

CONTINUE FIGHT IN BIG COAL WAR

PITTSBURGH LABOR REALIZES THE RIGHT TO ORGANIZE IS AT STAKE IN TRIAL OF ACCUSED WORKERS

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Dec. 1.—Great interest is being expressed among the organized workers here over the trial of the Pittsburgh workers who are facing trial for an alleged violation of the Pennsylvania state sedition laws.

The opinion is freely expressed by those that watched the picking of the jury for the trial of Edward Horacek, an active member of the Machinists' Union and a candidate of the Workers' (Communist) Party for mayor in the elections here, that this trial is the first step of the steel trust in the persecution of those

who were active in organizing the workers against the intolerable conditions in the steel plants.

The court room was filled with many active trade unionists and former members of working class political parties who watched with great interest the opening of the trial of six accused workers.

Object to Free Speech.

The counsel for defense and the assistant prosecuting attorney, Estep, had numerous clashes during the choosing of the jury, when the defense counsel asked a prospective juror whether he believed in the right of free speech, the prosecutor objected to the question. The jury was chosen yesterday and the trial before visiting Judge Prather of an adjacent county will start this morning.

Determined to Fight.

The six defendants who are accused of violations of the sedition act are determined to fight their case to the end and establish the right of any worker to belong to any political organization that they may desire to in this steel trust owned and controlled barony.

Following the trial of Edward Horacek, Max Jenkins will go before the court. The other four will follow in due order. Marshall & Marshall and Isaac Ferguson of Chicago are the lawyers for the accused workers.

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BORAH AGAIN ASSAILS THE WORLD COURT

Presages Big Fight Against Coolidge

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—A terrific denunciation of the advocates of the world court signaled the second barrage of Senator Borah in a scathing letter to John Greer Hibben, president of Princeton university. The first gun of the battle against the Coolidge proposal to enter the court by the back door was fired in the Chicago speech of over a month ago.

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Borah still holds to the childish idea that it would be all right to enter the court if it becomes completely divorced from the league of nations. His provincial mind cannot grasp the plain fact that the two are inseparable and that recent events developing out of the quarrel between Britain and Turkey over Mosul clearly prove the indispensability of the court in preparing the way for the imperialists to manipulate the league against other members.

Big Fight Threatened.

The chairman of the foreign relations committee, in his letter to Hibben said, among other things:

"Speaking for myself, President Hibben," says the senator, "the one object for which I shall strive is to separate and divorce this court from the league to the extent and to the end that in joining it we do not violate our pledge to keep this country out of the league."

"But, President Hibben, I belong to a small group of irreconcilables, who voted seven million majority strong to stay out of the league in 1920 and repeated the instructions in 1924. I, myself, have been twice elected by a very satisfactory majority on a pledge to do everything within my power to keep this country out of the league. The party, of which I am a member, is pledged to that policy."

"It seems clear to me, therefore, that those who voted against our joining the league have a right to expect that we shall not go into the league thru a court. That would be sheer trickery and a betrayal of the confidence of and pledge to the great majority of the American people."

"There seems to me only one honorable thing for us to do, and that is, to keep this country out of the league. In order to do this, this court must be divorced from the league so that in joining the court we do not become in fact a part of the league."

HELP SAVE THE DAILY WORKER!

FORMER U. M. W. A. VICE-PRESIDENT IS SCAB-HERDER FOR MELLON'S PITTSBURGH COAL COMPANY MINES

By ART SHIELDS (Federated Press)

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Dispatches from Pittsburgh reveal the fact that a renegade from the United Mine Workers' Union is field man for the open shop forces that are seeking to encircle the bituminous men in that section while their anthracite brothers are engaged in the hardest fight of a generation. The renegade is E. U. McCullough, former vice president of the International Union and now the agent of the Pittsburgh chamber of commerce to recruit scabs for the 54 mines that the Pittsburgh Coal company of

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Finnish Convention Unanimous for C. E. C. Unity Resolution

THE convention of the Finnish Section of the Workers (Communist) Party, which has been in session since Sunday morning, yesterday voted upon the report of the Central Executive Committee and the unity resolution of the C. E. C. of the party. The convention, consisting of 17 delegates and with a consultative vote of all leading Finnish comrades including the editors and business managers of papers, secretary of the section, etc., unanimously took their stand for the unification of the party on the basis of the resolution submitted by the C. E. C. which was published in The DAILY WORKER nearly two weeks ago.

The vote includes the stand in the convention on the question of reorganization of the Finnish Section on the basis of shop nuclei and international branches and the organization of language fractions in place of the federation which has existed heretofore to bring every Finnish comrade into the shop nuclei and international branches and into the reorganized fractions of the Finnish Section.

This decision was arrived at after three days of debate in which every phase of the situation of the party, the past factional struggle, the work of reorganization, the need of unification of all Communist forces was thoroughly discussed. The discussion opened with a two-hour statement of the views of the Central Executive Committee by C. E. Ruthenberg, general secretary of the party, and during the debate which followed every delegate and all leading comrades took the floor to present their views. The discussion was closed by a speech by Comrade Lovestone for the C. E. C. The spirit of the convention is for an energetic struggle against any right wing tendency and holds to the line of the Communist International and for a united fight to build the party and again extend its work among the masses of this country.

ZEIGLER COAL MINERS' TRIAL IS POSTPONED

Coaldiggers Will Face Trial February 2

By MAX SHACHTMAN (I. L. D. News Service)

BENTON, Ill., Dec. 1.—The defendants in the Zeigler miners' frame-up won a victory in the granting by the court of a motion of the defense for the postponement of the date of opening of the trial. Judge Eagleton of the Franklin county circuit court sustained the motion of Harry E. Morgan, attorney for the defense, for a continuance.

The opening date for the trial has been set for February 2, 1926. The motion was granted after a denial of the formal motion to quash indictments against the progressive miners. The affidavit of the defense declared as its grounds for desiring a continuance that a number of its important material witnesses were unavoidably absent from the trial and that their evidence would substantially aid the case for the defense.

Henry Corbishly, secretary of the Franklin County Defense Committee, announced that a renewed drive will now be made to get the moral and financial backing of every miner in the district and with the co-operation of the International Labor Defense of every worker in the country.

The addition of Judge Sidney Ward to attorneys for the defense has strongly strengthened the victims of the Farrington frame-up. No effort will be spared to present a solid case in February. All thru the county, the sentiment of the miners is growing stronger and bigger for the defendants, whose temporary removal from active union work they now realize to have been a blow at their own interests in their struggle for correct checkweighing in the mines and against the treasonable policy of the Farrington-Cobb machine.

NEEDLE TRADES FURNISH LEFT WING THRILLS IN CONVENTIONS OF THE AMERICAN TRADE UNIONS

By J. W. JOHNSTONE.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa. (By Mail)—Many trade union conventions have taken place this year but it has been left to the needle trades to furnish the left wing thrills. In October it was the Furriers, and now it is the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union.

Seventeen months ago when the I. L. G. W. U. convention met in Boston it was the blackest, most reactionary convention that was ever held in the history of this organization. The adherents of the T. U. E. L. and other militants were being expelled wholesale from the organization. Every despicable method was used to keep the left wing from having representation in that convention.

The machine was able to accomplish this two years ago. Only about fifty supporters of the left wing program were delegates to the Boston

Dope Ring Heads Who Were Aided by Federal Narcotic Chief on Trial

Kittie and William Gilhooley, charged by government agents with being heads of an international dope ring with headquarters in Chicago, New York, Montreal, Paris, Berlin, and San Francisco, are on trial before the federal district court here. They were arrested last summer during a series of raids, and it was during these raids that Col. Will Gray Beach, head of the narcotics bureau here, and some of his assistants were arrested as part of the gang.

LEFT WING CALLS ON WORKERS TO SMASH SIGMAN

Expose I. L. G. W. Heads' Terror Policy

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 1.—In an appeal to the membership of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, issued by the national committee of the needle trades, section of the Trade Union Educational League, to unite in a drive against the reactionary Sigman machine, it points out that this machine has accepted the peace agreement in words but that in deeds the machine continues to bar the left-wing opposition from the ballots and it also exposes the organization of the "Friends Don't Worry" club, which is being used to terrorize opposition members into silence.

The appeal follows: "Fellow Workers! "It is but a short time since the bureaucracy of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, beaten by the rank and file in a four months' struggle, had to submit and give way to a leadership that has the support of the masses in the shops. The Joint Action Committee repre-

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FRENCH WAR AGAINST RIFFS IS BIG FAILURE

Spain Has Abandoned Campaign

By BD. (International Press Correspondence)

PARIS (By Mail)—The troops in Morocco have taken up their winter quarters. The "great pause" has commenced which will last until the spring. It is time to draw the balance of the results of the campaign up to the present.

Up to now our main source of information has been the official report of the French government. According to this everything has proceeded most beautifully, there have been daily advances, victory is near, while the tribes who had renounced allegiance to France are returning in masses. This official optimism has not failed to have its effect. Even in our own ranks doubts were raised regarding the quite different and pessimistic descriptions which the delegation of the workers' and peasants' congresses and other expert comrades gave as to the situation of the French troops, etc.

We can say today that our view of (Continued on page 5)

PEACE OFFER TO LA FOLLETTE BY COOLIDGE GANG

They Can Have Jobs If They Be Good

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The olive branch is to be extended by the republican regulars in the senate to Senator "Bob" LaFollette of Wisconsin, and Senator Gerald Nye of North Dakota, two republicans who have been heretofore considered tarred with the brush of insurgency.

It was announced today that both young senators will be "invited" to identify themselves with the regular republican organization of the senate, and if they accept they will be given the usual committee assignments.

30,000 Die for Versailles Peace.

BERLIN, Dec. 1.—Thirty thousand German bee swarms, delivered to France under the terms of the Versailles, have perished according to reports received here. The bees were unable to stand the change in climate.

In the Saturday (Dec. 5) Magazine Section of The DAILY WORKER

"It's Him! — Osip! The Flying Devil!"

"FLYING OSIP"

A short story by the famous New Russian short story writer, IVAN KASATKIN.

MINE BARONS TURN DOWN THE OFFER OF GOV. PINCHOT TO END COAL STRIKE; COOLIDGE TO ACT

(Special to The Daily Worker)

HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 1.—Despairing of further efforts of Governor Gifford Pinchot to end the anthracite strike the miners' tri-district wage scale committeemen left Harrisburg today. This marks the collapse of the last effort of Pinchot to create a basis for settlement.

His proposal was that the miners return to work and that a special board of arbitration be created to "adjust" wages in the anthracite for the next five years.

This rank proposal which would have betrayed the miners into the hands of the bosses for that period of years was eagerly accepted by the reactionary president of the miners' union, John L. Lewis.

Want to Crush Union.

Altho the miners' officials accepted the proposal which would have resulted in a shameful betrayal of the strike the employers refused to accept any terms that would even permit the union to survive in any form. What the bosses want is complete extermination of every semblance of unionism. Lewis is fighting only to maintain his job as a labor lieutenant of the capitalist class and the capitalists say they don't need Lewis, that they can browbeat the workers without any intermediary assistants of the Lewis type.

The agreement of Lewis to surrender the fate of the miners to Pinchot's arbitration board removed every other obstacle except complete surrender of recognition of the union. The Lewis letter to the governor, a disgraceful yielding to the bosses, follows:

Harrisburg, Pa., Nov. 29, 1925. Honorable Gifford Pinchot, Governor of Pennsylvania, Harrisburg, Pa. Sir:—

Conscious of the imperative public need, which prompted your proposals to the anthracite operators and miners for adjustment of the present controversy, the mine workers' representatives have given to the subject the most profound consideration. It is obvious that the interests of peace in the anthracite industry require consideration by both sides in a spirit of compromise and mutual concession. The mine workers regard your proposals for a settlement as being representative of the public viewpoint, and have every sincere desire now, as before, to terminate a distressing situation which menaces public health and well being.

