

Current Events
By T. J. O'FLAHERTY.

N. Y. LABOR COUNCIL REJECTS WOLL POLICY

AS these lines are being written a flash comes over the ticker that an attempt has been made on the life of the Soviet minister to Estonia, a white guard satrapy of Great Britain on the Baltic. Thus the international campaign of assassination under the direction of the British government goes forward while the same government hypocritically pretends to be anxious to save civilization from the Soviet "menace" which persists in interfering in the domestic business of their countries.

THE young white guardist who assassinated the Soviet ambassador to Warsaw has been let off with a 15 year sentence which will no doubt be afterwards commuted to a shorter term. Indeed it is safe to predict that this murderer will not suffer the prison hardships imposed on ordinary offenders against the laws of the land. This is as we predicted recently in THE DAILY WORKER. The assassins of Soviet officials are looked upon as heroes by the imperialists and yet there are alleged friends of Russia either so naive or so dishonest that they express disappointment at the steps the Soviet government is taking in defending itself against the white terrorists.

THAT the assassination campaign is only part of the conspiracy against the Soviet Union can be seen from the Geneva dispatches that were prominently displayed in all the papers yesterday morning. That England is using diplomacy as well as the assassin's bullet against the U.S.S.R. is amply proved by recent events. Fortunately for the peace of the world and for the security of the Soviet Union the conflicts between different interests inside the capitalist states and the clashes between the various states a hostile united front is difficult of consummation.

THE amazing thing is, in view of the provocation offered to the Soviet Union that even capitalist editors would have the impudence to accuse Moscow of provoking war. At the same time the Soviet government is in a position to defend itself and is ready to resort to all necessary measures to save the fruits of the revolution earned by the blood of the flower of her proletariat and peasantry.

IT is not surprising that the New York Times, owned by the bovine Ochs should consistently attack the Soviet Union at every available opportunity, but what about the liberal World? The latter is carrying on an editorial campaign against the U.S.S.R. and takes the position that if the Soviet Union is for peace it should die rather than shed any blood in its own defense. It would be rewarded in heaven.

IT is true that the meek inherit the earth—six feet of it, with their toes pointed to heaven and the worms having a glorious time exploring their decaying anatomies. Only when in that blissful state do they get a share of the common heritage, but those who would have their rights, must be ready to fight for them. As Arthur Brisbane pointed out in his column yesterday (for once in several months Arthur said something sensible) the threats of the League of Nations against the Soviet Union may be as effective as the alliance of European kings against the French Revolution. The Revolution licked them all.

REPRESENTATIVE Walter Vail of Denver, a member of the house committee on foreign affairs on returning from a visit to Spain observed that the sum of a million dollars was too much money for the site and building of our ambassador's palace at Madrid. We did not know that our ambassador in that beautiful land had any other business except providing American dancing partners for Alfonso. Why not put the money in dance halls and send our Spanish ambassador to an oilier country?

IT appears the A. F. of L. labor fakery who are strikebreaking against the fur workers have not been able to deliver the goods. They volunteered to send thousands of trade unionists into the picket lines of the police who were unable to cope with the mass picketing of the strikers. The police were not, but the trade unionists did not respond to the call to come out and scab on their fellow workers. There are many things that a conservative union man may do because of lack of knowledge of the facts of the situation, but plain

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Powers Send Notes to U.S.S.R.

RUSH TO DEFENSE OF WHITE SPIES; TORIES TALK WAR

Poles Reject Demands of Soviet Union

LONDON, June 17.—That terrorist acts were directly instigated by Winston Churchill, Chancellor of the Exchequer in the British die-hard Government, was learned today from confessions made of Sydney Riley, captured British spy. He said that he had received instructions from Churchill before leaving for the Soviet Union. In a letter written by Riley, organized large-scale terrorism is advocated. "I am sure that terrorist acts on a large scale would make a great impression and arouse hope of the early fall of Bolshevism," the letter says.

