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## AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY

THE citizen's committee to enforce the Landis award has issued a warning against the increase in graft in the building industry. The Landis committee owes its existence to grafting labor fakers who can be seduced by filthy lucre from their duties as trade union officials, elected to serve their fellow workers. The man who made the motion before the Chicago Building Trades Council to accept the Landis award purchased over \$200,000 dollars worth of real estate a few days ago. Where did he get the money? The spread of the open shop movement here in Chicago is rapid. The Landis award committee may thank the grafters. They are its best friends and it knows that.

THE president of the local district council of carpenters signed an agreement with five contractors last year which was word for word the form contract endorsed by the Landis award. For opposing this scab contract, five members of Local 131 were illegally expelled from the union. They were expelled by the grafters who fatten on the Landis award and on open shop contractors. The reactionaries are everywhere working hand in hand with the bosses. It true that the bosses do not like to be held up for graft, but it costs less to fix a grafting labor leader than to give even a small increase in wages to thousands of workers.

HARRY SINCLAIR and Edward L. Doheny are not worrying over the Teapot Dome prosecutions. It looks as if they had the United States prosecutors in an apologetic frame of mind. Sinclair is insisting on a trial, and Doheny is down in Mexico looking after his oil wells, which he purchased about the time the famous "socialist" Calles was selected by Wall Street. Lawyers are still anxious for more revelations in Washington, but the plutes know all about the hold-up business and are not doing much worrying. All is well with big business on the banks of the Potomac.

NO doubt the workers are doing a lot of thinking on the controversy that is raging in Washington, over the question whether the air navy or the aquatic death castles are more serviceable weapons in snuffing out human life. The workers will have a hard time deciding. One thing they are sure of: the masters of their lives are leaving nothing undone to take care of their passage into eternal sleep. Admiral Sims, who is a rooster for a large air navy gleefully describes the development of a new air bomb which "can clean thru a battleship." What a pleasant prospect before one hundred per cent Americans.

A WRITER in a capitalist paper describing some alleged experiences in Russia in a horrified tone exclaims: "How can any country which denounces any belief whatsoever in a supreme being and scoffs at any form of religion, as Russia as a Red country does now, ever expect to prosper?" The workers and peasants of Spain, Portugal, Ireland, Poland, and the superstitious masses in China and Africa might give an answer. They believe in more gods than there are fleas on an Armenian rug merchant, yet they are poor. Why?

EDWARD A. FILENE, Boston business man, in a recent signed article said that "the business men of the world are united. Their union, the international chamber of commerce, altho but four years old, is already known the world over by its works." This is one of the capitalist internationalists, perhaps the capitalist international since the league of nations failed to go over. Filene gives the international chamber of commerce credit for hatching the Dawes plan. The next meeting of the white international will be in Brussels, in June. And yet some workers squeal because the Communists are affiliated with the Communist International the only world organization of the working class that is able to cope with the capitalist international and eventually defeat it.

THE BRITISH house of commons by a vote of 270 to 101 appropriated over \$100,000,000 for the biggest air fleet in the world. Even the pacifists are no longer certain that the last world war was indeed the last. (Continued on Page 2.)

## DECREASED INDUSTRIAL ACTIVITY IN EAST HITS TOTAL OF WAGES

PHILADELPHIA, March 1.—Decreased industrial activity in January resulted in a falling off of 2.5 per cent in the total wages paid in Pennsylvania and 4.2 per cent in those paid in New Jersey, according to the report of the federal reserve bank of Philadelphia. In Pennsylvania this decline came in spite of an increase of 1.5 per cent in employment which means that average wages in that state declined nearly 4 per cent as compared with December. In New Jersey there was a drop of 1.4 per cent in the number employed and of 2.8 per cent in average wages.

## AS WE SEE IT BERT IN GERMAN REICH

### Spokesmen of Capitalism Show Their Regrets

(Special to THE DAILY WORKER.)  
BERLIN, March 1.—Frederick Ebert president of the Imperial German socialist republic, died Saturday morning after a short illness following an operation to remove his appendix.

Ebert's death may be followed by a political crisis as the nation is already torn with class struggles and reeking with graft scandals in which Ebert himself was alleged to have been involved.

Baldwin Sends Regrets.  
The Tory government of Britain has sent its official regrets and Coolidge president of the capitalist republic of United States, cabled his regrets, as did Secretary of State Hughes, who said in part:

"I have the most agreeable memory of President Ebert, having been received by him while I was in Berlin, where I formed a high opinion of his great ability and the part he played in the development of German democracy since the war."

Among other condolences arriving from capitalist governments was one from Mussolini of fascist Italy, and accompanying it was a message in the name of the pope from the papal secretary of state. So far as known, the Soviet government has omitted both flowers and regrets.

Regrets Are Real.  
That these regrets for the passing of the well-known social-democrat are real and have a profound foundation in the conduct of Ebert and the whole social democracy during and since the war, is seen in the fear of international capital that Ebert's death may precipitate an election in which the rising Communist vote may disturb the right wing majority in the reichstag and interfere with the workings of the Dawes plan, which Ebert's regime had imposed upon the German workers.

While Ebert's son and social-democratic cronies are striving to picture Ebert as having been "hounded to death" by his political enemies, these point out that the alleged worry he was supposed to have suffered has (Continued on Page 2)

## War Head Says He Censors and Alters Reports of Officers

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 1.—Secretary of War Weeks admitted on the stand before the aircraft congressional investigating committee, that he censored reports of army officers before allowing them to be printed. "I wanted to be sure nothing was printed that would cause disturbance," Weeks said. Weeks also admitted that reports of officers were frequently held up a year before being made public.

## RUSSIAN COMMUNIST NEWSPAPER GREETES THE DAILY WORKER

(Special to The Daily Worker)  
KIEV, Russia, March 1.—The DAILY WORKER has received the following letter from the "Proletarskaya Pravda," the Russian Communist newspaper published in Kiev, Ukraine. The letter congratulates the DAILY WORKER on the first anniversary of its initial publication. It says:—

"Dear Comrades,  
I am glad to thank you for the DAILY WORKER, which we began to receive some days ago, and congratulate you on the first anniversary of your paper. May it live and become the paper of all the workers of America.

Will you be so good as to send us "The Workers Monthly"—all issues of 1924 and the recent issues. As to our paper, "The Proletarskaya Pravda" we are now sending it to your office. Best greetings. Your for Communism, (Signed) M. ZOLON."

## Recognize Russia!

STATEMENT on the recognition of Soviet Russia by the Central Executive Council of the Workers (Communist) Party.

The resignation of Secretary of State Hughes has been followed by an official announcement that the Coolidge administration will open negotiations with Soviet Russia to determine the conditions on which a trade agreement and treaty will be made.

The United States is the only government of importance that has not yet recognized the government of the Russian workers and peasants. The United States is the wealthiest and most powerful nation in the world and impending recognition of Soviet Russia by its strongest and most bitter antagonist has the greatest significance for the American working class and the international revolutionary movement.

### Hughes Suffers Defeat.

1. What are the reasons for this change of front by American imperialism?

2. What must the attitude of the American working class be towards the negotiations?

1a. Hughes, who carried over the Wilson policy and rabid hatred of the workers and peasants' government into the Harding-Coolidge administrations, has suffered a political defeat at the hands of Senator Borah. Borah is the progressive flag of the Coolidge administration and his middle-class following demands and forces recognition for itself. The Coolidge forces cannot afford to alienate this group which Borah leads.

1b. Russian trade has shown the falsity of the Hughes contention that it is of no consequence in the world markets. The utterly reactionary southern cotton plantation owners are now competitors for the Russian markets. They alone are a powerful economic group and their need for markets is great, due to the dislocation of the American textile industry because of increasing Chinese and Indian competition.

### Success for Soviet Diplomacy.

1c. The success of Soviet diplomacy in China and the Far East, the acquisition of the Chinese railway by the Soviet government, the powerful and increasing influence of Soviet Russia among the peoples of the orient.

1d. The Russo-Japanese treaty and the rights to the development of the oil, coal and iron on the lower half of Saghalien Island given Japan.

1e. The change in the policy of the Standard Oil interests from that of encouragement of counter-revolution to a policy of trade with Soviet Russia—a change forced by the successful military resistance of the Soviet Union, by the increasing rivalry between American and British oil interests and the necessity for buying additional oil reserves from the rich stores of the Baku region.

1f. The entry of the American capitalists into European affairs on a scale hitherto unknown—the Dawes plan, the huge loans to France, financial and economic penetration of the vassal states, etc.

1g. The absolute impasse reached in the question of allied debts to America—a question to which no answer can be framed until formal relations are established with Soviet Russia.

2a. The Coolidge government will try to assume an aggressive role in the coming negotiations. It will lay down as conditions that the czarist debts to America must be paid, it will try to insist on change in the Soviet government, it will demand that Communist propaganda be prohibited.

It will try to save its face before the masses of the American workers to whom it has said a thousand times that it would recognize no government that warred on capitalism.

### Resurrect Lie of Counter-Revolutionists.

All the hoary lies of the counter-revolutionary blackguards will be resurrected, dusted off and used. It is not improbable that a new attack on the Workers (Communist) Party of America will be launched. Already the American capitalist press is trying to discredit Zinoviev and drive a wedge into the sections of the Communist International. American capitalism will try to deprive the Soviet government of all popular support in the United States while the negotiations are in progress.

The Workers (Communist) Party of America calls upon the workers of the United States to demand unconditional recognition of the workers' and peasants' government of Russia.

It calls upon the workers to hold mass meetings, demonstrations, and send strong messages to the president, congressmen and senators demand unconditional recognition for the first workers' and farmers' government in the world.

It calls upon the American workers to show by their words and actions that they see in Soviet Russia the great friend of the toiling millions in industry and agriculture, that no matter what the capitalist rulers of America may do, the American workers recognize Soviet Russia as the leader of the workers' struggle, the first fortress of the world revolution, a power for the working class and against their oppressors in every land.

Workers (Communist) Party of America,  
Central Executive Committee,  
William Z. Foster, Chairman,  
C. E. Ruthenberg, Executive Secretary.

## WORKERS IN CALIFORNIA FIGHT THE CRIMINAL SYNDICALIST LAWS; CHEER FOR CLASS WAR VICTIMS

By S. GLOBERMAN  
(Special to The Daily Worker)  
LOS ANGELES, March 1.—A successful protest meeting against criminal syndicalist laws was held at the Music Art Hall under the auspices of the Labor Defense Council.

The crowd enthusiastically demonstrated its opposition to those tyrant laws and cheered lustily for Ruthenberg, Foster and all others who are victimized by the ruling class for their devotion to the working class.

## "THEY MUST NOT DIE!" CRY HEARD IN MANY LANDS

### Many Sacco - Vanzetti Meetings in U. S. A.

The protest of the workers against the continued imprisonment of Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti, now facing death in Massachusetts in labor's cause, rang thru the world yesterday.

Led by the Third (Communist) International the workers voiced their protest against the frame-up of the two trade union organizers.

At meetings conducted by the Communists in all the principal countries of the world, the working class speakers declared that "Sacco and Vanzetti Must Not Die," and rallied the workers to fight against the onslaught of the capitalist courts against the organized workers.

Big Meeting in Chicago  
The Sacco and Vanzetti meeting in Emmet Memorial Hall, Chicago cheered William F. Dunne, editor of the DAILY WORKER, Jack Johnstone, secretary of the Trade Union Educational League, and speakers representing the Industrial Workers of the World and other labor organizations.

Mass Meetings were held in New York, Pittsburgh, Boston, where Benjamin Gitlow was the principal speaker, Cleveland, Ohio, where Robert Minor, Communist speaker, writer and cartoonist spoke, Warren, Ohio, Hartford, Waterbury and New Haven, Conn., Detroit, Mich., and many other cities.

Huge demonstrations were scheduled to take place in Paris, Rome, Berlin, London, and the principal industrial centers and cities of Europe, as well as thruout Soviet Russia.

Prisoners of the Class War  
"Sacco and Vanzetti are in jail because there is a class struggle," Dunne told the several hundred enthusiastic workers who crowded the hall. "They symbolize the fate that the capitalist class would visit on every fighting worker."

