

1. Unemployment and Social Insurance at the expense of the State and employers.
2. Against Hoover's wage-cutting policy.
3. Emergency relief for the poor farmers without reduction by the government and banks; exemption of poor farmers from taxes, and from forced collection of rents or debts.
4. Equal rights for the Negroes and self-determination for the Black Belt.
5. Against capitalist terror; against all forms of suppression of the political rights of the workers.
6. Against imperialist war; for the defense of the Chinese people and of the Soviet Union.

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## SCOTTSBORO PROSECUTOR SAYS HE'LL FIGHT TO CARRY OUT VERDICTS ON JUNE 24—MASS PROTEST MUST GROW!

### JAPAN POURING TROOPS DOWN SUNGARI RIVER TO CUT OFF VLADIVOSTOK

Another Japanese Army Advancing Over Chinese Eastern Railway; Threaten Soviet Maritime Province

Huge Troop Concentration at Tsitsihar and Harbin; Third Army Advancing Toward Korean-Soviet Frontier

Bourgeois press dispatches from Harbin, Manchuria, tell of feverish Japanese military activity in the vicinity of the Soviet borders. The Japanese are reported to be rushing all available troops to the Soviet frontiers. These moves are interpreted in foreign and Chinese circles as indicating an immediate attack on the Soviet Union. A Shanghai dispatch to the New York Times says that betting is brisk "up and down the coast of China concerning the date of the outbreak of the expected war between Japan and Russia."

The Japanese are reported to "have more than doubled" their forces in Manchuria "since April 15. There is a large concentration in the regions of Tsitsihar and Fancheng, on the Sungari."

The Japanese 14th Division is reported to have "entered the field with remarkable speed." This division arrived at Darien, Manchuria, only on Tuesday, after being withdrawn from Shanghai, South China, about three days before. It numbers about 24,000 men, full war strength.

The bulk of the division already arrived at Harbin on Thursday, and is being rushed by train to Hallin, on the Chinese Eastern Railway. These troops are intended to back up the reinforced column of General Yoda. General Yoda's column has already advanced beyond Hallin, thus breaking the Japanese pledge to the Soviet Government not to use the Chinese Eastern Railway to transport troops beyond Hallin. This pledge was given several weeks ago, when the Japanese requested permission to use the railway on the pretext of sending troops "to protect Japanese lives and property" in the Imienpo region. General Yoda's column is now only seventy miles from the Soviet border in the region of Vladivostok, and is reported continuing its advance!

To the north of Hallin, a huge Japanese army is moving down the Sungari River towards the Soviet border. Bourgeois press dispatches interpret this advance as directed at cutting the Ussuri Railway in Siberia and isolating Vladivostok and the Soviet Maritime Province. A Shanghai dispatch to the New York Times frankly states:

"If the advance down the Sungari Valley should continue, the Japanese would be in a position to cut the Ussuri railway, running along the northern and eastern borders of Manchuria, thus isolating Vladivostok and the Russian Maritime Province.

The same dispatch further reports: "Japan's army is progressing down the Sungari River with every available craft, from modern gunboats to ancient sailing junks, according to dispatches received from Harbin. They tell of feverish military activity."

This Japanese army has already passed Fancheng and is now advancing on Sanhsing, close to the Soviet border. At the same time, a Harbin dispatch reports that the entire Japanese Tenth Division left Harbin yesterday for Fancheng. This is intended as reinforcements for the already huge army proceeding by river craft toward the Soviet frontiers. Fancheng, a strategic city dominating all roads down the Sungari River, is strongly occupied by the Japanese. Heavy artillery and bombing planes are reported to have arrived at Fancheng on the way to the Soviet border.

Another Japanese army is rapidly concentrating in the triangle formed by the Soviet and Korean frontiers.

**UNEMPLOYED COMRADES**  
All unemployed comrades must report at Section 2 headquarters at 301 West 29th Street today from 11.30 in the morning to 1 in the afternoon. VERY URGENT.



WM. Z. FOSTER



JAMES W. FORD

### White Guards At Doumer Funeral Yell "Down With Russia"

The whole White Guard colony of Paris turned out on Thursday for the funeral of President Doumer, who was murdered last week by Dr. Paul Gorgulov, White Guardist, who openly stated that his crime was aimed at causing war between France and the Soviet Union.

The White Guards mingling with the crowd, set up the shout of "Down With Russia." Scores of fist fights followed as French workers attacked the White Guardists, who were supported by the police. The workers fought back against the police.

The Communist paper, "L'Humanite" yesterday published exposures by many factory workers at Meudon showing that on the day preceding the murder of Doumer, White Guardist were circulating reports of the plan to murder Doumer. The White Guard general staff is centered at Meudon.

Stop the Shipment of Arms and Munitions to Japan!

## Urgent Tasks for TODAY in Fight Against Imperialist War

THE need of the struggle against imperialist war TODAY, for the defense of the Soviet Union and the Chinese people, which is determined by advanced stage of the war preparations, demands the most intense organization of ACTUAL STRUGGLE AGAINST THE WAR DANGER, combined with the widest agitation and exposure of the war preparations and the whole program of war aims of the

struggle against the war, but only for struggle for their own partial demands, for higher wages, that it is now useless to appeal to the international solidarity of workers, but only to their immediate interests and that the war can best be fought against by the bringing forward of the wage demands of the workers, is fundamentally wrong. Such a view is nothing BUT THE REBIRTH OF THE TROTSKY THEORY OF 1927, ACCORDING TO WHICH THERE IS NO SPECIAL STRUGGLE AGAINST THE WAR, but that the war will be fought

### Chicago Daily News Says Japanese Troop Movements Show War Against Soviet Union Is Near

THE immediate threat of war against the Soviet Union is again openly admitted in the bourgeois press. This time it is the Chicago Daily News, May 12, which states:

"THE WITHDRAWAL OF JAPANESE TROOPS FROM SHANGHAI AND THE DISPATCH OF A NEW ARMY TO MANCHURIA IS INTERPRETED IN CHINA AS THE FIRST MOVE IN A WAR BETWEEN JAPAN AND THE SOVIET UNION. COMPETENT OBSERVERS, SUCH AS THE DAILY NEWS CORRESPONDENT IN PEIPING, NOW ARE CONVINCED THAT THE LONG-EXPECTED CONFLICT IS NEAR."

This further confirms the confidential information sent by the Whaley-Eaton finance service to its banker clients under a Washington date line of May 7, that:

"IN MILITARY CIRCLES THE OPINION IS EXPRESSED THAT JAPAN, WITHIN THE NEXT FEW WEEKS WILL ATTACK RUSSIA IN MANCHURIA."

On May 10, the Whaley-Eaton service followed this up with another confidential letter declaring that the above opinion was fully confirmed by "important European military circles."

This should show to every worker the necessity of workers immediately mobilizing every ounce of strength for struggle against imperialist war on the basis of the slogan put forward by the Communist Party in its election platform:

**"AGAINST IMPERIALIST WAR: FOR THE DEFENSE OF THE CHINESE PEOPLE AND THE SOVIET UNION!"**

imperialists—American imperialism first of all. Preparations for extending the imperialist war against the Chinese people. These preparations include moral, political and technical means.

The use of the funeral of President Doumer of France for Russian white guard demonstration against the Soviet Union as reported in the capitalist press yesterday, is only one incident in a whole chain of war measures. The latest huge Japanese troop concentration in Manchuria is another.

Especially in the United States, where war preparations are proceeding under the cover of "peace" maneuvers by the state department and side by side with a movement ostensibly for recognition of the Soviet Union which has as its purpose (as in the Scripps-McRae papers and the demagogic speeches of Rainey, demagogic party floor leaders, and other congressmen and senators) the covering up of the implacable hostility of American imperialism to the Soviet Union, the Chinese people and their heroic struggle for liberation.

American imperialism must not be allowed to get away further with its hypocritical pretenses of a desire for peace and its so-called "neutrality" in the Japanese advance toward the Soviet frontiers, a neutrality which is actual support of Japan as the spearhead of the imperialist drive.

The "friendship for China of the Hoover government" pretense under which the counter-revolutionary Kuomintang, backed by the imperialist powers, headed by America, is carrying out huge military offensives against the Chinese workers' and peasants' revolutionary struggle, must likewise be exposed.

The socialist party and Mustelie "friendship for China," and the Chinese people is nothing less than a screen for American imperialism's penetration of China. Sherwood Eddy's denunciation of the Chinese Communist Party which leads the workers' and peasants' revolution because they oppose the missionary agents of the Standard Oil and other American corporations is an outstanding example of the real position of the socialists.

"We must show the masses how important it is for the imperialist war makers today TO GAIN TIME and set the war machinery running as noiselessly as possible so that the mass of the people will, as far as possible, not notice this, and show how the above-mentioned 'friendship for China' hypocrisy directly serves its purpose. We can and must convince the masses that the point now is not to give the imperialists the peaceful period for the development of their war machinery which they and their social fascist agents are striving for, but preferably to wade into the imperialists rather today than tomorrow."

