

## LYNCH PERIL STILL THREATENS GASTONIA PRISONERS

### HOOVER'S GROUP START PUBLICITY ATTACK ON LABOR

Reactionary Senators  
Raising Big Fund to  
"Fight the Reds"

Run Monthly Magazine

Ohio Gang' Man, KKK  
Senator Sponsor It

WASHINGTON, June 23.—Hoover's gang yesterday developed a second main offensive against workers, the laws containing appointive power in the hands of the president, and to fight labor organization.

In addition to the "law enforcement commission", the conscription legislation for all men and industrial power, the laws containing appointive power in the hands of the president, and to fight labor organization.

Dr. Work, Senator Watson of Indiana, majority leader in the senate; Senator Burton of Ohio and Representative Wood of Indiana, head of the republican party congressional committee, are circulating a petition for financial contributions to back the National Republic, a monthly magazine published in Washington, which for many years was edited and managed by George B. Lockwood of Indiana, former secretary of the national committee of the republican party. The appeal carries also the signature of Representative Frank Murphy of Ohio. It is printed on fake congressional stationery, and asks those receiving the letters to contribute \$10 immediately and \$10 every three months thereafter.

The plan proposed is to send out "anti-red" publicity, once a week to all papers, particularly those in small towns, and to send the National Republic to 5,000 editors of papers who might be influenced by it.

The sponsors of the plan announce the fight against all revolutionary ideas as one of their main purposes, the boosting of Hoover and enlargement of his power and prestige being the other.

Work says that through these means the sponsors will get before the people "safe, sane and old fashioned ideas of government and sound (Continued on Page Three)

### Death Avenue



The open tracks on Eleventh Ave. still make that street, in a working-class neighborhood, Death Avenue for the workers' children, who lack dangerous streets on which the New York Central Railroad runs trains. Note the boy on horseback, employed by the railroad as signalman. The railroad fired an adult worker and hired the boy at a fraction of the man's wage.

### PHILA. TAILORS CHANGE HILLMAN BLUFF TO STRIKE

### N. Y. Machine Forces Worker from Job

PHILADELPHIA, June 23.—Another striking demonstration of the extent to which the corrupt bureaucrats of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers are hated here by the rank and file workers has just been given. The Hillman gang recently called a fake strike in the "unbasting" line of the tailors for the sole purpose of hindering the organization drive which the Trade Union Educational League is now carrying on in the local men's clothing industry. But the maneuver was a dismal failure, for the workers converted the fake gesture of the bureaucrats into a genuine struggle for union conditions, following the call of the Organization Committee of the Trade Union Educational League.

Respond—But Not to Gang. As a result, instead of going to the headquarters of the machine outfit, the tailors came to the headquarters of the Organization Committee by the hundreds. Just now practically all shops of the "unbasting" line are at a standstill. The workers of Lieberman's, B. Maymon's, Kaiser's, and numerous other shops were among those who struck and reported to the Organization Committee. Only two shops joined the right wing clique, and even in (Continued on Page Three)

### BIG CONFERENCE PLEDGES AID TO FURRIERS' STRIKE

Ben Gold Reports on  
Progress of the  
Struggle

Mass Picketing Today

Begin Frameup on Two  
Active Strikers

A large number of delegates representing over 100 left wing and progressive labor organizations attended a conference Saturday at Irving Plaza, 15th Street and Irving Pl., and decided upon specific measures for strengthening the general strike of the furriers which began last Wednesday morning.

Ben Gold, secretary-treasurer of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union and chairman of the General Strike Committee, reported on the progress of the strike and pointed out the necessity of broadening and extending the strike in the next few days.

Mass Picketing Today. At the same time Gold announced that a huge picketing demonstration would be held early tomorrow morning in the fur market. Gold said he expected at least 7,000 on the picket line tomorrow. He declared also that beginning tomorrow 700 active strikers would visit the homes of furriers who are still in the shops and urge them to join the strike ranks.

Pledge Aid to Strike. A lively discussion followed Gold's report, in which a large number of delegates participated. Despite the fact that the Industrial Union has not as yet issued a formal call for funds, representatives from numerous organizations on their own initiative, pledged substantial aid to the struggle. A resolution was presented and adopted by the conference citing the miserable conditions existing in the fur shops since the company union "Joint Council," under the direction (Continued on Page Three)

### Feng Offers to Stop War Against Chiang for Big Cash Bribe

SHANGHAI, June 23.—The price of Feng Yu-hsiang's cessation of open war against Chiang Kai-shek's Nanking government is \$1,500,000 a month. This is the information contained in feelers that have already been sent out by Feng thru his liaison men in the Nanking government.

Thus Feng runs true to the tradition of the Chinese militarist generals, who regard the masses as pawns in a game in which money and power for themselves is all that they desire. Feng's offer to "step aside" is interpreted as indicating that he is not entirely satisfied with the money he has been receiving from the British and Japanese who have been backing him against the U.S.-financed Nanking government. That Feng does not intend to have his troops slip entirely from his grasp, however, is indicated from the report that his terms include the keeping intact of his army units instead of disbanding them into the

## WORKERS FRIENDLY BUT MILL CROWD SECRETLY ORGANIZES MURDER GANGS

### LABOR DEFENSE BAILS OUT EIGHT 'ASSAULT' CASES

Strikers Flock to WIR  
New Tent Colony

(Special to the Daily Worker.)  
GASTONIA, N. C., June 23.—Yesterday the eight strikers and organizers held on "assault with intent to kill" charges were released on \$750 bail each, provided by the International Labor Defense. Their trial is set for July 29. They will participate in the organization work of the National Textile Workers Union, and the defense and relief work.

Those released are: Clarence Miller, Ernst Martin, Walter Lloyd, Clarence Townsend, R. F. McDonald, Robert Litoff, C. M. Lell, and J. R. Pittman.

Need More Tents. Applications from Lory mill strikers to live in the new Workers International Relief strikers' tent colony established here several days ago, are flowing into the Gastonia office of the W. I. R. Tents are being erected daily, but not fast enough to take care of all who are in need of immediate shelter. Contributions for this purpose should be sent to the W. I. R., 1 Union Square, New York.

Distributions of food continue at the tent colony. The new tent colony is already generally known to all textile workers in Gastonia county (Continued on Page Three)

### Hyman Speaks at Mass Meeting, Concert in Newark Tonight at 8

NEWARK, N. J., June 23.—As part of the organization campaign by the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union, a mass meeting and concert will be held at the Workers Center, 93 Mercer St., tomorrow at 8 o'clock.

At this time the official installation of the Newark dressmakers' local will take place and plans will be formulated for an immediate organization campaign.

Speakers include Louis Hyman, president of the Industrial Union, Ida Rothstein, and other leaders. "The working conditions of the dressmakers of Newark are becoming worse and worse," a call for the meeting says. "While the profits of the bosses are increasing, the workers slave and rush in unsanitary shops for \$15-20 a week. The sweat-shop system has been established in the trade."

The call concludes by saying: "You can change all this if you would only get together and act as an organized body, instead of trying to fight your battles single-handed."

### Chicago Prisoners Urge All Labor to Support 'The Daily'

Powerful Party and Press Needed to Fight  
the Gastonia Frame-up

COUNTY JAIL, CHICAGO. (By Mail)—The 27 workers jailed here, behind the prison bars of one of capitalism's most notorious bastilles, because of their mass protest against the frame-up of the Gastonia textile strikers, send their greetings to the Daily Worker and urge all workers to come to its aid in the present crisis confronting it. The greeting follows:

To the Daily Worker: We, revolutionary workers, in the dungeons of the capitalist class, see clearer than ever the necessity of building the Communist Party, the leader of the workers, and its English-language press, the Daily Worker.

"We call upon all workers to rally to the campaign to combat the financial crisis that now faces the Party and its press. The working class needs a powerful mass Party, a strengthened Daily Worker to prepare for the greater

## Save the Victims of the Gastonia Conspiracy!

CENTRAL COMMITTEE OF THE COMMUNIST PARTY APPEALS  
TO WORKERS OF WHOLE WORLD TO SAVE WORKERS  
FROM ELECTRIC CHAIR

The American capitalist class, its hands still dripping with the blood of Sacco and Vanzetti, is at this moment conspiring to murder the southern leaders and organizers of the National Textile Workers Union. Fourteen men, women and youth—union organizers and strikers—are in the grim shadow of the electric chair charged with murdering the chief of police of Gastonia, while 58 others face long sentences in the dungeons of North Carolina, charged with assault with intent to kill.

The events that culminated in the battle at Gastonia must be made perfectly clear to the masses of workers in the United States and of the world in order that such storm of fury may arise against the murderous capitalist class of the United States that they will not dare carry out their bloody conspiracy.

### ORGANIZE THE UNORGANIZED.

The frame-up against the Gastonia prisoners is an attempt on the part of the capitalist forces to stifle the campaign for the organization of the unorganized workers in the southern slave pens. For years the South has been heralded as a place where there is an abundance of cheap, unorganized labor.

