

MASS ARRESTS IN HUGE DRESS PICKET DEMONSTRATION

BRITISH M.P.'S JUGGLE NAVAL RIVALRY ISSUE

Opposition Wants Fake
Disarmament Meet
With U. S.

Howard Gets Chastized

Chamberlain Says Offer
to U. S. Not Made

LONDON, Feb. 18.—The opposition in the house of commons today prepared questions asking Foreign Secretary Sir Austen Chamberlain why the British government changed suddenly from advocating another peace conference with the United States to a program of no conference, and on with the naval race.

Parliamentary leaders feel that British diplomacy in this case was rather bad, as it fails to place the blame for the naval race as clearly on American imperialism as the British statesmen desire.

Sir Esme Howard, British ambassador in Washington, last week proposed this naval conference to Secretary of State Kellogg. Kellogg ejected it, with kind words, to be sure, but still rejected it. It was clear that American imperialism wanted to drive ahead in naval competition with England, without the formality of bidding for the support of neutral nations and popular opinion within the country, through a lengthy chess game of conferences.

This was the clue for British diplomacy to complain loudly that now England is forced to build navies, too, for her overtures toward disarmament are rejected by America. Instead of this, Chamberlain issued a statement that Howard acted without permission of the cabinet in his offer to Kellogg.

GAG IMPLICATION OF DOHENY DEATH

Attorney, Family Cover
Oil Connections

LOS ANGELES, Feb. 18.—Every effort is being made by District Attorney Byron Fitts and the Doheny family to crush the implications that there is a connection between the deaths by shooting of Edward Doheny, Jr., millionaire oil man concerned with his father in the Elk Hills oil scandal, and Jesse Smith and Jake Hamon, mixed in the oil graft.

Fatality pursues those in the oil scandals who knew too much about the inside. Jesse Smith, confident of Attorney General Daugherty and President Harding, was shot dead under mysterious circumstances. No one was ever punished. Jake Hamon, politician who handled some of the oil graft negotiations and nominated Harding, was shot dead by a discarded mistress who had aigh official protection, and got off very easily for the crime. President Harding died under circumstances which are also queer; the official (Continued on Page Five)

Section 5 Has Banquet; for New Executive; \$92 for Daily Worker

Members of Section 5, Bronx, of the Workers (Communist) Party celebrated the installation of the new Section Executive with a banquet and entertainment at its headquarters, 1330 Wilkins Ave.

D. Benjamin, agitprop director of District 2, greeted the incoming executive on behalf of the district, and short talks were made by active comrades of the section, including Johnson, Paley and Yakovlev.

Comrade Righthand contributed several selections on a musical saw. He was accompanied by his daughter, Valentine.

The new members of the Section Executive include: William Johnson, organizer; Sophie Mensil, recording secretary; T. Yakovlev, financial secretary; Hannah Siegal, Daily Worker agent; Leroy, agitprop; P. Amron, Pitkoff, A. Radin, L. Baum, A. Baskoff, Rose Katz, Ziebel, Belle Robins, Hofbauer, Zybko.

TAG DAY RESULTS SMALL, DAILY WORKER HARD HIT

Comrades:
Thus far 60 per cent of the collection boxes used in gathering funds in the New York tag days for the Daily Worker have been turned in. These boxes contain only \$620. The returns of the rest of the boxes will be published tomorrow. But unquestionably the results are small.

We looked forward to about three times as big returns from these Tag Days as appear now to have been gathered.

Many workers appear to have believed that the Daily Worker was already out of danger due to the fact that over \$10,000 has been raised. But this sum went towards the payment of our most pressing bills, which had accumulated during a long period and led to the present crisis. THE CRISIS IS NOT OVER. Your funds must flow in steadily in ever larger sums to pull the Daily Worker out of its present crisis and place it on a solid foundation for future work.

The receipts—aside from the Tag Days returns—up to last night (Monday) are:

Previously listed	\$11,212.70
Monday	465.82
Total receipts to last night	\$11,678.52

Comrades, this leaves the Daily Worker far short of the sum needed to overcome the crisis. Our drive must be stimulated to greater energy. How is this to be done?

In the first place the districts have not yet fulfilled their quotas and they must immediately fill out this gap. We will publish tomorrow the sums already raised by the districts and show how short they are of the sums they promised to raise.

In the second place, comrades and sympathizers must throw all their energy into the drive to obtain donations from every workers' organization.

In the third place, every section of the Party, every city, must immediately arrange affairs for the benefit of the Daily Worker. While some affairs have already taken place—with good results—the comrades have again fallen short in seeing the tremendous possibilities of this method of campaigning. More affairs must be arranged!

From Tampa, Florida, the cigar workers have come across for the second time. They sent \$95.39 yesterday. Previously they had collected and sent \$200. Is this not a concrete example of working class solidarity and sacrifice?

Comrades in Wisconsin, California, Texas, Ohio, Massachusetts, in every state and section of a state in this country, you too will rise to the occasion and shove your revolutionary paper over the crisis and onto a solid financial basis.

The Daily Worker needs your help. Without you it will not be able to exist. It is up to you to keep your revolutionary fighting "Daily"!

Fraternally,
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE.

RUSH all funds to:
Daily Worker, 26-28 Union Square, New York.

Stimson Leaves Manila for United States; Will Head Hoover Cabinet

MANILA, P. I., Feb. 18 (UP).—Governor General Henry L. Stimson has booked passage to the United States aboard the liner President Pierce, it was learned today. The President Pierce sails from this port Feb. 23.

Stimson still declined to reveal his exact position under President-elect Hoover, but it is generally presumed

CAN 'DAILY' SURVIVE? Funds Vital if Our Press is to Live

Respond immediately to the appeal of the Daily Worker for aid in its present crisis.

The Daily Worker, 26-28 Union Square, New York.

After reading the appeal for aid in the Daily Worker I am sending you the enclosed amount, \$.....

Name

Address

Names of contributors will be published in the "Daily" without delay.

MEXICAN POLICE SHIELD SLAYERS OF JULIO MELLA

Although Their Names
Are Known, Killers
Not Arrested

'Investigation' Is Stall
Hope Masses Will Soon
Forget About It

(Special to the Daily Worker).
MEXICO CITY, Feb. 18.—The chief prosecuting attorney of the federal district, Jose Aguilar Maya, announces that he has received a letter from Havana, signed by a prominent Cuban, giving the names of the assassins of Julio A. Mella, as well as the details of how they murdered Mella, the young Cuban Communist who was killed on Jan. 10 by agents sent to Mexico by the dictator of Cuba, President Gerardo Machado.

The prosecutor does not give the names publicly, as the police "investigations" are still pending, according to the newspaper "El Universal," which adds that the crime can no longer be questioned as a political assassination.

The Mexican Communist Party has been and continues pointing out the complicity of the Porfirio Gil government in protecting the assassins by stretching the so-called "investigations" out interminably in the hope that the Mexican masses will let the murder of Mella be forgotten. It is more than ever necessary at this time for all who resented the murder of Mella to demand that the Gil government cease its deception and bring the assassins, whom it knows, to light, the Party declares.

STRIKE A SNAG ON REPARATIONS

Amount First Problem,
Division Another

PARIS, Feb. 18.—Owen D. Young, of the American delegation to the Dawes plan board of experts, announced a plan today for "avoiding discussion of the German ability to pay" by "increasing German trade and thereby increasing the German ability to pay." The scheme is not taken seriously here except as indicating the intention of the allies to disregard German pleas in the decisions.

PARIS, Feb. 18 (UP).—The Committee of experts is proceeding slowly in its attempt to set a definite total for German war reparations and may continue sessions for the anticipated time of three months, according to indications tonight.

Approaching the first critical phase of the sessions, the experts met this morning to approach discussion of the amount of annuities which Germany must pay in the future. A sub-committee of two men—one allied and one German delegate—was appointed to report tomorrow morning on more detailed plans for the committee's procedure and the experts adjourned for the day without taking up the problem of annuities. It was reported unofficially that Dr. Hjalmar Schacht of Germany and Sir Josiah Stamp of Britain, are on the committee.

The sub-committee is charged with finding a "short cut" through the maze of figures which Dr. Hjalmar Schacht, chief German delegate, presented in the sessions last week, when he explained the present Dawes plan annuities (\$25,000,000) can not be paid without help.

It was learned that Dr. Schacht has no intention of making a definite statement of the sum which Germany would consider herself able to pay to the former allied nations.

Division To Bring Fight.

After the decision as to how much Germany can pay, the still more important decision, on which the board is expected to split several ways, of dividing this amount among the victors in the late war will come up.

The American delegates, Young of the General Electric Co., and Morgan of the Wall Street banker, are "unofficial" and if their wishes do not prevail with the board, the U. S. government will simply repudiate the whole thing and refuse to be bound by its decisions.

The proletarian movement is the self-conscious, independent movement of the immense majority—Karl Marx (Communist Manifesto).

230 Dress Strikers Arrested



Photo shows several of the scores of dress workers who were jailed yesterday while picketing in the dressmakers' strike being shoved into patrol wagons by Tammany police.

'Women's Battalion' Aids Big Struggle of the Dress Strikers

By S. CROLL.
Yesterday's picket line in the dress struggle was especially lively and effective because of the "Women's Battalion" of picketers brought out under the leadership of the New York District of the Workers (Communist) Party, and supported by the New York Working Women's Federation, the United Councils of Working Class Women, etc., and who were marching, hundreds strong.

The police made no bones about dragging the most active ones out of the line and throwing them into the lobbies of the great buildings which house the dress manufacturers, to await the arrival of the patrol wagon. And as soon as it arrived the police shoved the women in first, then piled about twice as many workers into the patrol wagon as it could hold—on top of the women. Altho the drive to the station was very short, one woman suffered a sprained ankle and another a violent nosebleed as a result of the brutality with which the police jammed the pickets, one on top of another, into the bulging Black Maria.

Arriving at the jail we were (Continued on Page Two)

CORRUPT SEAMEN UNION IN MEETING

Gather at Hotel Home
of Furuseth

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The convention of Andy Furuseth's "International Seamen's Union," which started on Feb. 11, continued until today.

This convention indicates the degree of degeneration in the union. There were seven delegates altogether and the convention was held in the National Hotel, Pennsylvania Ave., and no additional room rent had to be paid, as Andy let the convention meet in his room and bathroom.

The convention met absolutely in secret, no visitors and not even press representatives being allowed in. All the delegates were paid officials of the Furuseth bureaucracy. The union has practically no membership and pursues a most reactionary course.

Members of the I. S. U. who wanted to know what was going on for or against their interests in this "convention" were denied entrance.

Try Worker Tomorrow for Collecting Funds for 'Daily' on Tag-Day

Arrested Saturday while collecting funds on the first of the two Tag-Days for the Daily Worker, William Weinberg will appear for a hearing in Jefferson Market Court tomorrow morning.

Weinberg was arrested at 34th St. and Seventh Ave. and taken to 50th St. Police Station. He was bailed out by the New York district of the International Labor Defense and was scheduled to receive a hearing Sunday, but it was postponed until tomorrow. He will be defended by Jacques Bultenbant, representing the New York I. L. D.

THOUSANDS DEFY POLICE TERROR IN GARMENT AREA; PULL DOWN 26 MORE SHOPS

Jailings Fail to Break Huge Picket Lines;
Young Pioneers Join Demonstration

Machinery for Hemstitchers' Strike Prepared
Last Night at Enthusiastic Meet

Enemies of the dressmakers' strike from the capitalist press to the socialist publicity machinery, who cry, "The strike is over," were exposed as bare-faced liars yesterday by one of the biggest and most enthusiastic mass picketing demonstrations New York's garment district has ever seen.

As a result of the picket demonstration yesterday morning, 26 more shops halted work and joined the strike, an announcement issued later by strike headquarters stated. This makes the total number of shops still strike-bound 400. The number that have settled with the union, granting all demands, are to date 325. About 8,000 dressmakers have already gone back to work under union conditions, with 5,000 still striking. All the work of the union is being centered on increasing the number out now.

