

Insure the
DAILY WORKER
To the Last Spike!
Before March 5

AS WE SEE IT
By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

An adventurous Kentuckian, Floyd Collins, was caught in a passage leading to a cavern. His plight attracted the attention of the entire country through newspaper publicity. It was the kind of a sensation that touches the human heart and it was played up to the limit. Crowding managers like that kind of thing. The capitalist news mongers carried very little about the suffering of Collins. Thousands of Collinses die every year in the mines of this country and they receive only a passing notice.

During the world war at least seven million men, the bulk of the world's manhood were murdered on the battlefields of Europe and Asia in a war between rival capitalist national groups. While the terrible tragedy lasted, the governments of the different countries made it a criminal offense to oppose mass murder. Even now in a time of comparative peace only the capitalist politicians prevent the government from throwing into prison all those who oppose war. But what are the results after dramatic conditions, as Collins did, the hysterical conduct of the capitalist press begin to look and the public weeps in sympathy.

There is hardly a day in the year that miners do not die under circumstances just as tragic as those that accompanied the death of Floyd Collins. They go down into the bowels of the earth, to slaves for a pitance. They are in constant danger of death from a thousand causes for explosion, cave-ins, etc. When the inevitable takes place, the capitalist press in this daily press and then the state. The coal operators control millions of dollars. They employ thousands of newspapers. They do not like any kind of publicity that might interfere with their profits.

King George of England is ill. So is Gloria Swanson. Illinois and the king are crowding each other off the front page. Should the two sultrians pass away at the same time, the king will get the premier position, not because he is more worthy but because he nominally reigns over more people than does Gloria Swanson a millionaire with a twist of her lip.

This is not such a very healthy era for kings and capitalist dictators. Only recently Albania put an end to the "holy" columns of the British papers for a king. There is usually a good crop of kings and kingdoms in England, but most of them now prefer a job as porter in a movie theater or to take their families on a vacation in an American resort city. The Albanian king went looking, particularly as one of the prerequisites for the position was steady hand and quick with the trigger. "Bill" Hart might take a shot at it.

Moroccans in Ill. Some say it is political history. The murder is starting and the end of his own bandits are turning on him. His real good neighbor, Primo de Rivera, is in a hurry to get to Morocco to "clean up" the Rifians but the Rifians can fight along the barrel of a rifle, and there are now more Spaniards than Rifians in Morocco, with the difference that the Spaniards are dead and the Rifians are very much alive. The regrettable feature of this is that the poor Spaniards who lost their lives in Morocco are mostly members of the working class.

Capitalist dictators, when they are open or veiled, are bound to collapse. The decline of the capitalist system is rapid. Even France is at her wit's end to keep the far from becoming a vandeville joke. Neumanns and German are at war. They have not armies in the field it is not due to any indisposition on either side. They simply can't afford to start another military war as they continue to "effort" on a "civilized" war, the kind that pacifists like Oswald Garrison Villard would very likely oppose. In the midst of this chaos and confusion, Soviet Russia is marching forward, youthful and victorious, and blood.

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"LOONEY GAS" AT STANDARD OIL
PLANT CLAIMS ANOTHER VICTIM

BRIDGETON, N. J., Feb. 19.—In spite of the death of five Standard Oil workers from "looney gas" poisoning recently this dangerous material is still being manufactured at a new design. The latest victim, it is reported, is a young man who was found dead in a laboratory in the Penna Grove plant here.

"This condition is entirely due to the nature of this gas," declares Dr. E. C. Lyon, county physician, after attending to the Cumberland hospital. There is little chance for recovery, says Dr. Lyon.

COMMUNISTS TO
PARADE IN 28TH
WARD ELECTION

Workers Party Is Only
Party for Workers

The Workers (Communist) Party is conducting an intensive campaign in the 28th ward aldermanic race, and plans are nearing completion for a parade to take place before the election, open air meetings, and a house to house canvass of the ward.

