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CURRENT EVENTS

NEARLY two whole pages of yesterday's New York Tribune were devoted to special correspondence from European capitals on the diplomatic maneuvering...

Important Fight Is Now Brewing For Shanghai

U. S. Marines Parade Through Foreign Settlement

SHANGHAI, March 6. — An important struggle, constituting the Nationalists' final real test of strength, is developing in the vicinity of Soochow where the Nationalists are making a thrust from Chekiang province in an attempt to cut off Shanghai from the main Anko-Chan army.

Imperialist Troops Fraternize.

To prove that the United States troops would co-operate with the British against the Nationalists, the marines fraternized with the British while silent Chinese looked on.

Rumored Agreement.

There are reports that the Nationalists and Chang Chung Chang have reached an agreement whereby the Nationalists will be allowed to occupy Shanghai without a struggle.

Roll in the Subs For The DAILY WORKER.

Workers Party of Michigan to Enter Election

DETROIT, Mich.—At a regularly called state convention of the Workers (Communist) Party of Michigan, held in Detroit Saturday, February 26, it was decided to participate in the coming spring election to be held Monday, April 4.

Nominates Candidates For Spring Campaign

The following Communist candidates have been nominated: For justice of Supreme Court: Cyril Lambkin of Detroit and John Kiskela of Hancock, Mich.; for Regents of University, Comrades William Reynolds of Detroit and Daniel Clinton Holder of Muskegon, Mich.; for member of Board of Education, Comrade Arnold Ziegler of Grand Rapids, Mich.; for Superintendent of Public Instruction, Comrade Sarah Victor of Detroit; for members of State Board of Agriculture, Comrades William Mollenhauer and Aaron M. Metz of Detroit.

Proletarian Artist Making Painting of Nicholas' Abdication

MOSCOW, March 6.—The private railroad car in which Tsar Nicholas II signed his abdication in March, 1917, has been placed at the disposal of V. N. Pcheline, proletarian artist, to paint a picture of the abdication.

CLEVELAND BAZAAR POSTPONED

CLEVELAND.—Owing to the death of Comrade Ruthenberg, general secretary of the Workers (Communist) Party, the District Bazaar has been postponed till March 26 and 27. All tickets are good for those dates.

Fraud Charged in Local 38 Election

Election Committee States Rights Cheated

Startling revelations in connection with the recent election of "right wing" officers of Custom Tailors' Local 38, of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, have been made public by members of the election objection committee...

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STALIN TELLS WORKERS NO DANGER IMMEDIATELY OF ENGLISH ATTACK

By JOE PEPPER (Special Cable to The Daily Worker) MOSCOW, March 6.—At a meeting of the workers of a railway work shop who were electing delegates to the Moscow Soviet, Joseph Stalin appeared and in a speech replied to numerous questions.

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Many Speak at Ruthenberg Memorials

While the great mass meeting in Ashland Auditorium, Chicago, was solemnly engaged Sunday afternoon in paying the last tribute to C. E. Ruthenberg, beloved leader of Communism in America, due arrangements were being made in a dozen cities for similar demonstrations of affection and regret, and to give the workers as a whole an idea of the things for which Ruthenberg stood while alive.

Programs Grow As Comrades Prepare Meetings

Besides the speakers previously announced, Wm. Z. Foster, Jay Lovestone, Max Bedacht, Nat Kaplan, James P. Cannon and Arne Swabeck, there will be present three sent by the New York District Executive Committee: Ben Gitlow, Chas. Krumbain and W. W. Weinstein.

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RUTHENBERG MEMORIAL MEETINGS

- CLEVELAND Tuesday, March 8, 8:00 P. M. Slovenian Hall, Clair Ave. BALTIMORE Tuesday, March 8, 7:30 P. M. Conservatory Hall, E. Baltimore St. BOSTON Thursday, March 10, 8:00 P. M. Scenic Auditorium PITTSBURGH Saturday, March 12, 8:00 P. M. Labor Lyceum, Miller St. BUFFALO Sunday, March 13, afternoon. Elmwood Music Hall YOUNGSTOWN, March 11 LOS ANGELES, March 13 ST. PAUL, March 13, Eve. MINNEAPOLIS, March 13, 2:30 P. M. DULUTH, March 14 SUPERIOR, March 15



# MANY WILL NOT WAIT FOR MEETING TO SPEAK REGARD FOR RUTHENBERG

## Messages of Grief and Loyalty Continue to Arrive at Workers Party Offices

As the memorial meetings for Comrade Ruthenberg begin, many testimonials to his genius, and great heartedness, are heard. But still, some cannot wait for the meetings in their city. The Workers Party District Organizers all report many messages sent to them by workers who wish to express their regard for Ruthenberg, and wish to promise they will heed his last command, to "fight on."

Many messages come, likewise, from organized bodies, unions, Negro workers, labor defense bodies, and women workers. Some are cabled in from overseas. The DAILY WORKER will print such of these as it is able to give space to.

### "CARRY ON," SAYS RESTAURANT WORKERS' UNION.

AMALGAMATED FOOD WORKERS OF AMERICA, Executive Board, Hotel and Restaurant Workers Branch, P. P. Cogrove, Sec'y.—"The working class has suffered a severe loss in the death of Comrade C. E. Ruthenberg. For many years he has given his every thought to the emancipation of the workers and his tireless and devoted loyalty will live long in the hearts of the workers."

"He could ill be spared, for the need of such a fighter as he has proven himself to be, is great. His intelligent leadership should inspire every class conscious worker to continue the work as he would desire and the slogan of all should be: Carry on!"

### "FOR THE WORLD'S OPPRESSED," SAYS WENTWORTH.

EDWARD C. WENTWORTH, well known liberal, Chicago, Ill.—"A great power for the greatest cause now existent is gone, but his memory will be inspiration for those remaining. His unassuming influence was a directing force with those in his association; his gentle and modest insistence on an undeviating prosecution of a campaign for righteousness of treatment for the millions of the world's economically oppressed will be to the everlasting credit of Charles Ruthenberg in the minds of all those who knew him well."

### AMALGAMATED FOOD WORKERS PLEDGE TO CARRY ON RUTHENBERG'S WORK.

AMALGAMATED FOOD WORKERS, General Executive Board, August Burkhardt, Secretary-Treasurer.—"The delegates of the General Executive Board of the Amalgamated Food Workers assembled in their regular session of March 3rd mourn the loss of Comrade C. E. Ruthenberg, a devoted champion of the labor cause, and feel that the labor movement has lost one of its most active and devoted fighters for the liberation of the workers from capitalism."

"In paying respect to our dear Comrade Ruthenberg, we pledge ourselves to go on with our work in the effort to make the Amalgamated Food Workers a class-conscious organization. In doing this, we feel we are carrying on the work to which Comrade Ruthenberg devoted his life."

### "Example of His Devotion Will Help Solve Tasks."

The Navy Mir, Russian Communist Weekly, in a statement to the Central Committee of the Workers Party.—"Grief stricken by the dreadful news of the untimely death of our beloved leader, Comrade Charles E. Ruthenberg, we feel, however, confident that this heavy blow of the blind forces of nature, while depriving us of our most prized fighter, who led the Communist movement in the U. S. from its very inception, shall only the more consolidate the fighting ranks of the party, by imparting to the whole membership the consciousness of double responsibility, by penetrating it with the spirit of the most self-sacrificing devotion to the cause of the proletarian revolution, which distinguished the whole life and work of our unforgettable comrade and leader, C. E. Ruthenberg."

The loss of his personal valor, virility and experience must be replaced by the collective valor, virility and experience of the whole party, consolidated in one monolithic bloc. From you, comrades of the C. E. C., the party expects now exemplary leadership toward this goal, the firm and unconditional liquidation of every factional friction. It expects a decisive, unavailing militant leadership."

We are confident that penetrated to the core by the behests of Comrade Ruthenberg, led by the example of his whole-hearted devotion to one cause our party will be able to cope with the enormous historical tasks, which confront us in the recent development of world's events, and shall lead on the fight against the traitors of the labor movement—the yellow bureaucracy of the trade unions, which betrays the working class to the capitalist imperialism with the very energy we were led before by our unforgettable leader."

### Will Have Important Page in Labor History.

DANIEL E. O'BRIEN, New York City.—"Charles E. Ruthenberg was a most consistent herald of the cause of working class emancipation. His life, his material interests and other important phenomena that determine what we say or do cut no figure with the man. His whole soul was absorbed in his constant battling for the robbed toilers of the world."

"He had the moral courage to fight exploitation of man by man, remaining true to the last. He chose to battle for the under-dog always, come what may, he would always be found in the front ranks."

"About the only way American labor can honor him is to carry on the noble work where he left off. It is safe to say that when the toilers of the world write their own history and build their own monuments to those who have been true to their cause Charles E. Ruthenberg will not be forgotten."

"His demise is an inspiration."

### IN MEMORY OF COMRADE RUTHENBERG, R. Chakerian of Brooklyn, N. Y., have donated \$5.00 TO THE DAILY WORKER Sustaining Fund.

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ONWARD COMRADES!  
CLOSE THE RANKS!  
"RUTHENBERG"

# Ruthenberg — The Defiant

By JOSEPH E. BRODSKY.

"CHARLES E. Ruthenberg, what have you say why judgment should not be pronounced against you according to law?"

The place was the Extraordinary Trial Term, Criminal Part, of the Supreme Court of the State of New York; the date was October 29, 1920, and the speaker was Judge Bartow S. Weeks, a typical example of the rich, ultra-conservative supporter of the present order, bitter and vicious, who sat as the presiding judge in all of the criminal anarchy prosecutions that featured the year of 1920 in New York.

### On the Stand.

The defendant who stood before him was Charles E. Ruthenberg, executive secretary of the Communist Party of America; tall, broad shouldered, blue eyed and serene. For three weeks the trial of the People of the State of New York against Charles E. Ruthenberg and I. E. Ferguson had been in progress; for several days "C. E." had sat on the witness chair fearlessly and earnestly exposing the rottenness of the capitalist system and simply, intelligently and bravely explaining the principles of Communism, that Communism which he eagerly prophesied would bring the dawn of a better and brighter day for the downtrodden and exploited workers of the world.

