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PLEDGE TO FIGHT FOR UNORGANIZED MEN IN INDUSTRY

Urge Locals to Adopt Like Resolutions

BULLETIN. SPRINGFIELD, Ill., Mar. 13.—Joe Angelo, secretary of the Illinois Save the Union Committee was viciously attacked today in broad daylight on Springfield St. by district machine henchmen led by Joe Loda, board member. Angelo was badly slugged. The committee is issuing a strike call of Illinois miners for April 1st, urging a fight to a finish. Despite the physical attacks, the Save the Union Committee campaign is progressing in all districts.

YORKVILLE, O., March 13.—Twenty-six local unions in eastern Ohio, foreshadowing the growing mass movement among the mine workers everywhere towards militancy and renewed struggle, have adopted resolutions calling upon all mine workers to come out on a general strike April 1, and pledged the non-union miners that under no circumstances would an agreement again be signed up leaving the unorganized workers out as was done by John L. Lewis in 1922.

Call For Similar Action. The resolutions were adopted at a joint conference held at Yorkville, March 1, and called upon all local unions of the United Mine Workers of America to adopt similar resolutions. The resolution in full follows: To all the United Mine Workers—Whereas, we have been on strike for eleven months, with no sign of a settlement that would be satisfactory to the membership of our union, and we have seen that a determined effort is being made by the big employers of labor to smash our union, this is a signal for the workers to wake up and join forces and give a

RIGHT WING PUTS "BEG" ON TAILORS

But Rank and File Sees Purpose, Votes No

CHICAGO, March 13.—A communication asking for financial assistance, sent by the right wing International Ladies Garment Workers Union to the Chicago local of the Journeymen Tailors' Union, was almost unanimously voted down recently at a membership meeting of the latter organization. The letter, appealing for "funds for organization," was read before the meeting of the membership by a local official who declared that it had the executive board's endorsement. True Purpose Disclosed. After the right wing spokesman had made a long drawn out appeal for favorable action many rank and file members took the floor and stated the true purpose of the I. L. G. W. U. need for funds. They pointed out that the money was needed to fight the left wing and not for "organizational" purposes.

New Arrangements for Painters in Detroit

DETROIT, Mar. 13.—All business of the Sign Painters' Local 94 will be transacted at the Detroit Federation of Labor Temple, 374 East Vernor Highway, every Tuesday, according to an announcement of union officials yesterday. The union has no business offices in the Lafayette Building, as has been announced. John Ryan, who is slowly losing his sight, has been at the Receiving Hospital the last four weeks. The spring season which is about to begin has caused much activity among sign painters, and it is expected that nearly all members of the union will be employed.

Miners Who Nail the Senate Hearing Lies



James B. Campbell and Arthur G. Evans, rank and file miners of District 5, California, Pa. together with two other miners, are here to work with the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners Relief Society to assist the 600,000 starving miners, their wives and children. They give the lie to the statement of Senator Gooding that the miners do not want relief from this society.

MINE WORKERS EXPOSE LIES IN SENATE PROBE

A vivid and startling picture of the conditions under which several hundred thousands of miners, their wives and children now exist in Pennsylvania and Ohio was portrayed yesterday by four rank and file miners of District 5, United Mine Workers of America who have come to New York to cooperate with the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Society in a campaign to help alleviate the suffering of their fellow workers and families. The four miners are James B. Campbell and Cullen R. Miller, both of Local 2230 and Arthur G. Evans and Larry Peterson, the latter of Local 2398. All four miners are from California, Pa.

Starving. "The miners and their families are not living," Campbell declared, "some of them are merely existing and most of them are just simply starving." The four miners wore their regular mining outfits and headlamps. All showed the marks and the tell-tale signs of the miners' life, the pallid complexions and the thin colorless hands. They were especially bitter against the Lewis machine and against Pat Fagan, the corrupt Lewis district 5 president. When asked to express themselves on the recent statement by Senator Gooding that the miners do not want relief from this society, they declared: "We are not interested in relief from this society, we are interested in relief from this society."

Postpone Workers' Trial

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Mar. 13.—The trial of James Larkin and John Conlon, carpenter union leaders of this city, was yesterday adjourned until March 26. The union men are charged with violating a drastic injunction against the carpenters, obtained by large open shop lumber concerns. The charge arose out of the refusal of carpenters to work with non-union lumber.

Erie Brakeman Injured

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Mar. 13.—Thomas O'Keefe, 22, a brakeman on the Erie Railroad here, received serious internal injuries yesterday, when he was caught between two freight cars. His condition is critical.

WILL PROBE SHIP SINKING

BOSTON, Mar. 13.—Preparations were completed today for a government probe of the wreck of the steamship Robert E. Lee off Manomet. The investigation will be under the auspices of the local steamboat inspectors.

LOWER PONTOON TO RAISE \$4

PROVINCETOWN, Mass., Mar. 13.—Lowering the first pontoon to the side of the sunken submarine S-4 today, officials started their final preparations prior to the raising of the submarine late this month.

Workers in Anti-Horthy Demonstration

572 WHITE GUARD DELEGATES LAND ON FASCIST TOUR

City in Official Welcome Despite Protest

Premier Horthy's delegation of 572 Hungarian fascists arrived in New York on the Olympic late yesterday to find itself confronted by nationally organized labor opposition built around the thousands of workers of Hungarian descent in this country. This delegation, picked and financed by the Horthy regime of Hungary, comes to spread fascism in this country and to obtain support for a huge loan to bolster the reign of fascism at home.

Demonstrations Made

Demonstrators met the delegation at the dock with shouts and placards denouncing the Horthy government and the delegation's mission to the United States. Crowds of workers also surrounded the Knickerbocker Hotel with placards after many of the delegation had been quartered there in lavish suites. The ostensible purpose of the delegation in coming here is to participate in the unveiling of a statue to Kossuth, Hungarian liberator, on Riverside Drive tomorrow. Hungarian workers have pointed out, however, that the delegation is merely trading on the popularity of Kossuth's name to further its real designs.

Anti-Horthy League Protests

Ignoring protests from the Anti-Horthy League, Mayor James J. Walker's official reception committee greeted the delegation at the dock, in company with the Hungarian white guard ambassador to the United States. The Anti-Horthy League represents 176 American-Hungarian organizations. In a letter to the mayor in the name of the thousands of Hungarian workers and liberals in the United States the league demanded that he withdraw the city's official invitation to the delegation to carry on its propaganda work here.

3 ARE JAILED AT WOMEN'S MEETING

Police Raids East Chicago Hall

EAST CHICAGO, March 13.—Police raided the International Women's Day meeting at Workers Home and arrested 11 men and women and two children. Pictures of revolutionary leaders and the International Labor Defense charter were removed from the walls and taken to the police station as evidence. In spite of the arrests the meeting was held, with Anna E. David as speaker. Prior to the holding of the meeting the Women Workers' Educational League distributed thousands of leaflets at the gates of the large shops and factories of Hammond, Gary and East Chicago, calling upon the women workers to demonstrate their solidarity with the working class.

Workers Strike When 3 Men Are Discharged

BOSTON, March 13.—A strike has been declared in the neckwear manufacturing firm of Kramer and Schnier, according to an announcement made by the local section of the United Neckwear Makers' Union. After refusing to sign an agreement presented to them by a representative of the union, the owners of the firm had discharged three union men in the plant. The discharges were answered immediately by a walkout of the remaining 15 employees.

CHINESE WORKERS DEFEND "DAILY"

Spare \$5 to Help Save Paper from Attacks of the Government

Five Dollars has been sent for the Defense Fund of the DAILY WORKER by two Chinese workers. These two workers, laboring in the United States under the conditions in which the American bosses keep their Chinese wage serfs, have spared five dollars from their meager funds for the defense of the only paper that speaks for the proletariat in America. We have read your appeal for contributions and we would have sent you the money sooner had we had it. "No capitalists in the world have done more to crush the Revolution in China than the capitalists who are today attempting to destroy the DAILY WORKER. We know. We have come from where the United States is being built." "We are sorry that we can contribute no more," the Chinese workers state in a letter accompanying their donation, "but we believe that this small contribution will not fail to prove to you our sincere hope for the consolidation of the American working class. Make Very Little. "Our need is great. We labor all day and we make very little money. Being workers ourselves, we have been constant readers of the DAILY WORKER, the only paper that speaks for the proletariat in America. We have read your appeal for contributions and we would have sent you the money sooner had we had it. "No capitalists in the world have done more to crush the Revolution in China than the capitalists who are today attempting to destroy the DAILY WORKER. We know. We have come from where the United States is being built." (Continued on Page Two)

\$125 Reward for Million Jobless Veterans



At least 1,000,000 of the 4,000,000 or more unemployed workers in this country are veterans. Over \$112,000,000 has been borrowed by unemployed veterans on the adjusted compensation certificates given the veterans as reward for risking their lives for the bankers. The loans average \$125 to each jobless veteran. A veteran is here shown getting his loan. Note the empty sleeve.

