

U. S. L...ged to Aid the British Coal Mine Strike

News dispatches from Great Britain indicate that the coal miners are standing by their ultimatum "not a penny off, not a minute on" and that the battle between the government and the coal miners continues in spite of the desertion by the Trade Union Congress leaders.

For the Victory of the Miners

THE British coal miners are continuing the fight against the coal operators and the government. Despite the betrayal of the coal miners by the right wing leaders of the Trade Union Congress, in calling off the general strike, the miners are standing firmly on their ultimatum "not a penny off, not a minute on."

The miners must have financial support in their struggle. They can only continue their splendid fight if the workers of all countries come to their aid and furnish them with the funds necessary to carry on the struggle.

MINERS READY TO CARRY ON A LONG FIGHT

Outside Financial Aid Will Be Needed

BULLETIN. (Special to The Daily Worker) LONDON, May 21.—The British coal strike is in full force with no visible efforts being made today to effect a settlement.

CONFERENCE TO ASSIST PASSAIC WORKERS MAY 29

Strikers Send Call to Labor Organizations

(Special to The Daily Worker) PASSAIC, N. J., May 21.—The Passaic strikers have sent out a call to all labor unions, workers' fraternal organizations, textile strikers' relief conferences and other sympathetic organizations, to elect delegates to attend a conference in Passaic Saturday, May 29, at 10 a. m., for the purpose of conferring and advising with them on the general strike situation, and to allow the delegate to view for themselves the existing conditions in Passaic and vicinity.

For a Labor Ticket in the 1926 Elections Labor Must Unite for Independent Political Action in Support of a Labor Program.

NEVER has there been a more favorable opportunity for the workers of the United States to launch a drive for a class party of labor than in the present campaign. Every act of the Mellon-Coolidge administration is calculated to benefit the interests of the great combinations of capital as against the great masses of wage workers and exploited farmers.

The Bosses and the Elections.

THE capitalist bosses of the United States will be, as ever, well represented in the state and congressional elections this year. The capitalists have under their control, representing their interests and fighting their battles, the republican and democratic parties.

What the Government Has Done for the Capitalists.

It is only necessary to take a glance at the record of the government, since the last congressional session began, to learn how the capitalists use the government to support their interests and fight against the workers.

The Government Against the Workers and Farmers.

The government has dropped the bluff of fighting the trusts. The Sherman Anti-Trust law has become a dead letter. The government and trustified industry have become one and the same.

Sacco-Vanzetti Mass Meetings in Chief Cities

Mass meetings from coast to coast in protest against the legal murder of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti are to be held within the next few days, according to an announcement made by the national office of International Labor Defense.

Many Meetings Planned.

- Philadelphia, May 22, with Stanley J. Clark and Elizabeth Gurley Flynn. Pittsburgh, June 3, with Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and Jas. P. Cannon. Baltimore, June 1, with Norman H. Tallentire. Cleveland, June 4, with Elizabeth Gurley Flynn and Jas. P. Cannon.

Lawrence Forms United Conference.

The first response to the call sent out by International Labor Defense for the formation of united Sacco-Vanzetti conferences comes from the scene of many bitter labor struggles, Lawrence, Massachusetts, in the state in which Sacco and Vanzetti were convicted.

COOK SAYS BRITISH MINERS' FIGHT IS A WORLD STRUGGLE

(Special to The Daily Worker) LONDON, May 21.—Following the refusal of the British Miners Executive to accept the government proposals involving a wage cut and "arbitration" of future coal disputes, A. J. Cook, secretary of the Miners' Federation issued the following statement in which he makes clear the international significance of the British miners' struggle.

ALL TARRED BY SAME BRUSH IN FORGERY TRIAL

Whole Hungarian Govt. Is Involved

(Special to The Daily Worker) BUDAPEST, May 21.—The threats and charges being exchanged here by nobles and officials high in the council of state including the premier, Bethlen, over the French franc counterfeiting trial becomes more vindictive and sweeping as the process nears its end.

TOLEDO MEETING TO HEAR STORY OF BIG STRIKE AT PASSAIC

TOLEDO, Ohio, May 21.—Toledo workers will hear of the great Passaic strike, where the workers of the tile mills are clashing with the forces of capitalism in one of the most spectacular wage battles of recent years, at the mass meeting to be held Saturday evening, May 22, at the Toledo Labor Temple on Jefferson street.

Will Argue Appeal of Scopes' Evolution Case at Nashville, May 31

DAYTON, Tenn., May 21.—The appeal from the conviction of John T. Scopes, Dayton, Tenn., high school teacher, for expounding evolution in violation of a state law, will be argued before the supreme court at Nashville on May 31.