### The Defiance.

Ruthenberg looked at the judge calmly and without fear; and then he spoke:

"I have merely this to say for myself, that I have in the past held certain ideals for a re-organization of society on a new basis. I have upheld those ideals and gone to prison for them when they were connected with the late war. I have stood by those principles in which I firmly believe, and I still stand for those principles, irrespective of the result of this particular trial."

"I expect in the future, as in the past, to uphold and fight for those principles that, when the time comes that those principles triumph, and a new society is built in place of the present social organization. I realized from the beginning of this trial, as I have in any other trial that I have taken part in as a defendant, that this court, and all the instruments of this court, are merely a part of that organization of force which we call the capitalistic state; and I expected no other results from an organization of the capitalistic class to protect the capitalist system, than the result that has been returned by this court in this particular case, and, of course, accepting this as a case of class justice, a case of the use of the organized force of the state in order to suppress the desires of those who today are suffering under the oppression of the present system, I will accept the sentence in that same spirit of defiance, realizing that I go to prison because of support of a great principle that will triumph in spite of all the courts, in spite of all the organizations of the capitalist class."

As he finished he was smiling the brave, proud smile of a fearless fighter in a just cause.

### In the Shadows.

The shadows were creeping through the tall, heavily curtained windows of the court room when he concluded; his comrades sat with clenched fists, tight throats and with hearts throbbing wildly, and eyes shining with love and affection for their brave leader—who was about to

be condemned to a felon's cell.

### The Maximum Sentence.

The judge was writhing in pale anger; he had failed in his attempt to brow-beat and crush his victim. Now with all the hatred and venom of a frustrated bully, he pronounced judgment. The court was not at all surprised at the manner and language of the defendant Ruthenberg. He had been already convicted once of defiance of the laws of the country. Therefore, I was not at all surprised at his remarks. "The sentence of the court is that, for the felony of which you have been convicted, Charles E. Ruthenberg, that you be imprisoned in the State's Prison at hard labor for a term, the minimum of which shall not be less than five years and the maximum of which shall not be more than ten years. The sheriff may remove the prisoner."

### Released.

He had done the worst that the law allowed.

Eighteen months later I raced to Sing Sing with a certificate of reasonable doubt which had just been issued out of the Court of Appeals of the State of New York and which meant that "C. E." was to be released on bail pending a decision on his appeal, which was to be argued shortly before that court.

The day after his release he was back at his desk carrying on his work as secretary of the Communist Party of America.

### Appeal to Rise.

Several weeks went by and one day I received a call from the District Attorney's office and when I reached there a leaflet issued over the signature of Charles E. Ruthenberg as executive secretary of the Communist Party of America was read; it had been forwarded by the Department of Justice's agents from Seattle, Washington, and consisted of a stirring appeal to the workers there to rise in their might and to throw off the yoke of the capitalist

### D. A. Threatens.

The Assistant District Attorney advised me that he deemed it unseemly and improper for a convicted defendant out on bail to engage in the same "crimes" which had caused his conviction. He urged that Ruthenberg stop his agitation and activity while he was out on bail and un-

### Workers' Club Extends Sympathy.

LOWER BRONX JEWISH WORKERS' CLUB, New York.—"The Lower Bronx Jewish Workers' Club, as well as the entire labor movement feels a great loss in the passing of the leader of the vanguard of the revolutionary labor movement, C. E. Ruthenberg."

"We send our sympathy to the Communist Party for the loss of their leader and pledge our support to their cause as a part of the labor movement."

### 'Will Continue the Struggle.

SUB-SECTION 1-D.—"By the death of Comrade C. E. Ruthenberg, the leader of our party, the international Communist movement has been struck a great blow. We must all put our shoulders to the wheel and by our collective efforts try and make up in some small way for the political and organizational ability that has been taken away from us. Ruthenberg is dead but the struggle for Communism will continue."

# AMERICAN NEGRO LABOR CONGRESS FEELS IT HAS LOST GREAT FRIEND

CHICAGO, March 6.—The American Negro Labor Congress, through its acting secretary, I. Dunjee, has sent the following communication to the Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party:

"The American Negro Labor Congress is hastening to send to you and your entire organization an expression of sympathy and regret because of the sudden death of the very able leader of the American Communist Party, C. E. Ruthenberg."

"We of the congress feel it proper to so express our regret over the loss of C. E. Ruthenberg because we realize that he was not only the leader of the American Communist Party, but at the same time he was also the ablest champion of the entire American working class."

"We feel quite sure in making this statement that we speak one hundred per cent the sincere attitude of the Negro people of America over the loss of so able a figure in the struggle of American workers for

real freedom as C. E. Ruthenberg has proven himself to be.

"Furthermore, the Negro workers in their struggle for a fair show in America have been championed chiefly by the Communist Party, and that in a very clear-cut manner. We have always accepted C. E. Ruthenberg as one of the upstanding and fearless leaders of the Communist Party who always has taken a very clear position in defense of the Negro people of this country as a submerged class."

"We feel that the loss of C. E. Ruthenberg is a loss that will be severely felt, not only by the American Communist Party, but will also be a major loss to the entire working class group of America."

"Hoping that whatever we have said in this statement will be taken as an expression of a group of workers who know their foes, but who also are at all times able to recognize their friends, we are

Fraternally yours,  
The American Negro Labor Congress.

# CHICAGO TRADE UNION EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE MEMBERS STAND IN SILENCE FOR RUTHENBERG

CHICAGO, March 6.—The local general group of the Trade Union Educational League held one of its best-attended meetings Wednesday March 2 where Brother J. W. Johnstone spoke on the recent convention of the United Mine Workers and the significance of the convention to the general labor movement. There was much interesting discussion from the floor and considerable literature was put out.

The new local executive reported that plans were being carried out for intensified activity.

The meeting was held the evening of the day the labor movement suffered the loss of Brother Charles E. Ruthenberg, honorary member of the Railway Clerk's Brotherhood, and in deference to his memory the assembly stood in silence for one minute after adopting a resolution of regard for Ruthenberg.

The resolution follows:

"Whereas in the death of C. E. Ruthenberg, secretary of the Workers (Communist) Party, the American labor movement has lost one of its best and most courageous fighters and

"Whereas, Comrade Ruthenberg's activities as one of the leaders in the left wing labor movement, extending for more than a decade, has helped greatly to make clear to the workers the irreconcilable conflict between the working class and the employing class and,

That was he—except that he continued functioning as executive secretary and directing force of the party to which he had sworn allegiance."

The Assistant District Attorney listened to my report and tapping his heart, said, "Yes all right here"—then tapping his head, concluded, "but, he's all wrong here."

### C. E. Reversed.

The appeal was finally argued before the Court of Appeals and strange to find that court set aside the conviction and ordered a new trial of Charles E. Ruthenberg and I. E. Ferguson; which new trial was never held. Incidentally it is interesting to recall that the brief upon the appeal was prepared by Ferguson while in jail and argued before the court by him in person.

The highest court in the State of New York decided that the state had made a mistake; two years later the indictments against the defendants were dismissed. The District Attorney admitted upon the motion for dismissal of the indictment that he had not sufficient ground and proof upon which to convict. They gave back "C. E." his freedom but they could not give him back his 18 months of soul's torture in a prison cell for a crime of which the highest court in the State of New York admitted he was not guilty. Hysteria and class prejudice had scored again.

"C. E." continued on the path that he had chosen a long, long ago and there he was traveling with head high, eyes clear, and heart brave when the grim reaper beckoned him to an untimely end.

# "Let's Fight On"

—Last Words of C. E. Ruthenberg.



This is the ringing message of our fallen leader. With his determination and energy as our shining example, we must carry forward the fight for 25,000 readers to THE DAILY WORKER. Every subscription is a splendid monument to the memory of Comrade Ruthenberg. Every sub carries forward one step further the great work which Comrade Ruthenberg so ably and devotedly initiated.

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A COMMUNIST TRIAL. Extracts from the testimony of C. E. Ruthenberg at his trial for violation of the Syndicalist Law in 1919. This book contains the speech delivered by C. E. Ruthenberg and is considered the most revolutionary challenge made in a court in the United States. The facts in the case and the record of the speech. Price 25 cents.

THE FOURTH NATIONAL CONVENTION. Resolutions—Theses Declaration—Constitution of the Workers (Communist) Party. Adopted at the 4th National Convention, held in Chicago, Ill., August 21 to 30, 1925. \$ .50

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REPORT ON THE MINORITIES OF U. S. S. R. GIVEN

Equal Rights for All Nationalities Policy

MOSCOW, Feb. 14 (By Mail).—Yesterday the third session of the Central Executive Committee of the Soviet Union was opened in the Kremlin in Moscow.

The workers cultural department and peasants of the Soviet Union have now placed into the foreground the problems of the industrialization of the country and of the cultural development of broad masses of the people.

THE sum of 1,100 million roubles for investment purposes in the state budget proves that the toiling masses are able to carry through themselves the industrialization of the Soviet Union.

Adamovitch Reports.

The chairman of the Council of People's Commissars of the Socialist Soviet Republic of White Russia, Comrade Adamovitch, gave a detailed report on the activity of the White Russian Soviet government.

Comrade Adamovitch further quoted a number of figures showing the cultural and economic construction of the White Russian Soviet Republic since the end of the Polish occupation.

With red baiting becoming a regular part of the procedure of the socialists and their allies in the trade unions, they have now carried it over into other organizations, the Pioneer Youth being one of them.

Building Trade Workers In Solid Front Against New Open Shop Drive

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 6.—The persistent refusal of the Building Trades Employers' Assn. to accept anything short of the 1926 scale is responsible for the continuance of the strike, begun last Tuesday.

Three commissioners of conciliation have been in the city for the past week, but they have been unable to shake the deadlock between the bosses and the workers.

Read The Daily Worker Every Day

All Workers

but particularly Irish workers will want to read "Jim Connolly and the Irish Rising of 1926," by G. Schuller with an introduction by T. J. O'Flaherty. "Connolly," name of the military leader of the Easter Week Rebellion, is a magic name to every Irish worker who has within him a single spark of the divine fire of revolt.

