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AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

BULGARIA is very much in the news today. It is today the chief bourgeois slaughterhouse, where the workers are being annihilated merely for being workers. There is no protest against this reign of terror in the capitalist press. The governments that used to keep the wires hot in denunciation of the defensive measures of the Soviet government, approve of the actions of the murderous white assassins of Bulgaria.

THE Bulgarian government, known among the workers and peasants of Europe as the "Government of Assassins" is the creature of Britain and the favorite political puppet of Austen Chamberlain. It seized power with the connivance of the British government and has held office since then by the support of the same government. Zankov, the present premier, had Stambulisky murdered; 15,000 peasants lost their lives in the insurrection he provoked in September, 1923.

THIS assassin gang suppressed the Workers' Union, with a membership of 40,000, and the Workers' and Peasants' Co-operative Society with a membership of 70,000 was declared illegal and all its property confiscated. When this fiend Zankov thought he had the country pacified in 1924, he ordered an election, but the socialists had bargained with him as to the number of deputies both should have, the Communists and peasants polled over 200,000 votes and elected 25 deputies. Zankov then made up his mind to eliminate his enemies by means of assassination.

SINCE then Zankov has assassinated, at a conservative estimate, at least 500 Communists and peasants, not to speak of the thousands he has executed in mass. Bulgarian revolutionary leaders who managed to escape from the country have been tracked down and assassinated in foreign cities. The following letter, written by Zankov's right hand man, Stancheff, to the Bulgarian minister in Rome, openly boasting of one murder and planning other is illuminating. It reads:

I WAS overjoyed at the news of the death of the traitor Tchautoff. I am sure that Dmitroff (leader of the outlawed unions) will suffer the same fate. He is now in Rome and I shall not sleep in peace until he shall have perished. We shall get rid of Dr. Maximoff, as well as Kosturkof (leader of the bourgeois opposition to Zankov's regime). Yesterday at Lazaroff's (commandant of Sofia garrison) I heard about Vlahoff. We are going to send our men down there to settle their account, as well as Kolaroff's. Lambieff has left a fortnight ago for London to put away Rakovsky (Soviet envoy in London). Don't worry about money. All will be paid. I am sending you to carry on your work \$3,000 lire. Thousand greetings. Stancheff."

IN the month of January alone 150 political assassinations were committed by Zankov fiends. One of the most prominent of those was a young school teacher. He was taken to a police station by detectives and was found later strangled with wire on the streets of the capital.

THIS information does not come from a Communist source. It is the summary of a letter sent to British working class organizations and was published in George Lansbury's Weekly. Note that the socialists had a united front with the fascists. Some of our readers might not believe this, attributing the charge to Communist malice. But George Lansbury is not a Communist. He is a member of the independent labor party, and a member of the British parliament.

THIS government of murderers is now trying to use the latest act of retaliation as an excuse for a fresh orgy of executions. And it is not surprising.

SOUTH AFRICANS MOVE TO BOYCOTT WALES AS PRINCE DANCES GAILY

(Special to The Daily Worker)

CAPETOWN, South Africa, April 22.—The increasing restlessness of the South African natives, as a result of the approaching visit of the prince of Wales, is seen in a move here to boycott the prince's visit when he arrives. The outbreak at Bloemfontein, where British police killed four and wounded several other Africans during a demonstration, is but one sign of the resentment of the South Africans at the oppressive rule of British imperialism.

The "shows" which have been put on by the African natives, to entertain the prince, have been staged wholly by native troops, commanded and officered by British soldiers.

PRINCE GAY AND UNCONCERNED.

LAGOS, Nigeria, April 22.—Reports that the natives are showing displeasure at the "royal visit" have not perturbed the prince of Wales. He danced every number of a ball here, staying up until well into the morning. He stayed in bed most of the day to recuperate.

SOVIET ORGAN SCORES PRESS ON BULGARIA

Big Revolt Reported Is Against Fascisti

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

MOSCOW, April 22.—The Izvestia today denounced the capitalist press for its lying campaign in blaming the Sofia bomb explosion on the Communist International. The paper declared that the reported order from the Communist International ordering a revolution in Bulgaria on April 15 was a clumsy forgery.

The King a Prisoner.

VIENNA, April 22.—The king of Bulgaria is reported a prisoner in his own palace, as firing squads are kept busy executing Communist and peasant leaders throughout the part of the country where the Zankov government rules.

All the news coming over the wires out of Sofia is censored, but enough is learned to indicate that the fascist regime is tottering. The wholesale executions carried out by the Zankov regime have inflamed the peasantry against the government and a general uprising is reported to have taken place.

Blamed the Communists.

The fascist government issued an official statement today blaming the cathedral explosion on the Communists. The Rumanian royal family have made arrangements to receive King Boris in the event of his position becoming untenable in Bulgaria.

It would not surprise anybody here to learn that the Zankov ministry has fallen. It is believed if it goes down that the members of the present government will never come up again.

INDIANA KLUXER FILES PETITION TO OBTAIN BAIL

Accused of Murderous Attack on Girl

INDIANAPOLIS, April 22.—Marion county jail will be the temporary home of David C. Stephenson, deposed Kluxer clan organizer, at least until next Monday, when he will be brought into criminal court for a hearing on his petition to be allowed bail.

This became certain today with the announcement of Eph Inman, chief counsel for Stephenson, who is charged with first degree murder in connection with the death of Madge Oberholzer, 28. Attorney Inman said no further attempts to obtain freedom for Stephenson would be made until after the hearing.

At the hearing Monday the prosecutor must unravel in court the mass of evidence he claims to have warranting Stephenson's retention without bail pending trial. The hearing on the bail petition was expected to develop into a virtual trial itself with a score of witnesses to be heard.

Among those who will be called to testify against Stephenson will be Mrs. George E. Oberholzer, mother of the girl Stephenson is alleged to have attacked in a sleeping car, causing her to swallow poison tablets out of shame and pain.

Mrs. Oberholzer was seriously ill at her home today and it was said she might be unable to testify Monday. In this event, at the request of the defense, the hearing will be postponed.

Fire Sweeps Mexican City.

BISBEE, Ariz., April 22.—Two dead, forty injured, and a property loss of \$250,000 was the toll in the fire which swept Cananea, Sonora, Mexico, 65 miles from here, according to word received today.

WORKERS PARTY ASKS FOR UNITY OF LABOR ON REAL PROLETARIAN EDUCATION FOR CLASS STRUGGLE

The complete surrender of the Workers' Education Bureau, which took place at its fourth national convention at Philadelphia, to the theories and practice of class collaboration, and the capture of the convention by the reactionary bureaucracy of the A. F. of L. has elicited from the educational department of the Workers Party, the following statement upon workers' education and the role of workers' schools:

A Statement of the Educational Department of the Workers Party.

The Workers Party on the occasion of the fourth annual convention of the Workers' Education Bureau, meeting in Philadelphia, feels it important to point out the vital task of labor education in the United States and the issues affecting groups and representatives of workers gathered to promote workers' education.

What is Workers' Education?

The activities of the W. E. B. during the period of its existence raises the entire question of workers' education. What is workers' education? It is self-evident that workers are compelled to organize for their own education because the educational forces of the present system are being perverted and prostituted to misrepresent the facts of our social life; to instill in workers a consciousness of the permanency and superiority of the present capitalist system; to prevent the workers as a class from uniting in opposition to their position as wage laborers.

No proof is necessary for the assertion that our schools, universities and other educational agencies are the (Continued on page 3)

WHEELER'S AID HELPED OIL MEN AT LAND OFFICE

Secretary of Senator Did Dirty Work

GRAT FALLS, Mont., April 22.—Denies that Senator Burton K. Wheeler, of Montana ever practiced as a paid attorney before the interior department were made by a number of defense witnesses in the trial of Wheeler for alleged misuse of office, in federal court here today.

The first was Richard A. Haste, Washington, secretary to Wheeler, who testified to the habitual practice of members of congress in interesting themselves before federal departments in behalf of constituents.

Secretary Before Interior Department "Wheeler had an unusually large number of departmental cases, but I handled practically all of them for him," said Haste, who added that he took Gordon Campbell, Montana prosecutor, whom Wheeler is accused of representing, to the interior department for the first time.

"Campbell was having some land troubles, and I took him to the interior department and introduced him to officials there," declare Haste. "Wheeler was in Europe at that time."

Previous to Campbell's arrival in Washington, however, Haste testified he accompanied Wheeler to the interior.

"Were Campbell's oil permits discussed?" asked John L. Slattery, United States district attorney. "Not at all," replied Haste. "So far as I know Wheeler never discussed or wrote about oil permits for anybody."

Banker Aids Wheeler

It was learned today that Frank A. Vanderlip, financier and Samuel Untermyer, New York attorney are gathering defense witnesses in New York who will be sent here to testify regarding George B. Hayes' character. Vanderlip organized the citizens' research committee to assist Wheeler in prosecuting the senator's investigation of the department of justice.

Wheeler scored an important victory when his lawyers forced the government to give up letters favorable to Wheeler which had been seized in the offices of Edwin S. Booth, former solicitor of the land office at Washington. The letters were a contradiction of the statement of Hayes that Wheeler protected Campbell's oil interests before the land office. Friends of Wheeler are busy raising (Continued from page 2)

Poison Food Makes Five Hundred Ill in Indian School

RIVERSIDE, Calif., April 22.—Five hundred students of Sherman Institute, an Indian school, were recovering here today from the effects of eating poisoned food Sunday. "Fear that a wholesale dose of strychnine had been administered to the students caused the authorities to put in an emergency call for every available doctor in the city.

Coolidge Reveals Self Foe of the Foreign Workers

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22.—President Coolidge again revealed himself as a foe of the foreign-born worker in a speech here before the Daughters of the American Revolution when he praised the "policy of restriction." Coolidge expressed the wish to make the barring of aliens permanent.

Two Die in Plane Wreck.

BARCELONA, April 22.—Julio Sanz and Luis Fernandez were seriously burned in the destruction of a military airplane by fire here today.

LONDON LABOR DAILY ASSAILS SOVIET CRITICS

Gives Union Record of Russian Delegates

LONDON, April 22.—(By Mail)—Today's Daily Herald carried an interesting story on the Soviet trade union leaders who went into conference with their British comrades this morning to brush aside the knotty problem of bringing about the international unity of the working class in the trade union movement.

The following with the heading "Workers All" is the Herald's story: The conference between the representatives of the British Trades Union Congress and the Russian Trades Union Congress opens this morning at Eccleston square.

The meeting is the sequel to the efforts made by the British delegation at Amsterdam in February in the cause of unity.

On instruction from the general council of the T. U. C., the British delegates urged that an unconditional preliminary conference should be held between representatives of the International Federation of Trade Unions and representatives of the Russian unions, in order to discuss frankly the situation and the difficulties in the way of unity.

This proposal the other members of the I. F. T. U. council were not prepared to accept. They insisted that (Continued on page 5)

Unemployment in Steel Mills Shown by Total Wages Paid

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio, April 22.—The banks here have announced a wage distribution in Youngstown of \$6,476,668 for March: This is about \$400,000 less than the February payroll. This was declared to be an indication of irregularity in steel mill employment. The payroll for the first three months of this year was \$20,074,822, but in 1924 for the same period it was \$21,257,655.

Griffin To Be Rebuilt.

EVANSVILLE, Ind., April 22.—Practically all of Griffin, the village that was demolished by the recent tornado, will be rebuilt. Plans to rebuild 105 of the 159 buildings destroyed are complete.

ANTI-KLAN CANDIDATE IS ELECTED MAYOR OF HERRIN BY 199 VOTES

HERRIN, Ill., April 22.—Marshall G. McCormack, anti-klan candidate known by his own words as "the reformed klanman," will be Herrin's new mayor, official tabulations showed today. McCormack, former coal miner who has deserted klan ranks because of their terrorist acts, was elected over the klan candidate, Tom Welty, by 199 votes. No violence of any kind was reported, 4,000 votes were cast.

HERRIOT HEADS CHAMBER ONLY AFTER BIG ROW

Communist Leader Begins Amnesty Drive

PARIS, April 22.—Former Premier Eduard Herriot today was elected president of the chamber of deputies. His election followed discussion on the part of those opposed to the ministry of Premier Painleve. The opposition for a time held up the election.

Joseph Caillaux was the centre of royalist and right wing opposition in the chamber of deputies when he strode into his old seat on the ministerial section which he occupied in 1913.

While Painleve was talking the chamber was howling. Marcel Cachin, Communist leader, however succeeded in calming the deputies while he bitterly arraigned the Painleve declaration, in an unusually long speech.

Abandons Two Points

"The government says it follows the lines of the preceding cabinet" said Cachin "but it abandons two of its important points, that of the vatican and Alsace and Lorraine, and among the members of the cabinet is Chautmet, who contributed to Herriot's defeat. Francis Marsal who launched the attack on Herriot in the senate, is a banker utilizing his influence as a senator for the service of the banking interests. Herriot told you that the government lost its independence to the Caillaux."

"With Cachin as minister we must have complete amnesty for all or there will be an intolerable scandal. What does the government think of women's suffrage after parliament has voted on it twenty times?"

GARY MAYOR TO FEDERAL PRISON AS BOOTLEGGER

Elected by the United States Steel Co.

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 22.—Roswell O. Johnson, former Gary (Ind.) mayor, and the forty co-defendants in the Gary liquor conspiracy case, probably will be taken to Leavenworth, Kans., federal prison next Saturday to begin serving sentences passed by Judge A. B. Anderson in March, 1923. It was announced at the United States marshal's office today.

Prison warrants will be turned over to the marshal tomorrow, the clerk said, and notices sent to all the defendants who are out on bond, to appear at the marshal's office here. Several defendants in the Gary case have completed or are serving their sentences.

Mayor Johnson was elected to office with the backing of the United States Steel corporation officials. He protected their interests while in office. When fatal accidents occurred in the mills, Johnson helped suppress the news of the extent of these accidents. The names and number of those killed were generally withheld.

SOUTHERN MOB MURDERS NEGRO ON GIRL'S WORD

Another Negro Is Being Chased by Whites

CARTHAGE, N. C., April 22.—Following on the heels of the lynching of William Buckley, an 18 year old Negro, near McComb, Mississippi, comes the word that a mob is chasing Dock Roberts, another Negro, in the woods near here.

Two Negro women found a girl who had been returning from school, in a wood, with a strap drawn tightly around her throat. Roberts is accused of attacking her, although there is no evidence against him.

The 13 year old Negro boy was murdered in Mississippi, on the statement of a six year old girl that she was attacked by him. Buckley, however, had been released from jail by the sheriff on a small bail bond, as it was that the girl might be using her imagination.

