

## CONGRESS MOVES TO START CANAL THRU NICARAGUA

### Cashing In Wall Street Conquest; Making Navy Stronger

### Dry Law Fund Fight

### Bruce Says Election of Hoover Is Disaster

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17.—Early action on a joint resolution for a survey of the proposed Nicaraguan Canal and for data on feasibility of enlarging the Panama Canal was urged upon the senate today by Senator Edge, republican, New Jersey. The resolution has been reported favorably by the Inter-Oceanic Canals Committee and has a place on the senate calendar. The congress thus begins to exploit the latest Wall Street conquest, and gives the navy more mobility.

The movement of senate democrats to boost prohibition enforcement funds up to \$270,000,000 a year, instead of the \$13,500,000 originally listed, came to naught in the senate today, when the conference report of the treasury and post office appropriation bills was adopted 38 to 35. The conference report eliminated a \$257,000,000 increase proposed by Senator Bruce, wet, democrat, Maryland.

Elements of unconscious humor developed during the debate. Senator Shepard, dry democrat, Texas, said he was willing to vote for a large prohibition enforcement appropriation but "considered prohibition a success now!"

Senator Barkley, Dem., Ky., refused support of the Bruce amendment. (Continued on Page Five)

## MILL WORKERS HIT TROTSKYISM

### Fall River Calls for Support of C. E. C.

FALL RIVER, Mass., Dec. 17.—The local organization of the Workers (Communist) Party which recently led the rebellion of thousands of textile workers against wage cuts, met to consider the problems now before the Party. After an exhaustive consideration of the questions, the Party adopted unanimously the following resolution:

"We endorse the expulsion of all the Trotskyites from our party by the Central Executive Committee and we pledge our whole hearted support to it and to the Communist International in its fight against the enemies of our Party, the Right danger and the counter revolutionists—Trotskyites. Trotskyism is opportunism covered with Left phrases and the worst enemy of our Party and of the Communist International. No tolerance can be permitted—all the real Communists must rally around the Central Executive Committee without any "reservations" for the struggle against all these counter-revolutionary social democrats. We endorse both statements by the Central Executive Committee on the question of the Right danger and Trotskyism, and its analysis in its statement of November 16th that "Trotskyism is the most comprehensively developed system of oppor-

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## Culinary Workers to Organize Fight Today Against Job Agencies

The mass meeting in protest against private employment agencies called for today at 2:30 p. m. at Bryant Hall, 6th Ave. and 41st St., by the culinary unions of New York City, will be addressed by Albert Weisbord, secretary of the National Textile Workers' Union; A. Burkhardt, secretary of the Amalgamated Food Workers; Gund, editor of "The Free Voice," organ of the A. F. W. A.; Christmas, member of the executive board of the Hotel Workers Branch, A. F. W.; and S. Kramberg, secretary of the same branch. Kramberg will act as chairman of the meeting.

The purpose of the meeting is, according to the Executive Council of the Culinary Trades For the Abolition of Private "Shark" Employment Agencies, which is arranging the meeting, to discuss the report of the governor's commission of private scab agencies.

## Section 2 "Daily" Agents Meet Today

An important meeting of Daily Worker agents of Section 2 of the Workers (Communist) Party will be held today at 101 W. 27th St. All unit and subsection agents must attend.

## Christmas Season Means Greater Slavery for Postal Workers



The Christmas season means bigger profits for businessmen and greater drudgery for the workers. Among those who pay dearly for the Yuletide "good cheer" of the parasite class are the postal workers, who are forced to handle huge stacks of Christmas mail at the miserable wages given them by the United States government. Photo shows scene in the Brooklyn post office.

## USSR HAS MEMORIAL MEET FOR AMUNDSEN

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)  
MOSCOW, U.S.S.R., Dec. 17.—A memorial meeting was held here yesterday to honor Roald Amundsen, famous Arctic explorer who sacrificed his life searching for the members of the ill-fated Nobile expedition.

## NOMINATE FOR FUR CONVENTION

Two New York locals of the left wing Joint Board Furriers Union yesterday held very successful meetings of the Finishes' Local 15 and Nailers Local 10, where, after unanimously endorsing the general strike decision of the recent Cooper Union membership meeting, nominations for delegates to the national union convention took place.

Before opening the discussion on the question of the new amalgamated needle trades union, to be formed by the needle trades workers, and the structural form of the new organization, both local meetings gave their attention to the action of the Fur Trimming Manufacturers' Association in announcing that it will sign a fake pact with the A. F. of L. scab union.

This action of the trimming section of the bosses was met by a mass demonstration of the furriers, who voted unanimously to begin preparations for a general strike when the time is ripe.

Enthusiastic discussion of the shop delegate system of union organization, which will be the structure of the new needle workers' or-

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## Wright, Curtis Stock Rises as Conference Encourages Air War

KITTY HAWK, N. C., Dec. 17.—Orville Wright, head of the Wright Airplane Works, was today honored by speeches and the unveiling of a statue at the scene of his first flight, by President Coolidge's big militaristic aeronautics conference, called to boost aviation in U. S.

## Comintern Greet Polish Party on 10th Anniversary

(Wireless to the Daily Worker)  
MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Dec. 17.—The Executive Committee of the Communist International sent a letter to the Communist Party of Poland today congratulating it, on its tenth anniversary and declaring that the Party occupied an important position on the international proletarian front.

The letter expressed the conviction that the Party would brave the fascist terror and lead the workers in the struggle against the war being prepared by Poland with the support of France and Britain against the Soviet Union.

## WOMAN WORKS AS MAN Hides Sex 60 Years to Get Equal Pay

SARATOGA SPRINGS, N. Y., Dec. 17.—"Charles Warner," for sixty years a painter and paperhanger, aged eighty-two and impoverished after a lifetime of toil, was taken to the county hospital yesterday and discovered to be a woman.

She refused to give her name, but spoke very frankly, even bitterly, about the conditions that had forced her to masquerade as a man. The able to do any skilled labor that a man could do in her trade, she was

## "VIVA SANDINO" SHOUTS URUGUAY LABOR AT HOOVER

### Crowds Denounce Visit of Imperialist When He Appears in Park

### Workers Expose Trip Placard City; Hold Big Mass Meetings

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Dec. 17.—President Hoover spent the day in his heavily-guarded rooms at the Farque Hotel, amusing himself by watching the government fireworks on the bay.

He desired to remain quiet and secure, members of his party said, to recover from the shock of the large crowds of workers who greeted his first appearance in the park with shouts of "Viva Sandino," "Down With American Imperialism" and "Down With the Gringo."

### Support Mexico.

"Gringo" is a Mexican slang word, first used contemptuously of United States army invaders of Mexico during the U. S.-Mexican war and during the invasion of Mexico by the U. S. navy at Vera Cruz under Wilson's administration and by General Pershing while Carranza was president of Mexico. Its use by other Latin Americans indicates that they identify themselves with Mexico and other nations which have suffered from U. S. aggression.

The mounted police of Montevideo, acting under strict orders from the government, dispersed the crowd and escorted Hoover to his palatial rooms.

### Communist Posters.

After a mass meeting of Communists and left wing labor organizations, Saturday night, the city was placarded with anti-imperialist posters, pointing out that Hoover came through South America as advance guard for Wall Street conquest and calling for demonstrations against him and his policy.

The corridors of Hoover's hotel are swarming with uniformed police, the hotel lobby is full of secret service men and mounted police entirely surround the building.

Hoover leaves late today on the battleship Utah for Rio de Janeiro and is said to intend making this his last port of call in Latin America.

### Hoover Visit Flop.

Herbert Hoover was the guest of President Juan Campisteguy of Uruguay at a formal dinner tonight before the American president-elect started on his final swing toward home.

In summing up results of the Hoover trip, which Latin Americans see well enough is only one move in the conflict between British and American imperialism for control of the South and Central America, hostile critics are scornful, and even friendly publicity departments are not very enthusiastic. Thus the American United Press correspondent here writes only:

"Although officials are not inclined to exaggerate the diplomatic significance of the mission, they feel that the multiplicity of friendly contacts has had some effect."

## COLOMBIA SELLS OUT TO U. S. OIL

### Standard Wins Right of Exploitation

BOGOTA, Colombia, Dec. 17.—In further capitulation to the Yankee imperialists the Colombia regime of Mendez Abadia has signed an agreement with the Tropical Oil Company, subsidiary of Standard Oil, granting freedom in the exploitation of oil fields in return for cash payments to the government.

The Tropical will attempt avoiding to pay the 10 per cent oil tax by pushing its case into the supreme court and obtain a ruling that the tax is not applicable to crude oils.

The growing influence of Wall Street in Colombia has finally led to imperialist control and the accompanying suppression of all radical party activities. As American oil influence grew in Colombia its government came across with a series of anti-labor and anti-Communist legislation. The complete subjugation of the Latin-American government to Wall Street is evident in the war waged by Colombia against the strikers on the plantations of the United Fruit Company.

## Whalen, Exploiter of Women Workers, Now Police Commissioner

Grover Aloysius Whalen, general manager of the Wanamaker Department Stores, where hundreds of girl clerks are exploited under his direction, and silk-hatted host to visiting clerics and generals who see him as head of the Mayor's Commission of Welcome to Distinguished Visitors, yesterday accepted the position of police commissioner of New York City and will be sworn in today.

He is a graduate of a military school, a professional politician, and while commissioner of plant and structures under Mayor Hylan, gained fame for discharging five girl stenographers who objected to overtime without pay.

## Bolivia Says It Wars for U. S. Imperialism

By HARRISON GEORGE  
(Special to the Daily Worker)  
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 17.—

While Charles Evans Hughes, Standard Oil lawyer in its war on Paraguay, together with the imperialist-packed commission supposed to stop that war, was hiding behind closed doors from reporters at the Pan-American building here on last Thursday, the writer, having fixed up a list of questions, handed them to a special writer for the Hearst press and asked:

"What do you think of these questions to spring on the Bolivians?"

He looked them over and grunted: "I dare you to ask 'em."

### We Take the Dare.

We took the dare, and the next day, after making an appointment by phone, we were shown into the presence of Senor Don Eduardo Diez de Medina, minister of Bolivia at the court of Yankee imperialism in the Bolivian legation on Q. St.

Senor Medina speaks English with difficulty, so it was decided to dispense with his interpreter, and talk Spanish, and we began by informing him that, in order to write authoritatively of things concerning Bolivia, we came to the source of official information, the Bolivian minister, who is also Bolivia's delegate to the Monroe Doctrine conference here that sails under the guise of "conciliation and arbitration."

### Unexpected Reception.

The writer took care to inform Senor Medina that as some questions might touch so-called "delicate subjects," it was his privilege, if he so desired, to decline to answer. Senor Medina, seeing before him an American and apparently feeling that Bolivia's position was

pleasing to and safe in the hands of any American, waved the matter aside, and only once, while speaking of certain national resources of Bolivia, did he express a desire not to be quoted. Why he selected that subject to speak confidentially upon, while freely speaking of more interesting subjects, the writer knows not, but such was the case.

We informed Senor Medina that the Paraguayans had said that Bolivia, though having 3,000,000 population, was not internally as strong as Paraguay, as most of the Bolivians are Indians, and, being bitterly oppressed and exploited, were hardly enthusiastic about dying for the Bolivian government. He counter-remarked that in Asuncion, the Paraguayan capital, the people wore no shoes.

### What About Oil.

We asked if he knew whether there was any oil in the Chaco region. He never heard of any. "But," we asked, "there is oil in Bolivia, is there not, between the Chaco and the Andes mountains?"

"Oh, yes," answered Senor Medina. "And does not the Standard Oil Company have large holdings there in Bolivia, 7,500,000 acres, I understand?"

"Yes, yes," replied Senor Medina, "and there are other large American interests in Bolivia."

"Are the Standard Oil holdings there producing oil at present?"

"The Root of War."  
"No, but there is much to be produced."

"If it were produced," we asked, "would it not be easier to transport by water grade pipe-lines through the Chaco region to the ports on the"

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## STRIKE IS LIKELY IN RHODE ISLAND

### Mill Workers Demand Fight on Hours

PAWTUCKET, R. I., Dec. 17.—The movement for a general strike in Rhode Island textile factories is fast being crystallized by the National Textile Workers' Union here, which is calling for a fight against the general wage reduction recently enforced as well as for a fight against the 54-hour week.

