

## DRESS STRIKERS TO MASS PICKET AGAIN MONDAY

Furriers Defend Selves  
Against Armed Thugs;  
Jail Six for It

### Dress Meet Monday

Build Pleaters' Picket  
Committee for Strike

The thousands of dressmakers striking for the right to be union men and women and to force the employers to concede working conditions that are bearable, again prepare to demonstrate their strength and determination by a mass picketing demonstration Monday morning.

Calls were yesterday issued by the various trade divisions of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union for their members in those trades to join the demonstration of the strikers before they go to work, to appear in the dress manufacturing district at 7 a. m.

All union sympathizers were also appealed to, to add their numbers to the demonstration, which besides being a move to spread the strike further, will also be a protest against a police terror that jails 230 workers in one clip for daring to picket.

While the dress workers are fighting a severe police oppression, and boss and socialist company union strikebreaking gangsterism, the fur workers, too, felt the lash of A. F. of L. thuggery yesterday morning.

A gang of well known thugs yesterday made an attempt to break the strike of the workers of Albert Reineman's shop. The workers here had gone on strike because decent conditions were abolished when the boss recognized the scab A. F. of L. union. The thugs, led by notorious Willie Yacker, approached the picketing strikers, pulled out knives, and began to slash at the most militant unionists.

The strikers defended themselves. They resisted the assault of the  
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## Garlin, Magil to Speak at the Workers School Forum Tomorrow Night

Many controversial questions will be discussed by Sender Garlin and A. B. Magil, both of the Daily Worker editorial staff, in their talks at the Workers School Forum, 26 Union Sq., at 8 o'clock tomorrow night. Garlin will speak on "Some Bourgeois Literary Critics" and Magil on "Modern Revolutionary Poetry."

Garlin will include in his talk critics of varying tendencies. The part played by men like H. L. Mencken and Heywood Brown as apologists for ruling class ideas in literature will be discussed, as well as the role of so-called "left-wing" critics like V. F. Calverton and Upton Sinclair. Other literary critics to be treated will be Ludwig Lewisohn, Van Wyck Brooks, Harry Hansen and Carl Van Doren.

Magil will give a brief discussion of the poetry of the past, pointing out its class character, and will treat in greater detail the contemporary poets who have oriented themselves around the revolutionary working class. Among the poets he will discuss will be William Morris, Carl Sandburg, Michael Gold, Arturo Giovannitti, Langston Hughes, Claude McKay, Alexander Blok and Vladimir Mayakovsky. He will also read from the work of several of these poets.

## Youth Needle Trades Strikers Meet Today

All members of the Young Workers (Communist) League who are employed in the needle trades are called to attend an important meeting at the Workers Center, 26 Union Square, today at 2:30 p. m. A report on the strike will be given.

**HUNGARIAN JINGO DIES**  
BUDAPEST, Hungary, Feb. 22 (UP).—Count Andreas Chekonitz, 83, wartime president of the Hungarian Red Cross and former Emperor Francis Joseph's high steward, died here today.

## Lodgings Wanted for Convention Delegates

Lodgings are needed for the out-of-town delegates to the Sixth National Convention of the Workers (Communist) Party, which opens next Friday, March 1. All Party members and sympathizers who can put up one or more delegates are asked to communicate at once with either the district office of the Party, 26 Union Sq., or the national office, 43 E. 125th St.

## WORKERS STAND BY "DAILY" AGAINST 'SOCIALIST' JAILERS

Comrades:

The attack of Morris Hillquit, the millionaire lawyer and socialist party boss, on the Daily Worker, in alliance with the Tammany Hall machine, is being answered by militant workers and workers' organizations. A hasty check-up of the contributions as this is being written shows that in all probability their total will exceed considerably those of the previous days. The time elapsing since our publication of the Hillquit demand of the New York County Grand Jury for the indictment, arrest and trial of the editors and business manager of the Daily Worker and the Freiheit is too short to make possible a response from districts outside of New York, but the stimulus given to the campaign in New York City will certainly be reflected in other centers.

We urge all our supporters to concentrate their efforts in mass organizations and to make their appeal, in addition to the general line of the campaign for the Daily Worker as the fighting organ of the class struggle, upon the fact that Hillquit, the leader of the socialist party in the United States, the party whose chief role is, through its alliance with the A. F. of L. bureaucracy and bourgeois liberalism, to attempt to confuse the masses and betray them into the camp of imperialism, now has openly sought the aid of the judicial and police powers of capitalist government in an effort to throttle the only revolutionary English language daily in the world.

With the low cunning inherent in the whole foul fraternity of "socialist" lawyers, Hillquit timed his attack with the utmost nicety. He waited until he was certain that the Daily Worker was engaged in a life and death battle—and then struck his blow through the state machinery of capitalism.

If Hillquit's charges of criminal libel, made with the purpose of jailing members of the Daily Worker staff and involving our paper in costly legal proceedings, are sustained, he will undoubtedly file a civil suit for heavy damages which he plans to add to the loot secured from the manipulation of the shares of the I. L. G. W. bank.

The Daily Worker faces now a long series of court proceedings for which it must expend thousands of dollars. Even if the Daily and its editors and business managers are not convicted the legal expenses must still be paid. Hillquit is a clever enemy of the Daily Worker, of the working class for whom it fights in the class struggle.

The class hatred and the cleverness of Hillquit, the socialist-imperialist, backed by the A. F. of L. bureaucrats and the forces of Tammany Hall, can be answered only by militant workers determined to defeat this new conspiracy.

The Daily Worker is not on the defensive. The Hillquits can pile up the charges of criminal libel until they are hoarse. We shall continue to expose their betrayal of the masses, the methods by which betrayals become bank accounts and the connection of the leaders of socialist-imperialism with the whole imperialist system, its wage-cutting, speeding-up, unemployment, poverty and wars of conquest.

Does it appear far-fetched to say that Hillquit's attack on the Daily Worker is part of the preparation for imperialist war? Then remember that the Daily Worker is the only English language daily in the United States that gives the correct Leninist explanation of the cause of imperialist war and tries to rally the masses for uncompromising struggle to turn imperialist war into a struggle for proletarian state power.

No one knows better than Hillquit the rewards that imperialism has for those who help to destroy or hamper the revolutionary press.

Into the mass organizations, comrades and fellow-workers! It from these sources that the answer to Hillquit will come.

Three branches of the Hungarian Sick Benefit and Educational Society have already responded—New York branch No. 2 with \$50, New York branch No. 29 with \$10, Astoria, L. I., branch with \$5—a total of \$65 for this one organization.

Results to date are:

Previously listed	\$11,212.70
Monday	465.82
Tuesday	312.20
Wednesday	404.04
Thursday	485.12
Friday	450.01
Total	\$13,329.89

We repeat what we said yesterday: "Redouble our energies to enlist support from all available sources, but make the main effort in the mass organizations." Let us try to make each day's contributions, from now until the end of campaign, exceed by a substantial amount the total of the previous day.

Answer the attack of Hillquit, the agent of the class enemies of the Daily Worker and the working class, with a steady mounting total of financial support for our Communist organ of the class struggle in America.

—THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE  
Rush Funds to Daily Worker, 26-28 Union Square,

## SENATE 'VOTES' TO WITHDRAW FROM NICARAGUA

Negligence of Big Navy  
Men Allows Dill's  
Motion to Pass

### Tomorrow Vote Again

Will Pass Navy Bill;  
Reverse Action

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22.—Absence of administration senators from their place of duty in the senate during the discussion of the naval appropriations bill to set aside \$12,000,000 for starting five new cruisers this year, permitted Senator Dill's amendment to be voted into the bill (38 to 30) for withdrawal of American marines from Nicaragua, and forced the postponement of the vote on the appropriation itself until the imperialist stalwarts can be searched out of their places of amusement and recreation and brot to the senate floor.

The amendment was put into the bill by a combination of democratic and "independent" mid-western senators.

In view of this fact, Chairman Hale of the naval affairs committee immediately afterward moved that the senate recess until noon tomorrow predicting he would force another vote on the bill at that time.

The first guns in a fight to adopt either at this session or the next, the "full Navy Program for 71 new ships of all types, which was submitted to congress by the navy department in 1928, was opened today by Representative Loring Black.

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## BANTON TO DROP TUBE FIRE QUIZ

Only Mildly Interested  
in Oil on Tracks

District Attorney Banton yesterday stated that he was about to drop the investigation into the nearly fatal fire in the Christopher St. station of the Hudson Tubes, where a train blew out a fuse and stalled over a blazing pool of oil on the company roadbed, with resulting injuries from smoke and crowding to three hundred passengers, nine of whom are still in the hospital.

Banton said that as long as no deaths occurred, his office was only mildly interested. "The investigation is merely a precautionary measure," said Banton, "and has no interest in a general investigation such as an inquiry as to why the company kept pools of oil lying on a track where electric sparks and blowouts are only too common.

## HUGE MORGAN BANK MERGER

New Mammoth to Be  
Largest in U. S.

Morgan is merging two of his banks in New York, with branches throughout the country, to make the largest single bank in the world, a fit financial center for Morgan imperialism and floatation of war loans. It was announced yesterday that official announcement would come Monday of the merger of the Guarantee Trust Co., resources \$1,052,210,198, with the National Bank.

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**FLIERS NEARING BOMBAY**  
KARACHI, India, Feb. 22 (UP).—Joseph Lebrich and his companions, on a flight from France to Hanoi, Indo-China, continued their trip from here today. It was understood their next stop would be Bombay.

## EMERGENCY FUND

Workers Contribute to Save the 'Daily'

## PLEDGE RENEWED FIGHT AGAINST FASCIST TERROR

104 Delegates from 54  
Unions Present at  
Conference Here

### Back Intl. Congress

Charge Hoover Aided  
March on Rome

A world determined struggle against Fascism was decided upon yesterday at the Anti-Fascist Congress Conference held at the Labor Temple, Second Ave. and 14th St., which was attended by 104 delegates representing 54 trade unions and labor fraternal organizations. Delegates of the Workers (Communist) Party and the Young Workers (Communist) League were also present.

An executive committee of 13 was elected and empowered to select delegates to attend the World Anti-Fascist Congress to be held in Berlin, starting March 9. The call for the international congress was issued by Henri Barbusse, well-known novelist and journalist.

Among those who addressed the conference, which was presided over by Robert W. Dunn of the All-American Anti-Imperialist League, were Roger N. Baldwin, director, American Civil Liberties Union; Hugo Gellert, president of the Anti-Horthy League; Tom De Fazio, acting secretary of the Anti-Fascist Alliance of North America and Alfred Wagenknecht, executive secretary of the International Labor Defense.

The conference was opened by Abraham Markoff, provisional secretary of the Anti-Fascist Congress committee.

Communists To Send Delegates.  
On a motion by Norman H. Lentire, representing the Workers (Communist) Party, the delegates decided to send anywhere from one to five delegates to the Berlin Congress, depending upon the amount of money raised within the next week. All organizations were urged to attempt to raise \$250, the amount necessary for a delegate and send it.

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## PARTY TO REPLY TO NAVAL FUNDS

Convention Opening to  
Push Anti-War Fight

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Feb. 22.—The defense in the frame-up of 25 workers on conspiracy charges has gained an important victory with the decision of the state of Massachusetts to drop efforts to extradite Paul Crouch, national secretary of the All-American Anti-Imperialist League, from New York to stand trial in the case.

The decision was announced by District Attorney Crossley who has for the past few weeks been waging a bitter fight to extradite Crouch, as well as Fred Biedenkapp, national secretary of the Workers International Relief, and Albert Weisbrod, secretary of the National Textile Workers Union.