After Buckley had returned home, he was taken out by a mob and lynched.

COMMUNIST FOR MAYOR



DAN STEVENS Communist Candidate for Mayor of Minneapolis, Minn.

DEPT. OF WAR WITHHELD NEWS OF RED ARRESTS

Hawaiian Papers Under Strict Censorship

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

HONOLULU, Hawaii, April 22.—Proof that the war department suppressed for many days the news of the arrest of seven Communist soldiers at Schofield Barracks, near here, has just been furnished.

Although the seven Communists were arrested on February 19, the news of the arrests was not printed in the Honolulu papers until April 3. Even then, the news was incomplete.

The Honolulu Star Bulletin, on April 3, in a story under the headline, "Five Soldiers Implicated in Alleged Plot," declared: "Notwithstanding the fact that courts martial are public trials, the newspapers were given no notification of this trial until it closed. The first news published was sent out from the intelligence office at Schofield late Friday afternoon, although Private Crouch was sentenced to forty years in prison."

"This news failed to state that others had been implicated and that the trial of a second man was to begin Monday. Strong objection was raised today to the publication by the Star Bulletin of the latter."

When this dispatch was published, the secret trial of Walter Trumbull had already been going on two days, and all news of the trial was suppressed.

The report goes on to state, "The charges against Private Crouch were filed March 10. His trial started Monday or Tuesday of this week and ended Thursday, officials of the army intelligence office declaring that they 'did not pay much attention to it after completing their part of the work.'"

The above paragraph was in bold faced type. The newspapers did not then know that Crouch, Trumbull, Nadeau, Creque, Ebert, Schwartz and Domagalski were arrested on February 19, and held incommunicado since that date.

The Star Bulletin further complains, "The arrest of the enlisted men alleged to be implicated in the plot, the filing of the charges against them, and their trial was surrounded by secrecy by officials of the army intelligence corps at Schofield, who have assured the newspapers at various times that it was their purpose to assist them in gathering the news of the army here, for the people of Honolulu and Hawaii."

MINES CLOSING DOWN AND MONESSEN STEEL MILLS ON PART TIME

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MONESSEN, Pa., April 22.—More men were thrown into the ranks of the unemployed, when the mine of the Pittsburgh Coal Co. at Pricedale, near here, was closed. Several other mines near here are going to close down, according to rumors. Many mines in this district are being dismantled and rails are being removed from the entries.

This is a delight to the steel barons when there are so many unemployed. It is their chance to slice down the wages of the steel workers.

The mills here are not running very good, many men are being laid off, and many work at part time. This is Coolidge's "good times."

COMMUNIST IS UP FOR MAYOR IN MINNEAPOLIS

Stevens to Open the Campaign May Day

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., April 22.—Dan W. Stevens, president of Painters' Local Union, No. 186, and local Communist leader, today filed as a candidate for mayor.

Several weeks ago the local Communist organization sent out letters to all labor unions and other working class organizations calling for a unity conference to agree upon a slate of local candidates to run in opposition to the present capitalist candidates.

It is generally understood that this conference failed to materialize because of the opposition of the conservative labor leaders who desired to support the present republican mayor for re-election.

Fought For Unity.

In filing Dan W. Stevens, the Workers (Communist) Party issued a statement in which it said, "Our party first fought in the trade union movement to unite all of the forces of labor behind one working class candidate. Our efforts in this respect were defeated by reactionary labor leaders who were more concerned in serving capitalism and its political henchmen than they were in fighting for the interests of the working class. It therefore, became our duty as a Communist organization serving only the interests of the workers to file a candidate who will utilize the campaign as a means of rallying the workers in the immediate struggle against the citizens' alliance and the 'open shop' bosses of Minneapolis and it elected will utilize the mayor's office to serve only the interests of the workers. In filing Dan W. Stevens, we have a candidate, who, by his record in the labor movement of this city, has proven his fighting qualities as a labor leader."

Well-Known to Workers.

Stevens is well-known in the local labor movement. After returning from the Spanish American war in which he served in the Philippines and received his first taste of the aggressive nature of American imperialism, he joined the Painters' Union and has been an active member ever since, having held every office in the local organization and now serving as president of Local No. 186.

For 17 years he served as a delegate to the Minneapolis Trades and Labor Assembly, fifteen of which he was an officer and from 1921 to 1924 he served as an organizer of the assembly. He was recently unseated as a delegate by the reactionaries because of his criticism of the failure of these reactionaries to adopt a militant program of action against the attack of the bosses in their effort to cut wages and reduce the workers' standard of living.

During his activities in the labor movement he, like most militants, came to understand that the present capitalist government was an instrument in the hands of the capitalists to be used against the workers. In 1920 he was imprisoned for contempt of court after he had refused to respect an injunction issued by Judge Bardwell, forbidding the moving picture operators the right to picket a local theater. Stevens, after the in-

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N. Y. WOMEN FIGHT LAWS ATTACKING FOREIGN-BORN

Meeting Wednesday at Hennington Hall

NEW YORK, April 22.—There will be a mass meeting to protest against the new deportation bills now pending before congress, the purpose of which is to further shackle the foreign-born workers in this country, Wednesday, April 29, 8 p. m., at the Hennington Hall, 214-216 Second street, New York City.

The speakers will be: Margaret Undjus, a member of the Lithuanian Women's Progressive Alliance of America; Rose Barron, representing the Labor Defense Council; Fanny Warshefsky, a member of the Furriers' Union.

The United Council of Working Class Women, which is arranging this mass meeting, invites all other working class women's organizations to participate.

IRISH COURTS WRANGLE OVER 'SOVIET'S' ACTS

Leitrim Was Exciting Place for Grabbers

(Special to The Daily Worker) DUBLIN, — (By Mail) — It is one thing to secure a court judgement in your favor in Ireland, but it is an entirely different matter to have that decision put into effect. The average Irish peasant has as much contempt for law as Americans have for prohibition. This is particularly true after several years of civil war during which a man's best counsel was a trusty rifle.

One of the most interesting hand-overs from the stormy days of 1922 is the case of James Gralton, now a member of the Workers Party in New York, versus sundry landgrabbers who were compelled to disgorge property they had taken from peasants who could not or would not pay the rent demanded by the landlord.

Two of the most popular slogans in Ireland are: "Pay no rent" and "To hell with the king." In Belfast the latter gives way to "To hell with the pope."

Returned To Fight

"Jim" Gralton was a member of the Irish-American Labor League of New York before the fighting in Ireland proved too great an attraction for him. He returned to his native county of Leitrim to carry a gun against the black and tans and square things up with the landgrabbers. Gralton knew that the black and tans were not the only enemies of the Irish workers and peasants. Acting on this knowledge he organized a society named after the Irish revolutionist James Connolly and under his leadership a "Soviet Hall" was built in the district. Soon things began to hum.

The sequel to those stirring incidents took place in Dublin last summer when the landgrabber who was dispossessed by the revolutionary peasants asked the court aid in having his lands returned to him. The plaintiff testified that Gralton and diver others decided to take his land away from him and that the peasants in the district constituted themselves into a Soviet, which issued decrees and saw that they were carried out.

Their Guns Barked. The committee of direct action, which was the police force of the local Soviet, drove this landgrabber's cattle off the land and playfully fired shots around his premises in order to convince him that discretion was the better part of valor. Free State officers arrested the cattle drivers and peace reigned for a while. But in October of the same year the committee of direct action resumed activity as the following note will show:

"Take notice that you are requested to have the lands of Lismoye cleared of all stock and crops on or before November 1, and if not it will be cleared for you. You are also requested to surrender said lands to the lands committee, who will have it distributed to those people who are justly entitled to it; those people whom you went behind their backs and grabbed this land while they were endeavoring to secure it for division among the uneconomic holders of the district. They intend no longer to allow any hound to gobble up their rights and seek to live among them after you came to the district a mendicant and built yourself up by grabbing from your neighbors. If you fail to comply promptly with this notice you can prepare for the bullets. Remember Latimer's land is divided and yours will be divided when the devil has you. Your life or the land.—(Signed) Fair Play."

Escaped in His Shirt.

The landgrabber took no notice of this epistle until a bomb sent him out thru the window altogether, but dressed only in his shirt. Not relishing the idea of being subjected to such thrills he finally decided to comply with the demands of the peasants' committee. The victory of the Free State forces put the landgrabbers in good humor again, but in isolated spots the decrees of the Dublin officials do not count for much.

Gralton, during his brief visit to South Leitrim carried on revolutionary propaganda and copies of the DAILY WORKER are in great demand, and other revolutionary papers are read with interest there today.

Rock Pile for Prisoner.

WEST PLAINS, Mo., April 22.—West Plains has never maintained a rock pile as an adjunct of the police department but one was being installed today for the special benefit of James Johnson. James was sentenced to the rock pile for sixty days on a wife beating charge. When the court was told no rock pile existed he ordered one built.

Ask Wall Street to Give Up Road.

MADISON, Wis., April 22.—A resolution asking congress to empower the government to take over the Chicago, Milwaukee and St. Paul railroad, which recently passed into the hands of Wall Street bankers thru bankruptcy proceedings, was introduced into the legislature here.

Wheeler's Aid Helped Oil Men

(Continued from page 1). funds to pay for expenses incurred during the trial. Wheeler Takes Stand. Senator Wheeler of Montana took the witness stand in his own defense. Wheeler flatly denied the charges in the indictment that after election to the senate he illegally received a fee from Gordon Campbell, Montana prospector, to handle government oil permits before the interior department.

"I had nothing whatever to do with Campbell's oil permits and never practiced before the interior," said Wheeler. Deep silence settled the court room, as Wheeler testified in a quiet leisurely voice. The jury strained forward to catch every word. Senator Walsh, Wheeler's colleague and chief counsel, conducted the examination. Wheeler Denies Everything. Wheeler repudiated the testimony of George B. Hayes, the government's "surprise" witness. "I never met Hayes in New York, and did not meet him until he came

as a witness to the senate committee that investigated the department of justice of which I was a member," said Wheeler. "Did you ever discuss Campbell's government oil permits at the interior or with anybody else?" Walsh asked. "No, I never did."

Walsh then returned to questioning regarding Hayes' testimony. Hayes said he talked with Wheeler between 4 and 7 o'clock on the evening of March 16, 1923, the conference being arranged by telephone by E. S. Booth, formerly solicitor of the interior department.

Was With Colonel House. "I could not have talked with Hayes at the time he said," Wheeler declared. "My wife and I spent all that afternoon shopping preparatory to going to Europe the next day and were at our hotel only a few minutes. That night we attended a dinner and the opera with Col. E. M. House, Mrs. Borden Harriman and Colonel Stone. After the theater I went to Col. House's club and he gave me letters of introduction to European officials."

DRY AGENTS IN MELLON DEPARTMENT ARRESTED FOR BOOTLEG TRAFFIC

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Continuing their roundup of members of an alleged "alcohol conspiracy ring" government authorities today arrested Thomas A. Nolan, Pittsburgh dry agent, when he reported for "work" at the treasury department.

Nolan was the seventh man arrested in connection with the operation of a ring charged with selling denatured and grain alcohol to bootleggers from factories in Washington and Baltimore.

Treasury department agents also were prepared to make further arrests in Baltimore, Annapolis, Philadelphia and Indianapolis.

Those arrested and admitted to bail include: Col. Winfield Jones, Washington newspaperman, his brother, Newfield T. Jones, former assistant prohibition director of Georgia, Morris Caro, Isadore Glaser and Simon Kellner of Washington, and Joseph Reiner of Baltimore.

JAIL TERMS TO 48 CINCINNATI BOOTLEG COPS

Higher-Up Politicians Escape Punishment

CINCINNATI, Ohio, April 22.—Lieut. Aubrey Houston, commanding a relief squad at the fourth district police station and brother of Barney Houston, chief of the Cincinnati fire department, was sentenced to serve eighteen months in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta today on the charge of accepting money to protect bootleggers.

Houston is the highest ranking officer of the 48 members of the police force who are now being sentenced, one by one, by United States District Judge Smith Hickenlooper. The "higher-ups" who directed the bootleg gangs and the big politicians involved, escaped punishment.

Government investigators declared Lieut. Houston had accepted \$9,000 in graft money. Houston who pleaded guilty, said this figure was exaggerated. Judge Hickenlooper told him the amount made no difference. He scored Houston for setting a bad example to his men.

Detective Got \$17,000. Louis Sunderman, a member of the flying squad of detectives, who also pleaded guilty received the same sentence. It was charged that Sunderman's graft amounted to \$17,000.

Students Threaten Strike When 6 Joy Riders Are Expelled

DEKALB, Ill., April 22.—A student strike at DeKalb normal school was threatened today in an effort to force the faculty to reinstate six students, expelled following an automobile party to Dixon.

A petition to the dean, signed by 200 students, sets forth that all have been guilty of the "offense" for which the students were dismissed and requests that "each individual be treated impartially."

Three Injured in Oakland Fire.

OAKLAND, Cal., April 22.—Ten blocks in the heart of Oakland were threatened today by fire which destroyed the Key Route Garage and drove scores of guests from the nearby Key Route Inn. Three persons were injured, one fireman sustaining serious burns.

Los Angeles Goes to Bermuda.

HAMILTON, Bermuda, April 22.—The arrival of the navy dirigible Los Angeles from Lakeland, N. J., early today aroused almost as much interest as it did upon its first trip from the United States.

FOUND GUILTY FOR CARRYING ANTIQUE GUNS

Judge Said Lads Might Change Their Minds

NEW YORK, April 22.—The three young Communists, members of the Young Workers League, Comrades Winogradoff, Zalon and Diamond, were found guilty of having "firearms in their possession." The learned judges declared that "while it appears that the possession of these guns on this occasion was for a lawful purpose, still we think the law takes into account the possibility that on other occasions men might similarly possess guns for lawful purpose and then use them for an unlawful purpose."

This is the most ridiculous decision. Having guns in their possession for theatrical purposes indicates that these same workers "might use them for an unlawful purpose." Well, the actors at the Metropolitan Opera House, many of whom are foreigners, also use guns in the performances before the wealthy class of New York, but no judge has yet declared that they might be used for an "unlawful purpose."

Class Decision.

The decision rendered by the three august judges of the New York criminal court, is a clear class decision. Three young Communists who were to participate in the Paris Commune pageant and who used obsolete rifles that had long lost their power to be discharged—as the judges were forced to admit—were convicted of a "crime." The law requires that no foreigner shall possess a firearm: the court declared that using them for theatrical purposes is "possession."