"America is the land of the free and the home of the brave," said Ralph Chaplin sarcastically. "If you don't believe it, read the capitalist press. We can't blame our bourgeois friends who are not working for the release of Sacco and Vanzetti. They think (Continued on Page 2)

## Traction Lines Run Down Under Bankers Control

The annual report of the Chicago surface lines, just made public, discloses that under the mis-management of Samuel Insull and the bankers controlling the lines, net receipts were \$1,305,700 less during the year ending Jan. 31, 1925, than the preceding year. The report declared that 5,300,000 fewer passengers were carried in 1924 than in 1923.

## Vienna Bakers to Strike.

VIENNA, March 1.—The bakers of this city threaten a general strike if their demand for a ten per cent increase in wages is not granted.

## COMMISSION WOULD PROBE STANDARD OIL BUT NOT PRICE RISE

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 1.—The federal trade commission has recommended that the department of justice investigate the results of the Standard Oil dissolution decree, declaring that concerns connected with the Standard Oil are still operating as a monopoly. The commission, however, did not object to the recent rise in the price of crude oil, kerosene and gasoline which the Standard Oil company was able to institute because of its monopoly.

The report stated that "some members of the Standard Oil group are fortifying themselves by acquiring control of independent companies and entering new branches of the industry."

The Standard Oil company a few weeks ago declared a general raise in the price of crude oil and oil products.

## Mine Barons Open Big Offensive On Union Coal Miners

The entering wedge of the most gigantic open shop offensive ever waged against the organized workers in this country was inserted into the western Pennsylvania and Ohio, sectors of the United Mine Workers of America, when the operators of those two sections of the group of soft coal states known as the central competitive field arranged for a meeting to be held in Cleveland, Friday, at which war plans will be made looking towards the smashing of the miners' union and eventually placing the entire coal mining industry on a strictly non-union basis.

Keyed to a high pitch of optimism over the rapid advance of the open shop movement in the coal industry, within the past two years, the operators of western Pennsylvania feel that this is the opportune time to smash the union that has stood between the coal barons greed and industrial feudalism for the diggers.

The operators in Illinois and Indiana, where the union has not yet reached the level at which the coal barons wish it to be before opening the attack, have not joined openly in the offensive.

They have not accepted the invitation to attend the Cleveland conference, tho they admitted that the movement had a deep interest for them. It is understood that they are heavy contributors to the financial pool which is backing the conspiracy.

The Plan of Attack.  
The Ohio and western Pennsylvania operators are expected to declare a suspension of coal mining immediately after the Cleveland meeting, unless a more cautious policy prevails. Should the original intention be adopted, the mines would be opened after April 1, on a strictly non-union basis. The miners will be offered the 1917 wage scale which means a 25 per cent cut.

The initiators of the open shop drive were among the first to sign the Jacksonville agreement which was hailed by John L. Lewis as one of the greatest victories in the history of the miners' union. The operators signed with their tongues in their cheeks and were awaiting an opportunity to break the agreement. Their excuse now is, that non-union coal is driving the union operators out of the market, and unless the union agrees to a wage scale that will enable them to compete with the non-union operators, they will be obliged in the interests of self-preservation to break with the union.

Owned By Same Interests.  
It happens that the non-union mines are owned by the same interests that own the union mines. Very cleverly, the coal operators exploited the Kentucky and West Virginia bituminous fields until the production was sufficiently heavy to supply the market in the event of a strike for a period long enough to insure victory for the coal barons. A progressive labor leadership would have thwarted this danger by throwing the entire weight of the organization into the unionization of the scab pits. But this was the last thing that occurred to Lewis who had his hands full expelling honest and courageous leaders like Howat, McLachlan and MacDonald from office and from the United Mine Workers (Continued on page 2)

## IRON WORKERS' LEADER SPEAKS TO LABOR BODY

### McNamara Indicted on Trumped Up Charge

J. J. McNamara, former secretary of the International Union of Bridge and Structural Iron Workers was cordially received by the delegates to the Chicago Federation of Labor yesterday, when he was given the floor to explain the campaign now being carried on against him and the structural iron workers in Indianapolis, by the state and the employers' associations.

McNamara is now business agent of the Indianapolis local of the iron workers' union and is under indictment on a charge of blackmail. The only truth in the indictment McNamara explained, was that he approached employers with the request that members of his organization be employed on classification of work to which the organization was entitled.

First of its Kind.  
The employers boast that this is the first time such an indictment has ever been voted in the United States and if they are successful in convicting McNamara, it will give the bosses another legal weapon with which to fight the workers. The Chicago local of the iron workers voted to support McNamara in his fight and pledged financial assistance. The local sent a letter to the Chicago Federation of (Continued on Page 2)

## British Business Men Show Eagerness to Do Business with Russia

MOSCOW, March 1.—As reported from London, the British government has been approached by a group of industrialists belonging to the conservative party and interested in doing business with the Soviet Union, with a request that the report of the British representative at Moscow on the social and economic conditions in the U. S. S. R. be published by the government, and also that the latter send a commission to Russia for an "impartial study of the situation."

## SEND IT IN TODAY!

### MARCH IS THE MONTH OF REVOLUTION

MARCH is here—the Month of Revolutions!  
The world's greatest revolution, under the leadership of the Communist International, daily grows in strength.

Thursday's issue of the DAILY WORKER will be a special 12-page edition to celebrate the Sixth Anniversary of the Communist International.

It will also deal with the significance of International Woman's Day, March 8th.

It will contain articles about the Paris Commune, the struggle of the French workers to win power, March 18, 1871.

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STRIKING WHITE WINGS ARE SENT BACK TO WORK

Get Small Raise As Snow Brings Crisis

Michael Carrozzo, head of the Street Cleaners' Union, agreed with Commissioner of Public Works A. A. Sprague to send the 2,500 striking street repair men, street cleaners and garbage collectors back to work this morning after reaching a compromise agreement.

The street cleaners who wear uniforms are to be paid \$5.25 a day under the new agreement, instead of \$5.10 a day. Street cleaners not wearing uniforms will be paid \$5.15, also a raise of 15 cents.

The strikers will be called together at a general meeting to act on the agreement. It is thought they will agree to go back to work under the compromise.

The snow which covered the city added to the paralysis of the street cleaning forces, and had the men remained out on strike for several days more, they would have been able to make better terms with the city some of them said.

The city employees went on strike Feb. 17, and had been in strike for two weeks. Commissioner Sprague promised to "recommend to the finance committee that the raises be paid," but it is understood, according to Carrozzo, that the finance committee will agree to Sprague's recommendation, as Sprague was in conference with the committee before making a settlement.

COOLIDGE SIGNS AMENDED POSTAL PAY RAISE BILL

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 1.—President Coolidge signed the postal bill granting an increase in pay to the government postal employees. The salary increase is retroactive until Jan. 1, 1925, instead of until July 1, 1925, as was provided in the original bill.

The postal bill signed by Coolidge forces the workers to pay the salary raise, postal rates have been increased so that postal cards will cost two cents apiece. Parcel post and other mail rates have also been increased.

Capmakers in Los Angeles Endorse the Labor Defense

LOS ANGELES, Calif., March 1.—The Millinery Workers' Union, No. 43, and the Capmakers Union No. 28 have passed the labor defense resolution.

Talk it up—your shopmate will subscribe!

DAILY WORKER BUILDERS WIN FIRST PRIZE!

The DAILY WORKER builders are always on the job. They even went to the Red Revel Saturday and started "boring from within" among the merry-makers.

And the result was that they succeeded in running away with the first prize of \$50.00, offered for the best group in masquerade. The amount was given to the DAILY WORKER to help drive home the "last spike" in the 1925 insurance campaign.

The builders pageant had been arranged by the North Side English branch of the Workers Party. It centered around a revolutionary figure, a beautiful girl in red carrying a flaming torch, symbolical of the DAILY WORKER. Following her came the militant workers, miners, machinists, carpenters, textile workers,—each with the tool of his trade.

"The international" was played by the orchestra for the grand march, with all the marchers singing. The DAILY WORKER builders army was in advance, led by Josephine Herd representing the revolution.

The second prize of \$25.00 was awarded the Greek dancing trio, Emma Bleckschmidt, Elsie Newman and Hilda Reid, who presented two classical dances, exquisitely done.

Natalie Gomez as a Spanish dancer won the third prize of \$10. Both of the latter prizes were donated to the Workers Party. Book prizes were awarded several others.

AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

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The militarists no longer take the trouble to cloak their intentions. What the pacifists, those of them who are sincere, overlook is the fact that peace is impossible under capitalism.

PRESIDENT COOLIDGE is in a quandary over what he should do with the bill for an increase in congressional salaries to \$10,000 a year, which awaits his signature. The congressmen generously passed this bill the other day.

CAPITALISM and morondom breathe easier. King George, Mussolini of Italy, and Gloria Swanson, of the screen, are recovering. But on the other hand there is a revolt in Kurdistan, financed by the British, and the Turks who are at the receiving end of this unpleasantness are asking France to rattle its saber at the Hon. Anything is liable to happen at any time in any place where oil squirts.

A. A. PURCELL, president of the International Federation of Trade Unions and also head of the British Council of Trade Unions is touring England lecturing on what he saw in Russia. Among the ideas Purcell is driving home is loyalty on the part of the workers to their own class.

Mine Owners Open Big Offensive on Union Coal Miners

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of America. In fact most of the militant miners are convinced that Lewis and the coal operators are working hand in hand. Whether there is an agreement between them or not, it is certain that the Lewis policies have played into their hands and as a result of those policies the very life of the miners' union is imperiled.

To Seek Conference. The first move of the operators will be to seek an audience with the officials of the miners' union looking towards a modification of the Jacksonville pact. They know that only a special convention of the union has power to consider such a proposal and they also know that Lewis fears to call a convention. At the last convention, Lewis rode the storm of opposition against his autocratic and reactionary rule by representing himself as the best manager the miners ever had and pointed to the good relations existing between the operators and the officials who were not tainted with Communism. That gag no longer works.

Booses Preparing. While Lewis was expelling radicals from the union, and thus robbing the organization of its brain and backbone, the enemy was carefully preparing the ground for the grand offensive. The zero hour has struck and the first guns in the most titanic open shop struggle ever waged in this country will be fired in Cleveland next Friday.

The news of this offensive is being carefully suppressed by the capitalist press. The information was carried by every news service in the United States and came into the editorial rooms of the capitalist dailies over the wires, not a word was published outside of the coal journals which are read only by the "trade." This is the most important piece of news that broke in this country for many years. It is one more proof that when it comes to big issues of vital importance to a powerful section of the capitalist class, the boss press is silent.

ST. LOUIS.—The Peoples' Motorbus Co., dominated by Chicago Yellow Cab interests, has formed a company union of its chauffeurs and conductors to block a real union.

FRAZIER ALSO CRAWLS ON HIS BELLY BEFORE WALL ST. RULE

WASHINGTON, March 1.—"I've always been and am now a republican," Senator Frazier, one of the LaFollette insurgents, declared in the senate today, when he was attacked for betraying his party. Senator Norbeck, of South Dakota, raised the question during a discussion on farm relief legislation.

"That's cheering news," Norbeck retorted, "I remember that when the senator was governor of North Dakota he came down into my state and campaigned for the farmer-labor ticket." Frazier countered by declaring that his father and three brothers were republicans.

AIRCRAFT PROBE INDICATES THAT SOMEBODY LIED

When Is a Muzzle Not a Muzzle?

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 1.—The little storm in a teacup going on between Secretary of War Weeks and General Mitchell of the aviation service as to the alleged sabotaging of the air service as charged by Mitchell against the high officials of the army and navy, brought out some statements contradicting Mitchell, at Weeks' testimony yesterday before the committee of investigation. But Weeks also admitted by contradicting himself that Mitchell was "muzzled."

"I don't want you to think that the military airplane situation is as deplorable as it has been said to be before this committee," said Weeks, adding that the air service has 1,592 planes.

Who's A Liar? "How many are first class planes?" asked Committeeman Prall.

"Two hundred and five bombardment, pursuit and attacking planes," declared Weeks. Mitchell had previously told the committee that the air service had only 19 fighting planes.

Weeks declared that no army officer is "muzzled." He said, "After the first bombing tests, Mitchell made a good many statements which the navy department resented. The secretary of the navy repeatedly called on me and said many of Mitchell's statements were untrue. To avoid disturbance, I directed Mitchell to submit to the department all his articles. He did this for two years. Last fall, however, he wrote two articles for magazines. These reflected upon the navy."

