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## FIGHT DANGER OF NEW WAR!

### Labor Must Demand Hands Off Nicaragua, Mexico and China! No Sacrifice of American Lives for Wall Street Investments

A Call for a United Front of Labor Against the "Dollar Diplomacy" Policies of the Government.

To the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor, The National Executive Committee of the Socialist Party, The General Executive Board of the Industrial Workers of the World and all Labor Organizations not affiliated with the A. F. of L. All farmers' organizations.

THE government of the United States has invaded Nicaragua; it is hurrying more warships to Chinese and Caribbean waters and constantly threatening Mexico.

These actions of the government, which are leading toward a new imperialist war, are being taken in the interest of safeguarding the investments of the Wall Street bankers.

This development of the "Dollar Diplomacy" of the government threatens that the American workers will be called upon to sacrifice their lives in order to protect Wall Street's investments and profits in Nicaragua, Mexico and China.

This is a situation which calls for united action immediately by the workers and the farmers, to prevent the government from leading this country into a new war in support of the imperialist adventures of Wall Street, with its consequent sacrifice and suffering for the masses of the workers.

Labor in the United States must unite with the peoples of Nicaragua, Mexico and China to fight against the exploitation of the Wall Street banks which are robbing the workers of this country of billions of dollars annually and investing these billions in foreign countries in order to exploit the workers of these countries.

#### THE ATTACK AGAINST NICARAGUA.

The sending of American warships to the waters of Nicaragua and the landing of American marines in that country is a most brazen example of the use of the naval and military forces of this country to help maintain the exploitation of foreign countries by the Wall Street interests.

The government of this country has overthrown governments elected by the people of Haiti and Santo Domingo and set up in these countries puppet governments which carry out the will of the American bankers. The Diaz government of Nicaragua, which Coolidge and Kellogg are aiding against the Liberal government supported by the people of Nicaragua, is the tool of the American bankers who want to keep their control of the banks, railroads and other resources of Nicaragua which they are exploiting for their profit. The Diaz government has no popular support.

Coolidge and Kellogg express indignation and threaten Mexico because it is charged that the Mexican government is aiding the people of Nicaragua to establish a government which they can support, and then use the iron fist of the government of this country to set up a Wall Street puppet government in that country.

The American warships are in Nicaraguan waters and American marines on Nicaraguan soil for one purpose only—to establish the rule of American imperialism—the Wall Street bankers—in that country. The fight of the people of Nicaragua against this Wall Street intervention is the fight of the American labor.

#### THE THREATS AGAINST MEXICO.

At the same time that the American government ruthlessly uses its naval forces to

invade Nicaragua in support of Wall Street it is continually threatening Mexico, because the government of that country has dared to limit the exploitation carried on by American oil companies, American mining companies, and American land companies, controlled by the great Wall Street banks.

Mexico is threatened with the fate of Nicaragua because its government has adopted a constitution which declares that the resources of that country belong to the Mexican people.

Coolidge is prepared to use the American naval and military forces in the interest of the American imperialism in Mexico, as he is using them in Nicaragua. He is ready to push this country into a war against the Mexican people in order to help the American capitalists continue to make enormous profits through the exploitation of Mexico.

#### INTERVENTION IN CHINA.

The people of China have suffered from the unchecked exploitation of capitalist imperialism for many decades. The American, British, Japanese, French and other national groups of capitalists have seized its natural resources, its ports, its railroads and established its concessions and spheres of influence in order to make the Chinese people produce profits for the foreign capitalists. The governments of China have been made and remade to suit the interests of these contending groups of capitalists.

The people's national revolutionary movement in China under the leadership of the Kuomintang, is fighting against this imperialist exploitation. From Canton it has swept over China, freeing the Chinese workers and people from the grip of the imperialist robbers and Chinese war lords who support them. Helped by the sympathy

and support of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, it is winning the fight of the Chinese for the right to control their own country and direct its affairs.

Alarmed by the victories of the Cantonese government and fearful that the profits of the Wall Street capitalists from exploitation of China will be endangered, the Coolidge government is hurrying its warships to the scene of the struggle in preparation for intervention against the people's national revolutionary movement.

#### LABOR MUST STOP THE WALL STREET WAR.

All of these situations show the great danger before labor in this country of a new war growing out of the unlimited imperialist exploitation of other countries which the American capitalists are carrying on from Wall Street, with the support and co-operation of the government.

The American capitalists are making greater profits than ever before out of the labor of the American workers and then using these profits for investment in, and exploitation of the people of other countries.

It is out of exactly such a development in Europe, with the resulting rivalries between the great capitalist powers, that the World War was precipitated, with its sacrifice of millions of lives and billions of wealth and untold suffering of labor in all the countries involved.

The only force which can check this development is the power of labor. The whole labor movement of this country must unite to call a halt on these imperialist adventures of Wall Street.

#### BUILD A UNITED FRONT OF LABOR AGAINST AMERICAN IMPERIALISM

The Workers (Communist) Party proposes that all labor unite to fight against this development of Wall Street imperialism supported by the American government with its threat of a new great war and untold suffering and sacrifice for labor.

It calls upon all labor and farmer organizations to join in calling such a united front conference, in every city, and eventually on a national scale, to fight against American imperialism and against the sacrifice of American lives, and wealth created by the workers, for Wall Street investments.

It calls upon the American Federation of Labor, the Socialist Party, the Industrial Workers of the World, and all other labor and farmer organizations to join with it in calling such united front conferences.

It calls upon the workers and farmers everywhere to join in the demand for the formation of such a united front of labor.

The fight against the Wall Street policies of the government must be made now by fighting against the intervention in Nicaragua, the threats against Mexico, the sending of American naval forces to Chinese waters.

HANDS OFF NICARAGUA, MEXICO AND CHINA!

WITHDRAW THE AMERICAN MARINES FROM NICARAGUA.

WITHDRAW THE AMERICAN MILITARY AND NAVAL FORCES FROM CHINA.

NO INTERVENTION IN MEXICO.

BUILD A UNITED FRONT OF LABOR AGAINST THE WALL STREET POLICIES OF THE GOVERNMENT.

Central Committee, Workers (Communist) Party, C. E. Ruthenberg, General Secretary.

## Stop War on Mexico! Impeach Coolidge and Fire Kellogg!

UNLESS the American masses force the Wall Street-Coolidge government to reverse its present policy America soon will be at war with Mexico.

The naval mobilization now going on, which has already resulted in concentrating in the Caribbean the largest American fleet ever assembled there, is directed against Mexico.

The Nicaraguan situation has been used as a cloak to cover the preparations for war on the neighboring republic and its people. The war on Nicaragua has been made without the advice or consent of congress.

It is known to every informed press correspondent in Washington that this is the case, altho the state department speaks still of the "protection of American interests" in Nicaragua.

The correspondent of the Chicago Tribune says:

In many quarters there was a disposition tonight to regard the naval concentration in Central American waters as A DEMONSTRATION AGAINST MEXICO. While Secretary of State Kellogg refused to discuss this angle, high authorities ADMITTED THAT THE UNITED STATES HAS COME TO A SHOWDOWN WITH MEXICO on the question of which is to be the friend of Nicaragua and WHICH GOVERNMENT IS TO HAVE THE WIDEST SPHERE OF INFLUENCE IN CENTRAL AMERICA. (Emphasis ours.)

George R. Holmes, Washington correspondent of the International News Service, begins his story, which we publish in another column, with the following:

The relations between the United States and Mexico are in a more critical stage than at any time since General John J. Pershing led his famous punitive expedition across the international boundary ten years ago.

The Wall Street government goes ahead swiftly with its plan for bloody aggression in spite of the resistance in con-

gress and the senate.

The state department has recognized and the war department has aided and protected a Nicaraguan dictator whom Senator Borah says is being kept in power by "sheer force of foreign arms." These foreign arms are those of Wall Street government.

This government is preparing to make war on Mexico because Mexico has recognized and aided the regularly elected government of Nicaragua. Not only has the Sacasa government been regularly elected but it has repeatedly beaten on the field of battle the Diaz forces only to have Diaz rescued by American marines and gunboats.