This decision is only part of the campaign against the foreign-born workers in this country—particularly if they are radical or revolutionary workers. The three lads did not deny that they were Communists and members of the Young Workers League. Hence the capitalist court had an opportunity to deal a double blow at the foreign-born and the Communists.

Nevertheless, the judges suspended sentence—otherwise the situation would have been even more ridiculous. The Labor Defense Council, New York Section, who are conducting the defense, have decided to appeal the case. The Communists will give more performances and demand the same right to use firearms as the playboys of the rich. The Labor Defense Council is determined to put the courts of this country again on record as confirming that there is one law for the rich and one law for the workers.

Funds will be required for appealing the case. All sympathizers and class-conscious workers should send their contributions to the Labor Defense Council, N. Y. Section, 103 E. 14th St., New York City.

Hang 14 Kurd Rebels.

LONDON, Eng., April 22.—Fourteen Kurdish rebels have been hanged by the Turkish authorities, after being condemned by the council of war at Diarbekir, states a Constantinople dispatch.

CREW OF JAPANESE STEAMER SAVED JUST BEFORE SHIP SINKS

BOSTON, April 22.—A race against time, sea and death was won when the liner Homeric reached the side of the Japanese steamship Raifuku Maru and rescued the crew of thirty men just before the big freight liner sank.

Wireless stations here picked up a message going from the Homeric to New York, saying: "Ship sunk, crew taken off."

The Homeric was one of half a dozen steamships and tugs which raced to the aid of the Japanese steamship, whose wireless operator had broadcast an S. O. S. of "Maru in danger like dagger. Hurry quick."

BESCO STILL INSISTS ON WAGE CUTS

Miners Stand True Despite Starvation

(Special to The Daily Worker.) HALIFAX, Nova Scotia, April 22.—Twelve thousand miners of District 26 U. M. W. of A. locked out by the British Empire Steel corporation March 13, have not yet returned to their slave pens.

Roy Wolvin, president and McLurg, vice president of Besco, John Lewis, International president, McLeod, MacKay, and Hayes, president, secretary and International board member, respectively, of the district, attended the conferences extending from April 14th to 18th, presided over by Armstrong, premier of Nova Scotia in Halifax.

After four days deliberations the conference adjourned without any agreement being arrived at. The rank and file insists on the 1924 rates. The company insists on a 10 per cent cut and concessions on the part of the men, as far as conditions are concerned. As is always the case, the increased tariff of 36 cents on coal coming in from U. S. A. granted by the Canadian government does not mean a thing to consumers or producers of coal in Canada.

Approximately thirty thousand dollars has been sent into the mining sections by workers of Canada, U. S. A., Newfoundland and Russia. Considerable goods, books, clothes and bedding, etc., has also been sent in.

The advantage of independent political action on the part of the working class is being demonstrated in as much as Way, Steele and Morrison, labor members in N. S. parliament are discussing daily in the provincial, and Woodsworth and Irving in the dominion parliament, the strike situation, at the same time as Tory and Liberal members of the same constituencies are silent.

Jim McLachlan, deposed secretary of the district as editor of the miners' paper, the Maritime Labor Herald, is pointing out the way to a successful finish and it is to be hoped that organized labor will send help to ensure a real offensive struggle, as the indications at present point to a long fight. The company can be put on the defensive. If the spectre of starvation is kept a distance from the miners' families and the class issue is kept to the fore.

The premier of Nova Scotia, Armstrong, (liberal), who advocated the abolition of the upper chamber in 1922 and 1924, states that dangerous doctrines such as the nationalization of mines were being advocated and the necessity of the house of lords is now apparent to guard the sacred contracts of the coal company.

Carpenters, iron workers and laborers are being worked ten hours on government work in this city and are receiving for same, carpenters 40 cents, iron workers, rock drill men and laborers 30 cents per hour.

McANDREW'S FAKE TEACHER'S SALARY BOOST POSTPONED

The board of education at its regular meeting voted to defer action on the teacher's salary raise recommended by Superintendent of Schools McAndrew until a special meeting which the board called to meet next Monday for the purpose.

The board, at yesterday's meeting adopted the budget of 66 million dollars to pay for educational expenses in 1925. It was recently disclosed that this budget is heavily padded.

The salary raise, altho boosting the salaries of principals materially, in reality reduces the salaries of the elementary grade teachers, as for the first few years they will receive less than they are now paid, if McAndrew's plan is approved at Monday's special meeting.

Standard Oil to Be Tried Here.

On May 8 this government will appear before Circuit Judges Evans, Page and Anderson here, to commence proceedings against the Standard Oil company and about fifty subsidiaries and allies, charged with monopoly of the patent right covering the "cracking" process of refining.

Thru control of these patents, the department of justice holds, the oil companies control the production of gasoline.

Martial Law in Lisbon.

LISBON, Portugal, April 22.—Martial law and the suspension of the constitutional guarantees will be continued for two weeks, the chamber of deputies decided, as a result of the revolt of several army regiments. The regiments, which took part in the rebellion staged by Maj. Camara, will be dissolved, and the 150 officers arrested will be tried.

U. S. Withdraws From Honduras

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22.—The landing detachment of 165 United States marines has been withdrawn from Ceiba, Honduras, it is claimed.

Wall Street Picks Its Candidate in Fight For Presidency of Germany

By J. LOUIS ENGBAHL.

TODAY, the international bankers in Wall Street tune in on the German election campaign, pick their candidate, and dare the German working masses to vote for anyone else.

Under the Morgan-Dawes plan, the great financiers of America become just as interested in an election in Germany, as the American sugar trust is concerned in Cuban or Hawaiian electoral struggles, or the American fruit trust in ballot box or revolutionary results in Central America. Germany is the fountain source from which reparation payments gush in order that the Versailles allies may pay their debts to these same world bankers.

Wall Street has black-balled von Hindenburg and picked Wilhelm Marx, the coalition candidate of the socialists, Catholics and so-called republicans, as its choice. They threaten the German masses with the refusal of new loans if Marx is not elected. Not that von Hindenburg has not pledged loyalty to the Morgan-Dawes plan. He has; just like every other anti-labor element in Germany. But the coalition back of Marx, with its socialist traitors, offers a better center from which to attack the mighty working class power enlisted under Communist standards. The socialists betrayed the revolution when the kaiser fell. They are continuing that betrayal, with Wall Street's applause, under the Dawes plan.

Washington says it has heard nothing about Wall Street's declaration on the German elections. It also feigned ignorance originally of the negotiations that resulted in the formulation of the Dawes plan. But in due time "Cal" Coolidge made it known that the republican administration was heartily in favor of what the Dawes commission had accomplished, and it was voiced in no uncertain terms that the whole power of the United States, even to the use of the army and the navy, could be depended on to see that its enslaving provisions are complied with. So now Secretary of State Kellogg innocently announces that all he knows of the bankers' backing of Marx is what he has read in the daily newspapers. That is dollar diplomacy wearing its mask of innocence.

Not that Wall Street objects to Hindenburg! Perhaps it will back him in the next election, if the workers can be held in leash to the monarchist's political chariot. Wall Street is putting its money on the fascist dictator, Horthy, in Hungary, and on the fascist dictator, Mussolini, in Italy. It feels that the bloody dictatorships of these two letters of working class blood, are the best bets in these two countries. It feels that they best uphold the pillars of crumbling capitalism in Hungary and Italy. Therefore it supports them. That is why it supports Marx in Germany.

American workers should study carefully the fact that there is one candidate in the German elections toward whom Wall Street casts no flinching glances. That candidate is Ernst Thaelmann, the dockworker from Hamburg, the great German seaport. This is easily understood when it is known that Thaelmann is the Communist candidate. Thaelmann is the standard bearer of the war for the destruction of German capitalism and militarism. But he is more than that. He is also a soldier of the Communist International in a struggle that is part of the world fight against capitalism.

Thaelmann is not only the standard bearer of Communism against Von Hindenburg, against Marx, against the allied anti-labor political parties of Germany, against German capitalism. He is also the standard bearer of the German workers' fight against Wall Street, against American capitalism. American workers can enlist on the Communist side of the German electoral struggle, by enlisting in the Workers (Communist) Party of America, and joining the war against capitalism in this country. Wall Street is anti-Communist in Germany, just as it is anti-Communist in the United States. An increasing Communist strength in the United States will be a growing aid to the Communist struggle of the German workers. The class war is a world war for the extermination of capitalism everywhere.

Thousands of Cab Drivers Join Union in New York City

NEW YORK—(FP)—Wholesale applications to the Teamsters' and Truck Drivers' union pour in from taxi drivers of the city. More than a thousand have been received by Local 267 since the municipal assembly voted to turn taxicab regulation over to the police. The Yellow Taxicab Co. is the leading enemy of the organization in New York. There are 37,000 licensed taxi drivers in New York and more than 20,000 cabs.

Railroads Bring Pressure on Cal to Increase Rates

WASHINGTON, April 22.—All railroads operating west of the Mississippi river today united in filing a joint brief with the interstate commerce commission warning it to "proceed with caution" in the investigation of freight rate structure of the country, ordered by congress. The carriers declared they could not stand "any further curtailment in their revenue," and asked that the freight rates be increased.

More Fish, Fewer Jobs.

MONTREAL.—The Canadian fishing industry, which in 1900 employed 99,269 persons, in 1923 employed 68,969. But in 1923 the market value of the catch was double 1900. Only 30 per cent of this increase in value was accounted for by the increase in prices.

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Do Not Get Living Wage.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Statistics of the department of labor are quoted to prove that the cotton mill hands in this country are not getting a living wage, on the average. Mill wages in Georgia are around \$12 to \$13, and in Massachusetts \$19 to \$20 average per week.

Get a sub—make another Communist!

COOLIDGE PLANS STRICT BAR ON FOREIGN WORKER

State, Labor, Treasury Officials Confer

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

WASHINGTON, April 22.—A complete revision of American immigration laws, with virtual elimination of all immigration stations along the Atlantic coast in an effort to further restrict the admission to the United States of foreign-born workers was considered today at a conference of state, labor and treasury officials.

The proposals before the conference would virtually wipe out Ellis Island as an immigration station and would erect extraordinary safeguards against the admission of "undesirable" aliens.

To Watch Japanese

The conference considered plans for the establishment of an immigration inspection service in all American consulates abroad, the assignment of immigration and medical inspectors to all trans-Atlantic liners and the tightening up of the visa regulations, particularly in regard to students. It is under this designation that many Japanese are admitted to the United States.

The various government agencies represented at the conference were urged to apply "more strictly" all laws relating to admission of aliens as "non-emigrant" visitors. This stricter enforcement would be extended too to aliens claiming the student status.

The conference, held in the office of Secretary of Labor Davis, was attended by Davis, and assistant secretaries Henning and White, commissioner general of immigration, Husband, assistant secretary of state, Carr, several state department attaches and Surgeon General Cummings, representing the public health service.

Spies on Ocean Liners.

One subject discussed at the conference related to the feasibility of having immigrant inspectors and medical examiners on vessels from foreign ports to ports in this country conducting examination of aliens aboard the vessels during the voyage. The stricter rules are seen as an effort to bar foreign radicals from this country.

War Paint Monopoly to Be Seen Sunday; Shin Kicking Barred

When the savage Sioux once wandered o'er the prairie, and to lift a scalp was often well inclined, he would never let the squaws get too canary, and insisted that they should not paint their rind. But—Lor' luv us, how things have changed! The poor male today is not only forbidden from painting up for the war dance, but the flappers monopolize all the war paint and there's no role left for the unsuspecting man but to be the victim. If you don't believe us, come to the massacre that is to take place on the occasion of the Springtime dance next Sunday evening, at the Workers' Lyceum, 2733 Hirsch Boulevard.

The only caution Paul Simonson, master of ceremonies, sounds, is the warning that there is to be no kicking on the shins.

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WORKERS PARTY ASKS FOR UNITY FOR EDUCATION

Proletarian Schools for the Class Struggle

(Continued from page 1)

servants of the employing class of this country and are instruments for turning the workers into robots, into helpless tools at the beck and call of the industrial lords of present day society.

Workers' education faces this inescapable fact at the very outset.

Workers' education has for its purpose the awakening of labor to the consciousness that as a class of wage earners, it is doomed as long as capitalism exists, to labor under its yoke for a mere pittance.

Workers' education must lead the workers to an understanding of the nature of the system under which labor works, so as to conduct a more intelligent and a more aggressive struggle against the ever-increasing capitalist oppressions with a view to their complete liberation from such conditions.

Workers' education must teach the workers the necessity of following independent political action.

Workers' education must expose the institutions of capitalism, intellectual as well as political as agencies for the suppression of discontent and the perpetuation of the power of the capitalist class.

What Policy Has the W. E. B. Been Pursuing.

The W. E. B. is entirely failing to meet these fundamental requirements of workers' education. In its present policy and under its present leadership, the W. E. B. is only another instrument to suppress any idea that the position of workers rises or falls as a class; it systematically minimizes, ignores or completely denies the existence of the class struggle; it has pursued a policy of educating the workers to a policy of class collaboration with the capitalists, a policy which can lead only to the liquidation of the labor movement; this conception and policy results logically to the suppression of any militancy in the labor movement.

An examination of the activities of the executive of the W. E. B. fails to show any realization of the fact that the capitalists are growing more powerful, more reactionary and are combining to an ever greater extent for the suppression of the labor movement. They closed their eyes to the fact that American capitalists are monopolizing not only the economic resources of America, but are stretching out for economic supremacy over the entire world.

The leadership of the W. E. B. ignores the menace to the life and future of the working class that lies in the imperialist war-breeding policy of American capital. The W. E. B. leadership has failed to teach labor the necessity of unity against this menace to its welfare.

The literature issued by the W. E. B. tends both in point of view and selection of subject to support the program of feeble reformism and collaboration with the employers under the guise of impartiality. It in many cases assumes a definitely capitalist viewpoint.

Reactionary Leadership of W. E. B.

This policy of education is pursued by the W. E. B. today, because its leadership is in the hands of the most reactionary group of the labor movement of this country, who pursue in the field of education the same path that they have taken in the field of trade unionism. On the trade union field the Matthew Wolls, Perkinses, Greens, follow the reactionary policy of Gompers, eschew any militant class policy and help the capitalists to chain labor firmly to the wheels of exploitation. These reactionary officials have entered the field of education with the sole purpose of snuffing out any spark of class consciousness which the growing oppression of the present system makes inevitable and thus they make of workers' education a spiritual bulwark of capitalist reaction as well as an adjunct to maintain their policy of rule or ruin in the trade union.

