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FRENCH CRISIS MAY BE MORGAN-DAWES PLAN AND SPOIL PLANS FOR DEBT COLLECTING

(Special to The Daily Worker)

WASHINGTON, April 12.—No matter who is selected to succeed the fallen premier, Herriot, it is felt here that the danger to the continued operation of the Morgan-Dawes plan will remain.

Administration circles are timidly admitting that no matter what government succeeds Herriot's rule, the chances are not good for the collection of the \$7,000,000,000.00 owing to the United States by European powers.

The Morgan-Dawes scheme was planned to collect reparations from Germany so that "the victorious nations" could pay their debts to the United States, more especially to Morgan and his friends in Wall Street, rather than to the government at Washington.

Sees Reparation Stopped

Any interruption of the collection of reparations from Germany under this system, it is realized, would interfere seriously with collection of the \$7,000,000,000 owed to the United States by European powers. This interference would come just as this government is planning to press anew for settlement.

The pessimistic view entertained here with regard to debt adjustment was heightened by the belief that Herriot's successor, whoever he may be, will be of strong nationalistic tendencies, and this school of French thought, headed by ex-Premier Poincare, has always been more or less openly antagonistic to funding negotiations.

HERE is where the surprise came in. Many workers cannot understand what class collaboration means, but when they see socialists and a traction trust battling side by side they begin to develop a suspicion that there is something wrong. The Milwaukee Leader evidently heard the murmurs of surprise and attempts to lay the ghost with the following editorial comment: "Some folks may think it strange that socialists should be on the side of peace with the company. A good many people think we socialists like fighting so well that we do not want peace. But that is not true." It is not surprising that the Chicago Tribune should endorse the socialism of Victor Berger.

ROBERT HABERMAN, hiking representative of the Mexican government, in passing thru Washington a few days ago on his way to his payroll port, attempted to explain the recent troubles of the Mexican government with the trade unions. Calles is a socialist but he has been making war on the radical agrarians and on the radical trade unionists since he got into office. Haberman says that Calles stands on the platform of the class struggle, but of course, if the workers continue to embarrass him by struggling with the capitalists, they cannot expect Calles to stand very steadily.

WHEN MacDonald came into office, thru the good will of the Tories and Liberals, millions of British workers that their day had come. They gleefully went on strike expecting the armed power of the British government, which, under Tory and Liberal rule, was used against them, would now, under labor party rule, be used in their behalf. But they were mistaken. Ramsay MacDonald had the same excuse that Calles has. His government must not be embarrassed. He must be given a chance to make good. He did make good, but not for the workers.

LAST Saturday's issue of the Chicago Daily News had two interesting articles on the relations that should exist between "capital and labor." One was by Roger Babson, leading statistician and theoretician for the capitalists. The other one was an interview with Warren E. Stone, leading labor faker, labor banker and scab coal operator.

BABSON was somewhat pessimistic over the trade prospects of the next ten years. The belt must be tightened up and of course, it is up to Labor to pull in the slack. During the war, says Babson, we (the owners of this country) increased our capacity for producing goods to such an extent that now, 60 per cent more goods can be turned out in any one year than can be consumed in the home market. It will be some years before our consuming capacity catches up with our producing capacity. (Continued on page 6.)

HEAVY GUARDS ARE THROWN ABOUT BALFOUR'S STEAMER AT BEIRUT

BEIRUT, Syria, April 12.—Heavy guards were maintained today around the steamer Sphinx, aboard which Lord Balfour waited to sail for Alexandria. The latter part of his visit to Syria was marked by frequent outbursts of Arab feeling against him, culminating in a demonstration at Damascus in which a throng of ten thousand menaced his hotel.

Arab sentiment against the British leader was the result of his policy favoring Jewish colonization in the Palestine and his authorship of the Balfour proclamation in which Great Britain announced his approval of the Zionist policy.

SPINNERS IN MONOMAC MILLS AT LAWRENCE ATTACKED BY WAGE CUT

LAWRENCE, Mass., April 12.—A notice of a ten per cent cut in wages has been posted at Monomac Spinning company mill to take effect on Monday, April 13. The plant employs 400 workers. The bosses gave the workers to understand that unless they took the cut the mill would close down.

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I. W. W. STRIKE TIES UP SIX STEAMER LINES

1,200 Philadelphia Longshoremen Out

By R. BAKER (Special to The Daily Worker.)

PHILADELPHIA, April 12.—The class war is raging along the Philadelphia docks where 1,200 I. W. W. longshoremen of the Marine Transport Workers' Industrial Union No. 510 are fighting the Jarka Stevedore corporation of New York for recognition of the union.

Speed and Fletcher Direct Strike. The fight involves six steamer lines and would have reached an early settlement except for the action of the American-Pacifi line refus-

SOCIALISTS AID POLICE IN WAR ON COMMUNISTS

Try to Block Unity of Textile Workers

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

LAWRENCE, Mass., April 12.—The textile workers of Lawrence and all New England are engaged in a fight against wage cuts. The honest members of the socialist party in the district, seeing at last that the socialists make no attempt to aid these workers, and that the Workers (Communist) Party is actively engaged in uniting the workers for struggle, left the socialists and joined the Workers Party.

As a result the following item of socialist party stool-pigeon informing appeared in the Lawrence, Massachusetts daily capitalist newspapers:

"Two Quit the Socialist Party"

"City Marshal Fred A. Hilton received a letter from the head of the socialist party in the New England district this morning to the effect that Fred Beals of this city and Albert Weisbord of Boston are no longer connected with the organization and the party does not wish to be held responsible for their actions in this city. Both men have been active in the past, according to the police, in addressing different local labor bodies."

This announcement that the socialist party was "no longer responsible" for two workers, in a letter sent to the capitalist police, clearly brands the socialist party as police informers seeking to set the police upon the workers thus denounced. In reply to this action Fred E. Beal of Lawrence sent the following letter to W. E. Fitzgerald, head of the socialist party in Boston:

The Reply

"Dear Sir:—I wish to take this opportunity to thank you for your kindness in informing the local police of the departure of Comrade Weisbord and myself from the socialist party. I am sure that the intelligent workers will receive this with satisfaction, since they are acquainted with the yellow socialist party tactics. It would have been very hard for me to get this piece of news into the newspapers. If course the class collaboration principals, of what is left of the socialist party, makes it easy for you to work in harmony with the capitalist police and press.

"Your haste to inform the police that the socialist party had nothing to do with the naughty boy Comrade Albert Weisbord, arrested at a local mill gate while denouncing the mill barons for crushing the workers, was a waste of energy on your part. Comrade Weisbord had already told the police that he was a Bolshevik and was fighting for the workers."

Socialists Prevent Unity

"I am aware of the fact that the socialist party will do its utmost to prevent a united front of the workers in the textile industry; even to the extent of working hand in hand with the bosses to crush it. You need not fear Mr. Fitzgerald of my trying in any way to use the socialist party name; to the contrary, I will use every effort to undo the harm I formerly done, unwittingly, to the labor movement, while in the socialist party, by taking an active part in the class struggle under the banner of the Workers' (Communist) Party. Hoping you see the light."

"Yours truly, Fred E. Beal

Forest Fires in Virginia.

BLACKSBURG, Va., April 12.—New forest fires broke out today over the Blue Ridge mountain region near here, which for more than a week has been swept by flames that have destroyed valuable timberlands.

Coop Farmers Lose Tax Favor

JEFFERSON, CITY, Mo.—Gov. Baker has vetoed a bill sponsored by the Missouri farm bloc exempting Farmer Co-operative associations from taxation other than an annual license fee of \$10.

Paris Plant for Fords.

DETROIT, April 12.—Edsel B. Ford confirmed reports from Paris that the Ford Motor company has acquired sixteen acres about five miles from the heart of Paris for an assembly plant.

CHICHERIN DEMANDS SLAYING OF POLISH REVOLUTIONARIES STOP

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

MOSCOW, April 12.—Foreign Minister Chicherin received the protest of the Polish minister against Russia's demanding punishment for the guilty slayer of the Polish revolutionaries Wlodekiewicz and Baginski.

Chicherin replied, agreeing to exchange Communist prisoners held in Poland, it was announced today.

FASCISTI WAR ON RAILWAYMEN IN ITALY IN RETALIATION DRIVE

ROME, April 12.—Fascist attacks in provincial towns today had aroused the government to wholesale arrests in Naples, Florence and Bologna. The whole personnel of the railwaymen's committee of Bologna was taken in custody.

WOMAN CONDUCTS BABY MARKET HOME; SELLS THEM FOR \$50 AND UP

LOS ANGELES, April 12.—District Attorney Asa Keyes today launched an investigation into an alleged "public market for babies" where infants were said to have been sold from \$50 to \$500 each.

The investigation, it was said, will center around the birth of a child to a 14 year old Los Angeles school girl in the "baby market" home operated, according to the police, by Mrs. Hazel Sims.

The child, it was declared, was sold for \$175.50 to Mrs. Ella G. Williams of Hawthorne.

James Sudeberry, 52, charged with attacking the high school girl, was said today to be in an eastern city, where his arrest was expected.

HIGH OFFICIAL OF MACHINISTS EXPOSES GRAFT

Board Member Lists Johnston's Crimes

That the corruption and betrayal of the Machinists' Union by the machine of "B. & O." Johnston, is enough to sicken any member, is attested by the following letter written by M. J. McMahon, member of the general executive board to a friend.

The letter is written on the letterhead of the Washington office of McMahon, but is dated from Scranton, Pa., on March 20, 1925. It runs in full, as follows:

"I guess you think that I have forgotten you, but not so, as I have been trying to write to you but have so many letters to write since the campaign started that I have had my own troubles trying to keep up with the procession.

"Regarding the campaign, will say that Johnston's lodges representing a voting strength of about 35,000 and Anderson's and Emma's have a voting strength combined of about 31,000 and lodges with a membership of 10,000 did not nominate any one.

"The lodges which nominated me represent about 30,000 and Lauderbach and Brown's strength is about the same as mine. I have the membership of every local in our organization and have checked them up.

"Since the nominations were made we have invaded the New England states and will make a very decided gain in that section, in fact, we will cut their vote in two over there. We have a hard fight on our hands however, and you must write to all your friends if you want us to win.

"The following are some real honest arguments that you can use if you desire and I will stand back of them. First.

"There was a secret convention held in Detroit to which only a small number of delegates were invited. This secret convention by secret ballot nominated officers for the grand lodge and the men so nominated constitute the present administration slate. Then (Continued on page 6.)

900 Strike in Alabama School.

BESSEMER, Ala., April 12.—Nine hundred high school students, or practically the entire student body, walked out of classes here today and declared they would "remain out" until the board of education rescinded its action in electing a new superintendent of schools to replace Dr. L. L. Vann.

PAPER TO GIVE SOVIET RUSSIAN INFORMATION IS STARTED IN PARIS

PARIS, April 12.—The Soviet embassy at Paris has opened credit for \$30,000 in order to bring out a Bolshevik newspaper in Paris. The first issue will appear April 15.

The political editorship will be in the hands of S. S. Loukianoff, who recently joined the Soviet camp, while the business manager will be M. Romoff, an emigre who has resided in Paris since the czarist times.

Information for political and other news will be furnished from Moscow under the direction of M. Naschaty, official press agent for the Soviet embassy here.

JOHN WATT JOINS WITH FREEMAN THOMPSON IN REFUSAL TO YIELD OFFICE TO ILLEGAL APPOINTEES

(Special to The Daily Worker)

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 12.—Frank Farrington, holding the office of president of District 12, U. M. W. of A., by brazen stealing of the election last December from his progressive opponent, John Hindmarsh is continuing his effort to steal all the rest of the offices thruout the district for his machine.

His first assault on Sub-District 4 was the illegal removal of Freeman Thompson, president of the Sub-District, and yesterday the Sub-District secretary-treasurer, John J. Watt, was also illegally removed.

Refuse to Recognize Illegal Action. However, this "removal" is hardly effective in view of the fact that both officers, backed by the great mass of miners of their jurisdiction, refuse to recognize the illegal and outrageous action of Farrington and his agent John A. Walker, as having any validity and both officers refuse to turn over their offices and records to the creatures appointed by Farrington.

Intense indignation prevails thruout the sub-district and is spreading into other sub-districts of District 12. The progressive miners are responding splendidly to the challenge of the corrupt machine. Mass meetings are being arranged at which the rightful officers of the union, Thompson and Watt, are to speak at Zelger, West Frankfurt, Christopher and Harrisburg.

Shymansky "Shy" of Principles. The disruptive efforts of Farrington in appointing Walker to illegally take over the office of Thompson, is seconded by Walker in appointing another dunkey of Farrington's, Anthony Shymansky, to take over the office of John J. Watt. Shymansky, known as "Shy," is a scoundrel of the first water, an election stealer for the machine and an acquaintance with various jails on charges not connected with the class struggle.