With attempts to dampen the tremendous sentiment for a strike defeated, the reactionary United Textile Workers' Union now fears to come out openly against a struggle, but is instead trying to give the impression that they are at the head of the anti-wage out movement.

### Officials Soft-Pedal.

The U. T. W. attempts to quiet the strike sentiment took the form of telling the workers to accept the wage cut, but "protest" against it. More than that, in a mill where the U. T. W. has a local, the workers recently ordered to a 54-hour week from one of 48, were told by the officialdom not to strike but to stop work each Saturday. This scheme would have been a severe blow to the bosses, but would have given them an opportunity to weed out the most active militants, would have meant a reduction in their pay and, most important, demoralize the then big sentiment for a strike.

The National Textile Workers' Union, on the other hand, has been extremely active in rousing the workers to disregard the sell-out instructions of the U. T. W., and fight against the unbearable working standards the bosses were forcing on them. To this end many meetings are being held.

The N. T. W. U., however, is compelled to contend with a most vicious terror against their activities conducted by the police machinery of the Massachusetts mill interests.

## LAKE SEAMEN JOBLESS Denounce N. Y. Fake Charity Institutions

(By Federated Press)  
In the gray light at 7 a. m., unemployed seamen gather along the beach by the steamship docks. Back from the Great Lakes, with no jobs in sight for the next three months or more, thousands of marine workers seek the small savings from a summer's work used up in a few weeks. Many, knowing it is useless to hunt jobs, would like to sleep later in the morning, but are turned out by the Seamen's Church Institute and the Bowers flophouses promptly at 7 o'clock.

Gathering in the International Seamen's club for a cup of coffee with a ham and egg sandwich, the men talk freely against the Church Institute next door, calling it the prostitute, its usual name among marine workers. Although a charity concern, it charges as much as any flophouse—35 cents a night for a bed, 60 cents for a room. Stool

## BRITISH-U. S. WAR LOOMS IN BOLIVIA CLASH

### League May Interfere in Latin American Affairs

### This May Bring War League May Conflict With Monroe Doctrine

BULLETIN  
GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. 17 (UP).—Bolivian sources here said today that the Bolivian-Paraguayan border dispute is another phase of the world-wide fight for control of petroleum, due to tests showing great petroleum fields underlying the Chaco district.

LUGANO, Switzerland, Dec. 17.—Indications of the gravity with which the League of Nations, in which England dominates, regards the Bolivian-Paraguayan war, is shown by the decision to concentrate in Paris, for a time at least, the two chief organs of the League, the Secretariat and the Presidency Council.

This decision was taken just before Briand took the train to Paris, after a long telephone conversation with Sir Eric Drummond who is now in Geneva, and following the dispatch at midnight of a new message to Bolivia and Paraguay, in which it is stated:

"I must once more call your attention to the suggestions made to you by the Council after the solemn assurances given by your government to respect your obligations under the League Covenant."

Briand also conferred with Stresemann of Germany.

It was stated through the press that: "While the American government has seen nothing in the Council's action to date with which it could take exception, members are certain that Washington's attitude would not be so complacent in the face of actual League intervention."

Briand will confer with League members at Paris. Drummond was visited at Geneva by Alberto Cordadellas, who was sent from Rome by the Bolivian government to con-

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## SILK MILL YOUTH WITH LEFT WING

### Deny Young Socialist League Slur

(Special to the Daily Worker)  
PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 17.—Nathan Liff, chairman of the Youth Section, which was formerly part of the Associated Silk Workers Union, yesterday denounced the New York socialist weekly, "The New Leader," when informed that a news item appeared in that periodical giving the impression that the Youth Section endorsed the strikebreaking leadership of the Associated Silk Workers Union.

The yellow socialist sheet in last week's issue carried a small item announcing that branches of the Young People's Socialist League would be formed "after the strike" and wrote this item with reference to the Youth Section, which formerly was part of the union.

Yipsels Back Fakers.  
"All that members of the Y. P. S. L. have ever done in the Paterson silk strike," the Youth Section head declared, "was to give support to the reactionary leadership of the union and their expulsion and union-wrecking tactics."

As proof of this, Liff pointed to

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## 600 Tailors Attend Left Wing Forum, Flay Hillman Gang

One of the most successful open forum meetings by the left wing organization in the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union since they became an institution many weeks ago, was held yesterday afternoon in the Workers Center, 28 Union Square.

Over 600 men's clothing workers, all unemployed, came to crowd the large hall there, and after hearing Albert Weisbord, National Textile Workers' Union leader, joined a discussion of the conditions in their shops. Many workers took the floor to testify to the rank sell-out of the workers by the reactionary officials of the A. C. W.

Despite active opposition by all the workers in the industry, the officials have forced the sweat shop

# Taxi Bosses Have Their Own Racket; Men Must Waive Rights To Compensation

## "EXPOSURE" BY BROWN COMPLETE FARCE, SAY MEN

### Sign Cards to Show Are Not Employes

(By a Worker Correspondent)

H. A. Innes Brown, editor of Taxi Weekly, a bosses' trade paper, in an editorial last week "threatened" to "expose" racketeering in the taxi trade. There is one racket that Brown won't expose and any taxi driver working for the taxi fleet owners will gamble that Brown won't dare to expose the fleet owners' new racket. The racket is known as the compensation racket.

When applying for a job as taxi driver the worker must sign a card which in part says, "that in consideration of my hiring of said cab" I promise to give the bearer 60 per cent. With this card and a lawyer, Col. Landis, the bosses' organization last year went before Commissioner Lane of the Compensation Board and got a decision in its favor.

The bosses were able to prove that the driver is not a worker but a contractor. As it is, the driver takes out the cab and gives the boss his driver's "booking" out of which the driver gets 40 per cent. And if he is injured, and many are, from changing tires or cranking up the cabs he gets nothing.

Up in the Bronx, on Park Avenue, a taxi fleet owner is known to be collecting from his drivers 15c a day for compensation coverage. Not a bad racket. If for one taxi boss he signs away his rights to compensation, he gets nothing, and for the other boss he must pay for the protection he is entitled to by law. And they get away with it. And if that is not racketeering, what is it, Mr. Brown? According to the compensation law it is illegal.

—A PARAMOUNT DRIVER.

## Mythical King of the Seas Invoked to Welcome Imperialist



Hoover, envoy of Yankee imperialism, crossing the equator, where his publicity agents put an advertising stunt across. They invoked Neptune, the god of Greek mythology, with his three-pointed pike, and made a nice picture for the capitalist newspapers to hide the real picture of Hoover holding the many-pointed prong of Yankee imperialism over the Latin-American workers and peasants.

## La Jota and Tango to Be Danced Right Way at the Spanish Ball

The dance arranged by the Spanish Fraction of the Workers Communist Party on Saturday, December 22nd at New Harlem Casino 116th St. and Lenox Avenue will be something entirely different from all other workers dances that have been held. The arrangement committee promises to have among the numbers on the program exhibitions of typical Spanish folk dances and also many other Latin-American dances such as the Argentinian Tango and La Jota, also a variety of Russian folk dances. It will not either forget to give the folks plenty of time to dance to John Smith's Jazz Band.

The biggest surprise of the evening will be the special feature to be given by the "Antillan Group" a quartet of singers and musicians giving their latest songs, those they have recently prepared for the Oriental Records Company. Among the various nationalities that will be represented will be the Paraguayans and the Bolivians in perfect peace and harmony as the workers are not enlisted in the war for oil.

### HOLD BANK GRAFTER.

Charles W. O'Reilly, cashier of the National Bank of Ridgewood, was held in \$25,000 bail on charges of embezzlement and falsifying accounts of the bank.

## LABOR SPORTS

Division "A"	
Rob Roy F. C.	9 6 1 2
Hungarian Workers	6 4 1 1
Argentine F. C.	4 3 0 1
Martians F. C.	7 2 4 1
N. Y. Eagle	6 1 4 1
B. S. C.	4 1 3 0
Fordham F. C.	4 0 4 0
Division "B"	
Scandinavian Workers	7 6 1 0
Prospect Unity	9 3 3 3
American Hungarian	5 4 1 0
Falcon F. C.	8 2 4 2
Argentine F. C.	4 1 2 1
Härlém S. C.	2 0 0 2
Freiheit F. C.	4 0 2 2
Hungarian Workers	6 0 4 2
Division "C"	
Spartacus S. C.	10 5 1 4
Harlem Progressive	9 4 1 4
Co-operative S. C.	9 4 2 3
Scandinavian Workers	5 3 1 1
Workers B. S. C.	4 1 2 2
Red Star S. C.	8 1 4 3
Vagabond S. C.	5 1 3 1
Freiheit S. C.	4 0 4 0

## STANDING OF BROOKLYN WORKERS SOCCER LEAGUE

PL. W. L. D.	
Freiheit	7 5 1 1
Spartacus	5 4 1 0
Red Star	6 2 2 2
Scandinavian Workers	5 0 2 3
Atlantic S. C.	4 1 3 0
Mohawk S. C.	1 0 1 0

REGISTER YOUR PROTEST AGAINST IMPERIALIST WAR. VOTE COMMUNIST!

## Currier Head Backs Shop Delegate Meet of Workers' Relief

Samuel Liebowitz, assistant manager of the Joint Board of the Curriers' Union, yesterday issued a statement on the Shop Delegates Conference of the Workers' International Relief, to be held this Thursday, 6 p. m. at Bryant Hall, 6th Ave. and 42nd St. The statement, in part, follows:

"At no time in the history of the labor movement in this country was there such a crying need for a strong and centralized relief organization, deeply rooted in the mass of the workers, as there is at the present time.

"There is no better way to get the Workers' International Relief to become of real service to the progressive labor movement and make of it a mass organization, than to begin to build from below.

## Special Red Poets Night Tickets Are Designed by Ellis

The attractive tickets for the third annual International Red Poets' Night seem to be meeting with great favor. The little red pasteboards made their debut at the big Daily Worker-Freiheit ball in Madison Square Garden Saturday night and many workers dug into their pockets for the requisite six bits and noted down the date, Friday evening, Dec. 23, and the place, Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St., in their memorandum books.

The tickets for Red Poets' Night have been especially designed by Fred Ellis, famous cartoonist of the Daily Worker. They announce in striking design and colors the two chief events of the evening: the poetry readings and the Dance Daechanal, which will follow to the snappy jazz strains of John C. Smith's Negro Jazz Band.

## Nicaragua Vote Farce Over; Mission Returns

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (UP).—The state department was informed today by the American minister at Managua that the American Electoral Mission in Nicaragua has completed its work, and General Frank R. McCoy, president of the board of elections, has resigned.

## Office Workers' Union to Meet This Thursday

OFFICE WORKERS HM HM M Encouraged by its recent successful mass meeting the Office Workers' Union has arranged another mass meeting to be held on Thursday, 8 p. m. at Labor Temple, 14th St. and 2nd Ave., where Juliet Stuart Poyntz, noted labor leader, will be the principal speaker.

## WRECK IN POLAND.

WARSAW, Poland, Dec. 17 (AP).—Four persons were killed and six seriously injured today when two freight trains crashed on the Kalesy-Pelzamec line. Forty four cars were wrecked.

## BOLIVIA FIGHTS FOR U. S. BANKS, SAYS MINISTER

### Washington Diplomat Tells of Land Grab

(Continued from Page One) River Paraguay and thence to the Atlantic, than to try to get over the high Andes mountains?"

"Most assuredly," frankly replied Medina. "That is clear, and that is what all the trouble is about. You see, the Paraguayans are obstructing the development of American interests there."

We could scarcely believe that we had heard aright, and again asked: "So, that is the basis of the conflict; that the Standard Oil Company cannot profitably develop its Bolivian holdings lacking an outlet through the Chaco region, and Paraguay is obstructing such outlet?"

"So, That's It!" "Certainly, certainly," replied Medina, who is a voluble talker, "that is exactly correct, the Paraguayans are preventing this development." "But the Paraguayans say that they will gladly allow transport of anything, oil or other materials, through the Chaco, that they will grant you a narrow strip of land even, and allow all Bolivian products to pass freely and without import or export tariffs of any kind."

