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Mass Demonstration Against Starvation; Lynching; New War

The Government and Wage Cuts

A WASHINGTON news item by the Scripps-Howard service on April 27th declared: "Department of Labor officials have found themselves powerless to prevent reductions in wages to the beet sugar growers in the Rocky Mountain region, according to Hugh Kerwin, head of the Conciliation Bureau of the Labor Department."

Such a "helpless" government! But it is not at all helpless in upholding the profits sweated by the employers out of the workers!

When, in November, 1929, Hoover called his famous "Conference to Maintain Prosperity," the principal promise made to the workers was that there would be "no wage cuts." But the working class as a whole received a wage cut of \$12,000,000,000 in 1930! While the profits to capitalists, taken in dividends and interest, increased in the first eleven months of 1930 by \$428,500,000 over 1929, making a total of \$8,000,500,000!

No sweet words about the "kind intentions" of the capitalist government can conceal these brutal facts! Facts of wage cuts which the Communist Party and the Daily Worker at that time, in 1929, foresaw and against which it appealed to the workers to struggle!

The capitalist government has not been at all "helpless" in maintaining the hogwash profits of the parasite capitalist class. It has refunded literally billions of dollars in taxes to the rich. It has fought tooth and nail against any demand that would take a penny from the multi-millionaires and place it in the hands of a worker to buy milk for his children. It has deported thousands, jailed hundreds, and clubbed, gassed and black-jacked literally thousands of workers for demanding unemployment insurance at the expense of the rich.

The capitalist government was not "helpless" in sending troops to break the strike of the textile workers of Danville! It was only the strike of the textile workers of Lawrence, led by the revolutionary union of the Trade Union Unity League, against a wage cut in the form of a speed up, that prevented the "powerless" Bureau of Conciliation of the United States Labor Department from helping the textile barons carry out their wage cut! And the "helpless" government was so resentful of this interference, that it arrested all strike leaders for deportation!

These are only a few of the cases which expose the government as the militant defender of the capitalist class against the workers. And no worker will be fooled by the hypocritical pretense that the government is "helpless"! All workers should realize that the American government is their enemy, the organized force of the capitalist class to repress the working class and defeat it, with hypocrisy if possible, and with bloody armed terror, if necessary!

Understanding this, and while rallying their forces in shop committees for struggle against wage cuts under the leadership of the Communist Party and the Trade Union Unity League revolutionary unions, all workers must realize that their struggle can only be assured a complete and permanent victory by the overthrow of such "helpless" capitalist government and the establishment of a Soviet government of Workers and Farmers.

Join the struggle against capitalism, its wage cuts, unemployment, misery and war! On to the streets May Day in a one-day strike! On to the streets in demonstration against capitalism and capitalist government! You have nothing to lose but your chains! You have a world to gain!

Side Trackers!

"There is too much law and order today Our nation came into being through a violent disregard of law and order. The Negro was freed by bloody strife. In complete disregard of law and order. Labor unions came into being through disregard of law and order, and won for American labor its high standards of living through strikes."

THESE words came from the mouth of Matthew Woll, vice-president of the American Federation of Labor, speaking before 200 A. F. of L. delegates at Philadelphia.

But was this conference of A. F. of L. leaders concerned about rallying the workers to strike against wage cuts, to maintain the "high standard of living" won by strikes? Not at all! The conference of A. F. of L. officials was meeting to demand, not higher wages, but light wines and beer!

In the midst of an army of 10,000,000 unemployed, who with their families are living in a condition of starvation and semi-starvation, existing only by living at the expense of other workers still employed but who are having their wages cut, the A. F. of L. officials would make the workers believe that what these workers desperately need is not unemployment insurance and effective strikes against wage cuts—but beer!

The monumental hypocrisy of these demagogues has no limit! The A. F. of L. in New York City unites with the restaurant owners to get injunctions against the Food Workers Industrial Union striking against the 12-hour day, seven-day week at starvation wages at literally dozens of restaurants (not organized by the A. F. of L. union) and A. F. of L. "organizers" openly unite with the police in slugging strike pickets. We mention the Zelgreen cafeteria as merely one among the many such cases.

Yet Matthew Woll, at whose orders this strike-breaking was done, at whose behest a blanket injunction still operates against N. Y. food workers and in behalf of the employers, has the gall to say at Philadelphia: "There is too much law and order today. I want to see the shackles of injunction broken, if not by lawful methods, then through physical resentment."

But only the injunctions against speakeries! And this prince of hypocrites who jabs against "law and order" in behalf of booze, is the same Matthew Woll who leads the black hundreds of fascist gangsters calling themselves the Veterans of Foreign Wars against the foreign-born and native-born American workers who demand unemployment insurance and who strike against wage cuts, and demands—and gets—from the capitalist government, a campaign of terror and deportation against the workers—all in the name of "law and order!"

There is no doubt but that the so-called Prohibition Law should be repealed as it shelters a vast amount of corruption in which these self-same A. F. of L. officials share. As long as profits are to be made from booze, there will be booze, and only the overthrow of the capitalist profit system, together with popular education to convince and not enforce by decree, can ultimately solve the question.

But the A. F. of L. is against this. It defends the capitalist system, in which the booze question is an insignificant thing compared to wage cuts, unemployment and the starvation of millions of workers.

Yet around this booze "issue" the A. F. of L. is trying to sidetrack the workers from organizing and striking against wage cuts, from uniting employed and unemployed alike, around the demand for unemployment insurance. And Woll deliberately tries to sidetrack the struggle by saying: "The drive against the Volstead Act is the first step in the development of a militant labor movement."

Such monumental hypocrisy is unusual even for an A. F. of L. official. And the workers of America, following the lead of the revolutionary unions of the Trade Union Unity League, organizing and building their unions in strikes against wage cuts, in struggle for unemployment insurance, must and will show these fascist Wolls that they will not be sidetracked from class struggle!

And all workers, conscious of their class, will demonstrate against capitalism and its servants on May Day!

WAGES OF ALL WORKERS TO BE CUT, SAYS U. S. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Ford Admits That Standard of Living Then Will Be Shoved Back 20 Years!

Answer Attack On Wage Standard! Demonstrate Against the Hunger Program May 1

Wage cuts are shoving the standards of living of the American workers back 20 years. This admission was made by Henry Ford Tuesday. He said "if wages were reduced it would take labor twenty years to get back."

The fact that wages are being reduced and will still further be cut is admitted in a startling news story by the Journal of Commerce's special correspondent, Clarence L. Linz, who is now covering the annual meeting of the United States Chamber of Commerce, now taking place in Atlantic City.

Under the heading: "Lower Wage Level Believed Inevitable by Chamber of Commerce Delegates," Linz informs his Wall Street and business readers that:

"...the delegates to the United States Chamber of Commerce Convention pre-session discussions were today devoting themselves to the one outstanding problem of wages.

"The all absorbing topic of wage reduction, however, is considered only in private conversations, for the various groups of bankers, industrialists, retailers, economists and others frankly admit it is a matter for individual action in the final analysis and there is some doubt as to its being brought before the convention in any general way."

Here we have the fact that wage cuts will be the main topic of action of the leading exploiters, but it is being discussed behind closed doors and in secret, with the approval of the leaders of the American Federation of Labor, to keep the workers from taking counter-action.

Linz goes on to relate: "Some are looking to the railroads to make the first forward step, this to result in lowered freight rates. Despite propaganda to the effect that wage scales are being and must be maintained, it is found here that there is a general tendency in the opposite direction, and while speakers hurriedly explain that wage cuts as such are being made slowly and only in keeping with falling commodity prices, a general lowering of the wage level, without materially affecting the American living standards, is declared inevitable."

The bankers, economists, industrialists and boss politicians present at these sessions of the U. S. Chamber of Commerce discuss the fact that wages must be dragged to the level of the "slave labor" of the South. Linz explains:

"With employment of male labor of the Mason and Dixon line at \$1.00 per day and less, with field labor competing with unskilled town labor for places in the mills, it is considered here that labor in organized centers must accept a recession from their demand rates of wages."

These demonstrations will also give impetus to the further development of the campaign which will be continued with constantly growing energy until the murderous frame-up and court room lynch verdict is smashed and the release of the boys forced.

LSNR Plans Intensified Campaign The National Committee of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights at a meeting held yesterday adopted plans to intensify the struggle against

defense for the Scottsboro victims. The workers will be drawn into the task of visiting their neighbors, explaining the frame-up and terrorist nature of the Scottsboro case, collecting funds for the defense, distributing The Liberator and other literature and rallying support around The Liberator as the organizer and agitator in the movement to save the lives of these nine colored children.

Organize United Front Defense Conferences United Front Conferences will be organized jointly by the L.S.N.R. and the I.L.D., and these conferences will organize Scottsboro Defense Committees in every city between May 15 and May 25 to rally the largest masses

Must Build Block Committees! These committees will be built in every city, starting with as few as 3 or 4 workers. These committees will carry on a house-to-house campaign to spread the movement and mobilize

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Big Business Plans Wage Slashes

THE KIPLINGER WASHINGTON LETTER

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Dear Sir: Washington, Saturday, April 11, 1931

It seems quite important to amplify what we have written you previously about the prospects of wage reductions, for they formed one of the principal subjects of discussion in Washington this week, although little got into the newspapers. There seems to be a tacit agreement on all sides to suppress the facts, or at least to keep them out of the news. The motive for semi-secrecy arises from the fact that frank recognition of the precarious position of the wage scale will serve as encouragement to employers to reduce. The policy seems to us to be erroneous, leading only to later disillusionment.

Apparently wages are being reduced, here-there-yonder throughout the country. Most cuts are not spectacular and do not make good news, either locally or nationally. Trade associations and other business organizations hear of these in roundabout ways. Labor headquarters get the reports, not always direct from local union officers, for the unions in some cases want to conceal the facts from other unions. We get confidential reports from manufacturers, some of whom explain apologetically that they were reluctant to take the action. In some cases the employees acquiesced when the situation was set forth frankly.

Government sub-officials who have close contacts in various trades and industries get scattered reports of "wage adjustments". The higher officials apparently do not get the reports, and profess not to be worried. The President's recent statement that he had not heard of any serious threats of wage reductions caused a raising of eyebrows in the middle strata of government authorities, who question whether the fault lies with his sincerity or his information.

Our idea of Mr. Hoover's attitude is this: He talked freely to newspapers during his Caribbean cruise about the dangers of wage reductions. They took the cue and wrote alarming dispatches. He decided that they were too alarming, and that the beans had been spilled. So he issued for the other way in an authorized statement, hoping thereby to kill the discussion for the present. He is well-informed, and he is sincere, but he feels that this is no time to even think about cutting wages.

The contrary attitude of certain authorities who are equally sincere is something like this: It is better to face the fact that there actually exists at this time a strong and subtle influence to reduce wages. Add to this a further recognition that wage cuts probably will have a depressing effect on business morale. Appeal to employers quietly, therefore, to do their utmost to keep up wages in the future, as they have done admirably well in the past. Avoid public statements which might put Washington in the position of encouraging false optimism now, as it did a year ago this spring.

Here is a letter sent only to big business men who pay a staff of inside experts to summarize the movements and intentions of the big corporations and the federal government officials for them. The letter also serves as propaganda among business men for what they want. Now they want more wage cuts.

"Confidential" News Agency Says All Talk of Wage Cuts

The Kiplinger Washington Agency, National Press Building, Wash., sells private and confidential government and business secrets to big business men. The very circulation of those secrets, the selection of them of course

WAGES 34 PER CENT BELOW 1929

NEW YORK.—Factory payrolls in March, 1931, were 34 per cent below those of March, 1929, according to the figures of the Bureau of Business Conditions, Alexander Hamilton Institute, yesterday. The general index of pay rolls was 2.3 per cent greater in March than in February—less than the usual seasonal increase, but the papers are making it look as though it was the end of the crisis.

