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NEW PENN. STRIKE CALL!

Chicago Police Attack Parade Following Unemployment Demonstration

ORDER JAIL, FINE, IN NEW ATTACK ON "DAILY"

HIGH COURT GIVES DECISION; DUNNE, GORDON TO SERVE

New Blow in Campaign of Patrioteers

Confirming the convictions of the editors of the DAILY WORKER of a year ago and the exaction of a fine of \$500 against the paper itself, the New York State Court of Appeals yesterday handed down a ruling as a result of which there was advanced another step in the open-shoppers and patrioteers' attempt to stifle the central organ of the Workers (Communist) Party.

By a unanimous decision of the court with Chief Justice Benjamin N. Cardozo giving the ruling, the previous conviction was confirmed as a result of which William F. Dunne and Bert Miller were made to serve sentences in the workhouse. Under the present decision David Gordon, the author of the poem "America" which was made the pretext of the attack against the DAILY WORKER, and who is now a student at the University of Wisconsin, will have to leave school and be sent to the New York reformatory. Gordon is now 18 years old and will be kept in jail 3 years unless he is 21. Dunne must now complete his sentence.

Arrested Last Year.

The decision which brings to a conclusion the proceedings against the DAILY WORKER in the state courts, was begun about a year ago at the instigation of a "patriotic" society, the Key Men of America, and a military organization, the Military Order of the World War. These organizations according to their own indirect admissions were carrying out the instructions of the large open shop interests of the country which had become enraged at the militant campaigns then being conducted by the DAILY WORKER for the organization of the unorganized, against the "ar" in China and Nicaragua.

WORKERS FACING PRODUCTION CUTS

New Bedford Mills Post Notices

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., March 28.—Curtailment of production in the fine-goods mills of this center has already begun, according to announcements recently posted by several mills. The cut in production will be from 25 to 30 percent in most mills and about 20 percent in the others.

This program of reducing loom operation is in accordance with the decision of the Fine Cotton Goods Manufacturing Association, made early in the year.

Many of these textile mills here, recently, announced themselves as "good samaritans" because they did not participate in the wage slashing orgy indulged in by mills in other towns. Instead they ordered their workers to operate an increased number of looms, in spite of the fact that they intended to curtail production.

A 13-Hour Day

ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 28.—Under a bill signed today by Gov. Smith boys under 15 will not be permitted to sell papers on the streets of any city with a population of 20,000 or more before 6 a. m. in the morning or after 7 p. m.

The new law provides for the issuance of street trades badges to newsboys. It prohibits all boys between 12 and 17 from selling papers unless they have such badges.

Order Bundle of Dailys Now for Save Union Meet

The Save-the-Union Conference begins on April 1st in Pittsburgh. A special edition of the DAILY WORKER is being prepared for April 1, which will contain dozens of items of vital interest on the coal situation all over the country. Prepare for the arrival of the miners in the Pittsburgh conference.

Order your bundle of DAILY WORKERS now for April 1st!

RED LABOR MEET HEARS REPORTS

Stress Need of Work Among Masses

(Special Cable to The Daily Worker) MOSCOW, March 28.—Gay, reporting at the Fourth World Congress of the Red International of Trade Unions, on the organizational questions of the international movement, pointed out that the intensification of the class struggle in the principal capitalist states, and the growth of the trade union movement in colonial and semi-colonial countries bring before the revolutionary trade union movement a series of important tasks in the sphere of leadership of the working class.

"The whole work of the revolutionary trade union movement must be based on the drawing of the broad masses of the workers into discussions of the fundamental questions of the trade unions, the chief basis for the union's activities being enterprise in the mills," Gay said. "The carrying thru of mass work is impossible without creating and educating the necessary cadres of rank and file trade union militants."

Rank and File Work.
"To educate such cadres we must proceed by opening schools with courses on the problems of the trade union movement and systematically drawing into participation in the leading organs, comrades who have distinguished themselves in rank and file work."

"Trade union organizations adhering to the Red International must work to become mass organizations while those in countries where the Red International adherents work as revolutionary minorities must on the one hand win the workers who are dissatisfied with the reformist leadership and on the other hand, draw

PITTSTON MINERS ORGANIZE RELIEF

Establish Station of W. I. R.

BULLETIN

PITTSTON, March 28.—"Apply to the coal operators 'arbitration' machinery," was the substance of the solution to the individual contracting evil as announced in a statement from the temporary headquarters of the United Mine Workers Union at Washington, John L. Lewis speaking.

The announcement made today was the result of a conference between Lewis and his Cappelini henchmen of District 1, whom he had called to Washington. It is believed that Lewis by this postponement of action is leaving the way open for the Brennan forces to carry out their plans which are understood to be those indirectly of Lewis himself.

(Special to The Daily Worker.) PITTSTON, Pa., March 28.—Miners of Local 1703 yesterday took the initiative in establishing a branch station of the Workers' International Relief Association.

PARADE TO CITY HALL IS BROKEN UP; 3 ARRESTED

To Hold New Meetings Despite Terror

CHICAGO, March 28.—Slugging men and women indiscriminately, police this afternoon broke up a parade of several hundred workers headed for the city hall.

Follows Demonstration.
The parade followed a demonstration organized by the Chicago Council of Unemployed at which reactionary union officials and municipal authorities were denounced for their refusal to take any action on the grave unemployment situation in this city. Placards which were carried by the workers were destroyed by the police. The marchers were attacked three successive times by the police, but each time the line was reformed.

Arrest 3 Workers.
Three young workers, Samuel T. Herman, secretary of the Unemployed Council, Gil Green, district organizer of the Young Workers League and Mary Kasernov, were arrested and charged with "disorderly conduct."

Despite the terrorization on the part of the authorities, it was announced by the organizers of the demonstration that another meeting would be held within the next few days.

LABOR DEFENSE RAPS PILSUDSKI

Demands Release of 56 on Trial at Vilna

Denouncing the wholesale arrest of White Russian worker and peasant members of "Hromada," the International Labor Defense has sent a cablegram of protest to Premier Pilsudski and another cablegram expressing its solidarity to the fifty-six members of "Hromada" now on trial at Vilna.

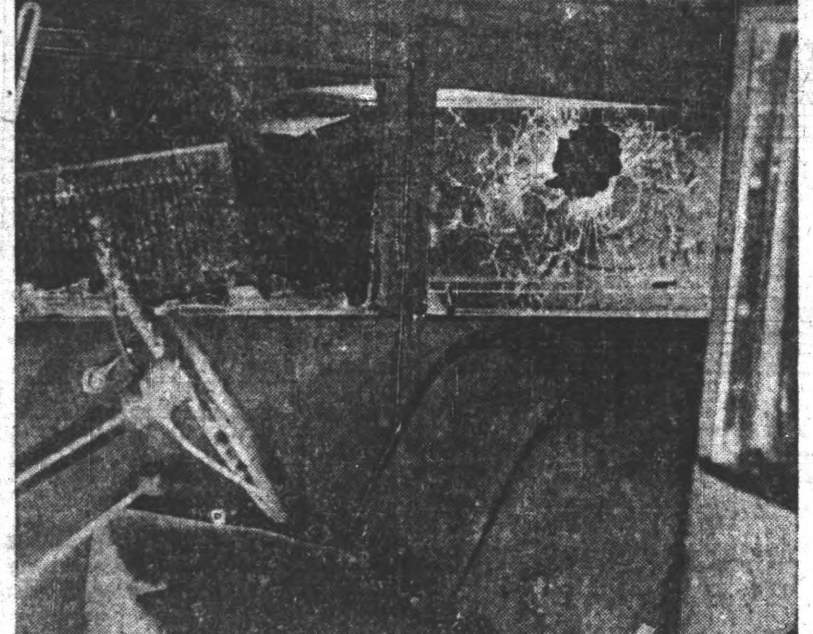
The telegram to the Paraskiewicz, one of the leading defendants, follows:
"In the name of the 300,000 members of our organization in the United States, we express solidarity with you and your fellow-defendants on trial and condemn the trial as an attempt to annihilate 'Hromada' and crush the aspirations of the White Russian minorities in Poland. We pledge our support and are conducting a campaign to arouse and organize workers in the United States in a protest movement against this in-

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Barber Bill Vetoed

ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 28.—Gov. Smith vetoed the Lipowicz-Dickey bill which would have provided for state licensing and regulating of barbers. Under the bill the state commissioner of health would have been empowered to promulgate rules and regulations for the conduct of barber shops.

When Lewis' Thugs Murdered Campbell, Reilly



Above is the shattered death car into which the machine gunmen, hired by the Lewis-Cappelini gang, pumped their murderous fire, ending the lives of these two progressive miners, Alex Campbell and Pete Reilly. Campbell's head was found hanging on to his body by a ribbon of flesh. At the right is a picture of Pete Reilly, one of the two murdered leaders. Below is Tom Lillis, progressive treasurer of Local 1703, whose death, when he was shot down in Pittston while returning from a meeting, ushered in the Lewis' reign of machine gun terror in the anthracite.

MINERS CONDEMN LEWIS OFFICIALS

One Admits He Is Spy for Government

WILKES-BARRE, March 28.—That the Lewis-Cappelini officials are actually behind the attempt to railroad Bonita, Moleski and Mendola to the electric chair, that some of them by their own admission are government informers and that they use funds secured for miners' relief for purposes unknown and without giving an accounting, was last night revealed in the course of a bitter attack on these officials at a mass meeting at Warrion Run Mine near here.

