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8,000 NEEDLE WORKERS GREET BIRTH OF NEW UNION

HOOVER TO BOSS WAR MEASURES; FORCE THE VOTE

Calls It "Consulting Cal." in Wireless Messages

May Call Extra Session

Imperialist Air Route Already Under Way

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Wireless dispatches purporting to come from President-elect Hoover on the battleship Utah, now near Hampton Roads, are being given the press here thru the navy wireless station. They are couched in language intended to obscure the impression that Hoover, a shrewd agent of imperialism, is taking the active direction of affairs away from the faltering hands of Coolidge, an inept agent.

But Will "Consult" Cal. Hoover, say the dispatches, will recognize that Coolidge is still president, and will "defer to the president's wishes" on matters of foreign policy and appointments during the rest of Coolidge's term. Yet, Hoover will "consult" with Coolidge on these matters, as also on war preparations, and especially on aviation.

The United States, thru private capital, should start regular airplane service down the West Coast of South America, Hoover makes it known. As soon thereafter as possible, it is necessary to start the more difficult lines over the Brazilian forests, and down to Argentina. Otherwise, in the opinion of Hoover, British and French capital will get ahead of the U. S., and this important imperialist factor will not be in American hands.

May Be Extra Session. Hoover is expected to plunge into negotiations with Senator Borah and others as soon as he reaches Washington, to assure the passing of the bill for fifteen more cruisers and other war material, and the Kellogg pact during this session of congress, as soon as the holiday recess is over. This requires a certain amount of juggling with and bargaining with those senators who are pushing the fake farm relief bill, and may require Hoover's promise that he will call a special session of congress to consider the farm bill, if its proponents agree to let it go over until after the vote on the militarist preparations.

Air Service Starts. Powerful Wall Street interests announce that the existing routes of Pan American Airways, Inc., a subsidiary of the Aviation Corporation of the Americas, will be immediately extended, and that a vast reorganization and expansion of the company will take place in the first week of January.

Air lines will be established to link the West Indies, Central and South America in a 4,000 mile long airway.

This line now operates a Miami-Porto Rico run. It will institute a regular twice-daily service to Havana and a tri-weekly service extending beyond Havana through Cuba, Haiti, Santo Domingo to San Juan, Porto Rico, a total distance of 1,440 miles. There is an overnight stop on the Porto Rico run.

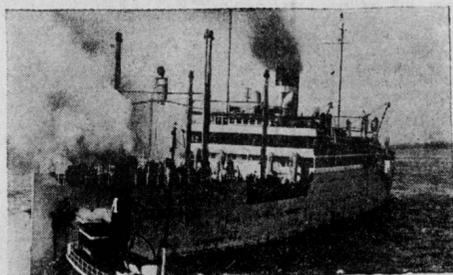
Jan. 11 a Sikorsky amphibian will open Pan American's Central American line, with scheduled stops at Havana, Belize, British Honduras; Tela, Honduras; Corinto and Managua, Nicaragua; Puerto Arenas, San Jose, Costa Rica; Panama City, and David and Cristobal, in the Canal Zone. There will be overnight stops at Belize and Managua.

Warns U. S. of Attack on Latin Immigration

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 30.—The influential paper "La Prensa" recently published an editorial attacking the proposal made in the United States for extending the quota arrangements restricting immigration to Latin-Americans.

The paper declares that such a measure would undermine Pan-Americanism. It also points out that as the restriction would have most effect on Mexico, the result would be to draw a sharp line at the Rio Grande and break the Western Hemisphere into "two exclusive groups."

Wall St. Troops Sail for China to Kill Workers



This contingent of 800 American troops leaving for China and other parts of the far east give the lie to the government statement that Wall Street forces are being reduced in China. The transport St. Mihiel is shown leaving the Brooklyn army base last Friday. Wall Street is increasing its forces to be in readiness to slaughter Chinese workers and peasants, who are preparing to oust both the imperialists who oppress them and the Kuomintang which has betrayed them. The Chinese Communist Party will lead in the formation of a Workers' and Peasants' Republic in China.

BILL HAYWOOD'S BOOK TO TELL OF MORMONS

Did you ever hear of the Mountain Meadow Massacre? It was an incident of the Old West, a slaughter of men, women and children by Mormons and Indians, or at least Indians. "Big Bill" Haywood, who was born at Salt Lake City in the heart of the Mormon ruled Utah territory, tells of Mormon practices as he saw them.

"Bill Haywood's Book," written by Haywood before his death at Moscow last May, will be published exclusively in the Daily Worker, running as a serial, beginning with the Fifty Anniversary Number, Saturday, Jan. 5.

The autobiography of Haywood is one of the most distinctive accomplishments of proletarian literature published in recent years. By arrangement with the International Publishers Company, the Daily Worker has obtained exclusive rights for serial publication of this intensely interesting work.

Haywood's life covered a period of years and was located in such stirring scenes of American capitalism's westward expansion, settlement and industrialization, that his own life story is a reflection of all principal phases of that development.

The publishers of the Daily Worker warn all newspapers and periodicals against republishing, either in English or in translation, any of Haywood's book as run in the Daily Worker, with the exception of not over 200 words, for which credit must be given.

This wonderful story of Haywood, courageous and militant leader of the American labor movement, will appear serially only in the Daily Worker, beginning Jan. 5, in the special Birthday Edition of the "Daily." All who wish to get this interesting feature must rush in their subscription at once.

Refuse Unemployment Aid to Miners Who Will Not Take Lower Pay

MORELY, England (By Mail).—Unemployment benefit has been refused by the government to scores of mining families who have been on the verge of starvation for months here.

GREETINGS-MORE, MORE!

Workers Urged to Honor Bill Haywood

The news that Big Bill Haywood's story of his own life will begin serial publication in the special fifty anniversary edition of the Daily Worker, to be issued next Saturday, has greatly stimulated interest in this edition. Workers are sending in and collecting greetings and donations with greater enthusiasm than ever in order to be among those to have their names printed in the same issue in which the autobiography of the great revolutionary leader will appear.

The fifth anniversary edition of the Daily Worker will contain not only the first installment of "Bill Haywood's Book," but many other unusual articles and features that will make it the greatest issue of a working class newspaper ever published in the English language. Articles on the history of the Daily Worker, on the role played by the old socialist New York Call, on Latin America, on the Red International, on Lenin and the Bolshevik

SOVIET WORKERS APPROVE UNIONS

Resolution Backs Its Policy

(Wireless by "Inprecorr") MOSCOW, Dec. 28.—"Pravda," official organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, published today the resolution of the Eighth Congress of the Soviet Labor Unions approving the activity of the Central Council of the Trade Unions.

The resolution expressed approval of the support accorded by the Central Council to the urban industrialization policy, approves the strengthening of the socialist elements in the towns and in the country, the industrialization of agriculture and the consolidation of the workers' and peasants' alliance.

The resolution declares that the general class interests of the workers must be harmonized with the immediate, everyday economic needs, as a basis for the function of the labor unions as a school for Communism.

The resolution approves the international activity of the Central Council and expresses the conviction that the Copenhagen agreement between the Soviet, Finnish and Norwegian labor unions was a step toward international labor union unity.

Lumber Workers of the T.U.E.L. to Hold Dance in Seattle on Jan. 5

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 28.—The Lumber Workers' Section of the Trade Union Educational League will hold a dance and entertainment at the Finnish Hall, 1239 Washington St., on Saturday, January 5, beginning at 8 o'clock in the evening. A southern Negro orchestra will provide union music, and a play entitled "A Logger Expresses His Mind" will be presented.

KELLOGG MONROE DOCTRINE MOVES STILL CONTINUE

League of Nations Not Asleep; Briand Warns It "Keep Watch"

Chile Hits Meet Here

Bolivia and Chile in Growing Friction

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—The so-called "Conference for Conciliation and Arbitration of the Pan-American Union," which might much better be called the Sub-Committee of the U. S. State Department for assisting Wall Street in Latin America, proceeds more or less calmly in the business of "making peace" openly and making war secretly.

The over-trustful Paraguayans, who demobilized upon the naive belief that the United States of 1923 is the same United States it was in 1853, when the Paraguayans coined a phrase about U. S. "justice," now find themselves at a disadvantage before Bolivian soldiers which are advancing thru the Chaco region.

Kellogg Pulls Wires. The Paraguayan charge d'affaires, Juan V. Ramirez, complained of Bolivia's action to the U. S. State Department, without alleging of course, that Kellogg was the one really responsible for Bolivian aggression. He made his complaint public. But the Bolivian minister, who called on Kellogg later, observed secrecy on what he and Kellogg talked about; and so did Kellogg.

Bolivia's continued armed advance in violation of its "peace pledge," only illustrates anew the absurdity of pacifist illusions that "peace pacts" and treaties will stop imperialists from making war for even one moment.

Chile Practically Withdraws. An important incident of the significance of which has been concealed by the Kellogg controlled conference, was the arrival Saturday of official notification from the Chilean government that Chile would have nothing to do and take no part in any "conciliation commission" set up by the Washington conference.

This practically constitutes the withdrawal of Chile from the conference, and is indicative of a sharpening alignment of forces between American and British imperialism in Latin America.

League Not Asleep. PARIS, Dec. 30.—In view of reported continuance of war moves by Bolivia, Aristide Briand, acting as president of the Council of the League of Nations, held a long conference with M. Patino, Bolivian minister to France, and announced to the press that the League of Nations is still "paying the closest attention" to the Bolivia-Paraguay conflict.

In Geneva, the League has just issued a "white book" on the League's actions so far, the principal item of which is the gently-put threat to the United States that the League would call a special session of its members and move its headquarters to Paris, a diplomatic way of warning Washington that European imperialism would fight to protect its interests in Latin America.

Chile Opposes Washington. BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 30.—The Bolivian government is quite disturbed at the semi-official press of Chile, which has been openly commenting on the subservience of Bolivia to United States bankers and calling attention to the recent loan of \$23,000,000 with which Dillon-Read, Wall Street bankers, consolidated all American loans and control.

The paper "El Mercurio," a Chilean paper of over 100 years standing, is particularly irritating to Bolivia, the press of which is intimating that Chile is "not interested in peace," as the reason "El Mercurio" attacks the Washington fake "conciliation" conference.