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CURRENT EVENTS

Legion and former alien property custodian, even the both are patriots. But without a little financial lubrication, patriotism grows like a rheumatic septuagenarian.

ACCORDING to statistics dug up by the New York World the alleged suicide epidemic among students that made the front pages recently was only alleged after all.

THERE are thousands of perfectly logical reasons why students should commit suicide, particularly those that expect to become lawyers, editors or business managers.

There was a time when an interview with the ex-kaiser of Germany could not be purchased with a ten thousand dollar bill. But today Wilhelm peddles his views as anxiously and almost as successfully as Cornelius Vanderbilt Jr., the young fellow who started at the top of the newspaper business.

CALHOUN SEVERES CONNECTION WITH PIONEER YOUTH

Arthur W. Calhoun, instructor at the Brookwood Labor College and well known lecturer and author, has severed his connection with the Pioneer Youth, a semi-socialist organization.

Refuses to Support the Red Baiting Campaign

My dear Josh: I'll have to ask you to drop me from the list of supporters of Pioneer Youth. Last night's performance was too much.

MEXICAN ENVOY QUILTS POSITION IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 6.—Fear that Coolidge intends to increase the tension between the United States and Mexico during the congressional recess was strengthened when it was learned that Manuel M. C. Tellez, the Mexican ambassador to the United States was recalled and was already on his way to report to President Calles.

New Orleans Citizens Ask That Police Stop Doing Special Work

NEW ORLEANS, March 6 (FP).—Taxpayers of New Orleans are asking the city to meet the \$60,000 shortage in the 1927 police budget by stopping the detaching of police officers on special duty for financial institutions, other corporations and individuals, except for charitable or school purposes.

OFFICIAL ADMITS MARINES POSTED WITHIN SHANGHAI

New Ruling by Kellogg Disproves Neutrality

By LAURENCE TODD (Federated Press)

WASHINGTON, (FP).—Admiral Williams, commanding the American armed forces at Shanghai, has been authorized by the Washington government to use his own discretion.

Washington still maintains that it is seeking merely to "protect American lives and property," but it now explains that it does not pretend to know what Admiral Williams may decide to do, to give this protection.

Thus the turn of events at Shanghai is beginning to follow the twist of American action in Nicaragua, where military occupation and virtual corraling of the constitutional government forces was carried out without bringing proof that any American property or lives had at any time been endangered.

ELECTION GRAFT TO BE ELECTION ISSUE THIS YEAR

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The national issue of election corruption will be carried to the American people this summer and forced into the 1928 presidential campaign, it was learned today.

Chinese Speaker TELLS IRISH OF COUNTRY'S AIMS

Samuel Sha, member of the editorial staff of the Chinese Nationalist Daily told an audience of Irish workers last Friday evening in Bryant Hall, that the Chinese revolutionary forces would sound the death knell of British and all other imperialisms in China.

Big Slump in Coal Certain as Surplus Stocks Accumulate

With stocks on the ground between 60,000,000 and 70,000,000 tons, the coal trade is slumping in anticipation of prolonged shutdowns this spring and summer.

Comrades and Fellow Workers

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SIGMAN AGENTS WOULD CORRUPT CLOAKMAKERS THEY SENT TO PRISON

Heroic Victims of International Expose Dirty Tricks of Gang; Stand Firm for Joint Board

Sigman agents, past masters of corruption, not content with the havoc they have played with the needle workers' unions, are now trying to corrupt the very workers they sent to prison.

When these Sigmanists, these fascist heroes came to us with their shameful propositions, we turned our backs to them. We made them understand that all who suffer for an ideal and principle of pure democracy will accept such shameful offers from these autocratic prostitutes and those who sold their souls to these autocrats for a few pennies.

Comrades, all struggles require their victims. We are now fighting for a great cause, and there is nothing that can scare us from fighting a pure democratic union for the workers and not for business bureaucrats.

We have received your letters and telegrams. It certainly gave us great encouragement and satisfaction to know of your devotion and activities for our great cause.

FILIBUSTER RUINS CAL'S ECONOMY CAMOUFFAGE

The Reed committee definitely committed itself to a campaign of activity by ordering the impounding of ballots in four additional counties of Pennsylvania, Delaware, Schuylkill, Luzerne and Lackawanna.

MEXICAN ENVOY QUILTS POSITION IN WASHINGTON

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 6.—Fear that Coolidge intends to increase the tension between the United States and Mexico during the congressional recess was strengthened when it was learned that Manuel M. C. Tellez, the Mexican ambassador to the United States was recalled and was already on his way to report to President Calles.

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American Economic Life By WALLPROL.

WALL ST. GLOMS SURPLUS CASH IS EASY PICKINGS IN FLOWING FAST TO BIG SPECULATIONS LATIN AMERICA

100% Profits Quick if With Marine-Backing, You Know How Capital Is Confident

Poor dumb workers. If only they'd quit their badly paid, despised labor in shop, mill and factory and listen to the advice of The Financial World, how much better off they'd be. Listen—

If you had followed that paper's advice in October last year, you'd be sitting pretty now with a profit of more than 100 per cent. And that on borrowed money.

The financial quacks are cleaning up plenty of money nowadays by this sort of "prediction." In a rising market, characteristic of Coolidge-Mellon administration of the government in behalf of Wall Street since 1923, most of the stocks are bound to go up.

Where prediction becomes tough, is in foreseeing the crash which is bound to come. Stocks that run up the clock hickory dock, must come a-running down too, some day.

John Farmer Buying Machinery Which Is Robbing Him of Work

That the machine is kicking the farmer in the pants and off the farm is no news to DAILY WORKER readers. But there is humor in the Wall Street Journal's analysis that as a result, the "farmer is making progress."

Not only does McNary-Haugenism look foolish to the WSJ, but also proposals for diversification of crops, more co-operation and better methods, it is not a question of the cotton grower cutting down his cotton crop to raise more meat.

One lesson emerges from the wreck engineered by Lewis and his crowd of union-wreckers. The United Mine Workers cannot exist in any effective way with the industry half-union must conquer West Virginia.

But America's coal miners, under firm militant leadership, will work their way out of the mess Lewis has plunged them into, whether erstwhile liberals and coal programmers bestir themselves or not.

Suicide Craze Hits England. LONDON, March 6.—Agitation for a government inquiry into the cause of rapidly increasing suicide in England has gained impetus by the suicide of Rees Davis, 20, an undergraduate at Corpus Christi College, Cambridge University.

With the suicide rate increasing so rapidly that it has now reached one out of sixty-five in the deaths of males over twenty in England and Wales, the house of commons has given some attention to the matter.

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## Lewis Surrenders to the Coal Barons; The "Save the Union" Bloc Must Take the Lead

John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers, has stated to the press, in order "to reassure the public," that there will be no strike in the bituminous fields on April 1 when the Jacksonville agreement expires.

The heartfelt concern for the feelings of the dear "public" manifested by Lewis is in direct contrast to his care for the interests of the miners.

What Lewis has done by this announcement of his policy is to issue a blank check to the coal barons. Knowing that if strikes occur they will get no support from the UMWA officialdom, the operators can and will begin their attack on wages and working conditions of the miners even before the contract ends.

The actions of the Lewis machine at the Indianapolis convention forecast some such maneuver by officialdom even though it adopted the slogan of "no backward step." The negotiations between union officials and the coal operators in Miami served only to show that the Lewis machine was following closely the operators' policy of agreement of both sides to an increase of production and lowering of wage charges—more production with less men.

Lewis has surrendered to the coal barons. This is the inevitable result of the policy he has followed since he succeeded Hayes as president of the Union. He has initiated and carried out an expulsion campaign against all the most devoted and militant elements in the union beginning with Alex Howat. He has systematically destroyed the morale of the membership by his continual persecutions and by allowing thousands of miners to be driven from the union fields and the industry while the coal barons were "normalizing" production.

While Lewis was doing all in his power to crush the traditional militancy of the union membership the coal barons were expanding the non-union fields until today they produce from 65 to 70 per cent of the total tonnage. The union has decreased steadily in numbers even losing 19,000 members in the last six months when all coal production records were broken.

The United Mine Workers faces the same problem now but in more urgent form that it faced three years ago—organization of the unorganized fields. The Lewis machine has made the most disastrous failure possible in this direction. Not only has it failed to organize West Virginia, Kentucky and Tennessee but it has either lost entirely or seriously weakened union fields like Ohio, western Pennsylvania, eastern Pennsylvania, Canada, etc.

The program of the "Save the Union" bloc is to launch an intensive organization drive in the non-union territories, refuse to accept any wage cut and strike if wage cuts are made. The life of the union depends upon struggle against the operators in both union and non-union fields.

Lewis says nothing of an organization drive. No preparations are being made for such a campaign except by the "Save the Union" bloc, and this can be taken to mean only that Lewis has surrendered this part of the union program as well.

The UMWA will be cut to pieces if Lewis is allowed to have his way. The various operators' associations will start an assault on wages or working conditions or both. The inevitable rank and file strikes will be scattered and therefore ineffective and the membership will continue to decrease.

The Lewis machine has wrecked the miners' union. The last statement by Lewis is an admission of this fact. We have said day after day that Lewis would betray the miners and the miners' union, that he would fight no one except the militant membership and that his policy led straight to disruption and destruction.

Because we have told the truth about the Lewis machine and its menace to the miners' union, its officials and publicists have expelled miners who are members of the Communist Party and have accused us of being enemies of the union.

The miners are now in a position to judge who fights for their interests and it certainly is not the Lewis machine.

To save the UMWA the non-union fields must be organized. The immediate task of the "Save the Union" bloc is to force the Lewis machine to begin the campaign at once and to show by the organization of mines that are now non-union, as in western Pennsylvania, that the UMWA is weak because its leadership is reactionary, corrupt and playing the game operators want it to play.

The "Save the Union" bloc must take the lead in the struggle against the coal barons' attempt to smash the union.

The London correspondent of the New York Herald-Tribune writes: "The powder barrel is well stocked in Europe, and stranger things have happened than that China should apply the match."

