

COOLIDGE MESSAGE IS THREAT TO LABOR

BRITISH SPIES CAUGHT IN PARIS PRYING FOR VALUABLE MILITARY SECRETS TO USE AGAINST FRANCE

PARIS, France, Dec. 8.—While the French and British statesmen have been singing peans to world peace, spies have been prying out the military secrets of France preparatory to the next world slaughter. Three men and a woman known to be in the pay of British interests are under arrest here today charged with espionage.

The woman has already confessed that the men sent her to make love to French army officers, from corporals to generals, in order to obtain military secrets that would be useful to England in case of war. The principal activity was directed toward obtaining aviation secrets. The girl is a product of the Paris underworld, being known as a "model" in the Latin quarter, sometimes under the name of Marcelle Monseil, and who now claims her real name is Martha Moreuil.

AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

CALVIN Coolidge came to Chicago, told a bunch of fake farmers that they were the cream of the country, that farming is now a fine art and is not practised for the sordid purpose of making profit, but because it develops character. The local capitalist papers gave several columns to this intellectual garbage and more of the same kind, and undoubtedly editorials will follow eulogizing the president for his profundity. The fake farmers beamed like rotarians at a stag party whenever canny Calvin handed them a mouthful of ballot bait and their wives threw cat fits every time Mrs. Coolidge smiled at them.

WHILE Coolidge and the speculating farmers were gorging themselves on political bunk the poor farmers who really produce the eats out in the great open spaces were nourishing a healthy desire to show Coolidge that his political psalm singing does not put any gasoline in their flivvers or Oxford bags on their sons' shanks.

According to reports they are murmuring exceedingly. Every time they hear a bull bellow they think it is Magnus Johnson with a new message of salvation for them. They prefer Magnus' roar to Calvin's whistles both are as dumb to the needs of the farmers as the famed Oracle of Delphi.

WHEN I was in Plentywood, Montana, last 4th of July, the farmers I met were not thinking about the declaration of independence but about the most effective way to get out from under the load of mortgages that was crushing them. When I talked to them of organization, they immediately cocked their ears. When I mentioned bankers, they fished for their shooting irons. Those farmers would collectively inhale a carload of snuff if Coolidge attempted to tell them what he told the gentlemen in the Sherman hotel and after they

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INDICTED ZEIGLER COAL MINERS GET PLEDGE OF AID FROM THE I. L. G. W.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 8.—The following telegram has been sent to the Zeigler defendants by the International Ladies' Garment Workers' convention here:

"United Mine Workers, Zeigler, Ill. The eighteenth convention of the I. L. G. congratulates you on the valiant struggle you are making to maintain decent living conditions despite efforts of operators flanked by the Ku Klux Klan.

"We protest against the arrest of your members for crimes of which they are innocent and the Ku Klux Klan guilty. We pledge our support to do all in our power to win justice for the indicted miners."

This wire was sent to Zeigler defendants in compliance with motion by Zimmerman and was passed unanimously.

NEW YORK MEMBERSHIP MEETING

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—All Workers (Communist) Party members must be present at the membership meeting that will be held in Webster Hall, 11th St. and 3rd Ave., Sunday afternoon Dec. 13 at one o'clock to hear the reports of the party's Central Executive Committee on the question of party unity and trade union work.

This meeting is very important and every party member must attend. Admission to the meeting will be by membership cards only. Bring your membership cards with you.

Sigman Machine Blocking Business at Convention

By WILLIAM F. DUNNE. (Special to The Daily Worker) PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 8.—Only today, the eighth day of its sessions, did the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union adopt rules for its procedure. One puzzled delegate rose and asked with some reason, "Are these rules for this or the next convention?" An amendment by Hyman that specified time be allowed both sides on important questions and each given the privilege of selecting its speakers, was voted down 146 to 136 and the committee recommendation

for ten-minute speeches adopted. Delegate Portney's motion, made following the report of the rules committee, instructing the committee on the work of the G. E. B. to bring in its report Wednesday morning precipitated bitter debate. Antonini, almost hysterical in his denunciation of the left wing, was answered by Zimmerman who charged him with using the language of the capitalist press in terming delegates "stupid and incompetent." Zimmerman and other left wing delegates renewed their attack on the Sigman machine in the debate

on Portney's motion and charged sabotage and obstruction by Sigman of the work of the convention. The effort of the Sigman machine to hold up the officers' report is now obvious, but under the pressure of the left wing he is making some pretense of speeding up the work of this important committee. Following the defeat of Portney's motion, Sigman entered into one of his long explanations as to why the convention was not getting more work done. These explanations by Sigman are one of the principal reasons for the delay in getting down to work.

THE HAND OF THE LAW



CUBAN WORKERS INDIGNANT AT MELLA ARREST

Communist Is Jailed on American Request

(Special to The Daily Worker) HAVANA, Cuba, Dec. 8.—For the second time within a few weeks Julio Antonio Mella, youthful leader of the Communist Party of Cuba and instrumental in organizing the Cuban section of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, has been put behind prison bars by the reactionary native government acting as the servile tool of Wall Street and Washington. Comrade Mella has begun a hunger strike in his prison cell.

Workers Indignation Roused. Indignation at this new arrest, carrying with it the threat of renewed governmental terroristic methods, is running high on the island, not only among the workers but among all sections of the population that resent the continued subservience of the present Cuban government to American imperialism. The students of Havana, whose monthly organ, Juventud, was founded by Mella, are loud in their protest. A strong rank and file movement is rising against the official administration of the Students' Federation, which betrayed Mella and abandoned him to his fate.

Jailed at U. S. Request. Mella's first arrest some weeks ago, was in connection with the spectacular campaign of jailings and deportations carried out by the Cuban government at the instigation of Ambassador Crowder. This was the climax of similar campaigns in Costa Rica and Panama, where many workers were imprisoned or deported for the expression of "anti-American" opinions.

Put a copy of the DAILY WORKER in your pocket when you go to your union meeting.

COMMUNIST INTERNATIONAL CALLS JAILING OF BRITISH COMMUNISTS BLOW AIMED AT WORKING CLASS

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Dec. 8.—The presidium of the Executive Committee of the Communist International sends the following telegram to the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Great Britain calling upon it to do its duty towards the working class despite the persecutions and declares the decision of the courts is a decision aimed at the English working class and especially the vanguard of the British proletariat:

"The Executive Committee of the Communist International has received the news of the sentence passed upon our English comrades, with the greatest indignation. "It regards the sentence as a continuation of the campaign of persecution directed against the English proletariat. The persecution of our comrades is a persecution of the whole working class and the advance guard. "We are convinced that all class-conscious workers in England will support you against the persecutions of the bourgeoisie. We do not doubt that the English Communists will do their duty towards the working class now as before, despite all persecutions."

PEACEFUL PLATITUDES THE ONLY FEATURE OF AMSTERDAM NEEDLE WORKERS' AGENT AT CONVENTION

By WILLIAM F. DUNNE (Special to The Daily Worker) PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 8.—The speech to the convention of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union by Martin Plett, president of the Deutsche Bekleidungs-Arbeiterverband, fraternal delegate from his union and representative of the Amsterdam Needle Workers' Federation, as did the speech of Green, was testimony to the strength of the left wing in the International Ladies' Garment Workers.

Undoubtedly it was also testimony to the fact that masses of the German workers are showing new interest in the and sympathy for Soviet Russia and are supporting more energetically than ever before the efforts of the Anglo-Russian Trade Union Unity Committee.

Lots of Opportunity. Here was Plett, one of the leaders in the war on the left wing of the International Federation of Trade Unions, an opponent of world trade union unity, a part of the social-democratic bureaucracy which has led the German workers in chains to the throne of the House of Morgan, a foe of the Russian workers' and peasants' government, speaking to an A. F. of L. Union in convention—the one place

Worker Correspondence will make The DAILY WORKER a better paper send in a story about your shop.

CAL OFFERS THE PROGRAM OF THE CAPITALIST CLASS AGAINST THE WORKING CLASS OF U. S. AND WORLD

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—Impudent threats against the working class of the United States, embodying veiled insinuations of industrial conscription; advocacy of destruction of the Philippine legislature to make the swash-buckling Maj.-Gen. Leonard Wood supreme dictator of those islands; determination to defend the imperialist designs on China; greater centralization of governmental powers, the placing of natural resources in the hands of private capitalists, the boast of a formidable army and navy, fake taxation nostrums, claiming credit for first suggesting the Locarno treaties in Europe, and a plea to enter the world court which is the back door to the league of nations, constitute the high lights of Coolidge's message to the sixty-ninth congress.

It is the program of the capitalist government against the working class of this country and the world. A more brazen proclamation of designed plunder never was penned or uttered. May Outlaw Strikes.

In the opening statement of the message Coolidge says, "Here and there are comparatively small and apparently temporary difficulties needing adjustment."

We learn what these comparatively small difficulties are when the message informs us that "the perennial conflict in the coal industry is still going on" and that the government "has permitted itself to remain so powerless that its only attitude must be humble supplication."

He proposes that, "Authority should be lodged with the president and the department of commerce and labor, giving them power to deal with an emergency."

Threaten to Outlaw Labor. This is nothing more nor less than a brazen threat of outlawing strikes in basic industries and industrial conscription.

As a means of enforcing a crushing policy against the working class, Coolidge informs the country that, "Never before in time of peace has our country maintained so large and effective a military force as it now has. The army, navy, marine corps, national guard, and organized reserves represent a strength of about 558,400 men. These forces are well trained, well equipped and in high morale."

Plan to Militarize Population. To perfect the military might of the nation Coolidge advocates further militarization of the population, thru a "sound selective service act giving broad authority for the mobilization in time of peril of all the resources of the country, both persons and materials."

Any emergency that might deprive the capitalists of their profits can be construed as a "time of peril," and if the Coolidge plan is carried into effect he will have the authority to conscript men for industries as well as for the army.

Perfect Air Services. Coolidge took a slap at those clamoring for a separate air service, but pleased the aircraft manufacturers by advocating a more efficient service. Since he contemplates no foreign war for a time, the increased power of the air service means that the government will have more planes at the disposal of the industrial magnates to drop bombs on workers or spray them with poison gas in case they go on strike in numbers that menace the profits of their masters.

