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MEXICAN TRADE UNIONS UNITING IN NEW CENTER

Workers and Peasants Open Assembly in Mexico City

Fights Morones Clique To War on Imperialism and Labor Lackeys

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 25.—A labor congress of great historical significance to the Mexican proletariat and to the workers of the whole world, will open here tomorrow at the convening of the Unification Assembly of Workers and Peasants, with 550 delegates present from almost all sections of the Mexican republic representing a majority of the, at present, very much disintegrated trade union movement of the nation and the principal national peasant organizations.

A fraternal delegate is present from the Trade Union Educational League of the United States, the U. S. section of the Red International of Labor Unions.

To Organize New Union Center.

This assembly is intended to be the constituent congress at which will be born a new national trade union center, to be called the Unitary Trade Union Confederation of Mexico. This development takes place at a time when the labor movement, and indeed all Mexico, is seething with swift changes, with old political groupings disintegrating and new ones crystallizing on a higher plane—a plane in which the class struggle is intensified and threatens to come to open conflict between rising fascist forces and revolutionary workers and peasants.

The assembly which opens tomorrow is the fruit of the tireless work of the revolutionary trade unionists of Mexico in harmony with the decisions arrived at with other Latin-American trade unionists who met in the Soviet Union on the occasion of its Tenth Anniversary celebrations in 1927, and invited by the Red International of Labor Unions to discuss their common problems, reached agreement looking toward trade union unity nationally and the establishment of a Latin-American Trade Union Confederation. It chanced that more Latin-American trade unionists from a greater number of countries, were then in Moscow than had ever gathered together at one time in Latin-America itself.

Organization of Continental Unions

A further conference was held in April, 1928, and a central organizing committee established at Moscow.

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SERB DICTATOR BANS PARTIES

Alexander to Get More French Instructions

BELGRADE, Yugoslavia, Jan. 25.—All political parties have been dissolved, their archives, funds and furniture confiscated, by the military dictatorship of King Alexander, which from day to day is perfecting its terror machine.

All vestiges of open independent political activity are thus wiped out and even political clubs of university students are no longer permitted to hold meetings.

It is said that in view of the lapsing of the Italo-Yugoslav treaty on Jan. 27, the foreign minister, Kumanudi, and the former minister, Nintich, are leaving for Paris and that King Alexander will himself go to Paris to further the Yugoslav-French entente and agree on the course to be followed toward Mussolini's government. Nintich is the author of the Nettuno pact which gives Italy special rights on the Dalmatian coast and which led to mass protest demonstrations of Dalmatian workers when the treaty was ratified by the Belgrade parliament last year.

It is reported that Dr. Anton Pavlich, leader of the Croatian federalists and a former deputy has fled to Vienna in order to escape the dictator's police.

British Bombing Plane Mistakes King's Troops for Target: Kills Them

LONDON, Jan. 25.—The under-secretary of state for India admitted in the House of Commons today that a British airplane, practicing the art of dropping bombs on Hindu villages that do not pay their taxes regularly, mistook the white helmets of a troop of British imperialist cavalry, for a target, and dropped a bomb on it. The result was ten troopers, sixteen horses and three officers killed.

Try to Deport Militant; ILD Starts Fight

LOS ANGELES, Jan. 25.—E. Yamaguchi, a Japanese worker who has been active in the militant labor movement in southern California, is still in jail three weeks after his arrest, faced with imminent deportation to Japan, where the Tanaka terror has issued the slogan of death to all militant workers and peasants.

Yamaguchi was arrested with two other Japanese workers at a Negro mass meeting three weeks ago. The police were forced to release the other two, but Yamaguchi was held on a charge of illegal entry. This charge is untrue. Yamaguchi has been in this country 15 years, having entered legally. His real crime, workers declare, is that he has been such an active fighter against American and Japanese imperialism.

Yamaguchi, who is a gardener, played a leading role in the California fruit-pickers' strike. He is secretary of the Japanese Workers' Association and has been active in anti-imperialist work. He is only 28 years old.

The International Labor Defense, which is defending the worker, is trying to secure his release on bail. It intends to wage a vigorous fight against the attempts of the authorities to deport Yamaguchi to the certain death that awaits him in Japan.

DEMAND BRITISH FREE JOHNSTONE

Chicago Labor in Mass Protest Meets

The workers of India are being told that American workers are demanding of their British oppressors the release of Jack Johnstone, for over twenty years active leader in the American labor movement, who was arrested at the recent convention of the All-India Trade Union Congress and who has since then been heard from. The following joint cablegram was sent yesterday to the All-India Trade Union Congress at Bombay:

"American workers, in mass meetings throughout the country, demand the release of Jack Johnstone, arrested in Jharia, at your Ninth Convention while representing the International League Against Imperialism and for Colonial Independence. We are protesting against the terrorism and suppression of the Indian masses by the British government. Please inform us what action you are taking to obtain Johnstone's release. (Signed) U. S. Section, Anti-Imperialist League; the Trade Union Educational League and the International Labor Defense."

Chicago Workers Picket British Consulate.

CHICAGO, Jan. 25.—The arrest of Jack Johnstone in India by the British police resulted in an immediate protest demonstration in Chicago, where for many years Johnstone had been an active militant trade unionist and one of the most prominent left wing figures in the Chicago Federation of Labor.

Despite sub-zero weather, several hundred workers responded to the call of a group of organizations, headed by the Chicago branch of the Federation of Labor.

Hold Protest Meeting Against Mineola Fur Frame-up Here Monday

A special mass meeting to protest against the intentions of the open shop interests in Long Island to reconvict the seven furriers in the Mineola strike case, will be held this Monday night in the Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Place, immediately after work.

Despite admission that the frame-up evidence provided by the Ku Klux Klan Mineola court in the conviction was thin, the Court of Appeals refused to free the 9 strike victims, sent two to jail and ordered a new trial for the other seven. The trial is to begin on Monday morning, in the Nassau County Court, Mineola, L. I., before the same Judge Smith.

The speakers at the meeting will be M. Olgin, Communist leader and writer, President Louis Hyman of the Needle Workers Industrial Union and Ben Gold, its secretary-treasurer. Other speakers will be Mensor and Weiss, two of the prisoners and A. Wagenknecht, I. L. D. secretary.

Herbert Zam Speaks at Bronx Forum Tomorrow

Herbert Zam, executive secretary of the Young Workers (Communist) League of America, will speak on "Youth and Imperialist War" at the Bronx Open Forum, 1330 Wilkins Ave., tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock.

EMERGENCY CALL!

(Issued by the Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party of America.)

TO THE WORKERS WHO READ THE DAILY WORKER!
TO ALL MEMBERS AND UNITS OF THE WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY!

The Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party makes an urgent call upon all members of the working class in connection with a dangerous crisis which threatens the militant organ of our class and central organ of our Party—the Daily Worker.

During the past few weeks, because the attention of the militant workers and of the Party was necessarily concentrated upon several other important tasks, the Daily Worker has failed to receive sufficient support, and the disastrous financial condition threatens to close the paper. Several times within a few days the Daily Worker has narrowly escaped suspension because of inability to obtain funds for the most pressing current expenses.

The continuation of the Daily Worker is not a small routine matter, but the greatest political necessity. The Central Executive Committee points out to the workers who have found the Daily their constant defense and inspiration in all the recent strikes, that the immediate future of the class struggle calls for our militant fighting organ more than any struggles in the past.

There are great struggles ahead. The launching of new unions in three important fields, and the increasingly sharp struggle within the old unions still controlled by agents of the bosses, the imperialist plans of the capitalists of the United States as indicated by the recent shooting of strikers in Colombia and its instigation of the Bolivia-Paraguay war for the interests of U. S. capital in Bolivia; the continued criminal imperialist war on Nicaragua; the Kellogg treaty challenging British imperialism and threatening the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics; the present rushing through Congress of the big navy plans in preparation for the coming war—all the events of the present point to sharp struggles in which it would be unthinkable that we should consent to be without the great central organ—the voice of the Party.

To all workers who are dissatisfied with the system of exploitation which has thrown millions of them out of work in a time of unprecedented profiteering by their employers, which conducts ceaselessly a wage cutting campaign, which is speeding them up mercilessly by a continually more intense "rationalizing campaign," to all class conscious workers who wish the destruction of capitalism and the substitution of a workers' and farmers' rule, who wish the destruction of capitalism and its merciless wage system, and the substitution of a socialized society, to these workers the Central Executive Committee poses the problem: how will you even make the beginning if you allow your voice to be silenced, your only English language daily journal of expression and of winning others to your views, to be smothered.

In view of the vital necessity of carrying the Daily Worker through its present most dangerous financial crisis which threatens to destroy it just when it is more needed than ever before in its history, the Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party authorizes an immediate Party campaign for funds to save the Daily Worker. The Central Executive Committee directs that all Party units and leading committees shall give their most effective energies to raising through collections in unit meetings, by calling special emergency mass meetings, by holding entertainments, by personal solicitation of contributions from all who realize the necessity of maintaining our organ, and in every possible way to raise the needed \$10,000 without which the paper must cease publication.

SAVE THE DAILY WORKER!

CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY.

(The entire Party press is instructed to republish this appeal immediately)

Special Material on Mineola Frame-up in Monday's 'Daily'

Special material on the Mineola frame-up case will be published in the Daily Worker on Monday when the new trial of the seven Mineola victims starts. A special article on the Mineola case by Moissaye J. Olgin, editor of The Hammer, an exclusive photograph of the workers involved in the case, a cartoon by Fred Ellis and other features will be found in Monday's paper.

Due to technical reasons, the review of "The Krassen" by Robert Wolf could not be printed today, but will be in Monday's "Daily."

In addition, the Daily Worker will begin publication on Monday of "Two Days," a serial story by C. Y. Harrison, based on the remarkable Sovkino film of the same name.

10 YEARS AT HARD LABOR.

ST. GEORGE, S. I., Jan. 25 (UP).—Albert G. Oxley, who two weeks ago pleaded guilty to second degree forgery, was sentenced today to 10 years in prison at hard labor. Judge Tiernan pronounced sentence.

LaFrance Co. Made Big Profit in Fire Engine Bribe Case

MINNEAPOLIS, (By Mail).—The American LaFrance and Foamite Corporation, which, according to indictments returned by a Hennepin county grand jury last week, bribed three aldermen to vote for the purchase of a fire engine which proved faulty, overcharged the city \$3,310, it was revealed. The engine ran wild on its first trip thru the city streets. The LaFrance Corp. is a non-union shop, which machinists have been on strike since last June.

Italian Workers Hold Lenin Memorial Meet Tomorrow Afternoon

A special Lenin memorial meeting will be held by the Italian bureau of the Workers (Communist) Party tomorrow afternoon at 2:30 p. m., at the Workers Center, 26-28 Union Square. The speakers will be Vanni Montana, editor of the organ of the Italian fractions of the Party, and Nino Siragusa, of the Italian bureau of the New York District.

The meeting, which will commemorate the fifth anniversary of the death of the great leader of the world Communist movement, is under the auspices of the Italian bureau.

FALLS DEAD ON STREET.

Dr. James T. Mackey, principal of the Henry Synder Junior High School at Jersey City fell dead in a Jersey City street yesterday.

STUDENT NURSES STRIKE

CRESTON, Iowa (By Mail).—Fifteen student nurses of the Greater Community Hospital of Creston struck as the result of the dismissal of a nurse.