In the struggle for the defense of the Soviet Union and the Chinese people, which is at the same time the central struggle of the whole working class against the capitalist offensive, because this imperialist war is against the working class and their allies the colonial peoples and oppressed national minorities, we must be able to combine in the most concrete manner the struggle for the economic demands of the working class, employed and unemployed, the struggle against all forms of terrorism and suppression directed against workers, the struggle for the liberation of the Negro masses, with the central struggle against imperialist war.

We must be able to show the inseparable connection between the ruthless drive against the working class in the United States on all fronts with the imperialist war aims of the ruling class, the connection between this and the attack on the Soviet Union and the Chinese people.

Mass resistance to the new wage cut drive must be organized. We must be able to organize an absolute check on the manufacture and shipment of all war munitions and armaments in and from this country. We must be able to organize strikes and demonstrations right in the industries against these war measures.

We must correctly combine the economic struggles on issues arising daily out of the capitalist offensive—the hunger drive of the bosses and government—with the central struggle against war.

"The conception that today one cannot move the workers in the factories (and especially those previously unemployed who have now found employment as a result of the extension of war production) for

against through the sharpening of the general class struggle."

"..... It stands to reason that the struggle against the war must not be separated from the daily struggle of workers for better conditions, but it is equally obvious that a Communist Party desirous of being worthy of the name can never renounce, under any circumstances, the revolutionary education of the masses, especially now, of all times."

Raise in every factory, on every railway terminal and dock the question of the struggle against war, of the character of the war, of the capitalist offensive against the whole working class, raise the question of working class unity and struggle against war, for the defense of the Soviet Union and the Chinese people.

Expose the war preparations under the guise of "keeping the peace of the world." Organize a proletarian check-up on all war manufactures and shipments.

Build the united front of the working class for revolutionary struggle for defense of the fatherland of the world's working class, of the heroic struggles of the Chinese masses, for the defeat of imperialist war preparations.

Organize in the decisive industries for the defeat of imperialist war by the solid fighting battalions of the working class advancing victoriously over the shattered ruins of capitalism to a workers' and farmers' government ending imperialist war for all time!

### Shoe Workers Mass Meeting Decides for Mass Strike

To Hold Rank And File Conference To Be Held In Middle Of Next Month

NEW YORK.—Close to one thousand shoe workers packed Webster Hall Thursday evening at the call of the Shoe and Leather Workers Industrial Union. The meeting was called to order by S. Ziebel, secretary of the Union, who acted as chairman. In his opening remarks, he pointed out that this Mass Meeting is the result of the decisions of the last conference, which decided to prepare for a mass strike in the coming season.

I. Rosenberg, organizer of the Union, then reported more at length about the situation in the trade, the present strikes, and called upon the workers to prepare for a Mass Shop Conference in the middle of June, that will take final measures for the planned Mass Strike.

At the various strike-headquarters, the news about the mass meeting was received with great enthusiasm. All the strikers were convinced of the shoe workers' response to the call for relief.

The Miller's scheme for preventing the cutters from lining up with the strike is breaking down. The firm tried to induce the cutters to stick inside with the statements that the strike will blow over in a day. But the cutters see that the strike is only beginning. A few of the cutters have already joined the strike, and have picketed the shop. The firm was forced to lay-off the cutters again today, to prevent a demonstrative walk-out.

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### FOSTER AND FORD SCORE LYNCH MOVE, CALL FOR GIANT MASS PROTEST

Attorney General Knight States He Will Fight Delay of Execution and Appeal to U. S. Supreme Court

International Labor Defense Files Certified Record Of Case With National Court

CHATTANOOGA, May 13.—The southern ruling class is exerting every effort to carry through the legal massacre of the Scottsboro boys without permitting the boys the right to

### Railroad 16-Year Old Negro Boy to Electric Chair; Workers' Protest Legal Lynching of Willie Brown

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., May 13.—The sixteen year old Negro boy, Willie Brown, framed up by the police for the murder of a white girl, was sentenced to the electric chair. Judge McDevitt, noted for his labor hating decisions, pronounced the sentence.

The whole proceeding lasted two minutes. An appeal was made for a new trial after the conviction, but was refused. Governor Pinchot is to set the date of execution. All working class organizations are urged to send protest telegrams to Governor Pinchot, Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, demanding the immediate and unconditional release of Willie Brown.

take their appeal to the United States Supreme Court.

Attorney General Thomas E. Knight, Jr., of Alabama, yesterday announced that he would oppose the taking of the appeal to the United States Supreme Court. Knight's announcement follows on the heels of the admissions in the New York Times that the United States Government was exerting diplomatic pressure on the German government to break up the tour of Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro boys. Mrs. Wright is at present in Germany, where she has already spoken to several huge meetings of German workers. As a direct result of the United States intervention, one German worker was killed and two fatally wounded by police, who fired into a demonstration at Chemnitz, Germany, on May 7, International Scottsboro Day.

The southern bourgeois press has made a big splurge of Knight's statements, and are attempting to give the impression that the International Labor Defense is doing nothing to push the appeal. This lying slander campaign that is being built up is part of the campaign of the bosses, supported by the N. A. A. C. P. misleaders, to disrupt the mass defense around the boys.

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NEW YORK.—William Z. Foster and James W. Ford, proposed presidential and vice-presidential candidates, respectively, on the Communist Party ticket, yesterday denounced the efforts of the Alabama lynchers to block the appeal to the U. S. Supreme Court. Foster, in a wire from Pittsburgh to the Daily Worker, called upon the workers to intensify tenfold the mass fight to free the Scottsboro boys. His statement follows:

The announced determination of the Alabama Attorney General to oppose the petition of the Scottsboro boys to the U. S. Supreme Court is part of a foul plot to murder these innocent boys without giving them even the chance to take the customary legal steps. We call upon the workers, white and black, to rally to their defense and strengthen tenfold the mass fight to free them. The white workers must take the lead in this struggle against this murderous legal lynching of the nine innocent Negro boys. The Communist Party in its election campaign will expose and fight this vicious oppression by the Alabama lynchers, who are determined to do these nine boys to

### Carpenters To Meet Today, At 1 o'clock

NEW YORK.—A general membership meeting of the Carpenters Section of the Trade Union Unity League will take place today, at 1 p.m. at 5 East 19th Street. This meeting will take up many problems of vital interest to all carpenters who are urged to attend it

(Radio to the International Labor Defense.)

BERLIN, May 13.—The Catholic Cologne Government prohibited Mrs. Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro boys, from addressing a meeting in that city.

Three huge meetings were held instead in Dusseldorf, Solingen, and in the Lower Rhineland. Both Mrs. Wright and J. Louis Engdahl spoke. The militant Scottsboro protest movement is growing rapidly throughout Germany.

# Wide Response to May 22 City Conference Reported

## Credentials Continue To Pour In From Many Organizations; Platform Committee Wind Up Work

The New York District Campaign Committee, announced today the receipt of scores of credentials from many workers' organizations, for the City Election Campaign Conference May 22 at 11 a. m. at Manhattan Lyceum.

Among the credentials received yesterday, were the following: Mapleton Workers' Club, Photographic Workers' League, Tremont Workers Club, Women's Councils, International Workers Order Branches and many others.

The Upper Bronx Unemployed Council, at 1400 Boston Road, which has conducted many good struggles against evictions, for the reduction of high rents, etc., enclosed the sum of \$2 with their credential, and are enthusiastically preparing for the Election Campaign.

The Platform Committee announced today that the draft of the State Election Platform of the Communist Party is being prepared for presentation to the City Conference.

To the present date, the response of the Trade Unions has been entirely insufficient, and the Campaign Committee here demands the immediate response of these Unions that have not already taken action on the Election Campaign. All shops, Fraternal Organizations, Opposition Groups, Unemployed Councils, are urged to immediately take the question of the City Conference into their organizations; to immediately elect delegates to the City Conference.

# SECTION AFFAIRS TONIGHT TO OPEN ELECTION DRIVE

## Browder, Amter, and Other Candidates To Speak

The first campaign speeches of the Communist Party State and Local candidates in the coming elections will be made tonight at the various banquets, concerts and mass meetings arranged throughout the city by the sections of the Communist Party.

These affairs are being arranged with the purpose of raising funds for the election campaign also popularizing the program of the Communist Party and introducing the candidates of the Communist Party to the workers and delegates of mass organizations who will attend.

Earl Browder, candidate for congress in the 18th Congressional District and Henry Shepard, candidate for Lieutenant Governor of the State of New York, will be the main speakers at the banquet arranged by the Harlem section of the Communist Party at the Esthonian Workers Club, 2336 Third Avenue at 8 p. m. Admission will be 60c. Comrade Sadie Van Veen will be the toastmaster.

Bronx candidates will speak at the concert and dance arranged by Section 5 at 569 Prospect Ave. at 9.30 p. m. Admission at this concert will be only 25c.

Comrade Lena Davis, of the District Committee of the Communist Party will be the main speaker at election campaign concert and mass meeting arranged by the Brownsville section at 1813 Pitkin Avenue, at 8 p. m. Other local candidates will also speak. Admission will be 35c.