The armed forces exist and must be perfected, "not in the interests of aggression but in behalf of peace. They

BOSTON, MASS., DISTRICT EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE SUPPORTS THE UNITY RESOLUTION OF THE PARTY'S C. E. C.

BOSTON—(By Mail).—The district executive committee of District One (Boston) of the party, after hearing the presentation of the party situation by Comrades Jay Lovestone and James P. Cannon, voted thirteen in favor of the unity resolution of the Central Executive Committee with none against. Comrade Karras abstained from voting.

The vote was taken after an extended discussion in which all of the members of the committee participated. Comrades Lerner and Bloomfield declared that their first reaction had been against the unity resolution, but after hearing the report of the C. E. C. representatives they were wholeheartedly in favor of the resolution.

The endorsement of the unity resolution by the Boston district executive committee follows an endorsement in Detroit by a vote of 9 to 2, the unanimous endorsement by the Buffalo district executive committee. On Tuesday night the Boston membership held its meeting to discuss and vote on the resolution.

(Editor's Note:—Full report of Buffalo membership meeting on page four.)

NO FILIPINO INDEPENDENCE BILL TO PASS

Islanders' Desires Simply Don't Count

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Another showdown regarding the purposes of American imperialism in the Philippine Islands will come in the present session of congress. Senator King of Utah has introduced a bill under which it is said the Filipino people would be given the independence which they have been clamoring for vainly for the last 27 years.

The measure is said to provide for the calling of a constitutional convention in the islands for the establishment of an independent Philippine republic.

A separate resolution by Senator King would direct the president to negotiate with all powers in the Pacific for guarantees of non-interference with the political independence of the Philippines.

The immediate withdrawal of all American naval forces from Haiti was also proposed in a resolution introduced by King.

No Danger of Adoption. Interviewed in Chicago regarding (Continued on page 2)

PHIL MURRAY, HEAD OF U. M. W. OF A., WORRIED FOR CONSUMING PUBLIC

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 7.—Usually it is the employers who conjure up in the capitalist press the image of an indignant but long suffering "public" who is the "chief sufferer," so-called of all strikes and the "innocent bystander" victimized by the strikers.

Now, however, the fakery at the head of the United Mine Workers of America are worrying about "the public," the poor and long-suffering "consumer." Philip Murray, international vice-president of the U. M. W. of A. last night said in a speech here that "the strike is a war on the public" which the operators are continuing because "they want to increase the price of coal to the consumer."

Philip did acknowledge that the section of the "public" the operators are particularly after is the miners, whom the bosses wish to drive back with reduced wages and a smashed union.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS COUNCIL NEAR WRECK AS ANTAGONISMS FORCE ANGLO-FRENCH IMPASSE

(Special to The Daily Worker)

GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. 8.—The council of the league of nations meeting here is the scene of a struggle between England and France that may have serious consequences. The exposure of the activities of British spies operating from Paris in the air bases of French military forces has thrown confusion into the deliberations of the council and a deadlock looms with the members of the council about equally divided on the side of the two conflicting powers.

The first signs of the impasse arose yesterday over the question of whether the league members shall undertake to give naval and military assistance as well as participate in economic and financial measures against nations violating the rules of the league.

Lord Robert Cecil, the British delegate wants to keep indefinite and abstract the status of the assistance to be rendered aggrieved members, while Paul Boncour of France, insists upon clear definitions. Article 16 of the covenant provides that all members shall aid anyone wantonly attacked. Instead of sending out casual battalions Boncour insists that the full strength of the armed forces of the nations be mobilized and thrown into action in case of a violation of the league covenant. Britain refuses to assume concrete obligations, hence the cause of the first deadlock.

Former foreign minister, Rentis, of Greece, disavowed the pledges of the Greek minister in Paris who agreed to accept whatever findings the league members reached in the investigation of the recent flare-up on the Bulgarian border. He repudiates the agreement to pay a heavy indemnity and presents a counter claim against Bulgaria.

Britain's antagonism is probably stimulated by the decision of the in-

vestigators against Greece, as it is known that the Athens government is the pawn of Britain in its designs against Turkey, whose threatening attitude on the question of the Iraq boundary menaces the peace of Europe.

Threat of Break.
War clouds hovering over Turkey, the distasteful decision of the investigators against Greece, the recent exposure of a brazen spy campaign against France, have caused Britain to waver about definitely committing itself to a policy of uniting its forces behind the decisions of the league. Geneva may within the next few days become the scene of a definite break between England and France.

This session, called under the pretense of arranging for a disarmament conference in Europe, already confesses failure in that regard. Such a conference is not likely to be held for two years or more and many observers unhesitatingly declare that it will never be held because the growing antagonism between the two principal European powers will burst into open hostility and wreck the league of nations as well as its creature, the world court.

NOW COMES BORAH, THE GREAT LIBERAL, WITH A BILL TO STOP STRIKES

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Senator William A. Borah, republican, of Idaho, will introduce a bill in the senate tomorrow to protect the operators of coal mines from future strikes in the coal mining industry, he announced today. Borah declined to reveal in advance the terms of his proposed measure.

split of the opposition which has already exposed it as a fraud.
On the question of foreign debts he enumerated those countries that had settled and those that were in process of settling. He expressed a desire to see Europe stabilize all currency, which means returning to the gold standard so that the debts to the United States may be reckoned in terms of gold.

Locarno—His Idea.
Speaking of the results of Locarno, Coolidge professed to see a great advance toward peace and informed the drowsy congressmen and senators, "The Locarno agreements were made by the European countries without any formal intervention of America," said the message, "alho on July 3 I publicly advocated such agreements in an address made in Massachusetts." Some of the senators who heard the message droned off by the reading clerk remarked that soon the president would be taking credit for everything that had ever happened.

World Court Proposal.
They were still more astonished when in a few moments the message dealt with the world court and while advocating adherence to this tribunal, described by Borah as the back door to the league of nations, proclaimed it an American idea.

"A well-established precedent marks America's effort to establish a court of this nature. We took a leading part in laying the foundation on which it rests in the establishment of the Hague court of arbitration. It is that tribunal which nominates the judges who are elected by the council and the assembly of the league of nations."

The question of the world court is slated to come up on December 17 and at that time will begin the fiercest battle of the sixty-ninth congress, according to political observations.

Slams Awakening Negro.
Before concluding his message with a reiteration of his threat to enforce industrial conscription by denouncing "wasteful quarreling over the returns from industry" and insipid drivel about "willing to work in harmony with the abiding purpose of a divine providence," he took a side-swipe at Negro workers by declaring that they had a right to live their own lives under the protection of the public law but that this "does not include any license to injure others materially, physically, morally, to incite revolution, or to violate the established customs which have long had the sanction of enlightened society."

Some of those enlightened customs are known to millions of Negro workers who have seen their fellows mobbed and burned to death by the "best people." The enticing of large numbers of Negro workers into industry is signaled by the president of the United States officially recognizing the revolutionary implications of such migration and warning against inciting revolution among them.

As for the agricultural workers Coolidge merely repeated in brief remarks the banalities of Monday's speech before the fake farm congress in Chicago.

Challenge to Workers.
Coolidge's message is a challenge to the working class of the United States and to all the suppressed classes now under the domination of American imperialism. This one document has accomplished the feat of embodying the threat of the iron fist of the government against all the oppressed workers and farmers of this country as well as the colonial workers who are struggling to liberate themselves from the thralldom of dollarocracy.

As against this threat the working class must raise the slogan of a labor party that will struggle against the Wall Street monster and its puppet in the White House.

Watch the Saturday Magazine Section for new features every week. This is a good issue to give to your fellow worker.

RULERS WEAR OVERALLS IN SOVIET MEET

Metal Workers' Union Meets in Palace

By Clement Lamar.
(Special Moscow Correspondence to The DAILY WORKER.)

MOSCOW, Nov. 18.—(By Mail)—Last night, in the Hall of Columns of the House of the Unions, formerly the House of the Nobles, there opened the seventh congress of the All-Russian Union of Metal Workers, with 478 delegates representing 685,000 members present and about a hundred more expected today. The huge balcony was filled with guests, and on the stage around a table decked with red were seated the Swedish, Norwegian and Finnish delegations from the metal workers' unions.

Rulers in Overall.
Thousands of fancy bulbs encased in sockets which were built into costly crystal chandeliers, cast their light upon the hundreds of delegates and guests, almost all of whom came dressed in their working clothes. Many of the delegates were bearded men and there were not a few women. Two women were among the 39 elected to the presidium of the congress.

After a military band had played the International, A. Lepsie greeted the congress in the name of the executive committee of the All-Russian Union of Metal Workers, briefly reviewed the period of almost two and a half years which intervened since the last congress, calling attention particularly to the great progress made in the matter of production which already in the fiscal year 1923-24 had passed the production planned for the year 1926-27.

Production increased 70 per Cent.
The year 1924-25 showed an increase in production of 70% over the previous year and "all signs pointed to a healthy increase during the coming year."

When he remarked that since the last congress the Russian workers and peasants had "lost their great leader, Lenin, the huge audience stood up as one and the band played the funeral march. Such a rendering of the funeral march 'No American who has not been in Russia ever heard."

Review Errors and Accomplishments.
After paying honor also to the memory of Frunze and the metal workers who died since the last congress the delegates heard the greetings of Tomski, the president of the All-Russian Federation of Trade Unions, Djerzinsky, the president of the Supreme Council of National Economy, and Losovsky, the general secretary of the Red International of Labor Unions.

All of the speakers dealt not only with the great accomplishments of the last two years but also with the errors discovered in their course and with the new problems confronting the workers of the U. S. S. R.

Djerzinsky ended his speech with the remark that in the struggle for Communism the metal worker stands in the front lines—"Long live the metal workers." Both of the other speakers dealt at length with the international situation.

Shows Who Rules Russia.
The remarks of Losovsky that the workers of the capitalist countries despite the capitalistic press assisted by the social-democratic press looked with sympathy and love upon the efforts and achievements of their Russian brothers brought forth tremendous applause which rose to thunder when the Swedish, Norwegian and Finnish delegations were presented to the congress.