COMMUNISTS EXPOSE HORTHY TERROR RULE

OIL QUIZ CLOSES IN ON CABINET

Mellon Knew; Says He Added \$50,000. WASHINGTON, March 13.—Secretary of the Treasury Andrew W. Mellon and ex-Senator William M. Butler, the Coolidge campaign manager in 1924, testified today before the Senate Public Lands Committee that Will Hays sought to give them some of Harry F. Sinclair's Liberty Bonds in exchange for cash contributions to make up the republican deficit in 1923.

Mellon declared Hays, former chairman of the republican national committee, sent the bonds to him in a package, \$50,000 worth, but that as soon as he discovered the purpose Hays had in mind he returned them at once and later made a \$50,000 contribution with no strings attached.

Butler Smart Too

Butler, who at first declared he "knew nothing of the bonds except what I read in the newspapers," admitted, under questioning, that Hays approached him in his room in the Biltmore Hotel, in New York, and asked him to take over \$25,000 of the bonds in exchange for a cash contribution of that amount. Butler said he declined to take the package of bonds which Hays laid on the table.

Gates Closed to Communist

"The gates that were closed to Saklatvala, Communist member of the British parliament, will open wide to the butchers and counterfeits of Hungarian fascism, who, in addition to their crimes against the Hungarian masses, have been openly convicted (Continued on Page Three)

GENERAL MOTORS FOLLOWS FORDS

Spokesman Assumes Pose as Workers' Friend

PHILADELPHIA, March 13.—Having followed the Ford Motor Co. into the low-priced automobile market, the General Motors Corporation is now following that company in its publicity policy as well as in the speed-up method of production. A statement made here by John J. Rasco, chairman of the General Motors finance committee, shows General Motors is planning to produce more cars with fewer men working a shorter week. But it represents itself as progressive and a friend to the working class in these steps, as did the Ford Motor Co. when economic factors caused it to introduce the \$5-a-day wage and later the 3-day week.

All Plants Unorganized

"In the case of most workers," Rasco said, referring to the 3-day week, "these holidays would be Saturday and Sunday." His language in all parts of his statement is designed to indicate that General Motors is interested in making the worker's life more enjoyable. The automobile plants are all open-shop and violently anti-union.

N. J. Worker Hurt

PHILLIPSBURG, N. J., Mar. 13.—John Nevada, a laborer employed in tunnel construction on the Lehigh Valley R. R., sustained serious injuries while at work yesterday.

INSPECTORS WERE BRIBED TO O. K. FAULTY PROJECT

Construction Workers, Farm Hands, Victims

LOS ANGELES, Cal., March 13.—About 400 persons are estimated to have been drowned early this morning when the waters of San Francisco'squito canyon burst thru the 208-foot St. Francis dam near Saugus and flooded the Santa Paula valley. The heaviest death toll is believed to have been exacted in the Santa Clara valley where 100 out of 175 men employed by the Southern California Edison Company in a construction camp near Del Valle were unaccounted for at 10 o'clock this morning. A large number of the victims were also farm hands employed in the valley.

Grafters Responsible

Making good the repeated warnings of engineers that such a collapse was inevitable, present tragedy is being traced directly to the corruption and graft connected with the original building of the dam. During the past ten years, ever since predatory realtors working in cooperation with venal politicians set out to transform the arid desert of Southern California into a saleable farm-lands, there have been repeated scandals connected with the construction of the dam.

Farmers Victimized

Farmers in the flooded valley have (Continued on Page Two)

RANKS OF CAP BOSSES BROKEN

Two Big Manufacturers Settle With Union

CHICAGO, March 13.—The first serious break in the ranks of the cap manufacturers association took place several days ago when two of its important members broke away and came to a settlement with the Chicago Joint Board of the Cap and Millinery Workers' Union. Negotiations are now under way, according to reliable reports, with several other members of the bosses' organization, which provoked a strike in the cap industry more than 12 weeks ago when they locked out their employees upon the union's refusal of their demand for the piece-work system.

Knapp Case Prepared For the Grand Jury

ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 13.—Plans were being made today by Attorney General Albert Ottinger for presentation of the felony charges against Mrs. Florence E. S. Knapp, former secretary of state, to the April grand jury which Governor Smith ordered impaneled in Albany County April 3. Charges of forgery, grand larceny and other felonies were made against Mrs. Knapp in connection with her administration of the \$1,200,000 census fund of 1925 by Maryland Congressman Randall J. Lehman, Jr., of Albany.

**JUST BEFORE 3 SEAMEN WERE DROWNED; MINERS' FAMILIES FACE STARVATION AND COLL**



Photo at extreme left shows vain attempt to revive William Cashman, one of the 3 coastguardsmen who died when their boat capsized while going to the rescue of the liner Robert E. Lee, which grounded on a sunken reef off Manomet Point, Mass. These coastguardsmen, constantly faced death in stormy seas, but the government pays them meagerly. In the second photo the 3 coastguardsmen are shown struggling in the icy waters as their boat capsized. The next to the last photo shows what privation has done to two children of a striking Pennsylvania coal miner. Photo at right shows a 14 year old girl in a miners' family, forced to take care of the children and cook, while the mother of the family must seek work.

**Boston Conference Prepares Subscription Drive with 'Worker' Circulation Head**

**"BUILDER CLUBS" DECLARED MOST BASIC ACTIVITY**

**Speaker Stressed Need for Ruthenberg Fund**  
 BOSTON, Mass., March 13.—A highly successful conference of functionaries of the Workers (Communist) Party and DAILY WORKER which heard A. Ravitch, circulation manager of The DAILY WORKER speak here prepared extensive plans for the intensification of the national subscription campaign to add 500 new readers to the paper in District 1.

**Government Attacks.**  
 "No greater danger ever confronted The DAILY WORKER," Ravitch asserted. "Alarmed by the rising militancy of the American working class in all the sections of the country, the United States government thru its agents in the courts and the militarist societies are determined to crush the workers' press. Their power is great but the united effort of the American working class can check and defeat the legal terrorism which the bosses intend to launch against the militant American workers."

A powerful and flexible organization is the first means by which the workers can cope with their class enemies, Ravitch indicated. In support of his statement he outlined a system of organization for The DAILY WORKER subscription campaign in District 1.  
 The first step in the intensification of the subscription drive is the formation and strengthening of DAILY WORKER Builders Clubs, Ravitch pointed out. These clubs are the basis upon which the entire subscription work for The DAILY WORKER must be done, he said. Declaring that every city in the Massachusetts area must have a DAILY WORKER agent, Ravitch said that no agent, however active, could function properly without the one hundred per cent cooperation of The DAILY WORKER Builders Clubs in his vicinity.

**Ruthenberg Sustaining Fund.**  
 Ravitch then stressed the importance of the Ruthenberg Sustaining Fund in defeating the attempts which the United States Government is making against the labor press.  
 "The Ruthenberg Sustaining Fund is a perpetual fund," Ravitch emphasized, "to which all workers must contribute regularly. The work of building the Ruthenberg Sustaining Fund is one of the most fundamental tasks in our Party and should receive the attention of all Party members and groups of workers everywhere."  
 The long meeting which occupied the greater part of the afternoon made intensive arrangements for extending the national subscription drive in District 1 until May 1. Plans were completed for a number of affairs which will be given thruout the District for the benefit of the DAILY WORKER. A house to house subscription campaign will be undertaken immediately and a series of free distributions of The DAILY WORKER will be made in Boston and vicinity. Alex Bail, Organizer of District 1, promised his full cooperation in this work.

Before the end of the meeting Ravitch discussed the issuing of a special May Day section for Boston in The DAILY WORKER of May 1.  
**Lawrence Active.**  
 Two workers from Lawrence, Massachusetts, who were present at the meeting took up with Ravitch the organization of The DAILY WORKER activity in that city. They plan several large free distributions of the paper in this large industrial center.

**WHALE NEAR NEW YORK.**  
 The body of a 25 foot whale was found yesterday floating near a dock on the East River at the foot of Court St., Brooklyn.

