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ALEX CAMPBELL, PETE REILLY, MINE LEADERS, KILLED

LINK GOVERNMENT WITH CAMPAIGN TO DESTROY "WORKER"

Marvin, Key Men of America Leader, Mails Attacks Postage Free

Labor Must Raise \$4,000 by Wednesday to Defeat Fascist Onslaught

Discovery that the United States Post Office department has condoned the abuse of franking privileges by Fred A. Marvin, organizer of the Key Men of America, and catspaw of the American capitalists in their attack on The DAILY WORKER has definitely inked the Coolidge administration with the effort to suppress the militant labor press.

No Postage Costs. The franking privileges, which permit the use of the United States mails postage free, are being used by Marvin and the officials of a number of similar fascist organizations in their campaign. The campaign of slander and misrepresentation is being carried on under cover of privileges granted to ranking army officers.

Repeated attempts to bring the flagrant violations of the postal laws to the attention of Attorney General Sargent at first failed to elicit any reply. The Attorney General later announced that he found nothing wrong with the procedure.

Previous to the disclosure of the abuse of the franking privileges it was widely known but could not be defined. (Continued on Page Two)

ANOTHER MILL GOES NON-UNION

Announcement Made After Shut Down

WARREN, R. I., Feb. 28.—After a shut down of three weeks the Parker Mill of East Warren made an announcement that they are re-opening their factory on a non-union basis. The local leaders of the United Textile Workers declared that only about 5 per cent of the normal operating force was obtained by the employers, and that these were workers imported from other cities.

The employers themselves admitted that their attempt was unsuccessful by declaring that many of their former workers would have returned but for their fear of being "intimidated" by the union. The hypocrisy of such a statement was evident, said many union men, when it is considered that all of the former workers in the mill, constituting several hundreds, gathered in a picketing demonstration when the mill gates were reopened yesterday. Plenty of state and local police were on hand to permit anyone wanting to go in to do so.

Caruso Is Sentenced To Twenty-Year Term

Francesco Caruso was sentenced by County Judge McLaughlin in Brooklyn yesterday to serve from 10 to 20 years in Sing Sing prison for the murder of Dr. Caspar Pendola in the Caruso home on Third St., Brooklyn, on February 13, 1927.

Caruso, a plasterer, stabbed the physician in the throat. His defense was that he thought Dr. Pendola was responsible for the death of his son, Joseph Caruso, whom the physician had been attending for diphtheria.

"RED REVUE" TO BE PUT ON SOON

First time in America! A program of red-hot, authentic proletarian entertainment in true modern Russian style will be presented at The DAILY WORKER "Red Revue" at the New Star Casino, 107th St. and Park Ave., on Friday evening, March 16. The show is under the direction of Pauline Rogers, who has recently returned from the Soviet Union with latest ideas from the famous workers' vaudeville troupes. These skits, set to the tune of American "proletarianized" jazz, will be presented exclusively at this DAILY WORKER benefit revue.

Walker in South



While thousands of jobless workers tramp up and down the Bowery all day long, facing bitter cold and hunger, Mayor James Walker of New York City is shown sunning himself in New Orleans. At an unemployment meeting recently Walker urged a minister to "use his influence" with "god" to pray for more snow. He said it would give the jobless men something to do. He did not offer to do anything for them himself.

WAGE CUTS NOW JUST COMPETITION

Boss Admits Old Devices Shams

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Feb. 28.—Walter H. Langshaw, president of the Dartmouth Textile Manufacturing Company, one of the few mills in this section which has not cut the wages of its employes, issued a statement yesterday to a meeting of his stockholders to the effect that wage cuts and longer hours were instituted not for the purpose of bolstering up the trade, as nearly all mills declared when announcing a wage reduction, but that wage reductions were merely "competitive devices" as he termed it. Wage reductions in New England during the past few months affected approximately 100,000 workers in the textile manufacturing industry.

WILL PROBE VET BUREAU

BOSTON, Feb. 28.—A federal grand jury investigation of the official workings of the United States Veterans' Bureau in this city will be made next week, according to Assistant U. S. Attorney John P. Spalding today. Spalding will be in charge of the probe.

Mayor's Visit to Bowery Was Tammany Hall Vaudeville

What was supposed to have been a meeting to investigate and plan relief for the unemployment situation was turned into a Tammany Hall vaudeville show and political rally when Mayor James J. Walker appeared at the Bowery Mission, Prince Street and the Bowery, Monday night. The mayor entered the mission chapel, crowded with 400 jobless and homeless, to the well-timed singing of "East Side, West Side" the Tammany anthem, lead by Rev. John R. Henry, the pastor. The mayor told the unemployed men that while he wanted to help them, the taxpayers' money must be conserved. Turn 1,000 Away. After 400 jobless men had been allowed to enter the mission, police closed the doors and turned away another 1,000, many of whom had

Traction Workers to Organize Shop Groups for Defense

DEMAND COMPANY TAKE BACK FIRED WORKERS AT ONCE

Raise Slogan "Our Own Strike!"

Traction workers on the lines of Greater New York are forming their own shop committees and other groups in defense against whatever move they may be forced to make in the next few days.

Open challenge by the Interborough Rapid Transit Company has been thrown down to them in the name of the company union which for over ten years has been enslaving them.

"You must remain in the Brotherhood, my company union," Frank Hedley, president of the company, announced to them yesterday in substance. "Even if there is to be a strike, it must be one which I control."

These were not his exact words, but his meaning could not be expressed more accurately.

"Go to the Brotherhood!" In a letter to Mayor Walker, whose part in the situation has been to prevent real action to protect the workers, Hedley invites the mayor to go to the Brotherhood. "The Brotherhood officers request that they have a meeting with you, so that their side of the matter may be presented to you. In case you care to arrange such a meeting your office will find the Brotherhood officers at their headquarters, 162nd St. and Anderson Ave. Telephone Jerome 0633, ready to call upon you at your convenience."

Earlier in the day, Patrick J. Connolly, president of the company union, had issued a statement that the company union would itself call a strike if the nineteen discharged men of the Amalgamated Traction Union would be reinstated. "This was decided," Connolly stated, "at a meeting of the Brotherhood executive committee this morning." The company union is immediately under the direction of James L. Quackenbush, attorney for the Interborough and the decision announced by the "rubber stamp" Connolly was, of course, first worked out by Quackenbush and Hedley.

Insults Workers. In view of the strike threat by the company union, the protestations by Hedley in his letter to Mayor Walker that "the last thing which this company desires is a strike," are seen to

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Nearing to Lecture For Workers' Relief Tour in Middle West

Scott Nearing, who has just returned from China and the Soviet Union after a six months' study of conditions in those countries, is to lecture for the Workers' International Relief. The organization is devoting its efforts to the relief of striking miners in Pennsylvania and Ohio.

Nearing's itinerary is: March 7, Akron, O.; March 8, Canton, O.; March 9, Youngstown, O.; April 5, New Haven, Conn.; April 6, Hartford, Conn.; April 8, Boston, Mass.; April 15, Pittsburgh; April 23, Syracuse, N. Y.; April 24, Utica, N. Y.; April 25, Schenectady; April 26, Albany; April 27, Rochester.

I. P. T. Seeks Fare Raise To Maintain These Conditions



A crowded, unheated, and unlighted subway station where going to and from their jobs, the wage earners of New York may yet be compelled to pay a seven-cent fare if the traction magnates succeed in their present campaign. Photos show scenes at subway stations with subway "patrons" getting ready for the daily scramble.

LEAGUE GIRLS ARE HELD BY OFFICERS AT FORT SLOCUM

Released After Trying to Intimidate

Five girls, members of the Young Workers (Communist) League, were arrested yesterday at Fort Slocum, in upper New York, after distributing more than a thousand letters to army recruits who are leaving tomorrow and on March 7 for service in Panama, Hawaii and other U. S. possessions. The girls were held for several hours and questioned individually and in groups at the headquarters of the commanding officer. They were finally released after the officers had attempted to intimidate them in an effort to gain desired information. The girls were told that if a soldier had distributed such a leaflet he would have received from 15 to 20 years' imprisonment.

The letters, issued by the Workers (Communist) Party and the Young Workers (Communist) League of District 2, were enthusiastically received by the soldiers who took them in large numbers as they were leaving the mess hall, and helped in passing them out.

Long after the distribution the soldiers were standing around in little groups reading the letter with great interest, and it was not until the girls were thru and all the way back to the dock that they were arrested by one of the officers.

They were then taken to a small ante-room in the headquarters of the

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INDUSTRIAL SQUAD ATTACKS PICKETS

Laundry Workers Fight for Recognition

Police are employing their usual terroristic methods in an attempt to intimidate striking laundry workers. Jean Scatele, Richard Salvatore and Alex Cardinelli, while picketing in front of a laundry owned by the Manhattan and Bronx Hand Laundrymen's Association, were approached by several plainclothes men of the Industrial Squad who first asked their names and then struck them, according to spokesmen for the workers.

The larger percentage of workers in the Oak Laundry on 54th St., the Liberty on 116th St., the Pruco on 137th St. and the Giant Laundry on 156th St. have walked out. In two of these laundries, every worker struck and in the others, practically all of the keep people, the wringers, washers, drivers and markers have joined the ranks of the strikers.