The great number of workers in their working clothes seated or walking about in the great and beautiful lobbies and in the smoking room of the former House of the Nobles was rather a strange sight to an American; but it furnished vivid and incontrovertible proof that the ruler of Russia is indeed the worker of Russia.

Only Platitudes From Official of German Needle Trades

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It must be said that the Sigman wolves are very lamb-like indeed.

Russia Barely Mentioned.
Only once did Platt mention Russia. It was in referring to the internal struggle in the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union and while he urged them to unite their forces he said that he could not advise "any more than England or Russia could advise the German trade unionists."

His speech was ordered printed in the minutes but why I am unable to say unless as a courteous gesture from the Sigmanites to one of their ilk in Germany. The speech itself contains little but platitudes. It is additional confirmation of the suspicion long entertained by workers that when these gentlemen cannot, for very good reasons, launch an attack on the left wing and its program, they have nothing to say that could not be said by a not too bright ten year old child providing the child was a supporter of capitalist democracy.

Big Business Congress in Role of Santa Claus to America's Profiteers

By J. LOUIS ENGDahl.

TODAY, the "big business" congress is down to work and promises to get out the new "economy" taxation bill before Christmas. This bill is to be in the form of a holiday gift to the great profiteers. In the role of Santa Claus, congress will rush thru this measure cutting the taxes now supposed to be levied against huge incomes and swollen profits, by hundreds of millions of dollars, transferring them more effectively to the shoulders of the workers and farmers, the producing class. While this congress, therefore, comes to the parasite rich as a gift bearer, it knocks at the doors of the toiling many as a pillaging tax gatherer.

All this is the basis for great satisfaction on the part of the profit takers. The opening of congress is hailed by them with joy. One need only turn to the financial pages of their kept press. O. A. Mather, the "financial expert" of the Chicago Tribune, declares.

"For the first time in years the convening of congress yesterday was a welcome event in the financial world. The general hope and belief that it will be a 'business' congress, marked by much 'constructive' legislation, was heightened by the tenor of President Coolidge's address in Chicago."

Even before congress had assembled in Washington, the "expert" of the New York Times wrote:

"On the eve of the reassembling of congress there is a marked abatement of the perturbation among business men that has been so customary on such occasions in a number of instances."

These two quotations, that could be amplified by extracts from every capitalist sheet in the land, should convince all workers and farmers that the demo-republican congress isn't going to turn out any legislation that will be in the least helpful to them. The democrats conducted a fake scrimmage on the opening day in the selection of a speaker. But when Nicholas Longworth, Coolidge's spokesman, had been selected, the democratic floor leader conducted the manager of the republican steam roller to his place of power, to show that there was no ill feeling between them.

"Constructive legislation" consists of all such laws as will aid the business interests in more effectively plundering the masses. Any legislation against "business" is denounced as Bolshevism.

If the bankers, the landlords and the food speculators are satisfied with Coolidge and his congress, as they are, city and Which means that the profit press gloats over the fact cago Tribune says:

"Financiers and business men welcomed as sound policy President Coolidge's unqualified opposition to any government price fixing schemes for agricultural products."

And in the same breath:

"Radical agitation is not expected to make much progress in this congress."

Which means that the profit press gloats over the fact that the workers and farmers have not been conscious enough of their own interests to send their own representatives into congress to make the fight for them.

No help for the farmers. But new aid for the railroads, shown by the fact that the stock quotations mounted higher on the money exchanges as congress met. There are many railroad senators and representatives, in Washington, speaking for multi-millionaire railroad owners, not underpaid railroad workers. While bankrupt and landless farmers are flocking to the cities, the railroads in October showed the LARGEST NET REVENUE FOR ANY MONTH IN AMERICAN RAILROAD HISTORY.

Need more be said to show that Wall Street's government in Washington is a class government, defending the private property interests of the exploiters?

Must additional arguments be presented to show that the workers and farmers need their own class power to advance their interests as a class? If so, then this "big business" congress will present them to the plundered American masses in a myriad, brutal forms.

Predict No Bill for Independence of Filipinos Will Pass

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The Filipino independence bills, introduced by Senator King, the secretary of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League pointed out that the huge republican majority in congress makes it possible for a democrat like King to introduce such measures without the slightest fear that they will be adopted.

President Coolidge, he remarked, has repeatedly expressed himself as opposed to liberating the Filipinos from imperial rule, on the grounds that they "are not ready" for it. Moreover, he has given full support to ex-Secretary of War Weeks and Gov. General Wood in their frankly anti-independence policy.

Desires Don't Count.
Wood recently vetoed a bill passed by both houses of the Philippine national legislature calling for a referendum of Filipinos on the question of complete and immediate independence, thus showing that as far as American imperialism is concerned the desires of the Filipino people have as much to do with the case as the flowers that bloom in the spring. Sen. King's platonic gesture will be given no greater consideration.

It is not in congress that the hope of Filipino liberation lies but in the strength of the Filipino people themselves, and in the support they receive from other oppressed peoples of the "American empire," and particularly in the support of the revolutionary working class of the United States.

Order a bundle of The DAILY WORKER for every meeting of your union.

DEMAND HEADS OF A. C. W. OF A. STOP SLUGGINGS

Workmen's Circle Protests to Officials

Upon hearing the report of the Hospitaler in the Sholom Aleichem Branch No. 478 of the Workmen's Circle on the brutal beating of Berson, Craft and Berlin, who were slugged by responsible members and officials of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union in Chicago, the branch adopted the following resolution condemning the use of such tactics against active militants in the Amalgamated and demands the Chicago Joint Board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union take steps to punish the guilty ones and to prevent such occurrences in the future.

"Chicago Joint Board
"Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America.
"409 South Halsted St.,
"Chicago, Ill.

"Dear Brothers: At our last regular meeting, Nov. 18, the Hospitaler in making his report stated that Three of our best and devoted and most loyal members of the Amalgamated, Berson, Craft and Berlin, were slugged by some responsible members and officials of the Amalgamated in Chicago. And, as our branch recognizes the good work done by the Amalgamated for its members on the economic field, and as the members above mentioned helped along the Amalgamated in its struggles:

Emphatically Protests.
"Therefore, our Branch emphatically protests against such actions as taken by these responsible members of the union, and demands that the Chicago Joint Board take the necessary measures to punish the guilty ones in order to prevent such actions in the future.

"Fraternally yours,
"Sholom Aleichem Branch No. 478,
"Workmen's Circle."

(SEAL)
Send Protest to Amalgamated.
Copies of this protest resolution were ordered sent by the branch to the Chicago Joint Board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America, to "Advance," organ of the Amalgamated and to The DAILY WORKER.

FORD MOTOR COMPANY REFUSES TO PAY BACK TAXES OF \$40,000,000

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—The majority of the stockholders in the original Ford Motor Car Company, of which Senator James Couzens of Michigan is the foremost, have retained two ex-candidates for the presidency to fight the treasury's efforts to collect \$40,000,000 in back taxes, it was disclosed here. Their array of counsel will include Charles Evans Hughes and John W. Davis.

Fundamentalists Plan Anti-Evolution Law; to Open "University"

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 8. — Every state in the union will be organized within 12 months in a national campaign for a law similar to the Tennessee anti-evolution law, W. B. Riley of Minneapolis, executive secretary of the world's christian fundamentalist association declared on arrival here.

A central fundamentalism university to cost \$10,000,000 is planned for establishment in or near Chicago, he said.

Crush Insect Pests with Steam-Roller

WYE, Kent, England, Dec. 8.—Insect pests became so great in the local grasslands that a steam-roller was brought out and used over the infested area crushing the pests.

Minister Sends Out S. O. S.
PARIS, Dec. 8.—Settlement of the French debt to the United States will be practically realized in thirty days, Finance Minister Loucheur, informed directors of banks of credit establishments of France in appealing to them for aid in improving the stability of the franc.

He will like it! Give your union brother a sub to The DAILY WORKER.

AMSTERDAM INTERNATIONAL AGAIN DENIES RUSS UNIONS CONFERENCE

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 8.—The general council of the Amsterdam International (International Federation of Trade Unions) at its meeting today, decided against calling an unconditional conference with the All-Russian Council of Labor Unions to exchange opinions regarding the admission of the Russian unions to the Amsterdam International.

Upon the question the council divided sharply into a right and left wing, with the solid seven votes of the British representatives voting in favor of the unconditional conference and the other 14 representatives voting against it.

Coolidge Message Threatens Labor

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are the instruments by which we undertake to do our part to promote good will and support stability among all peoples."

Just as the thugs and gunmen of imperialism throught the world bomb cities and villages to establish peace, so Coolidge proposes the same thing for the workers of the United States and any other territories unfortunate enough to fall into the clutches of Wall Street.

Filipino Freedom.

The down east Yankee who inhabits the White House at present, is, of course, in favor of freedom for the Philippines—with reservations. They will be granted independence when the benevolent government of the United States has properly educated them to understand what self-government means. Their ultimate independence will be achieved only when they prove that they are sufficiently servile to always do the bidding of the imperialist marauders and not before. Meanwhile Coolidge says that from "such reports as reach me there are indications that more authority should be given to the governor general, so that he will not be so dependent upon the local legislative body to render effective our efforts to set an example of sound administration and good government." This is an echo of the inability of Major General Leonard Wood completely to crush the Filipinos who have insisted upon maintaining their own legislative bodies. The plea of Coolidge is for unrestrained military dictatorship in the island possessions.

China Also Included.

Speaking of the Chinese customs conference on extraterritoriality the message declared that this government was participating and that at the conference it "will be our policy so far as possible to meet the aspirations of China in all ways consistent with the interests of the countries involved."

Since most of the great powers have extensive interests in China and the House of Morgan, thru the United States government, has insisted upon the full application of the "open door" policy—that is the right of Morgan to challenge in China every other power, the Chinese workers can readily anticipate to what degree their aspirations for national liberation from the yoke of imperialism will be consistent with the interests of the United States imperialist robbers and assassins.

Centralized Government.