**FIRE DESTROYS 3 HOTELS.**  
 WILDWOOD, N. J., Mar. 13.—Three hotels were destroyed, two women and a civilian were injured in a fire which caused damage estimated at \$200,000.

**Unorganized Stove Workers Out on Strike**

NASHVILLE, March 13.—The Phillips & Butterff Manufacturing Company and the Gray & Dudley Company, stove manufacturers, of this city, have put over another wage reduction in their plants—this time 28 per cent. Although the shops are what are classed as "open" and have been in that category for years, the men refused to take the cut and walked out.  
 They turned to union labor in their extremity, and the Molders' Union has arranged to take them in and fight their battle for them. If they had accepted the cut they would now be working for from 12 to 14 hours a day for the disgracefully low wage of from \$19 to \$21 a week.

**OHIO MINERS IN CALL FOR STRIKE**

**Fight for Unorganized Men Is Pledge**  
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 like attack upon our common enemy and,  
 Whereas, we know that without labor nothing could be produced, therefore labor holds the key to the whole situation as it is today, and,  
 Unorganized Betrayed.  
 Whereas, we know that the non-union miners were betrayed in Pennsylvania in 1922 when they came out on strike to help us win our strike. But from what we heard that these same men that were driven back to the non-union mines without a contract have given their word that they will again come out on strike again to help us win, and  
 Whereas, we as United Mine Workers must not forget that one good turn deserves another, and therefore we as members of the mother organization of our country must pledge our honor as men, and we must have a general strike.  
 Therefore be it resolved that we, the members of the U. M. W. of A., call upon every red blooded worker to endorse the same. And send out this resolution broadcast so that the whole rank and file of our organization will fight to the bitter end to uphold our union and the principles for which our forefathers have died, and stand as one man, and that we ask the men in the non-union field to again join our forces. And that we will pledge them that the contract carries with it the same prices, conditions, and the effective hand of the union for the men in the non-union field, as it carries for us men in the union field, there must not be a reduction in wages, we must stand out for the Jacksonville agreement.  
 Endorsed by local unions at a joint meeting held at Yorkville asking all local unions in the U. M. W. of A. to adopt resolutions similar to this one.

**Continue Defiance of Writ.**  
 PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 13.—A huge crowd of striking miners gathered in the vicinity of the Gilmore mine at Venice this morning to further test Sheriff C. Abbott's proclamation forbidding mass picketing or more than three people to congregate in same place at a time in Washington County. Although large numbers of armed troopers patrolled the district, no arrests were made today. The first test was made yesterday when 700 strikers picketed several mines in Washington County, challenging arrest. The miners' first victory occurred when Justice of the Peace J. M. Baine of Canonsburg dismissed thirty pickets who had challenged state troopers to arrest them at the Gilmore mine yesterday. The striking miners are determined to fight inflexibly and proclamations forbidding mass picketing to a finish, for they declare that it is the only way to bring out the strike breakers and win the strike.

**MINE WORKERS NAIL SENATE LIE ABOUT RELIEF**

**Show Penn.-Ohio Gives Real Help**  
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 Gooding of the senate committee now conducting the investigation into mining conditions, that the miners were opposed to receiving help from the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Society, the four miners became indignant.  
 "Plain Lie."  
 "I want to call that a plain lie," Peterson, a Swedish worker said, "and you can tell that political senator that we miners know that it is a trick because everybody has told him different. If it was not for the Pennsylvania-Ohio Committee, you would see no more strike now in Pennsylvania, also Ohio and other states. Why not the senator tell that the Lewis gang and Fagan sabotage all relief and give only pennies so that they can say they do something."  
 Campbell, who came to America a number of years ago from Ireland was equally emphatic. He was reinforced in his testimony by Cullen R. Miller, a member of the same local in California, Pa.  
 Real Facts.  
 "Let me give you the real facts," Campbell declared to a DAILY WORKER reporter yesterday. "In my local there are about 152 families and over three hundred children. At first we received about \$250 per week for the whole local. This was, of course, very little. We sent a committee to District 5 headquarters at Pittsburgh and told them that our wives and children were starving. They would do nothing. We asked if we could get any money for coal because the weather was very bad. Instead of helping us or explaining why they couldn't do so, if that was the case, they cut down our allowance to \$225 per week; that meant only a few pennies a week per person.  
 Help From P. & O.  
 "Then we heard about the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief." "Did they come to you to offer help?" Campbell was asked. "No, that is not the way it works," he replied. "You have to go to Pittsburgh to get supplies from them, they don't deliver."  
 Campbell went on to explain that the usual allotment was about 19 lbs. of flour, 3 lbs. of sugar, 3 lbs. of corn meal 3 lbs. of barley and 2 cans of milk per family every two weeks.  
 "That isn't so very much either?" it was suggested.  
 "Evenly Divided."  
 "No, it isn't much. But they explain to us just what the conditions are. The food is evenly divided. Each local is kept on the list at Pittsburgh; they receive you as brothers and there is no red tape."  
 Peterson became emphatic in his story of distress and suffering.  
 "There are 143 families in my union," he said. "We got from Fagan machine maybe \$100 per week, maybe a little more little less; about three-quarters of a cent a day for each person. We ask Fagan maybe a hundred times for more help. He do nothing, he say nothing. Then we send a committee to Pittsburgh. I go too."  
 "Why you here," they say to us."  
 "We say, we are here to see International Vice President Philip Murray."  
 Accused of Seeking relief!  
 "They say, 'We know why you here, you want more relief.'"  
 "We argued for about half hour. They do nothing. Then we ask for 50c for dinner so we can eat something. They no give us. So we went out. 'What we going to do now?' we say to ourselves. One brother say: 'Let's try Pennsylvania-Ohio Relief.' So we go to 611 Penn. a... us where we come from, what local and so on. Make record. All right. They ask us how much is railroad ticket from California to Pittsburgh. Give us cartage. Give us money for

**Stock Exchange Booms With 4 Million Jobless**

Despite the fact that more than 4,000,000 people are out of work in the United States, and that within a stone's throw of Wall Street thousands of men are standing in breadlines, the New York Stock Exchange yesterday reported the biggest day in its history. A total of 3,909,100 shares changed hands with a mark-up in the price of listed issues of about \$1,060,000,000.

**CHINESE WORKERS SEND "DAILY" \$5**

**Urge All to Aid in Defense Fight**  
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 States marines support the reactionary Nanking leaders who are murdering hundreds of Chinese workers because they are guilty of the crime of being workers, conscious of their class. The Chinese proletariat is drowning in the blood of its best workers that it will never completely die. And it is the United States capitalists who are trying to choke it with blood.  
 "Let every American worker do the same and they will save The DAILY WORKER from every attack the capitalists make. Long live The DAILY WORKER."  
 The example of these two Chinese workers should be a guide to the working class in every part of the United States. Follow their example. Rally every dollar to the defense of your paper against the plot of the Wall Street government to silence the most militant English labor daily in the country. Rush your contributions to The DAILY WORKER, 33 First St., New York City.  
 dinner. 'Come back after dinner,' they say. So we come back. 'What groceries you need,' they ask. We tell them. They figure out per person in local. 'This is all we can do,' they say. We borrow truck and take home to local. The local give vote of thanks. That was Feb. 14. We got help since that time. It makes the strike strong. The miners will win."  
 Father of 13 Children.  
 Arthur G. Evans, who is the father of thirteen children gave a similar account.  
 "Our local has about 600 families. Conditions are very bad," he said. "Still I have heard of worse. The Fagan district 5 officials send some help. It averages about \$4 to \$6 every three weeks per family. That's a little more than some locals are getting. But no one knows just how much the district is given to distribute to us because they make no accounting.  
 "We first heard about the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief several months ago. We sent our regular relief committee to Pittsburgh. We borrowed a truck and they gave us a load of groceries. We took along a letter with the seal of our local to show that we were alright. We get a load of groceries every two weeks now."  
 Evans also said that the help from the committee was insufficient but was more than that given by the district officials. "There is no red tape or ceremony. We see that they do all they can. No one can say anything to the rank and file miner against the Pennsylvania-Ohio Committee. They can say anything they want in their paid newspapers. But the miners know."  
 The four miners will be in New York for a week or ten days, they said. They are to help arrange among other affairs, a huge bazaar and ball now being planned for the middle of April by the local office of the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief, 799 Broadway.