GENEVA, June 17.—Proving that their interest in the twenty murderers and incendiaries recently executed by the Soviet Government is more than

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K K K Expects Permit From Commr. Warren To Parade July 4th

Paul M. Winter, organizer for the Ku Klux Klan in Queens, announced yesterday that he expected to receive a permit from Police Commissioner Warren for a Klan parade on July 4. Whether official permission will be given or not is not yet known, the Warren declared after klansmen had clashed with police in Queens during their Memorial Day parade that he would forbid all demonstrations in the future.

In magistrate's court Wednesday four of the kluxers were freed of the charge of attacking the cops, and one was continued in \$1,500 bail.

Landlords Free to Defy Tenement Law Witnesses Testify

Landlords violate the tenement house law with perfect immunity. Out of 2,139 cases in Brooklyn magistrates' courts since the first of the year only convictions were found against only 18.

This was revealed yesterday during hearings before the Tenement House Commission.

Joseph H. Fink, secretary of the Housing Committee of the Brooklyn Bureau of Charities bitterly attacked the recommendations made yesterday by the Real Estate Board which would sanction windowless rooms, interior bathrooms and no fire-escapes in converted single-family houses. Bernard Newman, a Philadelphia housing expert, warned the commission of the terrific fire hazard created by cheap wooden houses in various sections of Brooklyn.

Women Needle Workers Hold Open Air Meeting Today at Rutgers Square

A monster open air demonstration will be held today, 1 p. m. at Rutgers Square by the Women's Committee of the Cloak, Dress and Furriers.

Women active in the needle trades struggle will discuss the last events of the furriers' strike and the defense of the imprisoned workers. All women workers must attend.

HE CAN'T BE PUSHED OFF, MATTY WOLL!



MATTHEW WOLL.



By WM. GROPPER

Labor is resisting the attempt of Matthew Woll and his committee of union smashers to force the New York unions to co-operate with the police and the bosses and smash the fur workers' strike.

Fur "Convention" Votes to Expel Board

FIVE ARRESTED BEFORE CHESTER SILK MILL GATE

Pennsylvania Workers Resist Wage Cut

CHESTER, Pa., June 17.—Police of this city are desperately aiding the Irving Worsted Mill whose workers are talking unionism and threatening to strike against a wage cut of from five to ten per cent throughout the mill. Already 17 wool sorters are on strike and other departments are talking of going out. There are some 8,000 mill workers in this city who are very much discontented with their lot and considerable agitation for unionization is being carried on.

This morning five men were arrested by police before the mill gates for distributing circulars advertising a meeting of silk workers for this evening. The bosses fear the sentiment for action will be so strong that they will have a strike on their hands. Those arrested were Frank Feldman, Arthur Stein, James Reed, Morris Goldberg and Pat Devine. Three of the men were held under \$2,000 bail and the other two on \$1,000 each, which was secured and the men are all released prepared to take up the fight against the bosses at this evening's meeting of workers.

\$100,000 Is Voted For More Milk Inspectors

The New York Board of Estimate yesterday voted to give Dr. Louis I. Harris, health commissioner, additional \$100,000 to continue with inspection of milk consumed in this city. The appropriation will pay for 43 inspectors, five veterinarians, and a director of the bureau of foods and drugs.

Unless We Win Our Appeal

WILLIAM F. DUNNE goes back to jail, David Gordon remains in the reformatory and our fine of Five Hundred Dollars stands. Through our energetic efforts we have thus far succeeded. We have secured the release of Comrade Dunne on bail. We have secured the release of Comrade Gordon also. Comrade Miller was given only a suspended sentence. It is very evident that the courts have bitten off more than they can chew. The case against THE DAILY WORKER has involved them in a maze of legal technicalities, concerning the entire question of press censorship.

Let us press forward our advantage. Let us hit hard. The success of our appeal proceedings will be a mortal blow against the Professional Patriots, who thought they could easily destroy us. It will mean more than that. It will mean THE DAILY WORKER has struck a blow for the freedom of the press from the interference of the self-constituted censors of public opinion. Remember that every contribution you send in now helps us to build up a strong case for our appeal. Appeal proceedings are expensive under capitalism, of course. Let us close our ranks all the tighter and by a renewed and greater effort carry through our case to victory.