This is the character picked by the Farrington machine to be custodian of the sub-district funds. Farrington, in a long letter to local unions published in the capitalist press, asks that all per capita tax and moneys be sent to "Shy" in the dual office the machine has set up in the sub-district against the regularly established sub-district office and the elected officers in charge.

Local Unions Back Thompson. This arbitrary and disruptive action (Continued on page 2)

British Leaders Railed. This angered the British trade union leaders who were at first inclined to take it in good faith. When the yellow socialist leaders of Amsterdam began to gloat about their treachery in the capitalist press, the British trade unionists decided to deal directly with Moscow and the London conference was the result.

Leaders of the Minority Movement here, which is the British counterpart to the Trade Union Educational League in the United States, believe that the present development in the relations between the Russian and British unions, will have worldwide effects and particularly on the psychology of the trade unionists in the United States, whose leaders spurn all suggestions of internationalism for labor the perfectly willing to play the game of the capitalist internationalists.

Farm Labor is More Plentiful. The supply of farm labor on April 1, according to the U. S. department of agriculture, was 7 per cent above 1924 or 1923 while the demand was about the same as on April 1, 1924 and 4 per cent below 1923. Monthly farm wages are reported as: with board \$33.97 compared with \$33.71 a year ago and \$30.98 in 1923; without board \$47.58 compared with 47.62 a year ago and \$44.47 in 1923.

Have You Your \$41.99? WASHINGTON, April 12.—Every man, woman and child in the United States should have \$41.99 in their pockets if they had their share of the total \$4,776,167,000 in circulation April 1, the treasury announced today.

WAGES OF 4,000 MINERS SLASHED IN WESTERN PA. BITUMINOUS COAL FIELD

(Special to The Daily Worker)

JOHNSTON, Pa., April 12.—The wages of four thousand coal miners in the Western Pennsylvania coal field were slashed twenty per cent today.

The wage cut, which brings the coal miners' pay down almost to the 1917 scale, was instituted by the Berwind-White coal company, operating in the Cambria-Somerset countries field. The reduced wages were in effect today.

The wholesale wage slashing is in line with the declared intention of the coal operators to break the Jacksonville agreement and destroy the power of the miners' union.

ON PAGE 3 WM. Z. FOSTER is quoted for the interest of every Communist and intelligent worker. WHAT IS YOUR ANSWER?

MANEUVERS OF AMERICAN FLEET GRABS AT ASIA

Is Jealous of Soviet Prestige in Pacific

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 12.—The Public Ledger (morning edition) organ par excellence of "big business" in this city, in an editorial—"What is the Grand Fleet Doing?" draws back the curtain and discloses significant and sinister plutocratic exhibits to those who read and think.

Exhibit A.—"Twenty-five miles of ships, gray in their fighting paint, 107 vessels of all kinds are carrying 2,500 officers and 34,000 men."

Make Pacific Battleground.

"What are they doing in the Pacific? What is the reason for this concentration in force?"

"Maneuvers is an obvious and official answer."

Exhibit B.—"A part of the grand fleet will throw itself against the islands' defensive screen (Hawaii). Searchlights will stab the soft Hawaiian night skies. Gunfire will drum, planes purr in the sun washed skies and admirals flit about in swift heeled cruisers."

But why this maneuvering in the Pacific with Hawaii as the point of "attack"?

East Wakes Up.

Exhibit C.—"Because the Pacific has become the most important of the two great oceans. Its shores wash a reviving Asia. The unchanging East is changing. India, Bolivia, China are factors now. . . Asian eyes are peering over the rim of the world. . . It is the Pacific that is now called the ocean of decision."

To the class conscious revolutionary Communist these exhibits are significant and sinister facts of tremendous import, revealing as they do the deliberate, planned, organized purposes of the blood-thirsty, profit-hungry wolves of the pack of Morgan & Co. Wall Street, U. S. A.

America After World Loot.

In this editorial, the Public Ledger screams to the world, American plutocracies challenge to its various rivals in the imperialist game of world loot, enslavement, and oppression.

It is a threat, likewise to Soviet Russia—"Bolshevia" whose "eyes are peering over that rim of the world."

Threat Against Soviets.

It is a hint that American plutocracy is planning and organizing to attack the workers' republic with gunfire, planes and poison gas.

"What is the Grand Fleet Doing?" Preparing for the next world war of course.

Digging the grave of the monster capitalism on a world scale, by the enraged and revolutionary proletariat of all countries, just as the last world war dug the grave of czarism and its evil twin capitalism in Russia and wrote upon their ruins—Sic semper tyranny.

Davis Claims There Is Chance for All to Bob Everybody

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very top of our industrial and financial structure."

Let's All Be Capitalists.

Warning to his subject, the secretary of labor then speaks of the withering "effect which Communism would have" upon these opportunities, and points to "the tendency of the worker to put his savings into industry, providing capital thru investments in industrial and commercial securities," and announces that the little fellows are rapidly becoming the owners of our industrial corporations. He quotes figures on the increased number of stockholders in public utility companies, and on the growth of savings.

Forgets Unemployed.

"These evidences that the American worker generally is accumulating capital in all directions should make it clear," he concludes, "why the fantastic preachings of false economic and political doctrines which would abolish capital do not appeal to him."

Davis makes no reference to the 150,000 coal miners now being starved out of that industry thru chronic unemployment, nor to the condition of hundreds of thousands of textile operatives, north and south. He plays safe by using the word "generally" in describing the happy lot of the worker who is getting rich.

ARCHDUKE EMPLOYED AS MOVIE HOUSE FILM HUSTLER LET OFF WITH LIGHT FINE IN VIENNA

VIENNA, April 12.—"I am an unskilled laborer and must provide for my wife and two children," pleaded the Archduke Leopold when arraigned for speeding his motorcycle and knocking down a man. The archduke explained that he was employed nightly to rush motion picture films from one theater to another and had no time to lose.

The victim of the motorcycle, a working man, said in court: "I don't want any compensation. In fact I would willingly pay the fine. This is the first time I have ever seen an archduke in such a position. It is worth money." The magistrate fined the archduke 20 shillings.

French Crisis May Wreck Dawes Plan

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for early settlement negotiations.

Herriot Tried to Stall

The Herriot ministry, while evasive on the subject of payment, at least was the first French government since the war formally to acknowledge the obligation, and liability to pay.

The situation is of peculiar interest to the administration at this time because Garrard B. Winston, under secretary of the treasury, in on the sea, bound for Paris and London on a mission closely allied with the debt controversy.

While the exact purpose of his trip has never been officially revealed, it is known that he left the United States under instructions to see a number of leading French and English bankers.

What effect of the French governmental turnover will be on Winston's mission was a subject today on which the treasury observed silence.

There is no doubt even a temporary breakdown of the Dawes plan would be advanced as an excuse by France in particular for further deferring of funding negotiations.

Washington fears a reactionary ministry, similar to that headed by Poincare, will come into power. Such a ministry, it is felt, would adopt a militaristic policy and take aggressive steps against Germany that would possibly provoke Berlin to let down in its efforts to carry out the Dawes scheme.

Anything May Happen

Disquiet over the European situation here is further aggravated by the candidacy of Von Hindenburg for the presidency of Germany. Should Von Hindenburg be elected April 26 and in the meantime a reactionary, militaristic ministry shall have been set up in France, it is suggested, the possible eventualities are limitless.

Loucheur to the Front

PARIS, April 12.—Louis Loucheur, the big French capitalist, ally of the late German multi-millionaire Hugo Stinnes, in the joint exploitation of

the German workers in the Ruhr, and who said France would not pay her war debt, looms at this hour as the possible next premier of France, to succeed Herriot.

The post at which this astute politician financier has been aiming is almost within his grasp, according to experienced observers.

Compromise Seems Sure

Even if Loucheur should refuse the post, it would only be a postponement of the time when such a compromise as his premiership would offer would have to be made.

For it is not believed that any one else, except possibly Briand, whose refusal is almost certain, can govern a month.

Asks Painleve to Have Try.

One of the developments was the request by President Doumergue to Paul Painleve, president of the chamber of deputies, to form a cabinet. One of his stipulations was that he shall have in his proposed cabinet four members of the unified (Second International) socialists, on the ground that they should share in the responsibility.

The unified socialists have called a meeting of the national committee to rule whether the party should desert its principle of not taking ministries unless they have the whole government.

Blow at British Hopes.

LONDON, April 12.—Premier Herriot's downfall strikes a blow at the hopes of the British for early settlement of the European situation, it was pointed out in official circles here today. England fears that France will not have a stable government for some time.

Vatican Happy Over Fall.

ROME, April 12.—The Vatican was extremely reserved today regarding the French situation, but the pleasure reflected in Herriot's overthrow was in evidence. It was intimated that his downfall was an instance of the instability of an anti-church movement.

Watt Takes Stand with Freeman

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of the machine has already been answered by four local unions of the sub-district, by their regular meetings deciding to recognize Freeman Thompson as sub-district president regularly elected, and to recognize no one else. They also decided to retain union funds until such time as the controversy was, to their view, settled.

Farrington, in his publicity given to the capitalist press, strangely resents the legal officials of the sub-district, Thompson and Watt, using the same means of representing their case to the miners and the public. He claims that they are "using the press" to defy officials of the union. But the same thing can be said of himself. The capitalist press, indeed, is the place where Farrington is the strongest since he dare not appear before a meeting of miners to debate the issue with Thompson, the repeatedly invited to do so.

Legal Officials Stand Pat.

That Thompson and Watt are standing pat on their legal right to retain the offices of the sub-district, is shown by the fulmination of Walker, who says:

"Under date of April 7, I wrote John

J. Watt, secretary of Sub-District 4, as follows: 'Because of the refusal of former sub-district President Thompson to vacate the headquarters of Sub-District No. 4, it has been necessary for me to temporarily establish new sub-district headquarters. . . and I direct that you bring the records and all property to the above headquarters.'

"To date Secretary Watt has not complied with my instructions, neither has he signified his willingness to do so, consequently I have removed him from office. . . and have appointed Anthony Shymansky to act to fill the vacancy."

The information that Farrington and Walker had issued a decree against him did not seem to impress Watt, who when informed of it only remarked genially, "I will give my answer to the miners of the sub-district at Sunday's mass meeting at Reservoir Park."

It is known that the action of Farrington is particularly obnoxious to the miners, in view of repeated rulings by Farrington that the district officials have no legal power to act in such sub-district affairs as he now is interfering in.

OKLAHOMA NEWSPAPER MAN LEARNS NEED OF REPORTERS' UNION AFTER BEING FIRED FOR TELLING TRUTH

(By a Traveling Reporter.)

ENID, April 12.—Ray Higgins, a young Colorado reporter who accepted a job on the Enid News staff several weeks ago, on April 1 was separated from the News payroll, he charges for no other offense than simply telling the truth.

Owned by Politicians.

This paper, a morning daily and the Enid Eagle, published in the afternoon, are controlled by Congressman Milton C. Garber and W. M. Taylor. Garber is a reactionary republican politician said to be one of Enid's two millionaires with fingers in various lines of business. At present he has an interest in the Hyde Construction company, or at least is reported to have shared in its profits. The Hyde company specializes in highway construction, one of its jobs being a new pavement to the north of Enid.

Young Higgins while covering his courthouse beat recently overheard a conversation between S. E. Garrier and Jesse T. Butts, both county commissioners, in which they found fault with the new pavement laid by the Hyde company, declaring it was much

below specifications. Higgins spread the story on the first page not realizing he was tramping on the toes of paving contractors and attorneys who were close to his employer.

Denies Story.

Whether true or false, Carrier and Butts both brand the story as a fake. Other persons within earshot when they were alleged to have made the statement sided with Higgins, but notwithstanding this, the News publicly repudiated its reporter and tied the "can" to him.

Higgins was only one helpless reporter faced by his natural enemy the capitalist newspaper plant which had exploited him until he excited the wrath of men who were well-connected around town.

There was no union of journalists to come to Higgins' aid and demand justice.

Divided from Meal Ticket.

Higgins was the fourth reporter imported by the News and Eagle in less than two years. One by one his predecessors were divorced from their meal tickets ruthlessly because they could not render \$75 worth of service weekly for a wage ranging between \$30 and \$35. A fifth stranger succeeded Higgins not long ago.

Reporters Need Union.

The News and Eagle management would not dare "can" its printers in such cold-blooded fashion because they are organized so solidly they could tie up the shop and compel W. M. Taylor, the business manager, to recognize their control. But the conventional, un-class conscious hacks who compose the editorial force must sink out like rats when perchance they displease their czarlike employer.