**MINERS' DEFENSE FORMED IN PENNA. FOR MILITANTS**

**I. L. D. Helps Progressive Campaign**  
 (Special to The Daily Worker.)  
 WILKES BARRE, March 13.—Formation of an anthracite miners' defense committee here gives emphatic evidence of the determination of the miners to carry on their Save-the-Union battle at all costs.  
 In order to arrange for the proper defense of Sam Bonita, Adam Molski and Steve Mendola, a defense committee was organized at a recent Save-the-Union conference. Headquarters have been opened at 513 Coal Exchange Building and a collection list has been issued for raising the necessary funds.  
 Police With Operators.  
 Within a period of eight weeks, Thomas Lillis, Alex. Campbell and Peter Reilly, outstanding spokesmen of the opposition to Cappellini forces in the Tri-District, were murdered, and Sam Greco was nearly killed. Not one arrest has as yet been made in connection with these crimes.  
 During the same period, Frank Agati, a contractor and Cappellini supporter, was also killed. In connection with his death three Cappellini oppositionists were immediately arrested and are being held for the grand jury. They are Bonita, Molski and Mendola.  
 Funds Raised.  
 Several contributions have already been received from local unions. Powers Hapgood raised \$500 and the International Labor Defense contributed \$200 for defense purposes and \$120 for office expenses and to get the technical apparatus started.  
 At the last meeting of the executive committee the members pledged themselves to carry on the fight in the spirit of the martyred dead.  
 The officers of the committee are: Powers Hapgood, chairman; Charles Licata, treasurer; Stanley Dziemgielowski, secretary, and George Papcun, assistant secretary. The trustees are: Joseph Victor, Albert Molski and Jas. Lamacra, all of Local 1703, and Frank Bonita, of the Grasse local.

**Bus Firm is Forced to Take Back Workers**

DETROIT, March 13.—Employees of the Star Motor Coach Company, with headquarters near Birmingham, Mich., are back on their jobs after a spectacular attempt by the company to discharge them because they admitted being members of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railway Employees, Division 28, of Detroit.  
 When they admitted their membership they were immediately paid off. The system, which supplies transportation to a populous section, was practically paralyzed. The people began to register their complaints, with the result that the president of the company was glad to take the men back.

**400 CALIFORNIA WORKERS DROWN AS DAM BREAKS**

**Victims of Corruption by Officials**  
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 been victimized during the past few years by California officials and realtors who joined to steal their water rights. Hundreds of farmers were in this way ruined, after having made moderate investments.  
 Property damage done to the St. Francis dam and the power plant two miles below, both owned by the city of Los Angeles, was placed at \$3,500,000.  
 Ninety-eight bodies of victims of the San Francisco canyon flood have been fished out of the Santa Clara river, 14 miles away from the St. Francis dam which went out near Saugus today, according to a report received here today by Deputy Sheriff R. H. Bright.  
 Rescue Difficult.  
 The Masonic hall here has been converted into an improvised morgue to take care of the dead.  
 Rescue workers anticipated that the work of recovering additional bodies would be made difficult by the heavy deposits of silt left by the flood waters.

**Supreme Court Justice Would Censor Papers**

OKLAHOMA CITY, March 13.—Chief Justice Branson of the State Supreme Court wants all newspapers placed under censorship. If a newspaper is convicted of making three misstatements; the property should be seized, he believes.  
 Carl Magee, editor of the Oklahoma News, declares the plan is "illegal and so impractical as to be absurd."

**Resist the Attack**



The American Legion, the Keymen of America, the National Security League, the American Government have combined to destroy Labor's fighting paper and are attempting to put its editors in jail.  
**WHAT IS YOUR ANSWER?**  
 You Must

**Save The Daily Worker**  
 Here Is My Contribution to the Defense Fund  
 33 First Street, New York City

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 This month marks the 57th anniversary of the Paris Commune.  
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# Soviet Union Expected to Propose Complete Disarmament at Geneva Meet

## IMPERIALISTS TO DODGE PROPOSAL IS U.S.S.R. BELIEF

### Litvinoff to Advance Proposal Himself

GENEVA, March 13.—The Soviet Union is expected to push its proposal for complete and immediate disarmament at the meeting of the Preparatory Disarmament Commission which opens here Thursday. Maxim Litvinoff, vice commissar of foreign affairs, will personally advance the U. S. S. R. proposal, it is believed.

That the powers will make every effort to shelve the U. S. S. R. plan is almost certain. The last session of the conference, which met in December, pushed aside Litvinoff's proposal as "irrelevant" to the discussion of "security."

MOSCOW, March 13.—That the powers are neither willing nor in a position to entertain the Soviet Union's disarmament proposals is the consensus of opinion here. The powers, editorial writers point out, are actively preparing for the next war and will refuse to consider any genuine proposal for disarmament.

CONSTANTINOPLE, March 13.—Foreign Minister Tewfik Ruzhdi Bey, accompanied by several other delegates, will leave for Geneva this evening to attend the conference of the League of Nations Preparatory Disarmament Commission.

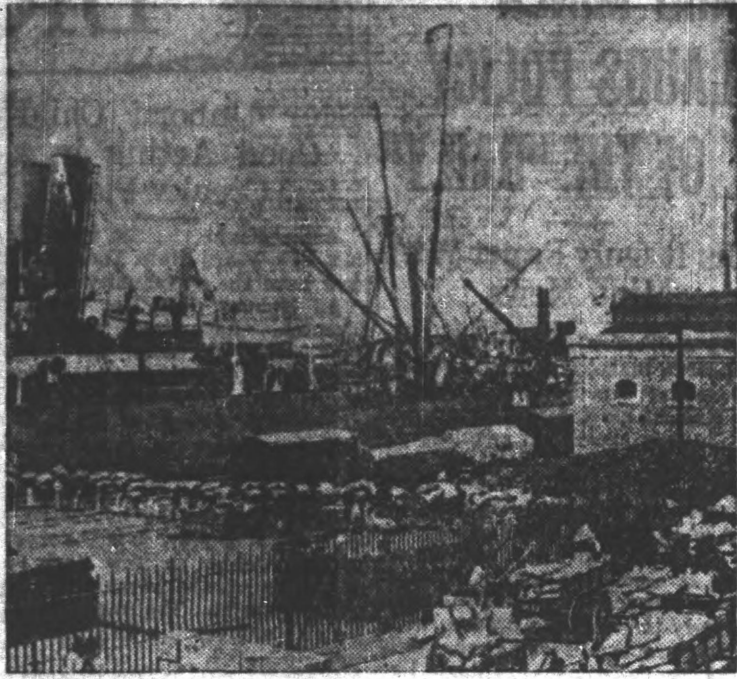
### War Training Costly

MOUNT CLEMENS, Mich., March 13.—In order to train army fliers for war pursuit service, a flight which will cost many thousands of the people's money will be conducted from Selfridge Field here, with a dozen different destinations in the east and south. Twenty-five to thirty pilots will participate and as many more mechanics will follow in transport planes.

### Train Kills Worker

ATLANTIC CITY, N. J., March 13.—John Newman, a woodchopper of Mays Landing, was instantly killed when struck by a train here yesterday. The worker was crossing the tracks on the way to the woods not far from here. The accident occurred near the worker's home.

### Forty Workers Killed in Landslide



More than forty workers were killed near Santos, Brazil, during a land slide several days ago. Photo shows region where land slide took place.

## FEAR NEW LANDSLIDE IN BRAZIL

SANTOS, Brazil, March 13.—Fear of a new and more devastating landslide during the past 24 hours reveals that only 43 are known to have perished in the first landslide of last Saturday.

A careful check up by the authorities during the past 24 hours reveals that only 43 are known to have perished in the first landslide of last Saturday. Hundreds of tons of rock and earth still cover a portion of the city and a great army of workers is still digging into the wreckage and dirt in quest for more bodies.

Another fissure has appeared on the side of the mountain.

### Ticket Bill Passes

ALBANY, March 13.—The Mastick-Bloch bill to regulate theatre ticket speculators was passed last night by the senate. It now goes to Gov. Smith for signing. It increases the tax on main offices of brokers, puts a \$100 tax on each branch office, provides for the posting of box office prices and prohibits street sales.

### INJUNCTION BILL READY.

WASHINGTON, (FP) March 13.—Chairman Norris of the senate judiciary committee has announced that an anti-injunction bill will be favorably reported to the senate. The Shipstead anti-injunction bill, limiting the jurisdiction of equity courts has been the subject of lengthy hearings before a sub-committee of the judiciary committee.