The strike wave in the textile and rayon industry of the South exploded this myth. In practically all the principal textile centers the workers show unmistakable signs of increasing readiness to fight against the miserable conditions imposed upon them by the mill owners. Workers in many other industries of the South are making demands upon the employers. The movement for organization into fighting unions is gaining tremendous impetus. The entrance of the new National Textile Workers Union into the situation gave a determined, fighting leadership to the workers in that industry. Hence the wave of fury unleashed against the leaders of this movement.

The organization of the unorganized workers in the South is of tremendous significance for the whole labor movement of the United States. So long as one section of the country is unorganized it increases tremendously the difficulties of fighting against the employers of labor in any other part of the country. Thus the drive to organize the unorganized masses of the South directly concerns every worker in the United States.

### FIGHT AGAINST RATIONALIZATION.

The strike of the workers in Gastonia was against the rationalization process that makes human wrecks of the workers in an incredibly short time. The strike was for a living wage instead of the paltry \$8 to \$10 a week received by the average worker for a twelve-hour day. It was against the frightful speed-up system and for decent living and working conditions.

In two and a half months the workers of Gastonia have been subjected to the most unrestrained violence on the part of the mill owners and their agents. They have been beaten into insensibility. Women, old and young alike, have been assaulted and maltreated. Strikers have been arrested wholesale. The militia has bayoneted scores of workers on the public highways. A masked mob of 200 demolished the headquarters of the union, while the militiamen looked on with approval. More than 150 strikers' families were evicted from their homes, which they had paid for many times over in rent, their furniture was thrown into the street. The union organized a tent colony to shelter the evicted strikers, their wives and children. The very fact that they were able to exist infuriated the mill owners, hence the murderous attack upon the tent colony.

### POLICE FIRED ON COLONY.

These comrades, these men, women and youth, who are in jail awaiting trial for mur-

der, an assault with intent to commit murder, who are daily slandered by the reptile press of the South are not guilty of murder. But the dead chief of police of Gastonia, himself, like the other city officials, an agent of the Manville-Jencks concern, attacked the tent colony with the plain intent to commit murder. He and his associate thugs and gunmen opened fire on the men, women and children in the tent colony. They fired shots into the tents. Joseph Harrison, a union organizer, was the first wounded from gunfire. But the long series of provocations and assaults had taught the workers the nature of the enemy they had to deal with.

### AVERTED ANOTHER LUDLOW.

Had it not been for the fact that the strikers had the foresight to prepare defense forces the story of Gastonia would have been a repetition of the story of Ludlow, when the militia of that state, under the command of an agent of John D. Rockefeller, Jr., destroyed the tent colony of evicted miners and burned alive in one dark hole eleven children and two women, as an act of vengeance because the miners challenged the profits of the Colorado Fuel and Iron Company.

It is because the heroic workers defended themselves and their families against a murderous attack that they are singled out as the next victims of the rapacious murder machine of the capitalist class of the United States. Because they refused to submit to being shot and burned to death by Chief of Police Aderholt and his mob of hoodlums, the entire power of the state of North Carolina has been mobilized against them in an effort to murder them under the cloak of legality. The same ruling class that in reply to the world-wide protests of the workers, hurled the tortured, mutilated bodies of Sacco and Vanzetti at our feet, in order to terrorize us, is now eagerly preparing to torture and murder Fred Beal and his comrades because they dared defend themselves from the mob violence of the lackeys of the textile corporations.

### WORKERS OF WORLD MUST ACT!

The workers of the United States and of the rest of the world must rally to the defense of these latest victims of American capitalism, these workers who defended themselves against such an attack. The ruling class must not be permitted to wreak vengeance upon these workers.

The fundamental question of the right of the working class to defend itself against the attacks of the capitalist class murderers is here involved, and upon that ground these workers must be defended. We will not be terrorized into accepting the theory that workers must permit themselves to be murdered en-masse without protest or defense.

Let no one imagine, for a moment, that the Gastonia frame-up against the striking tex-

### PLAN FOR SMALL ARMED GROUP TO SEIZE THE JAIL

Could Hold Town for  
24 Hours and Kill  
Strike Leaders

Not to Spare Women

Labor's Alertness to  
Save Prisoners' Lives

GASTONIA, N. C., June 23.—The black shadow of lynching hangs over the National Textile Workers Union organizers and local strikers in jail here. From the most reliable sources comes information checked and rechecked to the effect that orders from the higher ups are to soft pedal open talk of lynching and wait patiently for other instructions.

On the surface all is quiet. Underneath in Chamber of Commerce and the Lory mill official circles, lynching propaganda stews and simmers. All defendants including Fred Beal, with the exception of George Carter still held in Asheville, are in the Gastonia jail. The hatred of the local ruling class and its hangers-on for these workers has no limits. Especially is there hatred for Beal whom the workers really love and trust and whom even the Chamber of Commerce crowd respects and fears for his quiet energy and obvious sincerity. Louis McLaughlin, steadfast and loyal to the union is another target for the mill owners' venom. All through the bitter struggle he has shown great militancy and ability. More even than that, they resent the coming of capable union organizers from other textile centers especially in the north. The local rulers fear the development of union and strike leadership from the ranks of the native workers.

### Women Too in Danger.

Not even the women prisoners, Vera Bush, Amy Schechter, and little seventeen year old Sophie Melvin, are safe in the Gastonia jail. The danger does not come from any popular source. There is not the slightest danger of a huge crowd assembling and demanding the heads of the worker defendants. The danger comes from a more or less organized and disciplined group of the middle class operating through the various secret and semi-secret organizations.

An attorney who comes from one of the oldest and most conservative families in this state, whose inclinations towards even philosophical radicalism are nil, but who stands simply for legal procedure as against lynching and who has no reason to magnify the danger, told your correspondent this morning that he fears for the lives of a number of the prisoners if they remain in the Gastonia jail. Much to my surprise he (Continued on Page Three)

### SHOE STRIKERS REJECT SELLOUT

Haverhill Vote Beats  
Misleaders

HAVERHILL, Mass., June 23.—The sell-out tactics of the reactionary union officialdom in Haverhill's shoe strike received a stinging rebuke from the rank and file, when a proposal by the labor fakery in favor of an "immediate peaceful adjustment" was defeated in a strikers' referendum by a vote of 1977 to 203.

Over 4,000 operatives here are out on strike, in 31 shoe factories. Protest parades against the proposed sell-out featured the strikers' balloting.

The voting was a flat rejection by the strikers of the sell-out settlement, which called for the return to work of the strikers at present wages under a contract which would tie them up for three years without the chance of an increase.

## DIG DEEP! NOW!

Friday the DAILY WORKER was forced to suspend!

Saturday we could only publish in four pages! The furrier strikers' picket lines on Friday had to go without the Daily!

All news had to be cut in half on Saturday!

Monday we can barely make four pages!

Unless a big response is gotten during the next few days the only militant working class English newspaper may be forced to suspend!

The Gastonia workers, faced with a frame-up murder trial, are in DANGER OF LOSING THEIR STANDEST DEPENDER, THE DAILY WORKER!

We must not only save the paper immediately but go on to six pages.

Unless we go back to six pages the DAILY WORKER will be forced to cut down on the amount of workers correspondence published. We will be forced to leave out the daily feature article on page 6. The DAILY WORKER which published the most interesting foreign news in the U. S. will be forced to print foreign news only in summary. The splendid new features that were prepared for publication such as the remarkable document called "Black Haiti" will have to be postponed indefinitely.

Workers! YOU CAN'T AFFORD TO LOSE YOUR FIGHTING ORGAN!

We know you are in difficult financial circumstances. But you will be in infinitely worse political circumstances without a militant organ. That means wage cuts, longer hours, persecution, etc., can be more easily carried through.

DIG DEEP AND SEND A SUBSTANTIAL DONATION! Use the blank below:

The Daily Worker, 26-28 Union Square, New York.

After reading the appeal for aid in the Daily Worker I am sending you the enclosed amount. \$

Name .....

Address .....

Number of contributors will be published in the "Daily" without names.



# Sell Booze to Workers in Camp Construction Job in Belmar, L. I. Says Correspondent

## Save the Victims of the Gastonia Conspiracy!

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The workers in an isolated, local question—a question only of North Carolina, or of the South. The issue is basic—and behind the Gastonia frame-up stands the whole bourgeoisie of this country. A part of the so-called textile industry of this country, the artificial silk, or rayon industry, is a part of the chemical industry. The rayon plants can be turned into plants for production of chemicals for warfare within a few hours. It is in reality a war industry and it is to be expected that the union that attempts to organize the workers in that industry will meet with the fiercest resistance.

The fact that the Gastonia mills are not part of the rayon industry does not in any way refute the statement that the present attack upon the National Textile Union is inseparable from the preparations being made for the next world war. It is this union that has exposed the betrayal of the American Federation of Labor in the rayon mills at Elizabethton, Tenn., and that is mobilizing the rayon workers for a continuation of the struggle against rationalization.

### ORGANIZATION OF NEGRO WORKERS.

There is also involved in the Gastonia struggle a fundamental problem for the workers of the South: the organization of the Negro workers. In an endeavor to carry out this task, the union meets with all the accumulated hatreds and prejudices that have been carefully cultivated by the southern ruling classes for three centuries. Negro organizers face the constant threat of lynching and it was only by the loyal support of the poor white workers that one of the Negro

Workers of America and of the world! Rally behind the defense of the Gastonia prisoners.

