

## Many Labor Organizations Hail Daily Worker as Guide in Fights Against Reaction

### Fifth Year Begins with Increased Support on Part of Masses

Many trade unions and other workers' organizations have come to regard The DAILY WORKER as the defender of their elementary demands. That the last year has brought to many thousands of workers some appreciation of the efforts of the only Communist daily paper in the English language is indicated by the many messages of congratulation that are already pouring in on the occasion of the Fourth Anniversary of the birth of the paper.

#### All Mention Labor Struggle.

Without exception all the messages of greetings refer to some specific struggle in which the columns of The DAILY WORKER have been used effectively in organizational work or as a guide to action when the masses were looking in vain to the old leaders of the labor movement for a solution of their problems. One of the messages from a section where there is not even one Party member says: "When we were faced with a serious problem that we could not solve, we would decide to wait until we received our daily paper, confident that its comment upon our struggle would also contain the solution for the immediate situation, and we were never disappointed." Herein is the indication, at least as applied to the problems of the workers of that locality, of the claim that The DAILY WORKER is functioning as the collective organizer of the working class.

#### Will Celebrate Anniversary.

It is these workers, who appreciate the significance of maintaining the paper, who will participate in the anniversary celebrations that are being held in various parts of the country. Nowhere has The DAILY WORKER been more effective as a guide to action than in the great labor struggles of New York and vicinity and these workers will have an opportunity to celebrate the close of four years' activity and the beginning of the fifth year at Mecca Temple, this Friday evening, where an elaborate program has been arranged that includes, in addition to the usual features, a musical and theatrical program that surpasses anything of a similar nature presented in New York this season.

#### Tarasova's Last Appearance.

As many of the readers of our paper are interested in Russia and admire the folk songs that are so enticing, the arrangements committee has been fortunate enough to induce the famous Russian singer of folk songs, Nina Tarasova, to appear at the celebration and concert. This will be the last appearance of this internationally famous star on an American stage before she starts another European tour. Others to appear are Doris Niles, the famous interpretative and classic dancer who stands alone in her class; Paul Althouse, the world renowned Metropolitan Opera tenor, and Sascha Jacobsen, the violin virtuoso.

## Injunction Business of Right Wing Grows

Growing hard times in American industry has not hit the injunction business of the United Hebrew Trades. This business is flourishing. For the fifth time, the United Hebrew Trades and its secretary, Morris Feinstein, have applied for an injunction against the Retail Grocery Clerks. On four previous occasions, the best injunction judges in Brooklyn, try as they would, were unable to find the necessary excuse for granting the United Hebrew Trades' application for a restraining order.

#### Fifth Attempt.

Applying for the fifth time before Justice Dunn, in special term Supreme Court in Brooklyn, the United Hebrew Trades with the aid of some dozen affidavits and other sworn testimony, was able last Saturday to put over its fifth attempt.

#### Aids Bosses.

Using the name of Bickhoff, of 718 Saratoga Ave., a grocery firm against whom the Grocery Clerks are conducting a strike, the United Hebrew Trades, providing its own lawyer, Louis Marcus, supposedly paying all costs of the proceedings and furnishing all letters which had been written to it by the union, secured the injunction. On January 10th the order comes up for final argument.

#### Members Vote Support.

At a meeting held by the Retail Grocery and Dairy Clerks' Union at 142 Second Ave., last Tuesday, the members voted to tax themselves one dollar each per week for the continuance of the fight against the right wing dual union.

## 8 ARRESTED FOR MINERS' STRIKE RELIEF APPEALS

Eight volunteers for funds for the relief of the striking miners of the Pennsylvania, Ohio and the Colorado fields were arrested yesterday and Saturday in New York City. They were participating in the tag-day arranged by the Pennsylvania-Ohio-Colorado Miners' Relief Committee, 179 Broadway.

Rose Kugler and Louis Garminat who were arrested in Coney Island Saturday were given suspended sentences when arraigned before Magistrate Healy in the Coney Island police court yesterday morning. Jacques Buitkant, retained by the International Labor Defense appeared as counsel for the eight.

#### Others Arrested.

Four workers who were collecting funds in the vicinity of Broadway and 42nd Street, Saturday morning were given summonses to appear in Jefferson Market Court, Wednesday morning. They are Joe Ancher, Abraham Lefkowitz, Sara Novikoff and Ray Feinblatt.

John H. McCarthy, who was given a summons in the same neighborhood in the afternoon, will appear for trial in Jefferson Market Court this morning. He is connected with the Community Church.

#### \$500 Bail.

Joseph Basten, taken into custody yesterday, and held in \$500 bail, was scheduled for trial in the 54th Street Night Court at a late hour yesterday.

All of the workers who were given summonses or arrested are charged with violating Section 196 of the city ordinances, which is punishable with a fine up to \$500 or six months in jail.

## UNIONIST ADOPTS BOSSES' METHOD

Simultaneously with the announcement that William Green, president of the American Federation of Labor, would personally conduct the fight against the use of injunctions in labor disputes at Washington comes the information that an injunction has been obtained by Abraham Shiplacoff, manager of the International Pocket Makers Union, against an employer in the trade.

"The resort to injunctions by a union, we know, is unusual," Shiplacoff admitted, "but we will now meet the employers with their own weapons."

The proceedings arose out of the attempt of Cohen Brothers and Beriman, 23 West 34th St., to violate an agreement with the union by moving its plant from New York to Lynbrook. The agreement with the union does not expire until August, 1929.

#### Goes to Enemy Workers.

The injunction secured by Shiplacoff is intended to prevent the firm from discharging its employees and moving to Lynbrook. It was granted by Supreme Court Justice Thomas C. T. Crane, notorious injunction judge, who has handed down more than a score of restraining orders against union activity within recent months.

"The employers may find the injunction a double edged sword," Shiplacoff boasted. "Given a fair judiciary, labor can occasionally make use of it as well as capital."

#### Right Wing Aids Bosses.

Shiplacoff is a socialist and one of the so-called right wing leaders of the needle trades. In the pre-war period when the socialist party was still fighting for the interests of labor its opposition to the use of injunctions in labor disputes was bitter and open. In recent times right wing leaders in the needle trades have not only abandoned their previous stand but are known to have co-operated with the employers in securing injunctions against militant trade unionists.

# MACHINE GUNS FACE PENNA. MINERS

## Marine Commander Flies to Break Corinto Strike

### FEAR WORKERS MAY JOIN WITH SANDINO FORCE

#### Havana Meet May Hear of Nicaragua

MANAGUA, Jan. 8.—Fearing that railroad communications with Managua may be cut off as the result of the stevedores' strike at the harbor of Corinto and the maneuvers of armed patrols which are reported to be gathering in the hills outside of the town, Col. Mason Gulick, commander of the United States marine forces in Nicaragua, left for Corinto by airplane.

The strike of stevedores which has been tying up Nicaraguan shipping for days was declared in sympathy with the struggle of the army of independence under General Augustino Sandino, a mine worker. If the harbor workers join the armed forces gathered outside Corinto, it is feared by the United States officials and the Nicaraguan national guard that these forces may seize the port and cut off all communication between Managua and the sea.

#### On Way to Corinto.

Detachments of several hundreds of marines are already on their way to Corinto and the seizure of the port would deprive them of a landing place in Nicaragua as Corinto is the only harbor suitable for sea-going vessels on the west coast of Nicaragua.

The loss of Corinto would be a severe blow to the Diaz regime and its American marine supporters, since sixty-five per cent of the country's commerce comes thru the port, and American loans are secured in part by the port duties.

#### Will Present Case.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 8.—An attempt to place the Nicaraguan question before the Pan-American conference which opens at Havana on January 16 will be made by Pedro Zepeda, who now represents General Sandino in Mexico City.

Zepeda announced that he intends to form a commission which will go to Havana during the Pan-American sessions, and which will conduct a campaign against the admission of the representatives of the Diaz regime to the conference. The conservative government of Diaz has only been recognized by a small number of Latin-American states, Zepeda declared.

The delegation appointed by the Diaz regime recently announced that (like the United States) it would exert every effort to outlaw the discussion of the Nicaraguan situation at the Havana conference.

MEXICO CITY, Jan. 8.—The Mexican delegation to the Pan-American conference at Havana is reported to have received instructions from President Calles not to bring up any issue which may be embarrassing to (Continued on Page Two)

### Untermeyer Offers Compromise to I. R. T.

Samuel Untermeyer, special counsel for the New York State Commission, has sent a letter to the Interborough Rapid Transit Company offering a compromise in the differences existing between the city and the company.

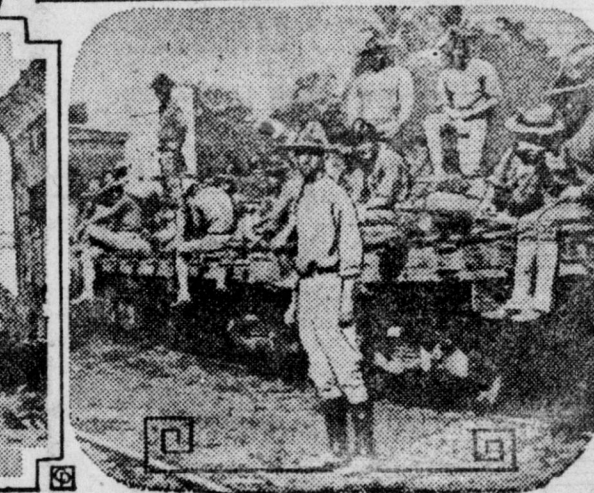
The offer proposes that the city finance the buying of 432 new cars which the Interborough has been ordered to purchase, help finance the cost of extending local platform stations and give other similar aid. In return the company is to cancel some \$4,800,000 of accrued preferentials which the city now owes the company under the dual subway contract arrangement, by which the city guarantees the I. R. T. a yearly sum of \$6,335,000.

It is admitted that the Interborough will not accept this offer. In some quarters it is interpreted merely as a propaganda weapon further to discredit the group in control of the railroad in the interests of the Mor-

### Conboy Funeral Today

The funeral of Sarah Conboy, secretary of the United Textile Workers Union, who died Saturday evening, will be held this morning from her home in Brooklyn. Prominent reactionary officials of the American Federation of Labor are expected to attend the funeral.

### Bullets, Bombs Back Dollar Diplomacy in War on Nicaraguans



The American financiers are waging real war against the Nicaraguan liberation movement. Battleships and transports with marines are being shipped daily. Pictures show (upper left) armed Nicaraguans ready for battle; (upper right) street scene in Leon, Nicaragua; (lower left) view of a town wrecked by the soldiers of Diaz, puppet of America investors; (lower right) U. S. marines on duty, waiting to attack Nicaraguan liberals.

## Not a Man--Not a Dollar for Imperialist Nicaragua War

### Statement of the Workers (Communist) Party

AS President Coolidge departs for Havana to attend the Sixth Pan-American Conference, 1,000 marines embark for Nicaragua to help crush the Nicaraguan people struggling to regain their liberty.

The Pan-American Conference, previously decked with flowery words of "good will" and "Pan-American cooperation," opens in the midst of an actual imperialist, Wall Street war of aggression against Latin-America. The true meaning of Pan-Americanism is clear.

American imperialism and the United States government as a whole must take full responsibility for the crime. The United States senate, after private agreement between the leaders of both the republican and democratic parties, abruptly adjourned its sessions to prevent discussion on resolutions which had been submitted against intervention in Nicaragua!

This particular war, this war which is actually taking place, cannot be debated—even in the United States senate! Oh, no, "it may embarrass the president at Havana." What the senator who pronounced those words meant was that it might expose too clearly the president at Havana, might expose what American imperialism is doing under the hypocritical slogan of Pan-Americanism.

Latin-American affairs play an important role in all foreign policy of the Wall Street government at the present time.