FREEDOM OF RED SOLDIERS ASKED BY CIVIL UNION

Arrests Were Illegal, Washington Told

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, April 12.—Another appeal for an inquiry by the war department at Washington into the cases of ten soldiers arrested at Schofield barracks, Honolulu, for alleged Communist agitation in the army is being made by the American Civil Liberties Union on the ground that "these men are being improperly tried for their political views."

The union, which took up the case upon the men's arrest, is instructing its Washington representative, Howard B. Gill, to file a formal protest with the adjutant general against the court martial of eight of the men following the conviction of Paul Crouch (given 40 years' imprisonment) and Walter Trumbull (given 20).

The union claims that the soldiers did nothing forbidden, so far as their information goes, but gave a legitimate expression of opinion against the Honolulu Advertiser's anti-Soviet policies.

The union claims that the "grossly excessive" sentences were given to intimidate other soldiers; also all soldiers have the legal right to belong to the Workers Party or to believe in the Soviet government of Russia.

Awaiting Trial Records.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—War department officials have cabled to Honolulu for detailed information as to the charges and evidence on which the first two of the ten soldiers arrested for having engaged in alleged Communist activities, were sentenced to 40 and 20 years imprisonment, respectively.

The Washington Post's daily columnist has suggested that the army must be weak in a sense of humor—judging by these harsh sentences—as it is in aircraft.

Teachers Undertake to Educate Mayor on School Problems

The Chicago Teachers' Federation calls upon Mayor Dever, thru its standing committee, to take into consideration questions set forth in its communication to the board of education before he makes appointments of new trustees and the new president of the board of education.

The same request will be made by its standing committee of the city council who concurs in the appointments of the mayor.

The communication in question was drawn up at the recent Studebaker Theater meeting. In it the teachers demand precise information on "what maximum salary is to be paid for the years 1925, 1926, 1927 to elementary teachers, junior high school teachers, high school teachers, head assistants, elementary principals, how many persons in each group are eligible to and will be paid the maximum."

They also put the following questions to the board:

1. How much additional money will be required in the educational fund to pay the proposed salary increase to the above named groups of teachers this year?
 2. How much additional money next year, 1926?
 3. How much additional money for 1927?
 4. Where is the money to come from?
 5. How does the board expect to increase the revenue in the educational fund?
 6. Is it the intention of the board to submit to the people or to the legislature the proposition to raise the tax levy?
- The teachers explain that past experience with promises of increases in salary has taught them that these promises can be interpreted in various ways. About 26 years ago they were promised a raise by the superintendent, but it was never received. The raise they did get was the one they fought for.

Cotton Kings Are Pleased That Child Slavery Flourishes

NEW ORLEANS, April 12.—Jas. M. Emery, counsel at Washington for the Natl. Ass'n of Manufacturers, told the American Cotton Manufacturers Ass'n convention, in session here April 10, that the refusal of a majority of the state legislatures to accept the child labor amendment to the federal constitution was a triumph for states' rights and for "the responsibilities of industrial management."

"We need," he said, "to make industry the helpful companion, the sympathetic support and mentor that prepares the young, thru the acquisition of training in habits of industry, to meet the practical responsibilities of approaching manhood."

No reference was made to the girls in the cotton mills, but this reference to employment of male children as an educational kindness was accepted as covering the entire subject.

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Discuss Amalgamation But Oppose Attempt to Make It Living Reality

By J. LOUIS ENGDHAL.

TODAY, the current issue of the Locomotive Engineers' Journal energetically criticizes the situations giving rise to the jurisdictional squabbles raging within and between many prominent unions in the American Federation of Labor. But the same issue confesses that the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, of which it is the official organ, lives within a tender glass house of its own, with very poor quality of glass at that.

Warren S. Stone, chief of the brotherhood, has a "President's Page," covering two pages, in which "The European Trip" offered the engineers this summer,—those who have saved up \$725 and can afford to spend it,—gets twenty-three lines and comes ahead of his report on "The Amalgamation," that gets only an unlucky thirteen lines.

President Stone has had news for the 90,000 rank and file members of his organization, working on 2,768 railroads, and he doesn't intend to display it in large type and at any great length. Here it is:

"The conference between the two committees selected for the working out of the Chicago Joint Agreement and the amalgamation of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen met in Cleveland, and it was decided to postpone any further action until after the convention of the Brotherhood of Firemen and Enginemen. There are certain insurmountable difficulties in the way at the present time, and unless solution can be found for them it is not possible for the plan of amalgamation to go thru. At the request of the officers of the B. of L. F. and E., the question of the Chicago Joint Agreement was held in abeyance until after the meeting of their convention in June."

President Stone doesn't inform the engineers what "the insurmountable difficulties" are, or what attempt is being made to overcome them. These are left gathering dust in the secrecy of the conference room. It might be dangerous to bring them into the sunlight where the workers could get a good look at them. They might find that "the insurmountable obstacles" are the "chiefs" in both organizations with the result that they might sweep them aside in order to effect a real beginning toward amalgamation.

On the other hand, the Locomotive Engineers' Journal, on another page, is perfectly willing to discuss "amalgamation" of other unions.

It bewails the "battle royal between the Street and Electric Railway Employes and the Brotherhood of Teamsters and Chauffeurs over the jurisdiction of men who operate motor buses."

It sheds false tears over the "bitter conflict between the International Union of Bricklayers and Plasterers and that of Operative Plasterers and Cement Finishers, who have locked horns over who should do the stucco work on buildings."

Then it goes on about "the old conflict between the carpenters and metal workers about the placement of metal trim, and the painters have recently entered the tangle in a strike against either group hanging metal work treated by dip enameling in the factories rather than painted by hand on the job."

For these other unions the Engineers' Journal hypocritically argues in favor of amalgamation as opposed to "loose federation," but the officials of the Engineers' Brotherhood, who dictate the policies of the Journal refuse to move against the craft divisions that divide the enginemen and firemen. It is easier to preach to others than it is to carry out those preachings in one's own case.

It is to carry out the principles of amalgamation, and not merely to discuss them, that inspires the Communist-led left wing in the trade unions. The officials do not want action; in fact they are bitterly opposed to it. That is one reason why the attack on the left wing is most bitter in those organizations where the question of amalgamation is in the foreground of the struggle.

Amalgamation in the transportation industry is a crying need. The bitter lessons of the last great railroad shopmen's strike, when the workers tried to ride sixteen organizations against the well-knit forces of the enemy, have not been forgotten. Amalgamation should make headway all along the line. The members of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers should tell Warren S. Stone, in no uncertain manner, that a good place for him to start is in his own organization. Failing to get action they should push ahead themselves, leaving him in the rear writing articles for an "Ex-President's Page," perhaps about "A Trip to Europe."

PACKING TRUST SERVED SAME OLD 1898 EMBALMED BEEF TO SOLDIERS OF WORLD WAR, IN LACQUERED CANS

By CARL HAESSLER (Federated Press Staff Correspondent)

Chicago, April 12.—That American meat packers are a thrifty lot and could have shown the ancient Egyptians a thing or two about the embalming business comes startlingly to light in the testimony of an expert chemist in charge of army food tests during the world war.

Serve 1898 Meat.

This scientist discovered, while stationed at the government laboratories in Savannah, Ga., during the war, that the embalmed beef of 1898 was being served up again in 1917 and 1918 by Swift & company or their allied packing interests. This analyst is now living near Chicago and has an important position in the leather industry.

The quartermaster division of the army sent samples of food supplies to the Savannah laboratory during the war for testing, not only as to quality but as to caloric content, etc., to produce a balanced diet. Among the canned beef samples the chemist, who later received a captain's commission, became suspicious of cans that were very heavily lacquered, about four times as thick as ordinary. Looking at them more closely he discovered pinholes that had been resoldered. And the contents gave evidence of having been bleached.

This looked bad. Dissolving the lacquer he was amazed to find the year 1898 stamped on the cans. The old embalmed beef that had reused

the country against the packers during the Spanish-American war, that had roused Upton Sinclair to the writing of The Jungle, had been chemically retreated and apparently saved all these 20 years in hopes of another war. The war came and so did the embalmed beef. How much of it was eaten before the army chemist put a check to the patriotic economy of the packers is not known.

A few years after the war the chemist met Harold Swift, of Swift & Co., whom he had known in college. He told Swift of the marvelous resurrection of the embalmed beef. Swift called him a liar. The chemist got sworn transcripts of the evidence from the Savannah laboratory and presented them to Swift.

Swift professed himself "very much surprised."

Perhaps there are some cans left over for the next conflict.

EX-DRAGON OF KU KLUX KLAN IS LOSER IN COURT

Only Miracle Can Save Life of Alleged Victim

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 12.—The state won the first round today in the prosecution of David C. Stephenson, former Indiana grand dragon of the ku klux klan, on charges of criminally assaulting Madge Oberholzer, 28.

Judge James A. Collins, in criminal court, sustained the state's demurrers to the abatement plea of Stephenson's counsel.

The abatement plea attacked the validity of the five indictments against Stephenson, alleging they were returned by the county grand jury without hearing competent witness.

After an examination this afternoon, her physicians decided Miss Oberholzer was too weak to withstand an operation today. They hope to operate on her tomorrow.

Ruling Also Hits Pale.

Abatement pleas of Earl Klenck, and Earl Entry, indicted with Stephenson on charges of conspiracy to kidnap Miss Oberholzer, also were affected by the court's ruling.

Eph Inman, counsel for the defense, immediately filed motions to quash all indictments against Stephenson, Klenck and Entry. Hearing on these motions was set for April 18, but Judge Collins instructed both sides to appear in court on April 16 if there was to be no argument.

Indictments were returned by the Marion county grand jury on complaint of George E. Oberholzer, father of the alleged attacked victim. They charge Stephenson with assault with intent to murder, also assault with intent to criminally attack and kidnaping.

Fight for Her Life.

While the defendant was appearing in court, physicians were preparing to operate on her in a last desperate effort to save her from the effects of poison she swallowed in Hammond, Indiana, after the alleged attack. However, they said, only a miracle could save her life.

Assisting the state at the hearing was Judge Charles E. Cox, former state supreme court justice who has been retained by the Oberholzers.

Judge Cox pointed out that pleas in abatement must be certain and based on facts. The defense's plea was based only on conclusions he charged.

Shoe Workers of Lynn Oppose Fake Union in Effort to Amalgamate

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

LYNN, Mass., April 12.—A struggle between the Amalgamated Shoe Workers of America, an independent union, and the Boot and Shoe Workers' Union is going on among Lynn shoe workers and the independent union is so far the winner.

The latest local, the heelers, voted against getting a charter from the Boot and Shoe Union after a long discussion. The Amalgamated now has five locals out of eight in the city where a week ago the Boot and Shoe had five.

Packing room workers left to join the Amalgamated, which includes cutters, stitchers, packing room workers, edgemakers and the heelers.

The Shoe Workers' Protective Union, another independent, operating in Haverhill, Mass., and Brooklyn, N. Y., is siding with the Amalgamated.

The Boot and Shoe organization is noted as one of the most infamous organized betrayals of the workers ever known. It "organizes" the bosses, not the workers, by "taking over" the shop at the prevailing wage scale and insuring the boss against strikes and is merely a company union in very thin disguise.

Governor of Ohio Ponders Problem of Lawbreaking Son

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 12.—Governor Donahay is today threshing over the problem what to do to curb the "sporting blood" of Hal, his 19-year-old son.

"He is a good boy at heart. The people of the state need have no fear but I will handle him effectively," Governor Donahay said.

All the plans for Hal's future are the result of his latest escapade—his flight to Columbus with Lillian Vogel, the 15-year-old Zanesville girl. The public wind up of the affair was written in Muskingum county juvenile court when Hal was fined \$100 and placed in custody of the court until 21 and the girl was told to shun the boys and get back to her school books.

Cuban Tobacco Crop Falls

WASHINGTON, April 12.—The 1925 Cuban Tobacco crop will be forty per cent under the 700,000 bale yield of 1924, the department of commerce was informed today in consular dispatches. Lack of rainfall in the last four months was given as the cause.

RUSSIAN WORKER MUST BE BACKED SAYS A.A. PURCELL

Nails Anti-Soviet Lies in London Speech

LONDON, Eng., April 12.—“The question is not ‘Can the Russian Soviet government last?’ The question is, ‘How soon shall we be able to shake hands with it on equal terms in all respects?’” declared Mr. A. A. Purcell, ex-president of the Trades Union Congress, and a member of the trade union deputation which recently visited Russia, in a speech at Street, Somerset.

Truth Will Burst Forth. The capitalist class and orthodox politicians are making the greatest mistake of their lives, he said, if they think that by persistent perversion of the facts relating to the state of affairs in Europe and Asia, and particularly with regard to Russia, they can win thru.

Their success in this sphere, with all their tremendous expenditure on lying leaflets and fabricated brochures issued under the adopted names of radical sections of the working class movement, can only last their allotted span.

