

"Strike or Surrender!" Is Demand of New York 40,000 Traction Workers

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MINERS RESPOND TO CALL WITH MASS PICKETING

TRANSIT WORKERS ATTACK LEADERS FOR MANOEUVRES

Issue Warning Against Politicians

The stage is set for a strike of the 40,000 Greater New York traction workers. It only remains for officials of the union to carry out the growing pressure of the workers for action.

Flat refusal late yesterday by the Interborough Rapid Transit Company to reinstate the twenty-one discharged members of the Amalgamated Traction Union has brought the union face to face with the alternative of fight or surrender.

Challenge to Union. The refusal of the Interborough to reinstate the discharged union members is in the form of a virtual challenge to the union to fight it out.

MAY PARCEL OUT MUSCLE SHOALS

WASHINGTON, Mar. 6.—A "compromise" plan for disposing of the government's \$100,000,000 Muscle Shoals project, sponsored by Senator Harrison, of Mississippi, gained support in the senate today with indications pointing to its final adoption over all others.

Soviet Union to Build 4 New Machine Shops

The Soviet Union, thru the Organizational Company, a Soviet trust in charge of machine manufacturing, has awarded a contract to the Taft-Pierce Manufacturing Company, of Woonsocket, R. I., which appoints them as advisors to the construction of a sewing-machine factory near Moscow.

Report Nicaragua Fight

MANAGUA, Mar. 6.—The opening of the Nicaraguan congress was postponed from yesterday until this afternoon. The chief piece of legislation before it is the measure to empower the United States to supervise the general election.

HORTHY, BETHLEN KILL WORKERS; SEEK MORE FUNDS IN U. S.



Five hundred representatives of the Horthy white guard regime in Hungary are reported en route from Budapest to New York to participate in the unveiling of a statue of Kossuth, the Hungarian liberator, on Riverside Drive. Among them is Count Bethlen, Hungarian prime minister, shown here at the left. At the extreme right, above, is Horthy, Hungarian regent, head of the government, maintained in the interests of the wealthy land-owners, manufacturers and nobles. Between them are the photographs of four victims of their terrorism. Two of them Rakosi and Weinberger, members of the Hungarian Communist Party, are still in prison in Hungary and plots are said to be on foot to kill them before their release. Kervin and Kerekes, also party members, were among those hanged in the reaction of 1919 when an effort was made in vain to suppress all working class expression. The Horthy delegation hopes to raise a loan here for a continuance of its repressive rule.

WORKERS, PEASANTS PUSH ON TO CANTON

CANTON, March 6.—An attack on Canton by well-trained and well-drilled worker-peasant troops is feared by the Kuomintang authorities here. Spontaneous peasant revolts in the East River district, just east of Canton, are also reported.

INJUNCTION HITS STRIKING DRIVERS

JERSEY CITY, N. J., March 6.—The first of what is said to be a series of drastic injunctions against labor unions in this state was granted the John Mullins Furniture Co. of this city today. The chauffeurs and drivers of the Mullins Co. are now on strike for a wage increase.

Soviet Miners Extend Aid to Swedish Strike

MOSCOW (By Mail).—The Central Committee of the Mine Workers Union dispatched 50,000 roubles to the Swedish striking miners. This sum begins the regular support to be given to the Swedish miners on the part of the miners of the U. S. S. R. in fulfillment of the collaboration and friendship recently concluded.

Railroad Worker Dies When Struck by Engine

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Mar. 6.—Richard Schutte, a railroad worker of this city, was instantly killed yesterday when he was struck by a drill engine while crossing the tracks of the New Jersey Central Railroad.

Dwellings Bill Killed

ALBANY, N. Y., March 6.—The dwellings bill has been killed for this session of the legislature, Senator Whitley, chairman of the commission which drafted the bill, conceded today. Pressure of real estate interests and the Tammany Hall administration of New York City combined to defeat the bill.

Worker's Hand Crushed

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Mar. 6.—John J. O'Neill, 32, employed by Henry Cohendet Co., had two of his fingers crushed while working on a boiler yesterday.

FLOOD BILL ON PROGRAM

WASHINGTON, Mar. 6.—The Jones compromise flood control bill was placed on the administration's legislative program in the senate today. The new program gave first place to the Tyson emergency army officers' retirement bill following disposition of the pending Muscle Shoals legislation, second place to the Norbeck migratory bird bill, and third place to flood control.

USSR WARS ON SAMOGON

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Mar. 6.—The entire police force of the Soviet Union is being mobilized in the fight against the illicit manufacture of samogon, or home brew vodka, it is reported.

MINERICH FIGHT AROUSES MINERS

Injunction Case Goes to Appeal

COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 6.—With the granting of an appeal to Anthony Minerich, chairman of the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Committee, convicted of a violation of a federal injunction against mass picketing in the coal strike, the first test of the injunction in the great bituminous struggle has gotten under way.

Loeb, Leopold O.K.; Have Cash

ST. LOUIS, March 6.—John Freeman, released two weeks ago after serving 10 years in the Joliet Penitentiary was starving today and appealed to the police here for food and work.

Bricklayer Killed

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Mar. 6.—James Lowery, 46 year old bricklayer of this city, was killed yesterday in a fall from a roof on which he was at work. He died as a result of a fractured skull.

Wire Burns Brakeman

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Worker's Spine Injured

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AGED LABORER KILLED

WOODBRIDGE, N. J., Mar. 6.—Joseph Delesio, 60 year old laborer, was killed instantly yesterday when struck by a train while at work repairing tracks on the Erie Railroad at Carlstadt, near here.

