvation, is it any wonder that the workers in the strike areas are "off" the present administration?

Brown Derby Tammany Al.

On the other hand many workers are deceived by the campaign put on by the democratic party, by their fake 18th amendment plank, their "sidewalks of New York" candidate. They are deceived by a desire to get rid of republican rule at any cost. Yes, the workers are being deceived and many no doubt will cast a vote for Al Smith, the other Gold Dust Twin of Wall Street.

What does the democratic party hold out for to the workers? Nothing. Its candidates are supplied with funds from the same sources as the republican party, Wall Street. The truth is that their reports for donations to the campaign (republican contributions show the same) almost without exception enumerate donations from \$5,000 to \$50,000 which come from big business. Furthermore, the gigantic monopolies and corporations are equally backing both parties and some of the largest scab coal operators in America are lined up behind the campaign of Al Smith and the democratic party. Can that kind of an alliance offer any hope to the toilers of America?

Isn't it a fact that in the democratic state of Ohio, under a democratic governor, the militia was used against our mine workers, that our women folks were lodged in jail, that our workers were clubbed and arrested? Is it not true that injunctions were issued against the unions while the democrats were in power? You haven't forgotten the famous Anderson injunction that was an excuse for Lewis to call off the strike of the miners in 1919.

There is nothing in the democratic party, there has been nothing in the past democratic rule that has proven their friendship to labor. They are out to help big business. They say don't believe in the "excessive" use of injunctions, but who, dear worker, will define what the word "excessive" means, if not the same judges who now are preventing you from singing even the "sacred" church hymns.

(To Be Continued.)

## Communists Make Big Gains in Sweden

By A. J. SMOLAN, Gothenburg.

The Riksdag elections in Sweden are now practically over. They have, it is true, brought an essential strengthening of the right, but at the same time the Communists, so fiercely opposed by all other parties, have more than doubled their number of votes. The advance both of the left and of the right was effected at the expense of the social democrats and the petty-bourgeois "freeminded" party, the former losing 14 and the latter two mandates. The keenest disappointment must certainly be felt by the social democrats, who went into the fight with high-sounding slogans, with the full intention of gaining the absolute majority in the chamber and therewith also the governmental authority, instead of which they have suffered a considerable set-back, which they feel all the more seriously in view of the fact that they will now be excluded from participation in the government for the next four years.

### 6 Mandates.

According to calculations made to date, it appears that the Communists have polled 122,726 votes, representing an increase of 66,012 or 115.4 per cent. In consequence, the Party will have six mandates in the place of four in the old Riksdag. When the Stockholm results are finally known, the Party will probably be found to have netted two more mandates in addition to these six. The social democrats, with their 788,128 votes, show an increase of 17.2 per cent; the resulting 82 mandates will, however, represent a loss of 14. The liberal party polled 55,409 votes, or 2250 less than in 1924; they will continue to be represented by three members in the Riksdag. For the freeminded party 294,162 votes were recorded, which was 32.6 per cent more than four years ago; nevertheless they will have only 27 seats in the new Riksdag, as against 29 in the old. The conservatives (Högern) polled 605,330 votes or an increase of 49 per cent; they will have 67 seats, which is eight more than at the last elections. The Farmers' union, the organization of well-to-do farmers, secured 259,090 votes, representing an increase of 68,694 votes, or 37 per cent more than in 1924. The union will be represented in the Riksdag by 27 members, or four more than hitherto.

The Swedish Riksdag is divided into two chambers. The upper chamber corresponds more or less to the former Prussian "Herrenhaus," since its 150 members are elected by the provincial diets and municipal assemblies. Those who are elected to this distinguished body must be at least 35 years old and possess a fortune of 50,000 crowns or a yearly income of 5000 crowns. Before the war, the social democrats moved the abolition of this body, which they were wont to call the "old men's house," but now 52 socialists are themselves members of the upper chamber and join with the bourgeois parties in resisting the Communist demand for its abolition.

The second chamber consists of 230 deputies, elected for a period of four years. All electors must have entered upon their twenty-third year in the twelvemonth preceding the elections; thus most of those who vote in Sweden are quite twenty-four years old. This "reform" was put through after the war by the bourgeois and social democratic parties, and all attempts on the part of the Communists to extend the franchise to the earlier twenties have hitherto met with a united resistance on the part of these factions.

Social Democrats Do Nothing. The last election was held in the autumn of 1924. At that time the social democrats succeeded in gaining 105 seats and in overthrowing the government of the right. They had promised to reduce military expenditure by 50 per cent and to introduce a general unemployment insurance. It was to these promises that they mainly owed their success. For the third time in the history of Sweden they undertook the government of the country, but although they were in power for almost two years they did nothing towards the fulfillment of the promises they had made. Though in 1924 they had maintained that they would spend at most 88 million crowns for national defence purposes, their military budget figured at 138 millions, added to which their most influential leader helped the right in 1927 to gain a further 105 millions for the increase of the fleet. To what degree they allowed themselves to be influenced by the bourgeois parties appears from the fact that they did not even venture to suggest to the Riksdag the realization of the unemployment insurance project, although they had already drawn up the relative bill. Thus Sweden is one of the few countries paying no unemployment benefit at all, although there has been a chronic state of unemployment since 1920 with an army of unemployed of about 120,000.

In 1924, 1,765,000 out of 3,300,000 persons entitled to vote (or barely more than the half) took part in the elections. Of these, 752,000 were social democrats and 63,000 Communists. At this year's election there was a participation of 2,100,000 voters, about 800,000 of whom voted for the social democrats and 110,000 for the Communists. The results from Stockholm may be expected to increase these totals by some 100,000 for the social democrats and 20,000 for the Communists, so that the ag-

## Vote Increases 116 Percent; Workers Militancy Grows

gregate of Communist electors will have increased between 1924 and 1928 by about 67,000, or by well over 100 per cent.