"Well, yes," conceded Medina, "they have done that. But that is not enough. We cannot allow that our outlet through Chaco be at the mercy and sufferance of Paraguay. It is our land, anyhow, and the Paraguayans are in our house, so to speak." And he launched into a lengthy recital of alleged legal rights claimed by Bolivia to the Chaco region, but omitted mention of the judgment made by a commission under President Hayes of the U. S. in the last century which undoubtedly gave to Paraguay by far the greater portion of the whole Chaco region. This, we remark, has also been ignored at the fake "arbitration" conference here at Washington, although Hughes and Kellogg most certainly know of it and must be ignoring it deliberately.

U. S. Banks Still Control. "Senior Medina, is the contract signed on May 31, 1922, between the Bolivian government on one side, and a group of American bankers on the other, the Equitable Trust Company among them, still in force?"

"Oh, yes. It is still effective." And apparently thinking that we would be glad to hear that "our" bankers were paid, he added: "And Bolivia is faithfully discharging every obligation, meeting all payments promptly."

"And is the Permanent Fiscal Commission, set up under that contract, still functioning?" "Yes, yes. It is still functioning." Thus assuring us that Wall Street control of Bolivia remains airtight and that Bolivia could not buy a pig-squeal, let alone make war, if the American bankers did not wish.

"We understand that the first loan of \$26,000,000 was added to by two more, and recently consolidated under control of the Dillon-Read Company of New York. Is that true?" "Yes."

"And what was the sum of the recent loan a few months ago?" "It was for \$29,000,000," replied Medina.

Buying Arms? "There is a report that Bolivia is using these loans of American money to purchase arms for war on Paraguay. Can you inform us of that matter?"

Senior Medina smiled and denied it, adding: "I sit here in my office and I buy no arms and I see no arms bought."

"Now, Senior Medina, at the time your government withdrew from this Washington conference it also refused the offer of the Gendra Commission, an all-Latin American body, to mediate." "Yes, that is correct," he answered. "But we never ratified the Gendra accord, though we had signed it. So we are not obliged to accept the Gendra Commission's offer."

## USSR RATS MINUS TAILS

### Decisive Experiments in Hereditary

(Special to the Daily Worker) KRASNOYARSK (By Mail).—Interesting experiments, carried on by the young Soviet scientist, Trofimov, in Krasnoyarsk, have given decisive proof for the first time of the transmission of hereditary modifications imposed from the outside. Trofimov experimented with white rats. Instead of cutting their tails, as was previously done, he froze them off. He applied a solution of ice and sulphuric acid, which in chemical combination gave a temperature of 10 degrees below zero, to the tails of rats five days old.

## CHRISTMAS--FOR THE U.S. WORKING CLASS

### By FRED G. BIEDENKAPP

While the capitalist world is busy trying to fool the masses with the old story of Christmas and "Peace on Earth," millions of workers and their children are facing starvation in this land of plenty and so-called prosperity.

It is not necessary to go outside the limits of New York City to find poverty, hunger, destitution and despair. It can be found in every working-class section of the five boroughs. But to see it on a mass scale one must go into the mining, steel and textile centers throughout Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Missouri, Kansas, Colorado, Rhode Island, Massachusetts and the "Solid South."

Poverty in Proletarian Centers. There poverty reigns supreme and Christmas will bring with it heartaches and tears. There laughter and happiness are unknown and "Peace on Earth" is branded as a lie. What will be found is a constant struggle for a crust of bread and an almost hopeless attempt to keep the body warm and hunger from the door.

I will never forget the sight that met my eyes when I traveled through the soft coal regions before the big strike broke out. It was a time when the miners were working two days a week living on credit and never knowing what the next day would bring. Women had forgotten how to smile and looked at you with eyes that could no longer shed tears. Bitterness could be seen in every line of their face as they fumbled with a hard slice of dry, stale bread while children cried for a drink of milk, children whose little bodies were cold from exposure—little tots whose hands, legs and feet were numb.

So they existed before the strike, and then came 18 months of bitter, relentless struggle for the right to live. Eighteen months of strike, during which the workers united in a common struggle against the mine owners and then the sellout on the

## Hold-Ups Make Cab Driver's Life Harder

Edward C. Smith of Jamaica, Long Island, a taxi driver, was robbed and threatened with death night before last by two men. They asked to be driven around town, and at the corner of Douglas St. and Fourth Ave., reached into their pockets as though for guns, and made Smith hand over all his money, including the day's earnings, and also his cab. The men, Wm. F. Casey and Chas. T. Trywell, were later arrested and the cab found. Another taxi driver's cab was stolen by five men at Flatbush and Atlantic yesterday. They hunted from one restaurant to another for him, saying, "If we find him we will blow the belly off of him." Finally they too, were arrested and the cab recovered, after a policeman had shot several bullets thru it.

## White Guardist Chief Lost Illusions, II

ANTIBES, France, Dec. 17.—Grand Duke Nicholas, leader of the Russian "White Army" around whom has circulated plots and campaigns of vilification against the Soviet Union, who has looked forward to a counter-revolution so the tsarism could again be enthroned, is very ill here and he may soon die.

His friends state that Nicholas had given up hope of ever seeing a counter-revolution in the Soviet Union and it is believed that this is one of the chief causes of his sudden contraction of pneumonia.

## NOMINATIONS SOON FOR FURRIER CONVENTION HERE

### Seven Locals to Choose Convention Delegates

(Continued from Page One) organization, was held. Worker after worker got up to give whole-hearted endorsement to the plan to amalgamate both unions. All recognized that amalgamation would be one of the most potent weapons at their command when the time comes to face the employers in a struggle for the union conditions lost by the betrayals of the A. F. of L. gang.

Both meetings also passed resolutions pledging solidarity and fullest support to the heroic fruit strikers of Colombia, South America. The resolution condemned the imperialist interests of the United States capitalists and expressed the indignation at the murder of hundreds of striking workers.

Tonight the Cutters' Local 1 and Operators' Local 5 also held meetings for the same purposes, and also in the Joint Board headquarters, 22 E. 22nd St.

Toronto and Winnipeg locals have sent in a communication announcing that they have already elected delegates to the national fur union convention, which opens in New York Dec. 29.

## Children of Workers Cluster in Congested Slums Near Factories

(By Federated Press) Slums and children go together. Such is the purport of the Regional Plan's survey of the percentage of children in the New York metropolitan area. Of the total population of Perty Amboy, an industrial slums city across the bay from New York City, 46 per cent are children. But in East Orange, an upper class community in the Orange hills inhabited by Wall Street brokers, children comprise but 30 per cent of the population. For the entire metropolitan district the percentage is 37.

Bayonne, N. J., the oil city, where the percentage of industrial workers is the highest in the entire metropolitan district, children comprise 45 per cent of the population. Most of Bayonne is slum.

PICK ROCK ISLAND ROCK ISLAND, Ill. (By Mail).—The 1929 convention of the Illinois Federation of Labor will be held in this city. Reactionaries rule the state federation.

## The Imperialist Army In Hawaii

By GEORGE PERSHING

The imperialists of Wall Street and Washington have been able to keep the natives of Hawaii, Guam, Samoa and the Philippine Islands in submission only with an impressive show of armed force.

The Hawaiian Islands are termed by military strategists the "second line of defense." On the island of Oahu of the Hawaiian group there are approximately 15,000 regular army men. Oahu is only 598 square miles in area yet it is fortified so as to be termed "the Gibraltar of the Pacific."

To enumerate:

1. Fort Shafter—eight batteries of Anti-Aircraft artillery.
2. Fort De Russy—Coast defense batteries equipped with rapid and heavy artillery.
3. Fort Kamehameha—14, 12, 8, 6, and 3 inch guns, mobile and emplaced and two batteries of railway mounted 14 inch guns.
4. Fort Armstrong—Light coast defense guns.
5. Fort Weaver—Huge 16 inch guns of the latest type.
6. Fort Ruger—With four batteries of 14 inch mortars mounted in the base of an extinct volcano crater. This fort is said by authorities to be impenetrable.
7. Schofield Barracks—Huge powder shell gas, liquid-fire, bomb and grenade storehouses and magazines; 3rd Engineer Regiment, 35th, 27th, 19th and 21st Infantry Regiments; 8th, 11th and 13th Field Artillery; 11th Tank Corps; 9th Gas Regiment; 11th Signal Corps; Ordnance Department; Motor and Mule Pack Train Regiments.
8. Wheeler Field—Adjoining Schofield barracks and equipped with fast pursuit and bombing planes.
9. Luke Field—Adjoining Pearl Harbor Naval Base and equipped with seaplanes, bombing and pursuit planes.
10. Pearl Harbor Naval Base—Submarines, sub-chasers, mine-layers, mine-sweepers, torpedo boats, cruisers, battleships and observation balloons.
11. Marine Detachments—Outlying munitions depots, native militia, arsenals, etc., etc.

In 1924 the men who slave in these fortifications and barracks were investigated by the officers to attack the natives. The massacre which followed was known as the "Kalihi Riot." Many natives were killed, but after an "official investigation" no action was taken!

Army officers in extending their "apologies" stated that the civilians would have to be more courteous in their treatment of the armed forces or it might happen again! In this manner the warlords of American imperialism found another means of terrifying the natives into complete submission.

After this statement I did not gasp in surprise when the natives ran from me if I appeared before them in uniform.

Company Police.

In addition to this huge display of armed force the plantation owners maintain special police to intimidate the workers in the fields. It is a common sight to see children of eight to fourteen years crawling in the furrows, turned by a tractor gang-plow, laying the sections of cane end to end while a company policeman stands nearby.

In times of strikes these company police forces are turned into a fascist strong-arm force of the plantation owners to club the workers because they dare attempt to improve their conditions of abject slavery.

A cane-field worker wrote after the strike in 1923: "There is no security, no safety, no liberty in Hawaii while this power exists. Whenever one shall come forward and speak with the voice of laboring thousands, crying out against injustice, greed, tyranny and exploitation, then the devilish power that lurks invisible behind the machinery of the law, will reach out and crush him."

the islands I learned that one soldier becomes insane every two days and one is sentenced by court-martial every day to sentences ranging from six months to life imprisonment. Every month there is a shipment of these "criminal" and insane soldiers to Alcatraz and St. Elizabeth's This from Hawaii alone.

The prison stockade in Schofield barracks and the guardhouse in Fort Shafter are institutions of terror to the soldier. Beatings, assaults of the sex-perverted prisoners, guards armed with sawed-off shotguns, the Paul Crouch and Walter Trumbull frame-up and trial, court-martial sentences of ten, twenty, thirty, forty years and life. These are the methods of the imperialists employed to force the soldiers to do their bidding.

Soldiers are compelled to work from 12 to 14 hours per day at a salary of \$21 per month. Food consists, primarily of "spuds" (potatoes) and gravy, it is found on the mess tables on an average of eighty times of the possible ninety meals per month. From the minute salary of \$21 per month the soldier is forced to buy and pay for laundry, shoes, uniforms, toilet articles, books, tickets, tailoring and repairs, mess fund assessments, and court-martial fines besides paying for government property he might damage.

(Note: Heavy shoes and cheap uniforms are issued but special uniforms must be purchased and placed in the battery storeroom for use during parades.)

Finally I want to support Walter Trumbull's statement in the April 17th, 1923, issue of the Young Worker and restate that soldiers are framed by officers of the army and sentenced by court-martials to long terms of imprisonment in the military prisons of Alcatraz, Fort Leavenworth and Governor's Island.

Were it possible to evade the long-arm of the imperialist army in Hawaii and get off the island not a soldier would remain there!

Alcatraz is a military prison at San Francisco. St. Elizabeth is a mental-defective hospital at Washington, D. C.

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# Tribes Incited by British Reported To Be Fighting in Kabul, Afghanistan Capital

## NATIVE REGIME FLEES TO FORT FOR PROTECTION

### Imperialists Desire a Base Against USSR

NEW DELHI, India, Dec. 17.—Reports from the frontier state that the revolt said to have been incited by British agents on the Afghan-India frontier has assumed such proportions that the Afghan government has fled from Kabul, the capital, and taken refuge in a fort.