Stage mighty demonstrations against this new murder conspiracy!

Pillory the American capitalist class so that it will be despised throughout the whole world!

Fight to organize the unorganized workers!

Challenge the open shop in the war industries!

Smash the lynching conspiracies!

Rally to the defense of the victims of the Gastonia frame-up.

Down with the executioners of the working class!

Defeat the imperialist war-mongers!

Defend the right of workers to defend themselves!

Build the new unions!

Support the National Textile Workers Union!

Long live the solidarity of the Negro and white workers of the South!

Long live the proletarian revolution!

CENTRAL COMMITTEE COMMUNIST PARTY OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA.

### FISHER STRIKE SPREADS FAST

Durant Slaves Watch With Interest

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
SAN FRANCISCO, CALIF. (By Mail).—The Fisher Body plant workers' strike is marked by over half of the working force joining the ranks, completely tying up not only the plant, but also the Chevrolet factory, which had to lay off its workers because of the lack of auto bodies. The majority of the 900 workers are out on strike and with many more joining the ranks.

The strike began June 5th, as a protest on the part of the workers against the wage-cuts and speed-up introduced by the company, in spite of the fact that this was done after one week of lay-off, after sending part of the men home before telling the rest about the 25-40 per cent wage cuts, the lay-off of a number of men in each department. The police were there, and the company detectives, but they could not prevent the members of Local 71, United Auto, Aircraft & Vehicle Workers Union from getting out a large number of workers, whose number doubled the second day.

This strike, coming as the answer of the auto workers to the rationalization drive of the General Motors Corp. is getting first class publicity, being recognized by even the capitalist papers as one of great importance. The left wing is giving wholehearted support to the strikers. The speakers of the T. U. E. L. are at every meeting of the strikers, the I. L. D. secured the hall for the three arrested workers, the W. I. R. pledged its help to them, in one word, everything is being done to help the strikers to victory. The strikers are mostly young, native-born workers, displaying a splendid fighting spirit under the leadership of the union, which was joined by the majority of them.

—AUTO WORKER.

organizers of the union was not hanged and riddled with bullets or burned at the stake by the frenzied mobs that were organized immediately after the battle at Gastonia. These native-born white workers who were herded into the mills to become slaves of the new industrialization, the terrific speed-up and all the devastating effects of rationalization, have shown in their first struggles a degree of class consciousness that threatens to explode the myth that the South is the place where cheap, supine labor can be obtained at the lowest wages in the whole country.

In this conspiracy against the leaders of the union and the striking workers of Gastonia the American Federation of Labor bureaucracy plays its customary role of agent of the capitalist class and police informer. In this connection it is also necessary to denounce the Brookwood labor college graduate and supporter of the Muste "progressive" outfit, Hoffman, for his depraved role as a strikebreaker.

In Gastonia the struggle of the American working class against the capitalist despoilers has entered a new phase. The workers will no longer submit to extermination by murder without defending themselves. Ludlow, Calumet, the savage torture and murder of Frank Little, recede into the past. The glorious defense of the workers' hall at Centralia, Washington, on Armistice Day, 1919, was the prelude to the defense of the tent colony at Gastonia, and the masses of workers in this country must stand as one man in defense of these victims of this latest frame-up. We must insist upon the right of the workers to defend themselves against the hired assassins of the capitalist class.

## Carmen Fakers' Attacks on Militants Cover Misdeeds

(By a Worker Correspondent)

CLEVELAND, Ohio (By Mail).—"It was not the 'Reds' that started company unions. It was not the 'Reds' that advocated worse conditions for the workers."

The Cleveland Railway Co. continues to feed its carmen on promises and has the assistance of some of our union officials and the general executive board member, P. J. Shea. The progressive members that express their views on the floor of our meetings are called radicals by our local president, Fred Schultz, and G. E. E. member, P. J. Shea. They storm and rave at the progressives and say that "radicalism never will get you anywhere," and before the meeting is over they will say that they are just as radical as any member in the hall.

The company paid the motormen and conductors \$6,002,000 in 1920, but in 1928, after about 350 busmen were added, the wage amounted to only \$4,908,000. While the salaries of the general officers and clerks increased from \$289,000 to \$367,000 and miscellaneous expenses rose from \$49,000 to \$260,000. We had a closed shop in 1920, but now we have an open shop.

On June 3, the city council let the company take \$132,000 out of the interest fund and place it in the operating fund. The interest fund is now only \$286,000 and by the Taylor grant they have with the city they are allowed to raise the fare at will when the interest fund drops below \$500,000.

In the December 4, 1928, issue of the Daily Worker, I notice where the I. R. T. of New York spent \$1,374,000 fighting unionization. Well, the Cleveland railway is spending freely along the same lines.

Fred Schultz said that he had attended I. W. M. meetings and they never got anything for the workers, but of course we that have read Bill Haywood's Book know that they did accomplish the 8-hour day for the workers out west and many other things.

"A Rose by Any Other Name." Now the company has changed hands and is in the control of the Van Swearingen, and the new company is to be called the "Metropolitan Utilities, Inc."—a \$130,000,000 concern. While this deal has been going through there has been very little said about better service for the public or better wages and conditions for the employes, but plenty said about the transfer of stock and safe investments.

One of Cleveland's capitalist papers put on a little publicity campaign, and six members of our union

were detailed by our officials to plant some shrubbery in a private lawn out on E. 156th St. This cost the union a little over \$40. The six members of the union got their pictures in the capitalist paper and in less than two weeks' time this same paper devoted one whole page in its Sunday edition to abuses by street carmen of Cleveland. Not one good deed was mentioned. That shows that these capitalist papers "love" the actual producers and workers.

I would like to hear from the brothers that wrote from New Orleans a few weeks ago and also the brother from New York a few days ago. We must get together during the convention of the Trade Educational League in Cleveland on August 31 and do something for the good of all traction workers in the United States.

Just because the bosses say we are dumb and don't know anything doesn't scare or bluff us. We could teach the boss a thing or two if we were united, with real leaders instead of misleaders, as we are at present. We have worked seven days a week and had rotten hours to work long enough, and we should also have a vacation with pay, which we do not have in Cleveland.

### Violate Union Law.

Our wise Fred does not live up to or go by the rules and regulations of our "constitution and general laws" of the union, and P. J. Shea is letting him and assisting him in doing as they please. Section 123 and section 134 were openly violated during our agreement period last year. They denounce any member who insists on the fulfillment of section 1. I would like all the members of the Amalgamated to read the above sections. Yes, we have wise leaders, but leaders for themselves, not the men they represent.

At a small meeting before our wage question came up, they had \$15 per month voted toward buying gasolins for their auto. They wanted to be sure they got a raise. Mr. Schultz is riled over the attitude the progressives are taking and calls them "union busters" and is going to help the company get rid of them, for they don't know anything, anyway, so he says.

The Communist Party of Cleveland passed out several hundred circulars in Cleveland, offering their assistance to the carmen in case their assistance was needed, but Schultz says we do not need any outside help. The opinion of the carmen is that we need all the help and assistance we can get. All we seem to get from him is abuse, unless we swallow everything he hands us without saying a word against it.

CARMAN.

## UNREST GROWS AMONG SLAVES AT SCHWEINLER

### Press Co. Hires Deaf and Dumb Workers

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
Conditions of the unorganized workers of the Schweinler Press Co., New York, are becoming worse and worse every day. The boss has hired a new efficiency expert, who has introduced a more effective speed-up system.

### Produce Twice as Much.

This speed-up system now compels the workers to produce practically twice as much work. Also because of this speed-up system the workers have been laid off for two or three days in each week. The lay-off, and the fact that the bosses are taking measures to hand out the worst jobs to those workers who were active in the past strike, is again spreading wide discontent in the plant. Even those workers who were hired during the strike are talking of putting up a militant fight in order to obtain better conditions.

### Shop Committee Active.

Despite the spy system which has been installed in the shop the boss has failed to liquidate the shop committee, which is organized to look out for the interests of the men in the plants. Failing in his attempts to find out who the active elements of the shop committee are, the boss has resorted to other tactics.

He has employed deaf and dumb workers from an institution. This is done so that these workers will not receive the message of organization from the shop committee. These workers, however, are beginning to understand the role which the boss wants them to play, and they are ready to join the other workers in the shop in the struggle for better conditions.

The foreman here made every attempt to keep them from joining the shop committee. But these Negro workers have realized that they face the same common struggle as their fellow white workers, and in some cases they are taking the lead in fighting for better conditions in the shop.

The workers in the plant fully realize the importance and power of the shop committee. They are determined to continue their fight for better conditions through the shop committee. The very near future will bring another determined effort on the part of these exploited workers to obtain recognition and decent working conditions.

ROBERT CLARK.