Anthracite local 5118 met here last night to hear Gallagher, traveling auditor for the U. M. W. of A. and one Shifka, an international organizer. These two Lewis henchmen came to the meeting in the evident attempt to silence rank and file criticism that relief funds which had been secured from the members in the form of an assessment were not being used properly. The charges were made openly.

The meeting was also attended by Stanley Dziengielewski, secretary of the Bonita-Moleski-Mendola Defense Committee. Following a stirring speech by Dziengielewski which was

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N. Y.-CUBA-PARIS PHONE.

Regular telephone service between America, Cuba and Paris was to be started today.

SAVE-THE-UNION COMMITTEE URGES FOUR UNORGANIZED COUNTIES GO OUT APRIL 16

100,000 West Pennsylvania Miners, Betrayed by Lewis in 1922, to Join Strike

Fayette, Westmoreland, Somerset, Greene Called to Support of Progressive Cause

PITTSBURGH, Mar. 28.—One hundred thousand unorganized miners in Westmoreland, Somerset and Green Counties were yesterday urged to strike Monday, April 16, in a call issued by the executive of the national Save-the-Union miners committee.

The unorganized coal diggers to whom the call is addressed are advised immediately to organize strike committees, elect secretaries and make all preparations for the strike. The strike call was decided upon after a lengthy discussion with forty-five members of the committee participating. The meeting was held at the Pittsburgh headquarters of the Committee.

TROOPERS SHOOT AT MINE PICKETS

Club Strikers at Bulger Block Mine

(Special to The Daily Worker) PITTSBURGH, March 28.—State troopers fired upon and clubbed a crowd of mine pickets at the Bulger Block coal mine this morning. Failing to break up the demonstration the troopers finally resorted to tear gas bombs. A number of the miners were arrested.

The nature of the injuries and their number have not yet been ascertained. Over 500 Picket.
Over 500 striking miners marched toward the company mine at Bulger at four o'clock this morning. Fourteen state troopers and four deputy sheriffs already on the scene then fired into their midst and clubbed many in an attempt to break their ranks. The troopers lined up across the road, but the striking miners who had marched from Cherry Valley Raceon midway between McDonald and Bulger broke through, forcing their way to the picket line at the

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MINERS SEEK AID FOR CONFERENCE

Progressives Urge Labor Shoulder Burden

PITTSBURGH, Mar. 28.—Urgent appeal to the members of organized labor and to workers generally was again made yesterday by the national miners Save-the-Union Committee. The appeal calls for funds to help pay the railroad fare of the several hundred delegates who have already made plans to go to the April 1 conference.

"Nothing in the recent history of the labor movement," the statement declares, "is to be compared in importance with the developments which are now taking place in the miners' union. A new labor movement is in sight. Yet this great victory may be lost through the lack of the necessary funds to finance the conference. Only three days more intervene before Sunday. The workers of the country are asked to rush funds, by return mail, special delivery or wire. The conference must be held."

"Save-the-Union Committee, 526 Federal St. N. S., Pittsburgh."

RADIO BILL SIGNED.
WASHINGTON, March 28.—The federal radio commission was officially restored to active life today, when President Coolidge signed the radio bill, extending its term to March 15, 1929.

SEND "DAILY" TO EVERY MINER

Urges Free Subscriptions of the Paper to All Coal Strikers

The Save the Union Conference in Pittsburgh will bring together coal miners from all over the country on April 1. This conference is a decisive moment in the struggle to defend the United Mine Workers of America from the combined corruption of mine bosses and union misleaders and to ward off from the American working class the most terrific blow which can be made by the destruction of the miners' union.

The coal miners have been on strike for nearly a year. Thru the bitter cold of winter, in the midst of starvation and in spite of organized terrorism by the company police and the machine gun terrorism of reactionary officials of the Lewis-Cappelini machine, the strikers have continued their stirring struggle.

Month after month of bitter struggle has rolled by. Forsaken by their traitorous misleaders, brutalized by the coal company bosses, the miners have had just one ally in their fight—THE DAILY WORKER.

A Vital Need.
But the poverty, into which the life and death struggle with the bosses has plunged the miners, prevents them from subscribing to their press.

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CHICAGO DISTRICT TAKES BIG STRIDE FORWARD IN DAILY WORKER SUBSCRIPTION DRIVE

The Chicago district is jumping into the midst of the big national campaign to add 10,000 new readers to *The Daily Worker* by May Day. An envelope crammed with subscriptions sent to the office of the paper is an indication that the workers in the Chicago district have awakened to the fact that both Los

Angeles and Detroit have a long start in the national drive. The Chicago workers are determined that the other sections shall not take an undisputed lead. "We will give Detroit a hot race," writes Sam Hammersmark, district agent for *The Daily Worker* in Chicago, in a letter accompanying the subscriptions.

"The Chicago district is really only at the beginning of its campaign. But we will finish with a bang." The importance of free distributions of the paper in the Chicago territory was pointed out by A. Ravitch, the circulation manager of *The Daily Worker* in commenting on Chicago's fine showing.

"Chicago is a huge industrial center and ought to be one of the best fields for distributing free copies of the paper," Ravitch said. "In spite of the excellent showing which Chicago has made so far in the campaign, I am absolutely certain that that district can and will accomplish still better results."

Bonita-Moleski-Mendola Defense Committee Issues Appeal to All Workers

INDICTED MINERS CALL UPON LABOR TO DEFEND THEM

Urge Mass Meetings and Seek Financial Aid

WILKES-BARRE, March 28.—A message to the mine workers of the country as well as to the labor movement generally was sent out today by the Bonita-Moleski-Mendola Defense Committee signed by Stanley Dziemgiewski, secretary, appealing to the workers of the country to rise in the support of the innocent progressive miners who have been indicted for murder. The committee which has been endorsed by the imprisoned miners is their official defense organization. The statement follows:

"With the approach of April 9th the eyes of all miners in the anthracite region, of miners throughout the country, and of all workers of the country over are focussed on Wilkes-Barre, Pa., where the Luzerne County Jail houses the three latest offenders against corrupt unionism and challengers of capitalist justice.—Sam Bonita, Adam Moleski and Steve Mendola. On that date the forces of the state, the corrupt district machine of the United Mine Workers, and the vicious individual contractors will combine in an attempt to railroad to the electric chair Sam Bonita, and perhaps imprison for life Adam Moleski and Steve Mendola.

In Labor's Cause.

"The vital significance of this case to all workers lies in the fact that these militant fighters against corruption in their union contended against the same ruthless, bureaucratic forces which today are threatening the ruin of the American labor movement. Already in the interests of the militant surge of honest, progressive anthracite miners three men have been murdered brutally; first, Thomas Lillis, treasurer of local 1703, and only one month ago Alex Campbell and Pete Reilly, returning from a visit to Sam Bonita in jail, were attacked by hired gunmen and their bodies riddled with bullets from revolvers, automatics, pump guns, rifles and a machine gun.

"The blame for this reign of terror can properly be placed on the officials of District One of the anthracite. Rinaldo Cappellini, president of the district and a cog in the Lewis machine must bear the responsibility. Cappellini Helps Prosecution.

Cappellini and his murder-machine are in open alliance with the state in the frame-up prosecution of Bonita, Moleski and Mendola. Before even the formal hearing was held, a secret conference took place, attended by the district attorney of the county, city and county police officials, and official representatives of the Cappellini machine. Plans were discussed as to the best and shortest method of sending Bonita, Moleski and Mendola to the electric chair, and (according to the *Wilkes-Barre Times-Leader* of February 22, 1928) the prosecutors of the state were given the promise of the labor leaders that they would give the commonwealth their wholehearted support.

"The corruption and murder in District One of the anthracite cannot be dissociated from the struggle of the soft-coal miners throughout Pennsylvania, Ohio and West Virginia. The numerous miners are fighting the same corrupt machine, headed by John L. Lewis, arch-traitor, which is trying to disrupt the miners' union preparatory to a nation-wide open shop drive.

A Common Cause.

"The progressive conference of April First to be held in Pittsburgh will be attended not only by soft-coal miners who are on strike, but by anthracite miners and even unorganized delegates. The whole miners' union is in the throes of a mass-cleansing movement, of a militant surge to rid the organization of corrupt officials such as John L. Lewis, International President, and Rinaldo Cappellini and other Lewis men. Attendance at the April 1st conference in Pittsburgh will be a blow at the murder machine of District One, and support of the defense committee of Bonita, Moleski and Mendola is a blow not only at the corruption of District One, but at the whole Lewis machine of corruption in the miners' union!

"Workers! Support the National Bonita-Moleski-Mendola Defense Committee!

"A donation toward the defense of the three miners is an act of self-preservation! It may not be long before workers in other industries will be subject to the same combination of murders, corruption and frame-up as are the anthracite workers of District One today!

Workers Must Act!

"Workers! Organize mass protest meetings! It is only through the solidarity of all workers and their

Stalin, Rykov, Yaroslavsky Review Red Army



The upper picture shows Josef Stalin, the general secretary of the All-Union Communist Party; Alexei Rykov, president of the Council of Peoples Commissars, and Yaroslavsky, member of the Central Committee of the All-Union Party, watching the parading battalions of the Red Army. Below are the lines of Red Infantry passing in review under the walls of the Kremlin.