Further centralization of the powers of government are advocated upon the basis of the report of Henry G. Dalton, appointed to investigate the whole problem of the United States shipping board and the emergency

COOLIDGE HAS SPOKEN!

How About Workers and Farmers?

CAL COOLIDGE, Wall Street's president, has spoken. In his speech at Chicago, Monday, and in his message to congress, delivered on Tuesday, he stated clearly the program of America's plunderbund in its hunt for greater profits.

He has directly and boldly attacked both the workers in the city and on the land. He is their enemy. He speaks for their enemies. Let workers and farmers everywhere write in their views of this program. What have you workers and farmers got to say about it? The DAILY WORKER has been publishing articles, editorials and news stories on these questions for the past several days. Large numbers of copies of these issues have been distributed. The DAILY WORKER would like to publish a whole page of letters from workers and farmers telling what they think of Coolidge's speech and his message. Sit down now and write your letter and send it in to The DAILY WORKER, 1113 West Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

CREATE CLASS COLLABORATION BY LAW; RAILWAYS AND UNIONS PLAN 'BOARDS OF ADJUSTMENT'

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 8.—Class collaboration proceeding upon the basis of a "harmony of interests" between the working class and the employing class, has become almost the law of life for the high-paid bureaucracy of the American labor unions.

Faced with an economic depression and an attack upon the unions, the bureaucracy, instead of uniting all unions for militant struggle, seek to avoid a fight and come to terms for a remnant of concessions. But now the bureaucrats of the railway unions have entered into a pact to be sanctified by law, which surrenders without even this remnant.

PATRIOTS WOULD CONTROL FOREIGN LANGUAGE PRESS

Demand Constitution Be Printed in Each Issue

By SYLVAN A. POLLACK. (Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK CITY, Dec. 8.—A move to force all foreign language newspapers in this country to print in each issue in English half a column on the constitution or the history of the United States, was launched by the allied patriotic societies at their meeting at the army and navy club, 30 West 44th St., New York City.

"There are 2,000 papers published in this country in foreign languages," declared Dwight G. Braman, president. "They attack our government under cover. Their influence is insidious. They are restricted by present laws only from publishing their blasphemous statements on envelopes or mailing wrappers."

Frank H. Kinnicut of the American defense society read a bill that had been drafted to be submitted to congress. It provided that the commissioner of education furnish the foreign language papers with suitable material, that the paper publish both English and foreign language versions and that the publications failing so to do be barred from the mails.

Want it Made "Stronger." Following the objection of Hugh Adams, also of the American defense society, that the bill was "not strong enough, because a publication might print the fact that the material was contributed by the government," the report of the bill was recommended to the committee, with the recommendation that Adams collaborate on it and that the committee then confer with the commissioner of education and with such members of the house of representatives and the senate as show their interest.

A committee of three was appointed "to investigate such societies as the Civil Liberties Union, and American Association for the Advancement of Atheism." H. L. Bowlby, general secretary of the national lord's day alliance, said that "many intelligent men have fallen unwillingly in the trap of the Civil Liberties Union." The committee was ordered to "report so that these societies may be exposed to the authorities."

At a recent meeting of the allied patriotic societies, which was then reported in The DAILY WORKER, a drive to prohibit the Workers (Communist) Party, from appearing on the ballot at next year's election in New York City, was started, by electing a committee which with the assistance of President Vorhees, of the board of election, who is also a member of the allied patriotic societies, will plan the necessary action to achieve its fulfillment.

If you want to thoroughly understand Communism—study it.

Brookhart Files Brief Against "Fraud" Charge

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—Counsel for Senator Smith W. Brookhart (R), of Iowa, today filed a brief with the senate elections committee attacking the charges of the republican state central committee of Iowa that he was elected thru "fraud." The brief supported a demurrer lodged with the committee last week by J. G. Mitchell, counsel for the senator.

LABOR IN THE FAR EAST

Editor's Note:—The seventh instalment of this valuable series of articles describes how the working population of British-ruled Hongkong draws inspiration and encouragement from the revolutionary government in Canton. Article six, yesterday's instalment, told us of Britain's maneuver to grant concessions to the rebellious Chinese masses.

ARTICLE VII. By L. HELLER.

THE Shanghai Trades Council was formed at the very outbreak of the strike, and soon gained general recognition as the center of the labor movement. Its popularity throughout the country is enormous. To it flock with their various businesses not only the labor organizations and various groups of workers, but all the various institutions; the civil and military authorities negotiate with it, the entire stored-up hatred of the imperialists has been focussed upon it and they are constantly working to undermine it with all the means at their disposal.

The Shanghai Trades Council is the leading light in the joint committee, in addition to the council, of the Student Council and the Committee of the Street Unions which comprises petty businessmen. The Trades Council has not only developed propagandist and organizational activities among the strikers, but, with the aid of its daily, devoted to political and trade union affairs, and of the special created press bureau, which circulates all the Chinese newspapers with daily information bulletins, it has exercised a decisive influence in the moulding of public opinion and in the growth of the national consciousness of the Chinese masses. Its prestige among the Shanghai workers is unchallenged. The latest events have proved this beyond any doubt. Only because it enjoys the complete confidence of the great masses of the Shanghai workers was the Trades Council able to put thru such a complicated maneuver as was that of shifting from the fundamental national demands to economic issues, and retaining at the same time the integrity and solidarity of the proletarian front. For it must not be forgotten that apart from the enormous outside difficulties, the very make-up of the body of the strikers contains within itself tremendous handicaps for the mere direction of the strike, and even more so for the execution of drastic strategic turns. Indeed, the main body of the strikers consists of textile workers, seamen and dockers. The textile workers are in their great majority women. Among the dockers there are plenty of migratory, semi-tramping elements. As a whole the strike movement has rallied the entire untrained sections of the proletariat that have only recently got

into touch with any movement. The art of maneuvering such masses, of making sharp turns, requires, in addition to a certain political maturity, cleverness and tact on the part of the leaders, and also, and particularly, complete confidence in them on the part of the masses.

THE main body of the strikers was made up, as is known of the workers employed in British and Japanese establishments. The latest dispatches indicate that the strike in the Japanese factories has been settled in a manner denoting a serious, even if incomplete victory for the workers. The workers of the British establishments still continue to strike. This again bears witness to the strong contact existing between the council and the laboring masses. Only this contact permits of such organized step by step liquidation of this grand strike, when one section of the front is being liquidated, while at the others the struggle continues unabated. The entire weight and force of the struggle will now be concentrated against Britain, and this is the best guarantee that on this front as well the Shanghai workers will be victorious.

The Hongkong strike, the direct continuation of that of Shanghai, has, however, one distinct aspect. Its character is purely political, it being a clear expression of the national emancipation struggle conducted by the revolutionary means and methods at the disposal of the working class.

In contrast to Shanghai, which is a Chinese city with special settlements and concessions for foreigners the Hongkong island is a purely British colony and a "crown" colony at that, that is, a colony subject to the "crown" which appoints its governor and vests him with the greatest powers. However, the working population of this island, running up to 600,000 people (as against 8,000 Britishers) is entirely Chinese.

IT is hardly possible to name another place on the Pacific where British imperialism has been revealing itself more nakedly, more insolently, than in Hongkong. A handful of big capitalists, backed by an adequate military force under the command of the governor, is having full and unlimited sway on the island. There is one trouble, however; within six hours travel by steamer on the opposite shore is Canton (the capital of the Kwantung province, with a population of close to 40,000,000), the foremost revolutionary city in China, with its Kuomintang government, friendly to Soviet Russia; a city where the labor government is developing freely, and where a revolutionary army of workers and peasants has been created. In short, a city that is the very opposite of Hongkong, which hates it with the deepest hatred as a hotbed of the "Bolshevist germ" that is spreading thruout China portending nothing good to Britishers. The working population of Hongkong,

in turn, have nothing but the heartiest hatred for their haughty oppressors and look with hope to Canton, with whom they maintain the liveliest connections. No wonder that it was precisely in Hongkong that the Shanghai events aroused not only a sympathetic, but a much more effective response. The proximity of Canton played a decisive part.

The Hongkong strike was led by the executive committee of the All-China Federation of Trade Unions. The latter is a very young organization, formed at the All-China Trade Union Congress early last May. Backed by the active support of the Canton masses and of the government, the federation executive has been successfully handling this extremely difficult problem.

The Hongkong strike—and this must not be forgotten—is limited to a small island, dominated by a true despotism with the entire power, both civil and military, concentrated in the hands of an autocratic British government. Nor should it be forgotten that the Hongkong strike hits the pockets of the British capitalists more painfully than that of Shanghai, where the Japanese interests are more directly affected. And finally, it should also be remembered that the Britishers wanted to make of Hongkong an example of the superiority of their methods of quelling disturbances. There is much "interference" in Shanghai on the part of other countries and this leads to a lot of red tape and waverings; in Hongkong, however, there is a "purely" British rule, which knows what it wants and how to get it. Yet despite the fact that the authorities really did not stop at anything, including shooting, corporal punishment and mass deportations; despite the fact that they recruited scabs everywhere, in the Philippines, in the adjacent Portugal colony Makoa, etc.; in spite of the fact that even the Russian white guards were rallied to this glorious business of strikebreaking, despite all this the Hongkong strike, led by the Canton federation, turned into a general strike affecting every branch of employment.

AS a result, after two months of struggle, Hongkong is ruined. Unable to crush the strike unaided, Hongkong has been appealing to London, demanding intervention, military interference, an occupation, or at least a complete blockade of Canton. As has already been stated there is every ground to believe that these militant outcries will hardly be heard in London. The conservative government is, of course, "at heart" with the Hongkong reactionaries, but conditions at home, and abroad, particularly in China, are such that England will hardly dare to decide upon an intervention in Canton. A war with China would be a challenge to all of China. For the Chinese masses have become a nation.

HUNDREDS OF POLISH WORKERS ARRESTED IN CRACOW AND WARSAW

BERLIN, Dec. 8.—Recently, new mass arrests and searches have taken place in the Warsaw district of Poland. Approximately 150 people were arrested. Eight among the arrested are suspected of being members of the Communist Party.