Some of the principle declines in March, 1931 pay rolls as compared with the highest points in 1929, are: Automobiles, 55.4 per cent; iron and steel, 36 per cent; rubber boots and shoes, 68 per cent; petroleum refining, 29.9 per cent; leather, 26.6 per cent; shipbuilding, 23.6 per cent, and silk goods, 28.6 per cent.

Release of 9 Negro Boys Is One of Main Demands of May Day Demonstrations

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Organizations of Workers Use Own Bands, Banners

Mass Demonstration On Madison Square Starts At 12:30 P. M.; Will Be Followed By March Through Streets to Union Square

Communist Party Calls All to Mass Meeting in Bronx Coliseum At 7:30 P. M., After March

A.F.L. Locals, Militant Unions, Unemployed Are Rallying; Tens of Thousands of Leaflets Distributed; Preliminary Mobilization

NEW YORK.—The mass demand of the workers has forced the police to grant a permit for the May Day demonstration at Madison Square and the march to Union Square.

NEW YORK.—All preparations for the gigantic May Day demonstration are proceeding with feverish speed. Unemployed and employed workers, Negro, youth and adult workers will demonstrate in larger numbers than ever before in the May Day solidarity struggle against hunger, against wage-cuts, fiendish lynchings and persecution of the Negro and foreign born workers, against bosses' war, and for the defense of the Soviet Union.

Unions, fraternal organizations, workers' benefit societies,

working women and house wives' organizations throughout greater New York are completing their preparations for the May Day demonstration and parade. Many A. F. of L. local unions in defiance of the fascist anti-working class strike-breaking A. F. of L. leadership will participate in mass with their bands of music in the parade. Local 2090 of the Carpenters Brotherhood voted at their membership meeting to participate with their full membership in the demonstration and parade. They have called a mobilization meeting on April 30th and issued a call to their entire membership to gather at 5th Avenue and 21st Street at 12 o'clock on May Day.

PLAN CUTS FOR STEEL WORKERS

Say Workers Already Used to Them Anyway

Wage cuts are now impending in the steel industry. The United States Steel Corporation is taking the lead in planning wage cuts. In Youngstown, Ohio, wage cuts have been handed out to nearly all steel workers and more are on the way.

As far back as March 5, 1931, the Wall Street Journal pointed out that the bosses must do something to keep up their profits. At that time steel production was at 53 per cent of capacity; now it is below 50 and is rapidly dropping to 40 per cent. This means that the impetus for wage cutting is stronger than ever.

The Wall Street Journal said: "That something must be done to bring about some what increased profits for the steelmakers is the view held in responsible headquarters." How do they propose to bring about these increased profits for the steel bosses? By cutting wages! They point out that wages have already been cut. "A number of smaller steel companies throughout the country reduced wage rates some time ago." They admit that the workers are already suffering from less wages, hunger and speed-up. "It must be realized that the steel workers already have been feeling the depression through lower weekly earnings resulting from the 'stagger plan' of employment which exists in most of the large mills of the country."

Denounce Legal Lynching. The burning protest and bitter resentment of tens of thousands of New York workers against the legal mass murder of the 9 Negro boys in Scottsboro, Alabama, will be stressed in the mighty solidarity struggle of Negro and white workers on May Day, the day of international struggle against

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Workers! Maintain Proletarian Discipline at Demonstration

To all Party and Y.C.L. members of the New York District: Comrades:—

This May Day demonstration and struggle places serious responsibilities upon all Party members. The police, socialist, fascist provocation this May Day demands especially the strictest proletarian discipline, the greatest militancy and alertness. The Party members must on this occasion set an example of Bolshevik firmness and self-discipline to the masses demonstrating this May Day. The behavior of many comrades at past demonstrations has been out-

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WORKER TELLS ABOUT SLACK OPERATIONS IN OREGON MILLS

Lumber Production Still On Down Curve Despite Bosses' Optimistic Predictions

Road Building Plan to "Relieve" Jobless Proves Fake

PORTLAND, Ore.—In the lumber industry no decided gain in mill operations as one type of mill or camp opening up is generally offset by another closing. The West Coast Lumbermen's Association report on 340 mills shows operations at 45.67 per cent of capacity with 69.30 per cent as the figure for last year. This is the weekly figure and is on an even keel for the month.

Shipments Below Production.

Eighty-seven mills reporting to the Western Pine Manufacturers Association show shipments 17.4 per cent below production and orders 14.8 per cent below production.

Soviet Order Opens Factory.

Other industrial activity dependent upon lumber shows no gain with exception of a carriage company at Dallas, Ore. This concern manufactures stack carriers for lumber yards and opened up on receipt of a \$100,000 order from the Soviet Union. Town dependent upon this work and has not seen any large orders for a year or more.

Farmers here are beginning to suffer as a result of large differences between the growing cost and selling price of wheat. Wheat raised in the Inland Empire at a cost of 65c to 86c a bushel. Banks that control the mills have been forcing sales to pay debts at as low as 50c. Fruit farmers complain of the profits being got-

ten in the manipulations of the apple racket, after they leave here.

Road Building Fake.

Press is stating that "private construction is picking up" and the charity agencies are beginning to close. Portland voted \$200,000 for road work and funds are being held with exception of \$15,000 until next fall. The control of these bonds is in the hands of a committee of leading citizens. Their word is law. It looks like a determined drive on all those who have no homes, etc., will be undertaken in the next few weeks.

A group of savings and loan banks are springing up with various names but all listed under one head as the "Guardian Group." It appears that this is a milking scheme of the established banks to get the few dollars left in the pockets of the workers.

"Spokane Daily Worker Agent Makes Good"

Spokane, Wash. I wish to report that I am on the job selling Daily Workers in Spokane and as there is no one in the field here and since this is an important town, I have decided to make myself the regular Daily Worker Agent here. The workers here are sure up against it, worse than any place West of the Mississippi, but the trend towards communism and the new Red Unions is good. As soon as these workers get to making a few nickels, I'll be making good here. I am handicapped for money, so will have to struggle along until I get a short job to make money to

start the Daily Worker myself. I am getting papers from Green of the Workingman's Club. I have to pay him 2c a copy. The Skid Road is good for 15 or 18 Dailies and I average 15 per day, but will pick up. I have seven steady customers and I have been selling four days including to-day, which is Sunday.

I like this town and as I am the only Daily Agent here I will marry the town for the summer. I am doing my best for the Daily at present, although I am on the sick list with such a cold that I can hardly talk. Let's hear from you out there. Comradely Yours, I. A. R.

Southern Ohio Mail Bank Closes Down

Marion, Ohio. I hadn't any book; he asked me what I wanted. I reached for my pocket and asked him for 50c change. Next to me in line was a Negro worker who also had one of those little books. He stood in front of the window looking through the glass and calls out "What's the matter here?" The cashier called out, "There is nothing the matter; haven't you ever heard of a bank busting?" The Negro worker said, "Yes, I heard of a bank busting, but never before did I have a bank busting right in my face." J. H.

Some time ago I stopped in a town in the southern part of Ohio where Harry's brother used to keep a bank. You know Harry, who used to work in Uncle Sam's Kitchen. Well, as I walked around Hoover's Kitchen, I saw quite number of people lined up in front of the MailBank. In their hands they had a little book. Well, I decided that I too would join the line; when I came up to the window the cashier noticed that I

So. Milwaukee Workers Get \$7-\$15 a Week

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Hungry, Oakland Ex-serviceman Breaks Down

(By a Worker Correspondent.) OAKLAND, Cal.—An ex-serviceman out of work for over a year and a half, and after looking for a job everywhere finally landed a job for \$25. Jubilant, he started work with a zest to be good to the boss. But famished condition did not permit this and after working a few days he fell unconscious on the job. Examination showed he was very weak because of improper nourishment, which caused complete breakdown.

City doctors (so as to have the least to do with him) considered him crazy and sent him to Santa Clara County Hospital at Napa. Many other ex-servicemen here in Oakland are on the verge of breakdown and starvation. Ex-servicemen should organize shoulder to shoulder with other workers and fight this system of injustice. Ex-serviceman.

TERROR IN ST. LOUIS SHOPS

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 17.—On top of wage-cuts, speed-up, unemployment and other evils forced by the bosses upon the needle trades workers of St. Louis, comes now a vicious terror in the shops. The bosses started this campaign because of the increased activities of the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union. In one shop the boss called together all the workers after a distribution of leaflets by the Industrial Union and threatened to fire any who went to any of its meetings. In most of the shops the workers are not allowed to speak to each

other and are fire if they do. The conditions in the shops are worse than they were ever before: are unlimited, they work just as long as \$5 to \$7 a week; in some shops, hours are unlimited, they work just as long as the boss wants, while at the same time thousands of needle workers are walking the streets. About a week ago one of the biggest dress shops, Ely-Walker advertised for help and nearly two thousand came to apply. None were hired. It turned out to be a trick to force those working for him to accept the steady wage-cutting. In one of the cloak shops the boss instructed the workers not to go on the market when they go for lunch because he doesn't want them to get any leaflets. In spite of this terror the N. T. W. I. U. will intensify its activities and is at this time engaged in a campaign to organize shop committees.

Unemployed Miners Trying to Live On Charity At Penowa, Pa.



The capitalist press service which prints this picture says: "Depression doesn't describe it; it's an absolute calamity at Penowa, where hundreds of families are starving after coal mines shut down."

MORE PACKING, OIL WAGE CUTS

Phillips Co., Armour Grind Their Workers

KANSAS CITY, Kan., April 28.—The Phillips Petroleum Corporation, a large oil company, has just announced a 10 per cent wage cut for all workers at their refinery here who receive over 40 cents an hour. This cut is to take effect on May 1. There is much grumbling among the workers, as this is the second cut which has taken place here recently. A wage cut has just taken place in Armour & Co. packing house here, by which some workers lose as much as a dollar a day. This is only one of a series of wage cuts which the Armour workers have received. It has also been stated that in the near future Armour is going to lay off the majority of the workers who are still employed.

KASSAY FREED BY MASS PRESSURE

Syndicalist Law is Declared Illegal

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) Department of Justice agent and charged under the Criminal Syndicalist Act of Ohio with "spitting on the rivets in the steel frame" which according to the Goodyear bosses would weaken the steel of that dirigible. The International Labor Defense immediately investigating the case found that Kassay who was held to be the best mechanic in the plant had openly agitated amongst his fellow workers against the wage cut that had just taken place in the shop, although his own wages had not been reduced. There was talk in the plant of a strike and when the bosses discovered that Kassay was in sympathy with the workers and was a reader of the Hungarian Communist paper Uj Eloré, they placed a spy next to him in the shop who told Kassay that he was an agent of the Russian trading firm, Amtorg. Not being able to get anything on Kassay, the spy cleared out of the shop after a few days. Immediately after that Kassay was arrested on the frame-up charge of sabotaging the dirigible by "spitting on it." The Cleveland district of the I.L.D. immediately rallied the support of the workers in Ohio and secured Kassay's release on bail which was set at the unusual figure of \$40,000. The capitalist press in Ohio and throughout the country broadcasted the usual lies that Kassay was an agent of the Russian government sent in to the U. S. to carry on propaganda and sabotage against American industry.