FACULTY ACTS AGAINST YOUTH IN WAR MATTER

George Bronz, manager of the College of the City of New York debating team, who recently arranged a debate on the question, "Should the Marines Protect American Investments Abroad," between the College of the City of New York and Trinity College, has been suspended from all extra-curricular activities by faculty action.

MRS. KNAPP GETS OFF WITH EASE

ALBANY, N. Y., March 6.—Following the conference between Gov. Smith, Attorney General Ottinger and District Attorney Charles J. Herrick it was practically a foregone conclusion that the charges against Florence E. Knapp, former Republican secretary of state would be sidetracked.

SEWER CRAFTERS GET MILD THREAT

A promise that he may attempt criminal action against some of the politicians and contractors involved in the \$27,500,000 Queens sewer graft was made yesterday by Emory R. Buckner, state counsel in the investigation which thus far has made little progress.

Zinc Worker Killed

FRANKLIN, N. J., Mar. 6.—Michael Sworsky, a worker in the New Jersey Zinc Company plant here, was struck by a Susquehanna Railroad train and instantly killed yesterday. His head was crushed.

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WOMEN, CHILDREN ANSWERING "SAVE THE UNION" PLEA

The Committee Predicts Certain Victory

PITTSBURGH, March 6.—The call by the "Save-the-Union Committee" of the miners, for a national progressive conference to be held here on April 1, comes at a time when mass rallies of the rank and file miners are being witnessed in scores of districts in the mine fields.

Mass picketing, the "Save-the-Union Committee" pointed out, is developing in many parts of the country and is being led in many instances by women and children. "Such spirit after nearly a year of bitter struggle and suffering is a warning to the operators and the Lewis machine. The stamina and courage of the miners has not been beaten down as the boss-union officials combination has supposed.

In the Pittsburgh districts, in Rairford, in Racoon, in Steubenville, Ohio, in a score of other sections and districts the rising power of the miners assisted by their wives and children is giving expression to the inevitableness of the struggle and the certainty of victory.

Republicans Prepare to Pass Own Power Bill

ALBANY, N. Y., March 6.—Having killed Gov. Smith's waterpower bill, that would have given control to the General Electric Co., republican leaders of the legislature were today preparing to pass their own bill during the closing days of the session. It would give control to Andrew Mellon interests.

China Death Rate High

PEKING, Mar. 6.—The death rate in China from disease is 12,000,000 persons per year, according to statistics available today at the Rockefeller Hospital. These figures do not include the heavy casualties from fighting throughout the country.

STARVING, BUT SEND \$25 TO "DAILY"

Striking Pennsylvania Miners Rush to Defend Their Paper

"From the heart of the striking coal district where many of us have been on strike for months, we are sending you all we can afford, \$25, for the Defense Fund to save the DAILY WORKER from the attacks that the United States government is making against our paper," writes a group of Jugo-Slav workers in Pittsburgh. "Twenty-five dollars is a small sum," the letter continues, "but it seems a large amount to any of us. Many of us have been striking since last spring. Often we wonder where the next meal is coming from. Our wives and our children need food and clothing. We do not speak for ourselves. But there is a stronger duty for us workers than feeding and clothing ourselves. This week we held a Ruthenberg Memorial Meeting in Pittsburgh to commemorate the death of the leader of the militant American working class. When Charles E. Ruthenberg died he told us, along with all the other militant workers, to defend the DAILY WORKER as we would our own lives. Today our paper is surrounded by enemies as never before. The United States government and its lackeys are attempting to crush our militant..."

Chinese Worker-Peasant Armies March on Canton in Victorious Drive South

WAR LORDS RUSH TROOPS TO CITY TO STEM DRIVE

Report Peasant Revolts Near City

(Continued from Page One)

by the mass of workers within the city, the authorities fear. In spite of the wholesale execution of left wing leaders, the ruthless suppression of all trade unions and the arrest of thousands of workers, the workers within the city are believed to be secretly sympathetic to the worker-peasant armies.

Canton authorities fear that peasants in villages surrounding Canton will furnish aid. Villages surrounding Canton have repeatedly set up Soviet governments, which were ruthlessly crushed by the Kuomintang troops. The possibility of an attack on Canton by the Hunanese army, however, may stir the peasants to open revolt against the Canton authorities, it is believed.

LEFT SWING IN POLE ELECTION

Communists Gained in Big Cities

WARSAW, March 6.—The final results of the national election reveal substantial gains for the left wing. Although only five members of the Communist Party were elected to the Sejm, many left wing peasant candidates were returned with the support of the Communists. Only two Communists held seats in the last Sejm.

The votes cast for left wing candidates in industrial centers was particularly large.

BOHEMIAN MINERS STRIKE COMPLETE

PRAGUE, (By mail.)—The situation in the miners' struggle in north-west Bohemia is unchanged. The strike is still complete with the exception of three small pits in the Kometau district. The reports of the bourgeois press concerning an alleged breaking-up of the struggle are false.

Everywhere meetings of the striking miners are demanding that the negotiations which are at present being conducted lead to no result. The miners are determined not to give way to the provocative proposals of the coal barons. The mine owners are furious and started at the fact that the safety men who have been left in the pits are sabotaging. They are using this fact to conduct a furious anti-Communist campaign in the hope of driving a wedge between the striking Communist miners and their fellow strikers.

All these attempts have shattered on the united front set up by the fighting miners.