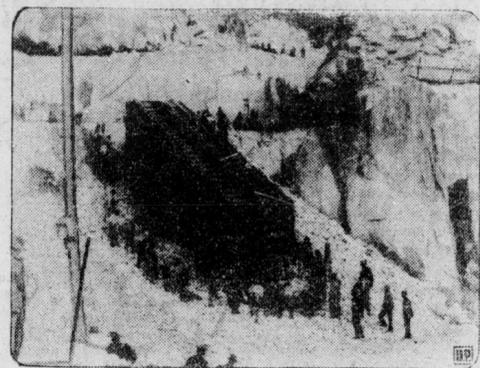
Warfare between government forces and the incited tribesmen is now being waged around Jalalabad, near the frontier, and in Kabul, according to these reports. Fighting had been going on around Jalalabad since the beginning of December but this is the first report of fighting in the interior and at the very capital, whose population is 100,000.

At Jalalabad, the Shinwari and Khugnan tribes have ceased negotiations with the government and taken to the field. They are reported to have captured the Afghan outpost of Kaja.

The reports are unsatisfactory because much censored. There has been no direct communication between Kabul and India for a month. Most of the reports find their way to the press thru British news agencies, controlled by the British imperialists in the east.

These same reports state that the reason for the revolt is the series of "westernization" reforms that King Amanullah is attempting to put thru in Afghanistan, but these reforms are believed to be efforts to cloak the attempt of British imperialism to dominate Afghanistan and create a war base on the southern frontier of the Soviet Union.

## Monument to Murderer of Italian Workers



By order of Mussolini a gigantic marble monument will soon be erected in Rome to this murderer and torturer of thousands of Italian workers and peasants. Photo shows marble for the monument being removed from a quarry to Rome.

## Baldwin Asks for Half Million to Quiet Mine Workers Now Starving

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The miners of England, starving under the conditions of unemployment and low wages forced upon them by the operators after the loss of the coal strike, have become so restless that the government was forced today to introduce a bill to appropriate \$489,000 to relieve families in distress in the coal fields.

Baldwin said the demands upon the regular relief funds had been so great that a continuance would involve expenditure of more than \$20,000,000 in 1929.

This is further substantiated by the rumor that Colonel Lawrence, the liaison agent for British imperialism in the colonies, is now operating among the tribesmen on the Afghan-India frontier.

## Sinclair's Defense in Teapot Dome States He Can't Stand Questions

WASHINGTON, Dec. 17 (UP).—Harry F. Sinclair's lawyers filed a brief in U. S. Supreme Court today contending that the Senate Teapot Dome Committee in 1924 had no right to question him about his private business. One of his business acts was the fraudulent leasing of Teapot Dome. The brief was filed in the contempt case against Sinclair on which he was sentenced to three months in jail and \$500 fine. The case will be argued January 7.

Much sympathy is felt in government circles for Sinclair, as it is felt that not many public men could escape prison if forced to answer questions pertaining to graft and swindling in their private business.

## BRITISH CABLE FIRMS ALARMED AT U. S. THREAT

### See Hoover Grabbing Latin America

LONDON, Dec. 17.—The increasing penetration of Wall Street capital where until recently British interests were supreme, as in Latin America, and Henry Ford's activities in the British auto market, has led to great alarm among the British imperialists. The leading financial figures of England have been holding hurried meetings during the last week to find some way to combat this increasing penetration.

The British cable trust and public utility interests especially, who have been pushed into tight corners in Latin America, are greatly alarmed over their decreasing influence. That the situation is not only a matter of immediate dollars but also a matter of war preparations was brought out at a meeting of the directors of the Marconi Wireless Company here when Mr. F. G. Kellaway, the managing director, declared that the main danger rested in these companies which were of "vital national interest," such as cable and wireless. His meaning was made quite clear when he added: "These companies are, in a sense, as much a part of the provision for national security as the army, navy and air force."

The Hoover imperialist cruise to Latin America is looked upon by British business men as proof that the United States is out to dominate the rich South American markets, in which Britain is gradually losing its control. They are especially apprehensive about the increased penetration of the Electric Bond and Share Company, a United States concern, which has bought up one cable and wireless system after another.

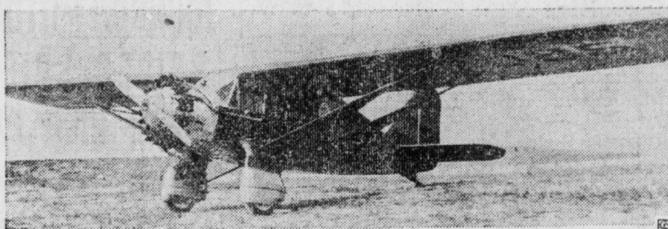
This is a direct threat to the British Empire cable trust, including companies like the Imperial Airways, the Canadian Marconi and the British General Electric, which only recently were consolidated to form a world war unit, with the government having the right to take over the whole communication system in case of war.

British newspapers point out that an active American campaign of acquisition, expansion and consolidation is going on in South America and point to such purchases as those recently made by the Wall Street International Telegraph Company in Argentina, Uruguay and Bolivia.

Ford's British auto plant has also roused great opposition from British concerns and they insist that 40 per cent of the stock be bought by British business men, out of fear that Wall Street will soon also control the British auto market.

The Daily Worker will be five years old on January 5. Workers from all parts of the country are sending in greetings. Have you sent in yours? If not, send it in today.

## Peruvian Fliers Play Game of Yankee Imperialists



Wall Street is very anxious to develop Peru's air force so that it can fight for Yankee imperialism against British imperialism and its puppets in Latin America. Under the cover of pioneering in aviation they have arranged for Martinez de Pimilles and Carlos Zegarra to fly from Lima, Peru, to New York via Santiago and Buenos Aires. These same air men and this same plane (shown above) may yet be used to bombard revolutionary workers and peasants.

## RILU EMIGRATION BUREAU STARTED

### Unites Revolutionary Workers' Movement

MOSCOW (By Mail).—The Red International of Labor Unions has started the work of organizing the Provisional International Bureau for Emigration, consisting of representatives of the Middle-European Section of the R. I. L. U., the French Confederation Unitaire du Travail, English Minority Movement and representatives of oppositionary minorities of trade unions in those countries which are supplying the main quota of labor emigrants.

The purpose of the Provisional International Bureau for Emigration is to secure international leadership in the work of the revolutionary trade unions and revolutionary minorities in the countries of emigration and immigration.

## British Steel Merger to Combat Wall Street Thruout World Formed

LONDON, Dec. 17 (UP).—Negotiations for the amalgamation of three great British steel firms are about to be concluded, it was announced today.

The concerns are Vickers, Ltd., Vickers-Armstrongs, Ltd., and Cammell Laird and Co. The new concern will be called the English Steel Corporation. Negotiations also are proceeding to include other important steel concerns in the new firm.

## Czech Pioneer Paper, 'Red Cock,' Suppressed

PRAGUE, (By Mail).—The Communist children's newspaper "Kohoutek" (The Red Cock) has been suppressed by the police for a period of six months. This is the fifth Communist newspaper which has been suppressed during the last three weeks.

Out with the trade union bureaucrats, mistletoes of labor.

## CHINA PEASANTS STARVE DUE TO NANKING TAXES

### Soldiers Invade Homes, Take Food

PEKING, Dec. 17.—Whole villages are being deserted in half a dozen Chinese provinces, babies are being killed by frantic parents and older children are being given to anyone who will feed them, according to verified reports received here.

Crops have failed in many districts, taxes are higher than ever before due to the corruption of the local Kuomintang officials and the tremendous taxes levied by the Nanking war lords. Bands of soldiers raid the villages and take the little stores of food kept for emergencies by the peasants.

Scores of eye witness accounts from foreign and Chinese sources say that the troops enter villages and even large walled towns, take everything movable, especially food.

Latest reports indicate that 2,000,000 peasants are near starvation. The number of deaths during the winter is likely to reach 500,000.

The efforts for relief announced by the Nanking government are now shown to be nothing but fakes and nothing has been done to alleviate the lot of the peasants during the winter. The so-called model province of Shensi is a hell of suffering due to one of the worst famines in history following heavy taxation to support the Shensi army of the Nanking reaction.

The Communist Party is the party of the liberation of the Negro race from all white oppression, wars.

# 5<sup>TH</sup> Anniversary—Daily Worker

## Fifth Anniversary Celebrations—

### NEW YORK on Jan. 5

Manhattan Opera House, 34th St., West of 8th Avenue

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Workers Auditorium, 1343 Ferry St.

### PHILADELPHIA on Jan. 11

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### LOS ANGELES on Jan. 13

(Place To Be Announced)

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THE DAILY WORKER is ever becoming a better paper. In the past five years of its existence, every struggle of the workers, however small has found a staunch champion in the Daily Worker. For a Labor Party, for the Organization of the Unorganized, for the Defense and Recognition of the Soviet Union, against Imperialist War. For every demand of the workers and always against the bosses.

THE DAILY WORKER is approaching its Fifth Anniversary with a heavy financial burden. The Daily Worker was sending thousands of papers daily to the workers in the mine and textile industries when they were battling against the miserable conditions that the bosses tried to impose upon them, at a time when the Daily was itself struggling to make ends meet.

EVERY READER MUST come to the aid of the Daily Worker. The enemies of the workers are preparing new attacks upon the Daily Worker, upon the left wing workers and upon the working class.

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# Pine Top Colliery Forces Miners to Work as Mule, Driver, and Do Own Work Besides

## SLAVERY GETTING WORSE IN LOWER ANTHRACITE PITS

### Lewis Officials Just Draw Salaries

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 MINERSVILLE, Pa., (By Mail).—The conditions of the miners in the lower anthracite are getting worse day by day. The contractor system is employed by the coal barons in order to squeeze more profits out of the miners. It is a game of winner and loser, and the miners are always the losers, because the coal companies pay for as much coal as is produced by the miners, and in case the coal comes bad the miners work hard and get miserable wages. The result is that the miner is working hard and has to rush the laborer who works under him under the contractor system in order to make some wages.

Now the coal operators have decided that they can still cut down the expense on the production of coal. In every gangway of the Philadelphia and Reading Co. mines the company used to have a mule and a driver to shift and take out the loaded cars. Beginning last week they took out the mules and fired the drivers out of the Pine Knot Colliery located near this town. The result is that the miners will have to do the work of the mule, driver and the miner combined. There is no organization here at present to lead the miners to fight against the increase of the exploitation. The Lewis gang of District 9 held a convention here about six weeks ago when they re-elected the same "good boys" as officials. Not a word was mentioned about the worsening of the conditions and the increase in the speed-up of the miners of this region. The activities of the Lewis officials consist of drawing pay and expense money regularly out of the sweat of the miners. Brother miners, let us join our brothers in the bituminous fields who are fighting under the leadership of the National Miners' Union against the increase in the exploitation of the miners.

—S. G.

## New Tammany Police Head Plays Cowboy



Photo above shows Grover Whalen, Tammany Hall's new chief office-boy in the police department, training for his new job. Whalen's many years of experience as a Tammany yes-man have served to fit him for this office. Beside him is his daughter.

## MAKING WORKERS PAY FOR MIKADO CEREMONY

(By a Japanese House Cleaner in California.)  
 The enthronement of the new Mikado, held in the city of Kyoto last month, was one of the means to oppress the working-class and the poor peasants, to dull their class-consciousness and to make the existence and dictatorship of the capitalists and landlords mysterious by means of the ancient ceremony.

The ruling class exploited for this purpose the workers and poor peasants by more than sixteen yen, to be raised by tax burdens (provincial and village). And, furthermore, the reactionary Tanaka government spent two million yen for the special telephone system of the police and we are told that ten million yen, including two million yen mentioned above, was spent for the so-called "protection of the emperor."

The workers were thrown out of work for three days during the ceremony and forced to celebrate the enthronement though they were facing starvation. According to the Proletarian News, the expenditures for the affair were bigger than the wages of one million workers for one week in Japan. If we consider the poor peasants whose average wage is twenty yen a day (10 cents), one million and a half peasants should work over forty days for nothing to carry out this ceremony.

In a word, it is a class characteristic to make the ruling class mysterious and to avert class-consciousness.

"vast and boundless benevolence" of the emperor.

The "benevolence" of the Mikado arrested more than one thousand militant workers and poor peasants before the ceremony and kept them in prison all the month of December for the "protection of the emperor."

We believe this is only one portion of the "sacrifices" by the "benevolence" of the Mikado and the reactionary government against the workers and poor peasants. We are told the Tanaka government planned to arrest and persecute seven thousand workers before the ceremony.

