

## LABOR DEFENSE IN WORLD DRIVE FOR JOHNSTONE

Tables British Section  
and Calls for United  
Action in U.S.A.

icket, Hold Meetings

Anti-Imperialist Still  
in Anglo-Indian Jail

Calling for world-wide protest  
movements to compel the British  
government to release Jack John-  
stone, who was arrested and is still  
in jail in Djarra, India, for address-  
ing the Indian Labor Congress as a  
representative of the world or-  
ganization of Anti-Imperialist  
Leagues, the International Labor  
Defense, 799 Broadway, has cabled  
the British I. L. D. urging fraternal  
co-operation in making Johnstone's  
arrest a very deep-going working  
class issue.

In its cable, sent yesterday, the  
American I. L. D. requests the In-  
ternational Class War Prisoners  
aid, the British I. L. D., to "carry  
in a strong offensive against the  
British imperialist attempts to per-  
secute this American labor leader,"  
and asks it to "issue a call to the  
British working class to protest his  
arrest and demand unconditional  
freedom for him."

The cablegram is signed by Al-  
fred Wagenknecht, executive secre-  
tary of the International Labor De-  
fense.

Picketings and Meetings.  
A letter from Wagenknecht as  
secretary of the I. L. D. to all lo-  
cals and district secretaries of the  
organization calls for united efforts  
of various organizations to free  
Johnstone and states:

"Through our international office  
we shall receive the co-operation of  
the I. L. D.'s in all countries in be-  
half of Johnstone. We hope that all  
our I. L. D. locals will immediately  
grasp the political importance of  
this action, and will respond with  
mass protest meetings, etc."

The letter says:  
"We do not know what the Anglo-  
Indian government is proposing to  
do with Johnstone. Judging by the  
general brutality and unscrupulous-  
ness of the Anglo-Indian police,  
nearly everything is possible.

"The arrest of Jack Johnstone, a  
prominent labor leader, in the cir-  
cumstances in which it occurs,  
makes it an important political  
event. It is absolutely necessary  
that we immediately organize a  
series of protest demonstrations,  
bringing forcefully to the attention  
of the American masses the oppres-  
sive role of British imperialism in  
India and demanding the release of  
Jack Johnstone.

Propose United Action.  
"We have decided to propose that  
the All-American Anti-Imperialist  
League, the International Labor De-  
fense, the Trade Union Educational  
League and the Negro Labor Con-  
gress jointly initiate a series of  
mass meetings, consulate picketings,  
etc., for the release of Jack John-  
stone.

"The general slogan under which  
these protests should be carried out  
shall be:

"(a)—Down with British imperi-  
alism! For the complete and un-  
conditional independence of India  
and other colonies of British imperi-  
alism!

"(b)—For the immediate release  
of Jack Johnstone, valiant fighter  
against British, United States and  
world imperialism generally!

"(c)—Down with United States  
imperialism! For the complete and  
unconditional independence of all  
colonies and semi-colonies of U. S.  
imperialism."

## England Admits Has 164,000 More Jobless

LONDON, Jan. 8 (UP).—The reg-  
istered number of unemployed in  
England was announced tonight as  
1,520,700 as of December 31. This  
number is 249,000 greater than that  
of December 17 and 164,000 more  
than the same date for 1927.

## More Data on Cannon Trotsky Plot to Be in "Daily" Tomorrow

Further material on the Can-  
non-Trotsky conspiracy, the first  
section of which was printed in  
the Daily Worker this Tuesday,  
Jan. 8, will appear in tomorrow's  
issue. This material, which in-  
cludes photostat copies of letters  
exchanged between German, French,  
Austrian and American  
Trotskyists and the Cannon  
group, establishes the interna-  
tional character of this plot to  
wreck the Comintern and its vari-  
ous Sections, insofar as this is  
in their power.—Editor.

## Peddler of False Hopes to Jobless



Above is shown the latest grim joke on the thousands of New York's jobless army. A cheap faker, Ralph E. Dalton, is telling a crowd of unemployed workers how his private organization, the "Workers' Ethical and Community Centre," will "solve" unemployment. He promises "free" jobs, and the capitalist press is helping to delude the jobless who find that there is a price attached to everything Dalton offers, and that his "wonderful plan's" only guarantee is to employers, that the workers he does furnish with jobs are servile and efficient slaves.

## Lure of "Free" Job an Old Fake in New Guise

By HARRISON GEORGE.

With the assurance of the New  
York Times, which said that at 60  
Seventh Avenue, Ralph E. Dalton,  
president of the "Workers' Ethical  
and Community Centre," had opened  
a free employment bureau "with a  
promise of a job and a bed" in fair  
weather or foul "to any person join-  
ing the organization," we approached  
the three-story building housing the  
new Messiah with reverent tread.

Outside, a sign said that every  
day at 2, lectures are given on  
"Economics, Politics and Religion."  
Modest beginnings. Next week we  
may expect lectures on "Life in this  
and Other Planets." Free.

Everything is "free" in this latest  
institution to solve the unemploy-  
ment problem. If you don't think  
there is such a problem, go hunt for  
work. Everything is given "free"  
by Mr. Dalton, providing you pay  
for it. "Got to charge something to  
keep the Bowers-bums away," he  
explained to a few none too pros-  
perous workers eager for the mil-  
lennium.

Dalton was holding forth to his  
small audience. A young worker  
with a tendency to talk, provoked  
unlimited garlands of rosy dreams  
from Dalton. We learned that the  
organization supplied employers  
with guaranteed slaves. "References  
must be O. K. Every time a man  
goes to a job, his reference goes along  
with him. A copy remains here in  
my files." Note the "my," of this  
"organization." We later learned  
that it is "going to have" a board  
of directors. Who is to elect or  
select them remains unknown. At  
great length we were told how and  
why the employers must be pleased  
with the "organization" by sending  
them the "kind of men they want."  
The workers desire as to the kind  
of bosses they want was not men-  
tioned. Painful subject.

"Jobs? The town is simply lousy  
with jobs" we were told. "Up on  
58th Street there's jobs for 500 men.  
And just think what it will be when  
ten or twelve solicitors get out. I've  
been sick and couldn't give my time  
to this work for a couple of months,  
but when I get going there'll be  
jobs for everybody."

The young worker mildly expostu-  
lates that he knows lots of "good  
citizens" who can't find work. Dal-  
ton reverses his engine without  
stripping his gears. "Right. No-  
body can promise you a job. It's  
against the law to promise a man a  
job. Look at these employment of-  
fices that promise jobs. They take  
your money and you find there's no  
job to be had. We're going to run  
them out of business with our free  
employment office. Wait until my  
bill passes Congress for \$8,000,000  
to start free employment bureaus all  
over the country."

If you wait long enough Dalton  
will deliver everything. We will tell  
tomorrow of additional wonders to  
be had on Seventh Avenue by the  
unemployed of New York.  
(To Be Continued)

## USSR DELEGATION HERE

### Will Make Plans for Moscow Subway

The Soviet commercial delegation,  
headed by Vice-President Mezlauk  
of the Supreme Council for Na-  
tional Economy, arrived here yester-  
day to make preparations for the  
construction of the Moscow subway  
and water-works.

The projected subway, which has  
already been approved by the Soviet  
government, is designed to run from  
one end of the city to the other.  
After the first underground tube  
has been laid it is planned to con-  
struct branches to outlying sections  
of the city. The combined cost of  
the first part of the subway and the  
water-works is estimated to be  
about \$175,000,000.  
Negotiations are already under

## MEET TO EXPOSE KELLOGG PACT

### Joint Board, Negroes, to Send Delegates

The newly amalgamated industrial  
union of needle trades workers, at  
the meeting of the Joint Board last  
night, endorsed the First Labor Con-  
ference called to fight the war dan-  
ger, which will be held next Satur-  
day, January 12th, at 1 p. m., and  
voted to send five delegates. Simi-  
larly the Negro Harlem Tenants'  
League elected their delegates and  
have sent word to other organiza-  
tions of Latin-American workers to  
participate in this momentous event.  
The First Labor Conference will  
meet at a time when the imperialist  
war clouds are black with the prom-  
ise of preparations to foment war  
in Rumania and Poland against the  
first workers' republic, Union of So-  
cialist Soviet Republics. In an at-  
mosphere charged with war appro-  
priations and feverish activity to  
railroad the fake Kellogg peace pact,  
the First Labor Conference to Fight  
the War Danger will meet next Sat-  
urday at the Labor Temple, 14th  
St. and Second Ave., to adopt a  
fighting policy against the new im-  
perialist offensive of the American  
ruling class.

The Labor Conference will throw  
down the challenge to Herbert Ho-  
over's preparations for an imperialist  
war to inflate the profits of Wall  
Street at the expense of the work-  
ing class. The international stage is  
set for the next imperialist war.  
Every workers' organization, trade  
unions, militant workers in shops  
and factories—organized and unorga-  
nized—are urged to send representa-  
tives to the conference on Saturday  
and enlist with the fighting forces  
of the working class in a determined  
offensive against imperialism.

On Friday night, January 11, the  
League will hold a Latin-American  
Dance at Laurel Garden, 116th St.  
and Madison Ave. A special feature  
of the entertainment will be a per-  
formance by Nadia Chilkovsky, one  
of the pupils of the Duncan School.  
Tickets are on sale at the Workers  
Bookshop and at the office of the  
League, 799 Broadway, Room 226.

## Tennessee Bigots Have Another Evolution Case

JAMESTOWN, Tenn., Jan. 8.—  
Prof. Elmore Gentry, principal of  
the Clark Range High School, will  
be tried Friday by the Tentress  
County Board of Education on a  
charge of teaching evolution.

The Tennessee law against evolu-  
tion has resulted in several prosecu-  
tions, notably the Scopes case of  
last year.

## IMPORTANT! ALL PARTY MEMBERS TAKE NOTE!

### PAY NO ATTENTION TO DESTRUCTIVE FACTIONAL RUMORS

It has come to the attention of the Central Committee  
that certain comrades engaged in bitter factional strug-  
gle against the Central Executive Committee of the Party  
are busily at work spreading dangerous, destructive ru-  
mors aiming to paralyze the Party in the convention elec-  
tions.

Ridiculous, fraudulent reports are being circulated to  
the effect that the CEC is suppressing a letter sent by the  
Comintern to the convention, that the Comintern has in-  
structed the Central Committee to have the Party fraction  
in certain trade unions try to secure a majority of the  
leading comrades for the supporters of the Opposition,  
and that a special Comintern Commission is to reorganize  
the Party and its leadership.

The Central Committee calls upon the entire Party  
membership to act in true Communist spirit and to repu-  
diate those who spread such falsehoods as slanderers of  
the Party, regardless of the phrases with which they may  
mask their destructive activities.

The Central Committee will continue its policy of  
keeping the membership fully and promptly informed  
through the regular Party channels, through the Party  
press, through communications to Party units, through of-  
ficial spokesmen. The Central Committee feels confident  
that the Party membership will follow the only Commu-  
nist policy of getting information about Party activities,  
Party life, Party decisions and Comintern decisions through  
the regular Party channels and not through the emissaries  
of caucuses and factional cliques organized against the  
Central Committee.

The Central Committee would greet any letter by the  
Executive Committee of the Communist International,  
which would help to guide the Party convention and would,  
as a matter of course, immediately communicate such let-  
ter to the entire Party membership.

CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE,  
WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY.

## BIG COOPER UNION MEETING TONIGHT

### Needle Workers Pre- pare for Dress Strike

Workers in the cloak, dress and  
fur manufacturing industry are  
called tonight to a mass meeting in  
Cooper Union, 8th St. and Fourth  
Ave., at 6:30 o'clock.  
This meeting is the first to be  
called by the newly formed man-  
ufacturing industrial union of needle  
trades workers and has as its pur-  
pose the delivering of reports to the  
membership regarding the decisions  
of the convention on the dress  
industry and other questions per-  
taining to the new organization.

Leaders to Speak.  
The national leaders of the organiza-  
tion are to be the main speakers  
at the meeting, where the workers  
will be informed of convention de-  
cisions concerning the general  
policies of the union, its structure  
and, most important, of the plans  
for the coming drives to organize  
the dress and fur industry thru  
general strikes. Other delegates to  
the convention and general execu-  
tive board members are to speak  
also.

Soon after tonight's meeting ad-  
journs, Louis Hyman and Ben Gold,  
president and secretary-treasurer of  
the union respectively, are to leave  
for Boston, where they are to speak  
at the mass meeting there tomorrow  
night in Paine Memorial Hall. This  
meeting is one of a series that will  
be held in many cities, to ask the  
endorsement of the membership on  
convention decisions, and also to ef-  
fect the amalgamation of the vari-  
ous craft organizations in the city.

Many Meetings.  
The mass meeting in Philadelphia,  
at first announced to be held next  
Tuesday has been postponed for the  
following day, Wednesday, Jan. 16.  
The Baltimore meeting will be held  
Thursday, Jan. 17.

San Francisco local was scheduled  
to meet today, with their own offi-  
cers, who attended the convention,  
reporting.

The furriers and the cloak and  
dressmakers locals in Los Angeles  
will hold a joint meeting next week,  
will hear reports, and merge both  
organizations into one.

While these meetings are going on  
all over the country, the Local Joint  
Board, which became one body after  
last night's joint meeting of the  
furriers and garment workers  
locals, is in the midst of an active  
mobilization of forces for the com-  
ing strike. The General Executive  
Board is now perfecting plans to  
rally national support to the dress-  
makers struggle when it comes. And  
the Joint Board has already an-  
nounced that next week will see a  
series of district meetings in this  
city.

At tonight's meeting in Cooper  
Union further decisions are to be  
come known.