These labor bureaucrats have entered into the agreement to sponsor the W. E. B. at the price of the complete subjection of the W. E. B. to their reactionary policies. These officials saw that the existence of an organized workers' educational movement might lead to the dissemination of ideas more in harmony with the interests of the working class; that it might furthermore lead to the creation of groups of trained workers who challenge their stagnant and oppressive leadership in the labor movement and they made speed to get this movement safely into their hands.

Policy of Exclusion. In the course of the establishment of their control the bureaucratic officials excluded such large bodies of labor as the Amalgamated Clothing Workers. They eliminated the mildly radical Rand school. They denied the affiliation to the militant Workers' Educational Association of Detroit and to the Boston School of Social

Auntie Mattie Woll's "Education"



Communist Education Kicks This Hound Out.

Science and upon the eve of the convention, refused affiliation to the Workers' School which for the past two years has been conducting a true working-class education with a student body numbering several hundred.

In its efforts to make the W. E. B. absolutely air tight against any program of real working class struggle, it is not difficult to predict that these reactionaries will not stop here, but will proceed to complete elimination of all forces in any leading capacity who are not part of the official A. F. of L. bureaucratic machine.

The prating of freedom of thought these reactionaries will go even further and will apply their policy of elimination even to the student body in the exclusion of students from the schools who show the least signs of militancy, following out in education that policy of expulsion that they have applied to the most active and devoted trade union members.

The Bankruptcy of Socialists and Liberals.

The Workers Party must also call to the attention of the workers to other groups participating in some position of leadership whose policies have contributed to the false program of education conducted by the W. E. B. to date. These groups consist of liberals, socialists and intellectuals. As a whole these groups have uncritically accepted the policies and leadership of the reactionaries.

The socialists have abandoned en-

tirely their original socialist position on workers' education, as education for the class struggle which even their European comrades still cling to verbally and have passed over entirely into the camp of yellow labor leaders or the futile bourgeois phrasemongers. They are ready to accept any program of workers' education provided it does not lead to the promotion of more aggressive class struggle.

The liberals and reformers, irrespective of their protestations of freedom of thought, etc., serve as a helping mate to the reactionary leaders and themselves disseminate an ideology which serves for the perpetuation of the oppressive capitalist system. Among the intellectuals there are some who realize full well the hopeless future of the workers' education in the hands of the present reactionary leadership, but these take no steps whatever to combat the false policies of such leadership.

These intellectuals who have in many cases entered into labor education in order to avoid open spiritual degradation, which capitalist policies demand of them in the capitalist educational institutions, but they are instead falling into the position of spiritual servants to these yellow labor leaders.

These intellectuals who have every interest in common with the rank and file of the workers in the labor movement, instead of allying themselves with the workers in the class struggles and making a clean breach with

capitalist and semi-capitalist ideology and education, have become the allies to the labor bureaucrats and are working against the real interests of the workers.

The Position of the Workers Party.

The Workers Party calls upon every honest worker interested in real working class education to adopt an aggressive militant policy. It calls upon all those who realize the necessity of uniting labor for more effective struggle against domination to organize against the present stagnant leadership, and unite with the Workers Party for real working class education.

The Workers Party believes that the purpose and curriculum of the W. E. B. must be unequivocally working class in character, so as to mobilize the workers spiritually against their capitalist enemies.

The Workers Party is opposed to the policy adopted by the labor bureaucrats of excluding workers' study groups from affiliating with the W. E. B. and calls upon all to see that the doors of the W. E. B. are open to all working class groups, aiming to disseminating working class education.

The open reactionary course of the imperialists of America and their labor lieutenants calls for the unity of all workers in an educational policy which will raise the fighting morale, the understanding, the confidence and the will to action of the great body of American workers.

Danish Unions Ready for Transport Strike to Combat Lockout

(Special to The Daily Worker)

COPENHAGEN, Denmark, April 22.—Labor conflicts in Denmark are becoming serious. The negotiations begun before Easter ended Sunday with the refusal of the unskilled laborers to accept the findings of the government arbitrators. This means that the organization of employers who postponed several lockouts in other trades will now make those lockouts effective.

The union of unskilled workers threatens to carry out several serious strikes. It is connected with both the Scandinavian Transport Union and the International Union of Unskilled Labor in Amsterdam.

The Danish union will ask for the support of these organizations and it is probable that henceforth Danish ships will be boycotted in foreign harbors. Such a situation would paralyze Danish exports to England.

The Scandinavian Transport Union is to hold a meeting this week in Copenhagen at which the future action will be decided.

Soviets Study Sakhalien.

HABOROVSK, April 22.—The Association for Oriental Studies has charged the member of the Far-Eastern section of the association, who has left for Northern Sakhalien, to organize a Sakhalien branch of the association. It is expected that, within a very short time, the Far Eastern section will have at its disposal exhaustive information covering Sakhalien.

Postpone Trial of Picket.

WASHINGTON, April 22.—Issuance to all members of trade unions in Washington of a "fair list" of stores employing union salesmen, is under consideration by the Central Labor Union. Trial of the woman picket arrested in front of a clothing store has been postponed.

Fascists Slaughter Colonists.

ROME, Italy, April 22.—Italian troops in Cyrenalca have been slaughtering Mohammedan native tribesmen, using bombing planes to attempt to crush the north African colony into submission. Two hundred and fifty workers have been killed by the fascist troops.

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KALININ SEES RAPID GAIN IN SOVIET GEORGIA

Visits Scene of Comic Opera Revolt

MOSCOW, April 22.—Since the adjournment of the session of the central executive committee of the U. S. S. R., recently held at Tiflis, Kalinin, president of the C. E. C. of the U. S. S. R., has been touring different regions of Georgia, visiting numerous towns and villages, in particular some of the villages where farmers had taken part in the menshevist rising of August last.

In conversation with a Rosta correspondent, Kalinin, while on his way back to Moscow, remarked that he believed the government of the Soviet Socialist Republic of Georgia had, up to quite recently, paid too little consideration to the initiative of the broad circles of the Caucasian peasantry, who, stressed the president of the executive, ought to come in for a much larger part in the work of local administration.

Then, he said, the authorities must be more careful in regard to the question of religion. His profound impression, however, was—Kalinin concluded—that the present mood and sentiments of the Georgian rural population contained all the necessary premises for a successful economic and cultural development.

After visiting Soviet Armenia, Dagestan, North Caucasus and also the oil works of Grozny, the members of the government and of the local central executive committee of the Union journeyed to Moscow via the Ukrainian Soviet Republic.

AS WE SEE IT

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

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prising that the capitalist press and the capitalist police in every large country in Europe should be at the disposal of the Bulgar fascists. They are all in the same boat and show their fangs in the same way when circumstances force them to extreme measures. The working class of the world could very quickly call a halt to the murder reign in Bulgaria.

SECRETARY OF COMMERCE HOOVER, in an interview to a capitalist reporter expressed his displeasure with the Soviet government over the arrest and imprisonment of several "workers" who accompanied the American Relief Expedition to Russia during the famine period. Hoover declares that they were not spies, and that even the Soviet government does not believe the charges, preferred against them. Until those people are released, says Hoover, there cannot be any talk of Soviet recognition. This is almost amusing.

NOT so very long ago, one never heard of such trivial obstacles standing in the way of recognition. It was dictatorship, refusal to recognize the czar's debts, Communist propaganda. Perhaps this is a nice way to break the ice. However, Hoover's protestations of innocence concerning his "workers" will be taken with a grain of salt by those who remember the boasts of his agent Gregory, who claims that the Soviet government of Hungary was overthrown by this very same Hoover by means of his relief organization.

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WITH THE YOUNG WORKERS CONDUCTED BY THE YOUNG WORKERS LEAGUE

Y. W. L. MEMBERSHIP MEETING, LOCAL CHICAGO, PLANS INCREASE OF NUCLEI IN HEAVY INDUSTRY

By VALERIA MELTZ.

The membership meeting of the Young Workers League, Local Chicago, last night at the Greek Hall, 722 Blue Island Ave., was one of the best attended, enthusiastic and constructive meetings ever held in Chicago.

Comrade Natalia Gomez presided at the meeting. The agenda of the city executive committee was read and accepted. The report for the city executive committee was given by Comrade Meitz and in all its points showed improvement and increase in the activities, since the last city convention.

The dues payment are becoming more regular, branches are clearing up their debts to the city office. The Chicago league leads the whole country in the sub campaign, some 120 subs have already been turned in, literature sales have increased considerably since the Young Worker is coming out weekly, all of the copies are now being sold and a greater percentage is being sold at the shops than ever before.

A quiet, slow but definite growth and proletarianization of the league can be noticed. Half of the executive committee are already workers from the shops and stores, the same with an even greater percentage of shop workers in the city central and all leading committees of the Chicago league.

There are possibilities of immediate organization of nuclei in 15 large Chicago shops where two or more league comrades are working.

City executive members and other active and responsible comrades have been assigned to each nucleus to officially establish them, to arrange for a definite meeting time and place and to lay out a plan of activity for each.

The make up of our membership at the present time is indeed very encouraging with approximately 20 per cent engaged in the clothing industry, 32 per cent in mail order houses and department stores, etc. This large percentage is due to the campaigns carried on in this industry. The remainder is divided almost equally among metal trades, building trades, leather workers, food workers, printing trade workers. Unemployed form a very small percentage and only 8 per cent are students.

With the organization of working area branches covering territories of Pullman and South Chicago and with the establishment of two nuclei in this territory, and with the campaign which is being contemplated by the city executive in the heavier industry, the percentage of members in the heavy industry will be considerably higher.

The branch committees were urged to pay more attention to the organization of all possible nuclei within their territory, so that as quickly as possible, the working area branches may cease to exist and nuclei branches take their place.

On the trade union economic activity, Comrade Harvey reported of holding two industry group meetings thus far, one of mail order house and department store workers and another in the clothing trades. Committee was elected to supervise the work of the branches in the mail-order houses and department stores to see

that the branches keep up the campaign, retain all the connections until the situation is more favorable to conduct a city wide campaign which will be started about June 1 and will lead up to a conference of all workers employed in this industry.

In the clothing workers captains were elected for two Amalgamated locals, one international and military workers and instructed to immediately call a meeting of all members in those locals, organize them into fractions and lay out a plan of work for them. Specific youth demands are being worked out for the industry and through the fractions the comrades will conduct a real fight for these issues.

Comrade Mass reported on our work among the Negroes. Definite plans for work among the Negroes youth, election of a committee to take charge of the work in Chicago and activity for every branch in this phase of our work will be discussed more thoroughly at the city central committee of the league which meets today.

On the anti-militarist activity a committee is being proposed to the city central committee to take charge of this work and a mass meeting scheduled on anti-militarism, covering also the recent Hawaiian affair.

Work among the Juniors and our sports activities were touched upon, comrades were urged to send in to the weekly Young Worker news of their shops for publication, announcements of activities were made, collection taken to pay the cost of the rent and the meeting adjourned at 10:30 p. m.

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MINE COMPANY STOPS WORKERS' MOVING PICTURE

But Finnish Reds Show I. W. A. Films

(By I. W. A. Press Service.)

Class control of the means of expression is as important in the case of the moving pictures as it is in that of the press. A tale of two cities, and of two movie houses, in Pennsylvania, brings this to light. In Marianna the mine superintendent controls the only movie theater in town, and even tho it stands idle part of the time and can be rented for all sorts of ordinary occasions, the Committee for International Workers' Aid found its contract for the showing of "The Beauty and the Bolshevik" cancelled just before the show.

No amount of argument could change that decision—this was a company house and no labor pictures could be shown in it.

Only a few miles away in Daisytown where our Finnish comrades control a fine movie house of their own, as a means of covering all their expenses on their Labor Temple. Several Finnish locals are building or rebuilding their headquarters on this basis.

Here, naturally, any labor picture is sure of a screen, while the comrades in charge are always glad to get tips on capitalist films that ought or ought not to be run in labor houses. Every picture thus far put out by the International Workers' Aid has been run at this theater and they are always on the lookout for more. "Polikushka" is being shown there on May 2.

Five Pittsburgh Dates.

There is a sudden spurt of movie activity in the Pittsburgh district, and the following five cities will have shows during the May Day season.

East Pittsburgh, April 23, Turner Hall, Electric Ave.

Pittsburgh, April 25, N. S. Carnegie Music Hall, Federal and Ohio Sts.

MacDonald, April 28, Orpheum Theater.

Bentleyville, May 1, Opera House.

Daisytown, May 2, Home Theater.

The program in each case will consist of the Moscow Art Theater feature, "Polikushka," together with a two reel comedy, "Soldier Ivan's Miracle," and a one reel news film, "Lenin Memorial."

Mine Company Giving "Starvation" Cure to Force a Wage Cut

BULGER, Pa.—I can let you know that the Bulger Block Coal company here has shut down its mine, and let the miners go some place else for work or to starve. They do not care for the workers. They just look for more profit.

The mine boss says that the company cannot run the mine under the present union scale any more, and that is the reason why the mine shut down since March 27.

The price of food has gone up and the company wants to cut the wage down to the 1917 scale. For six months last year the mine closed and lots of workers went in debt to the stores, some of them \$200 and over, and they haven't paid them yet.

But now the grocer says, "I cannot trust you any more. You owe me \$200 already. If you want to get anything, pay for it in cash." So the poor miner goes home without any food to give his children. This is the way the miners live under this capitalist system, and yet they haven't recognized the need to change it. They won't yet read the DAILY WORKER or fight for their own liberty.

The majority is still under the opium of religion and alcohol, they are poisoned by these things and the capitalist papers so much that they cannot see what's going on around them.

Workers of capitalist American, join the Workers Party, the only revolutionary party of America, and read the DAILY WORKER, which will show you a way how to get free from this system of slavery and starvation and make a better world.—A. Zilich.

Rail Union Officials Claim Small Raise and Unchanged Rules

Negotiations that threatened a year ago to involve 60,000 engineers and firemen in a strike on ninety western railroads, have been closed by the Brotherhood of Engineers and Firemen and the Brotherhood of Locomotive Firemen and Enginemen on all except one of the western railroads involved. The exception is the Trinity & Brazos Valley.

The other railroads settled with the Brotherhoods on a basis of a 5 per cent increase, with no changes in working rules, according to officials of the two unions. The railroads had insisted on drastic changes in the rules.

Cuban President Sees Trust Heads

NEW YORK, April 22.—General Gerardo Machado, president-elect of Cuba, met representatives of the sugar trust in this city, regarding American-owned sugar plantations in Cuba. General Machado will be officially received by Mayor Hylan.

POLISH DAILY OF 'SOCIALIST' REACTION DIES

'Dziennik Ludowy' Dies Without Mourners

Dziennik Ludowy, a Polish socialist daily paper published in Chicago for more than 19 years is out of business.