I am, therefore, authorized by the Tri-district Scale Committee of Districts 1, 7 and 9, United Mine Workers of America, to advise you that on behalf of our membership we accept the proposals made by you as a basis of settlement. We stand ready at any time to meet in joint conference with the representatives of the anthracite operators to negotiate an agreement with shall encompass the points set forth by you.

We further advise that promptly following such agreement upon the part of the anthracite operators we will arrange for a resumption of mining at the anthracite collieries (Continued on page 2)

POLICE ESCORT SCABS ABOARD GREEK VESSEL

Only Eight Pass I.W.W. Picket Line

By A Worker Correspondent

BROOKLYN, N. Y., Dec. 1.—Sailor pickets made it so uncomfortable for the scabs that tried to sneak onto the S. S. Edison at 39th Street, Brooklyn, last night that after having made several unsuccessful attempts, they went to the police station and had the patrol wagon haul them to the gang plank. With the protection of the police, the scabs were escorted on board like convicts, thus escaping the pickets who were trying to keep rats off the struck boat.

The Edison is a Greek ship sailing under a British flag. This it does because the Greek tax is so steep that vessels cannot make the profit desirable, the Greek government being so heavily in debt that it goes to every extreme to collect revenue.

The pickets were on the job till 11 o'clock this morning. At that time only eight scabs had been able to get aboard, even with the help of the hoosegaw dump cart. The ship is short about \$9000 and is paying good money for scabs. However, the scabs cannot handle the vessel and take her out of port.

The I. W. W. and the Spanish sailors are striking together and have the situation so well in hand that they are able to guarantee that no one of the men among them will go on the scab ship. The scab crew is composed of navy men, as civilians cannot be coaxed to take the place of the strikers.

Four Suicides in New York City in Twenty-Four Hours

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Four suicides were disclosed in New York in the last twenty-four hours. One was quite unusual. Charles Dayton, forty, got into a trunk to end his life. He had bored a hole in the trunk thru which he inserted a gas tube.

What Do You Say?

LET THE FARMERS SPEAK!

THE farm crisis raises one of the most important problems in the nation today. The capitalist politicians are trying to get the farmers to accept their fake remedies.

The importance of the agricultural problem is shown by the fact that President Cal Coolidge is coming to Chicago, next Monday, the day that congress convenes, to address the convention of the American Farm Bureau Federation in an effort to show that his Wall Street administration is the "friend" of the land worker.

What do the farmers, out on the land, think of his quack nostrums that have already been offered. How do these remedies actually work out. Let the farmers speak. Write out what you have to say and send it in. The DAILY WORKER will publish a special issue for distribution during Coolidge's stay in Chicago. All letters received will be published in that issue.

One farmer already writes in that the agricultural conference now starting in Chicago is "a farce from the standpoint of the farmer." It is packed with bankers, small business men, rich farmers and so-called "agricultural experts." Here is an opportunity for the farmers to have their say; an opportunity they will never get thru the capitalist press. Send all your letters to the Editorial Department, DAILY WORKER, 1113 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

LOCARNO 'SECURITY PACT' SIGNED IN LONDON; CHAMBERLAIN GETS TITLE OF 'KNIGHT OF THE GARTER'

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LONDON, Dec. 1.—The Locarno pacts were signed in the reception hall of the foreign office here today. Now begins the maneuvering that it is hoped will isolate the Soviet Union from the rest of Europe, and also realize the British desire for a European combine against American imperialism, called "dollarocracy," by the bankrupt creditor nations of Europe.

The conference of Locarno did not produce the results desired in spite of the loud shouting about peace settling over the world because of the deliberations at that Swiss town. That which was not accomplished openly is still the objective of subteranean conspiracies on the part of the powers involved.

MASTER BARBERS' HEAD DISAPPEARS, FEARING PRISON

Bosses' Chairman Dodging Bomb Trust Quiz

Following the indictment of a number of organizers of the Chicago Master Barbers' Association, Hermann Linnemann, chairman of the association committed suicide it is claimed, fearing that the grand jury investigation of the bombing trust in Chicago would implicate him and his organization in the attempt to terrorize master barbers into joining the association.

Commits "Suicide."

Linnemann, who feared that he would be indicted following the examination that he underwent in the state's attorney's office, donned an old suit of clothes, leaving a list of all his belongings to his wife, left his home for a special meeting of the Master Barbers' Association, and supposedly committed suicide in Lake Michigan.

When he failed to arrive at the Barbers' Association meeting, an investigation started which disclosed that his hat was found near the water's edge on Lake Michigan.

Later two notes were found one addressed to his wife and the other to his customers and friends.

FILIPINOS ISSUE MAGAZINE HERE IN LIBERTY FIGHT

Preparations are now completed for the banquet in honor of the Filipino independence mission to be given in the Auditorium Hotel, Chicago, on Dec. 11. Senator Sergio Osmena, vice president of the Philippine senate, has written to the arrangements committee accepting the invitation to be present and to address the gathering.

Cirilo Manat, chairman of the Filipino independence committee of Chicago, declares that the banquet will be the opening gun in a persistent campaign here on behalf of Filipino independence, to be steadily intensified during the entire term of the visit of the mission in this country.

The campaign will not be conducted among Filipinos, for the simple reason that they are already solidly behind it; but every effort will be made to draw the American labor movement actively into the struggle. The All-America Anti-Imperialist League is working in close co-operation with the Filipino committee for the purpose of furthering this end.

There are some 700 Filipinos in Chicago and every one of them is an ardent soldier for the overthrow of foreign imperialist domination in the land of his birth. Activities of the local Filipino colony center around the Filipino Association of Chicago, 306 S. Ashland Blvd. The members publish a monthly magazine on behalf of independence, entitled "Philippine-American."

Brookhart and Steck Dicker Over Ballots

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—Senator Brookhart of Iowa, conceded 1,700 contested votes to Daniel Steck, his opponent. These votes were originally challenged by Brookhart on the ground they were "too marked up" to permit a final decision as to which candidate they were intended.

This move was made in the contest with the hope that Steck's managers would make a similar concession regarding 4,000 Brookhart votes, challenged by Steck on the same ground. If such a concession is made it will mean the seating of Brookhart by 2,300 votes.

The "Higher" Learning.

SAN FRANCISCO, Nov. 30.—Irwin R. Heller, former University of Indiana student, was being held here at the request of Fort Wayne Ind., authorities, who charge that he involved Alberta Douthit, also a student, in a fraudulent wedding ceremony and then fled from the girl and her child.

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The Left Wing in the Needle Trades

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present a strong group of left wing delegates with a majority of the membership behind them. The T. U. E. L. has organized a block that has in its ranks all honest elements—from the Communist to the progressives.

At this writing, on the eve of the convention, no one can say which group has the majority of the delegates. But one thing is certain, namely, the left wing delegates represents without any exaggeration, 80 per cent of the membership. The reactionary machine, also it has only about 10 per cent of the membership, has delegates almost equal to the number of the left wing. This is due to the lack of proportional representation, with small locals sending as many delegates as the great locals which contain the bulk of members, and to the paper locals set up by the machine.

When the left wing delegates started to Philadelphia from New York City, the members of the union gathered in the Pennsylvania station in a tremendous demonstration. Thousands of rank and fliers turned out to cheer their leaders on to the struggle. It was really inspiring. A long line of workers leading from the entrance to the train, down thru the great station lobby and out into the streets, with a lane formed for the delegates to pass thru. Red roses seemed to spring into the air from every side. The moment when the first left wing delegate stepped in to this human lane was the signal for the wildest demonstration that any delegation going to a trade union convention ever got.

Two special cars carried the delegation and visitors to Philadelphia. There they were again met by a wildly enthusiastic rank and file delegation. Again red roses. And, probably for the first time, Broad Street station sleepy officials heard the international sung by hundreds of workers. Some day it will be thousands. It was not musical, but it was splendid.

A procession then was formed and the rank and file of Philadelphia led their representatives to the left wing headquarters, the Loraine hotel. No one knew when the administration delegates left New York, and if anyone met them in Philadelphia it was

not the workers from the factory. A few blocks apart are the headquarters of the two warring groups.

The "Majestic" and "Lorraine" means only two hotels to the average Philadelphian, but to the delegates of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union they mean a great deal more. Behind the doors of these hotels are being planned the struggle between the left wing representing the great majority of the membership, and the reactionary machine representing their own selfish greed that is willing to make the union an appendage of the employers' association.

In the Majestic there is an air of gloom. They are not sure of themselves. With tricky convention tactics they may get the majority of the delegates, but that does not alter the fact that they only represent a small minority of the membership. So they are not joyful. A victory of this kind they know will be short-lived.

On the other hand, the Lorraine hotel, the headquarters of the left wing is a beehive of activities. What a difference in seventeen months! They are eager for the fray. And why not? They represent progress. They represent the very life of the union. True, they also represented that very same thing in Boston, but there they were fighting with their backs against the wall, a minority in the union. Today they have the overwhelming majority of the membership behind them.

The convention begins tomorrow in the Arch street theater. What the results of the convention will be cannot be foretold. One great difference between this convention and the Boston convention is that the machine is fighting with its back to the wall. With all its corrupt methods, with all of the persecutions of the militants, with all of the expulsions, removals from office, and taking workers down from the job, covering a long period of three years, still the machine is beaten. The left wing, under the leadership of the T. U. E. L., comes into this convention stronger than ever. It throws down the gauntlet of battle—to those who serve the interest of the employers. It is determined to wipe out the shameful misrule of the I. L. G. W. U. by the old machine and make the union a real fighting organ of the class struggle.

BRITISH ARREST DRUSE REBELS IN PALESTINE

Two Battles Rage Near Syrian Border

HAIFA, Palestine, Dec. 1.—Nine Druse leaders who crossed into Palestine from Syria, where they have been fighting the French, were summarily sentenced by courts martial to nine months in prison.

Fierce Fighting Near Border.

A terrific battle has been raging for two days between French and Djebel Druse tribesmen near the border of Syria, according to advices received here. The censorship is so effective that only the most meagre reports are available, but airplanes of the French forces can be seen bombing the lines of tribesmen and the villages inhabited by Syrians. The outcome of the battle can not be estimated.

Launch New Drive.

JERUSALEM, Dec. 1.—Druse rebels have launched a concentrated attack upon the French along the Jodjaz railroad and are forcing the enemy back. Fighting is heavy in the neighborhood of the Ezra, Kirbat and Gaze line.

Newark Fire Wipes Out Eight Buildings

NEWARK, N. J., Nov. 30.—Thirty-three families were driven from their homes and damage estimated at \$500,000 was done by a fire which wiped out eight buildings in the heart of the business section of Newark.

May Free Banker.

The unique plea that only by keeping Fred L. Kriebel out of Leavenworth prison can his creditors hope to get back losses of \$2,000,000 sustained in the crash of his brokerage business was advanced in federal court by his attorney, Robert N. Golding. Kriebel's sentence of three years for using the mails to defraud was upheld by the United States supreme court. His plea was taken under advisement.

TURKISH FORCES, 300,000 STRONG, AWAIT DECISION FAVORING ENGLAND FOR DRIVE TO SEIZE MOSUL FIELD

(Special to The Daily Worker)

CONSTANTINOPLE, Dec. 1.—War talks against Britain is heard in every part of Turkey since the decision of the world court giving the league of nations the right to determine the boundaries of Turkey and Irak.

On every hand there is rising a demand that the moment the league decides against Turkey in favor of Britain that the Turkish army invade Irak and seize Mosul, the disputed territory.

The Turkish army numbers 300,000 men on a peace footing, is well prepared and has ample stores of arms and ammunition and can equip twice as many as are already in the army.

Texas Legislature to Have Special Session to Impeach Governor

AUSTIN, Texas, Dec. 1.—Following the statement by Mirian A. Ferguson, "governor in name" of Texas, that she refuses to call a special session of the Texas legislature to discuss the contracts let by the highway commission to contractors who were her husband's political allies, Lee Satterwhite, speaker of the Texas legislature is calling a special session of the house for January 4 to impeach the so-called governor.