Mexico has a right to aid the popular revolution in Nicaragua, a right which Wall Street exercises in the case of its puppet Diaz but which it refuses to Mexico.

Speaking of authoritative opinion in Washington, Holmes says:

Most international authorities here concede that in such a situation, Mexico would have international law clearly on her side. They say Mexico is as much a sovereign power as is the United States and as such is entitled to sell and deliver arms to whomsoever she pleases.

But international law is the law of battleships and military forces and it is with a full understanding of this fact that a mass movement against Wall Street's war plans and warlike actions must be organized.

War by imperialist powers on small nations is not pre-ferred by a declaration of war in these days.

War is made first and a declaration of war may or may not follow. The facts are that war is being made on Nicaragua by the United States and against Mexico prepared.

Wall Street's government gives no heed to criticism. It is playing for big stakes—the complete control of a vast continent.

Thousands of lives, Latin-American and American lives, hang in the balance.

Are Coolidge and Kellogg, these two Wall Street marionettes, to be allowed to gamble with the lives of the American masses and plot slaughter of Mexicans and Nicaraguans, without being called to account?

Let us raise the demand for the impeachment of these two Wall Street tools and see if we have here, as Wall Street has in Nicaragua, a dictatorship which is beyond the reach of the American masses.

If there is one senator or congressman who has the courage to make this demand from the forum of the house or senate he will be assured of the support of millions of American workers, farmers and honest liberals who want a stop put to the brutal aggression against weaker peoples at the behest of the same pirate crew which robs the American masses.

## MARTIAL ARRAY IN CARIBBEAN IS FOR MEXICO

### Real Purpose of Navy Movements Disclosed

The following release to The DAILY WORKER by George R. Holmes, International News Service staff correspondent, we republish in full because it is a complete disclosure of the real purpose behind the present invasion of Central America. Holmes' story is in singular contrast to the jingo statements made by William Randolph Hearst who controls the news service for which the former writes.

By GEORGE R. HOLMES, I. N. S. Staff Correspondent. (Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—The relations between the United States and Mexico are in a more critical stage than at any time since Gen. John J. Pershing led his famous punitive expedition across the international boundary ten years ago.

This was generally recognized in Washington today as the largest show of naval strength ever assembled in Caribbean waters proceeded to a station off Nicaraguan ports.

#### Real Reason.

The ostensible purpose of this concentration is to quell the revolution in Nicaragua and maintain Adolfo Diaz in the presidential palace, but the real reason for this show of strength is understood to be to impress upon the Mexican government that it had better keep "hands off" in Central America, and tread lightly in the application of its new land and petroleum laws to American holdings.

Ordinarily, a couple of American gunboats and a handful of marines are sufficient to control any Central American revolution and afford the necessary protection to American legations and property in the Caribbean. It is work with which the navy is en-

## NICARAGUAN LABOR IS BEING CONSCRIPTED FOR MILITARY DUTY BY DIAZ

(Special to The Daily Worker) MANAGUA, Jan. 7.—Despite the protest of foreign coffee interests who fear for the harvesting of their present crops, the Diaz government has undertaken to conscript all available male workers for military service against the liberal forces under Sacasa, whose military successes against the present puppet government have been prevented from complete victory only by the interference of the United States.

Workers are rounded up in theaters and on the streets and forced into the army with Springfield rifles now being secured from the United States due to the lifting of the arms embargo by Secretary of State Kellogg.

### Fight Against the New Imperialist War

## WALL STREET HAS WELL TRAINED SERVANT IN ADMIRAL LATIMER, U. S. DICTATOR IN NICARAGUA

(Special to The Daily Worker) WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Rear Admiral Julian H. Latimer, who has been given dictatorial sway over Nicaragua by carte blanche from the state department in the handling of affairs there at the head of a large fleet and 5,000 troops, is well trained in the ways of imperialism.

Entering the Annapolis naval academy in 1886, Latimer saw service as commander of the Winslow in the Pacific fleet during the Spanish-American War. During the invasion of China during the Boxer uprising, Latimer was on the job in Chinese waters.

By the time of the world war Latimer had become a full captain and was in command of the battleship Rhode Island, which convoyed troops to France in 1917-18.

From 1921 to 1925 he served in Washington as the Judge Advocate General of the navy.

LATIMER LOOKED AFTER THE LEGAL END OF THE NEGOTIATIONS AND TRANSFER OF THE TEAPOT DOME AND ELK HILLS NAVAL OIL RESERVES AND THE CONGRESSIONAL INVESTIGATION WHICH FOLLOWED.

Evidently for his share in giving away millions of dollars worth of oil, Latimer was promptly raised to the dignity of a rear admiral. He was later assigned to the navy's special service squadron, the sole business of which is to deal with Latin America.

This record of the admiral now carrying out the policy of the "Big Stick" in Caribbean waters shows that he is specially fitted for the dollar diplomatic tasks that have been put upon him.

## CANTON CHARGES PROVOCATION IN FOREIGN 'FLIGHT'

### Panic of Residents Is Baseless

HANKOW, Jan. 7.—The Canton government considers the "flight" of American and British residents from the city at the behest of their consuls to be nothing short of provocation in view of the guarantee of safety to all foreigners issued by the Canton government and backed by a large force of nationalist troops.

Eugene Chen, Canton foreign minister, called the consuls into conference and informed them of this fact after American Consul Lockhart had advised the women and children of

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## CURRENT EVENTS

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

THE bleating of a few near-liberals in the United States congress does not seem to affect the policy of the state department. LaGuardia of New York, Borah of Idaho and Wheeler of Montana are pecking at Kellogg over his Latin-American policy, but American warships are rushing south and it is quite openly stated that the Coolidge policy is to support the reactionary Diaz of Nicaragua at all costs. Wall Street is not going to stand any nonsense from the enemies of American imperialism! Only action of the American workers in conjunction with the resistance of the people of South

America can halt Wall Street. THE impression was recently created that there was a difference of opinion between Kellogg and Coolidge over the Nicaraguan question. This was not so. Both are acting for the dominant American capitalist groups that have interests in Latin America. So United States warships are sent to Central America to protect the Nicaraguans from themselves! Verily, indeed, dumb Kellogg is learning the arts of diplomacy. But this is old stuff. Even arid Britain can do

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# SMITH STEALS N. Y. LABOR'S STATE PROGRAM

## Appropriates Many Harmless Measures

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 7. —(FP)— Much of the legislative program laid out by the New York State Federation of Labor was embodied in the message of Governor Alfred Smith to the incoming legislature. Outstanding in the re-elected governor's address was his emphasis on state development and control of water power, which is endorsed by organized labor.

Smith proposes again the establishment of a state power authority, similar to the New York port authority, to finance by bond issues and manage as representative of the state the development and distribution of power from Niagara Falls, the Niagara and St. Lawrence rivers. The governor suggested that "with intelligent state planning, and proper distribution of hydro-electric energy" some of the population which drifted to cities from rural districts would "return to less densely populated communities and benefit the agriculturist by providing markets closer at hand and making transportation less expensive and hazardous."

Lip Service to 48 Hours. Passage of the 48-hour law for women workers is advocated by Governor Smith once more. This demand of unionists and women's organizations (barring the Women's Party) has been verbally approved by both major political parties but has not yet been legislated to supplant the fifteen year old 54-hour work week law now standing. Establishment of a minimum wage board to fix living wage standards for women and child workers is another labor measure sponsored by the governor.

Other items of labor's legislative program that Smith mentioned to the legislature were: a statute declaring labor not a commodity; hearings with both sides represented before even temporary injunctions are issued in labor disputes; clarification of the prevailing-rate-of-wages law for public employees to remove doubts of its constitutionality; more funds for the state labor department to carry on more adequate compensation service. Smith renewed the recommendation for amending the workmen's compensation law to prevent employers appealing to courts from awards and thus jeopardizing the whole law as now practiced.