One cannot read the news of the day from foreign offices and state departments without realizing that there is occurring, hastened by the ever increasing imperialist conflicts, a whole series of incidents whose inevitable outcome is another world war unless imperialism suffers defeat at the hands of the masses before it can initiate the blood-bath.

A few outstanding events will corroborate the above statement:  
(1) The French government adopts a law making compulsory the mobilization of the whole population—men, women and children above a certain age—in the event of war. This is the first measure of its kind to be placed on the statute books of a capitalist nation.

(a) Austen Chamberlain, the British foreign minister, is either in Berlin or on his way there to attempt to secure German repudiation of the Rapallo treaty with the Soviet Union providing for German neutrality in the event of war.

(b) Britain is entrenching her forces around Shanghai—outside the foreign concession—is sending a known total of 40,000 troops with full equipment and has a huge fleet in the Far East. Reliable reports are to the effect that Britain is preparing for a three-year campaign in China.  
Great Britain's policy in China has increased the tension at every point of contact in two spheres (a) between the imperialist nations and the Soviet Union and (b) between the imperialist nations themselves.

(3) The troop and warship movements of the United States are on a scale explainable only by the theory that the state and war departments see war as a possibility of the immediate future.

(a) The armed march of 1,200 U. S. marines through the streets of Shanghai is no routine incident but an important international demonstration for the purpose first of intimidating the Chinese masses and second of impressing other imperialist powers with the determination of America to resist being pushed into position inferior to that of Britain and Japan in China.

(4) The recent increase in the amount of foreign news carried by all capitalist papers is an infallible indication of the rapid upward trend of international conflicts.

The growing tension in the imperialist world is concealed somewhat by hypocritical words in favor of disarmament and other diplomatic subterfuges. But the burden of militarism is growing heavier each day and, as in the United States, where radio communication control is handed over to control of a former admiral, decisive industrial enterprises are being put on a war basis.

Imperialism is sleeping on its arms ready to awake for slaughter at the first call of the master class.

The workers and farmers of America and all other sections of the population honestly opposed to war for Wall Street must be prepared to resist any and all attempts to open hostilities.

Hands Off China and withdrawal of all armed forces from the Far East is the minimum demand that must be made at this time.

## The Imperialist Menace in China.

Naval and military concentration in and around Shanghai by the imperialist powers is going forward at a rate that indicates something far more sinister than "protection of lives and property."

According to the New York Tribune correspondent Great Britain is arranging for a force of 40,000 troops, and barracks are being built for a minimum stay of three years. These preparations are proof that the British foreign office regards the Chinese situation as of major political and military importance. British imperialism in China no longer proceeds on the theory that a colonial punitive expedition is all that is required.

That these preparations are in direct contradiction with British pronouncements to the effect that the foreign office waits only for the establishment of a stable government in China to which recognition can be accorded is of little significance other than to give further proof of hypocrisy.

The People's government (Kuomintang) does not lack stability. On the contrary it is far too well established to suit Britain's rulers.

Nor is the United States backward in a display of force. According to dispatches there are now 13 American battle craft of various kinds in Shanghai harbor and American marines and sailors have been landed. Japan is sending two additional warships.

British fortifications have been extended far outside the boundaries of the international settlement. It can be said with certainty that Britain is mobilizing not only to hold Shanghai against the Peoples' government but against other nations as well. Britain would prefer joint action against the new China but failing this is committed to a diehard militarist policy.

Just as Britain's forces are in China for conquest if possible so are the American forces in readiness to strike a blow for American imperialism against all rivals if future developments make such a policy profitable.

There is a tendency even among American revolutionists to underestimate the danger to the world's working class inherent in the Chinese situation as it becomes more and more apparent that without armed intervention on a big scale the Chinese masses will defeat imperialism and its native allies. These dangers are:

(1) Intervention itself by one or more imperialist powers with Great Britain as the most dangerous aggressor at the moment. On a big enough scale intervention could postpone the liberation of China for a considerable period and stop completely the work of education, organization and industrialization of China which is beginning under the Peoples' government.

(2) A world war arising out of the struggle for the privilege of exploiting China.

The daily increase of imperialist forces in the Far East is evidence that both of the above possible developments are being discussed in the foreign offices of the great powers. The progress of diplomatic debate is marked by the movement of battleships and troops on the world chess-board.

World imperialism faces defeat in China. Even the biased news carried by the capitalist press indicates that the alliance of the northern war-lords against the Peoples' government has collapsed. The militarists have found it impossible to hold their troops in the face of their known connection with the imperialists—Britain especially. The Peking government no longer makes even the pretense of speaking for China. There is no government in China but the Kuomintang.

Recognition of these realities would be followed automatically by recognition of the Peoples' government by the powers if they desired nothing more than a stable regime in China. Withdrawal of battleships and troops would mean that the Peoples' government would rule all China in a brief period.

It will do so in any case no matter how long and bloody the struggle is. 400,000,000 people, organized and led by a skilled and disciplined political party like the Kuomintang, cannot be defeated.

Like the Mediterranean area in 1912, like the Balkans in 1914, but on a far larger scale, the Far East now is a powder magazine which can be exploded by accident or design. The only protection against another imperialist war lies in the complete victory of the Peoples' government in alliance with the Soviet Union, constant vigilance and militancy on the part of the labor and revolutionary movements of the imperialist countries and support by them of the two great bulwarks against world imperialism—the workers' and peasants' government of the Soviet Union and the Chinese revolution.

## MANY SPEAK AT MEMORIALS TO C. E. RUTHENBERG

The Programs Grow As Meetings Are Arranged

(Continued from Page One)  
provided by Lithuanian, Russian, Ukrainian and Polish organizations. Similar memorial meetings are being arranged all over the state. Memorial meeting in Springfield, Mass., will be held on Wednesday, March 10th with Comrade G. S. Sklar as the principal speaker.  
Philadelphia.  
The workers of Philadelphia will commemorate the death of our leader Comrade Ruthenberg, on Friday, March 11th, at 7 p. m., at the Labor Institute, 810 Locust Street.

The speakers will be Bertram D. Wolfe of New York, J. O. Rentall, district organizer of Philadelphia district, Irvin Green for the Young Workers League and a representative of the Young Pioneers. The Freiheit Gesangs Verein will sing the memorial song—"Our Leader." A fitting musical program has been arranged.  
The workers of Philadelphia knew Comrade Ruthenberg well, his self sacrificing devotion to the cause of the working class, and will not fail to pay their last tribute to him.

In Youngstown, Ohio, the memorial meeting will take place on Friday, March 11.  
Pittsburgh Meeting.  
Workers of Pittsburgh will hold their meeting on March 12, at Labor Lyceum, at 8 p. m. In Los Angeles the meeting will be on March 13. On the same date, in the afternoon, Minneapolis will have a meeting, and, still on the thirteenth, in the evening, there will be one in St. Paul.

The Ruthenberg memorial meeting in Buffalo is set for Sunday, March 13, at 8 p. m. at Elmwood Music Hall.  
In Duluth the memorial meeting will be on March 14 and in Superior on March 15.

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## Fraud Charge In Local 38 Election

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of Local 38, if the fraud charges are proven true, that new elections will be ordered by the investigating committee.  
27 Not Allowed to Vote.  
"We must also call your attention to the unfair discrimination against twenty-seven members of our local who have been allowed to vote and whose votes were not counted on the ground that the members have not yet joined the sick fund. These members appeared before the membership committee, were given books through the regular procedure, and were allowed to pay dues.  
"They were taken in during the organization campaign, at a reduced rate, as is customary in unorganized trades, and as will be necessary, particularly in our trade, where we work with an element that has never been in a union. We believe that this discrimination against these members will be very harmful to our future progress amongst this category of workers.  
Participated in Election for Committee.  
"These members participated in the voting for the members of the election objection committee and in the voting on other questions in connection with the elections, and if the ruling is to hold good that their votes are not legitimate, then the entire procedure previous to the elections must be considered illegal.  
"We are sure that in our local union such a situation has arisen that officers have been elected by fraud and that the election objection committee is not in a position to come to the members with a unanimous report that the officers have been elected in a regular and honest, clean way and that they can not have the full confidence and prestige that regularly elected officials have the right to expect upon entering office.  
(Signed) ELECTION OBJECTION COMMITTEE: H. Karp, chairman; M. Forman, A. Foman, S. Packer, S. Rosenfeld.

## Textile Industry Is Sinking Deeper Into Competitive Morass

Like the cotton spinning industry in New England the wool textile business is still suffering from the acute trade depression. American Woolen Co. reports an operating loss of \$2,000,000 although the figure juggling may conceal a real profit. Profits for the first quarter are being paid out of surplus accumulated from fat years.  
Competition of southern mills in the cotton line, the boom in production and boom in rayon and silk are among reasons assigned by the textile operators for the depression. One "remedy" is for the producer to buy out the looms of the bankrupt concerns, tossing them on the junk pile to keep the industry from being over-equipped. This bright idea embracing the destruction of private property, aptly illustrates the con-

## DRAMA

BROADWAY BRIEFS. EGON BRECHER

"The Mystery Ship," by Edgar M. Schoenberg and Milton Silver, is scheduled to open at the Garrick Theatre Monday night, March 14.

"Menace," an Oriental drama by Arthur M. Brilliant, is in rehearsal and will be presented here in a fortnight by James E. Kenny Productions. In the cast are Jack Roseleigh, Pauline MacLean, Eve Casanova, Tom Reynolds, Maud Durand, Joseph Granby, Tom Burroughs and Wryley Birch.

"Honeymooning on High" by Hatcher Hughes, with Reginald Sheffield, Carol Humphreys, J. C. Nugent and Lorin Raker in the cast, will be produced here in two weeks by Max Brown.

Following the opening tonight of "Inheritors" by Susan Glaspell, at the 14th Street Theatre, the Civic Repertory Players will present "Cradle Song" on Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday nights and at a special matinee Friday afternoon; "Master Builder" Thursday night and "Three Sisters" at the Saturday matinee. "Inheritors" will be repeated Wednesday afternoon and Saturday night.  
Zoe Akins' new play will be ushered in at the Morocco Theatre tonight. Helen Ware, David Hawthorne, Miriam Hopkins, Roberta Beatty and Ullrich Haupt head the cast.