As a result of the demonstration, 230 workers, many of them women strikers, are now in jail where, latest reports state, many are being finger-printed. They had dared entertain the criminal belief that they can

By Order of the General Strike Committee:
All active dressmakers are called upon to appear at the office of the Joint Board, 131 W. 25th St. tonight at 6 o'clock, without fail. Every active union member must respond to this call!

picket the struck shops and demonstrate that, far from the strike being over, the strike ranks were growing. The women were members of the Women's Battalion, organized especially to pull more shops on strike. On the 11-day-old strike more than 900 have been arrested.

Upwards of six thousand striking dressmakers, starting in parade formation at 7:30 in the morning, continued to march around the garment district till after 10 o'clock in defiance of innumerable orders to disperse. As a result the workers in 26 more shops joined the strike. (Continued on Page Two)

Defy Police Threats.
Deprived of the leadership of their five-block-long formations again and again by the arrest of those who were picketed to the head of the long picket line, the rank and file always found among them more who rallied the strikers to fresh formations. Terrorization by threats of (Continued on Page Three)

WON'T EXTRADITE FRED BIEDENKAPP

L. L. D. Wins Fight in
New Bedford Case

(Special to the Daily Worker).
ALBANY, Feb. 18.—The sharp struggle of the International Labor Defense against extradition of Fred Biedenkapp, secretary of the International Workers Relief, from New York to Massachusetts for trial on "conspiracy" charges in the New Bedford textile strike, seemed a success tonight, when it was announced that the governor had refused to sign the writ of extradition.

This was the second hearing before the governor's commission. Police officers representing the mill owners of New Bedford appeared at the first hearing to testify that Biedenkapp spoke from a soap box to the strikers.

Plan Investigation of Winslow Racketeering Ring in South N. Y.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—The House will be asked by the Judiciary Committee today for special authority to investigate the administration of the federal district court for southern district of New York under Judge Francis A. Winslow. Winslow is charged with maintaining a ring working thru his court to profit from bankruptcies. The defaulting Steinhardt was a member of the Winslow racketeering ring, it is charged.

Chairman Graham of the committee announced the House will be asked for authority to subpoena witnesses and appropriate funds sufficient to pay the cost of such an investigation.

"We also will report a resolution asking authority to continue the investigation after the present short session ends," Graham said. Attorney General Sargent has refused to investigate.

GROCERY CLERKS PREPARE STRIKE

Call Member Meeting
for Brooklyn Drive

Laying the ground work for the contemplated strike to organize the retail food store clerks in the borough of Brooklyn and adjacent sections, the Retail Grocery Fruit and Dairy Clerks' Union is calling a mass meeting of all workers in the trade for tonight at the main office of their union, 220 E. 14th St.

Calling the workers to real unionism, telling them to beware of the A. F. of L. fakers who are trying to create the impression that their company union is a factor in the organization declares as follows:

"From a progressive and militant union to all the workers in the trade that are slaving in open shops under unbearable conditions.

"Brother Workers:
To eliminate this evil and inhumanity in our trade, we must have a strong union and honest and able leadership to protect the interests of the workers only.

"As in other trades we have in our trade some individuals who are parading around and they call themselves a union, they are organizing a company union for the benefit of the bosses only and they speak in the name of the workers they do not represent!"

Court Upholds Gas Tax

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18 (UP).—Montana's two-cent-a-gallon gasoline tax law, which was levied only on gasoline refined and sold within the state, was held valid by the United States Supreme Court today. The case was appealed by Hart Refineries, Missoula, which contended the law would put the few state refineries out of business. The company suggested a law like those of most other states, taxing gasoline brought in from other states as well as domestically-made gasoline.

EMERGENCY FUND

Workers Contribute to Save the 'Daily'

Feb. 18, 1929.
Collected by Gary Workers Co-op. Society, Gary, Ind. —Co-operative Soc., \$50; collection at Co-op. meeting, \$10; A. Farnus, 50c; P. Shalako, \$1; Z. Sosieff, \$1; J. Lisevich, 25c; M. E., 25c; G. Lazarian, \$4; H. Shenuk, \$1; M. Yowkovich, \$5; A. Votivich, \$1; Z. Lemchenko, \$1; F. Nepsha, \$1 \$ 76.00
Branch 4, Sec. 5, Bronx, ... 51.00
Collected by Sarah Victor, Detroit, Mich.—Adam Nichol, \$6; Nick Kells, \$2; John Karpathakis, \$3; Geo. Giendians, \$2; collected by L. Ostrowska—J. Kati, 50c; M. Solomon, \$1; K.

Kahan, 50c; Davison Bros., \$1; R. Rose, 25c; M. Colburn, 50c; Albert Levovich, \$2; Shop Nucleus, \$4.15; T. Bezoff, \$1; J. Jackminsky, \$1; Wm. Moienhauer, \$10 45.75
1F, 3D, City 36.50
Collected by Int. Branch, Yonkers, N. Y.—John Guskay, \$5; Int. Branch profits on tickets, \$26 31.00
Sec. arrested pickets, City 30.00
Collected by Harry Fox, Newark, N. J.—Slovak Workers Home, \$25 Anna Pivko, \$1 26.00
C. C. Waukegan, Ill. 25.00
Collected by D. Fed
Brockton, ...
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Exploited Central European Working Class Faces Added Torture of Winter Floods

WOMEN WORKERS AID HUGE STRIKE OF DRESSMAKERS

"Battalion" Militant in Picket Rallies

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separated, men going to one set of cells and women to another. Seven of us were shoved into a cell half the size of a small hall-bedroom with an uncovered toilet which, if it had a flushing apparatus it was so well hidden we could not locate it. The stench was terrific. Looking around us we saw many slogans evidently imprinted on the walls by the preceding arrested pickets and which expressed the character of the strike: "Long Live the Industrial Union" with Industrial underlined three times; "Solidarity Forever," "The Union Makes Us Strong," "Down With the Sweat Shop System," etc.

To these we added ours, which included "Workers of the World Unite," "Join the Communist Party," "Support the Daily Worker," etc.

Aid "Daily."
In the midst of writing these we suddenly heard the voice of Rose Pastor Stokes coming from an adjoining cell reminding us of the great role the Daily Worker was playing in the strike and that it depended upon the pennies of the revolutionary workers to cover expenses. Pockets were emptied of small change and some \$18 was collected in the women's cells of the Jefferson Market Police Station.

Three hundred arrested pickets were brought to this police station alone, according to the register which lay open in the hall where some of us were stationed for a while were able to see. The station rang out with continuous song, cheers and slogans, from nine in the morning when arrested pickets began coming in to late in the afternoon when the writer was released along with a group of about 50. Many pickets were still left in the cells. Every little while a cop would come around and urge us not to sing, "that you are making it worse for yourselves," but no one took heed of him.

Every time a new batch of pickets were brought in the roof was in real danger of being raised by the cheers from both the new and older arrivals. Two or three times it happened that a young daughter or the mother of a young picket came in with a new group of arrested pickets.

Show Solidarity.
Everybody was in great spirits. There were various nationalities represented, as well as Negroes, men and women workers of other than needle trades who had come to picket to show their solidarity and support of the strike.

And so the strike is bringing together all class conscious revolutionary elements in a concerted battle against capitalist exploitation. Very characteristic of the spirit of the strikers was a little incident following the arrest of two women pickets who were shoved into the lobby in which I was standing. Addressing herself to her picketing mate, one of them said, "Say, the dumb cops put us into the lobby of the very building in which our shop is located; let's watch who is going up, then maybe we can talk to them tomorrow and get them to come out."

To Give 'Airways' on Sunday Eve for Anti-Imperialist League

"Airways, Inc." by John Dos Passos, the second play of the New Playwrights Theatre this season, will be given Sunday night as a benefit performance under the auspices of the New York Branch of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League. The performance will take place at the Grove Street Theatre. Members and friends of the League can obtain tickets for this performance at the local office, 799 Broadway.

USSR PAINTER SPEAKS

"Art Is Now Part of Workers' Lives"

"Collective purchase" of works of art has taken the place of the art collector and connoisseur in Soviet Russia, according to Alexei Kravchenko, noted Russian painter, who spoke at a reception in his honor at the Art and Handicraft Exposition of Soviet Russia in Grand Central Palace Friday afternoon.

"The encouragement given to contemporary artists by the purchase of their works for museums, workers' clubs, and government buildings means that art has become a part of the lives of the workers," he said.

"The demand for pictures to decorate workers' clubs is growing; all the time. Five hundred such clubs which will be built in the near future will contain decorations by Russia's best artists. One club in the Moscow province has assigned 10,000 rubles to the purchase of works of art to decorate the building.

Farmer and Family Jailed for Five Years for No Reason



For 15 years W. O. Irvin, 66, struggled on a little farm in Barton County, Missouri. The land was bad, the crops poor. Irvin, his wife and seven sons toiled on the land. Today, Irvin, Mrs. Irvin, and their three sons, Galva, 22, Clifford, 19, and JJoe, 17, are in the Missouri State Penitentiary, charged with stealing chickens. The farmers say they are not guilty, but the judge sentenced them to five years prison. A poor farmer like a poor worker is always guilty in a capitalist court.

NINE INJURED IN ELEVATED CRASH

2 Train Workers Get Bad Scalp Wounds

Nine were injured, some seriously late Sunday night when a north-bound Third Avenue elevated train of five cars crashed into an empty eight-car lay-up train on the curve above Webster Ave. at 194th St., the Bronx. Faulty signals are believed to have caused the collision.

About fifty passengers were on the train at the time of the collision. Most of them were hurt slightly. Those who were injured seriously were removed immediately to the Fordham Hospital. They are: John Murphy, 26 years old, of 307 Cypress Ave., the Bronx, motorman; scalp wound.

Elizabeth Benedict, 8, of 2785 Pond Pl., the Bronx; scalp wound.

Maris McCullough, 25, 1045 Forest Ave., the Bronx; abrasions of the right knee.

Michael Tochter, 26, of 460 E. 134th St., conductor; scalp wound.

Vincent Sabino, 30, 2735 Webster Ave., the Bronx; abrasions of the right leg.

Mrs. Rose Sabino, 28, wife of Vincent, scalp wound.

William Curry, 64, 3055 Webster Ave., the Bronx; lacerations of the face.

George Moratt, 42, of 240 Main St., Yonkers; scalp wound.

Frank Donovan, 40, of 787 Elton Ave., the Bronx; contusions of the back.

The force of the collision telescoped one of the empty cars injuring the motorman. Windows crashed and glass was flung among the passengers on the five-car train. Traffic was tied up for about fifteen minutes.

Film Epic of Soviet Rescue to Be Shown for Needle Strikers

The special benefit performance of "Krasin," the motion picture of the heroic Soviet rescue of the Noble expedition will be given this Friday and Saturday at midnight at the Film Guild Cinema, 52 W. Eighth St.

The showings are being held under the auspices of Local New York Workers' International Relief, 799 Broadway, and owing to the arrangement of midnight performances, it is possible to take over the entire theatre for the strike.

All workers are urged to buy tickets immediately for the two performances so that the house will be sold out in advance. Tickets can be reserved by telephone—Stuyvesant 8881—and are on sale in the Workers Bookshop, 26 Union Sq.

Appeal Made by Haywood to the Negroes

Readers of the Daily Worker, whoever they may be, particularly plain, ordinary workers, are especially invited to write letters to the Daily Worker telling of their experiences with "Big Bill" Haywood, whose life story is being published serially each day in the Daily Worker.

Those who have read the early chapters of Haywood's book, remember that he told how race prejudice had aroused in him a deep resentment against any form of oppression visited by whites upon the Negroes. Haywood never forgot class lines, and always made a special appeal to Negro workers. This is shown by a letter we have received from B. H. Lauderdale of Breckenridge, Texas, which reads as follows:

"A Negro Workers' District.
"In 1908, Bill Haywood toured Texas under the auspices of the socialist party, his route carried him to the little town of Mart, in Williamson County. This county grows cotton almost exclusively, and a very large portion of the population are Negroes.