PROGRESSIVES CALL OUT 100,000 MINERS

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spread use of the blacklist, spy system, and infamous Coal and Iron Police, and company guards. The unorganized miners are being reduced to a state of virtual slavery by the coal companies.

The Way Out—Strike!

"The demand of the unorganized miners for higher wages, checkweighmen, the tonnage system, and mine committees; for the abolition of the spy system, blacklist, and the 'Pluck-me' company stores; and for a union can be done in only one effective manner, and that is to strike and to organize.

"The Save-the-Union Committee calls upon the unorganized miners of Fayette, Westmoreland, Somerset, and Greene Counties of Pennsylvania to strike April 16, 1928. The Save-the-Union Committee has voted to issue this strike call for April 16, 1928, subject to the approval of the great National Conference of the rank-and-file miners scheduled to be held April 1st. Hundreds of delegates from all mining regions of America will gather. The Save-the-Union Committee calls upon the unorganized miners of Kentucky, Tennessee, Alabama, West Virginia, and elsewhere to prepare for a strike call which will be issued later.

Strike!

"Strike April 16th. The 100,000 unorganized miners of Pennsylvania must empty the mines on this day. A solid strike of these 100,000 miners is a guarantee of victory.

"Strike for increased wages!

"Strike for the Jackson-ville scale!

"Strike for shorter hours!

"Strike against the robbing screen system!

"Strike for the tonnage system and checkweighmen!

"Strike for the establishment of mine committees!

"Strike against unpaid dead work!

"Strike against the blacklist and spy system!

"Strike for the right to organize!

"Strike for a union!
"Strike to help win the heroic struggle of all coal miners now in progress!
Rank and File, Not Lewis Will Lead.

"Past strikes of the unorganized miners were betrayed by the Lewis machine, but this time this reactionary group will not have the opportunity to mislead and sacrifice your interests. We must say to the Lewis group: 'Hands off the April 16th strike of the Pennsylvania unorganized miners.' Lewis and his henchmen will not get a chance to betray you in this strike, for this strike will be under the leadership of the miners themselves, who are organized in the Save-the-Union Committee.

Organize For the Strike!

"Brothers! Strike April 16th!
"Organize strike committees everywhere!

"Organize a committee in every mine. Select a secretary from each of these committees, and have him communicate with the office of the Save-the-Union Committee.

"Strike for better conditions!
"Strike for a union and union standards!
"Down with the Open Shop—For a 100 per cent union throughout the whole mining industry!
"Brothers! Strike April 16th! The forces of the Save-the-Union Committee within the United Mine Workers of America will not tolerate the signing of any agreement by that organization which will desert the struggle you will wage. They will fight bitterly against another '1922' betrayal. Empty the Mines! We will fight as one.

"Organize!
"Prepare!
"Strike April 16th!
—SAVE THE UNION COMMITTEE, Room 201, 526 Federal St., N.S., Pittsburgh, Pa.
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united efforts in support of Bonita, Moleski and Mendola that these three victims of capitalist-class-justice can be saved from martyrdom!

"Workers' organizations, — trade union locals, benefit societies, educational associations,—all should communicate with the International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th Street, New York, for copies of its leaflet giving in detail all the facts in the case. This leaflet reviews the conditions in District One in the past, and illustrates the characters of the men who are at present conducting the affairs of that district.

Help Must Come.

"Workers should send donations—as liberally as possible—to the National Bonita-Moleski-Mendola Defense Committee, 513 Coal Exchange Building, West Market Street, Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

"Workers, hurl back at the reactionary union officials their challenge at all honest, militant labor! Demonstrate that the time is past when corruption can fly in the teeth of the unorganized and unorganized!

INJUNCTION WAR CRIPPLES LABOR

Boston Workers Dispute Over Jurisdiction

BOSTON, March 28.—Jurisdictional warfare in the local unions of the American Federation of Labor has again broken out. This time it is the Carpenters' District Council which applied for an injunction against the officials of the Lathers' Union Local 72 and a number of building contractors.

The reason given in the application for the injunction is the fact that the lathers have been installing what is known as hollow "metal trim."

The carpenters' union charges the lathers' organization with conspiring to take the carpenters under their jurisdiction and in this manner to wreck the carpenters' union.

Hearings on the injunction proceedings are being held in the Suffolk county court.

STRIKING MINERS OF PITTSTON, PA., ORGANIZE RELIEF

Establish Station of W. I. R.

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lief, an organization devoted to the assistance of workers in need.

Fred Biedenkapp, secretary of the organization, who came here to make the arrangements, spoke before a meeting of the local and was enthusiastically received by the miners. Over some opposition from representatives of forces not favorable to the miners a vote was passed to accept the relief offer. The vote was 450 to 4.

Called by Mayor.

Biedenkapp was called to the office of Mayor Gillespie who questioned him in great detail regarding the purposes of the relief station. Biedenkapp explained that his organization had no other purposes than that of relief. The mayor indicated that he had no immediate objections.

The movement to establish and enlarge relief efforts for the local which has been locked out by the Pennsylvania Coal Company since December 31 was opposed chiefly by Frank McGarry, chairman of the local. McGarry is one of the Brennan representatives. He has pushed himself to the fore since the murder of Alex Campbell and Peter Reilly.

Brennan Exposed.

William Brennan, former president of District 1, who has been playing the game of the arch-traitor, Lewis, while pretending to fight the contract system and the Cappellini clique, has recently shown his real hand by making an attack against the Bonita-Moleski-Mendola Defense Committee. McGarry's attack on miners' relief now brands Brennan and McGarry, who represents Brennan, as the complete tools of the Lewis regime!

The miners' union is big enough to take care of its own relief, was the position taken by McGarry and his two or three supporters. Biedenkapp agreed to this proposition. Then as the miners realized that the offer of help might be withdrawn, there were shouts from various parts of the hall, "We haven't received anything from the union," "We are glad to get help," "The International has done nothing for us."

Eleven members of the local were elected as a committee to administer the relief. Charles Licata was elected chairman and Tom Carroll as secretary of the committee. A suitable location is now being sought.

Before entering the meeting Biedenkapp was searched for concealed weapons.

Progressive Movement Growing.

The miners here are rapidly developing their own activities. Local 1703 is uniformly in the lead of these movements. One of the significant developments is the growing suspicion of the Brennan forces which have shown themselves to be untrustworthy during the period when militant, progressive action is necessary.

LEWIS OFFICIALS HIT BY MINERS

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enthusiastically received by the miners, Gallagher attacked the speaker for coming in "unwanted" as a representative of an "outside" organization. Gallagher also attacked the International Labor Defense as a "subversive" organization and passed over with a slighting reference its great work in defending Sacco and Vanzetti, and recent victims of the class struggle.

Dziemgiewski repudiated this statement as well as the other false remarks made by Gallagher. In replying to criticisms of the Bonita-Moleski-Mendola Defense Committee, Dziemgiewski pointed out that the committee is composed of officers of Local 1703; the books of the committee are always open to inspection and are not carried in the pockets of certain officials. This was a reply to the statement made by Gallagher that the per capita tax of Local 1703 had not been paid for a year previous to last September. Dziemgiewski charged that Gallagher kept the books of the local and that his own well-known methods would explain the contradiction between the claims of the local and Gallagher's figures.

Shifka in his talk attacked the Save-the-Union Committee, where-

TROOPERS SHOOT AT MINE PICKETS

Club Strikers at Bulger Block Mine

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Bulger mine. Not until tear bombs were exploded was the demonstration broken up.

Eight Arrested.

Four pickets were arrested by state police and four others by deputy sheriffs and taken before justice of peace in Burgettstown. All were released without bail pending trial tomorrow morning at ten o'clock. Charles Zinsesky, one of the pickets, declares that far from being terrorized the striking miners will mass-picket every mine in the district until all have closed down.

The Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Committee supplies food and clothing to every local in this district.

Nationalization Opposed.

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Percy Tetlow, of Charleston, W. Va., appointed president of District 17 of the miners' union and tool of national President John L. Lewis, in testifying before the senate committee today, opposed nationalization of the mines and urged cooperation to aid the coal operators as well as the struggling miners.

"What we lack is a policy of cooperation to help all sides," Tetlow said.

He proposed legislation also to permit consolidations, regulate selling prices, curb use of anti-labor injunctions and the recognition of collective bargaining.

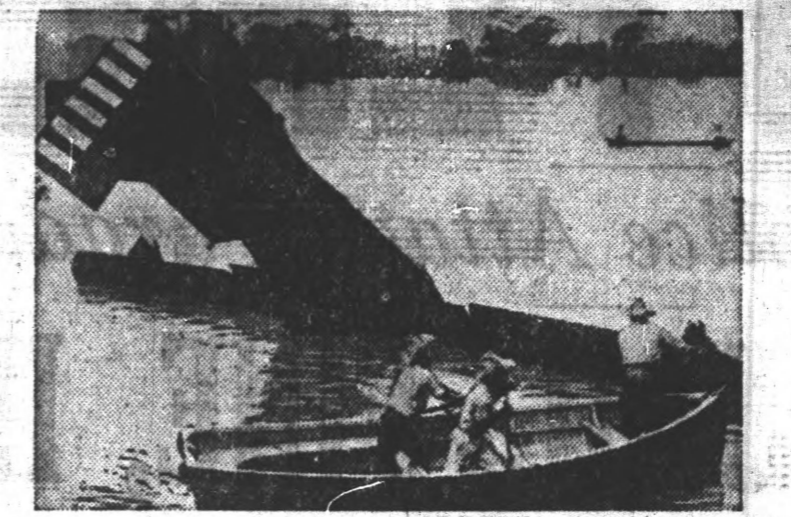
upon Dziemgiewski challenged him to debate the issue: "Resolved that the Lewis policies are destroying the miners' union." Shifka, however, feared to take up the challenge and evaded the issue.