## Jewish Butchers in Detroit Organize Into New, Militant Union

(By a Worker Correspondent)

DETROIT (By Mail).—Another example of class collaboration has been brought to light by a meeting of the Jewish Butchers from the East Side, when they related their bitter experiences as to how they have been thrown out of their jobs as a result of allowing their proprietors to join the Butchers Union. In order to secure control of the organization the proprietors threw many of the workers out of their jobs and replaced them with non-union helpers. These helpers worked in the butcher shops and did delivery work for one-half the price of union workers.

The proprietors displayed a union sign in their windows, but had no union workmen in their shops. The A. F. of L. have done nothing to remedy the situation, so finally the workers decided to take things into their own hands and organize a real militant workers' organization like the Amalgamated Food Workers Industrial Union. They also decided to apply for a charter from the New York headquarters of the Amalgamated Food Workers Union.

A. G.

## Morgan Gobbles Up 3 Power Systems in 400 Million Merger

It became known today that the bloated J. P. Morgan interests have gulped down three more power corporations, the total value of which is set at over \$400,000,000. A new utility holding trust to be called the Niagara Hudson Power Corporation, has been created by rolling into the three the three Eastern giants, chief among them the Buffalo, Niagara and Eastern, which has the largest kilowatt-hour output of any system in the United States. It will supply 2,000,000 kilowatt-hours more per year than its nearest rival power trust.

The territory to be "serviced" by the new corporation extends from Lake Erie in the northwestern part of the state to the St. Lawrence and the western boundary lines of Vermont and Massachusetts. Controlling the Niagara Falls hydro-electric generating plant, it will be a direct beneficiary of the proposed deepening of the St. Lawrence.

This is the third utility corporation to be floated by Morgan, arch-sneak-swine of the world, in six months.

U. S. S. R. BUILDS ARCTIC METEOROLOGICAL STATION. LENINGRAD, U. S. S. R., June 6 (By Mail).—This year work will be started on the construction of a geophysical station on the Cape of Desire in the Arctic Ocean for the study of meteorological observations

## SLAVE 14 HOURS DAILY TO BUILD NEW STATE PARK

### Men Soaked \$9.50 a Week for Board

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
I walked up the Bowersy a week or so ago and I came to Ferrara's Labor Agency, an employment agency. I saw a sign the agency had out for men wanted in Belmore, Long Island, for a construction job. I had heard a lot from other workers who had shipped out from Ferrara's agency and to his camps and came back to town, with very little money. Ferrara having got most of it from the sale of booze, which is sold in his commissary.

Deduct From Pay.  
Ferrara was hiring about 24 men for the Belmar Contracting Co., a Troy concern. Their commissary man, an Italian, picked out the slaves. I was among the first dozen picked and we were lined up to sign contracts. The pay was to be 50 cents an hour, and the contract stated that \$5 was to be deducted from the wages for employment agency fee and 50 cents also to be deducted for transportation.

We were shipped out in the commissary man's truck and got to Belmore about 3:30 p. m., when we got sandwiches and coffee, and then went to work and worked there till 8:30 p. m., behind a concrete mixer. They were constructing a state park. There were about 100 men on the job.

The conditions on the job are rotten. There are no facilities to wash up, not saying anything about hot water, in the camp. The commissary was run by a man named Marchese, who was related to one of the owners of the Belmar Construction Co.

14 Hours a Day.  
The hours were often as long as 14 hours a day, for 50 cents an hour. Working hours were from 6 a. m. to 12 noon, then a half hour for lunch, and then work again from 12:30 p. m. to 6:30, 7 and after 8:30 p. m.

The workers were soaked \$9.50 a week for board by the company owners, and the food was rotten, all out of proportion to the big fee charged each man for board. We had to work on Sundays. In the camp the beds were full of lice.

One of the worst parts of the life in the camp is the sale of rotten booze in the commissary. The booze is sold by Marchese, and the purpose and effect of the sale of booze is to keep the workers drunk, to dope them and keep them from thinking about their rotten conditions. THE RED PANTHER.



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## Smash the Murder Frame-Up; Defend the Gastonia Textile Workers!

### 14 Workers

Members of the National Textile Workers Union

## Charged With Murder!

### THEY FACE THE ELECTRIC CHAIR

### 8 OTHERS FACE LONG PRISON TERMS

The fight to free the fourteen leading Gastonia strikers from the electric chair is not only a fight for the lives of these working class leaders but is a struggle for the right of the workers of the entire South to organize and struggle for better conditions.

Rally to the Support of the International Labor Defense.

Defend the National Textile Workers Union.

The 14 Southern Textile Workers Must Not Die.

The 22 Strikers Must Be Freed at Once.

This new attack of capitalist justice in North Carolina is a part of the attack of the American imperialist government on the entire working class. It goes hand in hand with the process of capitalist "rationalization," the speeding up of the workers at long hours and for low

pay, and is a part of the preparation of the capitalist government for a new bloody imperialist world war.

### ANOTHER SACCO-VANZETTI FRAME-UP IN GASTONIA!

The Struggle of the Southern Textile Workers is the Concern of the Entire American Working Class.

The members of the National Textile Workers Union have been bayoneted, arrested, beaten, slugged and shot and evicted from their homes because they dared to fight for better conditions against mill owners, the government authorities and against the strike-breaking activities of the American Federation of Labor.

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# LYNCHING PERIL STILL MENACES MILL PRISONERS

## Bosses Secretly Build Their Murder Gangs

(Continued from Page One) emphasized the danger to the women prisoners, and to my question as to whether they would dare to murder women he replied that "Once they force the jail no one can tell what they will do."

He based his conclusions on views expressed in private conversation. This attorney believes that by abandoning open agitation for the present the Loyal "committee of one hundred" and other elements whom the mill owners can get to do their bidding hope to weaken the vigilance of those who sympathize with the strikers and organizers. Once this is done nothing could be easier than to stage another orgy of terrorism culminating in lynching.

Picked Mobsters. It would be quite easy for a squad of fifty or a hundred picked men to place guards in the Western Union and Postal Telegraph offices and in the telephone exchange to prevent any inking of their activities leaking out for twenty-four hours at least. A few guards on the main roads could force travellers to detour and the picked gang left free to do what it liked with the working men and women now in jail.

The seriousness of this danger must not be ignored simply because the mass of the people do not support the Matville Jenks Co. and its murder program. The political power in Gastonia is in the hands of a section of the exploiting class which has everything to lose: profits, position, reputation and for some even the prison doors yawn. In the event that the reorganization of class forces now taking place continues, this element wants to see the fate of the National Textile Workers Union as solely dependent on leaders. They dare not acknowledge openly what they really know: that the struggle in Gastonia is the opening skirmish in a whole series of stern class battles in which the southern working class itself will develop a leadership specially fitted to solve the complicated strategic and tactical problems of class struggle in a new South still burdened with the traditions of the old.

Old Murder Tactics. The tactics of "loyal supporters" of textile lords are the old, old tactics of the ruling class everywhere when it faces the growing consciousness and militancy of hitherto docile workers. These tactics are first to try to buy the leadership, national and local, and if this fails to try to terrorize both leaders and the masses and finally when this does not work to kill a sufficient number of capable leaders to furnish an example of what can be done with political power when those who hold it really mean business. There is undoubtedly a feeling among the members of the Chamber of Commerce crowd that even the legal murder of workers and organizers now in jail in the electric chair is in a certain measure a defeat for them and their masters, Matville-Jenks. They would prefer to engage in what they think is more decisive action. A lynching of strike leaders would, if accompanied by proper publicity prepared in justification of it and making it appear as a popular movement, have the effect of making the community responsible before the world and thus conceal the real instigators and perpetrators of this and previous outrages.

This is the situation in Gastonia today. To prevent it reaching the climax desired by the mill barons and their retainers, it is necessary to make them understand that there exists among the masses throughout the entire country a healthy distrust of their belated conversion to "legality."

After weeks of terrorism, steps must be taken to remove the prisoners who are the chief targets for the hatred of the mill crowd to jails outside of Gastonia, county. They are in deadly danger precisely because a lot of well-meaning but naive people think they are not.

# HOOVER GROUP IN ATTACK ON LABOR

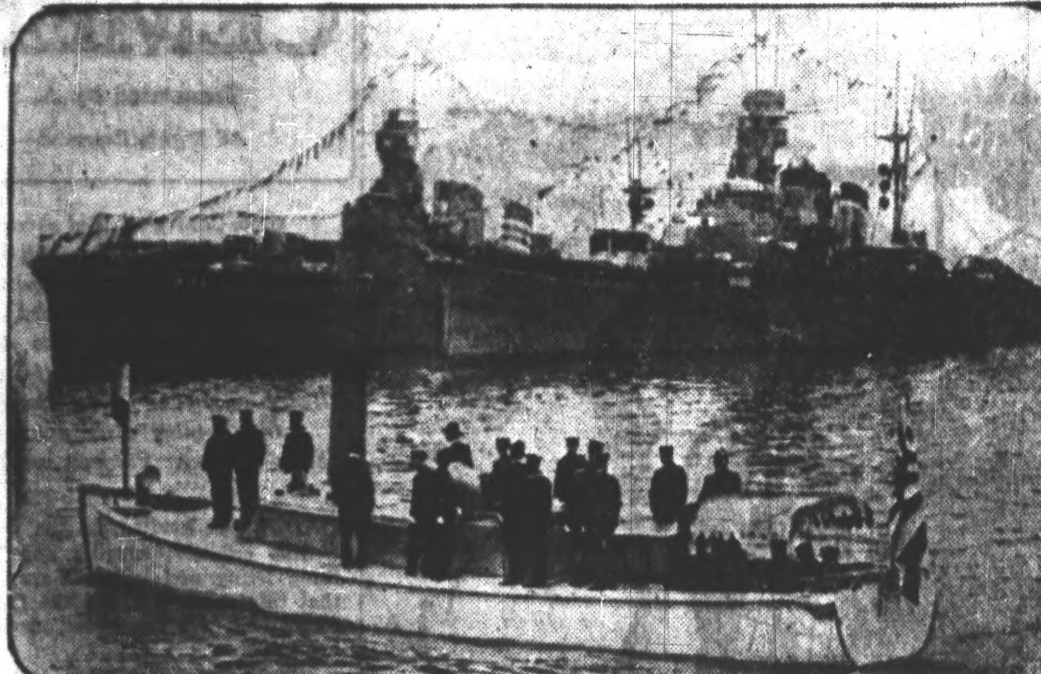
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Americanism as opposed to the vast amount of destructive propaganda which is going out.