It is noteworthy that even in these hypocritical proposals of treaties which Secretary Kellogg makes to France, it is stipulated that the provisions for arbitration do not apply to the Monroe-Doctrine zone of American imperialism in Latin-America.

American foreign policy conceives of Latin-America as the cornerstone of a politico-economic American empire which can be thrown into the scales against the European empires in the struggle for world domination. That President Coolidge himself, accompanied by an impressive delegation sees fit to make the trip to Havana, is an earnest of the rapid unfolding of the new drive to subjugate Latin-America.

Can't Hide Crimes in Nicaragua. But it is an earnest of something else as well. The delegation has been selected with such care because any American delegation at any Pan-American Conference just now will have its hands full in parrying the increasingly insistent counter-attacks of the representatives of a now thoroughly aroused Latin-America. Even though the U. S. state department has already exercised great care and brought all the weights of its influence to bear in determining that the representatives of Latin-American governments at Havana will be unable to speak out plainly, the mass sentiment in Latin-America is so great that unless every precaution is taken, the conference is likely to break up under the weight of protest.

## SEWER RECORDS WERE DESTROYED

The Awixa Corporation, of Islip, L.I., was practically accused Saturday by former U. S. District Attorney Emory R. Buckner of having knowledge of the destruction of records in connection with the \$29,500,000 Queens sewer graft which "mysteriously" disappeared from their offices last week.

At the same time he emphasized the curious coincidence that Claire F. Schlemmer, president, and James F. Richardson, vice-president and treasurer of the Awixa concern, are the most conspicuous objectors to the private investigation which Justice Scudder is now conducting as a preliminary to the general probe which is scheduled to begin on Feb. 1.

Buckner, who is representing the state in the hearings which are directed primarily against Maurice E. Connolly, president of Queens, threatened that all witnesses who refuse to testify before Scudder at these earlier hearings will be held in contempt by the committee, and jailed. Connolly relinquished his job to August Kupka, assistant commissioner of public works in Queens, last Friday in order to "have time to conduct his defense."

### 13 Burned to Death

BUCATUNNA, Miss., Jan. 8.—The Negro family of Calvin Smith, his wife, their five children, and two children staying at guests were burned to death in a fire that destroyed their home late Saturday night.

## A. F. L. Ghiefs Won't Organize One Junk Shop, Says Observer

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 8.—With much blowing of horns and beating of drums another army of high salaried labor officials descended on Pittsburgh and organized a conference to wage a concerted campaign to unionize all the state industries, and crystallize sentiment behind the miners' strike.

This sounds good and might be encouraged, but William Collins, A. F. of L. field organizer and chairman of the conference, blasted all hopes that the militant announcement of intentions might generate when he declared that "no specific program is mapped out, but we will be guided by developments."

This statement by Collins was in reply to a query whether the labor officials included the steel trust among the industries they proposed to organize.

Political Manoeuver. The real purpose of the conference is a political manoeuver designed to impress the capitalist politicians of Pennsylvania.

No well-informed person here entertains the slightest hope that the A. F. of L. officials who have sabotaged every effort to raise adequate relief for the miners will organize even one junk shop not to speak of

## COAL BOSSES IN PA. TAKE HOMES AT GUN'S MUZZLE

### Daisytown Workers Face New Terror

By AMY SCHECHTER.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 8.—Machine guns were posted yesterday at the Vesta Four Daisytown Mine of the Vesta Coal Company, a Jones Laughlin steel subsidiary, for use in carrying through the violent eviction of strikers' families.

The situation is extremely tense following the coal and iron police's action in throwing the furniture of the first nine families out into the road. Reinforcements to the company gunmen are being rushed into camp and the evictions are scheduled to proceed today.

No barracks will be ready to receive the cold and hungry families of the miners until next Tuesday.

These evictions are enforced despite the so-called agreement which was made with the Jones Laughlin Company for an extension of time for finishing the barracks, following an appeal of union officials to Congressman Temple of Washington County. This again demonstrates the futility of John L. Lewis' policy of substituting political maneuvering for fight. The rank and file is preparing to fight despite the bureaucratic machine policy of Lewis.

Vesta Four is one of the largest mines in the country, employing 1,500 mine workers prior to the lockout. Together with Mellon's Pittsburgh Coal Company and the Pittsburgh Terminal, the Jones and Laughlin Company forms the triumvirate which heads the bosses' war to smash the union.

## MOB LEADER IS CHOSEN IN COLO.

### Adams' Police Chief Encourages Violence

DENVER, Colo., Jan. 8.—Mayor John Pritchard who led the mob against the strikers' hall recently, was made dictator of Walsenburg Thursday, placed in command of all vigilantes and police, and given authority to lead more mobs when he liked. The action of the council was highly approved of by Lewis Scherf, head of the state police, and directly responsible for the Columbine massacre. Scherf apparently acted as the direct representative of Governor Adams, in the creation of the mob commander.

The papers of the vicinity say frankly "the Walsenburg officials took drastic action to break the strike."

#### Shot Up Hall.

Pritchard's latest raid, some days ago, resulted in his followers shooting out all the windows in the hall, smashing the doors and destroying much property.

A committee of citizens called on Governor Adams Thursday, and warned him that a movement to impeach him would begin unless he withdrew all state police and stopped (Continued on Page Two)

## STRIKERS' WIVES SEND OUT APPEAL

### Penn Auxiliary Shows Relief Need

COVERDALE, Penn., Jan. 8.—The following is an appeal sent out by the Ladies' Auxiliary of the local union at Coverdale, Pittsburgh Terminal Coal Corp. mine in Western Pennsylvania, where the last locked-out miners' families have just been evicted, and every weapon of intimidation is being used against women and children as well as the men themselves by the company:

"Dear Sisters: The ladies' auxiliary of the miners' union in Coverdale writes you this letter because we heard your organization would (Continued on Page Four)



# Senate Committee Fears to Really Search Out Hearst's Mexico Letter Forger

## INVESTIGATION FALTERS WHEN LEADS TO LANE

### Smirch on U.S. Embassy Hastily Glossed Over

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Who was the man who framed the Hearst forgeries that sought to break off American relations with Mexico, to embroil the United States in a quarrel with Japan, that charged senators and editors in this country with receiving huge sums as corrupt retainers from President Calles, and that represented Calles as backing a worldwide red plot with the Mexican treasury?

That question remained unanswered when the senate investigating committee recessed on Jan. 6 after hearing testimony from various experts that all the documents were clumsy forgeries, that no Mexican funds were sent to the United States as claimed by Hearst, and that Consul General Elias in New York never deposited any such sums.

Sheffield Contradictory. With obvious gentleness the committee had eased former Ambassador Sheffield and former First Secretary Lane of the American embassy at Mexico City out of the field of inquiry. Both officials had admitted meeting Biguel Avila, who sold the papers to Hearst. Sheffield's own testimony had contradicted himself. He had first professed that he had not seen the documents in Mexico, and then that he had seen some of them and pronounced them to appear genuine although he doubted the statements they made.

Lane, testifying that John Page, Hearst agent, came frequently to the embassy with purported secret documents, denied having permitted Avila to get documents for the embassy when Avila offered to get them for a price. Lane denied ever having heard of the Pedro Gonzales whom Avila named to the committee as the source of his documents "stolen from government files." And Lane denied that he had agreed with Avila to market an outline of a report on Mexico that Sheffield was to make to Secretary Kellogg.

No Money Sent. J. F. Bresnahan, from the auditor's office of the Western Union Telegraph Company, testified that search of files of all messages from Mexico in the period covered by the dates of the alleged messages and transfers of money published by Hearst showed that no such messages were sent and no such sums, or amounts that would include them, were transmitted. Chairman Reed announced that the banks reported that no such sums were deposited to Consul General Elias' account. This testimony swept away Hearst's latest claim—that even if his documents were forgeries, still the Mexican activities described in them were actual occurrences—intrigues against the United States.

Ignorant Typist. Avila, in a test letter written in Chairman Reed's office, used a comma instead of a period after an abbreviated word, in the same way that this mistake appeared frequently in many of the papers. Commander Cusacks, naval intelligence officer, testified that the forgeries seemed to have been dictated to an ignorant person who typed them in strangely illiterate fashion. Thus the word "closed" applied to the closing of church doors and closing of banks, in the documents, was so misspelled that it came out as the word meaning "sawed." Even the name of Ambassador Tellez at Washington was grossly misspelled in a purported letter from President Calles to his brother-in-law, Consul General Elias.

## A. F. L. Bosses Won't Organize, Is Charge

(Continued from Page One) ever, does not mean placing a Labor Party ticket in the field but bargaining with capitalist politicians for personal favors and paying for those favors with the votes of gullible miners.

### Leave Letter-Heads.

The representatives of the international unions that attended the conference have left Pittsburgh "to return to their posts" as the conference leader so flamboyantly put it, leaving a headquarters, a secretary and a quantity of letterheads to carry on the work of organizing the industries of the state and helping the starving miners.

In the meantime the Vesta Coal Company, a subsidiary of the Jones and Laughlin Steel Corporation, was kind enough to grant a three-day postponement of the evictions of 32 families at California, Denbe and Vestaburg.

There are still 500 families facing eviction in that section. Appeals sent to President Coolidge, Secretary of Labor James J. Davis, Governor John S. Fisher and Congressman Henry W. Temple, asking them to intercede to stop the evictions, brought replies from the latter three they would do anything possible.

Which means nothing.

## Son Sent to Nicaragua to Help Kill Liberals



Harold Leavy, Brooklyn milkman, denounced the U. S. war department for sending his son, a marine, to join in the mass slaughter of Nicaraguan liberals. Picture above (left to right), Margaret, the mother; Harry, the father, and Florence, sister. Leavy has been invited to attend the Lenin Memorial Meeting to be held at Madison Square Garden on Jan. 21 as a means of making more effective his protest against American imperialism.

## Lenin's Determination Was Always Stimulus to Others

The revolutionary determination of Lenin in Cracow during the years from 1912 to 1914 are told by Z. Lilina in "Lenin as a Man." The anniversary of the death of Lenin will be commemorated in New York City at Madison Square Garden Jan. 21 and in all other centers at meetings now being arranged.

Lilina writes as follows: "It was easy and pleasant to work with Vladimir Ilyitch. In Cracow, during the years 1912-14, I was charged with the transportation of illegal literature to Russia. In such work there are often failures and omissions. After every such failure I would be very downcast and dejected. "Well, why are you again discontented with all neighbors?" Lenin would ask. (This was a favorite saying of Lenin's.) "Things are bad. Again failure. I do not know what to do. "Well, start all over again," Lenin would answer encouragingly. "This time everything is sure to be all right." "So we started work all over again. "We were often without money in Cracow. Lenin would come in and see that I was worried. "What is the matter?" "Well, Vladimir Ilyitch, we have no money, nothing to work with." "But why be dejected?" he would answer. "Don't you know you are always without money before you have it? We will get some money sooner or later." "Where from?" "What does it matter? Meanwhile, you go on working." "So meanwhile we went on working. Ilyitch's optimism had given us new courage."

## Not a Man-Not a Dollar for U.S. War on Nicaragua

(Continued from Page One) there can be no Pan-American conference which the United States government does not dominate and use to further its imperialist plans.

American imperialism is today everywhere on the offensive. The rape of Nicaragua, a new drive against Mexico, intensified measures for exploitation of Haiti and Santo Domingo, sugar trust support of the Machado dictatorship in Cuba, these and similar acts adequately characterize the relationship which the United States government desires to establish with the peoples of Latin America.

The Pan-American question is no longer a debate. It is a war.

Latin-Americans may follow with interest everything that takes place—and that does not take place—at Havana, but their hearts will be with General Augustino Sandino, fighting with his back to the wall in a little corner of Nicaragua against the biggest imperialist power of the world, the imperialist enemy of all Latin America.

Wall Street's Pan-Americanism—A Menace!