Mr. Weeks Gives A Definition "Mitchell went to the president and asked if he could print the articles. The president said he would have no objection if he submitted them to his superior officers for approval. Mitchell then went ahead and printed the articles without submitting them, not only violating my instructions but those of the president as well."

"Did you say there was no muzzling in the army?" asked Congressman O'Sullivan. "Yes," replied Weeks. "Didn't your orders constitute muzzling?" pressed the committeeman. "Not at all," replied Weeks.

Crisis Follows the Death of Fritz Ebert in the German Reich

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never been hitherto connected with appendicitis by medical experts. Connected With Barbat Scandal. Part of these worries have come through Ebert's connection with the notorious Barbat scandal, somewhat rivaling the famous Teapot Dome case with which the name of Harding was joined just after his death.

Much has been done by the capitalist press of foreign lands to conceal this scandal against the integrity of the leaders of the German republic, as it was feared that the odium might also attach itself to the Dawes' plan of reparations, with which Ebert and the social democracy are so closely involved. Perhaps the most astonishing thing of Ebert's recent past, is his libel suit against a nationalist newspaper for having accused Ebert of treason by aiding strikes of workmen during the war.

The most prominent figures of German political life were put on the witness stand by Ebert, who, moreover, appeared in person to prove beyond all question that Ebert loyally supported the kaiser during the war and opposed every strike. The only question raised by the newspaper in defense, which was that Ebert and other leaders of the socialists had actually participated in committees of striking workmen during the war was completely shattered by Ebert and his witnesses.

One after another they proved by document and deed, that the social democratic party of Germany had entered such strike committees during the war solely for the purpose of betraying the strikers, breaking up the strike movement, limiting its demands and duration and working for the benefit of the "fatherland" and not for the benefit of the strikers.

"They Must Not Die!" Cry Is Heard in Many Lands At Big Meetings

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that Sacco and Vanzetti are only a couple of 'wop murderers.' But we know that Sacco and Vanzetti are victims of the class war.

"There will be hundreds of such victims in the jails of the country unless we make it our business to serve and protect these two working class fighters who are about to become martyrs to the cause of the working class."

Louis Antolini spoke in Italian. Resolutions were adopted as follows:

Demand Release of Prisoners WHEREAS, the refusal of Judge Webster Thayer to grant a new trial to Nicola Sacco and Bartolomeo Vanzetti is equivalent to a death sentence to these two workers and

WHEREAS, the case of Sacco and Vanzetti has attracted universal attention and sympathy on the part of the organized labor movement which has recognized it as one of the most dastardly frame-ups against workers in this country, all evidence pointing to their innocence of the murder falsely charged against them, and which puts them in the same category as the infamous frame-ups against Tom Mooney and Warren Billings, now incarcerated in Folsom prison and other victims of capitalist government, and

WHEREAS, unless the working class compels the release of these two innocent men, they will either die or will rot in jail for years, be it therefore

RESOLVED, that this mass meeting assembled in Chicago demands a new trial for Sacco and Vanzetti and condemns the efforts of the capitalists and their governmental lackeys to railroad these two workers to the electric chair, and be it further

RESOLVED, that it calls upon the workers, organized and unorganized, thruout the world, to protest and demonstrate for the release of Sacco and Vanzetti and for all other class war prisoners, and to send a copy of this resolution to the president of the United States, Judge Thayer, the DAILY WORKER and other labor papers.

Pamphlets written in English, Jewish and Italian dealing with the Sacco-Vanzetti case were sold.

Washington Streetcar Workers Demand More Pay, May Face Strike

WASHINGTON, March 1.—Employees of the Capital Traction Co. in the District of Columbia, to the number of about 1,000 have served notice of a demand for an increase in wages of 12 cents an hour from March 30. The present wage is 58 cents, reached at the end of the first year of service. For the first three months it is 52 cents and the next nine months 56 cents an hour.

Under the existing agreement with the union, the men or the company may at any year apply for a reopening of the wage agreement, by giving notice before March 30. If the dispute over a change is not adjusted by conference committees it is sent to a board of arbitration.

The other street railway system in the capital is the Washington Railway & Electric Co., which fought a long and costly battle with the union ten years ago, and has had no agreement with the union since that time. It pays the same scale as does the organized road.

Cal's Commissioner Denounces Cal's Bureau Chief's Bill

WASHINGTON, March 1.—The Dickinson co-operative marketing bill was denounced today before the senate agricultural committee as a "camouflage" by Robert D. Carey, chairman of the president's agriculture commission. Carey charged the bill, already passed by the house would drown the farmers under a flood of advice without giving them material help. He said it was written by Henry C. Taylor, chief of the bureau agriculture economics, and would make his bureau "dictator" to the farmers. "It provides for two junkets annually to Washington for fifty members of an advisory council," Carey added. "They would get \$25 a day for this trip."

Plan Paris Commune Celebration March 21 in Philadelphia, Pa.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Mar. 1.—The city central committee of the Workers Party is planning to hold a celebration of the Paris Commune and the establishment of the Hungarian Soviet Republic for Saturday evening, March 21, at the Eagle's Temple, corner Broad and Spring Garden Sts. A musical program is being arranged and prominent speakers are being secured to address this meeting.

Rouse Working Class Against the Threat of Era of Greater Trusts

By J. LOUIS ENGDHAL

TODAY, the Literary Digest, weekly organ of the comfortable middle class, claims to be highly excited because it has made the startling discovery that "The Trusts Have Returned." But it also expatiates at great length on "The Return of the Trust-Buster," assuring its readers, in essence, that all's well with this capitalist world.

The gist of the impression that the Literary Digest seems to want to convey to its readers is contained in the cartoon reproduced from the Washington, D. C., Daily News, showing a bunch of dinosaur-looking animals, labelled "Monopoly" and "Trust," occupying the front yard of a hysterical individual with the initials "C. P.," standing for "Common People" branded on the seat of his pants. "C. P.," exclaims, "Good Night! We thought those things were killed off long ago!"

In this one picture the Literary Digest seeks to convey to its millions of readers, including a couple of hundred thousand small bankers, that trust-busting was a highly successful endeavor in the past, that the watch dogs are on the job at Washington, and if anything is wrong now, that it will be carefully and quickly attended to, insinuating that that has been the case in the past.

There is, of course, nothing to show that trustification has been halted in any great basic industry, or anywhere else for that matter. No effort is made to prove that any trust-busting effort on the part of the government has succeeded in its purpose, according to the hopes of LaFollette and his "Back to 1776" program.

If the readers of the Literary Digest displayed any initiative of their own, in doing their thinking, which they never will, they would behold several startling revelations in the mass of material that is presented to them.

FIRST.—Congress proposes to the Federal Trade Commission that it investigate the General Electric Company (the super-power trust), and the American Tobacco Company.

SECOND.—One of the subsidiaries of the General Electric Company is the Electric Bond and Share Company, that "practically controls the public utility business of the country." But the stock of this great trust is carefully distributed, to the largest number of individuals, so that any attack upon it, becomes an attack on large numbers of nervous, timid, coupon-clipping bondholders of the middle class.

THIRD.—The trusts have a powerful spokesman in Coolidge's cabinet in the person of the multi-millionaire, Andrew W. Mellon, secretary of the treasury, himself the largest stockholder in the Aluminum Company of America, the Aluminum trust, that sneaks into every American kitchen and takes its excessive toll of profits on every aluminum kitchen utensil in use.

Harlan F. Stone, the late attorney general, was supposed to have discovered some of the crimes of Mellon's aluminum trust, but he has since been elevated to the United States supreme court, and the sugar trust lackey, Warren, of Michigan, is slated to take his place.

Thus the great trusts bulwark their fortress against any and all attacks. The middle class is held quiescent thru the fact that millions of its members hold a share or two of stock in these great corporations. That is part of the meaning of the effort to sell stock even to the working class, an effort that has been successful to some extent due to the collaboration of the labor aristocracy with the capitalist class.

And in the powerful seats of its own capitalist government it has its own carefully handpicked spokesmen.

When the workers and poor farmers fully awaken to this situation they will speed the development of their own class power as against the organized strength of the whole bourgeoisie.

The trust problem will never be solved under capitalism. The growing threat of monopoly is increasingly aggravated until capitalism goes. Then the great trusts will fall into the hands of the new ruling class—the toiling masses—that will retain the highly organized efficiency of the trusts, at the same time depriving them of their power to plunder mankind.

Soviet Russia today is being electrified for the sole purpose of bringing this great benefit to the workers and peasants.

The United States is being electrified in order to bring profits into the cash boxes of the General Electric Company. Labor's task is to end the profit nightmare of capitalism that produces the General Electric Company and inaugurate the Communist society where one class will cease to prey upon another; where classes altogether disappear with the abolition of class rule and its accompanying oppression.

Child Labor Bill Loses in House of Minnesota, 68 to 56

ST. PAUL, Minn., March 1.—The Minnesota house of representatives has rejected the child labor amendment to the federal constitution by a vote of 68 to 56. The amendment will come before the senate.

There is a possibility that the house will reconsider the amendment which would give congress power to regulate or prohibit the labor of children in industry who are under 18 years of age.

Investigate Federal Judge to See If He Is "Fit" for Office

WASHINGTON, March 1.—An investigation into the fitness and official acts of Federal Judge George W. English, sitting at East St. Louis, Ill., was authorized by the house today and a committee appointed to conduct it.

The investigation was ordered after Representative Blanton, democrat of Texas, withdrew his objection, which had hitherto held up the probe.

Give your shopmate this copy of the DAILY WORKER—but be sure to see him the next day to get his subscription.

PROFESSOR HAS HIGH REGARD FOR MOLDAVIA SOVIET

Says the Young Republic Cannot Fail

MOSCOW.—Professor Young, an expert adviser of the British trade union delegation to Soviet Russia, while in Odessa, told of his impressions of the newly-formed Soviet Socialist Republic of Moldavia which he had just visited.

"This young republic"—he said—"is still under way of organization, but I was satisfied that those at the head of it are men of experience. They, and, more particularly, the president of the government, are popular among the people there, and the general impression is one that the new republic has all the elements of vitality."

"The creation of the Moldavian republic and the impetus it is bound to give to Moldavian culture and language cannot fail to strongly impress all the Moldavian nationals in Bessarabia. However,"—emphasized Mr. Young—"my personal close acquaintance with the local conditions has fully convinced me that the formation of the autonomous Soviet Socialist Republic of Moldavia is no political maneuver on the part of Moscow in the Bessarabia issue, as is sometimes erroneously urged in Europe, but that this act was quite a natural consequence of the national policy of the U. S. S. R., one of whose leading slogans is complete national freedom of all the people of the Union."

Prof. Young further dwelt on the big natural resources of Moldavia, which, he said, had a right future as an economic and political national entity.

IRON WORKERS' LEADER SPEAKS TO LABOR BODY

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Labor announcing this action and requesting the federation to urge all other locals to back up the fight of the iron workers.

Steel Trusts' Power. McNamara, who was sentenced to a long term of imprisonment in the state of California in connection with the expulsion in the Los Angeles Times building, was introduced by President Fitzpatrick with a few remarks on the power of the steel trust. This industrial octopus, Fitzpatrick declared, is more powerful than the United States government, forgetting that the U. S. government is but the executive committee of all trusts and the financial power that owns and controls them.

Another incident that caused prolonged discussion was the failure of the committee on transportation to make a report on the traction ordinance. The members of the committee, were severely castigated by the delegates, the Fitzpatrick took occasion to speak in their behalf. It appears that with one exception the members of the committee failed to attend their meetings with the result that no report was made to the federation. The majority of the delegates had points of order to make and question to ask. The final result was that a motion was carried urging the committee to have a report ready at the next meeting. The motion was equal to a vote of censure.

Another motion was passed instructing the C. F. of L. to refer whatever action the federation may take on the traction report of the transportation committee, to the local unions affiliated with the central body.

Isolated Textile Union Local Agrees to Trust Arbitration

GREAT BARRINGTON, Mass., Feb. 27.—The Monument Mills at Housatonic, which had been closed for one week following the announcement of a 10 per cent wage cut, opened this morning under conditions that an arbitration board be formed which will decide the question now before the union. The union agreed to submit to the board's decision.