Peru has notified Chile that it adheres to the Gondra accord.

First Polish Group of Slaves in Brazil

PARA, Brazil (By Mail).—The S. S. Krakus, the first vessel of the new fleet which is to ply between the Polish port of Gdynia and Brazil, has arrived here with 600 families of Polish workers, the first contingent of the thousands who will be settled under slave conditions in Brazil.

WHALEN'S POLICE MURDER BOY AND COVER UP CRIME

Fake War on Criminals by Tammany Police Heads Shown Up

Young Worker Victim

Young Worker Victim of Tammany

By HARRISON GEORGE. Louis Bianca, a 19 year old mechanic helper, is dead. Shot in the back and murdered by Policeman Frank Moran. Who is to blame?

Grover Whalen, who exploited thousands of working class boys and girls at starvation wages in Wana-maker's store, took office with a boast of "cleaning up the town." He restores the "strong-arm squad," issues orders to round up all so-called "criminals," bring 'em in, so to speak, dead or alive; revives the "work or fight" order of conscription days of the war in a city filled with unemployed workers—in short tells the police to attack the working class on all fronts and not to be backward about shooting.

A Victim of Capitalist Law. Policeman Frank Moran obeyed orders in murdering Louis Bianca. If not, why does he still remain on the New York police force? It is not a question of Moran, but of Whalen, head of a department of the capitalist city government of New York, a small nation in itself, a government which is ruled by the capitalists and whose police department is the special organ of that class, organized to "keep the workers in their places" at long hours, low wages and with no trade union.

But let us tell the story of Louis Bianca, whose body lies in a tiny Harlem apartment, where he lived with his old mother and his sister, in the district where live many Italian workers, exploited by New York capitalists as he was exploited.

Louis was a lad not much over 16 years, interested as lads naturally are, in sports. But he worked in a tailor shop. Used to get and deliver (Continued on Page Five)

SINCLAIR SUIT HAS LOOPHOLES

Federal Fraud Charge Only on Companies

WASHINGTON, Dec. 30.—Trickery and evasion of the best route by which the looters of the U. S. oil lands at Salt Creek, Wyoming, might be brought to task, seem to be embodied in the largest government action against Sinclair, as in all previous actions.

The government now sues in the federal courts of Wilmington, Delaware, for a return of \$35,000,000 profits made by Sinclair companies while they fraudulently held the Salt Creek leases, granted them by Secretary of the Interior Fall, but the bringing of the suit in Delaware makes it "impossible," due to legal red tape, to charge Fall, Sinclair or his pipe line company with the fraud, because they are not residents of Delaware. The suit is brought only against the Sinclair Crude Oil Purchasing Company and the Mammoth Oil Company.

The government complaint does, however, point out that a fraud and conspiracy was entered into by Fall, Sinclair and others.

The bill in equity of the government, in addition to charging that approximately 20,000,000 barrels of royalty oil were sold, says: "Fall has also corruptly received from Sinclair as his share of the profits of this conspiracy, cash and Liberty bonds of the face value of at least \$269,100, but plaintiff does not know the exact amount of all the profits received by Fall, as his share of the profits of the conspiracy, and is therefore unable to allege the same."

DISGUISED AS MAN 60 YEARS SARATOGA SPRINGS, N.Y., Dec. 30.—After working in this city as a painter for 60 years, Charles Warner, 82, has been discovered to be a woman. She said she assumed the male disguise because she wanted to find work to support her widowed mother.

To Denounce Balbo Visit At Big Meet

The New York City and state governments are cooperating with the Italian embassy and consulate and with Italian business and patriotic organizations to boost the hand of fascism in the U. S. Mayor Walker and Gov.-elect Roosevelt have become honorary patrons of the committee which is welcoming Italo Balbo, fascist aviation minister and murderer of Italian workers, to New York.

A large part of the colony of Italian politicians, business men, singers, professors, bankers, and the like are on the committee also. Balbo, who is coming to New York Jan. 3 and 4, will also be greeted by the militant Italian workers of this city, who will hold a mass protest meeting against this butcher at the Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Place, Thursday, Jan. 3, at 8 p. m., under the auspices of the International Labor Defense and the Anti-Fascist Alliance of America.

Balbo arrives here the afternoon (Continued on Page Two)

GREEN MAY BE SEC'Y OF LABOR

Earns Job by Cutting Pay, Supporters Say

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla., Dec. 30.—The Illinois Miner, official organ of the Fishwick-Lewis administration of what is left of the United Mine Workers of America, Illinois District, is boosting William Green, president of the A. F. of L., for secretary of labor in Hoover's cabinet, and boasting that under Green's administration in the A. F. of L. the wage cut has been so effective that the coal mines of Kentucky and other southern states are being put out of business. The wage cut in Illinois will be followed by other cuts in Kentucky, but the Illinois Miner does not speak of that.

The Illinois Miner is published here in the printing plant of the socialist, Oscar Ameringer, who has a \$72,000 a year contract with the Illinois Miners Union (District 12 of the U. M. W. A.) to put out its weekly official organ for them, under a Springfield address.

Glad to Cut Wages. In its issue of Dec. 22, the Illinois Miner carries a front page story with the headline: "Union Scales Driving Scab Mines Dizzy," in which the boast is made that Illinois miners are working for such low wages under the Fishwick contract foisted upon them a month ago, that the non-union miners to the south cannot compete with them. The Illinois Miner openly claims that as a great victory for its own kind of unionism, the company unionism of the U. M. W. A. under Lewis and while Green led the A. F. of L.

Bosses for Green. The other prominent story on the front page of the same issue is a reprint of a special article by John Leary, labor editor of the New York World, who says: "Green would be highly acceptable to some of the most important industrialists in the country," and reveals that he has also the backing of the bitter reactionary, William L. Hutcheson, general president of the Carpenters Union, who was himself seriously considered for the Department of Labor by President Harding.

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PARTY MEMBERS VOTE

All Large Cities Thus Far for C. E. C.

Returns from membership meetings of the Workers (Communist) Party in the pre-convention discussion of questions now before the Party for settlement show that the vote is overwhelmingly in support of the Central Executive Committee of the Party.

The returns as known to the Daily Worker up to the present time are as follows:

City	C. E. C.	Opposition	Abstain
New York	1153	573	48
Chicago	290	173	
Seattle	104	1	2
Superior	43	1	8
Boston	43	14	4
Pittsburgh	91	19	3
Philadelphia	114	44	8
Detroit	186	62	9
Minneapolis	35	9	
Buffalo	24	1	0
New Haven	11	17	0

The membership meetings are still going on in the other Districts. The case for the Opposition is presented in every membership meeting by a special representative, who has equal time with the Central Committee representative.

HUGE CLOAK, DRESS, FUR WORKER RALLY APPROVES MERGER OF TWO UNIONS

First Sessions of Amalgamated Conventions Begin Today in New Star Casino

Launching of the Amalgamated Needle Trades Union Rings Death Knell of Scab Unions

About eight thousand cloak, dress and fur workers, in the huge Lincoln Arena, 66th St. and Broadway, yesterday unanimously voted to endorse the decisions of their union convention to amalgamate.

CLOAKDELEGATES RECEIVE REPORT

Sums Up Struggles of Past Years

Brilliantly summing up the history of the bitter struggles the cloak and dressmakers have gone through in the last few years, the report of the National Organization Committee of the Cloak and Dressmakers' Union—60 typewritten pages—drew the logical conclusions from the lessons learned through bitter experience, and called on the convention to act on the proposals contained in the report for the formation of a new amalgamated needle trades workers organization in this country.

A short summary of the report delivered last night is necessary. It follows: The report begins by calling attention to the first manifestations of an attack against the progressives, made by Sigman when he split into four distinct bodies the single large Local 25. This was in 1920.

Embarks on Expulsions. Sigman followed this up three years later with the first official inauguration of the expulsion policy in the American Federation. Three of the largest locals in the International, Locals 2, 9 and 22, were expelled in 1923. After a 16-week struggle, led by a Joint Action Committee, the left wing leadership of the locals had formed and was able to rally tens of thousands of cloak and dressmakers in the offensive against the reactionary, socialist-led officialdom, the workers' fight was crowned with victory.

This took the form of an agreement which Sigman and his cohorts were compelled to sign, agreeing to tolerance and the paramount principle in the organization. Under this agreement members of the union were permitted freedom of political and trade union opinions.

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With tremendous enthusiasm the great mass of workers assembled in the hall which is generally used as a prize-fight arena, shouted a mighty "aye" when Charles S. Zimmermann, chairman, put to a vote the resolution which called for the merging of the two organizations.

Thus the official endorsement of the rank and file was obtained. From today on, the convention of the Furriers' Union and the convention of the Cloak and Dressmakers' Union will go into session, until the final step is taken for the establishment of the new, amalgamated needle trades workers' organization.

The sessions of the convention, which will be opened in New Star Casino today, will then complete the task of laying foundations for the amalgamated organization, which will be the first step in the struggle to build an amalgamated national industrial union of needle trades workers.

Many speakers addressed the big meeting yesterday afternoon. Short spirited speeches every now and then interrupted by outbursts of cheering and applause, showed the intensity of the enthusiasm prevailing. The speakers were leaders of the struggle against the right wing and the bosses from all over the country. The leader of the Canadian Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union, J. Salzberg, recently built, greeted the workers here in behalf of his organization.

That the establishment of the amalgamated union hailed the destruction of the company unions led by the right wing and by the A. F. of L., was predicted by the speakers and was reflected in the response of their hearers. But that this will be done only by struggle against these traitors and their allies the bosses, was recognized, as was shown by the call of the leaders to prepare for the coming strike in the dress-making industry and in the fur trade. These strikes are to be called in order that union conditions, which were destroyed by the socialist scab union officials, shall be regained.

BILLINGS HELPS TEXTILE TRIAL

Gives Allowance Money to Labor Defense

Warren K. Billings has donated his monthly allowance to the Christmas Fund of the International Labor Defense and calls upon all the workers to aid in the defense of the 662 New Bedford textile strikers and the other class war prisoners by aiding the I. L. D. Christmas Campaign. The fact that Warren K. Billings, Henry Corbushley and a number of other class war prisoners donated their meagre allowance to the campaign fund of the I. L. D., which has been extended into the first part of January, is a challenge to all workers and sympathizers who are not behind prison bars.