The women in these laundries earn from \$13 to \$15 a week. A large number of them are Negroes and Italians. Many are married and have several children to support as well as themselves on these meager salaries.

The strikers are demanding recognition of their union and a \$5 a week increase for all inside laundry workers.

Senate Passes Bill for Largest Army Air Force

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—A grand total of nearly \$32,000,000 will be spent on army aviation alone during the coming fiscal year, as a result of the Senate in approving the \$24,000,000 House appropriation bill, in addition to \$5,000,000 worth of new airplanes, and the adding of two funds totalling \$2,178,000.

Although both branches of congress were unanimous on the development of a strong air force, as shown by the huge jump in the appropriations, the Senate overrid itself, even adding to the already large bills approved by the House, and which contrasted with the much smaller bills of previous years.

Not worried by opposition as a result of the huge amount of popularity for a big air force built up by Lindbergh and thru the many recent flights, the Senate has not hesitated to go ahead full force building the world's biggest air force.

MINERS TO HOLD DEMONSTRATIONS

Anthracite Committee Supports Bonita

By GEORGE PAPCUN.

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Feb. 28.—The Save the Union Committee of the United Mine Workers is arranging a series of mass meetings throughout the anthracite field to demonstrate against the frame-up which the Lewis-Cappellini-Kennedy machine is at the present time organizing against Sam Bonita and his two brother trade unionists, who had and still have the courage to fight against the machine's corruption.

Meetings Are Scheduled. The first meeting will be held at Luzerne Thursday at 7 p. m., at the Italian Hall, 206 Oliver St. The second will be held at Pittston, the heart of the present struggle, March 4, at 2 p. m., at the Armory Hall.

Reinstatement Forced. Once expelled, the miners forced the machine to reinstate him in the Miners' Union. Powers Haggood also will speak. He is nationally known as a militant leader of the miners.

George Papcun, secretary of the Save the Union Committee, also will speak. With the general attack on the Miners' Union, one of the tactics the coal operators are using is to try to weaken the Miners' Union on all sides.

They are succeeding more or less as the reactionary officialdom, led by Lewis, Cappellini and Kennedy, are working hand in hand with them.

For instance, at the No. 5 and No. 7 collieries of Local Union 211 and

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Paris Commune Anniversary Meetings Are Being Planned

Announcement of the organization of a number of meetings throughout the country to commemorate the fifty-seventh anniversary of the Paris Commune, the first workers' republic that was crushed by the reaction in 1871, was made yesterday at the national office of International Labor Defense, 80 E. 11th St.

The Boston local of International Labor Defense is holding its Paris Commune meeting March 18, with Max Shachtman, editor of the Labor Defender and author of a booklet on the Commune, as the main speaker.

Gomez at Philadelphia. Philadelphia's commune meeting is being held on the same day with Manuel Gomez, secretary of the All-

2 PROGRESSIVES ARE MURDERED BY MACHINE GUNS

Reign of Terror Against Militants Increases

(Special Wire To The DAILY Worker.)

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., Feb. 28.—Alex Campbell and Pete Reilly, militant mine leaders, were killed by machine gun fire at 5:30 this afternoon as they were returning from a visit to Sam Bonita, a coal miner being held on a framed up murder charge.

Campbell and Reilly were driving from the jail and were on their way to Campbell's house when they were murdered. Campbell's head was nearly severed from his body.

The slaying of the workers follows the intensification of the reign of terror against the progressives in the United Mine Union by the Lewis-Cappellini machine.

It is that Campbell would be murdered was felt ever since the shooting of "Big Sam" Grecio on Feb. 18. "You are a marked man and will be next," Grecio warned Campbell as the former lay dying in a local hospital.

The double slaying occurred on Railroad Street. The shots were fired from an automobile which speeded past the car in which Campbell and Reilly were riding.

STUEBENVILLE, O., Feb. 28.—Tear gas bombs and blackjacks were used by federal, state and county officers against striking miners picketing the Dorothy Mine of the Y. and O. Coal Co. at Glen Robin last night.

Seven pickets were arrested today and taken to Columbus under charges of violating a federal injunction issued at the demand of the coal mine owners to prevent the functioning of the United Mine Workers in this district. More arrests are threatened by federal deputy marshals who returned to Glen Robin.

Strikers Are Slugged. Many strikers were beaten by the armed officials in the clash last night.

Two automobile loads of deputy marshals, deputy sheriffs and special armed guards arrived at the mine last night when employes of the company reported that the miners were maintaining a picket line at the Dorothy Mine. Along the picket line were about 100 women, all of them wives or relatives of the strikers.

Tear Gas Used. The guards charged with blackjacks and when the pickets did not run Sheriff W. T. Allison ordered tear gas bombs thrown among them.

MINERS ANSWER LEFT WING CALL

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 28.—In response to wide-spread demands of left wing progressive striking coal miners a national conference of all progressive elements in the United States Mine Workers of America has finally been called by the "Save-the-Union Committee" for April 1, to take place in Pittsburgh.

This conference will mark the first anniversary of the strike. The separate peace made by the Illinois miners will also expire on that date.

Slogans are Adopted.

At regional conferences recently held in Illinois, Iowa and the anthracite districts, insistent demands for such a conference were made.

"Lewis Must Go," "Spread the Strike," "Save the Union" and "Win the Strike" are the slogans which will furnish the basis for policy at the national convention.







FOREIGN NEWS --- BY CABLE AND MAIL FROM SPECIAL CORRESPONDENTS

LINDBERGH TOUR BRINGS IN CASH FOR FINANCIERS

Wall Street Starts Air Lines in Caribbean

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—As a result of Lindbergh's good-will tour of Latin-American commercial interests of seven Latin-American republics backed by American capital and technical advice, are preparing to extend a network of commercial air lines from Key West

Cuba already has begun a survey for a national air mail service extending from tip to tip of the 600-mile island, Porto Rico, Haiti and Cuba have "consented" to support an inter-island passenger and mail service over a 800-mile route. The inter-island route would connect with the all-Cuban mail route at Santiago, and the all-Cuban would converge with the Havana-Key West lines at Havana, thus bringing the two new lines into direct contact with the United States.

Panama has expressed a "sympathetic interest" in a project to connect the Caribbean island route with Panama City, which would connect North and South America by air for the first time in history. Service already exists between Panama and Colombia, and between Colombia and the principal east and west coast cities of all South America.

JAPANESE LEFTS BEAT UP POLICE

Defend Themselves as Cops Suppress Meet

TOKIO, Feb. 28.—Infuriated Japanese workers attacked police who attempted to suppress a left wing meeting today. More than a hundred workers were arrested. The riot occurred when a detachment of police suppressed several of the speakers at a proletarian meeting and attacked a large number of workers who attempted to enter the hall. The police used their clubs freely and injured a number of workers.

CHILDREN HURT IN CRASH

ROCHESTER, Indiana, Feb. 28.—Eleven children were seriously injured, some of them probably fatally, and 25 others were hurt when a fast Erie freight train demolished a school bus which was carrying about 40 children to a school at Leiters Ford near here today.

Factory Committee the Key to Russian Unions

By ROBERT DUNN. "Show me the way to the factory committee," is the request the foreign visitor makes when he enters the door or gate of a Russian factory. To study the trade union movement in the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics you begin with the factory committee. It is the basic unit in the union organization. Its chief functions are, in brief: 1. To safeguard and protect the interests of workers in the enterprise. 2. To do everything within its power—and it has broad powers guaranteed under the labor code of the land—to improve the social and material conditions of the workers. 3. To represent the workers in their bargaining relations with their employer (state or private) but also in relations with the government and various public authorities. 4. To supervise enlistment of the members in the union, to collect dues and to carry out all other duties commonly performed by primary union organs in other countries. Workers' Committees. The number of workers elected to these committees, at a general election meeting of all workers, varies from 3 to 20, according to the size of the plant. Important subcommittees through which much of the practical service is rendered are called the cultural-educational committee, the production committee, the protection of labor committee and a joint committee of management and workers known as the wage-conflict committee. Its functions are to work out wage scales, set norms of production, classify jobs, devise factory rules and take up disputes. The protection of labor committee helps in the enforcement of labor legislation, the prevention of accidents and the provision of health protection for workers. It supervises the expenditures for factory housing, landings, baths, hospitals and nurse-