The Pan-American path of Wall Street and Washington is no less a menace to the working class of the United States. It is part of the world policy of imperialist aggression which carries with it the certainty of bitter international conflict and world war. The workers of this country have no interest in the Wall Street program of world domination. Their interests are with the workers and the oppressed of all lands, against Wall Street, against imperialism.

Workingmen and workingwomen! Our Nicaraguan brothers are now being murdered by the same capitalists that are starving thousands of locked-out miners in Pennsylvania and Ohio. The marines murdering liberty-loving workers and farmers in the mountains of Nicaragua are serving the same class which is murdering defenseless, striking coal-diggers in the hills of Colorado. The imperialist clique which has mobilized gunmen, troops and injunction judges against our brothers at home, is now rushing warships and marines to mow down, to kill in cold blood, our heroic brothers in Nicaragua.

Workers! The Nicaraguan workingmen and farmers are fighting our fight. They are waging one of the most inspiring battles in history. We must do our bit. We must help them win!

Messrs. Green and Wolf and their fake Pan-American Federation of Labor are criminally lined up on the side of the imperialist butchers of Nicaragua. Green and Wolf are high-priced, bought-and-paid-for agents of Wall Street.

No Scabbing on the Nicaraguan Workers!

The workers must take matters into their own hands. The American workers must act and act decisively and speedily. Some of the American marines have already set a noble example for all of us. Two American marines have thrown away the banners of Wall Street tyranny and have gone over to the side of the Nicaraguans, led by Sandino—to the side of liberty.

This act of the two American marines is one of the noblest deeds in all American history. Every American worker should applaud it heartily, should draw inspiration and courage from it, and should pitch in to support the struggle against imperialist aggression.

The workers at the port of Corinto are striking. The Nicaraguan workers are refusing to carry ammunition to the American military forces sent to kill their brothers. The Corinto workers are refusing to be strikebreakers. They are refusing to seal against the courageous enemies of American imperialism.

What should the American workers do?

We must follow the example of our American brothers, those marines who refused to shoot down the fighters for liberty and who dedicated their lives to give battle to American imperialism. We must do what the Nicaraguan workers did at Corinto. We must not scab against our brothers. We American workers cannot and will not be strikebreakers.

No worker should raise a finger to make or move munitions for shooting down the heroic Nicaraguans led by Sandino.

All support to General Sandino, who is fighting our fight!

Not a man, not a dollar for the imperialist war on Nicaragua!

All together for a powerful united front of the workers and farmers to paralyze the strangling hand of the American imperialist clique, the capitalist rulers in Nicaragua, in Pennsylvania, in Ohio, in Colorado, in Cuba and wherever Wall Street tyranny undermines the welfare of the working masses.

CENTRAL EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE, WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY OF AMERICA.

## MARINE'S FATHER TELLS OF DECEIT OF WAR MONGERS

Son Sent to Nicaragua To Kill Liberals

Harold Leavy, father of one of the marines who has been dispatched to Nicaragua for service against the patriot Sandino and his revolutionary army, yesterday revealed the chicanery, fraud and deception used by the recruiting department of the marines to induce workers to enlist in that branch of the service.

"Plain Murder."

At his home, 185 Avenue O, Brooklyn, Mr. Leavy, who is a milkman, told reporters that his son Harold was approached by a recruiting sergeant of the marine and told that if he joined up, he would be attached to the aeronautical department. Young Leavy is described by those who know him as a mechanical genius. Being without means to carry on his experimental work, the recruiting sergeant's glib talk about limitless opportunities in the army sounded tempting. He was told that under no circumstances would he be sent on war duty.

"Why should our boys be sent down to that little country which is fighting for its freedom," Leavy enquired of the reporters. "We have nothing to gain by having our boys killed. It is plain murder. I suppose the Wall Street bankers want it, though," he added.

To Attend Meeting.

Yesterday Mr. Leavy received an invitation from William W. Weinstein, secretary of District No. 2, Workers' (Communist) Party of America, to attend the Fourth Lenin Memorial meeting at Madison Square Garden, Saturday, January 21. It is understood that Mr. Leavy will attend the meeting.

Weinstein announced yesterday that this meeting, in view of the growing war danger in Latin America, would be a mass protest meeting against the imperialist war being waged against the little Central American country.

CHICAGO, Ill., Jan. 8.—Comrade Devine, national field organizer of the Workers (Communist) Party, who has just spent six weeks in the district of Philadelphia, covering the principal cities in the district, is touring Baltimore, Reading and the lower and upper anthracite, will spend a month or so visiting Party organizations and speaking at workers' meetings in the district of Chicago, covering the states of Illinois, Indiana and the city of Milwaukee.

Comrade Devine in his tour in Philadelphia secured many members, organized a number of new Party nuclei, including a unit of over a dozen members in Reading, Pa.

Comrade Devine will urge the workers in the middle west to intensify their activities for a labor party or a united labor ticket in the 1928 elections.

Invaders Fear Workers Will Join Sandino

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The United States government, President Calles received the delegates to the Havana conference yesterday afternoon.

Included among the members of the delegation are Salvador Urbina, who acted as President of the Supreme Court when that body rendered its ill decision favorable to United States capitalist interests; Julio Garcia, chairman of the delegation, and Fernando Gonzales Roa, one of the two Mexican commissioners to the Mexican-American conference in 1923.

Coolidge Leaves Friday

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—President Coolidge will leave Washington Friday for Havana where he will attend the Pan-American conference as an unofficial member of the United States delegation. He will be accompanied by Secretary of State Kellogg and members of the delegation.

Major General Lejeune, Commandant of the Marine Corps, will sail for Nicaragua tomorrow on board the cruiser Trenton. He will be accompanied by Major General Logan Feland who commanded the marine attack on Nicaragua last year. Lejeune will go to Quilali where the marine forces are fighting the liberal Nicaraguan troops under General Sandino, it is believed.

MAY LOSE LICENSES

ALBANY, N. Y., Jan. 8.—Twenty theatre ticket speculators who were recently convicted in New York City of falsifying income tax reports are faced with loss of their licenses, the Division of Licenses of the State Department announced yesterday.

## Two Women Are Victims of Landlord's Greed



Trapped on an upper floor of a fire-trap tenement house at 1623 Madison Ave., New York City, Mrs. Victoria Coreo and her aged mother, Mrs. Saturnina Martinez, were burned to death when fire gutted the building. Photo shows their bodies being taken from the burning structure. A 20-day-old baby, clasped in the arms of one of the women, was still alive.

## Colorado Politicians Are to Blame for Strike Terrorism

(Continued from Page One) the strike breaking intimidation of miners by police, mine guards and militia. The governor begged for three days time to get some kind of a settlement, if possible, and the committee granted his request.

Vote Continued Strike.

Another automobile caravan was planned for yesterday, with all cars available making a tour of all mines to show the strikers' solidarity against attacks.

On Friday 150 miners met at Louisville, in the northern field, and took a vote on returning to work or staying out. At the suggestion of a few miners, all known members of the I.

W. W. were excluded from the voting. It was at the call of the I. W. W. that the strike first started.

Stool pigeons for the companies tried energetically to stampede the men into voting a return to work, but with the strike leaders out and the stool-pigeons in the meeting, the men still voted practically unanimously for a continuation of the strike until won.

At Erie a new form of intimidation is being attempted. The militia force strikers to keep moving on the streets, Colonel Hart charging that the strikers are stealing lumps of coal from wagons. The strikers laugh at the new tactics.

## DEVINE SHOWING RESULTS ON TOUR

## 4 Meetings Arranged in Connecticut for Miners' Relief in Strike Area

BRIDGEPORT, Conn., Jan. 8.—"Flaming Milk" Sablich and A. S. Embree, Colorado strike leaders, and Mother Bloor will be the principal speakers at four miners' relief meetings to be held in this state.

The first meeting will be held here tonight at Rakoczi Hall, Bostwick Ave. and Cherry St. Another meeting will be held in Waterbury Monday night at Garden Hall, 168 E. Main St.

## DAM PROJECT STARTED

ALBANY, Jan. 8.—The Sacandaga Dam project, which would establish a lake 22 miles long in the Sacandaga Valley, in order to control flood conditions of the Hudson River, was begun yesterday by the breaking of ground.

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## SOUTHERN WAGE CUTS EXPOSED; BOSSES SILENT

UTW Raises Big Fund For Unionization

By ESTHER LOWELL

Southern textile mills actually are cutting wages despite statements indicating the contrary, asserts the New York Journal of Commerce. While various New England mills have cut wages 10 per cent, arousing the United Textile Workers' Union protest, Southern mills have been saying that they are "not considering wage cuts." The Journal of Commerce exposes the facts in a sensational editorial.

From reliable sources information has come, the editorial states, "that a number of Southern mills have already quietly cut wages and said nothing about it. These mills, at any rate, may truthfully be said not to be 'considering' wage cuts at present."

A New Challenge

To the United Textile Workers' council in Rhode Island, which is raising \$50,000 "to fight wage cuts" in New England, the Southern mills' action brings a new challenge. The U. T. W. has announced, through president John Barry of the New Hampshire federation of labor, its intention to organize the Amoskeag Mills at Manchester, N. H., where the union was crushed in the 1922 strike and a company union formed.

Many northern mills own southern branches or are linked through jobbers with southern mills, as a study of the Boston Women's Trade Union League shows. And now northern and southern yarn mills have joined in an agreement to stop production from Friday noon to Monday morning each week, still further reducing workers' earnings. Two northern jobbers are uniting 150 southern yarn mills in one consolidated company.

Wages Are \$10.33

With textile workers in South Carolina averaging only \$10.33 a week and those in North Carolina getting only \$13.63, wage cuts are serious to southern mill workers. Textile workers in Massachusetts earn 43 per cent more hourly and 38 per cent more weekly than those in North Carolina, the best of the southern states in that respect, says Paul Blanshard in his new study of Labor in Southern Cotton Mills (published by the New Republic), quoting official figures.

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# "SUPPORT SANDINO!" -- SAY ANTI-IMPERIALISTS

Withdrawal of United States military and naval forces from Nicaragua and support to General Sandino is urged upon the workers of America, in a statement issued yesterday by the All America Anti-Imperialist League, United States Section.

The statement points out that the liberal forces who are opposing the American invading army are fighting against capitalist suppression and suggests that the words of protest be heard at the Sixth Pan American Conference in Havana that begins on Jan. 16.

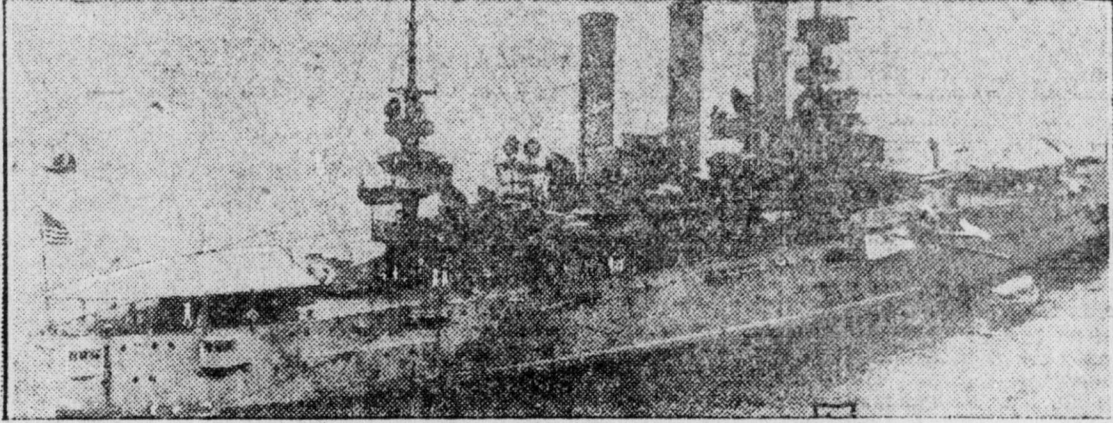
**Text of Statement.**  
The statement in full, reads as follows:

The United States government is sending 1,000 additional marines to Nicaragua, bringing the total marine forces there up to more than 2,500. These are in addition to the airplanes and other instruments of destruction in Nicaragua and the United States warships in Nicaraguan waters.