Senator Watson declares: "The forces of discontent and radicalism are active and multiplying. They are circulating scores of publications with an aggressive circulation of millions of copies weekly." He says the National Republic will be "the most effective means" for a fight against "socialism, communism and revolutionary radicalism in general."

The publicity service is to be in charge of Carl W. Riddick, former republican representative from Montana. Riddick is a tool of the Anacostia Copper Mines Co., and his chief supporter in his campaign was the editor of the Helena Independent, a paper which called openly for the lynching of the farmer labor organizers.

# Japanese Imperialism's Newest in Preparations for War



Japanese imperialism is determined not to be outdone in the race among the imperialist powers to build huge navies and armies for the coming imperialist war. The new 10,000 ton war cruiser Nachi is shown above.

# BAIL OUT EIGHT 'ASSAULT' CASES

## Strikers Flock to WIR New Tent Colony

(Continued from Page One) as the new union center. Hundreds of workers are visiting it and signing up in the National Textile Workers Union. They are also taking union application cards with them to sign up members in their mills. Try to Prohibit Colony. An official of the city of Gastonia appeared at the last meeting of the county commissioners yesterday, urging that they forbid the establishment of the tent colony within the limits of Gaston county. The officials up to the present have not interfered with the erection of the new tent colony.

Six deputies from the sheriff's office appeared at the colony yesterday and held a conference with Alfred Wagenknecht, executive secretary of the Workers International Relief. They stated that they did not come to interfere, and that the strikers had full rights to live in the tents. They asked that order be kept in the colony, also that the sheriff should be notified if any gangsters looking for trouble should appear.

Will Defend Tents. Wagenknecht replied that the tent colony is the home of the strikers' families and the families would protect their homes from any mob that attempted to destroy it. He added that the former tent colony was always orderly until the Loyal mob of gunmen came to destroy it. The superintendent of the Myrtle Mill requested all the workers in the plant who had joined the National Textile Workers Union and had assisted the W. I. R. to come to his office for a meeting. Nearly every worker in the mill responded. He had thought that only a few would come, enabling him to victimize them. The superintendent's speech requested the workers to stay away from union meetings and not to give any funds to the W. I. R. None of the workers were discharged due to their solidarity in supporting the union and W. I. R. by such overwhelming numbers.

# WORKERS CALENDAR

- PENNSYLVANIA**
  - Philadelphia Foodworkers Meet. A mass meeting of food workers will be held under the auspices of the General Food Workers Industrial Union at 39 N. Tenth St., June 24, at 8:30 p. m.
  - Philadelphia I. L. D. Karl Reese will speak on the Gastonia situation at the National meeting called by the Executive Committee at the Free Latta Hall, 931 Seventh St., July 1.
- ILLINOIS**
  - Chicago C. Y. L. Hike. Meet at 9 a. m. at the district office of the C. Y. L. for the hike in the Milwaukee woods, June 26, by section 4.
  - Chicago Needle Trades Picnic. The Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union will hold a picnic at Altonheim Grove, August 11.
  - Chicago Federation of Working Women. The conference for textile relief called for June 23 will be held at 10 a. m. June 26 in the Capitol Building, State and Randolph Sts.
- NEW YORK STATE**
  - Buffalo Communist Party Picnic. A district picnic will be held at Schaeffer's Grove, 1561 E. Delavan Ave., Aug. 4. A contest for a new medal fund will be a feature of the entertainment, proceeds of which will go towards building the Party in this district.
  - In the rush of work at the District office, contact with the following reported missing carrying the following serial numbers: 101, 111, 121, 131, 141, 151, 161, 171, 181, 191, 201, 211, 221, 231, 241, 251, 261, 271, 281, 291, 301, 311, 321, 331, 341, 351, 361, 371, 381, 391, 401, 411, 421, 431, 441, 451, 461, 471, 481, 491, 501, 511, 521, 531, 541, 551, 561, 571, 581, 591, 601, 611, 621, 631, 641, 651, 661, 671, 681, 691, 701, 711, 721, 731, 741, 751, 761, 771, 781, 791, 801, 811, 821, 831, 841, 851, 861, 871, 881, 891, 901, 911, 921, 931, 941, 951, 961, 971, 981, 991.
  - The publicity service is to be in charge of Carl W. Riddick, former republican representative from Montana. Riddick is a tool of the Anacostia Copper Mines Co., and his chief supporter in his campaign was the editor of the Helena Independent, a paper which called openly for the lynching of the farmer labor organizers.
  - Burton is a member of Hardin's "Ohio Gang." Murphy is a big banker and real estate magnate.
- OHIO**
  - Dist. 6, Communist Party Cleveland. The annual picnic of the district will be held at Minona Park, July 4. A contest will be held for which the first prize will be a radio set, second prize ten volumes of "Voices of Revolt." Take W. 20th State Road car change to daily to end of line. Tickets at Party Headquarters.

# Fascist Judge in Chicago Tries To Frame Up I. L. D. Speakers

## Lyle, Mussolini in Miniature, Rages at Members of Communist Party

By GEORGE CLARK. With the sharpening of the class struggle the capitalist government is forced to cast off all the pretenses of democracy and "fairness" and to expose itself more and more as the government of the capitalists by the capitalists and against the workers. Everyone remembers the role played by Judge Thayer and Governor Fuller of Massachusetts during the Sacco and Vanzetti case. Now we are confronted with the ghastly frame-up in North Carolina, where the electric chair is again threatening the workers.

"High Bonds" Lyle. In the Chicago trial, where 27 workers were arrested for demonstrating on the streets against the capitalist government and demanding the release of Gastonia strikers, we had another example of the capitalist "justice." Here Judge Lyle even cast aside all the "legal procedure of the courts" and ruled as an arbitrary dictator. Judge Lyle is notorious by his fame as the \$100,000 judge against the workers. Connected with the trusts of Chicago and being a part and parcel of its world-known corrupted political machine, which squanders in graft millions of dollars, he is a vicious enemy of the labor movement in general and particularly of the Communists who are fighting against the capitalist system.

The first act in the breaking up of the demonstration was the vicious brutality of the police, mishandling men, women and children. Later in the court some of these small and fragile young girls, who were thrown to the ground by the policemen, were charged with assaulting the tall and powerful brutes of the Chicago police department. The trial that followed was a mockery. Judge Lyle set the bail at \$50,000, and later increased it to \$100,000. The district organizer of the Party was held on a bail of \$12,000 on three charges. Ordered Them to Jail. In the court room every objection raised by the attorney for the defense was arbitrarily overruled. The judge acted also as a prosecuting attorney. He continuously threatened the workers with long terms in prison and heavy fines and deportation. To one of the workers he remarked that he was strong enough to break rocks.

The judge put every possible object in the way of releasing these workers, refusing to sign the bonds and giving orders to keep the workers in jail. When the jury was finally selected and the case came up for trial he used the first pretext for dismissing the jury in order to still further torture the workers in jail, where nine girls were placed in one cell.

When Attorney D. J. Bentall stated that on the previous occasion a higher court issued an injunction prohibiting the park commissioner from interfering with demonstration in all south parks, the "wise" judge declared that this statement prejudiced the jury and ordered the jury dismissed. After several days the judge, assuming that the workers had been frightened and intimidated, called them into the office and offered to release them providing they promised not to demonstrate again. When the workers refused he again made a vicious attack against them, raised the bail and sent them back to jail.

On the morning of June 19 he failed to appear in court and thus the procedure was again delayed. And finally the matter came to a climax when suddenly seeing the stubborn resistance and the determination of the workers he offered to reduce the bail and continue the case for 90 days. Lyle's Background. The workers will do well to look into the entire history of Judge Lyle, as well as into the history of the entire corrupted political administration of Chicago. The covering up of the worst graft and crime in Chicago are accompanied at the same time by the vicious persecution of the workers and the breaking up of strikes. It would be, however, a mistake to assume that the brutal treatment accorded to our comrades is only the personal and malicious intent of Judge Lyle. Of course, we know Lyle. He is a loyal servant of the capitalist class, with a deep hatred of the Communists who threaten the sacred rights of private property. A typical product of the modern ruling capitalist class, he is a vicious enemy of the workers. But at the same time it is not only his own moron character that we have to deal with.