Die-Hard British Government Warms Up for the Coming Imperialist War

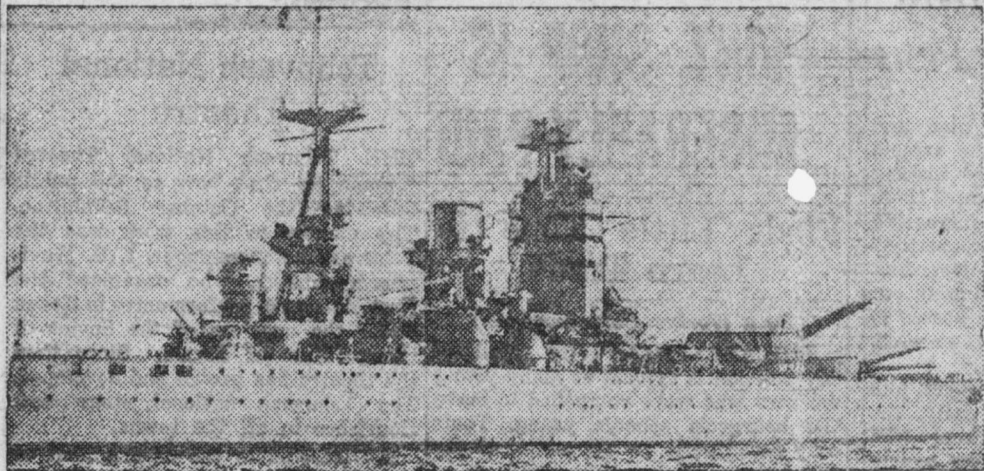
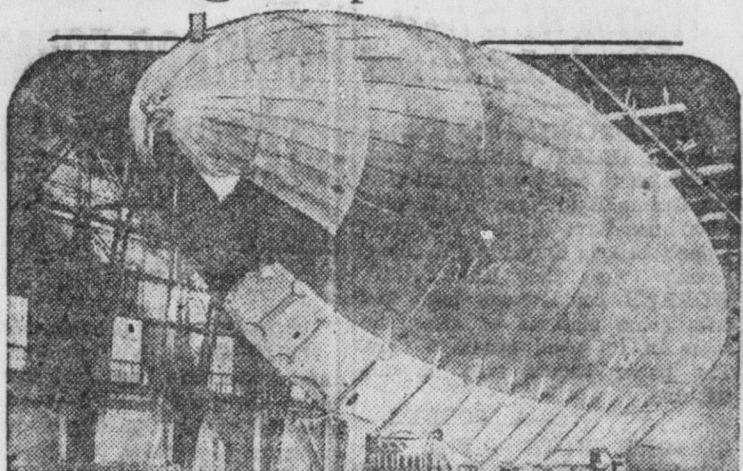


Photo on left shows view of new British battleship the Rodney, snapped as it departed from Plymouth, England, on its first trip. The huge ship represents the new type dreadnought which the tory government is building in preparation for its attack against the Soviet Union. The caricature in the center represents Austen Chamberlain, who directs foreign policies of the die-hard government. Photo on right shows new type dirigible which is being built by England's ally, fascist Italy.



MACHADO KILLS 2 COMMUNISTS

Were Jailed for Attack on Wall St.

HAVANA, (By Mail).—Two members of the Cuban Communist Party, Claudio Bouzon and Nuske Yalom, were arrested on the 14th of January for distributing a manifesto against U. S. imperialism. The following morning they were removed from the prison and nothing has been heard of them since. The party and the left wing have conducted a thorough search and they are convinced that these two workers were murdered by Machado's police.

The Central Committee of the Party has issued a manifesto to the other Communist parties of North and South America and to the militant workers of both continents urging them to protest against this new offensive of Machado against the militant workers of Cuba.

U.S. Whitewashes Movie Monopoly, Is Charge

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—The department of justice has whitewashed the movie monopoly in this country headed by Will Hays, and it is impossible to obtain any relief from the czaristic tactics of Hays and the movie magnates whose tool Hays is, it was charged yesterday in the senate by Frank Ransbush, representing the smaller movie producers. The charge was made at a hearing on the Brookhart bill which seeks to prohibit the blind booking and arbitrary foisting of copyright motion picture films on exhibitors by the movie trust of which Hays is the dictator.

To Sign Tangier Treaty

PARIS, Feb. 28.—According to reliable reports here a Franco-Spanish accord for the reorganization of the international control of Tangier will probably be signed by the end of this week.

Latin America Spurns Monroe Doctrine, Says Argentina Diplomat

GENEVA, Feb. 28.—Senor Cantillo, of Argentina, told the League of Nations Security Commission today that "the Monroe Doctrine has never been recognized by any Latin-American country."

"The Monroe Doctrine," said the Argentine delegate, "is solely a political declaration and is unilateral in character." This was the first time that the Monroe Doctrine has been brought up in the deliberations of the security commission, which is debating the best means of maintaining the integrity of boundaries. The Argentine government leans towards Great Britain rather than toward the United States.

REICHSTAG FIGHT REACHES CLIMAX

BERLIN, Feb. 28.—The struggle between president Von Hindenburg and members of the Reichstag who are opposing his legislative program approached a climax today.

Announcement was made in behalf of the president that an omnibus measure will be introduced forthwith providing for the following imperative bills:

- 1. The 1928 budget.
2. The agrarian "relief" bill.
3. War compensation measure for the liquidation of war damages.
Members of the Centrist and Bavarian peoples' party gave notice that they would oppose part of the program.

The Communists are also certain to attack the government measures. President Von Hindenburg is determined that the program be enacted before the Reichstag is dissolved. In any event a general election will be held on or about May 20.

CHINA VILLAGES SWEEP BY FLOOD

PEKING, Feb. 28.—Eighty villages were inundated and 20,000 persons were made homeless when the Yellow River overflowed and burst its banks at Litsing in the northeast section of the province of Shantung, according to a dispatch received today from the International Famine Relief Commission.

This latest catastrophe added to the horror and suffering of residents in the province. Four million Shantungese are now starving from recent droughts and famines, it is reported.

COMMUNISTS OF URUGUAY MEET

MONTEVIDEO, (By Mail).—Resolutions urging the industrial unionism, the abolition of child labor in hazardous industries and the support of the United Labor Bloc (the recently formed organization which includes almost all of the trade unions in Uruguay) were adopted at the fourth convention of the Young Communist League of Uruguay which just closed.

A campaign for the organization of unorganized workers in all of the industries was also urged. Resolutions were also passed for reorganization of the Lenin School, the intensification of the work on factory newspapers.

Big Loan to Norway

COPENHAGEN, Feb. 28.—An offer of a \$30,000,000 loan has been accepted by the Norwegian government from a syndicate comprising the Guaranty Trust, Dillon, Read & Company, of New York, and the First National Bank of Boston, and Hambros Bank, of London.

LABOR BLOC OF ARGENTINA WINS

Elects Councilor Under Communist Leadership

BUENOS AYRES, (By Mail).—The Labor Bloc of Argentina has won its first victory in the province of Santiago de Estero. For the first time a worker was elected Councilor from this province.

As the initiative of the Communist Party of Argentina a labor bloc was formed there consisting of railway workers, chauffeurs, bricklayers and other unions. This bloc asked the Socialist Party to join it, but the S. P. refused.

RESUME TALK OF FAKE PEACE PACT

PARIS, Feb. 28.—After a long lapse due to the Pan-American Conference the diplomatic conversations between the United States and France regarding the so-called "peace" pact were resumed today.

Secretary of State Kellogg's reply to the French note of Jan. 21 was received by the French foreign office this morning and was immediately considered by the cabinet.

"There is still a slight misunderstanding," Minister Briand said. The minister's statement, which was issued following the cabinet meeting, follows:

"I received Secretary Kellogg's reply this morning and read it to the members of the cabinet. Its tone is very conciliatory, but there still remains a slight misunderstanding in phraseology. The governments probably will authorize publication simultaneously in America and France tomorrow."

METAL WORKERS MEET IN MOSCOW

MOSCOW, Feb. 28.—The eighth congress of the Metal Workers' Union of the U. S. S. R. opened today at the Moscow Trade Union House. The meeting was attended by 581 delegates, representing 995,000 organized metal workers. Delegations from Czechoslovakian, Norwegian and Finnish metal workers attended the session.

Thaelmann, who greeted the congress in the name of the executive committee of the Communist International, Kubiichev, who represented the Central Committee of the All-Union Communist Party and Tomski who spoke for the central council of the U. S. S. R. Labor Unions, pointed out the importance of the metal workers in the building up of Soviet industry.

Fight to Save Borghi From Death at Hands Of Italian Fascists

To aid the fight against the deportation of Armando Borghi, the defense committee of his friends has interested Clarence Darrow. Borghi would be killed if returned to Italy, because of his anti-fascist activities. His son is held hostage and his home in Boston confiscated. Borghi's passport when he presented it for extension of time. Borghi himself and a number of prominent liberals are speaking at a meeting in the Rand School tonight for Borghi's defense.

1,500 Marines, Twelve Planes Are Maintained In Northern Nicaragua

MANAGUA, Feb. 28.—United States marines are establishing patrol posts close to the Honduran frontier to prevent the smuggling of arms into Nicaragua for the Nationalist troops under General Augustino Sandino. The entire border cannot be covered owing to the small number of marines available for the work.

Small bands of nationalists operating in the Neuva Segovia have taken a number of villages. More than 1,500 marines and 12 United States airplanes are now on duty throughout northern Nicaragua.

Italy Conciliatory In Austria Dispute

ROME, Feb. 28.—A more conciliatory tone has been adopted by Italy towards Austria, especially on the part of the fascist press, and surface indications today were that a diplomatic rupture between the two countries over the Tyrol question would be averted.

Another conference between Premier Mussolini and Signor Auriti, Italian minister to Austria, was held today.

Premier Mussolini was to have addressed the chamber this afternoon upon the Austrian situation, but he may not speak until tomorrow or Thursday.

Want Mexican Labor

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28.—A flood of protests against the Box immigration bill which seeks to quote Mexican immigration under the quota law has poured into the house and senate. Most of the objections come from ranchers in California, Wyoming and the states along the Mexican border. These have stated that the Mexicans are needed seasonally as laborers.

