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AS WE SEE

By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

It is not easy to predict whether the election of Leon Trotsky to the presidium of the federal congress of the Soviet republic will have an adverse effect on the sale of Max Eastman's book: "Since Lenin Died," but it was rather inconsiderate of Comrade Trotsky to leave Max minus a martyr, at such an auspicious moment. Max should present a nice picture of a man left holding the bag when Trotsky's telegram affirming his loyalty to the Communist Party of Russia and pledging his support to its leadership was made public in London.

EMPLOYERS and representatives of labor met together recently in New York under the auspices of the National Civic Federation. The object of the conference was to discuss the question of waste in industry. William Green was there and the Seattle Union Record gloats over the fact that Green sat "with cabinet officials and representatives of great employing interests." The conferees agreed that lots of energy is wasted in industry as it is now run. So do we. But we assert that the workers have no interest in solving the problem of industrial efficiency so long as the capitalists get the benefit of any service that is made thereby.

WHAT the workers should worry about under capitalism is getting as much of the product of their toil from the capitalists as is possible and preparing the way for the taking over of industry and getting all the fruits of industry minus that portion necessary to run the government and reproduce machinery, or in other words, minus the overhead that the capitalist now pays out of his share of the dollar produced by labor. This share according to a United States government report is approximately 83 cents.

WILLIAM GREEN would be spending the time for which the organized workers of the United States are paying him for, if he devoted it to organizing the workers instead of confabbing with the employers as to the best method of getting more work out of the hide of the membership of the American Federation of Labor. When the workers get together with the boss to check waste, produce more and increase the efficiency of a particular industry, what happens is that the boss finds he can get along with less help and the army of the unemployed gets new recruits.

THE workers of Soviet Russia are interested in the elimination of waste and properly so. Nationalized industry in Russia is owned by the workers thru their government, which they control and run. As production increases so does the compensation of the workers. A slacker in Russia today is an object of scorn, the same scold that should be heaped on the worker in a capitalist country who acts as pacemaker to the rest of his fellow workers in order to make per capita production jump and make more profits for the boss. The Russians (Continued on page 6.)

FOREIGN TRADE OF U. S. FALLS OFF IN BOTH IMPORTS AND EXPORTS

WASHINGTON, May 13.—American imports and exports declined in April, the department of commerce announced today.
Imports in April were \$349,000,000 as against \$385,490,733 in March.
Exports in April were \$400,000,000 as compared with \$453,434,285 in March.

CLEVELAND WORKERS DEFY POLICE INTERFERENCE AT MAY 17 MEETING; TO DENOUNCE CAPITALIST TERROR

CLEVELAND, Ohio, May 14.—Jas. P. Cannon, of the Central Executive Committee of the Workers Party, who has just returned from Soviet Russia, will be the chief speaker at an international labor defense mass meeting here on Sunday, May 17, at 7:30 p. m., in the Labor Temple, 2536 Euclid Ave. Tadeusz Radwanski, whose two meetings here April 17 and 18, in the interests of the victims of the Polish white terror, were interfered with by (Continued on Page 4)

"TOP" IS ISSUE IN NOVA SCOTIA STRIKE

Canadian Communists for Mass Pickets

TORONTO, Ontario, Canada, May 14.—The Communist Party of Canada has issued the following appeal to the striking Nova Scotia coal miners to picket the mines more energetically and make the strike 100 per cent effective. The statement says:—
"It is becoming a tragic thing for the class conscious to watch the way matters are going in Nova Scotia. It makes one's heart bleed to realize how conscious the capitalist elements are of what they are doing to break the strike, how cunningly they are exploiting it for their own ends—and then to have to watch McLeod trailing around in the wake of these treacherous elements while they are laughing at him up their sleeves.

Union Officials Allow Scabs
"For nine weeks there is supposed to have been a one hundred per cent strike in Nova Scotia. The convention of the miners had decided on a one hundred per cent strike. A hundred per cent strike means that every piece of labor is withdrawn. It means that the maintenance men are withdrawn and the corporation property can go where the corporation consigns the men in a strike—to hell!
"No wonder when the labor betrayer Lewis appeared on the scene he asked McLeod what this one hundred per cent strike was, anyway. The union maintenance men have been withdrawn but the McLeod executive has peacefully allowed the corporation to maintain its own staffs and the maintenance men of the union (Continued on page 5.)

CARPENTERS NOT UNIONIZED ON MARKET PROJECT

CHICAGO, May 14.—(FP)—Victory is announced by the Chicago building trades council in its fight to unionize the big McLennan Construction Co. job on the new commission market at 14th and Racine Ave. The victory is complete so far as unions affiliated with the council are concerned, but the carpenters, who still remain outside the building trades department of the American Federation of Labor, do not come within the view of the local council.

Cement mixers and building laborers, hitherto non-union, will now affiliate with the hod carriers and building laborers' district council if they want to keep their jobs. Union ironworkers, bricklayers, plasterers, tile setters, electrical workers and plumbers, about 2,000 in all, walked out two weeks ago at the call of the building trades council.

"The strike has been settled with the unionizing of the men that come under our jurisdiction," says Secretary J. J. Conroy.

Gary Plumbers Tie Up Building.
GARY, Ind., May 14.—A general tie-up in all building activities here, amounting to millions of dollars, is threatened, beginning Monday, May 18, as a result of the strike of the plumbers here. The plumbers demand a one dollar per day increase over their old wage scale of \$12.00 per day.

SIDETRACKS MINERS' FIGHT ON INJUNCTION TO HEAR LIQUOR CASES

(Special to The Daily Worker)
WHEELING, W. Va., May 14.—After hearing opening statements of counsel for officers and members of the United Mine Workers of America today, contending service was illegal on defendants in application of the West Virginia-Pittsburgh Coal company for a new strike injunction of a drastic nature, Judge Baker continued proceedings until afternoon. The continuation was the result of desire of the court to proceed with pending liquor conspiracy cases.
The miners' attack on service in the application for the new injunction is that it was illegal, because they were in court answering to bond upon another contempt proceedings, still pending.

ZANKOV MURDER JUNTA PREPARES PUBLIC HANGING

Building Scaffold in the Public Square

(Special to The Daily Worker)
VIENNA, May 14.—The Zankov hangmen are literally living up to the title bestowed on them by the outraged workers and peasants of Bulgaria and by the class conscious workers of the world. A public scaffold is being erected in the streets of Sofia so that the populace can be impressed by the spectacle of seeing three men dangle from a rope for alleged complicity in the bomb explosion.
No effort was made by the court or the prosecution to prove the condemned men guilty. Victims were wanted and those three served the purpose. One of the three sentenced to death is a priest, but the bourgeois press went into hysterics over the execution of the Polish spy Butchavitch, by the Soviet government, has no word of condemnation for the judicial murder of Peter Zagorsky, the Bulgarian priest whose opposition to the hangman, Zankov brought him to the gallows.

New School Board Trustees Approved by City Council

The city council approved Mayor Dever's six appointments on the school board which now makes the board of education complete.
The new members are Edward B. Elliott, electrical engineer and former city electrician, to fill the vacancy of the president of the board; John A. English, organizer of the Typographical Union and endorsed by the Chicago Federation of Labor; Theophilus Schmid, a druggist living at 10856 Wabash Ave.; Charles T. Byrne, retired capitalist and former automobile manufacturer; Dr. Victor R. Schiller, a dentist living at 1725 So. Ashland Ave., and James Mullenbach, a present member of the board.
Following their confirmation they were rushed to the board rooms where the old board was meeting and officially took their seats. After election Julius F. Smetanka vice-president for an unexpired term, the new board adjourned until Friday.
Council jurisdiction of the school board was recommended by Alderman Jacob N. Arbey, who believes the city council should have power over school trustees. The matter was referred to the schools committee.
Teachers' Meeting Saturday.
The Chicago Teachers' Federation will hold its regular meeting on Saturday, May 16, at 10:30 a. m. There will be reports on the salary situation and on the meeting of the schools committee of the board of education appointed. The meeting will be held in Corinthian Hall, 17th floor, Capitol Building.

Cal Passes Buck To Governors

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14.—President Coolidge will urge the governor's of the states to go on record for the military "defense day" program, it is learned here.

COURT MARTIAL OF BULGARIAN TERROR A FARCE

Fascist Murder of Workers Legalized

VIENNA, May 14.—(I. R. A.)—Members of the Communist Party of Bulgarian and agrarian revolutionaries in exile here say that the court martial in Sofia that sentenced eight to death for the explosion of a bomb in Sveti Kral cathedral during funeral services for General Gheorghiev that resulted in the death of 200, is simply a continuation of the effort of the Zankov regime to save its face before the world—a face, they say, that has been splattered with blood since the beginning of the present military dictatorship.
The exiles are of the opinion that the complete blame for the disaster can be laid to the door of the mercenary terrorism that has reigned Bulgaria since the military coup of the "Kubret," a secret military organization that established the Zankov government in power and that today actually rules the country.
Zankov Does Not Weep for Workers.
They are unanimous in their expressions that the Communist Party of Bulgaria did not cause and could have gained nothing by causing the explosion. There is nothing strange they say, in incidents of that kind, and (Continued on page 2)

FOREIGN OFFICE DIPLOMATIC LEAK SHOCKS BRITAIN

Disclosure Leaves John Bull Naked

LONDON, May 13.—The publication by the New York World of a secret memorandum prepared by the British foreign office for the sole use of cabinet members has caused one of the biggest sensations in years.
The document was written some time ago and was never intended for publication. Much speculation is indulged in as to where the leakage occurred. The suggestion that the British government favors a future revision of the Versailles treaty is not comforting to France. Neither is the hint that the Polish frontier would be modified in the interest of Germany conducive to equanimity in Warsaw.
At first the British capitalist press tried to cast doubt on the authenticity of the document. But it is now accepted by all papers as genuine. No body would be surprised to see Austen Chamberlain, foreign secretary, lose his official head over the scandal caused by the disclosure of the private views of the Tory government.