Rap Mussolini Speech

BERLIN, March 6.—Mussolini's biting speech in regard to the Tyrol question has aroused a great deal of unfavorable comment in the Berlin press.

Forced to Resign



Servat Pasha, Egyptian Premier, was forced to resign as the result of the widespread nationalist protest against the Anglo-Egyptian treaty which he concluded with Austen Chamberlain. The treaty virtually sanctioned the control of Egypt by Tory Britain and provided for the maintenance of British troops in Egypt.

Pilsudski and "Free" Elections in Poland



As the "Pravda" (Moscow) cartoonist sees the elections in Poland. Pilsudski railroaded thousands of militant workers to jail and suppressed left wing papers in a frantic effort to stem the general swing to the left.

OBREGON SCORES HAVANA CONFAB

Move Designed With Eye on Elections

MEXICO CITY, March 6.—With an eye to the coming presidential election, Alvaro Obregon issued a statement last night in which he attacked various Latin-American governments for their failure to adequately represent popular Latin-American opinion at the Havana conference. Obregon studiously avoided any direct reference to the role of the United States at the conference.

"The conference had no further significance in my opinion," he said, "than to show what appreciable failure of civic, moral and patriotic sentiment which the mentality of some Latin-American governments has suffered."

"It may be deduced from the designs revealed by the representatives of these governments that they did not interpret the real sentiments of their peoples. Had they done so they would have called on moral and material forces sufficient, within their own frontiers, to guarantee their stability and would not have pretended that the authority which they stated they represented and which always sought to emanate from the sovereignty of the people found it necessary to appeal to the material forces of foreign countries."

"Apart from this aspect of the conference, which brings a blush to Latin America, I feel further comment unnecessary."

'LEADERS' BETRAY COTTON WORKERS

MANCHESTER, Eng., March 6.—In spite of the result of the recent conference at which the Federated Textile Trade Unions forced the Cotton Manufacturers' Association to withdraw their demands of a 12 1/2 per cent wage reduction, and a five-hour work time increase, the Aqueeduct Mills at Stalybridge gave the union 24 hour notice to decide whether or not to accept the 8 1/2 hour week. The union officials advised the workers to return to work.

The decision of the conferences referred to was that a committee of equal size, from the workers and the employers conduct an investigation into the finances of the cotton textile industry, but the first meeting of the workers' and employers' representatives broke down completely when the bosses refused to accept the proposal of the union that neutral personnel, such as accountants and skilled investigators be added to the inquiry commission.

The action of the first mentioned textile mill shows that the employers are determined to gain their demands regardless of the results of the investigation. Even the socialist press here believes that a general textile strike is likely.

TORIES TO RUSH MORE PLANES TO HALT ARAB DRIVE

Natives Revolt Against British Rule

LONDON, March 6.—Planes are being rushed from India to reinforce the squadrons of the Royal Air Force operating against the rebellious Arab tribes on the Iraq frontier. Troops are also being rushed from Palestine, reports received here state.

The Wahabi tribes which have been struggling against British domination in the middle east have been considerably reinforced by Abdul Aziz Ibn Saud, Sultan of Mejd and King of Hedjaz, most powerful Arabian ruler who has openly come out against the British. Ibn Saud, at one time, received a subsidy from the British for aiding them in their designs in the middle east.

There are at present eight squadrons of fourteen planes each operating against the tribesmen. Numerous air raids have been made on native villages and thousands of Arabs are believed to have been killed. The British war office plans to rush troops from India, Palestine and Egypt in an effort to stem the drive of the Arabs against Koweit.

Tories Bar Samuel Schwartzbard From Entering Palestine

JERUSALEM, March 6.—The desire of Joseph Schwartzbard, assassin of Simon Petlura, white guard general who terrorized the Ukraine, to settle down in Palestine—the Jewish homeland—has been thwarted by the British government, it was learned today.



Both Lord Plumer, British high commissioner for Palestine, and the English colonial office, concurred in the refusal to grant Schwartzbard a permit on the ground he is "undesirable."

Schwartzbard was declared not guilty by a Paris jury after a sensational trial at which evidence was submitted regarding the wholesale massacre of Jews by Petlura's white guards.

English Woolen Workers Are Losing More Jobs

LONDON, March 6.—Further declines in the number of persons employed in the wool textile industry here, are revealed in the statistics recently published in the Ministry of Labor's Gazette.

Thirty-two per cent of the spinners in the woolen industry are working part time, while 25 per cent of the weavers lost the same amount of employment. Seventeen per cent of all the operatives in the worsted spinning industry are on part time also. All this in spite of the fact that textile unions have forced many mill owners to allow workers to operate less mills than heretofore.

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The "Los Angeles," huge navy dirigible, visits an outpost of the U. S. empire—Panama. United States imperialism is making elaborate military preparations at Panama—a strategic position in the coming imperialist war.

GERMAN METAL WORKERS URGED TO FIGHT CUTS

USSR Workers Point to Reformist Treachery

MOSCOW, Feb. 17. (By mail.)—The metal workers' congress of the Soviet Union, which is at present in session here, adopted an appeal to the German metal workers calling upon them to offer a determined resistance to the German capitalists and promising that the metal workers of the Soviet Union would do everything possible to fulfill their duty of international solidarity towards the fighting German metal workers.

The appeal points out that in accordance with the instructions of the German Social Democratic Party, the leaders of the German Metal Workers' Union are doing their utmost to avoid a decisive struggle and to hamper the defense of the workers. The leaders preferred to sabotage the fighting spirit of the workers and to address themselves to capitalist arbitration courts.