Confounded Profiteers. Meanwhile, we must continue to keep the working class mind well directed towards the great work achieved so far by Russia.

The Russia worker has made a prime contribution to world peace by lifting that great country out of the imperialist world pawnshop.

He has confounded and confounded the jingoes and profiteers of the world by the fact that he resolutely refuses to be a party to any of the imperialistic and spread-eagle schemes for domination promoted by the capitalist political parties of Europe.

In this he has rendered great service to the working class and a great disservice to the capitalist.

It is, therefore, our working class duty to popularize and justify the Russian working class to the end.

Jurisdictional Row Continues But Men Go Back to the Job

NEW YORK, April 12.—The strikes of union bricklayers and plasterers on jobs totalling \$22,000,000 worth of building construction are to end during the truce declared between the disagreeing unions pending final settlement of difficulties by respective executive boards in joint conference.

Plasterers who struck on Thompson-Starrett jobs in New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and other points because one of the Thompson-Starrett contractors in Miami, Florida, employed plasterers carrying bricklayers' cards will return to work. Bricklayers on strike in Atlantic City and other towns will also go back to their jobs.

Meanwhile E. J. McGivern, president of the Operative Plasterers' and Cement Finishers' International Union and W. J. Bowen, president of the Bricklayers', Masons' and Plasterers' International Union, will again attempt to agree on the division of the trowel trades.

This Years Wheat Crop Below 1924, Government Reports

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Based on a condition of 63.7 per cent of normal, on April 1, a wheat production of 474,255,000 bushels was forecast today by the crop reporting board of the department of agriculture, as compared with 590,037,000 bushels in 1924.

There was a decrease in condition from December 1 to April 1, of 12.3 points, compared with an average decline in the last ten years of 4.4 points between these dates.

The condition of rye on April 1 was 54.0.

Get A Sub And Give One!

CLEVELAND UNIONS AND IRISH SOCIETIES JOIN IN RAISING FUNDS FOR FAMINE SUFFERERS

By TOM GALLAGHER. (Special to The Daily Worker)

CLEVELAND, April 12.—The dance held by the Irish Famine Relief Committee in Market Square Hall netted the sum of \$100 for the victims of the famine which is now raging in the west of Ireland. This is the committee's first effort in raising funds for the famine victims.

The committee desires to express thru the DAILY WORKER, its thanks to the following organizations which success, Lathers, Local No. 2; Bakers, Local No. 19; Painters, Local No. 765; Painters District Council; Street Railway Employees No. 265; and the Terence MacSwiney and Uncle Sam Councils of the American Association for the Recognition of the Irish Republic that donated the hall. Music was donated by Irish musicians.

Comrade John P. McCarthy will speak here on Sunday, April 19, 2:30 p. m. at Laborer's Union Hall, on the Irish famine. McCarthy has just arrived from the west of Ireland where he has spent several months recently.

PICKET LINES DOT WASHINGTON AS BUILDING TRADES WORKERS FIGHT PLOT OF BANKERS AND EMPLOYERS

By LAURENCE TODD. (Federated Press Staff Correspondent)

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Bluntly demanding of the heads of all banks in the city of Washington that they declare whether their respective banks are parties to the conspiracy to boycott building contractors who employ union men under the new wage scale, the Central Labor Union has given the banking magnates in the capital something to worry about. In a resolution adopted immediately upon the strike of the painters and stonecutters for the \$10 wage rate, the central body instructed its secretary to ask each bank where it stands. Unless it replies in the negative within a day or two, it is to be listed as agreeing to the financial blacklist of union employers.

Weasel Words. First returns from this inquiry are reported to be couched in weasel words, hinting that the banks would look with “disfavor upon any group of men or organization which would act in any manner hostile to the interests of the national capital.” That is to say, the big bankers look upon this wage increase as an affront to their dictatorship of affairs in Washington, and they propose to punish the unions by bankrupting the contractors who do not stand out against the wage scale.

Inasmuch as the joint committee of bankers, speculative builders and real estate brokers has been recruiting strikebreakers in Virginia and in Baltimore, the contest becomes one of smashing or saving the building trades unions involved in the wage movement.

Picket New Embassy. Bankers are trying to guess what effect on their business will be created by further development of the fight of organized labor implied in the Central Labor Union's resolution. They wonder whether the 50,000 union men and women in the city would start removing deposits from bank to bank, in order that their dollars might not be used against the building trades men.

Officers of the painters' local union report that picketing of struck jobs has been established thruout the city. The new Italian embassy building is one of the conspicuous centers of the demonstration.

Present Wages Get Only Part Interest of School Teacher. NEW YORK, April 12.—Teachers in New York City today are part-time workers, District Superintendent of Schools John L. Tildesley tells. Governor Al Smith in his open letter urging Smith to sign the Ricca bill (supported by the Teachers' Union) which increases teachers' pay. “While part-time for pupils is being eliminated, part-time teaching is becoming more and more common among the teachers of these same pupils,” says the superintendent. As the teacher must meet the mounting bills for living costs Tildesley asserts “he takes another job after school in the afternoon and possibly another one in the evening and the boy gets but a part of a teacher and that of a slowly dying teacher who has not time for self-improvement. When teachers cease to grow they begin to die.”

Many fine new buildings are not enough for education if the teachers are not the best and giving their best to the students, Tildesley continues. And the high cost of living failing to be met by teachers' pay prevents the ones from marrying or from having families if they do marry. Teachers of accounting recently turned down promotion and consequent increase of pay by \$500 because the work would interfere with more remunerative and necessary outside accounting.

Thrown in the Ditch By Pennsylvania R. R. After Forty Years. SUNBURY, Pa., April 12. Even the Sunbury chamber of commerce is protesting against the lay off by the Pennsylvania railroad of 350 workers in its Sunbury shops. The chamber complains that the shops are centrally located and should be used and besides that the workers have been with the company, some of them as long as forty years.

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Making Russian Tea

Did you ever see a samovar? No, it ain't no ukelele, it isn't for playing, but for boiling water to make Russian tea. The soldier in The Beauty and the Bolshevik is shown here making a fire in the samovar. He is using his boot in the true Russian style as a bellows to blow the fire in the samovar. Come and see how it is done in ‘The Beauty and the Bolshevik,’ Wednesday, April 15, from 6 p. m. at Wicker Park Theater, 1539 Milwaukee Ave., near Robey St.

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NEGRO CONGRESS OF WORKERS IN CHICAGO SOON

Will Act on Problems of Negro Labor

An American Negro Labor Congress will be held in Chicago this summer to discuss the Negro problem. The congress will base its deliberations and actions on the fact that it is the Negro workers that have the power to lift the Negro out of the social, political and economic inequality in which they are compelled to exist.

To Consist of Workers. The congress, which is being called by an organization committee of prominent Negro labor leaders, will consist of delegates from the various Negro labor unions, mixed unions (black and white), delegates from groups of unorganized workers in the factories, shops, etc., delegates from organizations of Negro agricultural workers, and individuals of both races well known for their championship of the cause of the Negro working class.

The workers comprise an overwhelming majority of the race, and their struggles on the economic field form a basis for uniting with the largest class of whites in this country—the white workers. Lovett Fort-Whiteman, the well known Communist writer and speaker said in issuing the call for the congress: “The congress will concern itself with the problems of the Negro workers.”

The exact date for the congress has not yet been set. However, local conferences are now being called thruout the country, to popularize the work of the congress. Members of the provisional organization committee, of which Lovett Fort-Whiteman is the organizer, will visit these local conferences to set forth the aims of the congress and its organizational character.

Prominent Negro Workers. Those on the provisional committee for organizing the Negro labor include:

- WILLIAM BRYANT, Business Manager of Asphalt Workers' Union, Milwaukee, Wis.
- EDWARD L. DOTY, Organizer of Negro Plumbers, Chicago.
- H. V. PHILLIPS, Organizer of Negro Working Class Youth, Chicago.
- ELIZABETH GRIFFIN, President of Chicago Negro Women's Household League.
- EVERETT GREENE, Chicago Correspondent of “Afro-American,” Baltimore, Md.
- WILLIAM SCARVILLE, of the Pittsburgh-American.
- CHARLES HENRY, Representative of Unorganized Negro Steel Workers, Chicago.
- OTTO HALL, Waiters and Cooks Association, Chicago.
- LOUIS HUNTER, Longshoremen's Protective and Benevolent Union, New Orleans, La.
- OTTO HUISWOOD, African Blood Brotherhood, New York City.
- LOVETT FORT-WHITEMAN, Organizer of Congress.
- AARON DAVIS, Neighborhood Protective Association, Toomsba, Miss.
- JOHN OWENS, Organizer of Negro Agricultural Workers, Ripley, Cal.
- ROSINA DAVIS, Secretary of Chicago Negro Women's Household League.
- E. A. LYNCH, Fraternal Dejeate from West Africa Seamen's Union, Liverpool.
- JACK EDWARDS, Representative Negro Pullman Car Workers, Chicago.
- SAHIR KARIMIJI, Fraternal Delegate from Natal Agricultural Workers, South Africa.

Send all inquiries to LOVETT FORT-WHITEMAN, 19 S. Lincoln St., Chicago, Ill. Tel. Seeley 3562.

Girl Left Millions Sweated Out of the Workers by W. Leeds

MINEOLA, N. Y., April 12.—Already possessing a million in her own name, thirteen year old Joy Louise Leeds, the adopted daughter of the late Warner M. Leeds, became one of the richest girls in the world today.

Under the will of her foster father, filed for probate here, the girl, adopted by the Leeds when she was only one year old, becomes the chief beneficiary of an estate valued at more than \$4,000,000.

Rudolph G. Leeds of Richmond, Ind., a nephew is left a sapphire stick pin.

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BALDWIN LOCOMOTIVE WORKS PAY LOWEST WAGES AND FIRES 4,000, AS BOSS GULPS LIQUID INSPIRATION

By ART SHIELDS. (Federated Press Staff Correspondent)

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 12.—The Baldwin Locomotive Works present one of the knottiest problems facing Philadelphia labor, in the course of the general organization program the American Federation of Labor has laid out for this city. Slack times and the contractor system make the unionizing of the huge locomotive plant a job that will take time and will test resources to the limit.

Long Hours. Baldwin's has been a challenge to the labor movement from the beginning and never more so than today. The 10-hour shift for days and the 12-hour shift for nights prevail now as they did before the great 1911 strike and as they did during the war. The contractor system, turning every petty foreman into a petty profiteer who takes a personal interest in speeding up his workers and firing agitators prevails now as it has ever since Samuel Vauclain introduced it as his first line of offense and defense against labor.

Paid Bottom Wages. There is no scale of wages; the petty contractors hire at the lowest price of the moment. Each boss, it is true, has a skeleton gang, paid above the average for the shop, which he keeps all the time. A few of the favored machinists get as much as 95 cents an hour. These permanent employees are the backbone of the contractor's force and are expected to stay loyal. The rest are hired and fired as work busies or slackens and are paid bottom wages. There actually are men in Baldwin's doing work supposedly belonging to machinists, who get as little as 36 to 45 cents an hour and the majority of the mechanics get less than 60 cents an hour.

Four Thousand Jobless. Lately the Baldwin management has been turning a particularly hard-boiled face to its employees. There are many hungry men at the gates: only 6,000 are working out of 19,000 of busy times in the Philadelphia plant, what with reduced buying by the railroads and the gradual transfer of equipment to the company's plant at Eddystone, 12 miles out. The company apparently thinks it can ignore not only every demand of the workers but every conception of public decency. Its attitude is illustrated by a story members of the machinists' union tell of the reception given a representative of the Philadelphia health council and tuberculosis commission when he asked permission to make examinations of the employees—the results of the examinations to be confidential and not to be given to the company officials.

Nothing doing! was the company's answer. “Those who can't stand it here get out.”

Vauclain Likes His Nip. Samuel Vauclain, Baldwin president, got out, early this spring, for a gay vacation, but is back again. Vauclain is a sport who admits that he likes his nip. Last month he felt the nips were nipping him too fast so he posted a \$10,000 forfeit that he would not violate the Volstead law before the coming May. It was a long wait and Vauclain hid himself to Bermuda where Volstead has no jurisdiction.

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BOOTLEGGING IN CINCINNATI'S POLICE FORCE

Dry Agents Also Fell for Long Green

CINCINNATI, April 12.—Almost the entire police force of this city and 50 per cent of all the nation's prohibition enforcement agents, not already in jail for bootlegging and graft, pleaded guilty here a few days ago to charges of receiving money from the bootlegging and vice rings that flourish in this city.

Twenty six police officers and 14 “dry” agents have already thrown themselves on the mercy of the court. This leaves 20 officers and 11 “dry” agents yet to be tried.