Over Thousand Cases. The I. L. D. is now defending 1,100 class war prisoners before the capitalist courts, on charges growing out of the strike activity of these workers, of their attempt to organize the unorganized workers, and other activities on behalf of the working (Continued on Page Three)

Women Gov't Workers Seeking Sick Leave

WASHINGTON, (By Mail).—A drive to obtain sick-leave has been launched by the women workers in the plant of the bureau of engraving and printing. The women complain against conditions in the plant.

WILL DENOUNCE BALBO VISIT AT PROTEST JAN. 3

Fascist Murderer Is Feted by Reaction

(Continued from Page One) of Jan. 3, when he will be greeted by Mayor Walker at City Hall. That evening he will be entertained at a luncheon by a patriotic society, and the next day there will be another luncheon on a ship, and then Walker's and Roosevelt's party—a banquet and ball at ten dollars a ticket. Among the "patrons" of this banquet are Count De Reval, who tried to frame-up Greco and Carillo, Judge Mancuso, local politician, Prof. Cosenza, of City College, Gatti-Casazza and some of his singers from the Metropolitan Opera, Fiorello La Guardia, once socialist candidate and now congressman, Messrs. Campagna and Paterno, rich builders, etc.—a motley crew of reactionaries.

The protest meeting of the workers of the city will demonstrate against this orgy of reaction. Their meeting Thursday night will be addressed by William W. Weinstein, district organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party; Norman Tallentire, assistant secretary of the International Labor Defense; Carlo Tresca, of the Anti-Fascist Alliance and Il Martello (suppressed by the post office for attacking the bloody Balbo); Vanni Montana, of Il Lavoratore, and T. De Dazio, of the Anti-Fascist Alliance, chairman of the meeting.

Women's Federation to See "Singing Jailbirds" at Provincetown Today

Several hundred New York working women will gather at the Provincetown Playhouse, 133 Macdougall St., tonight to see Upton Sinclair's "Singing Jailbirds." The proceeds of the performance will go to the New York Working Women's Federation.

"Singing Jailbirds" will be moved to a large theatre shortly, the New Playrights, producers of the play, announce, and women who wish to see the play while it is still being offered at popular prices are urged to attend tonight's performance.

Those who have not secured their tickets through the federation may make reservations by calling Watkins 0588 up to six o'clock. Tickets may be had at the box office of the theatre.

Soviet Officials Come Here to Further USSR Economic Interests

(By United Press.) BERLIN, Dec. 28.—After delays and difficulties, two of the most important Soviet officials who sail Jan. 2 from Cherbourg for New York aboard the Mauretania to conduct significant negotiations in the United States, it was said here today.

Aaron Scheimann, president of the Soviet State Bank, and Valery Myshlaur, vice-president of the Soviet Supreme Economic Council, have completed arrangements for their trip to America after being delayed by illness and refusals of visas. It was believed here the discussions might lead to construction of big Russo-American automobile factories in Soviet territory with a capacity production of 100,000 automobiles yearly.

Upper Harlem Youth to Give Inter-Racial Dance This Evening

The Inter-Racial Dance arranged by the upper Harlem unit of the Young Workers (Communist) League will be held tonight, beginning early in the evening, at the Imperial Auditorium, 160 W. 129th St. The festivities will continue until dawn on Sunday, with John C. Smith's Modern Jazz Orchestra supplying the jazz. The dance is part of the campaign the unit is waging for complete social and economic equality for the Negro workers.

Fearing Negro Labor, Birmingham Bans Film of Uncle Tom's Cabin

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Dec. 28 (CNS).—This city, in a state which has hundreds of Ku Klux Klan lynchings and whippings to its credit, so many that last year, 84 were recorded in one county alone, has barred the showing of "Uncle Tom's Cabin" in movie form. The ruling class of business men and white planters fear that it would encourage rebellions on the part of the innumerable Negro workers held in peonage and serfdom in this state. The legal excuse given is that "it might excite hatred."

FIGHT FOR PENSION. SANTA CLARA, Cuba, (By Mail).—Sugar workers here are fighting for a pension after 20 years of service.

The Workers (Communist) Party is the party of the class struggle.

CLOAKDELEGATES RECEIVE REPORT AT CONVENTION

Sums Up Struggles of Past Years

(Continued from Page One) the strike, the great struggle was won, gaining substantial victories for the workers.

The prestige that accrued to the militant left wing leadership for the victory, which was achieved through the use of new (to the American labor movement) tactics such as injunction violation en masse, etc., was the signal for a new desire to destroy such leadership by the bureaucrats.

Then followed the new attack of the union-wreckers. This time the frank and public assistance of the American Federation of Labor was obtained to reinforce the already formidable alliance of the socialists and bosses. Police terror was brought against the workers. Blood flowed in the New York streets as the workers resisted.

Workers Fight On. But the workers persisted, fighting for their organization with the most inspiring heroism and tenacity. For two years this went on. Police terror, terror by hired underworld thugs, the company union, existing through the aid of the employers, fought the workers with the most inhuman ferocity.

During all this time the left wing fought for unity among the workers.

Then came the Boston convention of the International early in 1928. The left wing, representing the New York tens of thousands, and—by now—many more thousands of adherents from other localities, came to the convention with the demand for a united union controlled by the rank and file.

The right wing refused to admit not only the left wing to conferences on unity, but even refused entry permission (keeping them out with the aid of the Boston police force) of groups of impartial elements organized in the industry.

Launch N. O. C. Not daunted by the action of the traitors and prepared beforehand with a well formulated policy of action, the left wing elements, comprising expelled unions in New York and elsewhere, bona fide locals from out of New York, "impartial" elements rebuffed by the police guard

Bronx Forum Hears Huiswood Sunday on Problems of Negroes

"Negro Problems in Industry" will be the subject discussed by Otto Huiswood, head of the Negro department of the Workers (Communist) Party, at the Bronx Open Forum, 1330 Wilkins Ave., on Sunday at 8 p. m.

"In view of the fact that the Negro is becoming a greater factor in industry every day and forms the most exploited section of the American working class, it is important for revolutionary workers to consider the situation very closely," the Forum announces.

at the right wing meeting—all went into independent session at the Brewster Hotel in Boston and launched the National Organization Committee for the formation of a real cloak and dressmakers' union. They were later joined by even some right wing delegates, who, unable to endure the cynical disregard of the workers' suffering, left the right wing and affiliated with the N. O. C.

With the accumulated discredit and hatred of two years of struggle which had attached itself to Sigman, the right wing chose Benjamin Schlesinger, at that time less odorous, but more hypocritical, to take the helm of the fight against the workers. Thereafter, that pogrom leader issued fake peace manifestos periodically, but failed to damage the stubborn fighting power of the workers.

From the Boston convention, the N. O. C. went out to build a national organization and in a short time, comparatively, succeeded in establishing self-supporting units all over the country, some of which even contributed money to the struggle in New York.

Amalgamation. During the whole fight the N. O. C. and the National Executive Committee of the Furriers Union, which had gone through a similar struggle for an identical period of time, aimed at the amalgamation of both organizations. Joint committees of defense and offense were established and functioned.

This brings the report down to the present period. It now tells of the decision to call a convention simultaneously with the convention of the Furriers Union, which had also gained adherence from locals throughout the nation and Canada. The report contains the correspondence between the two organizations, in which amalgamation is planned for the conventions. Through this period, mass meetings from gigantic rallies to almost daily open forums prepared the membership for the amalgamation. The mem-

I. L. D. HAILS THE 5TH BIRTHDAY OF THE "DAILY"

Calls on Members to Send Greetings

Hailing the Fifth Anniversary of the Daily Worker, the New York District of the International Labor Defense last night issued a statement calling upon all its members to pay a tribute to the paper that fights for them and help keep it alive by sending greetings for its special anniversary edition. The statement, signed by Rose Baron, secretary, declares:

"The New York District of the International Labor Defense hails the Fifth Anniversary of the Daily Worker as a significant event in the life of the American workers. The Daily Worker is the only English language paper that fights for the workers and defends them against the attacks of the capitalist courts. As such it has been a tower of strength to the International Labor Defense from the first day that the I. L. D. was founded.

"In every case that we have handled, in every mass campaign that we have conducted the Daily Worker has served to bring our message to the workers and to rally them behind the I. L. D. The Sacco-Vanzetti case, the Greco-Carrillo case, the movements to free Mooney and Billings, the fight against the efforts of the New Bedford mill owners' courts to railroad to jail 682 militant strikers—all these and many more outstanding struggles of the American workers have found the Daily Worker their constant champion.

"It is because of the part that the Daily Worker is playing in our struggles that the Fifth Anniversary of this great proletarian paper should be a personal celebration for every member of the International Labor Defense. The best tribute an I. L. D. member can pay is to help keep the Daily Worker alive and fighting."

shop delegate system. There is to be a transitional period, however. Under a heading, conclusion, the report calls on the convention to discuss the recommendations of the report on all the problems before it and calls on them to begin building the new union.

The report is signed by Louis Hyman, chairman of the National Organization Committee, and by Rose Wortis, its secretary.

15,000 Actors Jobless in New York, Weekly Stage Paper Reveals

Fifteen thousand actors in New York City alone are unemployed and seeking vainly for jobs here, an article in Variety, weekly stage periodical, in last week's issue, revealed. Of these, 10,000 are those representing the legitimate stage, and 5,000 vaudeville performers.

This situation, said to be unprecedented in the history of the stage in New York City, is taxing all the resources of the actors' organizations, according to Variety. The Actors' Fund is being besieged by countless appeals for financial aid.

With overdue board bills, many of the unemployed actors, most of whom are mass-scene and ensemble-scene workers corresponding to clerks in Woolworth stores in their salaries and positions, have been forced by the unprecedented unemployment situation to seek temporary employment against the winter cold by getting jobs in Broadway and Fifth Avenue stores.