The main candidate in the state elections, however, the candidate for governor of the State of New York, Comrade I. Amter will be the main speaker at the mass banquet arranged by Section 15 of the Communist Party at 1610 Boston Road. This banquet promises to be the greatest of all the affairs on May 14. An unusual good program has been arranged for this evening. Admission will be 50c.

# BRONX PAINTERS DANCE TONIGHT

NEW YORK.—The Bronx Alteration Painters will inaugurate their new headquarters, located at 1130 South Boulevard, tonight, May 14, with a concert and dance.

# What's On—

- CATERDAY**  
The Bridge Plaza Workers Club will have a dance at 285 Rodney St., Brooklyn.
- Working Women's Council of Perth Amboy will have a tea party and dance at Sand Hill-Mollness Hall, King George Road, Forde, N. J. Admission is 25c.
- The Red Sparks Athletic Club will have a banquet and entertainment at 280 Grand St., at 8 p. m.
- The Gilbert Lewis Group of the L.S.N.R. will have an entertainment, movie and dance at 418 West 32nd St., at 8 p. m.
- Plumbers Helpers**  
Will meet at 5 East 19th St., at 12:30 noon.
- The Tremont Workers Club will have a package party and vetcherinka at 2075 Clinton Ave., Bronx. Admission is free.
- Spanish Workers Center**  
Will hold a party at 31 Atlantic Ave., Brooklyn. All workers are invited. Admission is 35c.
- Joe Hill Branch of the I.L.D. will hold a house party at 68 Lenox Ave., Apt. 22, at 8 p. m.
- The Alteration Painters will have a concert and dance at 1130 Southern Blvd., Bronx, at 8 p. m. Admission is 25c.
- Council 11 of the U.C.W.C.U.**  
Will have a concert and dance in the auditorium of the Coop, 2700 Bronx Park E.
- Council 14**  
Will have a concert and dance at 1 Fulton St., Brooklyn, at 8 p. m.
- Council 24**  
Will have an affair at 1680 Anthony Ave., Bronx, at 8 p. m.
- Council 29**  
Will have an affair at 1210 Elder Ave., Bronx, at 8 p. m. All workers of the neighborhood are invited.
- Council 2**  
Will have a vetcherinka and concert at 1067 Kelly St., Bronx, at 8 p. m. Proceeds for the Morning Freiheit.
- Council 8**  
Will have a concert at 3882 Third Ave., Bronx, at 8 p. m. Admission is 25c. Proceeds for the Morning Freiheit.

# NOTED AUTHOR AT CHILD MISERY SYMPOSIUM

## To Be Held Wednesday 8 p.m. At New School

NEW YORK.—The symposium on "Child Misery and Starvation in the United States and Child Care in the Soviet Union," at the New School for Social Research, 66 East 13th St., 7.30 p. m., May 18th, will introduce Mrs. Alice Withrow Fields to New York working-class audiences for the first time.

Mrs. Fields won wide recognition for her book, "The Protection of Women and Children in the Soviet Union," which deals exhaustively with the elaborate program of social betterment among women and children under the Soviets.

Much of the valuable material assembled by Mrs. Fields during her two year stay in the Soviet Union has been cut from the book by capitalist censorship. Especially is this true of the valuable data on birth control, feminine hygiene and abortion, in which the Soviets are pioneering.

Working-class parents, particularly, will find Mrs. Fields' report at the symposium highly interesting and valuable, the Workers International Relief announces.

Other speakers at the symposium will be Hal Ware, Joseph Freeman, Mac Weiss and Jim Garland. This is the first time that the condition of Negro and white working class children in this country have been authoritatively contrasted with the what is being done for Soviet children.

The Bakers Local 22 of the American Federation of Labor has contributed one dollar to the children's campaign conducted by the Workers International Relief.

# PHOTOGRAPHERS VOTE TO PUSH C. P. ELECTIONS

NEW YORK.—At a meeting of the Photographic Workers League held Thursday night, the whole membership enthusiastically voted to support the Communist election campaign.

A communication was read from the National Office of the Communist Party. After the reading of the letter a motion was made by a member of the League to endorse the platform and take an active part in the campaign. About 10 members took part in the discussion. A vote was taken and all members voted for participation in the campaign.

Two delegates were elected to the city convention and one to the state rally. A collection amounting to amounting to 10.25 for campaign funds was taken up on the floor.

# ACW Rank and File Affair Tonight

NEW YORK.—Saturday, May 14, at 8 p. m. the Amalgamated Rank and File Committee will hold a Vetcherinka at 126 University Place near 14th Street.

This affair must be one of the mobilization of the tailors to carry on the fight against Hillman's fake move against the workers.

Admission is only 25 cents. There will be a good program.

Today, Tomorrow and Monday—Don't Miss It!

# "STORM OVER ASIA"

ADDED ATTRACTION—"SCOTTSBORO DEMONSTRATION" PRESENTED BY W. L. R.

## ACME THEATRE

14th Street & Union Square

15:00 A. M. to 1 P. M. Exc. Sat. & Sun. Midnight Show Sat.

# PLACE FOSTER, FORD ON BALLOT IN NEW JERSEY

## 2,400 Signatures Collected; 800 Needed

PERTH AMBOY, N. J., May 11.—Although only 800 signatures were needed to place the Communist candidates for President and Vice President, Wm. Z. Foster and James W. Ford, on the ballot in New Jersey, the workers collected and filed 2,400 signatures (Two Thousand Four-Hundred).

Last year to place a candidate on the ballot for Governor, also 800 signatures were needed and 1,700 signatures were collected. The above petitions for Foster and Ford had names of 16 electors.

Plans are going ahead for an intensive Election Campaign in New Jersey this year, many local candidates being entered. Unemployment is widespread and even, according to Chester I. Barnard, State Director of Emergency Relief, who is also head of the Bell Telephone Company in N. J., unemployment is increasing.

In yesterday newspaper Bernard stated that, "the number of persons in need in the state has increased from 600,000 to 800,000 during the past two weeks." That there are 180,000 persons receiving aid in Essex County, 133,000 in Hudson County, 63,000 in Bergen, 80,000 in Union, 41,500 in Passaic, 92,000 in Camden and 37,000 in Atlantic County." The correct figures are much closer to one million unemployed workers in need in New Jersey.

In order to raise funds for "Unemployment Relief" the State Government in N. J. is planning to put through a bill to raise the tax on gas, put a tax on tobacco, electricity, tapping of moneys of the State teachers' pension and annuity fund, and sale of the Camden-Philadelphia bridge bonds. The bosses' government wants to place the cost of unemployment relief on the shoulders of the workers, not the bosses and bankers who are responsible for unemployment. The profits of the bosses are not even touched for funds for unemployment relief. The Communist Party in the elections in New Jersey will conduct a strong fight for Unemployment and Social Insurance at the expense of the State and Employers. County Conferences are being held to plan this fight and to elect delegates to the National Nominating Convention in Chicago.

# James W. Ford To Be Main Speaker At A Scottsboro Night

James W. Ford, Communist Party candidate for the vice presidency, will be one of the speakers at a notable "Scottsboro Benefit Night" to be held Sunday at 8.30 p. m. at the Rockland Palace, 280 West 155th St.

Along with Comrade Ford will be such well-known speakers as Waldo Frank, the novelist, Louise Thompson, young Negro intellectual leader of Harlem, Eugene Gordon, Negro novelist of Boston, Malcolm Cowley of the New Republic, Liston Oak, Melvin P. Levy and several others.

But the greater part of the evening will be entertainment of the most varied and unique kind, furnished on behalf of the Scottsboro defense campaign inaugurated by the National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners.

This entertainment will be by 12 leading white and Negro singers, dancers, artists and entertainers, including the well-known Frank Wilson and Rose McClendon of Porgy and Never No More, Taylor Gordon, Negro concert singer, Gergette Harvey of Blackberries of 1932 and Margaret Larkin in songs from Singing Cowboy.

The proceeds of the affair will go exclusively to the defense of the Scottsboro Negro boys whose case is now being appealed by the International Labor Defense to the Supreme Court of the United States.

# International Hiking Tomorrow, May 15

Tomorrow a Propaganda-Hike will lead us to the upper Palisades. The Photo-Group and the Musik-Section will also participate. All workers, who wish to spend a day outdoors and like to get acquainted with our movement are invited.

Three groups will be led by different trials to the assembly place. 1. Leader, Ruth Matthes: Meets at Dyckman St. Ferry at 7.30 a. m. Walktime 4 hours. Fare 20 cents. 2. Leader, Adolf Matthes Meets at West 125th Street at 7.45 a. m. Walktime 4 hours. Fare 70 cents. 3. Leader, W. Schuman: Meets at Van Cortlandt Park at 8 a. m. Walktime 2 hours. Fare 30 cents.