"Many Negroes came out to hear Haywood, but he did not go to the borders of the crowd. Haywood invited them to come up to the front, and refused to speak until the Negroes gathered to the front and close around the speakers' stand.

"When he reached Leuders, Texas, the scene of a socialist encampment, a delegation met the train. When a comrade was taking one of Bill's big suit-cases, someone hollered: "What you got in that, Haywood?" "Dynamite!" was Haywood's answer."

No More Such Explosives in S. P.
While Comrade Lauderdale did not mention it, no suit-case ever carried into the heart of the South, which is to say the heart of race prejudice against the Negro, could be one-tenth of one per cent as filled with dynamite as Haywood's action at the meetings where he spoke of demanding not only an equal but a specially favored place in his audiences for Negro workers.

Not every socialist speaker in those pre-war days had Haywood's sound class-consciousness and courage in defying race prejudice. Such an attitude was not mandatory by party policy, in common with nearly every genuinely revolutionary practice. The socialist party expelled Haywood four years later, and now there are no Haywoods in that party, which can scarcely hide its really capitalist character with the fig-leaf of a few reformist phrases.

Readers who wish to obtain Haywood's memoirs in bound volume, may obtain them free with a yearly subscription to the Daily Worker, renewals or extensions also draw the book, a fine addition to your book shelf.

SHOE FIRM OPENS SCAB JOB AGENCY

Union Continues Strike Against Bosses

Striving desperately to maintain its open shop in the face of the strike called by the Independent Shoe Workers Union, the Schwartz and Benjamin Shoe Co., 134 N. St. Brooklyn, yesterday established a scab employment agency in the Broadway Central Hotel, 673 Broadway. The bosses of the company had been unable to get scabs from the ranks of the workers. The union, in a statement yesterday, warned all shoe workers that only scab jobs can be gotten through this "agency" and urged that its advertisements in papers be ignored.

The Century Shoe Co., 7 St. Nicholas Ave., Brooklyn, agreed Saturday to accept the demands of its workers after a short strike. The settlement includes complete recognition of the Independent.

Workers are again reminded by the union that funds are necessary in order to continue the struggle against the open-shop and wage cuts and for the organization drive. All remittances should be sent to the office of the union, 51 E. Tenth St.

Dana Will Give Series of Six Lectures on the Drama of Soviet Union

A series of six lectures on the "Revolutionary Russian Drama" will be given at the new school for Social Research, 465 W. 23rd St., on Wednesday evenings by Professor H. W. L. Dana, who recently returned from a two-year stay in Europe. One complete year was spent in Moscow and Leningrad.

The first lecture, on "Moscow Theatres," will be given tomorrow evening at 8:20. In his other five lectures, on succeeding Wednesdays, Dana will take up, in the order named, "The Theatre International," "Plays About Revolutionists," "The Russian Revolution Dramatized," "Soviet Problems Dramatized," and "The World Revolution Dramatized."

Dana stresses the point that he believes the Soviet theatre and drama the most vital and interesting in the world.

REPORT BRITISH AIDING MEXICAN FASCIST MOVES

Reactionaries on Verge of New Outbreak

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 18.—That fascist reaction is on the point of opening civil war for seizure of power is evident from many swift developments. That it is probably backed by British imperialism seeking to overthrow the Gil government which has "made friends" with the United States, also appears in the fact that Gilberto Valenzuela, who is verging near calling for armed rebellion, was Mexico's minister to London for some years.

The Catholic clergy are helping along materially. In semi-defiance to the government order that all priests register their address with the government, Bishop Miguel de la Mora, head of the episcopate, who has been in hiding for months, announces that if priests register, they do so "on their own responsibility. We do not prohibit the priests from registering, if they believe it is convenient to subject themselves to such humiliation."

Not Responsible Either Way.
The statement praises the priests who have not registered, and then has the effrontery to say that the Catholic church cannot be blamed for the religious rebellion led by priests who "acted on their own responsibility." Thus, if they register and keep the peace, or don't register and start rebellion, the church contends that they act "on their own responsibility."

The armed revolt threatens from Sonora, where reports say that General Francisco Manzo, commanding 5,000 troops, planned to seize control of that area. Manzo was close to Oregon and is a friend of Valenzuela, who is backed for the presidency by big agrarians as well as the church.

Valenzuela, speaking at Cajeme, Sonora, welcomed being called a rebel. He said: "If they call me a rebel because I attacked the government's subterranean precedents such as poisonings and assassinations, I declare then that I am in open rebellion. If they consider me a rebel because I opposed the selling of public posts by grafting officials, then Valenzuela is a rebel."

As is usual with fascists, he appeals to the masses against the existing regime, but only to substitute it with terror against the masses, once power is won. The Workers' and Peasants' Bloc will fight both fascism and the Gil government.

Brownsville Youth to Hold Liebknecht Meet

George Pershing will speak at the Liebknecht Memorial meeting and dance arranged by the Young Workers (Communist) League of Brownsville for this Friday evening at 8:30 at 154 Watkins St.

In addition to Pershing, a young dress striker will speak. Proceeds of the affair will be divided equally and contributed to the needle trades strikers and the "Young Worker."

7 Soldiers in Mexico Die in Wall Collapse

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 18.—Seven soldiers were killed and thirteen injured by the collapse of a barrack wall while a class in military law was meeting, dispatches to the newspaper Universal from Monterrey, state of Nuevo Leon, reported.

Death Dogs Oil Swindlers; Another Shot



Edward L. Doheny, Jr., and Hugh Plunkett, carriers of the \$100,000, for secretary of the interior Albert B. Fall in the Teapot Dome transaction, are both dead by Plunkett's bullets. They were the actual messengers for Doheny, Sr., and the others involved in the oil steal and knew a great deal about the whole business. Jake Harmon, Jesse Smith, with much knowledge of the oil swindle, also died by bullets. Now a Doheny is added to the number of dead.



TAX SELVES FOR DRESS STRIKE

Hold Anti-Police Terror Protest Meeting

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are to work for funds which will further the scope of the strike and install union conditions in still larger sections of the industry.

Louis Hyman, president of the National activities among the non-union shops in the buildings their shops are located in.

Rose Wortis, chosen by the meeting to act as its secretary, in the opening speech of the meeting summed up the gains made by the strike already and emphasized the fact that the strike must now be spread to make more and greater inroads on the sweatshops still numerous in the industry.

The International Labor Defense, New York District, the New York Local of the Trade Union Educational League and the Workers (Communist) Party yesterday held a mass meeting in Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Place, to protest against the vicious police terror with which the capitalist class here is trying to crush the heroic strike of the workers.

This meeting was planned several days ago, before the latest orgy of arrests. The jailing of 230 more

Workers Lab Theatre to Give Mine Play at Labor Defense Bazaar

The premiere showing of "Marching Guns," by Louis A. De Santes, the first production of the Workers Laboratory Theatre, will take place Wednesday, March 6, at the New Star Casino on the opening night of the four-day bazaar of the New York Section of the International Labor Defense.

"Marching Guns" is a one-act play of the coal miners' struggle, and depicts the bitter fight the mine workers are conducting against the operators, the coal and iron police and thugs, and the labor betrayers.

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DANUBE RISING; PEASANTS FLEE, STARVE, FREEZE

Cold Kills in Germany and in England

LONDON, Feb. 19.—Already fighting desperately to escape death by starvation and frostbites, workers and peasants of Central Europe now face a new danger with the threatened appearance of floods in which many weeks' accumulation of ice and snow, seeking an outlet to the sea, will spread destruction, according to reports received here today.

Fierce snow storms rage in Europe, causing intense suffering among the peasantry. The flimsiest rags are being grabbed in a vain effort to minimize the effect of the shortage of precious fuel. In Poland railroads are still disorganized. Entire districts are completely cut off in Eastern Galicia. One hundred and ten vessels are icebound of Danzig, but so far no reports have been received of government expeditions to aid the crews.

Following a burst of underground pipes by frost, five workers were injured in Berlin. Coal is reported more difficult to obtain than when the cold spell first started.

The intense cold in London has brought with it a new outbreak of the virulent influenza which thousands of British workers fell victim during the post-war industrial depression.

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LABOR SPORTS

The Eastern District of the Labor Sports Union will hold its first indoor men's swimming meet of the winter on Saturday, March 2, in the Metropolitan Ave. Baths, Bedford and Metropolitan Aves., Brooklyn.

The program for the meet is as follows:

- Senior Events.
- 1. 100 yard dash—free style.
- 2. 50 yard dash—free style.
- 3. Fancy diving.
- 4. 100 yard breast stroke.
- 5. 50 yard breast stroke.
- 6. 3 man relay—free style.
- 7. Cup race.
- 8. Plate race.
- 9. Life saving demonstration. Carry, break, grip, approach, respiration.
- 10. Comic life-saving.
- Junior Events—Age 12 to 15.
- 1. 50 yard free style.
- 2. 25 yard free style.
- 3. 3 boy relay—free style.
- 4. Baloon race.
- 5. Candle race.

PARTY PRE-CONVENTION DISCUSSION SECTION

For Party Unity and the C.E.C.—Against the Opposition's Factionalism

CHARLES REYNOLDS.

Foreword.
The CEC has received the following article from Comrade Charles Reynolds of Seattle. He repudiates the Opposition viewpoint of the Party membership meeting. Comrades are asked to note Comrade Charles Reynolds of Seattle is not William Reynolds of Detroit, and has nothing to do with the latter.

There is an acknowledgment of my breaking Party discipline, also why I repudiate the Minority position.
The more detailed Political statement will be forthcoming soon.
I am a logger and my previousing in the class struggle was

while I was a member of the I. W. O. and for the reason I have been affected with Opposition tendencies. When a resolution was presented, which protested against statements of Foster that the Right danger is the main danger and the CEC a Right wing CEC, as an individual I took the Opposition.

Then I met Khanaeff who came from District 13, he showed me two underground documents signed Forjack, which Khanaeff claimed was the statement of the Minority as to fake unity and suppressive measures that the Majority was supposed to be guilty of.

Khanaeff informed me that he had the Caucasian comrades 50 per cent for the Opposition. That all outside units except Seattle in District 12, was uncertain to be Opposi-

tion and that District 12, Executive, were bankrupt and the DO was receiving \$30.00 a week, the sub-dist. org. \$60 per month, YWL org. \$30.00 per week, the YWL sub-dist. org. \$60.00 per month and two others who worked in the office were receiving pay. The CI representative stated that the Party was dominated by a bunch of Jews. I personally objected to his last two assertions. Therefore he did not attempt to talk further on those questions. I was invited by Khanaeff on three different occasions to attend a caucus, I could not attend as I was busy on committee work. He, Khanaeff told me that there was some opposition to me coming to the caucus as I was not reliable. I think Lipp, was mentioned.

Khanaeff informed me that he was very close to the CEC and the CI, if I remember correctly, the reason of his confidence in me was, that previously he aired out my Opposition tendencies.
After Khanaeff went back to California I received an invitation through Minnie Grenville, to attend a caucus at Comrade Burkes' house. We only discussed about the investigation of Comrade Burkes' house by the Party Committee. I attended two other caucus meetings at Comrade Forrest's house.
At one meeting Comrade Price and myself and Forrest, his wife attended. We discussed the question of getting contact with outside units. At second meetings (caucus) Comrade Forrest, myself and Minnie Grenville attended. Forrest informed me that Fislman had de-

clared himself for the Minority. We discussed ways and means to obtain contact and other matters pertaining to District 12 and then dump Fislman overboard by calling a caucus the next night without him. By this time I was becoming rather uneasy about where we of the Opposition would end up at.

The third caucus we held was composed of Fislman, myself, Price, Forrest, Burke and Minnie Grenville. It was decided that Burke and myself would attend the Party discussion meeting the next day, while Price, Forrest, Fislman would draw up a contact with other units, and prepare a resolution. After that I did not attend any other caucus as I was getting disgusted. On one other occasion, I met Fislman, on the skid road,

and we entered into a conversation, he informed me that he was going to stand for the Minority. I asked him why didn't he vote for the Minority amendment that I introduced, he answered that he voted against Trotskyism once and that was sufficient and that he was going to fight it out at the convention. At one other time Forrest showed me a communication which was supposed to have come from the Minority CEC which said to stand for one delegate or representative from each unit as it was instructed from the CI, signed Forjack.