Introduce Vicious Syndicalism Bill in Colorado House

DENVER, Colo., (By Mail).—A criminal syndicalism bill, sponsored by the open shop bosses and jingoist organizations of Colorado, has been introduced into the state house of representatives by Representative W. G. Stewart, a Colorado Springs company attorney. It provides a term of 14 years in the penitentiary for violation of the act.

The bill is aimed at the crushing of all strikes, militant workers state. Under the terms of the vicious bill, spoken or written words, personal conduct, or displaying documents intended to spread sabotage constitute violations."

LIBERAL GESTURE AT CHILD LABOR TOMORROW

Fake "Child Labor Sunday" by Capitalists to Fool Workers Into Acquiescence

By VERN SMITH
Tomorrow has been set aside by the National Child Labor Committee as "Child Labor Day."

Yes, there is child labor in America. Lots of it.

"Exploitation of children and young workers is one of the pillars of American capitalist society. Children's blood and young boys' and girls' sweat are a growing source of profit for big business. According to the 1920 census, which greatly underestimates the number of child laborers, there were over one million working children between the ages of 10 and 15. To increase the shame there were 378,000 toiling

children between the ages of 10 and 13. There are no statistics on the work of children under the age of 10—that is the sole reason why there is no report about the scores of thousands of the smallest children of the working class slaving to the glory of our dollar civilization.

"There are almost four million young workers and at least one million boys and girls in industry alone. Steel and iron, coal and textile factories are the chief "playgrounds" of our working-class youth. Technical progress means progress of youth and child labor. It is one of the biggest achievements of American 'democracy' that the Supreme

Court of the United States, that notorious guardian of American 'liberties,' declared any laws forbidding child labor unconstitutional.

(National Platform of the Workers (Communist) Party of America.)

Against this situation, too painfully obvious to be denied, we are told, a crusade is taking place, starting tomorrow, Sunday. It is the National Child Labor Committee on the march. They are doing the job. All you Reds can stop shouting your nerve-wracking demands for abolition of the system that fattens thru the constant living sacrifice of little children. The National Child Labor Committee is

going to drive the heathen gods of profit from the nursery, so it says.

How?

It is all meticulously set forth in a little sample leaflet, distributed free to pastors of churches, for the celebration of National Child Labor Day.

Where We Die, Too.

In as many churches as have child slavers forward-looking enough to see that this is for their own good, services tomorrow will open, optionally with "My country tis of thee, Land where my fathers died," or with "The King of Love My Shepard Is."—Extract from the (Continued on Page Two)

Hunting Jobs By Rail Will Draw 15 Days

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 25.—Workers in New York state who find themselves out of work and forced to travel to other cities chasing an illusory hope of a job somewhere else, should know that the Tammany machine in the state legislature is providing that they be imprisoned for 15 days if they have no money to pay fare to the railway corporations and try to ride either passenger or freight trains without a ticket, or even walk along the railway tracks.

The cost of being jobless, hungry and broke, is thus raised considerably, as a maximum of a \$5 fine was previously the punishment for having no money to pay rail fare. While stock brokers, bankers, and all millionaires are also forbidden by the bill from riding blind baggage or stealing a ride in freight trains, the bill saying that "anyone" doing so must serve 15 days in jail, yet the luxury of prison life will undoubtedly be monopolized by jobless workers whose plots to obtain the comforts of laying on the rods under a freight car in cold and dirt with pleasurable hope of being ground under the wheels or shot by railway detectives are undoubtedly engineered by Communists from Moscow.

NEEDLE WORKERS ELECT OFFICERS

Hold Huge Dress Rally Next Wednesday

With the elections in the New York organization of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union over, and with the officers of the Joint Board and separate local elected, the entire attention of the union and membership is being concentrated on the task of perfecting the machinery for the imminent general strike in the dress manufacturing industry, the first big struggle of the new union.

Meantime the elections themselves and the turnout to the polls can be recorded as a decisive victory in themselves. Over 3,000 members of the union came to cast ballots for the election of officers. Joint Board officers, from manager to all business agents, the Joint Board delegates from all locals, the local functionaries and executive boards were chosen in the all-day elections on Thursday.

All eyes are now turned toward the huge mass meeting next Wednesday evening, immediately after work, in Manhattan Opera House, 54th St. and Eighth Ave. At this meeting the dressmakers are to have their final say on the question of the big struggle ahead. Final vote will be taken at this meeting.

The dressmakers will here give voice to their determination to go out and give battle to the employers and their socialist agents of the company union for a chance to restore union shops and gain them for the many never-organized shops in this industry.

That this is the only method through which enduring working standards can be obtained, is the firm conviction of the thousands of needle trades workers, with those that are not dressmakers already volunteering their organizational

Last Duncan Programs Today and Tomorrow

The Isadora Duncan Dancers will say farewell to the workers of New York at their last three performances this afternoon and evening and tomorrow afternoon at Wallack's Theatre, 42nd St., west of Broadway.

As the famous dance troupe from Moscow is leaving on a tour of the country and will not return to this city, the performances today and tomorrow will be the last opportunities New York workers will have to see the remarkable art of these young Soviet children. "Impressions of Revolutionary Russia," the series of dances which interpret the various phases of the revolutionary movement, will be included at each performance.

Young Defenders Have Big Program Tomorrow

The "Young Defenders" club has arranged the following program for tomorrow at its meeting place, 1400 Boston Road, the Bronx:

Esperanto class at 4 p. m.; an important meeting to arrange for International Labor Defense work at 7 p. m., and a package party at 8 p. m.

We have seen above that the first step in the revolution by the working class is to raise the proletariat to the position of ruling class, to win the battle of democracy—Karl Marx (Communist Manifesto)

NEGRO WORKERS IN SOUTH AFRICA IN BREAD RIOT

Capetown Jobless Fight Police Sent Against Them by British

As Parliament Meets Fighting Is Prolonged; Many Arrests

CAPETOWN, South Africa, Jan. 25.—Unemployed Negro workers, almost dead from starvation because of prolonged unemployment due to a great extent to the segregation tactics of the reactionary labor officials, demonstrating in the native working-class district of Capetown, took bread from bakeries and clashed with a large force of police sent against them.

The demonstration took place just as the South African parliament was opening its sessions amidst great ceremony. As soon as news of the demonstration reached the government, a large force of police was transferred from the parliament building to fight the unemployed workers. The demonstration was openly broken up after continued fighting and numerous arrests.

At the opening session of the house of assembly today General J. B. M. Hertzog government, violently anti-labor and anti-Negro, presented the trade treaty with Germany for debate and was disputed by the "opposition," who claimed that it favors trade with Germany at the expense of trade with the rest of the British empire.

In his speech from the throne, the Earl of Athlone, British governor-general, said that he would submit to the house a Colored Persons Rights Bill and a bill granting natives representation in parliament, both of which are designed to pacify the upper native bourgeoisie and help them in the common exploitation of the native workers.

12 HURT WHEN MINE CAVES IN

Wilkes-Barre Workers Barely Save Lives

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Jan. 25.—Mine accidents multiply here, under the company union system of the United Mine Workers of America, to which no miners belong, but to which many contribute thru involuntary check off. No adequate struggle is being made against the forcing of men to work in dangerous ground. As a result the hospitals are filling with seriously maimed coal mine workers.

Twelve workers arrived in the General Hospital a few days ago as a result of two "squeezes" in Baltimore No. 5 colliery of the Hudson Coal Co. Mine workings driven into formations that should have been penetrated only with most excessive caution, were filled with men, when the earth was shaken by what seemed to be an earth quake. It was felt all over the city.

Dash For Life.

Galleries and rooms underground closed in, and thirty men beat death by a second in a mad race for safety. A second "squeeze" took place a few hours later, and twelve were badly injured, being tossed about by the force of the concussion and the blast of gas thrown out. Here again, only a furious dash from the danger saved their lives. There had been ample warning, thru noises and caving extending over several days, of the dangerous condition.

Propose 275 New Seats Sold in Stock Exchange

In view of the great increase in stock gambling and the corresponding rise in the price of seats in the New York Stock Exchange, the board of governors announced a plan for selling 275 newly created seats. The recommendation will be voted on by the members February 1. If it passes, each of the present members will get a quarter interest in the new seats. The last seat sold brought \$625,000. The last sale of new seats was in 1879, when forty were created, and sold.

Workers School Calls Off Tomorrow's Forum

Because of the district convention of the Workers (Communist) Party today and tomorrow, the Workers School announces that it will not hold its usual open forum tomorrow night.

It will be continued, however, regularly, beginning Sunday, Feb. 3.

LIBERALS MAKE TIMID GESTURE AT CHILD LABOR

Ask That Parsons Pray to Make Slavers Kind

(Continued from Page One)
Child Labor Day Program of the M. C. L. C.) That sets the tone, and softens the hearts of those who have been indulging in "children's blood and young boys' and girls' sweat."

Having fed well thru the week on their prey, caught in the playground of steel and iron, and textile factories and coal mines, they will then be ready to listen to non-worker children in white rags, "Protect me, for the Master said: 'Let little children come to Me. And yet, what'er ye do to them, Ye do it also unto Me.'—Extract from the Program.) Well, if Jesus ever really lived, (which is probably bunk) the legend about him is that he was a carpenter, and there isn't any law against exploiting carpenters, either.

The Militarist Twist.
If the child slaver doesn't fall asleep, he will hear two pages of prosy verse sung to him. One of the songs goes to the tune of "The Son of God Goes Forth to War," and that ought to suggest a compromise to the child slaver, dozing in his pew. Why not put 'em in the marines? The witchcraft trials in York show that a boy of 14 can enlist in the army, if he is strong enough to carry nine-pound rifle.

Get the Padre's Number.
In between the marching songs of this crusade, the preacher will utter a prayer. Now the National Child Labor Committee knows its preachers. Who can tell what a man, who draws his wages from those who can afford donations to religion, might not say in a prayer like that? He probably takes his ideology from the hand that signs his pay check. He might repeat that text from the Bible which runs, "Servants be obedient unto them that are your masters" (no age limit—the saint hadn't heard of a factory).

Preserved Prayers.
Nope, this is a crusade, even if the cross bearers feel somewhat out of place. We have to put up a bluff of fighting child slavery, or the Reds—well, you know.
So they write out in full, periods and commas and capital letters, the exact prayer the preacher shall pray, based on his padded knees on the swept spot on the floor beside the pulpit. It starts out "O, Thou great Father of the weak," so as not to scare the slaver nodding down below, and it says, "Let not their little bodies be utterly sapped, and their minds given over to stupidity and the vicissitudes of an empty soul." (From the Program.) That ought to go well—a forward thinking slaver might some day need some adults, growing up out of this swarm of profit builders, and if they are drunk all the time, or too damn dumb, or too thoroughly sapped, they won't be useful.

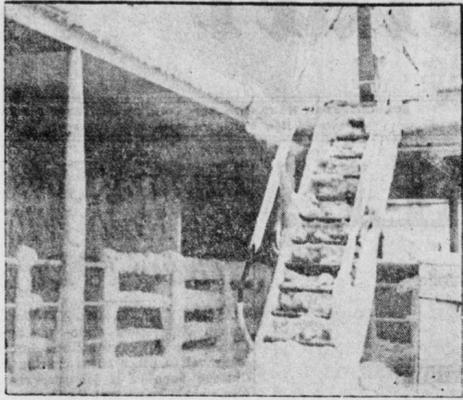
A Paper Crusade.
So that's the crusade. The nice lady in the lovely offices of the National Child Labor Committee, up on Fourth Ave., didn't know how many churches would actually conduct a National Child Labor Sunday. She didn't even know whether any of them would. She thought Dr. Holmes would. It's a sinful world, a skeptical, cynical world, and a world fed on printed paper. Perhaps it is just as well if the crusade be confined entirely to paper. Then the slaver can be handed the program, printed prayer and all, as he sits in his pew, and he can have the "ring clerk file it away next to the Taylor system index for Johnny, aged 16, laboring out in the works. That's a good safe, healthy, and truly liberal sort of a crusade. Liberals are naturally tired people, and this is the easiest way out.