The appeal expresses the conviction of the metal workers of the Soviet Union that the German metal workers will not permit the German capitalists and their supporters to treat them with contempt, but that they, the German metal workers, will act as the advance guard of the German working class and refuse to be deceived any longer by opportunism and compromise.

To Discuss Tyrol

VIENNA, March 6.—The Austro-Italian situation will be taken up tomorrow when the Central Committee of Parliament meets to discuss foreign relations.

STUDENT PROTEST AGAINST FASCISM 20 WORKERS ARE KILLED IN JAVA

GUAYAQUIL, Ecuador, March 6.—A proclamation protesting against the arrest of more than four hundred students by the Venezuelan government has been adopted by students in the Ecuador universities.

A large number of students in Caracas university were arrested by the Venezuelan dictatorship several days ago for demanding a change in government.

SAMARANG, Java, March 6.—More than a score of workers were killed and fifty injured today as a result of an explosion of a fireworks factory at Kodoco. A hundred houses, surrounding the factory, were destroyed by the blast.

Workers who survived the explosion claim that there were few safeguards in the factory. The explosion caused damage over a wide area.

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FALL RIVER MILL CLOSES DOWN ON BREAKAGE EXCUSE

Unionists Must Force Officials to Act

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
FALL RIVER, Mass. (By Mail).—Today the Arkwright Co., whose plant has been open for business as usual during the past week, announced that they would have to shut down until March 8 because of the break of a shay-bolt in the boiler. Workers in Fall River are wondering if the real cause of the shutdown is not "labor trouble" rather than engine trouble. The fact that the workers have stayed solidly by the union has upset the calculations of the bosses somewhat and some excuse is necessary for general consumption as to why the mills cannot be run if the plant has sufficient force to operate.

The workers in this mill can win their demands for reinstatement of their discharged fellow workers only by broadening out the basis for a strike and rallying the 35,000 textile workers in this city in a general strike against the wage-cut and speed-up system.

Unless the workers force the hands of the leaders of the American Federation of Textile Operatives into departing from their out-worn policy of respectable, localized strikes, their efforts will not be of much avail in stopping the wage-cutting campaign of the bosses.

The only course open to the workers is a general walk-out in all the mills.
W. G. MURDOCK.

'Miners' Spirit Is Very Good': Ohio Striker

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
BRIDGEPORT, O. (By Mail).—I have attended several meetings called in this district by the Save-the-Union Committee and I have not heard one word said by any speaker that would tend to split the ranks of the miners, but on the contrary, I find the rank and file in a better spirit than at any time in this struggle.

It was easy to see that the no-account officials had sent men whom they had filled full of booze and furnished with trucks and machines to try to disrupt the meeting. But when these men found 95 per cent of the miners for the Save-the-Union movement they had quite another thought.

It appears that there are about 50 men there who would rather have a shot of liquor than their union.

The capitalist press right now has very good connections with the sub-district office of the United Mine Workers and is trying in every way to beat down the progressive movement.

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Lowden a Candidate

BOSTON, March 6.—Frank C. Lowden has admitted that he is a candidate for president on the republican party ticket. He said that the filing of his name in the North Dakota primaries "probably makes me a candidate."

JOBLESS FREEZE IN CITY OF LOVE; THOUSANDS IDLE

Man Knocked Dizzy in Fight for Work

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
PHILADELPHIA, (By Mail).—I am out of work for nearly three months, like many others of my friends and comrades. The streets of our city are over-crowded with workers looking for employment, the offices of shops are jammed and the front of employment agencies, with men and women hungry and cold, ready to do anything for any kind of wages, just to get off the street and to be able to buy a piece of bread or perhaps a cup of coffee for their hungry children.

But, no work is to be had, the few jobs that are listed with the agents, the workers cannot buy because of the high fees that these flunkies are trying to press out of them. (I know one man who was out of work three months, he is a clerk and receives about \$22 a week. He landed a job for which he had to pay \$46.) Although there is misery and poverty everywhere, the workers do not realize the necessity to organize themselves and the few that have courage enough to do so are driven off and jailed by our friendly city administrators, who are expressing their brotherly love towards their fellow men through the clubs of their blue coat lackeys. This is "prosperity."

The following are some of the incidents that I've experienced during the last few months:

Workers living in parks on the benches in spite of the cold weather, unable to secure employment and without food and shelter. Workers on the street begging for a nickel to buy a cup of coffee. Workers on the street in the front of some shops fighting, while each of them is trying to get inside first. One day last week about 600 to 800 men were trying to make application at the same place, one man was knocked half-unconscious and walking away he left a trail of blood that ran off his thin body. One meeting of the unemployed was disturbed by the police and 16 men and women were arrested. No doubt our blue coats are excellent heroes.

One worker I met had been out of work four months, unable to pay his board. His last job only brought him \$15 a week, working around acids, etc. He was thrown out of the house by his own sister. The boss came out and told us that no help was wanted, he then told me that if he doesn't soon get a job he's going to pick up a lead pipe. . . . When I told him about the meeting of the unemployed, he said, "they can't do anything anyhow." He could hardly walk and only had one meal a day for two weeks, I couldn't get very far with him because he was an ex-service man, and, of course, a good patriot.

These are only a few of the many incidents we come in contact with every day, but they are of no benefit whatever to the unemployed. Therefore, I would like to say to these men and women, let us stop to fight with each other, let us organize and together fight our common foes, the capitalists, and their system under which we are oppressed and exploited.
—F. H.