"Daisy Mayme," the George Kelly comedy, will begin a week's engagement at the Bronx Opera House tonight. The cast includes Jessie Busley, Carlton Brickert, Alma Kruger, Josephine Hull, Madge Evans, Frank Rowan, Nadea Hall and Roy Fant. Mary Nash in "Birds of Passage," will play the Bronx Opera the week of March 14.

"Loud Speaker," the New Playwrights Theatre first production will be played at the 52nd Street Theatre tonight and tomorrow night. "Earth" opens Wednesday night and will continue until March 14th, when the Lawson play returns.  
Eric Titus, tenor, has been added to the cast of "Gay Paree" at the Winter Garden.

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Will have a leading role in "Inheritors," the new Susan Glaspell play, opening at the 14th Street Theatre tonight.

## On the Screen

The film feature at Moss' Broadway this week is "Love's Greatest Mistake"; adapted from the story of Frederic Arnold Kummer. Evelyn Brent, William Powell and Josephine Dunn have important roles.

The Capitol Theatre is showing this week the new Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer production, "The Taxi Dancer," picture of Robert Terry Shannon's novel of the same name. The players include: Joan Crawford, Owen Moore, Rockliffe Fellowes, Marc MacDermott, Douglas Gilmore, Gertrude Astor, Bert Roach, Claire McDowell and William Orlamond.

"Rubber Tires" is the film attraction at the Hippodrome this week, featuring Bessie Love and Harrison Ford. The cast also includes May Robson, Erwin Connelly, Junior Coghlan, John Patrick and Clarence Burton.

Douglas McLean is being starred in "Let It Rain," at the Paramount Theatre. He is supported by Shirley Mason. As a part of the stage program which the Paramount is featuring this week, Gertrude Ederle, conqueror of the channel, assisted by Helen Wainwright and Aileen Rigzin, swimming stars, will appear in a huge glass tank.

"Metropolis," the spectacular UFA production which has been in the hands of the Paramount organization in this country for about a year, is now at the Rialto Theatre. The picture was directed by Fritz Lang, maker of "Siegfried," and has a German cast.

Charlie Chaplin in "Pay Day," and "The New Enchantment" are the features at the Fifth Avenue Playhouse this week.

Gilda Gray has signed a contract with Samuel Goldwyn to make one picture each year for five years. Gil Boag, Miss Gray's husband and manager, is completing negotiations for the film rights to "Marie Odile," Edward Knoblock's play.



FURRIERS RUSH FINANCES TO HELP SAVE THE UNION

Paying Assessment in Spite of Expulsion

An example of the loyalty of the fur workers to the New York Joint Board of the union, and their utter contempt for the dissolution-suspension-expulsion orders of the reactionary International officials, was shown by the fact that two workers came to the Joint Board office yesterday morning and paid the special tax of \$25 which had been voted by the local membership meeting only the night before.

All locals affiliated with the Joint Board unanimously agreed to pay this tax and at the same time expressed their determination to disregard all orders of the International union, and to continue their financial and moral support of their chosen leaders.

Reject Compulsion

"The unprecedented attempt to impose leadership upon the fur workers by force," was denounced not only in resolutions but by all the workers as they discussed Thursday's notice of expulsion which carried with it the slanderous charges against the Joint Board officers.

These "charges" will be formally answered after the Joint Board meets today—even tho these charges have been so illegally announced, and have never been presented to those whom they accuse.

Whom Makes Seab Union

While Matthew Woll, acting-president of the National Civic Federation and chairman of the Special Reorganization Committee of the American Federation of Labor, is boldly announcing that "The Communists are out to stay" he is endeavoring to begin building himself a new fur workers union by handing a charter to the company union, known as the Greek Brotherhood.

Organizes Fine Dodgers

On the day the New York Joint Board was declared "dissolved", Oizer Schachtman, president of the International Fur Workers Union, obeyed instructions from the special committee and issued a charter which establishes "Greek Fur Workers' Union, Local 70". This is composed of a large number of those who scabbed during last year's strike, and who in order to avoid the payment of fines, willingly formed a company union under the direction of the Greek bosses who had refused to sign an agreement with the union and maintain union conditions in their shops.

Workers Will Fight

The reactionary officials of the International Fur Workers Union and the A. F. of L. do not care what methods they use in their efforts to break the union. They welcome the aid of scab unions in this helps them to gain power. But the fur workers defy them, and they will fight fearlessly to keep the union which they have built up at such cost.

The Joint Board has utterly ignored the International's communication about dissolution and expulsion, and the work of the union is proceeding as usual.

Compensation for Man With Eyes Burned Out

PASSAIC, N. J. (FP)—Maintenance and \$8000 flat award for 100% permanent disability were granted John Koveretky, a dye worker, by the Workmen's Compensation Bureau. The worker was formerly employed at Heyden Chemical Co., Garfield, N. J., as a laborer. He had to shovel chloride of lime—bleaching powder—into drums.

The chemical splashed into Koveretky's eyes while he worked, gradually making him blind, although he was treated for six months. The state law requires that the company supply goggles for workers in chemical factories but lack of sufficient inspection brings lax enforcement. The chemical industry of northern Jersey is one of the largest and most important of the section, including dyeing of the majority of the country's silk goods.

When replying to these advertisements mention The DAILY WORKER.

Owners and Lawmakers Both Responsible for Rents, Shortage

Methods By Which Housing Problem Has Been Maintained, and Solution of Situation, Given Next Week

Today's article begins the summary of the housing survey undertaken by Will de Kalb, DAILY WORKER investigator. The summary will be continued next week, and also special articles exposing the landlords' lobby at Albany, and the responsibility for the housing shortage.

By WILL DE KALB.

After a short summary of the evidence procured in the housing survey, and a further presentation of documents of record and evidence found in public files, the prosecution, which is yours truly, will rest the case.

One thing is certain at this time, however. The facts so far presented prove the existence of a housing shortage. Rooms everywhere cost more money than the average worker can comfortably pay. And they are hard to find. And if found, they are in such a condition, they are not fit quarters for a human being to live in.

Whose Fault? Someone is responsible. It can't be the tenant. It is either the rent-gouging landlord, or the crooked legislator who is at fault. But according to the facts so far obtained, and further evidence that will be revealed in next week's articles, both the landlord and the legislator are at fault.

According to a certain assemblyman, undoubtedly (and maybe later I will be able to procure documentary evidence of this fact) in the pay of the real estate lobby at Albany, the housing shortage, which necessitated the passage of an emergency rent law in 1922, no longer exists.

How much truth is there in this statement? The DAILY WORKER housing survey proves conclusively

SIGMAN AND GANG PUT INJUNCTION ON GARMENT WORKERS JOINT BOARD

Frisco Moulders' War Still On

By HOWARD MARLAN. Four members of the moulders' union were arrested last night and charged with murder. They are: Robert Burton, William Allen, Earl J. Parenti and Tony Mello. All occupy prominent positions in the union. The quartette are charged with the murder of Frank Tanner, a clerk at the Enterprise Foundry of San Francisco, who was shot and seriously wounded on Feb. 12 while on his way home from work.

For the past five years the moulders' war has been on in San Francisco. Almost a dozen men, some union members and some scabs, have been killed, and a great many more have been wounded since the conflict began. Scarcely a month has passed in all those years without its quota of victims in the moulders' war.

The struggle commenced when the moulders' union declared its intention of making San Francisco a closed shop town. The officials and men realized the fact that the open shop meant the employment of scab labor, and that consequently wages would be small and conditions bad. They were determined to get the most they could for the energy they sold.

The employers, backed by the Industrial Association, bitterly fought every attempt of the men to better their conditions by maintaining a closed shop. It was their desire to reduce all labor to a common low level where they must accept the dictation of the employing class. When the latest fatality occurred the Industrial Association offered a reward of \$10,000 for the arrest and conviction of those who did the shooting. The arrest of the four officials mentioned has been the result of this action.

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Philadelphia Pioneers Arrange Summer Camp

PHILADELPHIA, March 6.—Definite steps for the organization of a workers' children's camp, to be known as Camp Pioneer, were taken by the Philadelphia Pioneers at their third anniversary celebration staged the other day.

Workers, who flocked to the anniversary celebration despite the heavy downpour of rain, gave \$100 toward the fund started for the purpose of organizing a children's camp in the Philadelphia district.

The district committee of the Young Workers League presented the Pioneers with a large banner during the graduation exercises held in connection with the celebration.

Stop Tunnel

WASHINGTON, March 6.—Suspension of work on the Harlem River channel in New York City, was recommended in a report made to congress today by Maj. Gen. Jadwin, chief of army engineers.

An adverse report upon further improvement on the Tarrytown, N. Y. harbor, was made by Jadwin.

FORWARD RAGES AS TOILERS BUY DEFENSE BONDS

Reactionary Sheet Not Able to Fool Workers

While the Forward raves, the money pours in for the cloakmakers' bonds. Every day this "right wing" organ very seriously announces that there is no money coming in on the bond issue; and every day the checks and cash pile in to the Bond Committee Headquarters at 16 West 21st Street.

Secretly the Forward must be gnashing its teeth and pulling its own, or somebody's hair; and there is more sorrow in store for the poor old sheet. Next week the bond committee will publish lists of the organizations and individuals who have participated so far in the purchase of bonds, and it will be a staggering blow to all enemies of the union.

This week two thousand dollars worth of RAIC shares were cashed, and the response of these bond holders has been a splendid expression of workers' solidarity.

Shops Pledge

From Elizabeth, N. J., \$217.50 came in yesterday. The Hungarian Workers' Benevolent Society sent in \$200 this week, and additional contributions came from Philadelphia, Brockton and Denver. Several shops have pledged themselves to bring in good-sized contributions today, and so step by step the goal is being reached and the union traitors are being forced to realize that a devoted army is supporting the progressive leaders, and is determined to drive the reactionary officials out of the union forever.

Next Trial On Oil Scandal Will Take Place On April 25

WASHINGTON, March 6.— Announcement was made yesterday by U. S. Attorney P. Gordon, that the government will proceed with the bribery cases against Fall, Doherty senior and junior, at the conclusion of the Fall, Doherty conspiracy trial which is to take place on April 25.