Knows About Gold.
Here is Samuel McCune Lindsay, chairman of the N. C. L. C. He is a Columbia University professor—Morgan's university. He is a capitalist economist. He has been a special agent of several senate committees. He writes for the encyclopedias. His first work of importance was on the price movements of the precious metals, written in German for Jena University, under the kaiser. Yes, he is one of the "Capitalist Efficiency Socialists."

The Charity Doler.
Here is, also, one of four vice-chairmen, Homer Folks. He is now in the social worker game, secretary of the State Charities Aid Association of New York, one time a New York alderman, one time commissioner of public charities, with power to hire and fire a lot of people who need political jobs. He was a valued assistant of the military government of Cuba. And in every war he seems to have been part of the Red Cross, army behind the armies of imperialism. Did he put that in about "The Son of God Goes Forth to War?"

The Mellon Man.
Here is another vice-chairman, William Draper Lewis. He was dean of the law department of the University of Pennsylvania, Mellon's university, in Mellon's coal and iron state, where they work 'em young and work 'em long in coal breakers, where they keep the country dwellers in such ignorance that they kill each other to clip off the "witch locks." Well, he ought to know about child labor. But he has been director of the American Law

Seamen Endure Hard Winter



Members of the crew of the S. S. Paris standing on the ice-covered deck of the steamer as it docked here yesterday, heavily incrueted with ice. Seamen say it was one of the hardest trips they ever made. The sea was rough and it was cold. Three ships have just been wrecked, one with all hands, because owners persist in saving money by hiring only part of a crew.

Institute since 1923, an admirer of Theodore Roosevelt and a capitalist party candidate for governor of Pennsylvania.

Child Labor Pays Them.
There are some more officials of the N. C. L. C. Space is short; a glance shows they are mostly preachers, directors of social work and college professors. How will these stop child labor? They are living well on salaries from the class that fattens on child labor, are trusted to function in its behalf. I think they will be faithful to this trust. "Servants, obey them that are your masters."

It's Profitable.
Their own figures show that the biggest profits are in the states where children are most mercilessly exploited. The ten states with the greatest percentage of child labor, Mississippi, South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, Arkansas, North Carolina, Rhode Island, Texas, Louisiana, Tennessee, are exactly those states where employers are advised by chambers of commerce to come because labor is "docile, industrious and unions are unknown." They are, in general, the new textile region, and textiles, next to agriculture, is the best field for child labor.

Child Labor and Ignorance.
These ten states are also the ten with the greatest percentage of illiteracy and the lowest percentage of school attendance. Cause and effect. Child labor is the cause.
Employers in general, heeding the traditional prejudice for book learning, have solved the "illiteracy" problem to their satisfaction. In 17 states educational requirements for children forced into the factories are legally less than sixth grade schooling. In nine more states, they are only sixth grade training. In most states the special form of torture and inconvenience known as the "con-

tinuation school" is provided for. The National Association of Manufacturers recommends four hours a week of continuation school for working children between the ages of 14 and 16. (Bulletin of N. A. M. Committee on Junior Education and Employment.)

Why?
Well, not to educate the children. Even in the model continuation schools of California, children forced to attend four hours once a week, don't learn anything. It is a pedagogical impossibility. In New York and other ordinary continuation schools, instruction is a joke. There are unwieldy crowds in the few schools provided and nothing is learned. As a matter of fact, most of the children don't usually attend. Their employers advise the children to "play hooky." If they don't stay away from school, they get fired for something else.

But the continuation school has another purpose. Children may be forced to avoid the schools, but the schools provide the employer with a perfect excuse for cutting wages, on the grounds that attendance breaks up the office routine.

Real Exploitation.
So children don't learn, but they do work. And how they work. Not being organized, and theoretically living at home, anyway, they get wages about one quarter those of adults, doing the same work. That means unemployment for the adults.

Children may legally work 51 to 60 hours a week between the ages of 14 and 16 in ten states. In Connecticut they can legally be worked 58 hours a week in stores. In Montana a benign law allows them to work 24 hours a day, outside of mines and factories, as soon as they are 16. That's all the hours there are. It is useless to go on thru the list, for the law has very little to do with the matter. Capitalism makes prof-

LEATHER PLANT TIED UP WHEN WORKERS STRIKE

600 May Be Involved in Ohio Factory

GIRARD, Ohio, Jan. 25.—The tacking department of the Ohio Leather Works is tied up by a strike, which threatens to spread to the whole factory. In this case, 500 employees would be involved.

The strike was started against the inhuman production requirements made by the company. The regular work day is nine hours, but to complete the quota assigned by the boss, men had to work eleven and twelve hours for a nine hour wage. The company spreads rumors that it will install machinery and throw everybody out of work. The strikers ask workers in other cities to stay away.

its on child labor, capitalism owns the courts, the inspectors, etc. Therefore the only laws which are obeyed are the laws which capitalists make for the children, in their factories. The ten hour day is not unusual.

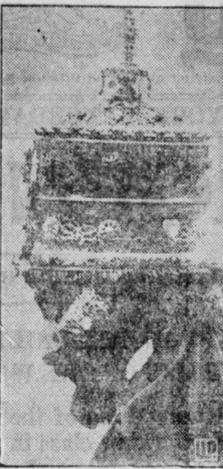
Children work, and they die. "The Federal Children's Bureau in three industrial states, Wisconsin, Massachusetts, and New Jersey, reports there were in one year in these states 2,534 compensable accidents to minors under 18, of which 7 were fatal, and 319 resulted in permanent disabilities. The injuries included loss of arms, fingers, thumbs and toes, as well as more serious handicaps.

"In New York, during the year ended June 30, 1925, the number of accidents to persons under 18 years of age totaled 1,748, or 2.3 per cent of all industrial accidents. Thirteen cases resulted in death or permanent total disability, and 318 resulted in permanent partial disability, of which three were to children under 14 years."

These injuries increase. They are far above the rate for the same number of adults. A whirling bobbin or a mass of sliding coal is a dangerous plaything for youthful hands.

And the injury that can be legally measured and tabulated is not the real danger. Occupational diseases, faulty posture, and that mental bleakness that settles on children who spend their youth in playgrounds of steel and coal and textiles, instead of outdoors; this is what takes the starch out of them, this is what reduced the stature of English men by measurable inches

Imperialist Regalia



King Tafari of Abyssinia wears this ancient crown which is valued at \$500,000. It is an old heirloom which has been fought over by rival native monarchs. Now Tafari has assured this expensive ornament by the foreign imperialists who are invading the country.

during the first fifty years of the factory system, this is doing as much for the children of U. S. A. and all capitalist countries.

While capitalism lasts, except for the bits of relief that an active and organized, militant and class conscious labor movement, political and industrial, might wring from capitalism, the mere fact that child labor is immensely profitable will keep most of the slavers deaf to any appeal from fearful and forward-looking officialdom, will immunize them to canned prayers, will make useless the pitiful and well-meant gestures of the National Child Labor Committee. Big business knows that machinery is displacing labor, it can afford to kill a few million children.

"Child Labor Sunday"? Every day is Child Labor Day for the Communist. He wants to strike at the root of this evil, which is capitalism itself. He wants to abolish all work for children in dangerous occupations, for children under 16, and he wants the work-schools of the Soviet Union sort after that. And he means to get it, not by prayers and the singing of "America," but by sterner weapons far. Organization of young workers and old workers, politically and industrially, on a class basis, with a Leninist theory, are more to his way of thinking, and are the hope of the millions of child slaves.

DEMAND BRITISH FREE JOHNSTONE FROM INDIA JAIL

Chicago Labor in Mass Protest Meetings

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the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, for a picket line in front of the British consulate.

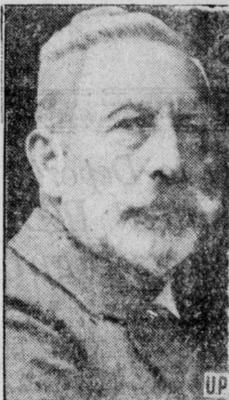
Chicago police made their usual efforts to break up the demonstration, rough-housing the marchers but refraining from making arrests. Not only did their efforts fail to break up the march, but the response was the holding of an outdoor meeting that helped advertise the hall meeting previously arranged for at the Bakers Union Hall, 220 W. Oak St. The speaker at this outdoor meeting was William F. Kruse, district organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party.

Factory Agitation.
The demonstration had the fullest support of the Workers (Communist) Party. In its own name the Party distributed 10,000 leaflets, mainly at factory gates, and particularly at the Stockyards, where, ten years ago, Johnstone organized the Stockyards Labor Council and led a strike.

Leaflets were also distributed at the Crane Company, where a new shop nucleus has just been formed, and at the International Harvester Plant, in connection with the distribution of the Chicago special edition of 30,000 Daily Workers. Kruse spoke for the Party at the outdoor meeting and Morris Childs, district agitprop director, at the indoor meeting.

Fight Yankee Imperialism, Too.
The slogans carried by the marchers included not only "Down With British Imperialism," but also "Down With Yankee Imperialism"; not only "Unconditional Independence for India," but also "Get Out of the Philippines, and All American Colonies and Semi-Colonies." Chicago's tough Irish cops were willing to tolerate the first half, but when they saw the second they gave orders to "Get off de earth." Several of the largest banners demanded the release of Johnstone, and called up on Chicago labor to fight for the liberation of their representative. Special slogans, expressing the attitude of women and youth were carried. At the mass meeting Nels Kjar spoke in the name of the Trade Union Educational League, Ida

Parasite Pensioner



A picture of the former imperialist kaiser of Germany who now lives in Doorn, Holland, where he enjoys many privileges granted him by the Dutch government. The imperialism he represented has given way to another imperialism backed by the social-democrats. The ex-Kaiser and his family are getting generous pensions from the German "socialist" government.

Rothstein for the Council of Working Class Women, Frank Borich for the International Labor Defense, and Ed. Kilter for the youth. The following resolution was adopted unanimously:

Resolution.
"We, Chicago working men and women, members of a group of labor organizations, including the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, International Labor Defense, Council of Working Class Women, Trade Union Educational League, Workers (Communist) Party and Young Workers (Communist) League, as well as trade unions and working class fraternal bodies, voice our protest against the imprisonment of our brother worker, Jack Johnstone, by the British oppressors of India because of his activity there against imperialism. We pledge all our efforts to the fight in which he has been made prisoner by our common enemy—the fight against imperialist war and the defense of the Soviet Union—the fight against imperialism, American as well as British—until imperialist rule has been overthrown throughout the entire world.
"Release Jack Johnstone—immediately and unconditionally!
"Freedom for all class war prisoners!
"Down with world imperialism!
"Defend the Soviet Union!"

NEEDLE WORKERS ELECT OFFICERS; PREPARE STRIKE

Hold Huge Dress Rally Next Wednesday

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and moral assistance in the dress-makers' fight.