There I as a Minority do claim that we the Opposition in District 12, have been used as fools and books by the Trotskyite Opposition in the Khanaeff a Trotskyite, if there was anti-semitic statements

made by comrades, they were only Poll parroting-Khanaeff.
I felt that if I had not taken the initiative in the Opposition that it would not have materialized in Seattle, I furthermore assume most of the responsibility of giving objective support to Trotskyism as a Minority positionist, I furthermore repudiate any statements which I was responsible for making through underground channels, which might be used against our executive. I accept the decisions of the CI and the Majority of the CEC without reservations.
I furthermore claim that Foster, Bittelman and Aronberg are giving objective support to Trotskyism, therefore, if I have done the Party injury, I hold you responsible for my actions.

I demand that you leading comrades, repudiate your Minority position, subordinate yourselves to the Majority position without reservations.
I leave you comrades of the CEC and DEC to judge me as you see fit.
I have learned my lesson by receiving a hell of a political thumping. Khanaeff also told me that we would have to fight the executives even after the convention.
Comradely yours,
CHAS. REYNOLDS.

P. S.: I held a temporary caucus with Forrest and Price in the presence of another. I informed them I would go with the Majority, their answer was that they would continue with the Opposition.—C. R.

By B. MIGHTON.

NeS3 Dist. 3, Philadelphia) asking over the "Draft Thesis Party Organization." I wish to line Section 4 on the Building and Proletarianization of the Party Organs. I heartily agree with the provisions proposed for building up of the sections and giving them the "leaders of the territory." Indeed, that is what I want! The section committees should be made the connecting link, not the connecting links, between the leading organs of the Party and the nucleus.

Thesis Incomplete.
The Draft Thesis, Section 4, is, in my opinion, very incomplete, and some old features, the kind we had in practice and which did prove to be of service to our Party. Let us consider some details:—We want to establish that the section committees should have all

rights as leading bodies in their territory, because it is the political leader of the given territory, but we do not see the direct link of the section committee and the other leading organs of the district. Up to now the section organizer would be a member of the Organization Department and all other matters were subject to communication. No leading body will ever be a political leader if it is not part and parcel of the political leadership. Therefore, the section organizer or secretary of the Section Executive Committee must be a member of the D. E. C. That will establish direct and more correct Party leadership within the various sections of the district, particularly in the sections

outside of the city in which the District Office is located.
The schedule for meetings of the leading organs leaves the old features of frequency of the meeting dependent largely on the local conditions. This is one particular feature we have to do away with, because there are always local conditions for leading bodies within a district. Another one: the more important the leading body (1—DEC; 2—District Bureau; 3—Secretariat), the less they meet, especially in this given period when we have to raise the political and Party level of our rank and file (including also some functionaries). By reducing the number of meetings of the DEC, we reduce the possibilities of orienta-

tion of the district political leaders on the correct line and work of the Party. The district bureau will have a better chance for correct orientation by meeting at least once a month. That will put the district bureau automatically above the DEC politically, carrying the line down to the secretariat.

This secretariat, which in reality must be the agents of the DEC and the district bureau will have to assume the political leadership in between meetings of the district bureau (every month) and DEC meetings (every four months). Again we find the third body of the district almost at the top of the political guidance of the district.
DEC Should Be Driving Body.
I am convinced that many political and organizational errors have been made within our leading bodies in the districts, due to the fact that the DEC has been reduced to little importance, whereas the DEC should have been the driving power of political leadership and the organic medium for organizational activity.
Therefore, to improve and put on a working basis the DEC and the sections, I submit the following:
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British Imperialism Starting 5,000 Miles Plane Route to India

LONDON, (By Mail).—As part of British imperialist plans to hold India against a revolt or attack during the coming world war, the Imperial Airways has announced to-day a 5,000 mile regularly weekly air service between Croydon air station, England, and Karachi, India. Planes leave England Saturday, and their passengers arrive in India Friday morning.

By Plane and Train.
The beginning will be by triple-screw Armstrong-Siddeley air liners, from Croydon to Basle, Switzerland. From this point the service will be by express to Genoa, Italy, from where Short-Jupiter flying boats will operate to Egypt. The last stage of the journey, from Cairo to India, will be by triple-screw De Havilland-Jupiter air liners, which have been operated on the Cairo-Basra route for the past two years.

Life of Bartolomeo, Anti-Fascist Still in Danger in Belgium

(Red Aid Press Service)
PARIS, (By Mail).—The fate of Angelo Bartolomeo, who shot the fascist priest Cavaradossi, upon French territory and whose extradition is now demanded by the French government, is still in the balance. Numerous protest meetings of workers and others in Belgium against the extradition for a political offence, seem to have made some impression, for the court which met in Liege on Jan. 2 heard the case, but did not come to any conclusion. The verdict has been postponed. Protests have still value and should be made direct to the Belgian government.

Mass Meetings of Workers Protest Greek Terror Bill

(Red Aid Press Service)
ATHENS, Greece, (By Mail).—The new bill prepared by Venizelos against the revolutionary working class movement and against even the trade unions has aroused great indignation among the workers. A mass movement of protest has commenced which is certainly not less energetic and widespread than the protest movement which took place against the projected law of Michalakopoulos.
Numerous protest meetings have taken place in Salonika. A general meeting of the Tobacco Workers' Union has decided to hold a mass protest demonstration all over the country.

PUPPET TO VISIT FOR ORDERS LONDON, (By Mail).—The Sultan of Zanzibar, puppet ruler of a British colony off Africa, will arrive on a junket here May 31.

BOSSES WOULD END COMPEN- SATION.
JEFFERSON CITY, Mo., (By Mail).—Missouri corporations have had a bill introduced in the legislature to repeal the workmen's compensation act.
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Kansas City Railroad Shop Nucleus Calls for CEC Support

The railroad shop nucleus of Kansas City, after a thorough discussion of the tasks and problems confronting the Party, adopted at its meeting of January 10th, the following resolution:

In the present existing world conditions, the Communist Party in America has a great duty to perform: The need of organizing the workers against the ruthless exploitation of the broad masses of the American workers. The Party must become the leader in organizing the workers against the economic ex- ploitation which appears in the form of rationalization of industry, wage cuts, speed-up, etc. The organiza- tion of and the struggle for the Negro masses must become the most important task of the Party.

While the Party nationally has passed the stage of being a propa- ganda society and has entered into active leadership of the American workers, yet in District 10 the Party is still in its embryonic stages. The coming district and national conventions must result in laying the basis for the development of the Party as a leader of the class struggle in District 10.

The objective conditions in this district are favorable for such a development. The industrialization going on in the territory of the district, the crisis in the coal and iron mines, the growing exploitation in the packing, railroad, and other in- dustries, etc., are all conditions that must be utilized for the building of the Party and the development of the class struggle.

The Right and Trotsky dangers are serious menaces to the Party as a whole, and most seri as in Dis- trict 10. The objective conditions are such as to give rise to pessimism within the ranks of the Party. While industrialization draws in new forces into the cycle of capitalist exploita- tion, at the same time it develops reformist illusions and pessimism.

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While the CEC and the whole Party committed a number of Right errors, it is absolutely criminal for the Opposition to utilize these errors as a platform for struggle against the CEC. First, because the CEC, in spite of its errors, has shown that it is capable of leading the Party in active revolutionary strug- gles, and secondly, the Opposition is equally, and, in many instances to a greater degree, responsible for the commission of Right errors. We call upon all Party members, and particularly those who support the Bittelman Opposition, to cease all factionalism and unite behind the CEC. At the same time we demand that in the interests of the struggle against the Right and Trotsky dangers, that the demand of the ECCI that the principle of proletari- anizing the Party and the drawing in of the proletarians from the basic industries into the Party leadership, be carried out not only nationally but locally as well.

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Discussion of Draft Thesis on Organization

At present we have a situation where leading bodies in the district meet once in many months, and we must not make this a regular practice. The Communist activity of the rank and file is much dependent upon the political leadership and guidance of the DEC.

No Bureaucracy.
Let us be frank. I base my argu- ment on the provision of the Draft Thesis which says "no less than three times during the year" or "at least once a month" because leading functionaries and organizers have made a practice of such provisions and will furnish the root for the future unless we radically change it into a live movement.

Too Many Meetings.
Within my own district I personally happened to meet with resistance to "too many meetings." This "resistance to too many meetings" was upheld by the leading bodies and district organizer. At the time of the election campaign, I proposed, as section organizer, that units meet during the two months of the campaign every week instead of every two weeks, the same to apply to committees. This was not carried out. The result was poor organiza- tional contact with the membership, less opportunity to discuss our election program, insufficient orienta- tion on the political significance of conducting the election campaign.

This is one of the many instances of the too many meetings policy. The too many meetings feature has become a bad thing in our Party. Comrades really do have too many meetings—in the clubs, benevolent associations, singing societies, edu- cational organizations, but not for the Party unit meetings and activity. Many comrades have made up their minds that as members of the Party, they are already politically, organiza- tionally, etc., graduates for the field work of the Party. Naturally, they waste time in the unit? They faithfully attend the union, club, circle meetings, etc., and lead the poli- cies and activities upside down. No activity within the organization is of any use without our Communist orientation.

Our Party will never benefit from these too many meetings unless the comrades begin to realize that Party meetings are the first condition for Communist orientation and Bolshevik activity.

Very dangerous for the Party would be the application of resis- tance to too many meetings to our leading bodies.

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There is another danger. Many comrades entrusted with leading positions in the various committees do not always have the leading qualities as superiors and this may bring a good deal of misunderstanding and difficulties in the Bolshevization of our Party, because they will not know how to exercise it and the rank and file are not yet Bolshevized.

Turnover.
On the problem of "Why does not the Party hold the membership?" (only about one-third of the applicants remain in our Party). I think this problem should not be hard to solve. We will have to establish "revolutionary training schools for candidates" before they are accepted within the Party.

Under our present system, one who is radically inclined or has supported our movement, signing an application card, becomes a full-fledged member of our Party. Many of these elements have never been prepared for a Bolshevik Party. The biggest part of that raw material falls down thru lack of understanding of the duties and demands of the Party. They drop out. The biggest part of those remaining have to go thru a self-education school. In many cases the self-education is not complete and thoro. That leaves us undeveloped elements among good and willing comrades.

Great improvement must be made in this matter. We must establish a probationary period and training school for candidates in every district or section. For instance, a period of six months. During that period, they should get a Commu- nist education politically and in Bolshevik organization. For this period they should be given work in the field of activity of our Party and the Left movement under the supervision and guidance of Party instructors. The candidates must be taught and trained in this period in the duties and obligations of a Communist to his Party. A period of Party education for candidates will undoubtedly bring good results to the end of making our Party a mass Party.

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United Textile Workers Union Tries to Intimidate Workers Into Taking Wage Cut

LAY OFF MANY IN SALEM MILL; WAGES ARE CUT

Misleaders Sell Out the Fighting Workers

(By a Worker Correspondent)
SALEM, Mass. (By Mail).—I read in your paper a lot about the speed-up and wage cuts in various textile mills all over the country. I want to tell you something about the mill where I work. I work in the Naumkeag Mill of Salem which produces Pequot sheets and pillow cases. The company now employs 2,100 workers. Almost all are organized in the U.T.W. Local 33. Now the bosses are planning to reorganize the whole on speed-up and wage-cut basis. They say they are not making enough profits so we must accept a big speed-up to give them more profits. In the last quarter of 1922 they paid out "only" \$180,000 in dividends.

Under the reorganized plan there will be only 1,800 workers. The other 300 will have to go elsewhere (where I suppose the same thing is going on, or starve. Here is how it will work. The weavers who now run 12 looms will have to run 20 looms. Other weavers now running 16 looms will have to run 22 looms. In order to put that over they try to bribe the weavers by giving them a measly raise which amounts to nothing considering the pace at which they will have to go.