This "socialist" paper was one of the bitterest enemies of Soviet Russia.

The circulation dropped to a minimum. In the last issue they appeal for funds to reestablish the paper.

The yellow socialist Polish paper is dead. The other Polish paper, Glos Robotniczy, published in Detroit by the proletarian party is also counting its days.

The Trybuna Robotnicza, official organ of the Polish section of the Workers Party is gaining a new field every day.

Polish Workers Turn to Workers Party. The yellow socialist Polish paper is dead.

Fire Fighters Win Twice. WASHINGTON, April 22.—President Baer of the International Association of Fire Fighters announces that special referendum elections in St. Louis and in Green Bay, Wis., have secured wage increases to the firemen in those cities of approximately \$25 a month.

Organize Nucleus in Steel Car Works at Hammond, Ind.

Another nucleus has just been organized in Lake County. It contains at present ten members, formerly members of Russian and South Slav branches.

DANCE FOR BENEFIT OF GREEK WEEKLY TONIGHT, AT 8 P. M.

An international dance and entertainment will be given by the Greek branch of the Workers Party, Thursday, April 23, 8 p. m. at the Bowen Hall, (Hull House), cor. Polk and Halsted Sts.

The Workers Party in Action

Nation-Wide May Day Demonstrations

INQUIRIES and information coming into the national office of the Workers Party regarding this year's May Day celebration indicate a nationwide demonstration that will surpass any previous May Day in the party's history.

The smaller towns should obtain May Day speakers thru their district offices. As soon as a meeting is arranged, each party organization is requested to send in full information regarding name of speaker, address of hall and time of meeting.

Don't fail to notify the national office. Meetings arranged up to the present time with time, place and speakers are:

Friday, May First.

CALIFORNIA Los Angeles—Co-operative Center, Brooklyn and Mott, Tom Lewis.

ILLINOIS Chicago—Temple Hall, Van Buren & Marshall, at 8 p. m. James P. Cannon, C. E. Ruthenberg, Martin Abern and Max Shachtman.

Decatur—M. Chifolsky, Pullman—Barney Mass, Madison—Croatian and Bulgarian speakers.

Christopher—Corbisley and others, Zeliger—Liberty Hall, at 7 p. m. H. Corbisley. Dancing to follow.

INDIANA E. Chicago—Columbia Hall, McCook and Verner Aves., at 8 p. m. H. V. Phillips, John Edwards.

Gary—Croatian Hall, 23rd and Washington Sts., at 7:30 p. m., Harrison George also speakers in the So. Slavic, Russian and Greek languages.

NEW HAMPSHIRE West Concord—Hall to be announced later. Lewis Marks.

MINNESOTA Hibbing—Robert Minor.

MASSACHUSETTS Boston—Convention Hall, Garrison St. (Near Mechanic's Bldg.) 7:30 p. m. Wm. F. Dunne and Oliver Carlson.

Chelsea—Labor Lyceum, 453 Broadway, J. P. Reid.

Lawrence—Central Hall, 23 Monmouth St. John J. Ballam.

Haverhill—Liberty Hall, Winter St. Harry J. Canter.

Norwood—Finnish Hall, 37 Chapel Court, A. F. Konikov.

Worcester—Hall to be announced later. Albert Weisbord.

Peabody—Hall to be announced later. William Murdock.

Maynard—35 Waltham St. Arthur Staveley.

Gardner—Finnish Hall, J. Segermeister.

Brookton—Hall to be announced later. Al Binch.

Lowell—Hall to be announced later. Max Lerner.

MISSOURI Kansas City—M. Gomez.

St. Louis—Druids Hall, 9th and Market Sts., Saturday, May 2, at 8 p. m. M. Gomez.

NEW JERSEY West Hoboken—New Hall, 227 Bergenline Ave., at 8 p. m. Carl Brodsky and others.

Passaic—Kanters Auditorium, 259 Monroe street, at 8 p. m. A. Markoff.

Paterson—3 Governor St., at 8 p. m. B. Lifshitz and others.

Newark—Labor Lyceum, 704 S. 14th St., at 8 p. m. J. Codkind and others.

Elizabeth—At 8 p. m., hall to be announced later. J. Marshall and others.

Perth Amboy—Washington Hall, at 8 p. m. S. Darcy and others.

Jersey City—Ukrainian Hall, 387 Grand St., at 8 p. m. S. Felshin and others.

NEW YORK New York—Central Opera House, 67th St. and 3rd avenue, 8 p. m. William Z. Foster, Moissaye Olgin, W. Weinstein, L. Lore, J. Stachel, C. Krumbein, chairman.

Buffalo—Earl R. Browder.

Brooklyn—Grand Millers Hall, Grand and Havenmeyer Sts., at 8 p. m. Wm. Z. Foster, S. Epstein, I. Amter, J. S. Poyntz, H. Zam (Y. W. L.), L. Pruseika (Lithuanian), S. Nessin, chairman.

New York—Ukrainian celebration. Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St., at

8 p. m. G. Siskind, and others.

New York—Czech-Slovakian celebration, 527 E. 72nd St., at 6 p. m. J. Manley, and others.

New York—Finnish celebration, Finnish Workers' Hall, 5 W. 126th St. R. Grecht, and others.

So. Brooklyn—Finnish celebration, Finnish Workers' Hall, 764 40th St., Brooklyn. Speakers, P. P. Cosgrove and others.

New York—German celebration, Labor Temple, 243 E. 84th St., at 11 a. m. L. Lore and others.

OHIO Cleveland—Slovenian National Home, 6409 St. Clair Ave., 7 p. m. J. Louis Engdahl.

Dillonville—Comrade Weisberg. Yorkville—Comrade Weisberg.

Youngstown—May 7, at 8 p. m., Ukrainian Hall, West Rayen Ave. William J. White.

Philadelphia—Lulu Temple, Broad and Spring Garden streets, 8 p. m. Ben Gitlow, Arne Swaback and Pat Toohy.

PENNSYLVANIA Reading, Pa.—R. V. F. Hall, 612 Franklin St., at 8 p. m. H. M. Wicks.

RHODE ISLAND Providence—ACA Hall, 1735 Westminster St. Sidney Bloomfield.

WISCONSIN Milwaukee—Freie Gemeinde Hall, 8th and Walnut Sts., at 7:30 p. m. Max Bedach, Tom Bell and others.

Saturday, May Second.

NEW JERSEY Linden—At 8 p. m., Sadi Amter and others. Hall to be announced later. Saturday.

NEW YORK Rochester—Earl R. Browder.

OHIO Warren—J. Louis Engdahl.

PENNSYLVANIA Bethlehem—Ukrainian Hall, 1641 E. Third St., at 8 p. m. H. M. Wicks and speakers in Hungarian and Ukrainian.

Sunday, May Third.

ILLINOIS Waukegan—Workers Hall, 517 Helmholz avenue, 2 p. m. Thurber Lewis.

MICHIGAN Grand Rapids—2:30 p. m. Sons and Daughters Hall, 1057 Hamilton Ave., N. W. T. J. O'Flaherty.

Muskegon—8 p. m. Speaker, T. J. O'Flaherty.

MINNESOTA Minneapolis—Robert Minor.

OHIO Akron—2 p. m. J. Louis Engdahl.

Canton—8 p. m. J. Louis Engdahl.

PENNSYLVANIA Pittsburgh—2:30 p. m., Labor Lyceum, 35 Miller St. A. Wagenknecht.

Eric—Earl R. Browder.

NEW YORK Yonkers—Labor Lyceum, 23 Palestine Ave., at 8 p. m. R. Grecht and others.

Monday, May Fourth.

OHIO Toledo—8 p. m. Speaker, J. Louis Engdahl.

Mellon Aid Visits London

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22.—One purpose of the visit of Undersecretary of the Treasury Winston to England is to negotiate for the settlement of foreign war debts to the United States, it was reported here.

SPRINGFIELD TO HAVE BIGGEST MAY 1ST MEET

Organizations Join W. P. for Demonstration

(Special to The Daily Worker.) SPRINGFIELD, Mass., April 22.—The Workers Party of Springfield, the Young Workers' League, Branch No. 716 Workmen's Circle, the Women's Educational Club, the Russian Progressive Club, the Italian Freeman Club and the Lithuanian Women's Club will participate in the tremendous May Day mass meeting and concert to be held in Springfield on Sunday, May 3 at 8 p. m. at Liberty Hall, corner North and Ferry.

Comrade Oliver Carlson, director of the Workers School of New York, will be the principal speaker. Comrade Carlson has been in Europe and spent considerable time in England, Russia, and Germany studying the economic conditions there. Comrade A. Crisafi of New Haven, Conn., will speak in Italian.

The concert arranged by the Y. W. L. will open up the meeting with music and singing.

The hall is a good sized one and we expect to fill it to capacity.

Seattle Debate Stirs Audience; Series of Street Meetings Held

SEATTLE, Wash., April 16.—(By Mail).—A debate on the subject, "Resolved that the program and tactics of the Communist Party proved the best means for social progress in America," was held in the Labor Temple under the auspices of the Labor College.

Norman H. Tallentire, district organizer of the Workers Party taking the affirmative and W. D. Lane former city councilman and a progressive, the negative. An unusually large audience was present, thus demonstrating that Communism is becoming the issue of the hour.

Tallentire gave an able and fine presentation of the affirmative side and Lane a characteristic presentation of the social democratic view. Neither of the debaters, however, indulged in personalities as is customary with some debaters.

Stanley J. Clark has been conducting a series of public street meetings since the first of this month meeting with great success. He also spoke at several hall meetings here as well as in Tacoma and Mount Vernon. He is booked for several out of the city meetings during the last week in April.

Norman Tallentire will address a meeting on Friday under the auspices of the Workers Party in the Painters' Hall on the subject of "The world wide assault on Communism."

Youth Spring Dance to Wind Up Indoor Sports in Chicago

The last dance to be held indoors will be the Youth Spring Dance given by the Young Workers' League on May 9 at the Workers Lyceum, 2733 Hirsch Blvd. the place of many enthusiastic league gatherings and affairs.

The famous I. Letchinger's Midwest Syncopators have been secured by the social committee to play for the affair. On their retinue of music, they will have a variety of dances, from the Russian Trepek to the Turkey in the Straw, in which the league members and all young workers there will participate with the same enthusiasm and energy as they do in the sale of the Young Workers and distribution of leaflets at factory doors during the week and in carrying on their daily agitation in the shops.

Besides the dancing there will be a very short program with a few selections from the League Orchestra and a few individual ballet dances as well as a short talk on the league by one of our speakers.

The social committee is meeting regularly and promises a lively time for everyone.

Workers Unite in Utica for Biggest May Day Meeting

UTICA, N. Y.—A number of workers' organizations in Utica have constituted a committee for the celebration of labor's international holiday the first of May this year to rival anything that has ever been done before for the occasion.

A meeting will be held Wednesday, April 22, at 7:30 p. m., at the Hibernal Hall, 896 Bleecker street, of representatives of all co-operating organizations to definitely wind up the organizational plans for the celebration.

The preliminary plans of the committee are for an international mass meeting, speeches in several languages, with singing and music, to take place at the Labor Temple, 714 Charlotte street, May 1, at 7:30 p. m.

STEEL TRUST TO ENLIST IN WAR ON COMPETITORS

Huge Profits Are Held in Reserve

The \$715,000,000 undivided surplus profits of the United States Steel corporation will not be drawn on as dividends to stockholders, Elbert H. Gary told the annual meeting of the corporation here yesterday.

"I increased the dividend by the payment of extras, so that if continued without interruption it would amount to a rate of 7 per cent a year," Gary told the stockholders. "Since the war, competition in the United States has been increasing, and while I will not say it has been desperate, it has been decidedly strenuous.

"With new firms well equipped financially entering the business, the United States Steel corporation is holding large depreciation reserves to meet this competition, as it has always been ready to meet rivalry in this or any other country."

The large reserve is to be used to freeze out competition by means of temporary price cutting, monopoly of raw material, and other means which are at the disposal of the steel trust. The independent steel firms are usually quickly annexed to the trust.

Proletcult to Be Topic for Forum

An interesting topic will be discussed this coming Sunday evening, April 26, at the Harlem Open Forum at the Harlem headquarters, W. P., Local New York, 64 East 104th street. Comrade Eli Jacobson who is known as a Communist educator, and who has lectured extensively on literary subjects from a proletarian standpoint will open the discussion on the subject, "Proletarian Culture." This subject has not been treated before in New York at any forum and for this reason it is expected that a crowd will be there to listen to the talk and to take part in the discussion. This will be the last discussion evening of the highly successful Harlem Open Forum. Those who have not attended so far should come Sunday evening so as to be present at least once at one of the best open forums conducted in New York. There will also be recitations of poems of Simon Felshin, John Lassen, etc.

Classes in Harlem. The Harlem section of the W. P., Local New York, conducts a number of fine classes at the headquarters, 64 East 104th street. Registration is open now. The classes are: Fundamentals of Communism, teacher Ray Ragozin, Friday evenings.

Principles and Tactics of the Communist International, teacher, Rebecca Grecht, Tuesday evenings.

Elementary and Advanced English, teachers, Sonia Ginsberg and Sophie Mensil, Monday evenings.

Registrations should be sent to Sonia Ginsberg, 935 East 179th street, Bronx, New York.

Lettish Comrades Plan May 1st House to House Canvass

(Special to The Daily Worker.) PORTLAND, Oregon, April 22.—The Lettish Branch of Portland has ordered 300 copies of the special May Day edition of the DAILY WORKER and 1,000 leaflets. All the comrades in the branch were mobilized for a house to house distribution of literature on May Day. In addition to a collection of \$56 taken up at the meeting every comrade of the branch donated a day's propaganda, Michigan Defense, the DAILY WORKER and the political prisoners in Latvia. Appeals have been sent to all the Lettish population for this fund.

Our branch has also formed a Russian-Lettish Dramatic Club and an entertainment committee and we are planning a number of entertaining and lively affairs for the near future.

FIFTY THOUSAND HEAR SUN YAT SEN'S VOICE ON PHONOGRAPH RECORD

CANTON, China, April 22.—Fifty thousand students and workers attended memorial services for Dr. Sun Yat Sen, held here at Kwangtung university. Those in the gathering represented all parts of the province in which the first president of China was a dominant power for so many years.

Dr. Sun's testamentary address to his followers, reproduced in the Cantonese dialect by a phonograph, was a part of the memorial program. Hu Shung Ching, educational commissioner, delivered the principle address.