The Volunteer Organization Committee of 1,000, composed of workers in all crafts in the needle trades industry, is already well under formation. Equal allotments of rank and file registrants in this committee are being assigned the captains which were appointed at the last meeting of active members in Webster Hall.

The date of the shop chairmen's and delegates' conference is not yet announced, but the meeting in all probability will be held some time this week. Here the delegates' council will elect one-third of the Joint Board delegation as well as take up immediate strike problems.

Those elected to officership and as delegates to the Joint Board are as follows:
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Secretary-Treasurer—Julius Portnoy.

Business Agents—Charles Zimmerman, A. Gross, S. Liebowitz, Oswald Eusepi, M. Levine, M. Taft, A. Weiss, B. Baraz, M. Rogers, P. Kreitzer, M. Kochinsky.

Those elected as Joint Board delegates from the various locals are: Local 1, Furriers, S. Reger, M. Pinchefsky, H. Brownstein, L. Sisselman; Local 2, Cloakmakers, A. Kohn, J. Silkowitz, J. Levine, S. Zeldin, B. Rosenthal, S. Solomon, S. Herbst; Local 5, Furriers, J. Farber, P. Glantsman, H. Shiller, B. Weinstein, W. Woliner; Local 6, Cloak and Dress Cutters, M. Feldman, M. Bernstein, Charles Seigle, W. Zweibel; Local 9, Cloak Finishers, W. Greenberg, J. Ochtenberg, Mania Perlman, Ben Koenigsberg, A. Hartman; Local 10, Furriers, B. Garf, P. Lucas, M. Miller, S. Resnick; Local 15, Furriers, Lena Greenberg, B. Evans, M. Meltzer, Celia Rabinowitz, R. Schreiber; Local 22, Dressmakers, M. Kravitz, A. Lupin, Sonia Cheiken, Celia Samorodin, S. Rosenthal, Pearl Haiperin, W. Himmelfarb, Pauline Garbotti, S. Donier; Local 35, Cloak Dress Pressers, S. Bissot; J. Levanson, J. Goretzky, P. Goodman, M. Tuchman; Italian Branch Cloak and Dressmakers, Angelina Bambatchi, M. Morriani, P. Masada, A. Lavilla.

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PARTY PRE-CONVENTION DISCUSSION SECTION

Organizational Problems Before the Party

By EMIL GARDOS.

To solve successfully the problems ahead of us, the keynote of the coming convention shall be a "ruthless exposure of our defects" in order to correct them and to overcome them in the future. If there is a single section of the Communist International where the slogan of self-criticism must be a living reality, it is certainly our Party. The difficult conditions under which we work, the power of American imperialism and the backwardness of the working class, the history of our Party, the different streams of the labor movement from which it originated, our ideological and organizational weakness, the long-drawn-out factional struggle, etc.—all this necessitates thorough self-criticism, for "the candid acknowledgment of error, the exposure of its source, the analysis of the situation in which the error arises, the careful consideration of the best means to remove the error and finally, its correction—this is the characteristic of a really serious party." (Lenin: Left Wing Communism.)

The theses of the Central Executive Committee, the resolution on the Right danger passed by the last C. E. C. Plenum, most of the discussion articles and speeches point out a number of errors, of policy and organization alike, giving concrete recommendations on how to overcome them. This self-criticism must be continued in increased measure at the convention and afterward. We must do it in spite of the present factional situation, in spite of its being capitalized by the "Militants," the "New Leaders" and the capitalist press, because this will "raise the level of our Party, develop its fighting spirit, reinforce its power and secure its faith in victory."

How Not to "Self-Criticize."

This freedom of Bolshevik criticism, however, cannot degenerate into a license for slandering the Party, its leadership and its achievement, as shown in many writings and still more in sayings of the Opposition. The Right errors will not be overcome by the constant branding of the leadership as a Right wing C. E. C. The decision of the Communist International cannot be enforced by having reservations on it, and we cannot mobilize our membership to fight the war danger when important parades, where scores of comrades are arrested, are called "dinky little demonstrations." (Hathaway.) There is a lot to criticize on the organizational situation, but not by describing it as "chaotic"

and the Party apparatus as in a "deplorable condition."

Statements of this kind do not lead to the raising of the Party's level, to the developing of its fighting spirit, but (to use the famous sentence of its writers) they "have the effect of paralyzing the fighting ability of our Party and will lead to . . . the weakening of the working class and the strengthening of its enemies."

The draft thesis on organization must be hailed as a great step toward overcoming many of our shortcomings. It means that we are beginning to realize that the correct policy is not enough for reaching and leading the masses, it must be also put into practice. When considering our achievements, we must say that while we have made real headway since 1925, when the Party was reorganized and the present Majority took over the leadership, still bigger success could have been recorded, hadn't it been for (1) our organizational shortcomings, poor social composition and the low ideological level of our membership as a whole; (2) the destructive and unprincipled factional struggle. With the latter evil eliminated through the convention, we must concentrate on the first one.

Our shortcomings must be pointed out sharply, as it is done in the Org. thesis. On the other hand, the convention must definitely repudiate the complete denial of our achievements and a tear-dropping overemphasis on our shortcomings. While rejecting such statements as "Our nuclei are mere ticket-selling agencies and carry on no political and organizational work," we have to admit the many weak points in our Party organization. They will not be eliminated with the parrot-like repetition that the "Right wing line of the C. E. C. is responsible for all," but through analyzing their source and working out concrete measures to overcome them.

Proletarianization.

The mere stating that less than 50 per cent of our members work in basic industries is not going to solve this most burning question of our social composition. When looking for its causes, we will find that insufficient attention was paid, even in the past years, to the basic industries, especially the small industrial towns where our membership is very weak, organizationally and ideologically. It is not enough to speak about the organization of the unorganized, the importance of the basic industries, etc., but concrete

steps must be taken to help the Party organization, through the sending down of organizers, circuit teachers and mostly through systematic proletarianization.

The colonization in the past was done mostly in an anarchistic, haphazard way, without proper coordination between the national, district and local organization, without making sure that the right man gets to the right place. Very few comrades went out as colonizers and still less made good, either because they were not fit for that work or because they couldn't support themselves financially.

It is absolutely necessary that the district Org. Departments of the Party and the Y. W. L. pay special attention to the sending out of selected comrades into the field and that they make it possible for them to get to the place and to support themselves. The large cities in the various districts must take care of the smaller industrial towns. The "industrial backyards" (New Jersey in District 2) must be brought out from the back.

The language fraction bureaus should be forced to stop following the line of least resistance by sending organizers only to large cities and neglecting the basic industries. The "keeping a much closer check on transfer cards before issuing them, and by not accepting members without them, will also help in bringing order into the matter. The National Organization Department must supervise this work and direct the sending of comrades into other districts.

And in doing all this, the saying of Lenin: better little, but good, must be kept in mind. The proper coordination and control of this work will put an end to such glaring illustrations of the present anarchy, as, for example, the "decolonization" of black-listed soft-coal miners into various cities, while the hard-coal region where there is a great need for them and where they could well earn their living, cannot get any comrades from the former strike-territory.

More attention must be given to the native or Americanized workers. In some sections, where the knowledge of English is necessary to carry on mass-work, most of our comrades are not only foreign-born, but they

hardly speak English. How can we expect, for instance, that our Party make real progress in the anthracite, where we have only 2-3 native members and very few Americanized comrades? Beside colonization and increased attention to the youth, special efforts must be made to reach the American-born workers, to give them literature or Daily Workers, to get them closer to us. In this connection the importance of the Daily Worker as a medium to reach the native workers cannot be emphasized too much.

The drawing in of proletarian elements into leading Party committees cannot be done mechanically, for the sake of the record, as it may be the case in some instances. Care must be taken to select the right material who has a chance to be developed and once he is in a higher committee, special, personal attention must be paid to really train him, to really draw him into the work. Otherwise there is danger of either having a feeling of inferiority developed, which may lead to discouragement, or by going to the other extreme, without having the proper understanding of problems. Our experiences, especially in strikes, make it clear that the bureaucratic handling of this question kills the very aim of it. On the other hand if the matter is done properly, if great care is given to the training of these comrades, giving them practical work, drawing them into training schools, establishment of circuit classes, personal contact, etc., we will witness in a short time the coming out of real Party-leaders from the factories and mines.

More Shop-Nuclei!

The process of reorganization from the territorial to the factory-basis was not even an easy matter in the large European Parties, where there is a much bigger and more homogeneous membership on a smaller territory with less spy-system, less danger of losing their jobs, than in the U. S. In spite of this difficulty we must state that hadn't it been for a serious neglect of the entire organization, from the locals up to the national office, we would not be faced with the sad fact that only 15 per cent of our members are organized into shop-nuclei and

even these nuclei don't function in a satisfactory manner.

In the smaller industrial towns the dropping of the language branch and the forming of nuclei was—and to some extent still is—as much a revolutionary change as the transformation of the Left wing into the Communist Party several years ago. The shop-nucleus, the acid test of our membership, is met by a covered, or, in some instances, open resistance of the weak material. Our experiences in the anthracite, where the entire membership consists of proletarian elements, fully bear out this fact.

The formal reorganization of 1925 did not create much changes here. In most of the places they changed their name from language branch into a street-nucleus and kept on functioning as before. The efforts to organize nuclei started about one year ago and even today, we have to admit that less than one-third of our membership is organized in mine-nuclei and that half of the nuclei had to be dissolved, mostly because of members leaving the mine.

Only few comrades put up an open resistance to the mine-nuclei (some who were known as Communists by the boss) but when the decisions reached at the meeting regarding the work in the mine and open fight had to be made at the union meeting, things did not move so smoothly. The heritage of the language federation days, inactivity, sectarianism, fear to fight, all came out at the time, when the Party had to act no more as a radical society, but as "the vanguard of the working class, participating in and leading the struggles of the masses."

The majority of our comrades welcomed the formation of the nuclei, became more active in the mine and the local, but not so the dead-wood, those who do not understand as yet or don't want to understand at all the meaning of the reorganization. Some even dropped out of the Party. One of our nuclei, for instance, lost two members as a result of the bosses' and the union officials' terror following the publication of our mine paper. There was some hesitation even in the rest as to whether we did not move too fast.

Instead of moving backwards, the nucleus kept up the work and today there is a good chance to get back these two members and even some more besides.

Another nucleus hesitated much to publish a mine paper. After it was done, the bulletin created such a hit that both the company and the union officials had to issue statements to counteract its effect (and in the meantime some minor improvements were made, a bigger wash-house built.) This raised the spirit of our comrades and the next issue will not meet any resistance on their part.

Beside the small number and irregular appearance of our shop papers, there is a criticism, that they are mostly made up in the district offices and don't deal sufficiently with the grievances of the factory. This unhealthy situation is greatly due to the lack of comrades who can write English or who have the technical experience necessary for editing the paper, but at the same time it is due to the failure of the district shop paper committees to draw the members into the work, with the aim of training them.

Every member must write at least one article or bit of correspondence in any language he can, the material must be read to the nucleus meeting, criticized before getting into print. The head of the shop paper committee must discuss with every member the article he is to write in the paper and once it is written, he must go through with him on the article, pointing out the shortcomings, etc. This will lead to the training of the nuclei members, to the gradual relegating of the District Office to general political advice and technical help. Wherever possible, classes in workers' correspondence must be organized.

The lack of articles in the most important foreign languages must be pointed out too. The resolution of the ECCI Org. Conference, advising the Parties to have articles in other languages, was not carried out just by our Party, where conditions necessitate it more than elsewhere.

