

STANDARD OIL OPENS BOLIVIAN WAR ON PARAGUAY

NEW YORK WORKERS PICKET UNITED FRUIT CO. SHIP

DEMONSTRATE AT BOAT LOADED AT POINT OF GUNS

Score U. S. Imperialism
at Dock Workers'
Meeting

Distribute the "Daily"
43 Demonstrators in
Philadelphia Jailed

"Down with Bloody American Imperialism in Latin America!" "Stand by the Colombia Fruit Workers' Strike!" "Strike Against United Fruit Company Brutality!"

These and other slogans served as rallying cries of a picket demonstration held Saturday at Pier 16, North River, where the Santa Marta, United Fruit Company ship, had docked the day before. This is the ship which railroad workers in Santa Marta, Colombia, showing their solidarity with the 40,000 striking banana plantation workers, had refused to load. A detachment of 800 troops fired on them, killing 14 in cold blood and wounding many others and forcing the rest to load the ship at the point of guns.

400 Participate.
About 400 dock workers took part in the picket demonstration which lasted several hours. The demonstration was arranged by the Marine Workers' Progressive League and the New York Branch of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League. The police were at first uncertain what to do. After consulting with officials of the United Fruit Company, they decided not to incur unpleasant publicity by attacks on the pickets. They interfered with the demonstration as much as they could without actually using violence or making arrests. Newspaper photographers were also molested.

Distribute "Daily."
Copies of the Daily Worker, giving details of the massacre of the Colombia strikers, were distributed during the demonstration and were read eagerly by the dock workers.

Following the picketing a meeting was held outside the office of the United Fruit Company. Among those who spoke were George Mink, national secretary of the Marine Workers' Progressive League; Harriet Silverman, secretary of the New York branch of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League; I. Zimmerman, and Harold Williams, a Negro worker. All the speakers pointed out the murderous role of American imperialism in Latin America and called on the workers to stand solid behind the struggle of the Colombia plantation strikers. It is announced that picketing of United Fruit Company ships will continue and workers are urged to volunteer for picket duty.

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 16.—Police yesterday arrested 43 workers who were participating in a demonstration of solidarity with the 40,000 Colombian fruit strikers. The demonstration was held at Pier 9, which is occupied by the United Fruit Co., against whom the Colombian banana workers are striking.

Over 150 workers took part in the demonstration, which was held under the auspices of the Workers (Communist) Party, the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, and the Young Workers League.

The arrested workers were brought before Magistrate Fahnestock, who refused to show them time to get in touch with their attorney. Each demonstrator was charged with "inciting to riot." When the workers refused to swear on the bible, an additional charge of "contempt of court" was made by Fahnestock. Fahnestock, who is notorious as a labor-baiter, sentenced 40 of the workers to 30 days in the workhouse. Three of the demonstrators were released on \$500 bail.

The International Labor Defense, representing the workers, will appeal the cases tomorrow morning.

MORE WOMEN PHARMACISTS
WASHINGTON (By Mail).—The number of women pharmacy workers has almost doubled in the past year. Sixteen years has become the minimum age in many states.

Workers Picket United Fruit Co. Dock



A part of the demonstration of 400 New York workers before the United Fruit Company pier 16, where the Santa Marta, company ship, docked. The Santa Marta brought bananas which were loaded only after 800 Colombian troops, sent by the fruit company, fired into a mass of strikers, killing 14. The workers were then forced to load the wharf train at the point of guns and bayonets. The demonstration was a ringing cry of solidarity with the 40,000 strikers in Colombia who are now fighting against the combined forces of Yankee imperialism and its Colombian puppets.

PLAN RADIO MONOPOLY BY AMERICAN EMPIRE

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—The U. S. Radio Commission, while doing its best to establish a complete monopoly of this most important and growing means of communication and transmission of power, reports to congress tomorrow that it is hindered by the desire of capitalist elements in Canada, Cuba, Mexico and other countries, which desire to do exactly the same thing and want enough wave lengths left for themselves to build up their own trusts. The layman, the commission points out, thinks of radio only as a means of entertainment. This phase of radio development, it is contended, is superficial when compared with the possibilities of radio's development along commercial and scientific lines.

"Among the services being continued," the report states, "are the following:

Communication between airplanes and ground stations, communication between ships and coastal stations, police departments, marine-calling frequencies, experimental work, geophysical service, railway communication, scientific expeditions and yachts, portable stations, power company emergency communications, television, experimental and development work, picture transmission, amateurs and others."

300 Channels.
Actually, the commission reports, there are thousands of applications pending for these prized short wave channels, radio experts at this time do not know the exact number of channels available, but are positive that not more than some 300 will be available to the United States.

There are more channels than this number in the spectrum, the report said, but Canada, Mexico and Cuba each must get a share. The short wave channels in the point to point band exist over the entire continent.

Would Get Monopoly.
Consequently, if interference of the character that three broadcastings into chaos two years ago is to be avoided,

DUNCAN DANCERS HERE

To Perform at Anniversary of "Daily"

"The Duncan Theatre of Moscow is one of the most valuable and interesting institutions of Soviet Russia," declared A. Lunacharsky, Commissioner of Education, after seeing a performance of the pupils of the Isadora Duncan School.

The Isadora Duncan School was established by the late Isadora Duncan during the early years after the revolution at the invitation of the Soviet Government. Duncan, considered the greatest dancer of modern times, had come to the Soviet Union and been carried away by the spirit of the revolution and the new life that was being built there. It was in the first workers' and peasants' republic that she found at last the atmosphere in which she could realize her ideas of the dance and create a school where her theories would be imparted to the new generation of Russian children.

During the past few years the Isadora Duncan School has been under the direction of Irma Duncan,

SILK UNION MEET IS BIG SUCCESS

500 Attend Concert; 65 at Fakers' Meet

(Special to the Daily Worker)
PATERSON, N. J., Dec. 16.—Five hundred Paterson silk workers attended the meeting and concert held for the benefit of the new locals of the National Textile Workers' Union, while the reactionary Associated Silk Workers, which still claims that the broad silk workers did not adhere to the left wing union, could only mobilize 65 people at their meeting. This despite the fact that their meeting was one at which the regular nominations for officers was to have been held. The left wing meeting, held under the auspices of the Paterson local of the Trade Union Educational League, was for the purpose of raising funds for the new silk workers' locals being built here by the militant N. T. W. U. It was held in Carpenters' Hall Friday night.

While the big meeting overflowed with enthusiasm, the Associated meeting was one of the most dispirited ever witnessed here.

Despite the contention that there

Harlem Tenants in Mass Meet Tonight

Tonight at 8 o'clock hundreds of Harlem workers will rally at a "nonster tenants' mass meeting," to be held at the New York Public Library auditorium at 103 W. 135th St., under the auspices of the Harlem Tenants' League.

Among the speakers at the meeting will be Arthur C. Holden, Mrs. Florence Ricks, Juliet Stuart Poyntz and Richard B. Moore. Admission will be free. All exploited workers and tenants of Harlem are urged to attend.

KILL A WORKER HUNTING TABLE IN THE AUTOMAT

Manager, Strong Arm
Gang, Throw Him Out
and Break Skull

Police Refuse Arrest
Victim Seemed Weary,
Called a Drunk

A worker was killed last night by the assistant manager and strong-arm squad of the Automat restaurant at 47th and Broadway, to the horror of dozens of other workers who were eating there at the time.

The restaurant was crowded when a man, apparently a laborer just from his job and moving wearily, came in and walked about, looking for a table. The manager apparently took a dislike to his appearance, pounced upon him, accused him of being drunk and ordered him out. The man was reluctant to go, but made no resistance. However, since he did not move rapidly enough, the manager called his "bouncers" to help and the man was flung on the floor between the revolving doors at the entrance. His skull was broken on the imitation marble pavement and when the ambulance arrived he was pronounced dead. The manager tried to drag the body out on the sidewalk, but the crowd stopped him, so he took it into the office.

Police Won't Investigate.
The police entered when they heard the noise, but refused to make any arrests, or to hear the stories of witnesses, though many workers being arrested, and, when the police refused, some asked in vain to be arrested themselves, in order to be able to testify in the case. Officer No. 10,482, who was present, angrily declared that he would take no complaints, and with other police chased away all witnesses and cleared the room.

The body was taken to the Morgue.

CALL RALLY OF SHOE WORKERS

Meeting Part of Huge Organization Drive

The Independent Shoe Workers Union of Greater New York announces a mass meeting of all workers in the shoe industry for tomorrow night at 8 o'clock in Lorraine Hall, 790 Broadway, Brooklyn.

Some of the best speakers in the New York left wing labor movement are scheduled to address the shoe workers and to urge them to organize their almost wholly unorganized ranks. Charles S. Zimmerman

Fur Locals Will Meet; Nominate Convention Delegates; Plan Strike

The New York Joint Board of the Furriers Union announces membership meetings of Local 15 (finishers) and Local 10 (mailers) will be held tonight at 6 p. m. at the office of the Furriers Union, 22 E. 22nd St., New York, and membership meetings of Local 5 (operators) and Local 1 (cutters) will be held Tuesday night at the same hour and place. The purpose of these meetings will be to nominate delegates to the coming furriers' convention, to be held in New York Dec. 29, 30 and Jan. 1.

The meetings will discuss the agenda of the coming convention, on which will surely be the business of amalgamation of the furriers and garment workers unions, the shop delegate system, proposals for the organization work and the plans for a general strike to win union conditions and wages.

The National Executive Committee of the furriers, which is arranging the convention, announces that it has received telegrams from Local 90 at Winnipeg and Local 40 at Toronto, saying they are sending delegates to the convention.

PARAGUAY HITS AT U. S. BANKS ARMING BOLIVIA

Kellogg Warns British
Imperialism Not to
Mix in His War

Step to New World War
Cuba in Servile Trick
to Block British

(Special to the Daily Worker)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—Slightly disturbing the trick-manuevers of Hughes and Kellogg, who carefully are concealing the part played by Wall Street bankers and Standard Oil in secretly pushing Bolivia into war on Paraguay which hypocritically talking peace, Juan Vicente Rameriz, Paraguayan charge d'affaires here, disclosed a small part of the Yankee intrigue, by a press statement charging that Bolivia has been buying arms to attack Paraguay from money furnished by Wall Street bankers.

Charges U. S. Bank Backing.
"Bolivia," says the statement in part, "has been employing a large part of her loan floated in the United States, in the purchase of armaments in Europe, preparing herself thus against Paraguay. Now there only remains to be seen if Bolivia is in the right and if in these days argument still lies in night."

Certain that American imperialism can push Bolivia further into war, or order it stopped, just as suits the convenience of the United States, Secretary Kellogg continues the hypocritical fiction of American "peace" efforts and the myth of Bolivian "independence" by unofficial statements that the United States "is concerned" over the hostilities, but "feels there are limits to efforts to prevent further fighting." In plain words, the Bolivian government, which is in Kellogg's vest pocket, is instructed to go on with the war.

Another hypocritical angle of the U. S. government is its hiding the

BUFFALO FLAYS U. S. TROTSKYISM

Support Expulsions by Central Committee

BUFFALO, Dec. 16.—At its last meeting the District Committee of District Four, with headquarters in Buffalo, pledged its support to the Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party in the struggle against the Right danger and Trotskyism. The following resolution was adopted:

"The Executive Committee of District 4 fully supports the steps taken by the C. E. C. in its struggle against Trotskyism and against the Right danger, and declares that it fully realizes the necessity of purging the Party of all elements who are attempting to lead our Party away from the Leninist line, into the morass of Right Wingism or Trotskyism.

"The D. E. C. further declares that the danger confronting the

Woll Finds Cardinals Bishop, Green, Oppose Recognition of U.S.S.R.

Matthew Woll, vice-president of the A. F. of L., in his capacity as acting president of the National Civic Federation, an employers' strikebreaking organization which has been boycotted in the past by many international unions, has made public a letter written by himself to President Coolidge.

"The insistent clamor of certain groups for the recognition of Soviet Russia," wrote Woll, has led the National Civic Federation to sound public opinion in all parts of the country on this issue."