### Gain Seats.

The social democrats, who in the old Riksdag had 105 seats, will have to content themselves in the new house with 92 or at the most 93 seats. The Communists, who had hitherto four seats, will have seven, or at most eight. This proves the "justice" of the electoral system so zealously defended by the social democrats. It is a proportional system, but without general lists like in Germany, so that the big parties are greatly favored at the expense of the small.

This also appears from the fact that in the old Riksdag there was a social democrat deputy to every 7000 voters, a freeminded deputy to every 13,000 and a Communist deputy to every 17,000 or more. Thus, if the seats had been justly distributed, the Communists would even in the old Riksdag have occupied no fewer than 12, and the social democrats 97, instead of 105 seats.

The electioneering campaign, which began in the spring, showed an extraordinary accentuation of class differences in what was hitherto often termed "idyllic" Sweden, with an especially virulent increase of the policy of calumny against the Communist Party and the Soviet Union. In this respect the social democrats vied with the extreme right, and it is hard to say which of the two deserves the palm. The petty-bourgeois government of the freeminded party took part in the election struggle by arresting, with the help of a White-Russian "agent provocateur," one of the employees of the Soviet-Russian telegraph agency "Tass," on the charge of

## JUST A "NEWS ITEM" ABOUT TWO WORKERS

By HELEN BARRETT.

Two men were killed on Fifth Ave. last week. The evening papers had a headline about it, and hidden on an inside page was the story that Harry Linden, 30 years old, and John Johnston, 26 years old, had fallen 18 stories when a rope broke on the scaffold from which they were sandblasting a 5th Ave. building.

I turned the corner into Fifth Ave. just as those bodies reached the ground. One was a huddled mass on the sidewalk; the other lay stretched in the roadway, and a bus and a taxi swerved excitedly around the broken, lifeless figure. At the corner a policeman nonchalantly telephoned police headquarters, "Two fellas fell off a scaffold. Sure they're dead; 18 stories."

Near the top of the lofty building the scaffold still swayed at its deadly angle, as it hung by three ropes. And below the two victims struck horror and pity and rage to the heart of those who saw them. They had lost the full proportions of men and were crushed flat to the pavement. You saw blue overalls, blue shirts, a hand extended, and near it a pool of blood and a battered head.

When I passed in the afternoon, they were mending the sidewalk body. A few people still looked up at the swaying scaffold—and then went on their way. They had no picture of those maimed and broken workers, sacrificed to the carelessness and greed of a boss. The papers said "nearly every bone in their bodies had been broken." Smashed to earth they seemed to cry out, "This is what they do to workers. This is how they kill us in return for our labor."

### GREET SOVIET YOUTH

MOSCOW, Oct. 30.—The Young Communist League of the Soviet Union yesterday celebrated its tenth anniversary. Congratulations were received from the Communist Party and Soviet organizations. The Young Communist International writes: "The Communist youth of the Soviet Union are a guiding star to the young workers of the whole world."

espionage, an event which was exploited for several weeks in the most infamous way by bourgeois and social democrats alike. The police investigation showed the complete baselessness of the charge, as was proved by the fact that the prisoner was released after three days and the charge dismissed. Instead of proclaiming the truth and withdrawing their accusations, however both the bourgeois and the social democrats continue their attacks on Russia. One of the reactionary newspapers of the capital published an idiotic article on an "intended trial mobilization" of the Communists, which, incredibly stupid as it was, was reprinted word by word by the central organ of the social democratic party.

### Develop Towards Left.

All this, however, did not suffice to impede the advantage of the Communists, which shows a welcome development towards the left on the part of the Swedish working class. Nevertheless, the fanatical anti-Bolshevik campaign was not without results. It roused an incredibly large proportion of the "indifferent" and increased the participation in the elections by 20 per cent. Hundreds of thousands of these new voters were driven by their fear of Bolshevism to vote for the right, regarding this as the best means of banishing the spectre of Communism, as were even many who had hitherto given their support to the social democrats. This outcome also lies at the door of the social democratic leaders themselves.

The success of the Communists is all the more to be appreciated if we consider that they had to fight under far more unfavorable conditions than had their opponents. Thus the Communist Party with its 16,000 members has only two daily papers, one of them in the capital and the other in northern Sweden, so that at Gothenburg, the second city of Sweden, with a typically industrial population, the Party is restricted to an insignificant bi-weekly publication, while its opponents have at Gothenburg alone five big dailies at their disposal. In the whole country, which is almost as large as Germany, the bourgeois parties run 350 dailies, besides innumerable weekly and bi-weekly publications, while the social democracy, subsidized by the trade unions, run 30, partly important, dailies. Thanks to the collective affiliation of the trade unions, this party also receives annually several hundred thousand crowns for propaganda purposes, while the Communists are obliged to raise the bulk of their funds by voluntary collections, though it is not intended to deny that in this instance it received more than usual from the local trade unions whose sympathy it enjoys.

The increase in the number of Communist votes, amounting in all to more than 100 per cent, is unequally divided. It is greatest in the typically industrial areas of central, north, and west Sweden, where in some cases it figures at 300 per cent, while the social democrats have in those parts gained but little, even losing a few hundred votes in one particular district. The social democrats have gained most in purely petty-bourgeois regions and among the working class of Gothenburg, which is still greatly influenced by the church.

The next result of this unexpected outcome of the elections will presumably be the replacement of the petty-bourgeois government, which has for the last two years maintained office only by a constant vacillation between the right and the social democrats, by a pronounced government of the right, which will naturally help to clear the general situation.