# Mass Demonstration in Steel Towns Against 15 P.C. Slash

McKEESPORT, Pa., May 12.—A demonstration against the new 15 per cent wage cut and against unemployment and part-time work with its accompanying starvation will be held at 9th and Water Street, McKeesport, Saturday May 14th, at 3 p. m.

# T.U.U.C. Calls for Mass Support to Shoe Workers

Calling upon all toilers to support the strike of the shoe workers, the Trade Union Unity Council issued following statement:

The Trade Union Unity Council wholeheartedly pledges to give leadership and its fullest support to the splendid struggle of the Shoe and Leather Workers Industrial Union against the wage cuts of the I. Miller, Andrew Geller, Paris and Elso bosses and calls upon the revolutionary unions and leagues, the opposition groups in the American Federation of Labor and all workers organizations to support the shoe workers strike.

Not only is this a struggle against the attacks of the notorious shoe bosses, who have used the most vicious methods of spying company unions, injunctions and terrorism to force down the standards of the workers, but it is a struggle to establish and build a union of shoe workers, which will fight militantly under the leadership of the TUUL in the interests of the workers against these bosses.

The organization strike led by the Shoe and Leather Workers Union is an example to our trade union movement of how to build shop groups in the large plants, how to organize the united front of all the workers, with the result that the strike is drawing hundreds of workers into the ranks of the union. The Shoe and Leather Workers Union must emerge from the strike as a mass union and a powerful force to withstand the bosses attacks.

The shoe workers must have the fullest support, both morally and financially in this strike. They must be able to meet the bosses attempts to defeat their strike. This means support on the picket line. It means especially, that financial assistance must be forth coming when necessary.

The TUUL therefore calls upon the whole working-class to rally to the support of the Shoe and Leather Workers Union and by real solidarity help the shoe workers to build a mighty mass organization and to defeat the bosses efforts to lower their living standards.

# Grand "Icor" Concert At Town Hall Tonight

The "Icor" which is participating in the Socialist upbuilding of Biro-Bidjan, U. S. S. R. where a Jewish Socialist Soviet Republic will be proclaimed at the end of 1933, is arranging a grand concert which will be held tonight at Town Hall, 113 West 43rd Street, New York.

NEIGHBORHOOD THEATRES EAST SIDE—BRONX

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Unemployment among farm workers is so great that, the publication says, "farm labor appears to be very plentiful in all parts of the United States, supply being practically twice the demand. In New Jersey and Rhode Island the supply of farm labor was reported in April to be only slightly more than 50 per cent greater than demand. On the other hand, in the West, where farm labor usually is scarce, supply is reported to be over twice the demand." In South Carolina wages are even lower, \$8.75 per month.

One of the chief causes of this unemployment may be traced to the unemployment in cities, with workers going to the fields hoping to find jobs.

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# Sham Relief Bill Proposed by Hoover and Politicians

WASHINGTON, May 12.—Details of the sham relief plan, presented to Congress by President Hoover after consultation with Democratic and Republican floor leaders in the Senate, were made public yesterday.

This bill calls for the further strengthening of the Reconstruction Finance Corporation, the agency created by the Wall Street politicians for the granting of a two billion dollar loan to the bankrupt business of the country.

Of the \$1,500,000,000 in additional debentures which the Reconstruction Finance Corporation is empowered to issue, only \$300,000,000 is set aside "for loans to the states for direct aid to the unemployed."

The ridiculously inadequate nature of this loan, even granting that most of it is not seized as graft by the corrupt politicians into whose hands it will be placed, is apparent when it is considered in relation to the 12,000,000 unemployed workers and their dependents in the United States.

On the impossible basis that the entire sum will be used for relief purposes and not for paying the palms of the local politicians as happened in the case of the New York home relief plan, the \$300,000,000 actually amounts to merely \$25 for each unemployed worker. The sham Hoover relief plan does not even provide for relief that will last for more than one week.

Aside from another \$40,000,000, which is to be used for "export agricultural purposes," meaning that it will be used to subsidize the large capitalist exporters of wheat, cotton and other agricultural products, the remainder of the \$1,500,000,000 will go directly into the hands of private business firms.

The bill provides that this \$1,160,000,000 be loaned to private business for reproductively enterprises, assured by contract. This is merely a camouflage under cover of which Wall Street again will use the treasury to help prop up the completely and partially bankrupt industries.

There are no industries in the United States which are "assured by contract." On the contrary every industry is experiencing a steady fall in production.

Auto sales dropped 35 per cent in the first quarter of the year as compared with the same period for last year. The lumber industry is operating at 25 per cent of capacity. The steel industry is operating at 24 per cent of capacity. Leading stocks have declined 16 per cent in March and April.

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## NMU IN OHIO TO PROTEST ARREST OF KEMENOVITCH

Urges Organizations To Wire Protest To Sec. Doak

BRIDGEPORT, Ohio.—Vince Kemenovitch, member of the National Committee of the National Miners Union, has been arrested in Wheeling, W. Va., and held by the Immigration authorities under \$2,500 cash bail. Kemenovitch has just been released from Pineville, Kentucky, where he has spent three months in jail, charged with criminal syndicalism.

The arrest of Kemenovitch is one of the long list carried on by Secretary of Labor Doak to deport all militant workers who dare to fight against wage cuts and starvation. Kemenovitch was arrested during a tour which was arranged by the District Board of the N. M. U. in Ohio to bring forth the militant struggle of the Kentucky miners led by the National Miners Union.

This arrest is part and parcel of the attempt of the coal operators and the U. M. W. A. to prevent the N. M. U. organizers from bringing forth a militant policy and exposing the U. M. W. A. leadership, who are trying to mislead the strikers in Eastern Ohio.

The attempts of the coal operators and Secretary of Labor Doak to deport Frank Borich, National Secretary, and Vince Kemenovitch, member of the National Committee, is an attempt to drive the National Miners Union out of the field and establish the U. M. W. A. in order that the coal operators will be able to put over wholesale wage-cuts.

The coal operators realize that as long as the N. M. U. exists it will carry on a campaign against wage cuts and unemployment and lead the miners to a victory. The N. M. U. District Board urges upon the local unions to hold protest mass meetings and send telegrams to Secretary of Labor Doak and demand his release.

## F.S.U. CONDEMNS GARMENT UNION

Calls Resolution an Attack on USSR

NEW YORK.—Marcel Scherer, National Secretary of the Friends of the Soviet Union, today issued a statement condemning the resolution adopted by the Convention of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union at Philadelphia, on May 10th, as a "camouflaged attack upon the First Workers' Republic."

"The demand in the resolution for the release of political prisoners in Soviet Russia is ridiculous," Mr. Scherer stated.

"In the United States there is legal and extra-legal persecution of workers and their organizations, with brutal assaults upon meetings and demonstrations, the jailing of workers for struggling against wage-cuts and the actual murder, as for instance, at the Ford gates last month, of unemployed workers demanding jobs and food. In contrast to this, in the Soviet Union there is proletarian freedom for all workers. Those who are in prison are there for crimes they have committed, for counter-revolutionary activity including sabotage, graft and violence directed against the work-

## Arvid Salonen, Farmer, to Run for Congress in Wis.

SUPERIOR, Wis.—Arvid Salonen, of Tripoli, a leader of the United Farmers League in Lincoln County, has been selected to be the Communist candidate for Congress from the 10th Congressional District of Wisconsin (new numbers following re-apportionment).

An election conference will be held in Superior on May 21st, and local conferences will also be held in Clark County, Lincoln County and Ashland County. Northern Wisconsin will send ten delegates to the National Convention.

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## Convict Leaders of Boston Demonstration Demanding Edith Berkman's Release

Workers Expose at Trial, Class Character of Court and Labor Department; Demand That Edith Berkman Be Freed

By DOUGLAS McDONALD Daily Worker Special Correspondent The seven delegates and picketers who were arrested staging a protest against the continued imprisonment of Edith Berkman, in front of the East Boston Immigration Station, were convicted of "disturbing the peace" and given individual fines from \$20 to \$50 by Judge Barnes. About forty demonstrators were picketing the immigration station with placards, while a delegation from their group were attempting to interview Mrs. Anna Tillinghast, Commissioner of Immigration for the Boston District, to present their demands, when police drove them off the sidewalk.

The Assistant Commissioner, Frank S. Abercrombie, was standing outside with the police and plainclothesmen, and he told the delegates "the Commissioner doesn't want to see you people." But the demonstrators, repulsed at Mrs. Tillinghast's door and pushed off the sidewalk, militantly continued parading in the street. The police rushed them, arrested the delegates, including Norah Burke, a girl member of the International Labor Defense, and one of the picketers, took them to the police station, and held them for trial.

At the trial the demonstrators defended themselves without a lawyer, Harold Nickerson, one of those arrested, acting as spokesman. In their arguments and testimony the defendants exposed the class character of the court along with the Department of Labor and the Bureau of Immigration, a part of the capitalist government and of the Hoover starvation dictatorship of this country. This so angered the judge that, despite the flimsy charge of "disturbing the peace"—disturbing whose peace? we might ask—he imposed on each one a fine of \$20, and extra fines on two of them, \$50 on Joseph Leeds for "attempting to rescue a prisoner" and \$40 extra on Harold Nevins, a student, for carrying a placard.