Unmasks Imperialist Tricks at Washington

By HARRISON GEORGE.
(Special to the Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., Dec. 16.—If you watch the capitalist newspapers, and carefully, for what is going on regarding the Bolivia-Paraguay war, the more you read the more you will be deceived. You will get the notion that the Pan-American Conference on Conciliation and Arbitration here is doing all it can to prevent war between two Latin American nations, all of whom are inferred to be in need of guardians in the form of Charles E. Hughes and Secretary Kellogg, that Bolivia and Paraguay are unaccountably rushing into war for no logical reason, and that it is up to the United States to show a "strong guiding hand" and "straighten out Latin America."

Recipe for Confusion.
You will get dizzy with "peace" conferences, "conciliation" meetings, "arbitration" commissions. A whole series of treaties may be given you to digest. You will get stenographic speeches of the delegates to the conference (when Hughes wants peace and a return to the conference)—statements of ministers of legations, declarations by Secretary Kellogg, and announcements by the conference itself—and yet if you do not read these things with a mind sharpened by Marxist-Leninist analysis, the more you read the more confused you will be and the

easier a victim for the war-makers of American imperialism—who always advance behind a series of "peace" conferences.

These war-makers, whom the Daily Worker has compelled to grant the writer equal rights with the capitalist press correspondents, including the use of the Pan-American Union's typewriters and paper here in the building of the Pan-American Union, have a system of protective coloring which would make a chameleon turn green with envy.

What's So—And What Isn't.
Let us take an example. "Bolivia withdraws from the conference!" and then the next day, "Bolivia returns to the conference!" Now what does that mean in reality?

The capitalist press tells you that it means that Bolivia, after taking an "independent" attitude in the conference run by Hughes, and against the desire of the United States breaking with the conference, is placated by Secretary Kellogg, who is pictured as "urging peace and a return to the conference"—it comes back to Uncle Sam as the recognized boss of both Americas under the Monroe Doctrine.

But here are some other things the capitalist press don't tell you. Bolivia, which is absolutely and air-

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AVIATION MERGER NOW NEW TRUST

Ford, Rockefeller and Morgan Control

A gigantic \$150,000,000 merger of aircraft manufacture and operation companies has just been put thru under the auspices of the National City Company of New York and the Pacific National Bank of Seattle, with officials of these companies, the General Motors Corporation, the Ford Motor Co., and the Standard Oil Co., controlling its board of directors.

The properties of the Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Corporation of Hartford, manufacturers of the Wasp and Hornet air-cooled airplane motors, and the Chance Vought Corporation, manufacturers of the Corsair observation planes, will be merged with the Boeing Airplane and Transport Corporation of Seattle.

The name of the new corporation will be the United Aircraft & Transport. It will own all the stock of the Pratt & Whitney Aircraft Company, the Boeing Airplane Company, Boeing Air Transport, Inc., the Chance Vought Corporation and more than 70 per cent of the stock of Pacific Air Transport, which companies embrace all three lines in the aviation industry—engines production, airplane construction and transportation.

For the present the companies will continue to operate under their own management and with the present officials in charge.

Expect Whalen to O.K. Own Police Job Today

Grover A. Whalen today is expected to announce officially that he has accepted the post of Police Commissioner, left vacant by the forced resignation of Commissioner Warren.

A conference between heads of the Wanamaker store, of which Whalen is millionaire manager, and Mayor Walker, will be held today to plan the details of Whalen's new job.

GRIM FIND IN SIBERIA

Discover Skeletons of Lost Explorers

MOSCOW, Dec. 16 (UP).—Two whitened skeletons, the separated skulls grinning out against a background of virgin snow, are believed to have solved the ten-year mystery surrounding the exact fate of two members of the 1918-1919 Polar expedition of Roald Amundsen.

HOOVER CHEERS IROGOYEN ARMY

Approves President's Dictatorship Plan

MONTEVIDEO, Uruguay, Dec. 16 (UP).—Herbert Hoover arrived here tonight on a cruiser from Buenos Aires. Troops lined the pier to render military honors.

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 16.—Hoover spent most of his time while in Buenos Aires hiding away in the American embassy, where ministers of state, Jose Canillo, the mayor of the city, and the officers of the U. S. battleship Utah, visited him.

Guarded by Troops.
Aside from one official banquet, an hour at the opera, which he attended under heavy guard, his only other official act was the review of special detachments of Argentine troops, the armed fire companies, and the police of Buenos Aires, also drawn up in military formation.

Hoover cheered the heart of President Irogoyen by praising these organs of repression, on whom Irogoyen more and more relies for his support.

President to Be Dictator?
President Irogoyen heads a composite "Radical" party, which took power from the great landowners who had previously selected their cabinets by family intrigue in the Jockey Club. He was elected by eighty per cent of the votes of the small landowners, small business men, intellectuals, professional classes, and many workers, running on a mixed but "Liberal" platform.

Since taking office he has appointed a cabinet representing all of these classes, and furiously divided against itself. With the heightening of the class struggle, labor is turning away from him, and the old land-

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Section 2 "Daily" Agents Meet Today

An important meeting of Daily Worker agents of Section 2 of the Workers (Communist) Party will be held tomorrow at 101 W. 27th St. All unit and sub-section agents must attend.

SEIZES FORT AS PARAGUAY CALLS NATION TO ARMS

Aided by Wall Street
Banks, Bolivia Has
Taken Offensive

May Bring World War
League of Nations in
Clash With U. S.

BUENOS AIRES, Dec. 16.—Pursuing the war plans of the Standard Oil Company to force an outlet for its known but undeveloped holdings in Bolivia eastward to the sea, Bolivian troops were announced here yesterday as having attacked the small Paraguayan outpost at Fort Boqueron and captured it after hard fighting.

Alarmed and excited by this fresh offensive of Yankee imperialism acting through its puppet government in Bolivia, Paraguay, which has hitherto taken little or no war measures, rather foolishly depending, apparently, on the fake "conciliation" conference at Washington, is mobilizing to resist the imperialist offensive. Ten thousand volunteers answered the call within a few hours. Mobilization is limited to men between 18 and 23. National unity against the invader is being planned.

Appeal to "Law."
So far, Paraguayan action has been limited to formal and juridical arguments upholding her right to the disputed region on legalistic reasons, ignoring the possibility of much greater support to be obtained if an appeal were issued on the basis of imperialist aggression and openly calling on Latin-American peoples as a whole to unite in an armed struggle against Yankee imperialism, overthrowing if need be the puppet governments set up by Yankee intrigue, and lacking in that respect genuine support from their peoples. Without this, Paraguay's cause will be seriously crippled and constrained to its military phase only, but with such an appeal, in-

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Weinstone Talks at N. Y. School Forum on Program of C. I.

A large audience heard William W. Weinstone, organizer of the New York district of the Workers (Communist) Party, speak on "The Program of the Communist International" last night at the Workers School Forum, 26-28 Union Square.

Among the questions Weinstone took up was that of the present period of world revolution. He analyzed the multifarious character of the revolutionary process. He showed that just as capitalism was ushered in over a period of over 250 years, and as the various countries were now at different stages of development, so the proletarian revolution would proceed at an uneven pace.

"But the existence of the U. S. S. R. and of the world Communist Party would hasten the period of the proletarian revolution, enabling many backward countries to leap over some of the phases of this tortuous process.

"Today the elements necessary for a successful world proletarian dictatorship are at hand. The attempts at revolutionary seizure of power in Central and Eastern Europe, the revolution in China, the resistance of India and Latin America—even though temporarily defeated—showed the worldwide character and speeding up of the revolutionary process."

With the complete exposure of the treasonable role of the socialists, and ideological preparation of the workers, the revolution will develop far more rapidly, Weinstone concluded.

Presence of Women and Children on Breadline Shows Seriousness of Unemployment

TRICKS OF U. S. AT WASHINGTON MEET UNMASKED

Hughes Makes Bolivia Jump Thru a Hoop

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tight under control of Wall Street bankers; must, nevertheless, be pictured to the world as an "independent" government doing what it does of its own "free and sovereign will."

Framing an Alibi.

To give the imperialist conference here a perfect alibi, a process of events is arranged which permits the imperialists to have Bolivia do everything the imperialists wish it to do, not only acting "independently" from the U. S. spokesmen, Hughes and Kellogg, but even appearing to "oppose" their desires.

Picture the situation. A dispute exists between Bolivia and Paraguay. A wholly Latin-American "Permanent Arbitration Commission" which was set up at a conference at Santiago, Chile, May 23, 1923, under the treaty known as the "Gondra accord, meeting at Montevideo, Uruguay, asks Bolivia to submit to arbitration. In addition, Argentina offers to mediate. So does Chile. Take careful note that no Latin country under complete control of Wall Street makes any such offer. None from Cuba, Venezuela, or even Mexico.

Puppets on a String.

To permit the arbitration of Latin America conflicts by Latin Americans, without the intervention and guidance of the United States, is obviously against the interests of Yankee imperialism and its overlordship policy and its Monroe Doctrine. So, although Paraguay was willing to allow the Gondra Commission or Argentina to act, Bolivia, to carry out the desire of Yankee imperialists to crush and make futile all other commissions and conferences but the one they control here, rejects the Gondra commission offer, neglects active work on the committee already formed in the Argentine, and ignores the Chilean offer.

But in order to give the Bolivian government an air of "independence" of action "free and untrammeled" by Hughes and his imperialist conference here, Bolivia is given the role of a "self-assertive" and "autonomous" power, belittled from supposed injury, and breaking off with all commissions and conferences, including this one in Washington, at the same time.

Freezing Out Latin Leadership.

Now, note this fact: After Bolivia has refused all offers of arbitration, both Latin American and Yankee, and the Gondra Commission of Latin Americans seems to be no more and no less ill-treated by Bolivia than this imperialist controlled conference — Kellogg announces that he is "striving for peace" by urging Bolivia to return to the conference, and lo, and behold, Bolivia comes back, to Washington, Kellogg is a hero for making peace, Bolivia is to be commended for its restraint and the Gondra commission is left high and dry while the Monroe Doctrine, the Pan-American Union and this particularly diabolical conference have all added to their prestige.

Another effect is, that if Bolivia is seemingly coaxed back into this conference by Kellogg, it naturally follows that the fatted calf must be killed for the prodigal son. And the fatted calf in this story is Paraguay. The shade of advantage thus obtained by Bolivia is clear. Kellogg must be pictured as yielding to Bolivia in exchange for its returning to his call—only Kellogg's yielding is at the expense of Paraguay! And if the Paraguayans refuse to be made the goat, well, nothing is lost and Bolivia is justified, in advance, for going to war, while Kellogg is shown as having "failed despite all efforts" to make peace. Could anything be neater?

Mopping Up on Argentina.

But although the Gondra commission is isolated, the commission of Bolivians and Paraguayans which since August has been in a state of suspended animation at Buenos Aires, under the auspices of Argentina, and Argentina's new offer of mediation, must also be broken down as any center of authority outside the control of Hughes and his imperialist fake "conciliation and arbitration" conference here.

So, on Thursday, after rumors that the commission here, to which Bolivia has returned, is "rumored" to have asked, or is going to ask, Argentina, which is not attending this conference, if it has any objections to this conference settling the matter, Kellogg calls a meeting of the representatives of the press, and when asked about this, states that he is informed that Argentina will be most happy to resign all "peace-making efforts" over to this Washington conference and its committee especially heading the Bolivia-Paraguay dispute. This pleased the state department most visibly.

Dirty Jobs Done Neatly.

Now, the writer is far from being convinced that Argentina really desired to do anything of the kind. But Kellogg's demand that it "so would have put Argentina in a bad light if it declined. So it had to bow

The Old and the New: Both Are Faithful



The Tammany stink needed a little perfume, so the pious, aristocratic Franklin D. Roosevelt, will take the place of the man who by faithful service to the Tammany graft machine rose from the gutters and saloons of New York—Al Smith. Roosevelt will be just as faithful and a little more "respectable." Photo shows the governor-elect (left) discussing graft plans with Governor Smith (right).

W. I. R. IN DRIVE FOR XMAS AID TO WORKERS

In the form of food packages, the Workers International Relief will bring greetings of working class solidarity to the children of the victimized and unemployed miners and textile workers on Christmas Day.

According to the plans of the W. I. R., the distribution will be made through the local branches working in cooperation with the National Textile Workers' Union and the National Miners' Union, so that those who are in greatest need will receive first attention.