BUILDING TRADES WORKERS STRIKE ON HOTEL SHERMAN JOB

Building trades mechanics and laborer were on strike this morning at the new annex to the Hotel Sherman being constructed in the loop adjoining the hotel.

The strikers charge that George Fuller, the contractor, permitted carpenters to install hollow metal doors and trim in the building. The carpenters have been outside the building trades department of the A. F. of L. following disputes over decisions of the national jurisdictional board.

The board ordered the trim work given to the sheet metal workers and when the contractor disobeyed this ruling the strike was called, it was said.

Those Foreigners Are Dangerous. KIMBALLTON, Pa., March 1.—Because Marie Midgaard, Danish born, was a foreigner and had a limited command of the English language, the school board members attempted to oust her from the position of physical training teacher in the public schools. After a long legal battle, Miss Midgaard won the fight.

### NEGRO WRITER, BACK FROM SOVIET RUSSIA, SAYS REVOLUTION SOLVES RACE PROBLEMS; PEOPLE HAPPY

Returning after an eight month visit to Soviet Russia, Lovett Forte-Whiteman, well-known Negro writer and lecturer, emphatically refutes the current lies of the capitalist press, which claims that Russia is a land of starvation and unrest. "On the contrary," says Forte-Whiteman, "there is absolutely no such thing. Everywhere, in both the cities and the remotest villages, all are wearing warm, new clothing, are eating substantial food and feel a general contentment with the Soviet regime."

"This is not," says Forte-Whiteman, "the experience of a mere flying visit, but of months of the closest contact with the most obscure peasants and workers in every part of the vast territory, covering one-sixth the land area of the globe, ruled by the workers and peasants themselves through their Soviets or councils."

#### Shared Lives of All People.

"I had the advantage of extensive travel throughout both European and Asiatic Russia, and shared the life of both the great and the humble, the famed and the unknown, from state receptions where I was greeted with royal welcome as representative of 12,000,000 American Negroes, to the huts of peasants on the edge of the Black Sea, where the warm hospitality of simple people gave me the best of their family life afforded. I have, indeed, spent much time among the peasants on the Polish border, in the Ukraine and Turkestan, and learned intimately just how the peasants live."

Forte-Whiteman attended many peasant conferences, and flatly denies the capitalist lies about the alleged differences between the comfort of the city and the alleged privation of workers and peasants in the country districts. All effort is being made by the Communists and the Soviets to give the country districts, in addition to the material requirement they already have, the benefit of modern culture never before known to them.

#### Culture Taken to Peasantry.

"Millions upon millions of books are being carried to the peasantry," he says, "every village has its school, the use of the radio is widespread and is being rapidly pushed, and the peasants generally know and appreciate the vast improvement of which they could never dream under the czar. This makes overthrow of the Soviet power utterly impossible."

#### Revolution Solved Race Problem.

"No country in the world was more burdened with racial problems than was Russia under the czar. In the Crimea it was Tartar against Turk; in the Caucasus it was Georgian against Armenian; in the East a myriad problems, with Moslem against Christian; in Ukraine, Christians against Jew. All this is gone, the revolution of the workers has blown it away like a dark cloud driven by a clean wind."

"I was always convinced that the racial conflict, particularly the problem of the Negro in America, was solely a product of the capitalist system of exploitation, and that it would

### IT'S "LENIN PLACE" NOW IN FRENCH CITY AFTER BITTERLY FOUGHT STRIKE

DOUARNENEZ, France, March 1.

—As a result of Communist assistance given to the striking sardine cannery workers, and the Communist mayor's attitude toward the strike, in which he led the picket line and forced landlords to remit rentals, bringing down upon his head the storm of capitalist criticism and Paris authority with warrants for his arrest, the ancient Square of Holy Cross in this city has been renamed the Lenin Place by the newly elected city council.

vanish with capitalism. My visit to Soviet Russia has proved that my idea is correct. With all its previous race problems no country was more burdened, but—presto! the working class revolution came, and today no country on earth has less race conflict. In fact there is none. The Negro problem of America will persist until it meets the same solution.

Forte-Whiteman expressed deep appreciation of his reception in Russia as a representative of his race, so terribly oppressed in America. During the recent battles between the nationalists and the agents of imperialism in China, he was invited by many military divisions of the Red army to lecture on his interpretation of the events. He spoke before many army schools and famous fighting divisions, being made a member of one, the celebrated third cossack cavalry of Ukraine and presented with a history of the division which played such a noble part in the defeat of Wrangel.

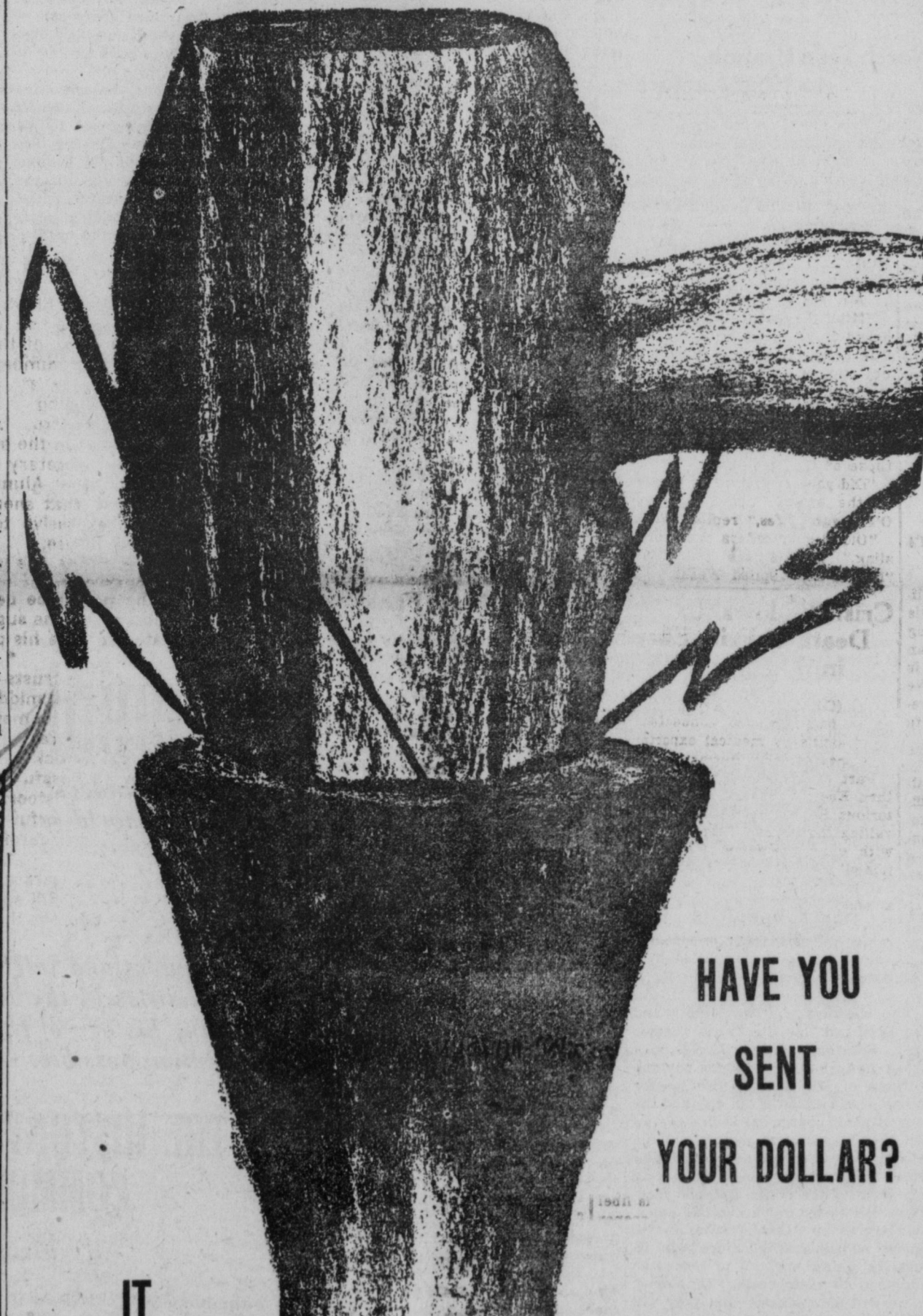
Forte-Whiteman, while in Central Asia, was entertained by the president and cabinet of the Soviet Republic of Bokhara, feted and received in the palace of the overthrown king, or emir, and in Turkestan, was given royal greetings as a representative of the American Negro workers, the Tashkent military school students and faculty officially extending the welcome, before the public building adorned with greetings in English which read, "Long live the American proletariat!" and "Long live the social revolution!"

# SPIKE LOOSE!

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### MANY ORGANIZATIONS SEND THEIR DELEGATES TO CHICAGO MEETING FOR LABOR DEFENSE AND RELIEF

More than fifty delegates answered the roll call at the first meeting of the Chicago Conference for Labor Defense and Relief last Thursday. There were trade unions and co-operatives, fraternal and benevolent organizations of many different languages, and various workers' political groups. An executive committee was formed of five of the delegates from each of these major component parts of the conference, making fifteen members in all.

Among the unions represented were the Amalgamated Food Workers, the Wood Turners, Machinists No. 390 and No. 337, Painters No. 275, and the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Local 6. Among the fraternal organizations were those of the Slovaks, South Slavs, Czechs, Germans, Jews, Lithuanians, and Russians. Among the political organizations, the Workers Party, Slovak Socialist Federation, and the Irish Workers Republican Club.

S. T. Hammersmark was elected chairman and William F. Kruse, secretary. After the reading of the call and list of accredited delegates, George Maurer, national secretary of the Labor Defense Council, told the story of the Michigan raids, and of the trials that resulted in the conviction and jailing of C. E. Ruthenberg, secretary of the Workers (Communist) Party. He described the legal procedure up to the present point of appeal to the United States supreme court, and dwelt on the political situation in Michigan as it affects immediate trial for Robert Minor and the other co-defendants.

Following his speech the following resolution was adopted:  
Resolution on Criminal Syndicalist Cases.

Whereas, the Michigan criminal syndicalist law and others of its type are deliberate attempts on the part of the bosses to suppress the activity of the labor movement, and

Whereas, the use of this law against the Communists on no other charge than the holding of a convention clearly proves the anti-labor intent and purpose of this law,

Whereas, the suppression of any one section of the labor movement, if successful carried out, would endanger the very existence of all other sections, therefore be it

Resolved, that we, the Chicago Defense and Relief Council, in meeting assembled, call upon all organizations throughout the country to rally to the aid of these workers who, because of their working class activity were first singled out for attack, and be it further

Resolved, that we pledge ourselves to raise all possible financial and moral support for these defendants in the Michigan criminal syndicalist cases, and to all others in similar circumstances.

The matter of the Sacco and Vanzetti case was gone into. Maurer gave the history of the case and urged support of the nation-wide protest meetings to be held throughout the country, on a united front basis, on March 1. The Chicago meeting was arranged for Emmet Memorial Hall, with Jack Johnstone of the Trade Union Educational League, and Ralph Chaplin of the I. W. W. At other meetings Joseph Ettor and Arturo Giovannitti were speakers. The delegate from the Amalgamated Clothing Workers stated that his union had responded twice to Sacco-Vanzetti financial appeals and urged more detailed publicity on the progress of such cases. Delegate Arnold of the Painters raised the question of the shortness of the time, but it was explained that since these meetings were nation-wide on a set date this could not be changed. All delegates took advertising matter for the meeting with them.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolution on Sacco-Vanzetti Case. Whereas, brothers Sacco and Vanzetti, well known for their activity in the labor movement in Massachusetts, were framed up on charges of murder, on which charges the prosecution is trying to railroad them to their death,

Whereas, labor, thruout the world, has protested against this frame-up and demanded their freedom, and

Whereas, protest mass meetings are being held thruout America on March 1, to demand their release, therefore be it

Resolved, that this conference for Labor Defense and Relief pledge itself to work in every way possible for the release of these working class prisoners, and to support the mass meeting to be held in Chicago at Emmet Memorial Hall on March first.

Irish Famine Action Taken.