The dropping of the case against Crouch came as a result of the refusal of Governor Roosevelt, of New York, last Monday to extradite Biedenkapp. The fight to prevent the extradition of Biedenkapp and Crouch has been carried on by the New York District of the International Labor Defense.

The 22 other militants, who are being charged with conspiracy to parade without a permit and conspiracy to disturb the peace in connection with the New Bedford textile strike are scheduled to stand trial in New Bedford on Monday. They are being defended by the International Labor Defense which has engaged Clarence Darrow, Arthur Garfield Hays and Joseph Brodsky as chief attorneys to fight this case as well as the mass trial of 662 New Bedford strikers.

The second showing of the "Krasin" to aid strike at midnight tonight. The performance is under the auspices of the local branch of the Workers International Relief.

Additional features, the same as those shown last night, will be presented again tonight. All workers are urged to see this Soviet film epic. Tickets are obtainable at the Workers Bookshop, 26 Union Sq., or at the office of the W. I. R., 799 Broadway.

## EMERGENCY FUND

Workers Contribute to Save the 'Daily'

## Poor Families Suffer, Die in Intense Cold

PORTLAND, Maine., Feb. 22.—Six fishermen, swept off their craft during a terrific northeast snow-storm at Jeffries Ledge, 37 miles off Cape Elizabeth, have been given up for lost.

The men were hauling in trawls in drifnet when they encountered the snow storm.

Thirteen deaths, three of them in New York City, are reported to date in one of the worst snow storms recorded by the weather bureau within the last few years. Antiquated heating equipment is blamed as the cause of fire near Johnstown, Pa., where two homes were destroyed and two mothers and their eight children were burned to death. In the severe zero weather which swept the continent from Canada to North Carolina there were several casualties from frostbite. Especially in the northern Ontario district of Canada unemployed workers collapsed on the breadlines.

An unidentified man was found dead in a snow-drift in Philadelphia. Huge throngs of the city's unemployed besieged the street cleaning departments, and, after waiting hours for the coveted snow shovel, worked all day and late into the night for the price of a "flop" and a cheap meal ticket.

Albert Kuhlneil, an aged butler, collapsed while shovelling snow away from the entrance of his master's house, William Morrow, of E. Orange, N. J., died while clearing snow from the sidewalk, and Daniel Lee, 60, Long Island City, died after a losing fight to make progress through the huge snow-drifts.

In Reading, Pa., William B. Wilson, 72, who, because of strained financial circumstances was forced to continue working as an iron worker, died while fighting his way through snow-drifts on his way to work.

## DROP CHARGES AGAINST CROUCH

Won't Try to Extradite  
Him to Massachusetts

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## DOCKERS RETURN AT BUENOS AIRES

Strike Won, Indicated  
by Lack of Details

BUENOS AIRES, Feb. 22.—The Maritime Workers' Federation here voted to end the strike of 2,000 dockers and 800 chauffeurs which has been in progress here for the past two days.

The Daily Worker received news earlier in the week of the dockers' strike which was against the employment by the bosses of so-called "inspectors" who were fighting the union, also a wage raise was demanded after the walkout. The dispatch today makes no mention of the terms on which the dockers went back to work, and this omission, which is customary with news agencies when the workers win a strike, indicates that the dockers won.

## GRAND JURY IN SECRET HEARS HILLQUIT PLEA TO JAIL COMMUNIST EDITORS

Yellow Socialist Forward Fears to Print News  
of Libel Suit

S. P. Organ and Hillquit Still Mum; Won't  
Deny Accusations

The next move in the campaign of criminal libel charges, brought against the Daily Worker and Jewish Communist Freiheit by Morris Hillquit, leader of "international socialism" and high-priced lawyer of bosses' associations, is now up to the New York grand jury. After listening to Hillquit at secret

hearings where the attorneys of the Daily Worker have no opportunity to present proof of its charges, the grand jury is expected to bring in indictments against the editor, assistant editor and manager of the Daily Worker and Freiheit. The Daily Worker had charged, and will substantiate its charges by the printing of court records next week, that Hillquit participated in a swindle of \$150,000 of union shares of needle trades workers.

Through his influence in capitalist court circles, this socialist leader had succeeded in nullifying the normal procedure, which would have brought the case first to a public hearing in a magistrate's court, where the Daily Worker would have an opportunity to cross-question its accuser.

The Jewish Daily Forward, reactionary organ of the socialist leaders, while devoting top space on its first page to an attack on the Communists when the charges were made, now, curiously enough, hasn't a single word to say about Hillquit's suit. From the time the charges were made, thru all the repeated challenges to reply, both the Forward and Freiheit have failed to deny that the huge sum was stolen. Nor has Hillquit stated just what did happen to the money if he did not "appropriate" it.

By getting his case directly into the hands of the grand jury, Lawyer Hillquit avoids the unpleasant experience of being further exposed in the lower court before going to the higher.

He therefore goes to the higher courts, where the millionaire socialist party leader will ask his capitalist colleagues to imprison the heads of the Communist press.

## T. U. E. L. SCORES LABOR BETRAYAL

Meet to Aid Needle  
Strike Today

On the eve of the conference called by the local Trade Union Educational League in support of the dressmakers' strike, to be held today at 2 p. m. in Irving Plaza, Irving Place and 15th St., the organization yesterday issued a statement in connection with the action of the Executive Council of the American Federation of Labor in backing the Schlesinger scab outfit to continue its strikebreaking activities in the present strike led by the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union.

"It is characteristic of the agents of the bosses in the labor movement for the Executive Council of the A. F. of L. to support the futile efforts of the Schlesinger company union to prevent the workers from abolishing sweatshop conditions, establishing the 40-hour week, preventing the employers from hiring and firing workers at their will, the building of a powerful militant industrial union of needle workers capable of fighting for their interests. The rage of these high-priced officials at the sight of militant workers fighting the bosses is evidence of the fact that the workers are moving in the direction of the T. U. E. L. and for industrial unionism.

"Such an attack is unequalled in the history of the labor movement. These agents of the bosses are attempting to bend all energies to prevent the mass resentment against their treachery to the labor movement and the splendid support received from the rank and file workers for the dressmakers' strike. They realize the developing spirit and will of the masses to defend their interests against its enemies."

The local T. U. E. L. announces that arrangements have been made for the conference to be addressed by John J. Ballam, its secretary; Louis Hyman, president, and Charles Zimmerman, vice-president and manager of the dress department of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union, and others.

ASK INDICTMENT  
OF 20 IN QUEENS  
Factions Wrangle for  
New Appointments

George U. Harvey, president of Queens is to appear before the grand jury today and ask indictments for street cleaning graft of 20 persons. It is said that there will be 100 witnesses.

Graft in the Queens Department of Street Cleaning has netted the grafters over \$1,000,000 during the last administration, it is said.

A great deal of the testimony is being gathered by private detectives hired by Fritz Brieger, superintendent of street cleaning. As a new head of department, Mr. Brieger naturally wants the step-children of the old chief removed. He has some appointments of his own in mind.

"Bad 'Previous Administration.'"  
"We can give Mr. Newcombe the names of more than 100 employees in the Street Cleaning Department who have some knowledge of conditions there for the last five years," Mr. Brieger said, in discussing the report which is to be submitted to the district attorney.

"I am sure that with the leads we will furnish Mr. Newcombe his investigators will be able to uncover much more than we found, for his inquiry can be made more thorough than ours."

"Mr. Newcombe will find that a 'higher up' was responsible for conditions in the Street Cleaning Department in previous administrations."

Capital is therefore not a personal, but a social power.—Karl Marx (Communist Manifesto).

# Gen. Le Rond, Imperialist War Agent, Against USSR, Commands Dantzig Arsenal

## BRITAIN AGREES TO APPOINTMENT OF FRENCHMAN

### Dantzig Is Port for Huge Arms Shipments

DANTZIG, (By Mail).—The notorious French general, Le Rond, who recently became celebrated by his trips through the Balkans on the imperialist mission for the French government, has been placed at the head of the huge Dantzig arsenals.

The Dantzig arsenals, which before and during the war belonged to Germany, became internationalized. Their capital represents an English participation of 40 per cent, French of 40 per cent, Poland 10 per cent and the city of Dantzig 10 per cent.

Le Rond is known to be the organizer-in-chief of the imperialist war plans against the Soviet Union. His business is to prepare the buffer states for armed invasion whenever the government of the powers give the signal for the onslaught to begin.

For a long time Le Rond made his headquarters at Bucharest where he interviewed Pilsudski during the Polish dictator's excursion to Rumania. The plans concocted at this conference, in which officials of the Rumanian government also participated, are believed to have elaborated details for a campaign against the Soviet Ukraine. The conference was followed immediately by a tremendous order for arms for the Rumanian government placed with the Skoda Munitions Works' Czechoslovakian branch.

The arms order was followed in turn by a huge loan floated by an international consortium of bankers, prominent among the participants being Blair and Co., the Chase Securities Co., and Dillon, Read and Co., for the United States, the Swedish Match Monopoly for Swedish capitalism, the Disconto Gesellschaft and the immensely powerful Deutsche Bank for Germany, while the Banque de Paris et Bruxelles looked after the interests of joint French and Belgian finance.

Shortly afterwards Le Rond was known to be hovering in Poland, apparently extending his plans of campaign to the more northern sector of invasion.

The Dantzig arsenals are the feeding tube with which arms and ammunition are crammed into the buffer states. Thru the Polish corridor go the arms which French and other foreign capitalists are making profits on thru sales to the buffer governments.

## United Front With Cops Is Lore's Code; Evicts Workers from Meeting

The violent anti-revolutionary character of Lore and his Volkzeitung was again brought out yesterday, when workers, distributing the "Arbeiter," German publication of the Communist Party, were evicted by the police from Hurst Point Palace where the 51st anniversary of Lore's paper was being celebrated.

During the meeting Lore spoke of "united front" by which he evidently meant a united front with the Bronx police and house detectives for his men pointed out the workers they wanted escorted out of the hall to the police. About five workers were thus evicted.

A private salesman of candy was unmoored but the Communist workers were evicted.

## Vera Busch to Speak in Astoria Forum Sunday

Vera Busch will speak on "The Kellogg Peace Pact With Fifteen New Cruisers," at the open forum in Long Island City held under the auspices of Section 9 of the Workers (Communist) Party tomorrow night. The forum will be held in Turn Hall, 14th Ave. and Broadway, Astoria.

## ANDRE MARTY'S LETTER

### Said "The Time of Galliffet Is Past"

PARIS, (By Mail).—Andre Marty, recently elected by the workers of Puteaux as Communist deputy, but kept in jail by the French chamber in the face of working class protest, was condemned last December to four more years in jail (he was already imprisoned for his activity against the French wars in Morocco, Syria and China) for having written to Marshal Foch a letter which ends thus:

"Mr. Marshal, the time of Galliffet, whose laurels you are jealous of, is passed.

"And when you threaten the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics with the menace of undisguised French militarism, which you represent so well, know that we are

## The Red Army Forms Ranks in the Red Square



Red Army soldiers drawn up in the Red Square in Moscow on the Tenth Anniversary of the Russian Revolution. Inserts show Red Army leaders, left to right, Kamenev, Unschlicht and Budenny. They are ready to defend the Soviet Union against the imperialists and depend upon the international working class as allies.

## PLEDGE FIGHT ON FASCIST TERROR

### Vital Conference Is Held Here

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to the congress office, Room 604, One Union Square. At the same time, to send their suggestion as to whom they desire to be a delegate. Baldwin pointed out that many liberals have attempted to compare the Soviet Union to the fascist dictatorship in Italy. "The fascist government," he said, "is controlled by a small group who do not want things to go forward, while the Soviet government is for the masses and believes in going forward." He denied the charge that there is any comparison between the fascist capitalist dictatorship and the workers rule in the Soviet Union.