It is a real war which the United States is conducting against the Nicaraguan people, a war of imperial aggression, a war to finally destroy every vestige of Nicaraguan freedom. All the honeyed expressions of "good will" which the lords of Wall Street and Washington are indulging in at this time with regard to Latin America only serve to emphasize the cynical methods which characterize this latest program of aggression.

**"Good Will" Hypocrisy.**  
Good will as a battle cry! Good will as a pretext for robbery and slaughter! Good will as a slogan of imperialism! This is the democratic-pacifist method peculiar to American

## Another Ship Sails With Marines for Nicaragua



U. S. Cruiser Rochester, sailing from Canal Zone.

imperialism which is as violent in action as it is pacifist in phrase, and as liberty-crushing in fact as it is democratic in pretext.

Behind the protecting barrier of United States bayonets, the railroads and the National Bank of Nicaragua have been taken over by Wall Street bankers. Nicaraguan customs are collected by American appointees, and the entire finances of the country are at the mercy of an American financial dictator, Dr. Wm. P. Cumberland. Not only is their country taken away from them, but the Nicaraguans are denied all liberty of speech, all freedom of movement. They are thrown into prison at the whim of the foreign invader—men, women and children are slaughtered by hundreds.

**Slaughter Still Continues.**  
Nicaragua, Latin America, the oppressed of the entire world, will never

forget the massacre of Octal, which dramatized the "peace of death" which Colonel Stimson fastened upon the country last July—300 Nicaraguans slain in an indiscriminate bombing raid by United States planes! It is now more than five months since Col. Stimson "brought peace to Nicaragua"—the slaughter continues more furiously than ever.

**Personification of Pestilence.**  
What finer mockery could there be than the fact that Lindbergh, "the good will ambassador to Latin America," was obliged to make a detour in flying from Taguicigalpa to Managua in order to avoid the Nicaraguan battle zone, where American marines are shooting good-will bullets into the ranks of the Nicaraguans?

Lindbergh, the ambassador of good will and death, the advance agent of American imperialism, has already

visited most of the especially prized areas marked out by the American empire. He will arrive at Havana, Cuba, coincidentally with the opening of the Sixth Pan American Conference there. It will be a dramatic event. American imperialism has learned from the British in this respect. But it will signalize even more surely than has been done up to now, the fact that this Pan American dumb-show is, like the phrases of President Coolidge, like the slaughter of Nicaraguans by United States marines, like the good will tour of Col. Lindbergh—its part and parcel of the policy of American imperialist aggression.

**Imperialist Hypocrisy.**  
The Pan American conferences, and the Pan American union which convenes them, talk of friendly co-opera-

tion between the nations of the Americas. We call attention to the obvious fact that there can be no co-operation between Latin America and the United States while American troops are on Latin American soil, and while American warships carry the threat of Wall Street domination everywhere in the Caribbean. Under these circumstances all talk of co-operation is the shabbiest hypocrisy.

American military and naval forces must be withdrawn immediately from Nicaragua and from all foreign territory. All possible pressure in Latin America and in the United States itself must be brought on Wall Street and Washington to terminate imperialist intervention.

**Support General Sandino.**  
The little department of Neuva Sugovia in Nicaragua is a far more important battle ground than its size might indicate. General Sandino is fighting for the integrity of all Latin America.

Every worker and farmer in the United States—every real friend of liberty—must support him wholeheartedly. All honor to General Sandino! We in the United States are put to the test by his heroic struggle. Let us push forward the struggle, which is our struggle. Demand the end of all intervention in Latin America.

Mobilize such forces that Wall Street and Washington will have to heed them.

Let this be our word to the imperialist organizers of the Sixth Pan American Conference in Havana.  
**ALL-AMERICA ANTI-IMPERIALIST LEAGUE.**  
(U. S. Section)

## YOUTH PROBLEMS IN INDUSTRY AND LEFT WING

(Continued from Last Issue.)  
By JOHN WILLIAMSON.  
Youth in Basic Industries.

These phenomena of "youth industries" should not mean that the left wing considers the problem of youth in industry from this angle only. In fact, at this time, when the forces of the Left Wing are still weak, it will many times be more advisable to concentrate upon the youth in such basic

**Table 3—Showing % Young Workers 15-24 yrs. in Cities.**

City	Total Employed	15-24 yrs. Emp.	% Total
Akron	108,103	35,057	32.4%
Fall River	56,498	17,699	31.3%
Patterson	63,879	18,711	29.3%
New York	2,531,412	709,982	27.7%
Camden	50,094	13,623	27.1%
Philadelphia	819,000	213,134	26.0%
Buffalo	215,343	55,813	25.9%
Detroit	465,114	120,259	25.8%
Pittsburgh	249,748	63,381	25.4%
Cleveland	347,246	85,881	24.7%
Cleveland	347,246	85,881	24.7%
Chicago	1,231,434	299,089	24.2%
Boston	350,207	84,749	24.2%
Los Angeles	266,100	47,620	17.9%

**Increased Productive Schemes and The Youth.**  
America has always had a higher technique of production than Europe, but during the past six years the speed-up system has been intensified. This whole process, which brings with it the elimination of skill, introduction of machines, the conveyor system, simplification of the processes of production, etc. has an especial relation to the young worker. In such industries, it is found that the young worker, who has had no skilled training, can do the job equally efficient as an adult worker, with the added advantage for the boss that the young worker has not as many family obligations as the adult worker and will more easily work for lower wages.

**Table 4—Trend of Productivity, 1914-1927.**

Industry	1918	1919	1920	1921	1922	1923	1924	1925
Auto	106.5	141	133	214.5	264	295	289	310
Rubber	130	190	266	301	311			
Shoe	115	122.5	120.5	121	115	116.5		
Slaughtering	80.6	103.7	108.6	111.1	112.3	110.7		

**Table 5—Trend of Manufacturing Industry.**

Year	Wage Earners	Population	Quantity Mfg. Total	Quantity Mfg. per Wage Earner
1919	100	100	100	100
1921	77.2	103.3	78.6	101.8
1923	97.5	106.4	120.2	123.3
1925	93.3	109.9	125.0	134.0

industries as mining, textile, automobile and rubber where they do not form the dominant section of the working masses, but only a substantial fraction.

An interesting picture is seen in the following table which shows us that in the three cities where the young workers form the highest percentage of the total working population, famous American labor struggles have taken place. This is not without significance as to the militant role the youth play.

**Superior Profit Making Material**  
The young worker has not had the experience of the adult worker, either, and thus has no economic organization whatsoever to protect him. Again the young worker is more acceptable because he is healthy and has not yet been "worn out" and has been taught in the public schools that he must work hard for his boss.

The entire tendency under these new speed-up systems, is that the rate of exploitation of the worker is intensified. If this is true in general it is doubly true in those industries which are highly trustified and as a result specialized (principally industries where large numbers youth employed). This can be verified by a study of Table 4 and 5.

**Change in Workers' Life**  
This change which has taken place in the lives of the working population as a result of the development of industry and its centralization of ownership in the hands of a few Wall Street bankers, brings with it a rise in the number of wage-earners and a decrease in the number of employers.

**Table 6—Figures on Concentration of Industry.**

Year	Wage Earners	Employers or Self-Employers
1920	29,959,000	10,049,000
1921	30,740,000	10,479,000
1922	31,307,000	10,023,000
1923	32,152,000	10,011,000
1924	33,148,000	9,992,000
1925	33,897,000	9,976,000

(To Be Continued.)

## STRIKERS' WIVES CALL FOR RELIEF

(Continued from Page One)  
help us a little if they knew just what conditions were in this strike field. Our men have been locked out and on strike for nine months so you can see and we think you know what it means for workers' families to live for nine months without any pay coming in. Hundreds of our school children have no shoes and many cannot go to school because of this.

"We now live in barracks, the mine operators have thrown us out of our homes in which some of our families have lived for years. Maybe you can think for a family to live in a wooden shed with two rooms, no toilet or water in house, no light except smoky coal oil lamps, and nothing else so we can live decent.

"The injunctions have hit us hard, and we feel that something ought to be done about it, because they are trying to make our men go back to work for a starving wage as low as \$2.50 a day, if we lost our union, which we are fighting to keep, as the operators are fighting to make this an open shop state. The women have all been organized into an auxiliary because we want to help our men fight for their union and a living

(See Table 6). Consequently the struggle becomes more intensified and the conditions of the workers worsens, unless they are able thru their economic organizations to resist the encroachments of big capital. However, the great mass having no economic organization, they are completely at the mercy of the boss.

**Relief Conference in Canton, Ohio.**  
CANTON, Ohio, Jan. 8.—Delegates representing thirteen labor unions and seventeen other working-class organizations met recently here and organized the Canton section of the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Committee, with headquarters at 611 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, Pa. Sarah Rosenthal was elected secretary. Carl Guilloid was elected chairman of a committee to collect clothing; Albert Armhurst, to arrange a house-to-house coal day, and R. C. Parks, to arrange a mass meeting.

In addition to the work laid out for those committees several language groups are arranging special affairs among their own people for the relief of the miners. Every delegate present expressed his determination to do everything in his power to help the striking coal diggers win their strike.



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## DRAMA

### "The International" Opens Thursday at New Playwrights

Jane Barry and Franchot Tone will have leading parts in "The International," by John Howard Lawson, the next offering of the New Playwrights' group, which opens at their playhouse at 40 Commerce St., Thursday night. Rehearsals of "International" are now going on under Mr. Lawson's direction. Other players who will have parts in this play include Herbert Bergman, George Price, Miriam Gumble, Ross Matthews, Lawrence Bolton, Edward Franz, Felix Jacobs, Ruth Mason, Lionel Ferrand, Murray Franklin and Thomas Kilmartin.

The New Playwrights Theatre has decided to vary its diet by dedicating one scene in "The International," to the vast army of American tired business men. The scene in question will be enacted by a group of bathing beauties.

An exhibition of paintings and drawings by Hugo Gellert will be opened at the theatre on January 12 in connection with the opening of "The International." The works of Mr. Gellert, which are to be exhibited are mainly industrial subjects and include drawings and paintings made by him in the Pennsylvania steel mills. Airplanes, factories, laborers and girls are included in the varied subject matter of the exhibition by this American artist who recently returned from a stay in Soviet Russia. The exhibition will be free to the public.

### MASTER OF THE VIOLIN.



Elsie Janis remains at the Palace for another week. Jay C. Flippen, Alice Zeppilli, with Ray Kavanagh, Hazel Shelly, Ruth DeQuincy, Ann Butler and Hal Parker in "Drifting," and American debut of Catalini, the French cyclist, are other features of the week.

"Pinwheel," by Francis Edwards Farago, one of the directors of the New Playwrights' Theatre, will be produced shortly at the Kamernspiel Theatre in Vienna. The play was done here last season by the Neighborhood Playhouse.

Ruth Breton, violinist, will give a recital Monday night at Carnegie Hall.

### Music Notes

Rudolph Ganz, pianist, appears in recital at Carnegie Hall Tuesday night. His program includes: Two Legends, Liszt; Eight Preludes, Debussy; Sonata in F Sharp Minor, Op. II, Schumann; Prelude in C Sharp, Op. 45, Beethoven; Four Etudes and Polonaise, by Chopin.

Donald Francis Toney will give his piano recital at Town Hall Wednesday afternoon.