This special session of the legislature will be powerless to probe the contracts let by the governor, by means of which the American Road company which was capitalized in the state of Delaware for \$10,000, was able to make a profit of \$1,115,000 in less than a year. This company, which backed the Ferguson gang, received contracts amounting to \$1,719,000, charging 30 cents per square yard for asphalt topping while the others charged but 18 cents.

The Hoffman Road Construction company is another which enjoyed juicy plums when the American Road company was forced to cancel many of its contracts and return about a half million dollars to the state treasury when charges were brought against it by the state's attorney, who opposes the Ferguson machine.

The special session of the house will be unable to make any appropriations for the special called meeting and the speaker had made public that an organization had set aside and advanced over \$100,000 to defray the expenses.

Want Grant.

It is intimated that the ku klux klan is behind the call for a special session as a number of the klanmen desire to be able to pluck some juicy plums and aid the imperial empire with Texas state funds.

Lag Behind British Unions.

MONTREAL, (EP)—The Quebec labor party convention turned down a resolution intended to put the party on record in favor of the independence of the colonial or semi-colonial peoples within the British empire. A substitute resolution was adopted declaring all peoples, in or out of the British empire, should be free to self-determine their political affiliations and general destinies by referendum.

Workers can Expect No Help from Charity of Capitalists' Red Cross

By J. LOUIS ENGDALH.

TODAY, Victor L. Berger, the Milwaukee "socialist" congressman, is back in Washington, D. C., waiting for the speaker to call the house of representatives into session, while his daily newspaper back home, The Leader, carries the stuff that will help keep him snug and comfortable in his seat 'neath the capitol's dome.

Right now every capitalist daily in the land is gushing over in praise of the Red Cross. The profit press is trying to urge everyone to buy "Christmas seals," little stamps the size of those issued by the postal department. It is said that the proceeds aid in the fight on tuberculosis.

Like the good and faithful ally of capitalism that it is, Berger's Milwaukee Leader falls gracefully into line with an editorial starting off with this paragraph:

"It is our annual duty and pleasure to request our readers to buy Christmas seals."

That is a reminder of the war days when everyone was not only urged, but blackjacked into subscribing for the Red Cross, as well as buying liberty bonds and war saving stamps, not to mention aid to the Salvation Army and similar pap-sucking organizations. Only the staunchest revolutionists, loyal to their principles, fought off the pay-triot horde.

Carl Haessler was a war objector. In the early days of the war he was a member of the Leader's editorial staff. He wrote a scathing attack against the Red Cross and its activities. Berger, the "socialist," could not deny the truth of the charges made against this capitalist philanthropy, but he deemed it bad policy to publish it. Not bad policy from the light of socialist principles. But ill advised when studied from the viewpoint of Berger's political ambitions.

Instead Berger became an ardent supporter of the Red Cross. And he still is. His editorial writer dilates at great length about the results supposed to accrue from the sale of the "Christmas seals":

"They pay for a traveling free chest clinic, a health service training school, health institutes in schools, and constant propaganda teaching how to avoid tuberculosis and how to cure it when caught."

The indifference of the American capitalist state to the health and welfare of the masses living under its rule, is shown by the mere fact that this public charity, the Red Cross, must beg funds to carry on its farcical fight against this terrible plague. It cannot be expected that this charity can rise above the profit level of the social system that feeds it. No effort is made to wipe out the causes of tuberculosis. In fact, the big factory owners, who feed children at tender ages, to the insatiable appetite of industry, are among the biggest contributors to the Red Cross. These children grow up tubercular, incurable wrecks, hopeless even for charity fakers to claw over.

The Red Cross did not worry about the Illinois miners until the Cherry Mine disaster in which many hundreds were killed under conditions so revolting that great sums were raised in an effort to gag the cries of the orphans and widows left behind. The Red Cross merely concerned itself with the distribution of the charity fund under conditions that caused untold protest. The mine barons of the anthracite coal fields today will buy the "Christmas" seals of the Red Cross, because the Red Cross will not champion the miners' struggle for a shorter workday, increased wages and better conditions, the best weapon in the fight against tuberculosis and all other industrial diseases that clip off the thread of life of these workers at an early age. No mention has ever been made of the Red Cross fighting tuberculosis by championing the struggle against wage cuts in the New England textile industry, where the white plague also finds its ready victims. To mention conditions in the mines and in the textile mills, is to expose the relation of the Red Cross to the workers in all industries. It is on the side of the bosses against the interests of the working class.

Let the workers, instead of purchasing the "Christmas" seals of the Red Cross, spend their pennies, or greater sums, for the strengthening of their own class organizations. Let the "socialists" with the class collaborating labor officialdom bow submissively before this fraud of the bourgeoisie. Let the working class stand erect and fight it.

Koracek's Only Crime Organizing Workers, Defense Lawyer Shows

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The first witness for the prosecution, a dick by the name of Marmo, testified that he helped to arrest Horacek and was used to "identify" a number of articles, papers, plans and magazines which he claimed that he seized and later turned over to the well-known federal agent Lennon, who planted stool-pigeons in the Pittsburgh labor movement. One of Lennon's stools was discovered in the Machinists' Union and was immediately expelled.

The star witness for the prosecution under cross-examination admitted that the three detectives who had testified were technically wrong when they said they turned evidence seized over to him as he did not receive the material during the raid but that they were turned over to former Assistant District Attorney Myers, who is now the United States Attorney General for the Pittsburgh district, and that Myers had turned the "stuff" over to Mrs. Eleanor O'Connell, a government "expert," who sorted out the literature and labelled it as seditious, irrelevant, etc.

"Exposes" Workers Party. The prosecutor then declared that Horacek and others were arrested about the first of May when the "Communists and other agitators got active." He then went on to describe that the Workers Party of America was nothing more than an elementary school where they trained members for the Communist Party and that when the members were able to pass an examination successfully they were allowed to enter the Communist Party.

He declared that the Communist Party has as its purpose the overthrow of the government and that it is a part of the Third International and that he would show they were closely connected with Russia.

FARM GATHERING WILL BE FARCE, HAWKEYE CHARGE

Ten Bankers There to One Dirt Farmer

DES MOINES, Ia., Dec. 1.—M. L. Bowman, Waterloo, Iowa, in a statement here today predicted that the agricultural conference called in Chicago today by Secretary Jardine would be "a farce from the standpoint of the farmer."

Bowman said it was just "another attempt to throw political dist." "Ten bankers in the conference to one dirt farmer will mean exactly nothing for agricultural relief," Bowman charged.

Jardine Talks to Bankers.

Secretary of Agriculture William M. Jardine is in Chicago and yesterday presided at a conference of bankers, businessmen and agricultural experts called to consider the grain crop problems of the farmer. Particular attention was paid to the serious problems facing Iowa farmers.

The national association of secretaries and commissioners of agriculture is meeting in Chicago and the conference was called in connection with this gathering.

Coolidge will arrive next Monday to address the American Farm Bureau Federation at its convention. Today's gatherings were regarded as a prelude to this event.

Mine Barons Turn Down the Offer of Governor Pinchot

(Continued from page 1) at the earliest possible date. Respectfully yours, John L. Lewis, President. Must Fight On.

This situation in the anthracite has reached a crisis that placed forcibly before the miners the question of continuing the struggle or seeing their organization destroyed. The miners who can estimate the situation realize the problem. Their union in its structure is all right and they must defend it. The treachery of the Lewis machine does not thereby justify abandoning the union. On the contrary every effort will be put forward by progressive miners to broaden the strike and make it more effective. Against the threat of extermination of their union the miners must demand that their officials instantly call out the miners in the soft coal fields and that the maintenance men be forced to abandon the anthracite mines.

Coolidge to Intervene.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—President Coolidge announced today that he would soon reply to the letter of John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America, in which he hinted at a strike in the bituminous fields unless the government interceded to compel the operators to live up to the Jacksonville agreement. Coolidge told callers today that he had refrained from answering Lewis' letter for fear of complicating the negotiations being conducted by Gov. Pinchot of Pennsylvania.

This is interpreted to mean governmental intervention in the coal strike in order to arrest the movement for sympathetic action in the soft coal fields, which is recognized as the most effective weapon the miners have to preserve their organization.

That worker next door to you may not have anything to do tonight. Hand him this copy of the DAILY WORKER.

Eleanor O'Donnell, was then called to stand and she testified that among the papers seized at Horacek's home, they had found a passport to Soviet Russia. When Horacek's attorneys began to cross-examine her she was forced to admit that no passport to Russia was found among the belongings of Horacek.

The prosecution had made big of the tale told by this "expert" that among all other papers, they had found blue-prints and plans. The prosecution dodged all mention of what the plans were and tried to hide their real character. Under cross-examination the witness was forced to admit that the plans were blue prints of an invention that Horacek, who is a mechanical engineer, was developing for the betterment of street cars.

Refuse to Produce Blue-Prints.

The defense demanded that the state produce the blue-prints as evidence to put before the jury. This the state denied as it realized that the jury would repudiate the frame-up tactics of the department of justice docks and the state authorities to sentence this active Machinists' Union member to a long term in a jail cell.

Advertisement for Workers Monthly magazine, December Issue, 25 Cents a Copy, \$2.00 a Year—\$1.25 Six Months. Editor: The A. F. of L. and World Trade Union Unity—by Wm. F. Dunne. Professor Carver Makes a "Revolution"—by C. E. Ruthenberg and Other Articles. Cartoons by Maurice Becker, Fred Ellis, J. de Miskey, and Wm. Gropper.

CZECHO-SLOVAK WORKERS' MISSION TO SOVIET UNION IMPRESSED BY POWER OF WORKERS AND PEASANTS

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R.—(By Mail.)—The Czecho-Slovak workers' delegation that is visiting the Union of Soviet Republics have been greatly impressed by the power that the workers and peasants have in the running of the Soviets. These workers, most of whom are members of the social-democratic party, indignantly repudiated the social-democrats in Soviet Russia who are on trial for aiding the counter-revolutionists in their attempts to destroy the first socialist state in the world.

In the following statement to the workers of the Trans-Caucasian Soviet Republics of Georgia, Armenia and Azerbaijan, the Czecho-Slovak workers' delegation points out that they were satisfied with the solution of the problem of national minorities and were also convinced that it was the workers and peasants who guided the state and determined its economy, and promised the Trans-Caucasian workers and peasants to spread the truth about the Soviet government when they return to Czecho-Slovakia:

"We have visited your countries to find out how far the statements of the international bourgeois press are true when they declare that a Communist reign of terror exists in Georgia, that anti-Soviet elements are tortured and manhandled in the Soviet prisons. We consider it to be our duty to publish the results of our stay in the Trans-Caucasian Soviet Republics and to declare our attitude to those statements of the press.

Have Complete Freedom.

"We have had absolute and complete freedom of movement, we have visited shops and factories, clubs, schools, villages and workers' meetings. We have held discussions with workers, peasants, trade unionists and government officials; we have discussed for days with the imprisoned leaders of the anti-Soviet insurrection which took place in 1924, with social-democrats, national democrats and social revolutionaries, with one-time members of the menshevik party, who now are working together with the Soviet government. Everywhere we were convinced that the workers and peasants of Soviet Trans-Caucasia have finally won their hard fought freedom.

Workers' and Peasants' Rule.

"The governments of all those national republics consist of workers and peasants of the particular nationality, who at the same time lead all the political institutions, direct the factories and control the economic institutions, co-operatives, etc. Each worker feels himself as the owner with his fellow workers of the shop in which he works and he is therefore doing his utmost to raise the level of production and thus the level of the whole economy of his country.