The paraders will carry Communist slogans, and signs informing the voters that Nicholas Donesberg is the Communist candidate in the 28th ward. At the open air meetings the Communist speakers will call on the voters to unite under the Workers Party banner to fight for the control by the workers of Chicago's industries and government.

House to House Canvass—Members of the Lettish branch of the Workers Party, which will take care of the details of this work, will visit the registered voters, give them Communist literature, and discuss with them the problems before the workers of the city. The parade will include a brass band, carried on a truck, and all speeches will be made if the weather permits.

Watershed Wanted—Martin Donesberg, secretary of the Workers Party in Chicago, announces that Communist workers are wanted to work for the Communist Party in the 28th ward. Tuesday Feb. 24. The polls will be open from 9 A. M. to 6 P. M. The workers are urged to report at the local office, Room 307, 168 W. Washington St.

DATE AND SUBJECTS
OF CIRCUIT SCHOOL
IN DISTRICT NO. 8

Max Lerner, who is conducting the Circuit School, will give the following lecture this week. All comrades are urged to attend and if they have not already done so enroll in the class.

Monday, Feb. 23, 8 P. M., 221 1/2 S. 4th street, "Material conception of history" (Marxian method of analysis).

KENOSHA, WISC.
Tuesday, Feb. 24, 8 P. M., American German hall, 455 Grand Ave., review on "Workers and Farmers," the exploited class people.

CHICAGO, ILL.
Wednesday, Feb. 25, 8 P. M., 2613 Birch Blvd., class in "Elementary economics," chapter X of Peoples March.

GARY, IND.
Thursday, Feb. 26, 8 P. M., 215 W. 18th street, review on "Workers and Farmers," the exploited class people.

MILWAUKEE, WISC.
Friday, Feb. 28, 8 P. M., 802 State St., "Trade unionism and tactics," rebellion in labor movement.

Child Labor Law
Before Legislature
in Michigan Today

LANSING, Mich., Feb. 19.—A reopening of the bitter fight that has been traced here for six weeks for the federal child labor amendment is scheduled for Friday morning. At that time the resolution of rejection drafted by Representative Charles Culler in the house will be upon special order.

NOVA SCOTIA
MINERS FIGHT
COAL BARONS

Workers Refuse to Fall
for "Arbitration"

GLACE BAY, Nova Scotia, Feb. 19.—Since last November the miners here have not worked more than twenty days. The coal barons have refused employment under the miners, reducing them to poverty, that the British Empire has refused to arbitrate. The union of miners to enforce a cut in wages at the expiration of the agreement on Feb. 22.

The negotiations with the corporation led to the declaration of the corporation that a ten per cent cut in wages was necessary. The demands of the miners were formulated at a meeting on Feb. 11. It included an increase of 25 per cent for data and a 10 per cent increase for contract men. These demands were made on the corporation, with the result that the negotiations came to a dead lock. The corporation declared its determination to force a cut of 10 per cent on the miners.

District Committee Struck
The minister of labor notified the district executive that he should appoint his representative, but this he refused to do. This district was held by a "right" platform, and they were not to be fooled by the arbitration stunts of the corporation and its government at Ottawa. Finding it impossible to get the district executive to appoint a representative of the miners, the miners of his steelworks, Quirk, to persuade the committee to appoint someone to the board.

Tools Of Betrayal
When the board arrived here, the district committee branded them as tools of betrayal and stated that their only function was to help the corporation put the wage cut over, and that the miners would have nothing to do with them. The board hung around for a few days, and then sent in a report to the government, the contents of which have not yet been made public.

Communist Expelled
from Mexican Unions

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 19.—The secretary of the Carpenters' Union of the Mexican Federation of Labor has been expelled from the federation on charges that he had made strong Communist speeches.

The Federation of Labor is taking steps to eliminate Communist from the unions, but the rank and file protest against the expulsions is in a state of anarchy.

25,000 GARMENT
WORKERS IN N.Y.
OUT ON STRIKE

Demand Wage Increase
and Union Shop

(By The Federated Press)
NEW YORK, Feb. 19.—White goods workers, silk underwear workers, children's dress makers, bathrobe and house dress makers are one again striking in New York under direction of the miscellaneous trades district council, International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union.