No White House Bid. No definite bid for presidential nomination is evident in Smith's message, though New York democrats consider him the best bet for the race. The only reference to matters beyond state control contained in his message was in his suggestion that the legislature pass appropriate "resolutions conveying in a formal manner the result" of the state referendum for modification of the federal prohibition act. These resolutions should go to congress with a memorial asking in behalf of the state that the federal body "enact at the earliest possible moment a sane, sensible, reasonable definition of what constitutes an intoxicant under the Eighteenth Amendment."

## Canton Government Says "Panic" Baseless

(Continued from page 1) The American concession to take provisions for three days and board a British steamer waiting to take them in.

No Cause for Alarm. Chen said there was no cause for the nervous tension displayed by the thousand foreign residents of the city and inferred that it was artificially stimulated by the consuls themselves. It is made known that the nationalist government was in complete control of the situation and that the populace, infuriated by the shooting of Chinese by British troops, had complete faith in the government.

Began With Shooting. The panic of the foreign residents was begun by the killing and wounding of a number of Chinese by British troops in the British concession which was followed by a mass demonstration of the populace against the British outrage. The nationalist troops were forced to occupy the British concession and the occupation was not contested by the British, who were glad of the protection it afforded. The anti-British sentiment is running high, but the nationalist government has the situation well in hand.

## Jury in Leopold and Loeb Case Disagrees

(Special to The Daily Worker) JOLIET, Ill. — After deliberating more than 23 hours, on evidence in the civil action thru which Cahless, taxi driver, sought to collect 100,000 apiece from Nathan Leopold, Jr., and Richard Loeb, for alleged abduction, the jury was dismissed by Circuit Judge Frank L. Hooper today or failure to reach a decision.

## Current Events

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

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longer get away with the bunk that she is "carrying the white man's burden." Better still, men of other colors are offering her a choice between a graceful retreat or a fight with bayonets in close proximity to the rear.

TWO playboys sport themselves in the columns of the Hearst press on Friday. One is Arthur Brisbane, reckoned to be the most highly paid editorial hack in the world. The other is his boss, William Randolph Hearst. The latter has been conducting a crusade for peace by forming a union between the "Anglo-Saxon peoples." Peace! Where? Evidently not in Latin America. In one of those spread-eagle effusions for which he is famous, Hearst congratulates Coolidge on his "firm stand." We want peace, of course, but we are not to proud to fight, and such nauseating hokum.

ON the same page Brisbane holds forth on the Nicaraguan question. Brisbane tries to prove that the reason for the unpopularity of the United States is this country's incurable desire to shower favors on other people. Did not we go three thousand miles across the ocean to help Europe? asks "Mushbrain." And what did we get out of it? Nothing but abuse. That a reading public in such a low stage of mental development as to believe this twaddle proves what a comparatively easy matter it is for the ruling class to inoculate them with the germ of war madness whenever occasion calls for such medicine.

SOMETIMES it is not so pleasant to be rich and of high station. The prince of Wales is getting abused for going on a public spree in London and acting as a bartender. The main objection from the aggrieved ones was that Eddie's debauch impaired monarchical prestige. The prince probably feels that he has only one life to give and is willing to give that as quickly as he can for the empire. Here in America a scion of a packing-house family got generous in a sentimental way while under the influence of champagne. But he was not able to get to the altar, because his mother had him arrested and bailed out almost immediately. It was worth a few thousand dollars to preserve the family dignity. A worker could elope with half a dozen beautiful actresses without the slightest inconvenience!

THOSE of you who are inclined to be impressed by appearances may be interested in the case of the Commonwealth Reserve Fund of Chicago, a million dollar corporation that was caught with a bank balance of only \$100. The officials of this organization sold bonds and lived happily on large salaries until something slipped and the law stepped in. Getting rich quick is quite a gambling proposition unless you are in on the ground floor.

ITALY and France have buried the hatchet, according to the British ambassador at Paris. Germany and France have also composed the trifling differences over the sentence imposed on a few Germans by a French military court for daring to get into a scrap with a member of the French army of occupation. England is interested in maintaining peace in Europe because she has her hands full in China and is by no means insensible to the troubles of the United States in Nicaragua. When those brigands get to composing their difference honest peoples should take down their trusty rifles.

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## MARTIAL ARRAY IN CARIBBEAN IS FOR MEXICO

### Real Purpose of Navy Movements Disclosed

(Continued from page 1) tirely familiar and thru long practice very efficient.

Largest Naval Show. Yet for this Nicaraguan revolution, in which the combatants on both sides number scarcely more than 5,000, the American government has concentrated in Nicaraguan waters, and adjacent to Mexico, a total of fifteen first class fighting ships and nearly 5,000 bluejackets and marines, all under control of an admiral who has been given carte blanche in their disposition. It comprises the largest naval show the American government has ever staged in Caribbean waters.

That a very serious situation may result is universally recognized in Washington.

The American state department put Diaz in the presidential palace and plans to keep him there. The state department has accorded him official recognition, and the American navy has bottled up the Sacaca revolutionists who were fast gaining the upper hand over him.

Mexico Recognizes Sacaca. The Mexican government considers that Juan Sacaca is the constitutional

## WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY GREET'S KUOMINTANG CONVENTION; PLEDGES SUPPORT IN FIGHT FOR LIBERATION

A telegraph message of greetings from the central committee of the Workers (Communist) Party of America was sent to the Kuomintang convention being held at Los Angeles, California. The Kuomintang is the people's party of national liberation in China.

The message follows: "Central Committee Workers (Communist) Party extends its greetings and best wishes for success of your work. The struggle which the Kuomintang is carrying on against the imperialist exploitation of China by the capitalist nations is an inspiration to the workers of these imperialist capitalist countries who are fighting for their emancipation from the exploitation of these capitalists at home and has their loyal support.

"We pledge our support in the fight against imperialist intervention in China by the United States.

"Hail to the people's national revolution in China led by the Kuomintang.

"C. E. RUTHENBERG, General Secretary."

president of Nicaragua. It accorded Sacaca official recognition, and conveniently has looked the other way while his forces obtained arms and ammunition from Mexican sources.

If Mexico now chooses to stand stiffly on her prerogatives as a sovereign nation and chooses to supply arms to this Sacaca government, which she officially recognizes, an open clash with the United States may be one of the first results, for Admiral Latimer has instructions to stop Mexican gun running.

Mexico Legally Right. Most international authorities here concede that in such a situation, Mexico would have international law clearly on her side. They say Mexico is as much a sovereign power as is the United States, and as such is entitled to sell and deliver arms to whomsoever she pleases.

The state department, however, takes the position that in this instance American rights to the projected Nicaraguan canal and the naval base concession at Fonseca Bay are of more importance than technicalities over international law. Hence the fifteen warships and the 5,000 men to put a stop to the revolution and the gun-running.

Only a Spark Needed. Thus the situation stood today, with only a spark perhaps needed to cause a general conflagration in the Caribbean.

Meanwhile the senate revolt against the administration's policy gathered force, but marked time, pending the appearance of Secretary of State Kellogg before the foreign relations committee to "explain" his Nicaraguan and Mexican policies.

Bully Democrats. Unable to gain the support of Senator Borah, chairman of the committee, President Coolidge temporarily checkmated democratic criticism of the administration policy by summoning Senators Robinson of Arkansas and Swanson of Virginia, the democratic leaders, to the White House and after acquainting them with the situation pledged them to secrecy.

Secretary Kellogg is exhibiting no desire to hurry his appearance before the committee. Invited to appear last Wednesday, Kellogg pleaded prior engagements which would delay his appearance until next Wednesday—a fact which caused considerable muttering today among the opponents of the administration's policy.

Reed Gets Sarcastic. "Mr Kellogg must have some very important engagements," said Senator Reed, democrat of Missouri, sarcastically. "In the meantime, the complications may grow and the situation down there become really serious. It is truly remarkable that he can't find time to come up here and talk about this situation."