"According to the schedule we have worked out," Fred G. Biedenkap, national secretary of the W. I. R., stated yesterday, "many thousands of children will receive our packages. The W. I. R. local secretaries in the textile and mining districts have several thousand families listed whose children are eagerly awaiting the food packages. We fear that if we do not obtain enough financial help in the next few days, many of the children will have to be disappointed. Many workers and friends throughout the country have responded liberally with their contributions. The response to our appeal has, however, not been enough so far to enable us to buy as much supplies as will be necessary. I feel confident nevertheless that every militant and progressive worker, as well as every honest friend of the labor movement, who can, will not refuse to give a donation to the Christmas fund drive of the Workers International Relief."

Workers' Children Suffer.
"The children we are aiding have suffered much because of the great labor struggles during the last few years. It is our duty to give them all the support that can be given. Their parents have been in the front line trenches of the class struggle, many of them even now are in jail, others are awaiting trial for strike activities and may be in prison within the next few months."

"While the open shoppers and all enemies of the working class talk of prosperity in the United States, we point to the starving textile workers and coal miners and the unemployed in general, who suffer for the want of bread. Will the children plead to us in vain? We feel confident that the working class will respond and gladden the hearts of the fighters in the class struggle and their dependents."

Gift Packages.
Biedenkap also stated that each package will contain cocoa, raisins, candy and nuts, all told about five pounds of good things to eat. The distribution of the Christmas packages to the children is in line with the general activities of the Workers International Relief which gives aid to the working class during strikes and other critical periods.

Send all checks and money orders at once to the W. I. R. Workers' Children Christmas Fund, Room 604, One Union Square, New York City.

W. I. R. Shop Delegates Conference to Be Held This Thursday Evening
Hundreds of workers are expected to attend the shop delegates' conference of the Workers International Relief at Bryant Hall, 42nd St. and Sixth Ave., Thursday evening immediately after work.

A representative of the W. I. R. from abroad will be the chief speaker and will outline plans for building a strong American section of this important working class organization.

The struggles that face the American workers in the immediate future make relief an all-important question, it is pointed out. Strikes are breaking out in the textile mills, militant struggles are being planned in the knit goods and needle trades, struggles whose success depends to a large extent on adequate relief for the strikers and their families. All workers are urged to attend the shop delegates' conference Thursday and get behind the efforts to build a strong relief organization for the working class.

Weisbord to Speak at T. U. E. L. Forum in the Workers Center Today
Albert Weisbord, secretary-treasurer of the National Textile Workers' Union, will speak on "Why Does the Hillman Machine Seek to Enter the American Federation of Labor?" at the Workers Center, fourth floor, today. This open forum, which will be held under the auspices of the Trade Union Educational League, A. C. W. A., will begin at 12 o'clock noon.

Every worker is invited to come and bring his fellow worker. Questions and discussion will follow the lecture.

Office Workers' Mass Meeting This Thursday
A mass meeting of office workers, arranged by the Office Workers' Union, will be held this Thursday evening at 8 o'clock at the Labor Temple, 14th St. and Second Ave.

Juliet Stuart Poyntz, and other prominent speakers will address the meeting.

KILLED BY ELECTRICITY.
SELMA, Ala., Dec. 16 (UP).—Miss Elizabeth Parten, 19, nurse at the Alabama Baptist Hospital here, was killed instantly today in an elevator which carried a heavy charge of electricity because of motor trouble. Resuscitation attempts failed.

SMALLPOX HITS TOWN.
WAUPACA, Wis., (By Mail).—Compulsory vaccination of all local public school children has been ordered, when it was learned that the children had been exposed to smallpox. Over 200 children have been absent daily this week.

JUDGE NEGRO REACTIONARY, NOT GUILTY

Was Charged With Conspiracy in Graft

JACOBSON, Miss., Dec. 16.—Perry Howard, Negro national republican committeeman, and four co-defendants, charged with conspiracy in the sale of Federal patronage, were found not guilty by a federal court here yesterday. Postmaster Wiggins of Newton, S. D. Redmond, S. R. Redmond and Col. E. L. Patton were associated with Howard in the indictments.

As a reward for his dirty work, in putting smoke screens before the eyes of the Negroes, and urging them to vote for the republican candidates, the republican party made Howard the goat in a fake clean up of grafters. There is no doubt that Howard is guilty of the graft which he was charged, and although he is a Negro, there is no reason for the Negroes to consider him a martyr, as he is nothing less than an enemy of his race. Mr. Howard sought to make himself a martyr in the eyes of the Negroes, of whom he is a traitor.

After his wide-spread and traitorous policies, Howard had the gall to ask the Negroes to create a defense fund in his behalf. He made thousands of dollars for himself and has ever assumed the role of a philanthropist or a fighter for his people on the front line trenches. He has no claim on the Negroes and they should awaken to the fact and fight all such traitors to the race.

U. S. Uses Cuban Puppet.
But U. S. diplomacy is malevolently clever, and though United States itself limits its diplomatic efforts to declaring the League has a right to "advise" Bolivia and Paraguay, it indirectly went further by getting its trained dummy, Cuba, to issue what amounts to a warning to Britain to keep its hands off.

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"Women in History" at Workers School
The course, "Women in History," with Pauline Rogers as the instructor, will begin this Wednesday at 8:30 p. m. at the Workers School, 82-28 Union Square, fifth floor. This will be the first of a series of three four-session courses being organized by the Workers School for working women and working class housewives. The other two are "Problems of Working Women Today" and a course for functionaries in women's work, to be given by Ray Ragozin and Juliet Stuart Poyntz, respectively, after the course "Women in History" is concluded.

Pauline Rogers, the instructor of "Women in History," is the head of the agitprop department of the Women's Committee of the Workers Party in the New York District. The course will take up the status and role of women in the different epochs in the period of slavery, feudalism, early capitalism and the present stage of imperialism. This course will be the background for the other two courses that will take up the problems that face working women today. Registration is now going on.

King Unconscious and Too Ill for Knitting
LONDON, Dec. 16.—Although the queen went to church Sunday and in addition all the Roman Catholic churches in Nottingham held prayers for King George, the doctors didn't seem to have any faith in prayers and stuck to science in trying to save the head of British imperialism. The Prince of Wales, seeing the governor was not on the road to glory, didn't stop for dinner when visiting the palace, but loped off to have another whack at night life before the job of electing 465,000,000 wage slaves and oppressed peasants of the empire would shut down on stepping out for a wicked night minus the hokum dignity attached to kings. The prince's favorite game is impersonating a lady in entertainments given on battleships.

The king was reported unconscious and in considerable pain late tonight. Ever since he has been sick he could not follow his chosen pastime, knitting.

PARAGUAY HITS AT U. S. BANKS ARMING BOLIVIA

Kellogg Warns League to Keep Hands Off

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maneuver against British imperialism represented by the League of Nations, behind a front of declarations that "of course" the League will let the United States dominate efforts to make peace, which are in reality efforts in making war. An unofficial statement declares that on the question of the League intervening in the Bolivia-Paraguay dispute, the United States is "neutral" and that the League's "business is to advise" the two countries.

Ominous silence is kept on what America would do if the League of Nations went beyond "advising," as its constitution provides it has the right to do, and resorts to force.

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Tammany Shifts Puppets to Cover Corruption



On the left is Joseph A. Warren, erstwhile police commissioner of New York City, now the "goat" in the Rothstein scandal. Warren "resigned" so that Mayor Walker and the other Tammany grafters could continue making energetic hocus-pocus passes as part of their efforts in covering up the Rothstein mess. Too many Tammany politicians are involved in the Rothstein scandal for any real prosecution to be possible. On the right is Grover A. Whalen, \$100,000 a year Wanamaker executive and head of Mayor Walker's committee for the reception of distinguished athletes, imperialists, fascist murderers, royal pimps, gamblers and labor fakers. It looks as if Whalen will get Warren's job.

Backfire to Kellogg's Treaty Talk; Believers Oppose More Cruisers

WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—Sincere believers in war, good American imperialists who intend to have a big navy to support the Kellogg war treaties which they have been calling "peace treaties," are being much embarrassed just now by a number of easily credulous persons who claim to believe they are peace treaties.

A large group of ministers, educators, publicists, W. C. T. U. and Y. M. C. A. workers is issuing a memorial to the senate urging friends of the Kellogg pact to vote against the cruiser bill.

"We, the undersigned citizens," said the memorial, "being in hearty favor of the ratification by the United States senate of the general pact for the renunciation of war, look with grave apprehension upon the possibility of the authorization of fifteen additional cruisers in the present session of the senate."

"We believe that the wholesome effect of the general pact for the renunciation of war upon the sentiment of nations and peoples will be largely nullified if the nation which first reposed the general pact expresses lack of confidence in its efficacy by increasing its own armament."

Monarchist to Be Trans-Atlantic Plane Mascot

BERLIN, Dec. 16.—The Ministry of Transport and the Lufthansa Airplane Company are negotiating with shipping companies for financing of a trans-Atlantic air service of which Baron Gunther Von Huenefeld is expected to be head, it was learned today. Huenefeld is a monarchist who carried favor with commercial interests lately by hiring a pilot to carry him over the Atlantic.

Three Die, Ten Burned in Fire in Bronx Club

A fire, breaking out at 5:45 yesterday morning in the McKinley Square Social Club, at 1353 Boston Road, the Bronx, quickly swept thru the entire two-story building, killing three and seriously burning ten others in the building at the time.

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LINES BEFORE SLOP-HOUSES GROW DAILY

Number Reported at Double Last Year

Proof of the rapid increase in unemployment in New York City and vicinity has been shown by the admission of the officials in charge of the Madonna House, a so-called charitable institution at 173 Cherry St., that the number of unemployed workers seeking aid at the doors of this institution has doubled over the number last winter. A new feature of the breadlines, indicating the extreme seriousness of the unemployment situation, is the presence of hundreds of women, most of them mothers, and children in the line. The Madonna House is running a mid-day breadline for unemployed men, forcing the workers to wait for hours before doing out a "meal" of stale bread and muddy coffee. So many women and children have appeared on the breadlines that the Madonna House has forced the children and women to form a separate breadline at 4 p. m. Officials of the missions on the Bowery have also admitted that breadlines exceeding even those formed last winter, which were the greatest in fifty years, have formed this winter.

Hundred Billion Listed on N. Y. Exchange

Securities listed on the New York Stock Exchange have reached the total of \$100,000,000,000, the exchange's year book revealed today.

There is an increase of \$15,000,000,000 since January 1. Part of the increase is due to higher prices for listed securities; part to additional listings. The greatest single addition was the listing of \$12,000,000,000 government bonds.

9 Burned to Death in Kentucky Hotel Fire

HAZARD, N. Y., Dec. 16 (UP).—Nine persons were burned to death today in a fire that destroyed the 129-room Combs Hotel. Nine are missing and several are in hospital, seriously burned.

The fire started in a kitchen. It spread with terrifying rapidity thru the building. There was no fire escape. Fortunately some work near exists, and fought their way through flame and smoke. Twenty-five others were rescued by volunteers and firemen who erected ladders at front windows.

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ARMS, SEIZED IN VIENNA, BOUND FOR BUDAPEST

Is Proof That Balkans Prepare War

VIENNA, Dec. 16.—That the shipment of machine gun parts and munitions intended for Budapest and probably sent by the Italian government, discovered by Vienna workmen Saturday, was meant for none other than Bethlen, premier of Hungary, was established after Bethlen had rushed to Vienna from Lugana where he is engaged in trying to negotiate another loan for his fascist regime thru the League of Nations.

It was announced that the arms were intended for Bethlen's clique, who are reported to be preparing a coup d'etat for the Archduke Albrecht whom they support for the throne. It was revealed here by an unofficial investigation that two other shipments were made previously this month by General Reuters, former aide-de-camp of the late emperor of Austria-Hungary, and Nicholas Kamenov, who was chief engineer at the great Weiss arms works at Osepel. The name of the consignee is given as the Mobil Forwarding Company at Budapest.

When the arms were first discovered the Austrian authorities tried to belittle the matter and the charge was made that an engineering firm in Vienna had sent the arms. This firm, however, proved that the name was a forgery and that they had not sent the munitions.

It is generally known that a considerable amount of arms had been smuggled into Hungary with the knowledge of Bethlen and Austrian authorities. Since the similar af-

Indians Murdered, Property Stolen, Enslaved by U. S. Government



A systematic policy of merciless exploitation and legalized robbery is practiced against the Indians in the Indian reservations of this country by the United States government thru its Department of Interior and the Indian Bureau. Indians are being starved and kept in virtual slavery, while their lands, which have been found rich in oil, have been stolen outright. By allowing groups of Indian chiefs such as are shown above to parade in tribal costume and engage in harmless pow-wows, the government strives to create the impression that all is well and conceals its monstrous crimes against the original inhabitants of this country.

fair at St. Gothard last January when machine gun parts were discovered bound for Hungary under the cover of "map-making instruments," arms have been shipped under various names and deceptive descriptions.