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(By a Worker Correspondent.) PITTSBURGH, Pa.—Many thousands of steel workers and miners will participate in the May First demonstrations in Western Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Eastern Ohio. The feature of the demonstrations will be the report of some of the 128 delegates on the hunger march to Harrisburg. The Pittsburgh demonstration will take place in East Park at 1:00 p. m. The main speaker will be George Powers, national secretary of the Metal Workers Industrial League. In the evening there will be a mass meeting at Pythian Temple, 2011 Center Avenue. One of the speakers will be Carl Price, district organizer of the Communist Party. The Pittsburgh demonstration will also be a protest against the wholesale evictions scheduled for May 1st, especially of Negro tenants. MILWAUKEE, Wis.—The workers of Milwaukee are enthusiastically preparing to make this May Day celebration the largest, most militant, and best organized that this city, run by yellow socialist fakers, has ever seen. The turnout and response to the Bassett Meeting was a splendid demonstration of the workers' determination to fight against the stagger system, wage slashes, soup kitchens, lousy flop houses, evictions, and police terror set loose upon the workers by the bosses, using the "socialists," and LaFollette "progressives" to get the job well done. Tens of thousands of leaflets are being distributed by the Communist Party, the Young Communist League, the Pioneers, the Trade Union Unity League, the Unemployed Councils, the International Labor Defense, the League of Struggle for Negro Rights, and many other workers' organizations. Forty workers' organizations came to the May Day United Front conference, April 19, and answered the Communist Party call for downing tools and demonstrating on May First, with pledges for funds and active participation both in the preparations for May Day and in the demonstration itself. Phil LaFollette, the "progressive" faker-governor, has joined the American Legion, the K. K. K., the socialist party, and President Hoover in attempting to stop the May Day demonstrations, by declaring May 1 "Arbor Day," and calling the workers and workers' children to plant trees in-

Starving Miners' Wives Beg Company for Jobs for Men

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 29.—Not long ago it was impossible to see a miner's wife and children at the company union. Only men would come to ask for a job. Things now are quite the opposite. It is hard to see a man at the company office. Instead, wives and children are there begging the foreman for jobs for the husbands and fathers. Scores of them can be seen there. And the more they come the more often they are turned down. On the public highways scores of miners' wives can be seen, with their children, going from one mine to another in an attempt to get jobs for their husbands. They walk in rags and without shoes, hungry and exhausted. Many a mother carries her two or three months old baby as far as 15 miles. Again no job. Again misery and starvation at "home." This continues day in and day out. Recently a young mother of four children, the oldest being only five years, went a dozen times from Russell to Wildwood, a distance of 15 miles, taking with her all four children. The foreman turned her down each time. Finally, hungry and tired, distracted by the cries of her hungry children, the youngest only three months old, in desperation, she gave a good beating to the foreman. Only in this way she was able to get a

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IMPERIALISTS IN FRANCE PAID MR. HITLER FOR AID

"Ravenous Appetite, Slender Means"

PARIS.—"L'Echo de Paris" publishes a biography of Adolf Hitler and adds the following comments concerning Hitler's relations to French propaganda sources: "After the 1918 debacle, Hitler, together with other adventurers of the same kidney, belonged to the general clientele in the anterooms of the allied ambassadors. Hitler showed particular zeal in supplying the military commission with information. For us Hitler is a living reminder of all those tendencies in Germany which we could have used to destroy the last relations between Berlin and Vienna or in order to separate South Germany from North Germany. Hitler was received in audience by the French High Commissioner in Coblenz. Whether he received money? Probably, for Hitler always had a ravenous appetite and slender means. Later on also meetings took place in Innsbruck and Linz at which two French officers were present."

SINCLAIR LIES TO SLASH WAGES

Gets More Profits Out of Workers; Pleads Poverty in Letter

President Sinclair of the Sinclair Oil Co. personally signs a letter posted in his refineries and sent to some of his employees, announcing 10 per cent reduction on salaries of \$100 a month and under, and 15 per cent cut in salaries over \$100 a month. The wage slash, in addition to all the cuts so far put through, for the workers who get hourly wages, that is, the common everyday worker in the industry, is not stated, but will be "on a fair basis so as to conform as nearly as possible to the reductions made in the case of salaried employees."

Sinclair's excuse for this is in his letter: "The petroleum industry has not only suffered from the general depression . . . it has had many troubles of its own . . . After reducing expenses wherever possible, we find that a reduction in pay is a necessity that can no longer be postponed. . . The dividends paid to our stockholders January 15 and April 15 represented a reduction of 50 per cent below the rate previously paid." "That excuse is a lie! In the Philadelphia Ledger of three days later than the letter from Sinclair, is a report on the profits of the company, under a headline, "Sinclair Oil Corp. net of \$22,214,002 shows big gain," and the facts as given there are that in spite of less income, the Sinclair Oil was able to so cut down expenses (remember the wage cuts and speed-up there has been already) so that it could make a profit of over \$22 million in 1930, which is \$6,000,000 more than it made in the prosperity year of 1929. Dividends paid last year totaled more than 11 million dollars, and Sinclair, who signs the wage cutting letter with a plea of poverty, was right there when the Mellon was cut, and made a nice little speech.

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MASS PICKETING AT GREENWICH

Hod Carriers Follow Advice of TUUL

GREENWICH, Conn., April 29.—Hod carriers and building laborers here on strike against wage cuts have been mass picketing. They not only stopped three jobs being worked by scabs brought in from Stamford, on Monday, but they forced Mitchell to stop all his jobs until today, when he is supposed to decide whether he will yield to the men or try to run with scabs. Mitchell is the biggest contractor and head of the bosses' association. The mass picketing is the result of pressure from below on the AFL officials of the International Hod Carriers, Building and Common Laborers Union of North America. These officials were horribly shocked when Trade Union Unity League speakers urged the strikers to mass picket, but the rank and file strikers were enthusiastic about it.

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United Press Editor Says Machado Rules Cuba By Terror; Whole Country Is Like an Armed Camp; Many Killed

Streets Lined With Soldiers; Machado's Palace Guarded Against Attack by People; Many Taken "For a Ride"

Stark terror pervades Cuba under the dictatorship of Machado, with the support of the National City Bank of New York, and the U. S. ambassador, Guggenheim. The United Press has sent one of its leading writers to cover the situation in Cuba. William P. Simms, who is foreign editor for the Scripps-Howard newspapers, is now in Havana. In a series of articles for the United Press he tells of the machine-gun rule of the bloody butcher, Machado. All Cuba is like an armed camp. While Simms gives a good picture of surface conditions he does not probe deeper. He does not see that the main arm of this terror is directed against the workers and particularly against the Communists. Writing of Machado's fear for his life against the great majority of the people, Simms says: "On the roof of the President-Dictator's palace—the White House of Havana—picked sentries mount guard over ventilator shafts, chimneys and skylights, their bayonets fishing in the sunlight. "In the streets about the palace, squads of soldiers in khaki, and special police in blue, keep anxious watch about the entrances and over the approaches." Simms knows that this terror rule of Machado is carried on with the approval and under the direction of the American imperialists who rule Cuba. A state of civil war exists in Cuba with the forces of Wall Street thrown behind the bloody dictator Machado. "It is martial law," writes Simms. "The President himself has declared a state of war exists. Constitutional guarantees have been indefinitely suspended. Freedom of speech and of the press no longer exist." Simms associated with the petty-bourgeois and even from them he got a story of mass murder. The following incidents that he tells about are magnified a thousand-fold when applied to the Communist and militant workers who lead the fight against the Machado-murder regime. "Beneath a smiling surface Cuba the Pearl of the Antilles, is in the grip of fear. The people live in fear of arrest, prison, or worse. The dictator lives in fear of revolution and in constant danger of his life. There is a dull, gnawing anxiety over what may happen. "The people are afraid to talk," a well-to-do Cuban planter told me out in the country, a long way from Havana. "Talk too much and you may be taken for a ride. They may find you hanging from a tree. And there may be some bullet holes through you! But it'll be called suicide."

Baku Oil Workers Build Five New Cultural Houses

Have Sport Palaces and Open Air Theatres

BAKU, U. S. S. R.—The Baku oil workers have built five Palaces of Culture and a series of clubs at a cost of \$2,500,000. The Palace of Culture "Stalin" in Suracham is built on modern lines and has wonderful grounds with sport places and open-air theatres. 4,000 workers visit this building and the grounds daily. Another such building is being built at a cost of \$850,000. It will have three large halls, and hundreds of other rooms of various sizes for libraries, reading rooms, etc. It will also have fine grounds. The German workers delegation which arrived in Baku, declares that the workers of the capitalist countries cannot conceive of such splendid buildings solely devoted to the use of workers. Not even the bourgeoisie builds such splendid palaces in the capitalist countries.

Demand Release of 9 Negro Boys At May 1st Demonstrations

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) of workers and sympathizers against this outrageous frame-up and planned mass massacre of nine innocent boys. These conferences must include the largest number of working-class organizations, together with delegates from the block and neighborhood committees of both white and Negro workers which must be organized at once. Workers! All Out May Day In Mighty Protest A national leaflet is being prepared by the LSNR and will be issued in millions of copies. A pamphlet giving the history of the Scottsboro case from the time the boys were arrested to the present and thoroughly exposing the frame-up nature of the case and the Lynch justice of the capitalist court at Scottsboro, Alabama, is being prepared and will be ready before the end of May. Negro and white workers! Only the united mass protest and struggle of the workers and all sympathetic elements can save the lives of these boys! Only quick, energetic action in mobilizing mass protest and organizational strength can stop this legal mass murder of innocent working-class youths! Build Block and Neighborhood Committees for Scottsboro Defense! Organize broad United Front Conferences! Continue the barrage of protest telegrams to the governor of Alabama! Demonstrate May First against the Scottsboro legal lynch verdict, against starvation, wage cuts, against imperialist war!

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The Growth of the International Workers Order



The International Workers Order was organized June, 1930.

On August 15th, 1930, the Order already had 160 branches with 7,551 members.

March 15th, 1931, the Order reached a membership of 10,368 with 212 branches.

A net increase of 54 branches and 2,817 members.

The International Workers Order pays death benefit from \$150 to \$2,000.

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The International Workers Order participates in the class struggle and is becoming an important factor in the labor movement.

How many members will your branch increase until the opening Friday, May 29, 1931, at the Madison Square Garden?