## 3 British Arms Firms Combine For New War

LONDON, Jan. 8.—Negotiations  
for the amalgamation of Vickers,  
Ltd., Vickers-Armstrong, Ltd., and  
Cammell-Laird, Ltd., huge manu-  
facturers of steel, converters, armor  
plates, bullet-proof plates, arma-  
ments, etc., are rapidly proceeding  
toward completion. Officials of the  
three firms have announced that  
two agreements have already been  
concluded, covering the manufacture  
of steel and railway carriage, and  
that other arrangements would soon  
follow. The three companies are the  
largest manufacturers of arma-  
ments in the British empire, and are  
feverishly occupied in the manufac-  
ture of war apparatus in prepara-  
tion for imperialist war.

The amalgamation will affect 25,  
000 workers employed by the three  
firms. Several thousand of these  
face lay-offs as a result of the amal-  
gamation.

## Fearing New Taxes on Land, Ecuador Indians Rally to Fight Troops

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, Jan. 8.—  
The news from Riobamba states  
that the Indian uprising against  
government army officers, supposed  
to be "surveying" the territory, took  
place because the Indians believed  
that the supposed survey was for  
the purpose of levying new taxes  
upon them by the government.

The Indians made a surprise at-  
tack on the military group, which  
fled, abandoning in the flight its in-  
struments. These the Indians took  
as trophies through their district  
and rallied 5,000 or more Indians,  
who yet are in the field.

Troops sent against them on  
scouting duty were attacked from  
the heights, the Indians rolling  
heavy stones onto one party, seri-  
ously wounding two soldiers. The  
government, which has disarmed the  
Indians previously, counts on the  
lack of weapons to give it advan-  
tage by using troops equipped with  
modern arms.

## Pravda Says Nicholas Was 'Scarecrow' Who Didn't Scare Anyone

MOSCOW, Jan. 8.—The morn-  
ing papers devoted just two lines  
each today to the death of Grand  
Duke Nicholas of Russia. The  
only exception was the Pravda,  
which, in addition, published an  
ironical summary of his career.  
The Pravda referred to Nicho-  
las as "a long, dry scarecrow,  
who didn't frighten anyone," and  
made reference to the activities  
of the other "clowns of the Mon-  
archist circus."

## SERBIAN KING'S DECREE FORBIDS PEASANT PARTY

New Dictatorship Puts  
'White Hand' Murder  
Gang in Power

Fascists Praise Coup

Religious Christmas  
Paralyzes Country

BELGRADE, Jan. 8.—The sick-  
eningly sweet paralysis of an Ortho-  
dox Christmas lies over Jugoslavia.  
Everybody who believed in god ac-  
cording to the official state religion  
got drunk yesterday and is not in a  
political mood today. It is certain  
that this is one of the things counted  
upon by King Alexander and the  
secret murder organization of army  
officers calling itself the "White  
Hand" who now rule the country  
dictatorially.

Discontent is beginning to show  
itself in Croatia, among the work-  
ers. In the first flush of enthusiasm  
for the destruction of the centraliz-  
ing pro-Serb constitution there were  
some parades of people shouting  
"Long live the king," and Vlado  
Matcek, leader of the Croat Peas-  
ant party, announced that he was  
entirely satisfied with the situa-  
tion.

However, one of the first acts of  
the new cabinet has been to outlaw  
the Croat Peasant Party, and the  
Bosnia-Herzegovinian Mohammedan  
party as part of a general decree  
dissolving all political parties formed  
on a nationalistic or religious basis.  
If Matcek still approves of the new  
government, he is proved in the eyes  
of his followers a traitor to them.  
The workers of Jugoslavia in  
general begin to feel that the seiz-  
ing of power by the king and his  
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## AKRON MEMBERS REJECT CANNON

None Are Supporters  
of Trotsky

AKRON, Ohio (By Mail).—The  
Daily Worker has received the fol-  
lowing statement on the Cannon-  
Trotsky group from U. Chelovitz,  
secretary of Local Akron of the  
Party, on behalf of the local Execu-  
tive Committee:

"In view of the fact that Cannon  
has issued a statement to the effect  
that a Cannon group was being or-  
ganized in Akron, that the majority  
of the Y. W. L. supported him, and  
that he himself will speak there this  
week, we fell called upon to state  
the following:

(1) There is not and never has  
been such a thing as a Trotsky  
group in Akron, and at no time have  
the Party comrades, who mistakenly  
voted against the C. E. C. resolution  
for the expulsion of Cannon and  
others, approved or consciously  
given any support to the Trotsky  
Opposition or Cannon's position on  
this question. This also applies  
equally to the Y. W. L. members.

(2) A number of our local com-  
rades, through misunderstanding,  
voted against the Central Executive  
Committee resolution, but have  
since admitted their error. They  
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## Peasants Resist Spanish Troops in Clash on Roadway

MADRID, (By Mail).—When a  
lorry loaded with Spanish marine  
artillerymen tried to run down a  
crowd of peasants who officers said  
were blocking the road near here;  
the peasants resisted, injuring sev-  
eral of the officers.

## YOUTH TO SEE DANCERS

### Special Performance of Duncan Troupe

"When the children of my school  
danced before the workers, they  
arose and shouted with joy. And  
why? Because they themselves  
were the children of workers and  
because I had taught them to ex-  
press in simple and natural move-  
ments the heroic struggles and  
ideals which were nascent in their  
blood. Therefore every worker can  
understand their art."  
So wrote the late Isadora Duncan  
in an article which is now included  
in a recently published book of her  
posthumous writings on the art of  
the dance.  
The scene described by Isadora  
was duplicated at the great fifth  
anniversary celebration of the Daily  
Worker last Saturday night. Every  
worker in the audience understood

## Sets Up Dictatorship



King Alexander of Yugoslavia, who at the behest of the Belgrade regime, dissolved parliament, suspended the national constitution and appointed General Pera Zivkovich as military dictator of Yugoslavia. The national minorities in Yugoslavia have been swindled, politically and economically oppressed in the word and the Croats have been demanding autonomy.

## DOAK PROPOSED FOR SECY LABOR

### Author Watson-Parker Bill, Labor Misdemeanor

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The  
bureaucracy of the Brotherhood of  
Railway Trainmen is proposing to  
Hoover for the job of secretary of  
labor one of the most vicious traitors  
to labor, and reactionary labor lieutenants of capitalism that is to  
be found outside of the A. F. of L.

Close to Chamber of Commerce.  
Their proposition today was that  
Hoover should appoint W. N. Doak,  
vice president of the B. of R. T.,  
"legislative representative" of the  
misdemeanors in control of this union,  
and close associate in many ven-  
tures of the U. S. Chamber of Com-  
merce, a recklessly anti-labor, strike  
breaking outfit.

Doak's claim to the cabinet posi-  
tion is that he wrote the Watson-  
Parker, anti-strike law, and cam-  
paign for its passage. This law  
practically prevents any action by  
the unions until months and even  
years have been spent in negotia-  
tions, allowing the employers plenty  
of time to use trickery and assembly  
strikebreakers.

Hoover is said to be seriously con-  
sidering Doak, as he feels that ser-  
vice rendering such sterling ser-  
vice against organized labor as to  
put through the Watson-Parker bill  
deserves his reward.

However, the A. F. of L. bureau-  
cracy, which enthusiastically breaks  
strikes too, and furthermore en-  
dorses the Fifteen Cruiser bill and  
all war preparations, needs rewards  
too, and is a rival of the Railroad  
Brotherhood for government jobs.  
So President Green of the A. F. of  
L. or John L. Lewis of the United  
Mine Workers of America, are also  
to be considered. Lewis, especially,  
now that his union has practically  
disappeared under his sell-out pol-  
icy, is in need of consolation.

Appointment of John H. Barlett,  
first assistant postmaster general as  
postmaster-general in the new cabi-  
net, was recommended this after-  
noon to President-elect Hoover by  
Senator Moses, N. H.

## Army Plane Flight of 152 Hours; "Question Mark" Menaces Latins

LOS ANGELES, Cal., Jan. 8.—  
The flight of the army endurance  
plane Question Mark ended here  
shortly after 2:10 p. m. today, when  
it was forced down by motor trouble.  
The Question Mark had been in  
the air in continuous flight almost  
152 hours. It now remains only to  
devise dirigible or other types of  
"mother ships" to refuel war planes  
to be able to bomb any capital in the  
world.

## WOULD INDICT FALL

He planned to secure indictments  
naming Mrs. Jackson Barnett, Har-  
old C. McGugan of Kansas, her at-  
torney, A. J. Ward, Creek trial at-  
torney, and M. L. Mott, former  
Creek trial attorney, as well as  
Secretary Interim Fall and Burke,  
he said. Fall was soon afterward  
indicted for the Teapot Dome af-  
frauds.  
He was proceeding with that in  
mind when he received a telegram  
from Mitchell, acting attorney gen-  
eral while Sargent was in Vermont,  
ordering him not to go on with the  
"proposed grand jury investigation,"  
he said. Later he received a letter  
from Mitchell explaining that the  
order was issued by Sargent him-  
self in a long-distance telephone  
conversation after a conference with  
interior department officials.  
Letter Shows Fall Guilt.  
The special assistant attorney  
general told of discovering a letter  
written to Burke by Peter Dykeman,  
prostate attorney in Oklahoma, warn-  
ing Burke of the conspiracy to ob-  
tain Barnett's wealth. Prior to the  
discovery of this letter, Selby said,  
he thought Fall and the Indian  
Commissioner were merely duped by  
Mrs. Barnett's attorneys.

## INDIAN BUREAU LAND SCANDALS SMEAR CABINET

Involve Fall and West;  
Prosecutor Says His  
Chief Blocked Probe

Graft in Barnett Case

Hold Up Secretary of  
Interior Approval

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Former  
Secretary of Interior Work, At-  
torney General Sargent and Indian  
Commissioner Charles Burke, will  
come before the senate Indian affairs  
committee in the case of the Jack-  
son Barnett Indian oil lands fraud  
in Oklahoma.

Consideration of the nomination  
of Secretary of the Interior Roy O.  
West was indefinitely postponed by  
the senate today to permit the In-  
dian Affairs Committee to investi-  
gate West's connection with Indian  
land contracts. The nomination will  
be taken up when the investigation  
is completed, probably within the  
next week, it was indicated.

Try to Hide Scandal.  
The Indian Bureau has been hand-  
ling the case for a long time, it be-  
came known today. For over a year  
it has had evidence showing the col-  
lusion of high officials in the frauds.  
But until accident gave publicity to  
the charges it remained benevolently  
secretive. Now, with Selby's state-  
ment made public, there is nothing  
to do but to at least go through the  
forms of an investigation, with  
whatever risk of scandal for the re-  
publican party administration may  
result.

Pueblos Robbed.  
There are two separate cases.  
Roy West, recently appointed secre-  
tary of the interior, not yet con-  
firmed in his office by the senate,  
while holding a lesser office in the  
interior department, signed a con-  
tract for the Pueblo Indian tribes in  
New Mexico, robbing them of their  
oil lands, it is charged, and turning  
them over to the "Middle Rio Grande  
Conservancy District." West has  
already admitted that his law firm  
is an employee of the power trust  
and that his wife owns a large block  
of stock in Insull's power companies.  
As secretary of the interior he is  
in a position to do the Insull com-  
panies some real favors.

\$1,100,000 Involved.  
The so-called Barnett case, as re-  
viewed by Selby, had its inception  
when Anna Laura Lowe, a young  
widow, "abducted" Jackson Barnett,  
aged and mentally incompetent but  
rich Indian, and married him in  
Kansas.

Uncertain that the ceremony was  
binding, Mrs. Barnett retained Mc-  
Gugan as her attorney and secured  
a second marriage license in Mis-  
souri. Thus armed, she returned to  
Oklahoma and started negotiations  
with government officials for a divi-  
sion of Barnett's estate, grown large  
from oil royalties.

Finally an agreement was reached  
whereby two trust funds of \$500,000  
each were created, one for Mrs. Bar-  
nett and the other for the American  
Baptist Mission Society.

The arrangement was approved by  
Purke and Fall, but later nullified  
by a New York court, whose de-  
cision was upheld by the Supreme  
Court.

Selby told the committee he be-  
lieved all officials who approved the  
division or helped make it were  
guilty of conspiracy.

Would Indict Fall.  
He planned to secure indictments  
naming Mrs. Jackson Barnett, Har-  
old C. McGugan of Kansas, her at-  
torney, A. J. Ward, Creek trial at-  
torney, and M. L. Mott, former  
Creek trial attorney, as well as  
Secretary Interim Fall and Burke,  
he said. Fall was soon afterward  
indicted for the Teapot Dome af-  
frauds.

He was proceeding with that in  
mind when he received a telegram  
from Mitchell, acting attorney gen-  
eral while Sargent was in Vermont,  
ordering him not to go on with the  
"proposed grand jury investigation,"  
he said. Later he received a letter  
from Mitchell explaining that the  
order was issued by Sargent him-  
self in a long-distance telephone  
conversation after a conference with  
interior department officials.

Letter Shows Fall Guilt.  
The special assistant attorney  
general told of discovering a letter  
written to Burke by Peter Dykeman,  
prostate attorney in Oklahoma, warn-  
ing Burke of the conspiracy to ob-  
tain Barnett's wealth. Prior to the  
discovery of this letter, Selby said,  
he thought Fall and the Indian  
Commissioner were merely duped by  
Mrs. Barnett's attorneys.