**Demand Open Trial.**

The rank and file in Japan is demanding the open trial of our comrades. The peasants have just ended the period of struggle against the landlords and are demanding the reduction of the land tax. The militant Workers-Farmers Party is being organized again through a bitter struggle by which the unity of the workers and farmers against the ruling class is being solidified. The workers and poor farmers realize the real nature of the Chinese Revolution and support it and defend the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics against the imperialist war danger.

At this serious period, what significance has the "state ceremony" about the emperor? We can realize how the "vast and boundless benevolence" was applied to our Korean comrades and brothers by the Japanese ruling class, which murdered so many of them.

The masses facing starvation, however, could not be forced to celebrate this enthronement even by severe oppression and brutality. There came out a big and powerful movement during the ceremony demanding:

Full wages for three days without work!

One hundred per cent increase of wages for the transportation workers during the ceremony!

Against the enforced "contribution"!

Release all class prisoners!

Down with oppression by the government during the ceremony!

Immediate relief for unemployed!

In Tokio, Osaka and vicinity, Fukuoka and other industrial districts, the workers fought bitterly and obtained part of the demands. Of course, this bitter and powerful struggle goes on even after the ceremony.

They saw the betrayal of the social democrats in the past, the socialists are nothing but one part of the machinery of the capitalist class against them. Even at the time of the ceremony, they realized the reactionary nature of the social democrats as, for example Suzuki (famous Japanese Gompers), Abe and others who prostrated themselves before the enthronement.

The Japanese workers and peasants realize that it is only the nucleus who can fight the capitalist and the landlord to the end, that is, can establish the dictatorship of the proletariat under the leadership of the Communist Party.

## JOHNSON MOTOR BRIBES SPIES WITH HIGH PAY

### Pick Out Stranger Who Is Broke

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 WAUKEGAN, Ill., (By Mail).—The Johnson Outboard Motor Company makes a policy of hiring stool-pigeons to spy on the workers, and report their actions to the supervisor of labor, W. D. Garsline. When a worker comes to the employment office and makes out an application for work, Garsline tries to find out the history and financial condition of the applicant. When he finds that the applicant is a stranger in Waukegan, has no friends, and is broke, he figures that here is just the fellow to do the dirty work, and sends him home with the promise that "if we need you for work we will call at your rooming place with an automobile." A few days later Garsline calls at the applicant's home. Knowing that this unemployed worker is broke and has no friends, Garsline is sure that the fellow will do anything for any kind of a job. At the psychological moment Garsline sings the news, "I will give you a job and pay you a higher starting wage than we ordinarily pay. You will be safe, and you will only have to do a little special 'investigation work' and nobody will know about it except you and I." If the man says yes, Garsline starts explaining the type of "special work" that is to be done.

Garsline himself is only a cog in the wheel of the Johnson Motor Company, which is one of the worse open shops in the country. He gets a salary of about \$45.00 a week, but he is trying to please the big boss by crushing any sentiment for organization and trade unionism in the plant; and as a result get a promotion for himself.

However, the workers at the Johnson Motor Co. are militant and are ready to fight for a trade union, despite the yellow-dog contract that they must sign before they can get the job.

—J. P.

## ALICE BRADY

### Who is appearing in "A Most Immoral Lady," a new comedy by Townsend Martin, now at the Cort Theatre.



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## BOSS ISOLATES DRESS WORKERS

### Prevents Solidarity of Slaves

P. M., where I am employed, is considered one of the largest dress jobbing houses in the world. This firm produces and sells millions of garments a year. The stock is made by contractors. We make the samples and duplicates. The workers are divided into departments and categories, such as the dress department; the children's dress department; the finishing department; the shipping department; and the office staff. Each of these departments is conducted by a department head who exploits his subordinates.

The employees are thus distributed into various rooms which are partitioned off by metal walls, so that one group of workers is isolated from the other. The result of such division is disastrous to the interests of the workers, but it is very favorable to the interests of the employers. Instead of solidarity, there exists constant discord and distrust to each other; in place of class-consciousness, departmental consciousness and loyalty to the employers is highly developed. The passive attitude and self-satisfaction is the main evil that is prevalent in this place. They do not consider themselves as "common" workers. Particularly the shipping clerks and office workers are averse to any form of unionism or radicalism. These workers receive between sixteen and twenty-eight dollars a week, for six days' work. In the busy season which lasts for about six months or longer, they work until 10 or 12 o'clock at night without extra pay. In return for this loyalty, they are promised a chance for promotion if they will work hard enough and will be conscientious enough. They receive their "salary" on Friday when all big chiefs receive theirs, whereas we "common workers" get our wages on Tuesday.

These, however, are not the only departments where the workers lack class-consciousness. In the children's dress dept we work two hours longer, and receive between \$7 and twelve dollars per week, less than those in the dress dept. Yet the workers seem quite contented. The few of us who protest against conditions, and do not bow to the whims of the designer or pattern maker, are branded and discriminated against. Only intensive propaganda could change the ideology of these workers.

—A. L.

## A New Russian Director Makes His Bow on American Screen

### THE background of the new school of Russian directors differ radically from one another. Eisenstein was a professor of mathematics before he was attracted to stage direction and subsequently to the screen. Pudovkin, director of "The End of St. Petersburg," was a chemist and has recently appeared in films and gives evidence of a remarkable screen talent. The third member of this group, introduced to the American public thru his film "The Yellow Pass," a Soviet production, which opened at the Cameo Theatre last week, is a journalist by profession. Soon after the revolution he attached himself to a group of film enthusiasts in Moscow who went under the name of Film-Collective Russ. This group, which was destined to make history in the Russian cinema, also included Eisenstein and Pudovkin.

Otzepe came to the cinema well grounded in the field of dramatic literature and his first task was passing on the suitability of scenario manuscripts both from the theoretical and practical standpoint. His talent for writing original scenarios soon developed and Otzepe's pen is responsible for many a notable film.

It is not generally known that the director of "The Yellow Pass" is also the author of the scenario "Polikushka," a film that ranks amongst the foremost masterpieces of modern cinema.

When he was offered an opportunity to direct a film, he eagerly accepted and it is astonishing to observe that his first film, "The Yellow Pass," is such an artistic achievement as to place Otzepe in the foremost ranks of film directors who are subtly imaginative in their technique.

Influenced to a certain degree by Eisenstein and Pudovkin, at the same time Otzepe indicates that he has individual qualities to contribute to the art of film making. He utilizes both the instruments of realism and also dramatic elements for his effects and in that sense he has utilized some of the fundamental qualities of the established studios.

Otzepe is now working on Tolstoy's "The Living Corpse" which is now being acted on the stage in this country by Alexander Moissi under the name of "Redemption." One of the astonishing points about this undertaking is that the part of Fedya will be played by Pudovkin, the director of "The End of St. Petersburg."

## LEGION GETTING ARMS TO SHOOT WORKERS DOWN

### U. S. Army Supplying Rifles Cheap

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 SANTA ROSA, Cal., (By Mail).—Not satisfied with its drum corps and rifle corps to make its militarist show, the local post of the American Legion recently received a consignment of regulation 3.20 Springfield army rifles from the U. S. army arsenal at Rock Island, Illinois. These guns are being offered for sale at \$3.75 each to members of the American Legion throughout the country for "parade and hunting purposes." In this manner the standing army is being increased, probably for strikebreaking and counter-revolutionary purposes. Legion members of Petaluma are said to have used their machine gun when they attempted to lynch an aged recluse who refused to be taken alive and shut himself up in his cabin and tried to hold the legionnaires off with his rifle. The man was not match for the legionnaires' machine gun.

—A. E. T.

## JOBS SCARCE IN CALIFORNIA

### "Get Job or Go to Jail," Says Judge

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 LOS ANGELES, (By Mail).—"If you have a job by December 24, I will turn you free."

So spoke Municipal Judge William G. Baird to Hyram Christensen. The testimony showed the prisoner cashed a \$25 bogus check in order to provide food for his starving wife and children.

But to find a job in this city of "abundance" is almost as difficult as to locate a needle in a straw pile.

Even the monthly Southwest Review, official organ of the Chamber of Commerce, admits that jobs are down and stocks up.

Therefore this "Christmas gift" proposition is nearly as uncertain of realization as the "prosperity" promised the workers by Wall Street's efficient starvation expert, Herbert Hoover.

—L. P. RINDAL.

## STOOL-PIGEONS IN U. S. NAVY

### Trap Sailors Into Selling Booze

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 LOS ANGELES, Calif., (By Mail).—Charges against Antonio Garcia and Frank Ranzo for alleged violation of the Wright act were dismissed yesterday by Municipal Judge Ballard. The judge criticized the police for their methods of disguising stool-pigeons as enlisted sailors in the United States Navy to induce persons to violate said anti-booze law.

The testimony showed that police "operatives" had donned sailors' uniforms and deliberately accosted the defendants, urging them to sell them some liquor because they "didn't get ashore very often."

"Such tactics are unethical, un-American and show base disrespect for the official insignia of the navy," the court declared as the defendants were released.

That the police used to urge workers to commit crimes in order to crush the labor movement is also a fact—proven time and again.

—L. P. RINDAL.

## BOSTON WORKERS TO GIVE "FIESTA"

### Will Defy Barring of Gold's Play

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
 BOSTON, Dec. 17.—A move is under way to give a worker's production of "Fiesta," the drama of the Mexican revolution by Michael Gold which was suppressed here last week on orders of Mayor Nichols and Police Superintendent Crowley.

The story of this suppression is just another one of the long line of arbitrary acts which are making Boston the "great American tragedy." The play "Fiesta" was chosen by the Harvard Dramatic Club for its annual production this year. Three performances were given in Cambridge, and another was slated for a hall in Boston.

On the last night in Cambridge, three policemen appeared with notebooks, and kept their ears cocked for sedition, sex and anti-clericalism. They found all three present, and reported this to the Boston authorities.

Mayor Nichols, after the police report, decided to suppress the play. He said it was immoral. Maybe the facts which one paper printed about Mike Gold's having been arrested on the Sacco-Vanzetti picket line last year had a lot to do with his decision.

The wife of President Lowell of Harvard, who helped murder Sacco and Vanzetti, probably started the whole mess. She is one of the

## MILLION BRITISH WORKERS STARVE

### W. I. R. Fights Bosses' Charity Fund

LONDON, Dec. 17.—More than 1,000,000 people, comprising unemployed miners and their families, are in extreme distress and employed workers all over England are coming to their aid by contributing to the special Christmas fund.

The Workers International Relief is lending every assistance possible by sending clothes, supplies and money and at the same time counteracting the vicious propaganda of the Tory government, the royal family and charitable organizations.

It is very evident now that Baldwin's attempt to mollify the unemployed workers and induce them to accept continued unemployment while he is busy reorganizing the industry for the coal operators, his meager doles and subsistence wage are entirely inadequate and are only a certain to hide the fact that unemployment will exist as long as a bosses' government remains in power.

patronesses of the Harvard Dramatic Club, but she resigned as soon as she learned that the club was to do this play by Gold.

The members of the club stuck to their guns, however, and went ahead with the play.

## Produce "Earth" in Cleveland

Em Jo Basshe, producer of Upton Sinclair's "Singing Jailbirds," which is now running at the Provincetown Playhouse, is having his play "Earth" produced by the Gilpin Players of Cleveland.

"Earth" was produced in New York for the first time by the New Playwrights Theatre in 1927.

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 trailing,  
 And a thin rain wailing.

A wind was blowing when Mrs. Brown went under.  
 The water curdled about her feet, the horizon tossed  
 up and down.

A bird flashed against the sky.  
 Ears, nose, mouth, were swathed with thunder.  
 Now she wasn't angry any more.

Freddie wore a new velvet suit at the funeral,  
 Presented with the compliments of the ladies of the  
 Charity Society.

He was crying very hard, poor thing.  
 And Edna looked just too sweet  
 In her new white dress, with her hair washed and  
 combed out neat.

Charlie sat on a chair, looking stiff and brave.  
 While little Mr. Brown just slunk around the house,  
 Trying his best to feel at home.

Everybody was so sympathetic.  
 And rich Aunt Lizzie came down  
 From her country home and cried very much.  
 And took  
 Charlie and Edna and Freddie Brown  
 Back to the country with her.