Bethlen has attempted to whitewash the affair by announcing that the shipment was faked and was only meant to blacken the reputation of Hungary so that it could not get the loan it is negotiating for.

But this affair, as the previous ones, indicate that arms find easy transport thru the Balkans and that Hungary is being steadily supplied with munitions and armaments thru secret sources, among them Italy, in preparation for a definite war move.

GAS KILLS FAMILY OF FIVE
EDINBURG, Tex. (By Mail).—Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Boutwell and their three children were suffocated here by gas.

Miners, Lumbermen Suffer, States Aid Insurance Companies

WASHINGTON (By Mail).—The refusal of insurance companies to write insurance for certain hazardous industries, such as coal mining and sawmilling, has resulted in no compensation for many injured workers in these industries. The powerful insurance companies are said to have influence over the state compensation boards.

JOBLESS "CHARITY" A FRAUD
MELBOURNE, Australia (By Mail).—The Workless Winter Buffet, a so-called "charitable" society for the aid of the unemployed, which has collected funds from the public, has turned out to be a fraud. Money was misappropriated by the officials of the buffet.

Many Workers Face Unemployment in Big Pottery Merger

EAST LIVERPOOL, Ohio (By Mail).—Twenty pottery plants have been combined here, forming the biggest merger in the history of this industry. The value of the plants is said to be over \$15,000,000. Thousands of pottery workers face the loss of their jobs due to the combine.

YELLOW DOG FOR SCABS
CHICAGO (By Mail).—A yellow dog contract has been forced on the scabs in the plant of the Olsen Rug Co., whose operating engineers are on strike against the 12-hour day. The union scale is \$48 for 48 hours. Olsen pays \$41 for 84 hours.

Organize the unorganized! Organize new unions in the unorganized industries!

U. S. COMPLETES CABLE CONTROL IN ARGENTINA

Wall St. Wire Net to Combat British

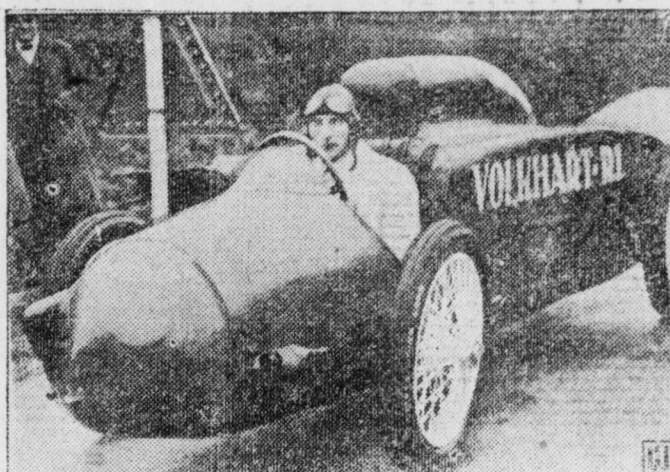
NEW YORK, Dec. 16.—A further extension of American imperialist control over the communication systems of South America is revealed in the announcement that the International Telephone and Telegraph Corporation is negotiating for the purchase from an English concern of the United River Plate Telephone Company, the largest telephone system in Buenos Aires and four Argentine provinces. Acquisition of this company will complete the control of American capital over the national and international telephone systems of Chile, Argentina and Uruguay.

The International Telephone and Telegraph Company already has control of the Chile Telephone Company, the Compania Telefonica Argentina and two telephone companies in Uruguay, as well as the long distance lines connecting these countries. It is also associated with the telephone company of Southern Brazil.

It is announced that within a short time Chile and Argentina will be connected by wireless telephone—under American control—with Europe and North America.

Acquisition of this South American property is the second large extension of the International Telephone and Telegraph system within a year. Last June this company took control of the Postal-Telegraph and Commercial Cables system, with an extensive network of ocean cables and land wires in the United States. This corporation also has connections with telephone com-

New Rocket Car Attains Terrific Speed



The new rocket car will, when perfected, be able to attain a speed of 150 miles an hour and more with perfect safety, according to Herr Volkhardt, Berlin inventor. Of course, such a car, whatever its other functions, will certainly be put to good use in an imperialist war. Photo shows the inventor sitting in his car.

Teapot Dome Oil Case "Revived" to Kid the Public Along a Little

The trial of Albert Fall, former grafting secretary of the interior, in connection with the Teapot Dome oil scandal is again about to disturb the peace of Washington. For the past four years Fall has been able to avoid this trial by feigning sickness, being busy, and having good friends, while Sinclair was acquitted at the same time on the usual sort of technicality.

Colonel William Donovan, assistant attorney general, and spoken of as the next head of the government's legal department, is making a grandstand play with this fake fraud and conspiracy suit. The Fall case was

panies in Spain, Porto Rico, Cuba and Mexico, and with the All-America Cable Company, controlling cables between North and Central and South America.

brought up in connection with the senate public lands committee investigation of the fitness of Roy West to hold the office of secretary of the interior, because of his associations with the Insull power interests, and his leasing of "Teapot Dome" oil lands.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 14 (U.P.).—A trip to Washington for a trial on bribery charges growing out of oil deals during the Harding administration would be fatal for Albert B. Fall, former secretary of the interior, in the opinion of Fall's physicians.

COMBINE FOR HIGH FEES
BOSTON (By Mail).—An organization known as the Arlington Doctors' Club is charged with setting a high schedule of medical fees in Arlington and Lexington Counties. Every doctor in the two counties is in the club.

The Workers (Communist) Party fights for the organization of the unorganized workers.

HOOVER CHEERS IROGOYEN ARMY IN ARGENTINE

Approves President's Dictatorship Plan

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owing groups bid for his support, offering a reactionary landlord and business men's alliance against labor. Concessions to native business interests are made thru proposed tariffs against U. S. and other foreign products, and U. S. interests are quieted by offering good investments to foreign capital, with plenty of state concessions.

Builds Army.
Since Irogoyen can no longer count on a united party or popular support, he shows and is encouraged by the ruling classes to develop personal ambitions for a military dictatorship, which would solve some of the contradictions of his position. He has appointed the brutal reactionary General Dellepiane head of the army, an admiral head of the ministry of the navy, and put the fascist head of the armed fire corps in as chief of police of Buenos Aires, the city which contains a quarter of the population of Argentina.

It was these officers Hoover spent his time congratulating. The paper, Acanagua, of the "Association of American Concord," published yesterday a dispatch lauding Hoover, Irogoyen, and the American hireling, President Leguia of Peru as the three greatest leaders of the world.

"Those who condemn Leguia for his wise and well-inspired leanings toward the United States, are making a deplorable mistake. Irogoyen and Leguia know perfectly well how and whence and whether they are journeying."

5TH Anniversary—Daily Worker

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THE DAILY WORKER is ever becoming a better paper. In the past five years of its existence, every struggle of the workers, however small has found a staunch champion in the Daily Worker. For a Labor Party, for the Organization of the Unorganized, for the Defense and Recognition of the Soviet Union, against Imperialist War. For every demand of the workers and always against the bosses.

THE DAILY WORKER is approaching its Fifth Anniversary with a heavy financial burden. The Daily Worker was sending thousands of papers daily to the workers in the mine and textile industries when they were battling against the miserable conditions that the bosses tried to impose upon them, at a time when the Daily was itself struggling to make ends meet.

EVERY READER MUST come to the aid of the Daily Worker. The enemies of the workers are preparing new attacks upon the Daily Worker, upon the left wing workers and upon the working class.

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OVER 100 OTHER MEN FOOLED IN SAME MANNER

Demand Pay, Shoved Down Gangway

(By a Seaman Correspondent)

After spending days and endless hours in the shipping office of the United States Shipping Board, standing amidst a crowd of unemployed seamen who rushed in a body to the counter every time a job was called out, like a pack of hungry wolves, I was at last rewarded with a job on a ship. Then I found I had to pass a doctor's examination. Another hour was spent waiting for the doctor to examine me. The examination consisted of getting your family history and filling it, then being shipped into the doctor's room like a sheep going to the slaughter.

The specification necessary to pass this horse doctor was a physique like a prize fighter. I managed to pass him after a lot of pounding and got an O. K. slip. Then I was instructed to see Joe (the fink) shipping master. I was to report aboard the S. S. George Washington with my clothes for the Chief Engineer. This was Saturday morning, and the chief engineer told me to come aboard Monday 8 a. m. Monday I was aboard bright and early full of expectations of the job, but to my dismay I found over 100 other seamen waiting for the same job. The engineer in charge came and looked us all over; we all made a dash to him with our slips. He calmly waved them back and proceeded to pick the huskies out. He hired 20 men. I was not one of them. Then we were told we were not wanted and when I began to demand my wages for waiting two days for the job I was roughly pushed down the gangway. Now I'm back in the shipping office of the United States Shipping Board, worked to get thru the same process in order to get a job. These conditions would be remedied if the seamen were organized in the Marine Workers Progressive League, the fiercest fighting union on the waterfront.

RADIO CONTROL BY U. S. EMPIRE

Board Reports Canada and Others Object

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be avoided, there must be an understanding as to the channel to be used by the various nations of the continent. Canada, the commission pointed out, is complicating the situation by holding out for one-half of the frequencies, but the United States insists that it, by virtue of its greater population, is entitled to more than Canada.

A gentleman's agreement was tentatively arrived at between the North American nations at a conference here last August, the terms of which have never been made public.

Most To United States. It is understood that the ration of distribution was to be four to the United States for one to Canada, Cuba and Mexico. The state department, it is learned, still is awaiting word from Canada on the original agreement.

Before this valuable spectrum is distributed to the multitude of commercial applicants, it was stated, the commission must consummate the intercontinental agreement.

It also must decide, the report said, as to the policy that will govern the allocation. Manifestly, the commission related, all of the applicants cannot be satisfied and it must differentiate between the character of services that will be allowed in this virgin field.

And anyone realizing the political and commercial importance of a monopoly of the best frequencies in radio will realize that that monopoly will be established.

FORCE WORKERS TO BUY CO. STOCK

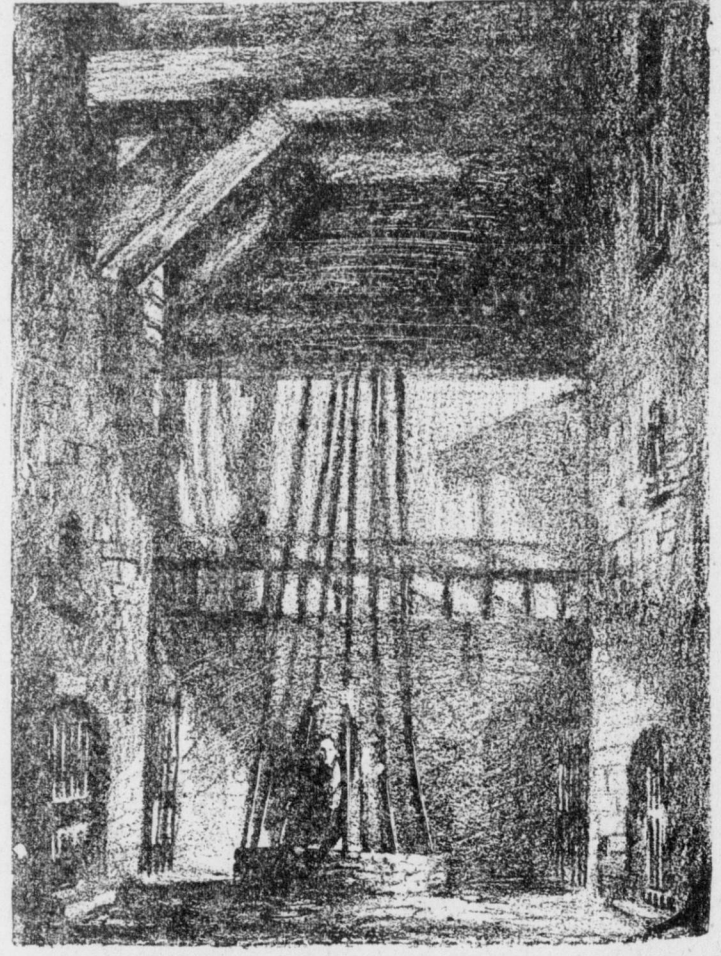
Dismissal Faces Men Who Refuse

(By a Worker Correspondent)

The Meter Corporation of 23 W. 33rd St., New York City, employs 100 workers in its shop, at wages of \$3 to \$4 a week, but mostly the first-named f. ure. The bosses of this company have offered stock to the workers in order to keep them enslaved and prevent them from protesting against their conditions. The stock sells at \$100 a share, which the workers are supposed to buy for \$5 a week. Most of the workers have refused to fall for this trick, but they have heard that they will be dismissed if they do not buy the stock.