The elder Doherty and Fall were tried last year on an indictment charging "conspiracy to defraud". The jury, composed of youngsters of the "jazz-baby" type returned a verdict of not guilty, because, as it was stated by one of the jurymen, they held that "a loan between two old pals was a token of good friendship, and nobody eases business".

As the result of the recent decision of the U. S. Supreme Court, voiding the Elk Hill Oil leases, the Doherty Oil Co. has petitioned congress for an reimbursement of \$10,000,000, claimed to have been expended by the company on the development of Pearl Harbor, and the California oil lands.

Workers of Chicago to Celebrate Commune by Mass Meeting March 13

CHICAGO, March 6.—This year just as in other years the workers of Chicago will celebrate the anniversary of the Paris Commune. The International Labor Defense local will hold a mass meeting on March 13 at Temple Hall, Van Buren and Marshfield.

A special program has been arranged and such nationally known speakers as Wm. Z. Foster, Ralph Chaplin and Max Shachtman will address the meeting, pointing out the lessons of the Paris Commune.

The program will consist of a specially prepared tableau by the Lettish Workers' Dramatic Society and musical feature by Kissen's famous Russian Concert Orchestra.

Labor's Pension Bill Before Committee in Illinois Legislature

SPRINGFIELD, Ill. (FP).—In addition to the modified 8-hour bill for women that has reached the stage of committee hearings at Springfield, the Illinois legislature has before it the following bills urged by organized labor:

For a state old age pension system; for prohibiting yellow dog contracts under which an employe must pledge himself to have nothing to do with trade unions; for use of none but Illinois coal by departments of the state government; for safeguarding wages due workers from corporations; and for modifying the conspiracy laws so that acts that are not punishable when done by one person, in an industrial dispute will not be a conspiracy when done by more than one.

No Pay—No Work.

HAVANA, Cuba, March 6.—While firemen refuse to work because they have been unpaid for ten months, fire is today sweeping the wharf sections of the city of Matanzas.

Two warehouses and the wharves of the Munson line have already been destroyed. Fifty thousand bags of sugar were lost.

The fire threatens to spread to the business section. The damage is estimated at more than a million dollars.

FOREIGN COUNCIL TO WAR AGAINST ANTI-ALIEN LAWS

Congressman Mooney to Speak in Cleveland

CLEVELAND, March 6.—Foreigners in this country are to enjoy a breathing spell. No further anti-alien legislation can be introduced in congress until next December. But during the long recess of congress, "ambitious legislators" will be preparing renewed activity for voluntary and compulsory registration of aliens, and universal registration for everybody.

The Cleveland Council for the Protection of Foreign Born Workers is, therefore, calling a conference to prepare plans to check the reactionary forces and preserve the elementary rights of the American people in the United States.

All labor, and progressive organizations are called upon to elect or appoint two delegates to the conference, for Tuesday evening, March 8, 1927, Insurance Center Bldg. Congressman Charles A. Mooney is expected to address the gathering.

Anti-Imperialist Meetings Held in Los Angeles, Cal.

LOS ANGELES, March 6.—Three well attended meetings have been held here under the auspices of the Anti-Imperialist United Front Propaganda Committee of Los Angeles. The meeting held in Spanish proved to be very successful being attended by a great many of the Mexican and other Latin-American workers of whom there are many in this city.

The Propaganda Committee announces that a call is now being prepared that will be sent out this week to all organizations to send delegates to the conference to be held Sunday, March 13th, at 2 p. m. at 234 South Spring St. Room 215.

Meetings both in English and in Spanish will be held at the Plaza next Sunday, March 6th in the early afternoon with several well-known speakers.

Reappointment Of House to Be Delayed Till 1930

WASHINGTON, (FP).—No reappointment of House seats among the 48 states will take place until after Congress shall have further debated the issue, the House determined when it defeated, by 183-198 votes, a bill prescribing for a new allotment of the 435 seats after the 1930 census shall have been tabulated.

This bill provided that "the ratio of population to representatives shall be as nearly as possible the same in all states".

Administration leaders prefer to wait until 1932 for legislation to adjust the House membership allotment to changes in population. The present allotment is based on the 1910 census. Under the estimates for 1930, several of the agricultural states in the south would lose one or two members each, while such states as California, Michigan and Oklahoma would gain members.

Membership Meeting to Be Held in Pittsburg; CEC Members to Attend

PITTSBURG, March 6.—An important membership meeting of the Workers Party of this city and vicinity will be held at the Labor Lyceum 35 Miller St. Sunday March 13, 2 p. m. A representative of the CEC is expected to attend this meeting and all members are requested to attend.

Two New York Police Arrested for Graft

Two policemen attached to the Richmond Hill Queens precinct, were placed under arrest at the station house yesterday on charges of extortion. They are patrolmen Frances J. G. Graff and Arthur G. Rhodes. The two were arrested, charged with having extorted \$150 from Mrs. Anna Biontita, of Richmond Hill, mother of Albert Biontita, 20 years old, who was recently sentenced to serve from five to ten years in Sing Sing prison for holding up a Richmond Hill luncheon room owner. The two policemen are alleged to have extorted the \$150 from Mrs. Biontita before her son's trial on the promise that they would not testify against him.

The Manager's Corner

THE PARTY AND THE DAILY.

A study of the work done in the last few months does not show that the party is taking seriously enough the work of building up The DAILY WORKER. Must we emphasize at this time that The DAILY WORKER is the Party's chief organ and weapon in all its campaigns and activities? Must we call attention to the elementary fact that without a strong DAILY WORKER, the Party cannot succeed? Must we point out that the Party is the backbone and the driving force behind The DAILY WORKER, without which it cannot grow? In the drive for 25,000 readers the Party members must be the shock troops that will put the paper over the top.

This can only be accomplished by organized and systematic work done by every unit and every Party member. The size of the DAILY WORKER circulation figures is a first rate barometer of the extent to which the Party has succeeded, in building its mass influence.

Every Party unit, every city and town, every neighborhood, every large factory must have a dependable comrade or group of comrades in charge of promoting The DAILY WORKER. Carefully and systematically each problem must be studied, patiently and persistently, each problem must be tackled, according to the peculiar difficulties which exist.

In the cities which are open to newsstand circulation, every unit must concentrate upon newsstand inspection and newspaper promotion. In the cities and towns which are not within the zone of our newsstand circulation there should be a steady drive to secure subscriptions. The Party is the mainstay of The DAILY WORKER. It must fulfill its responsibilities as such.—BERT MILLER.

Batt and Martel, Open Shop G. O. P. Politicians In the Detroit Unions

(Continued from Page One) Batt to deliver labor's support to Grosbeck and Green, respectively, which lead to a bitter fight, has now been shifted to the Detroit Federation of Labor. Thus the fight between Batt and Martel is not a fight over policies in developing the organized labor movement in this city, but for influence and control in the organized labor movement which will enable these two men to better serve the factions which they support in the republican party.

Through their activities the organized labor movement, in place of being a weapon to fight for higher wages and better working conditions for the workers, has become merely a pawn in the game of republican politics in the state. Abandon Progressivism. The Detroit Federation of Labor has in the past taken a progressive stand on the issues before the organized labor movement. It has endorsed such progressive proposals as amalgamation of the trade unions, world trade union unity, support of the Soviet Union and the movement for a labor party. Martel and Batt who were once leaders of the progressive movement have gradually abandoned their support of these progressive measures. Their backsliding reflects the effect of their playing the game of republican politics, for how could they win favor with the rulers of the republican machine while standing for such measures in the organized labor movement?

No Interest in Organization. This abandonment of the interests of the workers is further reflected in their attitude toward the organization of the workers in the great factories of Detroit. They have lost all interest in the organization of the workers in the automobile industry, through which the labor movement would be tremendously strengthened. There is an obvious connection between their lack of interest in the organization of the workers in the basic industries of Detroit and their part in the fight in the republican party, for a vigorous, honest campaign to organize the automobile industry would immediately bring them in conflict with the great employing interests which control both factions of the republican machine. The labor movement and the republican machine represent two classes which are enemies, and these two classes cannot be part of the same political party without

the surrender of one or the other. Obviously Batt and Martel have not captured the open shop employers, but the open shop employers have captured the organized labor movement, so far as it is represented by Batt and Martel. Batt is Bosses' Best Bet. The recent editorial in the "Detroit Saturday Night," endorsing the candidacy of Batt and praising his policies, is not faked nor was it accidental. The open shoppers in control of the republican machine consider Batt as most subservient to their interests, even though the policies followed by Martel have not been a serious menace to them, and he is equally tied up with republican politics and the enemies of the organized labor movement. Repudiate Batt and Martel. The Trade Union Educational League of Detroit calls upon the organized workers to repudiate both Batt and Martel and to cut the organized labor movement free from republican politics. The honest supporters of the cause of organized labor must unite to build a movement which will fight against the open shop employers and for a systematic building of the organized labor movement in Detroit, particularly in the great manufacturing plants of the city.

In the election now taking place in the Detroit Federation of Labor those workers who stand for development of a strong labor movement in Detroit should support those candidates who declare themselves for the following policies: 1. Cutting loose of the organized labor movement from either faction in the republican machine. 2. An aggressive campaign to organize the unorganized industries, particularly the great automobile industry of the city. 3. Democratization of the Detroit Federation of Labor and the end of boss control in the interest of republican politics. The formation of a labor party to fight for the interests of labor on the political field. The organized workers of Detroit should demand that every candidate in the election declare himself on these issues and should unite to support those candidates who stand for this program of building the strength of the organized workers in this city. TRADE UNION EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE, Detroit Section.

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Bishop Brown Arouses Babbitts of Denver

(By Worker Correspondent.)

DENVER, March 6.—The Heretic Bishop, Wm. Montgomery Brown gave a series of lectures in Denver on Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 28 and 27th, under the auspices of the local organization of the I. L. D.

The first of the series entitled: "Evolution and Revolution" was delivered on Saturday evening in Grace Church Auditorium. His lecture on the above topic was a complete shock to many people who heard him give a very radical and outspoken view on the above subject.