Take the car room for instance. There are now employed 41 in the department getting \$16.95 a week. The plan calls for cutting down the department to 29 and will pay \$18 a week. In the spool room there are now working 9 men in each group getting \$21.30 a week. There will be 8 men in a group getting \$22.30 per week. The plan is even better illustrated in the calendar room of the bleachers. Men are employed in this room now and are getting \$25.10 a week. The plan calls for employing girls at the rate of \$15 a week. From this department alone they plan to fire 50 workers.

These are facts, not gossip. They were part of the proposals to the union made by J. Foster Smith, the agent of the company.

The first local meeting of the union to consider this rejected it unanimously. At the second meeting business agent John B. O'Connor of the United Textile Workers began to intimidate the workers by telling them some workers will accept the cut and will not fight. In this way he covered up his own refusal to fight. He asked that the Executive Board be given full powers to act and got what he wanted.

Now, what have they done? The first thing they did was to call in an arbitrator from Philadelphia. They call him a "union engineer." I believe the real name should be a "sell out expert." They split up the workers into departments and are having meetings with them trying to break down resistance.

From what I know about the sentiment of the workers, they don't want such an inhuman speed-up and will fight against it.

The same leaders who sold out the strike in New Bedford will now try to sell out the fight in Salem. A group of us got together and we are thinking of calling in a real union to Salem—the National Textile Workers' Union. We know they are good fighters against the bosses and for the workers. We are sick and tired of the leadership of the United Textile Workers.

Pictures of Krassin Rescue at Carnegie Hall Tonight

An interesting sequence in "Krassin: The Rescue Ship," the Sovkino official motion picture of the Soviet expedition which rescued the ill-fated Noble crew, is the part showing Madame Kollantai, Soviet Ambassador to Norway, welcoming her countrymen on the Krassin with the following words:

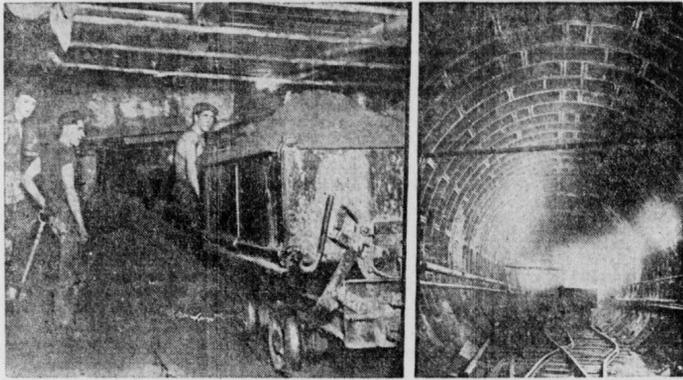
"Our enemies say we are destroyers of culture and science. Your heroism has disproved this slander. Your task now is to do all that is possible to rescue Amundsen and the Alessandri group. In the name of the Norwegian people, to you and to the Soviet government and to the entire Russian people, we extend our thanks and greetings. You have shown the whole world that you are brave and self-sacrificing pioneers of civilization."

The picturization of this incident provides a stirring moment in this greatest of all news pictures, which will have its American premiere his evening at Carnegie Hall under the auspices of the Amkino.

Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the noted Arctic explorer, will make the introductory address and pay his tribute to the bravery of the Krassin crew and commanders as well as to Boris Tschuchnovski, the now famous pilot of the Red Bear, the airplane which performed marvels in locating the ice-stranded Noble crew.

Stefansson will also speak during the course of the showing of the film, explaining the hardships and tremendous difficulties which the Krassin sailors had to contend with and overcome.

Workers Speeded Up in Underground Construction



At left, workers digging at the end of the new subway tunnel under the East River between Fulton Street and Cranberry Street, Brooklyn; at right, a finished portion of the tunnel. Construction is being rushed, which means that the workers are being speeded up and their lives endangered even more than before.

Eugene O'Neil—Great God Sophomore—Gets Ridiculous

By ELI B. JACOBSON.

The prosperous American bourgeoisie is like a golem—a huge, well-stuffed sinewy body but housing a disproportionately low level of intelligence. Resting comfortably on voluminous check book cushions, it can afford to play about with "culture" and the soaring things of the "spirit" and the "soul." With regard to things intellectual it is a sophomore and its Great God Sophomore is Eugene O'Neil.

It is no secret that apart from its official and public professions of faith, the god of the bourgeoisie has always been—and is especially nowadays—money. Likewise it is not secret that the greatest producer of money is the machine—driven by electricity, by the dynamo. It would be consequently quite to the point to say that the real god of the bourgeoisie is of course the dynamo. Which is the truth, and requires little mental exercise to grasp.

But O'Neil, the Great God Sophomore, takes this very sensible theme and stands it on its head, with the result that he becomes ludicrous, but not intentionally. No sophomore ever takes himself ludicrously.

Bright Thought.

In fact, O'Neil is struck by a wonderful idea. Jehovah, Christ and other such gods we don't worship any more. Science and what he contemptuously calls materialism have dethroned them. Electricity has practically displaced them all. And since man simply must worship, since man is governed by "a primitive religious instinct" driving him on "to find a meaning for life" and especially "to comfort" his "fears of death," O'Neil decided to do something "big" and sat down and wrote "Dynam" — a work which O'Neil admits deals with a "big subject."

The big subject is of course the attempt to find the meaning of life—and nothing less. Until that meaning is discovered all other subjects are merely "little" and hardly scratch the "surface of things." Sacco and Vanzetti? A petty ephemeral subject about two wops. Cold blooded murder of hundreds in India. A trifling affair. Misery, poverty, disease, exploitation, legal robbery, social revolution—immaterial, transitory subjects as unreal as the passing wind.

Wants a Soul.
So O'Neil decides to imitate Andreyev and knock at the gate of knowledge—and presumably with equally lamentable lack of success. O'Neil decided that fundamentalism is all blah-blah. But atheism isn't all there either. For instance, how will atheism explain the spirit, the soul, the longing for beauty, the desire to lie on dewy night-grass and stare at the enigmatic moon face? And besides, what is this electricity?

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anyhow? What causes it, makes it, what does it consist of? At least, his simple-minded hero, Rube Light, is greatly worried about it. So worried, in fact, that he performs all sorts of antics, kneels before the dynamo, prays for it, in true Andreyev fashion, literally begs it to deliver up its secret to him, but the dynamo merely hums and wars on like the hairy ape and leaves our Reuben as baffled as ever.

The Temptress.

Meanwhile his sweetheart wishes to marry him. His flesh aches for hers. Not only is our hero simple minded but he is also single tracked. He must have no other interest but that of probing the secret and meaning of life. His sweetheart waxes quite Mephistophelian and tells the dynamo that she and not the dynamo will succeed in having him. And she is right. So right that our hero fires three mortal bullets into her alluring body, to put temptation out of the way. Then he jumps on to the dynamo, embraces it, but cat and snake that it is, the dynamo stings and kills him. Like the Master Builder (Ibsen) aiming too high, he is destroyed.

It is hard to determine what is more childish, the theme or the pathetic poetry in which it is couched. Chants and ecclesiastical hocus pocus are all right in a church. But to transfer solemnity and awe to a room wherein electricity is generated, only "deep thinkers" are capable of accomplishing.

Have Other Troubles.

Personally the meaning of life troubles me very little. There is too much misery and too many great things are happening that are far more interesting and truer. Maybe life's meaning will be evident when

everybody will get to work and change our society a little. Maybe a little calculus, geometry, a pencil and five sheets of paper in the hands of the future Einsteins will without our knowing it, and quite un-dramatically and "dryly" and "unpoetically," reveal to us life's secret. Maybe we shall never know it. Meanwhile there's work to be done. But O'Neil prefers to play—to be sure, with ideas, to be sure, with borrowed ideas, but play he prefers. It is much easier.

The third act, though placed in a most realistic setting, the dynamo room, transforms the characters of acts one and two into shadows of symbols. As one lady next to me said: "This is a very deep and great play. I don't understand it at all." The actors are superb when O'Neil gives them a chance. Especially Claudette Colbert as Ada Fife and Dudley Digges as her atheist father. They surely do struggle heroically against the pathetic poetry. And they actually succeed in preventing us from laughing at their symbolic "utterances," which is no mean accomplishment to them and no fault of O'Neil's.

Shakespeare would have called the play "Much Ado About Nothing."

TIPLIS, U. S. S. R. (By Mail).—A floating hydro-meteorological station has been established on the Sevan Lake, Soviet Armenia, where research work is being carried on with the participation of the Academy of Sciences. The station has been equipped with instruments automatically registering the amount of rainfall, the force of the wind, the temperature and humidity of the air and the evaporation of the water surface.

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WORKERS ARE MISTREATED IN CITY HOSPITALS

Food, Treatment Is of Worst Kind

(By a Worker Correspondent)
I recently visited a friend who is a patient in Lincoln Hospital, New York City.

The above city hospital is located at 141st St. and Concord Ave. in the Bronx.

I asked him how they were treating him. "Very poorly," he answered, "the patients, who are poor, are neglected. They should have some specialists here, but the city wants to save money. The wards are overcrowded and unsanitary."

The food is poor, and my friend told me that he could eat little of it, it was so bad. In private hospitals, patients who can afford to pay high rates, get the best of treatment, food, etc. They also get entertainment, etc. But only workers come here.

I asked my friend if they at least gave the patients in Lincoln Hospital some kind of entertainment. "Nothing at all," he answered. "We who are patients in public hospitals are workers," he said. "When we get sick or are injured, we are forced to go to public hospitals where we receive the worst possible treatment."

My friend, who is a union man, said that the hospital workers are overworked, have long hours, and are poorly paid.

The hospital is an old one, and should be demolished and a modern one put in its place. When I left my friend and I took elevator down. Also it is supposed to hold 30 people, the operator closed the door when there were eight in it. "This is all it can stand," he said. While going down, a nurse said to him, "If you took a few more on the elevator we'd all be in the hospital—as patients."

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The play is sure to send cold shivers up and down the spine of the overwhelming majority of the audience, and those who like that kind of thing will call the present opus one of the best ever. There is no doubt, it is the equal of most of the plays of this class and undoubtedly will be a mild success. With mystery and detective stories the rage, a play such as this, should clean up. Well written, with a superior cast and good direction, even those who usually do not care for plays of this character, will be able to spend an enjoyable evening. When it is all over, the critical theatregoer will admit that it was all a lot of nonsense, but entertaining nonsense at that.

All the stock in trade devices of the mystery play are used, phosphorescent hands, sliding panels, mysterious voices and sudden darkness, which are all utilized to good advantage. Of course, every character is at one time or another suspected of the murder, even the detective being considered as the bloody cut throat.

The play contains two murders. In the prologue, Martin Condell murders his wife. Thirty years later his son is murdered in the same room. The play is devoted to solving the mystery of the second murder, which of course, is directly connected with the first.

While the habit of attempting to guess the guilty one has become the style, since mystery plays and books have been so successful, it is quite difficult to pick out the guilty person in this play. Those who are honestly successful in naming the murderer, can call themselves first class detectives, who are more alert than the ordinary sleuth.

The part of Martin Condell, also that of his son Robert, is played by Hugh Miller. Harry McNaughton, portrays the stage version of the stupid Englishman; while A. P.

COMPENSATION ACT IN COLO. IS FOR THE BOSSES

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(By a Worker Correspondent)
FREDERICK, Colo. (By Mail).—The compensation laws of Colorado are a joke. Working in mines, which is a hazardous occupation, results in frequent injuries and deaths. Nevertheless, the coal companies have nothing to whine of for they do not have to worry of the financial cost of broken limbs amputated or ground to bits, or other injury that affects the coal diggers. The industrial commission and its state compensation law take care of that for the coal companies and shark insurance companies.

Many cases affecting individual coal diggers prove the robbing of industrial victims. A typical example is a miner, Nick Spanas, who was seriously injured in the eyes and consequences no one can foretell. Any rate, the miner fulfilled regular conditions of appealing compensation. After several weeks he received word from the insurance company as well as the State Industrial Commission telling him his case was settled, and that Nick Spanas, the victim, who may lose his eyesight, gets the precious sum of \$7.83.