Britain Against Arms Meet.

LONDON, May 14.—A call for a disarmament conference cannot be expected from Great Britain, said Premier Stanley Baldwin in the house of commons today.
Answering a labor member's question, he said:
"The question of disarmaments is now under consideration by the league of nations. I do not think it advantageous for Britain to take the initiative of summoning a disarmament conference now."

Capitalism's Normalcy IS THING OF THE PAST, AMBASSADOR HOUGHTON!

LONDON, May 14.—Ambassador Houghton, newly appointed to the court of St. James, expressed the opinion that a new era of prosperity was due when normal conditions are resumed. The trouble with this prediction is, say some plain-speaking politicians, who will not speak for publication, that normal conditions for capitalism nowadays would be considered very abnormal in pre-war days.

INJUNCTION AGAINST MINERS CONTINUED BY INDIANA JUDGE

(Special to The Daily Worker.)
INDIANAPOLIS, IND., May 14.—The temporary injunction recently granted on complaint of William H. Howe, Chicago coal agent, restraining international and local officers of the United Mine Workers of America and the East Side Coal company of Bicknell, Ind., from interfering with the co-operative mining projects in Knox County, continued in effect today.
Following a hearing yesterday on the operations of the Tecumseh mine near Bicknell in connection with Howe's petition for a permanent injunction, Judge Robert C. Baltzell in federal court ordered the temporary injunction continued in effect until next Tuesday morning.

FAULTY SWITCH CAUSED WRECK THAT KILLED 3

(Special to The Daily Worker)
TERRE HAUTE, Ind., May 14.—Three men were killed and five injured, when the east bound Pennsylvania passenger train No. 6, a double header, was derailed at Dupont, Illinois, 35 miles west of here today.
The dead are Engineer George Munch, Engineer Daniel Walsh, Fireman Edward Zimmerman.
Three mail clerks, an express messenger and E. W. Harper, second fireman were injured. No passengers were reported injured.
Both engines left the rails and turned over, followed by three mail and baggage cars. Cause of the derailment had not been officially determined, executives of the Pennsylvania lines announced.
Members of the train crew expressed belief that a broken rail had caused the accident. All the dead lived in Terre Haute. Harper, the most seriously injured of the five members of the crew to escape death, was removed to a hospital in Effingham, Ill., badly scalded. He was expected to recover.

Usual Whitewash Ordered.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 14.—A faulty switch caused the wreck of the Pennsylvania passenger train No. 6, in eastern Illinois today, according to advices at the offices of the Pennsylvania railroad here.
An investigation of the wreck has been ordered, it was stated.

Kansas Ex-Governor Fights to Keep Out Pardon Sale Facts

TOPEKA, Kans., May 14.—The trial of former Governor Jonathan M. Davis, charged with conspiracy and soliciting a bribe, entered its fourth session today with indications that it will continue far into next week.
The former governor is on trial for the alleged solicitation of a bribe from A. L. Oswald, of Hutchinson, Kansas.
Son Caught With Goods.
The state's attorneys so far have confined their efforts to trying to present testimony bearing on Davis' actions in the Fred Pollman case, in which it is charged that Russell Davis, his son, was caught delivering a pardon to Pollman in exchange for \$1,250.
Fred Pollman, former banker of Lacyne, who was sent to the penitentiary for forgery and later granted an absolute pardon by Governor Davis, was recalled to the stand when court opened.
Exposed Pardon Sale.
In reply to questions, Pollman said he went to a Kansas City newspaper with the plan to expose Davis "because there was so much grafting among public officials."
He testified he did not receive money from the paper for working up the expose.

Two Mexican Strikers Killed

MEXICO CITY, May 14.—Two strikers employed by the Huasteca Petroleum company works at Tampico were killed in a clash with officials, it was reported.

BRITISH ADMIRAL HINTS FUTURE WAR WITH AMERICA AS ENGLISH BUSINESS LOSES IN TRADE WAR

(Special to The Daily Worker)
LONDON, May 14.—That the increasing commercial rivalry between England and the United States, despite certain joint interests against Japan and France, is bringing the danger of war between the two great imperialist nations, is seen in the recent developments of trade and diplomacy. The threat to Britain of America's grand fleet maneuvers in the Pacific has cropped up in the house of commons.
Rear Admiral Beamish asked "the particulars" of the cruise of the American war fleet and whether, "in view of our imperial interests in the Pacific" arrangements would be made for a similar cruise of the British grand fleet.

UNEMPLOYMENT LEAPS UPWARD FIGURES SHOW

40,000 Lost Jobs in New York and Illinois
(Special to The Daily Worker)
Fourteen thousand workers were added to the ranks of the unemployed workers in Illinois alone during April, the report just issued by the Illinois department of labor declares, and twenty-five thousand were thrown out of work in New York state. Industry took a decided slump, according to the report, reaching the lowest level since April 1922.
The report declares:
"The middle of spring finds business on the down-grade in Illinois. Without sufficient orders to justify them in maintaining their working forces intact, Illinois employers continued to lay off help during April so that by the middle of the month there were fewer people in gainful employment in the factories of the state than at any time during the current year.
Ten Per Cent Below 1924.
"1186 manufacturers, who normally employ 40 per cent of the factory workers of the state, had on the payroll of the middle of April, 230,278 workers which was a drop of 1 per cent in the number the identical employers had for the same week in March.
"This decline, following one of like extent during March, depreciated employment by 2.1 per cent from the level of February. About 14,000 workers have been added to the ranks of the unemployed as a result. The state of industry at this time, while slightly above that of April, 1922, is about 10 per cent below that of a year ago, (Continued on page 2)

French Negotiate Debt Tangle with the U. S. Government

PARIS, May 14.—The sudden popularity of Joseph Caillaux, French finance minister, in the American capitalist press, is attributed to his decision to make immediate steps looking towards the solution of the debt tangle with the United States.
Negotiations are scheduled to start within fifteen days. Briand and Caillaux are of one mind on this question.
Caillaux's repudiation of the capital levy made a great hit with Wall Street, which is now satisfied that Caillaux is a constructive statesman and a wholesome patriot.
Washington is known to be gratified with the new developments in the financial relations between the United States and France. British diplomats are not so satisfied, looking on this move by Caillaux as part of his anti-British policy.

COPPER TRUST DEVOURS ANOTHER WORKER WHEN HUGE ROCKPILE FALLS

(Special to The Daily Worker)
BUTTE, Mont., May 14.—Desperate efforts continued today by a crew of workers to rescue Gue Bolden, a widower with three small children, from the West Colusa mine of the Anaconda Copper company where he has been entombed for more than sixty hours.
Bolden was caught by a fall of rock in the mine Monday afternoon. Rescue workers had found no trace of him this morning and it was feared he may have been instantly killed by the huge rockpile.

FORCE AND VIOLENCE AGAINST GOVERNMENT APPROVED BY SILK STOCKING SEDITIONISTS' MEET

WASHINGTON, May 14.—At a moment when organized and heavily financed run-runners are killing, maiming, kidnapping and bribing federal enforcement officers, and a modified type of naval warfare is being fought against them at heavy expense to the nation, Washington "high society" has held an anti-government meeting, in which clubmen, wives of military and naval men and parents of young diplomats were conspicuous.
"Two hundred society men and women of Washington," says Hearst's Herald, "voiced disapproval of the Volstead act at a meeting of the National (Continued on page 2)

THE PLACE: **CENTRAL OPERA HOUSE** 67th St. and Third Ave., NEW YORK CITY

Moissaye J. Olgin of the Workers Party of America

DEBATE

Prof. William Guthrie of the City College of New York

SUBJECT: "Resolved, That the Russian Soviet System Is Superior to Parliamentary Democracy."

THE TIME: **SUNDAY, MAY 17** 2 P. M.

ADMISSION 50 CENTS.

AUSPICES: WORKERS' SCHOOL AND TRADE UNION EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE.

CARPENTERS OUT TO PUT TACK ON JENSEN'S CHAIR

Progressives Declare Election Policy

Union carpenters in Chicago are agog over the coming elections for district council officers. Harry Jensen and his reactionary gang are making the rounds, slapping backs and shaking hands, hoping to win the votes of the sentimental by this policy. It might work well with morons but carpenters have hard heads. The fact that they drive nails for a living may have some effect on the quality of their cranial encasement.

The progressive carpenters are out for Harry Jensen's scalp, not because he is or is not Harry Jensen, but because of his reactionary policy which has proven inimical to the interests of the members of the carpenters' union here in Chicago. This is what the rank and file of the carpenters say.

The progressives are organizing their forces for the election campaign. Unlike the reactionaries, they have a program as can be seen from the following election dodger:

- 1. No renewal of the present agreement, nor a similar one.
- 2. No agreements to be entered into that compels carpenters to work with non-union men in other trades.
- 3. All agreements to be ratified by the rank and file.
- 4. A uniform wage and working agreement with all other building trades. All to expire at the same time.
- 5. To work for the organization of all mills. Only union material to be used on union jobs.
- 6. A five-day, forty-four week.
- 7. We pledge ourselves to stringent economy of administration expenses, elimination of unnecessary attorney's fees.
- 8. Right of minority opinion to freedom of expression within the union.
- 9. We will vigorously oppose illegal suspensions and expulsions or the use of police against union men.

In addition to the above program, we endorse:

- 1. The amalgamation of the building trades upon a departmental basis, along the lines laid down by the 1913 convention of the building trades department. This will abolish the ruinous jurisdictional disputes, as well as centralize the activity and unify the forces of all building trades workers.
- 2. A labor party of, for and by the workers.

German Rail Workers Must Be Dropped to Make Dawes Plan Pay

BERLIN, May 14.—The German railroads are obliged under the Dawes plan to bear a large part of the burden of the Versailles treaty, declared Karl Steller, director general of railroads, during an interview with von Hindenburg, newly installed president of the Reich.

Before the railroads can pay their share of the Dawes reparations, Steller said, 30,000 more employees must be discharged. This does not sound pleasant to the ears of the social-democratic workers, who have been led to believe that they could gain control of industry gradually without having to establish a dictatorship as in Russia. They are now being disillusioned.