Richard Totten, representing the Irish Workers Republican Club, told of famine conditions now threatening the very lives of 750,000 Irish workers and peasants, and of the failure of prominent Irish politicians to adequately aid the starving workers. Secretary Kruse reported on the action taken abroad by various national units of the International Workers Aid, how the Russian, British and other committees were already rushing relief into the famine stricken districts, and of the appeal issued by the American committee, headed by Thos. J. O'Flaherty.

The following resolution was adopted:

Resolution on Irish Famine Relief. Whereas, in Ireland, a famine in food and fuel, brot on by floods and

### BLANKET WEAVERS WALK OUT AGAINST SPEED UP AND LOW WAGE SCALE

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., March 1. —Twenty-five weavers of the Norad mills at Brayville walked out on a strike as a protest against the present scale of wages.

The wage of 60 cents a pair for blankets brings their pay to less than that of unskilled laborers in the same mill. The weavers are also required to run two looms on blanket work which is another point of bitter discussion amongst them. Practically all weavers of this department are out. The plant is better known as the Old North Adams Manufacturing Co.

the ruination of the fishing banks by big British capitalist syndicates, now threatens the very life of 750,000 of our Irish fellow workers and peasants, and

Whereas, for reasons of political expediency, certain Irish ruling politicians have failed to take any adequate action for relief, leaving this duty entirely to the labor press and the labor movement, therefore be it

Resolved, that the Chicago Defense and Relief Council, respond to the need of the Irish workers and farmers, and pledge its financial and moral support to them in all their struggles.

#### Plans of Work.

Various ways and means of enlarging the conference were discussed by practically ever delegate present. Secretary Kruse reported on past activity and outlined the program for the big International Unity Demonstration at Ashland Auditorium on Sunday afternoon, March 29. This is to take the form of a gala Labor Show in which all program members will be given by working class organizations and the artist friends. Thus there will be Finnish and Czech gymnasts, Lithuanian Children's Chorus of 300 voices, a Jugo-Slav Tambourita Band, a Dance pageant and many other numbers. An Irish play, "The Tinker's Wedding" will be presented by the Community players. A prominent Lettish operatic barytone and an Italian basso, as well as a Russian ballet-master and his pupils have volunteered program numbers. The financial proceeds are to benefit the Irish Famine Relief and the Labor Defense.

It was moved that copies of the resolution and proceedings of the conference be sent to all working class organizations in Chicago. A committee of fifteen was elected to carry on the immediate tasks of the conference and another full meeting is to meet subject to the call of the executive committee.

### Klan Plan to Dope Youngsters with Bible Fails Passage in Ohio

By GEORGE PAPCUN, COLUMBUS, Ohio, March 1.—Efforts of the klan to introduce compulsory bible reading in the public schools of Ohio met with defeat in the house of representatives of the Ohio legislature, now in session, when an amendment to the original bill was tabled, which under the rules, tabled the original bill as well.

The klan element in the legislature is up in arms at this defeat of one of their pet measures for keeping the children of the workers under the influence of religious bigotry. The bible-reading bill provided for the reading of at least ten verses of the bible every day, and the memorizing of the ten commandments by pupils above the fourth grade.

In the mining sections of Eastern Ohio, many teachers are acting as recruiting agents for the Sunday schools, insisting that their pupils attend them.

With the intensification of the class struggle, comes an intensification of the weapon of religion as well as of all other weapons, as a means of keeping the workers in subjection. They should fight these efforts all the more because of the especially strong influence wielded by religious superstition and tradition.

The klan without doubt will strain every nerve to pass the bible-reading bill by some means or other, and all workers should protest as individuals and thru their organizations against the passage of any measure to introduce religious propaganda in any form whatsoever into the public schools.

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With March 5th but three days off, the proposition of completing the 1925 insurance drive for the DAILY WORKER becomes a doubtful one. Not half the necessary amount is at hand. With \$672.50 coming in over the week-end, the total is only \$21,272.49.

The last spike is being driven home slowly. Altogether, but 3,992.50 dollar blows have been struck.

The Detroit, Mich., English branch stands as a model for other Workers Party branches, having completed Sunday its self-imposed quota of \$500.00. As this branch has only 75 members, this means that the average contributed is nearly \$7.00.

Remittances must be received from other branches before March 3, Tuesday, if a creditable record for the campaign's close is to appear in the DAILY WORKER March 5th issue, the special COMINTERN EDITION.

# FEMALE PLUTE SEES 'MOSCOW' IN CHILD LAW

## Big Capitalists Lead the Opposing Chorus

ALBANY, March 1.—A charge that the proposed child labor amendment to the federal constitution "comes straight from Moscow where it had its inception" was made by Mrs. Edgar S. Shumway, representing the Brooklyn Women's club, at a hearing on the amendment before the senate and assembly judiciary committee.

Mrs. Shumway has hysterics. "This amendment was known of in Soviet Russia before it ever was heard of in the United States," Mrs. Shumway said. "It is nothing but a move to nationalize the children of America."

Russell R. Whitman, representing the New York State chamber of commerce declared that "Every extreme radical and red in the country is loyally behind this amendment."

The arguments lasted for four hours. A majority of those who spoke were women, the advocates stressing the fact that both the republican and democratic platforms pledged the parties to ratify the amendment.

Another Indignant Opponent. William McCarroll, representing the New York city board of trade and transportation, introduced the speakers in opposition to the amendment. He characterized the proposal as "an indictment of parenthood" and "an insult to every parent and child."

# Strike of Brownsville Laundry Drivers Gets Victories for Union

NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—The strike of the Brownsville laundry drivers is forcing the bosses one after the other to sign up with the union, the last two being the Stadium and the Hinsdale laundries, which have deserted the owners' association in face of what they consider a losing fight with the union.

William Berman, who was brutally beaten by thugs under the direction of Dorfman, the president of the owners' association, is still in the hospital and not able to attend the mass-meeting to be held tonight when the question of general strike will be settled. The bosses are shivering in their boots as they await the decision of this meeting.

Doctors at the hospital declare that Berman will not be able to get out for five weeks at least and may not get well at all. In the meantime the union is keen on winning the strike and the entire membership is lined up solidly.

The Erasmus and the Cleveland laundries are still closed, no attempt being made by the bosses to use scabs, fearing that patronage would be withdrawn permanently if scabs were used during the strike.

## A Special Meeting

of the IRVING PARK BRANCH will be held MONDAY, MARCH 2, 8 P. M. Very important business. Every member should attend.

# The Workers Party in Action

## PARIS COMMUNE PAGEANT FOR COMMUNIST PRESS TO BRING NEW DAILY WORKER READERS

By CHARLES KRUMBEIN.

NEW YORK, March 1.—If you knew that the Workers Party is having a Paris Commune Pageant, March 15, at Madison Square Garden, for the benefit of the Communist press, you would want to help, wouldn't you? If you were told further that a "Paris Commune" one-act spectacle, wherein the entire audience participates, has been arranged for you, you would be interested. If, besides that there will be folk dances by the different language groups in native costume, a gymnastic exhibition, the Freiheit Singing Society, a one hundred piece orchestra, but that is not all.

Admission to the affair is free; all you have to do is sell five subscription tickets. Each ticket entitles purchaser to one month's DAILY WORKER, or actually every purchaser also gets free admission to the Garden.

Free Trip to Convention. Further, a free trip to the next national convention of the Workers Party will be given to the comrade selling the greatest number of subscription tickets. Two \$100 radio sets are to be given free, one to the branch selling the biggest number of tickets, and one to the branch selling the biggest number in proportion to its membership. Is this not a worth while prize to keep in your branch especially when you get it for helping your own paper? There are a number of other prizes which you will read about in the press.

Remember, the profit from the affair will be divided amongst the papers in proportion to the tickets sold by the respective language sections. The more tickets you sell the more profit for your language paper. There is room for 15,000 in the Garden; 15,000 tickets sold means 15,000 new readers for the DAILY WORKER.

We are sure that you readily realize the importance of gaining 15,000 new subscribers for the DAILY WORKER, while at the same time helping all the other party papers. Get the liveliest comrade on the job; forward his name and address to us at once. THE CONTEST ENDS MARCH 15, at 9 P. M. Subscription tickets paid for up to and including March 14, count half point extra.

## SOVIET REPUBLICS PREPARE FOR PARIS ART EXHIBITION

MOSCOW, March 1.—It is reported that the departments concerned are busily engaged in preparing the participation of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics in the international exhibition of decorative and industrial arts to be held in Paris this year, April to October. The special Soviet pavilion will occupy an area of some 325 square meters, and besides that the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics will be prominently represented in the main building and the various art galleries of the exhibition. The committee in charge of all the preparatory work is under the chairmanship of Comrade O. D. Kameneva, the well-known Soviet woman leader in this branch of activities.

## WORKERS AND PEASANTS OF SOVIET RUSSIA GIVE AID TO CHINESE MASSES

(By Rosta News Agency)

MOSCOW, Feb. 6.—(By Mail.)—In a letter to the editor of the Izvestia, Li Chia-ao, Chinese representative at Moscow, extends his thanks to the promoters of the big concert recently arranged in aid of the Chinese inundation relief fund. The affair was a big success, and several thousand rubles were collected.

MOSCOW, Feb. 6.—(By Mail.)—It is reported that the "Hands off China!" society actually numbers over three million members throughout the Union of Socialist Soviet Russia. The society is mainly engaged in popularizing questions of political, social and cultural life of modern China.

## North Side Branch to Hear Lecture

Tom Bell, local secretary of the Trade Union Educational League will speak tonight at the North Side branch meeting of the Workers Party at Imperial Hall, corner Halsted and Fullerton Ave.

The subject of his lecture will be "The Communists in the Trade Unions" and it should prove one of the most interesting of the year. A discussion will follow and no charge is made for admission. All workers are invited.

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## ALL NATIONS TO CELEBRATE NEW YORK WORKERS PARTY FESTIVAL

NEW YORK, Mar. 1.—A good proof of unity in our party is the interest shown in the Spring Festival and Dance that is to be given at the Harlem English branch of the Workers Party, Local New York on Saturday evening, March 21, at the Harlem Casino, 116 Street and Lenox Avenue. Comrades of all nationalities and languages are preparing to come in order to make it a real international affair. There will even be Japanese there. All parts of the globe will be represented.

### Real Proletarian Affair

In order to make it a real proletarian affair the price has been made low enough to be within the reach of the lowest paid worker. The admission price is only fifty cents, including wardrobe. To make sure that you will be there get your tickets now, as they are selling out fast. A limited number of tickets have been printed. Buy your tickets when they are sold at the branches.

### GALA MOVIE SHOW IN MILWAUKEE.

All Usual Trimmings—But in Red.

The showing of "The Beauty and the Bolshevik" at the Pabst Theater next Saturday, March 7, will be a proud and happy occasion for the workers of Milwaukee. The theater is one of the finest in the city and the committee in charge has been studying the best presentation methods of the leading theaters and is translating them into working class terms. In the place of the stiffly starched mannikin ushers by which cunning showmen try to give their patrons the illusion of superiority, there will be friendly young workers to guide the audience to their seats. Of course, there will be costumes—but they will be on the order of Red army uniforms.

The able and energetic committee in charge has left nothing undone to assure a crowd. Thousands of invitations have been mailed to sympathizers and to the school teachers who have on past occasions shown their great interest in educational pictures of Russia. Placards are being displayed on the street cars and hundreds of posters are being put up. The measure of success is usually in direct proportion to the hard work put into the arrangements. On this basis the Milwaukee show should be very successful indeed.

## Oklahoma Town Demands Work for All Jobless

PICHER, Okla., March 1.—Seven hundred persons in this town have signed petitions demanding that congress guarantee to all the right to work for six hours a day at wages of \$6.00 a day. The petition reads: "We, the undersigned, petition congress for an amendment to the constitution which guarantees work to all who apply for a six hour day, a thirty hour week; to wages of adults to be not less than \$6.00 per day. "We petition congress for an amendment to the constitution which guarantees work to all who apply for it."

## "ANISE" SPEAKS ON SOVIETS IN CLEVELAND MEET

### Just Returned from 3 Years in Russia

CLEVELAND, March 1.—Cleveland workers will have a splendid opportunity to hear a first hand description of conditions in Soviet Russia as seen by an American newspaper correspondent, when Anna Louise Strong, who writes under the name of "Anise" for the Federated Press and the DAILY WORKER, speaks at a mass meeting to be held at the Engineers Auditorium, Wednesday, March 4.