# PHILA. TAILORS CHANGE HILLMAN BLUFF TO STRIKE

## N. Y. Machine Forces Worker from Job

(Continued from Page One) these two shops not all the workers are with them. When the "boys" of the Amalgamated saw what fix they were in, they struck a shop in which the workers had not been paying dues in order to swell their ranks and make a better impression.

Pat Fight Demands. The Organization Committee is determined to convert the present situation into a real struggle and is putting forward the following demands: (1) Week work; (2) The 40-hour week; (3) Time and a half for overtime; (4) A minimum scale of wages; (5) That the manufacturers take responsibility for the contractors; (6) Recognition of the union, shop chairman and shop committee; (7) Sanitary conditions. A mass picketing demonstration will be held tomorrow morning, and all strikers and other needle trades workers are expected to participate.

N. Y. Gang Forces Militant from Job. The corrupt officialdom in the Amalgamated in New York has begun a new reign of terror against the active members of the rank and file clubs, and is again using the familiar method of depriving militants of their means of livelihood. Their first victim in the campaign is Joseph Horowitz, a presser, one of the principal leaders of the Pressers' Club. Horowitz works for the Lewis Co. Several days ago a committee consisting of three of Horowitz's business agents came to Horowitz's shop, and issued a ukase that he leave. Horowitz, of course, refused to conform to this order. One of the business agents then shut off the electric current from Horowitz's flat iron, but still he refused to be intimidated. But the "committee" had already provided itself with a policeman, and when Horowitz still refused to leave, they called this worthy and together they dragged the worker from the shop. Thugs in Action. In the Frumberg shops, where over 100 tailors ceased work when the bosses fired three pressers, the Hillman gang gathered all the gangsters on their pay-roll. There underworld worthies succeeded in forcing eight workers of the shop to go to the office of the Amalgamated where a demand was made that they sign a pledge, ironically enough, against the "Communist strong-arms."

A successful conference of the rank and file clubs of the Amalgamated was held Saturday in Webster Hall. The sessions of the conference were dominated by great enthusiasm and by a spirit of struggle and determination against the anti-labor corrupt Hillman administration in the Amalgamated. Imperialism is, at the same time the most profitable and the ultimate form of the State power which nascent middle-class society had commenced to elaborate as a means of its own emancipation from feudalism, and which full-grown bourgeois society had finally transformed into a means for the enslavement of labor by capital. — Marx.

# French Make Capital from Barring of Negro Puppet by Americans

PARIS, France, June 23. — The French press comments sarcastically on the barring of the Haitian charge d'affaires, Stephane Alexis, from a ball room here at the insistence of a Negro. The newspapers gladly seize on this opportunity to use American race prejudice as an imperialist argument. The Haitian official has made representations to the government. It is expected that nothing will be done about it. Alexis represents the servile Haitian president, Borno, who has sold out the country to the U. S., but chauvinist Americans are determined to "teach the Negro his place" just the same.

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# Tortured by Rumanian Fascists



Marcel Pauker, above, a leader of the Rumanian workers and a Communist leader, who went on a hunger strike in the dreaded Jilava prison against the torture by the Rumanian fascist terror secret police, the Siguranta. The hunger strike was forcibly broken by the fascist terrorists after 20 days. Pauker was sentenced to prison for life for his activities against the fascists.

# BIG CONFERENCE BACKS FURRIERS

## Hears Report on Strike Progress

(Continued from Page One) of the American Federation of Labor, began its strikebreaking pogrom on the furriers, who, following the strike of 1926, had succeeded in winning important gains for the workers.

A. C. W. Delegation. The conference elected a committee of 50 to cooperate and work with the General Strike Committee in its work. It was also decided to call another, larger conference soon for the purpose of drawing more thousands into the work of helping to win the furriers' strike. In the midst of the conference, a delegation from the Amalgamated Clothing Workers entered the hall, and received a tremendous ovation. The delegation had been chosen by a conference of rank and file clubs of the Amalgamated which was held also on Saturday. Spokesmen of the delegation assured the conference that the tailors of the Amalgamated will give their full support to the struggling furriers.

Alec Pappas and John Demilas, two strikers who were arrested Friday, were held in \$1,000 and \$2,100 bail respectively when they were arraigned before Magistrate Hyman Bushel in Jefferson Market Court. The strikers were charged with entering a fur shop in an effort to bring down the workers. Bushel is the black-robed tool of the United Restaurant Owners' Association which has been desperately fighting the strike of the cafeteria workers. He has been playing the double role of "counsel" to the bosses and before the strikers brought up before him for picketing. Bushel, who, incidentally, has a positive lust for publicity, sentences strikers to terms in the workhouse and Welfare Island with unusual vindictiveness, and takes the opportunity to lecture the workers on "Americanism."

A NEW METHOD OF CURING SKIN CANCER. LENINGRAD, USSR, June 7 (By Mail). — At the All-Union Congress of Surgeons here Dr. Morozov, a Leningrad surgeon, announced his discovery of a new method of curing skin cancer by the application of frozen carbonic acid.

# JAIL ROTE FAHNE EDITOR BECAUSE PAPER APPEARS

## "German Communists, Example for Others"

(Wireless by Inprecor) BERLIN, June 23. — Werner Hirsch, editor of the Rote Fahne was arrested this afternoon. Communist newspapers point out that the arrest is in retaliation for the appearance of the Rote Fahne on Sunday, after having been prohibited for four weeks.

The Reichstag today voted by 286 to 124 to lengthen the period of validity for the "Law for the Protection of the Republic" by three years. Under this law, in 1924 and 1925, seven thousand workers were sentenced to a total of 5,000 years imprisonment. The official speaker for the social democrats in favor of lengthening the oppressive law was Rosenfeld, the "left winger."

Pravda On Communist Congress. MOSCOW, June 23. — Pravda, central organ of the Communist Party of the U. S. S. R., declares that the Twelfth Congress of the Communist Party of Germany did work of international significance. The experience of the German Communist Party in its struggle against reformism and for the winning of the majority of the workers must be utilized by all other Communist Parties.

The German Communist congress, says Pravda, signaled a rising wave of great new struggles. The congress declared it was possible to win a majority of the workers only with class struggles, economical and political. Agitation and propaganda, the congress found, were alone not sufficient to win the workers from the social democrats. The Communist Parties can only win leadership in the workers' movement by struggle against social fascism and the war danger and for defense of the Soviet Union.

Real Unity. The German Communist Party congress, Pravda points out, showed real Bolshevik unity. The right wingers and conciliators suffered catastrophic defeat. The conciliators have now taken the place of the right wingers in the party. A new Bolshevik central committee was elected to lead the Party in the present period of intensified class struggle. The congress, Pravda says, showed the forces of the German revolution growing, the advance guard strengthened, and steered by recent events.

# Say Young Rockefeller Will Buy Oil in U.S.S.R.

BERLIN, June 23. — A United Press dispatch reports that John D. Rockefeller III, who graduated this month from an American university, is expected to visit the Soviet Union the middle of July, accompanied by James MacDonald, chairman of the American foreign policy association. It is understood that while here, Rockefeller will discuss the world oil situation and negotiate for more extensive purchases by the Standard Oil Company from the Soviet oil industry.

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## THE VIGILANTE COMMITTEE

By Jacob Burck

### World-Wide Appeal for Gastonia Victims

THE statement of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the United States, in behalf of the victims of the Gastonia frame-up is the opening gun in a campaign that must reach every section of the whole world. It is an appeal not only to the workers of the United States, but is calculated to mobilize the masses of the great imperialist countries, the workers and peasants of the smaller capitalist countries and the millions of victims of colonial oppression against this latest murder conspiracy of Yankee tyranny. Uncle Shylock, as the United States ruling power is known in other parts of the world, is already despised by every intelligent worker and peasant, countless millions of whom are horribly exploited in order that the Yankee loan-monger may have his tribute.

The seven years' torture and finally the cynical assassination of Sacco and Vanzetti aroused the hatred of the working class of the whole world. But this ruling class, arrogant and drunk with power, is now preparing to stage a wholesale murder-feast in Gastonia, because those workers dared challenge the mill owners and the rest of the capitalist class by waging a fight against the miserable conditions existing in the rationalized industries of the South.

Let no one for a moment be deluded regarding the possibility of the capitalist courts acting except as executioners of these Gastonia victims. No such illusions as hampered the defense of Sacco and Vanzetti can be tolerated. Only the world-wide mass fury of the working class can save the victims of the Gastonia frame-up.

Once again the masses of the other countries must gather in tremendous demonstrations before the American embassies, before American banks and American enterprises wherever they may be and let it be known in no uncertain terms that they, as a part of the ruling class of this country, will be held accountable to the workers unless the Gastonia victims are released.

There is no time for procrastination. No time to wait for the murderous wheels of capitalist justice to bring these workers to the door of the electrocution room.