The national federation of German officers in convention here attacked the Dawes plan as injurious to German interests.

Court Martial of Bulgarian Terror a Farce

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It is even surprising that more such catastrophes do not occur considering that more than 20,000 Bulgarian people have paid with their lives for the bloody Zankov dictatorship that has ruled since June, 1923.

Speaking of the wallings of the press since the catastrophe, one of the emigrés said, "These bearers of culture of the bourgeoisie did not weep but triumphed when, in June, 1923, over a thousand peasants were slaughtered and when in September, the same year, over 10,000 workers, peasants and intellectuals were done to death in the most brutal manner. It was in the same cathedral that there was then celebrated the victory of 'law and order.'"

The two hundred dead, as the re-

UNEMPLOYMENT LEAPS UPWARDS

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and 15 per cent below the April, 1923, level. "Declining industry is shown to be a general condition by other reports. A preliminary statement to the press on May 9 by the New York department of labor was that between 20,000 and 25,000 were thrown out of work in April in that state.

"The distribution of the lay-offs among the industries did not differ widely from that of the preceding month, but that was a continuation of the trend begun earlier. Small declines were quite frequent in the metal industries, thus the change for the month in the payrolls of the twelve industries making up the metal group was less than 1 per cent from the March figure. Included in this class were the steel mills. Some of the larger ones continue to cut off a few workers each week, a practice that has been followed for two months.

"Machinery firms also laid off small percentages of their forces, but in electrical apparatus, there was a sizable reduction in working forces that, taken with earlier cuts leaves employment at a rather low point. Agricultural implement firms, in some instances, were laying off help, depreciating the volume of employment in that industry by 2.9 per cent.

"The meat packing firms followed reductions in employment in March, with a cut that gave unemployment to 5.7 per cent of the persons who were at work in March. At some of the most important plants in this industry, there are now fewer workers than at any time since the war.

"Operations are also very light in the flour mills. Some of them have closed down entirely, and as reported by 21 mills, there were 7.4 per cent fewer workers employed in April than in March. Candy factories laid off nearly

10 per cent of their workers, and tobacco concerns reported that they had reduced their working forces by a like percentage.

"Job printers have given out about the steadiest employment of any employers in the state, but they were obliged to reduce employment substantially during April. They discharged 15.7 per cent of their women workers, and 5 per cent of their male workers during April. Rarely have there been changes so precipitate in this industry.

"Tanneries, which have been expanding for about six months, show in their reports lessening activity in April. For the ten reporting employers the decline in employment during the month was calculated to be 3 per cent. Shoe factories generally had a few more employees in April than in March, however. The chemical industries show a mixed trend. While the oil refineries were adding to their forces, the paint factories and dye concerns were laying off workers. Industrial chemical firms had about 2.3 per cent more workers in April than in March.

"Clothing Industry Slumps. "An analysis of the reports for the apparel industries shows a decided downward trend. The declines were, of course, partly seasonal. Men's clothing factories laid off 11.1 per cent of their employes, and millinery concerns a like amount. Changes elsewhere were of less extent. In the knit goods factories, where women are chiefly employed, employment was sustained in April at the March level.

"The most favorable factor in the present industrial situation is the state of the building industry.

"This industry, at the present time, is far below a boom period. Operations of the factories in Illinois are 15 per cent or more below full operations in the utilization of man power and the labor market is glutted with an over-supply of men and women eager to find jobs."

"The iron, coal and steel nations laughed this argument to scorn, saying that the Marquis of Queensbury rules did not prevail in war. Nations that were not able to put in a decent supply of fighting tools should stay home and fight with their wives.

"The conference decided that armored trains should not come within the scope of the proposed supervision of the traffic in lethal weapons. This puts the armored train in the same category with warship, fire crackers, submarines, red fire (the kind used by politicians around election time), airplanes, toy balloons, airships and kites. It's going to be a nice little war!

"Hungary objected to the use of flame throwers in the next war but the delegates got sore over this continued petty interruption from small nations that should know how to keep their mouths shut. "What kind of a war do you want?" asked one of the British representatives, of Horthy's envoy. The Hungarian replied that he had no objection to the use of flame throwers on principle. He would slit a windpipe with as little reluctance as many in the assembly but he did not want Hungary to be put in an advantageous position. He reminded the delegates that the Trianon treaty forbade Hungary to use flame throwers. It was a reflection on the dignity of his country he declared angrily.

An Assassin Appears. A representative of the Zankov regime of Bulgaria was heard to mutter: "What do you want flame throwers for when daggers and poison can be secured and used on the quiet without making any disturbing noise?" When the Bulgarian fascist was recognized the other delegates speedily left the hall and returned with their armor.

Outside of those little incidents everything is running smoothly and the casualties are extremely low. The conference will be about as fruitful as the opium talk fest. Just about.

Forest Fire Rages Thru Big Part of Northern Ontario

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

FORT WILLIAM, Ont., Can., May 14.—The entire Thunder Bay district of northern Ontario today was at the mercy of flames sweeping from four different fronts thru the virgin forests, tinder-dry from weeks of drought.

One aged farmer, trapped by the onrushing flames, is known to have perished.

Scores of settlers have been driven from their homes, and numerous towns, in the path of the conflagrations are threatened.

The fire has been raging for more than 24 hours.

An estimate of the damage at this time, forest rangers said, was impossible.

City Attorney Quits When Charged with Robbing Drug Store

ALTON, Ill., May 14.—Indicted for the alleged theft of \$600 in cash and a quantity of whisky from an Alton drug store, City Attorney Charles Halsey resigned today. Halsey was arrested with three companions including Joseph Clark, 24, clerk at the store, who police say, confessed arranging the robbery.

Halsey and Clark with Walter Malcom and Earl Miller waived preliminary hearing and were released on bond of \$1,000 each.

Halsey is a graduate of Washington and Lee university, Lexington, Kentucky, and, according to Clark, who left the door and safe unlocked, the money and whiskey was needed for a "party" to be held at Paris, Illinois.

Russian-Ukrainian Dramatic Club Gives Concert and Ball

MILWAUKEE, Wis., May 14.—A concert and ball beginning on Sunday, May 17, at 2:30 p. m. and lasting until midnight will be given by the Russian-Ukrainian Dramatic club at the Freie Gemeinde Hall, 8th and Walnut streets, Milwaukee.

The concert will contain numbers by the Russian-Ukrainian chorus consisting of 30 people and by the Freilicht Singing Society. There will also be a one-act play entitled "The Living Dead." After the concert there will be dancing until midnight. Music for dancing will be supplied by the Manhattan Oriels Snappy Five. Admission is 50 cents.

St. Louis Teamsters Face Strike on Wage Cut and Longer Day

ST. LOUIS.—(FP)—St. Louis will witness a strike of 1900 union transfer teamsters June 17 if the employers persist in their attempt to cut wages. The union asks for \$40 a week and the 8-hour day. The men now work 9 1/2 hours and receive \$34.40 a week. The employers counter with a 10 1/2-hour day and \$30 a week. This craft is nearly 100 per cent unionized. Its last strike was in 1920 and was marked by much strike-breaker-violence and police brutality.

NATIONS DISCUSS MURDER TOOLS IN NEXT SLAUGHTER

Hungarian and Bulgar Envoys Make Trouble

(Special to The Daily Worker)

GENEVA, May 14.—The comedy facetiously called the "arms parley" is still drawing full houses here, with the probability that it will run for several weeks more.

The government representatives present discussed whether armored trains should be permitted in the next war. Nations "possessing facilities for manufacturing such instruments of death, protested violently against their use on the ground that it was not sportsmanlike for soldiers to hide behind traveling fortresses and belch a deadly fire on their comparatively unprotected foes.

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British Admiral Hints Future War

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showed British imports were £110,350,000 against British exports of £60,870,000. This is a markedly unfavorable balance of trade, and as a large part of the imports are American cotton and wheat, American claims upon England are shown to be steadily mounting. Last year the same month showed £86,165,000 imports and £62,566,000 exports. Thus the unfavorable trade balance has grown 100 per cent in the last year, and there is no sign of it being checked.

U. S. Flivvers Winning. English manufacturers are just now alarmed at the trade war of American automobile companies who have simply grabbed the domestic British market from under their very noses.

American-made autos are arriving in Great Britain at the rate of one thousand a day. While some of this commercial invasion may be stopped by the restoration of the McKenna tariff of 33 per cent on such imports, there are so many American autos coming in now as to cause it to be a subject of discussion in the imperial cabinet.

There is a glut of American autos at Southampton, Liverpool, London and Plymouth. Cars are being stored in all available sheds and there are acres spread over suburban fields awaiting storage. At least a supply is in sight to last two or three years.

The Usual Piffle. The usual declarations of amity and concord which are made when imperialist rivalry develops, is being omitted by various spokesmen. H. Wickham Steed, former editor of the London Times, speaking at a luncheon yesterday, declared the need of a "better understanding" between England and America.

However Steed upbraided British diplomacy for not seeking alliance with France against "America's defection" from the league of nations and he closed by saying: "Unless the people of the United States were convinced Britain was guided in her foreign policy by ideals of peace, a new world war would come, more terrible than the last, from the horrors of which no part of Europe would be exempt."

British Expert's Gloomy View. LONDON, May 14.—A gloomy view of Britain's trade outlook was expressed by Sir Robert Horne at a recent dinner of the British Overseas

Chicago in Burlesque Attempt to Give Fake Dignity to its Courts

By J. LOUIS ENGBAHL

TODAY, Chicago gets ready to present to the world another sensational murder trial. But there is a little curtain raiser already on in which Chicago, one of the most repulsive social cancers under American capitalism, seeks to uphold before all the "dignity" of its courts. It is seeking to do this thru the sleight of hand performance that is to abolish the use of telegraphs, telephones, radio instruments and even typewriters from the court room where William D. Shepherd is to go on trial for the alleged poisoning of his millionaire ward, William Nelson McClintock.