WILL GIVE MEET REPORT.

DETROIT, Feb. 28.—Delegates to the recent convention of the Michigan Federation of Labor will report to the members of the Air and Foundation Workers' Union, No. 692 at its next regular meeting which is to be held in the Labor Temple, Wednesday, March 7, at 8 p.m.

The proposed legislation intending to protect the caisson workers of the state will be handled thru this section of the A. F. of L.

FRENCH RAILROAD WORKERS SUPPORT LEFT WING UNION

Election Victory for Militants

PARIS, (By Mail).—The revolutionary Railwaymen's Union affiliated to the Unitary Confederation of Labor (the Red T. U. C., itself affiliated to the Red International of Labor Unions) has scored a big success. Elections have taken place on all railways for delegates who will themselves elect a "National Railway Council," which negotiates with the government on behalf of the railwaymen.

Out of 431,500 railwaymen, 352,500 voted. And nearly half of them—152,600—voted for the "Red" candidates, as against 97,000 who voted for the "Yellow" or reformist candidates. 131 Red delegates, as against 45 reformists, have been elected.

The remainder of the votes—about 109,000—were cast in the main for candidates of the Catholic Union. On the two biggest lines, the revolutionary candidates received an absolute majority of the votes cast.

These elections are a useful index to the support of French workers for the French Communist Party, whose members supply the leadership for the Unitary Confederation.

Fascist Troops Kill Natives in Cyrenaica

ROME, Feb. 28.—Several hundred Arabian tribesmen have been killed in the recent campaign of the colonial fascist troops in Cyrenaica. As a result of the campaign Italy has extended its control as far as the Libyan desert.

The tribesmen have been fighting against Italian aggression for several years.

PRAVDA PRAISES COMINTERN MEET

Points Out Importance of Decisions

(Special Cable To DAILY WORKER.) MOSCOW, Feb. 28.—The international significance of the resolutions of the plenum of the Executive Committee of the Communist International are pointed out in an editorial in the Pravda. The editorial declares that the resolutions on the French, British and Chinese questions are particularly important.

Objective conditions favor the Communist movement, the Pravda points out, and the Communist parties of all countries must proceed to completely realize the decisions of the plenum.

Blast Kills 6 Workers

BERLIN, Feb. 28.—Six miners were killed in a factory explosion near Duren, according to reports received here today.

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## WANTS SEAMEN'S INSTITUTE OPEN TO JOBLESS MEN

### Is Crimp Hang-out at Present

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
I have just stopped at the Seamen's Church Institute on 25 South Street, this city, and I am here to say that this institution is a "hell hole" for seamen. They charge you from 35 to 65 cents a night for a bed, and if you are not in by midnight, you can stay out even if you have bought a ticket.

This Seamen's Church Institute is run by a British sky pilot named Mansfield. The institute is said to get most of its money from the Standard Oil and many British shippers, so that in turn it could be used as an agency to get crews for the tankers and freighters of Standard Oil and other shipping owners. These ships are so lousy and their officers so brutal that the Seamen's Institute is the only place they can get a crew from. And even then the employment department at the Institute won't of course tell you what kind of a ship they are sending you to, but tell you that it is a swell ship, a floating paradise, by "God." But after you get on the rat-hole, its too late to do anything, for they send you aboard as the ship is about to sail.

In the I. R. T. subway strike a little while back, I applied at the employment agency, and where do you think they wanted to send me? To scab on the subway workers. No wonder the seamen say the Seamen's "Prostitute" (that's what we call it), is backed by big corporations.

You can see a poor jobless seaman beaten up nearly any day at the Seamen's Institute. But that does not stop Rev. Mansfield, the czar of the

## 3,000 Wait for Work at Ship Yard; 12 Hired

PHILADELPHIA, (By Mail).—Being a DAILY WORKER reader, I wish to call your attention to the Cramp Ship Yard where over 3,000 men have applied for work. I don't believe they hired a dozen. I only wish that THE DAILY WORKER could come here and take some pictures or else send some of its good speakers here. The paper should also be distributed.

—A WORKER.  
EDITOR'S NOTE — Free distribution of thousands of copies of the DAILY WORKER will take place in Philadelphia in the next few days.

## Railroads Try to Shift Cost of Flood Repairs

WASHINGTON, Feb. 28. — That several railroad groups will attempt to shift the cost of new spillways to be erected as a result of the recent Mississippi flood became known today when a delegation of officials of the roads operating in the flood area visited President Coolidge. The bridges and other works are estimated to cost \$70,000,000.

Instate, from leading the seamen who are staying at the Institute in the prayers on Sunday in the big chapel to thank Jesus for "all the blessings we enjoy."

There are more seamen out of jobs freezing along South and West Streets than ever before. Every day a few hundred more seamen are added to the unemployed, walking the streets near the East River and Hudson River waterfronts. What I say is this: Turn the Seamen's Institute over as a free shelter for the jobless seamen!

—B. A. WORKER.

## POLITICIANS IN CHICAGO FORM A TEACHERS' UNION

### Labor Party Vital to Defeat Machine

(By a Worker Correspondent.)  
CHICAGO, (By Mail).—A brand new union has been formed in Chicago since the election of our kind-hearted mayor, Big Bill, and in a very advantageous place, too, for someone. In the public schools.

Political Clerks.  
At the beginning of the year, the school clerks who had always been teachers of some experience, were transferred to class rooms, and a brand-new political set of clerks installed. These were girls just out of normal school. The waiting list of unassigned teachers was so long that some of them had to substitute for two years before getting a position.

These girls were told to apply for clerkships in the schools. This they hastened to do. They were also told that if they were wise they would first see the republican captain of their wards. Those who did got a slip of yellow paper, an appropriate color. The maids with the yellow papers got the positions, on condition that they join the new union.

The Thompson school board evidently believes in unions of a sort. Why shouldn't they uphold unionism when John Walker of the Illinois Federation of Labor is backing the Thompson machine?

Yes, indeed, every new clerk must join the union and pay an initiation fee of five dollars, plus two dollars a month, a total of twenty-nine dollars a year. Not one young lady demurred. Why should she complain? The republican machine must be oiled. Just what the new political company union will do remains to be seen. It seems quite certain, however, that it won't put up any fight against the republican machine, the school board or the Thompson plan of revenue for the schools, which is a bond issue that will mortgage the schools to the bankers for years to come.

In the meantime, the Chicago Federation of elementary teachers is continuing a clean fight to force an equitable valuation and assessment of Chicago property. The state tax commission has ordered the publication of a list of all properties and owners in Chicago and the amount of taxes, in plain English, and not as before in legal language that no one could understand.

Labor Party Need.  
The board of assessors is very late in making the assessments this year. In fact they were never so late before. The Teachers' Federation and the other organizations backing up the tax fight have a block in the city which they intend to show up as a test case. The assessors are doing their best to find out its location so they can "fix" it up properly for inspection. They are also requesting that all action on tax matters be deferred for four years when the next valuation will be made. They claim that it is too late this year to do anything to equalize taxes, but everything will be O. K. four years from now.

If only we had a Labor Party to take the lead in such cases!

—A TEACHER.

## Michael Gold Thanks James Cannon for Review of Play

Editor, The DAILY WORKER:

I want to thank THE DAILY WORKER for printing the fine review of my play, "Hoboken Blues," and Comrade Jim Cannon, for having written this review.

The bourgeois press has hated the New Playwrights' Theatre from the start, and their so-called critics have come to all our plays in the spirit of assassins. Just as capitalist reporters will describe a radical meeting by saying that all the speakers have long hair, are wild-eyed and foam at the mouth, just so do these critics describe our plays as childish amateur efforts. They never discuss the real merit of the plays, or the tendencies revealed in them. They try to kill us with ridicule.

Anyone who has seen some of the Broadway trash that these critics praise, and who has likewise seen one of our productions, which these critics are so scornful of, will know at once that a deep and violent prejudice is operating here—a class prejudice.

The New Playwrights' Theatre is not Communist or even a 100 per cent labor theatre, but it has been the nearest thing to it in this city so far. The reception it met is a sample of what any other attempt at a labor theatre will meet. Just as these critics used to call Jack London and John Reed and similar writers, "mere propagandists," just so have they sought to stifle and suppress our theatre with their contempt.

They have almost succeeded in this. They have managed to keep away the general public from our plays, for most people are sheep, and believe everything they read in print.

I am glad the labor press has rallied behind us. We have had critical reviews from labor papers, but all of them have taken us seriously. Our audiences have been mostly labor unions and clubs, and unless the bourgeois critics kill us off entirely this year, we ought to have something that will be closer to a real labor theatre by next year.

Comrade Cannon wrote the only in-

telligent review of my play that has yet appeared. I was grateful and delighted to see how he penetrated to the real theme of my play, which is an attempt to show in story form the transformation of the American proletarian Negro from an easy-going agricultural serf to a bewildered cog in the industrial machine.

"Hoboken Blues" was printed in the "American Caravan," an anthology of modern American writing which appeared about six months ago. The sociology behind the play was clearly indicated in the stage directions there. Comrade Cannon has not read the printed version, I understand, but with Marxian insight he found his way to the real theme. Bourgeois critics don't know how to make these interpretations—they are trained only in surfaces and in cheap wisecracking.