Comrade Strong spent three and a half years in Russia as a famine relief worker and newspaper correspondent, travelling thruout the country and visiting all the principal industrial and agricultural districts.

Studied Trade Unions. Her observations centered mainly on the trade union and cultural organizations of the workers and the care and development of the workers' children. The latter subject is especially interesting and timely in view of the many lies and slanders which have been printed in the capitalist newspapers of this country, purporting to be a true description of the treatment accorded the hundreds of thousands of children who were left homeless orphans thru the merciless blockade intervention and famine.

Nails Lies of Kept Press. Children's colonies and children's homes are new and strange to most American workers who should eagerly grasp the opportunity of learning something about this tangible evidence of the progress and development of the Soviet Republic of Russia. The meeting, which is under the auspices of the Workers (Communist) Party, will be held at the Engineers' Auditorium, Ontario and St. Clair Sts., Wednesday, March 4, at 8 p. m. Admission will be twenty-five cents.

## Use "Moral" Bluff to Put Over Law Against Radical Literature

ALBANY, N. Y., March 1.—The clean books bill, giving sweeping powers to courts to take books off the market for alleged offenses against public morals, seems doomed to defeat because it would interfere with the business interests of publishing houses.

This measure is sponsored by Senator Love of Brooklyn. It is pointed out that the bill would undoubtedly be used to stop publication of books crossing conventional lines on other things than sex. Books dealing with advanced social and economic theories would be subjected to censorship at the whim of judges, district attorneys and petit juries.

Senator Love, in his final argument before the committee admitted that the numerous books he wanted to present as evidence of the need for censorship had not been found to violate existing obscenity statutes. His proposed bill, he urged, would enable more drastic censorship than that now possible.

## BEAUTY INVADES STEEL TOWN. Gary Shows Russian Film March 3

The hard pressed workers of the steel mills of Gary, Ind., will have a chance to see the first great Russian feature film made in co-operation with the Red army, when "Beauty and Bolshevik" picture is shown at the Eagle Theater, this Tuesday, March 3.

In order that workers on both night and day shifts can see the film it will be run continuously from noon until midnight.

Arden Open Forum Meeting. ARDEN, Delaware, March 1.—H. M. Wicks, of New York, spoke here before the Arden open forum on "The Political Situation in the United States."

He traced the development of the political parties in this country and pointed out how all attacks on the labor movement were preceded by attacks on labor's most militant, revolutionary wing.

He also stressed the importance of prompt assistance to the Labor Defense Council on behalf of the Communists arrested in Michigan.

Does your friend subscribe to the DAILY WORKER? Ask him!

## KENOSHA, WISC., LABOR SEES "POLIKUSHKA" AND APPLAUDS IT

Several hundred people applauded the movies "Polikushka," and "In Memoriam—Lenin" when the pictures were shown Saturday night at Kenosha, Wis. The crowd was not as big as expected thanks to a misunderstanding, but a fairly good crowd attended the three showings. Short talks were made in Russian and in English on the present situation in Soviet Russia and the Communist press. Many copies of the DAILY WORKER, the Tribuna Rabotnicza and the Novy Mir were sold. The last paper was sold out before the second show ended, as most of the crowd was Russian. The profits of the show will be divided between the International Workers' Aid and the Russian Communist daily, Novy Mir.

## Objections to Fire Traps Called Absurd by New School Head

Before construction of the eight proposed school buildings proceeds, the necessary changes that are required by the city building department will be made. The stairway walls will be thickened and more doors will be put in the assembly rooms and gymnasiums, the doors to lead directly to the street exists.

Miss Grace Temple, the new vice-president of the school board, showed her colors when she refused to discuss the building plans further than to say the objections of the building department were "perfectly absurd." The school architect, however, admitted that the former building plans were fire traps and said the changes would be made.

## N. Y. Legislature Discusses Woman and Child Labor

ALBANY, N. Y., March 1.—Shorter hours for women and children has been the leading issue before the legislative body for the last few weeks.

Laws for the 44-hour, week for women and children, for the 48-hour week for workers of both sexes, for the 48-hour week with certain industries exempted, and for the regulation of hours by state authority have been sharply debated in committees.

## REGIMENT OF LOBBYISTS FIGHTS MOVE FOR WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION

ST. LOUIS, March 1.—The abundant cash of the anti-union associated industries, which keeps Missouri the only industrial state without workmen's compensation hits John Hammer, a concrete laborer, hard. Hammer's back is sprained by an industrial accident.

He has six undernourished children, a wife dying of tuberculosis, and 95 cents in cash. His only recourse is a damage suit and the usual farcical outcome of such proceedings offer no hope to victims of injury. The generosity of their grocer has kept the family from starving, but with the bill now in three figures, this cannot last.

Winter wind whistles thru the two-room shack. A small stove furnishes heat. A caller found an almost empty coal bin and no food in the house.

Union labor is working for a compensation measure in the present session, but the associated industries has a regiment of lobbyists on the job.

## Attention, Milwaukee!

On Monday, March 2, there will be an important meeting of all DAILY WORKER branch agents and all live-wires who wish to help in this most important party work.

Don't fail to attend this meeting and all following meetings of the DAILY WORKER branch agents which will be held on every first and third Mondays of each month.



Dear Russian Comrades: We, the American comrades, are sending our warmest greetings to you! We hope that some day we will also succeed in the same way as you have. Here in America it is pretty hard for us, children of the working class, because most of us must work in the factories before we are old enough to get an education. The time we should be spending in school we have to work in the factories of our greedy capitalists. In America the capitalists make children work because they are cheaper while their parents walk the streets without any work to do. That is why we wish to succeed in the same way as you did. We wish to make America equal to all children so that we will all get the same education, and destroy child labor. With heartiest good wishes, The American Young Leninists.

## Massachusetts to Force Arbitration on Paper Workers

(Special to The Daily Worker) HOLYOKE, Mass., March 1.—The state minimum wage commission has given notice that it proposes to establish a wage board for stationery manufacturers and asks the paper mill owners to nominate members for the board.

The board is to consist of seven members, a chairman appointed by the commission, three representatives of the employers and three of the employees. If the required nominations are not made the board has power to fill the vacancies. Local concerns who will be affected are the White & Wyckoff Co., Whiting & Cook, Inc., Highland Mfg Co., and the Eureka Blank Book Co.

Organize Nucleus at Orient. ORIENT, Ill., March 1.—Shop nucleus No. 2 of Orient has just been organized. It is a unit made up of coal miners who can be expected to be on the job on all issues. They are getting ready to take up the Sacco-Vanzetti resolution at the next local union meeting.

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# DEFENSE BODY HOLDS CONFAB IN CLEVELAND

## Many Unions Follow Communists' Lead

CLEVELAND, Ohio, March 1.—The next meeting of the Sacco-Vanzetti Defense conference will be held on March 6, at the Labor Temple, 2536 Euclid Ave., to hear the report of the March 1 demonstration, and discuss the future of the conference. At the last meeting of the conference, it was pointed out that not only will it be necessary to keep up agitation until Sacco and Vanzetti are released, but there are also many other cases of a similar nature which must be fought thru by labor, such as the Tom Mooney case; the numerous I. W. W. persecutions; the Michigan cases involving Wm. Z. Foster, C. E. Ruthenberg and many other Communists; the attempt to revoke the citizenship papers of A. V. Severing of Cleveland, for his political beliefs. There is also the life sentence meted out to Dominick Venturato, because of the killing of a scab at New Lafferty, O., in the 1922 coal strike, and which those workers familiar with the situation are thoroughly convinced that Venturato is innocent of. The sentiment among the delegates was that something should develop out of this conference and the mass meeting, to assist in the general defense of labor against persecutions by the capitalist courts.

More Unions Assist.

The conference when first organized issued a call to the unions to affiliate if they had not already done so upon the original invitation by the Workers Party, and as the various organizations act upon this call, more affiliations are being secured, and the March 6 conference will show quite a few in addition to those already secured.

# Vermont Loggers Work from Dawn Till Dark

NORTH ADAMS, Mass., March 1.—Loggers employed by the Housoutte Lumber company at Hartwellville, Vt., are working from daylight until dark in the nearby mountains in an effort to get out 80,000 logs which have been cut and bring them to the mill before the snow is gone and the wood has to be left where it is out.

Camp No. 1 at present has 35 men staying there at all times and last Sunday all to beat the sun which carried away the heavy snowfall of the past month. Choppers have been haled and extra teams hired to carry the logs over the wood roads which are from two to four inches deep with a hard bottom.

Give your shopmate this copy of the DAILY WORKER—but be sure to see him the next day to get his subscription.

# AMERICAN FINANCE ALLIED TO GERMAN BIG CAPITAL IN PLOT TO BEAT DOWN WORLD LABOR

By LELAND OLDS (Federated Press Industrial Editor)

Who rules Germany today? The great capitalists who control the basic industries, answers the Annalist, financial organ of the New York Times. Under the head Heavy Industry in the Saddle it says: Big Capital Owns Government.

"Heavy industry has become a state within a state. The power behind the scenes of the heavy industry magnates is enormous. They have so far run Germany's side of the commercial treaty negotiations in Paris. They threaten to upset Chancellor Luther if he refuses to recognize their pact with the German nationalists under which the latter agrarian group supports iron duties while heavy industry supports food duties.

"They have compelled the government to promise compensation for losses of iron, steel and coal during the Ruhr occupation. The mass of the local population was getting no compensation for its losses. Why should only the coal and steel magnates be compensated? The answer to this question is that, as events have proved, the coal and steel magnates have the power."

Same the World Over—Except Russia

The Annalist is not simply describing the prevailing condition under capitalist in Germany, but also in England, France, Italy, Japan, the United States and all the industrial nations.

The agreement which German magnates have forced, proclaim that the manufacturers of finished goods would abandon their opposition to heavy industry's demand for a big increase in the iron and steel duties.

This would tend to keep the prices of iron and steel used in Germany well above the world level. In return the heavy industries would create a special fund out of which to pay the manufacturers a bonus equal to the difference between the home and the world market price of all iron and steel used in producing finished goods for export.

To Undersell On World Market.

This agreement will enable German manufacturers to dump cheap finished goods on the world market, underselling the workers of England, France and America. German workers will foot the bill thru paying artificially high prices for what they consume.

American Capital in German Industry

Will American capitalists suffer along with American labor? Certainly their American enterprises will get only part-time employment. But they now have millions invested in Germany. In January they owned \$12,000,000 worth of Thyssen Steel Works bonds.

They are thus financial partners of August Thyssen who led in negotiating the agreement which will enable German industry to undercut American.

They are collaborating with German capital in the game of pitting one group of workers against another to secure cheap labor—this time on a world scale.

# RED CROSS OF RUSSIA FOUNDS NEW DISPENSARY

## Arbeiter Ring Gives \$15,000 for Work

NEW YORK, March 1.—The Russian Red Cross has established a venereal dispensary in the Homel district, where the ravages of the white guard counter-revolutionary armies left this disease in their wake. The statement of the American representative of the Russian Red Cross, D. H. Dubrowsky, concerning the Arbeiter Ring, which donated fifteen thousand dollars for this work, follows:

In view of the statement of the Central Committee of the Arbeiter Ring which appeared in the Yiddish press some time ago, we herewith wish to call to your attention to a communication from the Central Committee of the Russian Red Cross, a photostat copy as well as a translation of which we herewith append. The communication of the Central Committee of the Russian Red Cross speaks for itself.

We wish, nevertheless, to emphasize that the American office of the Russian Red Cross certainly had reasons to believe that the Arbeiter Ring would follow up the first generous contribution of \$15,000, with a campaign for additional moneys to help to support the upkeep of such a hospital. The upkeep alone, it is needless to say, would require tens of thousands of dollars annually.

The Russian Red Cross not seeing its way clear to cover the upkeep of the hospital and not being in a position for the present to undertake the financial responsibility of a successful continuous operation of a hospital and at the same time wishing to comply with the wishes of the members of the Arbeiter Ring who so generously contributed toward such a humanitarian institution and finally decided to open for the time being a venereal dispensary in Homel, bearing the name of the Arbeiter Ring with the ultimate hope in view of enlarging the dispensary when finances permit, into a hospital.