## RUMANIA REGIME TO GET FAT LOAN

BUCHAREST, March 13.—An arrangement will soon be concluded by which Rumania will obtain a stabilization loan of \$60,000,000 from British, French and American banks, it was learned today.

The loan will go for the stabilization of Rumanian finances and increasing the military strength of the government. The loan will help stabilize the Bratianu regime, which, according to recent reports, was on the verge of collapse.

### Labor Fights Street Railway Merger Plan

WASHINGTON, (FP) March 13.—Rights of labor, in the proposed street car merger in Washington are seriously imperiled, A. D. Sturgiss on behalf of the local division of the street railways men's union, told the District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission, March 12th, in attacking the merger plan. Labor and the public are fighting the merger, each demanding certain guarantees.

### PAVING UNION VOTES.

BOSTON, (FP) March 13.—The International Paving, Cutters Union in New England is voting on a compromise settlement of their demands. Two changes in the old contract, which expires April 1, are offered: Increase of \$1.30 over the old price of \$6 per 1000 for cutting groud block and a 3-year instead of 2-year agreement. The 44-hour week will be continued with prices the same on other classes of paving block.

## FASCIST DRIVE IN BULGARIA TO END UNIONISM

### Thousands of Militants Are Jailed

SOFIA, (By Mail).—In consequence of the highly successful Congress of the Independent Trade Unions of Bulgaria, held about six weeks ago, the Bulgarian Fascists are openly demanding the dissolution of these Trade Unions, and of the Workers' Party, which is fighting the proletarian battle in Parliament.

That this demands considerable courage in Fascist Bulgaria can be seen from the fact that the (illegal) Communist Party alone has 800 members in prison and 3,000 in exile. Since 1923, when the Fascist coup took place, 20,000 workers and peasants have been killed, many of them Communists.

The Fascists are demanding that the "Defense of the State" Act, which was applied in 1923 in order to drive the Communists underground and smash the trade unions which then existed, should now be turned against the T. U. C. and Workers' Party. This means exposing the latter not only to legal persecution, but also to assassination, mass executions, destruction of offices, plundering of trade union and co-operative funds, and all the other outrages which ushered in the bloody rule of the so-called "Democratic Entente," or Fascist Party.

Even now these atrocities are continuing: the Workers' Party had five of its members killed by unknown assassins in one week quite recently. Of course the police can find "no clues."

The chief instrument of the Bulgarian Fascists is the large colony (several thousand) of Russian Whites who have settled in Bulgaria and are maintained by the government, particularly as employees of the Secret Police.

## British Communists Rap MacDonald Stand On India Commission

LONDON, (By Mail).—Ramsay MacDonald's support of the British Government's policy in India "is a challenge to every Socialist worker and an insult to the British working class," in a statement issued by the Central Executive Committee of the British Communist Party.

Under the "Labor" Government, the statement points out, the Bengal ordinances were introduced, striking workers were shot and left wingers persecuted as vigorously as under a Tory Government.

## WALL ST. ENVOY TO PERU Coolidge Appoints a Standard Oil Man

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The Senate is expected to confirm President Coolidge's appointment of Alexander P. Moore, Pittsburgh publisher, as an American ambassador to Peru. Moore was appointed ambassador to Spain by President Harding for his services to the Republican Party.

In spite of some objection to Moore in the state department, he was appointed by Coolidge as a "personal matter." As ambassador to Spain, Moore threatened the Rivera government with a textile boycott unless it awarded an oil contract to the Standard Oil interests.



## USSR INDUSTRY GAINS RAPIDLY, FIGURES REVEAL

### Production Increased 26.8 Percent in Year

MOSCOW, (By Mail).—Industry in the Soviet Union has shown a tremendous increase, according to official figures made public yesterday. Industrial production for the month of January increased 26.8 per cent compared with January 1927.

Large strides were made in the heavy industries—particularly in the metallurgical and electrical production. The number of workers employed has increased considerably in nearly all of the industries. The number of workers in the textile industry has been increased by 11,000, due primarily to the introduction of the three shift system.

During the first three months of the current fiscal year (October-January), the output of state industry in the Soviet Union has increased 18.9 per cent as compared with the corresponding three months in the last fiscal year.

## DEMAND FREEDOM OF CACHIN, MARTY OF PAINCARE JAILS 182 COMMUNISTS

### Communist Party Makes Election Drive

PARIS, March 13.—The French Communist Party is conducting a campaign for the release of the three imprisoned party deputies in order that they may participate in the coming elections. The question of their release will not, however, be taken up until Thursday when a special meeting of the cabinet will be called.



Jacques Doriot, party leader

### Expels Anti-Fascisti From Country

PARIS, March 13.—A resume of campaign against the Communist Party, left wing trade union organizations and anti-fascisti was presented by Albert Saurraut, minister of interior in the Poincare government, yesterday.



Poincare French toy

Saurraut admitted that the government had succeeded in convicting 182 Communists for anti-militarist activities since the demonstrations against the executions of Sacco and Vanzetti last August. During the same period, he declared, 13,230 foreigners had been expelled from the country for acting "as propagandists on our soil." Most of those deported were anti-fascists who were expelled at the request of the Italian ambassador.

## TORY ATTEMPT TO WIN AFGHAN KING

LONDON, March 13.—With unrest against British rule in the near and middle east growing, government officials are making every effort to accord King Amanullah of Afghanistan a royal welcome. Afghanistan is a key country in British diplomacy in the Near East.

The special train placed at the disposal of the Afghan king and queen by King George, arrived from Dover shortly after 3 o'clock this afternoon. An imposing array of British troops formed a guard of honor at the railway station.

## Expose Attempt to Spread Fascism in U.S.

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before the world of a "crime" even recognized as such by the capitalist governments—namely, that of forcing French francs wholesale.

"This fascist delegation comes ostensibly to unveil a monument in New York to the memory of Kossuth. The questionable popularity of Kossuth is to be utilized to lay the basis for another loan from Wall Street, and to reach if possible the American-Hungarian workers and to secure their spare dollars to strengthen the weakening foundations of the Horthy government, so that it can perpetrate fresh crimes upon the Hungarian masses and go ahead with its plans for war on neighboring countries and particularly on the Soviet Union.

Mussolini Aids Horthy. "Workers of America! Do not permit the strengthening of the shaky Horthy government. Do not permit this delegation to succeed in its plot to gain new resources and to strengthen the shackles that the Horthy government has laid upon the workers and peasants of Hungary.

"This delegation comes and this governmental face is performed at a time when Hungary, under the yoke of the fascists, is the center of worldwide scandal, when it becomes manifest that Mussolini is sending arms to his friend Horthy, when it becomes obvious that the government of the Hungarian white terror, with the aid of Mussolini, is planning an attack on Czechoslovakia, Yugoslavia and Rumania, when Minister Bethlen and his assistant, General Tancos, openly admit in Geneva that they are preparing for war, when the Horthy government is planning to use the loan that it is angling for, to buy arms and munitions and wait for a signal from the imperialist powers to attack the Soviet Union.

Wall St. Takes Part. "Wall Street and American imperialism have played no insignificant part in the setting up and support of the criminal Horthy regime, and in the nine years' suffering of the Hungarian masses, Herbert Hoover, 'favorite' candidate for the presidency, used the so-called relief funds

in 1919 to starve the workers and peasants' government of Hungary and to advance the overthrow of the Hungarian Soviets. Jeremiah Smith 'brought order' and Morgan financing and control into the financial regime of the Hungarian fascist dictatorship. American 'investigators' like Captain Pedlow and Colonel Horowitz white-washed the bloody regime and reported that 'all was well' in the land of pogroms and mass terror. Wall Street has supported Horthy as it has supported Mussolini and Pilsudski and every other agent of its reactionary schemes and imperialist plans in all parts of the world.

### Capitalists Receive Fascists.

"It is quite natural that American capitalism should receive the Hungarian fascists with enthusiasm. They are lining up police forces and state troops for the reception of the five hundred odd fascists. Wall Street's government will officially receive them, and counts, barons and army officers of the Hungarian fascist regime will have their bloody hands grasped by the hand of Coolidge, which itself is red with the blood of the Nicaraguan people and other vic-

tims of American imperialism and American capitalism.

"It is natural that Wall Street should welcome its own creatures. It is natural that Wall Street's government in America should welcome Wall Street's government in Hungary. But it is not natural that the American masses should welcome the butchers of their Hungarian brothers.