Leo Ornstein, will make his only local appearance this season at the second concert of the League of Composers at Town Hall on Thursday evening, together with the Pro-Arte Quartet.

Fraser Gange, baritone, appears in a song recital at Town Hall Tuesday afternoon.

Marie Morrissy will appear in a song recital next Tuesday night in Town Hall.

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# Indian Labor Leader Calls Macdonald Imperialist; Scores British Labor Party

## ATTACKS SIMON COMMISSION IN SPECIAL CABLE

### Demands Workers' Govt For India

LONDON, (By Mail).—The "imperialist tendencies" of Ramsay Macdonald, leader of the Labor Party are severely attacked in a cablegram sent to the Sunday Worker by Dewan Chaman Lal, president of the All-India Trade Union Congress.

The cablegram, which was sent from Lahore, follows in full:

"The Indian trade unions, at their recent congress, at which I presided, adopted a resolution which demanded that the Labor Party withdraw its two representatives from the Simon Statutory Commission and which decided to boycott the commission.

Scores Macdonald.

"Consequently, thru the courtesy of the Workers' Weekly, I request members of the British Labor Party and the British trade unions to protest against the imperialist tendencies of Ramsay Macdonald.

"The movement for the boycott of the Simon Commission prevails thru-out India. All of the Nationalists, including the Mohammedans, approve of the movement. Such a united struggle has not been manifested since the days of the 'non-cooperation movement.'

Want Workers' Govt.

"The attitude of Pundit Motilal Nehru is strongly approved everywhere. Particularly his declaration that the Indians will not remain content with the addition of Indian representatives of the commission, is very much appreciated. We demand a preliminary statement which will guarantee India's right to independence and which will follow a parity conference for the discussion of means.

"The proletariat of India desires complete enfranchisement and a workers' government for their country. Is it possible that a commission of conservatives will pay the slightest attention to these demands? The commission can only register the wishes of the imperialist bourgeoisie.

Labour Party's Betrayal.

"All of the classes of India are dismayed by the betrayal of the Labor Party. Macdonald and Company have written a shameful page in the history of both nations."

### Arrest Odessa Slayers

ODESSA, Jan. 8.—A gang charged with the murder of Signor Cozzio, Italian Vice Consul here were arrested yesterday by members of the Gay Pay You (political police).

## French Miners Fight Wage Slashes Despite Reformists

By JEAN BATISTE DUPILET (Treasurer, French Unitary Federation of Mineworkers.)

PARIS (By Mail).—During last year's strike of the miners in England, the beginning of the world crisis, the French coal companies desiring to retain their favorable position in the coal market did not stop at raising wages.

The Unitary Federation of Miners struggled energetically against this open reward of betrayal. The reformist leaders of the Departement de Nord and the Pas de Calais, on the other hand, came forward as active advocates of this system. The policy taken by these districts determines the position of the other local centers which always follow the lead of the Committee of Mineowners of the North and Pas de Calais in fixing wages.

Reformist Promises.

In spite of the active campaign waged by the Unitary Federation, in spite of the 24-hour strike declared on the 9th of August, 1925, aiming at drawing the French miners into the struggle with the English miners, the French miners, deluded by the reformist promises of the beginning of a new boom, passively let slip by the only opportunity which they had to strike several heavy blows at international coal capital.

The catastrophic consequences of this inertia were very soon to be felt. The disintegration of the English miners, the lowering of their wages, the lengthening of the working day and the attempts of the English mine owners to regain their place in the coal market—all this resulted in cheap English coal once more appearing in France.

The competition of English coal, extensive rationalization schemes carried out in the large mining districts of the Ruhr and Saar, and the coal from these German basins which appeared in France, led to the accumulation of great stocks in all French coal districts. The coal companies, pointing to the possibility of unemployment, started in April a campaign of lowering of wages.

Second Betrayal.

The reformist leaders, who formerly carried on negotiations for the betrayal of the English miners, now began to negotiate with the capital-

## Limit Guatemala Concessions In Spite of Puppet President

CIUDAD, GUATEMALA, Jan. 8.—

Loans, contracts and concessions to foreign companies will have to be ratified by a two-thirds vote of the Guatemalan legislature, according to the terms of the newly reformed constitution. Representatives for several large American interests who are reported to have been present in order to bribe the Constitutional Convention to retain the old majority vote, admit they could not find a delegate opposed to the amendment.

The political struggle between the Guatemalan Liberal Party to which President Genoval Cnacon belongs, and his opponents in the legislature, has reached a new phase with the reformation of the constitution.

Most of the reforms in the new constitution have to do with stripping the president and his military confederates of some of their privileges. According to the newly amended document, the president who holds office for six years may not succeed himself until twelve more have elapsed. Officers and men in active military service are not allowed to vote or sit in the legislature.

The power to name election officers, however, and the whole election machinery has been left in the president's hands. A fight to win the political machinery from Chacon is forecast in March.

### Guatemalan Czar



General Lazaro Chacon

## PANAMAREJECTS TREATY MAKING IT U. S. COLONY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—A statement outlining the reasons for Panama's rejection of the treaty with the United States signed on July 28, 1926, has been presented to State Department by Ricardo J. Alfaro, Panamanian Minister here. Altho President Chiari is believed to favor the treaty which automatically pledges Panama to take part in any war in which the United States is involved, the unpopularity of the pact has forced its withdrawal for "further consideration."

"A good deal of dissatisfaction was voiced in the Panamanian National Assembly against clauses in the treaty making Panama an ally of the United States in any war which the United States may choose to engage and against clauses requiring Panama to build roads which will be used for military and strategic reasons

State Department officials have refused to comment on the failure of the Panama National Assembly to approve of the treaty.

## Textile Strikers in Italy Tortured in Fascist Jails

By RAMINGO

MOSCOW (By Mail).—The effects of the economic crisis which Italy is passing through are especially felt in the cotton industry. This branch of industry, which formerly exported 70 per cent of its production, has lost during the last few years a considerable part of its foreign markets, and was forced to go over to the shortened working week. The millowners, taking advantage of the extensive unemployment in the textile industry, began an attack on wages.

Having the protection of the fascist unions and the police they succeeded in bringing the workers, and especially the women, literally down to a starvation existence. According to the last collective agreement concluded by the class textile workers' union, the average wages of a woman textile worker reached 14 to 15 lira a day, it is now not higher than 8 lira a day, and there is a considerably shortened working week. Together with lowered wages, the employers have increased the amount of work to be done by the workers. As a result we see in Italy a whole series of strikes which break out everywhere, despite the cruel repressions and the disorganized state of the working class.

Series of Strikes.

We will mention the strike of 250 women workers in the Giallini Ratti mill in Legnano in April, 170 workers in the Bassetti mill in Hallaratte, 3,000 workers in the Franko Tozi mill in Legnano in May, the ten-day strike of the woman spinners in Saronno in July, the strike of 4,000 workers at Pontekorvo mill in Pisa, and of 500 women workers at the Po-retti mill in Ubulloo, and so on.

The last few days brought us the news of a strike which has broken out in the Upper Milan region, which is the greatest center of the Italian cotton industry. There are no less than 50,000 textile workers in this center, the great majority of whom are women. The strike first broke out in the large Cantoni mill in Legnano on the following grounds:

Generally a woman worker on 3 looms received 3 lira for each length of cloth. In October the quality of the yarn so greatly deteriorated, that the workers were not able to attend to more than two looms at a time. As the working week was considerably shortened, they received pay which was miserable even for woman textile workers.

Fascist Union Fights Workers.

Despite all this, however, the employers in agreement with the fascist unions cut the pay for one length of cloth to 2 lira, thus cutting the wages by one-third.

The women workers declared an "Italian" strike, the men joining also. This movement spread to other enterprises in Legnano, Busto Arsizio,

## Dollar Follows in Trail of Lindbergh

Plans for the extension of the air-plane service in Latin-America are being made by the Pan-American Airways Inc. Lindbergh's good-will tour thru Central America is believed to have been intended not only as a diplomatic move, but as a move to boost aviation in Latin-America.

J. B. Whitebeck, operations manager of the Pan-American Airways, will leave New York today with Captain C. B. D. Collyer, President of the Aviation Service Corporation of New York, to map out routes. Whitebeck expects to fly as far south as the Magdalena River in Colombia. Air lines have already been established by French and German firms in Central and South America.

## USSR, NORWEGIAN AND FINN TRADE UNIONS TO MEET

### Berlin Congress Will Discuss Labor Unity

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Jan. 8.—Carrying out the decision of the Norwegian Trade Union Congress concerning collaboration with the trade unions of the U. S. S. R. and Finland, the Council of Norwegian Trade Unions has proposed to the Central Council of Trade Unions of the U. S. S. R. to convene a joint conference of the Soviet Union, Finnish and Norwegian organizations on February 10 in Berlin.

The Central Council of Trade Unions of the U. S. S. R. has accepted the proposal. The conference will deal with the following problems, the question of trade union unity, the struggle against the war menace, and the conclusion of agreements of amity and collaboration.

## Yugoslav Refusal to Deal with USSR Seen As Move by Britain

MOSCOW, Jan. 8.—The hand of Austen Chamberlain, British Foreign Minister, is seen by Izvestia, official organ of the government of the U. S. S. R., in the statement by the Yugoslav Foreign Minister Marinkovich that the establishment of diplomatic relations between Belgrade and Moscow "would be misunderstood by other countries."

Torture Strikers.

If course, the fascist authorities took energetic measures to suppress the "disorders," which resulted in mass arrests and tortures. According to the emigrant Italian press, amongst the victims of the police there is one murdered worker and a pregnant woman who died in prison after arrest and torture. We are also informed that of the fascist militia hundreds refused to fire on the workers.

## Aid Bulgar Unions, World Appeal Asks

(Special Cable to DAILY WORKER) MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Jan. 8.—The Executive Council of the Red International of Labor Unions has issued an appeal to all affiliated organizations to protest vigorously against the brutal persecution of independent trade union organizations by the fascist government of Bulgaria.

The world proletariat must organize a wide-spread press campaign, as well as meetings and demonstrations that will show the international solidarity with the Bulgarian proletariat, the victim of fascist reaction which the perfidious reformist leaders are supporting.

## 220,000 Miners Out Of Jobs In England

LONDON, Jan. 8.—There are 220,000 miners in Great Britain who are unemployed, according to the latest unemployment statistics. Miners in Northumberland, Durham and South Wales have been particularly hard hit by the scarcity of jobs.

The number of unemployed workers in the shipping industry totals well above 90,000, while 46,000 workers are unemployed in the engineering trades.

## Evade Peace Issue In French Treaty

WASHINGTON, Jan. 8.—Reports from Paris indicating that France wants to insert the terms "aggressive war" into the proposed multi-lateral treaty, were received here today with considerable surprise.

The treaty will not be binding in any case since the declaration against war will be embodied in the preamble, it is believed. The treaty also excludes from arbitration vital questions that are apt to be the causes of war.