All refused to pay the fines, but the trial aroused so much favorable sentiment that sympathizers paid the fines of all except Joseph Leeds, secretary of the Trade Union Unity League of Boston, whose fine the defendants refused to allow paid, because they had decided to appeal his case as part of the protest against the denial of the right to picket and demonstrate.

The other arrested comrades were Albert Daniels, of the Unemployed Councils, Charles Hayes, a Negro worker from the Unemployed Councils, and Allan Nevins and Allan Lomax, Harvard University students and members of the National Students League.

At the same time that these comrades were under the illusion that civil liberties prevail in the United States should take a trip to Kentucky. Waldo Frank, Theodor Dreiser, Malcolm Cowley, Edmund Wilson, and other prominent writers, as well as members of delegations of students and professional people, are this week testifying before a Senate committee in Washington that in the mining area of Kentucky all the pretense of democracy has been abolished, together with the elementary human and constitutional rights of the workers.

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headquarters with a small sum of money to cover the expenses of sending letters to these workers. The sum should be decided at the campaign office. For units of names, say of 10 persons, twenty cents should be the amount, or \$2 per hundred. The letters should contain the Party platform and leaflets containing questions and answers, something like this: Why is the A. F. of L. fighting against unemployment insurance? What is an Unemployed Council? And all questions that workers are interested in.

J. Jezersky.

What Our Readers Say on the Election Campaign

THIS is the sixth series of discussion letters on the election platform and campaign of the Communist Party sent in by readers of the Daily Worker. Articles will be written by comrades from the Central Committee on the various suggestions and proposals as the discussion progresses.

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## LYNCH COURTS TRY TO BLOCK YUEL LEE APPEAL

Maryland Prosecutor In New Legalistic Trick

The case of Euel Lee ("Orphan Jones") who was falsely accused of murder and convicted on framed testimony, has developed very interesting tricks in the technique of the capitalist courts to railroad workers to death if they can.

The case was appealed by the International Labor Defense after the frameup verdict of death was reached in the boss court, and the appeal was certified and put on the docket for next October. Then suddenly, without warning, the state prosecutor himself—not the defense attorneys, who are the proper parties to request a case to be put ahead in order that the accused shall not be held too long in jail—the state prosecutor himself advanced the case from October to May, so that the hearing on the appeal will be tried in a few days instead of next fall. And, on top of this, the prosecution is arguing that the case cannot now be appealed because the application for appeal was not made within the time limit specified by the county court regulations. This means, if the claim that the appeal cannot be granted because it was too late is allowed, that Orphan Jones will be hanged without even the appellate court's decision on the legality of the lower court's procedure.

The general law allowed until April 19, 1932 for the filing of an appeal. The ILD promptly filed its appeal for a new hearing on February 19, two months before the final date set. The application for the appeal was accepted, certified, put on the October docket for hearing in the fall. But Bernard Ades, who has general charge of the case, is in Florida, defending the Tampa victims. David Levinson, who is in local charge of Euel Lee's case, is in the hospital seriously ill. Obviously the first move of the bosses lynch courts is to advance the case and have it tried right away.

But when they find that the trial is being challenged on the question of the fight of Negroes to serve on the jury, the prosecution sought for still another scheme. They found that a county regulation existed requiring the filing of an appeal within a much shorter time than the general regulation claim that the appeal cannot now be heard because it was not made as soon as the county rule prescribes, notwithstanding the fact that the appeal has already been certified and put on the court calendar for hearing.

This filthy legalistic capitalist trick must not be allowed to succeed. We must defend Euel Lee against the boss frame-up courts. Workers, Negro and white raise your protest again this dastardly attempt to legally lynch this innocent Negro worker. Build a tremendous mass defense.

Several months ago, the British government inspired raids by the German police on the headquarters of International Trade Union Committee of Negro workers at Hamburg. Large amounts of literature dealing with the problems of the colonial masses was confiscated and destroyed by the police.

Trinidad is one of the largest colonies of British imperialism in the West Indies. It is a few miles off the coast of Venezuela, South America. Like most of the West Indies islands it has suffered from a chronic economic crisis, now tremendously intensified by the world economic crisis of capitalism. Unemployment has grown by leaps and bounds. Suffering is widespread. While the British Government has been forced to pay an insignificant dole to unemployed workers in England, the dole is denied to the colonial masses in this island. Destitute workers crowd the streets, begging charity from the diminishing tourist trade. Every night hundreds of homeless workers can be found sleeping on the sidewalks. Suicides of unemployed workers and ruined peasants are greatly on the increase. Prostitution is rife, as hundreds of working class girls are forced to sell their bodies for the price of a meal. Foreclosures of peasant holdings and the sale of homes for back taxes are daily announced in the bourgeois press.

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Attack Jobless in Grand Rapids, Mich.

Five Who Tried to Speak Arrested

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich.—A demonstration to protest against relief reduction, wage cuts, and evictions was held at the City Hall in Grand Rapids, May 9th. In spite of raining weather over one thousand attended. Every comrade who attempted to speak was instantly attacked by the police. The workers were more militant than formerly and a scrap followed every time the police rushed in to seize a speaker. Five comrades were arrested. Comrade Killip, La Verne, Briggs, Everse and his daughter Nellie Everse. Comrade Nellie Everse was seized and choked by two policemen, simultaneously a third cop stood behind holding her helpless; the crowd became angry and yelled and booed the policemen. Another speaker, Bennet of Galewood, started to speak but evaded the police through the protection of the crowd.

Relief has been reduced here to the point of starvation and the demonstration was called in the behalf of the unemployed who have lost lights, gas, fuel and haven't sufficient food. The demonstration was held under the auspices of the T. U. U. L. and the Unemployed Council.

Wage-Cuts Every Two Weeks in Devon Mills (By a Worker Correspondent) The Devon Mills, Mass.—The Devon Mills Incorporated, the mother of the speed-up system in New Bedford is now about to lose its fame for its speed up and wage cuts. The bosses of the Devon exploited the workers by their speed-up to such an extent that lots of the workers had to quit their jobs so-as to take care of their health because they did not have enough time to eat their food and were finding themselves dropping down to the ranks of the many workers who are in the State Sanatorium with T. B. These same bosses who ruined the workers' health as well as their children are closing up this factory on May 26th and are putting from 2 to 3,000 workers on the streets to add up to the ranks of the already 20,000 starving devonians in this city.

The Devon Mill is the 2nd biggest mill in the United States owned by the Goodyear manufacturers. The Devon mill produces some sort of fabric that is used for the most famous tires in the United States (Goodyear Balloon Tires). A few months ago the bosses of the Devon gave the workers in the Twister Room a speed-up from 12 twisters to 48. The bosses are also giving the workers a series of tremendous wage cuts which started about two months ago. The workers who two months ago received a pay of \$28.00 are now drawing wages of \$18.00. One of the workers that work there told me that they have been getting a wage cut every two weeks. I also found out from another worker that the last wage cut was a 15 per cent cut. Workers, join the National Textile Workers Union to fight against the miserable conditions that the capitalists are forcing us to live under!

—A Young Textile Worker.

## Communist Supervisor to Run for Commissioner

VIRGINIA, Minn.—Andrew Roine, who was elected to the Board of Supervisors in Sturgeon Township on the Communist ticket, has been nominated by the Communist Party as candidate for the St. Louis County Board of Commissioners from the 7th district in the primary elections. St. Louis County was the scene last fall of a Farmers' Hunger March to Duluth, the county seat, where they were greeted by 5,000 unemployed workers in a demonstration at the Court House Square, and a joint worker-farmer delegation demanded relief at the session of the County Board of Commissioners. These same Commissioners which refused relief at that time are now running for re-election and the Communist Party has nominated a candidate in the 7th Commissioners' District at the insistent demand of hundreds of militant farmers who recognize in the Communist Party and the United Farmers League as their leader. A Workers and Farmers' Election Conference will be held in Virginia on May 22nd to launch the campaign for the county, state and presidential ticket of the Communist Party.

## MASS DEMONSTRATION IN STEEL TOWNS AGAINST 15 P. C. SLASH

EAST PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 12.—The best factory gate meeting held here in many months was conducted by the Metal Workers Industrial League today—the subject being the fight against the new wage cut coming at Westinghouse. Although the cut has not yet been announced, it is certain that one is coming. Less than 6000 are working in the entire works here now. Last week 300 foreign-born workers were laid off. Only citizens are to hold jobs—and not so many of them. The company has on a drive to make salesmen of the workers. Every worker including office employees, must sell at least one Westinghouse product during a certain period of time in order to hold his or her job. A couple of workers on the street corner today were saying that they would have to go to the Soviet Union in order to be able to sell anything.