### Fight Horthy!

"Workers of America! Demonstrate against the fascist butchers of Hungary. Give them a reception such as the murderers of countless workers and peasants deserve from the workers of America. Do not support the fascist government of Hungary. Fight against Wall Street, which crushes us at home and supports reaction and counter-revolution and fascism and white terror throughout the world. Give your support to the Hungarian labor movement, to the Hungarian masses and their revolutionary leaders, that are being tortured in the jails of Hungary. Oppose the plots to finance new attacks upon the Soviet Union. Demand the release of Rakosi, Szanto, and the rest of the Communists that rot in the jails of Hungary because they fought

against the Horthy fascist government and in the interests of the Hungarian masses.

"When Coolidge grasps the hand of the Horthy butchers, extend the hand of fraternal solidarity to the Hungarian workers.

"Support the Hungarian masses in their struggle for freedom!

"Not a cent for Hungarian fascism!

"Down with the Horthy butchers hiding behind Kossuth's statue!

"Stop the war plot!

"Fight against American imperialism, supporter of fascist reaction throughout the world!

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# REPUBLICANS ARE UNMOVED BEFORE OIL DISCLOSURES

## Democrat Merely Suggests Prosecution

(Continued from Page One) beginning of the Teapot Dome exposures.

Yet two days after Mellon admitted that Hays had sent to him \$50,000 worth of the Liberty Bonds involved in the oil deal, members of the senate public lands committee were not sure that they would venture to summon Mellon before them. So great is the fear of Mellon among democratic and republican politicians alike that the master mind of the Harding-Coolidge regime may escape answering for his long silence in this scandal.

### Old Guard Unmoved

Sen. Borah, by publicly demanding of National Chairman Butler that Butler make an effort to repay to Sinclair the \$160,000 which Sinclair gave to pay off the republican campaign debt, has not created a panic in Old Guard circles. Butler is not expected to raise the money from other sources, as urged by Borah, "to repudiate the transaction and return the fruits thereof." Hard-boiled republican politicians feel that the full support of the administration has been enjoyed by Sinclair since 1921, and they see no reason why the price paid for this should be returned to him. The fact that he lost Teapot Dome, which was the original consideration in the deal, is not a fault of the administration. They think Sinclair should congratulate himself that he is still out of prison, and should trust the party organization to do what it can for him in the future.

### Prosecution Merely Suggested

Sen. Robinson of Arkansas, reactionary democratic presidential candidate, seized upon the Borah suggestion, and the Mellon admission of knowledge of the bond deal to declare that the republicans could not reform themselves by merely paying back the money. He suggested that Will Hays, who has twice testified and twice concealed the facts of the bond deal from the senate committee, might be prosecuted for perjury.

Sen. Norris demands that Mellon resign from the cabinet because of his long concealment of knowledge of the crooked bond deal involving the republican national committee, Harry Sinclair and the naval oil leases. Other members of the original Harding cabinet in this affair have been Albert Fall, secretary of the interior; Edwin Denby, secretary of the navy; Will Hays, postmaster general; and Harry Daugherty, attorney general. John W. Weeks, who was secretary of War, is shown to have known about the bond deal. He is now dead.

### For the Next War

WASHINGTON, March 13.—Selection of Hawthorne, Nev. as a storage point for high explosive naval ammunition and the appropriation of \$3,000,000 for the expansion of existing depots was recommended to congress yesterday by a joint army and navy board.

## British Flyer Dies in Militarist Air Stunt Used to Trap Youth



In an attempt to set a new speed record in a seaplane, Lieut. S. M. Kinkead, English navy aviator (inset), was killed when the plane crashed. These stunts, besides boosting certain manufacturers of airplane motors, are also designed to lure the young into aviation, so that they may become cannon fodder in future imperialist wars.

## ARRANGE DEFENSE TOUR FOR NAPOLI

### Will Organize Italian Workers in New England

A New England tour for the purpose of building and strengthening the Italian section of the International Labor Defense, is being arranged with Nicola Napoli, secretary of the Italian section, as the speaker it was announced yesterday at the national office of the International Labor Defense. The International Labor Defense has become popular among the Italian workers, particularly in the East due to the activities of the organization in the case of Sacco and Vanzetti, and the subsequent case of Greco and Carillo.

Meetings have been arranged as follows: Stamford, March 18; So. Norwalk, March 31; Danbury, April 1; Bridgeport, April 3; Ansonia and Seymour, April 5; New Haven, April 6; Naugatuck, April 7; Waterbury, April 10; Torrington, April 12; Hartford, April 14; New London, April 15. Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Providence, April 20; and Boston, April 21.

## ANTHRACITE GETS LABOR CLASSES

WILKES-BARRE, Pa. (FP) March 13.—Anthracite's second labor college has started at Wilkes-Barre, Shenandoah in the lower anthracite region has the distinction of the first workers' school in the hard coal.

Leonard Craig, director of workers' education for the Pennsylvania federation of labor, was instrumental in forming these two colleges. Delegates from the molders union, bricklayers, carpenters, teamsters, brewery workers, plumbers, barbers, textile workers, building trades council, central labor body and various miners' locals participated in the launching of the Wilkes-Barre classes. Classes will be held in Coughlin high school.

### Detroit Cleaners Strike

DETROIT, March 13.—The Cleaners, Dyers & Pressers' Union Local No. 17834, (inside help) are holding steady despite false arrests and black-mailing of members of the union by the Jacoby firm.

### Federation Meetings

MACON, Ga., March 13.—A call for the annual convention of the Georgia State Federation of Labor has been issued by its officers for April 18. The convention will take place in this city.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., March 13.—The Tennessee State Federation of Labor will hold its annual convention on the first Monday in May. The convention will take place at Pressmen's Home.

## ARCH LABOR FOES RUN IN ILLINOIS

CHICAGO, March 13 (FP).—Illinois labor is leery of again endorsing Frank L. Smith, who twice failed to enter the U. S. senate on Sam Insull's cash-and-carry basis, but the alternative in the republican senatorial primary looks still worse. The other candidate is Otis F. Glenn who tried in 1922 to convict 77 union miners after the Herrin strip mine battle.

Glenn was drawing wages from the public treasury at the time as a state senator but dipped out \$12,000 special prosecutor's fees in addition. Not all of the \$12,000 came from the public treasury, perhaps, as the Illinois chamber of commerce had raised \$50,000 by private subscription to slip the hangman's noose around the miners' necks.

The senatorial line-up in the republican primary is therefore a choice for labor between Smith, an errand boy of the public utility czar who secretly handed him over \$100,000 for favors received and about to be received, and Glenn, prize baby of the Illinois chamber of commerce, who raked in \$12,000 in a huge conspiracy of big business to break the miners' union and send 77 trade unionists to the gallows.

None of Glenn's intended victims was convicted. A jury composed chiefly of farmers acquitted the first groups to be tried and the prosecution despaired, even with \$50,000 of chamber of commerce cash, of putting its frame-up across.

### JUGOSLAV TORIES PROTEST

BELGRADE, March 13.—Between 800 and 900 moving picture theatres throughout Yugoslavia were closed today as a protest against the government's heavy amusement tax.

## PULLMAN PORTERS THREATEN STRIKE

### Demand Abolishment of Tipping Evil

KANSAS CITY, March 13.—The Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters is preparing to call a strike, Ashley L. Totten, assistant general organizer, announces.

The strike call will be issued in a few days from the New York office of the union, Totten said, for the purpose of invoking the services of the Federal Railway Labor Act in settling its demands for a wage increase from the Pullman Co.

Decision to strike, Totten continued, was made after the refusal of the Interstate Commerce Commission to take action on wage demands. The commission last Friday held that tips to Pullman workers were legal.

Totten pointed out that the porters are paid \$72.50 for 400 hours work a month. The porters want tips abolished and wages increased.

## END OF PAPER BOX STRIKE IN SIGHT

The end of the paper box strike, now in its third week, was predicted for Thursday or before by officials of the Paper Box Makers Union last night. Almost half of the affected shops have come to terms with the strikers, it is announced, most of them large firms.

The Youth Conference of Miners' Relief announced yesterday that they have undertaken to contribute to the paper box strikers' relief. The first contribution was sent to the box workers yesterday, the conference stated. From time to time, it was announced, the organization will extend its activities to the relief of other strikers whose need is particularly acute.

### For the Union

DETROIT, March 13.—Because of their activities as members of Bakers' Union No. 20, six workers in the plant of the Gordon Baking Company have been discharged.