Apart from these arrests, numerous other arrests of suspected Communists have taken place in connection with the celebrations on the occasion of the eighth anniversary of the October revolution and the second anniversary of the Cracow insurrection. Many arrests took place in Cracow and in other towns.

It is reported from west White Russia that the process against the committee of the Communist Youth has taken place at Baranovitschi. Seven youths have received sentences of imprisonment of ten months each. Three others were sentenced to three years' imprisonment each. The remaining accused were released.

In the village of Glubokaya in the Disnaer district, a process has begun against 20 peasants. The accused have been under arrest since 1923.

Lithuanian Clergy Must Resign Church or Leave Politics

KOVNO, Lithuania, Dec. 8.—Much consternation has been caused in the Roman clerical forces here by the letter sent by Pope Pius XI to the Bishop of Lithuania telling him that all catholic priests active in politics must resign as clergymen, on the grounds that their behavior in the government is "tending to compromise the church" and "alienate confidence of the people."

This letter has caused a great stir in clerical circles as it is the Roman catholic clerical party that dominates the political life of Lithuania.

Clericals Arrest Workers. Mass arrests and persecutions of workers by the clericals themselves has been practiced to such an extent that many workers have stopped attending church. The confessionals were used by the priests as means of obtaining information on which arrests would be made.

Outlaw Trades Union. The trades unions of Lithuania were crushed and in their place, clerical trades unions were formed.

The clerical government, with the able assistance of the Lithuanian social-democracy, has arrested hundreds of workers on suspicion, kept them in jail for years and then when the time came for their hearings they would be released and told that there were no charges against them.

PRAVDA GREETS CZECH WORKERS ON ELECTIONS

Communist Party Polls Million Votes

By IMPRECOR

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Dec. 8.—The Pravda welcomes the election successes of the Communist Party of Czechoslovakia which has received a million votes and has become the second strongest party in parliament. Every seventh elector in Czechoslovakia has declared himself a conscious enemy of capitalism and a supporter of Communism. The success is all the greater because the Czech party recently experienced an internal crisis from which the social-democrats had hoped much.

The so-called independent Communist party with Bubnik at its head, embracing the renegade elements, did not receive a single seat. The victory in the elections was the victory of the Leninist policy over the opportunists.

The elections have proved beyond doubt that the Communist Party is the strongest political factor in the Czechoslovakian working class movement. The success will naturally result in an increase of the work carried on by the party amongst the masses. The recruiting strength of the party must be increased and the existing foothold among the peasantry and the national minorities must be enlarged.

In the future it must be prevented that German workers give their votes to the social-democracy. The Communist Party of Czechoslovakia has accomplished excellent electoral work. The revolutionary proletariat of the whole world sends the brother party in Czechoslovakia its warmest greetings.

Senator Berenger Will Negotiate French Debt Settlement with U. S.

PARIS, Dec. 8.—The French government has asked the United States for its approval of the appointment of Senator Henry Berenger as an Ambassador to the United States, on a temporary mission. The mission, it is understood, is concerned almost entirely with the negotiation of a settlement of the French debt to the United States. The mission of the ambassador is expected for a duration of six months, and if the debt is not settled within that time, the powers of the mission will be renewed.

What do you earn? What are conditions in your shop? How do you live? Write a story for The DAILY WORKER.

MOSCOW METAL TRADES UNIONS INVITE GERMANS TO SEND DELEGATION

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., (By Mail) —The following telegram sent by the presidium of the fifth congress of the Metal Workers' Union of the Moscow district calls upon the German Metal Workers' Union to send a delegation to Moscow where they will be able to study the conditions under which workers in the metal trades in the Soviet Union work and to establish closer relations between the two unions:

"The fifth congress of the metal workers of the Moscow district which has just taken place sends proletarian greetings in the name of hundreds of thousands of organized metal workers in the Moscow district to the metal workers in Berlin. It instructed the chairman of the district committee, Striyeffsky, to send an invitation to the Berlin metal workers in the name of our congress, to visit Moscow, and to study the development of the metal industry and the life of the workers and the nature of their trade union organizations.

"Long live the unity of the metal workers of all countries! "Long live the international unity of the revolutionary working class movement!"

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

YOKUM OF FRISCO RAILROAD IS TRYING TO FOOL THE FARMERS INTO FRAUDULENT CO-OPERATIVE SCHEME

By J. E. SNYDER.

OMAHA, Neb., Dec. 8.—The American farmer has tried many times to emancipate himself during the past six years from the grip of the various capitalist groups that have come up during that time.

The Alliance movement back in the eighties followed up by the populist movement in the early nineties were bold attempts, to step out some, politically and organizationally, but both movements were burdened by a horde of bankrupt "petty bourgeois political speculators" who made them, finally practice along the shores of Lake Michigan in Chicago, nor seen the dupe clerks and other flunkies doing the "hep, hep, hep," in the capitalist arsenals in the cities of the entire nation.

So far, brother farmer, you may go alone with your cooperative societies and no further, than the big boys want you to go, until they first stop you with injunctions, as they did the raisin growers, and if they cannot stop you that way they will shoot you into submission as they do workers who fight their battles alone in isolated unions.

Yokum is but the agent of Hoover and Hoover is the agent of big business and banking. Yokum would furnish you a leadership from the top and the top is Wall Street. In matters, not understand me, if every act of Yokum is sincere and every dollar he spends is because of principle, the results will be the same. As Bryan led you into the old democrat party so Yokum will lead you into the Wall Street shearing pen.

Mr. Yokum carries in his paper "The Farm Magazine", the very same kind of cartoons that were carried in populist papers, thirty-five years ago. Those papers were usually edited and controlled by men of about the same state of mind as Yokum. I warn you again, as they led you then so he will lead you now, unless you give up your "independence" and come to the full realization that all labor is interdependent and must form a united front in a labor party.

British Rubber Trust Raises Bar on Export

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LONDON, Dec. 8.—It was announced by the colonial office tonight that all restrictions upon the export of rubber from Ceylon and Malaya have been lifted.

STATE BANK OF UNION OF SOVIET REPUBLICS ASSETS \$200,000,000

By WILLIAM F. KRUSE.

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Dec. 8.—The most recent financial statement of the issue department of the State Bank of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics shows assets of almost \$200,000,000, of which \$54,000,000 are covered by gold and platinum and \$11,500,000 by foreign currency. The assets are sufficient to cover \$8,000,000 more than the total issue of bank notes to date.

The total issue of "chervonets" to date amounts to \$75,685,676. The chervonets contains 119,482 grains of fine gold and is equal to \$5.14 1/2. The chervonets notes most in circulation are in denominations of one, three, five and ten. In addition there are one, three and five ruble notes, silver coins of 10, 15, 20 and 50 kopeks and one rouble, and copper coins for one, two, three and five kopeks. The coins are all beautifully designed and well minted.

Fail to Expel Communists.

LONDON—(FP)—Exclusion of the Communists, voted by the Liverpool Labor party conference, is hitting some snags among labor bodies. The decision does not apply to the trade unions, over whose internal affairs the Labor party has no control, and which refuse to discriminate against Communist members. Communists still remain members of the Labor party by virtue of their trade union membership. Many even of the local Labor parties have refused to carry out the decision and have even nominated Communists as their candidates for public offices. In the recent elections 22 Communists ran in London alone as duly nominated Labor candidates, and the same held true of a number of other localities.

Collecting for Virginia Miners.

ST. LOUIS—(FP)—The St. Louis waitresses' union is utilizing its office as collection headquarters for donations of clothing for the striking West Virginia coal miners, in whose behalf a nationwide appeal has been issued by the A. F. of L. The woman's auxiliary of the machinists is cooperating and a citywide canvass of the labor movement is being made. The response has been generous.

Raise Pay of Mayor's Aid But Down Firemen

ST. LOUIS—(FP)—The St. Louis board of estimates and apportionment, under the new anti-labor mayor, composed of the mayor as chairman, the comptroller and the president of the board of aldermen, discarded all traces of consistency by approving a salary boost of \$1,800 a year for the mayor's secretary, fixing his pay at \$6,000. The board, which passes upon salary ordinances enacted by the aldermen, vetoed a \$25 monthly pay boost which was granted the city firemen by a 3 to 1 referendum that the city was broke. The firemen have asked the supreme court to decide if three politicians can override a mandate of the people.

Keep Red Flag Flying

LONDON—(FP)—All efforts to displace the Red Flag as the anthem of British organized labor have failed, according to the admission of The Daily Herald, which has been running a competition to discover whether a better labor song than the Red Flag could be written or composed. The judges have decided that not one of the songs sent in is worthy of the prize and so no prize is to be awarded. The competition was started after a speech of Ramsay MacDonald in which he criticized the Red Flag and said, "We still want our great labor song." MacDonald's criticism brought a deluge of protests from labor circles all over the country. "This song has so long been associated with every labor struggle in Great Britain, that a remarkable emotional loyalty to it has been developed among all sections.

He will like it! Give your union brother a sub to The DAILY WORKER.

FRENCH MUNICIPAL WORKERS WILL STUDY CITIES IN RUSSIA

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., (By Mail) —The delegation of French municipal workers, who are to take part in the congress of Russian municipal workers, spent a considerable part of their spare time studying the conditions here. They were greatly impressed by the cleanliness and orderliness of the city. Following their attendance of the congress of municipal workers they will tour a number of the cities in the Soviet Union.

Sawmill Explosion Kills Four in Fla.

PENSACOLA, Fla., Dec. 8.—Four men were killed when a boiler in a sawmill at Ponce de Leon exploded. The victims were E. C. Creel, owner, two workmen named Redman and Jenkins, and an unidentified boy.

Tornado Kills Two.

YAZOO CITY, Miss., Dec. 8.—Two Negro women were killed and two white persons slightly hurt in a tornado that struck the residence section here.

About 50 houses were demolished and it is estimated that the loss will be \$250,000.

Sails for Dope Headquarters.

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Cardinal Hayes will sail for Naples next Wednesday to attend the closing ceremonies of the holy year celebration at Rome.