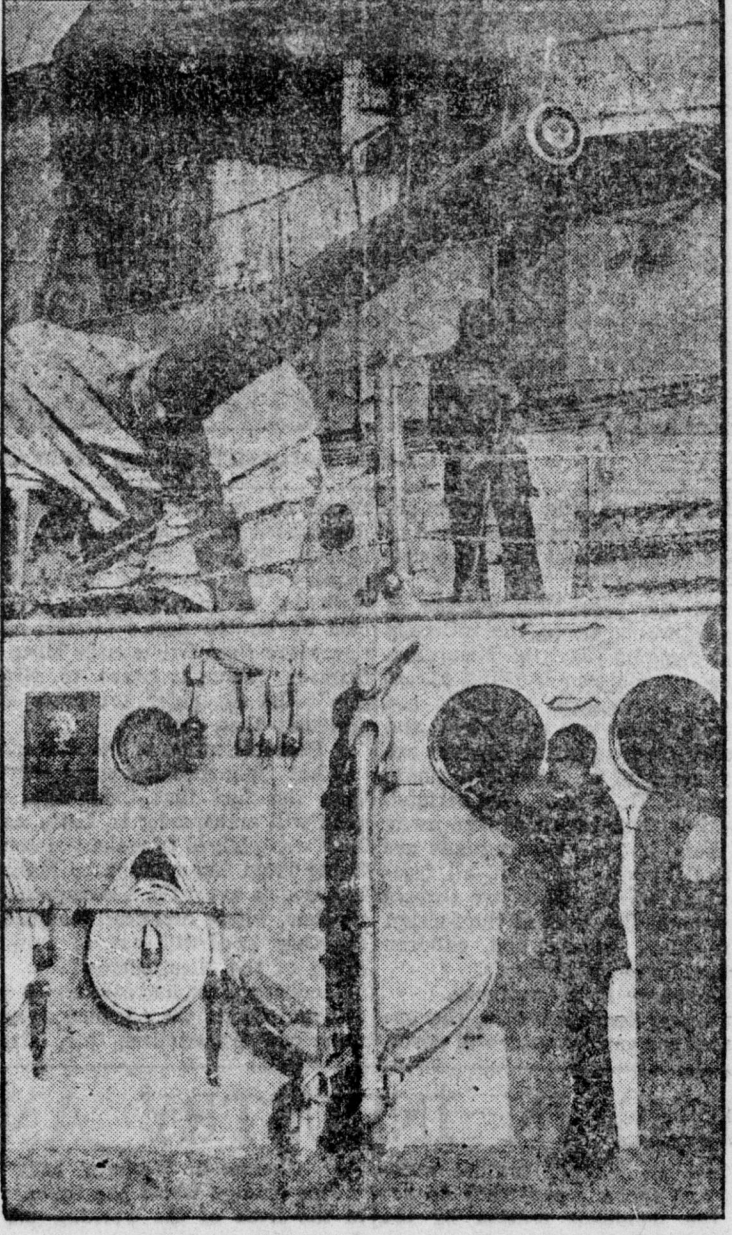
STERLING SAILS.

DUBLIN, Jan. 8.—The United States Minister to the Irish Free State, Frederick Sterling, sailed for New York last night aboard the steamship Celtic.

FILIPINO WORKERS ORGANIZE MANILA, Ph. Is. Jan. 8.—In the Philippine Islands there are 114 labor organizations, 51 of which are in Manila the remainder being scattered throughout the provinces.

ANOTHER OHIOAN WANTS JOB WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 8.—Frank B. Willis, senator from Ohio, insists that he be slated as the republican candidate in the 1928 presidential campaign, thus sowing much dissension in the Herbert Hoover camp.

## Appropriate Surroundings for Coolidge



The guns of the U. S. S. Texas provide a proper background for Calvin Coolidge and Secretary of State Kellogg who will go to the Pan-American Congress which opens at Havana January 16th. Photo shows sailors polishing the brass rails of the battleship in honor of Wall Street's envoys.

## LIES OF BRITISH IN CHINA NAILED BY USSR CONSUL

### Kuomintang Session Ends in Fight Reported

(Special Cable To DAILY WORKER.) SHANGHAI, Jan. 8.—Pokhvalinsky, U. S. S. R. consul in Canton, upon his arrival in Shanghai, where he was not permitted to leave his ship, issued a statement for the press in which he denied the false report of the Hong-kong representative of Reuter (British News Agency) that officials of the Soviet consulate were executed upon the accusation of the Canton authorities for participating in the revolutionary struggle.

Pokhvalinsky declared that there was never any accusation made against any of the officials and that they were simply taken out of the consulate and murdered. It was only after the murders that interested parties spread the tale that Soviet officials had taken part in the uprising.

The fact is that a band of soldiers stormed the consulate, looted it and dragged the inmates away with them, Pokhvalinsky said. Altogether there were present, apart from the consul general only five male Soviet citizens, all of whom were murdered.

Split In Kuomintang.

According to reports in the native press the plenary session of the Central Executive Committee and the Central Control Commission of the Kuomintang which was convoked at Nanking was adjourned owing to a split within the Kuomintang. The same sources state that only fourteen members of the Central Executive Committee have arrived in Nanking thus far.

## Chile to Build Port to Aid Guggenheims

SANTIAGO, Chile, Jan. 8.—Chile's nitrate center, the port of Iquique, will soon have a modern harbor with all efficient equipment and docks for the exportation of Chile's "white gold" as the nitrate is called in that country.

At present the technical conditions of the port are extremely primitive, but since the American interests (Guggenheims) are now the principal nitrate producers of Chile, the port facilities will also be Americanized.

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# RABBIT WORKERS, EMPLOYERS MEET

## Workers Demand Unity Against Bosses

Another conference will take place tomorrow morning at the Hotel McAlpin between the Rabbit Dressers' locals of the International Fur Workers' Union and the Consolidated Rabbit Dressers' Association, the employers' organization which has demanded that wages be reduced 25 per cent. This conference was decided upon when the union's refusal to consider a decrease ended a conference held last Friday.

### Cannot Reduce Pay.

This meeting is to decide whether the whole question is to be given over for arbitration to an impartial chairman. According to the present agreement the arbitrator has no power to reduce wages below the minimum scale set forth in the agreement existing before the present one, which is \$1.60 for 100 skins. The employers demand that the wage be \$1.50 per 100.

### Employers Aided.

The excuse offered by the employers in asking for a reduction is that open shops which pay less wages are competing with them.

A persistent belief exists among the membership of the locals involved that Moe Harris, manager of Local 58, and Milton Corbett, former head of Local 25, suggested to the bosses that they advance this anti-union argument. The workers meanwhile point to scores of thousands of dollars Harris and Corbett say they spent on organization work.

### Graft Charges.

More than rumors are responsible for the deeply rooted belief of the membership that on the one hand graft was taken from the bosses for failure to organize the open shops while on the other hand these shops were used as an excuse for further large expenditures for "organization work."

In the present conflict with the bosses when Morris Langer, the present left wing manager of Local 25, of Newark, proposed to Harris that the membership of Locals 25 and 58 unite to fight the bosses, Harris refused. He gave as a reason that Langer and his executive board had been suspended by the International officials, in spite of the fact that Langer still participates in all conferences with the employers.

### Undermines Resistance.

While speaking against a reduction in wages, Harris is undermining the resistance of the workers, the members declare. He refuses to agree to a joint meeting of the two locals or to allow leaders of the left wing to attend a membership meeting of his own local in Brooklyn.

Continued graft rumors, however, prevented Harris from excluding Langer from a joint membership meeting last Thursday. An enthusiastic demonstration by the membership took place when Langer proposed united action.

# N. J. LABOR LAWS ARE CONSIDERED

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 8.—Delegates from several local unions and central bodies throughout New Jersey met today at the Newark Labor Lyceum, 708 S. 14th St., in a conference to work out a legislative program for union labor of the state.

The conference, under the call of the New Jersey Federation of Labor, was summoned as a result of a resolution carried at the last Camden convention of the State Federation which stated that of the many labor proposals offered to the state legislature none had even been brought up by the representatives of the old parties.

Originally the conference was called to consider the following four demands: limitation of the use of injunctions in labor disputes, increases in the maximum compensation from \$17 to \$20, amendments to the existing wage law and changes in the existing laws to enable workers to collect unpaid earnings.

Early in the conference the officials of the state labor movement raised the slogan, "Go slowly; don't ask for too much."

About 300 delegates attended the meeting.

Delegates close to the rank and file carried on a strong agitation for legislative plans designed to reduce or eliminate convict labor in the state, which was reported spreading in all sections. But the officialdom in attendance succeeded in preventing action by the conference.

Hugh Frayne, of New York, American Federation of Labor organizer, and Spencer Miller, Jr., secretary of the Workers Education Bureau, were among the officials in attendance.

### TO REORGANIZE CAVALRY.

An inspection of National Guard organizations up-state will start today when Major General William N. Haskell, commander, leaves to reorganize cavalry units in Buffalo, Rochester, Genesee, Syracuse and Utica, as authorized by the war department.

# Naval Chiefs Hit Witness Against Them

BOSTON, Mass., Jan. 8.—Hardly had John S. Baylis, commander of the coast guard ship Paulding which rammed and sank the submarine S-4, pointed out to the naval court of inquiry sitting here that there were no submarine warning flags out, than the court interrupted him to rule that from now on he was a defendant in the case, and not merely a witness.

The navy officialdom is determined that the higher officers, who could have ordered that the submarine be accompanied by a tender showing flags, shall not be censured with impunity.

### "Whitewash" Charged.

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 8.—The house of representatives yesterday passed without rollcall the Butler resolution for a congressional investigation of the S-4 disaster, in spite of denunciation by a minority led by Representative Black that the resolution, which permits the inquiry commission to be controlled by interested ranking naval officers would merely result in laying the blame on dead subordinates and whitewash Secretary of Navy Wilbur and the swivel chair admirals who created the dangerous conditions. Black demanded that Coolidge ask for Wilbur's resignation. Coolidge is back of the Butler motion.

## Furriers' Forum Will Meet for Discussion

An open forum of the fur workers will be held today at the headquarters of the New York Joint Board of the Furriers Union, 22 East 22d St., at 2 p. m. During the last two weeks three open forums have been held at the Joint Board office. Ben Gold, manager of the union has led previous discussions and will lead today's forum also.

All fur workers, whether registered or not, are urged to come and participate in the discussions.

## Police Assault 3

Charges of police brutality have been brought by Charles Dono, Alfred Wenzel and Alfred Scheiler against William Bencke, Frederick Ott, and James Marron, three detectives who, after beating them into insensibility, caused their indictment by the grand jury for assault.

The three detectives were drinking in a speakeasy at the time of the assault. Wenzel and Scheiler received fractured skulls and Dono suffered four broken ribs. The trio were on their way home to College Point, Queens.

After seven minutes' deliberation a jury in General Sessions acquitted them last Saturday under the indictment.

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# LABOR AND FRATERNAL ORGANIZATIONS

**For Miners' Relief.**  
An emergency conference for miners' relief will be held Sunday, Jan. 29, at the Labor Temple, 243 E. 84th St., by branches of the Workmen's Sick and Death Benefit Fund of the metropolitan district.

**Typo Machinists.**  
The Machinists Branch of the Typo Union 6 will hold its fifteenth annual ball Wednesday, January 25, at Trommers Hall, Bushwick and Con-way Sts., Brooklyn.

**Iron Workers Meet Tomorrow.**  
A special meeting of the Architectural Iron, Bronze and Structural Workers' Union will be held tomorrow at 8 p. m. at 7 E. 15th St. to formulate demands to be presented to the employers.

## Ukrainian Labor Here Protest Polish Action

More than 500 Ukrainian workers assembled in Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East Fourth St., yesterday afternoon at the call of the Ukrainian Toilers Organization of America to protest against the action of the Polish government in prohibiting the Peasants and Workers Relief Committee of Lemberg from continuing its work.

## The Labor Movement

William F. Dunne of The DAILY WORKER, will lecture on "The Development of the American Labor Movement and its Present Tendencies," at a meeting of the Trade Union Educational League of Local 22, I. L. G. W. U., Monday at 8 p. m. at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. Fourth St.

## TO DEBATE ON INJUNCTIONS.

"The Use of the Injunction in Labor Disputes" will be debated before the Women's City Club at 22 Park Ave., this afternoon at 4:30. John P. Frey of the American Federation of Labor, will be one of the debaters, and Walter Gordon Merritt will be the other.

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# Mass Picketing is Winning Weapon of Colorado Miners

By HUGO OEHLER.  
In the early days of the strike of the Colorado miners mass picketing was the life blood of the struggle. The march of the miners ebbed and flowed, first in the south then in the north, back and forth where the struggle was intense. If a county was out a hundred per cent the strikers would form a caravan and move to the section of the struggle where aid was needed. This assistance was needed mainly in the south field where the Rockefeller, C. F. and L. stronghold is located. Picketing, the most powerful weapon the workers have, closed the mines, stopped production and put fear of the workers in the coal operators and the state.