The turning of our Party's face to the factories, the improving of its social composition, etc., must be the big organizational question before us. Even if adequate attention is paid to the formation of nuclei, this

real Bolshevization will be a process, going hand in hand with the development of our Party, with its increased participation in the class struggle, with the drawing in of the best elements of the American workers. This requires a lot of work, the fullest faith in the Party, the cutting out of defeatist slogans ("reorganization must be reorganized" etc.) and complete unity.

Party Fractions.

The criticism regarding the very poor state of our fraction organization is put all too mildly by the organization thesis. Both in trade union and language fractions, the blame should be put first on the center. Our poor showing in the reactionary unions, the failure to have delegates at various conventions, cannot be only put to the "swinging of the pendulum too much in the other direction," for it is greatly due to the lack of the national fraction apparatus.

The national language fraction bureaus are not merely "direct agents of the C. E. C." They are acting too independently, in many instances still catering to the old pre-reorganization spirit, retarding, instead of helping towards the Americanization and centralization of our Party. Most of the C. E. C. representatives to these fraction bureaus do not attend to their task regularly, and even if they do, the organizational and financial matters are mostly left to the language bureaus proper, the CEC representative acting as a political adviser instead of carrying out the Party's line on all the matters. At present there is no organ of the CEC to supervise and to coordinate systematically the functioning of the national fractions. The federation spirit is by no means eliminated yet, even leading members forgetting the change which took place in 1925. At the last CEC plenum we heard, for instance, a member of our Central Committee deliver two speeches on the troubles of the Jewish "Federation" without even touching on general Party questions.

This wrong orientation is, of course, causing great damage in the lower units, especially in the smaller industrial towns, where we have one-language units. There are many able comrades, who instead of busying themselves with important campaigns, are getting lost in the language club, fraternal society branch, considering it more important than the work in the nucleus. And what is still worse, some or-

ganizers sent out by the bureaus are helping this wrong line.

It is absolutely necessary that a special sub-committee of the Organization Department, consisting of bureau representatives, with a full time CEC representative, be formed which will have full control, the last word, on every question facing the bureaus, including organizational and financial ones, subject to the approval of the CEC. Beside making the language bureaus into agents of the CEC to Bolshevize and Americanize our membership efforts must be made to coordinate the work of the various bureaus, to eliminate the glaring disproportion between certain relatively not so important language groups which have several papers, many paid functionaries and others which are very weak in spite of their strategic importance in the struggle (Polish, Italian). Efforts must be made to establish joint management of the Party press, to poll the financial resources of our Party and utilize it wherever it is mostly needed.

The Membership Wants Unity.

Comparing this pre-convention discussion to the previous ones, we will find: (1) Because of the important policies involved the membership is following the discussion articles with more interest and the discussion at the units is on a much higher level than ever before. The Party is fed up with gossip, with personalities, and if there is a discussion, it is mostly on issues. (2) Thanks to the higher level of our Party and the fact that unity is mostly established in the ranks, the situation is by no means so sharp, so much hindering the work as in 1925 or even 1927. The membership wants work and unity. (3) The reports of the membership meetings as printed in the Daily Worker leave out just those industrial centers where our members are working in basic industries. In these places the vote is 10:1 or even better for the CEC.

The membership wants unity, based upon a right policy, based upon the carrying out of the CI decision without reservation. The membership supports the CEC, under whose leadership our Party is on the right road to become "a stalwart leader of many more stubborn and fierce battles of the American working class."

PUT AN END TO FACTIONALISM! BUILD THE PARTY!

By B. KALFIDES.

All those who attended the Feb. 1928 Plenum of the Central Executive Committee were impressed by the fact that the Party was on the road to the elimination of factionalism. The Polcom thesis analyzing the political and economic situation in the U. S. A., as well as all the resolutions and reports were adopted unanimously and without any reservations whatsoever. After that Plenum the comrades of the Opposition, and especially Comrade Foster, were working harmoniously and without any serious differences in the Polcom and on various committees, with splendid results for the Party.

German Police Beat Worker Unconscious; Are Left Unpunished

(Red Aid Press Service) BERLIN, (By Mail).—In Saarbruecken an innocent worker was arrested by the police and taken to the station where he was so terribly beaten that he collapsed. The case was so flagrant that even the public prosecutor felt compelled to intervene and four policemen were tried. The prosecutor declared in court that "the officers beat the prisoner senseless."

The accused police defended themselves by saying that they had been compelled to use violence in order to break the resistance of the prisoner. The judge acquitted the police, but even he was compelled to declare in his verdict that there was a suspicion, not supported by tangible evidence, that the police had exceeded their duty. The verdict is an encouragement to the police to continue in their widespread practice of beating-up prisoners in the stations, particularly proletarian prisoners when the latter are arrested for any political offense.

in the July Communist by Comrade Foster repudiating some of the unjust criticisms made by Comrade Losovsky of the trade union work of the Party.

But this did not last long. The Opposition is not homogeneous. It is a united Opposition of different elements fighting the C. E. C., fighting to get power, and that is all they have in common. That is their platform—"Fight For Power!" On all other things they disagree and fight among themselves in their own group.

Opposition in Moscow.

When our delegation to the Sixth World Congress arrived in Moscow, the Opposition which itself has been the main source of the Party's Right errors, discovered that the

Say Aldermen in Minneapolis Bribed by Open Shop Firm

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn. (By Mail).—The recently purchased America La France fire engine, which on its first trip thru the streets of Minneapolis became uncontrollable, resulting in several injuries, has resulted in the revelation that Minneapolis aldermen accepted bribes from the huge, open-shop America La France Corporation and Foamite Corporation, whose machinists have been on strike since last June.

These aldermen are said to have shared in a huge "pot" distributed by the La France Corporation. The engine proved faulty.

Must Buy Trucks, Says Boss; Drivers Strike

NEW ORLEANS (By Mail).—The 15 drivers employed by the Oriental laundry went on strike when the owner of the laundry told the drivers, who work on the percentage basis, that they must buy the trucks either on cash or installment plan.

main danger in the Comintern was the Right danger, and that much speculation was going on as to the differences within the Polcom of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union.

Our Opposition did not lose the opportunity to exploit the situation. When it comes to speculation on inner-Party lines they are at their best, especially so is Comrade Bittelman.

So they went ahead and composed the now famous document, "The Right Danger in the American Party." It is a fine piece of work—it is a magical piece of work. For when Cannon stands on it, it becomes opportunism covered with Left phrases. When the Opposition stands on it—it becomes a Leninist document. In no Party through the Comintern will you find the Trotskyites to have a common platform with the Opposition in their respective Party and disagree internationally.

Painting Sparrows Yellow. This reminds me of a story of a Turkish Jew, a bird dealer. He went to Constantinople with a cage-full of sparrows. When he arrived at the market, he found out that there was a great demand for canaries. So he went to a paint store, bought a few bottles of yellow paint and painted the sparrows in order to pass them off as canaries.

So with our Opposition. When they slandered the C. E. C. as being the Right wing, they painted themselves with Left phrases to pass as canaries. But as soon as they opened their mouths, it did not take long for the C. I. and the Sixth World Congress to find out what kind of a bird the Opposition is.

Of course they do not agree with the findings of the C. I. And they have their reservations. Nobody denies that the Right danger is the main danger, that many Right mistakes were made in the course of our struggles. But the mistakes were committed by the Party as a whole, and both the Majority and the Minority took part in the mistakes.

The C. I. categorically declared that the charge that the C. E. C. is a Right wing CEC is unfounded. But the Opposition disagrees, and guided by the "spirit" of Bittelman's "Marxian vineyard," opens a severe factional struggle again.

Inner Contradictions.

The letter of the Cannon wing, recently of the Opposition, sent by the delegation of the then Cannonites to their followers in this country, reveals very clearly the character, composition and inner contradictions of the "united" Opposition.

Comrade Foster refused to fight the C. E. C. as being the Right wing

of the Party, but he was whipped into line by the now "Bittelman group."

But this is not all. The letter reveals furthermore that the alliance of the groups in the Opposition is good until the present C. E. C. is removed. They do not agree politically, that is, the "Cannon" wing with the "theoretician"—as they called Bittelman in the letter. They would have a new factional fight for the leadership as soon as they have overthrown the present Party leadership. In order to achieve this they must have a collective leadership and unity in the group first and only secondly, an ideological and political clarity which of course they need very badly.

In the 1927 convention we witnessed the united blow of the Opposition, fighting the present leadership on the ground that it was a Leftist group, and putting forward the slogan of "general ideological and material bourgeoisification of the American working class." Now we are in a fight with a "united" but badly battered Opposition, fighting the CEC, with the slogan that the CEC is the Right wing of the Party, that American imperialism is about to decline, and that a general widespread radicalization of the working class in all industries is taking place right now.

Comrade Bittelman, the "theoretician" who in 1925 said that "if the American working class doesn't accept our leadership, which is the best the working class can get, then the best thing they can do is to organize a grave-digging association and bury themselves," today sees radicalization even when the workers vote for Smith and Rasbok—quite a development!

Scramble For Power.

In my opinion, the Opposition's political and organizational bankruptcy as we witness it today is the unprincipled scramble for power. They create differences in order to have a platform in their fight for power.

The same was Ixion in Greek mythology. Ixion on Mount Olympus, where all the ancient Greek

gods lived, fell in love with Juno, the goddess of power. He was chasing Juno all over Mount Olympus. But she was very elusive and always managed to get away from him. But one day Ixion succeeded in getting Juno in his arms. But Juno played a trick on him and changed places with Nephele, the goddess of clouds. As a result of this illicit love they gave birth to Centaurus and Chimera. Centaurus is the monstrosity in Greek mythology which is half horse and half man. This fits our Opposition exactly. They chased the goddess of power all these years. They formed unprincipled alliances and blocs and they gave birth to such monstrosities as Lore, Salutsky, Cannon,

Eastman, etc., etc., and plenty of Chimeras from the "Marxian of all Marxians"—Comrade Bittelman.

I think it is about time to put an end to this unbecoming factionalism. Smash the remnants of the Opposition and put the Party unitedly into serious work. Fight against the growing war danger and the Right danger in the Party. Fight with all our forces against Trotskyism and help build a mass Communist Party in America.

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Habima Players in "Princess Turandot" at the Mansfield

OF the several artistic groups that have come to these shores from Soviet Russia, none has attracted quite the same amount of favorable attention as the Habima Players.

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PHILHARMONIC TO GIVE ALL-WAGNER PROGRAM

Fritz Reiner, guest conductor of the Philharmonic Orchestra presents an all-Wagner program with Richard Crooks and Florence Austral as soloists tomorrow afternoon at the Metropolitan Opera House and next Sunday afternoon at the Brooklyn Academy of Music. The orchestra's first half of this coming week on tour under the baton of Mr. Reiner, playing in Philadelphia Monday, in Washington Tuesday, and in Baltimore Wednesday. On Saturday morning at Carnegie Hall Schelling directs the second of his series of Children's Concerts.

The Wagner program opens with the "Rienzi" Overture, followed by Miss Austral singing "Dich teure Halle" from "Tannhauser," Mr. Crooks Lohengrin's Farewell, and the orchestra playing the Venusberg Music from "Tannhauser."

