

LABOR RALLIES FOR LENIN MEETINGS

Current Events

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

THE New York Times is worrying over the new stir in the ranks of the American Negro population. This time it appears they are not looking for salvation to the fantastic pipe dreams of Marcus Garvey but are inclining more and more to the idea that the labor movement is their hope. This does not mean, of course that section of the labor movement that is dominated by William Green and the reactionaries but to the comparatively small section that is under Communist influence, and specifically under Communist influence.

A MOVEMENT to organize the Pullman porters is a straw which shows in what direction the wind blows. Just as soon as the Negro porters began to join a union, the tools of the Pullman company among the Negroes got busy, pointing out that the employees of the company would lose their seniority rights and other alleged advantages if they joined a union. Full page advertisements began to appear in Negro papers, boosting the Pullman company. These advertisements were not paid for, at least openly, by the corporation. Ostensibly they were financed by a fake benevolent organization of the porters, which is actually a sort of company union dominated by Pullman officials.

MANY of the Negro intellectuals support the movement to organize the Negro laborers into unions. Others oppose it. Both fear the Communists getting influence over the Negro masses. At bottom the only issue between them is one of expediency. The movement will go forward however no matter who opposes it. The Negro workers will be driven by the pressure of exploitation to organize for their own protection. The American Negro Labor Congress, which was held in Chicago recently, was a reflection in the history of the American Negro worker. It is a fact that it was only a miniature of what future congresses with a similar purpose will be. But it is a long way from the dumb, slave-driven Negro of sixty years ago to the outstanding Negro of today who is learning to fight effectively against his real enemy and who is lining up where he belongs, with the workers of all races and colors.

THE sheriff and county attorney of Sheridan county, Montana, have been arrested, charged with the "obstruction of justice." This was to be expected. As was told several months ago in those columns the officials of Sheridan county, had the complete confidence of the progressive farmers and workers. They encountered the bitter enmity of the bankers, and the confidence men who had fleeced the farmers at leisure during the regime of the old party politicians. The blow was inevitable. But it appears the farmers are not taking it lying down. It may mean a more vigorous campaign to organize the working farm-

ARMOUR'S SPEED-UP SYSTEM MAKES ONE WORKER DO THE WORK OF TWO ON HOG KILL

By JUKKA SALMINEN, Worktr Correspondent.

Under the speed-up system that is in operation on the hog killing floor at Armour & Company's Chicago meat packing plant one worker is forced to do the work of two. From the moment that the hog is shackled until the hbg is put into the cooler—at every operation—the packers have cut out workers on the chain until the workers are so speeded up that they are not able to turn around as they would miss their operation and be "cabled down" and possibly fired by the boss.

The shacklers must start work at 6:30 a. m. They shackle the hogs and put the chain on a hook which is then elevated to the hog killing floor. This is a dirty and disgusting job. These men look as tho they rolled in manure all day long. For this work they get the low pay of 47½ cents an hour.

When the hóg reaches the killing floor, the sticker starts to work—one man to each chain. At times the hogs come so fast

MEXICAN LABOR RAPS AMERICAN IMPERIALISM

Workers Protest Forces Cuba to Free Mella

By ENRIQUE FLORES MAGON, Acting Secretary Mexican Section, All-America Anti-Imperialist League.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 20.—Reports are still coming in to the capital from outlying sections of Mexico testifying to the activity of workers, peasants and students of this republic on behalf of the Cubans oppressed by the present wave of imperialist terror on the island known as the "pearl of the Antilles." Latin-American solidarity against the common Wall Street enemy is creating a widespread movement which cannot fail to have permanent results, particularly if seconded by the working masses in the United States.

In the recent triumphant campaign of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League for the release of Julio Antonio Mella from the Cuban prison in which American sugar kings and the corrupt Machado government of Cuba had placed him, the Mexican section of the league was exceptionally active. Many real blows were struck here for the liberation of Mella and the twelve Cuban labor leaders arrested with him, with the result that

FRENCH FINANCE MINISTER MAY BE FORCED OUT

Franc in Danger of New Inflation

(Special to The Daily Worker)

PARIS, Jan. 20.—Finance Minister Doumer may go the way of his several predecessors—out of the cabinet. The possibility loomed today when it appeared that there is little likelihood of the finance minister and the finance commission of the chamber of deputies reaching any compromise agreement on a financial program.

Briand Will Accept Anything.