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NEW YORK SHOP NUCLEUS NO. 2 PLANS CAMPAIGN

Start Membership Drive in Shoe Shop

By SIDNY JONAS. (Special to The Daily Worker) NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—Shop nucleus No. 2 was organized in a shoe factory where 70 workers were employed. At the first meeting of the nucleus when four members were present they elected an organizer, secretary and a literature agent. The nucleus decided to get control of the shop committee. They also decided that every member of the nucleus should concentrate his Communist propaganda on two workers in the shop and try to make them Communists so that they should be able to join the nucleus.

The following are a few examples which illustrate how successfully the nucleus carried on Communist propaganda in that shop.

Raise Slogan in Shops.

The first work of the nucleus was to utilize the sentiment of the workers not to pay for the shoes that they spoiled. The nucleus introduced the slogan not to pay for the shoes and made it a shop issue against the boss and the reactionary shop chairman who believes in class collaboration. The result was that the workers of the shop elected our comrade as shop chairman. Thus the nucleus is actually in control of the shop and all the questions that arise the shop meetings are first considered at the meetings of the shop nucleus.

Active in Elections.

The nucleus was active in the election campaign of Comrade Ben Gitlow for mayor. They brought the campaign literature right into the shop and held four successful open-air meetings near their shop at which Bert Wolfe, candidate for assembly in the district, spoke on campaign problems. The comrades of the nucleus made a collection for the party campaign and urged the workers of the shop to wear Gitlow buttons.

The shop nucleus is active in getting subscribers for The DAILY WORKER and the language press. Every member of the nucleus must be a subscriber. Besides this, the nucleus itself gets five copies of The DAILY WORKER and five "Workers Monthly" which they distribute free to the workers. This will be continued until these workers become subscribers, and then the literature will be distributed to other workers.

Helps DAILY WORKER.

The nucleus was successful in collecting \$13 in the campaign to save The DAILY WORKER. This was done in addition to the tax that the party members pay and does not include collections made for the "Freiheit."

The nucleus just organized a social club thru which we will try to attract the majority of the workers of the shop.

Urges Workers into Union.

The nucleus is also active in the organization campaign of the Shoe Workers Protective Union. It distributes leaflets in the unorganized shops and tries to get the workers into the union.

The nucleus together with the club is arranging an affair, the profit of which will go to the organization fund of the union.

The result of this activity, is that the nucleus increased its membership from 4 to 7 and having 2 candidates.

Youngtown, O., Notice!

YOUNGSTOWN, O., Dec. 8.—Reorganization of the party in Youngstown, Ohio, will take place on Sunday, Dec. 13, at 1 p. m. sharp, at the Hungarian Hall, 338 1/2 West Federal street. Every comrade must be present.

HOLD MEMBERSHIP MEETINGS IN THE DISTRICTS FOR UNIFICATION AND PARTY TRADE UNION WORK

Meetings of the District Executive Committees of the various districts as well as membership meetings in the main party centers on the two vital questions of unification of the party behind the Central Executive Committee, and the intensification of the party's trade union work, are being arranged.

The following are the arrangements for the meetings to be held: NEW YORK—D. E. C. meeting and membership meetings, Dec. 9 to 13 incl.

PHILADELPHIA—D. E. C. meeting, Dec. 14, at 521 York Ave.; membership meeting, Dec. 15, at 1626 Arch St.

PITTSBURGH, PA.—D. E. C. meeting, Dec. 16; membership meeting, Dec. 17, Labor Lyceum, 35 Miller St.

CLEVELAND—D. E. C. meeting, afternoon of Dec. 19; membership meeting, evening of Dec. 18, at Gardinia Hall, 6021 St. Clair St.

CHICAGO—Membership meeting, Tuesday, December 22, 8 p. m., at Schoenhoffen Hall, 1224 Milwaukee Ave. (Milwaukee and Ashland Aves.).

These meetings are of the utmost importance and the comrades in the various centers must see to it that the maximum attendance is obtained.

BUFFALO DISTRICT MEMBERSHIP IS UNANIMOUS FOR PARTY'S CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE AND UNITY

(Special to The Daily Worker) (By Mail.)—The district committee of Buffalo after a thorough discussion of the Central Executive Committee's unity resolution voted unanimously to endorse it. Eleven members of the committee were present. There was considerable discussion and many questions were asked.

Comrades Lovestone and Cannon represented the Central Executive Committee. In the afternoon a general membership meeting was called to discuss the unity resolution and the party's trade union policies and activities. Comrade Sullivan, the D. O., presided.

Opening the meeting Comrade Lovestone gave a picture of the difficulties in which the party found itself at the close of the last convention. He outlined the major tasks of the party. "This unity resolution is not another scrap of paper in a factional war," he said. "It is a political document of major significance and finds its origin in the sincere conviction of the best Communist elements in our ranks that the time has come to unite on the basis of the Comintern line for the party above all groups. This resolution is not a victory for one or the other group but is a victory for the party and the Comintern in the sense that greater numbers of our members are now solidly lined up for the Communist International and will be ready to repel the efforts of the enemies of our party to discredit and destroy our Communist movement." was the keynote of Comrade Lovestone's address.

The main features of the party's proposal to make the winning over of the proletariat masses and not the capture of trade union offices per se as the main objective of our activities in the labor unions were discussed by Comrade Lovestone. "We must build a system of powerful party trade union fractions and have these fractions function as the dynamo, as the steel rod in a broad progressive, a broad left, bloc. We must carry out the Profintern program and the party commission resolutions on trade union work by deed as well as by word," was the conclusion reached by Comrade Lovestone.

Comrade Cannon aroused enthusiasm among his interested listeners when he said: "The last time Comrade Lovestone and I spoke on the same platform we spoke against each other. We are now here together speaking on the same platform, for the same cause, for the line of the Comintern. We have united for the Communist International." The main theme of Comrade Cannon's report on the unity resolution was that the Central Executive Committee was preparing the membership for the next decision of the Comintern. "We are not speaking of old decisions. We are speaking of the coming asks. It is our duty to save as many members as possible of the former majority from collision with the Communist International. We must unite only on the basis of the Communist International policies and line. If any one has doubted our proposals or has been skeptical about the executing our unity program let him look at the results of the Finnish convention. The right wing in our party and the enemies of our party outside have been anxiously awaiting disruptive developments at this convention. They all had hoped for a split at this convention. The results achieved here are a distinct disappointment to the enemies of our party and a signal for success and hope for our party."

Comrade Cannon declared that the Finnish convention was the beginning of a real campaign of Bolshevization of the Finnish Section which will make this section one of the bulwarks of the party adhering strictly and energetically to the policies of the C. I. After questions were answered by the Central Executive Committee representatives a vote was taken on the resolution. The Central Executive Committee resolution was carried by a vote of 58 for and none against. Both representatives of the Central Executive Committee emphasized that the comrades should vote the resolution only if they are genuinely and sincerely convinced that it is worthy of their support. Special stress was laid on the point that the members should not and need not vote for the resolution out of a sense of discipline or loyalty to the Central Executive Committee.

This meeting, in place of the section meetings, is of the utmost importance. Every party member must be present. Only party members who are either in a shop nucleus or street nucleus and members of the Y. W. L. can be present. Admission by membership card only. Representatives of the Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party will speak on the resolution of the C. E. C. for party unity and trade union work.

NEW YORK WILL DISCUSS UNITY RESOLUTION SUN., DEC. 13 AT WEBSTER HALL

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, Dec. 8.—A general membership meeting will be held on Sunday, Dec. 13 at 1 p. m. at Webster Hall—119 E. 11th St. where Comrades Jay Lovestone and James P. Cannon will report for the Central Executive Committee on the unification of the party and our trade union work.

Since the unity resolution has been printed the Young Communist International has sent a cable of approval of the unity resolution calling upon all members of the party and the Young Workers League to stand by the Central Executive Committee and unify the party for the big tasks ahead of it.

The membership of New York where the resolution will be discussed for the first time, must come out in full force to this meeting. Only the politically backward elements of the party will stay away from this membership meeting.

Admission will be by membership card only.

Jewish Branch of Roxbury Will Have Supper New Year's Eve.

(Special to The Daily Worker)

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—The Roxbury Jewish Branch promises to outdo them all and on New Year's Eve they will dance and sing, at New International Hall, Roxbury, until midnight. At 1 a. m., Jan. 1, 1926, a catered supper will be served to usher in the New Year. It promises to be an all night affair, and their secretary, Morris Lubin, is on the job working for it success.

Lettish Branch of Boston to Have Party Saturday, December 19

BOSTON, Dec. 8.—The Boston Lettish Branch has planned a Party on Saturday, Dec. 19, with Lettish folk dances as the big feature.

Warren Comrades, Take Notice!

WARREN, O., Dec. 8.—Reorganization of the party in Warren, Ohio, will take place on Sunday, December 13, at 7 p. m. sharp, at Hippodrome Hall. Every comrade must be present.

"Living Newspaper" to Be Out Saturday, Dec. 19

The third issue of Prolet-Tribune, the living newspaper issued by the Chicago worker correspondents of the Novy Mir, will be out Saturday, Dec. 19, at the Workers' House, 1902 W. Division St.

This living newspaper is very popular among the Russian workers in Chicago.

Admission will be 25 cents. Beginning at 8 p. m.

Attention!

Chicago Party Membership Meeting

on PARTY UNITY AND TRADE UNION WORK Tuesday, December 22, 1925, 8 P. M.

at SCHOENHOFEN HALL, 1224 MILWAUKEE AVENUE (Milwaukee and Ashland Aves.)

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GERMAN SOCIAL-DEMOCRACY IN A NEW CRISIS

Choose Between Masses and Hindenburg

BERLIN, Dec. 8.—The German social-democracy faces a crisis, in which there seems to be no compromise door thru which to flee to political safety. Unemployment is growing rapidly with the increasing depression of economic life. Bankruptcies and soup kitchens testify to the failure of the Versailles treaty to save Germany, the failure of the Dawes plan to save the Versailles treaty, and the failure of Locarno pacts to save the Dawes plan or make it work. In this situation, so perplexing to the social democrats, who deliberately turned over the reich to Hindenburg the agent of big capital, in exchange for the presidency only of the Prussian landtag, two pressures, like the upper and nether millstones, are weighing upon the gentlemen of the Barmaid International.