The Alimony Club

The divorced wife of Bainbridge Colby, former secretary of state, has obtained a judgement against him from Supreme Court Justice Delehanty for \$16,500 alimony that the diplomat failed to pay.

Labor Party is Workers' Need in California

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
LOS ANGELES, Cal. (By Mail).—One of President Wilson's "wifely" men is in this city today to extend his campaign for the Democratic nomination for the presidency, or chairmanship of the executive committee of the capitalist class. He is James A. Reed, United States Senator from the "show-me-state"—Missouri. In order to show the workers and bourgeois element of this golden starvation state how "democratic" he is, he has made the Biltmore hotel, the finest hang-out for millionaires and other parasites in the city, his headquarters. Biltmore is just as much of a scab-joint as Alexandria, another center for idle members of the "400 club," used as headquarters by fat A. F. of L. officials during the last convention of that organization.

The senator will address a mass meeting at the Olympic Auditorium tomorrow night, Feb. 29, and it is expected that he will kick like hell at President Coolidge and his administration. Well, being both a Missourian and a member of the "mule party," he has a double reason of knowing the art of kicking like a Missouri mule.

Not a sound from Mr. McAdoo, the "crown prince" yet.

According to the capitalist press, one-sixth, or about 500,000 of the trade union membership are idle in this country at this time; and California has probably more than its "just" share of starving men, women and children. So what about a Labor Party for this city, state and nation? Instead of keeping up the hopeless game of rewarding friends and punishing enemies among parties made up of dumb animals, elephants and mules, etc., organize the workers on the political field.
L. P. RINDAL.

TELL OF DETROIT UNEMPLOYMENT IN FORD'S SHOPS

Woman Correspondent Describes Hardship

(By Mail).—First excuse me for my poor writing as I didn't get an opportunity to go to school very much. I went to work at 14 as all the slaves.

Always Worked.

I worked ever since I remember. Five years ago we lived on a farm. We got four small children. I didn't have much time to help hubby so he found it almost impossible to do all of his work, he got to work day and night. Finally we heard so much about Mr. Henry Ford, we sold our farm and came to Detroit. Hubby also started to work for Mr. Ford and served him faithfully four years.

Now after hubby lost his job in Ford's for several weeks he was running up and down the streets to get work. Now we have six children, the oldest 12 years old. Finally hubby got a job in Hudson's. Two months ago work became slack at Hudson's and hubby and a hundred others were laid off. We also bought a home when we came to Detroit, and we pay \$5 monthly.

Our government also protects those men like Mr. Ford as we see in the coal mining districts, but what is done for protection of the workers—shooting them down like dogs, but our government's constitution writes if we're not satisfied with our present government we got to overrule it and elect another government. I think we should get a workers' government by the workers and I tell you we won't get a bit of justice for the workers of America till we get a workers' government.

A FORD WORKER'S WIFE.

DRAMA

"Jazz, Pep" At "Red Revue"

The "peppiest, snappiest proletarian jazz follies ever presented in the history of the American labor movement"—this was the description applied last night by Edward W. Royce, business manager of The DAILY WORKER, to the forthcoming "Red Revue" to be held at the Star Casino, 107th St. and Park Ave., Friday evening, March 16.

"It will feature," said Royce, "satirical take-offs on prominent political figures nationally and internationally known. Satire at the expense of public men is a diversion which flourished in old England during the Elizabethan period," declared the business manager of the "Daily." It must now be revived, he declared.

There will be a Russian gypsy scene, feature a 14-piece Balalaika orchestra in which songs of old Russia will be contrasted with stirring revolutionary songs of new Russia.

"A group of working class beauties," is also promised by Royce for the forthcoming event. "Their dancing and singing," he said, "will be among the outstanding features of the evening."

The Workers Theatre, under the supervision of Pauline Rogers, who recently returned from a visit to the Soviet Union, is directing the revue which will consist of nine acts.



The noted Russian basso will give his final song recital of the season at Carnegie Hall tonight.

Universal announces the forthcoming production of a chapter play titled "Terrors of the Unknown" which will feature, in addition to the regular characters, an aggregation of dinosaurs, ichthyosaurs, plesiosaurs, pterodactyle, diplocci and other prehistoric monsters.

Calls the "Hoboken Blues" Class-Conscious Vaudeville

By CHARLES YALE HARRISON.

I remember quite distinctly when as a youngster I was supposed to be studying or out looking for a job that the vaudeville theatre held a strange attraction for me. Many an afternoon when I was supposed to be running from office to office in search of gainful employment, I would sneak into a Keith or Loew theatre and sit throughout the afternoon watching act after act whiz by on the bill.

There was something fascinating in the technique of the vaudeville act. It took ten or twelve minutes and it moved with amazing speed and dispatch. It was neat, snappy and its hard efficiency reflected the raciness of modern American life. It mirrored the life that I knew so well, the cheap witicism of the streets; the weeping sentimentality of the "song-hit" ballad, the wise-cracks, the rakish straw hats of the "hoofers"—this was the life that I knew. Of course, as I sat among the gallery gods, I didn't rationalize in this manner—I simply sat and enjoyed myself.

Then in the evening, I went home and listened with a heavy heart to the endless complaints of my mother and numerous other relatives who pelted me the never-ending questions, "Did you get a job?" "Did you look hard?" "My God, everyone seems to be able to find work, except you."