German Workers Saved From Pay by Machine

SENFTENBERG, Germany, (FP By Mail).—The brown coal industry is a triumph of efficiency. A huge fabrik (factory) which would ordinarily employ several hundred workers, under old conditions, employs now only about 46. Machinery does it all.

Daily output of briquettes is about 6,500 tons. New machinery is wiping out man labor. Men are now used to brush the coal dust from the machines, and to oil them. Everything else does itself.

A new ash-system, replacing the old car transfer system by pipes, eliminates three more men. A new oiling device will reduce the fabrik force still further.

FIND WORKER'S BODY TWO HARBORS, Minn. (By Mail).—The body of an unidentified man dressed in worker's clothes was found near Port Wing Saturday.

The Workers (Communist) Party fights for the enactment of the 40-hour, 5-day week.

GRAVE-DIGGERS STRIKE. MEXICO CITY, (By Mail).

Digging of graves was suspended in the cemetery at Tacubaya, a Mexico City suburb, when union excavators went on strike.

Fear Continued Spread of Influenza as Jersey Reports 219 New Cases

TRENTON, N. J., Dec. 28 (UP).—The state department of health today announced that 219 cases of influenza were reported from all sections of the state for the week ending December 22, as compared with 70 for the corresponding week in 1927. Seventy-eight cases were reported Monday, 46 on Wednesday, and 142 cases yesterday.

Due to lack of agreement among physicians as to what is to be called influenza, the report continues, the disease is more widespread than appears from the record. It recommends that doctors take the definition as given in the state sanitary code.

While the prevalent form of the disease is less severe than that of the 1918 epidemic, according to the report, it may increase in seriousness as the disease becomes more widespread.

Executors Show Gary Exploited \$16,416,145

RALEIGH, N. C., Dec. 28 (UP).—The gross estate of the late Judge Elbert H. Gary, Chairman of the Board of the United States Steel Corp. amounted to \$16,416,145, according to the appraisal filed by executors and made public here today.

Gary was an undeviating enemy of unionism, an advocate of open shop and 12 hour day.

The Freiheit Sport Club to Play Many Soccer Games Sunday

The "Freiheit" Sport Club soccer teams will play this Sunday, Dec. 30, at the following fields:

"Freiheit" "A" vs. Red Star "A" at Thomas Jefferson field, Livonia and Pennsylvania Aves., Brooklyn; kick off at 12:30 p. m. "Freiheit" "B" vs. Harlem Progressive S. C. at Thomas Jefferson Field, Pennsylvania and Livonia Aves., Brooklyn; kick off at 10 a. m. "Freiheit" "C" vs. Red Star "B" at Central Park Playground lawn, 64th St. West; kick off at 3 p. m.

After these soccer games all the players will come down to the club rooms, 230 East 5th St., N. Y. C., to the dance which the Freiheit Sport Club has arranged. We will have a regular band of music to entertain the comrades. Comrades and friends are invited to come. The dance will start at 8 p. m. Sunday, Dec. 30.

Party Negro Committee in Conference Jan. 25

The Negro District Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party is calling a conference for Jan. 25, 1929, at 8 o'clock at the Workers Center, 26-28 Union Square.

Negro workers, those interested in Negro work, Negro section and sub-section directors, and unit Negro organizers are requested to attend this conference.

JOINERS SEEK INCREASE LONDON (By Mail).—Joiners and carpenters employed in shipyards are seeking an increase of three shillings a week.

POEMS OF THE CHINESE REVOLUTION

By H. T. TSIANG
(Former Editor of "The Chinese Guide in America")

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GREAT RISKS 100 MILES OFF LAND ALONE IN BOAT \$50 for Three Weeks of Slavery

(By a Worker Correspondent)

Slaving from before sunrise to long after sunset, all alone in a small boat 100 miles or more from the nearest land, out on the Atlantic Ocean, we fishermen have the worst job in the world. At the end of the day, after pulling 1,000 fathoms (6,000 feet) of heavy fishlines from 5 a. m. to 9 p. m. or 10 p. m., our hands look like raw lumps of flesh, there are so many blisters on them. Just at present we are engaged in the fishing 100 miles out on the Atlantic from New York City. We are working for the Caleb Haley Co., wholesale fish dealers in Fulton Market. Some of the other big fish dealers located in Fulton Market, for whom we fishermen work, are the Portland Co., Chesboro Bros., G. H. Hanson and other companies. All of these companies cheat us. This is how we work. The company supplies the boats. There are 15 men on each fishing schooner. These schooners are two-masted.

\$50 For 254 Hours Slavery.
The crew of the smack is supposed to get 60 per cent of the catch, but it is divided up in even shares. The company is supposed to take 40 per cent. This is for "expenses" and supplying the boat. Each trip out on the Atlantic takes us about two or three weeks. This means 21 days of slavery, 14 hours each day, sweating our strength out in pulling the heavy fishlines. The most fish we can catch on a trip is from 20,000 to 30,000. This means that for three weeks of slavery, after the crew divides up, \$50 is all each fisherman gets. That's \$16 a week for slaving seven days a week, 14 hours a day. Bosses Cheat Fishermen.

After we pull into New York with the catch we got to the Haley Co. or whatever company in Fulton Market that owns the boat we were slaving on. It doesn't make any difference which it is; they all cheat us. They cheat us in many ways. They tell us that all they will be able to get for the fish is 6 cents a pound or 7 cents. They give us what they want to. Then, after they give us this small amount, they go out and get 14 cents a pound for it. When the fishermen come in to the market, Haley or Hansen or the other companies tell us they are going to pay us 6 to 9 cents a pound. They take the fish, and when we return for our money, the company tells us: "All you'll get is 3 cents a pound. If you do not like it, then go to hell." The bosses are supposed to get only 40 per cent, but they take what they want. Often they rob us of about 400 pounds of fish after the fish has been weighed out in cases. They sneak a case away from us. We do not let them cheat us on the weight, because we weigh the fish ourselves.

Alone—100 Miles Out.
Ocean fishing is one of the most dangerous jobs in the world. A man goes out alone in a boat for 14 or 16 hours, and, often, he never returns. Often the little boats go out in get run down by ocean liners. These are the risks we have to take. Sometimes the boats are in rotten condition. Then, another risk we have to take for the \$16 or so we get is in stormy weather. Just at present we are tide-fishing; also going out for cod and scallops. Most of the fishermen out of New York are Norwegian. There are about 150 or 200 of us out of New York.

Forced to Fish by Poverty.
The rotten conditions are the same for all the fishermen on the Atlantic Coast, from Nova Scotia and Gloucester down to Newport News. Most of us are forced to be fishermen because it is so hard to get work at other jobs in other work. Even the worst paid factory slave is not as bad off as we are, for at the end of the day they can go back to their homes and families, and they at least know in advance what they are going to get. But we never know what the fish bosses will pay us. They pay us what they want, and they tell us, "if we don't like it, to go to hell out of here; there are plenty of others waiting for the job."

There are many men out of work, drifting to fishing from the other industries.

Must Organize.
The reason the bosses can do what they want with us is that we are unorganized. What we fishermen must do is organize a strong, fighting union, and then tie up all the boats until we get decent wages and conditions. We have no union now, but we had one a few years ago.

When the Storm Breaks.
I want to tell you one happening, just to show you what dangerous risks the fishermen must take, and how we are cheated by the bosses. A while ago I was on the crew of the Haley Co. fishing schooner, the Mary P. Mosquito. A heavy storm broke, and we wanted to beach the boat off Cape May, N. J. The captain, however, promised us much money if we would risk our lives in the storm, and we kept the boat afloat until we reached New York. We did this, but we had to pump for 43 hours straight before we got-

Terrorist "Honors" Terrorist; Whalen Uses Fascist Methods



Photo shows Grover Whalen, exploiter of thousands of Wanamaker workers, and new Tammany Hall police commissioner in New York, receiving decoration of arch-fascist terrorist, Mussolini, thru Emanuele Grazi, Italian consul in New York. Whalen, imitating Mussolini, has begun a reign of terror in New York. Accepting the medal from Mussolini, Whalen shows that he will protect fascist activities against militant workers in New York. The next step after the Whalen "drive on criminals" is expected to be the jailing of militant workers.

WOMEN ACTIVE IN USSR COOPERATIVES

The October Revolution, placing the toilers of the U. S. S. R. at the helm of state sounded the clarion call to the working and peasant women to build up their new life on a par with that of their brothers, to share in building the socialist structure on the ruins of capitalist Russia.

Cooperation is the true path to socialism; it is built on the pennies of the toilers and with their own hands. It sets as its aim that the toiling women, who from the very beginning of the Soviet government were given equal rights with men, shall be drawn into the task of practical work and construction.

Many obstacles stood in the way of social organizational and economic work on the part of the women. They were hampered by customs which stifled their minds and activity with housework which has not yet been fully overcome, with conservative views on women, their economic dependence upon the family, etc.

The cooperatives had to devise special forms of work to draw the women into their ranks. With this in view special instructions have been employed since 1923 in the consumers' cooperatives to work among women, and wherever this was impossible those who engaged in other tasks have to work also among and for the women, to make cooperators of them.

More Women in Work.
Thus in 1924 there were 275,270 women members in the rural cooperatives (7.8 per cent); in 1926 their number increased to 782,494 (10.8 per cent).

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For this purpose from 2 to 10 per cent of the profit made by the consumers' cooperatives is assigned for such work. About 2,500,000 rubles have been thus assigned in 1926-27 primarily for the organization of kindergartens, playgrounds, clubs and clinics. There were 228 new creches and 831 playgrounds and kindergartens opened during that year. All of them have been inaugurated not only with organizational but also direct material support of the toiling mothers.

Ex-Prisoner Donates.
"Your letter reached me about ten days ago and I assure you that I am aware of your difficulties regarding the New Bedford case. I would be very much pleased if you could transfer that money over to the New Bedford Defense Fund as a contribution from me. However, to do this you must make the transfer in your own office, because if the checks are sent here for me to sign, I will not be allowed to send them back again. It is a strict rule here, that any money that comes here must stay here. To send money away from here, one has to have nine reasons and the extra special permission of the warden and the unanimous consent of the Board of Prison Directors. It takes four to six months to acquire these special permissions, if they can be acquired at all, which is indeed rare. If you can possibly arrange the matter, please do so. You might do it by sending me the receipts and letting me sign them and then transferring the money over, in cash, to the Defense Fund."