Barney Mass Speaks at Area Branch No. 1, Meeting Friday

At the next meeting of Working Area Branch No. 1, Friday, April 24, at 166 W. Washington St., Room 506, Comrade Barney Mass, acting national secretary of the Young Workers League, will speak on "The Purpose of the Citizen's Military Camps."

There should be much discussion on this subject. With the sentencing of our Hawaiian comrades to long term sentences for their belief in Communism, the sending of warships to Hawaii, the white terror in Europe, particularly Bulgaria, Poland, etc., and the co-operation which such enterprises receive from our bosses, makes this subject of the utmost importance to the league members so that we can make it one of our best agitation points in our shops and unions. An activity on which we can rally thousands of adult and young workers.

It is hoped that all party, league and sympathetic workers will attend this meeting and take part in the discussion.

Attention Chicago Y. W. L. A very important meeting of the Jewish speaking members of the Y. W. L. local Chicago (no matter whether you are a member of the auxiliary branches or not) will be held on Saturday, April 25, 4 p. m. at the Freiheit Hall, 3118 W. Roosevelt Rd., 2nd floor.

The meeting is very important and very comrade who can understand Jewish, must by all means attend. Jewish Local "Propcom" Y. W. L. J. Weiss, Sec'y.

'RUSSIAN CHEKA' TO BE PRESENTED AT WORKERS' HOME, SAT.

A Russian performance and dance will be given by the Workers' Home, (formerly Soviet School) this Saturday, April 25, at 1902 W. Division St. Two revolutionary plays will be presented, The Struggle for Existence, and The Cheka. Beginning at 8 p. m. Dancing after the performance. Come!

Discover "Plot" in Spain. PARIS, April 22.—Spanish police believe they have discovered a plot against General Primo Rivera, president of the Spanish directory, according to Madrid dispatches to the Petit Parisien. The plot was developed in Malaga.

With fraternal greetings. (Signed) Sun Yat Sen.

COMMUNIST CHILDREN'S COLUMN

Now It's "The Lenin Group." WEST ALLIS, Wis., April 22.—The West Allis Junior Group has changed its name to "Lenin's Group." The comrades from different groups of Milwaukee and West Allis came to speak of what they thought the group has accomplished and what it should do in the future. The comrades of the group gave recitations and a play, "An American Boy in Russia." The group received a collection of \$13.61. We thank the comrades from different parties who spoke and also the other comrades for helping us celebrate the changing of the name.—West Allis Junior Group.

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.

MUSIC - LITERATURE - DRAMA

Tone Poem by Strauss Symphony Offering

By ALFRED V. FRANKENSTEIN. "THUS Spake Zarathustra," a tone poem by Richard Strauss based on Nietzsche's book, was the big offering of the Chicago Symphony Orchestra on its semi-final program at Orchestra Hall. This is the work, which, if I am not mistaken, Deems Taylor called the "uebermenschens-walzer," waltz of the superman, which is not such a bad description for the last part of the poem.

On the whole it has the fault of many works that try to express philosophy in tone—it is incoherent, vague and overdrawn, because it tries to portray in tone an abstract thought. Music and metaphysics mix very poorly.

This was followed by an awful mess by Edward Elgar called an overture From the South, in which that blind-

dering Englishman tries to express the beauty of an Italian landscape. He succeeds in expressing something between a stomach ache and the itch.

Then came two excerpts from Moskovski's first suits for orchestra the intermezzo and the Perpetual Motion, which last is probably the best of the banalities sold under this title. The program said Moskovski died some five weeks ago, but added a footnote to the effect that a German paper has published a rumor to the effect that he didn't die at all. If so the memorial programs played for him all over the world will have to be played all over again some day.

Then came the rhapsody Midsummer Wake, by Hugo Alfven, as brilliant an dcharming a piece as this Swedish master of light and joy has ever written.

"From Dixie to Broadway." The products of the Russian stage

become one of the stopping off places in the trip of the Negro musical comedy, "From Dixie to Broadway," when excellent imitations of "Katin-ka" and "The Wood Soldier," feature attractions of Ballet's "Chauve Souris" are given.

Florence Mills, who won national fame in "Shuffle Along," another Negro musical show that went across big, starting in Harlem, New York, heads the "Plantation Steppers," and they show themselves much more lively, especially with their feet, than Ballet's outfit.

But it is this imitation of other productions that does much to displace any interpretation of Negro life from this piece, something that "Shuffle Along" accomplished much more effectively. While here the show appeared at the Auditorium, the biggest theater in town. It is on tour, playing the bigger cities of the north as well as the south.

THE ROMANCE OF NEW RUSSIA

A book aglow with the color, light and life of Russia.

A picture of the many people the writer has met—working men and women, officials—people of all classes.

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From any authorized Agent or by mail direct from the Daily Worker

by Magdeleine Marx Author of "Women"

In the Preface the author says: You arrive in Russia. Though you know that what has been written about it is pure invention, that the truth has deliberately been falsified, hemmed, and bespattered with gore, still you get a sort of shock of surprise. You find a totally new relationship between man and things, with the majority of people benefiting by the new order. Everywhere not only the signs of resurrection, but resurrection itself. Yet the rest of the world still believes the absurd legends of oppression and disorder that are told about Russia.

Price \$2.00

HEARING ELICITS STRANGE EXCUSES FOR CONTRACTORS

"Master Mechanic" Is Plea for Parasite

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK CITY, April 22.—The sub-manufacturers, the little contractors, who are parasites on the clothing industry and who add nothing to the value of the product, existing solely by getting the cloth, already cut, from the jobbers and rushing about hiring workers as cheaply as possible to make it up, and thus pocketing a part of the profits without contributing a single useful function, are making some unique pleas for their existence before the commission appointed by Governor Smith to investigate the clothing industry.

"Master Mechanic" at Exploiting Workers.

A manager of such a sub-contractor, one Mr. Uviller, had the gall to claim that the sub-manufacturer should be permitted to pirate on the workers thus, because he was a "master mechanic." The fact is that all the mechanical ability required for these contractors, is a smooth line of talk in haggling downward the price he pays the workers, often sweatshop workers, for doing the work which he turns over to the jobber and gets the full price for.

The sub-manufacturer, however, had a grievance against the jobber. While he thinks it is perfectly all right for the sub-contractor to make the workers actually bid against each other to get the work for him, the sub-contractors feel a righteous indignation against the jobber. Mr. Uviller asked the commission to assist in doing away with the "auction" system in which jobbers plucked contractor against contractor in an attempt to lower the price of their "work" on the garments.

Bosses Want no Employment Guarantee.

The manufacturers attacked the demand of the union for a guaranteed period of employment per season, and attacked any regulation as "artificial tampering which would bring serious harm to the industry."

The commission is near the end of its hearings, and may issue a preliminary statement of its findings soon, to be followed by a later complete report.

St. Louis Workers Invited to T. U. E. L. Meeting Next Monday

ST. LOUIS, Mo., April 22.—The Trade Union Educational League will hold their regular meeting to which all left wing and progressive minded workers are invited, on Monday evening, April 27, at the Metal Trades Hall, 200 South Broadway. Every worker who comes should make an effort to bring along one friend among his fellow workers who can be interested in the T. U. E. L. and its work among the unions.

Talk it up—your shopmate will subscribe!

OUR DAILY PATTERNS

A PRACTICAL SET OF INFANTS' GARMENTS.



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5031. This outfit consists of a yoke dress, a night gown, a sack and a cap. One could use voile, lawn or batiste for the dress, long cloth or outing flannel for the gown, outing flannel, flannel, crepe or silk for the sack, and lawn, silk, crepe de chine or poplin for the cap.

The pattern is cut in one size. If made as illustrated, the press will require 1 1/2 yards of 36-inch lawn or ninsook, and 2 1/2 yards of edging 3 1/2 inches wide for the ruffle. The gown will require 1 1/2 yard of 27-inch material. The sack 1/2 yard of 27-inch material, and the cap 1/2 yard of 18-inch material.

Pattern mailed to any address on receipt of 12c in silver or stamps.

FASHION BOOK NOTICE!

Send 12c in silver or stamps for our up-to-date Spring and Summer 1925 Book of Fashions, showing color plates and containing 100 designs of ladies', misses', and children's patterns, a concise and comprehensive article on dress-making, also some points for the needle embroidering to of the various simple stitches, all valuable hints to the home dressmaker.

Labor Daily Assails Soviet Critics

(Continued from page 1)

before a conference could be held the Russian unions must ask to be admitted to the I. F. T. U.

This was reported back to the T. U. C., which at once decided to convene an Anglo-Russian conference "for the purpose of discussing the difficulties arising from the Amsterdam international council meeting."

This conference it is which opens this morning.

The Russian representatives are: Messrs. Tomsky, Michailoff, Melnichansky, Leboff Aviloff, and Lepse, and Mrs. Tchernichova, with Mr. Yarotsky as interpreter.

The British representatives are: Messrs. Purcell, Tillett, Walker, Swales, Hicks and Bramley, and Miss Julia Varley.

This business-like method of tackling a working class problem has caused intense agitation in the Tory and liberal press, which has taken upon itself the task of protecting trade unionism against the wicked plots of the wicked Reds.

Newspaper Attacks.

"Red menace to trade unions," cries the Daily News, "Red plotting in Britain," cries the Daily Mail, and weeps crocodile tears over the thought that there might be a split in the British movement.

The British delegates, according to the Tory-liberal papers, are "innocents abroad," helpless children in the hands of the adroit and Machiavellian Russians.

The Russians, of course, are desperate red plotters disguised as trade unionists. They are not trade unionists (for, says the Morning Post, there are no trade unions in Russia). They are not workers, have never done a day's work in their lives, but are "freeriders creeping in under false pretences"—"spreading subversive propaganda under a transparently fraudulent cloak of trade unionism."

(Daily Mail) They are "cunning tools, trained in the arts of intrigue." (Yorkshire Post).

Let us examine the records of these "wasps" (Daily Mail), who have crept in here disguised as trade unionists, thus affronting Lord Rothermere and other stalwart champions of trade unionism.

Michael Tomsky, leader of the delegation, started work at an early age as apprentice to a lithographer, and has been a trade unionist for over 20 years. A member of the Workers' Council in Revel in 1905, he was, a few years later, sentenced to five years' hard-labor for his trade union activities. When he was exiled for life to Siberia, he was set free by the revolution and is now chairman of the Russian (or rather Soviet Union) Trade Union Central Council.

A Leader at 18. G. Melnichansky began work at the age of 11, and at the age of 18 was a trade union organizer. He, too, had five years in prison and escaped Siberia only by escaping to America, where he worked at many trades before joining Trotsky's paper Novy Mir. He has been secretary of the Metalworkers' Union and chairman of the Moscow Trades Council. Now he is chief of the organizing department of the T. U. E. L. Central Council.

V. Michailoff began work as a glass-blower's apprentice, then became a bookbinder, a T. U. organizer since 1912, he is chairman of the Moscow Trades Council and a member of the

executive of the printer's union. I. I. Lepse began work as a pattern maker. In 1907 became an organizer for the metalworkers. He has been chairman of the Leningrad metalworkers and of the Leningrad Trades Council. He is a member of the Metalworkers' Union.

N. Leboff Aviloff is a compositor who has been ten times in prison and three times in Siberia for trade union activities. He is chairman of the Leningrad Trades Council.

Began Work at 11.

Olga Tchernichova began work as a cotton weaver at the age of 11. In 1917 she was elected chairman of the factory committee at one of the biggest Leningrad cotton mills. Then she spent two years fighting with the Red Army as commissar of detachment. Now she is a member of the Trades Union Central Council.

B. Yarotsky, the interpreter, is the only one of the delegation who did not begin life as a manual worker. He is a graduate of the Sorbonne and a professor of Moscow University. But he has worked in the trade union movement as an organizer since he was 19 years old. He was sentenced to death in 1907, but escaped abroad. After the revolution he returned and resumed trade union work for the Distributive Workers. He is a member of the E. C. of the Teachers' and Art Workers' Union, and head of the publishing department of the Central Council of Trade Unions.

These are the plain facts about the Russian delegates. And the plain fact about today's conference is that it is not a sinister plot to split the British movement or to turn Eccleston square into a Communist propaganda bureau. It is just a business meeting of trade union delegates to discuss important trade union matters.

Hall That Saw Hitler Beer Barrel Revolt, Hears Thaelmann Talk

By CARL BRANNIN.

MUNICH, Germany.—(FP)—In the same enormous beer hall here where the Hitler-Ludendorff putsch was launched and as quickly squelched nearly two years ago, E. Thaelmann, Communist member of the reichstag, spoke on behalf of his candidacy for the presidency of Germany. More than 1,000 working men and women came to hear an exposition of the Communist program.

Thaelmann, a sturdy working man above average height, began by a recital of the massacre of nine Communists at the Halle meeting. The speaker also told of the arrest of himself and 44 other Communists in a conference near Stuttgart. All were released except two citizens of Bavaria held on a charge of "attempted high treason."

In discussing the Dawes reparations plan Thaelmann reminded his hearers that all the loans from American financiers would have to be repaid. The speaker appealed to his hearers to vote the Communist ticket as a symbol of the coming dictatorship of the 90 per cent workers and peasants over the 10 per cent of parasites.

Thaelmann is 38 and belongs to the Transport Workers' Federation of Hamburg. The Catholic politician Wilhelm Marx and the aged von Hindenburg are the principal contenders in the election April 26.

Imperialist Puppets of Guatemala Want To Kill Organizers

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

MEXICO CITY, April 22.—Labor leaders sent from Mexico to Guatemala for the purpose of organizing labor unions have been denied admission by the Guatemalan authorities, according to information. Two are being held prisoners aboard a ship at Puerto Barrios, the advices said.

Guatemalan officials under the regime of bribery and terrorism of the imperialist interests of the United States, have expressed the determination not to permit the formation of labor organizations in their country, and the death penalty will be applied to all who seek to stir up the working classes.

BIG N. Y. THROG FIGHTS RELIGION IN THE SCHOOLS

Protest Imprisonment of Soldiers in Hawaii

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, April 22.—One of the most enthusiastic meetings ever held here by the militant workers was the meeting held Friday, April 17, at Stuyvesant Casino, called to protest against the introduction of religious training in the schools and against the imprisonment of the members of the United States army stationed at Honolulu for the only reason that they are Communists, and for the further crime that they tried to organize the natives of Hawaii. The meeting consisted of 90 per cent young workers and children of school age.