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MASS ARRESTS IN BIG DRESS PICKET DEMONSTRATION

Workers Defy Police; 26 Shops Pulled

(Continued from Page One) failings and of deportation, which many police shouted, could not prevent the strikers from picketing till they got good and ready to call a halt and march down to the strike halls.

In at least a dozen hallways of the big skyscraper factory buildings located on 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th Sts. and on Seventh Ave., were to be seen a semi-circle of police crowding and shoving into the small rearways, the scores of strikers picked off for arrest.

Zimmerman Arrested.

After confinement for an hour or more in hallways, the arrested strikers were jammed into "black Marias" to be taken to jail. Even the machine-gun "riot wagons" were called to carry heavy loads of strikers to jail.

Stepping to the front of one of these "riot wagons" which are not enclosed, but are open trucks, Charles S. Zimmerman, Manager of the Dressmakers' division of the Industrial Needle Workers Union, called on the strikers crowded in with him to sing and cheer. This was immediately done and the roar of traffic on that industrial street was drowned out by the cheering strikers.

Members of the Young Pioneers of America, a Communist children's organization, appearing early on the picket line, added tremendous enthusiasm to the adult workers there and became a severe pain in the neck to the flood of police who were rushed into the district.

Arrest Children.

Unable any longer to endure the songs and yells, the police arrested the groups of children and confined them in hallways. Afraid of the public anger their arrest might arouse, the police finally released most of the children.

Sliding from under police hands again and again, Irving Potash, head of the general picket committee, led the reformation of each picket line after a police attempt at dispersal.

The long line deliberately went into 38th St. to which picket lines were closed hitherto, to test their legal right to picket those shops as well. They succeeded in parading thru those blocks and were rewarded by the sight of many workers in cloak shops and settled dress shops opening windows to applaud the marching strikers below.

The capitalist evening press, in reporting the inspiring demonstration of working class militancy, unable to give credence to the statements of the right wing company union heads that there is no strike, nevertheless tried to antagonize public opinion against the workers, thru other means. In a highly ridiculous manner, the papers announced that "traffic was tied up from 59th St. to Battery Park for hours." This is an obvious incitement for police violence against further picketing.

Women Will Rally.

The United Councils of Working Women will express their solidarity with the striking dressmakers by marching thru the halls where the strikers meet with various slogans. This demonstration will take place tomorrow afternoon, Feb. 20. All council members must participate in the demonstration. They should meet at the Workers Center, 26 Union Square at 12:30 p. m., tomorrow.

Quotas Set for Drive to Make Young Worker a Weekly Newspaper

The National Executive Committee of the Young Workers (Communist) League has issued the final quotas in the drive for the establishment of the Weekly Young Worker. The following is a list of the subscription and money quotas set for each district of the League:

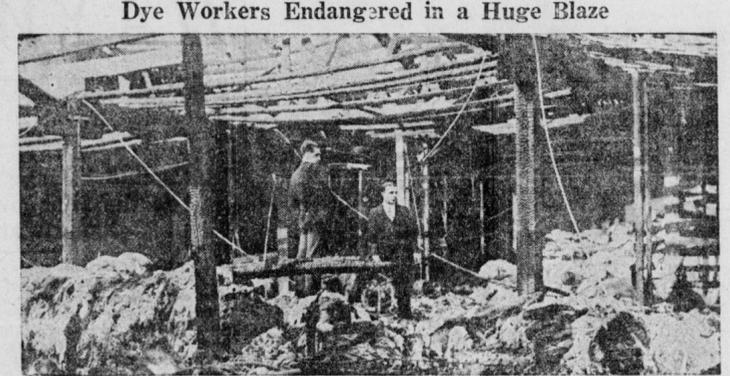
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It urges all young workers to give the Young Worker Drive a boost, to rush donations and send subscriptions to it at 43 East 125th St., New York City.

SCOTCH MINERS FIGHT CUT.

GLASGOW, (By Mail).—Scottish mine owners have threatened to lock out members of the Colliery Engineers' Association because they have refused to stand for a cut of 8 shillings a shift in wages.

The proletariat, the lowest stratum of our present society, cannot stir, cannot raise itself up without the whole superincumbent stratum of official society being sprung into the air.—(Karl Marx (Communist Manifesto).)



A fire which the owners refuse to explain and the workers say originated from inadequate fire protection, destroyed the factory of the Esco Dyeing Company at N. 14th Street and Nassau Ave., Brooklyn. Above, ruins after the blaze was extinguished.

Labor and Fraternal Organizations

United Council 17, Brighton Beach.

Rose Rubin will lecture on "Rosa Luxemburg," 8:30 p. m., Friday, under the auspices of Council 17, United Council of Working Women, 227 Brighton Beach Ave. Comrades are asked to bring friends.

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, 107th St. and Park Ave. Make donations—contribute articles—come into the office, 799 Broadway, Room 122, and help us with the preparatory work.

Freiheit Chorus Annual Ball.

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

Metro Workers Soccer League.

The Metropolitan Workers Soccer League will hold a ball on February 22 at the Metropolitan Club, 110 E. 14th St., basement. Fraternal organizations are asked not to arrange any conflicting dates.

Freiheit Singing Society.

The Bronx section, Freiheit Singing Society will hold a concert and ball Saturday, March 2, Rose Garden, 1347 Boston Road. The chorus will participate in the concert program.

Entertainment, New York Drug Clerks.

The New York Drug Clerks Association will hold an entertainment and dance at Leslie Gardens, 83rd St. and Broadway, Sunday evening, March 31, 8 p. m. All organizations please keep this date open.

Inter-Racial Dance.

An inter-racial dance, for the benefit of the Negro Champion, Daniel Walker and the Obrero has been arranged for Friday evening, March 22, at Imperial Auditorium, 160 W. 129th St.

Office Workers.

The Office Workers' Union has arranged a dance for Washington's birthday eve, Feb. 21, at Webster Manor, Sympathetic, 100th St. and Broadway, Sunday evening, March 3, 8 p. m. All organizations are asked to arrange any affair for that evening.

Millinery Theatre Party.

The Millinery Workers Union, 43, has arranged a theatre party for March 20. Fraternal organizations are asked to arrange any conflicting dates for that evening.

Progressive Group, Local 38, L.L.G.W.

The Progressive Group, Local 38, L. L. G. W., will have a booth at the J. L. D. Bazaar. Members and sympathizers are urged to collect articles. Send to Ida Katz, Bazaar Committee, Unity Cooperative, 1800 7th Ave., City.

Workers Laboratory Theatre.

The Workers Laboratory Theatre will produce its one act play, "Marching Guns," an episode of the miners' struggle, without charge for any party unit, trade union or fraternal organization at any affair they arrange. Write Sylvia Pollack, 1409 Ave. J., Brooklyn.

Needle Trades Workers Dance.

Left wing needle trades workers will attend a concert and ball given by the T. U. E. L. branch of Local 9, Workers Center, March 2, Jazz band.

Harlem I. L. D. Meet.

The Harlem I. L. D. will meet today, 8 p. m., 143 E. 103rd St. Tallentire will talk on Defense Work in the U. S. A.

Council 8 Concert and Ball.

A concert and ball will be given by Council 8, United Council of Working Women, 8:30 p. m., Saturday, Ray Ragosin will talk. A comedy by Technov will be produced. Proceeds to Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union.

Downtown English I. L. D. Branch.

The downtown English branch of the I. L. D. will meet tonight at 8 o'clock in the Labor Temple, 14th St. and Second Ave., Room 32.

Espanero "SAT" Group.

The workers Espanero group "SAT" will meet Friday, 8 p. m., at 108 E. 14th St. The Espanero 11-

USSR Lowers Taxes of Poor and Middle Peasants in New Act

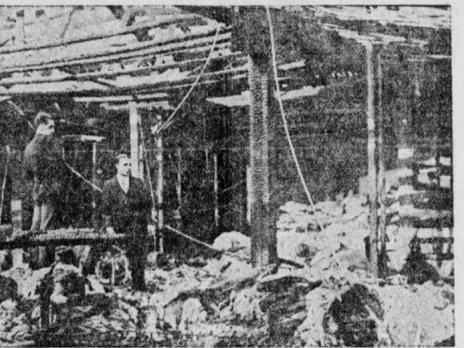
(Wireless By "Inprocor") MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., (By Mail).—A decision on the single agricultural tax and the reduction of taxation of the middle peasantry, has been passed by the Central Executive Committee of the Soviet Union, the highest governmental body in the country between the meetings of the Soviet congresses.

The new act mentions measures taken to extend the cultivated area by seven million hectares and increase the crops by 3 per cent. Thirty-five per cent of the poor peasantry are entirely exempt from taxation and alleviations are provided for middle peasants who increase the area under cultivation and their crops. By this enactment the revenue from agricultural taxation is reduced to 375 million rubles.

SLAVE KILLED AT THE BELT MANITOWOC, Wis. (By Mail).

The right arm of John Novak was torn from his body at the shoulder when his hand was caught in a conveyor belt at the Reiss cork docks here. The injury was fatal.

Dye Workers Endangered in a Huge Blaze



A fire which the owners refuse to explain and the workers say originated from inadequate fire protection, destroyed the factory of the Esco Dyeing Company at N. 14th Street and Nassau Ave., Brooklyn. Above, ruins after the blaze was extinguished.

Labor and Fraternal Organizations

Library is open every Friday evening from 8 to 10 p. m.

Labor Temple Poetry Forum.

The Labor Temple Poetry Forum will be held on Thursday evening, 8:15 p. m., at the Labor Temple, 242 E. 14th St.

Yugoslav Workers Club.

The Yugoslav Workers Educational and Dramatic Club has arranged a concert, play and ball on Sunday at the Bohemian National Hall, 321 E. 73rd St. The program begins at 3 p. m. and dancing, which follows, at 7 in the evening.

Garlin, Magill Talk Sunday.

Sender Garlin and A. B. Magill, both of the editorial staff of the Daily Worker, will speak at the Open Forum of the Workers School, 26-28 Union Square, Sunday evening, 8 p. m. Garlin will speak on "Some Bourgeois Literary Criticism" and Magill will discuss "Modern Revolutionary Poetry."

Service Culture Club, Bronx.

"Was Christopher Columbus a Spaniard and a Jew?" will be the subject of the second of a series of four lectures by Prof. Morris Goldberger, M. A., at the Service Culture Club, 1032 Prospect Ave., Bronx.

Downtown Workers Club Gives "Scab Trial."

A "Scab Trial" will be given by the Downtown Workers Club, 8:30 p. m. Thursday, 35 E. Second St.

Progressive Butchers Banquet.

Celebrating the opening of union headquarters at 314 E. 9th St., the Progressive Butchers and Poultry Workers Union will hold a banquet at the Downtown Workers Club, 35 E. Second St., Sunday.

International Women's Day Rehearsal.

Rehearsal for pageant of International Women's Day will be held Thursday, 6:30 p. m., Room 603, 26 Union Square. About 100 women are needed.

Freiheit Symphony Orchestra.

The Freiheit Symphony Orchestra will rehearse tonight, 1292 Southern Blvd., near Freeman St. Subway Station, Bronx.

PROHIBITION DIRT AIRED IN SENATE

WASHINGTON, Feb. 18.—Some well known facts about the prohibition spy service have achieved the official status of the Congressional Register as a result of the present debate of Senators Borah and Reed of Missouri over the prohibition enforcement act, the Jones bill, providing more severe penalties for violators.

Reed Tells Some Well Known Facts

Borah, the defending prohibition, spent much of his time eulogizing Reed.

Won't Expose Senate Lawbreakers.

Reed began his second day of speech-making on this question by assuring the worried senators that he was only joking when he threatened Saturday to announce the names of senators who violate the law. "I may have made mistakes in my life, but I have never sunk to the low level of a prohibition informer," said Reed.