The program also includes numbers from "Gottterdammerung"; Daybreak and Scene 11 from Act 1 "Zu neuen Taten"; Siegfried's Death and Funeral March and the Immolation Scene from Act II. The Children's Concert next Saturday will be devoted to music of French composers with the Society of Ancient Instruments as soloists. It will include Lully's Gavotte Celeste, Berlioz's Rakoczy March, Bizet's Fanfare from "L'Arlesienne," Debussy's "Afternoon of a Faun," Ravels Laidronette from "Mother Goose," Le Jardin des Amours of Mouret, Pavane of Gaillarde, and Mennet Tendre, of Canarie.

Monarchists Aided by Government to Splurge Royally for ex-Kaiser

DOORN, Holland, Jan. 25.—The former Kaiser's 70th birthday is being made the occasion of a royalist demonstration. The German government of Hindenburg, with the consent of the Social Democrats, is permitting all former high officials of the Hohenzollern dynasty to go to Holland for a celebration in which Wilhelm will put on a pretense of regal state. Doorn palace is being decorated.

Scot Strike Looms as Iron Bosses Threaten to Break Agreement

EDINBURGH (By Mail).—The Scottish wrought iron manufacturers have given notice that they will abruptly break their agreement with the organized workers, and demand a two-shift day instead of a three-shift day of eight hours, as agreed on. The workers threaten strike action if the bosses go thru with the violation of the agreement.

NEW USSR MILK PLANTS. KAZAN, USSR, (By Mail).—Two condensed milk factories are planned for construction in the Urals region. The Maslocentr (Union of Dairy Cooperatives) is sponsoring the construction of these factories which will probably be located at Kusgan and Ishima.

ATTEMPTED FRAME-UP FAILS. GLASGOW (By Mail).—James Gray, signman for the London Northeastern R. R., whom the bosses tried to make the goat in the Queens Station crash on Oct. 2, in which three were killed, has been acquitted. The railroad bosses, however, have been whitewashed.

AGED WATCHMAN COLLAPSES, DIES. MILWAUKEE, Wis., (By Mail).—Robert Schmuss, 74 year old night watchman, collapsed and died of a heart attack while at work at the George H. Smith Steel Co. plant. He had just finished climbing down a staircase, at the foot of which his body was found.

TUNNEL MAKES MANY JOBLESS. Hundreds of ferry-boat workers continue to be thrown out of work due to the Holland Vehicular Tunnel under the Hudson River between Jersey City and Manhattan, according to the Masters', Mates' and Pilots' Union.

WORKER BURNED. MILWAUKEE, Wis., (By Mail).—Ludwig Almann, 20, a plumber, was seriously burned about the face and hands when a blow torch exploded while he was repairing a furnace.

Jenny Goldstein



GABEL AND GOLDSTEIN OPEN IN NEW PLAY

Max Gabel and Jennie Goldstein, Yiddish stage pair, are co-starring in "A Child of Two Mothers," a new Jewish melodrama by Max Gabel which opened at the Gabel's Peoples Theatre last Friday evening. Both Gabel and Miss Goldstein will appear in entirely new character roles and will be supported in the play by David Popper, Goldie Lubritsky, David Yanover, Janet Poskowitz, Salshe Schorr, Charles Cohen, Frances Sineoff, Morris Kroner, Jacob Hochstein, Simon Wolf and others.

Having scored a success with its fourth production at the Intimate Playhouse, "Parnosse," the Vilna Troupe, the company of Yiddish players under the sponsorship of the author and producer, Sidney Stavrov, plan to continue the highly amusing farce for the balance of the season, and tickets are being sold weeks in advance.

The Vilna Troupe, a company of renowned Yiddish artists, play "Parnosse" every Friday, Saturday and Sunday, matinee and evening, at the Playhouse, 180th St. and Boston Road.

Mexico Establishes Air Route to Texas

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 25.—The Mexican Ministry of Communications plans a daily airplane passenger service from the Texas border to this city. Mexican army aviators will be used as pilots. Mexico, caught under the wing of the American eagle, is taking to the air itself in an effort to maintain its national parity.

"ESCAPED FROM HELL," AT LITTLE CARNEGIE

Marking its first showing in this country, "Escaped from Hell," will be presented at the Little Carnegie Playhouse, beginning today.

"Escaped from Hell" is presented by Affiliated European Producers, Inc., and the photoplay was produced by Derussa, a combination of Russian and German film groups.

Directed by Georg Asagaroff, the cast of European cinema players is headed by Jean Murat and Agnes von Esterhazy. Mr. Murat will soon make his debut on the American screen as leading man for Constance Talmadge. Countess von Esterhazy is a Hungarian who has made her mark in European film circles in a number of screen offerings and as leading woman with Conrad Veidt.

The sequences of "Escaped from Hell" revolving around the French penal colony were filmed on Devil's Island, the actual locale.

The surrounding program will include "Premeditations," a Red Star production presented by Edwin Miles Padman. It is a unique fantasy written and directed by E. C. Paton. The program also includes "The Yankee Clipper," an Oswald cartoon and the overture by the Little Carnegie Playhouse ensemble, directed by Alfredo Antonini.

TRAM CAR AFLAME. QUAKERTOWN, Pa., Jan. 25 (UP).—A tram car, on which there were no passengers, caught fire and got beyond control of the motorman today.

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"Merry Andrew" Is Well Done Picture of Main Street

A well done picture of life on Main St. is found in "Merry Andrew," by Lewis Beach, playing at Henry Miller's Theatre. The Babbitt type of American, which has been the topic of much discussion since Sinclair Lewis wrote "Main Street," can be found in this play.

Andrew Aiken, owner of the largest drugstore in a mid-west town of 100,000, decides to retire when he reaches the age of 60. Selling out to his rival, Rufus Norcross, he spends all of his leisure time home, much to the disgust of his wife and daughters. He wants them to play rummy all day and give him constant attention. At last Andrew decides that he can only be happy if he again has his drug store back. His family reaches the same conclusion without his knowledge. After some bargaining, Andrew purchases his old drug store and is back at the old stand, once again dispensing pills and hot water bags to the sick folks of the town. Most important, however, Andrew again had an audience and people with whom to play checkers. While in his home he had to contend with his wife, daughters and the servant, in the drug store he is supreme. From his small town point of view, Andrew is again contented and the play comes to an end.

Mr. Beach has done a good piece of work in constructing the play. It is a truthful picture of the ordinary small town and gives the audience a fair view of the petty bourgeoisie. Beach knows what he is writing about and does it well. Several years ago, "The Goose Hangs High," by the same playwright, achieved considerable success.

The cast is good. Walter Connolly plays the part of Andrew and does so convincingly. The other members of the cast are equally

good. They include Effie Shannon as Andrew's wife, also Ellen Dorr, John C. King, Mary Marble and Nedda Harrigan. The play is shared by John Hayden, who did his share in co-ordinating the production.

MICHALESKO SCORES IN "SENORITA" AT HOLLAND

Michal Michalesko, romantic Yiddish actor, was accorded a tumultuous reception by a highly responsive and enthusiastic audience that filled the beautiful new Rolland Theatre the other night for the premiere of "Senorita," a novel and melodious Jewish musical comedy, by Sholom Secunda and Louis Freiman.

Michalesko appears in a dual role as that of a dashing, romantic lover and an alluring Spanish dancer. In order to win a pretty girl the hero is forced to masquerade as a fascinating senorita, and after a series of hilariously funny and exciting episodes he finally wins the heroine.

Water Power Makes Over 3,000 Alabama Coal Miners Jobless

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., (By Mail).—Hydro-electric power has resulted in unemployment for over 3,000 coal miners in Alabama. When the 144,000 horsepower Jordan Dam is opened by the Alabama Power Co., more thousands of miners will be made jobless, it is expected. Water-power is rapidly displacing coal for the production of electrical energy in the state.

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BRADFORD, England, Jan. 25.—The association of textile manufacturers here yesterday made public their intention of insisting on their demand for a general and widespread wage reduction.

This was done after the reactionary officialdom of the national organization of unions composing the textile trades, had advanced to the employers the timid "suggestion" that the employers withdraw the demand pending conferences with the Joint Industrial Council, a body of union officials.

Through the use of mere suggestions, the officialdom in control of the workers organizations hope to counteract the vicious attack on workers' standards which the mill owners are preparing.

The masses of the rank and file of the textile unions are especially bitter in view of the fact that the union officialdom recently came out with a public endorsement of the employers demands that tariff rates for the fabrics manufactured, be raised.

This reactionary step—a high tariff endorsement—was put over recently over the protests of the rank and file. The union officialdom at that time told the workers helping their bosses get a high provision, their own working standards would thus be safeguarded. The wage reduction announcements made by the mill owners yesterday, is the answer to that contention of the leadership.

In rallying the masses of union membership for a struggle against the administration, the left wing movement, which has a mass following, points to the way in which the bosses played the cat and mouse game with the unions.

During the last time the official union endorsement of their tariff requests was still obscured by an element of doubt for the opposition to this move was persistent and strong, the bosses refrained from trying anything definite about their wage reduction intentions. However the moment the tariff sanction was publicly secured from the union ends, they made no bones about their demands for a widespread wage cut.

The masses of textile workers will undoubtedly fight the wage reductions and fight both their misleaders and the bosses.

Negro, Fleeing From Lynch Town, Found Starving in Box Car

BLUEFIELD, W. Va., (By Mail).—Terrified and weak from hunger, thirst and cold, A. C. Collins, a 17-year-old Negro worker of Hattiesburg, Miss., was found lying in a box car here in which he had been packed over 100 hours. A railroad rickman, hearing his moans, unlocked the car.

Questioning revealed that Collins, homeless, and unable to find work, had entered the box car at East St. Louis, Ill., where he had fled from Hattiesburg, scene of the recent lynching of Edward McCollum, a Negro fellow worker.

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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 623, or phone Stuyvesant 0576.

Metro Workers Soccer League.
The Metropolitan Workers Soccer League will hold a ball on February 23 at the Laurel Garden, 75 E. 116th St. Organizations are asked not to arrange any conflicting dates.

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 interested in workers' dramatics are welcome.

Brooklyn Workers Center.
A dance and concert under the auspices of the Brooklyn Workers Center will be given tonight at 58 Manhattan Ave., Brooklyn. Good jazz band.

Working Class Women.
Council 10, Bath Beach, will celebrate its second anniversary with a concert and cherkinka at 45 Bay 28th St., tonight.

Brownsville Y. W. L.
Camaraderie, Saturday evening, Feb. 2, at 154 Watkins St., Brooklyn, arranged by the Brownsville Young Workers League.

Young Defenders.
The Young Defenders, as part of their educational program, will organize an Esperanto class. All internationalists are invited. Instruction is free. Registration is now on. The class will meet every Sunday from 4 to 6 p. m., at 1409 Boston Road, Bronx.

Tenants League Dance.
An Inter-Racial Dance is being staged by the Harlem Tenants League, Jan. 30, at the Imperial Auditorium, 151 W. 129th St.

Workers Press Club.
The executive committee of the Workers Press Club will hold its next meeting at the Workers Center, 26 Union Square, on Thursday, Jan. 31.

Harlem Progressive Youth Club.
The Harlem Progressive Youth Club will hold its third annual ball today at Harlem Casino, 110th St. and Lenox Ave.

German Speaking Comrades.
German speaking comrades are wanted to participate in building a mass chorus. Applicants are welcome every Tuesday, 8:30 p. m., Labor Temple, 243 E. 84th St., Room 18—Uthmann Singing Society.

Millinery Theatre Party.
The Millinery Workers Union, 43, has arranged a theatre party for March 20. Fraternities and unions are asked not to arrange conflicting dates for that evening.