# Industrial Needle Trades Union Issues Militant Declaration to Labor Movement

## TELLS OF FIGHT AGAINST BOSSES AND S. P. FAKERS

### Calls All Workers to Support Real Union

From the headquarters of the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union has come a declaration to the American labor movement. This is the first official statement to be issued by the new left wing union since its formation at a five-day convention ending recently. After stating in detail the reasons for the establishment of the new industrial union, the declaration appeals to the workers for support in its fight against the bosses and the labor fakers.

The declaration follows:  
Brothers and Sisters!

The bitter struggle of the past few years conducted by the thousands of needle trades workers against the bosses and the corrupt union bureaucracy; the bloody attacks of the bosses and their agents, the right wing officialdom of the needle trades unions; their attempts to convert the unions into company unions—has forced the cloakmakers, dressmakers and furriers to call a convention of elected representatives of all the organized locals throughout the country to organize a new, industrial union.

For the first time in the history of the needle trades unions the conservative and destructive system of artificial divisions and separate craft organizations was officially done away with at a historic and an enthusiastic rank and file convention of the cloakmakers, dressmakers and furriers, held in the beginning of January, 1929, at the New Star Casino, New York. At this convention the National Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union of the United States of America was officially organized. The convention did away with the system of clique rule, practiced by the reactionary and corrupt right officialdom. The new industrial union was organized on the basis of rank and file leadership (the shop delegate system). The large number of assembled delegates at this convention unanimously condemned and repudiated the treacherous policy of "class-collaboration" practiced by the A. F. of L. and socialist union bureaucrats, and unanimously decided that the new industrial union shall carry on its activities on the basis of the class struggle. The convention most emphatically condemned the union-smashing methods of and treachery committed by the right wing officials against the organized workers in general, and the needle trades workers in particular, and proclaimed the revolutionary slogan of the working class—Workers of All Countries Unite!

### The New Industrial Union Instrument of Struggle for the Workers.

The National Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union was born in struggle against the bosses and the labor traitors; it was organized so that the daily struggle of the workers for better conditions may be conducted in the most effective way. The convention has laid the foundation for a new union of workers and has adopted decisions opening new avenues for widespread organizational activities. The adopted policies and methods for struggle and for the administration of the union do away with the possibility for an organized clique of a few individuals to become the unrestricted rulers of the union, as is the case in the craft unions dominated by the A. F. of L. and socialist union bureaucrats.

The new industrial needle trades union will be conducted in line with the adopted convention policies, which guarantee that the membership alone shall be the actual administrators and leaders of the union and shall have complete control over the activities of their elected officers. The convention has given the right to the members to recall the officers who will not serve the interests of the workers loyally or will in any way renounce the fundamental policies approved by the convention. The convention condemned the destructive tactics of the right union-splitters in expelling honest and active union workers for their political convictions and for their affiliation with political parties other than those of the official leadership. The National Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union recognizes and respects the right of every member to his political convictions and affiliations; the industrial union recognizes the workers as a class, regardless of their nationality, religion, race, color or political differences. The new industrial union guarantees the membership the full and unrestricted right to differences of opinion and to criticism of the activities of the leadership of the union, and thereby guarantees that the N. N. T. W. I. U. will be an instrument of struggle for the workers.

### They Were in Air 6 1/4 Days in the Service of Imperialism



The Question Mark broke all endurance flight records by remaining in air for more than 150 hours and was refueled by pipe-line from another plane. In this way war preparations are made spectacular and the militarists attempt to arouse enthusiasm for more and better planes. Above, is the crew of the Question Mark.

## PIONEERS ACTIVE IN MIDDLE WEST

By MINNIE LURYE.  
(Field Organizer, Dist. 8, Young Workers League)

The Communist youth movement of Chicago is moving ever forward. All activity revolves around our major tasks: "To win and organize the working youth—and our fight against the war danger." Important accomplishments in our activity can be registered for the past year.

**Activity in Coal Fields.**  
We today have approximately 350 young workers and workingclass students in our ranks, compared to some 240 last year. And one of our basic tasks is to draw these young workers into active participation in the class struggle. We turn to the coal fields where we have actively been engaged in organizing the young miners into our Young Communist League; mobilizing the young miners for active support of the National Miners Union and for a fight against the reactionary, betraying Lewis machine.

The task of maintaining our organizations in the coal fields is by no means an easy one. And the conditions today in the coal fields are such that the work must proceed slowly. But even in face of innumerable difficulties, we have built up a small nucleus that has already issued three mine bulletins—very effective in rallying the men for a fight on their immediate everyday "kicks." We have organized some four Young Communist League units and by careful attention we hope to make them real factors in the struggles of the young miners.

**Miners Children Organized.**  
Six active, live, Young Pioneer League units have been organized and the miners children are swiftly being drawn into the daily tasks of aiding their militant fathers in their heroic struggle.

Thousands of leaflets, calling upon the youth to support the militant new miners' union, pointing out the treacherous betrayal of the Lewis-Fishwick machine in the signing of the new wage agreement and the fact that it is the youth again who

### On to the Struggle Against the Company Unions and Against Conditions of Slavery.

The right wing union bureaucrats of the A. F. of L. and the socialist party are officially united with the bosses against the workers. With their aid the bosses have organized and are maintaining company unions. With the aid of these company unions the bosses have succeeded in undermining the unions—to wipe out the 40-hour week, reduce wages to a starvation level and establish piece-work, inside and outside contracting, the speed-up system and general conditions of slavery. All union conditions won by the workers of the needle trades through bitter struggle and sacrifice have been taken back by the bosses with the aid of the company unions. The needle trades workers are now in a desperate state. The great mass of the workers are suffering from unemployment, dire need and starvation. The greatest number of shops in the needle trades are open shops, and in those shops that are officially connected with the company unions the conditions of the workers are just as unbearable as in the open shops.

The National Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union has as its immediate and most important tasks the organization of all workers ideologically and organizationally for the struggle for better conditions, the elimination of the company unions, and the organization of the tens of thousands of unorganized workers, including the Negro workers, to build up a mighty union of all needle trades workers. The General Executive Board of the National Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union is instructed by the convention to make all necessary preparations for the impending strikes in the dress and fur industries to secure better conditions for the workers. The General Executive Board has already proceeded with its organizational work, thereby working in line with the instructions of the convention for a struggle in behalf of the workers' interests. The National Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union is entitled to the Aid and Assistance of the Labor Movement.

suffer a greater wage-cut than even the adult miners, were issued and distributed effectively by our League and Pioneer members.

**Youth Work in Election Campaign.**  
Throughout the district, the entire League energetically participated in the election campaign: distributing thousands of leaflets, holding open air meetings, factory gate meetings, indoor meetings—bringing the Communist platform for the youth before numerous youth organizations, etc. Many young workers were arrested and jailed in the course of this activity.

Many new members were drawn into the League and our Communist youth movement brought before many thousands of old and young workers, who had never heard of us before.

A special election campaign tour was made thru the coal fields, together with the Workers (Communist) Party organizer.

We are today organizing up small initiative groups, whose task is to concentrate the bulk of their activity on a large factory in an attempt to build up a Communist youth nucleus.

The St. Louis members have succeeded in building up a club composed of young needle trades workers. This club will be an important factor in "speeding-up" the organization of the 15,000 needle trades workers, of which women and young workers make up a majority.

**Kenosha Strike.**  
For the past year a strike has been taking place in the Allen-A. Hosley Mill, Kenosha, Wis. For months we maintained a youth organizer in the strike. Some important demonstrations were held in connection with this strike. Just a few weeks ago, when 29 of the strikers were jailed, the League organized a picket line before the judge's home in Milwaukee. The police broke it up and arrested some of the demonstrators. The next week a picket line of the Pioneers was again organized and a large open air meeting held.

Some inroads have been made in

The National Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union is built on an industrial basis and differs in its organizational form as well as in its aims, tasks and objectives from the old unions, which are under the domination of the corrupt right wing clique. The new industrial union has raised the banner of the class struggle and seeks to awaken the idealism and aspirations of the fighting working class in their struggle against their common enemy. The bloody attack that the labor traitors together with the bosses have organized against the cloakmakers, dressmakers and furriers has broken the unions and placed the workers at the mercy of the bosses. The new industrial union is taking up the struggle to free the workers from the exploitation, terror and oppression of the bosses with their company unions, and for union conditions and union control in the shops.

The new industrial union calls on the cloakmakers, dressmakers and furriers to immediately join the union, to unite with the class-conscious and fighting workers, who are conducting an energetic, fearless and brave struggle against the enemies of organized workers, and to help the new union in every possible way—morally, financially and thru active participation—in the impending struggles to win back all union conditions and improvements for the workers and their families.

Thousands of needle trades workers at a mass meeting in Lincoln Arena have greeted with flaming enthusiasm the establishment of the industrial union, which awakens new hope and strengthens the faith in the organized power of the workers, and is a source of inspiration to the workers in their determined struggle against their enemies. The industrial union blazes a new trail in the class struggle on the economic and political fields for the American labor movement.

The National Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union is entitled to the fullest support of the American workers. The success of the Needle Trades Workers' Union will be the success of the entire American labor movement.

## FRANCE JAILS 2 COMMUNISTS Spaniard, Hungarian in Prison

(Red Aid Press Service)

PARIS. (By Mail).—The bourgeois press reports that at the close of a meeting two foreigners were arrested, one a Spaniard named Canga and the other an Hungarian named Ladislaus Aradi.

Both have been turned over to the foreign police and remain in jail. Canga was said to have entered France under a false name, having been banished from France in July. Aradi is said to have had with him a false passport.

Naturally, the French newspapers knew enough to report a "secret meeting" and the "organization of groups of the Third International."

While in France, as the Nissa case showed, fascists who threaten anti-fascist workers and are engaged in espionage for Mussolini, are allowed to run around free, a false pass is enough to extradite Communists and start arrests and trials.

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

the steel territory. Two small units have been built up and two children's groups. The young steel workers have been drawn into active participation in all League work.

Our struggle against the war danger has taken on concrete forms. Splendid work was done during the summer months. Members were sent into the Citizen's Military Training Camps. A special Camp bulletin was issued and mailed to some 500 boys in the camp. A special leaflet addressed to the 10,000 National Guardsmen at Camp Grant was distributed and resulted in the jailing of 17 young workers. Regular distributions take place at a number of the standing army camps in our district.

Some good indoor anti-war meetings have been held thruout the district in connection with the Karl Liebknecht memorial and our celebrations of International Youth Day. Thousands of leaflets were distributed in connection with these meetings and many new members gained.

**Organizing the Children.**

A word must be said on our Children's section. We have today some seven to eight hundred children organized. To go into the details of their activity adequately here is impossible. Suffice it to say that their growth in membership reflects their activity, and within the last year they have doubled their membership. Major attention is being concentrated on their school work: school papers, special leaflets, school fights. The children are also being actively

## GREEK DICTATOR TRIES TO STEM MILITANT TIDE

### Laws Directed Openly Against Workers

(Red Aid Press Service)  
BERLIN. (By Mail).—A law directed against the revolutionary workers' movement and especially against the Communist Party, has been introduced into the Greek parliament by Venizelos, dictator of Greece. In the manner of the Bulgarian state-martial law, it classes Communists as criminal offenders.

The new law declares punishable: (1) Propaganda among the youth under 18 years old and among students; (2) the distribution of manifestos or leaflets which call for a walk-out, "in connection with the justice of the bourgeois regime;" (3) the attempt to spread Communist ideas among the women; (4) pressure upon the leadership of the trade unions with the purpose of fighting the "conservative elements" in the trade unions; (5) to have knowledge, no matter by what means, of documents concerning the "national interest" of the Greek state, or publishing such documents; (6) resistance to state power, justice or the police during the breaking up of mass demonstrations; (7) the holding of a meeting without permission; (8) any connection, no matter for what purpose, between Greek and foreign citizens.

This unheard of law has aroused a wide-spread protest. The Greek Red Aid organization has appealed to the workers of all countries to support the fight against this decree.

**U. S. BEST POISONER.**  
WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—The U. S. government leads in production of poison gas of new and unexampled virulence, Major General Fries, head of the army chemical service, told the house appropriations committee today. He also stated that the government has large stores of gas masks prepared for the next war.

We demand the immediate abolition of all vagrancy laws; protection of unemployed workers from arrest on charges of vagrancy.

drawn into the struggle against the war danger.

To become better Communists, to understand more thoroughly the tasks before us, we hold district training schools every year. This training is not only thru lecture or book, but thru actively engaging every member of the school in the "every-day-work." Some 30 young workers were given such training for a period of five weeks this last year and have since become some of the most active young Communists in building our revolutionary movement. In the short period, because of the splendid anti-militarist work carried on by the group, the open air meetings, factory distributions and Sacco-Vanzetti demonstration, 41 arrests took place and the cases of ten are still pending in court.

### Negro Work.

In the Negro field some progress can be noted. In Chicago, a unit has been built up in the South Side (Negro district). The young Negroes are actively engaged in building a nucleus in the Pullman car shops. A unit consisting of 17 young Negroes has been organized in Jacksonville, Ill., and thruout the district all units are doubling up on efforts to draw in the Negro youth.

We look forward in 1929 to a real year of continuing our work of organizing and winning the working youth for the revolutionary movement and for an ever greater struggle against the militarization of the youth for another bosses' war.

## Lenin Memorial to Exhibit Flag Captured by Sandino

America's bloody imperialism will be exposed through first hand evidence at the Madison Square Garden, Saturday evening, Jan. 19, in connection with the Lenin Memorial meeting. Official announcement was made last night by the arrangements committee that at the demonstration the banner captured from United States marines in Nicaragua by General Sandino's revolutionary forces will be placed on exhibit in full view of the thousands who will come to protest against the growing war danger.