## PLAN ORGANIZING OF PENNSYLVANIA YOUTH, MARCH 18

### Pittsburgh Conference to Discuss Miners

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 13.—On the initiative of various trade unions, youth clubs and organizations, a conference is being called in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, to take up questions of importance to the youth of Western Pennsylvania. This conference will be held March 19 at 2 p. m. in Walton Hall, 220 Stanwix St. Trade unions, labor organizations and youth clubs will send representatives.

A question of utmost significance which will be dealt with at the conference is that of the coal miners' strike in Pennsylvania and Ohio. During the ten months of the strike, the miners and especially the young miners have shown great determination in the struggle against the attempt of the coal operators to lower their standard of living.

### Bosses Initiating Drive

The strike proved conclusively to the young workers of Western Pennsylvania that the employers are now initiating a drive to lower the standard of living of the workers. In order to meet this offensive of the employers the young workers will seriously consider the question of organizing in labor unions, the millions of young workers who today are completely unorganized and will not be

### Machinists to Meet

WASHINGTON, March 13.—The executive council of the Grand Lodge of the International Association of Machinists has chosen Atlanta, Ga., for the organization's seventeenth general convention, which will open September 17. Atlanta is the birthplace of the I. A. and M., the first local having been formed there 40 years ago.

### PENSION BILL REPORTED

WASHINGTON, (FP) March 13.—The Senate Committee of the civil service reported favorably, March 13, the \$1200 maximum civil service retirement bill. This measure, favored by the labor unions in the federal service, will be enacted if sufficient support is manifested for it in letters and telegrams from organized labor throughout the country. It is a compromise measure, which will probably be amended on the floor, but it grants retirement pension to a much larger number of federal employees than are now eligible for this help.

in a position to maintain and fight for a living wage and better working conditions.

### Young Workers Respond

The conference has already received response from many local unions, youth clubs and workers' fraternal societies who warmly welcomed the idea.

All labor organizations in Western Pennsylvania upon receipt of the call, should send delegates to the conference. Address all correspondence in regard to the youth conference of Western Pennsylvania to M. Schindler, Box 997, E. Pittsburgh, Pa.

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The memory of Comrade Sid Bush will ever be ours and it will be for us to continue the work with added vigor and zeal, knowing that only thus can we pay true tribute to his unflinching spirit. We shall forge ahead with the Communist work and endeavor to keep up with the pace set by our late Comrade Sid Bush.

Long live the memory of Comrade Sid Bush, enshrined in the hearts of all Communists.

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## Lewis Fans the Flame

The reign of terror which John L. Lewis and his yellow lieutenants, with the aid of the police in many cases, have started throughout the coal mining regions, is having an effect which Lewis did not intend.

Lewis' gang defeated the will of the majority of the United Mine Workers by stealing the last election in 1926.

Lewis' gang has resorted to murder in the anthracite. It has aided the police to track down, beat up and jail mine workers whose only offense has been loyalty to their Union and to their class.

It has sold out the Union in a thousand historic cases.

It pulled the Illinois key district out of the strike at a critical moment when all indications were that to do so would break the backbone of the strike.

In the 1922 settlement Lewis betrayed the Washington and Fayette county miners who had struck with the organized men by leaving them out of the settlement and thus practically threw them back into disorganization.

Lewis' gang has expelled from the Union wherever possible every coal miner who has stood in the way of Lewis' plans of betrayal.

Lewis has milked the treasury of the Union for his own personal benefit while the miners and their wives and children have been starving. While drawing \$12,000 per year and as high as \$11,000 per year additional for "expenses," Lewis has at the same time sabotaged the relief of striking miners and has sought to egg the police on to break up the relief organization which the miners themselves established to meet their need.

Lewis is not president of the United Mine Workers of America by any act of the members of the Union,—three times in succession Lewis has stolen the election by means of fraudulent voting methods after he and the police had failed to blackjack the miners into voting for him.

For eight years since his election in 1920 Lewis, himself a wealthy business man and politician of the ruling class, has ridden the United Mine Workers for his own benefit and for the benefit of the ruling class.

During the past eight years of Lewis' betrayal the Union has been gradually broken down until it now has but a fraction of its former strength.

Lewis took the presidency of the Union at a time when 70 percent of the coal mined in the United States was dug by Union men. Under his rule for the coal operators' benefit, the amount of coal mined by the Union has sunk to 30 percent. The Union in 1920 had a membership of over 400,000. It has been ridden by Lewis until it now has hardly more than half that number although Lewis still claims 300,000.

The overwhelming share of the coal output produced in America is produced in non-union fields. The organization of the unorganized fields is a life-need of the United Mine Workers' Union; yet Lewis makes no move towards the organization of the unorganized.

In spite of Lewis the coal miners have fought for nearly a year the most heroic battle in American labor history. In spite of Lewis pulling out the Illinois key district with a separate agreement at the critical moment, in spite of his sabotaging the relief and directing the police to break up a relief organization established by the miners themselves, in spite of his refusal to bring other fields into the struggle with Pennsylvania and Ohio—the miners are fighting on, and fighting better, with a chance to win the strike.

His course established, Lewis has proceeded with a reign of terror. The operators, the coal and iron police and Lewis attack their common enemy, the mine workers. Murder is committed by the Lewis machine in the Anthracite region, where the mine workers' own selected leaders are mowed down with machine guns on the public street. Brophy and Toohy are assaulted and arrested by Lewis' henchmen, the coal and iron police paid by the operators.

Lewis' reign of terror is added to the coal operators' reign of terror.

But what is the effect of Lewis' reign of terror?

The wave of resentment and rebellion against Lewis that is sweeping the coal fields is the answer.

The mine workers, cornered and with no way but to fight, are driven to fight harder.

Mass picketing is spreading and making the strike stronger.

Mass determination to take the Union into the hands of the miners is growing by leaps and bounds—intensified by the very fact that Lewis' gang murdered Alex Campbell and Pete Reilly, and wounded, slugged and jailed many others. Under some circumstances terror may terrorize, but in this case it only goads the miners to fight more courageously than ever.

"Save the Union" committees are springing up in every district in the coal fields. All efforts to stop them only stimulate them further. In Illinois, Fishwick, leader of the Lewis machine, with the aid of the police tried to disperse the "Save the Union" conference at the point of the gun. But this only stimulated the mine workers to greater efforts to build up the "Save the Union" conference.

April 1, when the big national conference will come together at Pittsburgh to direct the fight to save the greatest union of the American labor movement from destruction, to win the fight against the operators and to cleanse the Union of the operators' agents who are now in control, will be a red-letter day in labor history.

Miners, take the Union into your own hands! Win the Strike!

Organize the unorganized fields and bring them into the strike!

Illinois, strike against the wage-cut April 1!

Save the United Mine Workers' Union from destruction at the hands of John L. Lewis and the coal operators!

## THE STRIKE-BREAKERS

By Fred Ellis

### Milfay Hosiery Workers Fight for Unionism

(By Federated Press)

Full substantiation of the main grievances of Milfay full-fashioned hosiery strikers is given by the printed report of the citizens' committee which is staging an attempt to mediate the dispute. Owners of the Milfay firm completely rebuffed efforts of the committee. Investigation of the situation is now sought from the New York state industrial survey commission.

Milfay workers were locked out last November when they refused to sign yellow dog contracts. This is the big issue, declares Carl Holderman, organizer for the American Federation of Full Fashioned Hosiery Workers and executive board member of the United Textile Workers. Other grievances of strikers which the citizens' committee lists include:

70 hours per week for knitters, including 14 hours each for 2 days of the week; 2 machines per operator and no helper to assist after 5:30 p. m.; arbitrary fining system which made a considerable pay cut each week for minor infractions; no hearing for these fines; lack of ventilation and proper sanitary conditions, lowering vitality.

Demands of the workers, now organized in the full fashioned hosiery workers' union, are for recognition of their right to organize; abolition of the 70-hour week and installation of the 48-hour week; end of the fining system; reinstatement of leaders as well as rank and file of locked-out workers.



... senatorial committee went to the mines "to investigate"—but really to demoralize the mine workers, destroy the miners' relief organization, and break the strike. But the silk-hatted strike-breakers will fail just as all other strike-breakers have failed to beat the heroic miners.

## The Role of the Working Woman in the Soviet Union

By PAULINE ROGERS.