"Sing, You Jailbird, Sing!"

By Ellis



A scene from "Singing Jailbirds," the play by Upton Sinclair now being played at the New Playwrights Theatre. The scene shows "Red" Adams, the I. W. W. organizer, in "the hole." "Singing Jailbirds" has been hailed by nearly all critics as the best production the New Playwrights Theatre has ever given.

CARPENTERS LOCAL 2090 MUST ELECT MILITANT

(By a Worker Correspondent)

Once again the fight is on in Local 2090 of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters of America, for the office of Business Agent. This being the case, it is well to point out a few facts as to the elements involved and the qualifications of the men who are aspiring to this very important position. This, indeed is vitally important to the membership at large, as it will be in this man's hands that our future depends.

There are a number of men in Local 2090 who really understand and know the tendency of labor and labor leaders, to which they have given a lifetime study. They have given careful thought as to the happenings at the recent convention, which resulted in the expulsion of one of our foremost fighters for having had the courage to battle the reactionary elements at this convention. This local has among its membership some of this reactionary type, who, more than anyone else, not only permitted but were instrumental in bringing on the condition whereby such expulsion could have taken place. And, so, these are the people, the very ones who are aspiring to be and are in a way at the top, and would in all probability continue their dark and sinister work of disrupting all efforts of true union activities in behalf of all workers, which of course would be for their own personal gain, never considering how small or how filthy it may be, so long as they arrive at their objective.

To combat such vile and unprincipled moves on their part it is not a small matter for those of the workers who can see clearly and are in progressive spirits, but they must, as the need is great, to resist with united strength the moves of such selfish men who seek to be elected to Business Agent for no other reason but to gain their own selfish end. These kind of men, all true and class-conscious workers should work against, and rightly so, for they deserve to be defeated.

This, bad as it is, is only mild compared to one so-called man who, by appearance, sets himself up as a "model of virtue" in everything, and no doubt sets himself up as a spiritual leader and advisor to lead the flock, and, strange to say, but not surprising, that he does carry weight with such of the membership who do not yet understand his motives of underhandedness, and are modest enough to follow blindly this man, who by his very own actions betrays himself, a self-centered, shrewd mystifier of facts, but all the more dangerous because of his qualities, for he could, and would for a consideration, be counted as one who would at all times betray the trust given him with ease. This is the type of man who is aspiring for election and his name is Bereny.

Needless to say, the progressive side of this local, knowing all this, cannot, and will not, submit to such procedure without attempting to counteract, and with the help of all the progressive members hope to put and keep this local on a solid foundation by electing a man, one whom they trust to the fullest extent, one whom they know will be faithful in carrying out the principles of true unionism and working class solidarity to the best of his ability. Such a man is Seidler; a man true to his word and his supporters, and, above all, to the members in general, as he can be counted on firmly to advance labor with the trend of time.

Now in due consideration of all these facts, it is not difficult to understand that it is necessary to band together for the good of the cause and show them that when we can afford for concerted action we can defeat such henchmen with a black hat, and, by so doing, insure ourselves with a clean, upright order of things, and can look forward to bettering ourselves socially as well as materially.

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"CHARITABLE" SOCIETY HAS WORKER JAILED

He Was Active in Aid-ing Unemployed

(By a Worker Correspondent)

When in Cleveland, jobless, and without a penny, I was compelled by necessity to seek the aid of the Jewish Social Service. I had then been without work for 4 months. I found out that there were many other workers' families in the same plight as I was, and I wished to help them, so I kept advising them to demand aid from this so-called charitable society. At this period, I was active in the attempts of the 80,000 unemployed workers to demand aid from the city authorities. The Jewish Social Service heard of my activities for the unemployed and starving, so they threatened to have me arrested and sent to the Cleveland City Hospital for the Mentally Unbalanced, and detained me there for 8 months. After that I thought I would leave Cleveland, and try New York City in my search for work. I was unable to find any for a while. When I went to the Jewish Social Service in New York City, I found that they had received my "record" from the Social Service from Cleveland. When they learned that I had no relatives or friends in New York City, they threatened to have me sent to another Mental Hospital. They did this because they knew I was in a helpless position.

900 APPLY FOR JOB; RAFFLE IT

"Stocks Up," Jobs Few, Says Paper

(By a Worker Correspondent)

LOS ANGELES (By Mail).—A medical man advertised in a Los Angeles newspaper the other day for a woman to work in his office.

The next morning over 900 women and girls of all ages appeared as applicants at his place of business—all asking for a chance to escape starvation.

A number of letters and telegrams were also received by the doctor.

Each applicant wrote her name on a slip of paper and put it into a hat for a raffle. A red-headed girl came out victorious. If she is not Red, in another sense of the word, she ought to be.

The monthly Southwest Review of the Los Angeles Chamber of Commerce said, in effect, recently: "Stocks up, jobs few."

AUSTRIA EXTRADITES WORKERS TO TERROR

NICARAGUAN JOB ENDED, DEPARTS

Diaz Praises Rule of Imperialism

(Imprecor Press Service)

VIENNA, (By Mail).—Austria, which for a time granted proletarian political fugitives a certain right of asylum, is now continuing its recent fascist policy in all forms of political servility towards the terrorist governments of the Balkan states. A court in Vienna has decided to hand over a Yugoslavian revolutionary named Anton Mavrak, to the Belgrade government.

The extradition is to take place in the next few days. Mavrak is a well known worker in the Yugoslavian movement. For a long time the Belgrade government has sought for some excuse to get him into its hands. About a year ago a strike took place in Agram (Zagreb) whereby collisions occurred between the strikers and strikebreakers. As a result a strikebreaker named Stjepan Mistic was killed. The police made great efforts to arrest those responsible and arrested a worker named Ivan Konrad who was accused of manslaughter.

This capture was, however, not sufficient for the police who wished to involve leading officials of the movement. The police therefore systematically tortured Konrad until in his despair he made the necessary "confession" and declared that the prominent comrades, Bartol, Burcul and Anton Mavrak, had instructed him to kill the strikebreaker.

Burcul and Mavrak, however, were living in Vienna where they were arrested at the request of the Yugoslavian government. Despite strong protests from other countries, Burcul was then handed over to the Yugoslavian authorities. When the trial of Konrad took place he declared that the "confession" which he had made had been forced from him by bestial tortures and that the "confession" was nothing but a fabrication. Under the circumstances Burcul could not be sentenced for the crime but he was nevertheless, as is the custom in Yugoslavia, banished to a little out of the way village for ten years, where his every movement is watched by the police and military.

WASHINGTON (By Mail).—The number of passenger engineers employed by U. S. railroads has decreased from 13,322 in 1923 to 12,722 in 1928. Freight engineers decreased in number from 33,313 to 29,546.

In Yellow Pass



Anna Sten, who takes the part of the peasant woman in Sovkino's new film, "The Yellow Pass," now showing at the Cameo.

LEWIS AND BOSS CUT AVELLA PAY

New Strikes Coming If Policy Is Continued

AVELLA, Pa. (By Mail).—Although operating a large number of the biggest mines in the Pittsburgh district, the Pittsburgh Terminal Coal Co. has singled out one of its operations for a ten per cent wage cut and this goes into effect immediately, according to notices posted at the P. and W. mine at Avella, Pa., which is operated by this company.

However, the men employed at the mine feel differently about the matter, and a fight is in prospect if the company does not back down on its threat. Short-time work and starvation earnings are already the rule here, in fact, it is the rule all over the district, and a new star is imminent in the mine fields.

This latest wage cut, which reduces the pay of day men from \$4.75 to \$4.25, machine loaders from \$3 cents to 52 cents a ton, pick miners from 85 cents to 75 cents a ton and machine runners from 11 cents to 10 cents a ton, is believed to be a move on the part of Lewis and his henchmen to create a situation favorable to the establishment of a real company union over which they can exercise control and to find out what the line-up is in the strong local here of the National Miners Union.

The same thing is contemplated at the other mines operated by the Pittsburgh Terminal Coal Co., if it works in this mine, and it goes without saying that other companies will follow suit, but there is fight left in the miners yet. This is more true now than ever, because all of them realize that they have not a thing to lose now but their misery, and that is plenty.

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'Sign of Leopard,' at National Is Facile Murder Melodrama

THE new play that opened at the National Theatre this week, "Sign of the Leopard," is one of the detective and murder stories that the facile Edgar Wallace turns out in England as often and as easily as Owen Davis here. It was about as original, in construction and execution, as Fire Commissioner Dorman's admittance re the nearest exit.

It was somewhat of a pleasure to have everything work out exactly as one expected—it was unnecessary to wriggle the tail of the smallest nerve cell connecting with the brain. Only here and there a stale prohibition or newspaper joke broke the calm.

Many of those who had come to see and hear a real imported play must have been thrilled, for at regular intervals one could hear awed whispers inquiring what this or that Anglicism meant. This despite a vocabulary appended to the program.

The tale briefly is one of crook meeting baffling detective and almost losing his fiancée to him. Later the dick helps the girl's uncle to shoot the villain, chivalrously realizing that saving the girl's happiness would justify the slip of the trigger finger.

A high priced brother, silent automatons, sly reporters, whiskey and sodas, and all the secretive grimaces of a detective story are scattered fullsomely through the play and they make pretty thin garnishing.

So that, with an obvious play that is quite representative of the boilerplate turned out by dramatic correspondence schools, with acting to match, and bromidic comedy relief, one is relieved when the evening's entertainment comes to a close.

—A. G. R.

ATTEMPT TO DESTROY RED VOTE IN OHIO

Town Authorities Are Caught in Act

(By a Worker Correspondent)

CINCINNATI, Ohio (By Mail).—I wish to call your attention that I live in Highland County, O., Allensburg, East Dodson Township. I went home on election day to vote and my wife also voted the Workers Party ticket, so I was sure of two votes for the Workers Party, but next morning before I left I went to make sure they had counted the votes. I found on the reporting sheet only one vote, so I got here and wrote to the attorney general. He forwarded my letter to the secretary of state to have it investigated, and so finally we had our two votes officially counted. We have lived there about a year and by next election there will be quite a number of others to vote Communist.

T. HAMANN.

CROPPING GOOD, BUT FARMERS LOSE

Non-Partisan League Is in With Banks

(By a Worker Correspondent)

SANISH, N. D. (By Mail).—The crop in McKenzie County was good, the farmers are not making anything. In many ways the crop is a loss instead of a gain, because of the very low price. The farmers are at the turning point. They have had enough of capitalism and are more and more seeing that only workers and peasants government will do them any good. One of the things that is also noticeable is that the so-called "progressive" and "radical" Nonpartisan League leaders are working hand in glove with the banking and business interests for the division of the political spoils of the country.

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Crouch and Hall to Speak in Milwaukee

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Culinary Workers to Start Drive Against Shark Employment Agencies Tomorrow

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In a statement addressed to all restaurant, hotel and culinary workers, the Executive Council of the culinary trades for the abolishment of private "shark" employment agencies calls upon all workers to attend a mass meeting tomorrow at 2:30 p. m. at Bryant Hall, Sixth Ave., between 41st and 42nd St. The purpose of the meeting, according to the council, will be to make plans for a fight against the "scab" employment agencies which live on the misery of unemployed workers.

The appeal, in full, follows: All waiters, cooks, countermen and hotel employes know that it means to depend upon the grafting scab outfits known as "employment agencies" for a job. Every worker knows from experience how often we pay for jobs which do not exist, how we go from one so-called job to another paying 10 per cent each time we get a job for a week or two weeks' work. These scab employment agencies make millions of dollars yearly out of our poverty and dire need. Many headwaiters and chefs and managers are in cohorts with these parasitic agencies and get a rake-off for providing fake jobs. This system of exploitation of the worst paid and the most helpless workers, men, women and youths, must be stopped!