On Sunday evening he spoke to a large crowd at the New Denver Lyceum on the West Side. The audience was mostly composed of Jewish speaking people who thoroughly enjoyed the way he pronounced his heretic ideas. The subject was: "The Power of the Workers."

The audience was so pleased with his talk that when a collection was taken for class war prisoners for which the Bishop made an appeal it contributed liberally even tho it had paid an admission to the lecture.

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# Ruthenberg, in 1920, Told Why U. S. Marines Would March in Shanghai in 1927

By J. LOUIS ENGDALH.

THERE were two processions on Saturday of the greatest interest and significance to the American working class.

On the other side of the earth, at Shanghai, China, 1,200 American marines from the ships of war, Chaumont and Pecos, marched brazenly and blatantly, with blast of bugle corps and jingo music of brass bands, thru the streets of the great Chinese seaport, one of the largest in the whole world.

In Chicago, there was another march, the quiet tread of thousands of workers past the bier of C. E. Ruthenberg, paying their tribute to one who had not only struggled, but led in the struggle for their release from oppression. They had come to do him honor.

There is some connection between the two processions. The march of the workers in Chicago is the counter-march to "The Parade" in Shanghai, staged as an American imperialist threatening gesture against the workers of the Orient. The strength of the line of march of workers who looked to Ruthenberg for guidance spells the weakness of Wall Street's militarist display against the peoples that American imperialism would subject to its exploitation.

The kept press argues for China, as in Mexico, Nicaragua and other lands that many battleships and thousands of marines are ordered to their posts to "protect American lives" and "defend American interests." It is demanded that the heart-beat of frantic patriotism be perfectly attuned to the rolling drumbeat of roaring war. All else is treason. Boldly and bravely, Ruthenberg committed that treason to American imperialism. Concretely it was for trying to halt the march of the American dollar's marines in Shanghai in 1927, that Ruthenberg was ordered to prison in New York City, in 1920.

In the spirit of Leninism, Ruthenberg had analyzed before an astonished jury, a vicious prosecutor and a harlot, red-baiting judge, the development of imperialism, where it was leading and why. It was the clearest explanation of the Communist position that had been made up to that time under similar conditions in this country.

The capitalist overlords must needs hide the truth from the people, so that it would be possible to send marines into every foreign land to support the aggressions of the dollar. That was why they sent Ruthenberg to prison. But that did not still his voice. Nor will death silence it. For his voice takes on added volume as new masses of workers rally to the cause which he championed.

"What is imperialism or imperialist capitalism?" asked I. E. Ferguson, on trial with Ruthenberg before the notorious Judge Bartow S. Weeks. Ferguson is a lawyer and acted as one of Communist counsel. Ruthenberg, before capitalist judge and prosecutor and in face of a hostile jury, gave clear answer:

"Imperialism is that stage of the development of capitalism when the state becomes the agent of the capitalist class in seeking avenues of investment, avenues of exploitation, raw materials and in any other form of capitalist action. It is that period of capitalism when, thru the development of the capitalist system, the perfection of the machinery of production, the surplus in a country has taken on a certain character, that of the exportation of steel or iron, and making the requirement to secure markets for the use of this material, for the disposal of this material.

"In this effort to secure markets for the sale of these materials unexploited territories are sought and the governments become the agents of the capitalists in securing concessions, securing opportunities for investment, which, in turn, create the market for the sale of these products."

Then the court record contains the following, Ferguson questioning Ruthenberg:

"Q. Will you explain the statement, at what stage such a development occurs? A. The development of capitalism itself brings about the perfection of the machinery of production, the divorcing of the workers from agricultural pursuits into industry, the tending toward the production of a certain character of commodity, and that is iron and steel goods.

"Q. You mean machinery? A. Machinery also, yes.

"Q. Railroads? A. The material for railroads.

"Q. Is that a stage in which the surplus cannot be invested in the whole country? A. Yes, the tendency of capitalist production is that with the creation of greater and greater surplus, the returns of capital invested in the home industry become less, and necessarily the capitalists seek other avenues of investment where the returns will be greater. They seek the unexploited territory. They seek the countries which have not been developed, such as Mexico or China, or part of South America, and invest—seek concessions there and invest their capital for larger and quicker returns, and these investments take the form of the development of that territory thru the building of railroads, which create the market for the sale of the products of the home country.

"Q. What is the essential element that makes this process imperialistic, as you use the term? A. The intervention of the government or the state as an agency of the capitalist class to secure these concessions and to protect their investment.

"Q. Can you make that more specific? A. Well, we have had as an illustration in our relations with Mexico, where millions of American capital are invested, and where we have been in constant conflict with the various Mexican governments over the protection of these investments.

"We find at the beginning of the war in 1914, that there had developed during the preceding decades the imperialist policy in all the great capitalist nations; notably in England and in Germany.

"The struggle for colonies, the struggle for what we now might call 'mandatories' or colonies, had been going on for a long time of years. We found repeatedly that the governments came in conflict with each other, as for instance, France and Germany over Morocco. The questions were, upon questions as to which country should have the right to exploit this unexploited, undeveloped territory. These questions in which the governments fought, it might be said, the exploitation of the capitalist class, the imperialist process, the development of imperialism, the securing of these concessions for the benefit of the home capitalist.

"IT IS OUT OF THIS PROCESS THAT THE WAR DEVELOPED. IT IS OUT OF THIS PROCESS THAT OTHER WARS WILL DEVELOP IN THE FUTURE. FROM THE STANDPOINT OF SOCIALIST ANALYSIS."

Let American labor take note of this warning now. Those who accept the principles that Ruthenberg sought to bring to the attention of the American working class will increase. Support of American marines marching thru the streets of Shanghai will thus be withdrawn. Aid thrown on the side of the Chinese workers and peasants will increase and support their struggle, like American labor's, for liberation from the same enslaving imperialist system that seeks to shackle the whole world in its profit-making service. Ruthenberg gave his life to help free the world's workers of those shackles.



WHILE CAPITALIST PARASITES LIVE IN LUXURIOUS SPLENDOR ON THE SURPLUS PRODUCT OF THE INDUSTRIAL WORKER



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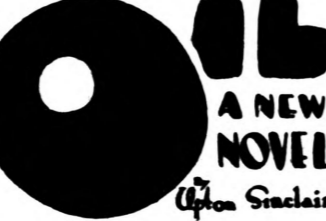
THEY ARE SLUGGED BY HIRED THUGS, STRIKEBREAKERS AND POLICE

THEY ARE SHOT FULL OF BULLETS BY THE KEPT CHURCH AND PRESS.

INJUNCTIONS ARE ISSUED AGAINST THEM.

THEY ARE MUTILATED OR KILLED IN IMPERIALIST WARS.

— AND MEET AT LAST THE ALMHOUSE OR PAUPERS GRAVE.



## Most of Us Die Poor

(By NAT KAPLAN.)

ELEVEN persons out of a hundred pass on to their heavenly reward, bequeath less than \$500 to their heirs and thereby enable actuaries and advertising agents to display the soul and money-saving virtues of life insurance.

Read further and weep—ten leave from \$500 to \$1,000; twenty from \$1,000 to \$2,500; and eighteen from \$2,500 to \$5,000; about fifteen out of the hundred will leave estates valued from \$1,000 to \$25,000, and between five and six will bequeath estates valued at from 25,000 to \$50,000.

These figures are supplied by a recent survey made by the Federal Trade Commission. The records were compiled from the reports of twenty-four "sample" counties throughout the United States, covering a period of twelve years.

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Movie Star's Hides Precious.

John Barrymore and Gloria Swanson are insured for \$2,000,000 each. Norma Talmadge for \$1,250,000, and Constance Talmadge, Buster Keaton, Charlie Chaplin, Mary Pickford, Douglas Fairbanks, Eric von Stroheim, Jane Mathis, Richard Thomas and Cecil DeMille are insured for \$1,000,000 each. Red Grange was insured for a half million while making a picture, and Marion Talley recently took out a similar amount. So if one can't pass a screen test the best bet is either banking, singing or professional football.

Three policies exceeding one million dollars were paid out in 1925, according to the National Underwriters of February 21. Figures for 1925 are the latest available. The largest claim paid was for \$1,767,000 to the estate of Solomon Rosenbloom, deceased Pittsburgh banker. Horace Saks was insured for \$1,201,000 and Julius Fleischmann was the third policy-holder to die in 1925 with more than one million dollars in insurance. His policies were for \$1,049,249. These three men were under sixty and all died suddenly.

Lots of Prosperity.

The insurance companies of America had one of their best years in 1925, the year under review. They paid out \$1,541,016,000, exclusive of the \$43,618,490 paid by the United States Veterans' Bureau.

The dread lesson conveyed in the findings of the Federal Trade Commission will doubtless increase the saleability of insurance, and sons of Eli, John Harvard, Princeton, et al, will find an answer to their quest for a life work embracing Profit and Service and rilly under the standards of the anxiously waiting insurance companies. The few who are sadly left behind may find consolation in other typically American professions—advertising, bond-selling or chiropractic.

Save One Out of Twenty-one.

LONDON, March 6. — The Greek steamer Stenies foundered off Landsend in the recent storm.

One survivor of the crew of twenty was picked up by a French fishing vessel after clinging for sixteen hours to an upturned life boat.

### To Fight Divorce.

PARIS, March 6.—Prince Galitzine, fifth husband of Aimee Crocker Gouard, formerly of Sacramento, California, has employed a lawyer and informed his wife he plans to fight her divorce action, according to Le Journal.

## Barnard—An Invitation!

THREE women politicians addressed a gathering of women. Thirtieth Assembly, N. Y. District women voters and Barnard college girls—to be exact.

They came to give the women and girls advice—and they "delivered the goods."

When men politicians talk to men voters—especially to aspiring young college students, they try to show them that by starting at the bottom, they can "work" their "way up" until they land in the White House.

But girls? Women? They "cannot become presidents; therefore, the only stimulating advice one can give them is: do the little chores and, bye and bye, you will become big politicians with big salaries—even as the Tammany bosses or the leaders of the G. O. P."