Labor Students.
The Bryn Mawr and Barnard Summer School Alumnae Association calls all attending labor schools to participate in a conference tomorrow at 3 p. m. in the Club Rooms of the Association, 218 Madison Ave. The subject is "Are Labor Students Active?" Tom Tippett, of Brookwood Labor College, will lead the discussion.

Scandinavian Workers Athletic Club.
The Scandinavian Workers' Athletic Club will hold its second annual ball at Mass. Castle Hall, 149th St. and Walton Ave., on Feb. 9. All Labor Sport comrades and all others are invited. Two good jazz bands will supply the music. All welcome.

Harlem Youth Center.
The Harlem Working Youth Center, 2 E. 119th St., rents rooms for meetings, parties, open forums on daily, weekly or monthly basis. Further information from E. Eisman, 1271 Hoe Ave., Bronx.

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International Labor Defense Bazaar.
The annual bazaar of the International Labor Defense, New York district, will take place March 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 in New Star Casino, 101st St. and Park Ave. Make donations—contribute articles—come into the office, 749 Broadway, Room 422, and help us with the preparatory work.

Freiheit Chorus Annual Ball.
The annual ball of the Freiheit Singing Society will take place Friday, Feb. 22, Washington's Birthday, at the Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. Fourth St.

Dental Mechanics Annual Social.
The Dental Laboratory Workers' Union has arranged a get-together for its members and friends at the Leslie Ball Rooms, 83rd St. west of Broadway, on Friday, Feb. 22, a program of entertainment, there will be a contest for a 12 jewel, white gold watch.

Armenian Fraction Ball.
A ball will be given by the Armenian fraction of the Workers' (Communist) Party and the Armenian branch of the International Labor Defense for the benefit of the Armenian Communist paper and the Paterson textile strikers on Saturday evening, Feb. 19, at 221 E. 27th St.

Working Class Women, Brighton Beach.
Gina Meden will speak on "Women, Their Life, Suffering, and Struggle," tomorrow, 7:30 p. m., at 227 Brighton Beach Ave., under the auspices of the Brighton Beach Council, United Council of Working Class Women.

Painters, Carpenters, Chauffeur Wanted.
Painters, carpenters and a chauffeur are wanted to do volunteer work for the Workers International Relief. See Louis A. Baum, 1 Union Square.

Labor Temple Forum.
"Isadora Duncan's Autobiography" will be reviewed by Dr. G. F. Becker at the Labor Temple, 242 E. 14th St., tomorrow evening, Dr. Edmund B. Charles will speak on "My Idea of God" at the American International Church Service, Harry Seil, member of the British Parliament, will speak on "The British Empire and Her Subject Races." Questions and discussion will follow the lecture.

Freiheit Symphony Orchestra.
"Tranz Schubert" will be the subject of a talk by Nathan Alterman on Friday, Feb. 15, at Rose Garden, 4475 Boston Road, Bronx. The orchestra will illustrate the talk with excerpts from Schubert's work.

To Protest Lynching of Negroes in Meet in Cleveland Tuesday

CLEVELAND, Jan. 25.—To protest the lynching of Negroes, the Workers Inter-Racial League of Cleveland will hold a mass protest meeting Tuesday, Jan. 29, 7:30 p. m., at Spiro Hall, 3804 Scoville Ave. The meeting will especially protest the recent lynchings of Charley Shepard and Emanuel McCollum by "respectable" white citizens of Peshman and Hattiesburg. When the American Negro Labor Congress demanded an explanation Governor Bilbo of Mississippi said: "I have neither the time nor the money to investigate."

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Workers Party Activities

SETTLE FOR LENIN MEMORIAL TICKETS NOW!
All Party members are instructed to settle up at once for Lenin Memorial tickets. All outstanding tickets must be turned in immediately and payment for tickets sold. Unless this is attended to without delay the Party will face financial difficulties which will tend to destroy the moral success of the meeting. All tickets and payments should be in by the end of the week.

Section Women Organizers.
All Section Women Work Organizers are ordered to immediately send in to the district office, for the attention of Sylvia Spiro, the names and addresses of the newly elected Unit Women Work Organizers.

Attention League Fractions.
All language fractions are instructed to immediately elect a Women's Work Organizer to direct work among women in their particular languages. Send names and addresses of the comrades elected to the district office for the attention of Sylvia Spiro.

Spanish Fraction.
The Spanish fraction in conjunction with the Harlem Y.W.L. has arranged "A Night in Mexico" for Saturday evening, February 16, at 143 E. 16th St. All organizations are requested to reserve this date. A Mexican concert program will be presented. Dancing will begin at 8 p. m.

Pioneers Theatre Party.
The Young Pioneers of New York, together with the Negro Champion, will hold a theatre party at the Grove St. Playhouse Sunday evening, Feb. 10, to see "Singing Jailbirds." Tickets at the district office.

Electricians' Fraction, Y. W. L.
A meeting of the Electricians' Fraction of the Young Workers' League will be held Sunday, at 4 p. m., at 26-28 Union Square.

Section Nine Dance.
An entertainment and dance will be given by Section 9 at Fessler's Dance Hall, corner Steinway and Woolsey Aves., Astoria, L. I., on Saturday, Feb. 16. Dance will commence at 8 p. m. Take Astoria train and get off at Hoyt Ave. station.

Educational Meet, Section 1.
An educational meeting of Section 1, Units 2F, 2I and 2S will be held Monday, 6 p. m., at 60 St. Marks Place. Topic for discussion will be "The Party's Problems on Building New Unions." Jim Reid, of the National Textile Workers' Union, will speak. All are asked to prepare themselves for discussion and offer their opinion.

Harlem Y. W. L. Dance Postponed.
In order not to conflict with the annual affair of the Harlem Progressive Youth Club, the Harlem Unit of the Y. W. L. has postponed its dance for one week. The dance, half

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Workers of Cleveland Demand Full Equality

CLEVELAND, O., (By Mail).—The Lenin Memorial meeting which was held by the Workers' (Communist) Party to observe the fifth anniversary of the death of Lenin, and to mobilize the workers of this city against the war danger, also took action on the recent lynching of two Negro workers, Charlie Shepard and Emanuel McCollum, in Mississippi.

This resolution against lynching and other forms of capitalist terror reads in part as follows:

"We call upon workers, black and white, to unite for the struggle against the system which breeds such outrages.

"For the unity of all workers in the struggle against lynching, mob violence and terrorism!

"Down with capitalism, which feeds on the blood of the workers!

of the proceeds of which will be donated to the "Young Worker," will be held Saturday, February 2, at the Harlem Working Youth Center, 2 E. 110th St. A mass recitation will be a feature of the evening.

German Fraction Social.
The German fraction will give a party Saturday Feb. 16, 8 p. m., at Labor Temple, 243 E. 84th St., for the benefit of "Der Arbeiter," German language organ of the Party.

Greek Fraction Entertainment.
The annual entertainment of the Greek Fraction of the Workers' (Communist) Party will be given Saturday, 8:30 p. m., at the New Palm Garden, 306 W. 52nd St., between Eighth and Ninth Aves. Proceeds will be applied to "Empress," Greek Communist weekly.

Brooklyn Open Forum.
"Youth and Imperial War" will be the subject of a talk by Herbert Zam, of the Y. W. C. L., tomorrow, 8 p. m., at the Bronx Open Forum, 1330 Wilkins Ave. Questions and discussion. Bring your friends.

Upper Bronx Unit 2 Book Party.
A book party will be given by Upper Bronx Unit 2, 1330 Wilkins Ave., Jan. 31. Violin recital, song program, revolutionary dances. Help build the library.

Unit 2F, Sub-Section 2C.
Unit 2F, Sub-section 2C, will meet Monday, 6:30 p. m., 108 E. 14th St.

Unit 3, Section 4.
Unit 3, Section 4, will hold an important business meeting Monday at 143 E. 193rd St.

Branch 4, Section 5.
A special meeting of the branch will be held Monday, 8:30 p. m., 1330 Wilkins Ave. Last registration for new membership books. Report and discussion on past activities.

Branch 2, Section 3.
A membership meeting of the unit will be held Monday, 8 p. m., 312 E. 110th St., Brooklyn. There will be discussion on the section convention.

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Ramsay MacDonald's Poison Gas

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is being featured in the capitalist press as an authority on "Anglo-American friendship."

The British capitalist class which recently prayed for the recovery of their weak-witted king, surely can afford to pray twice as hard to their imperialistic Jehovah to preserve the health and lung-power of this "socialist" leader in the empire and world-chief of the Yellow International.

For there is in the whole British empire no other flunkey who can do as much as this MacDonald to blind the workers' eyes and paralyze their brains so as to lead them into the next imperialist world war as helpless cannon-fodder.

Dripping at the nose with religious bunk, MacDonald, in an article in the New York magazine, the Nation, tries with a quite unusual cunning to fix in the minds of the working class the illusion that the capitalist system does not necessarily lead to war, that the working class should do nothing whatever to fight the war danger, but should leave the whole matter to the two imperialist governments which should

"... appoint five or six of their most outstanding men representative of the whole nation to meet and drag from the obscure corners of sulky suspicion the things which make difficulties between us."

MacDonald's article is from beginning to end an attack against the materialist interpretation of history; it jeers at the idea that capitalist competition results in war. "Against this superstition and misreading of history, (to the effect that capitalism leads to war) every backboned sentiment of morality and common sense must be up in arms," says MacDonald, and "war is no more inevitable than small pox." To bring peace into a world dominated by capitalism is a "divine task of this generation." Not even the faintest suggestion of opposition to capitalism does he express.

But the old "socialist" faker is attempting something more than general propaganda. An undercurrent of his thought is that the one and only working class state, the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics (which he does not name) is at least as much given to imperialist war as the capitalist nations, for, he says, "every nation is rent between two opposing moods."

On the other hand he is anxious to preserve what he calls "the moral authority which every great state (he means the great imperialist war-making powers) must possess if we are to secure the conditions of a world's peace..."

And then Mr. MacDonald—Mr. Hillquit's "Comrade" MacDonald—shows his colors in the form of propaganda against the Wall Street governments proposed new cruisers (God save the King!) but that the British capitalist nation has on the other hand only the angelic motives shown by what he calls its declining to countenance the Anglo-French agreement.

He does not want to involve the imperialist United States in European entanglements, saying "It ought to praise its creator night and day that that necessity is not imposed upon it, as it is, alas! upon us." What does he mean by excuse excusing the European "entanglements" of the British government, which he says "alas!" are "imposed upon" the British? He can only mean the intrigue by which the British government is leading toward the war to crush the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

Mr. MacDonald is doing his bit of prostitution for British capitalism.

But what of the power which, from patriotic motives, he is arguing against—the United States of Wall Street? Is it any less guilty of imperialist war aims and preparations than the British state which MacDonald defends?

Not being social-democrats, we must say plainly that the United States government is now bending its whole strength toward the making of imperialist war, just as well as the British government, and to a greater extent because the Wall Street power has immensely greater resources. There is no crime too foul to be committed by the United States government in its present race toward the attempted seizure in military action, of the colonial possessions now being held by the British.

The United States also has its MacDonalds, and their names are Hillquit, Berger, O'Neal & Co. They are no less flunkies of American imperialism. They are tooting the patriotic horn of Wall Street in the attempt equally to befuddle the minds of working class cannon-fodder on this side of the line.

But the class-conscious workers of both countries will turn with disgust from both these gangs of capitalist imperialist prostitutes. The class-conscious workers of this country will bend every effort, not to "excuse" their capitalist masters for the present criminal preparations for war with the British imperialists, not to excuse the murderous "big navy" plan of the piratical Wall Street government—but to bring about the defeat of the United States government in the coming war.