Long Hours, Low Wages. "Even when the job supplied through the agencies is a genuine one, we face long hours, the 7-day week, menial and hard labor, starvation wages and intolerable abuse. We are compelled to live on left-overs and are housed in unsanitary places. The present law is inadequate to protect the workers from graft and corruption of the private employment agencies.

"Only through the workers themselves, through their own united action can we get rid of these instruments of exploitation. Therefore we call upon all organized labor and upon all friends of the labor movement to get together to abolish this evil, to establish a free employment bureau in New York City controlled and operated by the workers.

Urges Powerful Union. "There is only one way to improve the rotten conditions of virtual slavery, abolish long hours and the 7-day week and establish conditions of employment in which the worker can maintain his or her self respect, and that is by building one powerful union of all culinary workers.

"All waiters, cooks, countermen, bakers, butchers and hotel employes must organize and prepare to abolish intolerable conditions and establish a higher standard of living by a united struggle against the employment agencies."

AFGHAN TRIBES ATTACK CAPITAL

British Incite Revolt; Want War Base

KABUL, Afghanistan, Dec. 16.—One of the tribes yesterday instigated into revolt against King Amanullah along the Afghan-India border, tried to penetrate Kabul, the Afghan capital, but were defeated at the suburbs by Afghanisthan forces.

Another insurgent band is reported to have passed Nimla on its campaign, raising volunteers and gathering supplies of food and arms. The foreign minister returned today from Jellalabad, where he is believed to have made personal investigation into the charge that the revolt is being fostered and led by British military officers who have crossed the border from India. It is rumored that Colonel Lawrence, Britain's special agent in the colonies, is somewhere in the area and is playing an active role inciting the tribes against the king's government.

Starvation Wages in Carolina Mills Cause of Pellagra

COLUMBIA, S. C., (By Mail).—An epidemic of pellagra among the children of families employed in the cotton mills of South Carolina has been found to have originated in the lack of nutrition due to the starvation wages paid in the mills. The U. S. Public Health Bureau has admitted this is the cause.

Machine to Displace Many R. R. Workers

PHILADELPHIA, (By Mail).—A machine for renovating track ballast has been installed by the Pennsylvania R. R. It will displace thousands of maintenance of way workers. It propels itself, excavates ballast from the track, removes the dirt and returns the stone to the track.

BUT PROFITS ARE BOSSES'

DETROIT, (By Mail).—Auto workers have produced nearly 5,000,000 cars so far in 1928, it is estimated.

Marines Come Home After Chiang Kai-Shek Sells Out to Wall Street



After United States warships have bombarded Chinese cities, and marines have landed to defend United States interests, killing thousands of Chinese workers and peasants in the process, Wall Street can now withdraw some of its forces, due to the complete betrayal of the revolution by the Kowmungang and its war lords. These marines are being shown as they came home. Marines, you will soon be shown again how to kill defenseless workers and peasants. Your next trip may be to Latin America.

Fraternal Organizations BUFFALO FLAYS U. S. TROTSKYISM

Support Expulsions by Central Committee

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Party demands that all members of the Party unite on a common platform for a united struggle against the forces attempting to split the Communist ranks. No minor differences can be permitted to stand in the way of a united struggle against the Trotskyism and against Right Wingism. We therefore view with alarm the effect of the action of the comrades of the opposition, who are calling the membership into a struggle against the C. E. C. on a platform of accusations, which were examined and rejected by the Comintern. This action is weakening the effect of our blows against Trotskyism and against Right Wingism.

"We appeal to all Party members to unite on the platform of full adherence to all decisions of the Comintern, and to show a solid Leninist front to the enemies of the Party.

"Unity, Activation, Leninist Discipline are our best weapons in the struggle against Right Wingism and against Trotskyism. The D. E. C. pledges itself to mobilize the entire membership of the district for full support of the C. E. C. in its struggle against the right danger and menace of Trotskyism."

League Special Session. GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. 16.—The League of Nations, which in this case as in many others, functions for the interests of British imperialism in its world-wide struggle to defend itself from American imperialism, is moving to a more active intervention in the Bolivia-Paraguay conflict with Aristide Briand, president of the League Council, threatening to call a special session of the League, which will diplomatically, but insistently, try to prevent American imperialism in the Washington conference of Pan-American states from obtaining further control over Latin-American countries to the detriment of British interests.

The League has already sent notes to both Bolivia and Paraguay, both members of the League, urging peaceful settlement, but not specifying if they should use the League machinery or leave everything in the hands of American imperialism.

The League was rebuffed by Bolivia, which is already making war, and in order to avoid losing out altogether, the League must increase its diplomatic intervention in Latin America, though it infringe on the Monroe Doctrine and will lead, in the end, to a new world war with British and American imperialisms in open, armed conflict.

D. C. BUILDING WORKERS GAIN. WASHINGTON (By Mail).—The Wardman Construction Co. has been forced to employ union labor and to grant the 5-hour day in several large building operations in this city.

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Cut Wage of Auto Polishing Workers. DETROIT, (By Mail).—Metal polishers of the Murray Body Co. have received a wage cut from \$2.00 to \$1.25. Piece work instead of wages by the day has also been introduced.

ALBANY (By Mail).—The total number of construction workers injured in New York during the year ending June 30, 1928, was 21,891, the highest total for any year thus far.

WASHINGTON (By Mail).—The railroads have laid so many work-ers off since 1923 that they announce they are saving \$20,000,000 a month in wages.

PARAGUAY CALLS NATION TO ARMS AGAINST BOLIVIA

Standard Oil Co. Has Forts Seized

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That Bolivian straps of Yankee imperialism have long been preparing for war, and have purposely stalled off peaceful settlements through purely Latin-American commissions, is seen by dispatches from Santa Fe, Argentina, that huge shipments of munitions and airplanes destined for Bolivia have been prepared through Argentina destined to Bolivia for three months and more.

To attack Fort Boqueron, which is located near Puerto Casado about 400 miles from Bahia Negra, the Bolivians had to invade Paraguayan territory in a region where the Menonites, a pacifist religious sect which migrated from Canada to escape war service for the British empire, has settled, buying the land from Paraguay.

From Asuncion, the capital of Paraguay, comes a report that a Bolivian aviator had dropped bombs on the Bahia Negra section, which is in northern Chaco, while other Bolivian troops are moving down the Negro River, and still more troops were massing along the Pilcomayo River, evidently intending to advance down that river in an attack on Asuncion.

A number of retired army officers from Chile have wired to Asuncion offering their services, and Argentina is considering, if open hostilities continue, its right under international law to stop munitions passing thru its territory to Bolivia.

League Special Session. GENEVA, Switzerland, Dec. 16.—The League of Nations, which in this case as in many others, functions for the interests of British imperialism in its world-wide struggle to defend itself from American imperialism, is moving to a more active intervention in the Bolivia-Paraguay conflict with Aristide Briand, president of the League Council, threatening to call a special session of the League, which will diplomatically, but insistently, try to prevent American imperialism in the Washington conference of Pan-American states from obtaining further control over Latin-American countries to the detriment of British interests.

The League has already sent notes to both Bolivia and Paraguay, both members of the League, urging peaceful settlement, but not specifying if they should use the League machinery or leave everything in the hands of American imperialism.

The League was rebuffed by Bolivia, which is already making war, and in order to avoid losing out altogether, the League must increase its diplomatic intervention in Latin America, though it infringe on the Monroe Doctrine and will lead, in the end, to a new world war with British and American imperialisms in open, armed conflict.

D. C. BUILDING WORKERS GAIN. WASHINGTON (By Mail).—The Wardman Construction Co. has been forced to employ union labor and to grant the 5-hour day in several large building operations in this city.

AMALGAMATED FOOD WORKERS. Baker's Local 164 meets Saturday in the month at 3 p. m. Ask for Union Label Bread.

Hotel and Restaurant Workers Branch of the Amalgamated Food Workers. 133 W. 51st St., Phone Circle 7326. BUSINESS MEETING held on the first Monday of the month at 3 p. m. One Industry—One Union—Join and Fight the Common Enemy! Office Open from 9 a. m. to 6 p. m.

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Workers Party Activities

Lenin Memorial Meeting.

A Lenin Memorial Meeting will be held in Madison Square Garden Saturday evening, January 19. All Party and sympathetic organizations please take note. You are requested to arrange any conflicting dates. The Lenin Memorial Meeting this year will be a powerful demonstration against the imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union. District Executive Committee, New York District.

Party Unites Attention!

The Spanish Fraction will hold its first ball on Saturday evening, Dec. 22, at Harlem Casino, 116th St. and Lenox Ave. Proceeds will go for the organization of Spanish speaking workers and for the support of the organ of the Spanish Bureau "Vida Obrera." Please, keep this date open and give this affair your greatest support.

Section 2, SS E, FD3 Meeting.

A meeting of Section 2, SS E, FD3 to discuss the statement of the CEC on Trotskyism and the Right danger will be held tonight at 105 E. 14th St. All members are required to attend.

Italian Red Ball.

A grand annual ball will be given by the New York District fraction of the Workers (Communist) Party for the benefit of Il Lavatore, the Italian Communist paper, on Saturday, December 22, 8 p. m. at Workers Cooperative Hall, 642 Hudson Ave., West N. Y.

Subsection 3C Meet.

All units of Subsection 3C will meet today at 6:30 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St.

Subsection 3C Executive.

A subsection executive meeting of 3C will be held Wednesday at 6:30 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St. J. Primoff, organizer of subsection, will report on the work done.

Unit 6F, Section 1.

Unit 6F, Section 1 will meet tomorrow at 6:30 St. Marks Place at 6 p. m.

Unit 3, Section 7.

A business and educational meeting of Unit 3, Section 7, will be held today at 8 p. m. at 764 40th St., Brooklyn. Discussion will be held.

Unit 7F, Section 1.

Unit 7F, Section 1 will hold an educational meeting tomorrow at 6:30 p. m. at 60 St. Marks Place. "Trotskyism" will be discussed.

Unit 2F, SS, 3D.

Unit 2F, SS, 3D will hold an educational meeting tomorrow at 6:15 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St. The War Danger will be the subject of discussion. Every member of the unit be present.

Brooklyn W. W. L. Dance.

The Bronx section of the Young Workers (Communist) League will hold a Section Dance on Saturday, Dec. 22, at the Rose Garden, 134 Boston Road. There will be entertainment and an excellent jazz band.

Notice to All Party Members.

A Party membership meeting will be held Friday evening, Dec. 21, at Central Opera House, 67th St. and Third Ave. All comrades are to take note that they are to arrange no conflicting meetings with this date and are to be prepared to attend this meeting without fail. Doors will be opened at 7:30 p. m. Comrades will be admitted by Party membership card only, and must be in good standing.

East N. Y. Concert, Dance.

The East New York section of the Young Workers (Communist) League has arranged a concert and dance for January 12 at 313 Hinsdale Ave. All workers are invited to attend.

Section 5 Dance.

Section 5 of the Workers (Communist) Party will celebrate the establishment of the Bronx Workers Center at 1330 Wilkins Ave. on New Years Eve with a concert and dance till dawn. All Party membership card only, and must be in good standing.

Newark W. W. L. Dance.

The Young Workers (Communist) League will hold its sixth annual dance on Jan. 25, at the Ukrainian Labor Hall, 57 Beacon St., Newark. Tickets are 50 cents including a free ride to the Y. W. C. A. for three months. All sympathetic organizations are asked to arrange affairs on the same date and to help us make this affair a success.

MEETING OF SILK WORKERS BIG SUCCESS

500 Attend Concert; 65 at Fakers' Meet

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is no more strike by Louis Stein, renegade left winger, who tried to dodge it by saying only a few small shops are still out, the officialdom announced that nominations for officers would be postponed. The reason? "It is unwise to change leadership in the middle of a strike," they stated.

Even the 65 who attended the right wing meeting kept stony silence while Stein began a slanderous attack on the N. T. W. U. While hundreds of workers were meeting at a rally for the N. T. W. U. at the very same moment, Stein blustered, "We will not let the N. T. W. U. get a foothold in Paterson."