Other senators were even more outspoken. "The American government," said

## PITTSBURGH STEEL LAYS OFF 300 WORKERS; SAY OVERSTOCKING IS REASON

By a Worker Correspondent. MONESSEN, Pa., Jan. 7.—More than 300 workers of the Pittsburgh Steel Co. plant here were notified that they will have a happy New Year by being laid off work until further notice.

Other departments are working two and three days a week. Overstock is given as the cause of the layoff.

Senator McKellar, democrat of Tennessee, "is big enough to apply the golden rule in its relations with other governments, and it should apply it more particularly to the nations south of us than anywhere else.

Cabinet Meets Again. "I am absolutely opposed to the United States interfering in the internal affairs of any friendly country. If it is true that this government is selling arms to one faction in Nicaragua and at the same time using its warships to prevent the other faction's getting them, it is an indefensible policy. I am absolutely opposed to making war on any defenseless people."

The cabinet met this morning to further discuss the delicate situation.

Europe Has Wary Eye. LONDON, Jan. 7.—The American policy in Nicaragua arouses distrust in Europe, if one may judge from

newspaper comment.

The Times declares that "There need no longer be any concealment of the fact that the United States has forcibly intervened in Nicaragua in order to maintain its chosen man in power." This newspaper predicts that the results will be general distrust of the United States in South America and Central America and predicts that chances of the United States settling the Tacna-Arica dispute are now dubious.

Germany Cynical. Berlin dispatches indicate that German newspapers are extremely critical of the American policy.

Herr Stresemann's Tageliche Rundschau says that the phrase "America for the Americans" must now be revised to "America for the North Americans."

The newspaper Vorwaerts says that "The United States is employing coercion more openly than ever against Latin America and has been reduced to the lamest excuses for its action."

## A. P. NEWS FROM CHINA COLORED AT COPY DESKS

Associated Press Is at It Again WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—When a Chinese nationalist mob had been reported in press dispatches from Hankow to have broken into the British concession, and Cantonese troops were sent in to restore order, the state department had no news of this occurrence from Consul General Lockhart in Hankow.

"Jazzed News" Nevertheless, the Associated Press, in pursuit of its "jazzing-up" policy as to news affecting anti-imperialist movements in China and Latin America, pretended to have official information.

After quoting British reports of the incident, its Washington bureau said: "British marines, who held off a coolie invasion Monday without bloodshed, were withdrawn from the British colony yesterday, leaving the concession in charge of Cantonese troops, but official dispatches indicate the angry natives are out of control."

Silur Chinese. Casual readers would assume that official dispatches to the state department were referred to in that sentence. The "natives" touch also gives the impression to the average reader that the Chinese are a low type of savage, to be quelled by any civilized gunboat that may be brought within range.

## Hearst Is Getting Busy As Obedient Drumboy of Wall Street Imperialism

By J. LOUIS ENGDALH.

WHEN the war drums begin to beat the Hearst press is always up in the lead with its energetic flag-waving. Hearst is now getting busy as the obedient drumboy of Wall Street imperialism.

It has been so since Hearstism in American journalism and Wall Street imperialism first shook hands as blood brothers with the breaking of the Spanish-American war at the close of the last century.

All during the world war the Hearst press, no matter in what city it appeared, occupied a considerable portion of its first pages with long processions of the "stars and stripes." The march is on again.

By actual count, 126 U. S. flags constitute the hysteric jingo border ornamenting William Randolph Hearst's statement of editorial policy on the Nicaraguan situation, that appears on page one today of the Chicago Herald-Examiner and is no doubt duplicated in every Hearst paper thruout the land. Hearst exclaims, "At Last a Real American Policy at Washington!"

The Hearst statement is merely typical of the rapid change that is now taking place thruout the columns of the whole capitalist press, no doubt partly as a result of President Coolidge's lecture to newspaper correspondents in Washington, demanding that their reports reflect the "fact" (which is a lie, of course) that the country is united in support of the government's imperialist policies. When the slaughter heralding tom toms begin their monotonous beat, beat, then the subsidized press lines up and adds its pay-triote note to the murder symphony. It is no different now.

Arthur Brisbane, the Hearst editor, has been poking fun at the Coolidge-Kellogg-Mellon diplomacy in Central America. But that is the function of an editorial buffoon. Even today he plays this tune:

"Uncle Sam is enjoying busy, almost warlike days. By special request his soldiers in Nicaragua are protecting citizens of other nations presumably in danger.

"In China the thing is more serious. The natives hate strangers as cats hate dogs. They are tired of watching foreigners spend money, having courts and territory of their own and are glad when the time comes to murder a few. The murdering seems to be close at hand.

"Uncle Sam has some of his ships there and unpleasant news may be expected."

Thus Brisbane prepares the millions who read his column daily for the active launching of the new war that threatens. The "Hate the Hun!" of 1917 gives way to "Hate the Nicaraguan!" or "Hate the Mexican!" or "Hate the Chinese!" At the same time the American invader is dolled out in a cloak of pristine purity.

The Hearst statement, that puts an "O. K." on Wall Street's ambitions in any part of the world, is therefore so interesting that it is reproduced in full as follows:

"President Coolidge has determined to maintain a firm American policy in regard to Nicaragua. He is to be congratulated, and the people of the United States are also to be congratulated.

"We have been weak and vacillating too long in the foreign policy of our government. We have been following the feeble policies of Wil-

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# NORTH DAKOTA NONPARTISANS LOSE CONTROL

## Opening of Legislature Shows I. V. A. Power

(Special to The Daily Worker)  
BISMARCK, N. D., Jan. 7. — The North Dakota legislature has opened its sessions here with the old-time inaugural ceremonies and the show of state troops, something which has not been seen here since 1915.

The "Independent Voters' Association", the so-called opposition in North Dakota, runs the show at the state house. They have a majority of one in the senate and eight in the house. Governor Sorlie, non-partisan leaguer, preached "harmony" and "co-operation" so long that the league farmers have now lost control of everything.

**Carr Elected Speaker.**  
J. W. Carr, Jamestown, was elected speaker over J. H. Burkhart, Berthold, non-partisan candidate. Walter Madock, lieutenant-governor, a non-partisan leaguer, is the president of the senate. Many are after jobs during the 60-day session. The house committee has 200 applicants for 25 jobs and the senate has about 100 for 25 jobs.

**A Bankers' Governor.**  
Governor Sorlie is still continuing to fool the farmers here with his plea for harmony and co-operation. At a non-partisan league banquet he called for a united front of all factions in the state, that all work "in harmony" for the good of the state. Even old-time leaguers are somewhat skeptical about just where this kind of harmony is going to lead them to.

**Session "Safe and Sane."**  
This will be a safe and sane session. The message of Governor Sorlie devoted more attention to private banking than to agriculture. On agriculture Sorlie stated the greatest need was for proper marketing of farm commodities. He let it be known that it was very necessary for North Dakota to advertise properly its "superior products" as a step in the solution of the farm problem.

This session will be interesting to watch in that not all the farmers here may be willing to go the full length with Sorlie on his "harmony" program.

**German Government Backs Purchase of Newspapers, Charge**

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—Charges that the German government backed the purchase of the Journal of Commerce, Commercial Bulletin, and the New York Commercial, three Wall Street finance papers, have been made against Bernard H. Victor F. and Joseph E. Ridder, the purchasers. The charges, made by the Volkszeitung, were denied by Bernard Ridder.

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# 'FRISCO ITALIANS RESENT PROPAGANDA OF GENERAL NOBILE

(Special to The Daily Worker)  
SAN FRANCISCO, Jan. 7. — The Italian fraction of the Workers (Communist) Party has distributed circulars exposing General Umberto Nobile, who is to lecture here as an agent of the fascist, spreading propaganda under the veil of scientific lectures. The circulars are headed: "It Shall Not Take Place," and say that "we will not allow propaganda under the veil of science to take place."

Every place Nobile has gone in this country he has been met and conducted about by fascist "guards of honor." The police have announced they are taking extra precautions to protect the Italian general.

# PUBLIC OPINION VOICES VIEWS ON POISONED LIQUOR

## Makers of Wood Alcohol Fear Loss

WASHINGTON.—Public opinion is divided on the question of poisoning liquor.