The MWIL will hold regular meetings at the Westinghouse gate at least every two weeks on the same day of the week, so that all workers can get used to the time and make arrangements to be present. CLAIRTON, Pa., May 12.—In an effort to prevent the fight against the wage cut from attaining mass proportions, the company is spreading rumors that the entire works will close down here—both coke works and steel works. The highest split in years is evident here, with the men smarting under the wage cut. At the same time a broad Scottsboro defense movement is developing. The Clairton workers are demanding a mass demonstration, and plans are going forward for it.

Only a fighting alliance of the white and Negro workers can stop the bloody hands of the lynch bosses.

## Tammany Priest Gives Blessings, But Denies Poor Family Relief

Carries On Merciless Inquisition, Demands That Woman Show Baptismal Papers

Unemployed Council Takes Up Case; Will Demand That City Give Relief

(By a Worker Correspondent) NEW YORK.—While collecting signatures for the ballot on Amsterdam Avenue between 61st and 62nd Streets, another worker and I came across an example of betrayal by the Tammany relief fakers of a helpless family into the merciless clutches of the parish priest.

This family has been out of works since last fall. The rent of the three sparsely furnished holes-in-wall they call home has been unpaid since January and the landlady is taking eviction proceedings. The family, man, wife and three babies (youngest 3 months old) have no food. The city agencies turned this helpless worker over to the tender mercies of the Catholic church for "relief." And the parish priest "relieved" this family in the following fashion:

He put the woman (sick with despair and the terror of eviction) to as cruel a cross-examination as if she had been guilty of a major crime and he had been appointed the state prosecutor. It seems that this mild and frightened woman had married her husband outside the church eight years back; and for this crime the priest mercilessly probed, with a sadistic delight, into every action of her past life.

Workers gave the case over to the Unemployed Council to see that this worker and his family get city relief and are not evicted.

Wage-Cuts Every Two Weeks in Devon Mills (By a Worker Correspondent) The Devon Mills, Mass.—The Devon Mills Incorporated, the mother of the speed-up system in New Bedford is now about to lose its fame for its speed up and wage cuts. The bosses of the Devon exploited the workers by their speed-up to such an extent that lots of the workers had to quit their jobs so-as to take care of their health because they did not have enough time to eat their food and were finding themselves dropping down to the ranks of the many workers who are in the State Sanatorium with T. B. These same bosses who ruined the workers' health as well as their children are closing up this factory on May 26th and are putting from 2 to 3,000 workers on the streets to add up to the ranks of the already 20,000 starving devonians in this city.

The Devon Mill is the 2nd biggest mill in the United States owned by the Goodyear manufacturers. The Devon mill produces some sort of fabric that is used for the most famous tires in the United States (Goodyear Balloon Tires). A few months ago the bosses of the Devon gave the workers in the Twister Room a speed-up from 12 twisters to 48. The bosses are also giving the workers a series of tremendous wage cuts which started about two months ago. The workers who two months ago received a pay of \$28.00 are now drawing wages of \$18.00. One of the workers that work there told me that they have been getting a wage cut every two weeks. I also found out from another worker that the last wage cut was a 15 per cent cut. Workers, join the National Textile Workers Union to fight against the miserable conditions that the capitalists are forcing us to live under!

—A Young Textile Worker.

ALL READERS ARE URGED TO AGAIN READ THE PLATFORM AS PUBLISHED IN THE DAILY WORKER OF APRIL 28TH AND SEND IN THEIR OPINIONS AND PROPOSALS.

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# HONOLULU AND SCOTTSBORO

By I. AMIER

FOUR white imperialists, Lieutenant Masie, his mother-in-law, Mrs. Fortescue of New York, and two seamen, were recently on trial in Honolulu for the murder of a colored Hawaiian worker, who is charged with having "assaulted" and "raped" Mrs. Masie. Lieutenant Masie confessed the shooting to death of the Hawaiian. He and the three other whites were convicted of manslaughter, which bears a sentence of one to ten years.

Nine Scottsboro Negro boys were accused of having "raped" two white prostitutes in the south—in Alabama. With a crowd howling outside the courthouse, with no evidence but that of the white prostitutes, the nine Scottsboro boys were convicted, despite their denial, which could not be shaken. They were sentenced to die on the electric chair.

The colored Hawaiian has been shot to death the two white prostitutes are still alive, plying their trade, inflicted on them by the vicious boss system.

While the jury in Honolulu was out, and it became clear that although of mixed color—seven whites, three Chinese, two Hawaiians—they would bring in a verdict of guilty, steps were undertaken to have the white defendants freed. A bill was introduced into the U. S. House of Representatives by Congressman Crisp, Democrat, of Georgia! This bill reads in part:

"Therefore be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives that Lieutenant Thomas H. Masie, Mrs. Granville Fortescue, Albert G. Jones and E. K. Lord, be and they are hereby

granted a full and complete pardon for the offense of manslaughter based on the charge of the unlawful killing of Joseph Kahahawai, for which offense they were recently convicted in the Territorial Court at Honolulu."

Representative Thatcher, Republican, of Kentucky (I introduced a petition "imploving" Governor Judd of Hawaii to pardon the four white murderers. Congressman Delaney appealed to Hoover to pardon them. Senator Logan, Democrat, of Kentucky; Senator Lewis, Democrat, of Illinois; Senator Borah, Republican, of Idaho, favored the bill! The Brooklyn Women's Constitutional Hoover-Curtis Committee demanded that Hoover and the U. S. Congress "set aside the verdict, and hereby render justice and remove the 'degradation' placed on the United States flag in the territory of Hawaii."

Before the verdict was brought in by the jury, the New York American, in a vicious editorial, product of the slave-driving mind and practices of William Randolph Hearst, declared that the murder not only was justified, but that, although "the husband of Mrs. Masie does NOT deny the avenger's role," it is NOT murder. "His acquittal," it says, "will have sanction in the decision of the Supreme Court of the United States." This was because Masie is a white, a lieutenant of the U. S. Navy, and Kahahawai is a colored Hawaiian worker. The shooting of colonials and Negroes is not only a practice, but is "sanctioned in the decisions of the U. S. Supreme Court." "Hawaii is not a white man's country," says the New York Evening Post, because Masie has been convicted of manslaughter on his own confession.

And the result of this white chauvinist propaganda and planning of the United States government to put Hawaii under strictest military control, in view of the mixed population of the island, and the growing danger of war, which makes Hawaii a most important outpost of U. S. imperialism? The result was clear: In a foul trick allegedly to carry out the verdict of the jury, the four whites were sentenced to ten years imprisonment at hard labor. But before sentence was pronounced, Prosecutor Kelley announced that Governor Judd of Hawaii "agreed to commute the sentence to one hour!" And this too plan! The law was "vindicated"—but the prisoners went scot free!

Murder of colored people in Hawaii and in the United States is not only not penalized, but is made the occasion of an orgy of protest and fury against the colored people. Instead of taming the white imperialists, who use guns against the natives of Hawaii, the regime in Hawaii will become harsher and openly fascist—to teach the colored people their place in the system of U. S. imperialism.

Now turn to the Scottsboro Negro boys! Convicted in the lower court of Scottsboro, appeals were taken to the Court of Appeals and the State Supreme Court of Alabama, and have been rejected. The U. S. Supreme Court is now deliberating whether it will review the case. No Congressman or senator has raised his voice or introduced a bill. No—only workers' organizations, white and Negro, through the activity of the Communist Party, International Labor Defense and the League of Struggle for Negro Rights, were roused to protest and demonstrate against their death sentence. And for this the workers were brutally clubbed and jailed by the police and courts!

Thus go the law and practice of U. S. imperialism—pardon to white murderers—death to framed-up Negro boys!

And let us look into the defense. Stephen Roddy, hired by the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, a ku kluxer and drunkard, "defended" the Scottsboro boys and helped to railroad them to death sentences. Clarence Darrow, chief counsel for the N.A.A.C.P., was asked to go into the case by the International Labor Defense—but REFUSED. The same Clarence Darrow, the "great humanitarian," became the defense lawyer for the white murderers of a colored boy in Hawaii. After Masie, the murderer, admitted the killing of Kahahawai, Darrow in court, pointing to Masie and his accomplices in his summary, exclaimed: "My God, what are these people doing here." They were there because they were murderers—self-confessed; but in your mind, Mr. Darrow, to murder a colored worker is NO CRIME! You are a prostitute and tool of the imperialist class and have done your dirty work!

Even in the capitalist court, the farce had to be gone through, to save the face of "American capitalist justice." The four whites were charged with murder, were convicted of manslaughter, sentenced to ten years—and pardoned! The Scottsboro Negro boys were convicted, the capitalist press howls against them, the Communists are viciously attacked for mobilizing the Negro and white workers to force their release, one court after the other: uphold the conviction!

This is Honolulu and Scottsboro—today! Thus again U. S. imperialism reveals itself!