De Fazio charged Herbert Hoover with being responsible to a great extent for the present Horvay fascist government in Hungary. Also, that in Italy, Hoover conferred with Italian bankers, a short time before the march on Rome and prepared for the taking over of power by Mussolini.

I. L. D. Pledges Aid.  
Wagenknecht pointed out that the International Labor Defense has always fought against fascism, and will continue to do so in the future. Tallentire pledged the Workers (Communist) Party support to the anti-fascist campaign.

Besides the organizations already mentioned, those represented at the conference included the Workers International Relief, the American Negro Labor Congress, the National Textile Workers Union, the Needle Trades Workers International Relief, the American Negro Labor Congress, the National Textile Workers Union, Paper and Bag Makers Union, Painters Union, Cooks Union, Hotel and Restaurant Workers Union, International Seamens Club and the Lettish Anti-Fascist Alliance with a membership of 72,000 workers.

When the executive committee was elected, it was decided that 12 additional members are to be added later by affiliated organizations, recommendations to be sent to the executive committee.

## Plenum of French C. P. in Session, Discusses Problems Facing Party

(Wireless By "Imprecor")  
PARIS, Feb. 22.—The Plenum of the Communist Party of France, now in session, is discussing the national and international problems facing the working class and the Party. Thorez, discussing the Sixth World Congress of the Communist International, showed that events since the congress justified completely its analysis, and show the existence of the Right wing danger. Doriot maintained his opposition to the action of the Central Committee of the Party, although declaring that he would subordinate himself to the Party Congress.

Semard analyzed the economic and political situation in France. Monmousseau spoke on the Trade Union situation, strikes, errors in trade union work, etc.

Bonfils is the same individual who defended the Ludlow massacre, and whose premises were mobbed and wrecked by Denver workers in a car strike a few years ago. He is a principal owner of the street railways in Denver.

As the inauguration of Hoover nears, the old gang is beginning to feel around for a soft berth for its faithful servant during the last administration of Wall Street.

The president has not yet made any statement on Bonfils' proposal.

Hold Social for Daily Worker Benefit Tonite

A social for the benefit of the Daily Worker emergency fund will be held at the Amalgamated Food Workers Hall, 133 W. 51st St., tonite. The affair is under the auspices of Sub-section 3B of the Workers (Communist) Party.

## Hundreds Visit Wirco Store; Clothes, Food Needed for the Miners

Hundreds of workers are daily visiting the Wirco Store, 2311 Second Ave., conducted by the Workers International Relief as a clothing exchange. The purpose of the store is to furnish clothing to needy workers who are jobless, and to those who are working at very low wages. All kinds of clothing are sold at very low prices, the profits being used to aid the unemployed workers throughout the country. At the present time, when the W. I. R. is starting a nationwide campaign for the coal miners, the money raised through the store will be used to buy food for the miners and their families.

The store is under the management of Louis A. Baum, and is open daily from 8:30 a. m. to 8 p. m. On Saturdays the store is open until 11 p. m.

Workers who have clothing that can be used in the store are urged to notify the Workers International Relief. Men's clothing is especially needed.

## BONFILS OFFERS COOLIDGE A JOB

### Received \$250,000 Hush Money in Oil Scandal

DENVER, Colo., Feb. 22.—Coolidge was today offered a salary of \$75,000 a year to become editor-in-chief of the Denver Post after retiring from the presidency. Fred G. Bonfils, owner of the paper and one of the chief actors in the Teapot Dome scandal, telegraphed Coolidge the offer, he announced.

Bonfils is an old friend of Coolidge. Together with Leo Stack, a Denver politician, he had a million dollar contract with Harry Sinclair, lessee of Teapot Dome, under which he admitted receiving \$250,000. This neat little blackmail sum was for the purpose of mimicking his friend "Silent Cal," and stopping a newspaper attack upon Sinclair. Coolidge will make a fitting masthead for this paper.

Bonfils had been attacking the Teapot Dome leases in editorials and front page headlines as "a corrupt, crooked deal," etc., when suddenly along came the bribe of a quarter of a million dollars in cash and a three-quarter million dollar interest in Teapot Dome. He had sent a reporter to New Mexico to expose the sudden increase in wealth of Fall, but after the blackmail worked, this story, as well as the attacks upon Sinclair suddenly died of affluent anemia.

In testifying at the time before the Senate Investigating Committee, Bonfils stated that half the million dollars had been received by Sinclair from the Standard Oil owned Midwest Oil Co. These two groups, together with Doheny, were working together to divide up the naval oil reserves.

The capitalist press generally did yeoman service in this business. We need only mention a few publishers: Harding, who sold out his Marion Star for over \$550,000, when it was worth far less than that sum; Fall, who paid \$200,000 for the insignificant Albuquerque Journal; McLean, publisher of the Washington Post, and inside-job man for Harding and Coolidge, etc.

On the program are Yiesha Fisherman, noted Soviet pianist; H. Gendle, of the Freiheit Dramatic Studio; M. Gibson, of the Yiddish Art Theatre, and many others.

## Harlem Forum to Hold Concert, Dance Tonite

The concert and dance of the Harlem Educational Forum to be held tonite at 400 Manhattan Ave., will include many excellent numbers on its program. Mme. Belle, vocalist, will give selections in several different voices and William Burroughs will read some of the poems of Claude McKay.

The proceeds of the forum will go to enlarge and expand the work of the forum.

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### Convention Opening to Push Anti-War Fight

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be the keynote of the Sixth National Convention of the Party, which will open with a huge mass meeting in New Star Casino, 107th St. and Park Ave., next Friday evening, March 1. The mass meeting will bear the character of a powerful demonstration against the imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union.

Delegates from every part of the country, including many coming directly from shops, mines and mills, will be present at the opening of this historic convention. Speeches will be made by leaders of the Communist movement as well as by rank and file delegates.

The mass meeting will also be a memorial in observation of the second anniversary of the death of C. E. Ruthenberg, former executive secretary of the Workers Party. The demonstration against imperialist war will be linked up with the tribute to Ruthenberg, who fought so relentlessly against the last imperialist war and against the betrayal of the working class by the yellow leaders of the socialist party.

A feature of unusual interest will be the first showing in this country of the new Soviet film, "A Trip Through Soviet Russia."

## Communists in Vienna to Hold Counter-Rally Against the Fascists

(Wireless By "Imprecor")  
VIENNA, Feb. 22.—The fascisti are holding their demonstration Sunday in Meidling, the workers quarter in Vienna. The social democratic "Republican Defense League" will demonstrate elsewhere.

The social democratic officials have held a conference and decided to advise the workers not to attend the social democratic demonstration because of the cold, although a thaw has been announced.

The Communist Party of Austria appeals to workers to demonstrate in the streets of Meidling against the fascists.

The Rote Fahne, the Communist Party newspaper, was confirmed to party articles against the fascists. A legal case has been begun against the whole central committee of the Communist Party.

## Midnight Concert in Bronx Tonight for Mineola, Shifrin Aid

A midnight concert for the benefit of the Mineola and Shifrin Defense will be given tonite at 11:30 at the Allerton Theatre, near White Plains Rd., under the joint auspices of the International Labor Defense and Council 11 of the United Councils of Working Women.

On the program are Yiesha Fisherman, noted Soviet pianist; H. Gendle, of the Freiheit Dramatic Studio; M. Gibson, of the Yiddish Art Theatre, and many others.

## COLD IN LITHUANIA.

KOVNO, Lithuania, Feb. 22 (UP).—Famine has caused suffering in several districts of Northern Lithuania, especially in Joinschki and Birschi. Cold and the crop failures of 1928 have brought business life in cities of that area virtually to a standstill.

## DRESS STRIKERS TO MASS PICKET AGAIN MONDAY

### Furriers Defend Selves Against Armed Thugs

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armed sluggers till a large squadron of police from the 30th St. police station came to the rescue of the thugs, their assailants.

In spite of the fact that the strikers were defending themselves bared-handed against the knife-wielding underworld men, several of whom are known to have long criminal records, six of the strikers were taken into custody, one being Willie Yacker. Irving Potash, chairman of the organization department of the Industrial Union was one of the six jailed. The other five are: Max Bloom, John Demelos, George Liakos, J. Stein and E. Goldberg, who is facing a charge of felonious assault.

At Jefferson Market Court later it was learned that the right wing attorneys and agents are planning to frame up Irving Potash, who was held on disorderly conduct charges, despite attempts of the lawyer of the sluggers to change the charge to one of assault. It is believed that an attempt will be made to "get" the organization department leader thru some other means.

All dressmakers, especially those working in settled shops are called to a membership meeting of their union Monday night in Webster Hall, 11th St. and Third Ave., immediately after work. The meeting will have as its object, among others, the putting into execution of spreading the strike to other shops in the buildings where shops have settled with the union.

All members of the General Picket Committee are to meet this afternoon in Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St., at 1 o'clock. Leaders of the General Strike Committee will take up some important aspects of the strike with the committee.

This afternoon at 1 o'clock the organization committee of the Tuckers', Pleaters' and Hemstitchers' Union, Local 41, are also to meet. They are to begin to organize themselves for strike utility. This union, whose membership works in auxiliary trades to that of dressmaking, are to go out on strike in a few days. Irving Potash and Koretz, of the Picket Committee, will be there to assist in the formation of the strike machine.

## SAILOR KILLED ON U. S. VESSEL

### Officers' Neglect Is Cause of Death

PLYMOUTH, England, Feb. 22.—Due to the fault of the ship's officers on the President Harding, who though knowing in advance by barometer readings that a gale was coming but who postponed lashing the lifeboats fast until the gale was at its height, John Sterling, a sailor, is dead and four more injured.

When the crew was finally sent to work to make fast the boats, high waves were breaking over the side, and one, striking Sterling, flung him across the deck, fracturing his skull and breaking his neck. The other sailors were injured in the same way.

It is the infrequent practice of ships' officers to delay such work as lashing the lifeboats until night when the sailors are supposed to be off duty, in order to save their daily work time for other tasks. The sailors must respond to such night calls as they are made on the excuse of "safety of the ship."

## Coal Gas Overcomes 7 in Tenement Building

Seven were overcome in two apartments in a tenement at 56 S. Nicholas Ave. yesterday by coal gas rising through a dumbwaiter shaft. Rescue crews, summoned immediately after the gas was discovered, worked for more than an hour on several of the overcome workers before they were resuscitated.

A short investigation showed that the gas had come from a furnace in the basement of the five-story tenement building. With the indicator broken and allowed to remain unrepaired by the building owners, no gauge of the heat was possible. All of those overcome lived in the second floor.

## Calles' Party Office Wrecked by Explosion

MEXICO CITY, Feb. 22 (UP).—A bomb exploded in the headquarters of the National Revolutionary Party in Cuernavaca, State of Morelos, today, dispatches to the newspaper Grafico said.

The blast wrecked the walls of the office but no one was injured. Federal investigators were sent to Cuernavaca from the capital.

## Baldwin, the ILGW, and "Civil Liberties"

By LOUIS HYMAN.

The elections in the Schlesinger scab union are at an end. The so-called elections were not in any way distinguished from others engineered by the Sigman-Schlesinger clique a year ago, except that they obtained the services of three "impartial" persons—Roger Baldwin, Arthur Garfield Hays, and A. Billkoff. They have affixed their signatures to a declaration that everything was in the best of order this time.