Gustav Machado, representative to Mexico of Nicaragua's working class government, has sent a reply to the Lenin Memorial Committee complying with the request to ship the flag to America. In his reply, Machado writes: "Will ship flag for Lenin Memorial meeting in New York. The captured trophy, symbol of Wall Street's unscrupulous, unwarranted, imperialistic and inhuman intervention in Nicaragua's domestic affairs should arouse every American worker to the full significance of the growing war danger. "American marines, hired tools of

## First Soviet Ukraine Picture Starts 3-Day Run Here Tomorrow

The first film from Soviet Ukraine to be shown in this country will be presented for a three days' run beginning tomorrow at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St.

The film, "Taras Shevchenko," tells the life story of Taras Shevchenko, the greatest revolutionary poet of the Ukraine. It is a production of the All-Ukrainian Photo-Kino Administration, whose new studios at Kiev have acquired considerable fame.

The film was secured thru the Amkino, the Soviet film agency in the United States, by the United Ukrainian Toilers' Organization, under whose management it will be shown in various cities.

Besides many highly impressive episodes from the life of the poet, the film also includes a picturization of his poem, "Caucasus."

### DENIED WAGE INCREASE.

CAMDEN, N. J. (By Mail).—Workers employed by the city have been informed that no wage increase will be granted them this year.

the Wall Street government, have murdered in cold blood Nicaraguan workers fighting for emancipation from a despotic, tyrannical and capitalistic regime. On behalf of Nicaragua's masses, I hereby send an appeal to the working class of your country.

"In conclusion, I hope for unequalled success for the meeting to commemorate the death of Lenin, leader of the first workers' and peasants' republic, and to emphasize the imperialistic war danger.

(Signed)  
"Gustave Machado, Representative of Nicaragua's Working Class Government."

The principal speakers at the meeting will be Jay Lovestone, executive secretary of the Workers (Communist) Party, and William Z. Foster, member of the secretariat. An attractive number on the entertainment program will be an act in the form of the Soviet sports spectacle. This will be put on by the Labor Sports Union. Selections will be rendered by Jascha Fischermann, Soviet pianist, and the Freiheit Gesangs Verein, with all sections participating.

## "Witchcraft" Trial Is Exposing Superstition Shielded by Mellon Men

YORK, Pa., Jan. 8.—Clayton Hess, brother of the Wilbur Hess who is on trial along with John Blymeyer and John Curry, in his testimony today brot the "witch angle" into the trial of these three for murdering Nelson Rehmeyer. He testified that Blymeyer told him that they had to go to Rehmeyer and hold him while they cut off his witch lock and buried it eight feet deep in back of the Hess chicken house, to lift a spell Rehmeyer had put on the Hess Hess.

The prosecutor fought hard to prevent the use of the word, "witch." The Mellon coal and steel machine which controls this state has encouraged ignorance and superstition, to keep the farmers and workers divided and occupied with other things than organization. But the ruling class here is not anxious to have the situation exposed, and it was arranged at the trial that there should be testimony of murder and robbery only, without any word of witchcraft delusions.

We demand the immediate recognition of Soviet Union by the United States government!

## AFGHAN FORCES READY TO REPEL TRIBES' DRIVE

### Mass British Troops in Indian Passes

CALCUTTA, India, Jan. 8.—Afghanistan government forces, confident that they are strong enough to repel the insurgents tribesmen are reported to be preparing themselves to defend Kabul from a second attack of the tribesmen.

This expected drive of the insurgents is thought to be a desperate concentration of all the strength.

It is reported here that the night attack on Kabul is being planned by the insurgents under Batcha Saqau the leader of a group of bandits. The attacking troops have heavy field pieces in their possession which they used on their first attack on Kabul, when especial care was taken to protect the British legation from injury. These cannon were unquestionable provided by the British government of India.

The British have virtually isolated Afghanistan by closing the passes of Quetta and Peshawar with troops thus walling off Afghanistan and drawing the curtain over the internal situation.

There are now but few foreigners in the Afghan capital, the Russians who remained until the last, having been removed by Soviet planes.

An energetic search is now in progress for Colonel Lawrence, the notorious British spy, who specializes in inciting revolts in the east. He is known to be somewhere among the rebellious tribesmen, and the Afghanistan government has set a price upon his head.

## 'Salvationists' Fight Tomorrow for Treasure

LONDON, Jan. 8.—Commander Evangeline Booth spent today "consolidating her position" before going to Sunbury for tomorrow's meeting of the Salvation Army's High Council. She is a center of the factional fight raging over who will control the "Army's" vast property obtained by begging nickels from the workers.

The question of removing General Bramwell Booth, brother of the commander, from his autocratic control of the "Army" will be considered by the Council.

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(By a Worker Correspondent)  
I am a woman worker in the Eagle Pencil Co., New York City. The speed-up in the Eagle factory grows greater every day. A couple of years ago we had two machines to operate, and we were working 50 hours a week then. Now we operate three machines.

But the bosses thought up a new trick to fool us. They reduced the hours a little, but they gave us three machines instead of two to run.

At first, many of us were fooled by the bosses' "kind-heartedness" in reducing the hours a little, but now we see their game. We now produce in the reduced hours more pencils than we used to in 50 hours. We are producing over one-third more pencils than we had formerly done. Our bosses are not even satisfied with this. A few weeks ago they made a further speed-up on these machines in Department 9B.

They made it impossible for us to earn more than \$18 a week. Before the new speed-up, after the worst slavery, we could make perhaps \$24 a week. But now even this wonderful sum is beyond our reach. When this speed-up was made, the girls resented it, and five of them quit their jobs that very morning. While we were deciding what to do, one hour had passed and it was 9 o'clock before any of us started to work. We are supposed to start work at 8 a. m. The assistant superintendent then came up and told us that if we did not like the new speed-up, we could put our coats on and beat it home.

We have pencil spraying machines in our room. Two sprayers are in operation at the same time, filling the air with poisonous fumes. There is always danger of contracting T. B. on the job from these fumes. This is especially so in the Departments B9, B10, B11.

## JOBLESS MINERS NEARER LONDON

Ranks Swell; Will Hike Over Hills

LONDON, Jan. 8.—The organization of the unemployed workers throughout England for the National March on London is progressing with full speed. Wal Hannington, who is organizer of the march and will lead it, reports with enthusiasm on his experience in various sections of the country.

**Women Keen.**  
"Many women expressed a keen desire to be in London on the great day when the marchers arrive, and to speak at the demonstration," said Hannington.

"If sufficient money can be raised to leave a balance we shall certainly be glad to provide the facilities."  
"On Tyneside, the unemployed are to approach a big boot manufacturer in order to obtain boots for the marchers. As all the N. E. coast contingents will converge at Newcastle, special arrangements will be made there for a good reception and send-off."

"Fine progress is being made in the Scottish coalfields, particularly in Fife and Lanarkshire. These men will have a five weeks' march."

**Hazardous Journey.**  
"The journey over the border will be a hazardous experience. There are great stretches of country where there is hardly a village, but this does not daunt the marchers."  
"The miners in the Rhondda are also making progress."

The London Reception Committee of the Unemployed National March, with Tom Mass as chairman, is making large scale preparations for the welcome to the marchers on their arrival in London. The reception committee calls its first conference of delegates for Feb. 2, which will be attended by delegates from the Scottish and N. E. Coast contingents of marchers, which by that time will be on the march. They will come straight from the road in full kit.

## Two Firemen Believed Dead in Wall Collapse in Ohio Court House

LIMA, Ohio, Jan. 8. (UP).—Two firemen are believed to have died in a fire which virtually destroyed the Allen County Court House today. Damage was tentatively estimated at \$600,000.

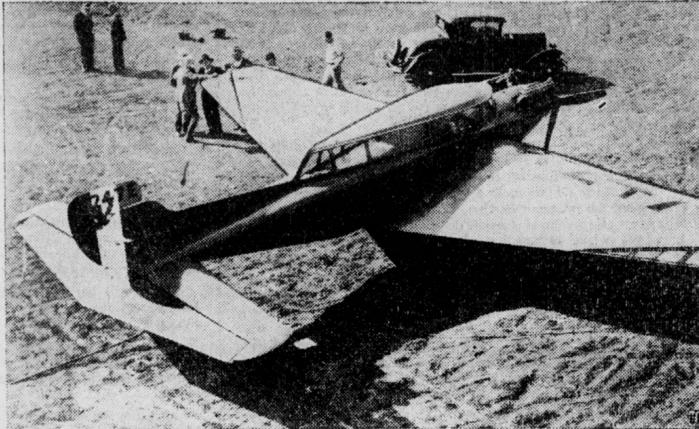
The blaze broke out on the third floor. Deputy County Auditor Murray, trapped on the third floor, was injured, perhaps fatally when he was forced to jump.

The firemen, John Wolfe, 42, and John Fisher, 25, apparently were trapped and buried when the roof collapsed.

A lighted torch is believed to have started the blaze.

LONDON, (By Mail).—Conditions of starvation exist among the thousands of iron ore miners in the Furness iron mining area. Most of the iron miners are unemployed.

## Plane Designed to Spread Swift Death for Imperialists



A new graceful plane, the "Scout," which can travel at 200 miles per hour and hop off at a terrific speed. The fine lines of this plane have something of the beauty of a poisonous snake, and the high explosive and deadly gas the thing will carry in the next war are much worse.

## MILITANT PACIFIC LABOR WILL MEET

SHANGHAI, Jan. 8.—The Pan-Pacific Trade Union Secretariat is making rapid preparations for its world congress, to be held in Vladivostok, Aug. 1. The Trade Union Educational League of America, affiliated with it, is conducting a campaign to popularize the congress in America. The Pan-Pacific Trade Union Secretariat is the permanent organization created at the conference of many trade union organizations in countries bordering on the Pacific Ocean, held in Hankow, May 1927.

The secretariat held a plenary session in Shanghai, February last, whose decisions were endorsed by affiliated organizations in ten countries, and among these decisions was one for a world congress in Australia, 1929. The Australian government, engaged in a vicious anti-labor campaign, which includes the passage of severe anti-strike laws, prohibited arbitrarily the meeting of the congress in that country, and threatened to arrest all the delegates. The secretariat then decided to hold the congress in Vladivostok, largest Pacific ocean seaport of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, and fixed the date for August 1.

**War Danger.**  
The growing war danger, the armed attacks on China by Japan, the attempt of Japanese imperialism to create an "Asiatic Labor Federation" as an enemy to the Pan-Pacific Trades Union Secretariat, the immigration question, colonial independence movements and international trade union unity will be main points on the agenda.  
The action of the congress will result in a program of action, which will take up immediate demands for hours of work, wages, labor organization, etc., in the countries of the Pacific area.  
A new secretariat will also be elected at this meeting.

**Imperialists Fight It.**  
The secretariat warns that in all countries, obstacles to the success of the congress are being multiplied by reactionaries, exploiters and imperialists, and calls for redoubled efforts on the part of affiliated organizations to secure a good representation.  
The Trade Union Educational League of America, affiliated with the Pan-Pacific Trade Union Secretariat, is the organization represented by Earl Browder, executive

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## FAKE NEWS OF BONUSES GIVEN BY MICHELIN CO.

Workers Robbed by Premium System

(By a Worker Correspondent)

MILLTOWN, N. J., (By Mail).—This town is about two miles distant from New Brunswick and is remembered by the readers of the Daily Worker as the scene of the recent rubber workers' strike against the wage cut which took place last national election day. The strike was spontaneous and conducted by 1,200 workers, the vast majority of whom were French. A recent issue of a local (New Brunswick) capitalist paper stated in big headlines: "Michelin Distributes \$110,000 in Christmas Bonuses." It also stated that more than 900 employees were "remembered." But according to the writer's investigation, (who himself was a striker and given a "free" ride to the county jail by the sheriff's henchmen), the situation was different.

By speaking to several workers in this Michelin controlled town with whom I got in contact, they all denied it unaniously. Here are the facts:

Are there really 900 workers in the factory who are working on three shift basis? No! There are only four departments where there are three shift systems in operation. These are: No. 6 Department with 225, secret room 150, No. 8 Department 90, and No. 13 Department about 120. This figure includes the total is 585. Adding to this number, there are a great number of company spotters who are not working on the third shift, who are given consideration for this Christmas bonus for which Michelin himself supervises the "distribution," or the sake of his personal popularity. The amount of Christmas bonuses given to the workers was from \$15 to \$45 to workers who had slaved for the Michelin for the past ten to 20 years.

During the working season of the year, the following system of robbery is imposed on the workers who are working on the premium, (speed up) system, and there are other workers who are working still cheaper. Women workers are accepted in the above case also, so in general the worker who either stays out for the day or comes to work late a few

**MORE WORK. LESS WORKERS.**

CHICAGO, (By Mail).—Altho the Northern Pacific Railroad has announced a huge increase in traffic handled, it is operating 300 fewer locomotives than in 1925, with a consequent decrease in the number of engineers.

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THEA. W. 42nd ST. OF B'WAY  
MATS. WED. & SAT. 2:30

**BUILDERS WIN STRIKE.**  
WALTHAM, Mass., (By Mail).—Building workers on the Metropolitan State Hospital have won union recognition after a short strike.

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## Religious Dope As Village Attraction



Helen Campbell, thirteen year old girl whose family makes her a child slave at preaching instead of putting her in a cotton mill. Photo shows her in one of the publicity stunts which religion has to indulge in now to get the money. She stands on a table in a Greenwich Village resort and tries to sneak a little religious opium into the glasses.