The meeting was opened with the singing of the International, a member of the Junior section providing the music. Then the chairman, Comrade Jack Stachel, the district organizer of the Young Workers League of District 2, stated the purpose of the meeting and introduced Comrade Herbert Zam as the first speaker. Comrade Zam pointed out that out of 1,000,000 school children in this city 260,000 attend parochial schools where religious instruction is part of the curriculum, and about 60,000 more attend Sunday schools. He pointed out that not only must we fight against religious instruction in the schools, but also the religious propaganda that is being spread thru clubs, movies, etc. Then Comrade Motel Gertner spoke in Jewish. He gave a brief history of religion and how it was used by every ruling class to keep the oppressed in enslavement.

Great applause greeted the appearance of Morris Spector, city organizer of the Junior section. He began with a description of how religion is actually being taught in the schools. In the assemblies the reading of the bible is universal. The children are given the choice of going to some religious school or to stay in the public school and perform the most arduous and unpleasant tasks. In many of the other schools religious training is given directly in the class rooms. He concluded by an appeal to the workers present to join the Workers Party, the Young Workers League and send their children to the Junior section.

Comrade Darcy spoke at length about the Hawaiian Communists who were given terms of imprisonment. Already we see that in the army, the very heart of capitalism, soldiers are organizing under the leadership of the Communist International and are organizing the natives against American and world imperialism. This, he said, is a happy moment in the history of our movement. Everywhere the workers are organizing under the banner of the Communist International and will overthrow the capitalist system and in its place erect a Communist order of society.

A resolution pledging a fight against religious training in the schools, and another resolution demanding the immediate release of Comrades Crouch, Trumbull and the other six indicted Communist of the U. S. army stationed in Hawaii was adopted unanimously.

Court Approves Ship Grant.

WASHINGTON, D. C., April 22.—The sale of the five government steamship lines to the Robert Dollar Steamship company for five million dollars, twenty-five million dollars less than their actual cost, was approved by the District of Columbia supreme court. Judge William Hitz dismissed the complaint on which the Pacific Mail, a rival company, had been granted a temporary restraining order preventing the sale by the shipping board.

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BUILDERS AT WORK

RUTH REYNOLDS OF DETROIT— YOU ARE CHALLENGED!

FOLLOWING the splendid example set by Comrade Builder-in-Chief Gus Shklar of Milwaukee, (who learned the trick from our comrades in Russia), Comrade Gregory Prodnich also of Milwaukee, huris a wicked challenge at Comrade Ruth Reynolds of Detroit, with this letter:

Builders' Column: April 18, '25. Comrades:

I am sending today thru Comrade Shklar one subscription to the DAILY WORKER and I challenge Ruth Reynolds, 5513 Maybury C. D. Detroit, Mich., to secure a subscription to our paper.

Since Comrade Reynolds' brother is a builder by profession, I hope that Comrade Ruth Reynolds will also join the Building Trades by hurling several bricks to the DAILY WORKER office.

Fraternally yours, Gregory Prodnich.

But we warn Comrade Prodnich of Milwaukee, that he has here attempted to take unfair advantage of Comrade Ruth Reynolds. If he really wants to have the right to hope "that Comrade Ruth Reynolds gets SEVERAL bricks" he himself must hurl SEVERAL.

One brick—one sub challenge Comrade Prodnich! (P. S.—We also hope that she gets several!)

NOW WHO'S NEXT?

Who will send in a sub and challenge another Communist? Or who will send in more than one sub and challenge more than one Communist?

THESE BUILDERS

- On Tuesday, April 21, sent in new subs to build "Our Daily."
- MINNEAPOLIS, Minn.—Dan W. Stevens, (4).
- KANSAS CITY, MO.—E. Hugo Oehler, (4).
- ST. PAUL, MINN.—G. Skandera, (3).
- SPRINGFIELD, ILL.—A. J. Schuchardt, (3).
- NEW YORK, N. Y.—Mary Ruben, Maurice Malkin, P. Karklin, (2).
- CHICAGO, ILL.—Clara Lieberman, Hannah Schaefer, G. Welsh, (2).
- MEXICO, D. F.—V. F. Vidas, (2).
- MILWAUKEE, WIS.—J. Valkas, G. Prodnich.
- ROCHESTER, MINN.—John S. Reed.
- DETROIT, MICH.—Chas. Ruzich.

Your Union Meeting

Fourth Thursday, April 23, 1925.

- Name of Local and Place
- No. of Meeting
- Amalgamated Clothing Workers, Joint Board, Chicago, 409 S. Halsted St.
- 548 Barbers, 180 W. Washington St., 8:45 p. m.
- 576 Barbers, 3210 E. 92nd St., 8:45 p. m.
- 342 Brewery Workers, 180 W. Washington St.
- 454 Boiler Makers, 75th and Drexel.
- 480 Boiler Makers, 18th and Ashland
- 344 Brewery Workers, 180 W. Washington St., 2 p. m.
- 121 Brewery Workers, 1700 E. 21st St.
- 6 Brick and Clay, Leavitt and Barry.
- 203 Brick and Clay, Chicago Heights.
- 214 Brick and Clay, Maretnes, Ill.
- 63 Bridge and S. I., 180 W. Washington St.
- 13 Carpenters, 113 S. Ashland Blvd.
- 62 Carpenters, 8416 S. Halsted St.
- 241 Carpenters, 1440 Emma St.
- 434 Carpenters, South Chicago, 11037 Michigan Avenue.
- 504 Carpenters, Ogden and Kedzie.
- 578 Carpenters, 180 W. Washington St.
- 15136 Commission Merchant Helpers, 126 W. Randolph St.
- 885 Cooks, 188 W. Washington St.
- 793 Electrical, R. R., 5436 S. Wentworth Ave.
- 794 Electrical, W., 71st and Cottage Grove.
- 115 Engineers, 8223 Houston Ave.
- 856 Engineers, Morrison Hotel.
- 538 Firemen and Enginemen, 9118 Commercial Avenue.
- 50 Firemen and Enginemen, 5058 Wentworth Ave., 7:30 p. m.
- 715 Firemen and Enginemen, Ogden and Taylor.
- 17010 Gas House Workers, 180 W. Washington St.
- 33 Garment Workers, 311 S. Ashland Ave., 5 p. m.
- 78a Hat Carriers, 814 W. Harrison St.
- 18 Ladies' Garment Workers, 328 W. Van Buren St.
- 473 Maintenance of Way, 318 W. 63rd Street.
- 253 Machinists, Roseland, 11405 Michigan.
- 1528 Machinists, R. R., 113 S. Ashland Ave.
- 12755 Office Employees Assn., 166 W. Washington St., 6:30 p. m.
- Painters' District Council, 1446 W. Adams St.
- 371 Painters, Dutt's Hall, Chicago Heights.
- 266 Plasterers, 2045 W. North Ave.
- 597 Plumbers, 20 W. Randolph St.
- 753 Plumbers, 417 S. Halsted St., 8:30 a. m.
- 307 Printing Pressmen (Paper Box Wks.), 180 W. Washington St.
- 301 Railway Clerks, 549 W. Washington St.
- 876 Railway Clerks, 57 E. Van Buren St.
- 668 Railway Carmen, 5445 S. Ashland Ave.
- 984 Railway Clerks, 19 W. Adams St.
- 951 Railway Clerks, C. M. & St. P. R., 2703 W. North Ave.
- 424 Railroad Trainmen, 127 N. Francisco Ave.
- 115 Sheet Metal, Ogden and Taylor.
- 121 Switchmen, Ogden and Taylor Sts.
- 17 Switchmen, 2922 S. Chicago Ave.
- 753 Teamsters, Ashland and Van Buren St.
- 742 Teamsters, 8206 Houston Ave.
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- 15793 Watchmen (Mun.), 113 S. Ashland
- 17616 Warehouse Employees, 166 W. Wood Turner's Union, Liberty Hall, 3420 W. Roosevelt Rd., Washington St.

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Dawes Would Curb Senate Minority.

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Too Much Money in It.

TALLAHASSEE, Fla., April 22.—The house of representatives refused today by a vote of 56 to 11 to order an investigation of horse racing and alleged track gambling at Miami.

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WHITE RUSSIANS IN POLAND ASK END OF TORTURE

Resolution on Terror Argued in Sejm

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

VIENNA, April 22.—The following news arrived from Warsaw. In the last session of the sejm the White Russian fraction presented a motion dealing with the maltreatment of White Russian peasants in the frontier districts. Among the arguments for the motion there were descriptions of quite a number of cases of most serious maltreatment. A peasant has died from the consequences of this maltreatment on his body, 35 serious wounds were found.

In another case an officer and a sergeant of the frontier guard have maltreated the teacher Beganski and his sister. The teacher was completely undressed and beaten with iron sticks. His sister was tortured in a terrible fashion. Pins were put under her nails in order to force her to make false confessions. Despite these tortures Beganski refused to sign the minutes. The sergeant finally dragged the only half-conscious teacher to the table and led his hand, thus forcing him to write down his signature, but still against his will.

In their motion the White Russian fraction demand the immediate appointment of a commission of investigation for the maltreatment of the peasants in the Polish White Russia, and they demand from the government measures which will make such tortures impossible in future.

It is naturally an illusion to demand from the "democratic" government of white Poland that it should abolish the maltreatment which takes place on its own instruction and is carried out by officials who have been systematically incited against the White Russian peasants.

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The New Code—"Guilty Until Proven Innocent"

The deportation proceedings in New York against Emanuel Vajtauer, Czechoslovakian worker, have revealed the fact that under the immigration law of 1924 there is no such presumption of innocence of the accused as is found in other statutes based on the established legal code.

In other words the burden of proof rests on the accused. The defendant is presumed to have entered the country illegally, or to have violated the immigration law in some other manner until he can prove otherwise.

This complete reversal of the very foundation of criminal processes in all Anglo-Saxon countries will doubtless astonish many well-meaning people who believe all the bunk about the impartiality of laws and courts that they read in the school books and the capitalist press. It is a cold fact, however, established by the decision of Judge Hand in ruling on an application for habeas corpus in the Vajtauer case, that in its war on the foreign-born workers, the capitalist government of the United States has abolished the right of trial by jury and placed every foreign-born worker at the mercy of the spies and stoolpigeons which infest the ranks of the workers and particularly the labor unions.

The New York Times states that a member of a union furnished the government with the information resulting in his arrest. If this is true it shows that just as during the war period, the membership of the trade union is being debauched and turned into spies and informers.

The purposes of such laws is to divide the labor movement—to create suspicion and dissension among and between the native-born and foreign-born workers. No one profits from this except the capitalists and it is enlightening to note that the loudest shouter for drastic regulation and registration of foreign-born workers is James J. Davis, the steel trust who is secretary of labor in the Coolidge cabinet.

The Communists suffer most from these exceptional laws at present, but it is the labor movement against which they are directed and which they are designed to cripple by cowering the most militant of its members—the foreign-born workers.

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The New French Cabinet

The French cabinet received a vote of confidence, 216 to 36, but the real weakness of the new combination was revealed best by the fact that Marcel Cachin, Communist deputy, attacked the government in the longest speech ever delivered in the chamber while the other parliamentary blocs remained silent.

Painleve, in his opening speech, showed that the new cabinet is a creature of the bankers and this point was emphasized by Cachin. Painleve clings to the old demand for a security pact from which Germany will be excluded and thus continues the conflict with Great Britain, altho he admitted that the probability of substantial reparation payments was becoming dimmer.

The Communists are preparing huge demonstrations for amnesty for political prisoners all over France and the government is in a delicate position as a result of Caillaux's elevation to the post of finance minister after having been convicted of treason and amnestied.

The deportation of immigrants and the war on foreign-born workers, including Roy, leader of the Communist Party of India, upon whose head the British government set a price, is also being made an issue by the Communists. There are some 800,000 foreign-born workers in France, many of them refugees from the fascist terror, and the right of political asylum has been denied them. The Painleve cabinet is not in a position to stand much criticism on this score and the Communists know it.

The cabinet is called upon to raise funds to liquidate \$1,000,000,000 worth of short-term notes, which fall due this year, and any disturbance of the population will most certainly prevent this.

The reception of the new government by the chamber and the press do indicate a very long life for it.

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Company Unions

The growth of company unions is one of the dangers that confronts the labor movement, but safe and sane labor leaders deal with the problem by closing their eyes to it.

In interview after interview which they give on the subject they declare either that company unions do not exist, that they are but a passing phase of the period, or that they are no menace to organized labor.

It is wrong to say that all the labor leaders close their eyes to this problem for many of them, like "B. and O. Bill" Johnston of the International Association of Machinists, are the most active workers for the company union plan.

Latest figures show that 1,177,000 workers are now organized in company unions—organized, that is, for the boss. This is about a third of the present membership of the American Federation of Labor and shows the strides made by these openly capitalist-controlled bodies. In the United States these unions occupy about the same place in the social structure as the christian unions of Europe. They not only make militant organization difficult in the industries in which they are formed, but they also are a reserve army that can be shifted around and used as strikebreakers.

The spread of these company unions is due to the lack of interest in organization work displayed by labor officialdom. To say that the great bulk of the American workers are unorganizable is to admit that we must surrender to American capitalism.

The labor officialdom takes this viewpoint. It furnishes them with an excuse for adventures in financial enterprises like banking and insurance schemes, it gives them a sort of protective coloring and they can pose as saviors of the working class whom the ignorant mass will not recognize. But whenever the resistance of the labor officialdom to systematic organization campaigns like that in the steel industry has been broken down to some extent, the unorganized workers have responded.

The truth of the matter is that the labor bureaucracy in this country wants no more organization of the workers. It has enough to furnish huge salaries and to finance profit-making schemes that bring in added returns. It sees in the rise of the company unions the working out on the industrial field of its class peace schemes in banking, etc.

The labor bureaucrats have quit fighting the bosses with whom the fakers are on good terms.

There is no other possible explanation for the speeches and articles clamoring for industrial peace that emanate from high officials and the official journals of the labor movement.

The organized workers are to be sold out to the capitalists after being lulled to sleep by talk of industrial peace.

To expose this conspiracy is the urgent duty of the left wing of the labor movement and more and more proof of the nature of the plot is disclosed every day, ranging from the united front of the miners' union officials with the coal operators to that of Hillman and Levin with the terroristic government of Poland.

German Government Aids Zankov

The German government comes to the support of the bloody Zankov regime of Bulgaria by arresting 38 Bulgarian students in Berlin, charged with conspiracy in the uprising. The students have been given the third degree and all the documents found are to be turned over to the Bulgarian government.

If any country in the world should be willing to give asylum to refugees from terror governments it should be Germany. The allied governments that now back the murderous Bulgarian government in its war of extermination against the workers and peasants blockaded Germany and starved thousands of people to death—children for the most part.