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Another political prisoner, A. Fisher, sends a contribution of \$5 with the following letter:

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"SUNNY" CALIF. WOMEN SLAVE 16 HOURS A DAY

Cook Unable to Stand After Day's Work

(By a Worker Correspondent)

OAKLAND, Cal. (By Mail). — As I was sitting in a store drinking milk, a middle-aged woman came in with a little girl, crying to the storekeeper, "I am all in, and I cannot stand any longer. They are working me 16 hours a day. I am a poor woman. I have a family to support."

When I asked this working woman to tell me what the matter was, and she told me that she was working in Los Gatos, California, for a restaurant named the Blossom Restaurant, and that she was slaving as a cook 16 hours a day for \$100 a month. This is how even the women workers are enslaved under the capitalist system in "Sunny" California. These conditions can be ended if the women workers as well as the men organize in a fighting organization. GUST VANTJAS.

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"Ferguson Family" Will Bring in Many Shekels

For the last few seasons Gustav Blum has presented plays that have been successful runs on Broadway and their plots have been slender and artificial. His latest opus, "The Ferguson Family" by Howard Chensery, is now at the Little Theatre and undoubtedly will be as huge a Broadway success as the other plays sponsored by him.

Similar to the other plays which have brot in the shekels, for Blum, the present play is about the life of a middle class family. In many ways it resembles, "The Show Off" one of the successful plays shown in New York several seasons ago. Many times during the evening the resemblance is so complete, that it is quite startling.

One of the Ferguson daughters steal a few dresses from the department store where she works while the son who is a civil engineer, wins a prize for his bridge plan. The other daughter elopes and keeps the audience interested in her love affair. That in short, is what the play concerns itself with. The everyday life of an ordinary middle class family is brot into view and examined on the stage. In many respects the play shows how the petty bourgeois conducts his campaign for more money.

The audience can easily find many lines to laugh at. Rudolph Striker, who closely resembles the character Aubrey Piper in "The Show Off" is able to put the audience in a happy mood whenever he is on the stage. He portrays the sure fire business man and does so very convincingly. The part is capably played by Arthur Kohl, who easily gains first honors among a superior cast. Mrs. Ferguson is played by Jean Adair, other members of the cast include Marianne Franks, Alan Ward, Hallam Bosworth and Rita Zeig.

If you want to leave your worries home and laugh at the expense of the middle class, you could do no worse than pay a visit some evening to the Little Theatre. Those who would expect a critical examination of the petty bourgeoisie will be disappointed for the play is only written from the point of view of crecting laughs.—S. P.

"B. & O." Proponents Get Together to Fool Other Shop Workers
BALTIMORE, Dec. 30.—A B. and O. plan conference, in which class collaborationists will meet and try to explain the mechanists' union membership to the railroad officials so that other railroad shop crafts can be swindled in the same way, is being held.

Standard rail labor unions in the Baltimore and Ohio are sponsoring a railroad labor conference at Johns Hopkins University in Baltimore, Jan. 19-20. Mechanization, steady work, rail labor legislation, motor competition and "labor's constructive function in the industry as developed by railroad organizations" will be emphasized. Local lodges along the B. and O. will send delegates. Union and railroad executives will be speakers.

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WHALEN'S POLICE MURDER BOY AND COVER UP CRIME

Capitalist Press Is Not Interested in Facts

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suits for pressing and cleaning. He wanted Saturday night off, but the boss wouldn't grant it. So he just took it. Went to enjoy a boxing match, whooped it up like the rest of the kids. But the boss docked him a whole day's pay. Louis got even, as kids will. He gathered up a couple of old suits from the boss' customers to make up for that day's pay.

Caught! Sent up to the reformatory by the boss' complaint. By this prank, Louis came under the ban of capitalist law, which protects all bosses' property and takes no account of a young worker's being swindled out of wages.

Feared Persecution.
Louis got out of the reformatory, a hell of a place to "reform," anybody even if they are "criminal," which Louis was not. But he was only on parole. If "picked up" again, however unjustly, it would mean prison again for more years. And Louis was young and had no years to spare, for he had a sweetheart, too.

That's where some trouble began, because his brother Pat didn't like the match. But Louis was working, and he had to go to work. He was few weeks back. His interest in boxing had grown until he took it up as a hobby. Not a "pug," just an amateur, for the love of it.

Harmless Family Dispute.
Christmas night, Louis and his brother, both of whom knew and were well-known by Policeman Moran, were having a few words over the matter of Louis' sweetheart, when Moran butted in, wanted to take sides against Louis but was dissuaded by Pat. But Moran left, saying of the love affair, "I'll break them apart."

Thursday around noon, Louis visited a friend's place, with a satchel containing his boxing gloves, etc. He left there, about 5 o'clock, afternoon. Went to meet his sweetheart at the street door of her home. Police Moran saw the couple together.

"Bring in All Criminals."
Here's where Commissioner Whalen's order to round up all "known criminals" operated. Wasn't Louis Bianca a terrible criminal. Of course he was; he had wanted a half a day off from three years ago! That's his crime. And here he was, a 19 year old "desperado" actually daring to meet a 17 year old girl sweetheart in broad daylight on the street. Surely a terrible crime! Moran arrested him and dragged him away from his sweetheart.

Up to the street they passed the store where Louis' brother Pat works. Louis begged Pat to help him, but Pat couldn't. He hung to Pat's sleeve until Moran beat his hands with a club. Pat, too, has a boss, and the boss wouldn't let him go to help his brother, who dreamed to lose his parole and be shipped back to the hell of a prison.

Cold Blooded Murder.
A few minutes later, Pat was told that Moran had shot his brother not over a block away. Said Louis "attempted escape." Hell of an excuse. Moran knows the whole family. If the boy had broken away, he could be found at home any time. Pat ran to the scene, but couldn't find his brother who had been taken to a hospital by an acquaintance.

Other friends of Pat warned him to stay away from Moran, who was "wild." But soon Moran, minus hat and club, but waving a gun, came upon Pat and yelled out: "You! On account of you I shot him! Get the hell down the block or I'll give it to you, too!"

Moran is known as "Shel Shock" Moran, always thirsting for blood. That's why he makes a good police man. Ready to "beat 'em rough," break strikes, bully the workers, shoot first, investigate after. Last 4th of July, a kid let off a fire-cracker near Moran. So Moran shot up the neighborhood. Terrorized the kids. Who knows but that kids who play with firecrackers may grow up to be "criminals." All round nice cop, just like Whalen wants.

Capitalist Press Lies.
Louis Bianca is dead. But that doesn't tell all the story. The capitalist papers told you the boy was "suspected" of robbing the tailor shop of Joseph Goldiner, at 334 E. 100th S Street. Other yarns say that he was "seized in a hold up." That is all capitalist press hokum. The capitalist reporters never trouble to look into a worker's death. Take the police story. "Brave cop; vicious criminal."

The Daily Worker don't take anything for granted. We went to see this robbed tailor, at his home near his little shop. All shops in the neighborhood are "watched" by private detectives at \$3 a month. They get robbed, strange to say, if they don't pay. The company is the "Star Patrol Company" of 242 E. 86th St. But they also get robbed if they do pay. Goldiner was. He told us someone got into his store on the night of Nov. 15 and got \$200 worth of clothes. Don't know who did it.

"Clothes Don't Come Back."
Thursday, a cop and a dick came.

WORKERS CALENDAR

Boston Workers School.

BOSTON, Mass.—The Workers School of Boston announces the opening of its school on January 7, 1929. One of the most important courses will be Trade Union Theory and Tactics. Come and learn the problems, the role and the policy of the left wing. You can register now at 35 Causeway St. Each course is \$2.50 per term.

Chicago Lenin Memorial.

The Lenin Memorial meeting in Chicago this year will be held on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 20, at Ashland Auditorium. An especially striking dramatic program is being arranged. Among other features will be presented a stage spectacle entitled "Lenin," which is being adapted from the famous mass spectacle "Liebknecht, Luxemburg, Lenin" by the German dramatist, Hans Lorbeer. All possible measures are being taken to make this year's Lenin Memorial celebration in Chicago one of the most memorable ever held.

Milwaukee Lenin Memorial.

The Lenin Memorial meeting in Milwaukee will take place on Sunday afternoon, Jan. 20 at the Liberty Hall, Eighth and Walnut Sts. Every effort is being made to make this meeting a success. Sympathetic organizations are urged not to arrange affairs conflicting with this meeting.

Newark Y. W. L. Dance.

The Young Workers (Communist) League will hold its sixth annual dance on Jan. 5, at the Ukrainian Labor Hall, 57 Beacon St., Newark. Tickets are 50c including a free subscription 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.

New Year's Eve in Milwaukee.

A New Year's Eve Party for the members of the Milwaukee local of the Party and sympathizers will be given New Year's Eve on Dec. 31, at Party headquarters, 503 National Ave. The affair promises to be a lively one and attendance is expected to break all records. A beautiful hall lamp will be given to the winner of the lucky number. The proceeds will be divided equally for the up-keep of the headquarters and the shop work.

Yearly Milwaukee Banquet.

MILWAUKEE, Wis.—A yearly banquet of the Workers (Communist) Party in Milwaukee will take place on Feb. 15 at the Harmony Hall, First and Mineral. An elaborate program is being prepared for this year's event that will bring together hundreds of Party members and sympathizers. A children's banquet is being arranged as a part of the general banquet with the Pioneer providing the program. All sympathetic organizations are requested to reserve tables for their members and arrangements will be made to sit members of the organizations at special assigned tables.

Philadelphia Liebknecht Meet.

The Young Workers (Communist) League of Philadelphia will hold a Liebknecht Memorial meeting on Jan. 5 at Grand Fraternity Hall, 1626 Arch St.

Philadelphia Camaraderie.

A camaraderie get-together is being arranged for New Year's Eve by the Young Workers (Communist) League at the district headquarters, 1214 Spring Garden St.

Phila. Affair.