## ECUADOR NATIVES FEEL LASH OF WALL STREET

QUITO, Ecuador, Jan. 7.—Mr. Harry Tompkins, who was sent by New York bankers as an "expert Yankee" to superintend the banking business of the republic of Ecuador, continues his attacks on the government and is claimed by it to be working in collusion with an opposition party.  
Tompkins not long ago, visited the office of the national treasurer, and became abusive and insulting to times may lose half of the full week wages, and at the end of the year, when Christmas day comes around workers are wondering the total amount they will get. The Michelin officials do not report on their "extra" premium envelopes.

that official. The government apparently offended by the Yankee's insolence and arrogance, wished to cancel the contract on the ground that Tompkins was not fitted for the post of bossing its finances. However, with the backing of the North American banks, Tompkins remains.

To his previous arrogance and insults, Tompkins has added a long report to the national assembly, claiming that President Avora and the minister of the treasury do not permit him the "absolute liberty" he says is necessary to carry on his work.

LONDON (By Mail).—A Kilmarnock worker has invented a pot to prevent scalding accidents in steel works. When the pot is knocked over the lid automatically locks.

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OUR PARTY'S PRESS and LITERATURE -- Article by Lenin Published in 1905

(Note--The following article by Lenin was first published in "Novaya Zhizn" (New Life), the first legal Bolshevik newspaper, on Nov. 13, 1905. Wherever Lenin uses the word socialist today Communists would be pleased.--Editor)

By V. I. LENIN

The socialist proletariat must consider the basic principles of the literature of the Workers' Party, in order to develop these principles and express them in their most complete form.

In what do these principles consist? Not only that the literature of the proletariat should no longer be a means of enriching groups or individuals, but still more it ought not to express an individual character nor be independent of proletarian control.

Literary activity should be a part of the whole work of the proletariat. It should be a cog in the great machine which will put into motion by the whole vanguard of the working class, literature should become one part of the work of the Party, organized, thought out, unified and revolutionary.

"All comparisons limp," says a German proverb. It is so of my comparison of literature with a cog in the machine of the movement. There will be no lack of hysterical intellectuals to yelp in distress at this conception, which, according to them, will debase, will destroy, will "bureaucratize" and make mechanical the free "struggle of minds," free criticism, free, "literary endeavor," etc.

Obviously, literature is the last thing to be treated mechanically; it cannot easily be graded by, or submit to the decisions of the majority. In this matter, one ought, undoubtedly, to allow a great deal of scope for individual initiative, for personal inclination, for inspiration and imagination, in form and content.

All this is indisputable, but it proves only one thing, that the literary side of the Party's work cannot be mechanically identified with the other sides of proletarian activity.

This by no means destroys the truth--incomprehensible and strange as it may seem to intellectuals and bourgeois democrats--that literary work ought to be most strictly bound to the rest of the socialist work of the Party. Writers ought to enter the Party without making any stipulations. Publishing establishments, bookshops, reading rooms, libraries, everything to do with literature, ought to be placed under the control of the Party.

The organized socialist proletariat ought to supervise and control all this work; it should infuse into it the vital spirit of the workers, and in this sphere, should throw off the outlook of the mercenary bourgeois, who see in the writer only the man who sells his writings to earn a living, and in the reader simply a customer who brings in money.

Naturally we do not imagine that this change in literature can be brought about at one swoop; in this Russian literature, which has so long been crippled by an "Asiatic" censorship, and corrupted by an Europeanized bourgeoisie. We are far from expecting any panacea whatever in the shape of decisions and resolutions settling the whole thing in an arbitrary manner. That is not the point. What concerns us is that our class-conscious proletariat should understand that here is a new problem which has to be faced frankly, and everything possible done to solve it.

After having delivered ourselves from the chains of censorship, we do not want to be captives of bourgeois commerce and its relationships. We want to create a press that is freed not only from police control, but also from the influence of capital and from private ambitions, and above all freed from anarchist--bourgeois individualism.

These last words will be an object of derision to the reading public. "Good heavens!" some burning apostle of "intellectual freedom" will doubtless exclaim; "Good heavens! You want to submit to the masses as subtle and so personal a thing as literary workmanship. . . . You want workmen to decide, by a majority of votes, high questions of philosophy, science and art. That is the way you express the spirit's freedom to work, which is essentially individual . . ."

Don't be alarmed, my friends!

First of all, this concerns the literature OF THE PARTY, and its place in the Party, of the control of the Party. Every one is free to say and write what he wants without the least restriction. But every voluntary association--and the Party is one of them--is free to expel from its ranks members who use its organization to preach opinions AGAINST the Party. Freedom to write and speak should be as complete as possible. In the name of Free Speech, I should give you the whole right of shouting, lying and saying all that you want to. But in virtue of the freedom of association, you must concede to me the right to maintain or to break my alliance with people who write in such a fashion.

The Party is a voluntary organization, that will inevitably fall in ruins, first spiritually, and then materially, if it does not take care to decide the position of those people who propagate opinions against it. And to fix what is FOR and what is AGAINST the Party, we have the program of the Party as a criterion, its tactical resolutions, its statutes, and finally the experiences of International Socialism, the whole experience of voluntary associations of the proletariat.

Our Party is becoming a party of the masses; we are in an epoch of rapid transition towards an open legal organization, and at this period many useless people (from a Marxist point of view) and perhaps a few who are Christians or other mystics, join us. But we have a strong digestion; we are Marxists, hard as adamant. We shall assimilate all the confusions. Partisans of the freedom of association, we still fight unmercifully to purge the Party of confusionist elements.

Furthermore, may we inform our friends, the bourgeois individualists, that their talk about "absolute liberty" is nothing less than pure hypocrisy.

In a society which maintains itself by the power of money, and where the mass of the workers lack the necessities of life, there is no real liberty. Are you free in relation to your bourgeois publisher, my writer friend? Again, are you free in relation to your bourgeois public, which demands from you pornography and prostitution as a supplement to "sacred dramatic art"?

Absolute freedom is a bourgeois or anarchist fiction (for anarchism is a bourgeois theory turned the wrong way round). One cannot live in a society and be free toward society. The freedom of the bourgeois writer, or artist, or actor, is a mask of independence concealing a real dependence upon the money of parasites and souteneurs. (those who "keep" them--Ed.)

We socialists tear aside this hypocrisy and unmask their false standards, not to arrive at a literature "above class" (that will only be possible in a socialist society, in a society without classes), but to oppose to this so-called free literature, which is really allied with the bourgeoisie, a literature openly bound to the proletariat.

This will be a literature truly free, because corruption and ambition will have no place there, and socialist ideals and sympathy with the oppressed will continually bring into it new forces and new groupings.

This will be free literature, for it will not depend upon the blasé heroine nor the ten thousand bored and fattened high-brow, but upon the millions and millions of workers, who are the pick of the country, its power and its future.

This will be free literature, which will enrich itself with the latest creations of revolutionary thought, with the experience and living work of the socialist proletariat.

Get down to the job, then, comrades. . . . We have before us a great and difficult problem; we must create a rich proletarian literature, narrowly and indissolubly to the socialist workers' movement.

All the journals, all the periodicals, all the bookshops should immediately harness themselves to the task of reorganizing in order to become the organ of one of the other of the organizations affiliated our Party.

It is only after this work that socialist literature will deserve the name; it is only then that it will be capable of carrying out its task; it is only then that even within the framework of bourgeois society, it will be able to free itself from bourgeois bondage and bind itself to the movement of the truly revolutionary class.

THE NEGRO PAPERS IN CLASS WAR

By CYRIL BRIGGS, Editor Negro Champion.

Of several hundred Negro newspapers and magazines in the United States most are controlled by the rising Negro bourgeoisie. Most of them aspire to be general newspapers, some few are church and fraternal organs.

The majority of the newspapers are published weekly, a few monthly. Of the magazines most are monthlies, two or three appear weekly. There is as yet no Negro daily newspaper, although several attempts have been made along this line, the most notable being an attempt a few years ago by Marcus Garvey.

Just prior to the "War to Make the World Safe for Democracy" a marked change began to manifest itself in the Negro press. Radical publications like The Crusader, The Emancipator, blazed the trail for a more militant economic policy, while The Voice and The Negro World gave expression to a growing racial radicalism, the latter paper also serving as the organ of a futile Zionism.

During the world war a note of bitterness crept into the Negro press to be followed upon the conclusion of the war by a general tone of militancy, which was evident in all but the most servile and reactionary publications. While the war was yet on, radical publications like The Crusader were analyzing and attacking the brand of democracy for which the Allies were seeking to make the world safe.

Go Treacherous Road.

Their naive hope in the universality of Wilson's democracy shattered by events, Negro editors became more and more militant in voicing their racial demands. Few of them, however, saw the class implications in the racial struggle. Others, like Du Bois of The Crisis, saw quite clearly the class implications but were unwilling to come out openly against those responsible for the theories of higher and lower races and the exploitation and degradation of their race, with these theories as justification, since it was upon the "philanthropy" of this very group that their own status as "leaders" was based.

With the steady rise of the Negro bourgeoisie the tendency is toward conservatism on the part of papers such as The Amsterdam News, The Pittsburgh Courier, The Chicago Defender. The Atlanta Independent, The Baltimore Afro-American, etc. It is no accident that these papers are the first to give expression to the growing power of the Negro bourgeoisie. They are all published in the big industrial centers where the bourgeoisie is concentrated. They are among the best edited and most powerful of the Negro press. While tending toward economic conservatism these papers still retain, however, a large measure of militancy in racial demands. Of this group The Atlanta Independent is the most reactionary, the Baltimore Afro-American the least reactionary, in a class by itself is The Negro Champion, the only Negro labor paper in the United States and a

Soviet Union Seamen Gaining Muscle



Athletics are popular among the Red Sailors. Here is a racing crew ready to start. The men are healthy and happy, and ready to defend the First Workers Republic against any capitalist attack.

"Daily" Teaching Political Action to American Workers

One of the functions of a Communist paper in America is to convince the American workers that they need a class party. In Europe, even in Asia or Africa, workers are in general up to this theoretical level, at least. They know, and act on the principle, that they need and must have a political party of their own. There the fight is to prove to them that the social-democratic parties are agents of the employers and are run by the misleaders of labor who also dominate thru machine methods the reformist trade unions.

In America this situation has never generally existed. The American working class, due to the presence until a few years ago of an expanding frontier, with free land to allow any worker to become an "independent farmer" and thus take the pressure off the rest of the workers in the labor market, has had an individualistic outlook politically; has acted on the theory that everybody had a chance to be president if he was capable of it; has therefore followed with rare and not important exceptions, until recently, the class parties of the capitalists.

Class Political Action. Recently, to be sure, the beginnings of a class movement have appeared, and a philosophy of class political action has begun to penetrate the working and farmer masses. To the extent that this is so, we can say that the Daily Worker is responsible. For during these last five years, it is the only daily paper in the United States, published in English, that has advocated this theory.

It has had to fight the official doctrine and all the propaganda agencies, fearless, militant fighter in all struggles of the workers.

Closer to Struggle. Less important than the first group is the numerically larger group of small town and village papers. This group carries on a precarious existence and its editors are closer to the economic struggle of the masses. While not clearly realizing the class implications of the Negro emancipation struggle, the editors of this group are much more open to revolutionary ideas than are those of the first group. They also reach a larger mass of readers. However, it is the first group that reaches and influences the Negro proletariat, and therein lies its importance. Its columns have been penetrated in the past, but in far smaller measure than is the case with the second group. Both groups are served by four or five news agencies, including the radical Crusader News Service, which occupies a paramount position in the columns of the second group.

Employers Buy Up the AFL Official Organs

On the Fifth Anniversary of the Daily Worker, the only genuine workingclass newspaper in the United States, the following comment on the corrupt "labor press" by William Z. Foster becomes especially appropriate.

The complete control of these organs by labor bureaucrats, subsidized by boss associations, proves conclusively the vital need for supporting and extending the influence of the Daily Worker.

By WILLIAM Z. FOSTER. The need of the workers for a press of their own, loyal to their interests, is fundamental. For the workers, surrounded as they are by oceans of capitalist propaganda and confronted with a maze of baffling problems, the existence of a labor press which honestly analyzes the situation, educates the masses, and leads them in their every-day struggles is a life and death question.

But the labor fakery have learned how to sell out to the employers even this basic institution and they are doing it wholesale. One of the most destructive phases of the widespread class collaboration corruption in the American labor movement is the prostitution of the labor press. This assumes the most astonishing forms. It saps the vitality and understanding of the entire labor movement.

Capitalistic advertising is a main high road to the debauchery of labor papers. This, pilied on the other influences tending to make the labor papers reactionary, is disastrous. The employers and their political agents contribute huge sums to the trade union journals for advertising. Thus they are enabled to dictate the policies of these organs and to reduce their editors to the most abject vassals.

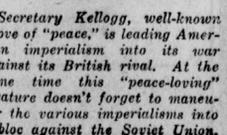
By buying up large numbers of labor papers in this manner the employers inject the poison of their propaganda directly into the veins of the labor movement. The American labor press is tainted with the money of the enemies of the working class. This fact has contributed enormously towards hindering the ideological development of the toiling masses in this country.

National Labor Papers. The central national organ of the trade union movement is the American Federationist, official organ of the American Federation of Labor. This paper, which should set an example of proletarian honesty for the whole labor press, is, on the contrary, deeply afflicted with all the forms of the corruption which destroys the usefulness of many labor papers and turns them into enemies of the working class. Its columns reek with all kinds of capitalistic propaganda and also labor advertising companies in the United States.