Feng Yu-hsiang Wires All His Troops Swear Allegiance to Hankow

(Special Radiogram To DAILY WORKER.)

HANKOW, June 17.—General Feng Yu-hsiang has telegraphed that the troops formerly bearing the name of People's Army are now reorganized in the Kuomintang army loyal to Sun Yat-sen's ideas. General Feng adds that all of the troops under him are now subordinated to the Kuomintang central committee's orders and the national revolutionary government seated at Wuhan. He promises all his troops will continue the struggle against the Mukden army of Chang Tso-lin and his allies until they are destroyed.

JAPANESE RUSH MORE TROOPS TO SHANTUNG CITIES

Soldiers, Workers Rebel Against Chiang

PEKING, June 17.—Despite protests from organizations thruout China, fifteen hundred Japanese troops will proceed to Tsinan on the anese troops are being rushed to Tsingtao, it was learned.

War Lord Terrorizes City LONDON, June 17.—General Yang Sen, northern war lord, former adherent of Wu Pei-fu's, has entered Ichang on the Yangtze River and is de-

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MANY DELEGATES WARN UNIONS NOT TO HELP THE STRIKEBREAKING POLICE

Denounce Circular Sent by Woll, McGrady and Frayne Asking Aid in Fight on Furriers

Action of A. F. of L. Committee Described As "Stupid, Childish and Ridiculous"

The local trade union movement has gone on record in opposition to the strikebreaking activities of Matthew Woll and Edward F. McGrady.

At a regular meeting of the Central Trades and Labor Council held Thursday evening at Beethoven Hall they let it be known that they disapprove of the role the A. F. of L. is playing in their attempt to break the furriers' strike.

Ryan Raps Committee.

The council passed a vote of confidence in Joseph P. Ryan, their president, who stated that he refused to identify himself with the "special reorganization committee" which the A. F. of L. appointed to disrupt the furriers' organization.

The motion for the vote of confidence was made by Abraham Lefkowitz.

The discussion arose through a circular which Woll, Frayne and McGrady sent to the New York unions in which they asked, on behalf of the State Federation of Labor and the Central Trades and Labor Council, that protests be sent to the mayor and the police commissioner about their "leniency in dealing with the strike situation."

In the circular the previous accusations of the committee were reiterated, stating that the New York police are friendly towards the striking furriers and that the former were bribed by them.

Ryan was of the same opinion as a whole group of delegates who declared that none of these accusations could be proved. Ryan further pointed to the fact that Police Commissioner Warren himself had repeatedly asked for further proofs and that these were not forthcoming.

The most careful in expressing him- (Continued on Page Three)

DELEGATES REPRESENTING BULK OF MEMBERSHIP LEAVE BEFORE ACTION

Joint Board Given Drumhead Trial But Gold Still Able to Puncture All Charges

WASHINGTON, June 17.—Charters of the four New York unions and the Joint Board, representing three-fourths of the total membership of the International Furriers' Union, were revoked today by a so-called furriers' convention under the orders of Matthew Woll, acting president of the National Civic Federation.

Delegates from Toronto, Winnipeg and Philadelphia left the hall rather than give the color of legality to a vote dominated by the right wing "delegates" from the fake reorganized unions in New York. Forty-three bona fide delegates, representing New York, Newark, Toronto, Montreal, Winnipeg, Boston, Philadelphia and Chicago are leaving tonight for New York to report to the striking fur workers on the fraud and farce of the so-called International convention.

Earlier in the afternoon a committee waited on President Green to test his sincerity in his letter to the Toronto Joint Board in which he approved the movement for peace and unity within the union.

The vote expelling the New York unions and upholding the General Executive Board's act in expelling 33 leading militants in New York came after five days of warfare in which the machine leaders quarreled bitterly among themselves. President Schachtman, utterly discredited by Manager Ben Gold in his dramatic speech before the so-called convention yesterday, announced today he will not be a candidate for re-election. A New York right winger, Stetsky, is slated for election before the convention closes tomorrow.