"We have come to the conclusion that the Georgian people are as independent in every respect as the other nationalities of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics and that the national question has been solved in a way only possible in a socialist state. There is not the least trace of any suppression of any national minority, on the contrary, the Russian people who are economically, culturally and numerically stronger than the national minorities which were oppressed under the dominance of the czar and which were compelled to remain backward, assist the cultural and material development of these minorities in every way and helps them to take a part as equal workers in the cause of the socialist construction of a new world.

Denounce Capitalist Papers.

"The reports of the bourgeois press about alleged suppressions of national minorities, about the alleged terror of a small group of Communists over the overwhelming majority of the population are malicious slanders intended to prepare the way for an armed intervention against the Soviet Union to conquer its natural resources. The Communist Party enjoys the unlimited confidence of the masses and carries out the policy favored by the vast majority of the people, that is to say, favored by the workers and peasants.

"The achievements of the Trans-Caucasian Republics in social progress are such that they could never have dreamed of them under the bourgeois and menshevik regime.

pre-war standard but which has built new factories and electric power stations which can compare and compete with the best modern works constructed by European technique. With the development of industry, the situation of the working class is improving also, wages increasing, etc.

"The building of workers' colonies, and cultural institutions has reached powerful proportions. Intellectuals and scholars have the widest possibilities of exercising their capacities. "The Soviet Union represents a tremendous step forwards and in the future it will remain the signpost for all the oppressed peoples of the world. Your young socialist land has many enemies, above all the foreign capitalists and the political parties under their influence. And to these belong the rest of the social-democrats, the social revolutionaries, etc., ten of whom are serving sentences in the Tiflis prison.

"We must say that in comparison with the prison regime in Czecho-Slovakia, that in Tiflis prison is more like a sanatorium than a prison.

Denounce Georgian Mensheviks.
 "We socialists declare that we have nothing in common with these people, they are as far removed from us as the capitalists. They do not belong to the right wing of the working class, but to the left wing of the bourgeoisie.

It will be recalled that in the autumn of 1924 Peking was the scene of a coup d'etat in which the Chihli clique suffered defeat. Wu-Pei-Fu, the erstwhile almighty dictator, was forced to flee to the Yan-Tse-Kiang valley, and Tuan-Tsi-Jui took over power. This new government has been maintaining itself only by grace on Cham-Tso-Lin and Feng-Lu-Hsiang, the heads of two hostile military groups, between which it has been very cleverly balancing. There lies the weakness of the present government, which has no considerable military forces of its own. Yet, its very military weakness is the source of its political strength. Just because Tuan-Tsi-Jui has no army of his own, Chan and Feng, who are not strong enough to capture the entire power,

"A free Trans-Caucasia is advancing with firm steps. The intrigues of the international bourgeoisie are shattered against the firm alliance of the workers and peasants. We estimate your powerful trade unions particularly highly. They are a decisive factor in the economic life of your country and they represent the best school of socialism.

"We see that you regard yourselves as members of the great international proletarian family and that therefore you are anxious for the unification of all trade unions into one powerful international proletarian family and that therefore you are anxious for the unification of all trade unions into one powerful international world league to serve as a weapon of victory in the struggle against international capitalism.

"Long live the Soviet Union, the first socialist land in the world!"
 Signed: Tatirok, Kaspar, Derfier, Bachmann, Minartschik, Bodova, Kopetzki, Vashninyovskii, Krazl, Pezlar, Laske, Wunderlich.

Section One Meet Tonight.

Section 1 meets tonight at the district office, 5972 Euclid Ave. at 8 p. m. Every member must attend his section meeting. Don't fail to be there.

EARL R. BROWDER

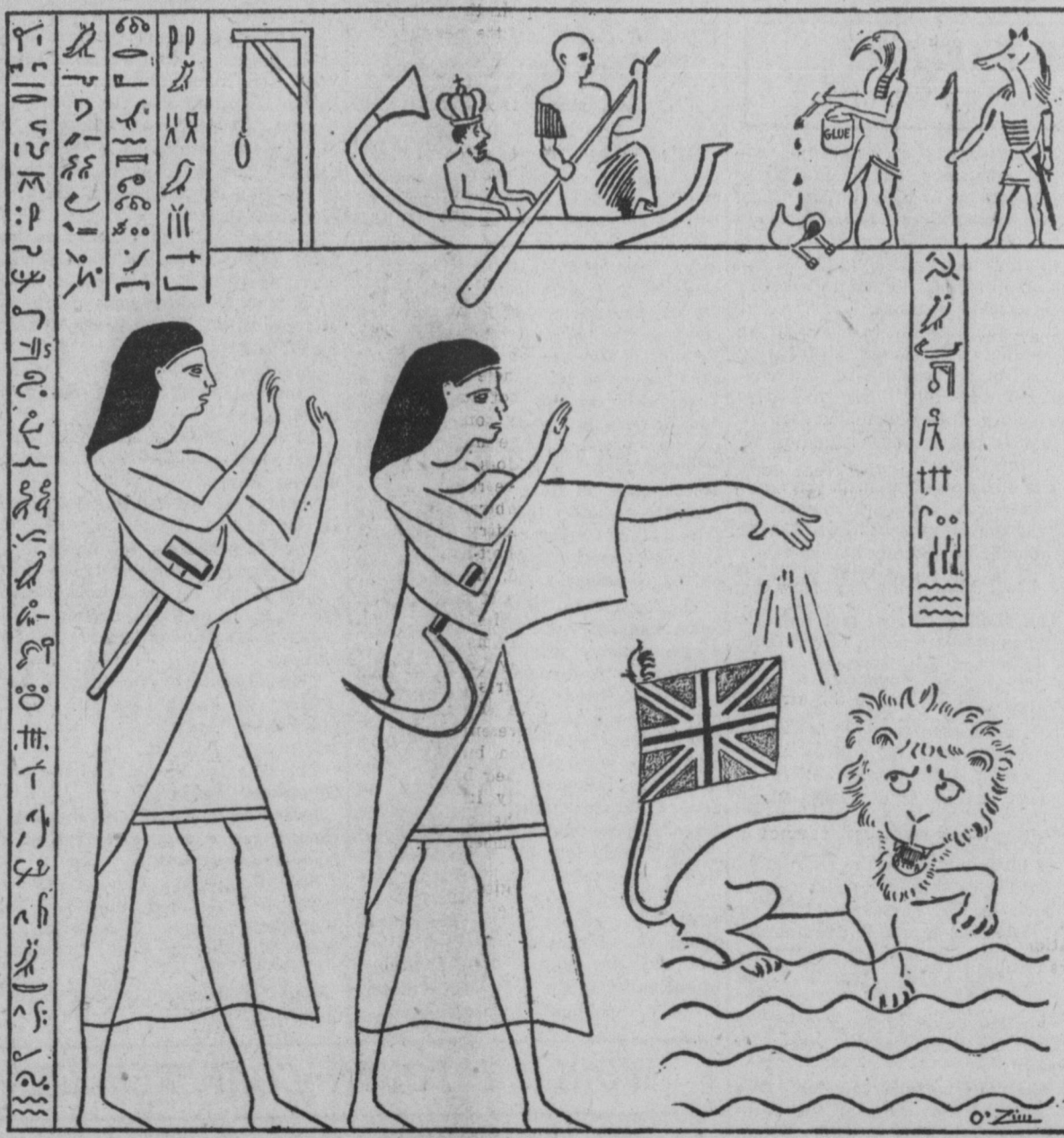
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A PROPHETIC POPYRUS



Found on the Mummy of Tutaunkamen

LABOR IN THE FAR EAST

By L. HELLER.

Labor in the Far East by L. Heller is the series of very excellent articles on the labor movement of the Far East which has been received by the Trade Union Educational League, the North American section of the Red International of Labor Unions. You will find an instalment of this series each day in THE DAILY WORKER. The first appeared yesterday. Today we print the second instalment which tells of the revival of China's labor movement in 1924.)

ARTICLE II.

The New Political Situation and the Revival of the Labor Movement.

reconcile themselves with Tuan-Tsi-Jui who is dependent upon both of them.
 The disappearance of Wu-Pei-Fu and of his fostering, President Asa-Kun, who was extremely hostile towards the labor movement, and their replacement by the "weak" Tuan-Tsi-Jui government, has created a favorable situation that was promptly utilized both by the labor and the nationalist movements. The Tuan-Tsi-Jui government styles itself as temporary, thus indirectly recognizing its "illegal" origin. Tuan-Tsi-Jui in the past has been the chief of the Japonophile Anfu clique, hateful to the people as was clearly demonstrated during the stormy years of 1919-20. However, Tuan-Tsi-Jui is a very clever politician, and from the very first days of his coming to power he began to talk of a "National Assembly" that was to establish a "lawful" government while trying, at the same time, to win over the sympathies of the public for which purpose he appealed to the support of the Kuomintang party appointing some members of the right wing of that party to certain government positions and inviting to Peking the leader of Kuomintang, Sun-Yat-Sen.

RUSSIANS EAGER FOR AMERICAN FARM METHODS

Machinery Changes Country Life

Machinery is revolutionizing the Russian countryside. Donald Stephens told a Chicago audience gathered to hear of his year with the Russian reconstruction farms near the Black sea.

The organization has a concession of 15,000 blacksoil acres on a railroad from the Soviet government, with buildings and live stock.

The 25 Americans, men and women, comprising the unit, have put American farm machinery on the estate and have run the farms on American large scale lines. They have raised 375,000 in America and Stephens and Harold Ware, the leader of the unit, are back in the western hemisphere to raise another 375,000. The additional sum is needed for more equipment, to meet notes on some equipment obtained on credit and to enlarge the machine instruction and maintenance work among the Russian farmers.

Demonstrate Machinery.
 The estate is crowded with peasants every Sunday, Stephens said, demanding demonstrations of the machinery and the modern system of tractor plowing and harvesting.

An impressive object lesson was afforded in the winter wheat seeding season. The Americans with their

obtained an opportunity to appear on the national arena. Sun-Yat-Sen came north and in the course of several months, with the aid of appeals and manifestos in connection with the struggle over the political character of the future National Assembly and of the conference that was to precede it, he carried out tremendous propaganda work in Northern and Central China, noticeably strengthening the nationalist movement in Peking and Shanghai.

This enlivening of the political movement had its immediate effect also on the labor movement. The railwaymen's and miners' organizations that had been driven underground, began to grow and expand, the recently closed workers' schools and courses were re-opened, and new ones established. The propaganda and organization activities carried out during the early period, as future developments have shown, were not in vain; immediately the unfavorable weather had passed and a new warm wave appeared in the political atmosphere, the seeds sown two and more years previously, began to blossom anew. The labor movement put down after the crushing of the Peking-Hankow strike, again revived. More than that, the beginning of 1925 was marked by the development of a strong movement on the part of the most numerous and backward section of Chinese labor—the textile workers.

THIS, of course, was merely a chess move. There could be no agreements between the reactionary Sun-Yat-Sen and the revolutionary forces of home and foreign policy. Nevertheless, as a result of the new situation, the Kuomintang party, whose political activity is centered in the Kwen-Tung province in the South,

The next instalment will tell of the textile workers and their struggle against the capitalist offensive.

The national convention of the Finnish Language Fraction of the Workers (Communist) Party after hearing the report of the Young Workers (Communist) League places on record the following:

Denounce 'Impartiality' of Americans

SANTIAGO, Chile, Dec. 1.—General "Black Jack" Pershing's methods and "impartiality" in the Tacna-Arica dispute between Chile and Peru are the subject of indignant criticism by the Chilean newspapers who reveal his moves as an attempt to throw the plebiscite to the Peruvians.

Scientific Expedition Carries Libyan Queen's Jewels Across Sahara

QUARGLA, Morocco, Dec. 1.—The Anglo-American expedition arrived safely at the French military post of Ouargla, where it received a telegram congratulating from the Algerian government yesterday for what is regarded as one of the most important discoveries in Algerian history after a hard tussle in a sandstorm on its trip across the Sahara desert.