Branch No.	City	No. of Members Aug. 15	No. of Members March 15	Net Increase	Branch No.	City	No. of Members Aug. 15	No. of Members March 15	Net Increase	Branch No.	City	No. of Members Aug. 15	No. of Members March 15	Net Increase	Branch No.	City	No. of Members Aug. 15	No. of Members March 15	Net Increase	Branch No.	City	No. of Members Aug. 15	No. of Members March 15	Net Increase
1	Chicago	204	244	40	78	Detroit	50	80	30	131	Chicago	35	31	-4	188	Baltimore	53	28	-25	7	New York	91	103	12
5	Paterson	129	129	0	79	Paterson	18	26	8	136	Washington	45	55	10	191	Rochester	43	50	7	8	New York	56	71	15
13	Norfolk	13	13	0	80	Detroit	15	15	0	137	New Brunswick	28	32	4	192	Miami	18	20	2	9	New York	74	104	30
14	Scranton	39	54	15	81	Boston	37	28	-9	141	Hollywood	22	22	0	194	Houston	24	24	0	10	New York	75	104	30
16	Sioux City	23	21	-2	83	Los Angeles	28	45	17	142	Lakewood	34	34	0	195	Chattanooga	17	19	2	11	New York	83	92	9
18	Phila.	105	102	-3	84	Plainfield	34	35	1	144	Memphis	19	19	0	196	Kansas City	37	46	9	12	New York	45	48	3
21	Minneapolis	36	66	30	85	Haverhill	13	13	0	148	Cleveland	20	20	0	197	Columbus	14	13	-1	15	New York	42	43	1
23	Brockton	38	36	-2	86	W. New York	39	39	0	149	Bridgeport	15	17	2	200	Chicago	35	43	8	17	New York	84	110	26
26	Hartford	58	35	-23	90	Buffalo	31	39	8	151	Yonkers	18	22	4	216	Chicago	33	44	11	19	New York	77	85	8
28	Boston	92	117	25	92	Richmond	14	15	1	155	Toledo	17	20	3	300	Portsmouth	11	11	0	20	New York	117	128	11
29	Revere	19	18	-1	93	Youngstown	16	19	3	157	Peabody	10	13	3	301	St. Louis	22	22	0	22	New York	31	31	0
30	Philadelphia	63	66	3	94	Stamford	25	28	3	158	Petaluma	17	19	2	303	Hartford	23	33	10	24	New York	127	154	27
31	Philadelphia	47	58	11	95	Philadelphia	34	47	13	159	Denver	45	48	3	400	Chicago	25	35	10	25	New York	37	30	-7
32	Philadelphia	90	106	16	96	Chicago	49	60	11	160	Pittsburgh	31	49	18	406	Trenton	21	21	0	27	New York	47	49	2
36	Albany	22	22	0	97	Monticello	14	14	0	161	Duluth	23	26	3	501	New Bedford	11	11	0	33	New York	47	49	2
38	Newark	57	65	8	100	Chicago	57	82	25	163	Baltimore	32	33	1	501	Boston	19	10	-9	34	New York	40	78	38
40	Philadelphia	69	92	23	101	Philadelphia	58	60	2	164	Portsmouth	19	18	-1	503	Rock Island	32	32	0	35	New York	16	26	10
41	Syracuse	30	32	2	102	San Diego	19	19	0	165	Los Angeles	49	66	17	504	Norwich	19	19	0	37	New York	56	123	67
42	Detroit	114	129	15	103	Vineland	24	27	3	168	Fall River	16	17	1	505	Detroit	21	21	0	38	New York	14	14	0
43	Detroit	42	54	12	104	Dallas	19	21	2	169	Philadelphia	26	35	9	506	Chicago	17	17	0	45	New York	41	41	0
44	New Haven	31	34	3	105	Atlantic City	36	31	-5	170	Chelsea	30	37	7	508	Rochester	28	28	0	46	New York	49	59	10
48	Philadelphia	42	42	0	107	Chicago	42	37	-5	171	Providence	21	26	5	510	Yonkers	30	32	2	47	New York	31	39	8
50	Newark	46	58	12	108	Chester	31	26	-5	172	Cincinnati	45	33	-12	511	Chicago	19	10	-9	49	New York	39	49	10
51	Los Angeles	75	94	19	109	Malden	18	15	-3	173	Philadelphia	55	76	21	512	Newark	9	9	0	53	New York	69	59	-10
55	Newark	55	71	16	110	Hartford	49	47	-2	174	Winthrop	25	29	4	513	Vineland	4	4	0	54	New York	15	15	0
57	Worcester	24	31	7	111	San Antonio	12	11	-1	175	Indianapolis	15	15	0	514	Staten Island	2	2	0	56	New York	44	54	10
58	Rochester	26	31	5	113	Passaic	16	22	6	176	Chicago	45	48	3	60	New York	27	40	13	60	New York	44	44	0
59	Chicago	49	61	12	114	Boston	38	41	3	177	Springfield	40	46	6	63	New York	44	44	0	63	New York	44	44	0
61	Chicago	16	16	0	118	Reading	16	16	0	178	Grand Rapids	16	16	0	64	New York	56	72	16	64	New York	56	72	16
62	Atlanta	33	34	1	119	San Francisco	28	27	-1	180	Philadelphia	36	46	10	68	New York	19	19	0	68	New York	19	19	0
65	Boston	48	48	0	120	Milwaukee	20	30	10	181	Akron	18	18	0	71	New York	62	81	19	71	New York	62	81	19
66	St. Paul	32	38	6	123	Wilmington	16	19	3	182	Lynn	8	17	9	72	New York	59	113	52	72	New York	59	113	52
67	So. Norwalk	18	18	0	124	Cleveland	88	101	13	183	Erie	17	17	0	74	New York	57	94	37	74	New York	57	94	37
69	Elizabeth	23	37	14	125	Los Angeles	27	30	3	184	Milwaukee	34	36	2	75	New York	101	143	42	75	New York	101	143	42
70	St. Louis	49	45	-4	126	Omaha	43	45	2	185	Baltimore	14	34	20	82	New York	34	28	-6	82	New York	34	28	-6
76	Philadelphia	36	52	16	128	Chicago	40	43	3	186	Los Angeles	36	46	10	87	New York	37	40	3	87	New York	37	40	3
77	Trenton	70	74	4	129	Chicago	68	71	3	187	Chicago	65	72	7	91	New York	91	100	9	91	New York	91	100	9

National Office, International Workers Order, 32 Union Square, New York, N. Y.

From Union Square May Day to Bronx Coliseum, 177th Street East, at 7:30 P.M.

Speakers: Foster, Patterson, Amter, and others. Revolutionary Pageant; Presentation of Bust of Stalin

—Organize and Strike Against Wage Cuts—

By RYAN WALKER

BRAND ROLE OF SOCIALISTS AS AID TO BOSSES IN FIGHTING THE JOBLESS AND PREPARING IMPERIALIST WAR

New York District of Communist Party Issues Statement Calling On Socialist Workers to Support Communist May 1

The socialist party leaders more openly and frankly than ever are demonstrating that they have no concern for the interests of the working class. More and more they adopt the language and policy of our enemy, the capitalist class.

The misery that every working class family confronts—through unemployment, wage cuts, speed-up and the stagger plan; in the attacks on the foreignborn and the discrimination and lynching of the Negroes, the socialist party leaders are either silent or aid the bosses against the workers.

What have they done in regard to unemployment? Have they not consistently understated the number of unemployed, for the purpose of minimizing the suffering of the unemployed? Have they not smiled when the police beat up and clubbed the unemployed (New York)? Have they not allowed unemployed workers to hunger and be evicted in Milwaukee and Reading, where there are socialist administrations? Have they not sold out strike after strike against wage cuts—Rochester, Reading, Philadelphia, Kennington, Marion, Danville, Illinois miners—where the so-called "left," "radical" socialists, like Music, Hespwood, have led? Have the socialist-controlled unions not openly worked with the bosses against the workers—the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, International Ladies Garment Workers, Amalgamated Food Workers, etc.?

Have they raised their voices against the attacks on the foreignborn? The workers attending the ball at the Finnish Socialist Club were raised and about 20 were arrested and held for deportation. What did the socialist leaders do? Nothing—only later to cooperate with the same police to get Union Square away from the workers who will demonstrate on May Day under the banner of the United Front May Day Conference. What have they done against the policy of lynching which the bosses of this country have launched with a fury against the Negroes for the purpose of terrorizing them? Have they raised their voices against the contemplated savage murder of nine Negro boys in Scottsboro, Ala? Not a word has come from these people, for it means struggle, and the socialist leaders want no struggle.

What have they done against imperialist war? Is their policy one of struggle? No, it consists of talking pacifism, while the government prepares for war. More than that—Norman Thomas, in the New Leader, shows that he openly supports Hoover and Stimson, and has only praise for Hoover's clearly imperialist policy and strategy in Nicaragua. He says: "Secretary Stimson's refusal to send American boys to fight their way through the tropical jungles of Nicaragua in order to protect Americans in the right stand and the only right stand." . . . To keep the administration on the right road and to put it forward, Americans, lovers of peace, must speak up against the imperialists.

Norman Thomas, official spokesman, tries to make the workers believe that the Hoover plunder imperialist government has honest intentions in regard to Nicaragua, and all that the workers must do is to push the Hoover government to a real peaceful policy toward the colonies! Every worker knows that imperialist governments are against the workers, and that the strategy of withdrawing the marines in Nicaragua is a sham and does not mean that the U. S. government will not

protect the interests of Wall Street in the colonies. Marines are not needed in the colonies, for airplanes, with chemicals, gasses and bombs will do the job as they already have done in Nicaragua. Hoover, the representative of one of the bloodiest governments in the world, talks about the "bandit" Sandino, who must be cleaned out! Sandino is a representative of the fighting workers and peasants of Nicaragua, who must be supported by every fighting worker. But Thomas calls upon the American workers to support Hoover and the Wall Street bosses.

The socialist party leaders are the bitterest enemy of the Soviet Union, no matter what honey words some of them may use. Not only the Jewish Daily Forward—but the entire list of the leaders. And we must not forget that Hillquit, the representative of the American socialist party in the Second International, called upon the workers and peasants of the Soviet Union to overthrow their government. The socialist party leaders helped the counter-revolutionaries in the Soviet Union in their plots to overthrow the government.

In an attack on the working class, in all the struggles that the workers conduct against their growing misery and against the plans of the bosses, the socialist leaders show where they stand: against the struggle of the workers—against the interests of the workers.

In the Tammany Hall scandal, the socialists only demand that they have a hand in investigating, with the aim finally of establishing in New York City a "non-partisan" government. Do not the socialists cooperate with the LaFollettes in the coalition government in Wisconsin? Are they not the staunchest supporters of the Bruening semi-fascist government in Germany? Are they not the chiefs of police in the German cities, who shoot down the workers? Are they not the government of Great Britain, which has murdered thousands of Indian workers and peasants, and jailed 66,000 of them? Are they not the butchers of the natives of Nigeria and South Africa? Have not they, together with the social democratic leaders of Germany and France, sold out strike after strike, and aided the government in putting through a general wage cut?

Are the leaders of the socialist party of the United States any different? Can you workers who still support the socialist party continue to support a party whose policy is for support of the capitalist system, of balancing budgets for the benefit of the capitalists (England) no matter what it costs in the lives of the workers? Those policy means betrayal of the workers, whose aims is the overthrow of the Soviet Government.

The police department of New York representing the bosses of this city alone makes possible the demonstration of the socialist party on Union Square. The police department speaking for Wall Street saw to it that the socialist demonstration on May Day should take place in order to prevent the unity of the workers of New York in revolutionary struggle and protest. The bosses of New York know that the role of the socialist party is to deceive and betray the workers, to keep them divided and to sell them out to their enemies.

Workers of New York, still supporting the socialist party! The history of the socialist party since the world war has been one of constant betrayal. Today in the crisis, the socialist party has gone the way of fascism—against the workers and for the capitalists. They still know how to use working class language, and to cover up their fascist face. The Communist Party uncovers their treacherous faces. The socialist party leaders are social-fascists. They are your enemies—and enemies of the entire working class.

Give them the fitting answer on May Day! Come to Madison Square at 12:30 p. m.! Line up with the fighting workers of New York! March with them to Union Square in challenge of the bosses of New York and their socialist and AFL allies! Make May Day the beginning of a cast campaign of organization of the workers under revolutionary leadership to fight against the growing misery of the working class, against lynching, against imperialist war, against intervention in our workers' fatherland, the Soviet Union!

COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.

Call All to Yonkers May 1 Demonstration, Noon, at Larkin Plaza

YONKERS, N. Y., April 29.—The Communist Party calls upon the workers of Yonkers, employed and unemployed, Negro and white, to come to the demonstration May First at noon at Larkin Plaza.