**The State Begins Clubbing**  
A counter move following the picketing was inaugurated by the state with the calling out of the state police and finally the National Guards. Beating workers, clubbing the women, eviction of strikers, mass arrest and murder at the Columbine carried the class struggle to a boiling point for the strikers. Jailing of active strikers, mass arrest of leaders and picketers brought a change in tactics, a new leadership.

The first time the strikers relinquished this weapon in the south field it was put into action and revived three days later. The second quiet spell followed the Columbine affair and the mass arrest and imprisonment of such workers as Svanum, Embree and Seidler.

Picketing is one thing as a weapon, its correct application is another. For days no picketing could be noticed, no mass picketing, and for days the operators gained by inches. The Industrial Commission, the strikers and

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# PARTY ACTIVITIES NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY

**For Miners' Relief.**  
A mass meeting for miners relief will be held Jan. 20 at 8 p. m. at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. Fourth St., by the Downtown Section, Young Workers' League.

**Lecture Thursday Morning.**  
"What I Saw in the Soviet Union" will be the subject of a talk by a woman worker at the meeting of the Morning International Branch Thursday at 10:30 a. m. at 108 E. 14th St. Members are urged to bring their friends.

**2F 1D.**  
Florence Hellar will lead a discussion on Stalin's talk with the American trade union delegation at the meeting of 2F 1D, to be held tonight at 6:30 p. m. at 60 St. Marks Place.

**Nightworkers' Meeting.**  
Nightworkers' Branch 1 will meet tomorrow at 3 p. m. at 60 St. Marks Place.

**Y. W. L. Dance.**  
The Young Workers League, District 2, will hold a dance Saturday, Jan. 14, 1928.

# MOVE TO DISMISS NEW FALL CHARGE

## Seek Missing Witness in Jury-Fixing

WASHINGTON, D. C., Jan. 8.—Counsel for Harry F. Sinclair, millionaire oil baron indicted and tried with former Secretary of the Interior Albert B. Fall for the Teapot Dome oil fraud, have moved to have quashed the harmless "presentation" of the grand jury investigating charges that he hired the Burns detective agency to get him a mistrial or acquittal by "fixing the jury."

The district attorney, Gordon, refused to indict him on the basis of the presentation finding that he influenced the jury.

There is a rumor that the missing witness, Blackmer, who could have told of the passing of the Continental Oil Co. bribe for the Teapot Dome fraudulent lease, has returned to America, in disguise, as a member of the crew of an oil tanker docking at New Orleans, to escape possible extradition from France where he has been living to avoid subpoena.

An investigation of his income tax returns was being made to find, if possible, grounds for an application for extradition.

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## NO TALK!

By Fred Ellis

## OUR MAJOR CAMPAIGN

By MAX BEDACHT.

The major campaign of our Party at the present moment is the Labor Party campaign.

This campaign has as its primary object the breaking away of the working masses from the support of capitalism.

Slogan Will Win Workers.

The American working class, unfortunately, does not yet exist as an ideological unit. The American working class consists of millions of workers who are capitalists from their eyes up; and while the economic status of the worker determines his social class, yet it is the mind of the worker that determines whether he is conscious of his social status and is willing to fight for an improvement for his class, or whether he is blissfully ignorant of his social status and is a willing fighter in the ranks of an enemy class against his own.

The slogan for a Labor Party is the concrete formulation of the general aim of winning away the workers from the support of the capitalist class.

Labor Party Unifying Slogan.

In the future, as heretofore, our Party will react to all important events in the class struggle with campaigns. These campaigns, however, will not be independent and disjointed actions, but will all be made to support the main campaign "For a Labor Party."

This will make possible a thorough mobilization, ideological and organizational, for the carrying through of the campaign. It will supply one unifying slogan to all immediate actions of our Party.

Labor Party in 1928.

The coming election campaign in 1928 gives our Party an opening for this intensification of our Labor Party campaign; it opens the minds of the masses of workers to the discussion of political problems, which we know should be the workers' problem always, not only on election year but which the workers still leave out of consideration completely except on election years.

Slogan in All Struggles.

The present struggles of the workers in the mining field, the open use of state power against the workers, the role of injunctions, the renewal of attack against the foreign born workers, and last but not least, the local issues in the various localities supply the base for our Labor Party propaganda and agitation.

It is these issues which supply the avenues of approach to the class-conscious American worker. All of our Party units, especially our Agit-prop Directors in the district, sub-districts, sections and lower Party units will take up their duties in connection with the Labor Party with a clear understanding of this only possible approach.

There must not be a Party unit meeting held without discussion of methods of carrying through this major campaign of our Party. There must not be any sort of a campaign of the Party and its units which does not lead in a direct or indirect way toward this main stream of Party activity, "For a Labor Party."

work in behalf of victimized and persecuted workers.

"It was gratifying to know that in this case was unity of all forces and all shades of opinions in the labor movement. We believe that such unity as was shown in our defense is exemplary and must be maintained in the movement for the release of all working class fighters who are in prison or on trial for their devotion to our cause.

"We feel a strong responsibility for the honorable discharge of all financial obligations incurred in our defense and we hope that the sympathizing workers will all assist in the collection of the funds still needed for this purpose.

Plead For Exiles.

"We appeal likewise for the victims of Italian fascism, thousands of whom are today in the clutches of the blackshirted beast, imprisoned in the foulest dungeons or exiled to a terrible existence in the islands of the sea. Thousands of the flower of the Italian proletariat have been murdered by the blood-maddened agents of Mussolini and every day scores are added to the long list of his victims. And the fight against Italian fascism must not neglect the struggle against the fascists in this country who initiated the frame-up against us. Like the fascists in Italy, they are prepared to destroy the labor movement, to crush it or drive it underground. Their violence and hatred is directed not only against the Italian workers in this country, but against the entire working class. The workers must prepare now to fight them bitterly before they are confronted with a much more powerful monster that will seek to crush and tear them to the earth.

"Workers of America! The poison of fascism and the frame-up system must be counteracted by our own powerful movement of solidarity and struggle. It is a fight in which every worker must join with conviction and militancy. In the name of the blood of our martyrs and our class comrades in the prisons of capitalism we appeal to the entire working class for concerted and irresistible action.

"Rally for the struggle against infamy and terror, against the frame-up system!

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## Let Us Learn From the War on Nicaragua That Wall Street's Spokesmen Are Murderous Liars—Always

The war on Nicaragua is part of the program of Wall Street conquest of Latin-America. This is clear. It is also part of the whole scheme for world domination and is especially connected with American imperialist ambitions in the Far East since the canal route through Nicaragua, while designed as part of the "defense" of the Panama Canal, is also intended to and will at least double the mobility of the navy—make transfers of battle fleets between the Atlantic and Pacific far speedier.

But while the intentions of Wall Street government are clear, its bloody war on the Nicaraguan people is marked by some special features worth noting. Not the least important of these special features is the low intrigue which has marked the process by which the state and war departments have brought the conspiracy against the liberties of the Nicaraguans and the rest of the Latin-American peoples to the point of open warfare.

Lying, chicanery, intrigue, forgery, bribery, procuring murder of "inconvenient" individuals, perjury, wholesale deception of the masses—these are inseparable adjuncts of the imperialist program. On the face of it, it is impossible that Nicaragua, with a total population of 640,000, could be a menace to American imperialism of sufficient force to justify the dispatch of a powerful battlefleet, a sizable army and the occupation of the country.

The most feeble-minded flagwaving babbler will not believe such a preposterous statement.

It was necessary therefore for the spokesmen of Wall Street to conjure up a whole series of bogeymen ranging from "Bolshevist plotters" to a Japanese invasion.

The state department ran the whole scale of lying about more or less vague dangers originating in Nicaragua until it discovered that even the usually gullible American public was not swallowing its weird tales.

Then, at the Associated Press banquet last year, President Coolidge spoke openly of the "special interests" of the United States in Nicaragua. These special interests are principally the privilege of building a canal across Nicaragua and of establishing naval bases on the Corn Islands and at Fonseca Bay.

Having acquired these privileges by the simple process of Wall Street financed uprising and the outright purchase of presidents and cabinets, the American government proceeded to consolidate them. (In 1908 the Nicaragua canal was already an issue. In April of that year a squadron of cruisers among which were the Washington, Colorado, South Dakota and Albany, were sent to Nicaraguan waters, with a landing force of 4,000 men. The commander, Captain Moore, had instructions to find an excuse for landing his troops. This force supported an uprising led by one Estrada who afterwards in the New York Times of September 12, 1912, admitted that he had been financed by American money. Under the Taft administration the customs receipts of Nicaragua were taken over and a permanent force of marines established in the capital.)

The present President Diaz was actually elected aboard the cruiser Denver in the harbor of Corinto in October, 1926. Under the watchful eyes and in front of the bayonets of U. S. marines, a Nicaragua congress confirmed the battleship election.

Diaz then asked for American aid to put down the revolution against him. It was forthcoming immediately and generously. Accompanying his request for American aid was a parallel request for a loan of \$20,000,000 and the offer to accept Wall Street financial control.

Large forces were landed to suppress the popular revolution. After bitter fighting it was officially reported that the rebels were crushed.

Colonel Henry L. Stimson was sent to "make peace." He finally reported that agreement had been reached, that the rebels had disarmed, with the exception of "a small band of bandits under Sandino," and that Diaz would remain as president with "free elections" to be held in August, 1928. Sacasa, the popular candidate against Diaz, did not agree to these proposals but his opposition was not taken seriously by the state department.

Shortly after Stimson's report was made public, new reports of desperate fighting were cabled from Nicaragua. But the state department stuck to its "bandit" story. Then came the Ocotol massacre with its estimate of "300 bandits" killed. Since then there has been continuous fighting between the American forces and the popular army led by Sandino.

Then came the recent defeat of the American forces and the state department's "bandit" myth was exploded. There was something in the nature of a panic in the state and war departments and naval and military forces of major proportions were rushed to Nicaragua.

The strike of the longshoremen in Corinto and the ability of Sandino's forces to elude and harass the far better equipped and numerically superior American forces show that the Nicaraguan revolution is no "bandit uprising" but a revolution backed by the majority of the Nicaraguan people and having the sympathy of wide masses of the population in other Latin-American countries.

Wall Street's state department and its press has been caught in a monstrous campaign of lying which if believed by any great number of the American masses would take a terrible toll of workers' and farmers' lives in the United States and Latin-America.