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INTERPARLIAMENTARY COMMUNIST GATHERING AT BRUSSELS PLANS TO DISCUSS PROGRAM OF ACTION

BRUSSELS, Belgium.—(By Mail.)—Communist members of parliament from England, Germany, France, Belgium, Poland and other countries participated in the opening session of the Communist Interparliamentary Congress called to discuss many important pieces of legislation that will come up in their respective parliaments for ratification.

On the agenda of the congress, the Locarno "peace" pact was the main point, and then followed the question of tariffs, customs and commercial agreements, the 8-hour day, and the question of Alsace and Lorraine.

The first session of the congress in which Comrades Overstraeten and Jacquemotte of Belgium, Cachin, Marty and Huber of France, Stoecker Heckert, Hoernie and Hoellein of Germany, Saklatvala of England, Wolf of Switzerland participated elected a number of committees that will draw up resolutions on the Communist policy on tariffs, customs and commercial agreements, on the question of Alsace and Lorraine, Locarno peace pact and other important issues.

FINNISH FRACTION OF WORKERS PARTY UNANIMOUSLY ADOPTS RESOLUTION ON YOUTH WORK

During yesterday's session of the national convention of the Finnish Language Fraction of the Workers (Communist) Party the question of the Young Workers (Communist) League was discussed.

Comrade Nat Kaplan, member of the National Executive Committee of the League rendered a short report on the situation in the league and its immediate tasks and then presented the following resolution in the name of the National Executive Committee which was unanimously adopted by the convention.

The Young Workers (Communist) League.

tacts between all districts of the organization.
 (3) The work among the agricultural youth must be started. The convention calls upon the league to intensify its work in the rural sections of this country and to win the working youth on the farms to the revolutionary youth movement.

(4) The Young Workers (Communist) League is a reservoir of strength for the party and the best support of the party in its work. In this regard the educational work of the league must be intensified more than ever. The convention declares that there is an urgent need for creating district courses and a national league training school (in which active comrades from the districts can be trained in the league center for two or three months and then return to their districts and apply their training in the work).

(5) The Young Pioneers League (the Communist children's movement) must be built up under the leadership of the league and the entire Communist children's movement must help close to the international line.

The Communist children's movement must be helped thru the publication of children's literature, thru material help, thru the attraction of party members for the work, etc.

(6) The convention pledges itself to render all possible assistance for the creation of a powerful workers' sports movement on a national scale in this country along class lines.

CHILEAN PRESS EXPOSES 'BLACK JACK'S' MOTIVES

Max Goldstein Urges Workers on to Victory in His Last Message

(Special to The Daily Worker)
 BUCHAREST. (By Mail.)—In the first days of his hunger strike, which he began with the intention to draw the attention of the working class to the Romanian conditions, Max Goldstein wrote a long letter to one of his fellow-fighters. This letter, a wonderful example of revolutionary consciousness, ends with the following sentences:
 "I know that I will be blamed. My enemies will condemn me because it appears as if I did not want to carry my heavy cross, all the terrors of my tortures to the end. I know that a revolutionary has no right to suicide. You, however, must know that after everything that I have suffered I am useless for the struggle, helpless, and unable to do anything useful for the working class. There remains nothing else to do for me but to resolve to leave life with a long and yelling scream of protest. What shall I say to you this last moment, to you who has still his whole fighting power, who will certainly experience the happiness of victory?"

"On the day after the victory, when the red flags of the triumphant workers will rise high above our poor tortured country, when you march along our graves with your flag, then remember that our whole life has been devoted to its last breath to the struggle for the liberation of the workers. It is not our fault that we could not bear the yoke of terrible sufferings to the last, the yoke of sufferings which made us perish, and that we were not able to reach the aim with our victorious flags. The working class, the only and eternal conqueror of human history will be able to unfold and proudly wave this flag on the ruins of the collapsing bourgeois society."

Fire Sweeps Wamac.

CENTRALIA, Ill., Dec. 1.—Approximately \$10,000 damage resulted from a fire which swept Wamac, two miles south of here last night. Two large residences in the center of the conflagration were totally destroyed and adjoining properties were badly damaged.

When that argument begins at lunch time in your shop tomorrow—show them what the DAILY WORKER says about it
Build the DAILY WORKER

Organization Meetings

Workers (Communist) Party

Resolutions Social Affairs

History of American Working Class Taught at N. Y. Workers' School

By ANTON BIMBA

The "labor" histories that we have at the present time are written either by college professors or labor leaders who have as their main object not to present the facts in their true light and to draw correct conclusions from them, but to be-cloud these facts and draw such conclusions which would hide the real character of the class struggle. Therefore, we must study the history of the working class ourselves, gather the facts from every source possible, co-ordinate them and interpret them from the Marxist standpoint—the only real and scientific standpoint.

The New York Workers' School has arranged to give such a course on Monday nights. It is proposed that the course on the History of the American Working Class should last for three months and be divided into twelve lessons, starting with the colonial period, taking up the role of the workers in the revolutionary war, the struggles of the workers from the beginning of the 19th century up to the civil war, analyzing the development of slavery and the civil war, the great struggles of the workers in 1877, the development and character of the Knights of Labor, the birth of the American Federation of Labor, and so on until we come to the recent labor organizations and the struggles of the workers. This course will deal not only with the economic organizations of the workers but also with the political, winding up with the development of the left wing movement led by the Workers (Communist) Party.

CHICAGO TO CELEBRATE 1905 RUSS REVOLUTION ON DEC. 20, AT 2 P. M.

Preparations are under way for a big celebration of the 20th anniversary of the 1905 revolution and the 100th anniversary of the Decembrists uprising. The celebration will be held Sunday, Dec. 20, at Schoenhofen Hall, cor. Milwaukee and Ashland Aves.

Over 150 people will participate in the concert, speakers will address the crowd in different languages.

Beginning at 2 p. m. sharp. Tell your friends about it.

THIRD LESSON IN CAPITAL

(Questions Based on Pages 64 to 81, Vol. 1.)

1. What is meant when we say that a commodity is in the equivalent form?
2. Why must every commodity choose some other commodity for its equivalent?
3. In what way does the equivalent form of value bring forth the abstract quality of human labor power as value, rather than its specific form of use-value?
4. In what way can the labor of private individuals take a directly social form?
5. Explain what prevented Aristotle from completing his analysis of the simple form of value.
6. Distinguish between value and exchange-value.
7. In what way is the contrast between value and use-value contained in the elementary form of value? Explain and give example.
8. What is the expanded relative form of value.
9. What are the defects of the expanded form of value?
10. What is the general form of value?
11. Explain the relations between the Elementary, the Expanded, and the General forms of value, and distinguish between these, on the one hand, and the Relative and Equivalent forms on the other hand.
12. How can a commodity acquire a general expression of value?
13. What is the universal equivalent?
14. Why is the commodity which serves as the universal equivalent thereby excluded from the relative value form?
15. What is the money form of value?
16. What is the difference between the general and the money forms of value?

ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS FOR SECOND LESSON.

1. Labor has the same two-fold character as commodities, that is, use-value, as a particular kind of labor, and exchange-value, as the expression of human labor power.
2. The useful labor embodied in one product must be different in use-value from that in another, in order that these things may confront one another as commodities; to exchange things, qualitatively the same, as two coats of the same kind, would be a senseless thing.

Public Speaking and Philosophy Courses Start in N. Y. Friday

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—The first regular session of the Public Speaking class at the New York Workers School will be held on Friday at 8 p. m. with Carl Brodsky as instructor. A preliminary session held last Friday night revealed that both experienced speakers and beginners, who think they can develop into effective speakers, have registered for the course. Previous speaking experience is not required. Those who are so experienced will, nevertheless, get many valuable ideas on the preparation and delivery of speeches from the course. The object of the class is to train a battery of effective speakers that can defend the principles of Communism in the unions and other workers' organizations and among the masses.

The course in Materialistic Philosophy, instructor, D. Kvitko, also held a preliminary session last Friday night. Its first regular session will occur next Friday. The hour has been changed to meet better the needs of the students and will be given from 9-10 p. m. until further notice. The first four lessons will take up the need of a true philosophy to understand all phenomena of life. The way of testing the truth. 'What is evolution? On what is the Marxian philosophy based? Why are contemporary bourgeois philosophers pessimistic about the future of our civilization, and why are they looking backward to antiquity, to the 18th and 19th centuries? The ghost of Communism.

WORKING YOUTH CONFERENCES

By J. WILLIAMSON.

DESPITE the fact that young workers form an important part of the workers in each industry, little attention is given to their problems or demands. No organizational measures are taken to improve their conditions.

The bosses are interested in discrimination against the young worker since it means greater profits for them. The unions either thru craft prejudices or general apathy make no attempt to unionize the youth or fight for their special demands. This is not peculiar to the United States but to all capitalist countries. Only the Young Communist League in each country fight for the betterment of the young workers' conditions.

Importance of Youth Conferences.

Our American League must gain contact with the masses of young workers. This is one of our greatest defects at this time. By initiating and sponsoring youth conferences we will gain contacts with the young workers. At these conferences the young workers are given the chance of expressing themselves and thus become recognized as an important factor in the labor movement.

Aim of Youth Conference.

We must begin systematically to encourage the formation of youth conferences, either limited to one industry or of a general nature. Our aim in these conferences is:

1. To gain contacts with the young workers. At the present time we do not yet know the problems which effect the everyday life of the young workers. We do not know of their struggles and demands. The lack of influence over the young workers, by our League, can be overcome thru the organization of such youth conferences.
2. To attract the broadest masses of young workers on the basis of concrete demands. These conferences must have a magnetic attraction for the young workers in the shops and factories. This will be best expressed thru its series of concrete demands affecting the lives of the young workers to whom we appeal.
3. To develop class and political consciousness. These conferences must serve the purpose of developing class consciousness among the young

"International of Youth" Better in Form and Content

A departure in form and content has been made in *The International of Youth*, the monthly organ of the Executive Committee of the Young Communist International. Number 1 of the new series has just arrived in this country and is ready for distribution by the national office of the Young Workers' League.

The new publication is in magazine form and contains an unusual assortment of valuable theoretical articles, as well as special reports on the work and conditions of the youth in various countries.

The new issue contains:

Conference of the European Sections of the Y. C. I.

Zinoviev's Thesis adopted at the National Conference of the Russian Communist Party.

Results of the Enlarged Executive of the Y. C. I.

The Imperialists at Work.

The Struggle for the Trade Unions.

The Third National Conference of the Y. C. L. of Great Britain.

Juvenile Unemployment in South Africa.

The Situation of the Chinese Youth.

How the Youth Live and Work in the Soviet Union.

Educational Work.

The Russian Y. C. I. and the former Oppressed Peoples.

Every revolutionist, young and old should get a copy and read it thru from cover to cover.

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COMMUNIST CHILDREN COLUMN

A "SIMPLE" QUEEN DIES

By SADIE AMTER.

A pack of cards, the queen and all from Nicholas to the deuce

They think they're such a pretty crowd

But we can cook their goose.

The queen of England died, unaided by a revolution or an anarchist.

The queen was noted for her simple habits. She dressed "simply" in furs, velvets and pearls. The queen's royal apartments in St. James' palace or whichever of the royal palaces (and there seem to be quite some) she inhabited, were "simply" but royally furnished. The live queen used only a dozen or so maids and butlers to attend the royal toiletbrush and polish the royal slippers, butter the royal toast or whatever else they do.

But simple as are the tastes of royalty it costs the British workers a tidy sum to keep them dolled up and

entertained, as royalty should be, by divine right. Two millions may be out of work in England; the children in the mines and mills of India may be starved and crippled but the royal estate must be kept going with the taxes paid from the sweat of the toilers. How else could the royal ones dress and live royally?

Quite a bunch of royal robbers attended the royal funeral. Kings, princes, lords, dukes and even the old Russian queen (whose job of queen-ship was taken from her at the same time that the simple head of the czar was taken from him) was in attendance to witness the sad condition of a dead queen.