Asked Clemency. Defense counsel asked clemency for the accused on the ground that bootleggers threw money around rather promiscuously and the coppers being only human could stand up under the punishment. They took the coin. The prohibition agents had similar alibis. They claimed cruel and unusual punishment was not tolerated by the constitution, and this was what the bootleggers were guilty of, they declared. The judge deferred sentence until the rest of the defendants were disposed of.

Wall Street Asks Coolidge to Brace Foreign Bond Sales

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12.—The Wall Street banking interests, headed by J. P. Morgan and company, are bringing pressure to bear on President Coolidge to suppress what they declare is “propaganda aimed at the floating in the United States of private loans to European governments,” it was learned here.

The international financiers, with headquarters in New York, are anxious to have the Coolidge government inspire confidence in the bonds of the foreign countries on the New York market, which have been steadily declining. The French securities on the open market here slumped badly recently.

Bread Line Grows in Austria. AUSTRIA, April 12.—The trend of unemployment in Austria is strongly upward. From November, 1924, to the first of March, 1925, the total number of unemployed increased steadily from 113,484 to 210,000.

Sweden Against League Proposal. LONDON, Eng., April 12.—The expert commission appointed by Sweden to study the league of nations disarmament and security proposal, disapproves the proposal, it is reported.

DEVER PUTS O. K. ON CHILD LABOR IN BOYS' JOB DAY ANNOUNCEMENT

Mayor Dever yesterday publicly recognized and approved the capitalist institution of child labor when he proclaimed “boys' job day” to aid the boys' brotherhood republic find jobs for as many boys as possible.

The boys' brotherhood republic is an organization promoted by business men to teach the youth of the country to be docile workers in industry, and be satisfied with small pay with the hope of achieving “success” some day.

Dever announced that the first job day for boys was held April 10, 1916, when 1,037 boys were supplied with jobs.

STEEL ORDERS DROP HEAVILY DURING MARCH

First Sharp Fall Off Is 421,207 Tons

NEW YORK, April 12.—Unified tonnage of the United States Steel corporation on March 31, showed a decline of 421,207 tons as compared with that of February 28, according to the monthly report of the corporation issued at noon today.

Forward orders on the books of the corporation on March 31, amounted to 4,863,564 tons against 5,284,771 on February 28, of this year; 5,037,323 at the end of January and 4,782,807 in March, 1924.

In July, 1924, the forward orders of the steel corporation amounted to only 3,187,072 tons, and in March, 1923, forward business was 7,403,332 tons.

Decline of 421,207 tons in the March forward business of the steel corporations was slightly above expectations in Wall Street which estimated a shrinkage of from 250,000 to 400,000 tons.

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The Deportation Menace! Fight it!

ALIEN AND NATURALIZED Workers faced with New Attack. Under existing Laws, the Government is Increasing its Actions Against Militant Workers and Communists. Vajtauer, Severino, Halonen, Schedel, Lassen, etc.—new cases in the last months—now comes the arrest on deportation warrant of Comrade Zinich, editor of the South Slavic Communist paper.

A new drive against the militant and revolutionary foreign-born workers is on—Otherwise why are the bosses pushing the New Deportation Bill thru Congress?

All Workers, Native and Alien, Are Menaced and Must Stand Together! Funds for Defense in the Zinich and Other Cases Are Needed. Send Your Contribution to
LABOR DEFENSE COUNCIL, 19 So. Lincoln Street, Chicago, Ill.
Or to the local Labor Defense Council branch in your city and say it is for THE FIGHT AGAINST THE DEPORTATION MENACE.

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HERRIN BOMBERS WRECK STORE OF ENEMY OF KLAN

Klan Had Threatened to Take His Life

HERRIN, Ill., April 12.—Following within 48 hours after 100 indictments had been returned in connection with a similar attack several weeks ago, another Herrin store was partly wrecked by an incendiary dynamiting today.

The latest attack was directed on the establishment owned by Clarence and Marshall McCormack, the latter a former klansman who has since deserted the Klan faction to become a mayoralty candidate on the anti-klan ticket.

Car Speeds Away.

No one was injured and a fire following the blast was quenched by neighbors when the Herrin fire department was delayed in their arrival the chief explaining they had chased an automobile out of town. The early hour and the appearance of the speeding automobile immediately after he had heard of the explosion, led the chief to follow the car which soon out-distanced his truck, he said.

McCormack said he had only recently received a telephone call threatening his life if he continued his candidacy for mayor. It was the second attempt to wreck his store.

Laid To Klan.

No arrests had been made thus far in this latest renewal of hostilities although four men are reclining in jail for the bombing of the Fowler grocery several weeks ago. The attack was that to have been made by klansmen.

International Ball Given by Cleveland Comrades Best Ever

CLEVELAND, O., April 12.—Members and friends of local Cleveland Workers Party packed Grdina's Hall at the International entertainment, bazaar and costume ball making it the most successful affair held by the local organization.

At the many colorful booths were represented the Hungarian East and West Side branches, English West and East Side and Jewish. The women of the Hungarian branches served a fine supper of Hungarian goulash. Prizes were awarded to the Ukrainians for the best group of costumes. Stella Kaufman as a Russian boy and Mary Mulgrew in Irish costume received prizes for best individual costume. Lillian Krestan gave two excellent ballet dances in the evening.

The program included singing by the German, Hungarian, Lithuanian, Finnish and Ukrainian choruses; the Russian Balalaika orchestra with ballet dancer; the Finnish Women's Gymnastic Team; Recitation by Stella Kaufman, member of the Jewish Branch Young Workers' League; Violin solo by M. Pehrman, accompanied by Elmer Malm and a talk by Carl Weisberg of the Young Workers' League on the White Terror in Poland.

North Side Class to Meet Tonight

The growing study class of the North Side English branch on the principles of Communism will meet again tonight at 2406 N. Clark St. as usual at 8 o'clock.

All members of the North Side branch and friends are requested to be sure to attend this session if at all possible.

Settle for Tickets.

Settle at once with the local office Workers Party, 19 S. Lincoln St., for the following:
Unity demonstration tickets.
Beauty and Bolshevik tickets.
Red Revel tickets.
Lenin Memorial tickets.
All these accounts are past due. Settle at once!

Remember May 23!

The John Reed Junior group is arranging a surprise party and dance Saturday, May 23, at 1902 W. Division St. All friendly organizations are requested not to arrange other affairs on that date.

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

ON MAY FIRST: STRIKE AGAINST WAGE CUTS!

"Workers must defend their wages! Upon their wages depend their very lives. They must unite every worker in the shop or mine, every union of every trade, every worker's organization, industrial or political, to fight back the attack upon their wages!"

"The capitalist class is tricky. It will cut wages in one shop or one industry at a time, and if the whole industry and the whole working class does not concern itself with the attack upon a section of their fellow workers, the capitalists will beat us down one group at a time. There must be unity among the workers. Unity and struggle against the common enemy. Down tools on May May!"

Be not indifferent! Order a supply of May Day leaflets and have them read by the American workers. \$1.00 will buy 350. Pass them around—everywhere. Don't wait! Do it now! Order from National Office, Workers Party, 1113 W. Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill.

The Workers Party in Action

STATEMENT ON SITUATION IN THE ITALIAN SECTION, WORKERS PARTY

To the members of the Italian Section, Workers Party of America.
Dear comrades: The recent convention of the Italian Section, held in Philadelphia, February 21, was unanimous in its decisions on the most important questions before the section. It elected a new bureau which has the support of the overwhelming majority of the membership. Under the direction of the new bureau the Italian section is restoring itself to active work and preparing for the establishment of the daily *Il Lavoratore*.

There are still, however, a few persons, formerly members of the bureau, who refuse to accept the decisions of the membership expressed in the convention. Five weeks after the Philadelphia convention, after the entire Italian section had accepted the decisions of that convention with enthusiasm, a group of these former bureau members has mailed thruout the country a circular, containing vile and slanderous attacks against the bureau and against the central executive committee of the party. This circular called for a split in the Italian section, and was signed by A. Di Giacomo, Basilio Florio, J. Di Gregorio, Gaetano Baldassare and C. Balocco, as a "Provisional Committee for the Italian Communist Workers of America."

Because the C. E. C. believed that some of these were good comrades who had merely been misled by the slanders and lies which had been thrown about in the controversy, it hesitated to expel them at once, although such expulsion was called for by the criminal action of the five signers of the document. The C. E. C. instead called upon them to come to the national office and receive the instructions of the party. Instead of appearing, they sent a threatening and defiant letter. Still the C. E. C. did not expel them, but set another date for them to appear. On April 10, the five signers of the document appeared, and again defied the central executive committee of the party and stated their intention of continuing their efforts at disruption.

Patience has ceased to be a virtue in the face of these continued assaults upon the integrity of the party. The C. E. C. has therefore ordered the expulsion of Di Giacomo, Florio, Di Gregorio, Baldassare and Balocco from the Workers (Communist) Party of America.
The central executive committee now calls upon every Italian Communist worker in America to completely liquidate the last traces of the former differences, to rally their local units and every sympathizing Italian worker to the great task of reestablishing *Il Lavoratore* as a daily paper in New York City, and in building up the Italian section of the Workers (Communist) Party as one of its largest, most active, and most important sections.
Comrades, the Workers (Communist) Party and the Communist International, engaged in the bitter struggles of the working class against capitalism, and furnishing the working class with its most necessary organization and leadership, demand your unconditional support and unswerving loyalty and discipline. As a section of the iron-disciplined battalions of the Comintern we will together rally the American working class for the final struggle.
For a strong and united Italian section of the Workers Party!
For a daily *Il Lavoratore*!
For unity and struggle under the banner of the Communist International!

Central Executive Committee Workers (Communist) Party of America

For the member of your union and your shop mates, send in a sub.

PITTSBURGH WORKERS TO HEAR RECORDS OF LENIN SPEECHES

PITTSBURGH, Pa., April 10.—A revolutionary party in honor of the Russian Communist daily, *Novy Mir*, will be given in Pittsburgh, Pa., Wednesday, April 15, at 1522 Fifth Ave. There will be a musical program, dancing and free refreshments. Among the speakers will be Comrade Arne Swaback, district organizer of the Workers Party in English, and Comrade Alexander Chramoff, organizer of the Russian section, W. P. in Russian. Talks will also be made by Comrades Lenin, Lunacharsky and others (from phonograph records). Come and listen to the voice of Lenin!

Admission 50 cents. Beginning at 8 p. m.

PHILA. JUNIORS TO GIVE PLAY AND CONCERT

Will Depict Work of Young Communists

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 12.—The Junior Young Workers League of this city are busy preparing for the play and concert to be given on Friday April 24, at 8:00 p. m. at Progressive Library, 4035 Girard Ave.

An excellent musical program has been arranged for the occasion and the play "Our Juniors in Action" is precisely what its name implies—full of action portraying the youth of the Communist movement engaged in the struggles against the ravages of the capitalist system.

Much interest is manifested in this forthcoming event and although many of the party members and sympathizers failed to avail themselves of the opportunity to attend the first affair of the juniors, they now realize that they missed a pleasant and instructive evening and are not going to miss this performance.

Join the Workers Party!

IMPORTANT BRONX MEMBERSHIP MEETING WEDNESDAY, APRIL 15

NEW YORK, April 12.—A very important membership meeting of the Bronx section of the Workers Party and the Young Workers' League will be held on Wednesday, April 15, 1925 at 8 p. m. at the party headquarters, 1347 Boston Road. Every member must attend and bring party or Y. W. L. membership cards. The meeting is called for the purpose of organizing the party and league members who work in the shops and factories into shop nuclei. Comrade Ben Gitlow will speak.

MORE THAN THOUSAND WORKERS PACK HALL TO HEAR TRIAL AND SENTENCE OF ABRAMOVICH

(Special to The Daily Worker)

LOS ANGELES, April 12.—While Abramovich was telling his venomous story before an audience of hired thugs, policemen and real estate agents (socialists), who drove up to the meeting place at the Labor Temple in their limousines, in another part of the city, at the Co-operative Hall, over one thousand people crammed every aisle and corner of the auditorium to hear the trial and sentence of the traitor Abramovich while many were turned away because of the overflow.

The trial was held under the auspices of the Workers Party of Los Angeles, and in the true fashion of a revolutionary tribunal of the working class, the large audience which acted also as the jury took their oath by singing the International at the opening.

Story of Betrayals

The long story of the betrayals of the workers at the hands of Abramovich and his fellow lackeys in the Second International was vividly told by the prosecution and in convincing fashion, while the defense claimed that Abramovich's treason was explainable by the fact that he never was a real revolutionist. Strange to say, Abramovich did not present himself to hear his damning indictment, and when the audience had listened to the long list of his crimes, and the judge asked the audience to deal out revolutionary justice, there was a thunderous response from the audience: "Guilty."