This is the result of a little wave of righteousness that has swept the Chicago Bar Association. It is in harmony with the same fraudulent "dignity drive" that put black gowns on the backs of the judges, altho it failed to put black hoods over their heads, so that they might really parade more effectively in their true role of oppressors and hangers-on of the working class.

In other countries the judges also wear wigs. Perhaps that custom will also be introduced here. A little more awe and dignity might be obtained by star chamber sessions of the court, with the prisoner shackled and manacled, after the fashion of the trial of the two workers, Sacco and Vanzetti, in Massachusetts.

But the presence of typewriters, telegraphs, telephones, cameras and radio instruments in a court room, or their ousting by black-gowned judicial lackeys, does not alter in the least the class nature of the courts. They remain, in either case, an instrument of oppression in the hands of the capitalist class.

All the means of publicity were allowed in the courtroom during the Loeb-Leopold trial, and the arch-oppressor of labor, State's Attorney Robert E. Crowe, was given every opportunity to appear fittingly in the public eye. In the Shepherd case Crowe's sun is somewhat eclipsed by the activities of Municipal Judge Olson, who parades as one of the prosecutors. It may be that Crowe, not seeing the light of publicity turned his way, has decided to partially obliterate it, so that it will not shine too brightly upon his rival. And this is what the kept press calls a polishing up of the tarnished dignity of the capitalist courts.

All capitalist courts look alike to the workers. The super-dignity of the wartime inquisition of Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, who sent many workers to prison, is not different from the oppressive legal atmosphere of the courtroom of a Judge Wilkerson, who issued the injunctions against the striking shopmen in the postwar period. Judge Landis wore no gown as he dealt out capitalist justice to the Industrial Workers of the World and other prisoners, but he was just as bitter a foe of labor as Judge Jeffreys who sought to crush the first budding efforts toward the organization of labor in Great Britain.

Behind the courts stands the capitalist class upholding its social order. The anti-labor judicial system can no more be bent on the side of labor than the social system that spawned it. The change comes when labor tears up this social order, that is its enemy, by the roots, and clears the way for the Communist society that provides no place for class courts, because under Communism all classes will disappear in the first fraternal brotherhood of all mankind.

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BARGAINS MEAN UNEMPLOYMENT FOR WORKERS

European Slave Labor Used by Merchants

By LELAND OLDS

There are bargains aplenty at the 5 and 10 cent stores. At Kresge's I bought a serviceable jackknife for a quarter. A chain was thrown in for good measure. All for 25c. The knife compares favorably with those sold at 75c. to \$1. On the blade is inscribed A. W. Wadsworth & Son, Germany. The concern sounds like English or American capital but the labor was low-paid German. The knife was a bargain. It undersold the product of American workers. Perhaps this explains why cutlery and tool plants in the United States employ 10 to 15 per cent fewer workers than a year ago.

There are other bargains at Kresge's. You will find a counter covered with tungsten electric bulbs, round or long, frosted or clear, all colors, ranging from 10 to 300 watts. All for 25c. Examine one. It bears a faint stamp Made in Hungary where with the permission of the league of nations the reactionary admiral Horthy holds the workers down. Manufacturers of electrical supplies and apparatus in this country employ 11 per cent fewer workers than a year ago.

These are goods picked up by chance. They show that American workers are buying unemployment with their bargains. The sales of these bargain stores go up by leaps and bounds. Yet business men are, baffled by the increase in unemployment.

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The Workers Party in Action

WORKERS PARTY CANDIDATES IN CLEVELAND RACE

Circulate Petitions for City Council

CLEVELAND, May 14.—The Workers Party of Cleveland has begun the work of circulating nomination petitions for candidates for city council and school board in the fall election.

Councilmen are elected from each of four districts, five to seven being the number from each. Elections are held on the proportional representation plan, the voter designating first, second, third choices, etc.

Must Get 500 Signers.

Candidates to be on the ballot must secure 500 signers to a nominating petition, and a voter is allowed to sign but one petition. The election is non-partisan, the candidates appearing on the ballot without party designation. Of course in the campaign party allegiance is made an issue.

The Communist candidates for whom petitions are being circulated are: First district (west side), Alfred Wagenknecht, district organizer of the Workers Party; second district (south-east quarter), Sam Holzman, member of the Auto Workers' Union; third district (down-town section of the east side), J. A. Hamilton, local organizer of the Workers Party; fourth district (north-east quarter), A. V. Severino, member of the Bricklayers' Union No. 5. John Fromholz is a candidate for the school board.

Need Assistance.

Anyone wishing to assist in the work of circulating petitions should get in touch with the local Workers Party office, at 5927 Euclid avenue, Room 13, telephone Randolph 4065.

A John Reed Junior



This is a member of the John Reed Pioneer group of Soviet Russia. The youngster is proudly exhibiting the name of the group, John Reed, which they wear on their caps.

In the United States, in the city of Chicago, there is also a John Reed Junior group functioning quite successfully. To celebrate the first anniversary of their organization the group is giving a surprise party and dance, Saturday eve., May 23, at the Workers' Home, 1902 W. Division St. There will be an interesting program for children and for adults. They promise something new in entertainments. Besides that, there is a surprise. Admission for children will be 10 cents and for adults 20 cents.

Max Shachtman, editor of the Young Worker, will bring greetings from the Pioneers of Soviet Russia.

Music furnished by the Y. W. L. orchestra.

Don't forget the date and place, Saturday, May 23, at 1902 W. Division street.

Railroad Merger Being Pushed.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—Reports that the interstate commerce commission was planning to order the Van Sweringen brothers to make an extensive revision of their "billion dollar" Nickel Plate railroad merger before action is taken on their pending unification plans, lacked confirmation at the commission today.

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ANTI-WHITE TERROR MEETING TO BE HELD IN CHICAGO SUNDAY

An anti-white terror demonstration will be held on Sunday, May 17, at 2:30 p. m. at the Hod Carriers Hall, 814 W. Harrison street.

It is arranged under the auspices of the Workers Party, Local Chicago with the main support coming from the Balkan federation branches of the Workers Party.

The speakers for this demonstration secured thus far, are Earl R. Browder, in English; K. Mikalacki, in South Slav; C. Koteff, in Bulgarian; K. Kostis, in Greek; M. A. Stolar, in Russian, and other speakers. Admission is free.

Cleveland Left Wing Celebrates at Dance of T. U. E. L., June 21

CLEVELAND, May 14.—All Workers Party members and sympathizers; all members of the Trade Union Educational League, and progressive trade unionists, must mark down Sunday, June 21, in their calendars, and make absolutely no plans for that day to conflict with the big picnic and dance to be held by the Cleveland Trade Union Educational League, at Saxonheim Garden, 7091 Dennison Ave., West Side.

The committee is planning to have one of the biggest events of the season, with lots of sports, chorus singing, and a speech by a nationally known speaker in the progressive trade union movement. In the evening a dance will be held, and it should be kept in mind that the Saxonheim floor is one of the finest in the city. The floor is covered and the picnic will be held rain or shine.

Anyone who wishes to volunteer their services in the line of entertainment for this affair, should get in touch with H. Wagenknecht, secretary, T. U. E. L., Room 13, 5927 Euclid Ave.

Tickets Now on Sale for Athletic Carnival in N. Y.

NEW YORK, May 14.—Good news for New York!—The Workers Party, District No. 2, is arranging its Second Annual International Athletic Carnival and Picnic for Sunday, June 21st, at Pleasant Bay Park, the Bronx.

Which means an outdoor treat for the New York militants as the 1,600 can testify who attended the first carnival held last summer.

All athletic events will be under the direction of the Workers' Sport Alliance, and are planned on a wider scale than last year. In addition there will be a newspaper popularity contest and other attractions.

New Yorkers! Keep Sunday, June 21st open. Plan to spend that day with your friends at Pleasant Bay Park, which is situated on Long Island Sound and has beautiful groves and woodland.

Tickets may be obtained at the Workers Party headquarters, 108 East 14th Street, the Freiheit, 30 Union Sq. Jimmie Higgins Book-Shop, 127 University Place, and all party branches and newspapers.

Phillips, Negro Organizer, Talks at Y. W. L. Branch

Comrade H. V. Phillips, Negro organizer for the Y. W. L., who has recently been touring the district organizing the Negro youth of Illinois and adjoining states, will give a talk at Area Branch No. 5 of the Young Workers League tonight, 8 p. m., at 19 So. Lincoln street.

Branch No. 5 has been conducting an intensive campaign among the Negro youth of the west side and 600 copies of the special Negro edition of the Young Worker as well as 1,000 leaflets have been distributed this week. The meeting tonight is one of the first that will be held through all the branches in the present Negro campaign. All league and party comrades are urged to come and hear Comrade Phillips and help us organize the Negro youth of Chicago.

Lerner Lectures at Revere, Massachusetts

REVERE, Mass., May 14.—The fourth lecture of the course being given by Max Lerner of the Workers Party in this city was held here tonight. The fifth lecture, the last of the series, will be upon "The Contrast of the Three Internationals," on Thursday May 21.

The audience, though small, is of those who are intensely interested in the instruction given by Comrade Lerner and feel better equipped for the struggle. The present lecture was on "Communist Tactics and Strategy."

The lectures are held at Eagles Hall.

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Vote for Workers Party in Mpls. Shows Gain in All Wards

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., May 14.—A comparison of the vote counted in this city for the Workers (Communist) Party in last year's election campaign, and that credited to the Communist candidates in the recent municipal election, shows a gain in votes, even though many votes were undoubtedly stolen from the Workers Party.

The total vote counted for Dan Stevens, Communist candidate for mayor, was 1,658, and the vote given for Foster and Gitlow, according to the politician's count, was 358.

By wards the vote given for Foster in the presidential election, was as follows: Ward 1, 16; ward 2, 6; ward 3, 64; ward 4, 60; ward 5, 26; ward 6, 10; ward 7, 15; ward 8, 9; ward 10, 25; ward 11, 62; ward 12, 27; and ward 13, 26.