The rank and file of the union have always openly accused the reactionary machine of fraud during elections and demanded that they be held under the supervision of an impartial committee, but the bureaucrats never acceded to this demand. "It is below the dignity of the union that outside people should supervise the elections. This should be a confession that there are good reasons to doubt our honesty and integrity," was Schlesinger's constant argument. So the clique itself always carried thru the elections as they desired. Now, for the first time in the history of the union, Schlesinger announces thru the "Forward" that "Elections will be held under the supervision of an impartial committee of liberals so they cannot accuse us of crookedness."

Fake Maneuver.

It is quite clear why Schlesinger has adopted this piece of trickery. He hoped that by this fake manoeuvre he would be able to fool at least a part of the cloakmakers and dressmakers into believing that the clique has reformed, that it is adopting a new policy, does not want to maintain itself in power by force as in the past, and does not steal elections. Schlesinger was eager to get people like Louis Marshall and Warburg for his "impartial committee," even announcing in the Forward that Marshall would be on the committee. However, it seems that Marshall has more important matters to attend to than supervising fake elections and being a cat-paw for Schlesinger. Since Marshall was not available, Schlesinger had to content himself with using Roger Baldwin for his devious purposes.

We cannot understand what prompted Baldwin to allow himself to be used by Schlesinger. We know that Baldwin is very well informed as to the events that have transpired during recent years in the International. He knows that all progressives have been expelled without trial, the only charge being that they were Communists. He knows that the International has formed opposition locals and united with the bosses thru whose aid and that of gangsters they have forced the workers to register with them. He knows that the clique has framed up many innocent workers and sent them to jail. He knows that the corrupt bureaucrats have thrown out hundreds of workers from the shops and this robbed them of the opportunity to earn a livelihood. He knows that hired gangsters of these fakers have maimed and crippled many workers fighting against reactionary policies of the clique. He knows that Schlesinger in conspiracy with the bureaucrats of the Central Trades and Labor Council have gone to Mayor Walker urging greater police forces to aid them in attempting to break the strike of the dressmakers as this was reported in the entire press. The police even without special requests such as this, hardly fail to show their "friendliness" to strikers, doing their "duty" without being urged. But they excel when answering the clarion call to defend America and its sacred institutions from the "Bolsheviks," who, Schlesinger states in the press, are "fighting in this strike for recognition of Russia."

In response to urging from the ILGWU, the Central Trades and Labor Council and the bosses, the police are faithful to their masters. Workers are nabbed by the police as soon as they show themselves on the picket line. There have been 1,200 arrested in two weeks struggle. Sam Markowitz and Morris Reiss, Schlesinger's lawyers, have assumed the role of district attorney, demanding high bail and big fines or jail sentences, accusing the strikers of being professional gangsters, accusing them of the heinous crime of being Communists. In one case after another, the strikers so accused of being gangsters had to be discharged for lack of any evidence whatever that they were guilty of disorderly conduct. Nevertheless, whenever possible, the

RECORD SHARP EARTHQUAKES

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irregularities during elections. We are appointed to avoid the repetition of such charges. The policies of your union are of no concern of ours. We recognize your right to expel from membership or take away the right to vote from anybody."

How little interested were the members of the company union in these elections is seen clearly by the fact that they admitted that only 4,000 took part. If they claimed 4,000 we can be sure the actual number was close to 2,000. Further, it was impossible for the "impartial committee" to be sure that there was no fraud. The whole election machinery was in the hands of the Schlesinger gang, and there were a great many ballot boxes and only three in the "impartial committee."

Perhaps Baldwin did not realize the significance of his action. If so, he should immediately and openly denounce the policies of the ILGWU expulsions, company unionism, cooperating with the bosses and police as a strike-breaking agency, etc.

Whenever someone is denied the right to speak, or some other civil liberty, Baldwin is there to raise his eloquent voice in indignant protest against such oppression. But when the ILGWU expels tens of thousands of progressive workers from the union, depriving them, since this was a closed shop industry, of the very right to work, when Schlesinger tries to break a strike against intolerable sweat shop conditions, he has nothing to say.

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(Personal Reminiscences from the Epoch of the German Advance on Petrograd, February 1918)

VLADIMIR BONTCH-BRUEVITCH.

Formerly Secretary of the Soviet of People's Commissars of the U. S. S. R.)

FTER the enthusiasm of the October revolution, unprecedented in the history of our country, masses showed signs of weariness, which became noticeable towards February, 1918. Crowds of soldiers were coming back from the front. Worn out, their nerves on edge, they hastened home with only a desire to rest after the night-airs of trench life. Division after division poured into Petrograd, they came there only to leave immediately for the interior of Russia. There were very few well-disciplined regiments and detachments. Runken pogroms, which broke out everywhere, showed that the inmates of the Czarist barracks were at the end of October and up to February, i.e., at the height of the drunken pogroms—apart from the workers of the Red Guard—one could fully rely on the Latvian scratch detachment, some units of the regiment of chasseurs and of the guard regiments who did sentry duty in the State Bank and on some squads of naval crews.

The base of these units was our Petrograd citadel,—the Peter and Paul Fortress, where perfect order, strict discipline and sense of duty were the order of the day. Work was going on full steam in Room 75 of the Smolny Institute, which was at that time the centre of the struggle with pogroms and counter-revolution in Petrograd. The Petrograd proletariat had sent here its best and most reliable workers.

German Advancing.

On February 21, 1918, a telegram was handed to me for the Soviet of People's Commissars announcing that the Germans were advancing, had taken Pskov with one fell swoop and were marching on. The army staff had gone—direction unknown—and the garrison was in the midst of a disorderly retreat. It was clear to me that with such a state of affairs the Germans would be in Petrograd in two or three days. Some sort of resistance must be organized.

Old Army Demoralized.

Everyone knew that the sooner the old soldiers went home the better it would be, for it was self-evident that the new army would have to be built on an utterly different basis. Only a few units of the old army where Bolshevik influence was particularly strong were quite reliable and fit. To keep order in the town between

and Soldiers' Deputies which was in session at that time and asked to be allowed to speak. I communicated the contents of the telegram, said quite openly that while we are discussing here the Germans would enter Petrograd, and called for immediate action. The Petrograd proletariat, who had stood the test of many battles and whose energy had no bounds, was true to its traditions. Immediately everyone scented danger, the right atmosphere was created, determination pervaded the session.

"Sound Factory Sirens" I was surrounded by comrades from the districts. "What is the first thing to be done?" "Sound the factory sirens!" was my answer.

Fifteen minutes later, twelve motor cars were rushing the comrades to all parts of the town, and in less than an hour the factory sirens, the alarm bell of the proletariat, woke Petrograd out of its slumbers. The powerful and peremptory sound of the sirens cut through the fog, calling back to the factories and works the workers of the Red Capital of the Revolution who had gone home to rest after their hard daily tasks. Frightened citizens ran out of their houses into the streets, not knowing what to do: run away somewhere or join the mighty battalions of the factory workers armed

with rifles and marching in big columns towards Smolny. Proletariat Mobilized. DURING the night a message had been sent to the surrounding districts, and towards morning considerable detachments of the workers' Red Guards were coming in from there. An army staff was quickly organized in Smolny which promissory military experts were invited

I went to the Soviet of Workers'

to join, and the real work began. Armored trains were immediately organized, the artillery was mobilized and orders were issued to erect fortifications around Petrograd. The spontaneous enthusiasm spread like wildfire, and became a general and ever-increasing elan. Exactly 24 hours later, the first infantry echelons were sent off, as well as corps of dynamites and armored trains, artillery and cavalry divisions. The whole of Russia was informed about the new offensive of the German imperialists by the well-known proclamation, "The Socialist Fatherland is in Danger," written by Vladimir Ilyich Lenin.

Here is the proclamation, which is an important historical document: The Socialist Fatherland Is in Danger.

To save the tortured and exhausted country from further military operations, we declared ourselves ready for the supreme sacrifice—we informed the Germans that we are willing to sign their peace conditions. Our envoys carrying the flag of truce left Rozhitzky for Dvinsk on February 20, but no answer has yet come. Evidently the German government is delaying the answer. It is clear that it does not want peace. Acting on the instructions of the capitalists of all countries, German militarism wants to crush the Russian and Ukrainian workers and peasants, it wants to give back the land to the landlords, the factories and works to the bankers, and power to the monarchy. German generals want to establish their own order in Petrograd and Kiev. The Socialist Soviet Republic is in great danger. Till the moment when the German proletariat rises and conquers, self-sacrificing defence against the hosts of bourgeois imperialist Germany is the sacred duty of Russian workers and peasants.

Agents of the enemy, speculators, pogromists, counter-revolutionary agitators and German spies are to be shot on the spot. The Socialist Fatherland is in danger! Long live the Socialist fatherland! Long live the International Socialist Revolution! Soviet of People's Commissars. Petrograd, February 21.

THIS mighty call went right to the heart of the proletariat, was an

inspiration to acts of heroism and self-sacrifice. Our Party organization with all its ramifications soon set its apparatus going and work went on full steam ahead everywhere. The young Soviet Power looked the terrible danger fearlessly in the face. At the call of Vladimir Ilyich, in answer to the appeal of our Party, at the order of the Executive Organ of the proletarian dictatorship, the working class rose—every man of it—and took the helm of the state into its hands. Success of Red Guards. With extraordinary ease and complete faith in inevitable victory, these young divisions of the Socialist Red Guard went against the mighty and dangerous enemy. Success seemed incredible, and yet there was no doubt of success. The front was quickly organized and kept back the advance divisions of the attacking army of the Kaiser. After a few days the Young Red Guard could already take up the offensive and harass the enemy in the most important positions. This military success had a good effect even on the disorganized divisions of the old army which soon formed considerable fighting forces out of their own midst—who, instead of going home, went willingly again to the front, right into the fight with the forces of belligerent German imperialism. In this struggle with Wilhelm's hosts, Red Petrograd received its baptism of fire in the struggles with the regular forces of the counter-revolution. At that time the Petrograd proletariat soon carried out its historical task. Also later, in times of danger, the workers of Lenin's town, true soldiers of the revolution, always replied to the Party's call "Be Ready!", clearly and firmly, "Always Ready!"

## Command Armies of Socialist Fatherland



Unschlicht, vice-chairman of the Military Council, and Voroshiloff, Red Army Commander and People's Commissar of War of the Soviet Union. Today is Red Army Day, the 11th Anniversary of the formation of the Red Army.

with rifles and marching in big columns towards Smolny.

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## Kenworthy, Laborite, Wants a "Gentlemen's Agreement" With U. S.

LONDON, Feb. 22.—A "gentlemen's agreement" on naval limitations between the United States and Britain negotiated by such men as Lord Balfour, Ramsay MacDonald, former premier, Lord Cecil, of League of Nations fame, and Sir John Simon, now heading the British imperialist commission to India, would solve the naval race between the two imperialist powers, said Commander Kenworthy in an interview today.

The parliamentarian, who has an eye to the coming general elections, after saying that "Anglo-American friendship could not be affected by trivialities," continued: "I have repeatedly insisted that American ships are not a menace, but a safeguard to world peace. They defend freedom of the seas, in which both the United States and Britain are interested."

He concluded his interview by saying, "I enjoyed my visit to America immensely. I have always thought that people who build such magnificent buildings must have wonderful souls."

## Standard Alarmed by British Oil Activity in Mexican Fields

PUERTO, Mexico, Feb. 22.—The Mexican Eagle Oil Company, Mexican organization of the British Royal Dutch Shell, principal rival of Standard Oil, has embarked on a program of oil development at Minatitlan.

The company has completed plans for dredging a 26 mile channel in the Coatzacoalcas River from its mouth at Puerto Mexico to the refinery at Minatitlan.