The Young Workers (Communist) League is arranging one of the largest affairs ever held in the city of Philadelphia, on Friday evening, January 25, 1929. Other organizations are requested to take note of this fact by not arranging any other affair that will conflict with this date. Other announcements will be given out soon by the District Executive Committee, District No. 2, as to the nature of the affair and the place. Watch the Daily Worker for further announcement.

Asked Goldiner if he could identify the articles taken. "Sure," he told them. But he hasn't even been invited to identify anything yet. "And the clothes, they don't come back!" said Mrs. Goldiner. They know nothing of Bianca.

Where Is the Evidence?
We ask if police have searched the house for goods stolen from Goldiner. "No." And we are invited to see that the humble working class home contains no "look," as the capitalist press term it. A fine job. The police cannot catch robbers, so when one of Whalen's cops murders an innocent young worker, the police charge their victim with the robbery and everything is fine and dandy—for the police. Whalen will likely give Moran a reward. But Louis Bianca is dead. And hatred for class injustice burns in the hearts of the workers.

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PROGRAM: J. Fischerman, Pianist, just arrived from the Soviet Union will play the latest Revolutionary compositions of Soviet Russia: "October," "1917," and others.

Beniamino Jarboni of the Grand Opera Co. of Phila. in a recital of English, Spanish, Italian and Russian songs.

Jeanette Wolfe, Famous Concert Singer.

Thursday, a cop and a dick came.

Detroit, Attention!

Liebknecht Memorial Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 6 at 2 p. m. at New Workers Hall 1242 E. Ferry. A mass tableaux on "Life of Liebknecht" will be given by the Young Workers (Communist) League. Come and bring your friends.

Chicago T. U. E. L.

The Chicago section of the Trade Union Educational League will run its 5th annual affair on New Year's Eve, December 31, at Mirror Hall, 1136 North Western Ave., near Division Street.

St. Louis Opens Forum.

An Open Youth Forum holds discussions and debates every Sunday afternoon, 2:30 p. m. to which every one is invited to come. Meetings are held at the Main Public Library, 14th and Olive Streets, at Room No. 3, 3rd floor. Some of the subjects which are arranged, are: Negro Youth in America, Christianity and the Youth, Debate: American Democracy versus Russian Dictatorship, Labor Sports, Abraham Lincoln, and the Union, Washington and 1776, Child Labor. These Open Youth Forums are conducted by the Young Workers (Communist) League of St. Louis.

Youngstown Workers School.

The Young Workers School of Youngstown, will hold a New Year's Eve Party on December 31, in the Workers Hall, 369 E. Federal. Everybody invited.

Calif. T. U. E. L.

The Trade Union Educational League of San Francisco, Calif., is holding a New Year's Eve Dance at 1212 Market Street. Everybody invited.

Cleveland Y. W. L.

The Young Workers (Communist) League of District 6 will hold a Liebknecht Memorial Mass Meeting on Sunday, January 6, at 2 p. m. at 1718th Avenue, 219 Huron Road, Cleveland, Ohio. Prominent speakers will address the meeting. Admission free. Buy your tickets at the League Headquarters, 2046 E. 4th St., Cleveland.

Connecat I. L. D.

The Connecat I. L. D. will give an entertainment on January 5, 1929. All are invited.

Milwaukee Y. W. L.

On Tuesday, January 29, at 8 p. m., at the South Side Turner Hall, 471 National Ave., the Milwaukee and West Allis units of the Young Workers (Communist) League, Sub-District of Wisconsin, will hold a huge anti-war demonstration. Efforts are being put forth to make this the largest mass demonstration ever held in Milwaukee in protest against imperialist wars. Besides speakers, the play "Defiance" will be staged and excellent music has been arranged. Admission is 15c. Buy your tickets at the League Headquarters, 2046 E. 4th St., Cleveland.

Boston Camp Nitgedaiget.

Costume Ball, January 31st (Friday), at Elks Ballroom, Elks Hotel, Tremont Street, Boston. Tickets 75c at door \$1.00. Valuable prizes will be given most original costumes.

San Francisco "Daily."

A Daily Worker Birthday Party will be held in San Francisco on Saturday evening, January 12th, at 1212 Market Street. There will be a real proletarian supper, dancing, and musical entertainment. Everyone is invited to attend and celebrate the Fifth Anniversary of the "Daily Worker" on Sunday, Jan. 6, 1929. Admission 50c including supper.

Daily Worker Builders Club.

The Daily Worker Builders Club is going to have an international musical program for the benefit of the Daily Worker on Sunday, Jan. 6, 1929, at 8 p. m. at 365 East Federal, Campbell, Ohio.

Belgian Peasant Land, Homes Again Under Water; Suffering Great

BRUSSELS, Belgium, Dec. 28.—Five villages and nearly 7,000 acres of farmland near Termonde were flooded today when a violent gale heightened the inrush of tide-water and inundated the lowlands. A very high tide was forecast for tomorrow morning, which would make the plight of the peasants still worse, and threatened to destroy their homes. Much suffering and damage to peasant households and lands have already resulted and a calamity greater than that of a month ago is predicted.

25,000 HARVESTERS LAID OFF.

VANCOUVER, B. C., (By Mail).—Over 25,000 harvest workers were laid off at the end of the harvesting season this year. A record high level in unemployment has been reached for this province.

REPORT MANY BRITISH SPIES IN JELLALABAD

Agitate Indo-Afghan Union

(Wireless by "Imprecor")
MOSCOW, Dec. 30.—Mysterious agitation is now taking place in Jellalabad, near the Afghan-India frontier, for unification of Afghanistan with British India. Jellalabad is the place where the revolt against Amanullah's government first gained impetus and is now the center of the incited insurrections.

Reports direct from Kabul to the Soviet wireless station at Tashkent say that government troops captured Bagbala heights and drove the rebels thirty kilometers back down the Darulaman Valley. Troops occupied Pagan and are now holding Jellalabad and Gandamak. Government artillery is bombarding Tashkarik.

The rebel tribesmen have destroyed the military hospital in Bagbala and numerous surrounding villages.

"Pravda," official organ of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, publishes a report that on Dec. 22 a British airplane circled over Kabul and transmitted the following telegram:

"Majesty's government demands immediate energetic action in order to open communications with British embassy. Austen Chamberlain."

Construction Firm Seeks to Enjoin Ironworkers Strike

CHICAGO (By Mail).—The Metal Door and Trim Co. of Chicago has brought suit against the International Union of Bridge, Structural and Ornamental Iron Workers, seeking to restrain the union from calling a strike of workers employed on the construction of the L. S. Ayres building in Indianapolis.

Invents Gun Firing Gas at Airplanes

COPENHAGEN (By Mail).—A gun, firing gas to bring down planes, has been invented by Arnold Christensen, a Dane. The gun fires gas "rings" at planes at a speed of 350 feet a second.

Expose R. R. Co. Sports as Open Shop Scheme

CHICAGO (By Mail).—Unionized shop crafts on the Chicago and Northwestern R. R. have declared against the company's athletic system for workers as a scheme of company unionism. The C. and N. W. has established track, tennis, baseball and other teams as a scheme to keep the workers from fighting their low wages.

DANISH UNEMPLOYMENT COPENHAGEN (By Mail).—Harbor workers, cement workers, carpenters, painters and brewery workers unions report a huge increase in unemployment.

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Where Four Met Death in Plane Crash



The ruins of a large cabin monoplane of the Interstate Air Line which crashed a few minutes after it had taken off from Marr Field, Chattanooga, Tenn., killing four.

Paris Shop Girls Defy Police; Give Revolutionary Play

PARIS (By Mail).—Kissing in the streets by the Paris shop girls during their annual holiday was recently banned by M. Chiappe, Paris prefect of police and foe of the workers. Chiappe made himself notorious as a foe of labor during the Sacco-Vanzetti demonstrations in Paris, when he arrested many workers. The shop girls presented the revolutionary play, "Free Commune," despite Chiappe's attempt to halt them.

Seek to Increase Enslavement of Japs in Brazil

TOKYO (By Mail).—The ministry of home affairs has asked an appropriation of 10,000,000 yen to increase transportation of Japanese laborers to the rice fields in Brazil. The Brazilian rice fields have been described as a hell-hole of slavery.

Canada Gov't Hits Foreign-Made Goods

TORONTO, Dec. 30.—W. D. Euler, Canadian minister of national revenue, has announced that after Feb. 1 goods entering Canada under preferential rules must be of 50 per cent Empire materials and labor. The percentage now required is 25 per cent.

Alton Shopmen Win Union Recognition

CHICAGO (By Mail).—The shopmen on the Chicago and Alton R. R. have compelled the company to recognize their union. Wages will be brought to the union level.

RADIO MESSAGE TO INDIA SCENECTADY, N. Y., Dec. 30 (UP).

The United States attempted to speak directly and formally to Calcutta, India, recently. It is not yet known whether the attempt was successful.

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JIM CROW IN VIRGINIA

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 30.—The Washington and Virginia Railway Company has the right to Jim-Crow its Negro passengers and compel them to sit in rear seats, a jury in the circuit court declared in the case of Mrs. Myra Addison, a Negro woman who brought charges against the company.

Mrs. Addison brought suit for damages against the company after she had been ejected from the car on March 31, at Arlington Junction, Virginia, because she refused to sit in a rear seat. The jury declares that the White Supremacy of the South must be maintained.

FLOOD; MINERS JOBLESS BRISTOL, England (By Mail).

Over 350 miners were thrown out of work when water inundated one of the largest collieries in Bristol district.

SHINGLE WEAVERS STRIKE KALAMA, Wash. (By Mail).

Shingle weavers here are striking for better working conditions.

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INVENT GAS TO WIPE OUT WHOLE ARMIES

To Be Used for U. S. Imperialism

Scientists have invented a poison gas that can obliterate whole armies and a metal twice as strong as steel but only half as heavy as aluminum. Dr. Hilton Ira Jones, an American research chemist, told the Executives Club in Chicago this week. Dr. Jones talked about the new poison gas with some reserve because, he said, the United States government has made it known it does not wish the subject discussed.

The new gas, called cacodyl isocyanide, is in the possession of the world's leading countries, Dr. Jones added.