The vote credited to the Communist candidate for mayor in the election held this week, is given by wards as follows, showing a gain in Communist votes.

Ward 1, 79; ward 2, 25; ward 3, 129; ward 4, 107; ward 5, 86; ward 6, 70; ward 7, 60; ward 8, 29; ward 9, 134; ward 10, 136; ward 11, 71; ward 12, 168; and ward 13, 19.

The comparison shows a gain in nearly every ward.

Workers' Aid Meets on Monday, May 18

NEW YORK, May 14.—The next conference of the International Workers' Aid, New York Division, will take place on Monday, May 18, at 8 p. m., at 108 East 14th St., Room 32.

International Red Aid is one of the most pressing tasks of the revolutionary workers. The Communists must be in the forefront in arousing the interests and support of the workers of this country for the revolutionary workers and peasants in the capitalist prisons of Europe and Asia. The arrest of our two comrades Crouch and Trumbull in the United States army, shows that the task is coming close at home.

Every branch of the Workers Party and Young Workers League must have a delegate at the conference. Every branch must do its share.

Labor Defense to Meet in New York to Consider Arrests

NEW YORK, May 14.—The next conference of the Labor Defense Council, New York Section, will take place on Tuesday, May 19, at 8 p. m., at 108 E. 14th St., Room 32.

It is absolutely necessary that every branch of the Workers Party and the Young Workers League be represented. The increasing frequency with which party and Y. W. L. members are arrested demands that reserves be built up to take care of the cases.

This can only be done by the party and Y. W. L. branches doing their share in arousing the interest of the workers of this country to the necessity of protecting their best fighters. Don't neglect the Labor Defense Council meeting.

Concert and Ball for Communist Poet Comes Off May 16th

NEW YORK, May 14.—Every worker, young and old, is invited to spend an enjoyable evening with the Russian comrades of the Bronx branch of the Young Workers League at their concert and ball on Saturday evening, May 16th at 1347 Boston Road, Bronx.

The affair is given in honor of the young proletarian poet Bezymensky who in his famous "Cosmopolis" pictures the life and work of the Russian Comsomol. An exceptional program is provided. A playlet, recitations, songs and scenes from the life of the Russian Comsomol, will be performed by a group of young Communists. After the entertainment there will be dancing. Come and bring your friends.

Sacco-Vanzetti Defense Fund International Picnic

The Sacco-Vanzetti Defense Committee has planned for an international picnic, to be held on July 4 next, at the Page Estate, Brookline street, Needham, Massachusetts, in order to raise funds to meet the obligations assumed for the legal defense of the two prisoners.

This announcement is made in order that other sympathizers may not start any other initiative, around Boston, on the same date for the same purpose.

At a later date a detailed program of this event will be made public.—Sacco-Vanzetti Defense Committee, Amleto Fabbri, Secretary.

Get a sub for the DAILY WORKER from your shopmate and you will make another member for your branch.

NEGRO WORKERS HEAR WHITEMAN ON IMPERIALISM

Labor Congress Subject of Cleveland Meeting

(Special to The Daily Worker.)

CLEVELAND, May 14.—Preparations are being made by the local committee on the American Negro Labor Congress, for a packed house on Thursday, May 21, when Lovett Fort-Whiteman, of Chicago, organizer of the congress, speaks in the Buelah baptist church, 31st and Cedar Ave., at 8 p. m.

Fort-Whiteman has recently returned from Soviet Russia, where he devoted considerable time to the study of the problem of the colored races, which make up a large percentage of the world's population, but are subject to the domination of the white imperialistic nations of Europe and America.

Negroes Must Fight as Workers.

Fort-Whiteman's belief is that the American Negroes must and will furnish to a large extent the leadership for the Negroes of the world in their part of the struggle of the colored races from imperialistic exploitation and oppression. He believes that this struggle must be carried on, however, only as part of the general struggle of the working class for freedom from the domination of the capitalist class.

Inasmuch as these views are somewhat different from any program offered to the Negroes of Cleveland hitherto, a large amount of interest is expected to be shown in his talk. The Garvey movement is said to have a large following in Cleveland, but many influential Negroes realize that Garvey's program is not just what the race demands.

Negro Union Members Take Part.

The committee arranging the meeting include the following prominent Clevelanders: J. D. Whitlow, member Cleveland Building Trades Council; Rev. B. G. Glover, of the Buelah baptist church; Frank Fitzsimmons, Gabriel Walters, of Building Laborers' Local No. 10; Brothers Small, Thompson, and Cruise; Rev. Mack T. Williams of Antioch Community House; and Henry Lee Moon, of the Cleveland Herald.

The organization work of the American Negro Labor Congress was initiated in Cleveland by H. V. Phillips, who held a well-attended meeting on April 23.

Sheboygan, Wisconsin Will See Russian-German Movie Film

SHEBOYGAN, Wis., May 14.—For the first time in the history of this city the International Workers' Aid will show one of its best productions, "Russia and Germany." The population of this city is chiefly German counting among its members a large number of Russian Germans from the Volga valley. It is expected that a large number of this people will be interested to see the pictures of two countries which are nearest to them by traditions. A large number of tickets have been sold in advance and it is expected that there will be a large crowd.

Comrade John P. McCarthy will be the principle speaker at the evening performance. Comrade McCarthy recently returned from Ireland and will give the Irish angle of the general European situation.

New York Workers' Correspondence Are to Hold Conference

NEW YORK, May 14.—The meeting of worker correspondents scheduled for the New York Workers Party headquarters, 108 East 14th Street, for Saturday evening May 16th is to begin promptly at 7:30 and adjourn at 9 p. m. so as to give all the participants the opportunity to attend some other affair on the same evening. Therefore be on time.

Press Agent for N. Y. Maypole Dance Assures Good Time

NEW YORK, May 14.—The Downtown English Branch of New York will give an entertainment and May pole dance Saturday evening, May 16 at the headquarters, 108 East 14th. Admission is 35 cents and worth a dollar.

Soviets Switch Ambassadors.

MOSCOW, May 14.—Yureneff, ambassador of the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics at Rome, has been appointed as Soviet ambassador to Teheran, while, in his stead, Kerjenteff, formerly minister of the Union of Soviet Socialist Russia at Stockholm, has been transferred as ambassador to Rome.

Cleveland Workers Defy Police

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the police, acting under orders of Public Safety Director Barry, will also speak.

Police Interfere.

Barry made the arbitrary ruling that no collection would be permitted for political prisoners in Europe, and when an attempt was made at the April 18 meeting to take the collection anyway, the police dispersed the meeting.

The affair received considerable publicity in the local press, and the American Civil Liberties Union, thru its local attorney, M. C. Harrison, took the matter up with Barry as being an unwarranted infringement of civil liberties. Barry also was severely criticized by the progressive wing in the city council, where he has quite a bit of opposition.

To Discuss White Terror.

This meeting will deal with the white terror in Poland, Bulgaria, and other Baltic and Balkan states; the harsh sentences given Crouch and Trumbull, Communist soldiers in the U. S. army on Hawaii; the deportation campaign of the government against Communists and radicals; the various oppressive laws on the books and proposed, including the criminal syndicalism laws and laws against the foreign-born; and the Severino case.

All these questions are related in being the manifestations of a worldwide offensive against the working class, which is exhibited in a governmental policy of suppression of the militants among the workers, both Communists and the more progressive non-Communist elements as well.

The Severino case is one which involves issues of national importance. The government is making an effort to have his citizenship papers cancelled, which he had held since 1915. The case was begun in October, 1923, but has been postponed from time to time. It has now been set for hearing on May 27, in the federal district court in Cleveland.

Attempt to Annul Citizenship.

The case of the government rests on their contention that Severino's statement that he was "attached to the principle of the constitution of the United States," made when he applied for naturalization, was "untrue,

false, and fraudulent." The prosecution maintains that Severino believed since 1907, in "violent revolution and armed insurrection directed against the government of the United States, and all other governments founded upon the capitalist system of economy," and therefore, the attempt is made to have his citizenship annulled as fraudulently obtained.

One issue involved in this case will doubtless be the right of a Communist to United States citizenship. If the government can establish this, many foreign-born workers will be deprived of citizenship rights, including the use of the ballot, and the right to be a candidate for office. Such a situation would be a striking evidence of the lack of faith of the 100 per centers in the "democracy" they talk so loudly about. Why do they fear to permit the Communists the ballot?

An Active Unionist.

Severino has been candidate for various offices on the Workers Party ticket and is in the field in the 1925 election as candidate for city councilman. He is an active member of Local No. 5 Bricklayers' Union; and vice-president of the City Co-operative Dairy. He will also speak at the May meeting, as will Carl Weisberg of the Young Workers' League. The meeting is under the joint auspices of the Labor Defense Council and the International Red Aid. Admission is 10 cents.

STORM RELIEF FUND NEARING \$500.00 QUOTA

Workers' Aid Calls for "Pay Envelopes"

The five hundred dollar quota for the Southern Illinois miners' relief appeal, is getting somewhat nearer the mark with the additional contributions that are coming in. Within the past few days the following amounts were turned in:

Irving Park English Br.....	50
German branch	2.65
N. W. Jewish	2.50
G. Badrazin12
H. M. Kaminskas.....	1.00
Ukrainian No. 1	7.41
South Slav No. 1 (40 envelopes, second remittance) 13.94	
Douglas Park Eng. (10 envelopes)	4.60
Previous collection	\$32.72
Total	\$166.16

All "pay envelopes" with the one per cent of one week's pay—which is what each member is expected to contribute—are to be sent immediately to the local office, 19 S. Lincoln St., Chicago, Ill.

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'OPEN SHOP' IS ISSUE IN NOVA SCOTIA STRIKE

Canadian Communists for Mass Pickets

(Continued from page 1) might just as well never have been withdrawn for all the real effect their withdrawal has had.

"The corporation has all these months been able, to its own complete satisfaction, to keep its officials on the jobs. Scabs have been doing the work and the whole world, McLeod included, knew it.