A resolution was passed condemning and denouncing Abramovich for his treason to the revolution, and the resolution was absolutely unanimous, without one dissenting voice, and amidst great enthusiasm from the audience, which concluded the meeting by once more singing the International.

A large part of the crowd had already seen Abramovich last Thursday night, when many of Soviet Russia's sympathizers were refused admittance, dozens thrown out and beaten up for protesting against his lies, and ten of our comrades arrested by the police at the command of the yellow socialists.

This audience was now fully convinced, after the trial, why all honest workmen have so strenuously objected to allowing Abramovich to spew his venom in America.

Hiss and Boo Disrupter

A remarkable thing happened on the same night at a large meeting of the Civil Liberties Union. An anarchist obtained the floor and introduced a resolution condemning and denouncing the Communists for their tactics at the Abramovich meeting last Thursday night, and he was not only booed and hissed off the floor by the majority of the people present (very few of whom could have been Communists), as all our people were at our mock trial of Abramovich, but two other anarchists who attempted to get the floor were handled pretty roughly by members of the audience and ejected from the hall, before order was restored. So much for the workers' answer to Abramovich.

Marxist Message of Workers Party to Be Given Clinton, Iowa

CLINTON, Iowa, April 12.—J. E. Snyder and Tom Matthews will give an exposition of Marxian science at the Clinton Memorial Temple, 613 So. 2nd St. on Sunday afternoon, April 19th at 2:30 p. m.

The trade unionists of Clinton will be especially interested in this lecture, as they have had a good share of experience with "labor political action." In explaining the science of Marxism, these speakers will show the difference between real working class political action and the mere election of "good men" to office.
No admission will be charged at this lecture.

PRESENT CLASS WAR DRAMA AT INDIANA HARBOR, IND., APRIL 19

A performance, concert and dance will be given by the Workers Party, Local Indiana Harbor, Ind. Sunday, April 19, at Turner's Hall, 3809 Main St., Indiana Harbor, Ind. A drama of the class struggle "The Striker" by L. Rinehold will be staged. A good time is promised to all.

Comrade Peter Herd of the Young Workers' League of America will speak. Dance starts at 5 p. m., performance at 7 p. m. Admission 50 cents.

Workers Party—Local Chicago Activities

Monday, April 13.

Douglas Park English Branch, 3118 W. Roosevelt Road.
Lithuanian No. 3, Wicker Park Hall, 2040 W. North Ave.

Italian Cicero, 1402 S. 5th Ct., Cicero, Ill.
Northwest Jewish, 2642 Le Moyne Ave.

Lithuanian No. 77, 2242 W. 23rd Pl. Hungarian Branch, 1500 N. Sedgwick St.

German Branch, 1665 Bissel St. 19th Ward, Italian, 921 S. Loomis St.

Tuesday, April 14.
Czecho-Slovak Cicero Women's T. G. Masaryk School, 57th and 22nd Place.

Irving Park English, 4021 Drake avenue.
Northwest English, 2733 Hirsch Blvd.

Rumanian Branch, 2250 Clybourn Ave.
Ukrainian No. 1, 1532 W. Chicago Ave.

Italian 31st Ward, 511 N. Sangamon St.

YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE ACTIVITIES. LOCAL CHICAGO.

Tuesday, April 14.

Meeting of all Y. W. L. members working in Mail Order Houses and Department Stores, 19 South Lincoln street. Plans for furthering our Mail Order House campaign will be discussed: 1—Getting into the union. 2—Taking up new problems in the industry. 3—Further organizational tasks in the campaign.

MAY DAY DEMONSTRATION.

To be held at Kanter's Auditorium, 259 Monroe St., under the auspices of the Workers Party, Local Passaic, N. J., Friday, May 1, 1925, at 7:30 p. m. Speakers in all languages. Bring your friends with you. Admission 10 cents.

Talk it up—your shopmate will subscribe!

ON THIS IMPORTANT MATTER



Once More We Quote Wm. Z. Foster:

"Here, in the building up of the circulation of the DAILY WORKER, lies a field for the development of Communist organizers, which is open to every member of our party. In the performance of the systematic work necessary to the effective sale of DAILY WORKER subscriptions, and for that matter the sale of any of our party press subscriptions, there is called into play the qualities which go to make real organizers and propagandists.

"In building the DAILY WORKER circulation we approach non-party workers, workers who are not class conscious. We tell them about the DAILY WORKER and ask them to subscribe. We must explain to them at least the main essentials of the class struggle. We must overcome objections, prove the advantages and necessity of organization, of working class militancy, of struggle against the boss and his pliant tools, the trade union bureaucrats. We must exploit the growing revolt of these workers. We must connect up our paper and our party with these workers by making the DAILY WORKER the spokesman and champion of their grievances. All this must be done upon the most far-reaching scale and in the most systematic manner possible.

"Such work is getting down to fundamentals. It means real contact with the masses. By carrying it on aggressively and persistently we build up our self-confidence and our ability to give expression to Communist principles. In other words, we develop ourselves into organizers."

From the article "The DAILY WORKER—a Communist Builder" by Wm. Z. Foster in Jan. 13 issue of the DAILY WORKER,

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CHICAGO WORKERS TO HEAR FIRST NEWS ON ERIN

McCarthy Traveled Thru Famine Region

A mass meeting for Irish workers' and peasants' famine relief will be held in Chicago, at North Side Turner Hall, on Friday, May 8. John Patrick McCarthy, just returned to this country from an extensive trip thru the famine area, the land where he was born, will be the principal speaker. McCarthy was one of the most popular speakers in the campaign for Russian relief, and in this new appeal for working class solidarity he comes fortified with personal experiences and contact with the misery he is helping to alleviate.

Picketing Aroused Interest.

Every since the picketing demonstration conducted by the Irish Workers and Peasants Famine Relief Committee in Chicago's "Loop" and around the city hall on St. Patrick's Day, the Irish workers in Chicago have been watching this work with keen interest. The efforts of certain Free State politicians to hide or minimize the true state of affairs in Ireland, will not avail against the story of personal experience that this representative of the International Workers' Aid J. P. McCarthy, will tell. All who want to help strengthen the ties of international solidarity among the workers of all the world, should hold May 8th, for the Irish relief meeting at North Side Turner Hall.

Dies in Rooming House Fire.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 12.—Anthony Oreiski was burned to death, and 11 other persons narrowly escaped the same fate, when a rooming house in South Philadelphia burned today.

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RAILROAD LABOR BOARD SLASHED WAGES FROM TEN TO TWENTY PER CENT SINCE 1920, FIGURES SHOW

By LELAND OLDS (Federated Press Industrial Editor)

The U. S. rail labor board outdoes the employing class in reducing wages in the railroad shops, to judge by the January wage report of the interstate commerce commission.

The average wages range from 10 per cent to 22 per cent below those established by the board in 1920 while the average wage in manufacturing today is approximately the same as in 1920.

Wages Slumped.

The average daily wages of 10 principal railroad occupations in January 1925 compared with those under the board's 1920 decision were:

Rail Board Wage Scale	Jan. 1925	Jan. 1920	Decrease
Machinist	\$6.05	\$6.82	11.2
Boilermaker	6.04	8.89	12.3
Blacksmith	6.22	6.92	10.2
Sheetmetal	6.06	6.81	11.1
Electrical	5.77	6.75	14.5
Car repair	5.51	6.48	15.0
Helper	4.16	5.00	16.8
Car cleaner	3.12	4.00	22.0
Shop labor	3.18	4.07	21.8
Common shop labor	3.18	4.00	20.5

This shows that the labor board has also outdone the employers at their game of soaking the low-paid unskilled workers hardest. While mechanics have suffered reductions ranging from 10 per cent for higher paid blacksmiths to 15 per cent for car repairmen, all the unskilled workers have been cut more than 20 per cent.

Many Promises During War When the bosses wanted labor's cooperation in winning the war they gave lip service to the principle that even the lowest paid worker should receive enough for a bare subsistence. In Waynesboro, Pa., the national war labor board granted more than the workers asked in order to bring the minimum to a level which would pass muster in a civilized community.

But when the unusual demand for labor was over and the danger of world wide unrest passed, employers quickly proved that living wage talk was bunk to keep labor from taking full advantage of the economic position created by the war. Even such bodies as the rail labor board, specifically instructed to grant just and reasonable wages, proceeded to follow the open market in establishing wages for unskilled labor.

The results appear above. Wages of workers least able to sustain a cut are reduced by more than a fifth bringing their average to just over \$3 a day or less than \$1,000 for a full year.

Coolidge Deaf to Peru's Protest on Tacna Arica Award

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 12.—The reply of President Coolidge to the Peruvian protest against his award in the Tacna-Arica dispute in favor of Chile, which refused to change the award, brought out the fact that Peru has not yet appointed a commissioner to act on the plebiscitary commission arranged for by Coolidge. In his note Coolidge asks Peru to appoint a commissioner, declaring all others have been appointed.

Coolidge has been suspected of catering to Chile in the award in order that American capitalists may secure concessions of the Chile nitrate beds.

COMPANY UNION WINS ALBERTA FOR OPEN SHOP

District U. M. W. of A. Makes No Fight

(Special to The Daily Worker.) HILLCREST, ALTA., April 12.—(By Mail)—Blairmore has decided to accept the new wage scale, this was done last night, it carried by about 56 of a majority. The operators in the Bron's Nest Pass refused to meet jointly with the men, each operator will only "meet" their employes.

The same company owns the Blairmore and Bellevue mines, this means Bellevue will go next.

Everything around here sure looks black. No one likes the idea of an open shop and a company union. One wonders if the district officials really care what is happening to the U. M. W. of America. By refusing to call the whole district on strike, they have helped to bring the present situation here. They said that to have done so, would have been the height of folly. What is happening in such district is worse than folly.

I hear that Blairmore will start working tomorrow. After years of struggles, they are throwing away their conditions so they can say that they have a job! Let's hope they get lots of work. The only trouble—they drag the rest of us along with them.

A Company Union—All That's Left There is nothing left now but a company union and an open shop, which is not a pleasant outlook, unless something can happen to prevent it. But the men have convinced themselves at the cut that they think its the only remedy, or the only way out, and no fighting leadership to point out to them their error.

Traction Bankers Seek Substitute for Dever Steal

Traction magnates were busy today trying to think up another traction ordinance in place of the defeated Dever traction steal, in order to save themselves from receivership. If the bankers do not obtain a new franchise by February 1, 1927, when the present franchise expires, they will be forced into a receivership in the federal court. Hence their haste in trying to pass the Dever ordinance, and their frantic efforts now to secure some substitute "just as good."

Insull Would Retain Property.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., April 12.—Public ownership was characterized by Samuel Insull, chairman of the board of directors of the Middle West Utilities company, as "the first step toward a full Communistic program, as exemplified in Russia," in a speech here. Insull, who owns much stock in many mid-west public utilities, and electric light and power companies, made a plea that these companies be allowed to remain private property.

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- Brewery Workers' Joint Ex. Board, 1700 W. 21st St.
- 301 Brewery Workers' 1700 W. 21st St.
- 1 Bridge and Structural Iron Workers, 910 W. Monroe St.
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- Cap Makers, 4063 Roosevelt Road.
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- 181 Carpenters, 2040 W. North Ave.
- 199 Carpenters, S. C., 9139 Commercial Ave.
- 416 Carpenters, 605 S. State St.
- 419 Carpenters, 1457 Clybourn Ave.
- 448 Carpenters, 323 N. W. St., Waukegan.
- 1387 Carpenters, 2040 W. North Ave.
- 2506 Clear Makers' Ex. Bd., 166 W. Washington St., 730 P. M. Coopers' Joint Ex. Bd., 2835 S. Halsted St.
- 4 Engineers (Marine), 601 Capitol Bldg.
- 400 Engineers, 4643 S. Halsted St.
- 401 Engineers, 311 S. Ashland Ave.
- 518 Engineers, 180 W. Washington St.
- 629 Engineers, 180 W. Washington St.
- 645 Engineers, (R. R.), 2433 W. Roosevelt Road.
- 790 Engineers (Loc.), 3900 W. North Ave., 7 P. M.
- 60 Firemen and Engineers, 6058 Wentworth Ave.
- 7 Firemen and Oilers, 175 W. Wash.
- 7144 Gardeners and Florists, Naidog's Hall, Hinsdale, Ill.
- Hotel and Restaurant Empl's Joint Ex. Bd., 166 W. Washington St.
- 59 Ladies' Garment, 328 W. Van Buren St.
- 74 Ladies' 725 W. Western Ave.
- 444 Longshoremen, 355 N. Clark St.
- Machinists Dis. Council, 113 S. Ashland.
- Mouldiers Conf. Bd., 119 S. Throop.
- 101 Painters, 3316 W. North Ave.
- 147 Painters, 19 W. Adams St.
- 194 Painters, Madison and 5th Ave.
- 295 Painters, 111th and Michigan Ave.
- 273 Painters, 2432 S. Kedzie Ave.
- 320 Painters, 20 W. Randolph St.
- 227 Railway Carmen, Cicero and Superior.
- 453 Railway Carmen, 5252 S. Ashland.
- 1093 Railway Carmen, 88th and Commercial.
- 1162 Railway Carmen, 92d and Baltimore.
- Railway Clerks' Dis. Council, 165 W. Madison St.
- 276 Railway Clerks, 549 W. Washington St.
- 342 Railway Clerks, 165 W. Madison St.
- 549 Railway Clerks, Madison and Sacramento.
- 695 Railway Clerks, 75th and Drexel.
- 781 Railway Clerks, 649 W. Washington Blvd.
- 877 Railway Trainmen, 2900 W. North Ave., 9:30 a. m.
- 158 Retail Clerks, Van Buren and Ashland.
- Sailors' Union of Great Lakes, 355 N. Clark St.
- 16986 Scientific Laboratory Workers, City Hall, Room 715.
- 143 Signalmen, 2100 W. 51st St.
- 3 Switchmen, 323 Collins St., Joliet, Ill.
- 706 Teamsters, 220 S. Ashland Blvd. Trade Union Label League, 165 W. Washington St., 1:30 P. M.
- 230 Typographical, 180 W. Washington (Note—Unless otherwise stated all meetings are at P. M.)