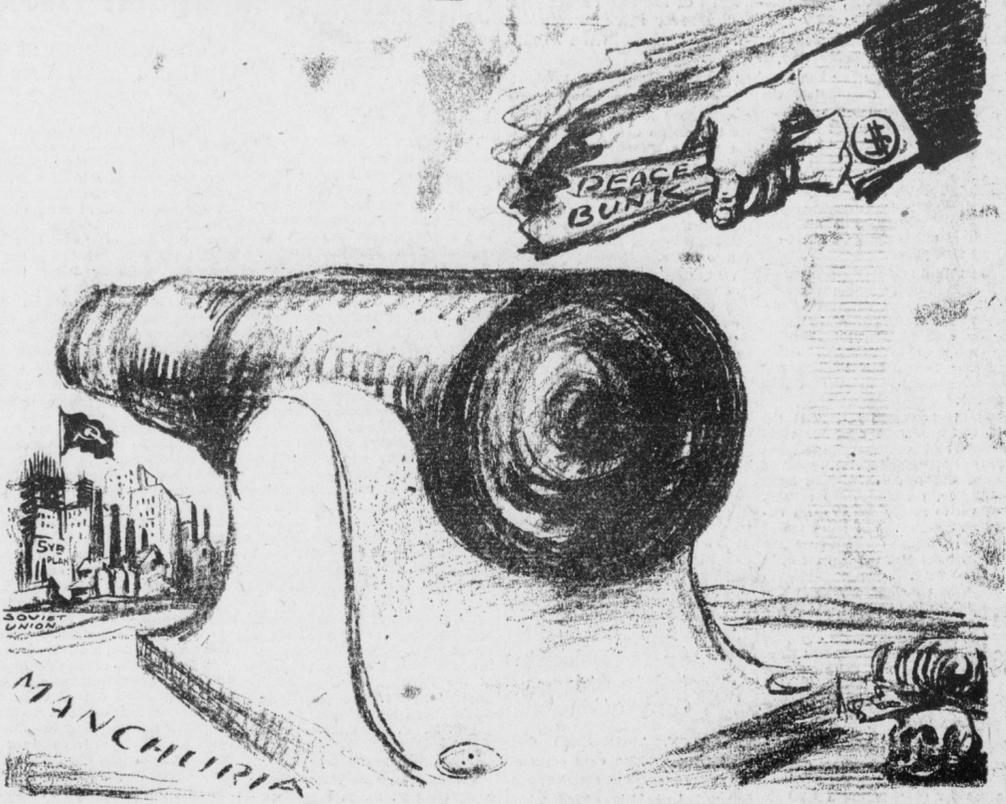
Republicans and Democrats in the U. S. Congress alike, both reactionary and so-called progressives, have taken the same attitude on the Hawaiian case. They are mute on the Scottsboro case—determined to help white capitalist "justice" go through in murdering the Scottsboro Negro boys as another warning to the Negro and white workers.

The A. F. of L. officials are silent on the Hawaiian case; the socialist party and "liberal" press "criticize" the procedure in the Hawaiian court. The A. F. of L. officials attack the Communists on Scottsboro; the socialists, the "liberal" and part of the Negro press, assail the Communists.

The lessons of Honolulu and Scottsboro must be understood by the working class.

STOP HIM WHILE THERE IS TIME!

By BURCK



## KARL MARX

On the occasion of the 114th anniversary of Marx's birth the Daily Worker carries today a special supplement.

We are reprinting an excerpt from the biographical sketch by Lenin on Marx. It appears in full in the Lenin pamphlet, "The Teachings of Karl Marx," issued by the International Publishers. Price 15 cents.

The June issue of the Communist will carry Lenin's speech on the 100th anniversary of Marx's birth.

By V. I. LENIN

Karl Marx was born May 5, 1818, in the city of Trier, in the Rhine province of Prussia. His father was a lawyer—a Jew, who in 1824 adopted Protestantism. The family was well-to-do, cultured, but not revolutionary. After graduating from the Gymnasium in Trier, Marx entered first the University at Bonn, later Berlin University, where he studied jurisprudence. He devoted most of his time to history and philosophy.

In the autumn of 1843, Marx went to Paris in order to publish a radical magazine abroad, together with Arnold Ruge (1802-1880, a Left Hegelian; in prison, 1825-1830; a political exile after 1843; a Bismarckian, 1866-1870). Only one issue

of this magazine, entitled Deutsch-Französische Jahrbücher (German-French Annals) appeared. It was discontinued owing to the difficulties of distributing the magazine in Germany in a secret way, also due to disagreements with Ruge. In his articles published in that magazine, Marx already appears as a revolutionary, advocating "merciless criticism of everything in existence," particularly "criticisms of the weapons," and appealing to the workers and to the proletariat.

In September, 1844, Friedrich Engels, who from then on was Marx's closest friend, came for a few days to Paris. Both of them took a very active part in the seething life of the revolutionary groups of Paris (where Proudhon's doctrine was then of particular importance; later Marx decisively parted ways with that doctrine in his Poverty of Philosophy, 1847). Waging a sharp struggle against the various doctrines of petty-bourgeois socialism, they worked out the theory and tactics of revolutionary proletarian socialism, otherwise known as Communism (Marxism). For this phase of Marx's activities, see Marx's work of 1844-1848. In 1845, at the insistence of the Prussian government, Marx was banished from Paris as a dangerous revolutionary. From Paris he moved to Brussels. In the spring of 1847 Marx and Engels joined a secret propaganda society bearing the name Bund der Kommunisten (Communist League), at whose second congress they took a prominent part (London, November, 1847), and at whose behest they composed the famous Manifesto of the Communist Party which appeared in February, 1848.

With the clarity and brilliance of genius, this work outlines a new conception of the world; it represents consistent materialism extended also to the realm of social life; it proclaims dialectics as the most comprehensive and profound doctrine of development; it advances the theory of the class struggle and of the world-historic revolutionary role of the proletariat as the creator of a new Communist society.

When the February, 1848, Revolution broke out, Marx was banished from Belgium. He returned to Paris and from there, after the March Revolution, to Cologne, in Germany. From June 1, 1848, to May 19, 1849, the Neue Rheinische Zeitung (New Rhenish Gazette) was published in Cologne with Marx as editor-in-chief. The new doctrine found excellent corroboration in the course of the revolutionary events of 1848-1849; as it has subsequently been corroborated by all the proletarian and democratic movements of all the countries of the world. Victorious counter-revolution in

Germany first instigated court proceedings against Marx (he was acquitted February 9, 1849), then banished him from Germany (May 16, 1849). He first went to Paris, from where he was also banished after the demonstration of June 13, 1849. He then went to London, where he lived to the end of his days.

The life of an emigrant, as revealed most clearly in the correspondence between Marx and Engels (published in 1913), was very hard. Poverty weighed heavily on Marx and his family. Were it not for Engels' self-sacrifice in rendering financial aid to Marx, he would not only have been unable to complete Capital, but would inevitably have perished under the pressure of want. Moreover, the prevailing theories and trends of petty-bourgeois and non-proletarian socialism in general forced Marx to wage a continuous and merciless struggle, sometimes to repel the most savage and monstrous personal attacks (Mr. Vogt). Standing aloof from the emigrant circles, Marx developed his materialist doctrine in a number of historical works, giving most of his time to the study of political econ-

omy. This science was revolutionized by Marx in his Contribution to the Critique of Political Economy (1859) and Capital (Vol. I, 1867). The period of the revival of democratic movements at the end of the sixties again called Marx to political activity. On September 28, 1864, the International Workingmen's Association was founded in London—the famous First International. Marx was the soul of this organization, the author of its first "appeal" and of a host of its resolutions, declarations, manifestoes. Uniting the labor movements of the various countries; striving to direct into the channel of united activities



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On December 3, 1881, his wife died. On March 14, 1883, Marx peacefully passed away in his armchair. He lies buried beside the graves of his wife and Helene Demuth, their devoted servant and almost a member of the family, at the Highgate Cemetery in London.

## Capitalism Is Choking in Its Own Surplus

By FRIEDRICH ENGELS

On the one side immeasurable wealth and a surplus of products which the purchasers cannot control. On the other, the great mass of society proletarianized, turned into wage-workers, and just on that account become incapable of taking possession of that surplus of products. The division of society into a small, over-working class and a large, propertyless working class, causes this society to suffocate in its own surplus, while the great mass of its members is scarcely, or indeed, not at all, protected from extreme want. Such a condition of things becomes daily more absurd and unnecessary. It can be abolished; it must be abolished. A new social order is possible, wherein the class differences of today will have disappeared and wherein—perhaps, after a short transitional period of materially rather straitened circumstances, maybe, but morally of great value—through the systematic use and development of the enormous productive forces already in existence (with equal obligation upon all to work), the means of life, of enjoying life and of developing all the physical and mental capabilities, will be at the equal disposal of all in ever-increasing fullness. And that the workers are becoming more and more determined to win this new order for themselves will be amply proven on both sides of the ocean tomorrow. May day, and next Sunday, the 3rd of May.

(From Introduction written in 1881 by Friedrich Engels to "Wage, Labor and Capital" by Karl Marx.)

## WHO IS A LIAR, MR. DOAK?

By M. B.