I mention my early attendance at the vaudeville theatres, to prove that I am a qualified expert of things vaudevilian. Equipped as I am with a complete knowledge of all the intricate technicalities of buck and wing and soft-shoe dances, with an almost perfect acquaintance with the position which an act should have on the bill, (for example that the one-act sketch should come before the next-to-closing act and so forth), I feel that I can speak on "Hoboken Blues" with an air of authority.

In 1928, any Negro (or white for that matter) who dares to dream of a day when the merciless exploitation of a leather factory will be no more, is almost certain to lose his wife and children and have his head cracked by police clubs. Sam is no exception. All these things happen to Sam in "Hoboken Blues." And with it all there is a boisterous humor, lots of music, jazz and light vaudevilian tears. But underneath the whole show lies a bitter and effective class-conscious wisecrack. "Hoboken Blues" is a glorious poke in the eye at a world run by get-rich-quickers, Wall Street bankers and G. O. P. politicians. It is the sort of vaudeville that I should have seen in my early days. It is head-line vaudeville written by Michael Gold, based on the Communist Manifesto, not on sex, which explains the bitter attacks on it by the capitalist press. It is typically American. It has the guts of modern capitalist society with all its capacity and murderous exploitation condensed into two and one half hours.

All of which explains why the dramatic critics of the metropolitan press tore it to shreds after the opening night. Came the critics Walter Winchell, the wise-cracking, but empty-headed critic for "The Graphic"—called it "alleged entertainment." Winchell, a Broadway speakery habitué, certainly could see no entertainment in "Hoboken Blues."

Alexander Woolcott of the World, thought of a smart crack and then

jailed it up and wrote a "review" under it. The Times, the Post and the Telegram were all equally vindictive. And why not? If any of these reviewers dared to call "Hoboken Blues" a good play and give the reason for so doing their sheets would have lost half of their advertising overnight. The big Park Row properties are not in business to boost revolutionary entertainment. Previous New Playwrights plays were called "radical" or "mildly interesting" or "novel"—but with "Hoboken Blues" the critics called the play "boring and tiresome"—a lie, if ever there was one.

Maybe after all, those delightful afternoons spent in the gallery of the Loew and Keith houses were not wasted.

For "Hoboken Blues" is vaudeville—delightful vaudeville but vaudeville, nevertheless. Then, how come, that in the jazziest vaudeville city in the world that Michael Gold's play should have been met with a vicious barrage of vitriolic dramatic criticism. "Hoboken Blues" is a class-conscious vaudeville! It cracks wise, it is true, but the cracks are directed in a deft manner at the existing order. It is vaudeville with a poignant, heart-rending lynching scene. It is fast. It is sure. It has music. It has—yes—even tights. It is burlesque. It laughs, it cries. But always with the present economic order as the "foil."

At the New Playwrights one sees corked faces, but not the faithful "coons" I saw at the Keith houses during my novitiate. Gone are the suffling old Sambos, who deferentially doffed their battered hats to Massa George, Gold's Negroes in their vaudeville roles speak of lynchings and police-cracked skulls.

Sam Pickens, the non-conformist, delightful banjo player, who somehow or other cannot get or keep a job, drifts through the "play"—15 acts—giving a slight appearance of continuity. Sam balks at jobs in a leather factory or in a can factory and flees terrified from offers of work for "colored; must be strong for excavation work under the East River." He dreams of a time when his race will not be exploited and mobbed and clubbed. He makes "speeches." He tells the street children of a mythical country that he has heard of—Hoboken—where "they is po' chop mountains, cigarette grass, soda water rivers and where they aint no black and white." In Hoboken, Sam has been told, you only work three hours a day and spend the rest of the days strummin' a banjo.

"Hoboken Blues" is a show—I refuse to call it a play—that every reader of the radical press should see. If the labor press and its readers do not support the New Playwrights then I am at a loss to know who will. I make this plea for support in the knowledge that the support given will not be of the self-sacrificing variety; because in return for the dollar or so you will spend, you will receive a riotous jazzy evening.

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and themselves and with the school children put on the biggest and most colorful demonstration ever staged in that township.

Women carrying banners with inscriptions such as "If my husband were to scab, I would divorce him," and the young girls carried signs which read "I'd never marry a scab." Almost the entire township participated.

The maximum output of the newly reopened mine was 500 tons. On the first day of mass picketing one and a half flats of coal were put out and on the second day the operation was completely paralyzed and the mine deserted.

More Women Fight

STEVENVILLE, Ohio, March 6.—Six women, wives and daughters of strikers, who, on March 2, led a demonstration against twenty scabs posing as carpenters employed by the Y and O Coal Company at their Dorothy mine, near Glen Robin, were arrested and brought to jail here by deputy marshals.

Three of the women were detained and three were released. The women sent to jail are Mrs. Mary Taylor, Mrs. Mary Russen and Miss Mary Tomiak. Those released are: Mrs. Ella Cominsky, Mrs. Alice Slocaki and her 16 year old daughter, Sadie. Bond was set for \$200 and \$100 for the jailed women on a charge of threatening men going to work in violation of a federal injunction.

Mass Picketing

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 6.—One striking miner was arrested while addressing a demonstration of 200 union men and women who were picketing a mine near Yorkville, Ohio, on March 2, according to a report received at the headquarters of the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Committee at 611 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa.

Adjutant General Frank D. Henderson of the Ohio National Guard is said to have dispersed the demonstration. The National Guard is conducting a strikebreaking relief campaign, giving out a little food with one hand and holding a gun in the other.