They had never seen so many trees and flowers and  
 things,  
 So much greenness and color shooting up thru the  
 ground.

It was all so lovely here  
 Fifty-five miles from the spot  
 Where Mrs. Brown's body was found.

BRITISH-U. S. WAR LOOMS IN BOLIVIA CLASH

League May Conflict With Monroe Doctrine

(Continued from Page One) duct negotiations regarding the dispute.

GENEVA, Dec. 17.—Concerning the gravity with which the League of Nations regards the Bolivian-Paraguayan war, the following statement is given out by the press: "While final decisions are not yet made, the League program covers three phases by which the Council may act.

"First, exhaust every possibility for settlement of the dispute by the machinery already existing on the American continent. If this fails, the League would be obliged to insist on a settlement under the machinery provided by the League Covenant, and this failing, the League could consider the Covenant provisions for rupture of diplomatic relations and an economic blockade to enforce its decisions."

LO PAZ, Bolivia, Dec. 17.—Bolivia has asked the Chilean foreign ministry for an opinion on what action should be taken in connection with suggestions for arbitration put forward by the League of Nations and the Pan-American Conference in Washington.

The reply, forwarded today through the Chilean minister at La Paz, said: "First, Chile considers that American nations have the duty of not disturbing continental peace and consequently believes Bolivia should have sought pacific means for a compromise of justice and honor."

"Second, Chile looks with deep sentiment upon the Bolivian attitude toward war and sincerely suggests to choose one of the pacific means, suspending forthwith all sorts of military operations.

"Third, Chile invites Bolivia to mediate upon the disastrous consequences of war.

"Signed, Rios Gallardo, foreign minister."

Gondra Commission Quits. MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Dec. 17 (UP).—The International Permanent Commission for the Prevention of Armed Conflict Between American States terminated its efforts to intervene in the Bolivian-Paraguayan dispute today.

The commission passed a resolution ending the activities of its mission which had proposed investigating the boundary trouble between the two nations.

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 17.—With mobilization proceeding in Paraguay "as a defensive measure because of the gravity of the circumstances," dispatches from Asuncion state that Paraguay lost six dead in repulsing the attack of Bolivian troops and recapturing three of five forts taken. Thousands not included in mobilization orders are volunteering.

Dispatches from La Paz, Bolivia, state that three Yankee aviators have volunteered to drop bombs on Paraguayans, and war agitators rounded up a crowd to parade to the U. S. legation, where the Yankee minister spoke to the crowd and thanked them for their "good will."

While the show is made that Bolivia may be "satisfied" with recapturing Paraguayan forts and ostensible speeches are made about the "possibility of peace," troop movements proceed and are increasing. It is believed that if the Washington imperialists can compel Paraguay to surrender to Bolivia's terms then, and then only, will Bolivia accept "arbitration." The government note replying to the League of Nations is very perfunctory.

Soviet Police Capture Paul the Gypsy, Volga Bandit and Terrorist

MOSCOW, Dec. 17.—"Paul the Gypsy's" eleven-year reign of terror along the Volga as the feared brigand and bandit came to an end today with his arrest by Soviet police.

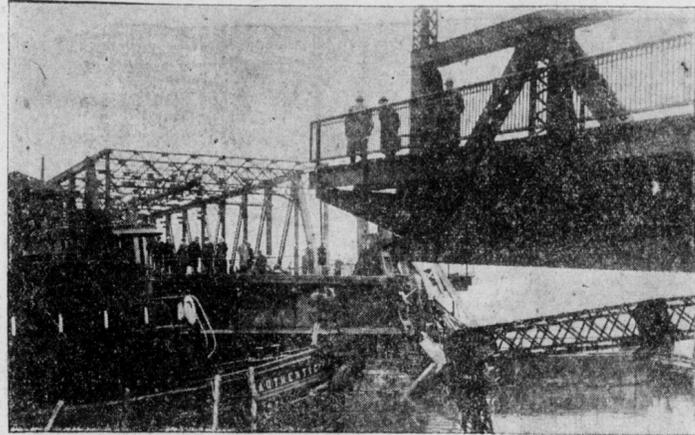
Paul—his real name is Paul Kuznetsov—had confessed to fifteen murders, including the strangulation of his first wife and the killing of his six-year-old daughter.

It is believed, however, that he must have murdered at least fifty people since he started operations, before the World War. He suspended his activities for a time during the war, but since 1917 he has done considerable damage in his territory, which he claimed as his own.

During the last eleven years, he and his gang have robbed hundreds of homes, stores and Volga boats, police say. Paul the Gypsy is 43. With him were arrested his wife and 33 members of his band.

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Many persons narrowly escaped death when the 1,000-ton eastern section of the Lincoln Highway Bridge over the Hackensack River suddenly collapsed. Improperly built supports—the work of the Jersey graft machine—were the cause of the collapse.

Workers Party Activities

Lenin Memorial Meet. A Lenin Memorial Meeting will be held in Madison Square Garden Saturday evening, January 19. All Party and sympathetic organizations please take note.

Party Units Attention! The Spanish Fraction will hold its first ball on Saturday evening, Dec. 22, at Harlem Casino, 116th St. and Lenox Ave. Proceeds will go for the organization of Spanish speaking workers and for the support of the organ of the Spanish Bureau "Vida Obrera". Please keep this date open and advise this affair your greatest support.

Night Workers Branch. The Night Workers Branch meets tomorrow at 3 p. m. sharp.

Italian Red Ball. A grand annual ball will be given by the New York Italian fraction of the Workers (Communist) Party for the benefit of Il Lavatore, the Italian Communist paper, on Saturday, Dec. 22, at 11th St. and Cooper St. Hall, 642 Hudson Ave., West N. Y.

Subsection 3C Executive. A subsection executive meeting of 3C will be held Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St. J. Primoff, organizer of subsection, will report on the work of the unit.

Unit 6F, Section 1. Unit 6F, Section 1 will meet today, at 60 St. Marks Place at 6 p. m.

Unit 7F, Section 1. Unit 7F, Section 1 will hold an educational meeting today at 6:30 p. m. at 60 St. Marks Place. "Trotskyism" will be discussed.

Incl. Br. 2, Section 1. A special industrial meeting is called by International Branch 2, Section 1, for Wednesday at 7:30 p. m., at 60 St. Marks Place.

Unit 2F S.S. 3D. Unit 2F S.S. 3D will hold an educational meeting today at 6:15 p. m. at 191 W. 27th St. The War Dancer will be the subject of discussion. Every member of the unit be present.

Bronx Y. W. L. Dance. The Bronx section of the Young Workers (Communist) League will hold a Section Dance on Saturday, Dec. 22, at the Rose Gardens, 1347 Boston Road. There will be entertainment and an excellent jazz band.

Notice to All Party Members. A Party membership meeting will be held Friday evening, Dec. 21, at Central Opera House, 57th St. and Third Ave. All comrades are to take note that they are to arrange no conflicting meetings with this date and are to be prepared to attend this meeting without fail. Doors will be opened at 7:30 p. m. Comrades will be admitted by Party membership card only, and must be in good standing.

East N. Y. Concert, Dance. The East New York section of the Young Workers (Communist) League has arranged a concert and dance for January 2 at 212 Hudson Ave. All workers are invited to attend.

Section 5 Dance. Section 5 of the Workers (Communist) Party will celebrate the establishment of the Young Workers Center at 1320 Wilkins Ave., on New Years Eve with a concert and dance till daybreak. All Bronx workers are invited.

Newark Y. W. L. Dance. The Young Workers (Communist) League will hold its sixth annual dance on Jan. 5, at the Ukrainian Labor Hall, 47 Beacon St., Newark. Tickets are 50 cents including a free sub to the Young Worker for three months. All sympathetic organizations are asked not to arrange affairs on the same date and to help us make this affair a success.

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work in connection with the Party's Negro work. The comrades in charge are head over heels in work, and unless volunteer help is gotten, important matters will be slowed up, if not altogether neglected. Phone Ida Dales at the National Office: Harlem 1278.

Unit 3E, 1F. Today at 6:15 p. m. an important meeting will be held by Unit 3E, 1F at 101 W. 27th St.

Unit 3E, 2F. Unit 3E, 2F will hold an important meeting Wednesday at 6:15 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St.

Upper Bronx Young Pioneers. The Upper Bronx Pioneer Sport Club will have gym practice this Sunday at 1347 Boston Road, 10 a. m.

Unit 4, Section 7. An important meeting tomorrow at 6:30 p. m., at 48 Bay 28th St. Brooklyn. "Trotskyism" discussion.

Bronx Y. W. L. Membership. A membership meeting of the Bronx Y. W. L. units will be held Thursday, 8:30 p. m., at section headquarters, 1230 Wilkins Ave. All other meetings have been called off.

57th Subsection C. Ray Kozmin will lecture on "Work Among Women" tomorrow, 6:30 p. m. at 30 Union Square.

SILK MILL YOUTH WITH LEFT WING

Deny Young Socialist League Slur

Continued from Page One the fact that a Y. P. S. L. leader had spoken at a mass meeting of the reactionary union long after the Youth Section meeting had unambiguously condemned the officialdom of the Associated.

"Since the time when the Associated Joint Board dissolved the left wing strike committee and ordered the strikers' parade called off," the youth organizer continued, "the Youth Section has been definitely on record as the most determined fighters against the Associated officialdom and their policies."

Youth Meet Tomorrow. He also stated that a meeting of the Youth Section, which will be held Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock at the headquarters of the National Textile Workers Union, 151 Broadway, is being held specifically for the purpose of taking up the question of affiliation with the Paterson locals of the National Textile Workers Union. The meeting will also elect fraternal delegates to the Preliminary Organizational Conference planned by the union.

This morning the first meeting of night workers in the silk mills was held by the N. T. W. U. After the workers had signed up with the union and held a thorough discussion on their problems, they decided to hold meetings every Monday

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MILL WORKERS HIT TROTSKYISM

Fall River Calls for Support of C. E. C.

(Continued from Page One) tunism with an international basis still seeking to hide its social-democratic character by covering itself with Left phrases, and that "Trotskyism is an organic part of the Right danger."

"We repudiate the dangerous statement of the Opposition within the Party that the Central Executive is a Right wing group." Such an attitude on the part of the so-called "minority" in our Party strengthens the social-democratic, counter-revolutionists—the Cannon group, and weakens the fight against the enemies of our Party.

In the mass work in our district a few Right deviations were committed, but with the help of our Central Executive Committee these mistakes were corrected immediately. We also considered our duty to mention that one of the serious Right wing mistakes were committed here in Fall River, and that is, capitulation before difficulties, insufficient attention to build up the Party, particularly by Comrade Weisman, the

leader of the opposition within the Party in our district, who was in charge of the Party work in Fall River. The factional charge against the Central Executive Committee by the Opposition comrades as a right wing Central Executive Committee is unfounded, declared the Communist International. We condemn the factional attitude of the so-called "minority" comrades as contrary to the Communist International decision that there are no political differences in the Party serious enough to justify a factional struggle. Finally we call upon all the Party members to support the Central Executive Committee and to unite in common struggle against the Right danger—the Trotskyites, and defeat all the enemies of our Party."

Women's Crafts Meet Tonight. Tomorrow, Tuesday evening, at 8 o'clock, a mass meeting of winders, quillwinders and pickers will be held by the union. In addition to taking up the question of organization of their crafts, the question of forming a women's section of the union will be taken up. Women comprise these crafts.

Jobless Workers Meet Thursday. All unemployed silk workers are to attend a special meeting of their own to elect delegates to the Preliminary Conference. The meeting will be held this Thursday morning at 11 o'clock.

The Preliminary Organizational Conference, which is being looked forward to by the workers here as a preparatory step before the City Convention, where officers of the union's locals will be chosen, is to be held Sunday morning at 10 o'clock in Oakley Hall, 211 Market St.

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Who are the Poets that will read at Red Poets' Night? Here are a few: Michael Gold, editor of the New Masses; Joseph Freeman, Robert Wolf, James Forty, Henry Reich, Jr., Langston Hughes, famous Negro Poet, A. B. Magill, Adolf Wolff, Martin Ruskak, Edwin Rolfe, David Gordon, Arturo Giovannitti, Moische Nadir and H. Leivick, the Yiddish Poets, H. T. Tsiang, the Chinese Poet, and many others.