The dispensary, meanwhile, will fill a great need for the numerous hostile invasions and the years of civil strife left a terrible legacy in Homel districts in the form of venereal infections. Persons familiar with conditions in districts subjected to the terror of guerrilla warfare will understand that to the people of Homel this dispensary of the Arbeiter Ring will be a priceless gift.

(Signed) D. Dubrowsky.

The translation of the letter from the Central Committee of the Russian Red Cross, Moscow, telling of the founding of the dispensary states:

To the Representative of the Russian Red Cross in America, Comrade Dubrowsky:

The Central Committee of the Russian Red Cross begs you to inform the Arbeiter Ring of the following:

Taking into consideration that the only donation of the Arbeiter Ring does not allow the Central Committee to provide a more or less continuous functioning of a hospital in Homel and that the Central Committee does not possess the material means to take upon itself fully the upkeep of such a hospital, but at the same time wishing inasmuch as it is possible to fulfill the wishes of the donors, the Central Committee has taken all necessary steps for opening in the city of Homel, a venereal dispensary bearing the name of the Arbeiter Ring.

The Central Committee hopes in the future, when it will be able, to convert the dispensary into a hospital.

But for the time being for the reasons above mentioned, the Central Committee is compelled to limit itself with the opening of a dispensary.

We will provide further detailed reports of the operation of the dispensary.

Chairman of the Central Committee, Russian Red Cross: (Signed) Z. Soloviev. Secretary Central Committee: (Signed) E. Korovin.

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# BUILDERS AT WORK

## Unusual Building Activity in Milwaukee.

### A SUGGESTION TO YOUR C. C. C.

A LETTER just received today from Comrade Shklar of Milwaukee not only shows a local campaign gathering "full steam ahead" but includes so many practical features, that we want all of our readers to note carefully every sentence he writes:

"Dear Comrades: At the time we received your letter it was decided to compel every DAILY WORKER agent to become a subscriber, since we had several cases where the agents were not subscribers themselves. We have followed this up by compelling every city central committee delegate to become a subscriber and now we will go down the line until every member of the party is a subscriber to the party paper. This I believe will not only add greatly to the growth of the party but also will help us in building up a party ideologically unified.

"We expect to go over the top with our quota in the near future and I really believe that you allowed the branches too much time in which to raise it.

"We have in this city a large circle of sympathizers who generally attend our meetings and we intend to assign a certain number of names to every party member to visit for the purpose of securing subscribers to the paper and also to establish connections for the possibility of securing new members.

"IN THIS WAY WE WILL BUILD UP THE PARTY AND THE PAPER AT THE SAME TIME."

Just note the last sentence. These comrades realize fully that to build the party it is essential to "Build the DAILY WORKER." One is part of the other and when every local acts on this truth a growth in both is sure.

When we say that local Milwaukee is ACTING and not simply talking, we should mention the fact that this letter from Comrade Shklar outlining the local plans included 21 new subscriptions that prove unusual "building" activity among the wide-awake Milwaukee Communist BUILDERS.

We suggest that comrades in all locals could read Comrade Shklar's letter to their C. C. C. for action!

# SOVIET PRESS SHOWS ADVANTAGES OF THE RUSSO-JAPANESE TREATY

MOSCOW, Jan 23 (By Mail).—Following the conclusion of the Russo-Japanese treaty in highly appreciative terms, the Soviet press points out to the mutual advantages of this move.

The Pravda writes that a Soviet-Japanese-Chinese rapprochement has a far-reaching importance for the peaceful solution of the Far Eastern questions and the development of Asiatic peoples.

The Izvestia maintains that the agreement reached is the most important for Japan, bearing as it does not only on Japan's immediate economic interests, but on her further political interests, too. The destinies of Japan as a great Pacific power are closely bound with the future developments of Soviet-Japanese "inter-relations." The paper emphasizes that "with a secure Soviet rear, Japan may look upon her western shores as safe in the event of complications in the Pacific."

The Ekonomicheskaya Zizn, a leading organ on economic and financial questions, foresees a certain regrouping of international forces in connection with the restoration of friendly relations between the U. S. S. R. and Japan, more particularly a more speedy solution by America of the issue of full resumption of relations with the Union of Soviet Republics.

Rakovsky States His Views.

MOSCOW, Jan. 24. (By Mail).—The friendly co-operation between the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics, Japan and China will certainly have the most favorable consequences, C. G. Rakovsky, Soviet representative at London, at present in Moscow on a business trip, said to a correspondent of the Izvestia in reference to the Russo-Japanese treaty. At the same time, he pointed out that the conjectures of the European press as to the conclusion of a Soviet-Japanese alliance were unfounded.

Replying to a question regarding the effect the new treaty could have on the relations between the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Britain, Rakovsky stated that he expected "nothing but good results. England ought not nor can she look upon the Soviet-Japanese treaty as directed in any way whatever against her. It is our keen and sincere desire," emphasized the Soviet diplomat, "to have with England relations of peaceful co-operation, for which the necessary basis was created by the now rejected Anglo-Soviet treaty."

Hits Back at Herriot.

Referring to Soviet relations with France, Rakovsky expressed profound astonishment at the protest of Herriot against Rykoff's, the president of the council of people's commissaries, recent statement on the question of debts: "Had it been any French pa-

# DANISH LABOR FACES BATTLE WITH EMPLOYERS

## General Lockout and Strike Loom

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, March 1.—The temporary failure of negotiations between the trade unions and the employers' associations for the renewal of the old agreements, which were coupled to a demand for increased wages, led to the issuance of strike notices on the part of several of the unions. This was countered last night by a lockout notice from the employers.

### Great Battle Coming.

The employers have not yet decided which of the unions will be included in the lockout, but it is believed that Denmark is now confronted by a great labor fight if the present difficulty is not settled at once.

The Copenhagen Typographical union voted last night to reject a new agreement which had been offered. This union will strike on Saturday morning with the result that the Copenhagen newspapers will not appear.

### Conditions Favor Strike.

Today the government arbitrator is taking measures to bring the opposing parties together in an effort to obtain postponement of the strike while fresh negotiations proceed.

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(Statement on the Conference for Progressive Political Action and the role of the socialist party by the Central Executive Committee of Workers (Communist) Party of America.)

The Conference for Progressive Political Action (C. P. P. A.) is dead. It was conceived by its leaders' treachery. It carried on its existence as a servile tool in the hands of middle-class politicians and reactionary labor bureaucrats. It therefore died in disgrace, and no one, except the socialist party, will shed a tear over its death. The class-conscious workers and poor farmers of America will sigh a breath of relief, and will say: The C. P. P. A. is dead—Long live the Workers (Communist) Party of America.

The C. P. P. A. came into existence some three years ago because of pressure from below. It was the urge and the demand of the rank and file in the labor movement that compelled the reactionary bureaucracy of the railroad and other unions to form an organization for joint political action. The workers demanded effective political action against the growing power of oppression of the capitalist government, and the reactionary labor bureaucrats pretended to be in agreement with this demand of the workers. Hence the formation of the C. P. P. A.

But this demand of the workers for real political struggle against the capitalists was never satisfied. From its very inception, the C. P. P. A. was nothing else than a new, camouflaged edition of the old Gompers policy of non-partisan politics. The C. P. P. A. having inscribed on its yellow banner the discredited Gompers motto of rewarding friends and punishing your enemies, soon became the tail end of a group of petty bourgeois politicians led by Senator LaFollette. Instead of leading the workers to struggle and achievement, the C. P. P. A. became an instrument in the hands of these middle-class politicians and reactionary labor bureaucrats for hampering and obstructing every genuine move on the part of the rank and file for independent political action. The American working class will forget the fact that it was with the help of the C. P. P. A. that LaFollette and Gompers succeeded in destroying the farmer-labor movement in the months preceding the last presidential elections.

The net results of the activities of the C. P. P. A. are merely these: It enabled LaFollette and the reactionary labor bureaucrats to play middle-class politics at the expense of the workers and poor farmers. It prevented in a large measure the crystallization of a genuine movement of workers and poor farmers for independent political action against the capitalists. Thus the C. P. P. A. has performed a great service to the capitalists of the United States.

Now the C. P. P. A. is no longer in existence. It came to an end on February 22, 1925, because neither LaFollette nor the reactionary labor bureaucracy had any further use for it. The reactionary chiefs of the railroad unions decided to keep aloof from the third party movement and to resume the old game of playing politics with any capitalist politician that might be serviceable for the moment. Hence their withdrawal from the C. P. P. A. and its subsequent death.

The second meeting of these so-called progressives, held after the sine die adjournment of the C. P. P. A., went on record in favor of a new party based not on organizations but on individuals. The LaFollette crowd and the second-rate bureaucrats of the railroad unions have proven by this decision that they are morally afraid of organized labor's influence within the third party movement.

In other words, these middle-class politicians and labor reactionaries are perfectly willing to be supported by labor, but not directed or controlled.

On the eve of this last meeting of the C. P. P. A. the Workers (Communist) Party of America again spoke to the workers and poor farmers of the United States on the nature and prospects of the C. P. P. A. and the LaFollette movement. We said: Nothing that is of any benefit to the toiling masses can result out of this combination. We maintained during the last three years that the C. P. P. A. is serving the interests of the capitalists—big and small—and not the interests of the workers. We strenuously opposed the false contention of the socialist party that out of the C. P. P. A. there will rise a political party of workers, a labor party. We branded the alliance of the socialist party with the C. P. P. A. and LaFollette in the last elections as black betrayal of the working class because we know that this combination is just as hostile to the interests of the workers and poor farmers as are the parties of big capital, the republican and democratic parties.

Now when the socialist party, thru no fault or virtue of its own, finds itself outside of the third party movement, it is again raising its voice in favor of working class independent political action.

Hillquit and his friends, having been kicked out of the renovated LaFollette-Johnston combination, are again talking about labor parties. But the workers will not believe them. The class-conscious workers and poor farmers have not forgotten yet that it was the socialist party in alliance with the C. P. P. A. that assisted LaFollette and Gompers to fight and destroy the young farmer-labor movement that was struggling towards national crystallization during the years of 1922-1924. *The socialist party cannot be trusted. It has betrayed the toiling masses many times in the past. It will betray them also in the future.*

The Workers (Communist) Party of America calls upon the workers and poor farmers to learn their lesson from the long list of betrayals of the C. P. P. A. which culminated in its disgraceful death. The lesson to be learned is the following: Do not entrust your interests to the middle-class politicians and reactionary labor bureaucrats. Rely upon your own organized struggles on the economic and political field against the capitalists and their government. Join the ranks and follow the lead of a real working class political party that fights uncompromisingly for the overthrow of the rule of capital and for the establishment in the United States of a workers' and farmers' government.

The C. P. P. A. is dead.  
Long live the class struggle!  
Long live the united front of labor against the united front of capital!  
Long live the Workers (Communist) Party of America!

Workers (Communist) Party of America.  
William Z. Foster, Chairman.  
C. E. Ruthenberg, Executive Secretary.

## Sacco and Vanzetti

The Sacco-Vanzetti case is uppermost today in the minds of hundreds of thousands of workers. The state of Massachusetts and the capitalists that own it, their judges, prosecutors and perjured witnesses, have not abated their efforts to railroad these militant workers to the electric chair for a crime they did not commit.

If Sacco and Vanzetti escape death at the hands of the state's hired murderers, they face the living death of life imprisonment. Tom Mooney is buried in San Quentin altho the world knows that he is innocent and Massachusetts capitalism may prefer to intern Sacco and Vanzetti in its dungeons and hope that the working will forget them.

They must not be allowed to wear a mask of mercy while carrying out this devilish scheme. To the millions of workers who already know what American capitalist justice means for our class must be added more millions until not one worker is able to say that he does not know that in the United States two members of his class are being tortured to death for loyalty to the workers.

Capitalism does not want the working class to know the full measure of its hatred of those workers who challenge it.

Let the workers know what vengeance capitalism exacts for opposition to its rule and organize for freedom from persecutions of individual workers and the overthrow of a system that lives by oppression of the whole working class.

## The Street Cleaners' Settlement

The street cleaners' strike is "settled." The streets of Chicago will be cleaned again and as for the rank and file of the union they have already been given the vacuum treatment.

The mass of the union membership will receive the huge increase of 15 cents per day while foremen will get four times this amount.