One has no idea how many princes and things like that are still running about until a royal burial occurs. At present it appears that all the royalty still unbred attended the funeral of the great and simple queen.

One is tempted to wish that they would all be interred at the same time, thus ridding the world of a lot of simple—very simple—but expensive trash.

Section Membership Meetings

Section meetings to discuss party unity and trade union work will be held in the city of Chicago on the following dates. Nuclei must meet and get their full membership turn out to the section membership meetings.

SECTION I.
Saturday, Dec. 5, 8:00 p. m. at the Unity Club, 3140 Indiana Ave.

SECTION II.
Sunday, Dec. 6th, 2:00 p. m. Pullman, Ill. Address will be given later.

SECTION III.
Thursday, Dec. 3rd., 8:00 p. m. at the Willis Hall, 3116 S. Halsted street.

SECTION IV.
Monday, Dec. 7th at 8:00 p. m. at the Freiheit Singing Society Hall 3837 W. Roosevelt Road.

SECTION V.
Wednesday, Dec. 9th, 8:00 p. m. at the Imperial Hall, 2409 N. Halsted St.

SECTION VI.
Tuesday, Dec. 8th, 8:00 p. m. Northwest Hall, corner North Ave. and Western.

SAN FRANCISCO NOTES

Two Dances Ready.

A dance arranged for Dec. 5 at 225 Valencia street by the Italian and South Slav groups of the Workers' Party will not one-half of its proceeds for The DAILY WORKER. Admission is 35 cents—little enough to get the support of every reader of the "daily" in Frisco.

Another Dec. 20.

The local committee has taken the party headquarters hall for a musical program and entertainment under direction of Comrade George A. Kelly, Jr. The net proceeds go to the DAILY WORKER. This entertainment was decided on last night by the committee. Tickets for this affair will be sent out to all local subscribers to The DAILY WORKER and the Workers Monthly. The musical will take place on Dec. 20, at 225 Valencia St., at 8 p. m.

Foreign Exchange.

NEW YORK, Dec. 1—Great Britain, pound sterling, demand 4.84½; cable 4.84½. France, franc, demand 3.93½; cable 3.94. Belgium, franc, demand 4.52½; cable 4.53. Italy, lira, demand 4.03½; cable 4.04. Sweden, krone, demand 26.73; cable 26.76. Norway, krone, demand 20.34; cable 20.36. Denmark, krone, demand 24.86; cable 24.88. Shanghai, tael, demand 78.00.

DECEMBER TRADE UNION MONTH

Thruout the world, the Young Communist Leagues are preparing for "Economic-Trade Union Month" which has been proclaimed for the month of December. Special campaigns are in preparation in the European leagues for a nation wide campaign to unionize the working youth. Closely linked up with this is the intensifying by the Y. C. L.'s of the economic-trade union activities, such as factory campaigns youth conferences, fighting for the everyday demands, etc.

In America, the Young Workers (Communist) League has initiated a campaign for the entry of every league member into a union and the immediate formation of Y. W. L. fraction in the unions to fight for the entry of the young workers into the unions without discrimination and to drive forward in the unionization of the youth.

Every unit of the organization has received instructions to call meetings of all their members in each union and there to insist upon those who are not yet union members joining and to take up the definite organization of youth fractions, linking them up on a city and national scale.

Closely connected with this "month" is the initiative of the Y. W. L. in organizing youth conferences in certain sections of the country as well

as the conducting of factory campaigns in all the large industrial centers.

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Three-Quarters Goal of Fund Near

The DAILY WORKER fund is looking up!

By one means or another, by Rescue Party or Red Tea, by the sale of Save The DAILY WORKER stamps, by donations from Workers' Party branches and by the faithful, persistent support of readers—the sum total of the fund has reached the amount of \$27,377.22. This means that three-quarters of the task is almost done. And then there is the final \$10,000 to raise!

Before facing the seriousness of the problem as to how the last quarter of the drive can be carried on, let's take a little breathing space and rejoice at what has been done so far. The ground-work has been laid for what gives promise of being a real Bolshevik finale.

Omaha, Neb., Workers Party (Soviet meeting) 13.86
A. Pichler, Omaha, Neb. 1.00
Louis Piravik, Flushing, O. 6.50
Boston, Mass., W. P. (balance from Rescue parties) 37.87
Nucleus S. W. P., Pullman, Ill. 1.20
Stanko Markovitch, Chicago, Ill. (collected) 7.00
Chas. Rumetsch, Springfield, Ill. 2.50
E. M. F., City 1.00
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Ukrainian Br., W. P., Jersey City, N. J. 20.00
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English Br., W. P., San Francisco, Cal. 10.00
Lithuanian Br., W. P., Plymouth, Pa. 7.00
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Finnish Br., Communist, O. W. P. 50.50
City Central Committee, W. P., Muskegon, Mich. 5.00
Czechoslovak Br., W. P. (collected by Jos. Horvath), Binghamton, N. Y. 7.75
R. M. Bender, Brooklyn, N. Y. (collected) 2.50
N. W. English Br., W. P., Chicago .50

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Previously recorded \$27,070.52
Total to date \$27,377.22

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Towards a World Bolshevik Party

by Jay Lovestone—in the December issue of The Workers Monthly.



Emergency Call!

To All Members and Friends of International Labor Defense:

Two big cases are scheduled to come to trial on November 30th. The Pittsburgh raid case of 40 workers and the Zeigler frame-up case of 15 union miners. The lawyers in each of these cases will not proceed with the defense unless we have the money.

FIVE THOUSAND DOLLARS MUST BE RAISED BEFORE DECEMBER 15TH

We call upon all members of the I. L. D. to rise to the test and raise this sum. Contribute all you can and get your friends and neighbors to contribute.

Much depends on the outcome of these two trials. The entire working class is on trial. Not merely the 25 workers involved.

Rush Your Collection and Make It as Big as Possible.

National Office,
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Fraternaly yours,
INTERNATIONAL LABOR DEFENSE,
J. S. CANNON, Executive Secretary.

FORMER HEAD OF MINERS' UNION IS SCAB HERDER

Is Agent for Mellon's Pennsylvania Mines

(Continued from page 1) Andrew Mellon attempts to reopen on the basis of company unionism and the 1917 scale.

Was Kicked Out in 1911. McCullough was cast out of official position, along with President Tom L. Lewis, in the convention of 1911.

McCullough's role as a scab herder today calls to mind the idealistic speech with which he graced his enforced retirement in 1911.

"Again, let me hope that each and every one of us who retires from official life on the first of April will go back to the mines from whence he came and not sell the intelligence and experience we have gained while serving you on the other side to help defeat the cause of labor that has honored us with official positions in the past.

Efforts Are Unsuccessful. Now McCullough is selling his experience to the capitalists he denounced, for use against the miners.

Canadian Shoe Workers' Strike Is Called Off

QUEBEC, Dec. 1.—The strike of the three national unions in the shoe factories of Quebec has ended.

To those who work hard for their money, I will save 50 per cent on all their dental work.

DR. RASNICK DENTIST 645 Smithfield Street, PITTSBURGH, PA.

I. L. G. W. Left Wing in Call to Rank and File

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senting the workers entered into a peace agreement, despite the fact that some of the most vital demands, like full amnesty and proportional representation were not granted by the bureaucracy.

Political Discrimination Practiced.

"Now, it appears however, that not only is the peace agreement not lived up to, but preparations are being made by the bureaucracy to recapture their good jobs and keep on to those they have, even if they have to split the union.

"The membership, according to the peace agreement, had the right to elect a completely new staff of officials. But having a majority of votes in the old, unrepresentative Joint Board, opposition candidates of Locals 10, 89, 48 were not allowed on the ballot with the exception of four.

Plays Scab Herder. McCullough's role as a scab herder today calls to mind the idealistic speech with which he graced his enforced retirement in 1911.

Bar Opposition Candidate. "The elections to the convention were supposed to be safeguarded according to the peace agreement, by the opposition being allowed to watch the balloting and as per constitution of the international, be present at the counting of the votes.

Fixing Coming Convention. "Keeping opponents off the ballot, fixing elections, is the only way they can be the chosen representatives of the workers."

Not only were none of the suspended or expelled members, with the exception of Locals 2, 9, and 22, not reinstated, but political discrimination and persecution was kept up, specially out of town.

ing he ever did was to eliminate his opponents.

"There is plenty to organize in these small localities, and the left wing has a genuine program to achieve this, but this is not the object of the bureaucracy. After they use these locals for convention purposes, they forget about them until the next convention.

Organizes Secret Black-Hand Society. "A skunk cannot change his footprints. The old bureaucracy cannot rule except by their old methods.

"The return of investment in these 1925 profits runs to more than 200 per cent in the case of Nash Motors.

"Fellow Workers! From all this it is clearly apparent what dangers beset our union. This is no time to sink into indifference, to let up in the struggle.

Girl Finds Murdered Youth Under Her Bed

New York, Dec. 1.—Miss Margaret Pirie, sixteen, found a man—murdered—under her bed.

Miss Pirie, who returned shortly after midnight after a two day visit with relatives, swooned when she made the gruesome discovery.

Wrap your lunch in a copy of the DAILY WORKER and give it (the DAILY WORKER, not the lunch) to your shop-mate.

AUTO MAGNATES GATHER JUICY PLUMS IN 1925

Reaches \$179,488,209 Nine Month's Profit

By LELAND OLDS. (Federated Press Staff Correspondent)

A year of peak profits has increased the wealth of the owners of 11 automobile companies by over \$1,000,000,000 according to a survey of the industry by The Wall Street Journal.

The combined profits of the 11 companies for the first 9 months of the year amounted to \$179,488,209, a gain of more than \$100,000,000 over the same period in 1924.

The increase in market price include a rise in the value of General Motors stock from \$398,000,000 to \$841,712,000; of Chrysler stock from \$29,000,000 to \$190,485,000; of Hudson stock from \$35,640,000 to \$154,440,000 and of Nash from \$40,000,000 to \$144,675,000.

The 9-month profits of the 11 companies in 1924 and 1925 were:

Table with 3 columns: Company Name, 1924 Profit, 1925 Profit. Includes Gen. Motors, Chrysler, Hudson, Dodge, Packard, Studebaker, Nash, Overland, Hupp, Moon, Pierce Arrow.

The return of investment in these 1925 profits runs to more than 200 per cent in the case of Nash Motors.

The owners of Nash Motors Co. now hold 3 shares of preferred stock receiving dividends at \$7 at share and 5 shares of common stock (on which the year's profits so far have been about \$37 a share) for each \$100 originally invested.

General Motors, the Morgan trust, has just declared an extra dividend of \$5 a share which brings the year's cash dividends to \$24 on each \$100 of stock.

French War on Riffs Fails

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the situation was correct. On the one hand we have the official figures which the government at last decided to publish.

"One hundred, sixty thousand soldiers, 20 airplane squadrons and 40 generals (!), about half of the French army and its generalissimo are firmly entrenched on the slopes of the Rif without anyone asking what they have done there, what they are doing there and what they will do there.

The military aims have not been achieved. The original plans of operations have been swept aside by the arrival of a new general staff; the aims of the new plans have not been achieved.

French Lose Territory. "As regards territory," says R. Poulaine, "we are today not yet in possession of the line which we occupied on April 1.

UNEMPLOYED WORKERS FACE BITTER WINTER UNIVERSITY PREDICTS

According to two predictions as to the weather which will prevail for the coming winter season, one from the University of Caen and the other from the executive offices of the New York Central Railroad, unemployed workers will face a long cold winter.

New York City College Head Tries to Stifle Opposition to Militarism

NEW YORK—Compulsory military training is not a subject for students of the College of the City of New York to think and write about, President Sidney L. Mezes rules.

Freight Trains Collide at "Horseshoe Curve"

ALTOONA, Pa., Dec. 1.—"Horseshoe Curve" was the scene of a bad wreck, in which two men were killed, a third injured and forty-five freight cars smashed.