Least Skilled, Lowest Paid
A concerted strike of these different trades after a careful campaign of several months is now being waged by the union's tactics. Previous strikes were usually the spontaneous rebellion against impossible conditions in one of the trades, with consequent spread of the strike feeling to other trades in the garment industry.

Wage Increases of 20 per cent, work sanitary conditions and the adoption of the arbitrary labor law are the union demands in the strike.

Prison labor competition has undervalued the house dress trade considerably, to the harm of both worker and employer. The silk underwear trade is also being undervalued. Wages in these trades range from \$16 to \$40, but many girls make as little as \$14 and even \$12. The highest wages are made by cutters and the most highly skilled operators on the machines. The trades are highly so that average wages are lower than weekly wages indicate.

TEXTILE LOOPS
NOW CUT PAY
IN WOOL MILLS

Workers Held Down by
Reactionary Leaders

PROVIDENCE, R. I., Feb. 19.—That the big wage-slashing drive which was supposed to affect only the cotton mill has already cut deep in the woolen mills, had to be admitted today after the 800 workers of the Atlantic Mills met Monday night in Providence to solve the riddle of the "user-pay" envelopes.

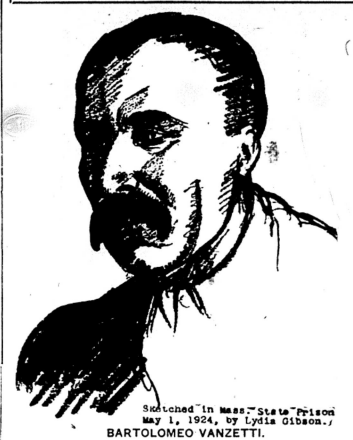
Everyone has been saying during the past five months: "They won't dare to cut wages in the woolen mills." Only last week I asked a veteran worker of 30 years, a long haul, and a longer strike record, whether there would be any strike. He had replied: "Not as long as they continue the cut to the cotton mills. But if they cut in the woolen mills, then there'll be a strike."

WOULD CREATE
FEDERAL FIRM
FOR EXPORTERS

WASHINGTON, D. C., Feb. 19.—Legislating creates a federal export corporation to handle the foreign trade and agricultural surplus of the United States will be brought from the house in committee by Representative Haugen, republican, of Iowa, chairman of the committee, announced today.

War Propaganda Continues
CAMP SKEEL, Oscoda, Mich., Feb. 19.—The first pursuit group of the army air force took to the air today for the first of their maneuvers here, carried out to create sentiment for a larger air fleet for the army.

VICTIM OF TEXTILE PROFITEERS



Sketches in Mass. State Prison May 1, 1924, by Lydia Gibson - BARTOLOMEO VANZETTI.

SACCO-VANZETTI PROTEST MEET
IN CHICAGO AT EMMET MEMORIAL
HALL ON SUNDAY, MARCH FIRST

Every meeting worker in Chicago will attend the Sacco-Vanzetti protest mass meeting on Sunday, March 1 at 2:30 p. m. at the Emmet Memorial Hall, Ogden and Taylor aves.

This meeting, which will be held under the auspices of the Workers (Communist) Party in conjunction with the Labor Defense Council will be participated in by all the progressive organizations in the city including the unions affiliated with the American Federation of Labor and the Industrial Workers of the World.

This Chicago will witness the staging of a tremendous demonstration by workers as never before to demand the release from jail of Sacco and Vanzetti for their political activities in economic and political organizations.

Every worker in Chicago should constitute himself a committee of one to announce this meeting everywhere to bring as many workers as possible to be on the job in every way to put this meeting over big.

Whoever is in charge of the meeting will be Jack W. Johnson, secretary of the Trade Union Educational League, Antonio Fronti, Italian labor editor, and P. J. Wolfner, secretary of the Industrial Workers of the World.