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"Airways," Inc. Is Best Play Produced by New Playwrights

JOHN DOS PASSOS' "Airways, Inc.," now being presented at the Grove Street Theatre, is the best play the New Playwrights Theatre has produced.

It is clear, it is direct, it moves with a life of its own, and fortunately, very fortunately, its author doesn't try to lift himself by his proletarian bootstraps. John Dos Passos is one of those few intellectuals who managed to salvage his brains after the general debacle of the American bourgeoisie into lucidly when they discovered with tears in their voices that there ain't no Santa Claus; or in other words, that the late Woodrow Wilson's "democracy" palaver was so much hokey. Dos Passos has gone left in the last few years and is close to the Communist movement.

"Airways, Inc." is not a play of the class struggle. It is a play of personal frustration and tragedy against the background of the class struggle. It attempts to interrelate social conflicts with individual conflicts, but only partly succeeds. The social conflict in the play, represented by a mill strike, is actually rather shadowy, too off-stage. As chief protagonists we have the members of a suburban working class family who reflect completely the bourgeois ideology of the typical American working class family.

What happens to these people, these petty-bourgeois Turners when a long drawn-out mill strike shatters the equilibrium of their little tight lives? John Dos Passos tries to tell us. But he doesn't succeed. What he actually tells us is what happens to these people when an individual named Walter Goldberg, who happens to be a strike-leader and a Jew, steps into their lives by falling in love with the starved, somewhat elderly sister, Martha Turner. And the execution of Goldberg on a framed murder charge (echoes of the Sacco-Vanzetti case) is presented not as social tragedy—the anger, the bitterness, the grief of the workers—but as personal tragedy, the personal grief of Martha Turner over the loss of her lover.

These are the weaknesses of "Airways, Inc." as social drama. Its strength, however, lies not in its presentation of its theme, or themes (the play is rich, perhaps a little too rich in thematic material), but in the mordant accuracy of its character delineation and its satirical revelation of certain aspects of American life. All these characters are real—the doting old father, brooding over his inventions, his loneliness, the disappointments of the past; the gawky, starved, semi-hysterical Cinderella of the family, Martha Turner, bewildered and abashed by the experience of love; the \$30 a week clerk, Claude Turner, who outdoes any capitalist in his fierce hatred of strikers and "Reds"; Elmer, the smiling self-confident son who has "made good"; the blustering realtor, Jonathan Davis; the kid brother, Eddie, and his flapper sweetheart, Edna—all of them are flesh and blood. Even the mystical, half-mad professor has a reality of his own. And over the Turner household hangs the pall, the meaninglessness, the festering decay of petty-bourgeois life.

But all this is not nearly as moving as it should be. What "Airways, Inc." lacks is incisiveness. I think this is due to the attempt to knit together several themes, none of which is completely worked out. The play ends feebly, almost absurdly with a lyrical peroration by Martha Turner in grief over the execution of her lover. And all that Walter Goldberg stood for? And her own future place in society? Only a short while before we have been told that the dividends from All-American Airways, Inc., have made them all rich. So Martha, grieving Martha, is now a member of the leisure class. If this

is irony, then it fails to come off. And the soliloquy itself—really, it's too literary, too O'Neillish. Good by itself, but not in the play.

"Airways, Inc." has the good fortune to be unusually well produced and acted. The chief acting honors are simply run away with by a young lady who seems to have popped in from nowhere. Her name is Mary Hall and she plays the part of Edna, the flapper, so pungently that she almost makes all the other good acting around her seem flat by comparison. Excellent work is also done by Harry Gordon as Walter Weinberg, Edmund Ford as Dad Turner, Edith Meiser as Martha Turner, Charles Kraus as the Professor and M. Tello Webb as Jonathan Davis.

"Airways, Inc." is hardly revolutionary drama. There is in it more of resignation than protest. Nor does it seek to titillate pseudo-revolutionary sensibilities by irrelevant singing of the International or waving of red flags. But there is the best of life in it, and it has been written, unlike certain other New Playwrights offerings, with intelligence, clarity and disciplined emotion. It is a vital contribution to the American drama.

—A. B. MAGIL.

"THE GIRL IN THE BARGE" AT COLONY

The Carl Laemmle production, "The Girl in the Barge," will be the attraction at the Colony Theatre beginning today. Jean Hersholt is the star of this Universal talking picture, with Sally O'Neill and Malcolm MacGregor in the featured roles.

The film is an adaptation of the magazine story by Rupert Hughes and was directed by Edward Sloman. Other members of the cast include Morris McIntosh, Nancy Kelly, George Offerman, Henry West and J. Francis Robertson.

The surrounding program includes: Alex. Hyde as master of ceremonies and as leader of the Colony Melodists. The Frohne Sisters, Eddie Moran, Tish Josephs and Lew Carroll, dancer, will supplement the stage show.

MANHATTAN SYMPHONIC ORCHESTRA

A symphonic concert of unusual interest will be given by the Czech violinist, composer and conductor, Emanuel Ondricek, formerly of Prague, Czechoslovakia, in Carnegie Hall, Wednesday evening, with the Manhattan Symphonic Orchestra and Ruth Posselt, violinist, as assistant artist. Mr. Ondricek will introduce compositions by Czechoslovakian masters, heard for the first time in New York.

The program of Czech, Slovak and Russian music includes: Festival Overture, "Libussa," Smetana; Slovakian Pictures, Emanuel Ondricek; Concerto in D major, Tschaiikovsky; Symphonic Poem, "The Golden Spinning Wheel," Dvorak.

Music Notes

Returning after an absence of nearly two years, Mischa Levitzki, pianist, will make his reappearance in Carnegie Hall Tuesday evening. He will present a program which will include as its major numbers Beethoven's Thirty-two Variations and the Schumann G minor Sonata and the Cesar Franck Choral, Prelude and Fugue, a Chopin group and a group of Debussy, Ravel, Scriabin and Liszt.

Adele Marcus, pianist, will give her recital in Town Hall Monday evening.

**GAS WORKER KILLED**  
APPLETON, Wis. (By Mail).—Pulled beneath a conveyor belt, Theodore Vandomlen, 29, was killed at the gas plant of the Wisconsin Power Co. here.

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**The New Plays**  
"KATERINA," by Leonid Andreyev, will have its premiere at the Civic Repertory Theatre, Monday night. Alla Nazimova will play the leading role. Herman Bernstein made the translation.  
"MEET THE PRINCE," A. A. Milne's new comedy, starring Basil Sydney and Mary Ellis, will open at the Lyceum Theatre on Monday.  
"PLAYING AT LOVE," by Arthur Schnitzler, is announced for Tuesday night at the Cherry Lane Theatre.  
"THE EARTH BETWEEN," by Verrill Geddes, a two-act play will open at the Provincetown Playhouse Thursday evening. A curtain-raiser, "Before Breakfast," by Eugene O'Neill is also on the program. Mary Blair plays the solo role in the O'Neill play.

Soviet Flier Locates Stranded Crew



Above is a scene from the Sovkino News film "The Krassin," the rescue ship which saved the Nobile crew, following the loss of the Italian air ship. The picture is now being shown at the Film Guild Theatre.

New German Film at Cameo Today

The technique of the cinema which we have come to characterize as Teutonic can be viewed in "That Murder in Berlin," which will be shown at the Cameo Theatre for its American premiere presentation. A sparing use of sub-titles will be one of the peculiarities noticed and that is typical of their method of motion-picture production abroad, where action is never minimized. Every technical trick that does away with wording is resorted to; even a new device is introduced—a sort of double exposure which permits the audience to see two scenes at once.

Magda Sonja has the part of the accused in "That Murder in Berlin," which is filmed from a story by Max Brod and directed by Frederick Faber. Other continental players, well known abroad include Carl Gotz, Anton Pointner, Gustav Diehl, Karl Ettlinger and Gustave Rielt.

"Krassin" Picture at Film Guild Cinema

Following the special showing of "Krassin: The Rescue Ship," the Sovkino production at Carnegie Hall, Tuesday night, the Film Arts Guild will present this official motion picture of the Soviet Expedition which rescued the Nobile crew, at its Film Guild Cinema, on West Eighth St. for a special engagement, beginning today.

It is expected that Boris Tschuchnovski, the pilot of "The Red Eagle," the plane which played such an important part in locating the stranded crew, will be present at one of the showings, as he is coming to fulfill lecture engagements in America.

"A Day With Tolstol," the authentic and actual film record showing the great Russian thinker in his daily activities at his estate, Yasnia Poliana, in 1908, is being held over for continued presentations with the Krassin film.

The Film Guild Cinema will also present as part of its second program the second of the Peroff series of color animated films "The Adventures of Baron Munchausen," in the manner of "The Frog Princess."

**CUT ELECTRICIANS' WAGES.**  
LONDON. (By Mail).—Workers on the electrical generating stations and substations and on the high-tension cables of the Metropolitan Railway Co. have received a wage cut of two and a half per cent.

In bourgeois society, living labor is but a means to increase accumulated labor. In Communist society, accumulated labor is but a means to widen, to enrich, to promote the existence of the laborer.—Karl Marx (Communist Manifesto).

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The Nightmare Voyage—A Ship That Never Came Back

(By a Seaman Correspondent)

Everything on deck was topsyturvy—loose cement, broken barrels, rubbish, dunnage—lying all about. Under the "break of the poop" a miserably small pile of ship-stores, consisting of a half a dozen sacks of potatoes, a few barrels of salt junk (beef) and several cases of rope "yarns" (canned mutton) were gazing into our faces as if to say: Hunger!

The first mate, a large, rawboned man with a wrinkled face of solemn and melancholy expression, came down the poop and speaking to us in a gruff voice he checked our names. We were told to go "forward." A low, square, box-like structure, at the foot of the foremast, was the forecastle. It had one broken door and six small port-holes, a damp, dark and dingy place of low ceiling and bare, cold iron sides.

An old, rusty hurricane lamp with a cracked globe was suspended from the ceiling. Along the wet, iron sides were sixteen filthy, evil-smelling, bedbug-ridden bunks in double rows. Chilly, damp and miserable weather outside—stink, filth and dripping water inside, "castie of steel," castle of death.

After a short consultation we all marched "aft" in a body to demand a stove. A weasel of a man, the flunkey with a sprouting red beard, resembling a rat looking through a pile of oakum, met us at the entrance of the master's cabin. Trying to bar our way, he told us to wait outside. Brushing him aside we all walked into the cabin.

What a contrast! Oriental rugs and carpets, polished oak panels with fancy carving, mahogany desk, tables and soft easy-chairs; shining brass railings and large swinging lamps of vari-colored shades; open, old-fashioned fire-place—crackling, dancing flames—cheerful warmth, ease, comfort, luxury!

The captain, a middle-aged man with coarse, gray hair—unkempt, unshaved drunkard of red lobster-like face and a big strawberry nose, came from the after cabin and, shouting to us in a hoarse, rough voice, demanded to know: "What in hell do you want in here?" "We want a stove in the forecastle—no stove, no work," in a clear, strong voice, replied our spokesman.

The "almighty" master looked up as if to say something, but on see-

ing a strong, compact and determined body of men, he soon calmed down, and, taking to open diplomacy, he began to argue.

"Well, boys," he said in a low, whining voice, "my owners have spent too much money on fitting out this ship, and I don't think they can afford to get a stove; besides in the 34 years there never has been a stove in the 'fo'c's'le, but I will try to see what I can do for you, 'my boys.'"

"Yes, cap," you better try, for there will be no work done until we get the stove," replied our spokesman.