Mass picketing is becoming more popular in Eastern Ohio and arrests are not dampening the enthusiasm of the strikers.

Refuse to Scab

BAIRD FORD, Pa., March 6.—A splendid example of working class solidarity was given by four workers from this town who secured employment at the works of the Allegheny Steel Company in Brackenridge when they refused to unload scab coal from the Frick mines. They asked the foreman where the coal came and were tartly informed that it came from Frick's. "This is where we quit" they said, "we'll be damned if we are going to touch scab coal." And they picked up their buckets and all walked away.

Gould Heirs Involved In R. R. Control Fight

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The supreme court yesterday dismissed the appeal of receivers of the Wash. Pittsburgh Terminal Railway from an unsuccessful suit in New York courts to substitute heirs of the late George J. Gould for him in a suit for accounting.

The court held that a final decision had not been rendered in the New York courts.

The suit originally was brought against Gould, Myron H. Herrick, ambassador to France; Joseph Ramsey Jr., and James Hazen Hyde, alleging that they misapplied funds of the railway.

Cannon Tour Dates

- Wednesday, March 7th, Gary, Ind. Turner Hall, 14th cor. Washington.
 - Thursday, March 8th, Waukegan, Ill. Woodmen Hall, 517 Helmholz.
 - Friday, March 9th, Milwaukee, So. Side Turner Hall, 471 National Ave.
 - Sunday, March 11th, Kansas City, Mo. Neumanns' Hall, 1617 Washington Street, 5 p. m.
 - Friday, March 16th, Omaha, Neb. Sunday, Monday, Tuesday, March 16-18-19, Denver and vicinity.
 - Thursday, March 22nd, Salt Lake City, Utah.
 - Saturday, March 24th, Oakland, Cal. Fraternity Hall.
 - Sunday, March 25th, California State I.L.D. Conference in San Francisco, morning and afternoon sessions.
 - Sunday, March 25th, San Jose, Calif. Tuesday, March 27th, Palo Alto, Cal.
 - Wednesday, March 28th, San Francisco, Cal. Garfield Hall.
 - Thursday, March 29th, San Francisco, Cal. Mass Meeting.
 - Friday, March 30th, Los Angeles, I.L.D. membership meeting.
 - Saturday, March 31st, Los Angeles, Cal. Banquet, Cooperative Hall, 355 Brooklyn Ave., 8 p. m.
- April dates will be announced in the near future.

Union Case Reversed

BELLEVILLE, Ill., March 6.—The appellate court at St. Vernon has reversed Judge George A. Crow's sentence of 18 striking enamel workers for contempt of court. The unionists had been sentenced to from 90 to 120 days' imprisonment.

PILOT KILLED; WAS PRACTISING FOR THE NEXT WAR



One pilot was killed and another injured when two planes flying from Wichita, Kansas, to Los Angeles collided in New Mexico. (photo on left).—Photo on right is a view of new airplane which Charles Lindbergh used in a recent flight from St. Louis to Mt. Clemens, Mich. In the next war airplanes of this type will be used to bomb cities and kill defenseless women and children.

CLOTHING STRIKE IN TORONTO SEEN

Threat Made Against Right Wing Terror

TORONTO, March 6.—A general strike of all the workers in the men's clothing industry here will probably be effected if the right wing officials of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers' Union and the employers refuse to reinstate the workers who have been summarily discharged for their left wing activities. The Tin-Top Tailoring Company, the first firm to obey the union officials' order that three left wingers be discharged, and the Miller Coat Shop, which served dismissal notices on two other workers, are already completely tied up by a spontaneous 100 per cent walk-out.

The giving of one week's pay in lieu of notice to a worker in the Hobbs-Shep was also the signal for an immediate walk-out. The demands of the strikers who have already organized picket lines, is that no worker be thrown from the job by the union bureaucrats for fighting against the right wing policies in the union.

A meeting last Sunday of nearly every worker in the trade unanimously decided that a general strike be called if immediate reinstatement is not effected.

It was learned that Benjamin Schlossberg, secretary-treasurer of the Amalgamated is already on his way to Toronto in an effort to settle the dispute, but it is doubtful, according to the sentiment here, whether the workers would be willing to make any concessions, since most of them believe that the attack against the left wing was made under the express instructions of the national leaders of the union.

ARREST 11 PAPER BOX MAKERS HERE

Eleven striking members of the Paper Box Makers' Union were arrested yesterday. Four were taken into custody near the Security Paper Box Co., 2021 Atlantic Ave., Brooklyn. The four workers were sitting in an automobile when arrested.

The owner of the factory is Michael Predmas, an active member of the socialist party and the Workers' Circle. The workers arrested are Santo Scialni, Vincent Galdino, Santo Abruzzo and Natale Abruzzo. They are charged with disorderly conduct and will appear for a hearing in the Jersey City Magistrate's Court this morning. They were released on \$500 bail last night.

7 Jailed Last Night

The seven other workers were arrested last night when sitting in a restaurant on Elizabeth St.

Three agencies are furnishing scabs, it has been learned. They were paid \$60 a week for every strike-breaker furnished. Of this amount \$20 is given to the scab, \$40 being retained by the agencies.

Chevrolet Building Plant in Atlanta

ATLANTA, Ga., March 6.—The Chevrolet Motor Company is erecting a factory building here, in pursuance of its policy of building assembling plants in the various territories of the country. The Atlanta Federation of Trades Unions is circulating central bodies to the effect that the labor employed in the construction of the building is non-union.