Now is the time to act and act quickly!

### Hoover's Drive Against Labor

The Sunday capitalist papers prominently feature a story from Washington to the effect that the Hoover administration leaders have launched a nation-wide drive on "Reds." This is to take the form, at first, of a "publicity campaign," on behalf of the "principles of sound government." The National Republican, a monthly magazine, which for years has been the spokesman for the most reactionary section of the republican party, is to be the official organ of the administration in the drive. This reactionary magazine maintains a special press service that boasts of supplying information to more than 5,000 editors of papers throughout the country.

That the biggest and most reactionary sections of the capitalist class are aware of the present movement of the whole working class toward an offensive against the capitalist class is plainly revealed by the fact that the main emphasis in the campaign is to be the necessity of combating the Communist Party, the vanguard of the working class. It is no accident that this announcement of a new campaign directed from official Washington against the Communist Party of the United States follows closely upon the heels of the Gastonia frame-up to railroad to the electric chair men, women and youth because the strikers in the tent colony defended themselves from wholesale slaughter at the hands of the agents of the mill owners.

The official character of this latest anti-labor drive is proved by the fact that its chief sponsors are Dr. Work, chairman of the republican national committee; Senator Watson of Indiana, majority leader of the senate; and Senator Burton of Ohio, one of the chief spokesmen of the Hoover administration.

Dr. Work asks for funds to support the National Republican and promises a fight against "destructive propaganda." Jim Watson, of Indiana, for years one of the leading reactionaries in every shady deal put over at Washington from the Newberry bribery of the republican voters of the state of Michigan in his stealing of a seat in the senate, to the Teapot Dome scandals, contributes to the campaign by observing:

"The forces of discontent and radicalism are active and multiplying. They are circulating scores of publications with an aggregate circulation of millions of copies weekly. The National Republic represents the most effective means of educating voters in behalf of American principles of government and against socialism, Communism and revolutionary radicalism in general and should have the active cooperation and assistance of patriotic Americans everywhere."

Burton, one of the notorious Ohio gang that placed Warren G. Harding, Harry M. Daugherty, Albert B. Fall, Charles Denby and associated crooks at the head of the imperialist government at Washington, joins in the anvil chorus against the advanced section of the working class.

This is a part of the war preparations of the United States—an attempt to consolidate all the forces of capitalism in support of the anti-labor policies of the Hoover government. It cannot be separated from the campaign of frightfulness launched against the working class in the South and the drive against the labor movement in general that is being carried out with the aid of those agents of big capital: the officialdom of the American Federation of Labor, the socialist leaders and the so-called "progressive" group of Muste & Co.

The movement directed from official Washington is, however, a tribute to the effectiveness of the Communist movement in this country. Watson's alarmist declaration regarding the power and influence of our revolutionary press should be pondered by our readers and supporters who realize the difficult financial condition facing the Daily Worker because of the role we have played in developing the class struggle in America to the point where the imperialist government finds it necessary to endeavor to mobilize the whole capitalist class behind the National Republican in order to strengthen the directing center for a nation-wide campaign against us.

Our reply to this publicly-announced organized drive against the revolutionary movement must be the strengthening of the Daily Worker so we can expose before tens and hundreds of thousands of workers the real role of the government at Washington as a strike-breaker, and a war-monger.

Rally to the support of the Daily Worker!



The Socialist Party declares that the workers must fight for a more "efficient" police force.

## Enlightenment Campaign on the Comintern Address to the Communist Party

THE Polbureau is desirous of securing the broadest possible Enlightenment Campaign on the Comintern Address. The immediate Party tasks outlined therein. All Party members and particularly the comrades active in the workshops in the basic industries are invited to write their

opinions for the Party Press. Resolutions of Factory Nuclei also will be printed in this section. Send all material dealing with this campaign to Comrade Jack Stachel, care National office, Communist Party, 43 E. 125th St., New York City.

## Defeat the Concealed Opposition

By JACK STACHEL.

The opposition to the Comintern Address from the very beginning assumed a concealed form. Only in Moscow did part of the majority delegation headed by Lovestone, Gitlow and Wolfe openly state its opposition to the Comintern Address. The reason for the opposition in this country from the very beginning taking on a concealed form is quite obvious—it is due to the overwhelming response of the Party membership in favor of the Comintern Address and against those comrades who in their anti-Party declaration in Moscow "represent a direct attempt at preparing a condition necessary for paralyzing the carrying out of the decision of the Comintern and for a split in the Communist Party of America." The membership would have nothing to do with any of the former Party leaders who would not declare that they accept and will carry out the decisions of the Comintern. For this reason all those who in reality are opposed to the Address did not dare come out openly and state their opinions because they knew that this would result in their complete isolation from the Party membership. They decided, therefore, that it will be more profitable to confuse the membership by their formal statements of acceptance and thereby receive the privilege from the Party to carry on their concealed opposition within the Party.

The recent belated statement of Comrade Lovestone in Moscow, addressed to the Polbureau of the Communist International, is a statement designed to catch up with this situation in the American Party that Comrade Lovestone finds himself confronted with. He saw that even his most "loyal followers," who in reality are doing everything possible to obstruct the decision, will not be able to come out openly and defend his position. He realized that in order to remain the leader of the opposition to the Comintern Address he must change his tactics. In doing this Comrade Lovestone did not change his political line. But, what is more important, Comrade Lovestone did not fool the membership with his formal statement of acceptance which he prefixed by his statement: "While still maintaining disagreement with the Open Letter and my organizational instructions and my conviction that they will not prove helpful to the Party..."

Comrade Lovestone's eagerness to tell the entire membership that he still disagrees with the Comintern decision, the organizational instructions, and that he is convinced that the Comintern decision will not be helpful to the Party, is a repetition of his declarations made in Moscow that the decision will prove damaging to the Party. Surely the membership will not believe that Comrade Lovestone really wants them to carry out the decision when

he, still a member of the Central Committee, tells them that the decision is against the interests of the Party. What the membership will say we already know. The membership will tell Comrade Lovestone that they are for the decision of the Comintern because this decision provides the basis for the correction of the line of the Party, for the abolition of factionalism and for converting the Party in the shortest possible time from a mere propaganda organization into a mass Party.

The membership will not fail to understand that Comrade Lovestone, even in his present declaration in which he makes a formal acceptance of the decision, that by stating his disagreement with the decision, by telling the membership of his conviction that it will not prove helpful to the Party, is in reality telling the membership to struggle against the Comintern Address; that Comrade Lovestone is maintaining his platform; that Comrade Lovestone is attempting to organize a new faction in opposition to the Comintern Address. The membership will not fail to understand that Comrade Lovestone's platform against the Comintern Address is a platform to the right of the Comintern; that it is a platform which repeats the slanders against the Comintern that are made by the Right wing of the Communist Parties in every country and in the Soviet Union. The membership will recognize, therefore, that Comrade Lovestone made his statement in an effort to organize a factional Right opposition in the Party in support of the Right elements in the Comintern.

If Comrade Lovestone did not and could not yet understand and therefore fully agree with the Comintern Address, but really desired to change his course and help carry out the Address, surely Comrade Lovestone would not find it necessary to tell the membership his opinions against the Address. Comrade Lovestone by making this open statement of disagreement, by stating in no uncertain terms that he is still continuing his platform, has done a service to the Party. He has made it impossible for himself to confuse the membership and to rally followers to his banner.

For the moment we find, therefore, although the forms may vary, the opposition to the Comintern Address is a concealed one. In other words all of the opponents of the Address profess their formal acceptance.

There exists some confusion as to concealed opposition and a conciliatory tendency to the Address in the sense that the concealed opposition is partly for the Address and partly not. The concealed opposition is completely an opposition to the Comintern Address made in the declarations in Moscow. Its platform is the platform of the declara-

tions made in Moscow by Lovestone, Gitlow and others on May 9th and May 14th. The only difference is that the response of the membership, the loyalty of the membership to the Comintern, has compelled these comrades to change their line of attack. The concealed opposition is more dangerous than an open opposition would be. They are more dangerous because they do not make a frontal attack in which they would be immediately destroyed by the Party, but choose rather to carry on guerrilla warfare and a sniping policy.

While it is true that there are some honest proletarian elements who because of the factional corruption that the Party has been suffering from for so many years are still confused on this or that question and such elements must be enlightened on the real meaning of the Comintern Address, the Party must be very vigilant in exposing all concealed opponents to the Comintern Address who usually carry on their sniping policy by raising this or that petty question. The Party membership must learn how to recognize this concealed opposition, its manifold manifestations, because only then will we be able to carry on a successful struggle against them and defeat them.