"And only now, after these heart-breaking weeks, has the McLeod executive been forced by the local unions, to picket the mines.

"In a communication to the local unions, the good-natured and christian tempered executive writes: 'Brothers: From information received in the district office, it appears that the company have been introducing outside labor in some of the departments. Each local union should therefore appoint pickets and make their investigations, and promptly send to this office written reports as to the results of these investigations as to outside labor doing any scabbing. Each local union will see that pickets do not interfere with company officials, and that there is a continuation of the good order that has prevailed and no destruction of public property.'

"In this very communication permitting the locals to picket, the tame executive again surround the picketing with all sorts of limitations. The company officials are not to be interfered with because the constitution allegedly prohibits interfering with company officials, but the union constitution also is against withdrawing the union maintenance men. Where is the argument? It is only some more belly-crawling to a 'public opinion' that is killing the strike— to a government that is forging more iron shackles and chains for the workers.

Quit Class Collaboration. "We say to the miners—for the sake of your women and children! For the sake of your organization! For your own sake! Give no quarter! No quarter will be given to you!

"Do the miners know that Father Nicholson of New Waterford informed their executive that McLurg, vice-president of Besco had made the statement to him that the corporation was thru with the United Mine Workers as an organization and that Besco was going to deal with the men in the pits as local committees. "What does this mean but company unionism—but the open shop? "A dirty game is being played at the expense of the miners. "Miners of District 26: Picket the mines! The company officials included! Fight the slave act of your enemy Armstrong! Put no trust in class enemies! Make the executive quit its policy of class collaboration! Make it a real one hundred per cent strike.

STRIKE OF NEGRO NURSES AT NEW ORLEANS BACKED BY DOCTORS, WHO FILE CHARGE AGAINST WHITE BOSS

NEW ORLEANS, La., May 14.—The Negro student nurses have struck at the Flint-Coodridge Hospital operated here by the Negro division of the Methodist Episcopal church, and the Negro doctors of the institution have filed charges against Dr. T. Restin Heath, white head of the hospital, it has been disclosed.

Altho the hospital officials are suppressing publicity, it is learned that the student nurses struck against the intolerable conditions imposed on them. They complain particularly of the poor food they are forced to eat.

The doctors filed the charges with the board of trustees of the church at Cincinnati, Ohio. Heath has been busy canvassing the local board of the trustees of the hospital here, composed of Negro ministers, and is endeavoring to line them up with him against the Negro doctors. He has had poor success so far.

One of the charges filed with the trustees by the doctors is that Heath called the doctors, "nigger doctors," in a staff meeting, and issued orders that they must not stop in the halls or be seen in front of the hospital. Another charge is that the superintendent refused to allow them to inspect the charts of patients who have been treated by white doctors without first obtaining permission of the white doctors.

The doctors declare they will resign unless conditions are bettered.

Houston Victims Still Imprisoned

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, May 14.—In response to a letter from the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, inquiring about the treatment of the former 24th infantrymen, transferred from Leavenworth penitentiary to the disciplinary barracks at Fort Leavenworth, Col. G. O. Cress, the commanding officer, states that their records continue good. Col. Cress states that none of the men have been released on parole since their transfer from Leavenworth penitentiary. He continues: "On the whole, the conduct of these men has been very satisfactory since their arrival here, and their records have been in keeping with the reports received from the federal penitentiary."

The N. A. A. C. P. is continuing its efforts for the release of the remaining prisoners and is leaving no stone unturned to procure fair treatment for them while their imprisonment endures.

Board Backs Building Taxes Bill.

The board of education endorsed the school revenue bill before the legislature which would permit the board to obtain by referendum vote an increase of 75 cents in the tax rate for building purposes and would add \$12,000,000 to the present \$18,000,000 construction budget of the Chicago school system.

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JAPANESE REDS SPEAK AT M. E. CHURCH IN N. Y.

Tells of Communist International

(Special to The Daily Worker)

NEW YORK, May 14.—The Oriental branch of the Workers (Communist) Party, New York section, discussed Communism for an entire evening before the Japanese Methodist Episcopal church here. Comrade Kawashima spoke on the subject of The Workers Party of America, Its Principles and Tactics. Comrade Sasaki then spoke on the development of the world and the Communist International.

There were world ministers, secretaries of Y. M. C. A.'s, students of the Union Theological Seminary, and of Columbia University present. The religious atmosphere thus created by such an audience was ridiculed by the chairman, and was completely destroyed by Kawashima's introductory speech.

Discussion followed the speeches of the Communist Russian comrades were fully explained by the two speakers. The ideology of Second International and the reformists was exposed by the speakers.

The meeting lasted until midnight. The Japanese newspaper in New York reported this meeting with a criticism of the Oriental branch of the Japanese M. E. church, which conducted the discussion.

Wet Celebration of Lafayette's Visit.

HARRISBURG, Ill., May 14.—Two hundred gallons of pre-war whiskey and thirty-five gallons of alcohol, valued at \$10,000, comprised the cache found in the hayloft of a barn near here by police early today.

The liquor was believed to have been stored for distribution at the 100th anniversary of Lafayette's landing at Shawneetown tomorrow.

Your Union Meeting

Third Friday, May 15, 1925.

- 237 Bakers and Conf., 3420 W. Roosevelt.
8 Bookbinders, 175 W. Washington St., 6 p. m.
29 Broom Makers, 810 W. Harrison St. Building Trades Council, 180 W. Washington.
1 Carpenters, 175 W. Washington.
70 Carpenters, 2705 W. 35th St.
Carpenters Dist. Council, 180 W. Washington St.
2200 Carpenters, 4339 S. Halsted St.
Electricians, 2301 W. Monroe St.
214 Electricians, 4141 W. Lake St.
779 Electricians, R. R., 5324 S. Halsted
584 Firemen and Enginemen, 5438 S. Halsted St.
84 Glass Workers, Emily and Marshall.
225 Hod Carriers, Monroe and Peoria Sts.
Ladies' Garment Workers, Joint Board, 328 W. Van Buren St.
83 Machinists, 113 S. Ashland Blvd.
113 Machinists, 113 S. Ashland Blvd.
273 Painters, 2345 So. Kedzie Ave.
637 Painters, School and Sheffield Ave.
863 Painters, 3140 Indiana Ave.
1332 Painters, 3140 Indiana Ave.
Pattern Makers, 119 S. Throop St.
612 Plumbers, 9251 S. Chicago Ave.
346 Railway Carmen, Village Hall, Kozie, Ill.
376 Railway Carmen, Village Hall, Kozie, Ill.
998 Railway Carmen, 5445 S. Ashland Ave.
328 Railway Clerks, 20 W. Randolph St.
679 Railway Clerks, 9 S. Clinton St.
1356 Railway Clerks, Ft. Dearborn Hotel.
119 Railroad Trainmen, 1338 E. 64th St.
198 Railroad Trainmen, 9120 Commercial Ave.
367 Sheet Metal Workers, Ashland and Van Buren.
South Chicago Trades and Labor Assembly, 9139 Commercial Ave.
2 Stage Hands, 412 Capitol Bldg.
3 Stone Mowers, 3608 Wolfram Ave.
3 Teachers (Women), Women's City Club Rooms, 4300 p. m.
Telegraphers (Com.), 312 S. Clark St.
484 Waitresses, 19 W. Adams Street, 3 P. M.
Women's Union Label League 220 S. Ashland Blvd.
(Note—Unless otherwise stated all meetings are at 8 p. m.)

MUSSOLINI RANTS AT COMMUNISM BUT BOWS TO POWER OF SOVIETS

(Special to The Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, May 14.—As reported from Rome, the Il Popolo d'Italia, Mussolini's organ, has published an editorial under the title of "The Soviet Republic and Europe." Dwelling on the question of the relations between the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics and Poland, the author of the article remarks that "It was the Bolshevik revolution of 1917 that gave the possibility of restoring 'greater Poland.'"

"However, the Poles themselves seem to fail to understand that if czarism had not been overthrown and had remained among the victors of the so-called great war, Poland would have been quite a different state from what it actually became by virtue of the Versailles treaty."

"Thus, the existence of the Soviet order in the former Russian Empire, an order in which the Poles see or affect to see a danger to themselves, is in fact a blessing for them. Must Deal With Russia

"Under such conditions, a hostile policy towards the Soviet republic, a policy carried on only because of the Soviet regime ruling in that republic, is an utterly absurd line of conduct. Everyone else in Europe has realized that by this time. Indeed, one may be perfectly assured of the economic and political prosperity of the Union of Soviet Republics, such a development being entirely in the interests of European countries, the industrial ones as well as those that possess a surplus of labor hands, as all such countries may find a way open for a mutually profitable exploitation."

The semi-official Italian organ concludes by stating that "the fact of consolidation of the Soviet regime with all the ensuing consequences makes it expedient for Italy to consider and explore, from the viewpoint of her own interests, all the possibilities of consolidating the good mutual relations with the great country united under the rule of the Soviet order."

Affects Italy Too

Commenting upon the above article, the Mondo, the organ of Mr. Nitti's democratic group, feigns genuine astonishment. "We have been accustomed to the fascist press warning us against the danger of Communist propaganda and other 'terrors,' but now it appears that, far from being a menace, the Union of Soviet Socialist Republics is an ideal for all Europe, including our own country. "All this Mr. Mussolini's organ publishes under the guise of advice offered to Poland," but—rightly concludes the opposition organ—"all the views of the fascist paper have a definite significance for Italy, too."

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BUILDERS AT WORK CHICAGO LEADS THE PARADE TODAY!

DETROIT, PHILADELPHIA AND GRAND RAPIDS RIGHT BEHIND

Grand Rapids Michigan has tossed its hat in the ring right with the big locals with seven subs sent in today after a week's free distribution. Here they are with the rest of the comrades who have sent in new subs to build "Our Daily" on May 13.