Capitalism breeds imperialist war. War can be abolished only by destroying capitalism. The worst enemies of the working class are those who preach the lie that "peace" is possible under capitalist rule.

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More of Colorado's Governor; Haywood as a Union Official; How They Ran the Union; Setting Wages

By WILLIAM D. HAYWOOD.

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PART XIX.

By WILLIAM D. HAYWOOD.

GOVERNOR WAITE had been elected by the workers of the state. The mine owners knew that they couldn't fool with him, because upon his taking office he had ordered out the militia and had trained their cannon on the city hall in Denver, when the previous office-holders representing the mine owners and their business interests had refused to give up office.

Boyce reminded us that Governor Waite had the distinction of being the only governor in the United States who had ever called out the soldiers to protect the workers.

He told us about the conviction of Ed Lyons and Mike Tully, who had been charged with blowing up the Strong mine. Later they were released from the penitentiary and the stockholders of the mine sued Sam Strong, one of the owners, for the damages resulting from the explosion.

At these meetings Boyce initiated several hundred charter members of the Silver City Miners' Union Number 66 of the Western Federation of Miners.

"That is a good strong pledge," said I to Tom Fry, who was standing at my shoulder. The court room where the meetings were held was crowded. There were miners and mill workers from the Black Jack mine, the Florida mill, the Trade Dollar, the Blaine, the Poor Man, and the smaller mines of the camp. Every seat and every bit of standing room was filled. The charter was held open for some time to allow as many as possible to become charter members.



I was elected a member of the finance committee, and at various times filled the different offices of the union. While I was in Silver City I never missed a meeting of the Miners' Union except when I was working on the night shift, and I always took an active part in the work of the organization.

Two others and myself went as a committee to visit the Black Jack mine and invite one John Taylor who was working there either to become a member of the union, or leave the camp. Taylor became indignant and said that the superintendent told him that he did not need to join the union. We told him that the superintendent was not running the union; "the union is being run by the men of this camp." We had no further discussion with him, but when the shift came out of the mine at noon all of the men around the bunk-house, including the night shift, resolved themselves into a committee of the whole, and told Taylor to roll his blankets and hit the trail. He did this without any loss of time. I met Taylor years later, under strange circumstances.

Stewart, the master mechanic at the Trade Dollar mill, was another man to whom we had to extend a special invitation to join the union. We explained to him that we could make no distinctions as to men in the camp; that we wanted to make it a thoroughly organized camp; that he would get as much benefit as any other member, sick and death benefits as well as hospital service—for the union very soon owned its own hospital. Stewart joined under protest and in after years attempted to repay me with interest. But that is another story.

There were nearly a thousand men employed in Silver City. There was a continual coming and going, but these two were the only men with whom we had any trouble. The membership included all those working in the mines, skilled and unskilled alike, and also those in and around the mills. There was only a slight difference in pay between the skilled and the unskilled men. As the Western Federation of Miners developed, all of its struggles were for the men underneath, for the lower paid men, as we came to learn that when the unskilled worker got a wage upon which he could live decently there was no danger of the skilled men falling below this level.

All the men in and around the mines worked every day of the week, including Sundays, and the mills were never closed down even for holidays.

In 1896, in his annual report to the Western Federation of Miners, Ed Boyce said that he hoped that, before the time of the next convention, the martial tread of twenty-five thousand armed miners would be heard throughout the West; that the time had come when the miners would have to protect themselves from thugs such as were used in the Coeur d'Alenes, in Cripple Creek and in Leadville; that he trusted every miner would get a modern rifle and a supply of ammunition.

At one time I was on a committee appointed to see Joseph Hutchinson, the manager of the Trade Dollar Mining Company, about the pay of the men who were sinking. There was at that time a winze being sunk on the Trade Dollar Mine for which the men were being paid only three dollars and a half a day, which was fifty cents less than the union wage for sinking. Hutchinson said:

"Well, that complies with your constitution," taking a copy of the constitution of the union from his desk; "there is no provision here for sinking a winze."

Taking a copy of the constitution from my pocket, I said: "If you will read this you will see that we have corrected that error. Most men would rather work in a shaft than in a winze. At least, there is no reason why the wages should not be the same."

"I agree to that," he told us, "but I wish that when you change your constitution you would be good enough to keep us supplied with the latest issue."

It was not always because of skill or ability that men became superintendents or managers. One night there was a fire in the Chinese laundry in the back street. Some one suggested that the place ought to be blown up to keep the fire from spreading. Joe Hutchinson remarked that a box of powder would do the work. I told him:

"You don't want to put fifty pounds of powder under that shack! You'd break every window in town. Four or five pounds will lift it out by the roots."

They got the fire under control without the use of powder. The superintendent had probably never used a pound of powder in his life; he was superintendent through the success of his father.

In the next instalment is a graphic description of the western mining camp, Silver City, Idaho; McCann, a dope fiend and "high-grader" (one who either as a miner or in touch with miners, pockets the richest pieces of ore for themselves); how McCann was something of hero in spite of being a dope fiend.

and adapted to its needs. From the crib to the theatre—everything is organized so as to give the child the greatest comfort and pleasure. A mother who comes to the park with one or more children can leave them in the morning and come for them at night. She can leave them at their liberty with absolute assurance that the greatest care will be given to her children, no matter what their age is.

Cradles and white beds in all rooms; governesses and nurses for each group of children; toys of all sorts; centers of education and amusements; and outdoor games to the sound of music from two orchestras.

"The Dollar Terror in Cuba"*

By JULIO A. MELLA.

"DOLLAR DIPLOMACY" is a well-known term in Cuba. Before the so-called "Independence," America had invested fifty million dollars in Cuba. Now, in the period of "Independence" the amount has been raised to one and one half billion dollars. This is the work of Dollar Diplomacy.

The United States made Cuba "independent" by the famous "Joint Resolution." But the Platt Amendment establishes that "in order to guarantee this independence" Dollar Diplomacy attributes to itself "the right of intervention to protect property." A few million dollars were then distributed among "Liberators" to avoid such a rebellion as occurred in the Philippines after the American occupation. Loans fell upon the country from the Morgans, in order to complete economic penetration.

Recently the special Envoy of Dollar Diplomacy, Mr. Crowder, concocted the Election Law, through which only political parties favorable to the interests of American imperialism can exist.

Machado a Tool.

Now Dollar Terror has stepped in, in earnest. The conquest of Cuba by American imperialism did not come without the protests of rebellious workers. Cubans politics had consisted of a fight between those elements, like Menocal, who were frankly at the service of foreign gold, and those on the other hand who disguised this service with a certain nationalist tendency, such as Miguel Gomez and Mendieta. But there arose the ghost of the "workers' problem." The government has found it necessary to introduce a

Told by Julio Mella, Its Latest Victim, Assassinated by U. S. Agents

strict dictatorship to put down the workers' protests. Machado, who was a general during the independence, and who is a stockholder of the General Electric Company, seemed to be the ideal man for American interests. Machado declared in a speech in the university when he was presented with an honorary law degree, "Mussolini has given an example to the whole world." And so he got busy and started to put into practice in Cuba Mussolini's example. That was an announcement of the institution of Dollar Terror.

Here are the concrete results of the Dollar Terror during the last four years of Machado's government:

The death penalty was revived and is being applied with the ancient colonial instrument known as the "garrote." It is a chair where, without the necessity of modern electricity, a screw is introduced into the back of the neck of the guilty one, who for a long hour has to stand the agonizing pain.

Many Murdered.

In order to introduce terror among the field workers, many were secretly murdered. Bodies of these illiterate workers are often found hanging from trees with notes in their pockets announcing various reasons for their "suicide." The plantation workers know that the reason for the murders is that the

victims opposed the intense exploitation to which they were subjected by American imperialism and the Cuban politicians who are in the service of the Dollar Terror.

Another new proceeding consists of throwing labor leaders into the bay in Havana. Recently some fishermen found a human arm in the belly of a shark caught near Havana. The wife of Bruzon, the militant labor leader, recognized the arm as that of her husband's by the cloth of the sleeve and the cuff links still attached on the arm. The daily newspapers, "Diario de la Marina," organ of the Spanish colony and of the Catholics, published the photo of the gruesome discovery and a judge started proceedings. But President Machado limited himself to issuing a decree forbidding the fishing of sharks without special permission.

More than two hundred workers have been assassinated. Many trade unions have been dissolved. All the opposition press has been suspended and the editors of these daily papers shot publicly. Others have been exiled from Cuba. Strikers have mysteriously "disappeared." The University of Havana, and this perhaps is the only case of its kind in the whole world, conducts its classes in the atmosphere of terror imposed by a detachment of soldiers, who remain on duty in the corridors of the university with bayonets ready. The

students listen to the worn out stale tunes of their professors under the eyes of these soldiers, and the professors take advantage of all opportunities to flatter the dictatorship.

Thousands Starving.

At present the rickety industrial Cuban bourgeoisie, allied to American imperialism, which carry on the Dollar Terror, together, think itself safe in power because of its agreement with Wall Street capital. However, there are thousands of starving workers, there are producers of sugar cane ruined by the American sugar mills, and there are many intellectual workers. All these find American imperialism their daily and deadly enemy, and understand that their only salvation is in destroying its grip.

This task of destroying American imperialism's hold on Cuba has been undertaken by the Cuban revolutionists, and in order for them to succeed the American workers must cooperate. Only a close alliance between the revolutionary forces of Cuba with the workers of the United States will be able to combat the latest phase of Dollar Terror, in Cuba, which is strictly aimed against the working class. Some time ago the port workers of New York proclaimed a boycott against Cuban sugar if the persecutions against the Cuban workers were continued. This alarmed the Cuban dictator. The multiplications of measures such as this would prove of great benefit to the working class movement of Cuba and of all Latin America.

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A Park of Culture and Rest -- for Workers

By R. S.

(Translated from L'Humanite by Valentine V. Konin.)

THE park of culture and rest has been created by the proletarian government. Its vast plain stretching on the outskirts of Moscow produces an unforgettable impression upon a foreigner visiting the Red City.

The park has been conceived according to a plan which will require many years for its final realization; but even in its present state of development it offers an astonishing result.

That which only five years ago was an immense plot of land used for garbage dumping has now become, through the efforts of the workers' government, a city of amusement, where everybody can find a healthy way to pass his leisure hours.

Sports Accommodations.

It has been arranged in such a way as to offer the greatest opportunity for all forms of games, swimming, and rowing. There are numerous lawns for tennis and football; tracks for running, walking and bicycle riding; many gymnastic accommodations such as wooden horses, swings, ladders, etc., scattered in different parts.

At the first glance at this immense plain, one gets an impression that this is the recreation hour in

a school garden, where the games are organized according to the wish or fancy of each individual. Spontaneity and liberty reign in full. The adults don't want to distinguish themselves from the children; and the children find themselves sufficiently grown up to enjoy full freedom. They play, they laugh, they breathe freely with all their power. The crowds linger before the booths, where various attractions are dis-

played; particularly before a little labyrinth in which the children find joy in losing themselves and at the same time serving as a subject of great amusement to those who watch them.

There is a platform, where the clowns and the acrobats run about for the enjoyment of the crowd.

Huge Building in Center.

In the middle of the park rises a huge building formed by three two-

Imperialism Pictured by Julio Mella



The above drawing by Mella was made by him not long before he was assassinated.