ARREST MOTHER FOR ABANDONING CHILD; UNABLE TO SUPPORT

(Special to The Daily Worker) FLUSHING, N. Y., Dec. 1.—Dorothy Ayres, 17, was arrested here early today charged with abandoning her baby.

Instruction in English Foreigners and others wishing to improve. Georgiana Bonita, 1843 Lincoln Ave. Tel. Diversey 6089.

Our Union Meeting

First Wednesday, Dec. 2, 1925.

- List of union meetings including Amalgamated Food Workers, Amalgamated Clothing Workers, B. & S. I. W., Stone Derrick, 180 W. Washington St., 131 Belt Line Federation, 62nd and Halsted, etc.

New York Unions Unite to Organize Laundries

NEW YORK, Dec. 1.—Organization of all wet wash and steam laundry workers in New York is the goal for which several workers' groups are uniting their efforts.

The laundry industry is rapidly changing from a small shop, craft basis to the high-power, large unit with central financing of many laundries.

Stage Mock Duel. GARY, Ind., Dec. 1.—They staged a mock duel with "empty" revolvers. Albert Truggle, 16, lies seriously wounded in a hospital, his abdomen ripped open by a bullet.

CHICAGO WORKERS— DEMONSTRATE! PROTEST!

Against the Imprisonment of Ben Gitlow and Anita Whitney COME TO THE Protest Mass Meeting Friday, December 4, 8 P. M. at West Side Auditorium, Racine & Taylor Speakers: Robert Minor, Pete Jensen, of the Federated Shop Crafts, Fred Mann and Wm. H. Holly. Come and Bring Others. Auspices International Labor Defense.



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Buying Power of Farmers

Financial writers on the capitalist newspapers devote their peculiar talents to twisting economic facts to create the illusion of prosperity. The latest effort in that direction is the statement appearing in the Tuesday morning papers to the effect that the farmers really are prosperous, despite reports to the contrary.

As justification for reports of prosperity the finance wizards quote the increase in mail order sales by the Montgomery Ward concern, which is 10.21 per cent over a year ago.

One need not be a financial wizard to recognize the absurdity of such a claim. It is a well-established fact that farmers increase their purchases at mail order houses when curtailed incomes compel them to make every penny go as far as possible. Instead of increased mail orders being indications of prosperity they usually denote the beginning of periods of depression.

The complaint of the merchants of the small towns serving agricultural communities has always been that during "hard times" the mail order houses get all the cash and that the town businessmen are asked to extend credit for goods not obtainable at the mail order centers.

This situation exists at the beginning of periods of depression. As the crisis grows and the farmers are unable to obtain money there is a perceptible slackening of mail orders. Thus there are two stages of agricultural depression registered by the volume of mail orders. The first is at the beginning of depression, when the farmers stock up on the cheap goods from the mail order houses in order to make their meager funds stretch as far as possible. This shows an increase in mail orders over normal times. The second is when the crisis reaches its peak and the farmers are without funds, which produces a perceptible slump in mail orders. The farmer then depends for his merchandise upon the credit extended by the country stores.

Agricultural depression results in many of the small stores going out of existence and not infrequently carries down with them banks that extend them credit. The final results of such a crisis are similar to all crises; further concentration of capital in the hands of the big combines.

Precisely, Mr. Sigman!

"Delegates: A great responsibility is confronting you at this convention, the greatest perhaps in the history of our union. You are being called upon to heal its wounds, to reunite its forces and to rid it of all harmful and disruptive elements which menace its existence."
—Mr. Morris Sigman, president of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, in the official organ, "Justice."

Indeed it is imperative that the disruptive elements be stifled and that unity of the union be achieved. But that means that those guilty of disruptive tactics must go. It means that the Sigman machine that tried to wreck the union in order to maintain power can no longer be trusted with leadership. It means the harmful elements that employed thugs and gangsters and gunmen to crush the left wing that had behind it the majority of the membership in three of the largest local unions in New York City can no longer be tolerated. It means that the scoundrel who acts as manager in Philadelphia, where the convention is now being held, and who for two years kept out of the union loyal and devoted members because they wanted an effective union, must go.

In plain words it is Sigman and his whole machine that should go. He is the real disrupter. It is he who, rather than see the union get out of the control of the reactionaries, tried to wreck it, like a pirate who scuttles the ship rather than see it fall into the hands of its owners.

The delegates at the Philadelphia convention should weigh well these words of Sigman, and follow his advice for he is the disrupter, the union-wrecker.

Smash the union wreckers, the disrupters, the gangsters, the tyrant—eliminate Sigman and place the union in the hands of those who express the sentiments of the majority of the membership!
Down with the Sigman machine!

Servant to Their Majesties

Emil Vandervele, hero of the socialist international, and foreign minister of Belgium, confessed before the parliamentary finance committee that the House of Morgan forced him to cut the budget 150,000,000 francs after he had promised to cut no more.

Thus the valiant Vandervele, who betrayed the workers of his country into the world war and who as servant to his majesty the king of Belgium helped slaughter the working class he was presumed to defend, now crawls before the king of Wall Street. It is not of any concern to these scoundrels and swindlers whose hands drip with the blood of the working class of the world which king they serve. The leadership of the Second International stands perpetually and voluntarily on the auction block of imperialism, ever for sale to the highest bidder. They serve everything and everybody but the working class. The lower they grovel before the royal robes of monarchy and the imperial sceptre of the dollar dictatorship the more vicious become their murderous assaults against the workers.

From servant to his majesty the king of Belgium, Vandervele becomes obedient lackey for their majesties, the Wall Street bankers.

Absent by Compulsion

Among those present at London when the Locarno pacts were signed were all the outstanding governmental leaders of the countries affected with one exception. That exception was Mussolini, the blackshirt brigand and craven poltroon, who dared not face the British workers who let it be known in advance that they would make it uncomfortable for the assassin of the working class of Italy.

Beneath the bayonets and the terror of his criminal bands Mussolini can strut with pomp and circumstance, parading as the popular hero where no one has the power to challenge his pretense. But where there is still some working class expression this creature faces the open insults and execration of the masses.

That is why he sent a substitute to make the journey that he dared not attempt.

International Red Aid--The Child of Red October

By P. LEPEKSHINSKY,
President Central Committee I. R. A.,
U. S. S. R.

The anniversary of the never-to-be-forgotten days of the October explosion of the toiling masses of a great country from the bondage of the bourgeoisie is, and will be, the greatest holiday not only for workers and peasants of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, but also for the capitalist slaves of those countries where the banker has enthroned himself with the hangman's aid.

Soviet Conquers.

On this anniversary, there will be not a single corner in all the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics where red flags will not be waving. You will not find a single worker or peasant, with the faintest trace of class consciousness, who will not be rejoicing over the fact that eight years have gone by since that experiment of "overthrowing" capitalistic foundation was successfully made on a territory occupying one-sixth of the world's surface.

The capitalists have been powerless to destroy that country which first blazed the trail towards socialist construction, and which has not only been able to prove its ability to exist, but also is progressing with gigantic strides towards the red star of Communism.

The proletariat of capitalist countries, who are still bound hand and foot, fix their eyes, burning with joyful hope, on that pole star. It is true, the cities in these countries are not decorated with red flags. But all the same, even in these days, the red blood of the workers flowing behind prison walls will be the brightest witness to the fact that the proletariat blesses the Russian October, and continues to strive both in word and deed

to the world October. The struggle between the workers and capitalists not only is not dying down, but is increasing in ferocity; the number of its victims is daily increasing and becoming more and more complicated, and the International Red Aid cannot complain of having little to do, or that there are no more victims left on the field of battle, towards whom it should hasten to aid.

I. R. A. Born in October. The International Red Aid was begotten by the Russian Red October, which not only was a brilliant episode, but served as a banner of the proletariat in its struggle for the emancipation of humanity from the bondage of capitalism. The International Red Aid has defined itself as an organization, which has consecrated itself to help that very struggle by special means.

Even before October, Ilyitch more than once dreamt of the Paris Commune as an example to be used for the storming of the "strongholds of capital, for the Russian revolution. And afterwards, he used to point out with much pleasure the similarities between the "madly brave" Parisian communards and the October revolutionists in our country—finding many points in common between these two stages of the world proletarian struggle.

"Storming the Heavens." One involuntarily says to one's self that the International Red Aid, one of the direct heirs of October, has not in vain chosen for its "name day" the anniversary of March 18, 1871, so warmly loved by Ilyitch. Where the smoke of gun powder still hovers over the air; where the next problem is that of "storming the heavens" (an expression used by Karl Marx in connection with the Parisian communards) there, for the International Red Aid we have an ever increasing field of activities, for the International Red

Aid is the red cross service in the ranks of the proletarian revolutionary army.

The International Red Aid is organizing the red rear guard for the world revolution. This very fact binds the International Red Aid still more closely to the advance guard of the proletarian revolution. October was the first great battle between the proletariat and the plundering capitalists, and has been followed by a long period of "trench warfare," with but rare intervals of open fighting of one or another detachment of the "great army of labor." For all this, this is a real war, and like every war, its success demands a well-organized rear. The International Red Aid has taken this very task upon its shoulders—that of organizing the red rear guard.

Need World Support.

No one has yet forgotten the fact that the Russian proletariat, who rose against their bourgeoisie, owes its victorious revolution to the international solidarity of the world proletariat. It would have been foolish to dream even of our October without this hope of support and solidarity from the world proletariat. The Russian workers did not err. Ilyitch more than once emphasized the fact that "we are victorious, not because we were stronger, but because the toilers of the entente countries turned out to be more faithful to us than to their own governments." (From his speech at the non-party conference of the Borough of Krasny-Prasny, January 26, 1920.) There are numberless proofs of this statement. Here, however, we will simply point out the refusal of the French sailors (and among them Comrade Marty) to obey the orders of their officers, who demanded they murder Russian peasants and workers.

Marty Aids I. R. A.

It was by no accident that this very

Marty later on turned out to be one of the best workers in the ranks of the International Red Aid. By its unceasing propaganda (not only oral, but in deeds) of the idea of international solidarity of all members of the proletarian family, the International Red Aid is now repaying the debt of the Russian workers and peasants to those who "had been more faithful to us than to their own governments," and who had helped us in leading our October victory to a successful end thru the barriers of barbed wire barricades.

But the work of October did not stop by merely throwing the revolutionary advance guard—the proletariat—into the fight. Were it not for the support of the millions of peasants, the proletariat would not have been successful. The greatest of all lessons, and the most practical of all slogans, given us by those leaders of the October days—and, above all, by Ilyitch—is that of the union "strong, lasting and serious" of peasants and proletariat. And ever since then this slogan has not lost its enormous significance (and never will lose its significance, so long as a peasantry exists as a special toiling group) for the cause of the world revolution, neither has it lost its active force. And the International Red Aid, does it not work for the same cause, to the same end? Does it not continue the work of October, when it unites the Ukrainian or White Russian toiler of the soil, the Kirghize, wandering hordes, the Chinese "owner" of about half an acre of land, etc., etc., with the world proletariat, by joining them under the common International Red Aid task of aiding revolutionary warriors, prisoners of capital?

Finally, it is most necessary to state that October facilitated the entry of the Russian proletariat to that school of Communism, known as the Communist Party. But only hundreds of

thousands of units pass thru this school—millions are still at a great distance from it. And yet, sooner or later, these tens of millions will have to go thru both such a theoretical and practical communistic course of social construction, which is only being at present undertaken by the most advanced members of the toiling masses.

Preliminary Preparation. It is evident that the preliminary preparation of these masses, who are at present standing aloof from the Russian Communist Party is indispensable. The International Red Aid is just the organization to carry on best this preliminary preparation. In truth, it is most successfully carrying out its task as a "preparatory class" for the many millions. The most backward and politically illiterate peasant has all the opportunities for learning; and understanding the ABC of Communism, passing thru all stages of International Red Aid teaching and its popular explanation of all social problems, linked with the existence of the International Red Aid work of aiding those warriors for the cause of the world revolution.