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BUILDERS AT WORK

YOUNG WORKERS ARE GOOD BUILDERS

How We Build in Monessen, Pa.

The Y. W. L. is taking a great interest in the Second Annual Sub Campaign drive of the DAILY WORKER. The plan that we have adopted to get more subs in what we call the "installment plan." If the person who subscribes to the paper does not have enough money to pay for his sub at the time he orders, we give him the liberal terms of 25 cents down and 25 cents a week, or the amount he wants to pay. Of course the sub price must come out of the pocket of the agent and it is up to him to make collection.

In addition to this plan of getting subs we are visiting everyone for "May Day Greetings" for our Daily. We have already secured a number of these "greetings ads" and will get more to send in the near future.

The sample copies of the DAILY WORKER and the Workers Monthly sent to us by the office are being distributed by our young BUILDERS and are going to help us a lot to do a better job in the campaign. We will soon have to write for more.

These are but few of the methods we are trying to build the Y. W. L. and the Communist movement in general thru the DAILY WORKER in Monessen, Pa.

"Pushing a pen" is harder for me than pushing subs for the DAILY WORKER—but maybe these methods would be of use for other BUILDERS.

It should be a cheering note for our older BUILDERS to see these younger Johnny Reds actively participating, energetically building our movement by practical methods—even drawing their meager funds out of their own pockets to help build our Communist Party. Have you done your share—are you getting subs as have these active comrades?

In the Second Annual Sub Campaign

- Who have secured new subs for "Our Daily" on April 10. PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—Lena Rosenberg (5); Paul Lucas; Joseph Semple.
- MILWAUKEE, Wis.—J. Vajcekauskis (4); Gus Schlar (2).
- ROXBURY, Mass.—James Sagermaster (2).
- SAN FRANCISCO, Calif.—N. Mattson.
- PONTIAC, Mich.—B. Mircheff.
- MASS, Mich.—Alina Laitala.
- TOLEDO, Ohio.—N. Beck.

This Is the Reason

Why you do not see the standing of the various locals for last week: the subs are coming in much faster and the list is growing so large we need an extra day to compile it. Hereafter the race in the Second Annual Sub Campaign will be listed on Tuesday for the preceding week ending Saturday. WATCH TO SEE WHERE YOUR LOCAL STANDS TOMORROW!

Youthful Negro Makes Literary Hit with a Book of Real Humor

NEW YORK CITY, April 12.—(FP)—A 19 year old Negro messenger boy's novel, "The Prince of Washington Square," is causing a good deal of laughter by its genuine humor. Harry F. Liscomb, its young author, was formerly a newsboy and messenger, and writes of a newspaper boy in his book.

GREEN, WORRIED AND PUZZLED, WANTS 'SURVEY'

But He Goes to Easy and Hoover for Aid

WASHINGTON, April 12.—President Green of the American Federation of Labor, who is to speak from the same platform in New York with Ralph Easley, of the National Civic Federation and Secretary of Commerce Hoover, at a round-table discussion of waste and inefficiency in industry, is worried over the waste of the earning power of 150,000 coal miners in the United States. That number of miners are virtually marking time, unpaid.

He is also puzzled. He does not know what remedy to suggest. He says that it seems clear that a survey of this situation, and the situation in the New England textile industry, should be made by a commission of the A. F. of L.

Returning from his trip thru the coal strike region in northern West Virginia, where he addressed the strikers on April 1, Green says that reports brot to him indicate that the men who went out will stay out until the Bethlehem Steel and other operators live up to the Baltimore agreement, which they repudiated after signing.

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The Modern Inquisition

The terror raging in the Baltic states—Finland, Estonia and Lithuania—against the working class exceeds in violence and brutality even the tortures inflicted on the workers and peasants in the Balkans. It is inspired by the same motives and has the same purposes in both of these spheres of imperialist influence—a deliberate process of extermination for the most militant of the workers and peasants is being carried out with the approval and financial backing of Great Britain, France and the United States.

Merely to read of the horrors in these countries causes the blood to run cold. What must it be for the workers who day and night are forced to live in the slaughter-houses and torture chambers into which these countries have been turned?

The days of the inquisition are used as the standard by which we judge of terror, but a new one is needed. In the last few months more than 3,500 hundred workers and peasants have been arrested, tortured, hanged and shot in the four little Baltic states. In the city of Reval there is not a single working class family that has not had at least one of its members tortured, killed or jailed.

The prisoners, whose only crime is their opposition to the government of hired murderers, are tortured in every conceivable manner—by fire, water, electric shocks, clubbings and other methods too horrible to be printed. The cities resound with the cries and groans of the working class victims.

We see in the Baltic states the treatment the ruling class reserves for all those who refuse to submit to the tyranny of capitalism. On a small scale is being enacted the scene that will one day be repeated in the United States if the working class is weak enough to make it possible.

There must be so much hell raised in the western nations that the counter-revolution is forced to call off its torturers. The rulers of the Baltic countries are puppets moved by strings from London, Paris, Washington and Wall Street. It is in the imperialist nations that the pressure must be applied. There is no other task of such immediate importance as opening the doors of the dungeons of the capitalist inquisition in the Baltic countries and the Balkans.

The capitalist press is grumbling over the impossibility of enforcing all the laws. It is noticeable, however, that there is never any great delay in enforcing all laws designed to suppress the workers.

The European Crisis

The eyes of the world are on Berlin and Paris. France and Germany are powder magazines and sparks are flying all over Europe. The House of Morgan watches developments with an interested but cynical gaze.

Whatever happens, outside of actual collapse and revolution, is all grist to the Morgan mill. The cocky victors who have been fooling the French masses with fairy tales of German gold that was to liquidate all indebtedness now talk in humble tones while the German reactionaries show more and more assurance. Over all is the black pall of the Dawes plan under which the leech-like finance-capitalists prepare to suck the lifeblood of the French and German workers.

All talk of "stability," that magic word with which the allied capitalists have conjured up visions of a European slave-pen filled with toiling, sweating workers devoid of all power of revolt, has ceased for the time being.

A nationalist government in Germany, repudiating the Versailles treaty and its territorial arrangements in eastern Europe, with a French government of the Poincare type, will undoubtedly mean that war becomes a danger of today. Even tho the nationalists are defeated, their power is such that any regime other than a Communist one, will be forced to renew with vigor the attempt to bring back to Germany her lost territories.

That the capitalist class sees war in the offing is indicated by the increase of the Polish army by 170,000 effectives and by the terror against the workers in all the states bordering on Russia.

Seven years after the signing of the armistice and Europe seems ready to burst into flame again. But war this time means revolution. This is why relentless offensives are made on the Communists and the revolutionary sections of the working class. Capitalism is trying to sterilize its infected body before its internal contradictions rend it asunder.

The fear of revolution alone prevents the present European crisis from turning into another holocaust.

Have you seen the pictures of the land fortifications and the big guns in Hawaii? Then you know why we took that little island. It was not because our capitalists wanted to raise their own pineapples.

Emma Gets Poor Results

Prince Hopkins, than whom there is, or was, no better exponent of the liberal cult in the United States, in the recent issue of Labor Age is editorially intrigued by the adventures, writings and general activity of Emma Goldman.

Emma is in England at present and has been taken up by the intelligentsia. The rude and untutored worker will have nothing to do with Emma, however.

Like the rest of the counter-revolutionists in the anarchist and socialist camps, Emma is greatly interested in the political prisoners in Russia, but Prince Hopkins is forced to admit that she is having little success in arousing British labor to protest. The report of the British trade union delegation on Soviet Russia came at a very unfortunate time for the Goldmans and Abramoviches.

The great bulk of British labor now sees in the unity of the Russian and British labor movements the only real hope for world trade union unity. Furthermore, the British working class has made up its mind that the Russian workers and peasants have had the right to do anything they have done to maintain and defend the revolution. Counter-revolutionists now get a chill reception from the British working class no matter from what angle they attack Soviet Russia.

The Goldman formula for revolution is given by Hopkins with sympathetic comment. It is supposed to represent great achievement from the liberal standpoint because it is in conformity with what Hopkins calls "Ethics"—spelling it with a capital E.

Here it is: "No revolution can succeed as a factor of liberation unless the MEANS used to further it be identical in spirit and tendency with the PURPOSE to be achieved."

An intelligent ten-year-old child will see immediately that this formula, if followed, makes social revolution impossible. The capitalist class and their hangers-on must not be treated roughly—oh dear, no. This would not be in keeping with the high purpose of social liberation. Even tho the army and other mercenaries of capitalism fill the gutters with the blood of murdered workers, the masses must not lose their collective temper. This would be very naughty and would defeat the purpose of the revolution.

The Goldman formula is about the best counter-revolutionary dope the ruling class has been able to purchase up to date. It explains fully why Emma Goldman is welcomed in England by the apologists for capitalism.

But the workers do not listen to Emma any more. She is unable to make but poor returns on the money the British imperialists have invested in her. Her charm has departed with her virtue.

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Miners Rally to Militants

The rank and file of Sub-District 4 are rallying to Freeman Thompson and James Watt, the two officials whom Farrington is trying to railroad out of the offices to which they were elected and eventually out of the union.

Our news from that section tells of huge mass meetings at which the miners pledge support to Thompson and Watt in their fight. They are still in office and intend to stay there.

There has not been such an outburst of rank and file resentment for a long time as that which is making itself heard in the southern Illinois coal fields. What the eventual outcome of the struggle will be is impossible to predict at this time, but it is certain that the attack by Farrington has so far solidified the left wing and brought into action practically the whole membership of the sub-district behind the two militants.

Farrington seems to be preparing another Howat case. It is significant that just as the United Mine Workers are called upon to face the onslaught of the operators the efforts of the fakery are devoted to war on the militants. It was the same in Kansas. Howat and the miners were fighting the slave industrial court bill when he was removed by Lewis.

No opportunity is neglected by the Lewis-Farrington machine to strengthen the hands of the coal capitalists by fighting the honest and courageous district and sub-district leaders.

In so doing they are juggling with the very life of the union.

Every day get a "sub" for the DAILY WORKER and a member for the Workers Party.

Hindenburg Is Resurrected

Hindenburg is to run for the German presidency and the social-democrats are reaping the reward of their betrayals. There would be little for us to regret in this were it not for the fact that the working class has been misled and disorganized and its forces weakened by the continual treason of the social-democracy.

The parties of the big industrialists, the right and left wing of the nationalists, and the Bavarian party have combined behind Hindenburg, according to the latest dispatches. This group is said to be able to muster about 12,000,000 votes, while the Weimar coalition—the social-democrats and other bourgeois parties—are credited with approximately 14,000,000 votes.

In this situation the Communist Party holds the balance of power.

Our magazine section tomorrow will carry a special article on the German elections by Ernst Thaelmann, Communist candidate for the presidency, in which the relation of forces and the program of the German Communist Party is discussed.

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COLLABORATION OF CLASSES IS GIVEN APPROVAL

Bill Green Agrees to Everything

(Special to the DAILY WORKER.)

NEW YORK CITY, April 12.—The National Civic Federation, the leading organ for years of class collaboration, began what it calls its first "industrial round table" here Saturday, to "bring about elimination of industrial waste and the minimization of industrial strife."

All the boys were there, including Herb Hoover, secretary of commerce, sitting alongside Bill Green, head of the A. F. of L.; Gerard Swope of the General Electric trust and D. L. Cease of the Brotherhood of Railroad Trainmen.