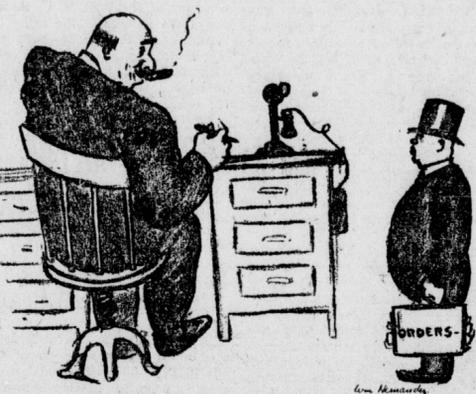
Every monthly issue of the American Federationist contains 20 to 30 pages of capitalistic advertising a large share of which comes from corporations which rank among the rabid "open shop" concerns in the country. For example, in the March, 1927 number, which is typical, we find represented such notorious "open shop" companies and products as Standard Oil Company, Prudential Insurance Co., General Electric Co., American Brass Co., Procter and Gamble, Fleischman's Yeast, National City Co., American Smelting & Refining Co., Pittsburgh Plate Glass Co., Philadelphia Electric Co., Utility Securities Co., Wrigley's Cheewing Gum, etc. These firms expect nothing from the American Federationist as an ordinary advertising medium. What they contribute is so much "hush money," given with the expectation of "softening" union labor's policy towards them. Nor are their investments in vain. The advertisements of the American Federationist are handled by a brother of Frank Morrison, who makes thousands of dollars yearly from this source of corruption.

Secretary Kellogg, well-known "dove of peace," is leading American imperialism into its war against its British rival. At the same time this "peace-loving" creature doesn't forget to maneuver the various imperialisms into a bloc against the Soviet Union.

Dove of "Peace"



Hoover, High-Powered Salesman, Returns



The Daily Worker, Always the Champion of Working Youth

By NAT KAPLAN. The Daily Worker is the fighting champion of the entire working class including its most exploited section the masses of young workers. The central struggle carried on by the Daily Worker at the present time, the struggle against the danger of new imperialism war vitally affects every one of the boys and girls of the working class in this country. It is the younger workers who are called upon first to give up their lives for Morgan's millions in the event of war, it is they who suffer most from the worsening conditions which are part of the bosses' war preparations.

The Daily Worker is the champion of the younger workers in the struggle against the war danger and the war preparations of the bourgeoisie. This also means that the Daily Worker is a fighter for the most elementary needs of the working class youth, as well as for their most fundamental need, their complete emancipation from wage slavery.

On the Fifth Anniversary of the Daily Worker we can record the influence of everything progressive in the labor movement. They make war against the honest leadership. They even engage openly in strikebreaking activities. Then they go to the employers, and upon the basis of these attacks, which are their stock in trade, they "shake down" the employers for contributions, either for advertisements or as straight donations. Such contributions run to vast sums yearly. All these papers are rabidly Gompersitic. "Old Sam" was their patron saint. They are ultra-patriotic, and blackly reactionary in all things.

Local Labor Papers. Thus such labor papers degrade themselves into tools of the capitalist parties and become powerful instruments for the demoralization and betrayal of the workers. See how the Cincinnati Labor Advocate, a typical graft paper, works the game, as reported by a local worker:

"The system employed is simple. The politician is approached before an election and told he is down on the list for a contribution of say \$100 or \$1,000. If he doesn't come across he is immediately attacked in the columns of the Advocate. If he shakes down easily he may be approached later for more at regular intervals. If he pays liberally he becomes a 'friend' of labor worthy of the workers' support, no matter how reactionary his record and policies. The 'Advocate,' like other journals of its kind, was once militant for the workers, but now it is an organ of the employers."

But the richest graft of the corrupt labor papers is not the occasional political advertisements but the all-year advertising of mercantile, manufacturing, and other companies. In order to get this the dishonest ones among labor editors abandon the last remnant of loyalty to the workers. Operating this graft has become a regular profession at which many scores work. The approach to the employers is on an anti-class, class collaboration basis. The present drive against the left wing in the trade unions is a gold mine for the labor fakery. These grafters fill their papers with violent attacks

"PUBLICITY" AND RELIEF WIN STRIKE

By F. G. BIEDENKAPP, Nat'l Secretary of the Workers International Relief

The class struggle in the United States is sharpening, the workers in industry as well as on the farms are awakening to the fact that there is something wrong "in the state of Denmark." The reports of the returning labor delegates from Soviet Russia, which show that where workers control the industries and the government, poverty, unemployment and the struggle for existence in general is disappearing, brings to the realization of the workers the fact that the system of capitalism must be abolished.

To destroy the system of wage slavery and to establish a system of production for use and not for profits, two outstanding facts must be constantly borne in mind and developed into powerful instruments of defense for the workers and as an instrument of attack against capitalism. One is publicity, and the other is Relief.

When workers go on strike or when they are locked out because of their protest against unbearable conditions both of these factors become all-important. During such times the workers become real active participants in the class struggle and are relentlessly made to feel the sharpened edge of the capitalist sword that penetrates thru their flesh clear to the bone.

Capitalism has no conscience and recognizes no authority other than its own. When during such labor struggles thousands upon thousands of workers, their wives and children face death by starvation and exposure, capitalism becomes most vicious and life destroying.

Role of Charity. During such conflicts, boss-controlled relief organizations functioning on the basis of charity are injected into the struggle not for the purpose of bringing relief to the workers, but as a means of breaking the strike. Bosses' tools, known as charity workers, enter the homes of strikers and promise them food for the children on the condition that the members of the family that are on strike become "good boys and girls" and be willing to go back to work as scabs, thus betraying the rest of their fellow workers.

Against this concrete wall of capitalism stands the Workers International Relief and the Daily Worker. Both represent the interests of the working class and fight the battles of the workers on the basis of the class struggle. The Daily Worker, which is owned and controlled by the workers is the only daily press in the English language that challenges the entire capitalist press. Wherever workers struggle the Daily Worker can be found fighting the cause of the workers, speaking the language of the workers and in the interest of the workers.

The W. I. R. The Workers International Relief, American Section, is a permanent workingclass organization affiliated with the International organization with headquarters in Berlin, Germany. The W. I. R. is the only permanent workingclass organization that carries on relief in the interest of the workingclass in this country on an international basis. Not only does the W. I. R. provide food and clothing during strikes or lockouts, but also during periods of natural catastrophes when the workingclass needs aid and assistance. The W. I. R. carries on its work on a basis of co-operation from worker to worker. Not only by giving material support as well, but by giving moral support as well. The motto of the Workers International Relief is "Relief to the Workers, wherever the need arises so as to strengthen them and help them in their struggle against capitalism and oppression."

More power to the Daily Worker! More power to the Workers International Relief!

One-Lung George. The king of England and monarchist head of the British empire for whom are exploited and oppressed a large chunk of the human race, has been having trouble with a bum lung. You read all about it until you were sicker than he was with monarchist propaganda. He lives in a string of palaces and never did a day's work in his life. While hundreds of thousands of British miners are starving to death in hovels working for seven dollars a week, the king draws \$2,500,000 a year. Workers will shed no tears when he joins his cousin, Czar Nicholas.

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# Will Open Center for Negro and White Workers in Boro Hall

## POVERTY-RIDDEN WORKING CLASS TO HAVE HAVEN

### Section 6 Dance Will Aid Project

Thousands and thousands of workers dig the subways, scrub and wash the trains, work on the boats that sail from here to the West Indies, live in ugly, unheated, unsanitary houses and pay exorbitant rent. They have no money, no time, and are too tired to indulge in amusements that would make them forget their sordid existence except when they get drunk on cheap alcohol poisoned by the United States government or lose themselves in religious frenzies in the churches. This constitutes the lives of many of the Negroes living in the Borough Hall section of Brooklyn.

This poverty-stricken section lies side by side with the greatest financial and industrial part of the city, with luxurious hotels and most spacious residences.

In this strange and awful ugliness the Workers (Communist) Party aims to erect a lighthouse of truth to shed a light upon their misery and poverty and to be a guiding star in the struggle of the Negro workers for freedom and happiness. The Workers (Communist) Party aims to build a Labor Center, where the tired worker (Negro and white) may come and spend his time learning how to become a better class struggle, having a quiet hour with a book or losing himself in himself in carefree amusements.

The amusements are to be started Saturday, Jan. 12, by Section 6, Workers (Communist) Party, which is giving a dance and entertainment at the headquarters, 56 Manhattan Ave., Brooklyn. During the evening of play and dancing a short speech will be delivered by Richard K. Moore, Negro labor leader. Charles Burroughs, prominent actor, heads the list of entertainers. The Young Workers League Band will furnish dance music. Negro and white workers, lend your support!

DAVID BERKINGHOFF.

## MINOR AND OLGIN AT PHIL. FETE

### Soviet Music at 'Daily' Celebration Friday

PHILADELPHIA, Jan. 8.—The editors of three Communist and left wing publications will be the chief speakers at the celebration of the fifth anniversary of the Daily Worker here Friday evening at the Labor Institute, Eighth and Locust Sts.

Robert Minor, editor of the Daily Worker, M. J. Olgin, editor of the Hammer, Yiddish Communist monthly, and Michael Gold, editor of the New Masses, will tell of the role of the Daily Worker in the struggles of the American working class. Herbert Benjamin, district organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party, will be the chairman.

In addition to the speakers an elaborate musical program, suitable to this great occasion, has been arranged. This will include the playing for the first time outside of New York City of the new Soviet compositions, "October" and "1917." J. Fisherman, concert pianist, who recently returned from the Soviet Union, will play these as well as other works by Soviet composers. The many nationalities that will be represented at this celebration will have the opportunity of hearing songs in various languages sung by Benjamin Graboni of the Philadelphia Grand Opera Company.

This unusual musical program will be completed by a third artist of note, Jeanette Wolfe, who will also sing selections in a number of languages.

Hundreds of Philadelphia workers are planning to attend the greatest celebration of its kind ever held in this city.

## WORKERS DEPUTY TOO 'OUTSPOKEN'

(Red Aid Press Service)  
BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, (By Mail).—The Belgrade city authorities have started proceedings against the workers' representative in the city council, Sima Markovic, because at the celebration of the 10th anniversary of the Yugoslav state he had delivered a speech "against the state."

As a matter of fact Sima Markovic in his "criminal" speech had taken the point of view common to the left wing in the labor movement regarding the jubilee, that after 10 years of terror against the workers' movement and the suppression of national minorities, the Yugoslav regime was now following the other imperialist states in their war preparations against the Soviet Union.

## Workers Party Activities

**To All Party Members.**  
Unit meetings will be held during the week of January 7 to 13 for the election of delegates to the Section Convention. All Party members should take note and be present on time to participate in discussion and election.

**Night Workers.**  
Pre-convention discussion and election of delegates to the section convention will take place this afternoon at 8:30 sharp, at 26 Union Square. Presence of all members is obligatory.

**East N. Y. W. L. Dance.**  
The East N. Y. W. L. dance of the Young Workers (Communist) League will hold its first section dance on Saturday at the East New York Workers Center, 213 Hinesdale Street. There will be entertainment and an excellent jazz band. All workers are invited to attend.

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

You are requested not to arrange any conflicting matter. The Lenin Memorial Meeting this year will be a powerful demonstration against the imperialist war conferences and the defense of the Soviet Union.

**Negro Committee Conference.**  
The Negro District Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party has called a conference for Jan. 25, at 8 p. m. at the Workers Center, 28 Union Square. Negro workers, those interested in Negro work, Negro sub-section and section directors, and unit Negro organizers are urged to attend this conference.

**Harlem Youth Center.**  
The opening of the Harlem Youth Center will be celebrated with a grand concert and ball on Saturday evening at the Harlem Youth Center, 2 East 110th Street. Members of all units of the Harlem Y. W. L. have participated in the arrangements. Other organizations please observe date.

**Section 1 Notice.**  
All units of Section 1 will meet on their regular meeting nights: Wednesday, 4 P. M., 4 P. M., 4 P. M. (in the afternoon 8 P. M., Night Workers Branch); Thursday, Morning Branch at 10 a. m. and Shop Nucleus 8 P. M.

At these meetings continuation and summary of the discussion of the inner Party situation as well as the election of delegates and new executive committee will take place. All members must be present with their membership cards.

**Section 1, Unit 2F.**  
Discussion on the inner Party situation will be continued at the meeting of Section 1, Unit 2F, at 6 p. m. tomorrow at 60 St. Marks Place. The CEO and minority theses will be voted on. Delegates will be elected to the section convention.

**To All Units.**  
Tickets and posters for the Lenin Memorial Meeting Sunday, Jan. 13, are now ready at the district office. Call for them at once.

**US. 3E.**  
Shop Nucleus 4 will hold an important meeting tomorrow at 6 p. m., at 101 W. 27th St. Comrades must attend their books.

**International Branch, Section 1.**  
A meeting of International Branch, Section 1, will be held today, Jan. 9, at 7 p. m. sharp at the Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. Fourth St. The majority and minority theses will be discussed. Delegates to the section convention and new functionaries will be elected. Members are urged to come on time.

**Unit 3F, Subsection 2A.**  
A discussion on the theses of the C. E. C. and minority, and election of delegates to the section conference will be held at the meeting of Unit 3F, Subsection 2A, tomorrow at 6 p. m., at 26-28 Union Square, 4th floor (Workers Center).

**Unit 3E, 2F Meeting.**  
Unit 3E, 2F will hold the Party discussion today at 6:15 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St. All must attend.

**Williamsburg Y. W. L.**  
A dance under the auspices of the Y. W. L., Williamsburg Unit 2, will be given on Jan. 20 at 8:30 p. m., at 630 Myrtle Ave.

**Unit 4F, 2B.**  
A special meeting of the unit will be held today at 6 p. m. at the Workers Center, 26 Union Sq. Unit members are requested to come without fail.

**Unit 4, Section 7.**  
Election of delegates to the section conference will be held at the meeting of the unit at 48 Bay 25th St., tonight at 8.