- DETROIT, MICH.—A. E. Goetz (11)
CHICAGO, ILL.—Benjamin Maller (7); Sam Hammersmark (3)
GRAND RAPIDS, MICH.—Eugene Bechtold (7).
PHILADELPHIA, PA.—Lena Rosenberg (7)
PROVIDENCE, R. I.—Ralph Kominsky (3)
CINCINNATI, OHIO.—L. A. Weeks
CLEVELAND, OHIO.—J. A. Hamilton; Paul Lukachic
PONTIAC, MICH.—B. Mircheff (2)
OMAHA, NEB.—David Coutts (2)
SOUTH BEND, IND.—A. E. Kirk
BOSTON, MASS.—Elsie Pultur
COLCHESTER, CONN.—Nathan Liverant.

NEW YORK BUILDERS, ATTENTION!

COMRADES GRECHT AND BEN LEVY—YOU ARE CALLED TO ACTION

This system of getting a sub and then calling another comrade to action is chock-full of possibilities. Many have been challenged and have responded nobly like the good Red Soldiers they are and went out to get new subs and GOT THEM.

Comrade Malkin of New York, a veteran Builder in getting subs, got another and with it challenges Comrade Rebecca Grecht to "go out and do likewise."

Comrade L. Cooper of the Williamsburg English branch is even more ambitious. He got two subs and issues a double challenge to Comrade Ben Levy of New York to get two also.

Answer the challenge comrades and keep the ball rolling to bring more bricks to build a greater paper to help us build the Communist movement!

Since the idea was first proposed by Comrade Shklar of Milwaukee, who got the habit from our comrades in Russia, challenges to get subs have been coming in a steady stream. Many have brought splendid results and the rest we are sure will respond before June 15.

If you have been successful in getting a sub (and for a Communist this job is a cinch!) send it in at once and call another Communist to action.

C'mon Over! If you have a day, an hour, or a minute to spare—why, c'mon over. There is so much work piled up on the small force in our office that we need your help so very badly, to insert letters, address, seal and stamp envelopes and ever so many other little jobs that have us swamped. If you volunteer your services that's a fine way to help the DAILY WORKER. We'll be glad to see you—so just for fun, c'mon over!

PATRIOTIC WOMEN HIT AT AGAIN BY WOMEN'S COUNCIL

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 14.—The American patriotic women were given a jolt when the international women's council in convention here voted to endorse the league of nations, the world court, disarmament and kindred projects. More ill feeling cropped up when they issued a statement charging the council with being merely the "propaganda agent" of the league.

"Members of the Daughters of the American Revolution," said Mrs. Harris, "have been trying since the convention began to promote ill feeling in the council itself over these resolutions."

Mrs. Harris also charged the daughters with "bad faith" in repudiating their contract to permit their auditorium to be used by the council for its meeting.

"Three years ago Mrs. Anthony Wayne Cook, president of the D. A. R., agreed to permit us to meet in their memorial auditorium.

"Last October we were suddenly notified we could not use it. They said our use of the hall would be 'inconvenient' and gave no other explanation."

The council, she said, had lost because of the withdrawal of the hall approximately \$2,000.

Mrs. Harris said officials of the council, to assure the D. A. R., that no unpatriotic propaganda would occur during the meetings, had more than one year in advance obtained copies of speeches to be made at the present meeting, all of which were found to be proper. By a vote of 112 to 215 a motion for affiliation with other international organizations of women was defeated. A two-third majority was necessary under the council's constitution for adoption. The names of about thirty international bodies that might affiliate were given.

The fight against affiliation was led by the American delegation. Prof. Marian P. Whitney of Vassar college, Poughkeepsie, N. Y. chairman of the council's education committee declared affiliation with other international organizations would make the council an unwieldy organization.

Eight Workers Hurt. TOLEDO, Ohio, May 14. — Eight workers were injured and the plant of the Toledo Alloy Casting company was wrecked here today when gas from the melting pots exploded.

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5109. This is a good model for gingham, percale or crepe. The fronts are reversible. A finish of piping in a contrasting color, or rick rack braid would be pleasing. The pattern is cut in 4 sizes: small, 34-36; medium, 38-40; large, 42-44; extra large, 46-48 inches bust measure. medium size requires 5 1/2 yards of 27 inch material. Pattern mailed to any address on receipt of 12c in silver or stamps.

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The Flivver to the Rescue

The growers of apples have not yet learned to increase their sales by frightening the populace into devouring their product or else be devoured in turn by the "Bolshevik menace."

An orderly stomach produces smiles instead of frowns, and who ever saw a cartoon of a smiling revolutionist in the capitalist press?

George M. Graham, chairman of the National Automobile Chamber of Commerce, declares that the automobile is the greatest foe of Bolshevism in the United States.

It must be confessed the editor writes that the automobile has aided the devil considerably in his nefarious work.

Those excursions, says the worthy capitalist scribe are "soul expansive, wholly wholesome and enjoyable." His peroration is worth quoting in full:

"This sort of family life, of course, makes for contentment, and where there is family contentment there is community loyalty and countrywide patriotism.

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This may explain the gift of \$1,500,000 given by the Ford family to the Y. M. C. A. recently. If the flivver is an antidote to Bolshevism, why should not the owners of the medicine fork up?

Charles Moyer, president of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers is lining up with the labor fakers in Montana, who want to kill the lively little paper known as Great Falls Town Topics.

Karl Kautsky has written another book in which he vomits every revolutionary idea he ever entertained. The renegade tries to dismiss the Russian revolution in the first chapter, but it keeps bobbing up in the rest of the book.

Harriot Stanton Blatch, writing in a New York socialist paper, not the official organ of the General Electric company, congratulated the German people on the election of Hindenburg.

The Seattle Union Record commends the meeting of capitalists and labor fakers with a view to solving the problem of waste in industry.

A Wise Fool Speaketh

It is said somewhere in the bible that the "truth shall be spoken out of the mouths of fools." Perhaps in biblical days as today only those to whom truth was dearer than material success said what they wanted to say instead of what should be said.

The perennial candidate for the presidency has entered the lists against the teaching of evolution in the public schools.

The specific object of attack from the leader of the Neanderthalers is a Dayton, Tennessee, school-teacher who purposely violated a state law against the teaching of evolution in order to test the strength of the moron element and their right to block the advance of freedom of thought.

William Jennings Bryan is what the title of this editorial designates, a "wise fool." He has made millions peddling his religious hokum and Florida real estate.

Upton Sinclair, expert on pedagogical goose and gosling factories, never hit the nail on the head with more unerring aim than did Bryan on this occasion.

Education under the capitalist system will be the kind that finds favor in the eyes of those who foot the bills, who as Bryan puts it write the teacher's pay check.

During this epoch when the old semi-feudal order in Germany was pregnant with the new, capitalist order, revolutionary thinking was not confined solely to the proletarian elements.

The Kaiser Is Next?

Field Marshal von Hindenburg is at last installed president of the German republic. The leader of the kaiser's armies during the most critical period of the world war, now occupies the wing in the imperial palace where the "Iron Chancellor" Bismarck once made his plans to forge the scattered states into the empire which staked its existence on the flash of the sword in 1914.

Hindenburg, one of the kaiser's closest friends, now sits in the chair vacated by the traitor Ebert. There is nothing now left of the German republic but its name.

Democrats, socialists, centrists, catholics, nationalists and fascists—all join in paying tribute to the "sterling character" of von Hindenburg. Only the Communists provide a genuine opposition.

Hindenburg may prove to be the entering wedge for the return of the kaiser to the throne. The social-democrats have succeeded in demoralizing the German masses sufficiently to make the restoration a probable success.

This is the result of the social-democratic policy in Germany. They have betrayed the workers and betrayed the republic, which was never anything but the tool of the capitalist and landowning classes.

It is rumored that a certain judge who is all het up over radicals having ulterior designs on the capitalist constitution, confiscates dice preparatory to using them in a crap game.

Now that Coolidge has joined the anti-rum allies we may see the cider industry take a jump, and Vermont chin whiskers wiggle as they have not done in years.

In an attempt to give the League of Communists a clear program, the London committee prepared a draft entitled, "Confession of Faith," and sent

Inspiration for the Struggle

Introduction to Engels' "The Principles of Communism," No. 3 of the Little Red Library. Ed. Note.—This booklet of the Little Red Library can be had from the DAILY WORKER Publishing Co.—1113 Washington Blvd., Chicago, Ill., at 10 cents a copy—12 copies for \$1.00.

The years immediately preceding the revolutionary period of 1848 were years of indescribable political misery in Germany. Its several dozens of miniature monarchs were just that many bulwarks of reaction, so much so, that even thinking of a political change was regarded as a major crime and prosecuted as such.

In this stifling atmosphere of pre-revolutionary Germany it was impossible for men with spirit and intelligence to live. For the privilege of thinking, speaking or writing, the best men of the nation paid the price of exile in this period.

These groups of emigrant revolutionaries developed the queerest ideas and programs for their circle. The socialist ideas of the ingenious journeyman tailor, Weitling, the teachings and preachings of the revolutionary bourgeois intellectuals in their midst, the influence of the labor movement in England and of the Proudhonists or the Blanquists in France—all these together resulted in a theoretical mess extremely conducive to fruitless squabbles that were barren of all practical results and revolutionary activity.

Such were the conditions that prevailed in the circles of revolutionary proletarian emigrants from Germany in Brussels, in Paris and in London in 1847. Repeated attempts were made to unite these groups organizationally, these efforts culminating finally in the organization of the "League of Communists," in 1846.

"We published simultaneously a number of partly printed and partly lithographed pamphlets, in which we subjected the mixture of French-English socialism, Communism and German philosophy which at that time represented the secret principles of the league to a merciless criticism; in place of this we tried to spread a scientific understanding of the economic structure of bourgeois society as the only firm theoretical basis, and finally we explained in a popular manner that the question is not the establishment of some Utopian system, but the conscious participation in the historic process of change of society that takes place before our very eyes."

This positive criticism found a ready echo in the league. In January, 1847, its central bureau, in London, dispatched some representatives to Brussels to invite Marx and Engels to join the league.