Unions Responded in Cleveland
CLEVELAND, Ohio, Feb. 19.—Many unions have responded to the call of the Workers Party here for a united front against the frame-ups and persecutions of militant workers. A monster mass demonstration of workers will take place in this city on March 1st, in the Engineers Auditorium for.

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FIGHT 8-HOUR
DAY FOR WOMEN

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Feb. 19.—The textile manufacturers' association, which controls a good size block of legislators, has issued instructions to all its members to fight against the bill introduced in both the house and senate of the Illinois legislature aiming to establish an eight-hour day for women.

The letter, signed by John M. Glenn, secretary of the manufacturers, urged the members to send in reports, "advising why the measure should not pass."

To the members," says Glenn's letter, "attention is directed to those bills there are conditions in the Illinois general assembly this week, affecting the work of women in plants and creating an arrangement for employment ostensibly as an eight-hour measure. It has been carefully drawn with a view of eliminating seasonal employment and all employment which renders service to the general public. There are no conditions in the bill introduced in both the house and senate of the Illinois legislature aiming to establish an eight-hour day for women. It is a law which would be of permanent value to the world may be questioned. The last Washington conference 'settled' the fate of China and Japan and the Russian Far East—and immediately China developed a series of civil wars, followed by treaties with the Soviet Union on the part of both China and Japan.

WORKERS PARTY
URGES AID TO
IRISH FAME

Excoriates Free State
Government

The Workers (Communist) Party of America on receipt of a message from Ireland, that urged that the peasant and working class population was suffering from the tortures of famine and death, has urged that funds for the alleviation of the distress in that country, in conjunction with the International Workers' Aid, an Irish Workers and Peasants' Famine Relief Committee was organized which is now functioning.

The following statement was issued by the Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party, on the Irish famine:

The Famine Victims
120,000 Irish workmen and peasants are now the victims of one of the worst famines that ever visited a nation whose people are not the victims of tyranny and civil war are not yet bled in a stretch of country that suffers from drought in the north and Cork in the south, on the west coast, and reaching inland for forty miles, the most famished and starved fishermen are in a state of destitution.

The failure of the potato crop over a large area, the flooding of the bays and rivers, the robbery of the fish supply and the destruction of the fishing industry on the west coast by the British government, are the reasons for the terrible situation that now exists in a large section of Ireland.

A famine in no new phenomenon in Ireland. Oppressed by the British government for centuries, robbed of their inheritance by landlords and exploited by the capitalist class, the Irish workers and peasants like the workers of all countries have always been within speaking distance of war.

Tens of thousands of peasants and their families were driven from the fertile midlands to the bleak and desolate west coast, where they and their homeless were razed to the ground to make room for the cattle of the British landlords. The Irish peasants made their homes, the barons, and peasants like the workers of all countries have always been within speaking distance of war.

During the famine period of 1846, 1847 and 1848, enough food was raised in Ireland to feed the population of Britain. But it had to be exported in order to pay the landlord's rent. Today Ireland was governed from Dublin Castle by English officials. Today, Irish officials obeying their capitalist masters, and watching the agonies of Ireland, have refused to make any equal in the history of British imperialism in Ireland.

While the workers of Great Britain, the United States, Soviet Russia and even France are preparing a bill to render assistance to their Irish comrades, the government of the Free State Union is preparing a bill that will make any Irish worker who strives to free his native land, the work of British imperialism, liable to death on the gallows. These executioners dangle the bones before the starving Irish people.

NEW IDEAS NOT
RELISHED BY
IOWA BABBITS

By DAVID COURTS
MARSHALLTOWN, Ia., Feb. 19.—It is a long way from Marshalltown, with its sixteen thousand population, to the New York and Madison Square Garden. Such are the extremes of this country that even a few miles gives us sharp contrasts in economic and geography.

Back on Main street in Marshalltown the Trades and Labor Assembly has the night before that scheduled for the Bolsheviks to arrive. There is a political apparatus in the city. A story had read an article in the DAILY WORKER which stated that four men

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