Unite Against the Workers.

First, Hindenburg is forcing successfully all right and center parties to consider a big coalition, to include everybody from the social democrats to Stresemann's people's party. And against whom is this coalition to be directed? What peril faces German capitalism to cause it?

What else but the possibility of a new wave of proletarian revolution in a situation ripened by economic depression, unemployment and starvation while—to the east there lies the example of Soviet Russia, from which labor delegations are coming with tales of security and food under the regime of the Bolsheviks.

Communists Offer Fighting Alliance.

Second, there is the sudden and uncomfortable pressure being put upon the social democrats by the Communist Party of Germany, taught by experience and the leadership of the Communist International that work among the masses in the trade unions is not a phrase for inner party discussion but a profound prerequisite for revolutionary action. The Communist Party of Germany is offering to the social democrats and their followers in the trade unions, a new alliance "to fight hunger and unemployment."

The social-democratic leaders are meeting today in caucus to determine their course. They would undoubtedly like to lick the spurred boot of Hindenburg and enter a Weimar coalition as he requires.

A Dilemma for Socialists.

But they know that if they do, the workers in the trade unions and the whole impoverished mass of workers and small bankrupt bourgeois, will turn to the Communists to "fight hunger and unemployment" with Bolshevik weapons.

What are the distracted leaders of the German social-democracy going to do? A coalition with the capitalist parties is a part of their nature. Yet the danger is that they will be unable to take the social democratic workers along with them, and if these masses desert the social-democracy and go to the Communist Party for leadership the road to revolution is cleared of a great obstacle.

Trade Principles for Jobs.

Indications are that they will take the risk of losing the masses to the Communists and enter the Weimar coalition if they get a few political jobs and if the people's party promises not to place said jobs in jeopardy by kicking over the coalition soon after it is set up. The motto of the German socialists in all crises will be followed: "When in doubt, be tray the workers."

Your Union Meeting

Second Wednesday, Dec. 9, 1925.

Table with 2 columns: No. and Name of Local and Place of Meeting. Lists various unions and their meeting locations.

Note—Unless otherwise stated all Watch the Saturday Magazine Section for new features every week. This is a good issue to give to your fellow worker.

GO TO YOUR UNION—with

"The Movement for World Trade Union Unity"

By TOM BELL.

Today the problem of the unity of world labor is the burning issue. Steps toward it have been taken in all important countries of Europe. Labor delegations are visiting Soviet Russia. Eleven million workers are united in the Anglo-Russian Trade Union Unity Committee.

The American trade unions are having to face this problem now. Get this pamphlet—read it—take a few to your local union!

WORKERS' CLUBS -- By Israel Amter

THE reorganization of the party necessitates that the party find ways and means of carrying on its work among the workers of diverse languages. Workers' clubs are one of the means whereby this will be accomplished. These workers' clubs will be the social and cultural center of the life of the proletarian masses of the cities. These clubs with their dramatic, musical, athletic, educational and propaganda sections will attract large numbers of workers who today find no place to go to but the movies or poolrooms.

These workers' clubs mean a broadening of the party work among the workers and take due note of their national characteristics. In these clubs we can also develop children's sections, which will attract their parents and draw them away from the influence of the bourgeois politicians, who devote considerable attention to their compatriots.

The movement for the workers' clubs is growing in District 6. The district executive committee has paid particular attention to the question of workers' clubs.

Cleveland Begins Organizing.

IN order to bring about the organization of workers' clubs in District 6, the district executive committee called a meeting of the district committees of the federations, adding representatives of the various other language groups. Eleven language groups were represented at a conference on November 29. Reorganization of the party, workers' clubs and work of the party in these clubs were discussed. The reports of the comrades on the situation in their branches in Cleveland and outside in the district showed clearly what the workers' clubs will signify for the party work. In one of the language groups a club will be formed in the very near future with a membership of 250. The prospects for the growth of this club are splendid. In the weaker language groups the workers' club will be a great stimulus to general party work among the workers of this particular language.

Only \$100 Today, with \$10,000 Needed

Only three corners of The DAILY WORKER foundation for 1926 have been laid, while the job on the last corner remains to be finished before Dec. 15, the date set for the end of the campaign. Even the three-quarter corner is not completed, as the total reached to date is only \$29,037.63. But \$110.75 was added Monday.

Finnish comrades of the Workers Party keep on digging steadily to save the paper, the Duluth, Minn., branch adding its name to the "cover say die" roll-call today with a donation of \$90.00. Other "die-hards" on the list are following:

Table listing names and amounts: W. P., Finnish Br. \$5.00; M. Cohen, Peoria, Ill. 1.00; M. Reed Copeland, Springfield, Mass. 2.00; H. Battle, Orange, Mass. 1.00; Finnish Br., W. P., Duluth, Minn. 90.00; Christ Herman, Columbus, O. 2.00; Julius Beach and Urba Stanley, Columbus, O. 2.00; Hartford, Conn. (Balance from Soviet meeting) 2.00; English Br., W. P., Jamestown, N. Y. 4.75; Nick Olsen-Bull, Chicago, Ill. (collected) 1.00.

Total today \$ 110.75 Previously reported \$28,926.88 Total to date \$29,037.63

Chambers of Commerce and Pinchot Plan New Policy in Anthracite (Special to The Daily Worker) HARRISBURG, Pa., Dec. 8.—Gov. Pinchot today conferred for two hours with a committee of business men from Scranton, Hazelton and Wilkes-Barre, on plans for bringing about a resumption of negotiations between the deadlocked striking anthracite miners and coal operators. No statement was issued after the conference except that the meeting would continue later in the day.

Senate Approves Settlement. ROME, Dec. 8.—The Italian senate approved the Washington agreement in settlement of the Italian debt to the United States.



Dig Deeper!

Form for signing name to the list of contributors to save The DAILY WORKER. Fields for Name, Address, and City/State.



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 10-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, 23 South Lincoln Street, Chicago, Ill. Fraternaly yours, INTERNATIONAL LABOR DEFENSE, J. P. CANNON, Executive Secretary.

Workers Write About the Workers' Life

CHECKER TAXI CO. UNDERPAYS NEGRO WASHERS

Got Decent Pay When Company was Unionized

By ALBERT E. WELLS. (Worker Correspondent)

The Colored washers employed by the Checker Taxi Co. here working under the most miserable conditions in existence at this company.

When this company was first started, and was under the union jurisdiction the washers and the floor employees belonged to the union and received the union scale. The car washers at that time were getting 35 dollars a week and had their regular hours. But at the present time they must stay until all the cars are washed and they receive the enormous sum of \$20 to \$22 a week, with \$25 for the slave-driving formen.

Working conditions are so bad that the washers can't do a thorough job, and when you pass by a Checker Taxi company stand, you see the drivers cleaning their own cars.

Wages of Employees Go Down with Cut in Price of Nash Cars

By a Worker Correspondent

KENOSHA, Wis., Dec. 8.—With the reduction in the price of the Nash Automobile comes a cut in wages for the workers of the Nash Motor Company.

The workers here are unorganized, consequently it is easy to affect a cut in their wages. All the employers need is to announce that there will be a cut in wages which they did.

By cutting the selling price of their car the company gains a larger market. There are plenty of workers anxious to get employment and they have plenty of space for them. The money gained by the reduction will pay for the additional help and the company will squeeze the loss out of the workers strength. The worker is always the victim of the bosses greed, when he is unorganized and fights alone.

Put a copy of the DAILY WORKER in your pocket when you go to your union meeting.

TAILOR GETS 250 DAYS IN JAIL FOR WIPING PAINT CAN WITH FLAG

By L. P. RINDAL. (Worker Correspondent)

LOS ANGELES, Calif., Dec. 7.—Jake Ball, a tailor, was arrested at his shop, 115 West Third street. Desecrating the U. S. flag was the charge. Bail \$1,000. He is said to have cut the American flag in two pieces and using it as a floor covering while painting his tailor shop, walking on it and setting a bucket of paint on the emblem.

The defendant's attorney pleaded at the trial, recently held, that his client did not know he was guilty of any wrong-doing in using the flag to wipe off a paint can.

Judge Chambers would not be swayed. Ball was convicted. His attorney, Claude Morton moved for a new trial which was denied. Oral notice of appeal was given. Sentence: 250 days in jail.

PROLETARIANS CONTROL ELECTRICAL INDUSTRY IN BAKU WHICH FORMERLY SQUEEZED PROFITS OUT OF WORKERS

(By a Worker Correspondent.)

BAKU, U. S. S. R. (By Mail).—Our enterprise which is called "Electro-Tok" belonged until 1920 to a small handful of bankers—Electric Power Limited. This society, like all capitalists, only thought of how to squeeze as much juice out of the workers for the sake of their own profit and all legitimate demands of the workers were cut short by merciless measures, including throwing the workers out on the streets.

Workers Take Control.

In 1920, after the proletariat has been able to tear oil-bearing Baku out of the hands of the Musavat and British robbers by heroic efforts, and to establish the power of workers and peasants, all large enterprises, including Electro-Tok, were nationalized. But all this heritage which the proletariat obtained from the capitalists, was ruined to such an extent by the seven years imperialist war, by the national interclass struggle and intervention, that it was difficult even to think that we could some time or other be able to restore it, let alone even dream about making any great progress with it.

There were many difficulties, but the proletariat who conquered heroically on the military front, showed its heroism on the labor front. We had to suffer many deprivations, we received millions of rubles for our wages, but there was nothing to buy on the markets with these millions. We actually commenced the most active work for the restoration of our industry from 1922-23 after things had quietened down a little after the war, and during the past three years we have made great progress.

Install New Stations.