The stove was sent aboard the same afternoon, and also a well-fed, rosy-cheeked, smiling parson—"sky-pilot." Along with the stove and the parson came along a big package of bibles, prayer books, church leaflets and all kinds of paper—the mental fuel, religious dope.

He left, and, needless to say, we soon had a good fire in the forecastle; the stovepipe was red hot, roaring flames shot heavenward. Standing or sitting around the fiercely burning stove, we all made merry.

"Teddy Bear," the big short-necked Norwegian I. W. W. man of Frisco, began to sing: "Work and pray, live on hay; you will have pie in the sky when you die. . . ."

R. J. PETERSON.  
(To Be Continued.)

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# Italian Workers' Savings Lost in City Trust Co.; Were Lent to Fascist Newspapers

## EDITOR ADMITS BANK PRESIDENT LOANED BIG SUM

### King Honored Ferrari, Good to Blackshirts

Big loans to fascist newspapers in New York, to enable them to carry on Mussolini's work here whether they have legitimate sources of income or not, helped to wreck the City Trust Company, which has been closed by the state banking commission with deficits of about \$3,000,000. Many Italian workers had placed their savings in this bank, more or less under compulsion from their employers.

Italo Falbo, editor of the *Il Progresso* Italo-Americano, the largest of the pro-fascist papers here in the Italian language, admitted yesterday that his friend, Frank M. Ferrari, recently deceased president of the bank, lent him \$12,000 without their security that his deposit of art of the amount in the bank.

Ferrari Decorated.

Other fascist papers got like sums, and so did friends of Ferrari who were not in the newspaper business.

Ferrari himself has been decorated by the King of Italy—on Mussolini's orders.

Frederick Powell, chairman of a committee of depositors who have about \$1,000,000 sunk in the now defunct bank, has written to the state banking commission, asking them what right they have to say that the depositors will get 80 cents on the dollar or more, if when the directors of the bank are allowed to issue of their stock at \$5 a share or less, in order to avoid the assessment that is coming.

Powell also practically accused the city chamberlain of New York of having inside information about the bad condition of the bank, when he withdrew the city deposit there, to use before the case before the grand jury.

## CHESWICK TRIAL PUT OFF AGAIN

### Argument on Charges Next Thursday

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Feb. 22.—The Cheswick cases, the trial of ten miners arrested when a troop of Pennsylvania state police ran wild and rode down, bombed, shot and clubbed a Sacco-Vanzetti meeting to pieces over a year ago, has been postponed again. But the prosecution is actively carrying out the orders of the coal companies of this state, and every effort will yet be made to frame up and imprison the defendants.

The last trial date set was Feb. 25. Attorney Henry Ellenbogen, representing the International Labor Defense, on Feb. 19 moved to quash the indictment charging that the miners were rioting and conspiring to riot, unlawfully assembling and resisting an officer, etc. The original indictment had been murder, because during the riding down of the workers and miscellaneous shooting by the state troopers, a trooper was shot and killed, by persons unknown.

The murder indictment was dropped some time ago, and the argument on the rioting indictment and other charges will come up in court Thursday, Feb. 28.

The International Labor Defense has notified the defendant and witnesses that they should not appear in court until further notice from the I. L. D. It also calls on all workers who saw the brutal assault by the state police on the miners at Cheswick, Aug. 22, 1927, to get in touch at once with the local office of the I. L. D., thru Attorney Henry Ellenbogen, Room 609, Plaza Building, Pittsburgh.

The miners under indictment are: Dominick Mangini, Dominick Lore-fice, Joe Bracco, Mike Maratovich, Tony De Bernardini, Joe Lorrice, Frank Maskalunas, Raymond Siena and Peter Moretti.

Bernardini has not yet recovered from the effects of the clubbing he received and is at present in a hospital. Many of the victims of the police charge, some of them women and children of miners' families, are crippled for life from the injuries they received.

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## Fraternal Organizations

### International Labor Defense Bazaar.

The annual bazaar of the International Labor Defense, New York district, will take place March 6, 7, 8, 9, 10 in New Star Casino, 107th St. and Park Ave. Make donations—contribute articles—come into the office, 799 Broadway, Room 422, and help us with the preparatory work.

### Metro Workers Soccer League.

The Metropolitan Workers Soccer League will hold a ball tonight at the Laurel Garden, 75 E. 116th St., basement. Fraternal organizations are asked not to arrange any conflicting dates.

### Freiheit Singing Society.

The Bronx section, Freiheit Singing Society will hold a concert and ball Saturday, March 9, Rose Garden, 1347 Boston Road. The chorus will participate in the concert program.

### Entertainment, New York Drug.

The New York Drug Clerks Association will hold an entertainment and dance at Leslie Gardens, 83rd St. and Broadway, Saturday evening, March 23, 8 p. m. All organizations please keep this date open.

### Inter-Racial Dance.

An inter-racial dance, for the benefit of the International Labor Defense, will be held at the Metropolitan Hotel, 120th St. and Broadway, Saturday evening, March 23, 8 p. m.

### Millinery Workers Union, 42.

The Millinery Workers Union, 42, has arranged a theatre party for March 20. Fraternal organizations are asked not to arrange conflicting dates for that evening.

### Progressive Group, Local 38, I.L.G.W.

The Progressive Group, Local 38, I.L.G.W., will have a booth at the I. L. D. Bazaar. Members and sympathizers are urged to collect articles. Send to Ida Katz, Bazaar Committee, Unity Cooperative, 1800 7th Ave., City.

### Workers Laboratory Theatre.

The Workers Laboratory Theatre will produce its one act play, "Marching Guns," an episode of the miners' struggle, without charge for any party. The program will be given by the organization at an affair they arrange. Write Sylvan Pollack, 1409 Ave. J, Brooklyn.

### Needle Trades Workers Dance.

Left wing needle trades workers will attend a concert and ball given by the T. U. E. L. branch of Local 3, Workers Center, March 2, Jazz band.

### Council 3 Concert.

A concert will be given at 1387 Washington Ave., Bronx, by Council 3, United Council Working Women, 8:30 p. m. The program will be given by the T. U. E. L. branch of Local 3, Workers Center, March 2, Jazz band.

### Yugoslav Workers Club.

The Yugoslav Workers Educational Club has arranged a concert, play and ball tomorrow at the Bohemian National Hall, 321 E. 7th St. The program will begin at 8 p. m. and dancing, which follows, at 9 p. m. in the evening.

### Garlin, Magill Talk Sunday.

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### Progressive Butchers Banquet.

Celebrating the opening of their union headquarters at 311 E. 9th St., the Progressive Butchers and Poultry Workers' Union will hold a banquet at the Downtown Workers Club, 35 E. Second St., tomorrow.

### Bronx Open Forum.

A. Landy will discuss "American Theories of the Class Struggle" at the Bronx Open Forum, 1330 Wilkins Ave., tomorrow, 8 p. m.

### Bellese Workers Carnival Dance.

A first carnival dance of the Bellese Workers Club will be held at the club, 150th St. and Broadway, tomorrow, 8 p. m.

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## SILK WORKERS JOIN NEW UNION IN NEW JERSEY

### Summit, N. J., Workers Repudiate Betrayers

SUMMIT, N. J., Feb. 22.—At an enthusiastic meeting, the workers of Summit, N. J., who were called out on strike by the officials of the Associated Silk Workers, repudiated that union and in a body joined the National Textile Workers Union. For five months these workers have been on strike, entirely neglected by the Associated. Although the workers are relatively few in number, yet they courageously kept up a militant picket line for many months.

During this time the officials of the Associated did absolutely nothing for them, except send a few dollars each week for relief. More recently an Italian organizer of the strikers, went to Paterson and told the Italian workers to go back to work in the Morris Broad Silk Company at a very low price. The result of this was complete demoralization of the workers.

Two of the other shops, which had settled at higher prices, now cut prices to the lower level and insisted on a non-union shop. This resulted in the workers of the two other shops going out on strike. In desperation with the officialdom of the National Textile Workers Union, the workers came to the Paterson local office, and from there to the national office of the N. T. W. U., asking for aid for the continuation of the struggle.

The meeting was the result of this appeal for aid. In a body the strikers tore up their old cards and joined the N. T. W. U.

The National Textile Workers Union now pledges to support the strike as much as possible. Relief drives will be opened up at once, both in New York City and in Paterson and other efforts will be made to rally the maximum support for these courageous strikers.

### Workers Progressive Club will be given tonight, 8:30 p. m., Cooperatives Hall, 612 Hudson Ave., West New York, N. J.

### Harlem Educational Forum Concert.

A concert and dance will be given by the Harlem Educational Forum this evening, at Community Hall, 409 Manhattan Ave., one block west of Eighth Ave., at 117th St., Brooklyn. Valentine is instructor.

### Downtown Workers Club Ball.

A ball will be given by the Downtown Workers Club tonight at 8:30 p. m., 35 E. Second St.

### Want Books For Bazaar.

The Downtown I. L. D. will have a book booth at the I. L. D. Bazaar on March 6, 7, 8, 9, 10. Books on all subjects and in all languages are wanted. Bring them to 799 Broadway, Room 422.

### Harlem I. L. D.

Karl Reeve will speak on "Labor Struggles and the I. L. D." at the meeting of the Harlem Branch of the I. L. D. Tuesday, 8:30 p. m., 143 E. 103rd St.

### Bronx Workers Sport Club.

A sport carnival and ball will be given by the Bronx Workers Sport Club Saturday, March 23, Rose Garden, 1347 Boston Road.

### Young Workers Social Culture Club

The fourth annual dance of the Young Workers Social Culture Club will be given Saturday evening, March 23, at the Hebrew Ladies Day Nursery, 521 Hopkinson Ave., Brooklyn.

### Young Workers Social Culture Club Meet.

A membership meeting of the Brooklyn Young Workers' Social Club will be held Friday, 8:30 p. m., 113 Bristol St., Brooklyn.

## HUGE MORGAN BANK MERGER

### New Mammoth to Be Largest in U. S.

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of Commerce, resources \$934,302,599. This will make a two billion dollar concern, the name of which has not yet been stated.

Only three other banks in the United States, the National City Bank of New York, the Chase National Bank of New York, and the Continental Illinois Bank and Trust Co., of Chicago, are in the billion dollar class. The National City Bank of New York has been for years the largest in U. S. but will now have second place.

Only two banks in England, the Midland Bank, Ltd., and the Lloyds Bank, Ltd., run above a million dollars in resources, and of these the largest is the Midlands, with \$1,860,379,094.

Morgan's man, Myron Taylor, chairman of the finance committee of the United States Steel Corporation (the steel trust), is credited with the actual negotiations that consummated the merger.

The two banks adjoin each other territorially as well as in control. The Guarantee Trust is at 140 Broadway, and the National Bank of Commerce is at 91 Nassau St. Taylor has been the active head of the Steel Trust for some time, as part of a triumvirate, with Morgan himself as chairman of the board, and James A. Farrell as the "chief executive officer." Taylor handled steel trust finances, and worked closely with Morgan's partner, Baker.

On announcement of the contemplated merger, stock in the two banks rose on the market approximately \$70 a share.

## Bosnian Village Is Attacked by Fascist Jugoslav Gendarmes

BELGRADE, Jugoslavia, (By Mail).—The whole population of the Musselman village of Sandzak in southern Bosnia has been brutally attacked and beaten by an expedition of fascist gendarmes. The captain of the expedition was Spasoye Raditch, a relative of Punica Raditch, who murdered Raditch, Croatian leader.