The following are some of the manifestations of the concealed opposition:

1. We must wait for "further information as to what actually happened."
  2. We do not know the "real" actions of Lovestone and Gitlow.
  3. Opposition to condemnation by name of Lovestone and Gitlow.
  4. An attitude which under the slogan of "Unity is a process," allows hesitation and concealed opposition to go without attack or defeat.
  5. Taking formal action on every step raised in the fight against the opposition, but taking no initiative, showing no real enthusiastic effort to mobilize the Party for the line of the Comintern.
  6. Failure to support and defend the decisions of the Polbureau in every Party organization.
  7. Spreading all sorts of lying rumors as removals, organizational changes, etc.
  8. Spreading pessimism as to the ability of the leadership to mobilize the Party for work.
  9. Against any political enlightenment on the ground that we have no time for discussion.
  10. Resistance to struggle against the Right danger.
- It is the duty of the Party membership to expose those who, under the guise of any of the above manifestations organize and carry on a struggle against the Comintern Address. The membership must place itself in opposition to all these attempts to distort the Comintern Address and to hinder the work of the

Party. The Party cannot tolerate such slanders as are contained in the statement: "We need further information." Such an attitude clearly shows a lack of confidence in the integrity of the Comintern. All those who accept by formal statements but who resist the inclusion of the leaders of the new opposition in resolutions, etc., are in reality showing an attitude of political agreement with the line of Lovestone and Gitlow while protecting themselves under the guise of formal acceptance. It must be the business of the Party to enlighten every proletarian member of our Party, to win every member of our Party to the correct line of the Comintern. But the Party must be on guard against all those elements who under the guise of "Unity is a process" cover up a concealed opposition to the Comintern Address.

Events in the last few months, among them the increasing persecution of our Party, and all organizations that conduct class struggles, as for example in Gastonia, in the sentencing of Cantor, in the arrests in Bethlehem, the arrests in Chicago, the terror against the food workers in New York, the increasing and intensified war preparations, the great resistance and mood for struggle among larger and larger sections of the working class—all these and other events show the correctness of the line of the Comintern Address which is based on the Sixth World Congress decisions and also the correctness of the sharp criticism made in the Comintern Address against the theory of exceptionalism, which had taken root in the Party. These events show that the fulfillment of the results of the Third Period of post war capitalism are taking place much sooner in the United States than any of us believed. They clearly show on the one hand the correctness of the line of the Comintern and on the other hand the need of mobilizing the Party in the shortest possible time for active participation and leadership in the growing struggles. In order to achieve this the Party must enter upon its new tasks with enthusiasm that comes from recognition of the important role that the Party can and must play in this period.

The Party must establish a firm discipline which will enable it to marshal its forces in the quickest possible time to any front of battle. The Party must struggle against any and all deviations from the line of the Comintern Address. The Party must carry on a merciless struggle against the Right danger which exists in practically all branches of our work.

In such a situation the Party cannot tolerate any factionalism. In such a situation the Party cannot be tolerant to any concealed opposition. In such a situation the Party membership must form one solid front against capitalism, the capi-

# CEMENT

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Gleb Chumalov, Red Army Commissar, returns to his town on the Black Sea after the Civil Wars to find the great cement-works, where he had formerly worked as a mechanic, in ruins and the life of the town disorganized. He discovers a great change in his wife, Dasha, whom he has not seen for three years. She is no longer the conventional wife, dependent on him, but has become a leader among the Communist women of the town. One evening after a hard day's work, Gleb and Dasha walk home together. They sit musing at the twilight scene about them.

UNDER the landing, in the depths, the water was playing, singing like crickets; surging and humming... it seemed that something living and immense was sighing in the void. And it seemed that this great sigh and the twanging of chords were floating in the forest and over the forest, streaming from the purple twilight of the lowlands.

Everything was airy, profound and immeasurable. The mountains were no longer ridges and hollows of stone and rock, but thick sooty smoke; and the sea in its shoreless flooding was no longer a sea but a blue abyss. And this man and woman seated on the height above the factory and yet with the factory, on a fragment of a planet, flew—above the abyss and yet under the abyss—far away, without knowing it, on a flight into infinity.

Gleb laid his head on Dasha's knees, and saw above her face and the purple sky. Her cheeks covered with a thin, glistening down reflected the hue of the sky. Her eyes expressed wonder and a thought which was formed but still unuttered.

Waves of pain passed through him. She, his Dasha, his wife. And in the midst of this pain one thing only was plain; he could not kill Dasha; she had grown stronger than his hand—unreachable forever. "Here on the mountain under the sky it is sweet to lie like this, my head in your lap, Dasha. We have never been such dear friends as in this evening hour. Tell me how you managed to get on while I was away and all the adventures you had."

A FLASH of lightning suddenly streaked the air and the purple shadows were rent up to the sky.

Gleb raised himself on his elbow. For some time he gazed at the factory buildings; at the slopes and valleys with their gardens. Lights were twinkling everywhere like stars. Rapture flooded his heart, and emotion caught him by the throat. What was this in his throat: tears or joy?

"There it is, little Dasha... That is our hands and brains. It's fine to struggle and build up one's destiny. Eh, Dasha? That's all ours. Ours! Let it be so. I shall lie in your lap and you can speak to me. There's nothing to dread any more; and I shall listen to your horrors as to a fairy tale."

Dasha laid her hands upon her breasts. She was deeply moved and Gleb could hear her heart flooding.

"Well, yes... Now you can stand being beaten with words too. You're not so sensitive now. Oh, what nonsense you talked before, Gleb. How foolish you were!"

### THE BIRTH OF STRENGTH.

AND this is what she told him on that purple evening: After Gleb had recovered from his wounds, lying in the attic among the spiders and mice, and had gone away one night into the mountains—then, the Greens occupied the thickets and the ravines.

She knew that Gleb had torn himself away from her perhaps for ever; and she tore herself from him as from one that was dead. She did not accompany him to the threshold, but bade him good-bye in the darkness of the room. She went without sound, and could not let him go, the dear one, who had taken her soul to himself. When he stealthily disappeared into the night, she lit no fire; but in the darkness, with her daughter Nurka, tossed in unforgettable anguish till morning peeped in at the windows. And in this tear-drowned agony, she lay in her lonely bed, with Nurka at her heart, and the days and nights went by dimly like wreaths of mist, fading behind the muslin curtains.

And just as suddenly as she had sunk into this semi-existence, without days and nights, so was she shocked out of it.

With clattering and stamping and the muttering and yelling of soldiers with loaded rifles and revolvers, some officers forced their way into her house and a stamping crowd surrounded her crying in chorus:

"Where is your husband?"

At first she shrank away, because the walls were shaking as was the floor under their feet. And as her heart flooded, Nurka burst out crying and shrank convulsively in her arms.

"Tell us where your husband is! We know that he's been here! It's no good looking innocent and pretending to be a fool!"

"How do I know where my husband is? You know better yourselves! You took my husband away and you haven't told what you did with him. Why do you come to me for him?"

She did not cry. Her face became blue, and her eyes shone like glass. It was Nurka who cried, and she pressed her close to her heart.

One of the officers—a young one, almost a boy still, bony and malicious—was sitting down, then getting up, smoking and throwing cigarette ends about. He did not take his eyes from her and repeated the same words over and over again:

"Don't be such an impudent liar. You know. You know, young woman! You know very well! You won't get away from me."

And suddenly struck the table with his fist. "And will be arrested at once and shot instead of your husband. Out with it, and don't try to throw dust in our eyes."

She stood motionless as before and replied: "What do I know? You can kill me if you like. You dragged him away; and you can tell where he is! You can see for yourselves I'm quite alone—Why do you torture me?"

The office was silent and looked fixedly at Dasha. Did he see suffering in her burning eyes or hear a formless reproach in Nurka's cries? Suddenly he arose from his chair.

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

alist government and the social reformists of all brands. They Party must mobilize the masses for struggle, and any elements who place themselves in opposition to the Comintern Address, who try to break the solid front of the Party are in reality placing themselves on the side of our enemies and must be combatted in most ruthless form and rooted out.

The Party must achieve unity. This unity cannot be achieved in any other way except in the struggle against all opportunism and all opportunist elements.

The Party has great tasks before it. Immediately there is before us the preparations for the Trade Union Unity Convention to be held in Cleveland, August 31st, Sept. 1st and 2nd. The Trade Union Unity Convention must be looked upon as part of the campaign to organize the unorganized, to increase our work in trade unions, the preparations for the carrying on of the campaign for International Red Day, August 1st. This campaign must be a campaign to mobilize the working class of this country against imperialist war, for the defense of the Soviet Union, to expose all pacifist maneuvers and particularly the role of the A. F. of L. bureaucracy and the Socialist Party. The membership must provide a means for the Party to conduct its work by making

the \$50,000 Communist Party-Daily Worker Emergency Drive a success. Every Party member who is employed must immediately give his full day's pay so that the work of our Party can proceed. The enlightenment campaign thus far has not yet met with the response that it must meet from the Party membership. It is necessary for the Party organizations everywhere to not only discuss the Comintern Address in a general way, but to concretize it by self-criticism, taking up the problems and tasks of the various factory nuclei, problems of the Party building, etc. The Party membership, particularly the comrades active in large factories and in mass organizations must participate in the enlightenment campaign by writing about their experiences for the Party press and be drawn in more actively into leadership of the Party and in the carrying on of the practical tasks. The enlightenment campaign thus far still lacks the concreteness which it should have. This will be achieved by the most active Party members participating in the enlightenment campaign so that the campaign can really become a campaign of self-criticism of the Party work, its errors, and lay the basis for the improvement of the Party work and help in the carrying out of the important tasks.