Y. W. L. Dance. The Young Workers (Communist) League ran a dance at their headquarters, 3 Governor St., for the benefit of the left wing textile union last night. The affair was a huge success, Paterson's class-conscious working class youth turning out in large numbers to the affair. The amounts to be turned in to the N. T. W. U. as profits from these affairs will be announced later.

Tuesday night, the union announces, a meeting of winders, quill-winders and pickers will be held at the organization's headquarters, 151 Broadway. The special purpose of this meeting is to start a special women's section of the N. T. W. U. A youth section is also to be formed soon.

Saturday night a meeting of the children's clubs formally established the Juvenile Section of the N. T. W. U. Paterson locals.

Plans for the Preliminary Organization Conference on Dec. 23 are progressing full speed ahead, union headquarters announce.

COURT AIDS LUMBER BOSSES. OTTAWA, (By Mail).—The supreme court of Canada has cancelled an order of the male minimum wage board of British Columbia to fix minimum wages in the lumbering industry.

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Volunteers Needed.

Volunteers are wanted for clerical work in connection with the Party's Negro work. The comrades in charge are head over heels in work, and unless volunteer help is gotten, important matters will be slowed up, if not altogether neglected. Phone Ida Dallen at the National Office, Harlem 1278.

Branch 2, Section 8.

A membership meeting of Branch 2, Section 8 will be held today at 8 p. m. at 313 Hinsdale Ave.

Trade Union Discussion.

International Branch 4, Section 5, of the Party will hold an important meeting today at 8:20 p. m. at the Bronx Workers Center, 1330 Wilkins Ave. All members are urged to attend.

Unit 2F, Section 1.

Unit 2F, Section 1 will hold a business meeting today at 6:15 p. m. at 60 St. Marks Place. The executive board of the unit will give a report and definite recommendations on activating the membership of the unit.

Subsection 3E.

The subsection enlarged executive committee will meet today at 6:15 p. m.

3E International Branch 1.

The International Branch will hold an important meeting today at 9 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St.

Unit 3E, 2F.

Unit 3E, 2F will hold an important meeting Wednesday at 6:15 p. m. at 101 W. 27th St.

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Organize Auto and Aircraft Industry

The Detroit conference of trade union, fraternal and beneficial workingmen's organizations, to lay plans for an organization drive in the motor industry, announced for Sunday, January 13th, while embracing only the automobile city and vicinity, is of national, in fact international significance, in view of the fact that this is a period of frantic preparation for another world war that by comparison will make the last world war appear almost an incident.

Detroit is the center of one of the most highly concentrated war industries in the whole country. Long the center of the auto industry, Detroit is now the center of the aircraft industry. This supremacy has been attained within the past three and a half years. Out of the auto industry in Detroit has grown the aircraft industry. These two industries are classified under the general head—the motor industry. In Detroit alone there are at present 42 concerns manufacturing aircraft or aircraft parts and supplies. Their products last year were above \$3,500,000. This year they have already exceeded \$5,000,000 and the Detroit News estimates that it may before January 1st, even double the volume of last year.

In preparing for another world war the aircraft industry is being stimulated by the investment of millions upon millions of dollars. Every effort is made to see that this industry is carefully "protected from labor agitators." Only the most servile superintendents and foremen and picked crews of workers were at first placed in the aircraft industry. But the rapid development of that branch of motors has compelled the employment of thousands of unskilled and semi-skilled workers, who can be organized.

The workers of the entire motor industry have suffered unemployment that has made possible, because of a total absence of effective organization, a whole series of wage-cuts. The speed-up has been intensified to an unheard of degree. So frightful is the demands upon human vitality that only workers with the strongest constitutions can endure work in the industry even for a few years. Workers in the motor industry are worn out and thrown upon the human scrap heap before the machines upon which they work are thrown upon the junk-pile.

The bureaucracy of the American Federation of Labor in Detroit furnished a classic example of the depths to which this vicious machine can sink in the service of the employers. It appears openly in alliance with the most reactionary politicians and is a part of the republican strike-breaking machine, the identical state machine that was formerly dominated by the millionaire grafter and crook, Newberry, and a part of the national machine of Cal Coolidge, Andrew W. Mellon and Herbert Hoover. These Detroit labor fakery are open servants of the war-mongers, fawning before General Motors, the House of Morgan concern, which is in one gigantic war merger with United States Steel and DuPont powder. None but an idiot would expect this American Federation of Labor outfit to organize the slaves of the motor industry against their political bosses.

The only trade union organization that at present is capable of rallying the masses of auto workers is the Auto and Aircraft Workers Union, an industrial union, independent of the American Federation of Labor. It is that union that is calling the January 13th conference of workers for the purpose of laying plans for an intensive drive in the very heart of the motor industry.

Every worker in Detroit and vicinity should work day and night in order that the conference may be successful; in order that every organization of workers may be represented there and in order that thousands of workers may join the auto workers union and wage a struggle to organize the other hundreds of thousands of men, women and youth in the motor industry. A nucleus of thousands of the more conscious workers must be created to blaze the trail over which the great masses can march toward effective organization against the wage-cuts, the speed-up and other tyrannies of the motor magnates.

An excellent opportunity for organization is now afforded with the motor industry responding to the new and sharp turn of American imperialism that is driving forward pell-mell toward a new war and that is opening up new markets through deeper penetration of Latin-America symbolized by Hoover's imperialist tour.

An organization drive in the motor industry is not merely an ordinary trade union fight. It is in every sense of the word a political fight, a drive against the war-mongers. Every worker who really wants to put up an effective fight against the imperialist war should support the movement to organize the

auto and aircraft workers. Modern warfare without industries turning out war materials is utterly unthinkable and one of the methods of fighting against imperialist war is to organize the workers in the war industries.

The "Nation" Aids Strikebreakers

The weekly publication, *The Nation*, that doesn't know whether it is liberal or libertarian, and that supported the Wall Street Tammany candidate, Al. Smith for president of the United States, poses as a "friend of labor." In its current number it appeals editorially for "Christmas funds" to be sent to the offices of the Associated Silk Workers of Paterson.

It was the officials of the Associated who, forced to call a strike by the pressure of the workers in the union, contrived to betray it and now stand exposed as open enemies of the workers. To urge the sending of money to the Associated of Paterson is to aid strikebreakers and union wreckers.

In this action *The Nation* is at least politically consistent. It backs for president of the United States the head of the Tammany union-smashing outfit and urges support of traitors to the labor movement in Paterson.

There is but one organization in Paterson that represents the strikers and the mass of workers in the silk industry and that is the National Textile Workers Union. All class conscious workers will support that union, while the capitalists, including the liberals and the silk mill owners, will support the scab union.

In the resistance to imperialist aggression, nothing can be expected from the petit-bourgeoisie. So eloquent a petit-bourgeois spokesman as Borah, has gone over lock, stock and barrel to the big bourgeoisie. Witness his endorsement of the big navy program of the General Naval Board.

The industrialization of the south, the further proletarianization of the Negro masses, the further expropriation of the farmers and of the rural masses, as a whole, and their further proletarianization, will serve to create a bigger and more class-conscious proletariat, developing new fields for struggle. Our Party must be wide awake to these significant deep-going changes. We must not only respond but must aggressively lead.

The outlook for a cataclysmic crash between imperialist powers—between the United States and Great Britain, or the serious danger of an attack by a group of imperialist powers against the Soviet Union, is ever more menacing. *American imperialism is still powerful but in this very heyday of its prowess, it is developing power of its own destruction. Sharpening class struggles are in sight. Increasing opportunities for development of our Communist Party into a mass Bolshevik party are at hand.*

The 1928 election campaign has taught us many valuable lessons. Our active participation in it has been of real value in our untiring effort to establish the Communist Party as the leader of the American working class. (From "The 1928 Elections" by Jay Lovestone in December "Communist")

"The election was a sweeping victory for finance capital. . . . This victory cannot but translate itself into sharpening attacks against the workers. Rationalization of the coal industry means further oppression and more intense exploitation of the miners. Efficiency and speed-up methods in the textile industry will mean a harvest of worsened conditions for the textile workers. The further merging of the government apparatus with the big business apparatus can only mean a more frequent and more outrageous strike-breaking role to be played by the government through all its subdivisions. The huge vote given the big capitalist parties will be interpreted by the bourgeoisie as a mandate for sharpening their attack on the workers' living standards, conditions of work and rights along the whole front. . . .

But let no one fail to view this picture dynamically. There are numerous deep consequences for American capitalism, growing out of its very strength, its very imperialist prowess of today. By utilizing and exploiting every opportunity afforded by these contradictions of American imperialism, our party can enhance its influence, develop itself into a mass Communist Party—the leader of the working class." (From "The 1928 Elections" by Jay Lovestone in December "Communist")

Boston Jingoism at It Again

(Special to the Daily Worker)
BOSTON, Mass., Dec. 16.—The Boston jingoism is at it again. This time the matter that has aroused the ire of police and censors and caused the society madames of the Back Bay district to blush with outraged purity is Michael Gold's play of the Mexican peasantry, "Fiesta," now being produced by the Harvard Dramatic Club in Cambridge. The police of Cambridge threaten to stop the play unless several "objectionable" lines are cut out. One letter sent to Superintendent of Police Michael H. Crowley, who led the Boston police force in its brutality during the last days of the Sacco-Vanzetti agitation, and who banned "Oil" recently, complained that the play was "indecent" and "the most disgraceful and immoral production" the sensitive chief had ever seen.

The letter was immediately forwarded to City Censor John M. Casey, who sent three of his bluecoat slugs to witness a performance of the play. On the strength of his committee's report, Boston police have announced that they will lock up the entire cast if "Fiesta" is produced in Boston.

WELCOMING HOOVER'S "GOOD-WILL" TOUR

By Fred Ellis

Misleaders in the American Labor Unions

Closely connected with the building trades corruptionists are the Teamsters' Unions have a great of them. (In 1918 a strike occurred among the bitterly exploited girls of the "Rit" soap works in Chicago. J. W. Johnstone and the writer, as officials of the Stockyard's Labor Council, took charge of the strike. A few days later a big automobile, loaded with ostentatiously armed huskies, drew up to our union headquarters. Two of them announced themselves as stockholders in the "Rit" company and also, to our surprise, as business agents of the Chicago Teamsters. They demanded brusquely how much we wanted for calling off the strike. They were astonished when we refused their money and insisted that the only way to end the strike was to grant the workers' demands.) A shining example is "Con" Shea. This man, at the time president of the International Brotherhood of Teamsters, led the great Chicago Teamsters' strike of 1905 in which 21 men were killed and 415 wounded. Shea was then a pal of the notorious labor grafter, J. C. Driscoll, a man who had sold out dozens of strikes and who admitted that he had a gross annual income of \$60,000. The teamsters' strike was lost, charges being made that Shea sold it out. In 1909 Shea then secretary of the New York Teamsters' District Council, brutally stabbed his sweetheart, Alice V. L. h. 38 times, almost killing her, for which he was sent to Sing Sing prison for six years. Released, Shea returned to Chicago. Since then he has been a member of the Building Trades ring, with a reeking record of labor grafting, automobile thievery, bootlegging, white slavery, shady business deals, corrupt politics, jury fixing, etc. He is a special friend of Tim Murphy and he has been arrested many times. Hutchins Haggood thus writes of this "representative" of the trade union movement: (The Spirit of Labour, p. 346.)

"I met Shea on several occasions. He sat more or less like a poisonous toad in his rooms at the Briggs House. He seemed a fitting companion to Young and Driscoll."

One of the "toughest" Chicago unions is the Motion Picture Operators' Union. The boss of this strongly organized and strategically situated organization is "Tommy" Malloy, a pupil of "Mossie" Enright's. The officials of this union have grafted huge sums of money, variously estimated up to several hundred thousands of dollars, from the theatre owners, not to mention what they have taken from their own rank and file. They have used many schemes, including "strike insurance," "initiation fees" for opening new theatres, "fines" for infractions, real or imaginary, of union rules, etc. A prolific source of graft was the Peerless Advertising Co., organized by the union officials. The latter gave this company the sole right to use the union label on advertising slides, and then refused to permit union operators to run the slides of other, non-union companies. Thus, with a practical monopoly, the union officials were able to charge exorbitant rates for their advertising slides and to reap large sums of money. The leaders of this union won the right to control the motion picture operators in open armed struggle against the Electrical Workers' officials. Automobile loads of gunmen from each union met on the streets in the heart of the city, and fired into each other. When the smoke of battle cleared away Malloy and his friends remained the victors. That settled the jurisdictional question.