Admits He Is Gov't Spy.

"Bonita deserves the full penalty," Shifka shouted in a burst of anger, thus revealing the intention of the Lewis machine to railroad the three innocent miners. "I am a secret service man and I will testify at the trial and see that Bonita gets the chair." These words were met with the greatest indignation of the miners.

The meeting broke up without any decision on the request of Gallagher and Shifka for additional assessments for the Lewis relief efforts. The miners here doubt whether the funds collected by the Lewis machine henchmen are really used for the purpose intended.

"Good Will" Militarists Nose Dive Into River



F. Trubee Davison, assistant secretary of war again proved himself "all wet" when the plane in which he was a passenger on a "good will" flight to Latin America, took a plunge into the Coatzacoalcos River in Mexico. Davison is one of the chief sword rattlers in the United States, and his "good will" towards Latin America is of the sword-rattling imperialist variety. The Davidson plane is shown above after its plunge.

INVESTIGATION FORCES CANDY PLANT ACTION

The factory of the Ritz Chocolate Company, 520 Jackson Ave., Long Island City, was shut down and an embargo placed on the sugar purchased by the Shapiro Candy Co., 11-13 Emerson Place, Brooklyn, by Health Commission as the result of reports of the unsanitary conditions found there.

In the Ritz factory workers labored under the most miserable conditions, investigators for the Consumers' League said. Clothes were dirty, utensils were covered with dust and the melting candy running over the floor made it almost impossible to walk. Everything in sight was sticky and the odor almost overpowering. Windows were so dirty and the shelves so blocked with rubbish that they barred proper ventilation and light. Thirty of the workers did not have health cards from the medical department.

In the Shapiro factory it was found that water oozed from the sugar sacks. It was reported that they were purchased from a dealer who buys foodstuffs in places where fires have occurred.

ATTACK "DAILY"; ORDER JAIL, FINE

Dunne and Gordon to Serve, Is Edict

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up charges and held for a week without bail. On June 3, Dunne was sent to the New York workhouse where he finished 21 days of an original 30 day sentence. Miller served 7 days.

Make Good Threat.

At the time it was openly stated by the representatives of the open shoppers who testified against Dunne and Miller that proceedings in the federal courts would be instituted at the proper moment. This has since been carried out. Nearly two months ago an indictment was handed down in the U. S. courts as a result of which the mailing privileges of *The Daily Worker* have been called in. Under the federal indictment the editors of the paper are faced with the prospect of long jail sentences and the paper in addition to the possibility of losing its mailing privileges is faced with even greater fines.

It is now seen that the decision in the state courts affirming the earlier convictions is to be used as a preliminary step in the much more serious campaign in the federal courts. Other evidences in the possession of the paper indicate that the whole campaign was planned in detail and timed for precisely the moment when the attack would be a telling blow to the labor movement.

Federal Attack.

These evidences show that the attack was first launched to coincide with the beginning of the country-wide open shop drive of the capitalist class against the trade union movement. The attempt was then made to eliminate the chief fighting organ of the workers. When the imprisonment of its staff and the drain upon its resources failed to stifle the paper, the campaign was transferred to the federal courts. This second more elaborate attack was again timed to coincide with the historic uprising of the insurgent forces of the miners' union. In this movement *The Daily Worker* for over two years has been playing one of the guiding roles ideologically.

The case against the paper in the federal courts, it is now seen, will undoubtedly be forced to an issue at precisely the moment when the miners' movement and the rising forces in the trade unions generally will have come to the point of victory. Delivery of the blow, according to all indications, has also been timed for the present moment when the financial crisis of *The Daily Worker* is known to be at the most extreme point in the history of the paper.

INDICT CHICAGO ALDERMAN FOR BOOZE LAW VIOLATION

CHICAGO, Mar. 28.—Alderman Titus Haffa and nine others indicted here today by a federal grand jury for conspiracy to violate the national prohibition law. Haffa and the others are charged with having made liquor sales to two members of the federal intelligence department.

MAYORS SEEK POWER.

ALBANY, N. Y., Mar. 28.—Eight bills designed to give cities broader home rule powers were approved today by Gov. Smith. They were urged by the New York State conference of mayors.

CLOAK "LEADERS" STEAL ELECTION; BAR MILITANTS

Boston Right Wing Rules Lefts Off Ballot

BOSTON, Mar. 28.—Despite the almost complete boycott by the membership of the elections in the Boston Locals 46 and 39, held here Tuesday, the right wing clique in control of the International Ladies Garment Workers Union announced the election of their own delegates to the coming national convention. This was accomplished by the simple expedient of ruling off the ballot any name known to be in favor of unity in the union.

In the Dressmakers' Local 45 an election and objection committee of five, which is supposed to decide on the eligibility of the candidates, was elected at the recent membership meeting. The right wing officialdom immediately deposed three members from the committee, because they feared that they might declare the left wing candidates eligible. Of the remaining two, one resigned in protest over such unconstitutional procedure. The only one left, a right winger, willingly did as he was told in drawing up the official ballot.

The membership is enraged at these terrorist acts. They are demanding the calling of a membership meeting, so that new honest elections may be held.

A membership meeting of Local 56, held on Tuesday, was turned into a protest demonstration by the membership, when the right wing chairman announced that all candidates running for delegates to the convention would be compelled to sign a "yellow-dog statement." This is a printed pledge declaring that the undersigned condemn the Workers (Communist) Party, the Jewish Communist Daily Freiheit, and the Trade Union Educational League.

Not only left wing members of local 56 protested at the meeting but even such who were known not to be in sympathy with the left wing. Seeing that the meeting was getting beyond his control the chairman tried to adjourn the meeting, but without success. He then left the meeting. The vice-chairman, however, even though not a left winger, then took over the chair and conducted the meeting to its close.

SEND FREE SUB TO EVERY MINER

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Complete destitution prevents them from seeing daily the one paper which has become vital to them in their struggle.

Thousands of free distributions of *The Daily Worker* have taken place among the miners in many of the coal fields. Thousands of papers have been given away for nothing. A number of free subscriptions have also been sent to the neediest miners. But the needs of *The Daily Worker*, which is itself struggling against the most vicious attack that the Wall Street government has yet launched upon it, have required every spare dollar.

The Workers' Duty.

At the same time the demand for hundreds of free subscriptions in the coal fields has become so pressing that it can no longer be ignored. Hundreds of free subscriptions of *The Daily Worker* must be sent to the striking miners to aid them in their fight. Never before has there been such an opportunity to bring *The Daily Worker* to thousands of coal miners and their families. This cannot be done unless every worker and every workers' organization makes it his duty to send free subscriptions to the striking miners. Let our slogan be a free subscription for every striking miner.

The striking miners are demanding to have *The Daily Worker*. Let the militant American working class meet this demand of their striking comrades. Send a free subscription to *The Daily Worker* to a striking miner. Fill out the attached blank. Take a fighting part in the struggle of the miners.

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Workers' and Peasants' Army Defeats Kuomintang Troops Near Swatow

REPORT TO RED LABOR MEET ON ORGANIZATIONS

Stress Need of More Work Among Masses

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into the class trade union movement the unorganized layers of workers.

"The strengthening of the work in the revolutionary trade union movement means both the organization of new factory committees and further attention to those already existing.

Factory Committees. "The factory and mill committees, being the basis of industrial unionism are destined to play a decisive role in the struggle of the working class. The factory committees won by the revolutionary trade union movement will be the leading points in the struggle against the trade union bureaucracy.

"The Unitarian Confederation of Labor in France and the International Federation of Czechoslovakia did not do sufficient work for a number of reasons. The resolutions adopted at the previous congress of the R. L. U. were only partly enforced.

Union Democracy. "The Congress must indicate to the International Federation of Unions of Czechoslovakia that it is necessary to grant greater rights to its sections which will make the realization of trade union democracy possible.

"It is also necessary to liquidate the decentralization and weakness of the rank and file union organizations in the factories of France. The new tide of expulsions of revolutionary workers by the reformists must meet with resolute resistance and the struggle against the expulsions must be conducted as a broad mass campaign.

Mass Organization. In conclusion Gay appealed to the members of the Congress to strengthen their organizational work in the revolutionary trade union movements of all countries.

Merker of Germany Speaks. (Special Cable to The Daily Worker) MOSCOW, March 28.—Reporting on the organizational question at the Fourth World Congress of the Red International of Labor Unions, Merker, of Germany, pointed out the importance of organizing the rank and file trade union apparatus and that the revolutionary trade unions must strive to raise their efforts to the proper level.

Dealing with the attempts of the reformists to split the labor movement, Merker emphasized the fact that the members of the Red International of Labor Unions did not explain to the masses of workers in a sufficiently systematic way the provocative maneuvers of the reformist trade union bureaucracy and the future necessity of an energetic struggle against the expulsion of militants from the trade unions. Those expelled must demand their readmittance to the trade unions, Merker said.