Students Go on Strike When Supt. Is Ousted

TARRYTOWN, N. Y., March 6.—Two hundred students of the Irvington High School went on strike yesterday as a protest against the removal of Charles McClelland, superintendent of schools, by the board of education at a secret meeting a week ago.

When the one o'clock assembly bell rang, the students walked out of the school in a body and shouted, "Down with the board of education." More than half of the striking students are girls.

DISCRIMINATION HURTS MINERS

DES MOINES, Iowa, March 6.—A delegation is touring this state to raise funds for the starving miners in Appanoose county who are resisting a 20 per cent wage reduction.

The leading coal owner, the committee states, is so influential that no business man dare extend credit to miners and the supervisors refuse to vote aid to the strikers' children. Children are hungry and without proper clothing and shoes. The houses have been stripped of everything that can be sold.

Death in the Mines

SHENANDOAH, Pa., March 6 (FP).—Death continues playing a big hand in the hard coal industry. James Todd, 29, of Girardville, was killed at Packer No. 5, a Lehigh operation. He was caught in a conveyor and crushed to death. Paul Whitaker, mine foreman at the Knickerbocker colliery, a Reading mine, was killed when the car on which he was working on a slope, suddenly plunged to the bottom.

The same day Charles Kurswidias, of William Penn, a mine patch, died of an abscess on the lungs, caused by a sprain from lifting heavy timber in the mines.

Grim is the story of Frank Rodroza, of Shamokin, 38, a miner. Failing eyesight, due to poor light in the mines, drove him to a suicide attempt. He shot himself twice thru the head and his death is expected.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Mar. 6.

Peter Canavan, a barge worker, received serious internal injuries yesterday as a result of a fall from the barge "Kate McClure" to the dock while at work on Black Tom's Island yesterday.

SIGMAN TAX PLAN PROVES BIG FIZZLE

Joint Board Advice Was Heeded, Boss Admits

The announced plan of the right wing of the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union to permit cloakmakers to work eight hours on each of two Saturdays, March 3 and 10, in order to pay the right wing "Joint Board" the wages of one Saturday's work as a tax, was a flat failure, according to an involuntary admission made by the president of the Industrial Council of Cloak Manufacturers, Samuel Klein.

Klein admitted that the workers refused to come to work last Saturday as a result of an appeal by the left wing Joint Board that they should do nothing to help the "Joint Board" of the Sigmanites. On previous Saturdays the workers in the shops of the employers' association, which refuses to recognize the left wing Joint Board, had been compelled to work due to the destruction of union conditions in these shops. A survey made by a trade journal states that nearly all shops were closed last Saturday.

After stating that the International officials want the money in order to break the union, the appeal of the Joint Board states: "It is now clear why the right wing clique raised a cry about stopping Saturday work for the past three weeks. Now it is clear that they are not concerned about the cloakmakers working on Saturday, but only because the workers are not giving them part of their hard earned money."

CLINTON, Mass., March 6 (FP).—Bigelow-Hartford Carpet Co. have put 5 to 10 per cent wage reductions into effect, covering 1400 workers at the Clinton plant. Similar cuts will be made in other plants of the firm.

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Juliet Stuart Poyntz of New York will be the principal speaker. A concert has been arranged with Pauline Elizabeth Kirjofsky, violinist; Anne Lieberman, pianist, and the Ukrainian Chorus.

Sandhog Suffers Bends

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Mar. 6.—William Kelly, a compressed air worker employed by the McGovern Construction Co., was seized with a severe attack of the bends while doing underground construction work yesterday. The bends is a serious form of paralysis suffered by "sandhogs" or workers under high atmospheric pressure.

Prisoners in Dungeons

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 6.—Refusing to work because the food was spoiled, 18 prisoners in the county stockade were removed to dark and isolated cells in the basement, where they are being fed on bread and water until the superintendent is satisfied they will "do the right thing."

When the prison officials went to their cells to release them to go out on the roads with the rest of the county prisoners, the men absolutely refused.

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Bars Schneiderman from Speaking at Locals

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., March 6.—The Central Labor Council of this city has received a communication from J. W. Buzzel, secretary of the Los Angeles Central Labor Council, to the effect that William Schneiderman, who had been expelled from the Los Angeles Central Labor Council for his militant activities against the reactionary leaders, is now in San Francisco. The letter warns them that he might speak before various local unions and says he might apply for membership in a San Francisco trade union.

Description Given.

The letter includes a complete description of Schneiderman. When a delegate rose to ask whether it was a policy of the American Federation of Labor to expel Communists from the unions he was answered in the affirmative.

Schneiderman was expelled from the Los Angeles convention of the American Federation of Labor last October, when a police detective informed Frank Morrison, secretary, and Matthew Woll, vice-president, that he was a Communist.

Appeal Overruled.

He was subsequently expelled from the Central Labor Council and from the Office Workers' Union by orders of the A. F. of L. executive council. A large number of delegates in the Central Labor Council and the majority of the members of his union were against this arbitrary ruling of the A. F. of L. officials and an appeal was sent by his local union to the executive council in Florida last month. But the appeal was overruled by William Green, A. F. of L. president, and Woll.

Price Manipulation

WASHINGTON, March 6.—The New York Cotton Exchange is in the grip of a powerful group which has caused "extraordinary manipulation of prices," Arthur R. Marsh, of New York, former president of the exchange, testified before a house judiciary sub-committee yesterday. He urged passage of the Rankin bill designed to amend the Sherman anti-trust act to give the department of justice power to break up the alleged domination.



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