SACCO, VANZETTI MUST NOT DIE, IS N. Y. DEMAND

3,000 Jam the Central Opera House

By SYLVAN A. POLLACK. (Special to The Daily Worker) NEW YORK CITY, May 21.—"Sacco and Vanzetti must not die!" That was the slogan of over 3,000 workers who jammed Central Opera House, to capacity, resolved to carry on the struggle which is being carried on to free Sacco and Vanzetti.

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DETROIT CAR AND BUSMEN MAKE DEMANDS

City Workers Prepare to Fight Open Shop

By a Worker Correspondent DETROIT, Mich., May 21.—Streetcar employees of the Detroit Street Railway (under municipal ownership) are demanding a wage increase and better working conditions for all employees of the system.

Demand Raise from City. The union officials have asked for a conference with the commission, to meet as soon as possible, and presented a contract calling for the new wage schedules, to become effective in June.

City Charter Open Shop. The Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, Division 26, Detroit, is working under "open shop" conditions, due to a city charter which forbids the city from entering into any agreement with a union, although it recognizes the right of employees to bargain with the city in a collective manner.

In spite of the charter and the attack on the union two years ago by the employers' association, through their willing tool, Ross Schram, manager of the Detroit Street Railway from 1921 till last year, when he was ousted by Mayor John Smith for general inability, the union has pulled through and the system is 98 per cent organized.

Organize Industrially. A. A. of S. E. R. E. of A., Division 26, is the first union affiliated with the American Federation of Labor here to open its membership to all employees of the system and to change the character of the union from a craft to an industrial union.

The city operates about 200 one-man busses as feeders to the car lines. The drivers are in the union 100 per cent, and the street car and bus repair men, car sweepers, switchmen and all other employees are in the union in large numbers and others are joining every day.

All Crafts to Benefit. The rates demanded are as follows: Motormen and conductors: First six months, 70 cents per hour; second six months, 75 cents; thereafter, 80 cents.

One-man car and motor coach operators: 55 cents per hour; one car men, 55 cents; overtime, \$1. Overtime for one-man car operators and coach operators, \$1.05 per hour; snow plow service, \$1. Minimum platform men's wage, \$80 per month.

For General Laborers. The schedules for other employees are as follows: Construction car platform men, 80 cents per hour; Laborers in construction yard, 62 cents per hour; Switchmen, sweepers and carhouse men, 62 cents per hour; Pit men, 82 cents per hour; Pit men's helpers, 72 cents per hour; Controller man, 87 cents per hour; General repair men, 82 cents per hour; Fare box men, \$185 per month; Pump men, \$185 per month; Janitors, 62 cents per hour; Watchmen, 62 cents per hour; Station cashiers, \$105 per month; Garage repair men, 87 cents per hour; Garage helpers, 80 cents per hour; Coach cleaners, 62 cents per hour.

There are also clauses to take care of streetcar men in case a car line is abandoned for a bus line.

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"ALL EUROPE STANDS IN AWE AT OUR HARMONY WITH EMPLOYERS," SAYS GREEN; CITES PAPAL BULL

By M. HILANDER, Worker Correspondent. MINNEAPOLIS, May 21.—William Green, president of the A. F. of L., garbed in a dress suit and a glittering diamond ring, addressed an audience composed largely of trade union members and sympathizers at the Kenwood Armory in Minneapolis this week.

He greatly bemoaned the fact that there were "those who came among us to preach a new doctrine," asking us "to discard the old and accept the new." He began his speech by an appeal to the churches of America to support the laboring classes in all things in which they could agree, and generously criticize the labor movement wherever they think it is wrong.

Criticism comes because of the lack of understanding of the cause of labor. Pope Leo XIII in his encyclical on labor has understood this cause, and all workers, Green recommended, should read this. If the employers still protested to paying enuf wages after being confronted by the pope's admonitions, Green recommended their showing the employers the creed of the federal churches of Christ in America.

Priest and Preacher Alongside. Green closed his remarks by dwelling upon the struggle the A. F. of L. has had in endeavoring to secure a child labor amendment to the constitution of the United States, and in urging the workers to organize and build up the movement. Mayor Leach of Minneapolis welcomed President Green, and was preceded by Rev. E. Deer, Secy of Minneapolis Council of Churches. He advocated "harmony between all interests" in the U. S., "for if we do not have this, we will have a government run by blocks, a coalition government, which would result in chaos for our country."

Dr. Ryan, of the Catholic Social Welfare Council, had come from Washington, D. C., with Wm. Green, and during his evening talk outlined the encyclical of Pope Leo XIII, with regard to labor, supplemented by a brief discussion of the theories of the laissez-faire economists. These theories he stated, were incorrect, and advanced the paternalistic attitude of the employers toward workers.