"It is a deadly poison and would destroy armies as a man might snuff out a candle," the chemist declared. "War, if it comes again and is to be deadly, will never again be fought with shot and shell. It cannot be, for it is much cheaper to destroy life wholesale with this new gas. It may be manufactured at the rate of thousands of tons a day and it costs much less than powder and cannon, yet it will destroy armies more thoroughly, more effectively and more quickly."

Dr. Jones then exhibited a cylindrical specimen of the new metal called beryllium which he said would revolutionize some industries, especially the airplane industry. This metal has two times the tensile strength of steel yet it weighs only a fraction as much, having one-half the weight of aluminum. Beryllium is so hard, Dr. Jones said, it will cut glass, yet a file cannot scratch its surface.

Reactionary Lobbyist of Big Farmers Fights Discussion of Relief

WASHINGTON (By Mail).—That farmers need not nourish their imaginations even with the hope of farm relief was made evident by an announcement that Chester H. Gray, reactionary Washington representative of the American Farm Bureau Federation, was opposed to action by congress on the farm question during the short session. The American Farm Bureau Federation represents the big farmers.

English Unemployed Grow 16,000 in Week

LONDON (By Mail).—The total of unemployed in England is reported as 1,500,000 for the week ended Dec. 15. This is 16,000 more than the previous week and 250,000 more than a year ago.

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By Fred Ellis

Lewis Machine Pays Officers Fat Salaries

By WILLIAM Z. FOSTER.

Continued

Instead of organizing the unorganized miners in West Virginia, Lewis' organizers there spent their time getting resolutions passed asking that official salaries be increased. With great enthusiasm on the part of the machine-made delegation Lewis' salary was raised from \$8,000 to \$12,000 per year. Chris. Golden, of the anthracite leaders, declared that it would be an insult to ask Mr. Lewis to work for such low wages, especially as he had just been offered the presidency of the John Mitchell Life Insurance Co. at \$15,000 per year. Vice-president Murray said, "You can consider me a miner with a grievance. I am fighting for just wages." He was receiving only \$7,000 per year, and about the same in expenses. His salary was raised to \$9,000. Thus act the miners' "leaders" in the face of the greatest crisis the union has ever known.

A few items from the practices of Frank Farrington, until recently president of District 12, will illustrate the widespread corruption in the Miners' Union in the matter of salaries and expenses. Farrington received \$5,000 salary yearly. He was allowed an average of about \$15 per day for expenses. This was supposed to be paid him only while he was on the road. But he got around this little technicality by maintaining his official residence in Indianapolis and charging road expenses for all the days he spent at the union headquarters in Springfield. In this way he managed to squeeze about \$11,000 out of the union yearly as salary and expenses. How much he also got from the operators and from his many financial ventures remains a mystery, except the famous \$25,000 fee of the Peabody Coal Co. Even the petty grafts of putting all his relatives on the union payroll, of stealing on telegraph bills, etc., were not overlooked by Farrington. Small wonder that he, in company with various coal operators, owns a great pecan and orange orchard in Alabama, that he owns beautiful homes in Indianapolis and Springfield, and that he makes trips to Florida and California, like other rich men, whenever the spirit moves him. Such leaders are the curse of American labor.

Building Trades Fakers.

When it comes to gathering in the money from salaries and expenses the building trades leaders, who are so expert in milking both workers and employers, stand in the very forefront. Take for example, President Hynes of the Sheet Metal Workers' Union. In three years he was paid a salary of \$17,875 and expenses of \$24,974. His yearly bill to the union is larger than the salary of any official in the Federal government with the exception of President Coolidge. It is more than that of any of the governors of the 48 states, and it is almost twice as large as that of admirals in the navy and generals in the army. Misleaders of labor come high in the United States. Typical salaries of the heads of building trades unions, exclusive of the usual enormous expense accounts, are: Bricklayers, pres., \$10,000, sec'y, \$10,000; Painters, \$6,000; Elevator Constructors, \$6,000; Hod Carriers, \$7,500; Structural Iron Workers, pres., \$7,500; sec'y, \$6,000; Carpenters, \$10,000; Electrical Workers, \$7,000.

Local business agents receive from \$100 to \$200 per week, or a minimum of about double the going wage in the trade. This is aside from the big sums they wring from the employers and otherwise skin the workers out of. Small wonder that so many of them quickly become rich. They spread their conservative influence far and wide and are a wet blanket on every progressive movement.

To Be Continued

Police Corporal Bound Over for Assaulting of Tooley, Sheriff Bails

PITTSBURGH, Dec. 28. — Corporal Michael J. Onko, Pennsylvania state trooper who assaulted Patrick Tooley when police broke up a miners' meeting at Renton, Pa., last March, has been bound over to the criminal court for trial following a preliminary hearing before Squire Quailey on December 21. Onko was arrested recently when he appeared at the Brophy-Tooley trial in Pittsburgh. Sheriff Braun of Allegheny county provided his bail, which was set at \$1,000 by Judge Grey.

ists imperial in China as the tools of imperialism. Support in the struggle against imperialism must be given only to the Chinese workers' and peasants' revolution. The slogan of going over to the side of the oppressed nation cannot be applied, at the present time, to the Chinese bourgeois armies. Despite this change in tactics, the struggle against intervention must under no circumstances be allowed to subside. The majority of the Communist Parties came to the conclusion that the change in tactics meant a weakening of the struggle against intervention, and in this they committed a grave error.

To Be Continued

The Franco-Italian Antagonism

On the 28th of November the Italian worker Di Modugno was sentenced by the Paris Jury Court to two years imprisonment for killing the Italian vice Consul Nardini, who in a brutal manner refused to issue him a passport for his wife.

The trial provided an opportunity to expose once again the anti-proletarian spying activity carried on by the fascist embassies and consulates in France, and at the same time to reveal the incapacity of the social democratic leaders to put up a fight against fascism. The witnesses called by the defence: Modigliani, Caporali, and Pietro Nenni, confined themselves to lauding French democracy, at the same time forgetting that this democracy expelled 15,000 foreign workers during the last few months. Only our comrade Di Vittorio, an Italian Communist deputy, could have given a real presentation of the inhuman persecutions in Italy. But he was rejected as a witness.

The Italian press receive the news of the sentence of the French court with a howl of rage; demonstrations have taken place in front of the French consulates in Italy. Italian officers sent their French decorations and orders back to M. Moutmergue, the President of the French Republic.

The French government reacted in an extremely characteristic manner to these happenings. When the first news arrived from Italy, the French Ministerial Council, on the proposal of M. Sarraut, adopted a decision to increase the persecution of Italian workers who have been driven from their country by fascism. This decision is all the more contemptible when one bears in mind the activity which the Italian consulates are carrying on in France. Irrefutable documents, which have been published in the "Humanite," prove that members of the Italian fascist formations abroad meet at the Italian consulates.

But that is not all. The press of the "national unity" has made use of the Modugno trial and commenced a fierce campaign for the abolition of trial by jury. In one of his speeches in Parliament M. Briand gave it to be understood that he is quite willing to accede to the wishes of the duce.

We must wait and see whether these measures will satisfy the appetite of Italian imperialism. There is good reason for doubting it, as this sentence is only a pretext. The real reasons for the Italian "excitement" lie deeper. The present dispute brings to the front the whole of the Franco-Italian relations. Fascism describes Italy as a nation which has been "shabbily treated." Italy has 42 million inhabitant with an annual increase in population of 500,000. These 42 millions live in a territory 300,000 square kilometers in extent, part of which is unhealthy while another part is completely uninhabitable. On the other hand, 39 million French live in a territory of 551,000 square kilometers, and have a yearly increase in population of only 70,000. Imperialist France, which is rich in raw materials, faces fascist Italy, which is lacking in raw materials and has a surplus of free labor power.

The peace treaties and the post-war development have only increased the tension between these two States. If Italy managed to grab a portion of Tyrol and a strip of the coast of the Adriatic Sea with the big harbor of Trieste, it is compelled, on the other hand, to endeavor to prevent an increase in the strength of Yugoslavia, which appears as a serious rival in the Balkans. In addition, Italy was completely passed over when the former German colonial possessions were distributed. French imperialism has, in an unmistakable manner, expressed its determination to consolidate its colonial possessions. The desire for colonies is the chief motive actuating fascist policy.

More than a year ago the Italian Minister Italo Balbo made a journey to Tunis, and this provided the occasion for the local Italian population to hold noisy demonstrations for

the inclusion of Tunis in Italy's colonial possessions. The position of the Italians in Tunis is clearly defined by the treaty of 1896, under which they retain their status quo. This treaty, however, is renewable every three years. By numerous naturalizations, often also by the employment of means of compulsion, France has endeavored to promote the sale of landed property to Poles and Yugoslavians in order to bring the Italians into a minority. The Italians who are settled in Tunis are now demanding a fresh settlement of their position. In place of the Treaty of 1896 they desire the conclusion of a long-term treaty permitting the Italians, in a relatively short space of time, to become the real masters. In addition, Italy has demanded, and obtained, participation in the administration of Tangier.

The fascist lust for power, extends beyond the area of the Mediterranean and the Red Sea. The "Tribuna" wrote in this connection that Italy cannot permit a big western power to set up a system of small States on its eastern frontier.

In fact it is precisely in the Balkans that the struggle between these two imperialist powers assumes its sharpest form. Since 1919 France has been endeavoring to create in the Balkans an anti-German bloc out of the States which have arisen since the war. One of these powers is Yugoslavia, which is striving after Salonika and the Aegean Sea, and thereby threatening the intentions of Italy in this sphere. Italy is attempting to shatter the Little Entente which France considers to be necessary for the maintenance of the present situation in the Balkans. Italy is negotiating in Rumania with Averescu, so France favors Bratianu against Averescu, to which Italy will reply by supporting king Carol against Bratianu.

When Italy seeks to gain a foothold in Greece, then France incites the movement against Pangelos. If France attempts to approach Sofia and Belgrade, Italy allies itself with Protogerov, with the so-called autonomists who exercise their terror in Yugoslavians Macedonia. The Albanian-Italian Treaty of Tirana, concluded in 1926, was replied to by the Franco-Yugoslav Treaty of 11th November, 1927.