Which means that the best revolutionary poets of various nationalities will appear December 28 and read from their own work.

Red Poets' Night Dec. 28. The third annual International Red Poets' Night will be held Friday evening, Dec. 28, at 8 o'clock at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St. Tickets on sale at Daily Worker office, 26 Union Square.

Harlem I. L. D. Meet. The Harlem Branch of the I. L. D. will hold a meeting Wednesday, Dec. 19, at 8:30 p. m., at 412 E. 103rd St. The discussion will be on "Defense work in the Past and Present."

Council 3 Lecture. Dr. Zlatkin will speak on "Women's Hygiene" Wednesday, 8:30 p. m., at 640 E. 139th St. The lecture is arranged by Council 3 of the United Council of Working Women. Admission free. All welcome.

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I. L. D. STARTS DRIVE TO HELP MILL MILITANTS

Greeting From Mooney Brought to Meet

A vigorous drive to raise funds for the defense of the 662 New Bedford strikers who are being tried for their activity in the textile strike was launched at a successful conference of working class organizations, held Sunday at Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Pl., under the auspices of the New York district of the International Labor Defense.

Rose Baron, secretary of the New York district, and Norman H. Tallentire, assistant national secretary of the I. L. D., addressed the conference. They stressed the importance of a permanent defense organization, pointed out the significance of the mass trial in New Bedford and called upon the various organizations represented to get behind the Christmas drive of the I. L. D. which will furnish funds for the defense of the New Bedford strikers and of the other cases now in the hands of the I. L. D. All told about 1,100 cases throughout the country are now being defended by the International Labor Defense.

The delegates responded enthusiastically to these appeals and pledged the full moral and financial support of their organizations. A feature of the conference was a speech by Herbert Paley, representing the Progressive Ex-Servicemen's Organization, consisting of American-born veterans of the World War. Paley announced that his entire organization, with a membership of 2,500, would affiliate to the I. L. D. and assist actively in all I. L. D. work and pledged \$50 for the Christmas fund drive.

Pledges and contributions were also made by a number of other organizations. Greetings from Tom Mooney were brought by Harry J. Wolf, the guest of honor, who has just been released from San Quentin Prison after serving three years for criminal syndicalism. Tom Di Fazio spoke on a protest demonstration that is being arranged for Italo Balbo, notorious fascist, now in this country.

A resolution was adopted condemning police brutality in the New Bedford strike.

A mass meeting of office workers will be held Thursday, Dec. 20, at the Labor Temple, 2nd Ave. and 14th St. Prominent speakers, as well as other prominent speakers, will address the meeting.

Negro Entertainment Dance. A Negro entertainment and dance has been arranged by Section 6 of the Workers (Communist) Party at 56 Manhattan Ave., Brooklyn, for Saturday, Jan. 12. An interesting program is being prepared.

Unity Cooperative Ball. A concert and ball will be given by the Unity Cooperative in celebration of its first anniversary on Saturday evening, Dec. 22, in the Laurel Garden, 75 E. 116th St. A Russian balalaika orchestra and a noted Russian dancer will be on the program.

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Negro Champion Dance. The Negro Champion and the American Negro Labor Congress will

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Bruce Says Election of Hoover Is Disas

Continued from Page One ment explaining he "suspects an gift to prohibition by so enthusiastic an anti-prohibitionist as its author."

Life For Pint of Liquor. While discussing conditions resulting from prohibition, there was cited the case of a Michigan mother facing life imprisonment under a habitual criminal law, for violation of the prohibition act, and this at a state where at the same time 150 dry law officials have just been exposed as grafters.

"The country is being enslaved by the Anti-Saloon League. In many respects the election of Herbert Hoover was one of the most lamentable misfortunes of American history. It brings dry organization again into a powerful position where they will exceed the tyranny of the league under Wayne B. Wheeler," Senator Bruce declared.

The Federal Trade Commission advised the senate in a monthly report today that it plans to resume in January its investigation of power interests' publicity methods unless pending court cases, dealing with financial phases of the hearings, interfere. January is long enough after the election to allow for witnesses to forget, and long enough before the inauguration to avoid embarrassing Hoover.

Brownsville I. L. D. Meet. A mass meeting of Brownsville Br. I. L. D. will be held Thursday, 8 p. m., at 154 Watkins St., Brooklyn. Tallentire will address the meeting.

Cleaners and Dyers. The cleaners and dyers will have a special distribution of Thursday's issue of the Daily Worker, and call on all Party units who have shops or factories in their territory to help in the distribution. Representatives of these units should report to the Daily Worker business office Thursday morning (Workers Center, 2nd floor).

Bronx Co-Op. Lecture. N. Minnow will lecture on "Waldpurgis Nacht" at the Cooperative auditorium, 2700 Bronx Park East, tomorrow night.

Freiheit Mandolin Orchestra. The second of a series of chamber music recitals will be given by the Freiheit Mandolin Orchestra Dec. 22 at 8:30 p. m. at 106 E. 14th St. Ensemble quartet and solo.

Drug Clerks Attention. A general membership meeting of all drug clerks will be held Wednesday, Dec. 19, at 8 p. m., at Hunts Point Palace, 163rd St. and So. Blvd., Bronx.

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## PAPA'S GOT BUSINESS IN BOLIVIA

By Fred Ellis

## Misleaders in the American Labor Unions

One of the many graft-infected organizations that might be cited is the Chicago Flat Janitors' Union. Its head, until his death in Feb., 1927, was Wm. F. Quesse, also president of the Building Service Employees' International Union. Quesse, a very capable organizer, beginning in 1912, built a union of the flat janitors, and undeniably improved their hours, wages, and working conditions. But he and his aids feathered their personal nests meanwhile. They had their own system, consisting of "fining" the landlords for making their janitors do unauthorized work, for employing non-union building trades workers to do repair work, and for various other violations of the union's rules. The many fines ranged from \$20 to \$2,000 each, very little of which reached the union treasury. In 1922 Quesse and nine of his fellow officials were convicted of conspiracy to extort money and they were sentenced to prison terms of from one to five years each. Their trials cost the union \$250,000. But their republican friend, Governor Small, to whose support Quesse was committed, came to their rescue in the nick of time. He pardoned the lot before they did a day in the penitentiary. Quesse left an estate of \$200,000 when he died.

Unions in this general group are the two locals of the Street Car-men's Union, with 25,000 members. Division No. 241, dominated by gunmen who play the company's game at all times, is but little better as an organization than the Mitten Plan in Philadelphia or the Interborough company union in New York. All opposition is slugged under. In 1921, J. E. Rooney, opposition leader, was murderously attacked and sent to the hospital for 16 months. In 1927, Frank Carlson, another opposition leader, was beaten and shot. Men who dare to speak at meetings against the union officials are removed from their jobs the next day. The men know nothing about the finances of their union, especially not about the million dollar carmen's auditorium, for which they have been paying for 10 years. The officers are all rich. Quinlan, president, receives \$7,200 salary; Tabor, secretary-treasurer, \$7,200, and Kehoe, recording secretary, \$6,000. Bowler, custodian of the auditorium, receives \$10,000, in addition to his salary as city councilman.

The officials of the building trades organizations and the reactionary bureaucrats of the other unions allied to them have formed the basis of the Gompers machine in Chicago for a third of a century. Saturated with corruption and bound by a thousand cords to the employers and the capitalist politicians, they effectively block progress in the local labor movement. They oppose every advance, every improvement in the unions, ideological and organizational. To them proposals to amalgamate the unions and to form a labor party are sheer Bolshevism. Their baneful influence is spreading. For 18 years after the defeat of 'Skinny' Madden in the Chicago Federation of Labor that body proper was in the hands of the more honest elements, led by John Fitzpatrick. But since Fitzpatrick's collapse and retreat to the right after the Farmer-Labor Party convention of 1923 the ultra-reactionaries, led by Oscar Nelson, have been making greater and greater inroads on the Federation until now it is almost entirely within their control.

The foregoing paragraphs on corrupt practice in the Chicago building trades fairly indicate the situation prevailing in all the larger industrial centers. Possibly conditions are somewhat worse in Chicago than elsewhere, but not much. The Chicago building trades business agents may be a little quicker on the trigger or, because of the greater strength of their unions, somewhat more ruthless in their grafting. But their confreres in the building trades in other cities also let no grass grow under their feet. This is seen from a few examples taken from the New York building trades.

that the establishment of the Soviet representative of workers, peasants and soldiers is one of the most important tasks in the present period of the Chinese revolution.

World Proletariat!  
Now the Chinese peasants have finally come to their self-consciousness, consciousness from fighting experience that to revolt in one or several villages or districts or countries is not enough. Only by uniting the city proletariat, by seizing the power of one or several provinces, could they uproot the rule of imperialists, bourgeoisie, gentry and landlords, and overthrow the Kuomintang. Only in this way could they build up the new Soviet China.

After the defeat in the great Canton uprising and the recent retreat from Hai Lou-Pong, the working class and peasantry deeply felt that the help of the world proletariat in general and the help of the USSR in particular to the Chinese revolution is of vital importance.

Workers, peasants, and soldiers of China, unite to accomplish the democratic dictatorship of workers' and peasants' powers!

World proletariat, particularly the fatherland of the proletarian class, unite in unanimous help to the Chinese Revolution!

Long live the success of the Chinese Revolution!  
Long live the success of World Revolution!



## "Laundry Row" Is Workers' Hell

By ANN STANLEY.

CHICAGO is famous for its "Rows." There is the Automobile Row, with its glittering windows displaying the latest cars of all makes; there is Machine Row, with establishment after establishment selling nothing but machinery; there is Millionaire Row down along the lake front, with its great stone mansions, immense gardens, private swimming pools and swimming beaches, golf courses. Down Millionaire Row play the men that draw their living out of the business profits of Automobile Row, Machine Row, Publishers Row and, incidentally, Laundry Row.

Behind the glittering show windows of any of the business "Rows" one finds tired overworked stenographers and typists, clerks putting in ten to twelve hours daily behind the counters and on the floor, laborers, shifting heavy boxes, machines and furniture, repairing, sweeping, cleaning, doing heavy and disagreeable tasks for twelve to twenty dollars weekly, according to the horse power contained in their aged bodies.

Every "row" has its club where the members of the Association (an organization of all the heads of the different enterprises in the Row) meet to eat, play billiards and discuss ways and means of getting the largest profits out of the business. Enterprises whose heads belong to this organization invariably work their help longer and harder and pay them less than individual enterprises. Each Association has its own system of blacklist and a

### Speed-Up, Low Wages, Discrimination Against Negroes in Chicago Factories

worker found wanting in "loyalty" to his employer soon finds that the "Row" will have no more of him.

Probably the Laundry Row is the toughest one. Here no discrimination is made between the factory worker and the office worker as far as work, hours and wages goes, except that the more militant spirit of the factory worker has won steadier hours, and pay for overtime. The heaviest work is usually given to the Negro men and women that the laundry employs. This work is also the worst paid. Although Chicago is a northern city, discrimination is made between the white and Negro worker by providing separate wash rooms and locker rooms for the Negro workers. The sign over the laundry door, "For white women only" means that the lavatory on the other side of the room is badly neglected, dirty and usually the breeding place of venereal disease.

The wages here are very low. Negro women will receive as low as eight and ten dollars for a fifty hour week. White women fare a little better. They draw twelve to eighteen dollars for the same lengthly week. Tardiness is punished by "docking" the wages; so much for every ten or fifteen minutes of tardiness. Absence because of illness is never paid—if the ab-

sence comes at an inopportune time the luckless worker finds herself out of a job on her return. The conditions under which the women work are hard. The air is laden with steam and the smell of hot soap and dirty wash. The workers must stand at their work and the speed-up system is well exploited here.

In the offices, except that less steam and stink creeps in through the doors and partitions that separate the offices from the laundry, the conditions are usually just as bad. The hours are long, in rush times reaching well into the night. Help is hired sparingly and fired at the least sign of slack work. The help that manages to hang on to its job any length of time is the girl that puts in the most hours, says nothing in regard to the meagerness of her wages and the heaviness of her work, and gets along with the boss. The salaries are very small. Twelve dollars for the beginner or unskilled worker. Twenty-five dollars is paid only to exceptional workers, those girls that are put into more or less responsible positions, who do work that is equivalent to that of a manager who earns three to four thousand a year.