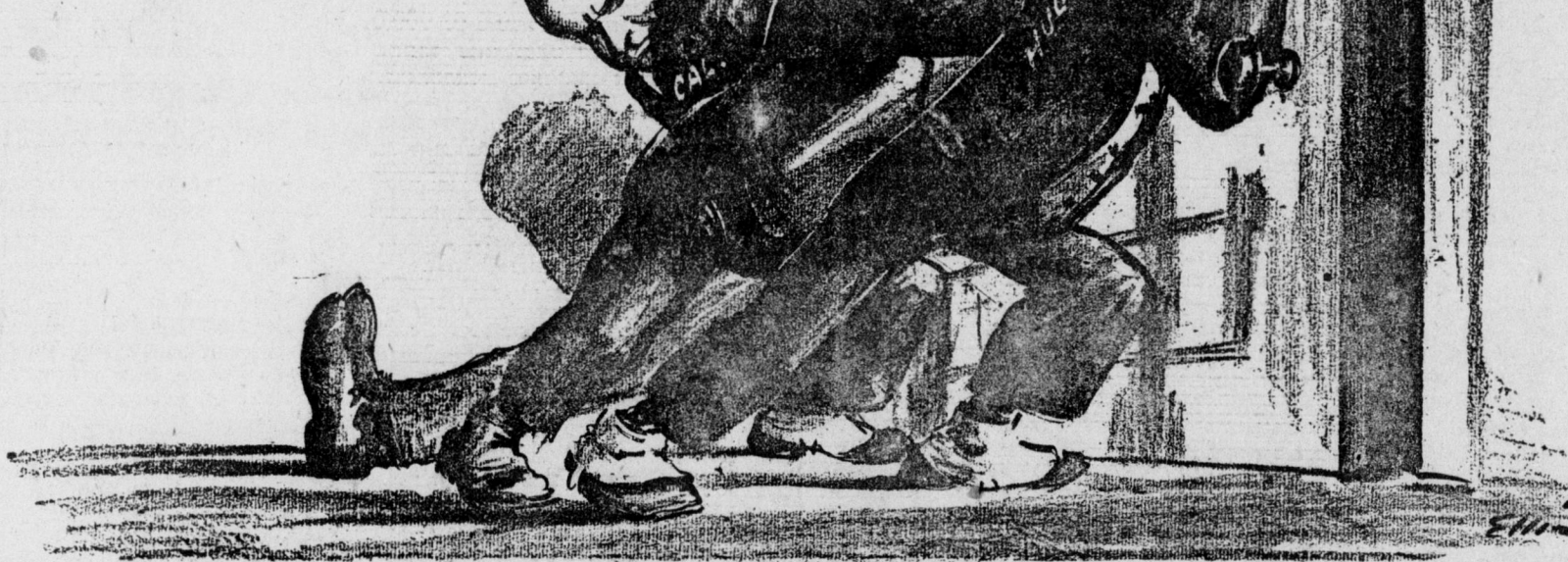
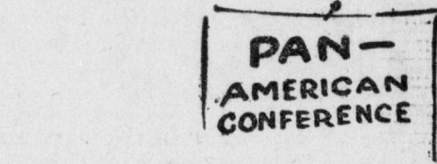
The toll is already too heavy.

The time has come to call a halt.

But Wall Street government plans to continue its bloody conspiracy against Nicaragua and the rest of Latin-America at the coming Pan-American Conference in Havana.

Dispatches from Washington state that the American delegation will deliver an ultimatum to the conference that the Nicaraguan invasion shall not be discussed. Morrow, Coolidge, Kellogg, Hughes, Fletcher and the rest of Wall Street's delegation will refuse to discuss the mass murder of Nicaraguans.

From the labor movement of the United States, from the workers' fraternal societies, cooperatives, farmers' organizations and all other sections of the population which bear the burden of the war danger with which Wall Street government confronts us,



While the murder of Nicaraguans continues under orders of Coolidge's Wall Street masters, the Pan-American Conference will meet at Havana to consolidate the Wall Street empire, and the little emperor, Coolidge, orders that all delegates are to be gagged against any talk of the Nicaraguan crime.

must come such a storm of protest that for once the conquest-mad rulers of this country will know that they dare not continue their mass murders of a people fighting for independence—mass murders so brutal and shameless that history furnishes few comparisons for them.

Demand the withdrawal of all U. S. armed forces from Nicaragua.

A united front with the peoples of Latin-America against Wall Street aggression.

Learn from the war on Nicaragua that the spokesmen of imperialism are murderous liars—at all times.

## Do Senators Represent the People of Their States?

Mr. Frank L. Smith, an Illinois politician who received his training in the notorious Kankakee political machine of Governor Len Small, appeared before a senate committee the other day and demanded that he be seated as United States senator before any committee examines into his fitness to sit in that body. He claims he ought to be seated because the people of the state of Illinois are entitled to "full, equal and continuous representation."

This again raises the question of precisely who is represented in the houses of congress and other branches of the government. In the specific case of Mr. Smith it is not hard to ascertain the fact that his pleas on behalf of the people of the state of Illinois are in reality camouflage to conceal his desire to sit in the senate as the agent of Mr. Samuel M. Insull's electric power and public utilities trust—that same Mr. Insull who made such generous contributions to various shades of capitalist politicians, any one of whom he could rely upon to serve his interests. Insull admits that he gave \$125,000 to Smith's campaign; \$15,000 to George L. Brennan, the democratic opponent of Smith; \$10,000 to Charles S. Barrett associate of States Attorney Robert E. Crowe, in the Crowe-Barrett organization; \$10,000 to Roy O. West, head of the anti-Crowe republican forces, under the leadership of Senator Charles S. Deneen; besides contributing \$32,000 for anti-world court propaganda.

Thus, it is Mr. Insull and his interests that Smith will serve if he is seated. When he pretends to be concerned about the rights of the people of the state of Illinois and contends that they now only receive half the representation to which they are entitled he really means that instead of Mr. Insull's Illinois interests being defended only by Senator Deneen, they should be defended by both Deneen and Smith. The senators do not strive to represent the people of their states, but to represent the corporate interests AGAINST the people of their states.

On a small scale the Smith episode dramatizes the whole function of the government at Washington. Certain senators represent specific capitalist interests, while collectively they represent the interests of the capitalist class as a whole. Above them stands the executive department of the government—at present Coolidge and his cabinet—as the executive committee of the national capitalist class. The structure is capped by the supreme court composed of nine corporation lawyers, appointed for life and from whose decision there is no appeal short of revolution, which is absolved from being swayed by any momentary political considerations, and who can always be relied upon to hand down decrees designed to maintain the supremacy of the ruling class against all the rest of society.

No one should labor under the illusion that the Illinois and Pennsylvania election scandals involving Frank L. Smith and William S. Vare are exceptions to the general rule or that they alone represent corporate interests opposed to the inhabitants of their states. Every other member of the senate represents equally sinister interests and is equally the enemy of the masses of workers and farmers. The difference is that Smith and Vare used methods so crude as to be easily detected, while the others were more subtle in their methods of waging political campaigns and were able to conceal the source of their funds more effectively. Then there is also the capitalist politician whose "honesty" and "incorruptibility" are his chief political assets and who pretends not to be aware of efforts of the corporate interests in his behalf. Such people are so thoroughly reactionary, so incapable of thinking in terms other than those of the dominant class that they can be relied upon always to defend the worst forms of reaction. It is this type that make the very best capitalist lackeys.

Against the agents of the capitalist combines the working class and the exploited farmers should unite in a class party and select candidates that will represent their interests. Only by eliminating the government of Wall Street and putting in its place a workers' and farmers' government can the masses establish machinery that can be used in their behalf.

## 100 N. Y. Labor Spy Agencies Organize Association Here

By ROBERT DUNN, (Federated Press).

Detective agencies in New York City are organizing a "One Big Union" of their own. Its chief purpose is to combat any legislative measure calling for regulation of dealers in labor spies. Such legislation has been partially successful in Wisconsin, under a law passed in 1925. A bill to investigate spy agencies has been introduced in Congress by Senator Wheeler. The Baumes Commission in New York City has been critical of certain agencies in their relation to crime.

But the undercover men fear more than anything legislation aimed at them by organized labor. Hence they are organizing, at least the smaller fry. A hundred such agencies were represented at a first meeting at the Bar Association Building.

Spies Incorporated.

Appointed to the committee to draw up a preliminary charter of organization and secure a certificate of incorporation were, among others, Harold Keyes, who is described as a "former secret service man;" Max Sherwood, William Garvin, a former Burns manager in New York City, and a number of ex-police captains and professional scab distributors.

Keyes was exposed by the Young Democracy, a pacifist youth organization, a few years ago. After being booted out of this group he was next heard of, in a few months, when he dropped a forged letter addressed to himself. The letter was signed by none other than Nicolai Lenin!

William Garvin, former Burns manager, received full reports on Burns spies operating in Arizona mines when they were demoralizing the Industrial Workers of the World in 1923.

A Hearst Spy.

Max Sherwood is still more notorious as a union destroyer. In one strike of pressmen in New York he passed in a bill of over \$100,000 for guards, commissary, and service in beating up strikers. The New York Journal, owned by Hearst, paid the bill. One of Sherwood's right hand men then was Jerome Baum, a close friend of Hearst, who has since gone into the brokerage business. He was recently in Mexico and has been mentioned in connection with Hearst's publication of Avila's forged documents.

Sherwood has worked on many strike breaking jobs with Nathaniel Shaw, who attempted to break the Passaic strike of 1926 for \$20,000, part advanced by the mill owners.

Val O'Farrell, well known industrial operative, of 500 Fifth Ave., New York, called the dicks' organizing meeting.

The following appeal to American workers has been written by Calogero Greco and Donato Carillo, who recently escaped the electric chair:

"Our first thought upon our release and victory at the trial is to thank the thousands of comrades and friends and express our gratitude and appreciation to those who fought for our liberation from the net of fascism and the frame-up system. "The result of our trial was a victory over fascism, not only of Italy, but of the hideous elements in this country that are growing in power with the aid of the reactionary forces of American capitalism. It was a victory of the strength of the solidarity of labor over the black forces of the frame-up system which imprisons and kills our best fighters.

To Continue Fight.

"The working class, which fought with such readiness for two anti-fascist workers, has gained in self confidence and the assurance of the power it can exert against its enemies when unity and solidarity and clear-sightedness are its weapons. It is our duty now, with this newly gained confidence, to continue further the fight which has already brought us one victory.

"We heartily support the campaign of the International Labor Defense against the frame-up system. We know the victims of this established institution of American capitalism. It brought to the death, on the scaffold of Cook County, the martyrs of Haymarket. It has kept imprisoned scores of the best representatives of the American working class. It continues to confine labor fighters like Tom Mooney and Warren K. Billings, the members of the I. W. W. of Centralia who are in Walla Walla penitentiary, Dominic Venturato, the miners of Zeigler, the workers of Woodlawn and Passaic, and numerous others in all parts of the country. It sent to the electric chair the two innocent martyrs of the working class, Sacco and Vanzetti. It tried to send us to the same terrible death. The frame-up system has become an everyday weapon in the hands of the capitalist class in its fight to enslave the workers and crush the labor movement.

"We must begin a campaign throughout the country to smash this poisonous system, to root it out, and to release its victims from their prisons. Especially must we fight energetically for the release of Tom Mooney and Warren Billings, whose cause was first in our minds when we were freed in the courtroom. Those courageous and noble fighters who have suffered the frightful torture of ten years of imprisonment solely for their loyalty to the cause of the working class have a great appeal and first claim upon the labor movement. We must fight for their active return in the same spirit and with the same energy with which the working class fought for Sacco and Vanzetti.

Appeal to Workers.

"We appeal to all class conscious workers to join the International Labor Defense and support it in its great

work in behalf of victimized and persecuted workers.

"It was gratifying to know that in this case was unity of all forces and all shades of opinions in the labor movement. We believe that such unity as was shown in our defense is exemplary and must be maintained in the movement for the release of all working class fighters who are in prison or on trial for their devotion to our cause.

"We feel a strong responsibility for the honorable discharge of all financial obligations incurred in our defense and we hope that the sympathizing workers will all assist in the collection of the funds still needed for this purpose.

Plead For Exiles.

"We appeal likewise for the victims of Italian fascism, thousands of whom are today in the clutches of the blackshirted beast, imprisoned in the foulest dungeons or exiled to a terrible existence in the islands of the sea. Thousands of the flower of the Italian proletariat have been murdered by the blood-maddened agents of Mussolini and every day scores are added to the long list of his victims. And the fight against Italian fascism must not neglect the struggle against the fascists in this country who initiated the frame-up against us. Like the fascists in Italy, they are prepared to destroy the labor movement, to crush it or drive it underground. Their violence and hatred is directed not only against the Italian workers in this country, but against the entire working class. The workers must prepare now to fight them bitterly before they are confronted with a much more powerful monster that will seek to crush and tear them to the earth.

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