The conclusion of the Franco-British naval agreement has increased the grounds of the Franco-Italian antagonism. Yesterday the British Foreign Office was still the patron of Italy in the latter's undertakings in the Balkans; today London and Paris are uniting against the Macedonians, who are allied with Mussolini. Yesterday England and France regarded each other colonial territories with mutual distrust; today they are meeting the Italian endeavors with united forces. Poincaré demands in Parliament the granting of a further 1,000 millions for the military budget, accuses Italy of imperialism and declares that France will not give up its Syrian mandate.

From this constellation there follows clearly the policy which the Communists must pursue. They reject anti-Italian chauvinism, as advocated by the socialist leaders. The Franco-Italian antagonisms are not based on the opposition of democracy to fascism, or vice versa. Two equally hateful imperialist powers are fighting each other: two powers which in the same manner are preparing a fresh imperialist robber-war. It is the task of the Communists of both countries to combat in the first place the imperialism in their own country. The Communist Party of France is pursuing the policy of the common fight of the French and Italian workers against imperialism, which suppresses the colonial peoples and the national minorities. It calls for active support of the suppressed colonial peoples and the national minorities; it is fighting for the defense of the right of asylum, for the defense of the Soviet Union, and for the united front of the French and Italian workers in the revolutionary struggle.

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The Struggle Against Imperialist War and the Tasks of the Communists

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C. The Proletariat Supports and Conducts Revolutionary Wars of Oppressed Peoples Against Imperialism.

33. In the course of the last two years national revolutionary wars of the oppressed colonies and semi-colonies, which Lenin predicted in 1916, have changed from a theoretical postulate into a world historical fact. Examples of such wars are: the war in Morocco against French and Spanish imperialism; the rebellion in Syria; the wars in Mexico and Nicaragua against United States imperialism; the revolutionary Canton war against Hong Kong in 1925; finally, the Chinese Northern Expedition in 1926-27. National revolutionary wars will play an important role in the present epoch of world revolution. The proletariat must therefore devote the closest study to the experiences and lessons of these wars, especially of the Chinese Northern Expedition of 1926-27.

Study Chinese Revolution.

In that campaign the Chinese proletariat rightly supported the south against the northern militarists and the imperialists who backed them—notwithstanding the fact that the southern forces were commanded by the bourgeoisie. The Chinese proletariat not only desired and worked for the defeat of the counter-revolutionary government of North China, but also fought against the wavering and hesitation

way of present and future progress.

It is quite possible that most every one in the labor movement can point with a degree of pride to some particular accomplishment of the past, but as soon as they stop plodding along the narrow path of progress and thus impede the army of workers that follow the lead, we must just drop such leaders by the wayside, tramping on them if necessary, and proceed till we reach our goal and accomplish our purpose.

Future in New Union.

While it is already clearly seen by the progressives that their future depends on the National Miners' Union and that the elections (?) of the U. M. W. A. mean nothing to them, it must also become evident to those who still thought they had a chance to put honest men into office by means of elections in the U. M. W. A., that there is no such animal as "chance" and that they cannot be elected to office unless they are acceptable to the crooks who conduct the elections and, elections in which enough votes are stolen to remove opposition.

By now all miners should know that the U. M. W. A. vote-gathering schemes are not elections, that the machine votes "en bloc" for the men they want in office and don't give for and when someone is nominated for office who knows enough about the trickery employed to be able to either counteract or expose it, he is ruled off the ballot, disqualified for some fake reason or other, and because no one in the past has been as good a crook or faker as the present boss of the U. M. W. A., Lewis is re-elected by unanimous vote and without opposition. Elected by whom?

of the bourgeoisie in the south, against the latter's compromising policy and subsequent treachery and fought for a revolutionary leadership of the campaign and for the hegemony of the proletariat in the war. This general line, which was proposed to the Chinese Communists by the Comintern, corresponded to the position taken up by Marx and Engels toward the national wars in the last century and to the teachings of Lenin.

Learn From Errors of C. P. China.

34. Nevertheless, the Chinese Communist Party committed a number of grave mistakes, from which the Communists of all oppressed nations have important lessons to learn. In this war, the duty of the Communist Party of China was to take full advantage of the revolutionary situation prevailing at the time to establish its own proletarian class army, and to extend the military organization and training of the workers and peasants in order to pave the way for the proletariat's struggle for the leadership of the revolution. Although the objective conditions at the time of the Northern Expedition were favorable for the Communist Party, the latter refrained from utilizing the military and political apparatus of the Kuomintang for the purpose of conducting its work in the army, and made no attempt to create its own armed forces. The Communist Party devoted itself entirely to maneuvering with the higher Kuomintang command and failed to concentrate on the work of propaganda and organization among the masses of the soldiers, or on mass recruiting of workers and peasants for the army for the purpose of changing its character. It failed to recognize the revolutionary significance of arming the workers and peasants and did not devote sufficient attention to the work of preparing for and leading peasant guerrilla warfare.

National Revolutionary Wars.

36. In view of the numerous oppressed nationalities and national minorities existing in a number of the states in Europe, set up by the Versailles treaty, the question of national revolutionary war will come up prominently also in Europe, particularly in relation to the task of transforming imperialist war into civil war.

Poland and Rumania cruelly oppress with a bloody hand the White Russian, Ukrainian and Bessarabian populations in their territories, who look longingly toward their Soviet fatherland. In Czechoslovakia and in the Balkan countries, in Italy, in France, Spain, Belgium, and Great Britain (Ireland) there are also oppressed nationalities.

Wars of National Liberation.

37. The teachings of Marx and Lenin and the experience of national wars in recent years, indicate the following tasks and tactics for the proletariat in wars of national liberation.

(a) The support of the proletariat renders in these wars and the temporary alliance which—in certain cases—it enters into with the bourgeoisie, must under no circumstances imply the abandonment of the class war. Even when the bourgeoisie, for a time, fights side by side with the proletariat against the imperialists, it still retains the enemy and strives to utilize the proletariat for its own aims.

Allies of Proletariat.

It must be stated, however, that the national wars in which the proletariat in the fight against imperialism may enter into temporary al-

liance with the bourgeoisie, are becoming more and more rare, because, out of fear of the workers' and peasants' revolution, the bourgeoisie in the oppressed countries is becoming reactionary and is accepting the bribes of the imperialists.

A new type of national war, in which the proletariat alone can play the leading role, is coming more and more to the front. This applies also to the national wars of the Latin American countries against United States imperialism. The tendency for national wars and rebellions to become transformed into proletarian wars and rebellions, or wars and rebellions led by the proletariat—a tendency which Lenin predicted already in 1916—has notably increased.

Temporary Cooperation with these Chiefs and Rulers.

38. The question of national wars in countries where class differentiations are undeveloped, i.e., in Morocco, the Druses, Syria and Arabia, must be similarly formulated. Among such people, the patriarchal and feudal chiefs and rulers play a role similar to that played by the bourgeoisie in the more advanced colonial countries.

Tasks in National Liberation Wars.

39. The tasks of the international proletariat in connection with imperialist expeditions for the suppression of the national revolutionary movements and revolutions—with a few concrete exceptions—are the same as in imperialist wars against the Soviet Union, viz., (a) to fight against wars of oppression by intensifying the class antagonisms with a view to transforming this war into civil war against the imperialist bourgeoisie. (b) consistent application of defeatist tactics towards the imperialist country and its armies; to fight for the victory of the oppressed nation and to support its armies. (c) to resist, primarily by means of revolutionary mass action, the despatch of warships and munition transports to the colonies by the imperialists; to oppose the extension of the period of military service for soldiers fighting in wars against the colonies, etc.; to oppose increases in war budgets and the granting of loans by the imperialists to the counter-revolutionary governments and militarists in the colonies; to fight against imperialist war preparations in concession territories and on railways and inland waterways in the colonies. (d) To take measures to counter-act the butcheries perpetrated by the imperialists in the colonies and the support which they render to the naive counter-revolutionary governments in suppressing the masses of the toilers.

40. The tactics to be adopted in the present struggle against intervention in China differ from the tactics adopted in the struggle against intervention at the time when a section of the Chinese bourgeoisie, and of the Kuomintang, still played a revolutionary role. The interclass wars of the various native military rulers, in the main, are an expression of the conflicts that prevail among the various imperialist powers over the partition of China. All the warring classes, which represent various factions of the bourgeoisie and the landlords are counter-revolutionary.

In view of the present situation in China, the international proletariat must combine its active struggles in defense of the Chinese workers and peasants with exposing the counter-revolutionary role of all bourgeois governments and militar-

Bourgeoisie Counter-Revolutionary.

(c) In national wars in which the bourgeoisie, or the bourgeoisie

LEWIS IS RE-ELECTED "UNANIMOUSLY"

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Rest assured that White has no more love for Howat than Lewis has, for he waged war against Howat before Lewis got on the Who's-Who list in the labor bureaucracy and did all that any one man could do to get rid of him. So there is only one conclusion that can be reached for Howat's reinstatement and that is that he is needed to put over the wage cut that White failed to put over on the men of Kansas after he had got it for them.

And for Howat it can be said that he is getting old and is broke and after refusing the offers of the coal operators in the past to sell out, he feels that this is his last chance for a livelihood. Although he has

often promised to do the right thing if reinstated, we know that no one, not even an Alex. Howat, is reinstated unless Lewis is assured that he will go along, and the chances are that it will not be long before the National Miners' Union will have to open its broadsides on Alex.

N. M. U. Not Sentimental.

Whether Howat has completely capitulated or not to the Lewis regime only time will tell, but our experience is that unequivocal surrender must be made before Lewis accepts anyone into his camp. This being the case it naturally follows that there was only one thing of great enough consequence to make Lewis take Howat back into the fold and that was to have someone with enough influence over the miners of

Kansas to coax them to swallow the wage cut. And if Howat even attempts this, the National Miners' Union will put him in the category where he belongs and wage war against him as well as the operators.

Now with the machinery in his grasp, Howat's Kansas following is waiting to see whether he is the Howat of old or whether he is completely Lewisized and if the latter is true, as we have so many reasons to believe it is, Howat will soon learn that miners and all workers fight for principles and do not worship at the shrine of a hero of other days. Always, the time to fight is now, we are building for the future and are not concerned about stored-up laurels in which a year has gone so stale as to be standing in the