Another thing I feel grateful for is that a responsible Party leader should have taken time from his busy whirl of duties to review seriously a play. This is the kind of thing that makes one want to go on writing. There is too much of a tendency in our movement to treat literature and writers as a kind of childishness. In Soviet Russia, in Germany and Europe generally the responsible Party leaders do not take literature so lightly. I am glad to see there is a change going on here, too.

Again I wish to thank THE DAILY WORKER and other friends for understanding what I tried to do in my play. It is almost a hopeless battle writing labor plays in America. No Broadway theatre will put them on, and all those who hope for an American labor theatre must be alert and rally to the support of any attempts that spring up in this direction.

And they must not expect too many great things at first, but must give such a venture time to mature, to find itself. All of us who work in any field of the labor movement in this country are engaged in a pioneer task where a hundred failures may be

expected in ratio to one success. We must have patience with ourselves, and faith in the future. Only one thing is certain—that whatever happens to us today, follies, mistakes and failures, our feet are set surely on the path of the future.

Frater-ally yours,  
MICHAEL GOLD.

## Workers, Fight Boss Brutality With Your Pens

More than 4,000,000 men and women are tramping the streets of every American city looking for a job. The sufferings of these unemployed workers is increasing with every day of "prosperity." Cold and hungry, with dependent families, the unemployed slink out of the offices where the bosses in their power have just sneered, "No, we don't need you!"

As new scores of workers join the unemployed ranks daily, the conditions of the workers who happen to have jobs grow hourly more insecure. The bosses use the jobless as a threat to the employed workers. Wages will be cut, hours lengthened inhumanly, shop conditions disregarded, and every effort made by the bosses to hire the starving unemployed as scabs to smash the organizations of labor.

In these conditions the voice of the workers must be heard in militant protest. Worker Correspondents in all parts of the country must take up their pens to describe and protest against the sufferings of all sections of labor. Every day brings some outrage of the bosses that demands exposure to all workers. The best way they can keep track of the attacks of the bosses is thru the letters you send THE DAILY WORKER. A letter a week from every Correspondent is our slogan. Send your name so we can keep in touch with you. We will protect it in every possible way.

## WORKER HURT IN COLLISION

UNION CITY, Feb. 28.—Raymond Gallatin, 33, of West Orange, was severely injured when an auto collided with a truck of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company which he was driving yesterday. The worker is suffering from concussion of the brain and a possible fractured skull.

## BRAKEMAN INJURED IN FALL

JERSEY CITY, Feb. 28.—Samuel Fisher, 31 a brakeman of New York City, received serious injuries of the spine when he fell from the top of a freight car in the Pennsylvania R. R. yards here yesterday.

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"Whispering Friends" is the title of the new George M. Cohan play. The opus which was formerly called "The Mischief Makers," is now in rehearsal.

## APPRENTICE IN PRINT SHOP IS MISERABLY PAID

### Finds Little Time to Learn Trade

(By a Worker Correspondent.)  
PHILADELPHIA, (By Mail).—My position is typical of many young workers who were compelled to leave the bourgeois schools young. Their only recourse is to apprentice themselves to a trade or business or to such general work as running errands, etc. When you apply for work as a shipping or receiving clerk, employers invariably demand experience notwithstanding the low wages these workers receive and the obvious simplicity of their duties.

I am now employed in a large union printing shop outfitted with several linotype machines, two large composing rooms, a newspaper press, and several cylinder and job presses. These presses are kept running for long hours turning out a tremendous amount of work. The rent is comparatively low. Without any doubt, the profits are tremendous.

My employer's contention in paying my miserable wage of \$12 per week is that I am afforded an opportunity to learn the trade. I have since discovered that this opportunity is mythical, for I am kept working at high speed delivering finished jobs.

But, while the low wage is the errand boy's grievance against his employer, he has still another grievance peculiar to errand boys, and that is against some of his fellow workers. He is the means whereby a certain backward type of worker satisfies his stupid desire to display authority. He is carefully watched not only by the foreman, but by these workers to see that he is constantly busy. Suspicion is attached to every move he makes. He is given many duties never meant for errand boys and the manner in which orders are given him is often brutal. To protest would be foolish, for the errand boy is always wrong and the foreman knows that young workers who can do his work are the cheapest and the least difficult commodity to procure in the labor market.

—E. N., Apprentice.

## DRAMA

### Tchuvash National Theatre



The noted comedienne is paying a visit to the East Side, appearing at the Jefferson Theatre first part of this week.

THE Tchuvash National Theatre made its first bow to the public following the October Revolution. The pioneer in this work was the Tchuvash actor-manager, I. S. Maximov-Koshirsky, who organized the first dramatic performances in Kazan under the auspices of the Soviet of the province of Kazan. Since then the theatre has grown and developed. The Tchuvash national stage now flourishes in all the towns.

An impetus to the development of the national art was given by the formation of the autonomous government of the region. The centre of culture and art was then established at Tcheboksaki, the Tchuvash capital. A national theatre, a musical school and a central museum were formed—all within a few months.

During the famine period of 1921 the theatre had hard sledding, but it soon recovered and today it occupies a prominent place among the theatre of the U. S. S. R., having developed a fine group of players and making the theatre popular among the masses.

The music school too has made splendid progress. Quite a number of comrades have been trained and a wealth of folk-music uncovered and collected.

During the last two years, due to the efforts of the artist emeritus Maximov-Koshkin, four films were produced, dealing with Tchuvash history and national life and struggles of the past. These have since been exhibited both in the Tchuvash region and in other parts of the Soviet Union.

Beatrice Elliott, soprano, will give a recital at Engineering Auditorium Thursday night, February 9.

## Screen Notes

Frederick and Fanny Hatton have written a special story for Reginald Denney's use are "If I Were Rich," "Disturber." Two other stories for Denney's use are "Is L. Were Rich," by Max Marcin, and Gladys Lehman's latest script, "Out All Night."

Paul Leni has completed his special production of Victor Hugo's classic, "The Man Who Laughs." The film will shortly have its first public showing in New York.

"Czar Iva nthe Terrible," a Soviet production, is to be seen at the Cameo Theatre following the engagement of the British production, "The Battles of the Coronel and Falkland Islands."

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3210 (Mignon-Overture (Thomas), Part 1 and 2.  
12 in. 1.25 (Grand Symphony Orchestra.  
Mignon is a delightfully tuneful opera. The overture as an independent concert selection has always been very popular as it abounds in the delicacy and grace for which Thomas the composer was famous.

3211 (Raymond-Overture (Thomas), Part 1 and 2.  
12 in. 1.25 (Grand Symphony Orchestra.  
The electrical Raymond Overture has all the reality of a concert performance.

3212 (Trio No. 1 in D Minor (Mendelssohn), Andante con moto tranquillo. Edith Lorand Trio.  
12 in. 1.25 (Edith Lorand Trio.

5123 (The Battle Symphony or Wellington's Victory at Vittoria (L. van Beethoven) Part 1 and 2.  
12 in. 1.50 (Played by Dr. Weissman and the Orchestra of the State Opera House, Berlin.

5129 (Er der Herrliche von allen (Schumann)  
12 in. 1.50 (Emmy Bettendorf, Soprano with piano.  
Du Ring an meinem Finger (Schumann)  
(Emmy Bettendorf, Soprano with piano.

5130 (Die Meistersinger von Nuernberg (Prize Song "Morgenlich leuchtet), Rich. Wagner.  
12 in. 1.50 (Carl Martin Oehman, Tenor with Orchestra.  
Die Meistersinger von Nuernberg (Am stillen Herd zur Winterzeit)  
(Carl Martin Oehman, Tenor with Orchestra.

5131 (Don Juan-Overture (Mozart), Part 1 and 2.  
12 in. 1.50 (Dr. Weissman & the Orch. of the State Opera House, Berlin.

5127 (Aida (Verdi), 2nd Act, 2nd Scene: "Gloria all' Egitto, ad libito," Part 1 and 2. Berlin State Opera House Chorus and Orchestra, conducted by Eduard Morike, Emmy Bettendorf, leading first soprano.

5128 (Cavalleria Rusticana (Mascagni), "Regina coeli, Inscena" (Easter Hymn), Part 1 and 2. Emmy Bettendorf, Soprano with Berlin State Opera Chorus and Orchestra, conducted by Eduard Morike.

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# Alex Fried, McGrady Lieutenant, and Five Thugs Indicted by Grand Jury

## A. F. OF L. AID SHOWN TO HAVE CRIME RECORD

### Furriers to Hold Mass Meeting Today

(Continued from page two)  
record for jewel burglary. Due to this record, Fried, alias Ried, (according to the police), was refused even the high bail granted the other five thugs, Harry Platt, Moe Passman, H. Riess, I. Moskowitz, J. Schaeffer.

### Open Forum.

An open forum called by the right wing "Joint Council," and held yesterday afternoon in the headquarters of the A. F. of L. company union, nearly ended in a general free-for-all fight, as a result of the "democratic" procedure of the clique in control. Charles Stetsky, who is leading a fight against some of the other right wing members of the Joint Council, declared himself as chairman of the forum. He also insisted that the discussion confine itself to "overtime," and "insurance fund." The protest that followed was due to the declaration that discussion on both topics was useless as long as there is no union. Several attempts were made to shut off the discussion which always ranged about the question of one union, and was even participated in by some of the right wing functionaries. These right wingers declared they were weary of the chaotic non-union conditions in the industry and demanded an end to the fight.