## House Rejects Motion to Probe Reserve Board

WASHINGTON, Feb. 22 (UP).—The house banking and currency committee made an adverse report today on the Black resolution which requested the secretary of treasury to furnish congress with information on whether the Federal Reserve Board had conferred with the Bank of England before issuing its recent warning against excessive stock speculative loans.

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## Why Patronize Exploiters?

## Red Army Broadcasts for Masses

### Workers Party Activities

The Red Army, besides serving as the army of the international working class and as defenders of the Soviet Union, is also an educational organization. Its soldiers receive a working class education and help to educate the workers and peasants of the Soviet Union.

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### Subsection 3B Social.

Subsection 3B will hold a social for the benefit of the Daily Worker at Amalgamated Food Workers Hall, 133 W. 51st St., tonight.

### Harlem Y. W. L. Dance.

The Harlem unit, Young Workers League, will hold an entertainment and dance tonight. Units are asked to cooperate.

### East New York Y. W. L.

The East New York unit of the Y. W. L. will hold a "Build the Daily Worker" camaraderie, tonight, at 8:30 p. m., 313 Hinesdale St.

### Section 4 Daily Dance.

Entertainment and dance for the funds of the Daily Worker and Negro papers will be given by Section 4, Friday night, March 22, Imperial Auditorium, 160-4 W. 129th St.

### Lower Bronx Open Forum.

"Youth and the Press" will be discussed at the forum, Lower Bronx Unit, Y. W. L., 8 p. m., tomorrow. Dance follows.

### Social, Y. W. L. Williamsburgh.

The Y. W. L. Williamsburgh section, will hold a social Saturday, March 2, Workers Center, 56 Manhattan Ave. Play, songs and poems will be presented. Dance follows.

### Upper Bronx Y. W. L. Forum.

The Upper Bronx Y. W. L. forum will discuss "Youth and the Press" tomorrow, 8 p. m., 1400 Boston Road.

### "Young Worker" Dance and Entertainment.

A dance and entertainment for the benefit of the "Young Worker" will be given by Upper Bronx Units 1 and 2, Saturday, March 9, Bronx Workers Center, 1330 Wilkins Ave.

### Y. W. L. Dress Stickers' Dance.

A dance and entertainment for the benefit of young dress strikers will be given by Downtown, Lower Bronx and Harlem Unit 1 of the Young Workers (Communist) League, tonight, 8 E. 110th St.

### Long Island Open Forum.

Vera Dush will discuss "The Kellogg Peace Pact With 15 New Crusaders" tomorrow, 2 p. m., at the Long Island City Open Forum, Town Hall, 14th St. and Broadway, Astoria. Take Astoria train to Broadway station.

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## Workers Party Activities

### International Branch 1, Section 3.

International Branch 1, Section 3, Subsection E has changed its meeting night from Monday to Friday, 9:30 p. m., 101 W. 27th St.

### Spanish Fraction Ball.

A "Ball of the Sandinistas" will be given by the Spanish Fraction of the Party, Saturday night, March 16, Lexington Hall, 109-111 E. 116th St. Proceeds to "Vida Obrera," organ of the Spanish Bureau.

### International Women's Day.

International Women's Day will be celebrated at the Central Opera House, 67th St. and Third Ave., 2 p. m., March 17. Mass pageant, showing women's position in the different historic periods, will be a feature of the event. Section Women's Work organizers and secretaries of women's organizations can get tickets at 28 Union Square.

### Unit 2F, Section 1.

Unit 2F, Section 1 will meet Monday, 6 p. m., 69 St. Marks Place, Comrade Stephens, Industrial Organizer, will lead discussion on the Party problems of building new unions.

### Subsection 3.

Subsection 3 Executive Committee will hold an important meeting Monday, 6 p. m., 101 W. 27th St.

### Unit 3, Section 4, Attention!

Unit 3, Section 4, has been transferred by the Section Executive Committee to 125 W. 131st St. Hereafter Unit 3 will concentrate on Negro work. Meetings will be held Monday, 8:30 p. m., at the new address.

### Branch 4, Section 5.

Branch 4, Section 5, will meet Monday, 8:30 p. m., 1329 Wilkins Ave. Bronx. Comrade Gartner will lead a discussion on the new unions.

### Shop Nucleus 4.

Shop Nucleus 4 will meet Thursday, 101 W. 27th St., 6:30 p. m.

### Unit 3F, Subsection 2C.

New officers will be elected at the meeting of Unit 3F, Subsection 2C, 6:30 p. m., Monday, 108 E. 14th St.

### Sections 1, 2, 3, Attention!

Members of Section 1 are instructed to report at 60 St. Marks Place, 7 p. m. Tuesday. Members of Sections 2 and 3 will report at 101 W. 27th St., 7 p. m. Tuesday.

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## The Red Army—Whose Army?

Today is the eleventh anniversary of the founding of the Red Army of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

Lenin once wrote, in criticizing the counter-revolutionary utterances of Kautsky:

"If the exploiters are defeated only in one country—and this certainly is the typical case, as simultaneous revolution in a series of countries is the rare exception—then they remain nevertheless stronger than the exploited, for the international connections of the exploiters are enormous. . . . The transition from capitalism to Communism is a whole historical epoch. As long as it is not ended, the hope of a restoration inevitably remains with the exploiters, and this hope is transformed into efforts at restoration."

Of course no one doubts today that without the Red Army, the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics would not now be a reality, but no more than a heroic memory, a glorious tradition of proletarian valor to add to that older chapter of proletarian heroism, the Paris Commune.

The Revolution was not begun with a Red Army ready at hand. The whole first phase of the struggle, from November 7, 1917, until February 23, 1918, was carried on with the ragged, untrained masses of workers and peasants with a few regiments still remaining intact after discarding their officers and coming over to the workers' cause, plus a few fragments of the scattered armies. In those first four months desperate battles and splendid victories were won by the Red Guard, and by isolated regiments, and "partisan detachments."

In the middle of February, 1918, chaos reigned in almost all of what remained of the old army. The old discipline was a thing of the past and fleeing hordes of unattached soldiers stampeding through the cities, drunkenness, pogroms—and the opportunity for counter-revolutionists—were becoming the characteristics of the day. Only a few regiments, notably the Lettish Sharpshooters and some sailors' detachments from the Baltic Fleet still remained in a condition of revolutionary morale at the side of the Red Guard companies of factory workers. It was clear to the Bolshevik leadership that a new disciplined military organization was the alternative to destruction of the revolution; and this organization, of course, had to be built on an entirely different basis from the old army of Russian imperialism.

But, because the Communist Party of Russia under the leadership of Lenin had mastered the revolutionary experiences of the past, had brought to its highest development the revolutionary science of Marx and was able to apply this science courageously to the revolutionary situation in Russia the Communist Party was able energetically to carry the revolution forward, incessantly on the offensive, and organized the fighting forces with the single revolutionary discipline which alone could bring victory.

On the days preceding February 23, the advance of the German Kaiser's armies against Petrograd became a certainty. On the 21st the Soviet government issued the historic slogan: "The Socialist Fatherland is in Danger!" and called for the mobilization of every possible revolutionary force for the defense of the revolutionary capital. Reactionary and counter-revolutionary elements were mobilized by force to dig trenches. Out of the masses of the factory workers and the regiments loyal to the revolution, with every possible addition of disbanded soldiers, the beginnings of the Red Army was formed.

The success of the formation of the Red Army is history. What, then, is this Red Army?

When bourgeois newspaper scribes write of "the Russian Army," they are, of course, trying to put before the eyes of the working masses a picture of a nationalist military force of a foreign power, to be conceived as, at least potentially, an "enemy" of the masses of other countries. When the lying agents of the capitalist class who are the leaders of the socialist parties of all countries speak of "Red Imperialism," and of "wanting guarantees" against the Red Army of the Soviet Union, of course, this is nothing but the most treacherous effort to lay the basis for the capitalist governments successfully to crush the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics under the bloody heel of imperialism.

But the "Russian Army"—in the imperialist, chauvinist sense in which that term is used—went out of existence when the Red Army of the Soviet Union was formed. The Red Army is the direct opposite of the old, imperialist, nationalist army of Russia,—the direct opposite of every imperialist force.

The Red Army of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics is the international army of the workers and peasants of the entire world. In the whole world there is not one member of the working class, not one hard-working, exploited farmer, who cannot truthfully say: "The Red Army is my army, which has but one single motive—the liberation of the toilers of all countries from capitalist slavery!"

More than ever before it is necessary to drive this truth home to the working class and toiling farmers of all countries, and to the hundreds of millions of exploited colonial victims of imperialism. For war is coming. Imperialist war is only a short time ahead of us. Again the whole world will flame with fire and drip with blood in the struggle of the imperialist governments among themselves to seize the greater portion of the world for exploitation, and against the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics to destroy the hope of emancipation from capitalist-imperialist exploitation and slavery.

In that cataclysm it will be necessary to transform the imperialist armies into the opposite of imperialist armies—into Red Armies. It will be necessary for the class-conscious workers in each imperialist country and in each imperialist army to struggle fearlessly and ably to bring about the defeat of their "own" imperialist government as a part of the work of transforming imperialist armies into armies of liberation of our class.

It is necessary for the working class of the whole world to be mobilized in defense of the Socialist Fatherland of all workers and its Red Army.

It will be necessary for workers and farmers, mobilized in the United States imperialist forces facing the Red Army of the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics, to go over en masse to the side of the Red Army.

Therefore it is necessary to show the workers of all countries that the Red Army is our international working class army.

## THE RED ARMY—THE ARMY OF THE WORLD REVOLUTION!

By Fred Ellis



## T. U. E. L. Report at Mexican Congress

The first part of the speech of Albert Weisbord, fraternal delegate of the T.U.E.L. to the Mexican Unity Congress of Workers and Peasants, was printed in yesterday's issue. It dealt with U. S. imperialist aggression against Mexico and other Latin American countries with the new friendship between Morrow and Gil, with the growth of the Left wing unions in the United States.

Comrades, your present convention is an historic one. It is a great step forward in the unity upon a basis of class struggle of the toiling masses of Mexico and Latin America. The Trade Union Educational League hails this convention with joy and through it the proletariat and peasantry of Mexico. We are aware of the difficulties you have to face in your struggle for trade union unity in Mexico, to attain the utmost struggle and to eradicate self-seeking bureaucrats whose interests incite divisions of your forces. We are aware that under the pretensions of a code of labor laws supposed to "protect" labor, the interests of the U. S. imperialists and of Mexican employers are being foisted upon the Mexican workers. We are aware that a most grave danger menaces, that fascism, new nascent in Mexico, will assume the open forms it has already taken in some other Latin American countries and may viciously attack your organizations and attempt to destroy them by violence—having failed to corrupt them. We point to the assassination of Julio Antonio Mella as a sign of the menace of fascism on the soil of Mexico, which will, of course, be actively supported by Yankee imperialism.

With such a perspective facing the proletariat and peasantry of the Americas unity against all imperialism and all exploiters and all reaction is imperative. To organize this unity the better the Trade Union Educational League makes the following proposals to your National Assembly:

- 1.—An exchange of delegates to the national conventions of the respective organizations.
- 2.—Exchange of written reports on the conditions of labor and the peasant masses, actions of the enemy classes, the conditions of the organizations of workers and peasants and their defensive and offensive actions. Such reports to be exchanged each month.
- 3.—Articles for the press, mutually exchanged, to inform the toiling masses of each country in a popular way of the struggles going on and to lay the basis for actions of solidarity.
- 4.—A written and signed Solidarity Pact, to be written by the Mexican comrades of the Workers and Peasants Assembly of Mexico, which the T.U.E.L. suggests should deal with the following problems:

- a) For a joint struggle against American imperialism, especially pledging the assistance of the T.U.E.L. to the armed struggle of Latin American peoples against United States imperialism for genuine national independence.
- b) For actions of solidarity in support of the program of demands of the signatory organizations, against the exploiters of the proletariat and peasantry, native and foreign.
- c) Mutual struggle against the danger of a new imperialist war and for defense of the Soviet Republic of Workers and Peasants.
- d) Against capitalist rationalization of industry at the expense of the workers; against the extortions of landowners from the peasantry and a defense of the demands of the peasant organizations.

c) Against fascism and all forms of reaction in either country.

f) Against the Pan-American Federation of Labor, its Monroe Doctrine of Labor and for expulsion from the trade unions of corrupt and class collaborationist leaders.

g) For trade union unity on the basis of the class struggle, both on a national scale, and on an international scale, in accord with the policies and practices of the Red International of Labor Unions, to establish one single Trade Union International.