The German government calls itself republican, a popular government, but its latest action shows it to be merely a tool in the hands of international counter-revolution. The insincerity of the protests against the international organization of workers under the leadership of the Communist International is evident when we see every capitalist government acting in concert and particularly when such action is in support of a government based on mass slaughter of the workers and peasants—a slaughter so merciless that even the capitalist press is sickened and at which the professional soldiery revolt.

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Denmark's General Strike

The lockout in Denmark has developed into a strike affecting 200,000 workers.

In Denmark there are 240,000 organized workers so the strike is evidently a national one.

We have commented before on the comparatively peaceful development of the class struggle in Denmark due to the lack of heavy industry producing more than the domestic needs, but the general strike shows that, as in all the European nations, the struggle is being sharpened and ever wider masses of the workers brought into the fight for the maintenance of living standards.

Nothing could show better the increasing intensity of class antagonisms in this period than this general strike in a nation whose principal exports are butter, cheese and other dairy products.

Sessions of Enlarged Executive of the C. I.

(Continued from last issue.) MOSCOW, April 2.—(By Mail)—ON April 2nd, the Agitprop conference was opened in the Kremlin. Comrades Trolat (France), Winterlich (Germany), and Bell (England) were elected into the presidium. Almost all sections of the Comintern were present.

The conference began with a short report by Comrade Bela Kun. He touches upon the need to bolshevize the Communist mass parties, the time has arrived when every party must place on the agenda the question of Marxist-Leninist education.

This conference should answer two questions: firstly—what the content of our propaganda should be, and secondly—what the organizational forms of our educational work should be. Leninism must not remain the monopolistic property of the leaders; it must become the common property of membership masses; and the members must be developed into real members of the Communist party. The main task is to establish elementary party schools for the education of the membership.

The second task is, to develop a competent party cadre for the purpose of establishing central party schools.

AFTER the report of Comrade Volk on the bolshevization of the party press, the conference heard the reports of the Czech, English, Italian, French, German and Polish parties. For the purpose of thorough examinations of the various fields of Agitprop activity, sub-commissions were appointed.

IN the debate on the report of Comrade Bucharin, the Yugo-Slavian Comrade Boshkovitch describes the situation on the Balkan, where the feudal agrarian conditions have not yet been fully abolished by land reforms.

IN Bulgaria, Zankov is liquidating Stamboulsky's agrarian reforms; in Roumania the land reforms have sharpened the situation; in Macedonia and Dalmatia feudal agrarian conditions prevail. In Greece there are no land reforms; in Albania Akhed Zogu represents agrarian reaction.

TRACTION BOSS AUTHOR OF BARR FRANCHISE BILL

Len Small Backs Insull Trolley Steal

SPRINGFIELD, Ill., April 22.—The "terminable permit" bill now before the Illinois legislature, which was introduced into the senate by Richard Barr, lieutenant of Governor Small, and which has the backing of Governor Small's delegation, was written by J. R. Blackhall of Joliet, general manager of the Chicago and Joliet electric company, president of the Joliet chamber of commerce, and chairman of the joint committee of the three Illinois public utilities associations.

Insull Prompted Bill. The "joint public utility committee," of which Blackhall is chairman, is composed of representatives of the Illinois Gas association, Illinois Electric Association, and Illinois Electric Railway association. These three associations are controlled by Samuel Insull, the open shop public utilities magnate, and comprise practically every gas, electric, and electric railway company in Illinois and neighboring states. On the "joint committee" are Britton I. Bucd, and G. A. Richardson, employes and close associates of Insull.

"Blackhall has been a friend of mine for years," Senator Barr admitted. "I went over the bill as Blackhall gave it to me and I agreed to present it."

Bankers Influence Legislators. The law which took from Chicago the sole power to give franchise as vested the power in a state commerce commission was signed by former governor Edward F. Dunne, in 1913. Governor Dunne who was against the Dever traction ordinance which was defeated this month, himself signed the bill which allowed the Barr bill to be presented to the senate.

Both the Dever traction ordinance and the Barr bill give the public utilities corporations a perpetual franchise, and they were in favor of both measures. The Barr bill allows these corporations to extend their franchises to any street at will.

Millions Lost in Stores Fraud. NEW YORK, April 22.—The Federated Food Stores company of chain groceries has been declared bankrupt in an involuntary petition filed in federal court in Brooklyn. It is charged that the company defrauded investors out of over a million dollars, and made huge loans on fictitious securities.

The liabilities of the corporation, which operated 200 stores, were placed at four million dollars.

Get a sub—make another Communist!

STAMBOULISKY'S peasant government has proven that the peasantry cannot create a strong solid power; that a peasant government accelerates the class differentiation on the land, and that without an alliance with the workers the peasantry cannot maintain power.

The speaker then characterizes the peasant organizations in the Balkan countries, and points out that the peasant masses are steering towards the left. The Communist parties must support the Peasants' International; they must support the left wings in the peasant parties, and discard the social democratic prejudices in their own ranks.

BELA KUN declares that he fully agrees with Comrade Bucharin's critique of the peasant policy of the Hungarian Soviet dictatorship. The overthrow of the Hungarian Soviet Republic was predetermined by the absence of a Communist Party as we understand it now; also by the world situation and by the strategic position.

But the main cause of the overthrow of the Soviet government was the role played by the peasantry. The Hungarian Soviet government had turned the large estates into agricultural productive co-operatives. The land proletariat therefore felt no real change. In the Red army the demand for land distribution became loud.

The speaker is convinced that had the Soviet dictatorship continued to exist, it would have been compelled to distribute the land. The opinion of some comrades, that the slogan "Workers and peasants' government" is applied to agricultural countries only is false. The Hungarian social democracy has opposed the workers to the peasantry.

The Communists must promote the alliance of workers and peasants, otherwise be threatened by great dangers. VARGA: Does not agree with Comrade Bucharin's statement that no peasant parties should be formed. The speaker favors the formation of peasant parties under the leadership of the Communists. Peasant leagues are not analogous with trade unions, since they conduct a direct fight against the state in questions of taxation, etc.

POWERS (America): The American farmer has become a universal figure. America is no only the largest industrial country, but the largest agricultural country as well. The devastation caused by the American agricultural crisis can hardly be imagined. One fourth of the farmers have been ruined. The proletarianization of the indebted and bankrupt farmers is progressing very rapidly. The proletarianized farmers are streaming into the industrial towns, thereby changing the whole outlook of the American proletariat. It is one of the main tasks of the American Communist Party to continue the work among the farmers. Unfortunately the party has not, in the year just past, worked as intensively among the farmers as in 1923, when we attained considerable success among the farmer masses. The party must correct this deficiency as soon as possible.

DOBNER (Czecho-Slovakia): Describes the frightful condition of the peasantry in Carpatho-Russia, where a few big landowners and a handful of Jews own three-fourths of the land, whereas the peasants own one one-fourth.

MESTCHERIAKOV (C.P.R.): Calls the attention of the parties to the methods of work among the peasantry.

GRIECO (Italy): Describes the difficulties of emigration after the war. The return of the city proletariat to the land has intensified the agrarian crisis. This explains the creation of an independent peasants' party "Popolari," after the war. This party is however dominated by the large landowners.

The Italian socialist party did not understand the agrarian question, and was unable to co-ordinate the occupation of the factories by the proletariat with the occupation of the land by the land workers.

Fascism has not solved the agrarian problem. The speaker describes in detail the present activities of the party, the formation of workers' and peasants' committees, and expresses his belief that the agrarian problems in Italy can be solved only by the revolution.

BRUNEVITCH (Poland) emphasizes the preponderance of agrarian population in Poland, and describes the misery of the peasantry, the prevailing poverty, the heavy tax burden, the economic crisis, unemployment, and the bad harvest.

The revolutionary ferment is growing and in the border districts of Poland, peasants' revolts, guerrilla warfare and tax-boycotts are the order of the day. The last party congress of the C. P. P. has decided to correct old errors and to pursue a real Leninist policy.

DOMBAL (Poland): Declares that he is not in favor of forming peasant parties, but that Bucharin's viewpoint is not quite clear, since peasant parties were coming into existence anyway. We must know what to do with them. He proposes the formation of transitional organizations of the peasants.

Bucharin, in his closing speech polemizes against Varga, who advocated the creation of peasant parties. Peasant leagues are a more suitable form of peasant organization than political parties, because the league represents economic and political demands, has a looser organizational form, permits the activities of different parties, and requires less discipline.

The peasant league enables us to reach greater masses than the political party. The small party organizations of the peasantry cannot displace the mass organizations.

POLEMIZING against Mestcheriakov, the speaker states that the agricultural workers' unions may join the peasant organizations. The bourgeoisie has demonstrated its ability to bring peasants and landowners together. This we must also learn.

Polemizing against Varga's foreword to "Data on the Agrarian Question," the speaker points to two dangers: firstly, the danger of a passive attitude on the peasant question; secondly, the danger of being absorbed by the peasantry. The role of the party, and the hegemony of the proletariat must not be forgotten. Varga disregards this factor; which is theoretically false and politically dangerous.

Communist Is Candidate for Mayor

(Continued from page 1.) junction was issued, assisted the workers in their struggle. He was arrested together with three others, sentenced to six months' imprisonment and actually served three months before released.

Stevens today issued the following statement: "I am filing as a candidate for mayor at the request of the Workers Party and of many militants in the labor movement of Minneapolis. During my campaign I will endeavor to point out to the workers the struggles that lie before them and to organize them for that struggle. The capitalist class of this city, as well as of the world, are doing everything within their power to force the working class to accept lower wages, longer hours, and working conditions that border very closely on actual slavery. These conditions will continue to become worse until such time as the workers thru their own organizations wage a militant fight against these capitalists for their own demands.

"The Workers (Communist) Party, of which I am a member, and upon whose program I am running, is the only working class party with a candidate in this campaign and the only party that will wage the fight against the present capitalist government and for a workers' government such as has been established by the workers and peasants in Russia.

"The Workers Party not only fights for the ultimate establishment of a working class government, but partic-

pates in every struggle of the workers for improved conditions now. It advocates the formation of a labor party, which together with a party of farmers, will fight for the political needs of the workers and farmers.

"It points out the weakness of the present trade unions and calls upon the workers to amalgamate their craft unions into industrial unions. It states emphatically that before the workers can even start their fight for improved conditions, they must organize their forces, the unorganized must be brought into the unions and a militant struggle waged against the bosses. Various schemes of class collaboration, such as supporting republican politicians as is being done by so-called labor leaders in this campaign, the establishment of labor banks, and co-operation with the boss must be fought by the workers.

"Capitalism thruout the world is on the decline. The attack that is being launched against it by the workers together with its own inner difficulties will lead to its fall. The workers can wage their fight successfully by organizing their forces. As a candidate for mayor and as a member of the Workers (Communist) Party, I will aid in organizing the workers for the successful struggle against capitalism that lies but a comparatively short distance ahead."

Stevens will deliver his keynote speech at the May Day celebration to be held at Moose Hall, 236 Fourth St. So., Sunday afternoon, May 3.

DECIDE SALARY, BILL ON MERITS, URGE TEACHERS

Passing Buck to Mayor Won't Do It

NEW YORK, April 22.—Letters and petitions are being secured on a large scale calling upon Governor Smith not to sacrifice the interests of the schools at the behest of the realty associations.

From all indications and from reports in the press it seems the governor is planning to pass the buck to Mayor Hylan by vetoing the Ricca teachers' salary bill. Whatever reasons he may give, such a move can not help being interpreted as a direct response to the powerful propaganda of the realty associations thru their attorneys and press agents.

The teachers' maintain that they expect the governor to reach a decision on the case "solely on the basis of the needs of our public schools and the economic needs of the teachers" and they say the signature to the Ricca bill will be the strongest proof thereof.

Hunt Escaped Convicts.

SACRAMENTO, Cal., April 22.—More than 75 police officers searched in Sacramento's residential districts today for Joe Tanko and Floyd Hall, escaped San Quentin prison murderers. The men shot and probably fatally wounded Patrolman Clyde Nunn late yesterday and are believed to have killed at least one other person and robbed several others since their escape from prison.

Foreign Exchange.

NEW YORK, April 22.—Great Britain, pound sterling, demand 479 1/2; cable 470 1/2. France, franc, demand 5.18 1/2; cable 5.19. Belgium, franc, demand 5.04; cable 5.04 1/2. Italy, lira, demand 4.09 1/2; cable 4.10. Sweden, krone, demand 26.93; cable 26.96. Norway, krone, demand 16.33; cable 16.35. Denmark, krone, demand 18.46; cable 18.48. Germany, mark, unquoted. Shanghai, tael, demand 74.00; cable 74.50.

Japs Launch Airplane Carrier.

TOKIO, April 22.—The new airplane carrier Akagi, one of the largest in the world, was launched today at the Kure naval arsenal. The Akagi, which will weigh 26,000 tons, has a length of 763 feet and a speed of 28 knots an hour, and will be commissioned in 1927.

TWO CLEVELAND SOCIETIES HIT AT CHILD LABOR

Workers Party Campaign Brings Results

(Special to The Daily Worker.) CLEVELAND, Ohio, April 22.—In the drive against child labor conducted by the Workers Party in Cleveland resolutions were adopted by Lodge No. 346, Knights of St. Nicolas, signed by Elias Dauculovic, chairman and Ely Latincic, secretary and Lodge No. 47, Croatian Women's Society of St. Mary, signed by Johanna Jekinoovic, chairman and S. Studen, secretary. The resolution adopted were a part as follows:

"That since the child labor amendment is meaningless without government maintenance of the school children of the workers and poor farmers, the state and federal legislatures shall pass a law providing full government maintenance of all school children of workers and poor farmers, the funds for this purpose to come from special taxes on high incomes.

"That the trade unions delete from their constitutions all discriminatory clauses against equal rights in the unions of young workers; also that the admission fees and dues be made lower for young workers to enable them to become members of the unions which will thereby become strengthened in their struggles against the bosses."

Party Members Are Invited to Attend Young Workers' Meet

The branches of the Young Workers League, local Chicago, realize fully the importance of bolshevizing the league. One of the examples of the work that is being carried on to accomplish it, Area Branch No. 5 is having its regular educational meeting Friday night devoted to the study of Leninism.

A lecture on Leninism will be given by Comrade Manuel Gomez tomorrow, 8:15 p. m. at the temporary branch headquarters, 19 So. Lincoln St. (Local W. P. office). Everybody is welcome.

Oliver Carlson to Speak on Youth Movement Sunday

At the Bronx, N. Y., Forum, 1347 Boston road, Sunday evening, April 26, Oliver Carlson of the Workers' School, will lecture on the "The International Youth Movement." Everybody is invited and admission is free.

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