At Christmas the girls look forward to a bonus as a great majority of small offices give their office employees a bonus as a Christmas pres-

ent. The bonus in laundry row might consist of a few extra dollars for having put in extra time during the rush, a pretty engraved Christmas card or merely a smiling "Merry Christmas." To be dismissed after the temporary rush is over is not unusual.

In later years the employers of "Laundry Row" have taken advantage of the unemployment crisis and wages have come down, forces have been cut in some cases by a third, and hours have been lengthened to enable the remaining force to get out the same volume of work.

The thorn in the side of "Laundry Row" is the existence of the "Teamsters Union". Every stenographer that works in the bookkeeping department of a laundry concern is familiar with the red rages that the boss goes into over paying "outrageous wages" to these "bums" and having to observe certain regulations about hours, etc. Consequently an eagle eye is kept on the workers in the laundry and office for any signs of "unionization." Any employee taken on, be it a sweeper or head stenographer, has his or her history carefully gone into and references checked up.

The great majority of workers in the laundry industry are young and over 75 percent of them are women; because the work requires no skill or education but only fast fingers, and because the night shift is so convenient for them—mothers of small children often work here in order to piece out the family purse which at best is very thin and during the unemployment crisis her wages are often the only finances coming into the family budget.

## Kwangtung Peasants Fight Kuomintang Traitors

In those places where the peasants have not yet rebelled, and where the power does not belong to the Soviet, the life of peasants bitterly suffers indescribably. The militarists of the Kuomintang assumed their rule by way of door to door search, by way of helping gentries to unite and establishing the army of militia, by way of speculating business, of raising of rent and profit, of demanding old debts, of exchange of landlords, refusing of loans, and arrest, imprisonment and execution at the whim of landlords, gentries and compradors.

In Peh-kiang, in North River district, the peasants have a saying, "When one eats only kangee, he will be diabetic." This shows that the peasant has not enough rice to eat and too much kangee which is a mixture of water and very little rice. In Dan-See Kiang, (East and West River) there is another saying, "Too much potatoes produced too much gas!" This shows that the peasants have not enough rice and the daily eating of potatoes does not furnish enough substance. All this contributes to make the peasants desperate and are causes that make revolution in villages inevitable. They can be considered as the grave diggers for the gentry and landlord class.

Win Soldiers. Another very remarkable character of the present peasant struggle is expressed by the fact that the soldiers in the militarist armies become revolutionized. During the process of deepening of agrarian revolution the soldiers are sent to the front by the counter-revolutionary officials to execute the peasants. But the soldiers carried out sabotages with the peasants, without any previous agreement. Some of them even revolted against their commanders and went to the side of the peasants.

For instance in the second bombardment of the city of Hai-Fung, in Sept. 1927, one company of the besieging army revolted and joined the peasants. In the second bombardment of North River district, the same story of the soldiers' revolt was repeated in Jan. 1928.

Most remarkable was the event of March. General Fung Hsi-sen sent two divisions of more than three

thousand men to surround the An-Kiang Soviet of the Fifth District. Cannons fired more than a hundred shot and some hundred fights were waged. The Soviet government resisted obstinately and maintained more than one month. The attempt to capture the city resulted in a fiasco.

Just in this moment An-Kiang was cut off from outside relief. They

## HUGE PROFITS FOR THE UNITED FRUIT COMPANY

By GRACE HUTCHINSON (Federated Press).

The slaughter of Colombia strikers, slaving for \$1.25 a day, at the behest of the United Fruit Company, calls attention to the vast interests owned by the corporation, to be protected by cannon of the Colombian government.

Employing over 68,000 workers, the fruit trust has almost a monopoly of banana imports into the U. S. and England, handles half of the world's production, and is one of the five largest producers of sugar cane in Cuba. It operates 93 steamers in the Caribbean trade, for transportation of company products grown mainly on its own plantations.

In seven or more countries, all bordering on the Caribbean Sea, the United Fruit Co. owns plantations and other land, some of it not yet developed. It operates 2,200 miles of railways and tramways and also its own warehouses, wharves and docks in every principal port of the region. The corporation is now planning an international air mail and passenger route between the

U. S., West Indies, Central and South America. Profits of United Fruit Co. for the first eight months of 1928 amounted to \$17,700,000 (before taxes) or "earnings" of \$7.08 per share. It is no wonder that the stock is rated in Moody's manual of industrials as A in quality. Cash holdings of the company on Oct. 1, 1928, were \$85,000,000.

Anticipating that its underpaid workers would strike, the company prepared what it called "storm reserves," according to Dow, Jones and Co. publishers of the Wall St. Journal. In view of these preparations, Wall St. reports "the strike is not expected to have any large effect on profits."

Secure in the power of extensive investments, directors of the United Fruit Co., almost all of Boston, are also directors of other large corporations, among them the International General Electric Co., International Telephone and Telegraph, American Telephone and Telegraph, New England Telephone and Telegraph, Puget Sound Power and Light Co., Pacific Mills, United Shoe Machinery Co. and Nash Motors Co. All of these are anti-union concerns.

mentioned above. It is important at this time for all sympathizers with the work of the I. L. D. to support this campaign and to defeat the attacks of the capitalists courts on 1500 workers by sending funds immediately to the National Office of the International Labor Defense.

### Fuller's Land Graft

Alvan T. Fuller, governor of Massachusetts, and the blood-streaked monster who carried out Yankee capitalism's murder of Sacco and Vanzetti, is now exposed as a plain grafter. Boston is to build a subway, and hence the real estate sharks are grabbing all the available land in the vicinity through which they think it will pass, in order to hold it for speculative purposes when the underground railway is completed. It seems that much of this land was grabbed by Fuller and his cohorts before the plans to build the subway were known to the public.

Fuller seems to have stolen a march in land grabbing on another republican politician, Malcolm E. Nichols, who is mayor of Boston. Hence the workers are treated to recriminations between the two. Fuller now charges the mayor with incompetency in not building the subway. The mayor, himself, tried to grab some of the land, but when he found that Fuller had obtained most of it he vetoed a bill creating the commission that was to have charge of the building of the new subway. Fuller, infuriated, immediately in a public speech opened an attack on the mayor. The mayor retorted with considerable heat; charging Fuller with being a "successful speculator" rather than a "studious administrator," and further charged that Fuller "substituted personal invective for dispassionate discussion," and "mistakes slander for argument."

Such "revelations" are nothing new to workers who are familiar with Fuller's procedure in the events leading up to the murder of Sacco and Vanzetti. Fuller replied to the charges of the mayor by trying to imply that his erstwhile supporter was drunk as usual. Says Fuller:

"When the mayor tries to make the public believe that I am speculating in land or stocks then the most charitable conclusion that I can come to is that he is in his usual irresponsible condition."

As far as we are concerned we are neutral in this quarrel. We believe everything that the mayor says about Fuller and it is quite possible that what Fuller says about the mayor is true. Both of them are capitalist politicians and neither of them would scorn a piece of easy graft so long as it was sufficiently involved not to be as obvious as the bribery of a prohibition agent.

The workers of Boston have seen Fuller and his silk hatted associates of the Back Bay aristocracy murder two innocent workmen because they fought for their class, they have seen the mayor's police force club and jail workers who picketed Fuller against this fiendish murder. They have seen the state militia break textile strikes and the courts send pickets to jail. In a word, the class character of the state is becoming clear to them. Eventually the workers of Massachusetts as elsewhere, will be able to fully perceive the means by which the master class holds them in subjection. Then, under the banner of the revolutionary class party of labor, the Workers (Communist) Party, they will dispose of all the assassins and swindlers along with the class they serve.

### Organize Shoe Workers

The shoe workers of Greater New York, numbering from thirty-five to forty thousand workers, constitute a group of horribly exploited workers, at the present time at the complete mercy of the bosses. All the evils of large shops on the one hand and hundreds of small shops operated by thieving cockroach bosses on the other affect the men, women and youth who toil over benches making shoes.

This condition of the shoe workers is due for the most part to the thoroughly contemptible role as agents of the bosses at the head of the alleged unions in the industry. The Boot and Shoe Union is notoriously a company union that always aids the bosses beat down wages, lengthen hours and uphold any objectionable conditions the bosses demand. The Protective Union tries to outdo the Boot and Shoe in the contest to determine which shall have the privilege of betraying the shoe workers.

So bad have conditions become, and so many have been the wage cuts and the shop tyranny through the imposition of fines against the workers on the slightest pretext, that there exists a big sentiment for real labor organization. That demand has been met by the organization of the Independent Shoe Workers Union, which has started an intensive organizational drive. In Brooklyn, an organizational meeting is being held tonight at Lorraine Hall, 790 Broadway. Every shoe worker should attend that meeting

### "Good Will" Toward Hoover

So deep is the mass hatred of the peoples of Latin-America against the ravenous, insatiable imperialism of the United States of North America that Hoover's "good will" tour is marked by heavy concentration of troops in order to shield him from justifiable fury. The Latin-American masses are not deceived by the crude hypocrisy which describes this roving imperialist tour as one of "good will." They are familiar with the history of Yankee freightfulness in Nicaragua, in Haiti, in Santo Domingo, in the present incitation of the puppet government of Bolivia against Paraguay in order to grab more oil land for the Rockefeller interests.

The Latin-Americans know that when Sandino, the heroic defender of the masses of Nicaragua, is branded a bandit by the contemptible lackey of dollar despotism, Cal Coolidge, it really expresses the contempt in which all Latin-American peoples are held by imperialist Washington, spokesman for the whole ruling class of this country.

In the Argentine republic Hoover and his party of plunderers proceeded through lines of armed soldiery, guarding the personification of the new and aggressive turn in American imperialism from the vengeance of the masses who rallied in thousands to the cry of "Sandino" and to demonstrate against cynical, defiant and monstrous murder of Sacco and Vanzetti. Proceeding from the Argentine to Montevideo, Uruguay, Hoover was met with the usual mobilization of soldiery, while the masses vented their hatred of American imperialism by acclaiming Sandino and shouting "Viva Sacco-Vanzetti!"

All class conscious workers of the United States hail with joy these demonstrations of the Latin-Americans against Hoover who is to become president of the United States on March 4th next. It is evidence that they are aware of the sinister meaning of the election of a man whose whole life has been one of imperialist plunderers, who is an expert at utilizing war, famine and flood in the interest of his class, whose bloody trail extends through many countries in many climes. They are right in demonstrating against his tour as a sign of increased aggressiveness, as the herald of new slaughters, as a forerunner of an attempt to subdue all Latin-American nations to the position of vassals of American imperialism.

These demonstrations are clear indications of the trend of the development of anti-imperialist sentiment in Latin-America. They are forebodings for Yankee tyranny of the time when the oppressed and robbed masses of that part of the world will rise as one against such evidences of "good will," and drive out the despoilers of whole populations. In this fight the peoples of Latin-America will find valiant comrades in the ranks of the American workers and farmers who suffer under the same blight that is represented by Hoover and the class he has been chosen to serve.

### Defense For Workers

The International Labor Defense, which is a non-partisan, workers organization, is carrying on an important task in defending at the present time more than 1500 working class fighters who have been victimized by the capitalist courts. The International Labor Defense since its formation has appeared as the shield of the workers in strikes and wherever the police, the government and the courts have been willing instruments of the employers in beating, jailing and many times murdering workers.

The organization is now defending nearly 700 textile workers before the courts of New Bedford who have already been sentenced to as high as three years imprisonment. The I. L. D. is defending the Cheswick, Pa. workers who were arrested a little over a year ago in a Sacco-Vanzetti meeting and are now facing trial in Pittsburgh. The I. L. D. has prevented the attempt to deport foreign born workers on many occasions, as for example the recent attempt to deport several California foreign born workers. The I. L. D. has been in the forefront of the campaign to free Mooney and Billings and the Centralia prisoners.

In its work the International Labor Defense exposes at all times the fact that in imperialist America there is no "justice" for the working class, that the government, the courts, the police and all other such "American" institutions are nothing but agents of the bosses, servants of Wall Street and of the employers. Only in their own organizations, one of which is the International Labor Defense can the workers find the strength to fight against the persecution of such capitalist institutions and to beat back the attacks of the master class in the courts of this country.

At the present time the International Labor Defense is conducting a Christmas campaign for funds to carry on its work and to fight for the workers involved in the cases