### Call Mass Meeting.

A mass meeting to which all workers who were forced to register in the fur bosses company union have been called is to be held this afternoon at 1 p. m. in Webster Hall, 119 E. 11th St. The meeting is to be held under the auspices of a Committee of Registered Workers, according to the signatures on circulars advertising the meeting for several days. It is expected that the meeting will be well attended.

### Gold Released.

Sam Gold, member of the Joint Board Furriers' Union, was released yesterday morning after having served more than five months of his six-months prison term in the New York State Penitentiary on framed-up assault charges.

He was met at the New York end of the Queensboro Bridge by a committee of Joint Board members of the union and his wife and child. They immediately went to the office of the Joint Board where other workers greeted him. Gold stated that the term he served will in no way deter him from continuing his activities in the fight against the employers and the right wing who are trying to destroy the union. The only thing that marred this occasion, Gold said, is the knowledge that Sam Kurland, another fur worker, is still in prison under a vicious sentence of five years in Sing Sing.

### Workers School Concert

To celebrate the organization of the Workers' School Club, a concert and celebration have been arranged for Sunday at 8:30 p. m., at the Davenport Theatre, Lexington Ave. and 27th St. The program will include: B. Evan and group in interpretive and character dances; M. Sasanoff, tenor, formerly of the Metropolitan Opera Company and the Odessa Opera House, in vocal solos; R. Davidson, soloist with the New York and Philadelphia Symphony Orchestras, in piano solos.

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## Labor and Fraternal Organizations

**Coney Island Concert.**  
The Coney Island Section, Freiheit Singing Society, will hold a concert and dance Saturday, March 3, at Puthian Hall, 2864 W. 21st St., Coney Island.

**Fundamentals Class in Spanish.**  
The Workers' School is starting a class in "Fundamentals of Communism" to be conducted in the Spanish language. The course will start March 6 and will continue every Tuesday for 12 weeks. The class will be conducted by Alberto Moreau at 143 E. 103rd St.

**Workers' School Classes.**  
The following courses are beginning at the Workers' School, 108 E. 14th St. this week:  
Fundamentals of Communism, tonight at 7 p. m., Eve Dorf, instructor.  
Advanced English A, tonight at 7 p. m., Vera Green, instructor (Wednesdays and Fridays).  
Communist Party Organization, Wednesday at 8:30 p. m., Bert Miller, instructor.  
Elementary English A, Thursday at 8:30 p. m. (Tuesdays and Thursdays).

**I. L. D. Bazaar.**  
The annual bazaar of the International Labor Defense will be held for five days beginning March 7, at New Star Casino, Park Ave. and 107th St. All articles and contributions should be sent to 799 Broadway, Room 422.

**Workers' School Club Concert.**  
The Workers' School Club has arranged a recital for next Sunday at 8:30 p. m. at the Davenport Theatre, Lexington Ave. and 27th St. The program will include: Evan and group in vocal solos; M. Sasanoff, formerly of the Metropolitan Opera Company and a piano recital by R. Davidson, formerly of the New York and Philadelphia Symphony Orchestras.

**Boro Hall Concert.**  
The Workers' Club of Boro Hall will hold a concert and package party at 1373 43rd St., Saturday, March 13.

**Hike on Sunday.**  
The Junior Section of the Friends of Nature will hike this Sunday together with the Senior Section of the Nature Friends to Franklin Lake. A. Loy will lead.

**Rebel Poets Night.**  
The Poets' Forum will conduct a Rebel Poets Night at the Labor Temple, Second Ave. and 14th St., Tuesday, March 13, at 8:15 p. m.

**Proletos Membership Meeting.**  
A membership meeting of the Proletos will be held at 8 o'clock tonight at Irving Plaza and 15th St. (third floor).

**Brooklyn Lecture Friday.**  
E. Wattenberg will lecture on "Labor and the Law" at the Young Workers' Social Club, 123 Riverdale Ave., near Amboy St., Brooklyn, Friday at 8 p. m.

**Gomez Lectures Tonight.**  
Manuel Gomez will lecture on "The War Against Nicaragua" tonight at 8 o'clock at the Cooperative House, 2700 Bronx Park East.

**Miners' Tag Day.**  
Tag Day for miners' relief will be held in Harlem on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Volunteers should report at 143 E. 103rd St., Room 1.

**Classes in Naturalization.**  
The New York Council for the Protection of Foreign Workers will conduct classes in American government and naturalization at any trade union, workers' club or cooperative at 143 E. 103rd St., Room 1.

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The speakers will be Rose Wortis of the Cloak and Dressmakers Union; Ellen Dawson, Passaic Textile Workers' Union; Marion L. Emerson, International Workers Aid; Ray Ragozin, Women's Conference for Miners' Relief; Rose Nevin, United Council of Working Class Women; Robert Minor, editor of THE DAILY WORKER and Regina Medim. Juliet Stuart Poyntz will preside.

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**Brownsville Miners' Relief Drive.**  
The Brownsville Miners' Relief Committee will hold special collection days on Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Clubs and individuals are asked to register immediately at 1844 Pitkin Ave.

**Theatre Party for Unemployed.**  
The Workers' International Relief will have a benefit performance of "Hoboken Blues" by Michael Gold at the New Playwrights' Theatre, 40 Commerce St. on March 15, to raise funds for the unemployed workers of New York.

**Bronx Affair Saturday.**  
The Cooperative Branch of the Workers' School will hold an affair Saturday evening at 2700 Bronx Park East.

**Ruthenberg Memorial Meeting.**  
A Ruthenberg memorial meeting will be held tomorrow at 8 p. m. at the Finnish Progressive Club, 15 W. 126th St. Ray Ragozin will speak.

**Lecture on Russian Opposition.**  
A. Markoff will speak on "The Opposition in the Communist Union" at the Women's Council, 1940 Benson Ave., Brooklyn, Thursday at 8:30 p. m.

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### NEW YORK-NEW JERSEY

**Secretaries Attention!**  
All announcements for this column must reach THE DAILY WORKER office before 6 p. m. on the day before publication.

**Subsection 3-E Meeting.**  
Subsection 3-E will meet tonight at 6:15 p. m. at 101 W. 7th St.

**Paris Commune Celebration.**  
Sections 2 and 3 will celebrate the Paris Commune at an entertainment and dance, Saturday evening, March 17, at New Harlem Casino, 116 St. and Lenox Ave.

**Spanish Fraction Meeting.**  
The Spanish fraction of the Party will meet tonight at 8:30 p. m. at 143 E. 103rd St.

**I-D International Branch.**  
International Branch of Subsection 1-D will meet tonight at 60 St. Marks Place at 7:30 p. m.

**Section 7.**  
There will be a meeting of Section 7 tonight at 8 p. m. at 1940 Benson Ave. A representative of the district executive committee will report on the recent plenum of the Party.

**Jersey City Y. W. L.**  
The aims and purposes of the National Training School will be discussed at a meeting of the Jersey City Y. W. L. Friday at 8 p. m. at 169 Mercer St.

**3-D-1-P.**  
A meeting of 3-D-1-P will be held at 6:30 o'clock tonight at 101 W. 27th St.

**Volunteers Wanted!**  
All unemployed workers are urged to devote several hours a week to the unemployment campaign of the Party. Report to 108 E. 14th St.

**Freiheit Anniversary Celebration.**  
The Freiheit sixth anniversary will be celebrated in Madison Square Garden on March 25 at 2 p. m.

**Section 2 Conference.**  
A conference of all functionaries of Section 2 will be held Thursday at 101 W. 27th St. at 6 p. m.

**Downtown Open Forum.**  
Bert Miller will speak on the 1928 elections at the Section 1 Open Forum, 60 St. Marks Place, Sunday at 2:30 p. m.

**Negro Conference Thursday.**  
All Party units must be represented at the conference on Negro work to be held Thursday at 8 p. m. at 108 E. 14th St.

**Unit A, Section 4.**  
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## WEEK-END DRIVE FOR MINERS HERE

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Activities for the relief of the striking miners and their families will be greatly intensified during the next few days. All workers and sympathizers are preparing to participate in a special collection drive Friday, Saturday and Sunday. According to Fannie Rudd, secretary of the Pennsylvania-Ohio-Colorado Miners' Relief Committee, which is sponsoring this drive, the quota set for New York is \$25,000. Every section of the city will have its own quota set.

**Centers Are Organized.**  
Drive centers have been established throughout the city. From each of these stations volunteers will work under the supervision of a station-captain. All sympathizers with the cause of the striking and locked-out miners have been urged to volunteer their services during these three drive days.

The results of the recent city-wide conference on Miners' Relief can be seen both in increased individual contributions and in the relief activities of organizations, according to Miss Rudd.