THE ADVENTURES OF BILL WORKER



Brownsville Workers in Huge Scottsboro Protest Rally Today

Rush Preparations to Mobilize Masses for An Immense May Day Demonstration

BROWNSVILLE, Brooklyn, N. Y.—In protest against the attempts of the capitalists to legally lynch nine Negro boys in Scottsboro, the workers of Brownsville, under the leadership of the Communist Party, the League of Struggle for Negro Rights and the International Labor Defense, are preparing a mass parade and open air rally and a huge indoor mass meeting Thursday April 30th at Dunbar Center. The parade will start at Dean and Rockaway Aves. and will go up Dean Street and across to Herkimer St. Many meetings will be held on the line of march which will wind up at the indoor meeting at about 8:30 p. m.

Thousands of Negro workers in Brownsville are unemployed. Due to the discrimination practiced against the Negro workers, they are forced to live under the most miserable conditions, facing actual starvation, living in the forest sections of Brownsville and are threatened with evictions almost every day.

The workers of Brownsville realize that they must organize, both Negro and white, to prevent the murder of workers, whether Negro or white. The case of the Paterson silk workers, who are being framed up on a false charge of having murdered their boss against whom they were striking, clearly illustrates the offensive against all the workers when they dare to defend themselves, when they dare to fight for better conditions.

The role of the socialist party is also clearly exposed as no different than that of all anti-working class organizations. The socialist party although once enjoying a large following in Brownsville, has, through its

To Present Bust of Stalin At Bronx Coliseum Meeting

At the mass meeting the evening of May Day at the Bronx Coliseum, a bust of Comrade Stalin made by Adolf Wolf will be presented by the John Reed Club, through Phil Bard, to the Communist Party of the U.S.A. Acceptance speech will be made by Comrade William Z. Foster for the Communist Party.

Workers! Maintain Proletarian Discipline At the Demonstration!

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) whenever anything happens. Don't act on your own accord. Always wait for instructions from the steering committee and parade captains. Don't sing or shout anything that comes into your mind. Follow the cheering committee. Remember that the job of the cheering committee is not to do all the cheering. They lead the cheering and singing. Cheer and sing as much as possible in unison. Carry your placard high so that the workers can see them.

5. Every Party member is expected to be in the line. During the parade not a single comrade should be seen on the sidewalk, trailing the parade. Remember that you are the leaders of the parade, fused with the marching workers. Walking along on the sidewalk with the curious and general onlookers is desertion of your post, which is in the marching lines.

6. The same discipline and strict order at the outdoor demonstration and parade must be observed at the Coliseum evening demonstration. No walking about. No whispering or congregating in the back of the hall or aisle. Don't let your enthusiasm run away with you. Your revolutionary enthusiasm must be organized and controlled in a Bolshevik manner. Cooperate with the ushers and speakers to the fullest extent.

DISTRICT COMMITTEE, COMMUNIST PARTY, U.S.A.

SUPPORT FIGHT ON IMPERIALISM

Anti-Imperialists For May 1 Demonstration

NEW YORK.—A statement, issued by the provisional committee of the New York branch of the Anti-Imperialist League calls on all workers and anti-imperialists to join in the May Day demonstrations under the slogan of fight against imperialism. The statement reads:

"May Day, 1931, with the deepening of the economic crisis of world capitalism and its disastrous consequences upon the toiling masses, we find, simultaneously with the growing struggle of U. S. workers against wage cuts, for unemployment relief, a gigantic wave of armed fight of the colonial peoples, especially in the U. S. colonies, against the imperialist exploiters and their native agents.

"In Nicaragua while the Army of Liberation heroically fighting U. S. military forces, the workers captured the north-eastern coast city of Puerto Cabezas, which throws a new light and guarantees a victorious struggle for complete independence of Nicaragua. In Honduras, the Indian slaves are taking arms to drive the exploiters of the United Fruit Company. Revolt reported in Paraguay. Disorder "comprehended" in Haiti. Election riots developing in the Philippines. In India, tremendous masses begin to denounce Gandhi and the Indian National Congress and prepare to fight against British imperialism. 50,000,000 people already live under the Soviet rule and the masses are self-sacrificing fighting for an All-China Soviet Republic of workers and peasants. On a whole, the downtrodden colonial masses in Asia, Central and South America are rising for determined struggle against foreign imperialists, native bourgeoisie, and landlords.

"This May Day will mark another higher stage and wider scale of this struggle.

"In answer to this battle for freedom and bread of the colonial peoples, American imperialism is rushing more warships, airplanes and bombs to these lands, and strengthens its native puppet governments to drown the revolution in blood. While Mr. Hoover is denouncing Sandino as a "cold-blooded murderer" and puts him "outside the civilized pale," and U. S. gun-boats actively fire upon the Chinese Red Army as "bandits," American imperialism strongly supports the most savage butchers, Chiang Kai Shek and Machado, against the masses of China and Cuba. Revolutionary leaders of Filipino workers are still in the dungeons of "civilized" American imperialism. Mr. Hoover lamented about Child Health in Virgin Islands and Porto Rico, but his administration actively carries out the bosses campaign of wage-cuts, deportations, lynchings, clubbing against the starving millions in the States. American imperialism is the common enemy of the U. S. workers and the colonial masses.

"The Provisional Committee, while proceeding with the organization of the N. Y. Branch of the Anti-Imperialist League, appeals to all workers and enemies of imperialism in New York to show your solidarity and support the struggling masses of Nicaragua, Honduras, Haiti, Philippines, Cuba, China, India, etc.—by demonstrating on May 1 at Madison Square.

"Hands off Nicaragua and Honduras!"

"For the immediate independence of the colonies under American imperialism."

"For the immediate withdrawal of U. S. marines and all military forces from Nicaragua, Honduras, China."

"All war funds to feed the unemployed."

"Down with imperialism and its native agents in the colonies."

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All Out On Madison Square May First At Noon! March to Union Square!

Mass Meeting at Bronx Coliseum at 7:30 P. M. After March

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capitalism for the international solidarity of the working class and the oppressed nations throughout the world. In the demonstration Saturday, the Negro and white workers of Harlem witnessed the fear of the bosses and their police of the mass protest against the Scottsboro legal massacre about to be perpetrated. The Harlem workers are preparing to rally by the thousands to Madison Square and march to Union Sq. against hunger, lynching and discrimination.

Coliseum Meeting At Night.

The workers of New York will close the mighty day of demonstration and struggle by rallying in thousands to the Communist Party May Day celebration at the Bronx Coliseum, 177th Street, Bronx, New York. The main speakers at the Coliseum meeting, which will begin at 7:30 p. m. (right after Union Square) will be William Z. Foster, I. Amter, and Mrs. Patterson, mother of the youngest of the nine Scottsboro victims of the lynch bosses and landlords of Alabama. William Patterson, well known Harlem attorney and leader of the League of Struggle for Negro Rights will be chairman. Besides the revolutionary mass pageant arranged by

the Workers Laboratory Theatre and Prolet Buehne, a novel event at the Coliseum May Day demonstration will be the presentation by the John Reed Club of a bust of the leader of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, Comrade Stalin, which will be accepted by Comrade Foster, for the Central Committee of the Communist Party of U. S. A.

Employed workers, down tools on May Day!

Employed and unemployed workers—all out to Madison Square, 25th St. and Madison Avenue, at 12:30 p. m. Join the march to Union Square!

White and Negro workers! Demonstrate and fight against hunger and wage cuts!

For Unemployment Insurance! Against lynching and race discrimination! Voice your mighty protest and rage against the legal lynching of the Negro boys in Scottsboro!

Repudiate the police, socialist, fascist veterans and exarist white guards anti-working class provocation on May Day!

Demonstrate the solidarity of white and Negro, native and foreign born workers against capitalist exploitation and bosses' terror!

Smash the imperialist war plot against the Soviet Union!

Mass Pressure Frees Kassay; Ohio Syndicalist Act Illegal

AKRON, O., April 29.—Paul Kassay, militant worker, who was arrested on frame-up charges of sabotage and indicted under the criminal syndicalist act of that state has been freed under mass pressure of workers organized by the International Labor Defense. A demurrer was sustained in court today and the laws declared "unconstitutional," by Judge Walter Wanamaker.

The case has attracted wide attention and many mass protest meetings had been held throughout the

country, especially in Ohio, where demonstrations have taken place demanding immediate freedom for Kassay and the rest of the class war prisoners as part of the Army drive organized by the International Labor Defense.

Paul Kassay's arrest took place on March 20th at the plant of the Good-year Rubber Company where the world's largest Zeppelin was under construction. He was arrested by a

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gle of workers and peasants in the colonies.

Against the imperialist war.

"For the defense of the Soviet Union and the Chinese Soviets."

"Long live the solidarity and unity of U. S. workers with the colonial masses."

The Provisional Committee also calls upon all workers of New York to attend the mass protest meeting against U. S. intervention in Nicaragua and Honduras on May the 8th at Harlem Casino, 116th St. and Lenox Avenue.

B'KLYN MEETING PROTEST SCOTTSBORO LYNCHING

Mother of Patterson to Be Among Speakers

BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Against the legal lynchings of the nine Scottsboro Negro boys, the workers of Brooklyn are preparing a mass demonstration which will demand the unconditional release of these young workers.

A mass protest meeting has been called by the League of Struggle for Negro Rights to be held on Thursday, April 30, at 8 p. m., at the Tivoli Theatre Hall, Fulton and Myrtle Aves., Brooklyn.

Prior to the mass meeting the League of Struggle for Negro Rights and the Communist Party of Section 6 are preparing for a dozen of open air rallies in the Boro Hall territory to bring to the attention of the entire working-class section the dastardly frame-up under which these innocent Negro boys have been condemned to death by the Southern bosses and their prejudiced courts.

At the indoor mass protest meeting, among the many and prominent working class leaders, will speak Wm. Patterson, Negro workers' leader, and the mother of Patterson, one of the boys who is now in jail awaiting execution at the hand of the bosses.

A leaflet issued by the LSNR, to the workers of Brooklyn stated: "The struggle for the liberation of the Negro masses is an inseparable part of the struggle against imperialism." It further called upon the workers, black and white, to "Save the Nine Scottsboro Negro boys, and to 'Smash lynchings and segregation of the Negro workers.'"

The leaflet further appealed to the workers that "On May First the Negro and white workers must unite for the struggle of the workers against the bosses which is giving the workers lynchings, discrimination, unemployment and starvation."

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Rehearsal May First Play, at 8:30 p. m. at 350 East 81st Street.

Workers Ex-Servicemen's League meets at 125th Street and Madison Avenue (Fulton Hall) at 8 p. m. in conjunction with an outdoor meeting at 124th Street and Fifth Avenue. All vets are urged to attend.

An Open Air Meeting, in preparation for May Day will be held by the Downtown Unemployed Club at Clinton and East Broadway.

May Day Eve Ball and Rally, given by the Downtown Unemployed Council at the Workers Lab Theatre, 31 W. 23rd St., at 8 p. m. Admission 25 cents. At door, 35 cents.

Esperantists Greet American Workers. The New York Workers' Esperantists Group has arranged a discussion May Day for 8 p. m. at 350 E. 81st St. Greetings from all over the world will be read.

International Workers Order, special meeting of English Branch 850 at 8:30 p. m. for the purpose of electing delegates to the National Convention. Verne Smith will talk on "Significance of May Day." All members are expected to attend.

W.I. Rehearsal, at 8:30 p. m. at 131 W. 23rd St. All invited.

Plumbers and Helpers T.U.L.U., will hold a special mobilization meeting for May Day at 8 p. m. at 16 W. 23rd St. Should bring a shapenote 25c. Street Every member must wear one.