Premier Briand has now reached a state of mind, where, it is said, he is willing to accept almost any financial program which can be assured of passage by the chamber of deputies.

M. Doumer has given the members of the finance commission warning that they must face the wrath of the French people if they force measures which bring about new inflation, but this warning does not appear to have brought the prospects of a compromise any nearer.

Make It a Thousand!

665 new subscriptions in the first 7 days of the LENIN DRIVE for 5000 New Subs to the DAILY WORKER!

RUSH!—Brother—Comrade—Send in your Sub or Renewal.

FLORIDA MOB STAGES RADIO LYNCHING BEE

Victim's Screams Sent Over the Air

OCALA, Fla., Jan. 20.—No tales of war's atrocities nor of the tortures of wild Indians can eclipse the barbarity exhibited here in "civilized America" when the wanton lynching of Nick Williams, a Negro, was made the occasion of what was termed a "unique and entertaining" plan.

Spoke Impolitely to White.

Williams was seized while on his way to work, on the suspicion that he "had spoken impolitely to a white grocery clerk." The clerk who had never seen him before this occasion, identified Williams as the impolite person.

Thereupon began the unspeakable reversion to veneered savagery. Northern guests were summoned from their hotels and real estate speculators were brot from their beds to "enjoy" the spectacle of butchery.

Broadcast Victim's Screams.

Suggestion was made, as there was a radio station near, that the "proceedings" be broadcasted. And so it was. The victim was brot up to the station, a line connection made and the shouts of the mob and the piercing screams of Williams as the mob tortured and shot him to death.

Meanwhile, before the "entertainment" began, an announcer called over the radio summoning all Florida to stand by for to hear the mob at its ghastly work, announcing that the particular broadcasting station had scored quite a hit over its competitors in furnishing radio fans this "feature."

There has been no one arrested for this amazing murder and no one expects that anyone of the mob or the participants will be arrested. That is not the custom in the southern section of the United States—and in the northern section, the arrests sometimes are made, no one is punished.

One marvels at the nerve of the United States government which refuses to recognize Soviet Russia on the excuse that the Bolsheviks do not conform to the pleasantries of American civilization.

Wage Raise Demands of 37 N. Y. Building Trades Hanging Fire

NEW YORK—FP—New York building workers continue on the job pending consideration of the new wage proposals by the full membership of the Building Trades Employers' Association. John Halkett, president building trades council, urged an employers' committee to accept the union offer to remain at work at \$1 a day increase while the remaining 50 cents demanded is submitted to arbitration. Thirty-seven unions are trying to raise wages so that the minimum for all mechanics would be \$12 a day, for helpers \$10.

FOLLOW THE FIRST GIANT STEP



The Workers Now Rule One-Sixth of the Globe. A Good Beginning.

HILLMAN GANG LOSING HOLD ON MEMBERS

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK CITY, Jan. 20.—The defeat of the Hillman machine in its effort to terrorize the New York members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers into acceptance of the policy of class collaboration, of betrayal of the workers' interests to the bosses for sake of "peace" was clearly shown not only by the mass protest at Manhattan Lyceum where the left wing organized around the Trade Union Educational League showed its power of influence in the tailoring trade, but also by the Hillman gang's own meeting.

Boasts a Little Early.

Upon failing to get the Cooper Union hall, the Hillman gang held a meeting at Webster Hall. Here Hillman himself spoke of how his gangsters had "wiped out" the action committee. Joseph Schlossberg, too, that great "idealist" had a few words to say, in order to show which side he was on.

But when Blumberg tried to speak even his own gang turned thumbs down on him and many people left the hall in obvious disgust. Quite a number of tailors who somehow had that they could come there to air their grievances were disillusioned. They too left.

Refused Right of Discussion.

For a time there was a terrible silence. Tailors wanted to discuss and ask questions. But the Hillman dictatorship decided that rather than allow

WORKERS MUST SMASH 'B. & O. PLAN' OR BOSSES AND LABOR LEADERS WILL CRUSH UNIONS

Workers of the North Western Railroad! Beware of the "B. & O. Plan" and the Company Union! Fight Against the "B. & O. Plan" and the Watson-Parker Bill! Do Not Give Up Your Right to Strike!

THE railroad workers in the North Western railroad shops are being asked to endorse the so-called "B. & O. Plan" and to establish peace and harmony in industry as embodied in the proposed new Watson-Parker bill. The labor-hating President Atterbury of the Pennsylvania system has all of a sudden become convinced about the great service of the unions and stands ready to sign agreements with them.