Secretary of the Treasury Mellon disclosed today that telegrams are pouring into the treasury from all parts of the country, some protesting against the poisoning of liquor, others advocating a continuation of the present policy, and still others demanding that alcohol denaturants be made even more deadly.

Treasury officials said that most of the big consumers of industrial alcohol are unanimous in advocating its use as a denaturant. They pointed out to Mellon that the use of wood alcohol has continued for twenty years or more, that a big industry has been built up on that basis and that to change the policy now would prove uneconomical.

# Cleveland Federation Backs Passaic Workers Still Out on Strike

CLEVELAND, O., Jan. 7. — The Cleveland Federation of Labor passed a resolution congratulating the Passaic textile strikers on their recent victories over four of the nine struck mills, pledging full support in the fight against the five mills that are still holding out against the textile union.

The resolution called upon all A. F. of L. unions in this city to support the new drive for Passaic strike relief, pointing out that of the 6,000 strikers affected by the settlements in Botany and three other mills, only a small proportion had been taken back so far and that there were also over 6,000 strikers whose employers have not yet settled.

It was decided to stage a Passaic Relief Ball on January 29, in the Moose Hall.

# "WE WILL HOLD OUT!" DECLARE PAPER STRIKERS

## Box Workers Won't Give Up Without Victory

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—"We shall hold out as long as the strikers in Passaic have been holding out, if necessary, and until the strike is won," was the unanimous answer of the 3,500 paper box strikers assembled at a huge mass meeting at the Church of All Nations. The answer of those marvelous strikers on the fourteenth week of the strike expresses the real spirit of the unionists who have been defying all brutalities inflicted upon them by the long and hard strike.

**Picket Lines Strong.**  
Also, the picket lines this week were more energetic and cheerful, while the bosses were completely discouraged. They were certain that on the after-holiday week they would be able to run their shops with scabs, but they had built their hopes on shifting sands. The strikers are laughing at the suggestions of their bosses to return to work without a union. Nor are they afraid of the underworld agents and guerrillas who are so generously paid by the employers to beat up strikers and to break their ranks.

**All Must Aid.**  
But the answer the workers had given at the mass meeting, "that they were ready to hold out," must be backed up by the entire labor movement. The strikers depend and faithfully rely upon organized labor. Support must be coming forth. The strikers are fighting their battle for the recognition of their union. They must not be hungry while on the picket line. The arrested strikers must be bailed and their children must get bread every day.

# Congress Will Prove Disfranchisement of Negro Voter in South

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Investigations into the sale of patronage in the south and the alleged disfranchisement of Negroes have been ordered by the senate judiciary sub-committee. The committee disagreed upon whether to conduct the investigations singly or together. This question, it was indicated, will be left for the full committee to decide.

# Disabled Veterans Complain of Trouble About Compensations

Disabled veterans of the World War are having trouble with the government in the matter of their compensation. They complain that letters written by them receive no attention. Compensation in some cases has been cut from \$50 to \$10 a month. Many whose condition does not require hospital care do need to report to hospitals for treatment, sometimes as many as three or four times a week. They cannot afford the loss of time that this requires and instead must employ and pay their own family physician.

# Good Time Promised at Y. W. L. Dance, Jan. 8

If you want a good time with little damage to your pocketbook, to eat and to dance, you are urged to attend the dance and social to be given by the Young Workers' League, Section 4, on Jan. 8 at 3209 West Roosevelt road at 8 o'clock.

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# WCFL Radio Program

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**TONIGHT.**  
6:00 p. m.—Chicago Federation of Labor Hour.  
6:30—The Brevoort Concert Trio; Little Joe Warner.  
8:00—Vivian Lawrence, Mildred Coluelo, Rosalie Saafeld, Ann Post.  
9:00—Alamo Cafe Dance Orchestra.  
11:00—Alamo Entertainers.

**SUNDAY, JANUARY 9.**  
2:00 to 4:00 p. m.—Whiz Complimentary Fellowship League, popular program.  
4:00 p. m.—Wicker Park Lutheran Church, Rev. S. F. Long.  
7:45—Belden Ave. Baptist Church, Rev. J. W. Hoyt.

# HURRICANE, COLD AND SNOW BRING DEATH IN SOVIET

## Great Loss of Property and Life

MOSCOW, Jan. 7.—The death toll in the storms which have swept Russia during the past two days has now reached 200.

The storms, which have been of hurricane force, have done great damage throughout the Caucasus and along the Black Sea.

Five vessels swept out into the Black Sea with their crews are believed to have been sunk with a loss of fifty lives. The sailing vessel Centrosou has been definitely reported lost with a crew of eleven and two steamers are reported sunk off Kutaisk. One ship with a crew of six sank at the entrance of the Baku harbor.

In the Baku oil fields more than 300 derricks have been blown down, four workmen killed, and several millions of dollars of damage done.

Thousands of Armenians, who were left homeless by the earthquakes in the vicinity of Leninakan, are reported to be suffering great privation and many have frozen to death, according to reports received here.

In Tiflis the snow has reached an unprecedented depth of six feet, causing great suffering and damage to fruit orchards which have been destroyed.

Batum has suffered the coldest weather it has known for fifty years and the fruit orchards there have also been blasted.

Twenty-two miners were killed at Novosibirsk when an avalanche of snow swept down the mountain side and buried their barracks.

# Legislature Wants to Know Who Is Mayor

SPRINGFIELD, Ill.—The state legislature is preparing to mark time until it knows the results of the mayoral race in Chicago on April 5, tho it may be able to make a guess on the subject after the primary of Feb. 22.

The legislature has adjourned and shut up shop for two weeks, in spite of the efforts of the leaders to cut the recess to a week.

The members are anxious to know who will, as mayor, preside over the affairs of half of the population of the state before it commits itself to very much important legislation.

# Bread Trust Paternalism.

NEW YORK.—Group insurance for more than 10,000 employees of the Continental Baking Corp., a unit in the Ward Baking combination popularly called the "bread trust," has been announced by George C. Barber, chairman board of directors. The Metropolitan Life Insurance Co. carries the policies, which amount to about ten million dollars life and nearly as much accident insurance. The first premium is being paid in full by the company. From then on, the company and insured workers will share the cost of this paternalistic measure. The firm is in the group of open shop baking concerns under fire of the Intl. Bakery & Confectionery Workers' Union nationally and the Amalgamated Food Workers' Union in addition to international locals in New York.

# The Manager's Corner

## The Lenin Memorial Meetings—An Efficiency Test.

The coming Lenin Memorial Meetings will be a fine test of the efficiency of our literature and propaganda machinery. No meeting can be said to be fully successful unless there has been a good sale of literature, appropriate to the type of meeting. With the memorial to Lenin, we will have the best opportunity of the year for this purpose.

The plans for the Lenin Memorial Meetings this year should make ample provisions for an energetic and efficient literature committee—including girls, plenty of them, the prettier the better, and young pioneers, live ones, only. It might be possible to arrange an attractive costume for the literature committee to wear, one appropriate for the occasion.

The literature should be displayed at the meetings with an eye to salesmanship, using pictures of Lenin, the Lenin Calendar, books, red and black colorings so as to make an artistic and attractive arrangement. The books on sale should be bound with the red and white paper band, which we have printed, to make each book a real souvenir of the memorable day. Literature should be advertised liberally, through posters, in the program, and through announcements from the platform. Above all, the literature offered should not be a hash of everything under the sun. It should consist of matter pertaining to Lenin and the subject of the meeting.

Those who sell the literature should be carefully trained beforehand so that they know how to sell each book or item, what slogans to use, how to recommend the books, etc. It would be a good thing for each comrade to read the book, before trying to sell it. I would attack the audience with the literature in waves, like infantry. The first wave might go out with "Lenin, His Life and Work" by Yaroslowsky, primed with arguments, and covering everyone in the audience with this valuable work. If everyone in the audience does not buy a copy of this new pamphlet, then the meeting has been partially a failure. The next wave would attack with the Lenin Calendar. Each succeeding wave would launch the attack with another of Lenin's works, or a book about Lenin. Needless to say that the Special Memorial Issue of The DAILY WORKER will receive due attention.