His letter is herewith published as a sidelight on the difference between the official leadership of the labor movement in England and in the United States. Can you imagine William Green or John L. Lewis writing a letter like the following, when William Z. Foster was kidnaped in Colorado a few years ago?

The Daily Herald: "I am in complete agreement with your leader of Saturday. On the subject of trade union methods, Mr. Pollitt and myself are in profound disagreement, but I

it to the affiliated clubs for discussion. This draft also reached Paris, where Moses Hess, a "philosophical" socialist, made what he thought were improvements and prevailed upon the Paris club to accept this document.

"I have played an infernal trick on Most (Moses Hess). He had forced thru a ludicrously improved 'Confession of Faith.' Last Friday I took it up in our circle and criticized question after question. Before I had gone thru half of them our people declared themselves satisfied. Without opposition I then had a motion passed instructing me to draft a new one."

Meantime a congress had been called of the League of Communists to meet in London on November 30, 1847. The purposes of the gathering were to work out a constitution for the league and to adopt a program. In preparation for this, Marx who came to London for this congress from Brussels, and Engels, who represented the group of Paris, had written separate drafts of such a program.

"You had better consider this 'Confession of Faith' somewhat. I think we had better drop that catechism form and call the thing 'Communist

Manifesto'; for inasmuch as it must deal more or less with history, the previously accepted style does not fit at all. I'll bring with me the one that I made here. . . . I begin: What is Communism? And then right after the proletariat, origin, difference from former workers, development of antagonisms between proletariat and bourgeoisie, crises, conclusions. In between a number of minor points and finally the policies of the Communists. This one from here has not yet been submitted for adoption; but I think nothing is contained in it against our views."

This last sentence seems to indicate that Engels' draft made for the London conference is that same one prepared by him for the Parisian league, while the first part of the letter suggests that there was an understanding between the two friends to make individual drafts for the London gathering and that the form of a catechism should be followed by both.

We know now the final and classical form which the program of the Communists took when it was published ultimately as the "Communist Manifesto." However, the world fame that this document has achieved does not in the least lessen the value of the Engels' draft.

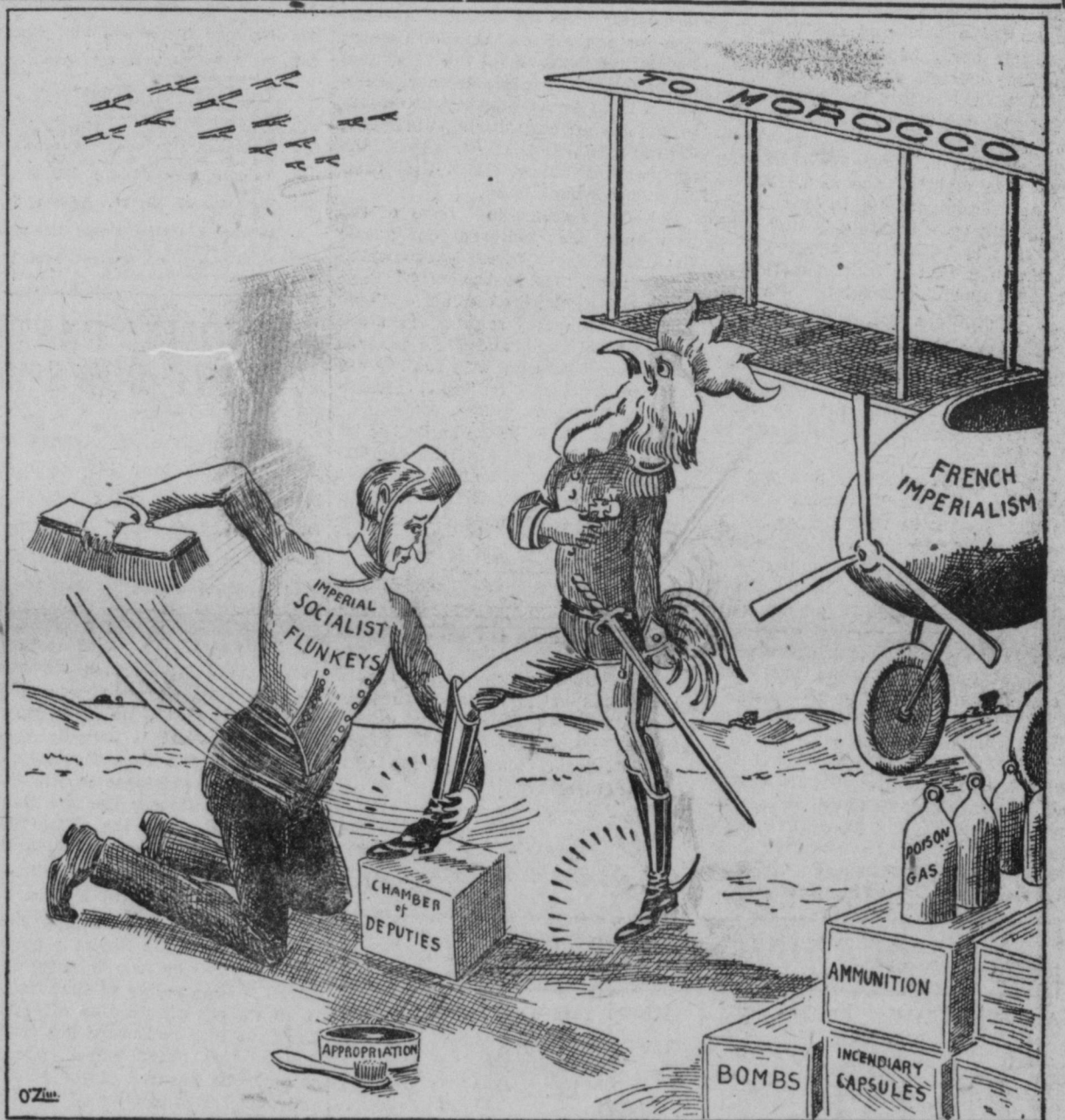
The Communist Manifesto is a care-

fully prepared document. Each one of its sentences stands out like a work of art hewn in granite. Altho a document prepared for the political struggles of the hour of its publication and its dealing with problems characteristic of a period long past, the manifesto is not only a historic document but also a timely source of inspiration for the struggles of today.

The draft of Engels is a manuscript written on the spur of the moment and was never put into final form for publication. Yet we find in it a clear outline of the ideas and gems of historical analysis in which the manifesto excels. The Engels' draft is truly the result of the combined efforts of the great intellectual heroes of scientific Communism: Marx and Engels.

For the convenience of the readers, and to make possible a clear understanding, a number of explanatory notes have been prepared and printed in the appendix. Clarifying interjections in the text, set in parenthesis, are supplied by the translator.

THE CHIEF OCCUPATION OF SOCIALISTS



AS WE SEE IT -:- By T. J. O'Flaherty

(Continued from page 1) social labor officials are co-operating with the Soviet government to lift the standard of living and raise the cultural level of the workers. Our American labor officials of the William Green type are co-operating with the employers to skin the workers. That's the vital difference.

SOME time ago, the DAILY WORKER carried a story of the kidnaping of Harry Pollitt, leader of the British Minority Movement, by a gang of fascist. The minority movement in England is the prototype of the Trade Union Educational League in the United States. When Pollitt's kidnapers were brot to trial they were acquitted by the court despite overwhelming evidence that they had violated the law which the British ruling class is supposed to be so particular about. This miscarriage of "justice" so outraged British labor that even a reactionary like C. T. Cramp, industrial general secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, wrote to the London Daily Herald protesting against the verdict.

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wish to say with emphasis that, whatever may be the views of Mr. Pollitt, every effort should be made to see that he receives elementary justice in precisely the same way that every citizen has a right to claim. If hoodlums are to be allowed the privilege of physical force while other citizens are to be condemned for merely advocating the same thing, a very serious position arises, in which very wide public issues are involved. I do not know what legal remedy is now open to Mr. Pollitt as against this iniquitous verdict, but I certainly believe no means should be left untried to obtain a reversal of the same. If necessary, I should be prepared to subscribe to any fund which may be opened to carry this matter further.—C. T. Cramp, Industrial General Secretary, National Union of Railwaymen, London, N.W. 1."

Do Some Militant Decorating at the T.U.E.L. Picnic, May 30

If you miss that T. U. E. L. picnic on Decoration Day, Saturday, May 30, you are just naturally throwing away a big time. If you must decorate something on this day, come out with the rest of the folks and help decorate Aldenheim Grove. Get a ticket from any live wire and come early.

Ball game, bowling, swings for the youngsters, merry-go-round, singing societies and races galore. Yes, and dancing to the music of Mitchell's orchestra.

If, after the day is over and you are ready to go home, you think you haven't had the biggest 50c worth of your life, just tell the committee and see what happens to you.

Our Readers' Views

Worker Loses Hand. Editor the DAILY WORKER:—In view of the fact that despite the letters received from Soviet land by the DAILY WORKER, the yellow socialists still claim that the American worker is better off than the Russian worker, therefore, I have decided to send your column the facts of an incident in the shipping world where I work in New York City, the financial metropolis of the capitalist world.

One of the recently invented machines which altho it lightens the labor of the toiler nevertheless thru the anti-social use to which it is put, in the end hurts the workers, is the stripping and nailing machine which nails and strips cases automatically.

While working at this machine my mate threw on the power accidentally whereupon the trigger which drives the nails began to shoot out nails. I immediately jumped but had both of my thumbs hurt and barely escaped losing them entirely.

The other worker obeying the slavish ideology inculcated into him by the schools of the masters attempted to stop the machine and as a result of his attempt to save his master's property, lost his right hand and the ring finger of his left hand. He is twenty-six years of age and has only been married for seven months. All he received from his grateful master was the regular workmen's compensation of four hundred dollars.

Brothers, compare this with the status of the Russian workers and ask yourselves if it is worthwhile to keep on selling our birthright, the earth, for a mess of pottage, a fair day's pay.

Fraternally yours, Israel I. Hurwitz, New York City.