The Baltimore & Ohio railroad was the first to establish the so-called peace and harmony and now comes all the rest of the railroads following in line. Every railroad president is talking peace and harmony but especially "efficiency." Why is it that these bitter enemies of organized labor are now ready to sign agreements with the unions?

The reason is that our union officials have surrendered to the open shop and the new agreements that are being made transform the labor organizations into "company unions" in reality.

The principles of the company union plan to replace the trade unions as an independent working class power with a machinery for consultation between the worker and employer, to eliminate strikes and speed up production.

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THOUSANDS OF WORKERS WILL JAM COLISEUM

Memorial Meet Takes Place Sunday Evening

Thousands of workers in Chicago will meet in the Coliseum, Sixteenth street and South Wabash avenue, Sunday evening, Jan. 24, on the second anniversary of the death of Vladimir Ilyich Ulianov Lenin not only to mourn the death of their leader but to gain new inspiration for their battles of the future.

While Lenin lived all of the capitalist powers wished him dead. They thought that with the death of Lenin would come the collapse of the first workers' and peasants' republic. They thought that with the death of Lenin would come the collapse of the workers' dictatorship—of the Russian Soviets. They thought that with his death would come a cessation of the revolutionary ferment in the Near East, in India, Africa, China and other parts of the globe.

Lenin Built on Firm Foundation.

Lenin died—but the Soviet state—the proletarian dictatorship—lived on. Lenin had built on a firm foundation. The hopes of the capitalist powers were blasted. Today Soviet Russia stands far above the other capitalist nations—economically and politically. The Soviet Union today is stronger than ever and with every day grows stronger.

The spirit of revolt in the colonial and semi-colonial nations instead of diminishing is increasing.

When the workers of Chicago come to the Coliseum they will come not to mourn, but to pay homage to that leader of the proletarian revolution who was able to build on so strong a foundation. They will come to rejoice over the victories of the workers over their exploiters. They will come to gain new inspiration for the tasks that are yet to be accomplished in this country.

List of Speakers.

C. E. Ruthenberg, secretary of the Workers (Communist) Party; William F. Dunne, editor of The DAILY WORKER; Max Shachtman, Young Workers (Communist) League; Lovett Fort-Whiteman, national organizer of the American Negro Labor Congress; C. S. Jon, a Chinese speaker will tell what Lenin means to the American, the Negro, the Chinese and other workers. Besides these speakers there will be shown a new three-reel Lenin film.

This is the only film in the country that shows the incidents from the time a guard of honor was placed at Lenin's coffin to the time his body was lowered into the grave. The other films that have been shown in this country only showed a part of the funeral. This film shows the funeral proceedings in their entirety.

The Czechoslovak Workers' Athletic Society will give a number of interpretative dances in which the rising of the proletariat will be depicted. The dances will be given to appropriate music.

The Freiheit Singing Society, which has brot great joy to many workers in Chicago, will sing a number of songs to fit this memorable occasion. During the program there will be a brass band of twenty pieces playing.

Every class conscious worker is urged to attend this memorial meeting that has been arranged by Local Chicago of the Workers (Communist) Party. The program starts at 8 o'clock in the evening.

WAUKEGAN PLANS INTENSIVE DRIVE TO BOOST DAILY WORKER SUB LIST

By JUKKA SALMINEN.

WAUKEGAN, Ill., Jan. 20.—This month marks the death of our great leader, Lenin. He is dead, but his memory, his work lives on! An ever increasing number of workers all over the world unite to follow the direction which he has pointed to us, to the workers' commonwealth. The working class can no longer close its ears to the cry which like thunder rumbles from hemisphere to hemisphere: Workers of the world unite! You have

IN CHICAGO, ILL.!

NEW LENIN FILM

Three Great Reels Never Before Shown in the United States to appear for the first time at the

LENIN MEMORIAL MEETING

Sunday, January 24, 8 P. M. COLISEUM, 16th and Wabash Avenue

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Max Shachtman, Young Workers (Communist) League
Lovett Fort-Whiteman, American Negro Labor Organizer
C. S. Jon, Chinese speaker.

Chairman: Arne Swabeck, District Organizer Workers (Communist) Party.

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Czecho-Slovak Athletic Society

CONCERT
Freiheit Singing Society

Twenty Pieces Brass Band Playing

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