Get the score of efficiency of your meeting on the basis of the number who attended, the enthusiasm of the crowd, the amount of money that was made, and THE AMOUNT OF LITERATURE SOLD.

BERT MILLER.

# ASKS ACTION OF MINER OFFICERS IN IOWA COUNTY

## Time Is Now to Show Worth, Says Member

William Marshall, union coal miner of Mystic, Iowa, writes the following in regard to union conditions in sub-district No. 1, District 13:

"The drive is on in this sub-district No. 1 of the United Mine Workers of America for the 1917 scale. Some of the miners are working and we don't know what scale they are getting.

"Now this county has been a good, loyal union county. But there is an end to endurance. Now is the time for the district officers to show what they are good for. Because of the drive made by the railroads, who are dictating the price of steam coal, the miners have been living in a semi-starvation way for four years.

"If the United Mine Workers of America could put some money in this district for union work it would help some. The railroads think this county is a weak spot in the union, but if we get financial aid we can win."

# Jewish Workers Give Concert.

The Northside Jewish Workers' Educational Club will hold a concert on Saturday evening, January 8, at the Workers' Lyceum, 2733 Hirsch St.

The program will consist of numbers by the well-known mandolin orchestra, violin and piano solos and several dance numbers.

The affair is being run for the benefit of the club and a very fine program has been arranged.

# A Correction.

A. Mietla, of Kenosha, Wis., asks The DAILY WORKER to publish a correction of an item which some papers carried to the effect that his son was injured on a train between Kenosha and Chicago. The son was not on the train. Mrs. Mietla was, but she escaped injury. We are glad to inform Mr. Mietla's friends of this good news.

# Russian Council to Meet.

There will be a meeting of the Russian Council for the Protection of the Foreign Born on Sunday, the 16, at 1902 W. Division street.

All Russian organizations are urged to send delegates to this meeting and become acquainted with the work which it intends to do.

# Calexico Gets Heavier Shock.

CALEXICO, Cal., Jan. 7.—A violent earthquake rocked Calexico and Mexicali at 8:44 a. m. today, tumbling down hundreds of walls already weakened by other shocks since New Year's Day.

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## Hands Off China! Withdraw the 52 Gunboats in Chinese Waters!

The United States had 52 warships of various kinds in Chinese waters, according to a report made on October 10 last.

There is little likelihood that this number has been decreased since that time, so the news that a concentration of American naval forces is taking place in the Yangtze river between Hankow and Shanghai and that an American fleet is in the East China sea off Shanghai has special significance.

Great Britain has withdrawn from Hankow and the peoples armies are advancing on Shanghai. Their commander-in-chief, Chang Kai-shek, has announced that Shanghai will be taken by the Peoples Armies about Feb. 1.

As usual, it is announced that American naval forces are simply protecting American lives and property but the peaceful manner in which the Chinese workers of Hankow took over the British concession, with the memory fresh in their minds of their 3,000 fellow-workers massacred recently at Wahsien by British gunfire, shows that the Peoples government is not fighting against individual foreigners.

There has been no single incident in all the fighting of the last five months where Americans or Englishmen have been injured or even attacked by the National forces. The statements to the contrary are part of the monstrous fakery which always accompanies imperialist campaigns—both in victory and defeat, as is the case in China today.

With 52 gunboats in Chinese waters American imperialism appears, next to Japan, as the most formidable armed force in the Far East.

If the United States intends to pursue a policy of friendliness and commercial relationship with the victorious Peoples government, why has it been building up this enormous war-fleet in the Chinese waters?

This is a question of immediate and fundamental importance for the American masses. The conflicts between the imperialist powers in the Far East are so intense, the stakes so big and the situation created by the onward march of the Peoples Armies which will culminate in the fall of Shanghai, the largest port in China and the third largest in the world, so acute, that war may be precipitated between sunset and dawn.

The demand of "Hands Off China" and the immediate withdrawal of all naval and military forces must not be allowed to die down. It must continue to be made in the most emphatic manner until the Peoples government of China is established so firmly that the combined strength of world imperialism cannot prevail against it.

### A Sample of Capitalist Cant

The mayor of the city of Garfield, New Jersey, wrote a letter to the head of the Forstmann-Huffmann textile firm suggesting that in the interest of "peace and good will" the firm should come to terms with its employees who have been striking for the right to organize for eleven months.

In the typically canting manner of the bourgeois slave-driver, Julius Forstmann replied, saying that he was in hearty accord with the desire for industrial peace expressed by the mayor and then went on to show he was practicing what he preached.

This was by way of the company union route. The industrial baron would do as he pleased with his slaves or he would know the reason why. His employees can have peace any time they want it—by surrendering to Forstmann. This is the language of the autocrat who has not yet been sufficiently impressed with the power of organized labor, directed by militant leadership.

Forstmann demands the right to exploit his employees to the limit of his ability and their capacity. He does not want to have any union around. He prefers to deal individually with his help or thru a "union" officered by company officials.

Judging by the temper of the textile strikers Forstmann will be obliged to change his tune. Mill owners, just as hard-boiled as he is, have given way under the impact of the collective clenched fist of the textile workers. The employees of the Forstmann-Huffmann company have voted not to return to work until their union is recognized. By the time Forstmann is thru groping around for a "christian" way out of the difficulty he may have reached the conclusion that that kind of "christianity" does not always pay.

### China Keeps Going; So Do the British

The Cantonese revolutionary armies are continuing to consolidate their positions and giving the bum's rush to whatever British soldiers they find knocking around where they should not be. It looks now as if the British would not have to shoulder the "white man's burden" in China much longer.

The British blame their unpopularity in China on the Russians, as Secretary of State Kellogg blames American imperialism's difficulties in Nicaragua on Moscow via Mexico. Those boys are never hard up for excuses as long as Moscow exists. And that looks like a permanent excuse for them. The socialists could solve this problem by having Moscow jump into the lake. Then the capitalists would not have so many good excuses, but perhaps they would not have so much trouble either.

The invincibility of the imperialist powers has been given a black eye by the Chinese. It must be a sight for the gods to see a group of Chinese workers tossing British marines into the river while dignified British officials play angrily with their monocles. Imperialism, not merely the British brand, is finding the sledding a little hard. It will be harder before it melts into historical oblivion.

# The New Drive on Militant Trade Unionism

### Article XII (Conclusion).

By WILLIAM F. DUNNE.

If we listen to the typical American labor leader we discover that he harps long and loud upon his services to the movement. Rarely, if ever, does he mention the matter of reward. As a matter of fact, it is considered bad taste in official labor circles to speak of salaries and expense accounts except in those moments of confidence when, liberally supplied with pre-war liquor, American labor leaders gather around the poker table and "kid" one another about the uncomplaining manner in which the rank and file foots their bills.

**SALARIES** in the American trade union movement run from \$5,000 per year up. The "big" is twice the salary of a congressman, senator or cabinet officer. Warren Stone, late head of the locomotive engineers, held the record with \$25,000 per year.

Even small fry in the labor movement get salaries which a small business man envies. Fitzpatrick and Nockels, chairman and secretary respectively of the Chicago Federation of Labor, get \$5,200 per year.

Walker and Olander, holding similar positions in the Illinois State Federation of Labor, get \$6,500 a year.

Petrillo, head of the musicians' union in Chicago, gets \$13,000 per year.

Jewell, head of the railway department of the A. F. of L., gets \$7,500.

Daniel Tobin, president of the teamsters' union, one of the lowest paid group of workers in the country, gets \$15,000 per year.

Mahon, head of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employes' Union, gets \$14,000 per year.

President Green of the A. F. of L. gets \$12,000.

THESE salaries in most instances are accompanied by expense accounts ranging from \$10 per day to \$20, and labor leaders without a continual expense account are as scarce as Indian rajahs without harems.