Reed declared that there was more drinking than ever now, and that the prohibition spy service was corrupted with graft, so much so, that if he were to give all the instances he knew, he "would be here till the cocks crow in the morning."

"Pussyfoot" Briber.

Reed stated that investigations before senate committees showed that Wayne B. Wheeler, head of the Anti-Saloon League, "preferred force" in his advocating of prohibition. Reed said that "Pussyfoot" Johnson was on the payroll of the Anti-Saloon League for \$18,000, and was a confessed liar and bribe giver.

Machine May Make Thousands of Shoe Workers Jobless

BOSTON, (By Mail).—Machinery by which shoes can be manufactured without stitching to attach the soles to the uppers has been invented and is being adopted by the shoe manufacturers, with the result that thousands of shoe workers are faced with unemployment.

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BUICK BOSSES KIDNAP YOUTH; USE 3RD DEGREE

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FLINT, Michigan, Feb. 18.—Following the kidnaping of a worker's son, William Stec, 13, by private police of the Buick plant in Flint and his retention for a day, the International Labor Defense has taken up the fight to expose the Buick Company and the Flint police.

William, together with his older brother John, had gone to the gates of the Buick plant to sell copies of the Buick Worker, a workers' paper, to the men as they were arriving for the days work. William was noticed by a company spotter who immediately took him into custody and brought him into the employment office of the Buick Motor Company where he was kept for hours, riddled with questions, intimidated, and finally taken to a police court from where he was sent to the Reform School where he was told he must stay.

Raid Boy's Home.

In the meantime city detectives working hand in hand with the Buick detectives entered the home of the Stecs without a warrant, and searched the house. They took with them personal letters and papers and arrested a worker rooming in the house, who was released later.

The I. L. D. is taking up the case and will shortly hold a mass meeting in Flint to protest the action of the company police in kidnaping a child and searching a worker's house without a warrant.

An attorney has been retained in Flint to push the case against the Buick and the city police.

EDITOR'S NOTE: Our special correspondent now in Flint, Walter M. Trumbull, will report further details and the development of the case. A special article by Trumbull on the kidnaping will appear in the Daily Worker in a few days.)

Peru Demands a Port in Tacna-Arica Plan to Divide Territory

SANTIAGO, Chile, Feb. 17.—Reports from those intimately acquainted with the Tacna-Arica affair, indicate that on the part of Chile, at least, a satisfactory settlement of the dispute between Chile and Peru over the two provinces will be had by present efforts to divide the territory, giving Tacna to Peru and Arica to Chile.

News from Peru, however, while giving a note of harmony with the general idea of a settlement, state that all talk of definite terms is premature and that matters of arrangement are not yet near an end.

Peru is understood to be desirous of a port for exit and entrance to the products of Tacna, without passing through Chilean territory.

Brooklyn, Newark, Paterson, New Haven, Hartford, Boston and other cities. A complete list of these, with dates, will be announced soon.

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Daily Worker Dance

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 22nd, at 8:30 P. M. (Washington's Birthday) at Finnish Hall, 764-40th St., Brooklyn, N. Y. ADMISSION 50 CENTS

Workers Party Activities

Night Workers. A special meeting of the Night Workers will take place tomorrow afternoon at 3 o'clock. Matters of great importance will be taken up. All functionaries must come at 2 o'clock sharp. Failure to appear will cause disciplinary measures to be taken.

Unit SF, 3D, Meets. Unit SF, 3D, will meet tomorrow, 6:30 p. m., 191 W. 27th St.

Section 5 Daily Benefit.

A "Hunger" Banquet will be given by Section 5, Thursday night, 715 E. 128th St., Bronx. Concert and dance will follow.

Garlin, Magill, Talk Sunday.

Sender Garlin and A. B. Magill, both of the editorial staff of the Daily Worker, will speak at the Open Forum of the Workers School, 26-28 Union Square, Sunday evening, 8 p. m. Garlin will speak on "Some Bourgeois Literary Criticism" and Magill will discuss "Modern Revolutionary Poetry."

East N. Y. and Brownsville Y. W. L.

The East N. Y. and Brownsville Units of the Young Workers League will hold a joint Liebknecht Memorial meeting Friday, 8 p. m., 154 Watkins St., Brooklyn. George Perhins, field organizer of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, and Herbert Zam will speak.

East N. Y. Y. W. L.

The East N. Y. Unit of the Y. W. L. will hold a "Build the Daily Worker" camaraderie, Saturday, 8 p. m., 213 Hinsdale St., Brooklyn.

Daily Worker Dance, Section 7.

A dance for the benefit of the Daily Worker will be given by Section 7, Washington's birthday, Friday night, Feb. 22, Finnish Hall, 764 40th St.

Subsection 2B Social.

Subsection 2B will hold a social for the benefit of the Daily Worker at Amalgamated Food Workers Hall, 133 W. 51st St., Saturday.

Harlem Y. W. L. Dance.

The Harlem unit, Young Workers League, will hold an entertainment and dance Saturday, Units are asked to cooperate.

East New York Y. W. L.

The East New York unit of the Y. W. L. will hold a "Build the Daily Worker" camaraderie, Saturday, at 8:30 p. m., 513 Hinsdale St.

Section 4 Daily Dance.

Entertainment and dance for the funds of the Daily Worker by Spanish and Negro papers will be given

Mayor, Ministers and K.K.K. Stop Sovkino Film in New Jersey

(Special to the Daily Worker) NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Feb. 18.—When ministers, speaking for businessmen, in this Ku Klux Klan-infested city appealed to the mayor, he ordered the Sovkino film, "Ten Days That Shook the World," showing in a local theatre, banned. The showing of the picture was stopped the same night.

The film had been advertised beforehand and was to run for a week. But when workers, anxious to see the Sovkino production, came to the theatre after work in the evening, they found that it had been taken off and something else put in its place.

WAGE SLASH FOR CARMEN

BOSTON, Mass. (By Mail).—Union streetcar workers have been notified by the Eastern Massachusetts Street Railway Co. that another cut in wages will go into effect on May 1.

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LETTISH SOCIETY TO SEND FUNDS AND DELEGATES

Working class organizations are beginning to respond to the call sent out by the Provisional Committee against fascism to support the International Anti-Fascist Congress to be held the middle of March in Berlin. The preliminary American conference will be held in New York this Friday at the Labor Temple, 14th St. and Second Ave.

Other Organizations Urged to Take Part

One of the organizations supporting this campaign is the New York Lettish Educational Society, which has sent a check for \$25 to help finance the work of the campaign and to send delegates to the International Conference.

Lower Bronx Open Forum.

"Youth and the Press" will be discussed at the forum, Lower Bronx Unit, Y. W. L., 8 p. m., Sunday, Feb. 27. Dance follows.

Social, Y. W. L., Williamsburgh.

The Y. W. L., Williamsburgh section, will hold a social Saturday, March 2, Workers Center, 65 Manhattan Ave. Play, songs and poems will be presented. Dance follows.

Upper Bronx Y. W. L. Forum.

The Upper Bronx Y. W. L. forum will discuss "Youth and the Industrial Union" Sunday, 8 p. m., 1400 Boston Road.

Unit 3F, Subsection 2A.

Unit 3F, Subsection 2A will meet Thursday, 6 p. m., 23 Union Square.

"Young Worker" Dance and Entertainment.

A dance and entertainment for the benefit of the "Young Worker" will be given by Upper Bronx Units 1 and 2, Saturday, March 9, Bronx Workers Center, 129 Wilkins Ave.

Y. W. L. Dress Strikers' Dance.

A dance and entertainment for the benefit of young dress strikers will be given by Downtown Unit 2 and Harlem Unit 1 of the Young Workers (Communist) League, Saturday, 2 E. 110th St.

Nucleus 6F, Section 1.

A general meeting of Nucleus 6F, Section 4, will be held today, at 6:30 p. m., 60 St. Marks Place.

GAG IMPLICATION OF DOHENY DEATH

Attorney, Family Cover Oil Connections

(Continued from Page One) reason being food poisoning. His death stopped one line of investigation.

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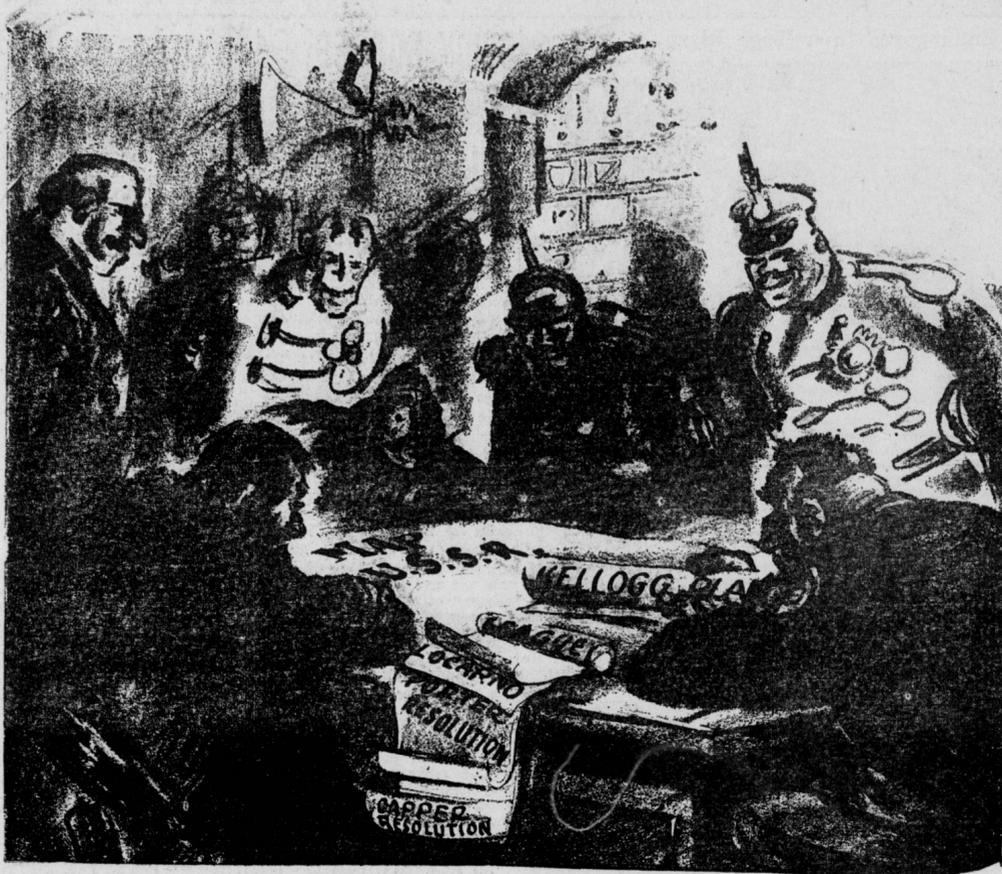
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THE PEACE CONFERENCE PLANS THE DRIVE

By Fred Ellis



The Bloc of Workers, Agrarians

A Historic Convention Adopts a Revolutionary Program; Tirana—the Candidate

The third article of this series by Albert Weisbord, representative of the Trade Union Educational League to the recent Mexican Unity Congress of Workers and Peasants, took up the industrial composition of the population, the situation of the labor movement, labor organizations, etc. The fourth article follows:

By ALBERT WEISBORD

ON January 24th and 25th there convened an historic convention. For the first time in the history of Mexico, the workers and agrarian toilers of Mexico united in solemn assembly to nominate a presidential candidate in the election and to form a permanent political revolutionary bloc.

To this National Conference of the Workers and Agrarian Toilers (Campeños) Bloc there came over 300 delegates from all over the country. There were represented: The Communist Party of Mexico (2500)

The Unitary Railwaymen's Party (7500)
National Agrarian League (560,000) (Campeños)

Workers and Agrarians Confederation of Durango, Mayarite, Michuacan Federation of Labor, Regional Parties of Workers and Agrarian Toilers, etc., totalling 130,000 members more, and thus making a grand total of approximately 500,000 people behind the bloc.

Widely Supported. Thus the conference actually represented one half a million people but there is no doubt that it had the sympathies and support of the overwhelming majority of the masses.