A WORKERS' delegation saw Secretary of Labor Doak in Washington on Tuesday. The delegation demanded the immediate release of Edith Berkman. Edith Berkman is held for deportation by the Department of Labor because she participated in last year's struggle of the Lawrence textile workers against a wage cut put through by the American Woolen Co.

The workers' delegation told Secretary Doak that his department though allegedly representing the interests of labor in the administration, is in reality the administration department of strikebreaking and workers' deportation. The delegation pointed out to Mr. Doak that his position as Secretary of Labor in the Hoover cabinet is characteristic of Mr. Hoover. It told the Secretary, that as a mine manager Mr. Hoover had discovered that men were cheaper than timber, and that as president he had discovered Doak as Secretary of Labor.

This simple statement of facts aroused Mr. Doak to fury. The press reports him as shouting: "I don't care what you say about me, but you are not to tell lies about the president."

Unfortunately for Mr. Doak his outburst is not rooted in facts. The facts speak so loud that the accusation of liar out of the mouth of Secretary Doak are thrown back to his ears as an unwelcome echo.

According to Mr. Doak it is a lie to say that Mr. Hoover discovered that miners' lives are cheaper than timber. We will let Mr. Hoover himself speak on that subject.

Mr. Herbert C. Hoover, in a paper read before the Institute of Mining and Metallurgy in London on July 19, 1902, declared:

"The disregard of human life permits cheap mining by economy in timber, and the aggrieved relatives (of the miners killed because of the saving of timber M. P., are amply compensated by the regular payment of \$30 (Mexican) per man lost."

Mr. Doak, Secretary of Labor, representative of labor in the cabinet of Herbert Hoover, you called the workers' delegation liars when they told you about Mr. Hoover what they knew out of the mouth of Mr. Hoover himself. Will you now apologize to the delegation?

Of course we know that in approved imperialist

fashion you will contend that Mr. Hoover only spoke about Chinamen. Yes, Chinamen, Mr. Doak. Chinamen, but men, human beings, workers, as useful as you, and more so, as good as you, Mr. Doak and better.

Recognizing your imperialist contempt for all men not white, like yourself, Mr. Doak (We suppose that you consider yourself white) we will tell you that Mr. Hoover did not differentiate between white and yellow workers. When Mr. Hoover is not dealing in nationalist phrases for demagogic political purposes, when he is just a promoter, he only recognizes two kinds of people in the world. Those who are devoted to "the great science of getting the most money out of other human beings," and those "idiots who parted with it" (their money M. B.) These are Mr. Hoover's own words. As a plain capitalist Mr. Hoover divides the humans in two classes: Those who make profits for the workers, black, white, yellow, etc., whose duty it is to produce the profits for the capitalists. And the workers Mr. Hoover treats rough, irrespective of the color of their skin.

The records of the Australian government are full of evidence to the effect that Mr. Hoover's motto as a mine manager there was: men are cheaper than timber. One of Hoover's subordinates in Australia indignantly wrote to him that all his firm was interested in was dividends and that therefore no timber is being provided to maintain the mines safe for working.

In China and in Australia, Mr. Hoover's motto always remained: Men are cheaper than timber. Incidentally, as Secretary of Labor and chief deporter of alien workers from the shores of the United States you should also know that Herbert Hoover in Australia was the most persistent advocate and practitioner of importation of cheap foreign labor against the native Australian miners.

While ignorance is supposedly a privilege free to every good American, yet you Mr. Doak, should not remain ignorant about the antecedents of your present chief. If you persist in nursing your evident ignorance about these things your accusation of liar to people who tell the truth about President Hoover will continue to confront you with the embarrassing question: WHO IS A LIAR, MR. DOAK?

## Before the Conventions of Our Enemies

### The United Front in the Election Campaign

By WM. Z. FOSTER.

THE ELECTION CAMPAIGN must also be based upon a wide application of the united front. There are huge numbers of workers in this country who, while not yet ready to join the Party as members, can nevertheless be drawn into active support of it in the election work.

But to accomplish this the tactics of the united front must be skillfully used. Here again we must be very much on our guard to avoid the sectarianism and formalism that the Central Committee's resolution so sharply warns us against.

In the campaign it will be possible for us to set up broad united fronts of workers generally in support of our whole election program. Here the question of the united front in the shops plays a central role. If we are systematic in linking our election campaign with the burning grievances of the workers and making it a part of their daily struggle it will be easy to make them understand the value of supporting our ticket through "Vote Communist" committees in the shops. But if we try to develop such united front committees simply upon a loose and general propaganda basis we may be sure the results will be virtually nil.

Moreover, it will be possible for us to develop a whole series of united front committees and movements based on various individual categories of workers, farmers, etc. Such united fronts, taking as their starting points the most burning grievances of these groups, must be developed and extended so as to draw these masses into support of our ticket and activities generally.

We must, for example, show to the foreign-born workers that if they want to fight against the deportation outrage they must unite behind the ticket of the Communist Party, and the same with other categories. On this basis wide united front movements can be developed among the unemployed, the Negro masses, A. F. of L. unions, poor farmers, women, the youth, radical intellectuals, etc., which draw huge numbers of these masses and their organizations not only into the support of our ticket but of our activities in general. In the same manner we can make individual issues of our six platform demands, such as unemployment insurance, release of Mooney and the Scottsboro boys, de-

fense of the U. S. S. R., etc., the basis of solid united front election work.

Build the Party and Mass Organizations. The election campaign must develop as a huge recruiting campaign for our Party, the YCL and the non-Party revolutionary mass organizations. With the tremendous radicalization of the workers and the desperate efforts of reactionary demagogues of every social fascist and fascist hue to get the leadership of them, the question of our drastically strengthening our organization becomes a life and death one. Our present organizational weakness is absolutely intolerable in the face of the readiness of the masses for struggle and their growing sympathy for our program. We must at all costs build our organizations and this election campaign provides the best opportunity we have ever had.

The Party must launch an intense recruiting drive. This must be kept up all through the election period with the utmost vigor. It must permeate and saturate every phase of the work. It must be based on the shops and the building of shop nuclei. The question of drawing new members into the Party must never be lost sight of for a moment in our thousands of election meetings, demonstrations, etc. It must be by far the greatest membership drive we have ever made.

The opportunity is now here to triple or quadruple the Party membership easily and to make our Party a major factor in the class struggle.

And what I have said about the Party goes doubly for the YCL. It is criminal the way we neglect the organization of the youth. We are surrendering the young workers offhand to the fascists and social-fascists. The present election campaign must put an end to this fatal tendency and build the YCL into a strong and growing body.

By the same token all the revolutionary non-Party mass organizations must be built. All of them—Trade Union Unity League, International Labor Defense, International Workers Order, etc.—should, during the campaign, carry on the most active recruitment of members. They should draw in many thousands of members, and they can do it easily. If they do this, if they carry on real struggle, then their non-

Party members will easily see the advantage to them of supporting the Communist Party in the election. The will see that it means not only helping the Party but their own organizations. This is a fundamental lesson that they must learn.

A Bolshevik Election Campaign. It is along the foregoing lines as brought out in my three articles that we must develop our election campaign. In this manner we can make it a real Bolshevik election fight. Our past campaigns have been little more than demonstrations, weak parades of our forces. This one must be a great struggle. It must vastly stimulate the fight of the workers on every front. It must result in enormously strengthening all organizations. It must root our Party in the big factories, among the decisive sections of the proletariat and in the basic industries.

In the campaign it mustn't be a case of liquidating the activities of the various mass organizations into a vote-getting campaign for the Party. On the contrary, the Party can prosper in the election only if the activities and struggles of these organizations are united and strengthened to the utmost in every direction. If this is done the non-Party workers in these organizations and others that we contact will have a practical and effective demonstration of the real leading role of the Party. They will more clearly understand why they should support our Party and vote its ticket.

In the election campaign it is by energetically and intelligently applying the principles of mass work laid down in the Central Committee resolution and so often reiterated by the Comintern that we will get results. They will enable us best to expose and combat the demagoguery of our social-fascists and open capitalist enemies and to give the workers the most possible political education. They will bring about the maximum strengthening of all our forces. They will split the workers away from the three capitalist parties and enable us to muster the largest possible vote in the elections. Let them therefore be our guide in all our election work. If we apply them correctly and determinedly we will come out of this election campaign with the greatest victory that our Party has ever won.

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## The Ultimate Aim of the Communist International

The ultimate aim of the Communist International, to replace world capitalist economy by a world system of Communism. Communist society, the basis for which has been prepared by the whole course of historical development, is mankind's only way out, for it alone can abolish the contradictions of the capitalist system which threaten to degrade and destroy the human race. Communist society will abolish the class division of society, i. e., simultaneously with the abolition of anarchy in production, it will abolish all forces of exploitation and

oppression of man by man. Society will no longer consist of antagonistic classes in conflict with each other, but will represent a united commonwealth of labor. For the first time in its history mankind will take its fate into its own hands. Instead of destroying innumerable human lives and incalculable wealth in struggles between classes and nations, mankind will devote all its energy to the struggle against the forces of nature, to the development and strengthening of its own collective might.—From the Programme of the Communist International.