Struggle For Unity. In conclusion Merker dwelt with the methods of struggle for the unity of the trade union movement and emphasized the necessity of joint action with workers still under the influence of the reformists for a daily struggle against fascism and for the demands of the working class.

Dudlier, the second reporter on the question of the organizational work of the General Unitarian Confederation of Labor pointed out that the reorganization of the Unitarian trade unions on an industrial basis have been fully effected and that the Confederation is striving for the greatest concentration of its organization to correspond with the growing concentration of capitalism.

Dudlier pointed out the defects of the Confederation's work and pointed out the weakness of a campaign among the unemployed workers and the foreign born workers in France.

Influence Grows. "However in spite of these deficiencies, the Confederation's influence among the masses is steadily growing and the Confederation is leading the economic struggle of the working class. In the future the Confederation must overcome its deficiencies and establish the closest contact with the masses."

Latin Delegate Speaks. Before opening the discussion of the reports, Fernandez on behalf of the Latin American delegation read a declaration refuting Nin's charges that the Red International of Labor Unions was guilty of right wing deviations, that no democracy existed in the Soviet trade unions and that there was a tendency toward the liquidation of the R. L. U.

"The delegation considers these assertions entirely fictitious," Fernandez said, "and emphatically protests against these slanderous attacks. We have been convinced, with our own eyes that the greatest degree of democracy exists in the Soviet Union. The Soviet trade unions are the most reliable bulwark of the R. L. U. and have given labor the best examples of international solidarity. The revolutionary labor movement of South America will use all of its force to defend the conquests of the Russian proletariat."

WALL ST. SHOWS TEETH IN NICARAGUA, GLOVED FIRST IN MEXICO



While Wall Street is employing soft-soap diplomacy in winning concessions for oil magnates in Mexico, it is sending more marines to Nicaragua in an effort to crush the troops under Sandino who are leading the nationalist struggle. Whether the American Empire uses silk gloves or bombing planes, its object—profits for Wall Street—is the same. Photos on right and center show marines leaving for Nicaragua from Norfolk, Va. Photo on left shows Dwight Morrow, U. S. envoy, and former partner in the house of Morgan, and Silas W. Strawn attending meeting of Mexican lawyers.



OIL BARONS CASH IN ON NEW EDICT

Morrow, Morgan Envoy, Negotiates Law

MEXICO CITY, March 28.—A majority of American and other foreign oil companies operating in Mexico prepared today to file applications for concessions confirming their alleged pre-constitutional "rights" in accordance with the new petroleum regulations issued and signed yesterday. Failure to file such applications before January 11, 1929, will result in forfeiture of rights. The new legislation not only removes the 50-year time limit on grants, but declares that foreign oil companies are not forced to "conduct themselves as if their operators were Mexican citizens."

WASHINGTON, March 28.—The American government's demands on behalf of the oil barons have been met "satisfactorily" by the Mexican government, the state department announced today. Under Secretary R. E. Olds issued a formal statement saying that the regulations just promulgated by President Calles had removed the "friction of the past ten years."

The statement follows: "The petroleum regulations just promulgated by President Calles constitute executive action which completes the process beginning with the decision made by the judicial branch of the Mexican government on November 17, 1927, and followed by enactment of the new petroleum law by the legislative branch, December 26 last.

"Together, these steps voluntarily taken by the Mexican government would appear to bring to a practical conclusion the decisions which began ten years ago with reference to the effect of the Mexican constitution and laws upon foreign oil companies. "The department of state feels, as does Ambassador Morrow, that such questions, if any, as may hereafter arise, can be settled through the due operation of the Mexican administrative department and the Mexican courts."

President Calles signed the "regulations" which make possible the practical application of the recent amendments to the petroleum law on Tuesday. The amendments were designed to allow foreign oil companies to increase their operations in Mexico.

The signing followed long diplomatic conferences between President Calles and Ambassador Morrow, former partner in J. P. Morgan & Company.

The stocks of oil companies with property in Mexico went up considerably yesterday as a result of the new petroleum regulations.

Revolution Spreads Throughout China

(Ed. Note: This is the fourth installment of the report of Sou Chao-jen, chairman of the All-China Federation of Labor, on conditions in China. The report was delivered at the second meeting of the Pan-Pacific Secretariat in Shanghai, February 4, 1928. The DAILY WORKER will publish the report in full because it is an excellent survey of conditions prevailing in China.)

By SOU CHAO-JEN. The workers' struggle in China today cannot be confined to purely economic fights; the workers are compelled to rise in armed force to overthrow the militarists and establish their own power.

In Shanghai last March, the trade unions participated in and led three insurrections to assist the Nationalist government; now the Kuomintang is dominated by the new militarists and the same struggle is necessary against them. After the collapse of the Wuhan government in July-August, the workers in Kiukiang joined with 20,000 troops who revolted

against the counter-revolution, in an insurrection. Recently, in December, the workers of Canton together with the peasants and a regiment of troops participated in a rising which held power for three days; this was the result of a long preparation of struggle ever since the coup d'etat of April 15; on April 23 was a general strike; then a campaign against the cancellation of the trade union agreements; on June 23, anniversary of the Shakes massacre, the workers demonstrated under the slogan "Down with Chiang Kai-shek"; on October 14, the seamen's one-day strike was joined by the whole labor movement and a mass meeting was held, after which more than 10,000 workers paraded under red flags to the Seamen's Union Hall, in possession of the reactionaries, which was taken over again at the cost of the lives of four reactionary "Reorganizing Committee" members; all the unions followed this example, driving out the "Reorganizing Committee," demanding the release of their leader from prison, etc.; this long line of struggles led straight to the uprising in December.

Peasants Rising. The peasants are rising everywhere throughout China. The movement is especially strong in Kwangtung; peasant Soviets rule in Nai-feng, Lu-feng, Hainan Island and several districts in north Kwangtung. Risings are spreading in Hunan and Hupeh; in some districts still being in power although not yet so strongly as in Kwangtung. In one Hupeh district a hundred thousand peasants rose but afterwards were crushed by the military. In western Kiangsi, the peasants rule several districts around Ping-hsiang. Even in Kiangsu risings have taken place in a number of districts. Not only the peasant movements in central and southern China, which are under our influence, but also in the north and in the most remote places, have been rising; the recent Big Swords movement in Manchuria is an example.

The workers cannot tolerate present conditions. The peasants are in the same position. The struggle goes on always. The masses are now following the way shown by the Canton workers on December 11, the seizure of power by the workers and peasants.

LABOR DEFENSE RAPS PILSUDSKI

Demands Release of 56 on Trial at Vilna

(Continued from Page One) famous trial. We have cabled Premier Pilsudski, demanding the legalization of the 'Hromada' and other workers' parties and the immediate release of all political prisoners in Poland."

The cablegram to Premier Pilsudski follows: "In the name of 300,000 members of our organization in the United States, we protest against the trial of 56 leaders of the White Russian party 'Hromada' as an attempt to crush the national, political and cultural aspirations of their national minority. "We demand legal status for 'Hromada' and the immediate release of all political prisoners in Poland." Both cablegrams were signed by the executive committee of the International Labor Defense, James P. Cannon, secretary.

JAPANESE FORCE LANDED AS AMY BOYCOTT SPREAD

Seize Pickets; American Gunboats Arrive

CANTON, March 28.—The Kuomintang troops in the vicinity of Swatow have suffered a decisive defeat at the hands of worker and peasant troops, according to reports received here.

Large landowners in the vicinity have been expropriated by the peasants, who have confiscated their lands. Soviet governments have been set up in villages near the city.

AMOY, China, March 28.—Japanese marines seized a number of Chinese pickets, who were enforcing the anti-Japanese boycott today. The pickets were handed over to the Chinese naval authorities for probable execution.

The anti-Japanese boycott which has been rigidly applied resulted from the arrest of four Korean nationalists by the Japanese consular police at Amoy. The boycott is taking place in spite of all efforts of the Chinese authorities at Amoy to prevent it and a clash between the naval authorities and the pickets is not unlikely. With the spread of the boycott against all foreign goods, four American destroyers have arrived here.

Report Favorably on Fake Farmers' Relief

WASHINGTON, March 28.—By a vote of 16 to 6 the house committee on agriculture has decided to report favorably the Haugen farm relief bill including the equalization fee plan of handling exports of crop surpluses. The house committee voted down the debenture scheme, based on the protective tariff principle, promoted by the National Grange.

HISS PILSUDSKI AT SEJM SESSION

7 Left Wing Leaders Ejected From House

WARSAW, Poland, March 28.—Jeers and hisses which greeted Premier Pilsudski at the opening of the Polish Sejm resulted in the forcible ejection of seven left wing deputies yesterday.

When Pilsudski entered the chamber, Communist and radical deputies shouted: "Down with the terror! Down with the fake elections!" Pilsudski violating all parliamentary precedents immediately summoned a patrol of police who dragged out seven left wing leaders.

The reaction against the dictatorial tactics of Pilsudski resulted in a complete defeat for Vice-Premier Bartel, whom Pilsudski had put forward for speaker. A socialist, Daszynski was elected by a vote of 206 to 132.

Olds Demands Full Hour to Get Replies On Nicaragua Policy

WASHINGTON, March 28.—Undersecretary of State Olds, in the absence of Kellogg on vacation, has ruled that he will answer no questions from the press as to the foreign policy of the United States or the actions of its diplomats and its marines, unless these questions are submitted to him an hour in advance and in writing.