Hoover Threatens Wage Cuts. Hoover let the feline out of the sack early by remarking that "the fund from which labor must expect maintenance of present wages or an increase in real wages lies in more efficient production and elimination of waste." The none too gentle hint that even the "maintenance of present wages" will be subject to cut if the toilers do not produce more efficiently is an obvious threat of wage cuts. Mr. Hoover did not explain how it happens that his own government statistics show that as efficiency has gone up, wages have gone down.

However, Mr. Hoover is supposed to be on the capitalist side of the argument. What was more revealing was the reply to Hoover by Bill Green, who did not attempt to refute the false idea that efficiency increase means a better wage for the workers. Green Accepts the Base of Argument.

Green practically agreed with Hoover that Labor is or should be interested in helping the boss manage industry efficiently so that the boss could make more money than ever "Just so the workers' standard isn't lowered," said the head of the A. F. of L., with absolute ignorance that if efficiency is increased and wages are not likewise increased wages are, by that fact, lowered.

Economics are a mystery to Green, however, who left the subject to talk about something that he could understand—"collective bargaining." Bill was strong for "collective bargaining" and was willing to give up most anything the members of the A. F. of L. have or hope to get, if only the employers will let him, Bill Green, do the "collective bargaining" stuff.

He did not give any reason why the members of unions should trust him to do their "collective bargaining" in view of the fact that he knows so little of practical economics that he thinks increased production without a wage raise is not a wage cut.

Argentine Paper Says South America Never Again Will Trust Cal

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

BUENOS AIRES, April 12.—Commenting upon President Coolidge's note to Peru, in which he declared the Tacna-Arica award was final, the Buenos Aires Herald, an English language newspaper, refers to the bluntness of the president's message as "entirely at variance with South American ideas of statecraft."

It expresses the opinion that "no South American republic will ever again appeal to Washington to solve its problems."

"The damage now has been done. We believe that had Peru that such summary judgment would have been pronounced, she never would have submitted the problem to arbitration."

Find Arcturus Is Safe.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Anxiety for the safety of the vessel Arcturus, bearing William Beebe's oceanographic expedition in southern water, was relieved here today following the navy's re-establishment of communication with the ship.

Conductor Burns to Death.

COLUMBUS, Ohio, April 12.—Chas. Kruck, Delaware, conductor, was burned to death and three passengers seriously injured here when a special car on the Columbus, Delaware & Marion Interurban line ran into a regular car in North Columbus.

Paasche Dies in Detroit.

DETROIT, April 12.—Dr. Herman Paasche formerly privy councillor and vice president of the German Reichstag was dead here today, following a sudden attack of pneumonia while on a lecture tour through the United States.

Hoover Man Goes to Paris.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—Raymond C. Miller, of Vincennes, Ind., was today appointed assistant commercial attaché at Paris by Secretary of Commerce Hoover.

Feel Quake Tremors.

WASHINGTON, April 12.—An earthquake of severe intensity was recorded on the Georgetown university seismograph here. The tremors began at 6:02 o'clock and lasted until 8:45 with the most severe shocks registering between 7:03 and 7:05.

STANDARD OIL THREATENS TO PUNISH SOUTH CHINA FOR ITS REVENUE TAX OF FIVE CENTS

CANTON, China, April 8.—Canton was threatened with a gasoline and kerosene famine today as a result of the Standard Oil, Texas Oil and Asiatic Petroleum companies discontinuing all shipments here following imposition of an internal tax of five cents.

Machinists Official Exposes Graft

(Continued from Page 1.)

they sent organizers all over the country to put this ticket over. If we are going to set the referendum aside in this manner and hold a secret convention of a small number of delegates to select our officers why not let all delegates have a voice in such selection.

Second. "Several years ago President Johnston and Secretary Davison with the approval of Board Members Carr, Fechner, and Gauthier, purchased two hundred thousand dollars' worth of stock in the Commercial National Bank of Washington, D. C., paying two hundred dollars per share for same when it was selling on the open market for \$148.00 per share or in other words, they paid more than fifty thousand dollars above the market price for it. This they do not deny.

"Second, they bought fifty thousand dollars' worth of bonds in the Minneapolis Star. This paper is in the hands of a receiver and we may never get our money out of it.

Third. "They invested \$25,000 in the Graham Printing company of Washington, D. C. That also went up the fuse and we lost our money.

Fourth. "They lied to our members about the organization owning the Mount Vernon Savings bank. We never owned this bank, we never controlled this

bank and we were told that under no circumstances would the bankers who have controlled it since its organization, give us control.

Fifth. "They are not putting a dollar in the strike fund as provided by law, in fact they are gradually draining the organization of its funds in order to keep their machine intact. Practically all money received at headquarters is being used to pay running expenses. The law at present states that forty per cent should be placed in the strike fund. Not one per cent goes in the strike fund and, there seems to be no intention of putting any there.

"These statements are true and you can tell the world I said so and as a member of the board I believe the membership should know them. There are many other matters that could be shown up that are equally bad but this should be enough to convince any man that a change is necessary.

"Well old top I will be in Chicago within a couple of weeks and try to land you a job there. Hoping that this finds you well and with best wishes to all the fellows I am,

"Fraternally yours, M. J. McMahon. "P. S. The reason that Carr was not on the Johnston slate was because he was outvoted at the secret convention. There were not enough votes cast for him at this little convention."



THE CAMPAIGN AGAINST RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

By ANNA THOMPSON.

The Campaign Against Religious Instruction in the Public Schools.

MOST comrades have seen in the papers—in our own as well as in the capitalist press—the great amount of discussion that has been going on in the educational and religious worlds in New York on the question of using the public schools in the field of religious instruction. Recently the matter passed beyond the discussion stage, a series of conferences were held, and actual organizational steps were taken to utilize the New York public schools in the work of inculcating the working class children of New York with the religious poison. From reports we are receiving from our Junior comrades in the schools this work is already well on its way.

In a growing number of schools, the bible is read and discussed, psalms are learned and sung, sermons and lectures are held on religious texts and so on. In others, arrangements have been made for the early dismissal of children on certain days on condition that they immediately proceed to places (religious schools, Talmud Terahs, etc.) where religious instruction could be obtained. It will not take long before the whole public school system becomes perfectly adapted for these new tasks that the capitalists have entrusted it with.

Of course, all these proceedings are a direct challenge to our Communist movement, particularly to the Young Workers' League and its Junior Section. It is the business of our Junior Section to immediately start the agitation against religion and against religious training in the public schools and become the centers of the protest movement among the children—thus following up the work of propaganda and agitation with organization work. It is the business of the Junior Section, this time in co-operation with the league and the party, to take the lead in arousing the young and adult workers against this menace of religion in the schools, to organize this protest movement, to back up in every way the school struggle of the Juniors, which is bound to be very severe, and in general, to throw into action against the bosses and their tools, as large a portion of the workers as possible. These, in outline, are the elementary tasks of the communist movement in the face of the present situation.

The Junior Section of the Young Workers League has not been behind hand in its tasks. The District Junior Committee has already elaborated an all-round plan of activity for the league and the Junior Section in reference to the campaign against religion and religious training in the schools. This plan was accepted and discussed in minute detail by the city executive committee and detailed plans laid by this committee for carrying it into action. Beside making arrangements for such internal activity (within the groups) as the enlightenment of the Juniors on religion and the training of certain picked Juniors as propagandists and agitators in the cam-

aign, our plan of activity also goes into such matters of agitation and propaganda in the schools (a printed leaflet and several mimeographed leaflets to be issued) mass protest meetings and parents' meetings to be called, a call for a united front to be issued, labor unions and labor fraternal organizations to be circulated, and so on. Nor are plans simply on paper. The work in the schools has already begun; mass meetings have already been arranged for and held, and in every way, the Y. W. L. and the Junior Section are coming to the front in this anti-religious campaign.

Of the comrades in the league what we ask is understanding and support. We want support first of all in the recruiting of our Junior groups. See that all children you know between the age of ten and fifteen join the Junior groups. Secondly, we need Junior leaders now more than ever. Why don't you become a Junior leader? Call at the district office and talk the matter over. Then we want every section of the league to form a set on Junior committee. This is absolutely necessary. Will you help us by seeing that a Junior committee is organized in your Section? Will you take the initiative?

Comrades, the Junior Section has great tasks before it. We want you to see that we carry these tasks out in the proper manner.

Hold Mine Rescue Contest.

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 12.—Teams from every coal mining state in the nation, as well as teams from foreign countries, were expected by Illinois miners today to take part in the fourth annual international aid and mine rescue contest to be held in Springfield September 10, 11 and 12.

GRAFT AND CORRUPTION RAMPANT AMONG HIGH OFFICIALS OF POLAND

WARSAW, April 12.—After lengthy investigations into the accounts of the Polish navy, in which charges of graft were leveled against high officials, Naval Commander Bartoszewicz has been arrested and Vice Admiral Porembski, chief of the Polish navy, suspended. Both officials are charged with lack of proper surveillance, while nine other officials and controllers in the department have been dismissed or reduced in rank.

Commander Bartoszewicz, who was formerly in the old czarist Russian navy, is also accused of treason.

EXPLOSION ON ITALIAN WARSHIP KILLS FOUR, INJURES FIFTEEN

MILAN, Italy, April 12.—A shell exploded aboard the Italian warship Duilio in the harbor of Spezia today killing four sailors and injuring fifteen others.

AS WE SEE IT

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In the meantime, we must get rid of the surplus abroad. But Europe owes us \$20,000,000,000, has no money and can only pay us in goods.

LABOR unions are at their best, says Babson when employers are bidding for help, but in a situation such as he visualizes, the workers will be bidding for jobs. The manufacturer who can produce goods with the least expenditure of capital on wages will win out; the others must close up shop. Note the case of the coal industry. Non-union operators going strong, and non-union miners living comfortably while union mines are shut down and union miners are unemployed. This is Babson's yarn. His solution of the problem is that the workers should accept a lower standard of living in order to compete with the workers of Europe, who will in turn be asked to accept a lower standard in order to compete with the American wage slaves. And so on ad-infinitum.

ANYBODY can see at a glance, from the foregoing that the workers must be organized internationally in order to solve the social problem which can only be solved in one way, that is, by taking the wealth producing machinery out of the hands of the capitalists and organizing society on the basis of production for use instead of for profit. The unions must be fighting instruments and not capitalist auxiliaries as the labor fakery have partly succeeded in turning them into. Babson is speaking for his class. He is one of their most highly paid philosophers and industrial Baedekers. He deserves credit for being faithful to his trust.

BUT what can we say of the labor leader, who has risen to power on the shoulders of his class and then betrays them? Take Warren S. Stone, alleged progressive! Stone holds forth in the same capitalist sheet that contains Babson's views on business. The journalist who secured the interview says: "Stone, as he spoke, looked more like a prosperous big business man than like the most dynamic of labor leaders." Space does not permit me to deal exhaustively with Stone's capitalist bokum. The head of the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, boasted of so many banks that it would take too long to count them.

HE declared that labor in the United States has gone thru three cycles. The first one was class consciousness, the second collective bargaining and the third, what the faker is pleased to call co-operation, but which is better described by the term class collaboration. Stone gleefully stated that the brotherhood had "passed successfully" thru the class conscious stage and was on the threshold of the last and more comfortable cycle, under which Stone and Dupont have their feet under the same table and pick cigars out of the same box. The sum total of Stone's theory is that the workers and the capitalists would join hands under the new dispensation and run industry thru the joint effort of each other's labor.

THERE is nothing new in this theory, except that the labor fakery have officially accepted it. This has been the ideal of the robber barons of this country, the religion of big business. Everybody knows that the workers now run the industrial machinery for the capitalists, but the latter play the role of exploiters while the workers get out of it whatever it pleases the capitalists to give them in wages. And it will be thus so long as capitalism exists. The brotherhood banks, says Stone, are educating the workers how to invest wisely. What will the miners of Nova Scotia, Southern Illinois or those who toll in the South's scab mines in West Virginia think of this counsel?

TO sum up, A final damning indictment of this traitor out of his own mouth: "That means co-operation, unity safety for all. It means that when our banks in Cleveland joined hands with the National City company of New York and bought together \$3,500,000 bonds of the International Great Northern Railway company a new epoch in the relationship of capital and organized labor was ushered in." There you are! The unions have a future says Babson, as corals to keep the wage slaves in. "Yes, yes," says Stone, "see what I am doing. Making happy little capitalists out of the workers." But should Babson's pessimistic picture of industrial conditions in the next ten years come true, the dreams of the class collaborationists will be kicked higher than a runaway kite.

Soviet Electric Plant Explodes. MOSCOW, April 12.—Six persons were killed and three injured in an explosion today at the Tshakent Electric plant.