When Farrington was president of District 12 (Illinois) United Mine

Workers of America, he had his home in Indianapolis and had a perpetual expense account because he had to be in Springfield. John L. Lewis lives in Springfield and charges a continual expense account because he has to be in Indianapolis, the headquarters of the union. The two cities are a few hours apart.

A witty coal miner once suggested that Farrington and Lewis exchange wives and save the union about \$10,000 per year.

THE needle trades unions are not stingy with their officials—especially those with some intellectual attainments. J. B. Salutsky (Hardman), on the staff of Advance, official organ of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, was drawing \$110 per week a few years ago, and probably gets around \$125 per week now. Charles Erwin, socialist and former editor of the Call, gets less than Salutsky, but about twice the wages of the average member of the A. C. W.

A book can and should be written on the methods by which labor officials add to their incomes, but their salaries and expense accounts alone place them a long way above the needle workers whom they "serve."

THE needle trades unions, beginning as unions of sweated workers, have rapidly developed an aristocracy which differs little, except in social-democratic cleverness, from the typical A. F. of L. bureaucracy.

There has also developed in other unions of Jewish workers an aristocracy which shares its plunder in some small degree at least with the socialist party leadership.

With their economic status far superior to that of the masses of workers, the elements listed above, with the aid of the bosses and the government, make war upon the section of the membership which insists that union officials should belong to the working class.

IT must not be thought that these elements do not have some mass support. They do. It consists of workers who, for one reason or another, enjoy better wages and working conditions than the majority of the working class, who are more back-

ward politically for historical reasons than the rest of the union membership.

SAID Lenin: This upper strata of workers or "workers' aristocracy," which is wholly petty bourgeois with regard to their manner of living and the size of their earnings, as well as in regard to their entire world viewpoint, constitutes one of the main props of the Second International, and at present the main peace-time SOCIAL PROP FOR THE BOURGEOISIE. For the truest AGENTS OF THE BOURGEOISIE IN THE LABOR MOVEMENT are the labor lieutenants of the capitalist class, who are the truest apostles of reformism and chauvinism. (Emphasis in translation.)

WE have here the explanation for the united front of socialist bureaucracy and trade union officialdom. They live the same way, they are joint participants in the distribution of the enormous surplus which American imperialism accumulates from all quarters of the globe, and their task is to crush out all tendencies towards militant struggle for economic demands and development of mass political consciousness as workers and trade unionists.

FROM our survey of the forces organized against the left wing, their public statements, the statements of the capitalist press in support of the right wing, the twin-like character of the capitalist program for the unions and the program of officialdom-worker-employer co-operation and capitalist spokesmen for definite increase in production in return for slight wage increases, the assertions of both trade union officialdom and socialist party leaders that the unions are and must remain only economic organizations, from the fact that the attack on the left wing centers now in unions which have fought and won strikes after rejecting the worker-employer co-operation policy, from the extension of the fight into all broad mass movements of a militant working class character we can say that the premises laid down in the

introduction to these articles have been proven. They have been proven by the statements of labor officialdom, capitalist apologists, socialist party leaders and government officials.

AGAINST the offensive of the united front of reaction the Communist and left wing workers represent the interests and fight for the right to strike, the right to free expression of political opinions in the unions, the right of the rank and file to make decisions without intimidation from gangsters in the pay of the official machine.

It is not for "the preservation of the trade unions" that officialdom is contending, but for trade unionism in name only—a lifeless, impotent organization managed in the interests of the bosses and resembling trade unionism only in that it supports an officialdom which talks of trade unionism—with its tongue in its fat jowl.

THE left wing is fighting to make the unions instruments and weapons of the whole working class.

This fight it will win by raising those issues which are of the most immediate importance to the masses, concentrating all efforts on winning these elementary struggles, exposing the true role of the present labor leadership, organizing, teaching, fighting the battles of the workers, extending the struggle to the whole labor movement and spreading it by determination and activity to the ranks of the unorganized, drawing into the struggle every available force against the agents of capitalism in the labor movement.

AS the gap between the masses of exploited workers and officialdom widens by reason of the open reaction of the latter, the left wing, still small and weak in numbers but mighty with potential power, will tend more and more to become THE labor movement.

The millions of workers in America who toil long hours for low wages and to whom labor officialdom pays no attention except to sabotage their struggles, are a guarantee that the left program will become the program of the American masses.

(The End.)



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### CHAPTER XVII. The Exposure.

All that fall and winter the quad had been calling from the hills of Paradise unheeded. Bunny didn't want to go there. But now it chanced that Dad had some matters to see to, and his chauffeur had got sent to jail for turning bootlegger in his off hours. Dad was having spells of bad health, when he did not feel equal to driving; and this being a Friday, his son offered to take him.

The Ross Junior tract had nothing left of Bunny but the name. There was a strange woman as housekeeper in the ranch house, and the Rascom cabin had been moved, and the bougainvillee vine replaced by a derrick. Every one of the fellows who had met with Paul was gone, and there were no more intellectual discussions. Paradise was now a place where men worked hard at getting out oil, and kept their mouths closed. There were hundreds of men Bunny had never seen before, and these had brought a new atmosphere. They patronized the bootleggers and the poolrooms, and places for secret gambling and drinking. "Orange-pickers" was the contemptuous name the real oil workers applied to this new element, and their lack of familiarity with their jobs was a cause of endless trouble; they would slip from greasy derricks, or get crushed by the heavy pipe, and the company had had to build an addition to the hospital. But of course that was cheaper than paying union wages to skilled men!

A deplorable thing happened to Bunny; his reading of a book was interrupted by a visit from the wife of Jick Duggan, one of the men in the county jail. The woman insisted on seeing him, and then insisted on weeping all over the place, and telling him harrowing tales about her husband and the other fellows. She begged him to go and see for himself, and he was weak enough to yield—you can see how imprudent it was, on the part of a young oil prince who was trying to grow his hard shell, so that he could be a help to his old father, and enjoy life with a darling of the world. Bunny knew that he was doing wrong, and showed his guilt by not telling his father where he was going that rainy Saturday afternoon.

They let him into the jail without objection; the men who kept the place being used to it, and unable to foresee the impression it would make upon a young idealist. The ancient dungeon had been contrived by an architect with a special genius for driving his fellow beings mad. The "tanks," instead of having doors with keys, like other jail cells, were designed as revolving turrets, and whenever you wanted to put a prisoner in or take one out, you revolved the turret until an opening in one set of bars corresponded with an opening in another set. This revolving was done by means of a hand-winch, and involved a frightful grinding and shrieking of rusty iron. There were three such tanks, one on top of the other, and the revolving of any one inflicted the uproar on everybody. In the course of the jail's forty years of history, scores of men had gone mad from having to listen to these sounds at all hours of the day and night.

Have you ever had the experience of seeing some person you know and love shut behind bars like a wild beast? It was something that hit Bunny in the pit of his stomach, and made him weak and faint. Here were seven fellows, all but two of them young as himself, crowding together like so many friendly and affectionate deer, nursing thru the bars and expecting lumps of sugar or bits of bread. Their pitiful clamor of welcome, the grateful light on their faces—just for a visit, a few minutes of a rich young man's time!

(Continued tomorrow.)

## RUTHENBERG TO GIVE SECOND OF LECTURE SERIES

### Speaks Again Next Sunday Here

On Sunday, Jan. 2, the lectures given by the Chicago Workers' School commenced with C. E. Ruthenberg giving the first of a series of three lectures on the "History of the Communist Movement in the United States."

Early History. Comrade Ruthenberg's first lecture took in the conditions of the early development of the Communist Party. The immense and rapid growth of the socialist party as a result of its stand against war expressed in the St. Louis resolution, its membership growing to about 125,000. The failure to carry out this resolution, however, coupled with the failure to support the Russian revolution and the general reformist attitude becoming more pronounced within the socialist party causing the development of a left wing.

"Red Raids." How the left wing originally counting some 65,000 supporters at its earliest stage of independent existence developed in different directions and into separate divisions, was brot out in the course of the lecture. The persecution of the Palmer "red raids," however, sifting the weaker elements and the various processes of the at that time existing Communist Party into its final unification into the Workers' (Communist) Party, formed the conclusion of this first part of the series.