**New Y. W. L., Williamsburg.**  
The Y. W. L. has succeeded in organizing a new section in Williamsburg. The new unit meets every Thursday at 8 p. m., at 630 Myrtle Ave., Brooklyn. All young workers are invited.

**Branch 6, Section 5.**  
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## SERBIAN KING'S DECREE FORBIDS PEASANT PARTY

### Religious Christmas Paralyzes Country

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military friends is not just a move to solve peacefully the Croat-Bosnian situation by getting rid of a constitution unjust to them. They do not like the presence of General Zivkovich as premier, responsible only to the king. They do not like to see General Hadjitch at the head of the army and navy. These two officers are heads of "The White Hand" a former army officer's organization, which kills its political opponents, is completely reactionary in politics, and believes in bayoneting strikes out of existence.

Zivkovich has a record of political murders and treachery. He was the chief of the palace guard under the former Obrenovich dynasty, and was the man who opened the gates for the hired murderers sent by King Alexander's father, Peter Kara-georgievich, to let them in and slaughter the entire Obrenovich dynasty. Some say it was Zivkovich himself who killed the Obrenovich queen and threw her body out of an upper story window. Anyway, if this aristocrat was willing to kill one of his own class like that, workers have little to hope from him.

The French press applauds the dictatorship, in the hope that it means a single united strong military rule for France's ally in the Balkans.

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Workers of this city are overjoyed at this record and are determined to go ahead and secure many more subs. The subscription drive is being conducted by special squads whose energetic canvassing is producing results.

The subscription campaign in this city is part of the activity in connection with the celebration of the fifth anniversary of the Daily Worker. The celebration will be held next Sunday evening at Music Arts Hall, 233 S. Broadway. A big concert has been arranged, with speeches by prominent Communist leaders.

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## Fraternal Organizations

**Office Workers.**  
The Office Workers' Union has arranged a dance for Washington's birthday eve, Feb. 21, at Webster Hall. Sympathetic organizations are asked not to arrange any affair for that evening.

**Women Theatre Party.**  
A good opportunity for Jewish workers to see the regular week-end play in the Schwartz Art Theatre on 14th St. and 3rd Ave., on Friday evening, Feb. 8, at reduced prices if tickets are gotten in advance. The full price will be charged on the day of the performance. Tickets in advance may be gotten at the central office of the United Council of Working Women, 80 E. 11th St., Room 333, or phone Stuyvesant 0576.

**Negro Entertainment, Dance.**  
A Negro entertainment and dance has been arranged by Section 5 of the Workers (Communist) Party at 56 Manhattan Ave., Brooklyn, for Saturday. An interesting program is being prepared.

**Negro Champion Dance.**  
The Negro Champion and the American Negro Labor Congress will have a joint dance and entertainment Jan. 22 at Renaissance Casino 138th St. and 7th Ave. Other organizations are asked to observe date.

**Metro Workers Soccer League.**  
The Metropolitan Workers Soccer League will hold a ball on February 22 at the Laurel Garden, 75 E. 116th St. Organizations are asked not to arrange any conflicting dates.

**Harlem Organizations!**  
The Harlem Youth Center that will open within two weeks in its new headquarters at 2 E. 110th St. will rent out rooms on weekly, monthly or daily basis for prices that will suit every working class organization. For more information apply to E. Blisman, 1271 Hoe Ave., Bronx.

**Women Council Lectures.**  
Kate Gitlow will address Council 15—Cooperative Jewish National Period—tomorrow, 8:30 p. m., at their club room, 277 Williamsburg Rd., in "Women and Organization."

Working women and men of the neighborhood are invited to attend these lectures.

**Freiheit Sport Club.**  
The Freiheit Sport Club has arranged a dance for Sunday at 8 p. m. at its club rooms, 230 E. 5th St. An interesting program has been engaged for the evening.

**Liber to Lecture.**  
Dr. E. Liber will deliver a series of four lectures at the Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St., on Fridays, Jan. 11, 18, 25 and Feb. 1, on "Racialism and Personal Life." The subjects of each lecture will be: "Sex Life and the Race," "Health and the Racialist," "Disease and the Racialist," and "Racial Child-Raising." Lectures will begin at 8:30 p. m.

**Poetry Forum.**  
Doctor Geza Takaro of Columbia University will lecture and read Hungarian poetry for 20 minutes at the Labor Temple poetry forum, 212 E. 14th St., near Second Ave., tomorrow at 8:15 p. m.

**Working Class Women.**  
Pauline Rogers will lecture on "The War Druggers" before Flatbush Council 21, 1223 Nostrand Ave., Brooklyn, tomorrow evening. Members and women of the neighborhood should attend.

**Workers Laboratory Theatre.**  
The Workers' Laboratory Theatre meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 8:30 p. m., at 334 E. 15th St., basement. All interest in workers' dramatics are welcome.

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## A "Conservative Business Man in the Labor Movement"

Hoover is considering the personnel of his cabinet. There has to be among these representatives of the big capitalist employers, one called the "secretary of labor." It is customary for the American capitalist dictatorship to name for this post the rotteness and most shameless enemy of the working class that can be found in the whole United States. From this point of view Coolidge made an "excellent" choice in appointing the present secretary of labor, the banker Davis, who at some remote period of the past joined a trade union, but who then and ever since was an enemy of the workers. Now Hoover is probably considering Mr. W. N. Doak—probably even a "better" choice (from the open shop point of view) than the banker Davis. Doak is a rank, ultra-reactionary enemy of the working class and of organized labor. He is an agent of the railroad

employers in the office of vice-president of the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen, in which post he "does business" on a profitable scale. Doak's pride is in being publicly known, among the railroad capitalists to whom he sells out the railroad workers, as a "conservative business man in the labor movement." Will not the consideration of this scab for this strikebreaking office open the eyes of some workers? Of course none but an enemy of the workers could be a part of the strikebreaking machine—the capitalist government. The awakening class-consciousness of the workers leads toward the time of the demolition of the whole strikebreaking machinery with the overthrow of the capitalist ruling class and setting up in its place a government of an entirely different sort—a Soviet government in this country, the only kind in which a real representative of the workers will take part. Mr. Doak is Mr. Hoover's kind of a strikebreaker.

## The Struggle Against Imperialist War and the Tasks of the Communists

(Note.—This is the eleventh installment of the theses on the war danger, adopted by the 6th World Congress of the Communist International, entitled "The Struggle Against Imperialist War and the Tasks of the Communist International."—Editor.)

### V. Defects in the Work of the Communist Parties, and Their Tasks.

65. The VIII Plenum of the E. C. C. I. called attention to a number of errors committed by the Communist Parties and to the defects in their work, and laid down a number of special and concrete tasks to be fulfilled by all the sections of the Comintern in the fight against war.

The opinion expressed by the VIII Plenum of the E. C. C. I. still holds good. Since the VIII Plenum we have gained more experience, and from this the VI Congress draws certain conclusions in relation to the future activities of the Communist Parties.

### Underestimation of War Danger.

66. The principal defect from which all the sections of the Communist International still suffer, is their underestimation of the danger and inevitability of war. This is clearly seen from the fact that none of the sections display sufficient energy in carrying out the decisions of the VIII Plenum. The two greatest events in recent times—the British note to Egypt and Japan's war in China, passed unobserved, as if they were minor, altogether unimportant incidents.

In view of the rapid swing to the Left of the masses, which indicates that the masses sense the danger of war—the Communists stand in danger of trailing behind the working class instead of leading it in the fight against war. Many sections of the Comintern are influenced by the bourgeois and social democratic propaganda for "peace," "disarmament," and "international arbitration"; they are not concerned with the imminence of the war danger and speak about war as something very remote.

The under-estimation of the danger of war, particularly of war against the Soviet Union, manifests itself in the failure to understand concrete facts and events which are symptomatic of the preparations now being made for war. When Comrade Rakovsky was recalled the French comrades failed for a long time to understand the significance of this incident as a decided step on the part of France on the road of diplomatic preparation for war against the Soviet Union.

The Party in Yugoslavia admits that it did not understand how imminent the danger of war was in the Italo-Yugoslav conflict. Several of the Communist Parties in the Baltic countries did not immediately understand the real significance of the concrete measures that are being taken for the formation of an anti-Soviet bloc of the Baltic states (for example the negotiations for a customs union between Estonia and Latvia). All these mistakes, which were subsequently admitted and rectified by the respective Parties, prove how extremely dangerous it is to ignore the measures being taken for the preparation of war. The Parties must maintain constant vigilance and watch the concrete forms which the war danger is assuming.

### Absence of Basic Work.

67. One of the principal defects of the Parties' work against war is their excessively abstract, schematic, and even shallow attitude to the war question. Certain of the sections confine

their activities to speeches in parliament and at public meetings, in which speeches the question of war is usually left in the background. Our Parties have not yet learned to combine the parliamentary struggle against war with work outside of parliament for the purpose of popularizing our demands (the work of the Czechoslovak Communists in connection with the St. Gothard affair and the despatch of arms to China consisted of mild protests in parliament and in the columns of the press).

International problems must not be separated from war problems, for both are a part of the general class struggle and must be linked up with class conflicts at home, particularly with conflicts in enterprises engaged solely in the production of war material.

**Abstract Attitude.**  
The mechanization of the armed forces and the militarization of industry are directly connected with war and call for strenuous activity in these branches of industry as well as in the trade unions and other labor organizations connected with them. So far, there is little to show that the Communist Parties have commenced to take up these elementary tasks seriously.

68. The abstract manner in which the war problem is regarded is shown by the failure of the Parties to take up a definite position on the question of war policy. Sometimes the Parties either fail altogether to react, or react too late, to the anti-militarist tricks of the social democrats, which frequently find support among the masses (for example the campaign conducted by the social democrats in Germany in which they posed as being "opponents of war on principle"). Sometimes the Communist Parties

try to evade the concrete problems of war politics by employing general phrases and repeating abstract propaganda slogans, instead of taking up practical tasks.

### Partial Demands and Reforms.

This applies particularly to army questions. In this a tendency is observed to evade the question of fighting for concrete partial demands and reforms which would actually weaken militarism (such as, reduction of period of military service, the question of the composition of volunteer armies, etc.). The fight for reforms is left entirely to the social democrats, against whom no genuine proletarian political program on the army question—a program for weakening militarism and of practical proposals for the arming of the workers—is put forward.

Only a few sections have taken the necessary organizational measures for conducting systematic anti-militarist work. The work among soldiers and seamen in countries which are very important from the point of view of war danger is very unsatisfactory. The mass character of this work, its use as a means for carrying on agitation and propaganda among the soldiers, are not understood.

In some countries, anti-militarist activity among the youth is conducted on too restricted a basis, while no attempt is made to establish an adequate organizational base among the masses of the soldiers. The fact that work among sailors is not carried on with sufficient energy in imperialist countries shows that the role of the navy in a future war is underestimated. In no country has systematic use been made of family influence upon the men serving in the army or the navy, and upon recruits. (To be continued)

## LATVIA FAKE AMNESTY

### Proletarian Politicals to Stay in Jail

BERLIN. (By Mail).—The Latvian parliament passed an amnesty bill on Dec. 19. The character of the amnesty becomes clear with the fact that the workers and peasants faction, the independents and the left workers' representatives fought the measure. There have been amnesty laws passed in various countries, but such shameful amnesty decrees has not yet been passed. In the Latvian so-called amnesty not a single political prisoner is to be released. While in the amnesty proposal itself a few

political prisoners were included, parliament in its third sitting had even wiped them off, and only press offenders are affected. Those in prison because of violating the law against resistance to the state power, open uprising, etc., are to remain prisoners. The deputy Laizen, of the Workers and Peasants Block, declared that he had voted against this amnesty and that the workers of Latvia would carry on a fight for general and complete amnesty for all proletarian political prisoners.

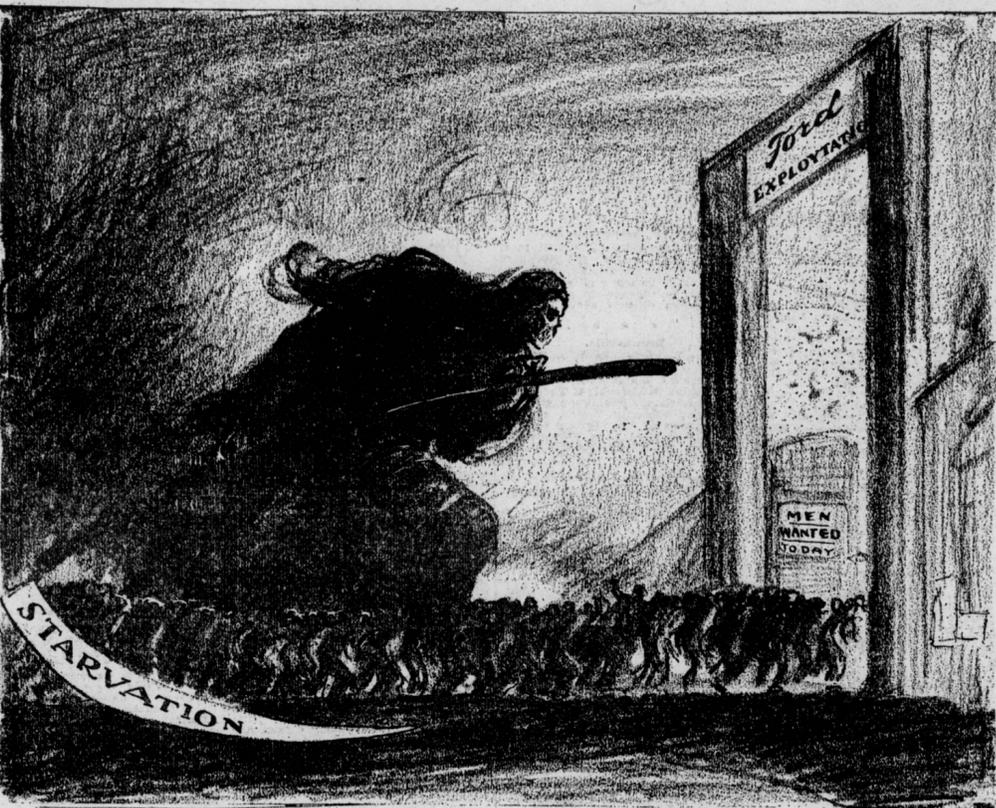
## Score Latin "Peace" Pact

TEGUCIGALPA, Honduras, Jan. 7.—At an opportune moment to illustrate the emptiness of the so-called "conciliation and arbitration" pacts, signed last week at Washington by Latin-America and Yankee diplomats, so far as any "peace" resulting from it either between American nations or between rival imperialist powers, the Honduran government has issued the following protest to the governments of Nicaragua and Colombia: "I wish to express the surprise of my government at seeing included in an agreement between foreign countries the islands of Quito Sueno and Roncador, whose possession and dominion Honduras claims and sustains with undeniable and proper titles. My government is disposed to sustain its right to these islands in

whatever way you might wish to consider the subject, its respectful but firm protest remaining opposed to the action which directly injures the territorial integrity of Honduras."