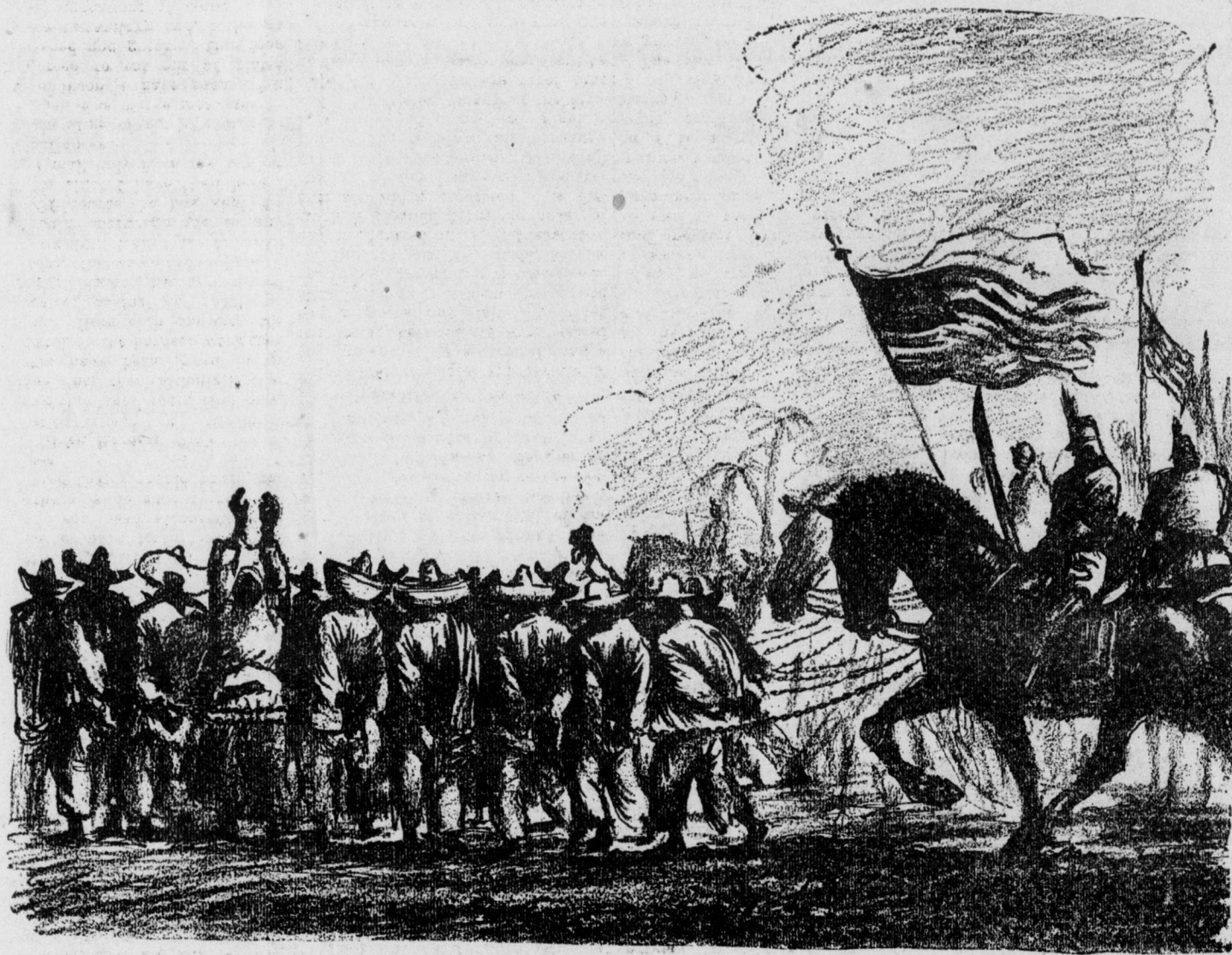
to receive visits only from immediate relatives and for a period of 20 minutes only, and now it is changed to from 1 to 3 p. m. on the same days and strictly relatives. For instance, there was a man's wife who came all the way from Georgia, a distance of 900 miles to see her husband and because the man was not listed here as married she had to go back home without seeing her husband.

(c) Consideration for home parole.

Denied Parole Right.
"In the last two years, out of 2,000 men that have been sent here, about six men have been granted home parole. War Department specifically states that a man should exercise every effort possible to make home parole. When a prisoner goes before the parole officer he is discouraged as much as possible by said officer. Always, when a man on home parole is arrested, whether guilty or not, he automatically forfeits his parole and when he comes back he loses all good conduct time earned and does the remainder of his sentence in full. They have a form here that the men sign stating that they don't want home parole and the officer tries to get all the men to sign it so that the men won't have any come-back.

GREAT GERMAN IMMIGRATION
WASHINGTON, Dec. 16.—with 45,776, Germany led in immigration from Europe to the United States in 1927.

WARD BREAD UNFAIR
CHICAGO (By Mail).—The Bakers and Confectionery Workers Union has again declared all Ward Baking Co. products unfair to union labor.



Porter Clubbed in Army Prison

The International Labor Defense has received copies of several letters which John Porter has just written from Fort Leavenworth military prison. Porter, who was sentenced by court martial to serve two and one-half years for "desertion," after he became a leader of the New Bedford textile workers' strike, reveals in these letters the abuse and mistreatment to which he is being subjected.

Receives No Mail.
Porter declares: "Pardon my delay in writing. I would have written sooner, but I am practically held incommunicado, as I am permitted to write only one letter per week. Of course I have written to Theresa Valente and have asked her to write to several comrades for me, but I have no answer as to whether she has or not. I have not received any mail from her for over a month, and her letters are the only ones that are permitted, as she is my fiancée and she is the only one from whom I can obtain news from the outside."

"I wish that you would write to her and find out the reason."
Rushed Away By Officers.
"On August 5, at 12, noon, I was notified that I was to be shipped away. About 20 minutes later I was rushed away to Boston, at the average rate of 55 miles an hour. In the commanding officer's special car. This, of course, was done quickly so that I would not be able to get in contact with comrades outside, for their intentions undoubtedly were not to let anyone know where I was to serve my sentence. Three times I tried to write a letter while enroute here, but was stopped by my two guards, who denied me this and even denied me the privilege of notifying my mother by telegram. While enroute I was only allowed to eat when they ate and to sleep when they slept. Sometimes I would go 10 hours without a bit to eat."

"On Saturday morning I was brought before Colonel Morrow. He seemed angry, because he had found out that the working class was demanding my release. In front of him, on the desk, lay about ten letters which he had already opened and read. He referred to one letter which was from my mother, saying that the International Labor Defense and the Textile Mill Committee were behind me. He asked me what I thought of people who picketed a mill, to which my reply was that I didn't blame them for fighting for better living and working conditions and secondly picketing is a constitutional right. To my surprise he brought forth this reply: 'What do you mean, a constitutional right, there is no such thing.' He also stated that I should be shipped to Russia."

Given Hardest Work.
"As usual, I was given the hardest work that they could find here, and ever since then, although other prisoners have been given better jobs, I still do the hardest work they can find. Here each one has the privilege of taking up vocational training. This, too, has been denied me. Also, the commandant stated that he would not allow me in any mail that would encourage me in any way. Of course, he has kept his word, for since I have been here I received mail only from my mother and my fiancée."

"At the time of my arrival here the kitchen was in the most unsanitary condition I have seen. We were forced to eat out of plates half washed and greasy. Our food was also unsanitary and, although I had no intention of doing so, I have eaten more than one cockroach in my food. We received just a little food on our plate and we had to satisfy the rest of our hunger on

Held Incommunicado; Asks the International Labor Defense to Get Mail Thru to Him

bread. This place, which they call an institution, is the worst penitentiary in the United States. This military pen is supposed to be governed by regulations issued by the war department, but they seem to govern it by their own rules. We are only permitted to write one letter per week and are not allowed to receive any tobacco or edibles, except on Christmas. The only reading material which is permitted is that which teaches us to slave for less money and to become real American citizens. When we write a letter we are only permitted to use one sheet of paper. We are not free to write that which we want to, for if we do our letters are destroyed.

Beaten By Guard.
"On Aug. 12 I received a letter from Theresa, asking to report conditions here. I was, of course, called again to the office and asked to write favorable reports. That is the reason for my not reporting true

Lewis' District Gang Goes Underground; Raises Dues

PITTSBURGH, Pa., (By Mail).—With more secrecy than attends a night raiding party of the Ku Klux Klan, the officials and organizers of the United Mine Workers of America in District 5 (Pittsburgh) called together their loyal standpat henchmen and paid pickets (somewhere in Pittsburgh) and wrote finis to their claim to leadership of the Western Pennsylvania miners.

The gathering was designated as the regular (?) Biennial Convention of District 5, United Mine Workers of America, although not a line was written or printed to call it together, nor were the so-called local unions invited to elect their own delegates to represent them at the convention. Each one of the delegates was hand-picked or self-picked, because there is not a mining town in Western Pennsylvania with a functioning local union that is paying dues to the machine of International President Lewis or District President Fagan in District 5 of the United Mine Workers of America. All of the unions that do exist are locally newly organized and belonging to the National Miners Union. Because of this, the so-called convention is all the more a huge joke.

Convention Or Funeral?
It would be more appropriate to call the gathering a funeral than a convention, because its work was of such a nature that District 5, United Mine Workers of America pronounced dead by all its former members, was waiting only for the burial service and the funeral dirge. At least that much is gleaned from the order of business which consisted of a discussion of the lost strike and resulted in the decision to instruct all those not already working, to return to work wherever they could get it and to pay dues to any of the officials whose records are proof that no further organization work will be attempted.

New Union Growing.
The new National Miners Union is growing by leaps and bounds and the old U. M. W. A. is forgotten except for its betrayals. The miners realize that their future depends on the new union and are joining it despite the combined opposition of the operators and the fakery.

this public through the Daily Worker, that if I should by any means be killed here, it will not be because I attempted to escape or attacked a guard, but because I refuse to yield to their attempt to crush my fighting spirit.

I. L. D. Lawyer Helps.
"On the 19th Miss Caroline Lowe, an attorney from Pittsburgh, Kansas, who was retained by the I. L. D., came down and I reported to her about my mistreatment here. Also I asked her to have the I. L. D. take action on my mail, and now I seem to be receiving mail from comrades in Detroit, Michigan. This shows that they are really afraid of us taking legal actions and making an investigation of all this. Since the defense attorney came down they seem to use me much better, although I still receive the hard and dirty work. However, these attempts will never crush my revolutionary spirit, for I will always remain a loyal fighter of the toiling masses."

Still Full of Fight.
"I thank all the comrades who have fought so bravely for my release and send them my best greetings and fighting spirit. I will still continue to fight for the emancipation of the toiling masses and perhaps some day I may be able to do the same for them. Continue the fight, comrades, for the czars here realize that the fight is growing intense. I pledge myself to be a loyal fighter of the toiling masses, always ready to even sacrifice my life, if necessary, especially for the young workers who are most exploited. Expose them through the Daily. I would also, if possible, like to hear from comrades. Expose publicly all I have written about this place."

In a second letter Porter tells of the denial of all privileges, even those which are granted according to regulations. Porter says, "Enclosed are a few regulations concerning mail, visitors, home parole, etc. These regulations are made by the War Department but are broken here without notice given to them. In plain, all privileges granted us by the War Department are denied by officials here. All this should be taken into consideration. Please forward a copy to the I. L. D."

Illegal Restrictions.
"For instance, in my case I am not permitted any mail from other than relatives. "All this should be made public and a fight put up so that we can receive some privileges granted us for, although we are prisoners, we are still human beings. "Please send best regards to comrades jailed at Washington. Best regards to all comrades."

Porter then gives quotations from the War Department regulations and shows how they are being violated. Porter smuggled all these letters from the prison in order to inform the workers what is going on.

Own Regulations Violated.
The letter of Porter telling of the violation of War Department regulations follows:
"(a) Privileges of first class prisoners. Permission to write as many letters as desired each week. The officials have changed it of their own accord without notifying the War Department, to one letter a week. No specific reason given for change other than it is too much work reading two or three letters of each man.
(b) Permission to receive visitors on Saturdays, Sundays and holiday afternoons, between 1 and 4 p. m.
"This also has been changed. First