Europe "Stands in Awe." Earlier in the afternoon, Green spoke to the students of the U. of M. where he emphasized that the A. F. of L. stood in all respects for pure American ideals. America has advanced in mechanics and technique, and for that reason has far outstripped England in her ability to produce. American labor, too, has been able to work more harmoniously with the employing class, and "all Europe stands in awe, wondering how we do it." He ended by appealing to the students to help bring about better relationships between the employer and employee as a solution for the industrial problems. The general attitude of many of the students, and several of the professors was that "Green was far less militant than even Gompers was."

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HONOR ROLL OF WORKERS AIDING PRESS TONIGHT! Tonight you should come over to the Workers' House, 1902 W. Division St., where a concert and dance will be given for the benefit of the Russian Communist weekly Novy Mir. The Novy Mir has been published until recently as a daily, but was forced to become a weekly. The counter revolutionary forces in the Russian colony are jubilant on account of this. The revolutionary forces are working to turn it back into a daily. The affair tonight is for this purpose. Will you help? Among those who will participate, are the following singers: Mrs. Moller, dramatic soprano; Miss R. Sokolovskaya and Miss R. Rubin; Mr. Misha Koltunov and the Singing Society of the Workers' House; Miss I. Dolberg at the piano. The well-known Russian actor Anatoly Pokatillov and others will also participate. Beginning at 8 p. m. Admission 35 cents. Come and bring your friends! The subscription price to the American Worker Correspondent is only 50 cents per year. Are you a subscriber? Subscribe!

TWO PITTSBURGH NEGRO GROUPS DEBATE LABOR PROBLEMS ON MAY 26

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 21.—A debate will be held at Watt Street School Wednesday, May 26, between the Fidi Amici Debating Club and the Pitt Lyceum on the issue: "Resolved, That the Negro's Economic Condition Will Be Bettered By His Affiliation with the American Negro Labor Congress." The Fidi Amici Debating Club is composed of an intelligent group of young men who have made debating a specialty for six years. The Pitt Lyceum is a scholastic organization composed of college students. The debaters for the Fidi Amici are Ralph Thornton, Paul F. Jones and Charles P. Parnell; for Pitt Lyceum, D. S. Yarbough, G. William Dunn, Jr., and William Randolph. The Fidi Amici Club will uphold the affirmative, while the Pitt Lyceum will uphold the negative. Admission is free.

BOSTON TO HOLD ANTI-MILITARIST CONFAB, MAY 30

Will Plan Campaign to Fight Conscription Act BOSTON, May 21.—A conference to lay plans for an immediate campaign against the nation-wide military propaganda, the Citizen's Military Training Camps and the Capper-Johnson conscription bill, will be held in Boston Sunday evening, May 30, at 7:30 o'clock at the Huntington Ave. Y. M. C. A., 31 Huntington Ave. The call for this conference is endorsed by many prominent individuals of Boston social life, members of labor unions, liberal clubs, fraternal organizations, youth organizations and others, among whom are leaders of the paper hangers, upholsterers, League for Democratic Control, Harvard Liberal Club, capmakers, Boston University and the Young Workers (Communist) League of Massachusetts. The conference will be addressed by prominent speakers. The conference will elect an executive committee, officers and make detailed plans for a campaign against the Citizen's Military Training Camps and Capper-Johnson conscription bill. Further announcements will be made regarding the program. All labor unions, factory groups, student bodies, young people's social, literary, cultural, athletic, political and fraternal organizations are invited to send delegates to this important conference.

House Committee Hears Coolidge Imbibes in Spiritualist Seances

WASHINGTON, May 21.—Whether President Coolidge and his family have taken part in spiritualist seances, with table-tipping and all the rest of a first-rate spook performance, in the White House, was brought into question for a time during a tumultuous hearing on the Bloom bill, before the judiciary sub-committee of the house committee on the District of Columbia. This bill proposed to suppress the practice of the occult arts by spiritualist mediums, clairvoyants and fortune tellers. Harry Houdini, stage magician, testifying in favor of the bill, put on the stand one of his local investigators, who swore that Mrs. Jane Coates, spiritualist medium, had told her on the previous day that "I know for a fact that table-tipping seances are held in the White House with President Coolidge and his family." Mrs. Coates, present with many other mediums and seeresses, loudly shouted that this statement was false. When she later took the stand she testified that what she had told the investigator was that "people in the very shadow of the White House" were attending seances. The investigator stoutly denied this version, and Houdini excitedly yelled that the mediums were crooks and criminals. Names of four senators were given by another medium, according to the investigator, as being among her clients. This medium denied the charge, explaining that she had told her visitor that the senators had "supported her cause." The "Cause," she testified, was a claim against the government for the killing of some tubercular cows she had owned.