**Contributions Increase.**  
Among the individual contributors who have shown increased activity in the collection of funds are M. Kornoff, 161 W. 103rd St., M. Pinerichsky, 2700 Bronx Park East; George Compaine, 1119 Sumner Ave., Brooklyn; Michael Yavorowsky, 229 Lynch St., Brooklyn; J. A. Drangel, 193 Grand St., Brooklyn; and Anna Thompson of 43 E. 125th St.

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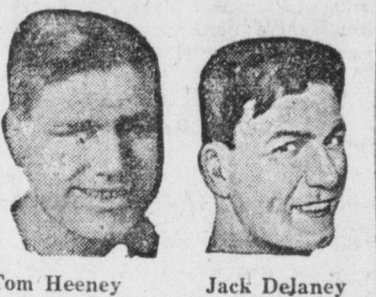
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## SPORTS IN BRIEF

### BOXING NOTES

Boxing fans are all keyed up in expectation for the 15 round bout between Tom Heeney and Jack Delaney at Madison Square Garden tomorrow night. The announcement yesterday that Delaney weighs only 175 1/2



ponents has resulted in many of his supporters beginning to worry as to the outcome of the match. Heeney will enter the ring weighing at least 200 pounds. At the present he tips the scale at 197 pounds and will undoubtedly put on the extra poundage after he officially weighs in tomorrow afternoon.

The difference in weight between the two men makes it appear that Delaney will have to try for a knockout in the early part of the fight. The possibility of Delaney winning on points does not seem logical.

Tony Canzoneri, featherweight champion, has signed up to defend his crown against Andre Routis, former

### BOXING CALENDAR

French champion in a 15 round bout at the Garden on March 23.

Originally Jimmy McLarnin, newest ring favorite was to clash with Billy Wallace on that date, but Wallace was not ready to go through with the match.

### Boxing Calendar

**Tonight.**  
212 A. A. Armory.—Joe Curry vs. Charley Nelson, six rounds.

**Tomorrow.**  
Madison Square Garden.—Tom Heeney vs. Jack Delaney, 15 rounds.  
Twenty-seventh Division Train Armory.—Benny Hall vs. Jimmy Doyle, six rounds.

**Saturday.**  
Olympia, A. C.—Lou Moscovitz vs. Pete Zivic, 10 rounds.  
Tommy Milton vs. Benny Hall, 10 rounds.  
Ninth Coast Armory.—Patsy Barbera vs. Al Irving, 10 rounds.

**LABOR SPORTS EXHIBITION.**  
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## New Danger for Miners

Let no one imagine that a committee of United States senators, a part of the state machinery of the capitalist class, are pretending to conduct an investigation of the situation of the miners and their families in the Pittsburgh region, because they are in sympathy with labor. They are there as representatives of their class because, until now, all other methods have failed to drive the workers back to the mines under scab conditions.

The determined fight of the rank and file of the miners against the vile efforts of the employers and the Lewis machine, and the growing support of the miners' struggle on the part of advanced elements of the American labor movement, has been and is effective. Throughout the miners' union there is developing a powerful "save the union" movement, that has as its central slogan the elimination of the bureaucracy: "Lewis Must Go!" In many parts of the country the miners are preparing for April 1st, when there will be strikes against mines that have been operating during the period of the struggle in Western Pennsylvania and Ohio. The rank and file is becoming aroused to the menace that threatens the very existence of their organization. They know the treacherous Lewis policy is to aid the employers' crush—district by district—every vestige of militancy in their ranks, and they are preparing to fight. The employers also know that the strike will be extended to other fields, and the politicians at Washington also know it. Hence they are anxious to pacify the Pittsburgh region by some sort of swindle in the form of conciliation or arbitration, with the senators or other politicians acting as representatives of that metaphysical entity known as "the public." They hope to break the resistance of the Pennsylvania and Ohio miners before the other districts take up the fight. They fear the rise of militant, effective unionism.

The utter dishonesty and class prejudice of the senate committee is evidenced by the fact that, although in the region a week, faced with overwhelming evidence proving a reign of terror by state police and coal and iron thugs and gunmen, with destitution and poverty taking its toll of human life, they have made no attempt to place the responsibility precisely where it belongs—at the door of the scab-herding, strikebreaking corporations controlled by the real boss of the Coolidge administration at Washington, Andrew W. Mellon, and his man Friday, Governor Fischer of Pennsylvania, himself a scab mine owner.

A glance at the personnel of the senate committee indicates its qualification for its job. It is eminently fitted to play the role of "arbitrator" or recommend arbitration in order to deceive the strikers into submission to the employers. Burton K. Wheeler, vice presidential candidate of the La Follette third party ticket in 1924, and one of Bill Green's "friends of labor," who now defends the Mellon-Coolidge Wall Street coalition of republicans and democrats in the senate, is the "radical" of the committee. The chairman is Senator Frank R. Gooding, republican, of Idaho, millionaire land holder and sheep magnate; Senator William B. Pine, republican, of Oklahoma, a banker, millionaire oil operator and exploiter of non-union labor. The fourth member is the New York Tammanyite, Robert F. Wagner, a Wall Street lackey.

The only effective answer of the miners to this new attempt to destroy their organization is to continue the fight and never accept any compromise proposition. The employers are weakening, otherwise the United States senate committee would not be there. Their presence in the coal region is a new danger, but at the same time it is a tribute to the vitality of the miners and to the left wing of the whole labor movement that is making possible the continuation of the militant struggle.

## Capitalism Makes Idle Hands

"The march of the machine makes idle hands," says the New York Times. But it is not the machine itself; it is the machine under the capitalist system. The machine, the result of invention, which is essentially a social phenomenon, under a system of production organized for use and not for profit, would not impose idleness upon whole sections of the working class, thereby depriving them of a means of existence, but would shorten the hours of labor for all workers.

Today we have widespread unemployment and misery of the working class at a time when the mechanical forces of this country have reached a stage of productivity never before attained in the history of the world. Increased productivity hastens unemployment, which in turn decreases the demand of the home market. The foreign market is bitterly fought for by rival imperialisms that are also increasing their productive forces. In an effort to postpone and in the hope of eventually overcoming crises, the home market is feverishly inflated by installment-selling—mortgages upon future wages of the working class. Unemployment makes impossible the meeting of deferred payments thereby deepening the crisis. The result is that that which was devised to overcome crises only intensifies them.

Then the sharp struggle for profits causes "rationalization," which more highly develops mass machine production, speeding up the workers still remaining in industry, thereby rendering other masses of workers jobless.

Thus every attempt to solve the problem of crises, and widespread unemployment within the confines of the capitalist system, only turns into its opposite, intensifies the situation and brings out in bold relief the irreconcilable contradictions of the system itself.

Only the working class, by destroying the political power of the capitalist class, and proceeding to organize society upon the socialist base, can solve the problem of unemployment, and make the machine the servant instead of the master of man.

## AS WOLF TO WOLF

By Fred Ellis

# BOOKS

The Labor Defender has appropriated capitalist technique for the purpose of showing capitalist terrorism against the working class. Using numerous photographs, excellently reproduced, the current issue of the magazine presents a vivid picture of the class war on an international scale.

Short pithy articles and action photographs tell the story of the class war in terms which should be clear to the least class conscious reader. Two of the photographs in the current issue show the bodies of Nicaraguan workers mangled by American bombs at Ocotol. They tell one part of the story of Wall Street policy in Nicaragua in a way that goes beyond the reach of words.

T. J. O'Flaherty's first hand investigation of police terror in the coal fields of Pennsylvania is another proof that American capitalism is hardly more gentle in treating its rebellious workers at home than in its colonies.

"Roaming bands of human vermin," he says "combed from the alleys of slumdom are shooting up school houses and barracks under the orders of the coal operators and with the connivance of the coal operators' governor in the executive mansion at Harrisburg. The union miners are always guilty until they are proven innocent, in the eyes of the state governor and the injunction judiciary."

The international capitalist war against labor is described in "Strangling Labor in Greece," by A. Zevgas, "Augusto Sandino Answers a Wall Street Puppet" by General Rafael de Nogales, and an appeal for aid for the victims of the Chinese white terror by Sen. Katayama. —H. F.



"Rotten conditions, ain't they, Senator?"  
"Ah! The better for our political purposes, my dear."

# Role of the Woman Worker in History

By OLGA GOLD.

The conception that women are inferior to men, naturally weaker physically and mentally, is one of the prize illusions with which the master class of the world have drugged the workers, and which they have used as a tool for oppression.

Consciously or unconsciously, willingly or unwillingly, woman herself has swallowed this "theory."

For ages women bore the burden of double exploitation. The best refutation of this "theory" lies in history itself.

In the barbaric stone age (primitive Communism) when exploiters and exploited were not yet known, when people lived in communal-groups, the women of that stage of development were on an equal plane with the men, they had the same duties, and responsibilities as the men. Let it be noted that, according to the investigations of anthropologists, at the lowest stage of the development of humanity, women did not differ much from men even physically in appearance, form and strength.

### Early History.

There were certain periods, when women were recognized as superior in intelligence. As a matter of fact she was the first to develop intellectually. This intellectual superiority caused her to take the lead in the primitive religions of Egypt, Asia and Greece as exemplified by the fact that the first inventions of the arts and trades were attributed to goddesses and not to gods.

The sub-division of labor in latter history led to a sharper demarcation of classes and resulted in greater and more intense exploitation, the increased merciless oppression of one class by another, and unlimited misery and sufferings for the working class as a whole. The most unbearable part of the exploitation rested upon the shoulders of the working class women.