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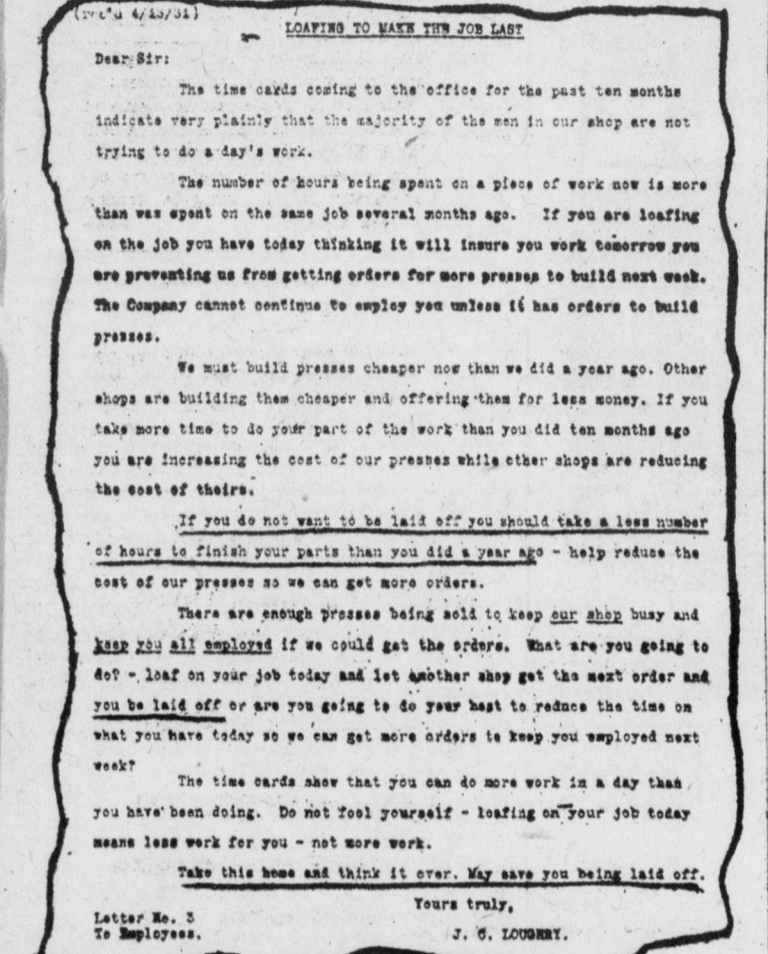
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Bliss Co. in Slimy Campaign For Lay Offs and Speed Up

Starts Firing in Violation of Promises in Series of Letters to Employees; Scheme to Make Men Work Faster and Drop Some

NEW YORK.—The Bliss Foundry is not only speeding up and firing its workers so as to keep profits high enough to carry a number of relatives and friends of the president and vice president on the payroll at \$500 or so a week, but it is accompanying the drive against its workers with a really



nauseating campaign of letter-writing. The letters are sent out by J. C. Loughry, who explains in the first one that he is "sitting up nights" to write these letters and explain things to the men for their own benefit. Actually, this Loughry left about two weeks ago and has been gone on a six weeks' pleasure trip to California. Soft-Pedal At First The first two letters approached the matter of speed-up rather softly. The

RAYON BOSSES TO ORDER 7-DAY WK. TOLEDO TEACHERS FACE WAGE CUTS

Following Sweeping Wage-Cuts Must Join With Rest of Working-Class

(By a Worker Correspondent.) Notices have been posted in the mills of the Bemberg-Ganzstoff Rayon Corporation that beginning May 1, all departments will work seven days a week.

Sunday as a rest day for the workers is to be abolished because the bosses complain that too much material and fuel is used when the plant has to get started on Mondays after being shut down on Sundays. Fuel and material cost money, while workers today can be kicked out easily and replaced. So the bosses now plan to save on fuel and material and take it out of the workers' hides.

"accepts many orders at less than cost to keep you employed." The men don't believe this, but some of them were fooled by the flat statements in Letters 1 and 2 that they were assured of a steady job if they only speeded up. They were quickly undeceived, for two days after Letter 5, a "general cleaning out" started, and many white collared men and many shop workers were paid off. That is how much Loughry's promises are worth. As soon as Bliss Co. sees one man can do two men's work, they fire one man. On May 1, another bunch will be given the air. And if the workers will only follow Loughry's advice and speed up some more, still more of them can be fired.

Ready For War A war preparations angle is seen in the Bliss speed up. The Bliss company is just now manufacturing presses and other machine-shop equipment. But they have manufactured, and can still make: airplane engines, field artillery, barrels, large shells, torpedo casings, aerial bomb casings, and a lot of other things like that. Two Fake "Communists" All sorts of funny things are happening at Bliss Co. A few days ago the bourgeois press reported a "\$50,000 hold up and one man shot." Actually, \$70 only was taken, and a man was slightly wounded. The hold up was obviously an amateur affair, and President Willard of the B. & O. had recently announced, "I would rather steal than starve."

The Coot brothers, Sam and Max, are foremen, and fierce slave drivers. They have spread the rumor that they are Communists, and are "driving" the workers to make them discontented. This crazy idea is certainly not Communist tactics, and the Communist Party declares, Sam and Max Coot are not members of it. A photograph of this letter appears in this issue of the Daily Worker. After the hard smash right between the eyes, Loughry pulled the velvet glove on again, and began to argue. Letter No. 4 is almost the same as Letter No. 2. "Speed-up, compete with the men in other shops," so Bliss Co. can carry through its \$500 a year real loafers, and can pay big profits to its stockholders who don't even pretend to work. This letter the men got on April 16. After that came Letter No. 5, on April 21; still the same old argument of trying to work so hard you scab the workers in other shops out of their jobs, and alleging that Bliss Co.

May Day in 1930



Masses of workers listening to speakers of the Communist Party and Trade Union Unity League calling for a fight against hunger, wage cuts and imperialist war.

"Health Day"---Hoover and A. F. of L.

By GERTRUDE HAESSLER MAY DAY as a day of celebration has a history full of militant strength, full of joyous spirit, full of black betrayal, and full of revolutionary determination. This tradition was preserved and politicized by the vanguard of the modern working class, the proletariat. This was begun in the United States on May 1, 1886, when 360,000 workers throughout the country went on strike for the eight-hour day. An economic battle, turning swiftly into a political battle when the Haymarket Frame-up became the bloody sequel of this first proletarian May Day demonstration. Ever since then, the workers celebrate May First as their own special holiday. Now what is the American Federation of Labor doing when it endorses the official Labor Day proclaimed each year by the capitalist government of the United States on the first Monday of September? Role of A. F. of L. Nothing can illustrate better the role of the American Federation as a brake on the revolutionary movement of the workers than this submissive compliance with the attempt to replace a militant day of demonstration, determined by the workers themselves, by a government-dictated celebration, under conditions which rob the day of all

Heavy Attack on Wages of RR Workers Now Is Carried Out

Bankers With Support of Hoover and Doak, Secretary of Labor, Plan Nation-Wide Wage Cuts for Railway Industry

One of the heaviest attacks on wages is now going on in the railroad industry. The plans for wage slashes for railroad workers have become so notorious that the railroad misleaders and Doak, Secretary of Labor, were forced to come out and deny they had any part in them. From their past lying, every worker knows that they are lying now. There is a definite wage cut plan worked out by the railroad bosses. The fakers in the railroad unions know about it and are helping it along. The first Wall Street spokesman to come out with the fact that pay slashes are being prepared in the railroad industry was the Commercial and Financial Chronicle. They yelped about the necessity of keeping up profits. How can this be done, they asked? Their answer was: "There appears to be only one alternative left, AND THAT IS THE REDUCTION IN WAGE SCHEDULES!"

Not satisfied with proposing pay slashes for railroad workers, they urged the extension of the campaign to cover all workers. They proposed: "What is here said regarding railroad labor applies with equal force to labor in general." Later Doak tried to deny there were pay cut plans in the railroad industry. He admitted that the bankers wanted to cut wages, but he said there "was nothing to it." The fact is well known that Doak was made secretary of labor because he was connected with the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen.

Doak made a statement on April 22nd denying there were pay cuts impending in the railroad industry. But very few workers believed him—because wages were systematically being cut on the railroads by speed-up, layoffs and discriminations against workers who refused to accept conditions of speed-up. When Doak failed to put over the lies about no wage cuts, another liar came out with the same statement. Secretary of Commerce Robert P. Lamont on April 24th denied that "widespread reductions of wage levels were being made throughout the country as a result of the continued depression." Robert P. Lamont is associated with J. P. Morgan & Co., he is associated with the leading railroad bosses who own \$25,000,000,000 in railroad securities; he is associated with the same individuals who voice the demand for wage cuts in the Commercial & Financial Chronicle and other Wall Street sheets. His purpose of denying wage cuts is the same as Doak's, Green's and Wall's—to disarm the workers for struggle against wage cuts. On Saturday, April 25, 1931, the New York Evening Post came out with further proof of the wage cut drive against the railroad workers. In a special article written by Glen G. Munn entitled "Wage Cuts and Wage Boosts Urged to End Rail Slump," the proposition is made to keep up profits by "wage readjustments." The idea of asking for increases in freight rates is an attempt to get the farmers lined up behind the wage cut drive on the railroads.

ees arising from slum conditions are kept down as much as possible. Abolish the slums? Impossible under capitalism, for capitalism is built on slums. So a wide drive is on to educate the slum smother. Starving Children President Hoover, in his address to the White House Conference on Children Health and Protection on November 19 admitted that there are 10,000,000 deficient children in the United States, 80 per cent of whom are not receiving the necessary attention. But, says he, "the ill-nourished child is in our country not the product of poverty..." Think of it—six million children improperly nourished—but this is not the product of poverty! Current History, a capitalist organ, of course, says the following in its October, 1930, number: "In 1911-13, 27.3 infants out of every 100 died. In 1924 only 21.7 out of a hundred died, and in 1926 the mortality dropped to 18.7..." Where in the United States? No, Current History is talking about Russia. And it goes on to say: "The Soviet child is now physically superior to the child of the czarist regime. His weight has risen 10 per cent, his chest measurement has expanded 8 per cent, and his height has grown 6 per cent."

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ORGANIZE AND STRIKE AGAINST WAGE CUTS!

THE scab agreement given out on November 21, 1929, by Hoover between the finance capitalists, industrial bosses and the A. F. of L. leaders, as a result of the crisis conferences is as follows:

"The president was authorized by the employers who were present at this morning's conference, to state on their individual behalf that they will not initiate any movement for wage reduction, and it was their strong recommendation that this attitude should be pursued by the country as a whole. They considered that aside from the human considerations involved, the consuming power of the country will thereby be maintained.

"The president was also authorized by the representatives of labor to state that in their individual views and as their strong recommendation to the country as a whole, that no movements beyond those already in negotiation should be initiated for increase of wages, and that every cooperation should be given by labor to industry in the handling of its problems.

"The purpose of these declarations is to give assurance that conflicts should not occur during the present situation which will affect the continuity of work, and thus maintain stability of employment."

The wage cut drive against the American workers was organized immediately after the stock market crash of 1929, through a conference of the leading bosses of the big corporations and the misleaders of the American Federation of Labor.

On November 21st Hoover called a conference in Washington of the "59" leading exploiters and the whole officialdom of the American Federation of Labor headed by Green, Woll and Morrison.

At this conference was issued the famous "no strike" and "no wage cut" statement.

The Daily Worker of November 22nd, 1929, pointed out that this was a shield to a huge wage slashing campaign, saying:

"As repeatedly pointed out by the Daily Worker, especially since the crash of the Stock Exchange, American capitalism is launching a drive to cut wages, hoping to rescue itself from lessening profits at the expense of the workers."