The settlement has most of the earmarks of the dealing with city hall officials and general neglect of the interest of the union membership that has many times disgraced the Chicago labor movement.

Many Chicago business agents simply use their unions as a basis of power in corrupt political circles. Whatever the membership gets as a result of a strike like that of the street cleaners is usually only a percentage of the loot extracted by the business agent.

There have been revolts against these crooked practices from time to time, but the graft in Chicago is so rich that so far the only changes that have been made are the personnel of the clique that gets the boodle.

The dozens of unions into which the Chicago labor movement is divided, the huge sums dispensed by the capitalist political machines, make it possible for each business agent to have a little satrapy of his own by which he forces payment of tribute and on which he also levies tribute.

There will be no real progress in the Chicago labor movement until the left wing, composed of sincere and honestly militant workers, cleans out this Augean stable and sends the filthy crew of Chicago labor fakers down the river with the rest of the garbage.

Communism again broke into the fight for child labor in New York the other day. When one of the speakers ardently advocated the abolition of child labor before the woman's civic club, one of the flashily dressed women jumped to her feet and yelled: "Forty-five minutes for Communism and one minute for Americanism." The discussion of poetry and the arrival of refreshments restored order.

Coolidge will kiss his father's bible as part of the inauguration ceremonies on Wednesday. That means the beginning of four more years during which he will obediently kiss the feet of the Wall Street rulers of America.

Join in the distribution of a bundle of that Special Edition, out Thursday, celebrating the sixth anniversary of the Communist International. Send in that new "sub" today!

# The Administration Party Is Not the Union

By EARL R. BROWDER.

IF the group of officials of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers (or any other union) who make up what we call "the administration party" stand for the class struggle, fight for the interests of the working class and against the employers at all times, and always conduct the struggle without surrender or compromise—then there is no need for a left wing. Then the administration party is identical with the best interests of the union.

BUT if the administration adopts a line of surrender, of class collaboration, of repression against the rank and file coupled with close relations with employers—then the administration party has interests that are opposed to the interests of the union. Then in order to fight for the best interests of the union it is necessary to fight against the class collaboration policies of the officials.

WHY is it necessary to repeat such a simple, ABC proposition? Because there are still some confused comrades, who really believe that a left wing is necessary, but who yet think they believe, at the same time that loyalty to the union means obedience to the dictates of the administration party. They think that when Samuel Levin or Sidney Hillman calls upon them to sign a statement against the left wing or any section of it that Levin or Hillman is the union and they must obey. This is a silly proposition; in some cases it is used to cover up a surrender to the reaction, while in others it is merely lack of understanding.

LOYALTY to the union is a great principle. It is the very basis of the left wing. But loyalty to the union must be understood as loyalty to the class struggle, not to the men in office.

WHEN an election is on, and the administration party, standing for class collaboration, wants to break up the left wing, which stands for class struggle, and therefore commands members of the left wing to issue a statement against the left wing—to obey such a command under such a circumstance is not loyalty to the union. If the left wing is really a left wing, fighting for the principles of the class struggle against class collaboration, then a blow against the left wing is a blow against the union, and obedience to the administration is treason to the union.

WE have a case in point in the Local 5 situation in New York. The executive board of that local demanded the reinstatement of two members fired from a shop. When this was refused the executive board of the local itself went on the picket line to force the reinstatement. They won. But the higher officials, altho they did not dare come out against the reinstatement and even claimed that it was they who got the men back to work, suspended and expelled the men who fought for the protection of the members of the union. In order to be loyal to the union, the members of Local 5 had to struggle against the higher officials, who demanded submission.

THERE are times when loyalty to the union demands obedience to orders from whoever is in office. Such times are when the union is acting against the employing class, when a strike is called, when a big wage movement is under way, whenever the working class is engaged in struggle against the exploiters. Solidarity for the struggle is a first principle of every true left wing group. But that principle cannot be carried over to demand solidarity of treason, solidarity of surrender, solidarity in support of

policies which mean death and disaster to the union.

THOSE very men in the A. C. W. who today demand from the left wing submission to class collaboration in the name of loyalty to the union, themselves gained what standing they have in the clothing industry in the struggle against "loyalty" to the traitorous unionism of Rickert and the United Garment Workers. Under pressure from the fighting rank and file they went so far in loyalty to the garment workers that they split away from Rickert and the A. F. of L. And every union man who values real unionism more than red tape applauds the glorious days which saw the birth of the A. C. W. of A. At that time loyalty to the union meant struggle against the administration party.

THOSE were the days when there was born what has been called "the Amalgamated spirit." It was a spirit of struggle against capitalism and against treachery and class collaboration within the union. If it meant anything at all it meant the spirit of the revolutionary proletariat.

BUT the officialdom that rose to power out of the heroic days of the foundation of the A. C. W. of A. have themselves surrendered to the policies of class collaboration. They are making every possible effort to wipe out the differences between themselves and Rickert. It is no accident that during the election campaign Sidney Hillman sat upon the same committee for the support of LaFollette upon which sat Rickert himself. Today the principal difference between them is that Rickert is still a stupid and open reactionary, while Hillman is a clever and camouflaged one.

WE have an illuminating bit of evidence of the length to which the A. C. W. administration party

has travelled the road to reaction, in an editorial in Justice, official organ of Sigman, Perlstein, Yanofsky & Co., issue of Feb. 20. It says:

"We are rejoicing, indeed, to see that the Amalgamated had chosen... and is now marching in step with the entire labor movement." "The entire labor movement" means Sigman, Gompers, Rickert. And it is true that the Hillman administration is exerting every effort to get in step with Rickert, with the Gompers' bureaucracy, with the class collaborationists of the entire labor movement.

LOYALTY to the union, loyalty to the class struggle, today means what it did in 1914 and 1916. It means a relentless struggle against surrender to the employers; it means the crystallization of the healthy proletarian forces within the union into a left wing with a real program of class struggle; it means to fight against the policies of Rickert, of Gompers, which are rapidly becoming the policies of the Hillman administration.

THE revolutionary traditions of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers must be rescued and carried on by the organized left wing forces within the union. For the struggle against the employers, for higher wages, for a fighting union, for working class political action, for amalgamation of the divided unions into one great industrial union, for support of Soviet Russia, for the class struggle, for international solidarity with the revolutionary workers of the world—these are the things that demand loyalty from the awakening rank and file of the garment workers.

It is loyalty to these principles, and carrying them into action, that constitutes the only true loyalty to the union and the only true "Amalgamated spirit."

## RED BAITERS COMPELLED TO RETRACT LIE

### Hibben Drops Libel Suit for Apology

NEW YORK, March 1.—Following Captain Paxton Hibben's re-commissioning in the reserve corps of the army and the implied vindication of him from charges of holding beliefs favorable to enemies of the United States government" the Boston Transcript has printed a retraction of its savage attacks upon Hibben.

One Lie Among Many  
In R. M. Whitney's infamous series entitled: "Reds in America," published by the Transcript in October 1922, Hibben was pictured as an arch-conspirator, secret representative of the Communist International in the U. S. and an international spy.

Hibben actually was engaged in relief work for starving Russian children and because he has consistently favored recognition of Russia by this country has been subject to abuse and persecution, including an army inquiry into his fitness to hold his commission.

Swaps \$100,000 Suit For Pedigree  
Hibben now withdraws his \$100,000 libel suit against the Transcript. Hibben accepts the Transcript statement that he is a fine fellow against whose personal character nothing can be said and who is "always shown as having been exceedingly loyal."

John Haynes Holmes forced immediate retraction from the Transcript by threat of libel action in 1922 but Hibben's case was delayed until Sec'y. of War Weeks, a close friend of the Transcript owners, could start military proceedings designed to injure Hibben's chances.

Doekmen Injured by Acid.  
NEW YORK, N. Y., March 1.—Sixteen men were overcome by fumes from a broken drum of acid in the hold of the Clyde Line steamer Lenape being loaded at a North river pier. The men were taken to a hospital, where two are reported in a critical condition.

## FIGHT CRIMINAL SYNDICALISM LAWS

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Communists they defend their own interests. He pointed out the hypocrisy, falsehoods that are being perpetrated upon the workers and their children.

Schneidermann Speaks for Y. W. L.  
Comrade Schneidermann, secretary of the Labor Defense Council, also spoke on behalf of the Young Workers' League, among other things, he said, "The youth fears no wars, no uprisings, nor prisons."

"No force can resist the trend of the times, and at the present the youth is patriotic for revolution instead of war. We are tired of fighting for the human race, we are ready to fight for our class—the working class, persecution cannot suppress those who dare to stand by the truth."

How Police Celebrated.  
Reverend Robert Whitaker then spoke. He started out "Today, Washington's birthday, in Los Angeles was celebrated by the police by dragging Leo Gallagher by force from a platform."

"The meeting was being conducted by Rev. Whitaker and Rev. C. J. Taft (both prominent figures of the Civil Liberties Union) at the Public Plaza. Gallagher was speaking to a crowd of unemployed and homeless workers when an officer of the law grabbed him charging him with inciting a riot."

"The real reason why Gallagher was arrested was because he dared to defend the I. W. W. on different occasions. At the same time ten others were arrested. This is the way Los Angeles police celebrated George Washington's birthday."

Mother Bloor's Speech.  
The last speaker was Mother Bloor. Her speech was loudly cheered. "When I came here," she said, "I was told that the chamber of commerce and other capitalist organizations, such as the American legion, etc., are boasting that Los Angeles is the white spot of America. I came to help to make the white spot 'red.' Comrades," she continued, "I am calling your attention to the fact that in the state of California there are more political prisoners than in all the states combined."

"Some of you say that you are tired already, and you feel like retiring, but I say to those, don't say you are tired, we have just started our work. I am not tired, I would go tomorrow to prison to take the place of our comrades, Foster and Ruthenberg, for they are not tired, they fight earnestly, and sincerely, not only the capitalist reactionary class, but all the black forces of capitalism, and that is the reason why the capitalists raise the cry of the 'Red menace.'"

## International Workers' Aid Active in Germany

BERLIN, (By Mail)—At a meeting of the enlarged German central committee of the International Workers' Aid recently held in Berlin, the work of organization was gone into in detail.

The chairman reported that special help had been extended to 36,000 locked-out workers and their children over the Christmas holidays. He commented enthusiastically on the constant growth of membership of the I. W. A., the only non-party organization in Germany, where members of differing political views are working together for a common end. This proves, he said, that such an organization is not only a necessity, but that it is a possibility as well.

## To Create German Children's Homes

One of the first tasks to which the committee devoted itself was the raising of funds for the establishment of a children's home in Grossenhayn, Saxony. The district committees of Berlin-Brandenburg, Saxony, Turingia, and Lausitz, were obligated to collect money needed in their districts. The committees for the Rhineland and Ruhr were put in charge of the home to be opened at Romscheid. A motion to name this new home the "Clara Zetkin Home" was carried unanimously.

## Junior Young Workers Hold City Convention at the Soviet School

The city convention of the Junior Young Workers League of Chicago was held yesterday at the Soviet School, 1902 W. Division Street. It was opened at 3 P. M. The roll call has shown 22 delegates present, one delegate of the National Executive Committee of the Y. W. L., one fraternal delegate from the Workers Party and one from the Young Workers League of Chicago.

Albert Glatzky, age 13, was elected chairman, Philip Boyer, age 12, assistant chairman, Jessie Harris, age 14, secretary and Babe Cohn, age 11, assistant secretary.

Comrade Sam Hammersmark greeted the convention in the name of the Workers Party.

Comrade Sydney Borgeson of the N. E. C. in his report stated that according to information from the Young Communist International the Juniors of the United States have the second place in the movement of the Communist children, with the Russian comrades holding the first position. This statement was greeted with an outburst of applause from the delegates and the many visitors, children and adults that crowded the Soviet School.

A detailed report about the convention will be given in the next issue as the report came in about closing time.

## Help Insure THE DAILY WORKER for 1925!

Work within the factories and trade unions, whence most of the German I. W. A. membership is drawn was taken up in detail. A resolution greeting the efforts of the Anglo-Russian unity committee was carried. The agitation for the realization of rights conferred by the social-welfare legislation was supported and efforts will be made to get direct representation of the I. W. A. of these committee of action. During the month of March every I. W. A. member in Germany is expected to enlist a new fellow member. The meeting closed with three cheers for international solidarity of the working class.

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