The Barnard girls, therefore, were told to "start at the bottom, lick stamps and mail letters" if they would ever hope to become successful careerists in politics.

Miss Sarah Schuyler Butler, daughter of Columbia's ultra-reactionary president—whose future is secure, so long as the men and women of the working class remain the slaves of capitalism, was one of the speakers. She urged the ladies present to "study politics" by "reading the daily newspapers." Needless to say, she did not include the latest daily to appear on the newsstands, THE DAILY WORKER.

She urged each of her hearers to "join some political party" and "learn its machinery." She made no mention of the Workers Party, of course. Neither did Mrs. Henry Moscovitz—who got her training from the workers of the lower East Side and has used it to climb nimbly up the Tammany Circus ladder; nor Mrs. Charles L. Tiffany, who is "regional director of the First Region of the Non-Partisan League of Women Voters," and who, no doubt, cares very little as to whether one or another of the bourgeois parties keeps capitalism in power.

None of the three speakers made mention of the class struggle and no fourth speaker was invited to present the program of the Workers Party. This is the reason why I have taken the liberty of writing the chairman of that meeting, inviting some of the Barnard students through him to come to the March 8th meeting at Central Opera House, where they will learn something about the work of non-careerist Communist men and women whose ideal is not a big fat job but the privilege of organizing the housewives and factory women together with the men of the working class.

My letter follows:

Mr. Raymond C. Moley, Barnard College, New York, N. Y. March 2, 1927.

My dear Mr. Moley: I note with interest the report of a meeting on March first over which you presided, held before Barnard students and addressed by several women representing the two main political parties and a "non-partisan" political organization.

I write you in the hope you will agree that no meeting truly represents all sides politically which does not include a speaker from the Workers (Communist) Party. There must be, without a doubt, a fair percentage of students at Barnard who would find the Communist message of vital interest. Had a Workers Party speaker been invited, I am sure that those students would have come away with the impression that Barnard is a live institution, after all.

However, the moment is past. But may I not, nevertheless, bring to the attention of the Barnard students the meeting to be held on March 8th at the Central Opera House in celebration of International Women's Day? Perhaps, you as chairman of the March first meeting will make up for the oversight by calling the students' attention to this international celebration. Those students who come from poor home—whose working class parents, or brothers and sisters, have had to make untold sacrifices to send them to college—are perhaps still making sacrifices to keep them there, will find the meeting on March 8th a thrilling, unforgettable experience. There, the speeches will inspire them to make sacrifices in turn for the organization of millions of working women for whom the "higher education" is impossible under capitalism. There, they will feel not the bourgeois lure of a personal political career, but the call to take part in the political organization and enlightenment of these millions. There, they may be invited to join the Workers' School—to vitalize their "dead" knowledge gained in the higher institutions of bourgeois education.

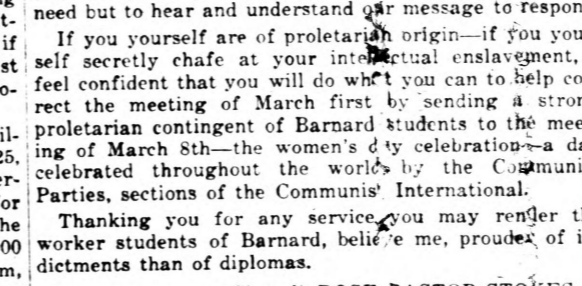
They may be asked at the March 8th meeting to "lick stamps and send out letters." But these letters would not help them ultimately to become advisers "to the Governor" at fat salaries. The chances are these letters would be a call to workers to fight Capitalism, fight imperialism—and, so far from leading them to fat pay envelopes might ultimately lead them to long terms in jail. Yet I think some of them would answer the call "to lick stamps and address envelopes" under even these risky conditions—because they are proletarian at heart and need but to hear and understand our message to respond.

If you yourself are of proletarian origin—if you yourself secretly chafe at your intellectual enslavement, I feel confident that you will do what you can to help correct the meeting of March first by sending a strong proletarian contingent of Barnard students to the meeting of March 8th—the women's day celebration—a day celebrated throughout the world by the Communist Parties, sections of the Communist International.

Thanking you for any service you may render the worker students of Barnard, believe me, prouder of indictments than of diplomas.

(Signed) ROSE PASTOR STOKES, 133 West 15th Street, March 2, 1927.

## SLAYING THE BEAST



## The Literary Guild: Guardian Angels of Literature

By SENDER GARLIN

It may be that the Literary Guild, which was recently formed is a genuine venture in cooperation; it may be, on the other hand, just a bright business idea. In any event its benefits to the workers of this country are quite dubious.

There is no doubt that this organization will cut down the prices of certain books. One must remember that the entrenched publishers are making a vigorous fight against the Guild. But that does not mean that the average workers of the United States can hope to discover any vital literature through the guardianship of this organization.

The Literary Guild is distributing a persuasive little booklet entitled "Wings," which explains the hopes, origins and frustrations of the organization to date. The Theatre Guild of New York and the book guilds of Europe are cited by the present group to illustrate the sources of their inspiration. "It is a modern way of getting books—based on modern ideas of selection, manufacture and distribution."

Specifically, each member of the Guild (\$18 yearly) will be entitled to 12 books "carefully selected by a board of distinguished editors at one-half the bookstore prices." These will be mailed directly to the subscribers, one volume being published each month.

There are two things that are of fundamental interest to us: (1) Is the selection committee of the Guild likely to choose books of exceptional value or even of merit? (2) Assuming that their judgment is honest, sound, and discerning, will the books which they select be of interest and value to the members of the working class of America?

Colorless Candidates. Those who are slightly familiar with the technique of nominating a candidate for President of the United States or of selecting a book and an author upon whom to bestow the distinction of the Pulitzer Prize will probably be faced with similar difficulties. It is obvious that the books selected will be not those which show unusual merit but rather those about which the majority of wholesome, clean-minded and patriotic Americans can become enthusiastic.

"Down with the wall between writer and reader" is the slogan of the working class of America. It must develop its own literature. It must develop its own teachers. The "hand-me-down" culture of the leisure class is something that we must look upon as a positive menace. The clear-seeing members of the working class have repudiated the spurious economic theory of John R. Commons, of the University of Wisconsin, because it is clearly an apology for the capitalist system. In the same way must be repudiated the spurious guardianship of Glenn Frank of the University of Wisconsin and Elinor Wylie (Washington society lady) of the field of literature.

It is not sufficient to remove the wall between the writer and reader, even if the Literary Guild can do that. What is more vital is to destroy the wall between literature and industry—to make of writers not members of a patronizing, parasitic class, but to increase the articulateness of the workers of the world. This cannot be done by aiding this scheme of a group of benevolent members of the upper middle-class in their efforts to critically broadcast them in their choice of current books.

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## Sure Thing Sportsmen

By SPECTATOR.

THOSE who pull the strings in and about the professional prize ring are the big money men among the country's professional gamblers. They are not gamblers in the literal sense of the word, for they take no chances. The term, fixers, might be more aptly used.

The transition, carrying boxing from its more or less romantic past to its present eminence as a business, is in keeping with the development of other great American industries. Corruption, greed, duplicity and what have you mark it with the stamp of Big Business. The professional game is as edifying, as wholesome as a black-jacking.

Suggestion of Rottenness. A glance at a few fairly recent bouts will indicate that there is more than a faint suggestion of rottenness, that, in fact, the "sport" stinks. It will be observed that despite the prediction of sports writers, shipping clerks and other sports experts, the real wise guys are the gamblers or fixers.

On June 5, 1925, Tunney knocked out Tom Gibbons in the twelfth round of their bout at the Polo Grounds. Gibbons had stayed the limit with the champion, Dempsey, and had never been knocked out. He was generally conceded to be a harder hitter and cleverer than Tunney, but wise money was placed on Tunney and Gene won. A somewhat similar situation obtained in the present champion's knock-out of the iron-man, Bartley Madden, who had stayed the limit with Harry Wills although badly beaten in every one of the fifteen rounds. Tunney was being systematically built up into a position as the leading contender.

Made a Killing. The present champion's set-to with Jack Dempsey involved an upset so unexpected that it left a great audience cold. But the wise money men made a killing. Similarly, on February 18, 1927, the Delaney-Maloney fight at Madison Square Garden ended with Maloney, on the short end of 13 to 5 odds, the victor.

The above examples present a certain fineness, leaving a little room for an "honest" difference of opinion. Consider a few instances in which there was out and out double crossing.

Rosenberg Won. On July 20, 1925, Charley Rosenberg kayoed Eddie Shea at the New York Velodrome in the fourth round. Although Shea was considered a top-notch in the bantam division, some of the gamblers went so far as to pick the fourth round as the one in which Rosenberg would win.

Later, on February 4, 1927, Rosenberg was slated to meet a tartar in the person of Bushy Graham. The "experts" figured that Rosenberg would be greatly weakened by his hectic efforts to make the weight. But Rosenberg came in overweight, forfeited a neat sum of money and his title and handily defeated Graham. The suckers, who had expected him to come in as a bantam, bet on Graham. Rosenberg was suspended for one year by the boxing commission.

On September 21, 1925, Dave Shade met Mickey Walker for the welterweight title, at the Yankee Stadium. So clear was Shade's superiority over Walker that some bettors tried to hedge in on the late rounds by offering odds on Shade. Walker was given the decision. His "victory" over Tiger Flowers was later the subject of a municipal investigation in Chicago. The usual whitewashing was applied.

Going back to December 17, 1923, when Johnny Dundee received the decision against Jack Bernstein, after the latter had carried almost every round, it should be noted that the two judges who shared in this verdict have not officiated in this state since then.

Officials Suspended. On September 14, 1925, Phil Kaplan was a 3 to 1 favorite over Willie Harmon. They were apparently evenly matched. Harmon had a wide margin, but the decision was a draw. The two officials who voted that way were suspended.

On November 9, 1925, Charley Rosen was given the decision in his bout with Lucien Vinay. The latter was clearly the victor, and two officials who contribute to this looting of suckers were suspended.

It's a great game, as typically American as the Harding administration, Chicago government and New York dramatic art.