The A. F. of L. officials promised "that no movements beyond those already in negotiation should be initiated for increase of wages, and that every cooperation should be given by labor to industry (that is, the bosses) in the handling of its problems."

The purpose of this was to aid the bosses in preserving their profits. Green and Hoover promised the workers there would be no wage cuts, there would be no strikes, and that the result would be greater employment for the workers. The A. F. of L.—Wall Street statement said: "The bosses would 'maintain stability of employment.'"

Who They Were.
Among the A. F. of L. leaders who were present and entered into this strike breaking agreement were: T. A. Rickert, United Garment Workers; John L. Lewis, president of the United Mine Workers of America; William L. Hutcheson, president of the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America; William J. McCortley, president of the building trades department of the American Federation of Labor; John P. Frey, secretary of the metal trades department of the American Federation of Labor; B. M. Jewel, president of the railway employees' department of the American Federation of Labor; Chicago; A. Johnson, president of the Brother-

thody Shea, assistant president of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen, Cleveland.

Immediately after the Hoover-Green statement of Locomotive Engineers, Cleveland; Tim was issued telling the workers there would be no wage cuts, the Central Committee of the Communist Party, U. S. A., warned the American workers that there would follow nation-wide wage cuts for the workers. The Central Committee told the American workers:

"The bureaucrats of the A. F. of L. pretend to speak in the name of American labor. Hoover called them in to discuss plans how the bosses can continue operation of industries in the crisis without disturbing by what they call 'labor troubles.' Hoover and the capitalists know that the pressure of the crisis will force the working masses to organize and fight against the bosses as the only means to secure a decent existence. The program agreed upon was: MAKE THE WORKERS PAY! The A. F. of L. bureaucrats accepted this program and pledged themselves, on their part to make the workers submit. They pledged themselves, 'No movement should be initiated for increase of wages, and that every cooperation should be given by labor to industry in the handling of its problems.' You workers of America might have the illusion that the bureaucrats of the A. F. of L. ought to discuss the question how our problems can be solved. But that it is not the bureaucrats' point of view. They concern themselves with how the bosses' problems can be solved.

"The first step in Hoover's plan is to intensify the speed-up and to slash wages. This is supposed to revive the falling profits and help the American capitalists take more markets away from their competitors. But this measure also, which must meet the energetic resistance of the workers, cannot solve this crisis for capitalism, even to the extent that it is successful. The reduction of the earnings of the working class, as likewise as the reduction of the purchasing power of farmers, may give capitalism immediate profits, but sharply cut down the domestic market. As a result, the crisis will be intensified."

What was the result of this conference? The total payroll of the American workers during 1930 was cut over \$12,000,000,000. In the unions represented by the A. F. of L. misleaders who were present at Hoover's conference, wage cuts have been repeatedly handed out.

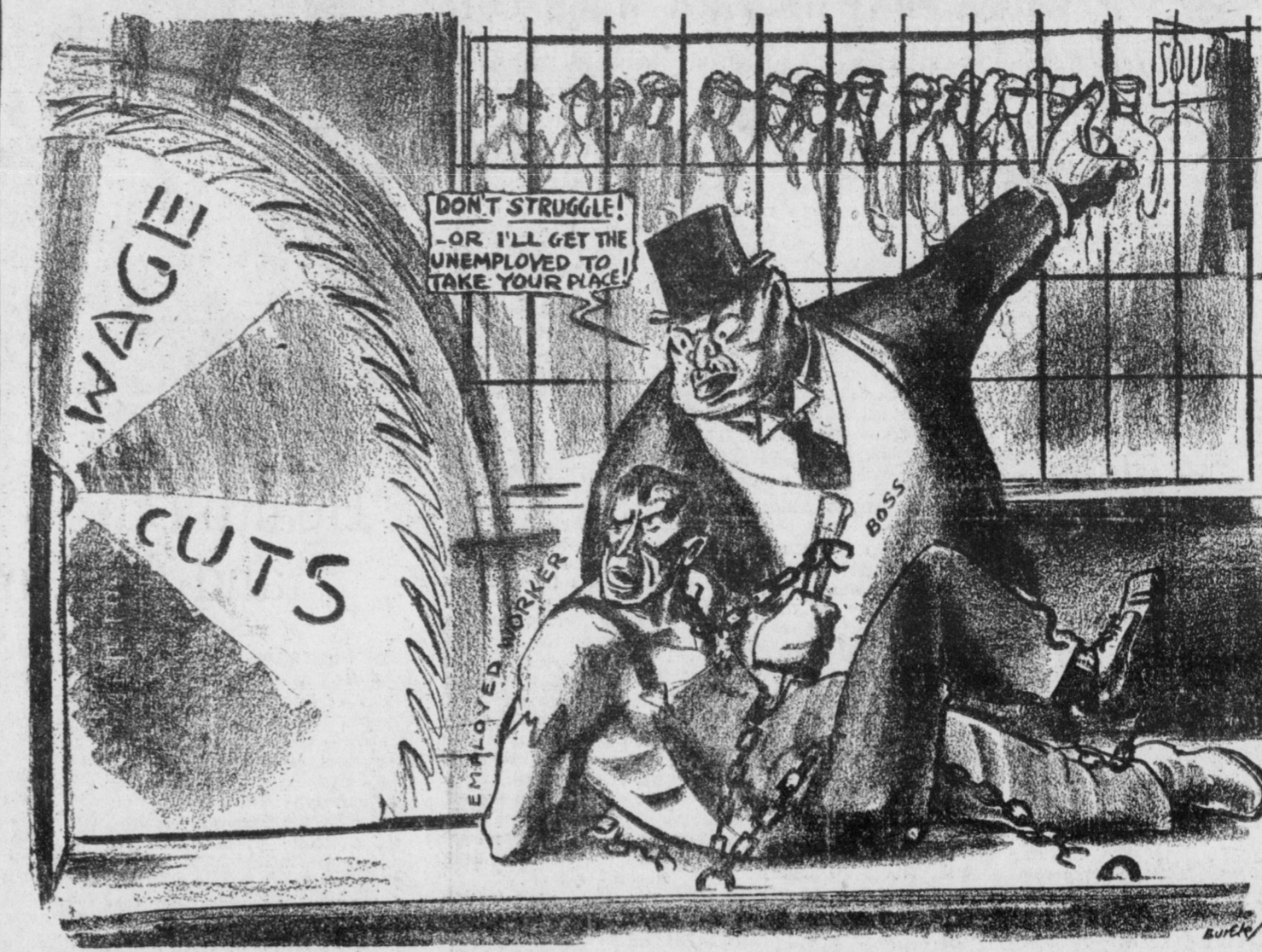
At the present time there is a drastic wage cut drive impending in the railroad industry with the officers of the railroad unions aiding Hoover and the bankers to prepare the wage cut drive.

One of the officials of the railroad unions, Doak, is now Secretary of Labor. His sole function is to prepare the wage cut drive in the railroad industry. The result of the agreement between the bosses and the A. F. of L. officialdom has been an effective wage cutting drive while the A. F. of L. bureaucrats acted as strike-breakers.

Now as a logical result of this process, a new wage cutting drive, more drastic than the \$12,000,000,000 cut in 1930 is under way. It will hit first in the steel industry and on the railroad. All workers who received wage cuts in 1930 will get further cuts as the result of the present wage cut drive.

There can be only one answer to this drive: Organize and strike against wage cuts! Unite with the unemployed for a battle against the capitalist starvation program. Into the streets May 1 to demonstrate your determination to take up the challenge!

Employed and Unemployed! Unite Against the Starvation Program!



PARTY LIFE

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Some More '6 P.M. Communists'

By P. S.
(Niagara Falls, N. Y.)

It is necessary to point out the things which I think will be of great help in strengthening our roots in the shops. We have been asking ourselves why we fail to get the workers from the shops into the Party and into our unions, but we have not gone any further than that.

In many units of the Buffalo District we have members who are working in very important industries but we have failed so far to utilize them properly in doing shop work. And in many instances when they are approached by some leading comrade, or a lower comrade to work out a way to be able to get some new blood into our ranks, they raise their hands in the air and give all kinds of excuses that the workers don't want to get organized. For example in my unit we have a comrade who is working in a very important and big shop. It is known by everyone that he is a Communist. He knows that the workers in his department are well oppressed. But when the question comes to do some concrete work inside of the shop here the fun starts. Then in one of my former units to which I belonged we had 3 or 4 of our comrades working in the same shop. This is the most important industry of our district where they are employed. It is known by everyone what they are. We started many times to discuss the question of doing shop work with them, but instead of contributing some suggestions of means and ways of doing it, they give you hell, with the excuse "we don't want to be exposed."

As far as I know this is happening in all of our units. The comrades are well advertised, but not activated in the proper way. It is best to point out that these "Bolsheviks" are not even members yet of their respective unions. They want to do, and hold 101 other positions, but not shop work to help in the organization of the workers in the shops where they are working as the best way of improving this situation, I would suggest these things:

1. The district leadership to try to explain to these comrades carefully and personally the importance of doing shop work, by using the best possible tactics in approaching and organizing the workers. If the comrade is not well acquainted with the English language, try to have an interpreter, so the points raised can be made clear.

2. Work out a plan with those who are working in the shop, a plan how to carry on the activities. Let the one that is working give suggestions how to do the things. If an outsider, who is not in the shop, starts giving the suggestions, maybe they will say, "Here this guy comes along and thinks that he knows all about the shop," and it may discourage him more.

3. That they be released from all outside responsibilities, and be put on responsible work in the shop.

4. To be explained to them the importance of why they should be members of a union, and how to help in organizing it.

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production is shattered; with the standard of living (which is the real wages) already 167 per cent above pre-war and still rising, while millions are starving in capitalist America; with the seven-hour day established, while American bosses enforce nine, ten, twelve and even more hours of those still working; with unemployment wiped out under Soviet rule, while America has 10,000,000 jobless—the capitalist liars have a lot of nerve to blabber about Soviet conditions!

As productive forces are developed in the Soviet Union to the heights foreseen by Lenin and Marx, and as the last remnants of the inequalities inherited from capitalism are wiped out by the socialist undermining of their material basis in social relationships, money and wage payments will be done away with altogether. The higher stage of Communism will be reached, wherein each will give according to his abilities, and each will receive according to his needs.

Standard of Living Goes Up in the Air

By J. BARNETT.

DURING the first two years of the Five Year Plan alone the wages paid to the workers of the Soviet Union were increased by 4,700,000,000 rubles (a ruble is worth 51½ cents). This was an increase for the two years of 12 per cent. The real wages, that is wages in terms of what the worker can buy, thus reached 40 per cent more than they were in Tsarist Russia, just before the War. For every \$100.00 of wages under the Tsar, they now get \$140.00 under workers' control. In 1931 there will be a further increase, during one year, of 6 per cent. Thus the wages mount higher and higher.

At the same time hours are steadily lowered. The Soviet workers have the shortest hours, broken by frequent rest periods, and the shortest week in the world. Almost all industries will be on the 7-hour day at the end of this year; the 6-hour day in dangerous and arduous trades has existed for a long time. Work is steady, there being no unemployment, and the number of wage earners is rapidly increasing—2,000,000 more will be added this year, making the total 16,000,000. Of course all workers get vacations with pay.

In addition to wages the Soviet workers have any extra advantages, which must be considered in their standard of living. There are such benefits as social insurance for sickness, accidents, old age, etc., bonuses from net profits, free use of municipal institutions, tramways, etc., housing, education, public health services and public feeding services. Last year 6,571,000,000 rubles was spent by the Soviet Union for these benefits. When they are added to real wages, we find that the workers' standard of living was 67% above pre-war, or for each \$100 of wages before the war, the workers now get the equivalent of \$167. This year the expenditure for social benefits will be 9,999,000,000 rubles. Thus the standard of living advances.