The figure of the woman is looming larger and larger in the Soviet Union. She has gradually raised herself, with the encouraging help of the Soviet Government, from the cowed back-breaking position of czarist days, and now stands erect, fearless in facing the new ideas of the country and determined to help carry them out successfully. Today the women of the U. S. S. R. participate actively in the work of the trade unions, the co-operatives and the various branches of government. They are to be found at meetings of all important committees in the factories, in the local soviets, in the higher executive bodies, in the schools, universities, and in the clubs. They participate in the organization of nurseries and kindergartens and have representation on all committees connected with children's organizations.

This is particularly remarkable in view of the recent backwardness of the Russian women. In pre-revolutionary days, working women were not only very illiterate, but they had no political or social rights whatsoever. The Eastern women of the Caucasus had no liberty of movement, had to wear a veil in public, were sold in marriage at a very early age, and had to submit to all kinds of degradation.

Equality For Women. It was Lenin who realized that without women's help, socialism could not be built up. He stressed the fact that if women were kept out of social and industrial life, if they were permitted to go their ignorant way in the narrow round of their domestic activities, one half of humanity would lag behind and keep the country from developing as fast as it might. The Soviet Government therefore placed women on an equal basis with men and gave them every opportunity for development and social activity.

Women in Industry. Until 1927 there were very few women in the trade unions and they rarely held any office. At present of the 825,000 members of the textile union 55 per cent are women. In every other industry there is a steady growth of the number of organized women in the unions. In 1924 women constituted 10 per cent of the total union membership, in 1927 the figure has grown to 28.7 per cent. Besides thousands of women hold executive positions in their trade union organizations.

In the large industrial areas, as many women as men participate in the elections, and in some centers women show a greater activity than men. At recent elections in the chemical, railway, food workers and textile unions of Leningrad, there was a greater percentage of women voters than men. This growth in political activity is also to be found among the peasant women. In the 1927 elections, 30 per cent of the peasant women voted.

The Soviet Government realized that if woman is to become an important factor in industry and government, she must be relieved of many of the irksome and wearing duties connected with her household and her children. As a result thousand of nurseries, kindergartens, and children's playgrounds have been organized, where children are left during the day and cared for by people specially trained for the work. Protective Laws. The government has also enacted such laws for the protection of the

woman's health which enable her to carry on her industrial and political work without injuring her health or that of her children. Women under 18 and over 40 cannot be compelled to work. Night work is prohibited for women except by special permission of the Commissariat of Labor. In addition to regular vacations and sick leaves, women are relieved 8 weeks before and 8 weeks after childbirth, with full pay. These social services are also given to the wives of the workers.

## Mexican Workers Launch Campaign to Aid Sandino

MEXICO CITY, Mar. 13.—When General Sandino asked for medical help through his representative in Salvador, Dr. Samora, to enable him to help the heroic fighters wounded in their fight against brutal Wall Street intervention, the Continental Committee of the All-America Anti-Imperial League (headquarters in Mexico) immediately published an appeal.

This appeal, addressed to all anti-imperialist and progressive organizations, asked for the formation of a united front to start a vast propaganda campaign against imperialism as a whole, and to raise money to send to Sandino to support him in his fight, no matter how many marines are landed. This is the first time in the history of the fight against American imperialism that such an appeal for practical and real solidarity has been made, and it success was so great that Sandino can be assured of the support of the people, especially the workers and peasants, not only of his country but of the others where dollar diplomacy oppresses the masses, and where other Sandinos are awaiting the moment to rise against illegal foreign intervention.

Spirited activity has begun all over Mexico. At the present time, three weeks after the initiation of the campaign, more than 2,000 pesos have been collected and sent to Sandino.

This collection together with the mass meetings that have been held in all cities and villages show the earnest desire of the Mexican people to help Nicaraguan fighters in their bitter struggle. They show that the Mexican masses have determined to

aid Sandino, although the official delegation to the Havana Conference failed in this respect.

The popular help of the Mexicans is far more important than official support, because it shows that the people as a whole are bitter enemies of imperialism, although the government invites Morrow, Lindbergh, and the White House Jester, Will Rogers, into Mexico to parade the good-will of the United States.

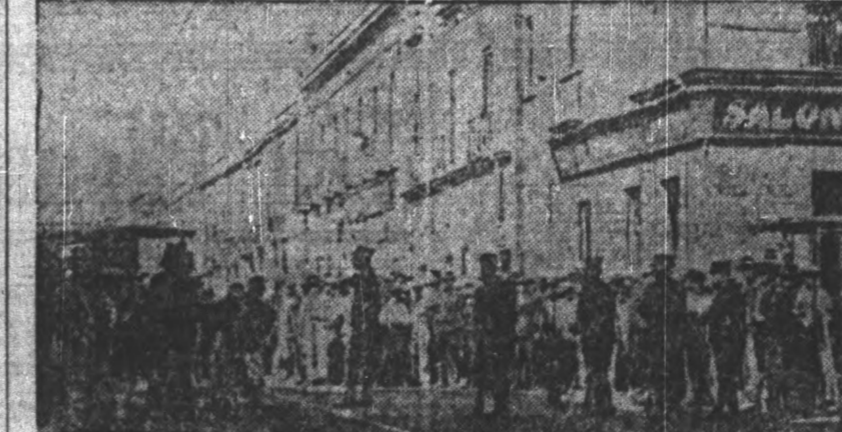
Not only in Mexico, however, was there response to the call for aid. In the other Latin-American countries prompt action to raise funds and to build united fronts followed the appeal. In the United States, too, the success has been encouraging.

All over the Latin American continent, the slogans "Help Sandino!" "Down with Imperialism!" are on the tongues of the masses, and find the support of all labor, peasant and progressive organizations.

The success of the slogan "Hands Off Nicaragua!" proves that there is a common feeling in all Latin-American countries. It shows that the people disclaim and denounce the actions of the representatives of Wall Street who spoke at the Pan-American Conference in the name of their governments. The support that Sandino finds is the best proof that these delegates do not really represent their countries.

The united front, under the leadership of the active and class-conscious Mexican section of the All-America Anti-Imperial League, is a fact. Never has there been so broad a united front, never so good a spirit in the mass meetings of the Anti-Imperial League.

But the Mexican workers understand that it is not enough to help Sandino with money. They join not only the united front, they join also the All-America Anti-Imperial League, which is now a real leader among the Mexican and Latin-American people, and which will be a power tomorrow, even if the Mexican government should sell out to Wall Street. Eighteen new locals of the Mexican section of the All-America Anti-Imperial League have been formed. A better illustration can be given of the success of this campaign.



Students in Mexico City are shown in a huge demonstration against the Wall Street fight on the Nicaragua war workers. The students hailed Gen. Augustino Sandino as the leader of the Latin American workers' struggle against American imperialism. American business men and wealthy tourists were hissed in the streets.

## Election Demands of Young Workers

Calling upon the young workers, farmers and students to participate energetically in the coming election campaign, the Young Workers League of America has issued a statement on its demands for the young workers in the elections.

Represents Telling Youth. Pointing out that the Young Workers (Communist) League is a political organization representing the interests of the toiling youth in this country, and as such participates in every form of activity which concerns the youth, its statement added that the league was the only youth organization which participates in elections and endeavors to arouse the masses of the youth in this country to make a special fight for their demands during the election period.

The League believes that all young persons 18 years of age or older should demand a vote, emphasizing this demand with the motto: "Old enough to work, old enough to vote." At the present time the Soviet Union is the

only country in the world where the youth has a right to vote.

Farmer-Labor Youth Clubs. The Young Workers League which participates actively in the drive for a Labor Party based upon the mass organizations of the workers, favors and will support the organization of Farmer-Labor Youth Clubs and Labor Party Youth Clubs wherever a labor party exists. The League believes that such clubs will be a great help in mobilizing the youth for the Labor Party movement.

Other demands for the toiling youth which the League will raise in the elections include the 6-hour-day, 5-day week for all young workers, a demand which takes into consideration the needs in health and education of the young workers and the unemployment situation and the large number of youth replacing adult workers at the present time in industry; the complete abolition of child labor without reservations and the state maintenance of all children at present em-

ployed, another demand which would help to alleviate unemployment; a minimum wage of \$20 for every worker; protection of young workers in industry thru abolition of night work, underground work or dangerous occupations; also effective accident compensation.

Vacation With Pay. Another demand is a four weeks vacation with pay every year, something that is offered those young workers who attend the C. M. T. C., but otherwise never enjoyed by the large mass of working youth. The League also makes demands in favor of the apprentices as well as for vocational training, demanding work schools with paid attendance in the factories for all young workers between the ages of 15 and 18.

The election program of the League will also contain special demands for the youth as they are affected by unemployment, which will be dealt with separately.