It is not the purpose here to give a complete description of the lecture. That can only be gained by attending the meetings. Altho the first lecture is over, there are still two more of the same series of three to be given, after which follows a series of three lectures by Wm. Z. Foster on "Problems of the American Labor Movement," and three lectures by James P. Cannon and others.

Northwest Hall. The Chicago workers are invited to attend these lectures. The next will be given Sunday, January 9, 1927, at the Northwest Hall, corner North and Western avenues at 8 p. m. Admission is twenty-five cents. There will be no collection.

Negro Editor Will Speak. Irving Dungee, editor of the Negro Champion, will speak on "The Negro and American Labor" at a meeting of the open forum of the Young Workers League, Section 4, Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, at 1239 South Sangamon Avenue.

Detroit to Hear About Myths. DETROIT.—Prof. O. O. Morris will speak on "The Origin of Myths" before the Detroit Labor Forum, Sunday afternoon at three o'clock in the auditorium of the Cass Technical High School.

## Cantonese Victory in China Inevitable, Says Chinese Editor Here; Shanghai Will Be Captured Soon by Southern Government

Recent developments in China point to an inevitable victory of the Canton revolutionary government over the north Chinese warlords and ultimate control of all China by the southerners, in the opinion of L. P. Jin, editor of the Chicago Chinese daily newspaper, Kung Shong Yat Po, who keeps in close touch with the great struggle taking place in his native land.

The anti-Canton government of Peking is losing strength rapidly, being repudiated by virtually all of the people in north China, who are overwhelmingly sympathetic with the revolutionary government, and the hold that the foreign powers had is so weakened now that they have little control, Jin declared.

The reception accorded Great Britain's recent memorandum on Chinese policy by the other powers reveals how the powers are no longer united, but are fighting among themselves, he pointed out.

Control Half China. Control of more than half of the territory of China and of a great deal more than half of the people of China is in the hands of the Canton government, he said. The bulk of China's population is in the southern provinces, which Canton controls.

To Take Shanghai. Cantonese troops will be in the city of Shanghai in not less than two months, Jin predicted, basing his statements on information he gets from China. The southerners are already within 100 miles of the city. Shanghai is the most important city of China, being the main port. Capture of Shanghai will give the Cantonese control of the entire Yangtze river basin. Shanghai will probably be reached thru Hangchow, capital of Chekiang province, Jin said. An important railroad line connects the two cities. Chekiang province was recently with the Peking government, but withdrew last week and is now a part of the revolutionary territory.

Workers in Lead. The workers are still taking the lead in support of the revolution and are unyielding, Jin said. A "boycott" has been declared by the workers against foreigners and very little work is being done for them, Jin said, the Chinese workers declaring they will work only for their own people.

A cable received by Jin this week told of 10,000 workers taking charge of the British concession district at Hankow, when they took possession of the custom houses. Little resistance was made, the cable said, and order was maintained.

British Makes Approach. That the strength of the Canton government is appreciated by the foreign powers is apparent, Jin said. Several weeks ago the new British ambassador called on the Canton foreign minister, Chen, he said, and offered the Canton government British "support" and financial assistance.

Chen refused this unconditionally, declaring against forming any sort of alliance with Great Britain, he reported.

Americans Aid. Chinese in America are demonstrating their solidarity with their brothers in the revolution, Jin said. Much financial assistance is being given the Canton government by the Chinese in America. More than a half million dollars has already been sent, he said. Chicago Canton sympathizers have sent \$25,000.

"The pen is mightier than the sword," provided you know how to use it. Come down and learn now in the worker correspondent's classes.

## FEDERAL MAIL EMPLOYEES ASK NEW STATUTES

### Railway Postal Men Support 3 Bills

WASHINGTON, Jan. 7.—Three bills whose enactment is sought by the Railway Mail Association, affiliated with the American Federation of Labor, are ready for favorable report from committee in the house.

The first is the Kelly bill requiring that all mail cars be of steel construction. This would end the use of wooden cars where only 30-foot compartments are leased for carrying mail. Deaths in wooden cars are far more likely than in steel cars when wrecks occur.

Hour Demands. Second is the hours of service bill, establishing a maximum average of six and a quarter hours per day, 360 days a year, for railway mail clerks. Since they must often work 12 to 18 hours on a continuous run, the need for long periods of rest in order to restore their strength is insisted upon.

Third is the night differential bill. The clerks demand, and all postoffice employes' unions ask, that 45 or 50 minutes of work at night count for the same as 60 minutes' work in the daytime. Postmaster General New recommended a differential in pay, instead, last year. But when the white house opposed this increase in pay he withdrew. This year he repeats his recommendation, and the unions do not credit him with good faith.

Labor "Friend" Fights. Filibustering against the time differential bill in committee is Representative Sprout of Illinois, who was elected with the endorsement of organized labor. He is now spokesman for New in the contest.

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## Aid to Class-War Prisoners Planned at Big N. Y. Bazaar

NEW YORK, Jan. 7.—The annual bazaar of the New York sections of the International Labor Defense is scheduled for March 10-13, inclusive. The defense organization hopes to raise \$10,000 for aid to labor prisoners. The first conference of the bazaar committee invites representatives from unions and sympathetic labor organizations.

Boston Workers to Protest Against White Terror and Fascism in Lithuania.

BOSTON.—Workers of Boston and vicinity will record their protest at the rule of fascist terrorism in Lithuania at a mass meeting arranged by the Lithuanian branch of the International Labor Defense at Lithuanian hall, corner E and Silver streets, South Boston, Mass., Sunday, Jan. 9, at 7 p. m. There will be a number of well-known speakers, among them Leon Pruseika of New York and Robert Zels, district organizer of the I. L. D.

## Cannon Is Speaker at Boston Lenin Memorial Meeting on January 20

BOSTON, Mass., January 7.—This year the Lenin Memorial meeting will be held here Thursday, Jan. 20, at Ford hall, at 8 o'clock.

The principal speaker will be James P. Cannon of Chicago, nationally known labor leader and orator and prominent in the organization of the miners and member of the central executive committee of the Workers' (Communist) Party.

There will also be a very interesting musical program. The committee expects a record crowd.

Painters and Electric Workers Confer. WASHINGTON.—(FP)—Executives of the Brotherhood of Painters met those of the Brotherhood of Electrical Workers in conference on jurisdiction over painting of light poles, cable boxes and other electrical carrying equipment at American Federation of Labor headquarters on Jan. 2. The conference was urged by the Detroit convention of the A. F. of L. after consideration of the dispute.

## Melrose Park Mexicans Were Not Only Beaten and Fined, But Robbed As Well

The outrageous treatment given about 37 Mexicans at Melrose Park, following the shooting affair in that suburb in the early morning hours of Dec. 7, grows as new evidence comes to light.

It now appears that some of the 36 who were driven from their box cars and taken to jail were robbed by the police of some of their property. The police of Melrose Park, Oak Park, and Chicago had the Mexicans in charge, and some of them are accused by their victims of theft.

J. Trinidad Garcia has submitted to the Mexican consulate a list of the effects which he and four or five other Mexicans lost at the time. The list includes four watches with a total value of \$200; money to the amount of \$133; an overcoat valued at \$65; a watch chain worth \$12.50; and two silk shirts which had cost \$16. The Mexican consulate has placed

the matter in the hands of its attorney, Mary Belle Spencer, with the request that she see what can be done in the matter.

This property loss is in addition to the fines of \$50 each and costs which Judge L. DeFranco of Melrose Park slapped on them, and quite apart from the beating up which some of them received at the hands of the assembled officers of several suburbs and Chicago.

"Do we need the Council for the Protection of the Foreign Born?"

Steals to Feed Family.

PORTLAND, Oregon.—Because his wife and two babies were hungry and he stole money from Salvation Army Christmas boxes with which to feed them, J. T. Marlatt, 27, is in jail here. The amount he took from the boxes was \$3.

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