From the above it is understood that Honduras is offended by learning that the governments of Colombia and Nicaragua, have made an agreement disposing of two islands which Honduras claims as its territory. **NEW GOLD FIND.** SYDNEY, N. W. Australia, (By Mail).—A gold nugget weighing 210 ounces has been found by a miner in New Guinea. It is believed that the New Guinea reefs will develop into the most important gold fields in the southern hemisphere.

## HUNGER ALSO WORKS FOR FO-D



By Fred Ellis

## Reactionaries Kill Watanabe Japan Militant

By K. YAMAMOTO

As a result of the raging reaction in Japan, the trade union movement has been deprived of a great number of leaders and fighters, and it has now lost one of its most prominent leaders.

In the beginning of October, Comrade Masanosuke Watanabe (Asano), was killed by the police at Kilung, Formosa.

### Leader of Left Wing.

Comrade Watanabe was the creator of the Tokyo Codo Kodo Kumiai (General Workers' Union) of the Hyogikai, he was also the leader of the Hyogikai (Trade Union Council of Japan), and, consequently, the leader of the entire left wing trade union movement in Japan.

Comrade Watanabe's activities in the trade union movement were remarkable and splendid. He was born at Ichikawa, a small village near Tokyo, in 1899. As the son of a poor handicraftsman, he was a worker from his boyhood. He was one of the pioneers in the post-war trade union movement in 1917-18. Such famous trade unions as the New Celluloid Workers Union, the Kokushoku Rodo Kumiai, the Nankatsu Rodo Kai, etc., were founded either under his direct leadership or with his closest collaboration. His activity was mainly confined to the Kanto District (Eastern Japan), until after the Kameido Case, when, burning with hatred of the ruling class which had murdered his seven comrades, he advanced to the leadership of the national left wing trade union movement.

### Split Reactionaries.

The most epoch-making event in the history of the trade union movement in Japan, was the split of the Sodomei (Trade Union Federation) and the formation of the Hyogikai (Trade Union Council). In the development of a militant rank and file struggle against the compromising policies of the Sodomei leadership, Suzuki, Matsukata & Co., Comrade Watanabe represented most clearly the left wing ideas and program.

In this struggle his genius for organization showed itself; when in March, 1924, his union sent him into the Sodomei as its representative, he had only a hundred members behind him, but when in September of the same year the reactionary officials expelled him, he already had the solid support of more than two-thirds of the membership of the Kanto Sodomei.

### Extended Unity Movement.

After the formation of the Hyogikai on a national scale, in May, 1925, Comrade Watanabe's activity extended greatly. The labor movement at that time was greatly split up. Unity was only possible through building a strong left wing, permeating all the unions. It was Comrade Watanabe who realized this necessity first, and his tireless efforts, in Tokyo, in Osaka, in Kyushu, etc., brought everywhere the left wing groups into existence that laid the foundation for the unity movement in Japan.

### Exposed Reformists' Treason.

His activity in the proletarian party organizing campaign in 1925 was also remarkable in the history of the Japanese working class. He carried on a relentless struggle against Nishio and other right wing leaders on a series of political questions. The first issue was between Nishio's proposal for a reformist parliamentary "labor party," against which Watanabe proposed a party representing a united front between the proletariat and the peasantry.

He put forth the program of "confiscation of land by the peasantry," against Nishio's proposed "land nationalization" by the bourgeois state; he advocated "complete emancipation of the colonies," against Nishio's "autonomy of the colonies"; and against Nishio's slogan of "disarmament" he put forth the demand for "arming of the workers and peasants." The sharp divisions on these questions were made the occasion by the right wing for seceding from the campaign, thereby exposing thoroughly the anti-working class character of the right wing leaders.

"Of course the opportunists called him a 'destroyer of organization' on this account, because his militant program and organizational abilities shook the right wing control of the masses. He published a pamphlet on the British Minority Movement, which contributed much to the left movement in Japan. He also organized the first factory committee movement. By the autumn of 1926 these efforts had been crystallized in the Toitsu Domei (Unity League) which embraced one-third of all organized workers in Japan, largely as the result of his years of tireless ideological and organizational activities.

### Was a Fighting Marxist.

In 1927, Comrade Watanabe visited Moscow and also spent much time in visiting and conferring with comrades in revolutionary China. He doubtless learned much, arming himself with the revolutionary theories of Leninism. He declared decisive war on the liquidatory tendency of the "senile Communists" Yamakawa, Inomata, and others; explained the necessity of a bourgeois-democratic revolution in Japan and the perspective of its growing over into a proletarian revolution, and attacked thoroughly the social-democratic views.

# BILL HAYWOOD'S BOOK

## SYNOPSIS

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PART IV.

In previous parts Haywood wrote of his pioneer parents; Haywood's birth at Salt Lake City in 1869; his father's death; the family moves to the rough mining camp at Ophir, Utah; his first school; the return to Salt Lake; boyhood among the Mormons; their polygamy; the church's "Destroying Angels"; to work in a mine at nine years; bound out; his first strike; his horror at the lynching of a Negro. Now go on reading.—EDITOR.

A messenger boy has the opportunity to see things and know people intimately, and working as a messenger boy I had this chance. I put me in touch with all the leading citizens of Salt Lake City. People were not guarded in what they said before a young boy, and I heard their business plans, their scandals and their political schemes. In this way I came to know of the plans that were being matured against the Mormons—which finally resulted in the passage of the Edmunds Act, which forbade polygamy. In opposition to this plan, a scheme was framed up by the Mormons, who employed a woman and brought her to the city, established her in a house which was supplied with convenient peep-holes, and invitations were sent out to prominent Gentiles to visit the lady, who had with her some interesting young friends. Through a mistake, some invitations were also sent to Mormons, and the affair created a scandal in the city, on both sides, many would-be dignified and prominent men being involved. I went one term to St. Mark's School. As I look back at it, it seems to me I must have been a queer pupil. In some of my studies I received excellent marks, in others I could make no headway. For his-

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tory and geography I went up to the highest class in the school. My liking for these studies and my ability in them came, I am sure, from the earlier teaching I had received from old Professor Foster. In mathematics I went to the class below; in other studies I held with the regular class. The term at St. Mark's was the last of my school days. About this time I made up my mind to change my name from William Richard Haywood, Richard being the name of the uncle who had bound me out to the farmer and whom I therefore did not like, to my father's name, William Dudley Haywood. My mother concluded that this could be done if I was confirmed in church. She was an Episcopalian. This was the last time that I attended a church service.

I heard Ben Tillman, senator from South Carolina, lecture in Salt Lake City, and it was from him that I got my first outlook on the rights of the Negroes. In the course of the lecture he showed his bitter antipathy toward the Negro as a man and as a race. A Negro sitting beside me asked him a question; his reply was a ferocious and insulting attack, with reflections on the color of his mother. He referred to his questioner as a "saddle-colored son of Satan," and went on to tell him what his mother must have been for the Negro to have been the color he was; this because the Negro obviously was of mixed blood. I looked at the Negro, and his pained expression caused me forever after to feel that he and his kind were the same as myself and other people. I saw him suffering the same resentment and anger that I should have suffered in his place; I saw him helpless to express this resentment and anger. I feel that Ben Tillman's lectures must have made many

other people feel as I did. It seemed to me that I could look right into the breast of old Tillman and see his heart that was rotten with hate. I met other public characters when I was a bellboy in the Continental Hotel and the Walker House. One evening a tall, dignified man, sitting with his feet against a railing in front of the hotel, asked me as I passed: "My boy, do you know who I am?" "No, who are you?" said I. He answered: "I am the world-renowned Beerholm Tree, the great English actor!" I looked at him; I didn't know what he was driving at. I met more interesting people, whom I could better understand. There was a Lightning Calculator, who stopped at the hotel; my lack of ability in arithmetic caused me to think he was one of the world's wonders. Then there was John L. Sullivan, who came through with a boxing combination; with him was Slade, a big Maori who came over to fight him, but Sullivan could lick a corral full like him. Sullivan I liked better than any of the rest. His show was the Walker Opera House, in which I had a good seat. I saw him box with Herbert Slade, and knock out a man who tried to win the thousand dollars that he was giving to any one who would stand up against him during four rounds. Dr. Zuckertort, the great chess player, stopped at the Walker House, and while there played simultaneous-ly seventeen games blindfolded, which I thought a most remarkable feat. It so inspired me that I started then and there to learn chess. While I was working at the Continental, I was suddenly taken sick with typhoid pneumonia. I did not go back to my job at the Continental, and after my recovery my mother and I decided that I should learn a trade. In the house next to us was a family named Pierpoint. The man was a boiler maker, whose



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father owned a foundry and boiler shop. My mother spoke to the old man about me becoming an apprentice; but when they talked about drawing up the necessary papers I rebelled. I did not want to be bound out again as I had been to John Holden, where I could not quit until a certain term was served. My stepfather was then superintendent of the Ohio Mine and Milling Company in Humboldt County, Nevada. He decided that he could use me there. I bought an outfit in Salt Lake City, consisting of overalls, jumper, blue shirt, mining boots, two pairs of blankets, a set of chessmen, and a pair of boxing gloves. My mother fixed up a big lunch, mostly of plum pudding. She said: "You will be back in a few weeks." Bidding my little sweetheart and my family goodbye, I left for Nevada. I was then fifteen years old.

### To Follow Part IV.

In the next installment, Haywood writes of life as a young miner in Nevada in 1884-85. The nearest town sixty miles away. Haywood's stepfather, Charley Sing the Chinese cook. The future labor leader becomes acquainted there in a remote mining camp with Darwin, Voltaire, Byron, Burns and other great authors. His four-footed friend, "Tim."

## Lenin Memorial Buttons Are Ready!

The Lenin memorial button is here! With the approach of the Lenin memorial meeting Saturday evening, Jan. 19, in Madison Square Garden, thousands upon thousands of workers in Greater New York will soon be wearing the little token in tribute to the revolutionary leader of the world's proletariat and as an expression against the growing war danger.

The button, which bears a profile of Vladimir Ilyich Lenin with a silhouette in red, gives the dates of his birth and death and carries two slogans on a black border. One inscription reads, "Fight Imperialist War," and the other "Defend the Soviet Union." These buttons will be circulated among workers in factories and offices throughout the city and in the various trade unions. They may be obtained for distribution at the Workers (Communist) Party headquarters, 26-28 Union Square.

**Remember Lenin's Words!**  
Speaking of the last war, Lenin said: "The war is filling the pockets of the capitalists, and a stream of gold is flowing to them from the state treasuries of the great Powers. The war arouses blind hate against the enemy, and the bour-

geoisie guides the hostility of the people with the utmost skill into the channel of national hate, thereby diverting the people's attention from the chief enemy, the government and ruling classes in their own country. "But the war which brings im-

## Portrait

By ROBERT WOLF

- Brother Yossel's elk-tooth fob  
Points into the world its glory.  
Yossel's own official job  
Summarizes history.
- Waiters' Union 44  
Owes to Yossel care paternal,  
Firm not to permit its floor  
To Communists, and such infernal
- Villains, whose invidious hate  
Labors to destroy the bona  
Fide and official plate  
Yossel draws his pie-plate on. A
- Nice deduction therefrom flows:  
Communists are spies and traitors;  
On which premise Yossel grows  
Prosperous, if not the waiters.

measurable misery and horror to the working masses, at the same time clarifies and steels the best elements of the workers. If we are to perish, then let us perish by our own cause, for the cause of the workers, for the socialist revolution, and not for the interests of the capitalists, landowners and Czar."

Lenin, the founder of the Communist International and of the Bolshevik Party, and the chairman of the First Council of People's Commissars, was an indefatigable worker for the Russian proletarian revolution. Twice he was sentenced by the Czar to Siberia and after years of incarceration, he went into exile in Switzerland, in London, in Cracow and in Finland, and from all these points helped to direct revolutionary activities of his comrades in Russia.

### Attend Memorial Meet!

Lenin was a stern, keen, practical, unrelenting strategist. In the turbulent days of the 1907 struggle, he admonished his fellow-leaders: "First of all, don't be carried away by victory and don't be proud; secondly, clinch the victory; thirdly, despatch the enemy for he is merely vanquished, but far from being dead."