Rents and prices are the lowest for the workers (private business men pay high prices, which they tell you about in the capitalist papers). In the Moscow Kitchen Factory No. 1, the price of a hot two course dinner is only 15 cents. This year community restaurants according to estimates will serve up to 37,000,000 hot meals a day at a very low price.

The well-being of the Soviet workers is shown in many ways. They and their families are healthier. In Moscow the death rate for infants was 28.7 out of every 100 births in 1912-13, whereas in 1928-29 the death rate was only 12.7. The death rate of the working class has been cut by more than half. The country is rid of the epidemics and scourges that used to sweep the country, killing thousands.

Great strides are being made in education. In 1913, at most, 27 per cent were literate. 62 per cent were literate in 1930 and in 1931 the figure is to reach 75 per cent. In 1930, 10,500,000 went through special schools for making them literate, while in 1931, 25,000,000 more will go. Compulsory education now exists for the young. In Tsarist Russia during 1914-15, the number of pupils in primary schools was only 7,236,000, while in 1931, in the workers' state there are 16,000,000. Universal education in the native language has been established for all minor nationalities.

Newspaper circulation for 1931 is 27,000,000 while in pre-war it was only 2,728,000. In 1914 only 130,000,000 books were published, which in the main the workers could not read or enjoy, while last year 500,000,000 were published for the benefit of the toilers.

Radios are being provided as rapidly as possible. In 1929 there were 490,000 individual sets, while at the first of this year there were 2,746,000 individual sets; 2,100,000 of these in the country and 646,000 in cities. 1,800,000 more sets are to be added in 1931. Then there will be one set to every 36 people. But this is only a very small proportion of the radio audience, for in addition to the individual sets, every workers' club in the cities and nearly half of the "reading huts" in the villages have sets with loud speakers.

A new kind of workers' city is being developed. In Stalingrad region, five new cities are being built, each to have a population of 50,000 to 60,000 in which there is to be the greatest possible socialization of housekeeping and cultural activities. Connected with the living quarters are club rooms, libraries, gymnasiums, etc. The entire population is to be fed from a central "Food Combinat" where food is procured, stored and prepared. Semi-prepared food will be delivered to different sections and there prepared for final serving. There will be no individual kitchens designed for anything beyond the simplest cooking. These cities will be combined with the surrounding farming region so that there will be the advantage of city and country living.

It is any wonder that the workers are enthusiastic about these conditions and these prospects? While capitalism suffers the most severe crisis, and carries on the most frenzied attack against the workers' standard of living, in the Soviet Union, industries are prosperous and workers live better every year.

The difference between capitalism and the profit of the bosses and socialism run for the toilers, stands out in unmistakable terms. Besides the immediate benefits, the industries that are being built belong to the workers, 95 per cent of industry is socialized. In the basic heavy industry, the socialized section furnished over 99 per cent of the output last year. Over 45 per cent of the peasants households belong to the collective farms, and the number is rapidly increasing. All of these things mean enormous increases in the standard of living in the near future.

Why They Cut Wages

By HARRY GANNES.

EVERY step of the sharpening of the present crisis proceeds with heavy attacks against the workers. Last year the American workers suffered the loss of \$12,000,000,000 through wage cuts, and we are only in the first stage of the wage cutting drive. The "Boston Financial News," on February 17, 1931, in a leading editorial entitled "The Big Economic Bump Ahead," said that the main task before the bosses was "deflation of wages of skilled labor."

They go on to say:

"There must be not only a lowering of wages to conform with the new living standards, but there must concurrently be an improvement in the quality of labor given in return for these wages."

This is pretty plain talk. Here we have them tell the workers: "Your wages are coming down. What is more, you are going to work harder for less wages!"

The "economic bump ahead" is planned for the steel workers, railroad workers, textile workers, automobile workers, and along with them the rest of the workers who already have received pay cuts.

The "No Strike" Agreement.

Such is the fruit of the Green-Woll-Morrison agreement with the bosses to adhere to a "no strike" policy.

At the time this agreement was made in November, 1929, Hoover felt confident that the crisis would be over after a brief attack against



Why, Oh, Why?

"Asking a few friends of mine to come to the May Day celebration at the Coliseum, I was quite unexpectedly met with a refusal. They said they had been at Central Opera House, New Star Casino and other large halls the Communist Party and other revolutionary organizations use, and at not one of them, could they hear the speakers."

"There is such a constant buzz of conversation in the audience that these workers, and probably many others, have become disgusted."

"One of these friends of mine is a Canadian, and he says that in contrast to the way Party members behave at meetings in New York—making social gatherings of meetings—Canadian meetings are so still while a speaker is on the platform that you can hear a pin drop; no matter how poor a speaker he may be, he is attentively listened to."

"Here, even when Comrade Foster speaks, there are a great many separate little cliques in the audience that do not want to hear the speaker or not. And these cliques are made up 100 per cent of Party members who think that the speeches are not for them, and who attend only to be 'correct.'—A. Lerner."

Yes, comrade, and usually those who come to chew the rag with each other are the ones who think they already know more than Lenin did, but who, far from being 'correct' are political cripples. We suggest, purely on our own initiative, that some examples be made of offenders. Their name and unit number should be demanded at the meetings they disrupt. If they refuse to give it, they should be ejected. When ascertained, their unit should be informed and a record kept. Repeated offense to be punishable under the Baumes law, or something the Control Commission may decide. Anyway, something must be done.

Some Progress

Well, we are glad to see the "Needle Worker," organ of the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union, coming out in English. The boys and girls are learning something.

But while we were looking around for a N. T. W. I. U. official to pat on the back for it, we were handed a letter from Chicago, from someone named John Hecker, who can't see why the heck he got a letter (which he enclosed) entirely in Yiddish.

It seemed to be—as we learned after consulting with a Jewish comrade—a circular sent out by a committee for what is called the "United Bazaar" which was, is or will be held by the Needle Trades Industrial Union and the Workers' Cooperative Society of Chicago.

But the "united" bazaar was evidently meant to unite only the Jewish workers, although the Industrial Union in Chicago, as elsewhere, ought to know better. Nor is there an indication why the Workers' Cooperative Society is limited to Jewish workers—the name doesn't tell us anything but "workers."

Anyhow, the worker who cannot understand Yiddish was mystified and sent it to us to figure out. At the bottom it was signed, so our translator says, by Held, Gersh, and Orlov. Maybe they can explain how come, but if they want us to read their explanation, we hope they'll send it in English.

sharpening the wage cut drive will be intensified as one of the capitalist levers for overcoming the crisis.

The steel industry is the most important single industry in the United States as it accurately reflects conditions in the automobile, building, railroad, electrical and other enterprises.

Where Dividends Come From.

It is interesting to remember where the last dividends of the U. S. Steel Corporation came from to learn where they propose to get the next from. One third of the last quarterly dividend (profits) paid by the U. S. Steel Corporation came from tax returns (that is, Mellon paid himself and the other steel stockholders millions of dollars out of government funds); another third came from reserve fund (that is, from profits produced by the workers in years gone by); and the last third came from the current profits. But current profits are being cut down.

The next dividend the bosses propose to pay out of the wages of the steel workers, by slashing them, by firing thousands of workers, and making those who stay on the job do twice the amount of work they did before.

The facts of the continued decline in steel production show this to be inevitable. "Steel," one of the leading monthpieces for the steel industry said last week:

"One of the chief supports of the steel market thus far in 1931—moderate demand from the automotive industry—has been somewhat undermined this week by a decline in the Ford Motor Co.'s requirements, which seems to lend substance to the report that the company will shut down at Detroit for two months this summer while its assembly plants work off a large surplus of parts."

So Mr. Ford has been overproducing again and will shut down in the summer when Lovestone promises the bosses prosperity, and the demand for steel will go still lower.

But we have some later and sadder news for the steel bosses, and that is the most recent reports that steel and iron orders are the worst in the history of the steel industry. The Journal of Commerce (April 28, 1931) has this to say about it:

"Dullest in Their Memory."

"Not only are pig iron sales the smallest of the year, but some sellers who have been in the iron business for a generation or more state that it is the dullest in their memory."

All this is based on facts such as the following:

1) The railroads have the largest number of unused cars on their hands than ever before. On April 8 the number of these unused cars in good repair was 628,704; this was an increase of 7,195 cars in one week.

2) The General Electric Co. on April 22, 1931, reported that there was a decrease of 33 per cent in orders billed by that company for the first quarter of the year.

3) Automobile production is going down with the prospect of Ford shutting up entirely.

4) Building construction "the first half of the month showed a decline of 9 per cent, against a normal seasonal rise of 10" (Analyst, April 24, 1931).

All this shows that the capitalists see only one avenue for easing the crisis and saving their profits—and that is by cutting wages wholesale for the entire workingclass.

Soviet Wages and Anti-Soviet Liars

By HARRISON GEORGE.

THE Soviet Union, being the especial target of all capitalist liars, is "going back to capitalism." So shout many capitalist papers about the extension of piece work and other changes bringing Soviet workers' wages nearer to accordance with their production and relating it to the fulfillment of the production program.

The capitalist liars who say this, also said the Soviet was "going back to capitalism" in 1922, when the New Economic Policy ("NEP") was made under Lenin's advice. But neither then nor now do the capitalists cease attacking the Soviet Union! Why is that?

Because in the Soviet Union the industries belong—to the workers. While in capitalist America industry belongs to the capitalist class. In the Soviet Union the workers are very glad to help industry—their industry—even sacrificing many comforts they might have right now, to build up new and greater industries, the basis of a really socialist economy.

Because American capitalists are using piece work to cut down wages here in America, they try to make American workers think that the same thing is true in the Soviet Union. Yet there, where the workers own industry and government, too, piece work does not lower the workers' standard of living, but on the contrary—it raises standards.

For under workers' rule and ownership, there are no fat-bellied capitalist stockholders seeking to slice piece rates down so they can get more profits, but a workers' industry, interested in both advancing wages and in producing more goods. Piece work is not bad just because it is piece work, but because under capitalism the capitalist owners of industry use it to cut wage standards and drive the workers half crazy with speed-up to get more production for less wages.

It is not "the same" in the Soviet Union. The Sixth Soviet Congress which authorized the present change in wage methods, did not order a wage cut. On the contrary, Molotov reported that in 1931 the Soviet would pay out \$1,430,000,000 more in wages than in 1930: How can anyone make a wage cut out of that? But the capitalist liars of America want American workers, who lost \$12,000,000,000 off their total wages in 1930, to forget that, and get excited about "piece work" in the Soviet Union.

At what rate are the piece work wages? Ah, the capitalists don't tell you that! They do not tell you what proportion of the national income goes to those who toil to produce it! Yet in 1930, the share of the national income of those "gainfully employed" in the United States was 42 per cent, while in the Soviet Union the share of the workers and toiling farmers who do not exploit the labor of others was 77.1 per cent of the national income.

Almost all the rest went to build industry—for the workers, for pensions and other benefits shared by the workers, and only two per

cent went to exploiting classes (rich farmers who hire labor and some city capitalists, small fish), compared to over 50 per cent of the national income of the United States, grabbed by a small number of utterly useless parasite capitalists.

Wm. Green, head of the A. F. of L., speaking at the Conference of "Progressives" at Washington in March, admitted that in 1929 American factory workers received only 16.5 per cent of the value of the goods they produced. "Oh," said Green, "considerably less than was paid in 1892."