### Tasks Before Left Wing.

Comrades, I believe that a few additional proposals are necessary in view of the situation existing within the United States and the

## Lessons of the Red Army

By GEORGE PERSHING.

YOUNG militant workers of all countries will hail the 11th Anniversary of the formation of the first working class army. The Red Army of the Soviet Union is the defender of the workers of the world and the beacon of all oppressed peoples. The Red Army soldiers have fought the battles of the workers and have wrested one-sixth of the world from the clutches of the capitalists and the czar. Today the Red Army soldiers stand ready to fight for the defense of the Soviet Union and for the defense of the working class of the world.

While the imperialists are forcing the workers of other countries to fight their fellow workers as in the case of the marines in Nicaragua, China, etc., the Red Army soldiers are being trained to understand the role of the imperialist armies and to defend and protect the oppressed masses of all lands.

The Red Army is a school, not for the teaching of racial hatred as in the armed forces of the United States and other countries, but, for the instruction of the Russian workers in the class struggle and in their relationship as brothers of all workers in every country.

The Red Army is a lesson of international cooperation and friendliness to every worker; not an army of the imperialists; not an army of conquest; not an army for the defense of capitalism but an army to foster, fight for, and defend the working class and the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

## Meet of Mexican Worker and Peasant Congress



A meeting of the Mexican Unity Congress of Workers and Peasants, held at the end of January in Mexico City and organized a militant mass organization in which the Mexican Communist Party is playing a leading role.

great danger of war. In the United States we have 4,000,000 Spanish speaking and Latin-American workers, 3,000,000 of whom are Mexican. The organization of these Mexican and Latin-American workers within the U. S. must become a basic task for us. Situated in the oil industry, the railroad industry, the mining industry and in other basic industries of America, composing a big part of the agricultural workers, the Mexican and Latin-American workers in the U. S., most bitterly exploited of any of the foreign-born groups, can strike a vital blow at Wall Street.

The organization of this great mass of workers will be a tremendous blow against Wall Street and a tremendous demonstration against

American imperialism and capitalist war. The mobilization of these workers would be a distinct help in the mobilization of the agricultural workers as a whole and of the Negro masses in the South whom our Mexican comrades could most easily lead into struggle. The mobilization of these Latin-American toilers in the U. S. would be of tremendous aid to the revolutionary struggles of the Latin-American masses against American imperialism.

These great tasks before us make a few additional proposals absolutely necessary if we are to map out a program of work and carry out our tasks. A capable Mexican comrade should become part of the apparatus of the revolutionary trade union movement in the U. S., and capable Mexican organizers sent into the key cities of America where the Mexican workers predominate to organize these workers and mobilize them for struggle. Simultaneously a most capable representative of the T.U.E.L. should be stationed in Mexico to help out as much as possible and to coordinate the work in the two countries to the greatest possible extent. When this first step will have been accomplished we will be well on the road to living up to our historic duty.

Montevideo Conference. Finally, a word as to the coming Montevideo conference. We have been informed of the coming conference at Montevideo, Uruguay, in May, at which will be organized the Confederacion Sindical Latino-Americana. We greet that movement as the most valuable means whereby the solidarity in action of the trade unions of Latin America with the revolutionary trade unions and militant minority of the U. S. can be affected. We trust that your assembly will unite with the other Latin American unions represented at the Montevideo congress. On our side, we have the duty of fighting the imperialist policy of the bureaucracy of the American Federation of Labor officialdom from within that organization and outside of it, where the 90 per cent. of the proletariat are still unorganized, of organizing new and militant unions which will function in the interests of the whole working class, both here and in foreign lands, and which will be the power within the fortress of Yankee imperialism, that will destroy it from within as our Latin American comrades attack it from without.

Forward, then to unity, nationally and internationally, of the trade unionists of all America and of the world. Down with the yellow and class collaborationist officialdom. Away with the Amsterdam and Pan-American Federation of Labor traitors and splitters.

The T.U.E.L. United States section of the Red International of Labor Unions, through your assembly, sends to the trade unions of Mexico and of all Latin America, its fraternal greetings and earnest pledge of every support within our power. Long live the unity of the workers.

Down with imperialism, the enemy of every worker and every peasant from Behring Strait to Tierra del Fuego.

Down with the agents of imperialism in the labor movement.

The seventh and last article of this series by Albert Weisbord, fraternal delegate from the Trade Union Educational League of the U. S. to the Mexican Unity Congress of Workers and Peasants, which will be published tomorrow, deals with the death of Mella, the great mass memorial meeting in his honor, and with its significance for the Communist movement in the Latin American countries.

# BILL HAYWOOD'S BOOK

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## What Martial Law Means to the Workers "To Hell with the Constitution" Axiom of Militarism.

In previous chapters, Haywood told of his early life as miner, cowboy and homesteader in Utah, Nevada and Idaho; of his working up through the Western Federation of Miners to its executive secretary; of its struggles in Colorado against the Mine Owners' Association and Citizens' Alliance; he is now telling of the great Cripple Creek strike of 1903. Now go on reading.

PART XLIV.

By WILLIAM D. HAYWOOD.

GOVERNOR PEABODY said the soldiers were in Cripple Creek to assist the civil authorities. They showed this by arresting, among the first, County Commissioner Lynch and Justice of the Peace Reilly. They took Lynch from his dinner table, put him on a horse, and with troops and trumpets brought him into the presence of Generals Bell and Chase. They had served no warrant on him, and had made no charge, but the generals told him they did not want him to talk about the militia in the terms that he had used, and that he would have to quit bolstering up the strikers. After this catechising he was permitted to go home. The same treatment was given to Justice Reilly.

The bull-pen was established in connection with the military camp at Goldfield. Charles Kennison, president of the Cripple Creek Miners' Union Number 40, was the first man arrested and put in the bull-pen, although when he heard he was wanted he had given himself up to the sheriff. The sheriff turned him loose and then he was arrested by the military.

Sherman Parker, Bill Davis, Bill Easterly, Paddy Mullnay, Laferty and others were arrested without charge and thrown into the bull-pen. We got the firm of Richardson and Hawkins of Denver to take part in the defense of these cases, with Frank Hays and old General Engley as well as John Murphy. These lawyers sued out writs of habeas corpus and had them served upon Chase and Bell.

There was much delay on the part of the generals in bringing the prisoners into court, and when they finally did so, it was under an armed force with a gatling gun trained on the courthouse and sharpshooters stationed on the roof of the National Hotel and adjoining buildings. While the court was in process of hearing the cases, twenty tin soldiers armed to the teeth stood with their backs to the judge, their rifles in their hands.

John Murphy, addressing the court, said: "I refuse to proceed with this case under the conditions which surround the court. This is not a civil process, this is an armed invasion." The prisoners were taken back to the bull-pen.

Next day they were brought back into court. This time the soldiers again filled the court, but they left their gatling guns behind them. Judge Seeds' argument for his decision to release the accused was long and very strong. In scathing language he discussed the usurpation of authority by the invading National Guard under Generals Chase and Bell. He ordered the prisoners discharged.

General Chase announced that he would not abide by the decision of the court, and to the dumfounded amazement of every one, he commanded the soldiers to take the prisoners, who were marched out of the court that had freed them. Later, in the evening, without any explanation, the men were released. The governor must have telegraphed Chase that he was going too far.

The Colorado militia was made up of clerks, business men and lawyers who in peace time were using the organization for dances, boxing matches and other amusements. Most of the clerks were members of Max Morris' union. Max was a member of the executive board of the American Federation of Labor, and the international union of which he was secretary was an artificial organization which existed for the purpose of allowing Max to hold his official position. He was a personal friend of Sam Gompers, who was frequently criticized for allowing a few hundred clerks to be represented on the executive board. Many of these so-called union men were at this time in Cripple Creek, Telluride and Trinidad doing the dirty work of the Citizens' Alliance.

The long campaign in Cripple Creek compelled the militia to offer bounty for substitutes, as they were being kept away from their businesses too long. The militia was then filled up with thugs from the slums of Denver, Chicago and other cities.

General Sherman Bell had three leaders of our women's auxiliaries arrested, Margaret Hooten of Anaconda, Estelle Nicholls of Cripple Creek, and Mrs. Morrison of Victor. They were brought before the generals and told that they would have to "behave themselves" or they would be put in the bull-pen. The women wanted to know just what was meant by "behaving themselves," but they got no answer to this question, and were turned loose.

Then Bell issued orders that all guns in the district must be registered. This order was not complied with to any extent, as most of the miners had no intention of turning over their arms, or even registering them with the military authorities. General Engley, the Civil War veteran and attorney for the Federation, deliberately strolled through the streets with his shotgun over his arm. John Glover, another lawyer, wrote a letter which he published, saying that he had two unregistered guns and if the militia wanted them they would have to come to his office for them. A detachment of soldiers did go to his office. He held them at bay, until seeing that they were trying to fasten him in, he began to shoot. The soldiers returned a volley of twenty-five or more shots, one of which struck Glover in the arm. Then he surrendered and was put in jail. Before he was released they compelled him to say that he would not give an interview to the press about the incident.

General Bell, trying to earn his extra salary, sent a detachment of soldiers to the office of the Victor Record one night. The Record was publishing the official statements of the Western Federation. They arrested the entire staff, taking them off at once to the bull-pen. Emma Langdon, the wife of one of the linotype operators, herself a printer, got out the paper that night, with a glaring headline, "Slightly Disfigured But Still in the Ring."

General Sherman Bell, anticipating the Kaiser's "me and God" by several years, announced to the people of Cripple Creek and the world at large: "No one knows but me and God and Governor Peabody what is going to be done." He wanted it known that he was "going to take no further orders from the civil authorities unless specifically instructed to do so by Governor Peabody."

General Tom McClellan said, "To Hell with the Constitution. We are not going by the Constitution, we are following the orders of Governor Peabody." The phrase, "To Hell with the Constitution," is famous to this day. This was such a glaringly unpatriotic statement, coming from a general of the militia, that I used it as the headline of a poster, printing below it some parts of the Constitution that had been violated by the soldiers and authorities of Colorado. The boys pasted these up at night on bill-boards and telegraph poles and other places. Next day soldiers under the orders of General Bell were busy scratching them off.

About this time the Citizens' Alliance managed to have us turned out of our offices in the Mining Exchange Building. This would have happened sooner, perhaps, but it had been our custom to pay a year's rent in advance. We moved into the Pioneer Building only a block away.

In the next instalment Haywood writes of the famous "desecrated" flag poster which caused such a stir in the strike; of the Vindicator mine explosion; of the Thiel detective and the Citizens' Alliance attempt to wreck a train in order to frame up the union miners. Readers who wish to get Haywood's book for reading all at one time, or to add to their library, can receive it free by sending in a yearly subscription renewal or extension to the Daily Worker.