Plumbing Supply House Truck Drivers Strike for Union Recognition

PASSAIC, May 21. — Truck drivers for plumbing supply houses have gone on strike demanding an increase in wages and recognition of their union. The truck drivers seek an increase in wages from \$40 to \$46 a week, with \$30 a week for the helpers. They also seek time and a half for overtime and a half holiday on Saturday. The plumbers are planning on a sympathy strike if the plumbing supply houses fail to grant the demands of the truck drivers. We need more news from the shops and factories. Send it in!

AUSTIN ASSAILS CROWE ON QUIZ OF PAROLE HEAD

Both Prosecutors Play Factional Politics

Assistant Prosecutor Ralph Austin of Will county, assistant to State's Attorney Rehn, denounces the "unfair tactics" of the Cook county special grand jury. He points out that on two occasions the Cook county special grand jury, which was formed by Attorney-General Carlstrom at the direction of State's Attorney Crowe, "grabbed" witnesses that he had asked them to locate for the Will county grand jury and had them testify before the Cook county grand jury. As soon as they had testified, their testimony was printed in the Chicago papers and then the Will county grand jury investigating the murder of Deputy Warden Peter Klein by seven escaping convicts was given its opportunity to question them. Austin assailed the actions of State's Attorney Crowe's special grand jury, declaring "they seem more interested in the parole scandal than in the McSwiggan murder." State's Attorney Crowe is on one side of the political fence in the open-shop republican party and Len Small is on the other. The Deneen-Lundin-Small alliance played up the fact that Assistant State's Attorney William McSwiggan was killed while in the company of two notorious Chicago bootleggers. A list of saloons with prices that the saloonkeepers paid either for protection or booze was found on the body of Thomas Duffy, one of the murdered bootleggers. Coroner Oscar Wolf, a political opponent of Crowe, had the coroner's jury begin an investigation as to the facts in the murder case. Crowe, fearing an expose of the real conditions under which McSwiggan was killed, immediately impeded a special grand jury. The appointment of this grand jury was bitterly assailed by many businessmen's associations, who pointed out that no real investigation of the connection of the State's Attorney Crowe's office with gangland could be held with a grand jury picked by his man Friday. The Crowe jury began immediately to probe away at the misdeeds of their political opponents, instead of the circumstances leading to the McSwiggan murder. Their first step away from the probe into the conditions surrounding the McSwiggan murder was an investigation into Major M. A. Meeslein's "pardon mill" and the connection between this "pardon mill" and the Len Small appointee, Whl Colvin's and Chauncey Jenkins' pardon and parole departments. Warden John L. Whitman is now writing articles in the Chicago Herald and Examiner, a Hearst sheet which supported the Crowe-Barrett-Thompson alliance in the April 13 primary campaign, in which he attempts to justify his management of the Joliet penitentiary. In one of his articles he assails the Will county grand jury for attempting to hide the real facts on the buying and selling of paroles and pardons. His article intimates that the Will county grand jury is trying to hide the real facts in order to hide the connection between the pardon and parole boards and the pardon mill. The fight between these two grand juries is an attempt on the part of the Crowe-Barrett-Thompson alliance on the one hand, and the Small-Deneen-Lundin forces on the other to whitewash themselves of graft and corruption charges and blacken the other in order to gain a greater following for their forces among those misguided workers and farmers who vote for the candidates of the open-shop republican party. The Deneen-Lundin-Small forces in Cook county are contesting the Cook county and Chicago election returns for county and city offices, declaring that the Crowe-Barrett-Thompson faction used gunmen to terrorize the voters at the primaries April 13, and that they stuffed ballot boxes and "doped" elections returns. A quiz which was started into the vote frauds was discontinued as the anti-Crowe-Barrett-Thompson forces decided to contest the elections in court.

Coolidge Signs the Bingham-Parker Bill for Aviation Control

WASHINGTON, May 21.—President Coolidge has signed the Bingham-Parker bill, which places commercial aviation under the jurisdiction of the secretary of commerce, with an additional assistant secretary in direct control. The secretary is given broad regulatory powers with respect to registration, examination and rating of aircraft and airmen, and air traffic rules and foreign-owned craft is forbidden to engage in interstate commerce. The weather bureau is made responsible for all meteorological information necessary for aviation along airways. The present air navigation facilities now under the jurisdiction of the post-office department will be turned over to the secretary of commerce at a convenient time.

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