"BILL" HAYWOOD ILL, IS REPORT

MOSCOW, March 28.—William H. Haywood, American Communist and former Chicago leader of the Industrial Workers of the World, who is in the Soviet Union, is in a critical condition today from complications of diabetes and heart weakness. Dr. Limcher, who is treating Haywood, said that the attack of diabetes is yielding to treatment, but that increasing heart weakness is causing anxiety.

NEW NICARAGUA "ELECTION" MOVE

MANAGUA, March 28.—The resignations of the entire cabinet of the Diaz government have been forced by President Diaz in order that he may be absolutely "free" to select the two delegates who are to serve on the election board with Major General McCoy.

Altho there are two members of the board, both of whom will be selected by the president, no decision is valid without the consent of General McCoy.

Engine in 1927 Wreck In Second Derailment

Three cars of a six-car passenger train of the Long Island Railroad were derailed near Harold Ave., Long Island City, shortly after 8 a. m. yesterday. The derailed engine on the train was in a derailment in March, 1927, in Massport and it was attached to the train merely to get it back to New York, according to District Attorney Richard S. Newcombe, of Queens. The crew narrowly escaped death in yesterday's wreck and 22 passengers were hurt.

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Tom Mooney, victim of a vicious frame-up, has already spent 12 years in prison. Jim Tully, noted novelist, who has seen him recently, writes: "Those years have eaten at the mind of Mooney, stooping his shoulders. They have carved hollow places beneath his eyes."

Billings, Neil, Merrick, Barnett, Corbishley—a total of 42 innocent workers are spending years behind prison bars. The International Labor Defense helps to maintain their families. It sends each labor prisoner a monthly check for small comforts like tobacco, candy, shaving cream. But we want to do more.

The prisoners want books. Hundreds of books. We want you to help us. While with us in the Labor movement these men were so busy fighting, organizing, they had but little time to read. Now they want books. From San Quentin, Walla Walla, Leavenworth and other prisons our courageous comrades tell us the books they want. We will not miss a single one of them if you will help us.

Prison regulations make difficulties. Books can be sent only by an established publisher. For the sake of economy and to avoid duplications we have arranged with a number of publishers to send their books chosen by our comrades in jail.

Your generous support to the work of the I. L. D. in behalf of Labor prisoners will be brought to their attention. We want them to know the workers who have not forgotten. Make your donation today on the blank adjoining.

THE INTERNATIONAL LABOR DEFENSE

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See the new April issue of the "Labor Defender," the only labor pictorial for letters from Tom Mooney, Billings, Joe Neil, Merrick, Ellis, Roberts and others.

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COAL BREAKDOWN REFLECTS DECAY OF CAPITALISM

Workers' Suffering Is Great as Result

By LELAND OLDS
(Federated Press).

Overdevelopment of the coal industry is not confined to the United States. It is a problem of all the leading coal-producing nations of the world. It is an inevitable result of leaving the conduct of the world's economic life to private interests intent on profits. Capitalists who in the last generation were busy pushing the overdevelopment are today trying to control production but maintain undiminished profit. They want to saddle labor with the losses involved in reorganization.

In Bad State.

The efforts of the British coal barons along this line have been unsuccessful so far. They defeated the miners in the great coal strike of 1926 and forced wage reductions and longer hours. Yet the industry is in as bad a state as before. Cutthroat competition on a world basis is the reason.

British coal production in 1927 rose to 255,477,000 tons, but, according to the Wall Street Journal's London bureau, low prices brought losses greater than before the appointment of the coal commission in 1925. The loss on the entire 1927 output is figured at 24c a ton. The journal says:

"British coal owners regained their position in foreign markets, lost during the long stoppage in 1926, but at a considerable sacrifice. South Wales coal owners for instance, in the period November 1924-October 1927 lost \$17,350,000. Exports rose in 1927 to 51,149,000 tons from 50,817,000 tons in 1926, but net proceeds were \$5,000,000 lower than in 1925.

Starvation Wages.

"Competition is especially keen in European markets where labor is cheaper than in Britain. Wages of miners in Britain average \$2.59 a day against \$1.98 in the Ruhr coal fields, \$1.25 in France and 85c in Poland.

The Paris bureau of the journal reports the French coal industry in similar difficulty due largely to dumping by British, German and Belgian producers. French production has reached 53,500,000 tons. France exports about 3,000,000 tons, leaving 50,500,000 tons for the domestic supply. She has to import 20,000,000 tons. But last year French imports amounted to 25,000,000 tons, 5,000,000 in excess of requirements.

French operators have cut production by 17,000 tons a day between February and October, with layoffs of about 13,000 miners. They are kicking about taxation and especially about the 8-hour day in the mines.

Negroes Banned

PENSACOLA, Fla., March 28.—Negro citizens have been denied the right to vote in the primary elections here, under an order issued by county officials.

Crown Prince's Old Crony Seeks Limelight by Ocean Flight



The Bremen, above, an all-metal German plane, will attempt to cross the Atlantic from Ireland as soon as the weather permits. Aboard will be Baron von Huenefeld, former bosom friend of the former German Crown prince, and a pilot and mechanic. Von Huenefeld is backing the flight. It is not expected that the plane or its crew will ever reach their destination and "in the meantime we are going to enjoy life," says von Huenefeld.

ACW LEADERS OUT FOR PIECE WORK

Members 'Pack of Fools' Says Beckerman

The national officialdom of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America has taken the first step in its campaign to force the piece work system upon the rank and file against which it has fought bitterly for many years. This was done at a conference of the executive boards of all the New York Coatmakers' locals held Monday night in the Rand School, 7 E. 15th St.

After the delegates, most of whom had been staunch followers of the Hillman administration, finished a discussion in which they condemned the piece work system. Abraham Beckerman, manager of the New York Joint Board, informed the conference that they should stop seeking applause from the membership since "they are nothing more than a pack of fools" and that they had better do as he directs, or "both they and the union can go to the devil."

Sydney Hillman, national president, less brutally frank, attempted to divide the delegation attending by telling the pressers' local that they will not have to worry about piece work, since that system applies to the other workers in the shop only.

A. Golden, a delegate from Local 3, which initiated the conference, and W. Pollack, of Local 5, voiced the sentiment of the entire membership when they declared that the policies of the Amalgamated officialdom had brought ruin to one of the most powerful unions in America. They stated that the present leaders of the union were worse than the bureaucrats of the United Garment Workers. Many firms in the industry have already installed the piece work system, with the active assistance of the Joint Board, they added. The membership would fight piece work to the last ditch, they declared.

In concluding his speech, Hillman launched into a vicious attack against the Trade Union Educational League, declaring that he knows and has under close watch every member of the left wing organization.

Workers' Calendar

Chicago Anti-Imperialist Meet

CHICAGO.—An anti-imperialist conference called by the All-America Anti-Imperialist League will be held here April 15.

Nearing in Philadelphia.

PHILADELPHIA.—Scott Nearing will lecture on "The Soviet Union, China and the War Danger" Thursday at 6 p. m. at the Labor Institute, 510 Locust St., under the auspices of the Workers Party.

Mike Gold Lecture.

PHILADELPHIA.—Michael Gold, co-director New Playwrights Theater, will speak on "Modern Trends in American Literature and Drama," at the Workers' Forum, 1026 Arch St., Sunday, at 8 p. m.

Boston Mine Relief Meet.

BOSTON.—A mass meeting for miners' relief will be held Friday, April 6 at Lorimer Hall, Tremont Temple, under the auspices of the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Committee. Roger Baldwin, director, American Civil Liberties Union, will speak.

Boston T. U. E. L. Meet.

BOSTON.—A general membership meeting of the Trade Union Educational League will be held Friday at 8 p. m. at 28 Hayward Pl.

Milwaukee Vetcherinka.

MILWAUKEE.—A Vetcherinka will be held Saturday at Tamshe's Hall, Third and National Aves at 7:30 p. m. under the auspices of the Workers (Communist) Party.

Philadelphia Women's Day.

PHILADELPHIA.—International Women's Day will be celebrated Friday at 8 p. m. at Slovak Hall, 512 Fairmount Ave. Ray Hagosin will speak.

Cannon Tour Dates.

Sunday, April 1st, Los Angeles, Cal., Music-Art Hall, 228 S. Broadway, 8 p. m.
Monday, April 2nd, Berkeley, Cal., mass meeting.
Tuesday, April 3rd, Oakland, Cal., proletarian banquet.
(Additional Meetings Likely in N. Dakota Farming Region)
Friday, April 6th, Astoria, Oregon.

In the Northwest.

Saturday, Sunday, April 7th, 8th Portland, Oregon.
Monday, April 9th, Tacoma, Wash.
Tuesday, April 10th, Everett, Wash.
Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, April 11-12-13-14th, Seattle, Wash. (includes trip to Walla Walla, Wash., prison.)
Sunday, April 15th, Spokane, Washington.
Monday, April 16th, Butte, Mont.
Tuesday, April 17th, Great Falls, Mont.
Thursday, April 19th, Plentywood, Mont.
Sunday, Monday, April 22-23, Minneapolis and St. Paul, Minn.
Tuesday, April 24th, Rochester, Minnesota.
Wednesday, April 25th, Duluth, Minn.
Thursday, April 26th, Superior, Wis., Workers' Hall, 429 Tower Ave.
Saturday, April 28th, Chicago, Ill., Mirror Hall, 1116 N. Western Ave.
Sunday, April 29th, Chicago, Ill., I.L.D. Conference of Illinois, Wisconsin, Indiana and Missouri.