I. R. A. Mission.

Many more examples might have been given, showing the relationship between the October "storming of the heavens" and the historical task of the International Red Aid. But the above is quite sufficient to place the International Red Aid as a revolutionary child of October. The International Red Aid, with many other helpers of the grand October revolution, continues the great work of October and will carry on its mission to the very end up to the moment, when October, having successfully covered all corners and parts of the world, will cause all weapons of the fierce class war to be laid aside as of no more use. For in Communist society there will be neither class war, nor enemy classes.

Barriers in the Path of a Labor Party

By H. M. Wicks

THE resolution for a labor party adopted by the Boston convention of the International Furriers' Union is an important step in the movement to break away the masses of labor from the deadening influence of the old parties. The Furriers' resolution should be utilized by every revolutionist and progressive in the trade union movement to get local unions and central bodies to endorse it, thereby laying the basis for a concentrated drive toward the realization of a labor party. After a large number of local unions and some internationals are on record in favor of a labor party a conference should be called for the purpose of laying plans to carry the fight into every section of the labor movement.

Out of such a conference a central directing point should be established from which to coordinate the sentiment into a powerful movement.

Many Obstacles.

THERE are many obstacles to be overcome in the struggle for a labor party. In many local unions the question cannot be raised for the simple reason that there are laws upon the statute books forbidding the raising of political issues; a heritage of the baneful influence of candidates. This must be overcome by nominees to international conventions bringing the question before the membership in the form of a platform containing the labor party demand. In unions where political questions can be discussed there is usually present some lackey of the employers who opposes any suggestion of class action and who offers the most vicious resistance to the labor party demand. Usually the principal opponent of a class policy is one of the satellites of the officialdom of the central labor council.

The professional clog of local labor leaders act as watch-dogs for the capitalist class. They are the backbone of reaction in the labor movement. In order to understand why this is so it is necessary to examine the structure of the American labor movement.

Industrial Treachery.

WE must start our investigation with the American Federation of Labor itself. Just what is the Federation? Is it a machine for consolidating the ranks of labor into a powerful movement against the capitalist class? Everyone knows it is nothing of the sort. It does not even recognize the fact that a class struggle exists. It is primarily a political machine polluting the American labor movement with the most incredible venom of ruling class prejudices. In every conceivable manner it plays the game of the capitalist class. In periods of the most intense industrial strife, when great international unions affiliated with it are struggling for their very existence, the officials of the A. F. of L. seldom show their faces. Take as one example the present mine strike in the anthracite region. William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, rose to his present position from the secretaryship of the union that is now waging the fight against the mine barons of Central Pennsylvania, but he remains in his office at Washington or travels from city to city addressing bodies on the identity of interests of capital and labor instead of fighting the battles of the miners in the coal fields. If the organization of which he is the head really functioned to

achieve the most elementary demands of the working class he would be fighting directly against the despotism of the mine owners. His organizers would be touring the country arousing the workers to the threat of extermination facing the largest union within the A. F. of L.

If the A. F. of L. officials were really interested in the growth of the labor movement until it could challenge the capitalist tyranny in this country it would throw its power against the treacherous procrastination of John L. Lewis and the other officials of the miners union. The mine barons would soon abandon their arrogant attitude if the American labor leaders would demand the extension of the strike to the bituminous fields and the calling-out of the maintenance men who now, with the full consent of the union, keep the bosses' property in good condition in order to protect the capitalist exploiters from any loss while the strikers are being gradually starved and terrorized into submission. While its very structure, as a loose federation, prevents compulsory action against international unions, the A. F. of L. could at least hold such infamies as are now being committed by the union officials in the anthracite strike up to the workers of the nation and so arouse the membership of the United Mine Workers that they would drive out the treacherous leaders. If Green and company really desired to use their limited power they have they could help to coordinate the labor movement of the country, but they are the agents of the capitalist class and hence at all times serve the interests of their masters.

Political Treachery.

WHILE betraying the workers into the hands of the employers on the industrial field, the A. F. of L. machine repeats the performance on the political field. It proclaims its political character in its constitution. Article II, Section 2, of the constitution of the American Federation of Labor says:

"The object of the Federation shall be the encouragement and formation of local Trade and Labor unions, and the closer federation of such societies through the organization of Central Trade and Labor unions in every city, and the further combination of such bodies into State, Territorial or Provincial organizations to secure legislation in the interests of the working masses."

Its political character is plainly stated. It pretends to secure legislation in the interests of the laboring masses. Its very structure is not industrial but political. Instead of organizing according to industrial units, its organization is based upon political divisions; on the identical divisions of the capitalist government and its various states and cities. Just why are the headquarters of the A. F. of L. in Washington, instead of in some industrial center? Simply because Washington is the political capital of the nation. In those states where the state federations of labor are not in the capital city, the principal officers of the federations spend their time in the capital, or actually live there as in the case of the president of the Illinois State Federation of Labor. The A. F. of L. machine at Washington, during the life of Gompers as an adjunct of the democratic party, although it is theoretically professed a non-partisan policy. When

that party, as the political expression of finance capital, led the country into the European war to defend the interests of the House of Morgan, Gompers followed it. Truly the leading labor lieutenant of the capitalist class he made the slogans of the war-machine the slogan of the American Federation of Labor.

Now that Gompers is gone and the democratic party is declining the official family of the American Federation of Labor strives to line up the labor movement behind the Harding-Hughes-Coolidge government. Whenever the interests of capitalism change the policy of the official machine of the labor movement in this country also changes. The so-called heads of the labor movement never lead, never have an independent existence. They always follow in the wake of the interests of the capitalist class.

The same is true of the state federations of labor. In New York the official machine is an adjunct of Tammany Hall. In Illinois of the Len Small machine. In New Jersey of the Hague machine. Similar conditions exist in all other states.

It is because of this intimate alliance with the capitalist political machines that the State Federation of Labor officials and their supporters are ever watchful against any attempt to induce the workers in the trade unions to abandon the suicidal policy of political non-partisanship. From the official American Federation of Labor fountain head of corruption all the little mercenary tricksters in the labor movement draw their inspiration and learn to repeat the whole malevolent credo of the vindictive reactionaries.

With the most astonishing billingsgate, blackmail and coarse sophistry these creatures state that the American Federation of Labor is the only agency that stands between "democracy and the dictatorship of revolution." They conceal their treachery by paying lip-service to the labor movement while doing everything in their power to stultify it. They want the movement to exist only in order that they may have some excuse to curry favor with the capitalist class. But they resent any efforts to make it effective against the capitalist class.

Agitation for independent political action on the part of the working class meets with the contemptible charge that a labor party will usurp the functions of the A. F. of L. If there is any truth in such a charge it proves conclusively that the A. F. of L. officials recognize the fact that it is a political machine serving the capitalist class, otherwise a labor party could not possibly injure it.

It's Functions.

WHEN we examine the function of the American Federation of Labor and the various state and city federations directly chartered by it we discover the fact that they can not call strikes in any industry whatsoever. The only strikes the A. F. of L. can possibly call are those small federal unions, such as bookkeepers, bank clerks and federal labor unions in small towns where no regularly constituted craft unions exist.

The A. F. of L. has neither the power to call nor prevent strikes of any international union. If its executive council should desire a strike of one or all the unions affiliated with it, it would meet with no response for the simple reason that each international union enjoys complete auto-

nomy. Should the A. F. of L. desire to step into a strike situation it dare not do so unless a request comes from the executive of the union involved. Then if at any time the officials of the A. F. of L. did not carry out the policy of the international they would be summarily kicked out of the strike and could do nothing about it at all.

In its constitution the A. F. of L. claims the right to levy assessments upon the internationals in "emergencies," but it is careful that no such emergencies arise, for fear of alienating the support of internationals that might resent such a tax.

Many unsophisticated radicals imagine the A. F. of L. can call a general strike, or bring about the amalgamation of affiliated unions, or bring the unions into a labor party or any one of a dozen other progressive measures, but such is far from the case. Its only authority is the exercise of "moral force," which is less than nothing in cases of labor struggles. It can neither call nor settle strikes. Its resolutions, adopted at its conventions are not binding upon one single international union affiliated with it. At best they can only be starting points for agitation among the rank and file for the measure that already has been adopted by the delegates to the A. F. of L. convention.

Futile Resolutions.

TAKE the question of amalgamation for instance. On many occasions the conventions of the American Federation of Labor itself has gone on record in favor of amalgamation of kindred unions in a given industry, but nothing came of it. These resolutions, adopted at a number of national conventions, never came to life because very few members of organized labor outside the delegates in attendance knew they had passed. The question then arises: Why did the resolution pass?

Simply because someone introduced it and the officialdom scanned it and perceived that it meant nothing in the way of action, and so it was permitted to pass. Other resolutions were passed year after year in the same manner, but meant nothing. They were all futile as far as action is concerned. They committed the rank and file of organized labor to nothing. But when these same resolutions were brot in as part of a definite program of action toward revolutionizing the labor movement, when they were sponsored by workers striving to establish a political movement of the working class, they met with the most stubborn resistance, and were defeated as part of a diabolical conspiracy, a red menace, against the labor movement.

The experience in the American Federation is duplicated by the various city labor councils and state federations of labor. The Chicago Federation of Labor used to pass every sort of resolution presented by radical delegates. In the launching of the last campaign for amalgamation it was the first prominent central labor body that adopted the resolution. But that by no means meant that the 325,000 members of local unions loosely affiliated with the Chicago Federation or even an appreciable number of them were in favor of amalgamation. As a matter of fact few of this number ever knew such a resolution was adopted. It is seldom that delegates to the Central Labor bodies ever report the proceedings to their local unions.

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Labor conventions can be used as starting points for agitation in the local unions.

How to Start.

THE struggle for a labor party should be launched in the central labor unions for the purpose of carrying the fight into the center of reaction and striking directly at the alliance of the labor fakirs with the machine politicians of the capitalist class. In such a fight they can effectively be unmasked. Combined with the fight in the central bodies should be the most intensive campaign within the local unions and an exposure of all delegates to the central labor bodies who vote against the labor party. In this manner the labor party demand can be made a most effective weapon against the reaction in the trade union movement. While voicing the elementary demands of the working class for intelligent class action against the capitalist class it serves at the same time to unmask the agents of the capitalist political parties in the labor movement. With such a combined drive in both local unions and central bodies it is possible to set in motion forces that will deeply affect the whole labor movement, bringing the powerful internationals into line for a labor party.

Minor Opposition.

BESIDES the powerful opposition from the agents of capitalist political machines in the labor movement there is always a group of super-critics and utopian pessimists who object to the struggle for a labor party by pointing to the traitors at the helm of the labor party in England. They say: "What is the use of creating a labor party? Will not the leaders of such a party also betray the workers just as Ramsay MacDonald betrays the British workers by playing the game of British imperialism?"

To such a question we reply that such will probably be the case. But the creation of a labor party is essential as a means of breaking the workers away from the old capitalist parties and organizing them into a class party. We as Communists will aid in the creation of such a party for that purpose, and in elections we will support the American MacDonalds and Hendersons in order to place them in positions of power where they can expose themselves to the workers and also expose the limitations of parliamentary action of any kind within the capitalist order. As Lenin said "we will support them in the same way a rope supports a man who has hanged himself."

The creation of a labor party will be a great step in advance for the workers of this country and as they become aware of the limitations of such a party they will swing toward the Communists and prepare for the final overthrow of the capitalist system.

COOLIDGE COMMITTEES DISAGREE ON GIVING AWAY MUSCLE SHOALS

WASHINGTON, Dec. 1.—The Muscle Shoals committee appointed by President Calvin Coolidge, presented the president with majority and minority reports. Both recommended leasing the plant to private capital, but under different conditions.