The program that was adopted was of the most revolutionary sort. There was no illusion in the minds of any of the delegates that the coming election might not mean civil war and from the Presidential nominee down, all were preparing for it. The goal of this conference was the democratic dictatorship of the workers and peasants and they practically said so in so many words. The program contained the following main planks:

- Four Points of Program**
1. Nationalization of the land. The land to the agrarian toilers.
2. Nationalization of the industries with workers control.
3. Dissolution of the State Apparatus and the formation of Workers and Agrarian Toilers Councils.
4. Free Arms to the Masses.

Such demands could receive the overwhelming and enthusiastic approbation of the widest masses, as they have done, only in an acute revolutionary situation. The fact that the agrarian toilers no longer follow their old petty-bourgeois leadership, the fact that they can unite with the trade unions of Mexico under the leadership of the Communist Party and prepare to fight for such a program speaks eloquent volumes.

Tirana—the Candidate. The conference then nominated a staunch revolutionary fighter, Pedro V. Rodriguez Triana as candidate for the Workers-Agrarian Toilers' Bloc in the coming election. I had a long conversation with Triana before I left Mexico. He is a very simple straight-forward revolutionary with a long fighting record that dates from 1903 when he fought with Madero and later with the anarchist leader Flores Magon in the National Liberal Party and when

Madero betrayed his promises, in 1910, he then fought Madero.

In 1915 Triana was one of the principal generals of Zapata's Army, an agrarian revolutionary army which under the slogans of Land and Liberty won great renown in Mexico. When the De La Huerta reaction and later the Serrano reaction began, Triana actively took the field against them. It is such a "parliamentarian" that the conference selected to run for president. Within the past few years Triana has become an officer in the National "Campeños" League (mostly semi-proletarian) and had already begun great work in the organization of the agricultural workers (Peons) who had been almost entirely unorganized.

About the New Step. In very direct language Triana commissioned me to tell the great workingclass of the United States about the new step the masses had taken in Mexico. In the opinion of Triana, this bloc had not been created before because the militants had failed to realize the necessity and value of the bloc. Today with a revolutionary situation the reaction-

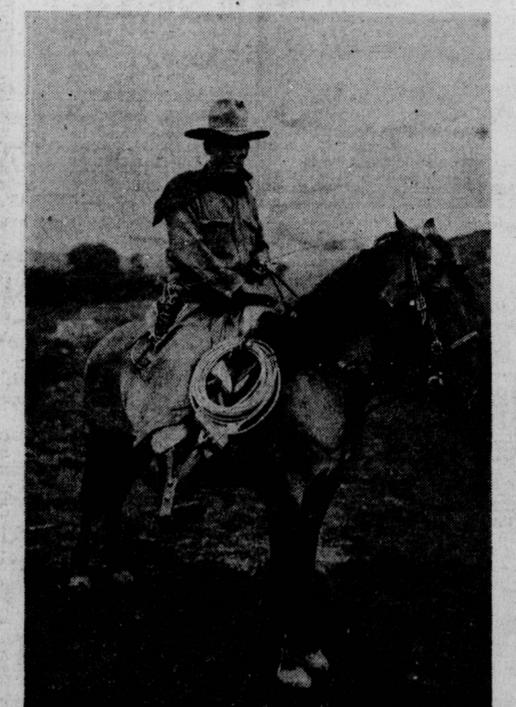
aries are divided and the militants have more confidence in themselves than before.

I asked Triana several questions, whether the agrarian toilers would really aid the industrial workers in seizing the factories, and mines, etc. and also whether the agricultural workers (not organized and so not represented directly at the bloc conference) would join hands with the rest. My final question was whether the masses were adequately preparing for the conflict.

To all these questions this revolutionary representative gave a direct answer all the more forceful because so calmly sure:

- Tirana Speaks.**
1. The masses will go with the bloc. The masses want a complete change in system.
2. The agrarian toilers will help the workers seize the factories, mines, oil fields, etc.
3. The agricultural workers (peons) will support the bloc even more than the semi-proletarians. Triana had organized and led these peons in battle also.
4. The reaction will provoke civil war and this will be the opportunity

Mexican Peasant Leader



Ursulo Galvan, Secretary of the National Peasants' League of Mexico, may not look at all like the pot-bellied capitalists who call themselves the heads of the National Grange and various fake "farmers' co-operatives" in the United States. But Galvan has behind him the class conscious exploited agrarian toilers of Mexico, which are a tremendous political force of that country and an enemy of American and British imperialism.

for the militants. Already in the country there is a red military corps well armed and a whole military strategy has been worked out. In this struggle the Mexicans in the United States could help greatly. Of course, if the revolution succeeded then the United States would interfere "and in that case," Triana said, smiling at me, "our success will depend on the proletariat of the United States and throughout the world if we are to win."

This analysis is also the analysis, in the main, of the Party in Mexico. The Party thesis reads as follows: "10. The armed conflict between the different bourgeois groups, will launch in the fight the agrarian masses who will want to seize the land. We foresee that the conflict between those groups will conduce later on to a conflict between those groups and the agrarian masses, first, and later with the working masses. The role of the party is to unite those discontented and to unite the fight of the masses in order to reach a united front against the bourgeoisie and imperialism."

"11. The first task of the party must consist in separating the working and agrarian masses from the leadership of the bourgeoisie and the small bourgeoisie. The second to organize these masses within one organization which will unify them for action. This task the party must take in hand with all energy."

The Comintern at our April Conference has fixed the method and the organization. The method is a class program which should mark clearly the difference of objectives between the bourgeoisie and the proletarian and agrarian classes. The organization is the Workers and Agrarian Bloc.

Permanent Bloc
The conference of the Bloc did not break up until it had formed itself into a permanent body with permanent rules and a permanent executive of nine created, and had worked out the forms by which the state organizations could be created and individual members placed in groups for the social unification of workers and agrarian toilers before affiliation. The executive is as follows:

Diego Riveira, president, Communist Party; Galvin, secretary, National Camp League; La Borde, National Camp League; Monson, Communist Party; Carillo, Communist Party; Diaz, Coahuila League; Caleros, Tuamalupas League; Silva, Chihuahua Workers Federation; Lara, Vera Cruz League.

The fifth article, to be printed tomorrow, will deal with the Unity Congress of Workers and Peasants, discussing its representation, the business it transacted, relations with the Trade Union Educational League of the U. S., and its achievements.

Fascists Imprison Worker 2 Years for Singing 'Red Flag'

MILAN. (By Mail).—For singing the "Bandiera Rossa," the Italian version of the "Red Flag," in the street, an Italian stone cutter has been sentenced to five months imprisonment and a fine by a fascist judge here. He has been in prison since May, 1927, when he was arrested, awaiting trial.

BILL HAYWOOD'S BOOK

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A Capitalist Judge Who Wasn't So Stuck on the Mine Owners; Haywood Is Again Warned of Moyer

Previously Haywood wrote of his early life as miner and cowboy in Utah, Nevada and Idaho; of his first years as union man in the Western Federation of Labor; his rise to Secretary-Treasurer of the union; the fight of the union in the Coeur d'Alenes, Idaho; in Denver, Telluride and Colorado City. Judge Owers, in a clash with the reactionary Governor Peabody, has offered Haywood to give the union an injunction against the mine owners, if Murphy, the M. F. M. attorney, would present a petition. Now go on reading.

By WILLIAM D. HAYWOOD.

PART XL

MURPHY went to Leadville while Judge Owers was on the bench. Here are some of the judge's remarks when the injunction was granted:

The appellants are members of the Cloud City Miners' Union Number 33, W.F.M. All of them are engaged in the mining industry, one of the chief industries of the State of Colorado, from whence a great part of the wealth of the people of the state is obtained. The appellants are the important factor in the production of all this wealth. Without them production would at once cease, and in a short time the present populated mining region would become a howling wilderness, as the business element would soon leave if there were no mine workers to exploit. The appellants are most of them miners who every day shake dice with death. Not only is the labor of the men hazardous, but it is also unhealthful. The union which they have formed and of which they are members is their chief support; it is the medium through which their wages are maintained and their hours regulated. The union provides succor for them when injured or in sickness, and a funeral benefit for their families when they are called by the summons of death.



It is the opinion of eminent jurists that it is the law of state and nation that working men have the right of association and cooperation for their mutual benefit, which in this instance means that the men employed in and around the mines of Leadville have the right to belong to the Miners' Union.

The parties against whom this application for an injunction is directed are the owners of the mines in and about Leadville. Many are among the most prominent and substantial citizens of the community. Other owners are absentee stockholders. Such an injunction, if issued, would be against all owners. Some of the mining companies, it seems, have registered membership in the combination set forth (the Mine Owners' Association) in the names of their respective managers or superintendents. Cognizance will be taken of this fact.

None will at this time attempt to deny that the mines and property belong in fact and in accordance to the law to the present owners, though the charter under which the Miners' Union is working proclaims that "labor produces all wealth; wealth belongs to the producers thereof." This or a similar maxim, was at one time expressed by Abraham Lincoln, but with this sentiment the laws and the courts of the land do not agree, and certainly the mine owners are not in sympathy with the notion. The mines belong to them and in this inalienable right they will have the protection of this and all other courts. The mine owners have the right to form themselves into a mine owners' union, not so named, but the equivalent. The mine owners' union can be used for the mutual lawful protection of their joint property. They have the right, after their lawful indebtedness is defrayed, and the meager wage of their employees deducted, to the accumulated residue or unearned increment. The mine owners' union or its members individually or collectively should not be, and are not, held in liability for the aged or injured who are in their employ. . . .

The citations of this petition are such as to lead one to imagine the remote possibility of the rights of the members of the miners' union having been infringed. The prayers of the appellants are, however, substantiated by a large number of affidavits. Therefore the opinion of this court is that the injunction be granted and at once issued. It is hereby made permanent. Violation of any clause is punishable by imprisonment for one year or fine of five hundred dollars or both.

This injunction granted to Cloud City Miners' Union enjoined the Mine Owners' Association from interfering in any way with the business of the Miners' Union, or discharging men because of membership in the organization. Although the regular judge of the district was not inclined to enforce the injunction, after Judge Owers' return to Denver, yet it did prevent the Mine Owners' Association of Leadville from joining forces against the miners with the associations of other districts.

A few days after my talk with Judge Owers, I went to see Senator Patterson at the Welton street office of the Rocky Mountain News. When I came in the senator was at his desk. He invited me to sit down and asked how things were going. I told him about the situation in Telluride, Idaho Springs, Colorado City, and about the smelter men's strike in Denver, and said that I wanted to speak to him about an article that he had printed charging the officials of the W.F.M. with having called the Cripple Creek strike. I explained to him that the members of the unions of Cripple Creek had called the strike through their district union.

"Oh," he said, "that's a small matter, Haywood."

"But, senator," I answered, "that's one of the charges that the Mine Owners' Association makes against us."

He said, "Well, we'll have to let it go this time. You can make the correction in some future statement that you publish."

This did not please me at all, but there was nothing to be done about it. Just as I was about to leave, the senator said:

"Haywood, where did this man Moyer ever make noise enough for you to find him?"

I told the senator who Moyer was, and that he had proven to be a very good organizer. He remarked emphatically:

"He has not the manly fiber or the stability required in a man to be the executive officer of such an organization as the Western Federation of Miners. I'm certain that you will find this to be true before you get through with him."

I remarked that the present situation would try the best of us, and thanked the senator for the generally friendly attitude of his papers.

Cripple Creek district was on the crest of a spur range of the Rocky Mountains. Here nature, the conjurer, had shaken up the porphyry dikes and into each split and seam had spurted up gold-bearing quartz or quartzite, which congealed. To the dismay of mining experts, the same old nature wizard split the mother granite and filled its cracks and crevices with gold. This untold wealth remained hidden through all the ages, until 1889, when a forlorn prospector, whose view of the scenery was obscured by the hind end of a jackass, dug with a dull pick into a streak of rich ore. That was the beginning of one of the world's greatest gold mining camps.

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