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DETROIT RELIEF CONCERT RAISES \$1,000 FOR MINERS

International Groups Participate

DETROIT, March 28.—The international concert in Orchestra Hall in Detroit Sunday for the benefit of the striking miners of Pennsylvania and Ohio was a success.

Orchestra Hall, seating over 2,000, was filled to capacity by a keenly appreciative audience. Eight nationalities, German, Finnish, Jugo Slav, Lithuanian, Russian, Ukrainian, Polish and Scotch, vied with one another in placing before the audience a memorable performance.

A collection made by chairman Maurice Tugar amounted to \$395.53. The total proceeds which will be well over \$1,000 will go to the striking miners.

The credit for the success of this concert is due entirely to the co-operation of the various organizations affiliated with the Detroit Conference for Miners' Relief and the various singing, dancing and orchestra societies and soloists who donated their services.

Milwaukee Social

MILWAUKEE, Wis., March 28.—The South Side Branch of the Workers (Communist) Party has arranged a social evening for Saturday, beginning at 7:30 p. m. at Tamshe's Hall, Third and National Aves. There will be music and entertainment. Workers and their friends have been urged to attend.

Chicago Movie Workers Bring Bosses to Terms

CHICAGO, Ill., March 28.—After succeeding in closing all theatres in this city for a whole week, the Chicago Motion Picture Operators' Union has succeeded in breaking the attempt of the managers to introduce the open shop in Chicago movies. The union won recognition and a ten per cent increase and also the reinstatement of three workers who were discharged last fall and whose case resulted in a general strike.

Detroit Foreign-Born

DETROIT, March 28.—"Russia's Peace Proposal to the League of Nations" is to be the subject of a lecture by Jeannette D. Pearl, field organizer for the National Council for the Protection of Foreign Born Workers, now being organized in Detroit. There are to be questions and discussion, a musical program of high order and refreshments, at the home of Mrs. J. Reizen, 16325 Linwood, Detroit. The affair is held under the auspices of the Woman's Branch of the International Labor Defense. All proceeds will go for the work of the newly organized Detroit Council for the Protection of Foreign Born Workers.

Bail and Lewis Debate

BOSTON, March 28.—Alex Bail, District Organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party of New England, will debate Alfred Baker Lewis of the Socialist Party April 20, 8 p. m. at the New International Hall, Roxbury. The subject will be: "Resolved that the Program of the Workers (Communist) Party Meets the Requirements and the Needs of the American Workers."

FIGHT FURNITURE WAGE CUT.

ROCKFORD, Ill., March 28.—Furniture workers here have organized to block wage cuts. An attack on the bosses' part is expected.

CHICAGO TO HOLD FREIHEIT MEET

CHICAGO, March 28.—This city will hold a celebration of the 6th anniversary of the Freiheit, Jewish Communist daily. The celebration will be held Saturday evening, April 7, at the Temple Hall.

A musical program has been arranged for the occasion. The Freiheit Singing Society, under the leadership of Ausher Manusovich, will sing revolutionary choral music. A well known soloist also will sing. The Gordon Music Quintet will give several classical numbers.

The editor of the Freiheit, Mellech Epstein, of New York and Max Bedacht, district organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party, will speak.

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The Challenge of Logan County

It is true that Logan County, West Virginia, is a strategic point, from which the scab coal magnates conduct operations to break up unionism throughout West Virginia and in Kentucky and Tennessee.

But this gives no excuse for Percy Tetlow, agent of the John L. Lewis machine in the Union, to lie for the benefit of the scab coal operators, in testifying about "notorious Logan County" before the fake "investigation" committee of the senate.

What kind of a "leader" is Tetlow, who holds the position of president of District 17 of the United Mine Workers—a district having the most glorious traditions in the annals of Labor—as he publicly offers a "justification" of the scab coal operators outside of the county for abandoning the Jacksonville scale, breaking contracts with the Union and instituting the scab shop, on the ground that they have to do so to meet the competition of Logan County?

When this yellow-streaked "leader" offers an alibi for his own cowardly failure to rebuild the United Mine Workers, formerly a splendid organization in West Virginia, on the ground that Logan County has "always been closed" against the Union; when at the same time he provides an alibi for the scab coal operators of the rest of the state in destroying the Union and making slaves of the miners on the ground that the Logan County operators are "underselling" them—Mr. Tetlow is showing himself to be a typical representative of the crawling, begging, surrendering policies of the John L. Lewis machine of which he is a member.

In every move that has been made in eight years in the coal industry, the scab-herding operators have successfully put over the policy of making the Union take responsibility for the "condition of the industry"—that is, the mine workers to abstain from forcing their demands until after they can be quite sure that the wealthy stockholders of the coal properties are getting fat dividends! John L. Lewis has made it the first business of the United Mine Workers Union under his presidency to guarantee a good salary to himself, second to see that the stockholders of the corporations get dividends profits, and third and last the mine workers shall have something—provided they can get it without fighting for it.

Is there any mine worker who does not understand what it means when this fellow Tetlow is put on the stand as president of the West Virginia district of the Union to testify that the central competitive field is faced with the necessity of abandoning the Union wage scale?

Is such a man fit to be a labor leader?
 "Notorious Logan County" is a plague-spot on the map of coal mining—but what is Tetlow president of District Seventeen of the United Mine Workers Union for, if not to clean up that plague spot? Why is it that Lewis and Tetlow and Kennedy have given up practically all of the Union territory in West Virginia while refusing to make any consistent effort to brave the gunmen of Logan County and to organize that territory? Every tradition of the fighting miners of West Virginia is wiped off the slate by Lewis, who puts in their place the policies of no strike, no organization of the unorganized, expulsion of every mine worker who wants to fight the scab operators, and no political action, but only class collaboration between Lewis' bureaucracy and the scab operators and the selling out of the mine workers to the capitalist political party that is headed by Andrew W. Mellon, billionaire scab coal property owner.

Logan county is no excuse for giving in to the scab operators' claims to the "necessity" to wreck the Union and cut wages elsewhere in order to meet the competition of Logan County mines. If Tetlow had enough guts to be fit for the presidency of District 17, he would put through the organization of the mines of Logan County, instead of whining alibis for the other scab operators.

Secondly, the militant membership of the United Mine Workers of America cannot let "Notorious Logan County" be a perpetual excuse for cowardly officials of the Union to refuse to organize the great majority of the coal mine workers of America—who are unorganized.

"Notorious Logan County," scene of so many murders of union men, is not the main reason why 500,000 mine workers are unorganized.

Notorious John L. Lewis, agent of the coal operators is more of a reason, and notorious Tetlow, notorious Murray, notorious Fagan, notorious Kennedy and notorious Cappelini—the whole notorious gang which openly boasts of the policy of collaboration with the enemies of the workers—these are the more basic reason why the Mine Workers Union has been gutted of more than half of its members and the amount of Union-dug coal reduced to a pitiful thirty per cent.

The United Mine Workers of America must clean up Logan County. (John L. Lewis & Co. won't do it.)

The 500,000 unorganized mine workers must be organized into the Union. (John L. Lewis & Co. won't do it.)

The Illinois-Indiana district, the Anthracite districts, and Kansas and all other districts of the U. M. W. of A. must be brought into the fighting line to win the strike. (John L. Lewis & Co. are against doing that.)

The four strategic unorganized counties in western Pennsylvania must come out on April 16. (John L. Lewis is against it.)

John L. Lewis and his whole corrupt bureaucracy are opposed to every measure that will win the strike and save the existence of this, the most important of all the American trade unions.

So John L. Lewis must go! With him must go his flunkies, Tetlow, Kennedy, Murray, Fagan, Fishwick, Hall, Cappelini, Boylan, and all other traitors who are gutting the Union from within.

The great national Save-the-Union Conference, opening in Pittsburgh Sunday, is the expression of the militant and power and militant spirit and courage of the membership of the United Mine Workers. The Union must be saved! It can only be saved by the mine workers taking the Union into their own hands.

Best of wishes to the mine workers assembled at Pittsburgh!

ON TO PITTSBURGH!



Big Sam Grecio, wounded by gunmen of the Lewis-Cappelini gang, who are trying to force the contract system on the Anthracite miners, calls for his fellow workers to send their delegates to the big Save-the-Union Conference! The Lewis-Cappelini gang must be cleaned out!

By Fred Ellis

Labor Unity Stresses Save-Union Meet

The April Left Wing Conference in Pittsburgh makes history, but to make that history understandable to all the April issue of Labor Unity, now issuing from the press, has devoted its first pages to a calculation of the forces, the background, of the fight, the first strategy of the opposition to Lewis, the coming of the slogan, "Save the Union," the regional conferences before Pittsburgh, and the building up of a network of left wing bodies, the best organized and most determined left wing ever seen in America. The article is by William Z. Foster.

England and the Orient.
 The April issue of Labor Unity, with its gorgeous poster cover showing a miner smashing the Lewis machine, is not, however, entirely devoted to the mining situation. Earl Browder, of the Pan Pacific Worker, Shanghai, writes of the underground unions of the Orient. Harry Pollitt, secretary of the British National Minority Movement, describes the left wing of England. Scott Nearing has an article, "Wars—Good Will Brand." Rose Wortis criticizes the A. F. of L. acceptance of injunctions. The left wing shoe workers' victory at Haverhill is recounted by a strike leader.