The domestic duties were the outcome of more or less fixed settlement in communities. The functioning of the kitchen and making ends meet marked her most essential functions.

When money value determines the value of respect and consideration of one human being for another, woman's toil, which does not produce commodities for further profits, becomes practical slavery. Altho the functioning of the kitchen formerly before the simplification of the technique of production was a fundamental necessity the women became dependent, oppressed and helpless. Special laws were made for women, special literature was written with the intention to seek in various ways to ignore women more and more. All form or excuse of education was denied to women. The richer strata of the exploiting class bought and sold hundreds of women and they were faced not only with impossible exploitation but also were compelled to serve as a reserve for constant change for satisfaction of sexual life.

### Women In Industry.

The bosses, always vicious and interested in more profits, hunted for cheaper labor, and thus forced women's and children's entry into industry. In England, the first country to develop industrially the parasite classes, in the many cases where parents would not permit six and seven-year-old children to go to factory-prisons where they would become stunted and crippled before maturity, these bosses who always have the

state apparatus on their side, secured children from the orphan asylums.

The great majority of the working people did not understand nor challenge women and child labor as a natural development of capitalist society, but believed it to be an epidemic which would soon pass away.

With the evolution of machinery and the simplification of the technique of production a new era was born. The value of the skilled worker (the hand-tool worker) decreased to a very low degree. Squadrons of men are discharged daily, and replaced by women and children. The low wages of the men forces the women into industry.

The exploiter delights in exploiting the weakness of women; not only her wages are less, but she does not become aware so rapidly of the actual conditions prevailing, which fact may interfere with his tyrannical method of exploitation.

The question arises whether the working woman is lost or useless to

the labor movement. Not at all. When she becomes awakened, she is the most determined, inspired, and courageous of fighters. There are a few citations of women's participation in labor struggles.

### Participate in Struggle.

In the 18th century, a working women's movement arose during the period of the French Revolution. Women played an outstanding role, fought on the barricades under the leadership of Rose Lakomb, Endien, Chabrie, Reni, Odei. A march on Versailles was made. Several important organizations of women were created, as the Club of Women Revolutionists. During the American Revolution, when America fought for independence from British oppression, women were active participants. Mercy Wepser symbolized the spirit of these women who made striking liberal demands, demands more radical than those of George Washington.

In European revolutionary strug-

gles, women have written glorious pages of heroism. Splendid figures are those of Vera Zasulich, Vera Figner and Rosa Luxembour, who was murdered by the bloody agents of imperialism while raising her voice of protest and challenging the working class to unite their forces against imperialist war. Clara Zetkin too, whose name is dear and beloved to the class conscious proletariat the world over, is a grand old daughter of revolution, and an internationally known leader of the working class. As far back as 1910, convinced of the vital necessity for the organization of women, she directed the formation of the Socialist Women's Conference which was held in March of that year. The main slogans of this conference were: "Organization of the working class as a whole," "Fight against preparation for capitalist war," "Equal pay for equal work," "No sex discrimination." Again, in March 1915, in Berne, Switzerland, she led the sec-

ond International Working Women's Conference. This conference held during the war under the most difficult conditions and due to its illegality participated in by the representatives of only eight nations, was relatively small but of the utmost historical significance. It adopted resolutions against the needless, terrible destruction of the working class in the imperialist war. It issued a call for working women to unite and express their solidarity with revolutionary workers the world over.

Even in America, where the working class is the least class-conscious, the most extremely backward, the working women can show untold examples of self-sacrifice and unyielding militancy. The courageous front of the women in the miners' strike, in Pennsylvania and Colorado, of which "Flaming Milka" Sablich is a significant symbol. The left wing of the labor movement shows innumerable examples of struggles in which women have given of themselves without stint, many of them at an early age sacrificing home, parental approval, security and comfort for their ideals and ideas. All this signifies that in the struggles ahead, working women will be a decisive factor of immeasurable significance.

### Solidarity Necessary.

The capitalists are fully aware of the effective weapon women can become in the struggles of labor. The bosses systematically mobilize all their forces to win over working women. The National Women's Party, the direct agency of the capitalist class, is intensifying its campaign against the special legislation against night work and for the 48-hour week for women. These women steeped in luxury base their arguments against this protective legislation on the slogan of equality. Our challenge to these wives and other mistresses of the parasite bosses is that night work for women means greater unemployment, more wage cuts, sharper misery for the working class, that women shall and must have sufficient care and protection, especially the protection of motherhood. Unless the workers can have the protection of a party of their own, they will meet with more intensive and greater evils of exploitation and oppression. American women must realize that the liberation of women can only be achieved by following the example of the Russian masses.

The International Women's Day celebration must be turned into a huge protest demonstration against imperialist wars, and preparation for wars, against the White Terror of all the forces of reaction, against the planned attack of the allied forces of imperialism upon the Soviet Union, the only country on the surface of the globe where workers and peasants rule, for the building of a strong Labor Party to defend the interests of the working class. A united front of all workers against the growing offensive of the capitalist class.

### SWITCHMAN HURT, MAY DIE.

JERSEY CITY, N. J., Feb. 28.—Michael Lesink, 32, a switch tender in the Pennsylvania Railroad yards here may die as a result of injuries received yesterday when he was struck by a freight train while at work. He received a compound fracture of the left leg, which will probably be amputated.

# The World Red Labor Congress

By A. LOZOVSKY.

(Continued from Last Issue.)

Among the numerous items on the agenda, there is also one which refers to the fight against Fascism and the Fascist trade unions. This question is of all the more importance, seeing that under our very eyes there is in some countries a political and in other countries an organizational fusion of Fascism and Reformism. The Reformists are very fond of putting Bolshevism on the same level as Fascism, on the grounds that both of them are inclined to resort to force in fighting their opponents. This demagogic comparison must not discourage us. For us the main question is against whom this force is employed. Fascism employs force against the workers. Bolshevism against the bourgeoisie. Meanwhile the cooperation between the Reformists and the Fascists become daily more apparent. Apart from the fact that the American trade unions are in no way to be distinguished from the Fascist ones, we see this cooperation in Italy, where some of the most prominent Reformists simply placed themselves at the service of the Fascists. In quite a number of other countries we see the reactionary Fascist Governments making use of the Social Democrats and Reformists for the purpose of fighting the Communists and the revolutionary trade unions is not only a general political fight, it is a serious, organizational and daily struggle. In those countries in which the Fascists have succeeded by force in embodying a small percentage of unenlightened workers in their organizations, our organizational work must be increased, special attention being paid to the object of saving these workers from the demoralizing influence of the Fascist trade unions. Very frequently backward workers who are disappointed in the Reformist and Social Democratic leaders, go over to the Fascist trade unions. Such developments are to be observed in Germany, and it is therefore our duty to pay serious attention to this point of measures for the purpose of fighting against the permeation of the workers' organizations by Fascist de-

and to set up a practical programme of moralization.

This Congress will also have to work out a serious programme in regard to the fight for social legislation. None of the promises were kept, which had been given immediately after the war by the Reformists and the intimidated bourgeois governments. There is hardly a trace of all the achievements of the reformist-bourgeois bloc in regard to social legislation. The last few years have been characterized by the robbery of a series of elementary achievements of the working class. In many countries the eight-hour day has become little more than a matter of fiction. It will be necessary, moreover, to work out a detailed programme in regard to the protection of women, the protection of the youth, night labor, unemployment, relief in the case of invalidity, sickness, old age, etc.

All these questions appear to be perfectly lucid. But the actual task before us does not consist in the recognition by the leaders of the trade union movement of the usefulness of social legislation, but rather in the fact that a sys-

tem of social legislation be made the centre of the attention of the broad masses, that a decisive fight be started, the masses mobilized to fight for concrete demands, and thousands and millions of workers united for the purpose of wresting from the bourgeoisie a real improvement in their position. Social legislation is a matter that ought to attract the attention of all revolutionary workers and all adherents of the Red International of Labor Unions. We must put up a fight for the daily interests of the working class, a fight for partial demands, without of course for a moment forgetting our final aim.

The Congress will open in March 1928. So that this Congress may treat all questions exhaustively and so that all organizations affiliated to the Red International of Labor Unions may benefit by the approaching Congress, it is requisite that all organizations should discuss the agenda in detail at their district and provincial sessions and submit their suggestions to the Congress. We must not come to the Congress empty-handed, nor improvise our suggestions on the spot. We must approach the Congress with a collective expression of opinion; we must collect and study the experiences of the last few years and inform the others both of the good and of the bad side of our activity, of our successes and of our failures. It is only by such a serious preparatory work or the Congress that serious and useful results can be attained.

We must not follow the example of the Amsterdamites, whose congresses make such a lamentable and ridiculous impression. I need not remind you of the Paris Congress and of the squabble that resulted in the matter of the secretarial appointments. Every organization affiliated to the Red International of Labor Unions and every revolutionary minority ought to employ the time which has still to elapse before the Congress for the purpose of a serious and considerate preparation for the Fourth Congress of the R.I.L.U., so that all problems facing the international labor movement may be comprehensively discussed and the capture of the broad proletarian masses may be promoted.



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