All the old antiquated equipment of our electric stations was relegated to the archives, and new and more highly perfected and more economic turbines were installed in their place. We did not only replace the old scrap by new equipment, but also increased to a large extent the power of our stations. In 1919 the power of our stations equalled 45,800 k. w., in 1924, 72,750 k. w., and what is more at present times still another turbine is being prepared for 17,500 k. w., while a 20,000 k. w. turbine has also been ordered. During this short time we have succeeded in electrifying almost the entire Baku oil industry. In 1919 our stations supplied 126,047, 423 k. w., in 1924 270,867,318 k. w., of which 90 per cent went to the oil industry and the remaining 10 per cent to the tramways and town electric light supply. 95 per cent of paraffin lighting has been replaced by electricity.

These figures give a clear picture as to how our electrical industry, which is the motive power of the entire Baku industry, is developing.

Our material position is also improving in proportion with the development of our industry. Our wages increase almost every 6 months. In a few days we are expecting a wage increase of 25-30 per cent.

Educational Activities.

We are not only taking part physically in the restoration of our industry, but we ourselves are also the helmsmen. In our enterprises just as in all Soviet undertakings we have a system of industrial conferences. These conferences are composed of representatives of the factory committees of workers of all crafts, of the employees and a representative of the administration who settle all questions of production, and take into consideration and correct in good time all errors and abnormalities, occurring in our industry.

There is a wall-newspaper in our industry in which the workers themselves show up all abnormalities occurring in our production and life and

3 RAIL WORKERS MEET DEATH IN TRAIN EXPLOSION

Company Blames the Dead Engineer

By a Worker Correspondent

NEWARK, Ohio, Dec. 8.—The engineer, fireman and brakeman met their death on the Pennsylvania railroad near Newark, Ohio, a few days ago, when a freight engine blew out the crown sheet scalding them with steam. Fireman and brakeman were killed almost instantaneously. The engineer lived a few days in untold agony.

While the engineer lived there was no investigation. The engine was carefully guarded and inquiries into the cause of the explosion were unanswered. Immediately after the burial of the engineer the company officials issued a statement placing the entire blame on the murdered engineer. But the employees know that the engine was run for 175 miles without proper inspection or repairs.

This is the railroad that so bitterly fought the shopmen in the 1922 strike, refusing to recognize their unions, and establishing company unions which they forced the workers to join with the result that the best mechanics have gone to other roads. The company employs inexperienced mechanics for the very lowest wages. Human life is held very cheaply by the union smashing Pennsylvania railroad.

TWO COALDIGGERS LOSE LIVES IN EXPLOSION IN CEDAR MOUNTAIN MINE

SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 8.—Two men were killed as a result of a powder explosion in the New Cedar Mountain coal mine a few miles east of Seattle according to reports received here.

Those reported killed are: L. W. Foster of Black Diamond and Henry Becker of Snohomish.

AS WE SEE IT -:- By T. J. O'Flaherty

(Continued from page 1) sneezed once, Calvin would wish he was back in Vermont collecting bills for second hand furniture dealers.

TELLING the horny-handed farmers that they are full of virtue will not do them any good. They would rather be full of roast duck. An Irish peasant had a fight with his brother over a piece of land. One of them told the truth and lost. The other perjured himself and won. The fellow who lost was consoled by the parish priest with the thought that his brother would go to hell.

"That's damn poor consolation for me," replied the loser. "How will I know he is in hell unless I go there myself?"

The American farmers are mighty good fellows and are willing to admit it; but they are not crazy about waiting until they get their pie in the sky while the bankers, the commission men and the railroad magnates—usually chips of the same block—get theirs right now, without getting up at six o'clock in the morning and taking eighteen-hour involuntary sun baths for it.

CHINA is making the capitalist editors sit up and take notice. That is because the American capitalists are taking notice and their editors are compelled to study geography and locate the whereabouts of the so-called celestial empire. Some of them regret that China is resorting to force to solve her problems. Somehow or other the idea got abroad that the Chinese were peaceful people. A most unjustified slander! But that is beside the question. What the capitalist powers regret is that the Chinese people are now learning to indulge their propensity for carving human anatomies by slicing the tools of imperialism instead of each other.

I CANNOT restrain myself from chuckling lustily whenever I think of General Feng, known to fame as the "Christian General." It appears that Feng was more or less of a pacifist until the missionaries got hold of him. Having soaked some Christianity into himself he saw the beauty of that religion for offensive purposes, threw down his prayer book and picked up a sword. After training for a while with Wu Pei Fu, he gave Wu the air and is now chasing the last outstanding military lackey of foreign imperialism into the Yellow Sea. The fellow who is getting chased in Chang-Tso-Lin, once war lord of Manchuria.

WHAT excites my mirth about Feng, is how the capitalist powers got disappointed in him. Formerly they boasted of his stern if sometimes drastic righteousness. They used to tell a good story of him when he was in good standing. One day Feng was walking along the street of a city, he had just occupied. A peddler was selling salted piglets or some-

MINERS' EXAMINING BOARD WILL QUIZ CANDIDATES IN ILLINOIS COAL FIELDS

SPRINGFIELD, Dec. 8.—All candidates that are to appear before the Miners' Examining Board at any of the following cities and dates, must produce evidence of having worked at the face mining coal for two years before being allowed to take the examination:

- December 9—Herrin, Rome Club.
- December 10—Harrisburg, Sub-District Office.
- December 11—DuQuoin, Miners' Hall.
- December 12—Centralia, Miners' Hall.
- December 14—Staunton, Labor Temple.
- December 15—Springfield, State House.
- December 16—Taylorville, Court House.
- December 17—Danville, Court House.
- December 18—LaSalle, City Hall.
- December 19—Peoria, Court House.

Christianity Triumphs Over Damascus Druses with Aid of Airplanes

(Special to The Daily Worker)

BEIRUT, Syria, Dec. 8.—The Druses have given an answer to the demand that they submit to French rulers, couched by Jouvanel, the Paris Journalist now governor of Syria under the mandate from the league of nations, as "peace to those who want peace; war to those who want war."

The Druse answer was that they wanted independence and they said it with bullets by an attack on Damascus. They held large sections of the city and its suburbs until yesterday morning, when heavy French forces were thrown against them.

Airplanes bombed the quarters held by them, regardless of the slaughter of natives who took no part of women and children non-combatants. Machine guns swept the area and artillery of Fort Gouraud pounded the sections with shells made by willing Christian hands.

The population fled in panic and the Druses fought so valiantly that ninety dead were left on the battlefield. But they finally were forced to evacuate.

Refuses Action.

"In passing upon these cases great weight was laid upon the evidence presented at the trial and the conduct in confinement of the prisoners concerned; and the investigation showed that the men whose sentences were reduced to thirty years were the more deeply involved in the affair and had the poorer records of conduct in confinement.

Of the other twenty-five prisoners involved in the Houston riot, serving sentences of less than life at the time of the investigation of the board, 19 were eligible for parole in the calendar year 1924, and six in 1925.

"In view of the foregoing, the department does not feel that it can take any further action at this time in behalf of these prisoners.

"Very truly yours,
"Robert C. Davis, Major General."

"Diploma" Mill Heads on Trial for Fraud

WASHINGTON, Dec. 8.—A full exposure of the workings of the "diploma mills" which furnished "diplomas" in medicine, flying, dentistry and other branches is expected to result from the trials of four "professors" begun in district supreme court here.

HELP SAVE THE DAILY WORKER!

COOLIDGE IGNORES THE DEMAND OF AMERICAN NEGRO LABOR TO FREE IMPRISONED HOUSTON SOLDIERS

President Calvin Coolidge has completely ignored the demand of the American Negro Labor Congress for the release of the 21 members of the 24th infantry that are now rotting away in the Leavenworth prison.

More than eight years ago, 54 Negro soldiers, members of the 24th infantry were railroaded to jail because of their heroic defense of a Negro woman who was being brutally beaten by a number of white policemen. Of this number 13 were hanged and the remaining 41 were thrown into prison. Some have been paroled.

Minor Official Answers.

The American Negro Labor Congress demanded that President Coolidge release the 21 that are still in prison. Coolidge did not answer this telegram of protest but let a minor war department official do so.

In the following letter which was sent to the congress by a minor war department official, an attempt is made to sidetrack the question of an immediate release by telling of "action" by a parole board which shortened some of the sentences:

"Mr. C. Henry,
"Chairman, American Negro Labor Congress,
"Chicago, Illinois.

"Dear Sir: Your recent communication, addressed to the president, relative to the former members of the 24th infantry now in confinement, has been referred to the war department for consideration. In response, I am directed by the secretary of war to advise you as follows:

Pass Back to Parole Board.

"The cases of the so-called Houston rioters have been considered by the war department many times since their confinement, including a special investigation by a board of officers appointed by the secretary of war early in 1924 for the purpose of considering the cases of military prisoners and making recommendations relative to the question of clemency. Of the 55 of these men who were in confinement when the board of officers visited the United States penitentiary, Leavenworth, Kansas, 30 were serving life sentences. As a result of the recommendations of the board of officers, made after a most careful and exhaustive investigation of each case on its individual merits, ten of the thirty men under life sentence received reductions in their sentences that made them eligible for release on home parole in the calendar year 1925; and the remaining 20 received reductions from life to thirty years, which will make 16 of them eligible for home parole in 1927, and four of them eligible for home parole in 1928.

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Mary Garden Is on Way Back to Chicago; Sings "Werther" Tuesday Nite

The Chicago Civic Opera company received a wireless message from Mary Garden announcing that she was aboard the S. S. Homeric enroute from Europe to New York. She will land in New York Thursday and will stay there a few days to do preliminary work in connection with her appearance in Chicago as the star in the premiere of France Alfano's "resurrection."

Miss Garden will make her first appearance of the season in Chicago Tuesday night, December 17, in "Werther."

Loses Health; Comits Suicide.
SUNMAN, Ind., Dec. 8.—Despondency over continued ill health led Albert Voegel, farmer, to take his own life by hanging in his barn.

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

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DENTIST

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Automatic Fog Signal Is Devised in France

LA ROCHELLE, France, Dec. 8.—An automatic bell signal to warn ships of fog, which is operated by fog, is being tried out in the harbor here. The invention consists of a beam of light and a photo-electric cell. The light is set up on one side of the channel and focused on the bell which contains the photo-electric cell. When the beam of light fails to reach the cell, it causes the bell to ring.

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