The Auto Workers.
 Arthur E. Rohan, general secretary of the Auto Workers' Union explains the plan to organize Detroit. "Heads You Win—Tails I Lose" is the title of a tragicomic personal narrative by Henry George Weiss. Phil Aronberg tells of the textile workers in conference to organize that giant industry.

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Get Ready for the Election Campaign

By JACK STACHEL.

It is not too early for our Party to begin the election campaign now. We must get ready at once for the most intensive parliamentary campaign in the history of our Party. Particularly must we bear in mind that our Party membership still lacks necessary experience in such work and that we must devote a great deal of attention to the ideological and organizational mobilization of our own Party if the campaign is to be successful on a mass scale.

It is pretty certain now that there will be no Labor Party or even a United Labor Ticket in the field in the 1928 elections on a national scale and that our party will run candidates for president and vice-president and a full ticket in every state possible and will nominate as many local candidates as possible. This does not mean that we will not participate in local labor parties. It is quite possible that in certain localities there will be formed genuine labor parties that will receive mass support. Also it must be borne in mind that one of the chief slogans of our Party in the 1928 elections will be a Labor Party on a national scale.

The National Executive Committee will make the nominations within a short time, and these will then be acted upon by a National Conference. From all indications it appears most probable that Wm. Z. Foster and Ben Gitlow will again be the standard bearers of the Workers (Communist) Party in 1928.

Mobilization of the Party.
 Generally the campaign may be divided into three stages as follows:

1. The mobilization of the Party.
 2. The mobilization of the sympathetic mass organizations.
 3. The mobilization of the masses.
- While these stages are not absolutely independent of one another, we must nevertheless realize that at the present time the immediate task is to mobilize the Party for the campaign. This will be done immediately. Upon the success of this first stage depends the placing of the Party ticket on the ballot, the mobilization of the mass organizations and the success of the campaign as a whole. The Party membership will be mobilized thru discussions in all nuclei of a political letter dealing with the elections. This letter will be sent to all members by the Central Executive Committee. The Party will also be mobilized by the

holding of meetings of Party functionaries, articles in the press, etc. It is also planned to have a weekly bulletin dealing with the many phases of the campaign for the exchange of experiences of active workers. All Party organizations from the Central Committee down to the nuclei will at once elect campaign committees and campaign managers to conduct the campaign.

Placing the Party on the Ballot.
 The entire membership will be mobilized for securing petitions to place the Party Ticket on the ballot in at least 40 states, concentrating first on industrial states, then strategic agricultural states with a large percentage of poor farmers. The national office will place additional field organizers on the job to help in the work.

The Party will make a drive for a Campaign Fund. In the first stage of the campaign it will be up to the membership of the Party to make possible the securing of sufficient funds to place the Party ticket on the ballot. Later in the campaign we feel certain that much of this fund will come from sympathetic organizations and workers generally.

Splendid Opportunities For Party
 Our Party has been the leader of almost every important struggle that has taken place in the labor movement in the past few years. Certainly there has been no important struggle in which our Party did not participate.

The participation of the Party in the Mining Campaign, the Needle Trades Struggle, the Passaic Strike, the various strikes of textile and shoe workers in New England, the campaigns in which the Party has participated in connection with the organization of the unorganized, unemployment, the fight against imperialist war, the war against Nicaragua, the struggle against the injunction thru mass violations, the exposure by our Party and our press of wholesale graft and corruption not merely as an act of individuals but as part of the capitalist system, all these activities have placed the Party in the eyes of increasing numbers of workers as the leader of their struggles and as the only political organization for them to follow. The role of the Socialist Party in these campaigns as the defender and ally of the bureaucracy of the A. F. of L.

and as apologists of capitalism has served to disillusion tens of thousands of workers with the policies of the Socialist Party and has helped to bring them closer to our Party.

Our Party can crystallize the sentiment of the masses into concrete support of our Party in the coming election campaign. We can also utilize this campaign to make new and important contacts in important sections of the country where we have not yet succeeded in penetrating. We can thru a successful election campaign create many new shop and street nuclei and recruit thousands of new members into the Party. We can put our Party before the workers as their political party. This last point if of the greatest importance since our following on the economic field is far greater than is reflected in our previous election campaigns. This is due largely to the fact that we have not functioned properly as a political organization in election campaigns in the past. We must now correct this. We must become not only the leader of economic struggles of the masses, but the political leader of the masses as well.

Treachery in the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union

By ROSE WORTIS.

The 7th of May is the date set for the opening of the convention of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union. Now, on the eve of the convention, is the proper time to take account of the accomplishments, gains and losses of the organization. The last convention, held in Philadelphia immediately after the successful struggle of the Joint Action Committee in 1925, laid down principles and a line of activity to be pursued by the International for the coming two years. The convention acted on the question of expulsions and discriminations and decided that tolerance of political views and opinions must be a recognized principle in the union.

The convention also acted on the cloak situation in New York, giving the New York Joint Board the power to call a strike in the event the demands of the cloakmakers were rejected by the governor's commission. The convention decided upon an intensive campaign to organize the thousands of unorganized workers throughout the country. It went on record in favor of the establishment of a 40-hour week. It decided to carry thru a referendum on the question of proportional representation and unite all elements for the purpose of building and strengthening the organization.

Betrays by L. L. G. W. Misleaders.
 The brave strike of the cloakmakers, who fought twenty-two weeks against the joint forces of the bosses and the state with its various commissions and injunctions, was betrayed by the International clique and their gains sold out to the bosses. In the midst of the strike, the Joint Board was expelled and the International clique launched its attack on the New York cloak and dressmakers. It is 18 months since this destructive war is on.

As a result of this pogrom, the union is demoralized and practically destroyed. The workers have lost not

only the gains achieved during the last strike but every vestige of union conditions. The working week is unlimited. Piece work, under the lowest prices, has come into existence and the sweat-shop system is entrenched itself more strongly from day to day.

The employers are the sole dictators. They decide the working hours. They decide the wages. They are the organizers; the dues collectors. The worst elements, who had been eliminated at the Philadelphia convention are once more at the head of the organization.

Militants Fight Treachery.
 The best and most class-conscious workers are engaged in a determined struggle against the shameful treacheries of the International clique. Armed with the faith and consciousness that the fighting spirit of the cloak and dressmakers is alive and will sooner or later succeed in driving out the disrupters from the union.

The workers throughout the country have fared no better. In Chicago the clique has carried thru a similar program. The Chicago Joint Board, which in the course of the left wing administration gained important improvements in the working conditions and brought new life and spirit into the organization, was viciously attacked and broken. The union is now in practically the same condition as the New York organization.

Misleaders Rule in Boston.
 The chaos and demoralization in New York and Chicago had its disastrous effects on the Boston market, where widespread unemployment exists at the present time. The best and most active members of the Boston union have been taken off the ballot during the recent elections and the organization has been transferred into the hands of the most discredited elements, under the leadership of the outlived Polakoff, who had been driven out from the Dressmakers' Union of New York many years ago. This dotard, who had even tried his luck as a cotton salesman only to

find union business more profitable, is now the leader of the Boston union.

In Philadelphia the clique has demonstrated with what sincerity it stands for the slogan "No Party Control in the Union." There, the former manager of the "Forward," Pollin, who has as much knowledge of the dress industry as the man in the moon, has been imported to take charge of the Dressmakers' Union. His only qualification is the fact that he was manager of the "Forward" and is a loyal "Forward" man.

Regarding the policies of the Philadelphia union toward the employers, we will let Mr. Pollin speak for himself. In the "Justice" of March 2nd, he writes:

"There is in existence an agreement or a 'platonic understanding' between the Waist & Dressmakers' Union and the Manufacturers' Association."

It required the ingenuity of an ex-Forward manager to discover this new term, "platonic understanding," in the trade union phraseology. According to this "platonic understanding" the employers are not obligated to come in too close contact with the union. They are not obliged to recognize the business agent or chairman of the shop. The blessings of this "platonic" agreement for the workers

are described by Mr. Pollin himself in this manner:

"The first point (the 44-hour week) is observed by the employers only during the dull period.
 "The same is the case on the question of price settlements and the other points of the agreements."

Now a few words about the Cloakmakers' Union. The prosperity which existed in Philadelphia during the cloakmakers' strike of 1926 has long passed. The bosses have introduced the speed-up system and are laying the basis for the introduction of piece work.

Misleaders Out of Town.

This situation has its effect on the Cleveland market also and before long it will be felt there severely. In Baltimore, Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg and other smaller centers the union has been completely wiped out. No doubt the clique will even find it difficult to bring the usual out of town delegates to the convention. During the two years since the Philadelphia convention, not a single organization campaign, not even a fake campaign, has been carried on in the out of town centers.

The union has suffered tremendous losses in its membership. (It is curious to know what sort of report the secretary will submit at the coming convention on the question of international membership). Financially, the International is bankrupt. The bank has been sold to private individuals. The various union buildings have been either sold or highly mortgaged. The out of town locals, which have been bled of their funds to finance the pogrom in New York and Chicago find themselves in similar financial difficulties. The union is broken and demoralized. In place of a spirit of "tolerance" it is ruled by a fascist dictatorship. In place of unity the organization is divided into two hostile camps and the clique is itself divided into various groups and groupings.

This is how the general executive board has carried out the mandate of the union.



ROSE WORTIS.