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Financier Dies Suddenly. John T. Pratt, financier and brother of the president of the Standard Oil Company of New York, died yesterday morning of acute indigestion in his private office in the Standard Oil building, 26 Broadway.

MORE FURRIERS GO TO PRISON; WON'T PAY FINE

Evidence of Brutality Given to Warren

Forty-six strikers arrested Monday were brought before Magistrate Rosenthal in Jefferson Market court yesterday. They were given choice of a \$5 fine or two days in jail. They decided to go to jail.

Another person brought before the magistrate was A. Fishbein of New Jersey, who was arrested in the fur district Wednesday morning. Altho he is not a striker and was not picketing he was fined \$25. Instead of paying the fine he is serving one day in jail.

Bosses' Judge. In contrast to the magistrate's severe attitude towards the strikers and innocent passersby was his immediate discharging of A. Kuashis, a (Continued on Page Three)

Ice Cost Kept High By Monopoly Plan, Witnesses Charge

Evidence that the Metropolitan Ice and Coal Dealers' Union, Inc., was intimidating small dealers in Greater New York to join in maintaining monopoly prices was offered yesterday at a hearing before Edgar F. Hazleton, referee who is handling the state investigation.

Witnesses testified that a special truck was used by the company to invade neighborhoods where dealers refuse to join the "union." It was also charged that Lorenzo de Maria, head of the monopoly had gone to the offices of dealers in Far Rockaway and demanded that they raise their price from ninety cents for 300 pounds of ice to \$1.80, so that local dealers, members of the "union" compete.

JAPANESE RUSH MORE TROOPS TO SHANTUNG CITIES

(Continued from Page One) manding a levy of \$300,000, according to dispatches received here. The Hankow Government is said to be rushing Teng's troops, recently returned from their Honan campaign to crush Yang Sen.

Revolt Against Chiang SHANGHAI, June 17.—Revolutionists against the right wing officials of Chiang Kai-shek's have broken in Kwantung, Fukien and Yunnan provinces.

Two regiments in Fukien have openly declared their allegiance to the Hankow Government and are receiving the support of peasants and workers.

Reports from Canton state that the right wing officialdom is making every effort to crush the groups of Nationalist sympathizers operating in and near the city. Labor leaders and Nationalist sympathizers are being executed daily. No news has yet been received about the four armies recently dispatched by the Hankow Government against Chiang Kai-shek.

Bids For U. S. Support

Reports received from Nanking state that Chiang Kai-shek will send a representative to the United States in an open bid for American support. Chiang Kai-shek is in financial difficulties and is unable to pay his troops. It is believed that the most important function of the representative will be to raise money.

It is rumored that Chiang will give American business men promises of valuable concessions in return for funds.

Memoirs of a Revolutionist

By Vera Figner

VERA FIGNER is now seventy-five years old and is living in Moscow. She joined the Revolutionary Movement fifty-five years ago, and has lived to see the overthrow of the autocracy and the establishment of workers' rule in Russia.

Vera Figner is one of the last Revolutionary Mohicans. She was a member of the famous Narodnaya Volya in the 70's, and in 1881 participated in the assassination of Tsar Alexander II. She spent two years in the Fortress St. Peter and Paul, and though convicted to death, her sentence was commuted to life imprisonment in the Schlossenburg Fortress.

In her book translated for the first time into English, she tells the story of her youth and how she became a revolutionist. She describes the early Revolutionary Movement in Russia and gives a graphic picture of her life in the Fortress during the twenty years she was confined there.

Every revolutionary home should have a copy of this book. In it is given the life story of a great revolutionary and idealist.

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Crisis in Europe Not to Interfere With Moscow Trip

Reports of unusual excitement and political activity in Moscow are not conformed in the despatches being received daily by World Tourists, Inc. of 41 Union Square, New York, which is preparing to conduct a tour to Russia on July 14.

In co-operation with the U.S.S.R. Society for Cultural Relations with Foreign Countries, World Tourists has arranged to take a group of Americans to Leningrad and Moscow for a general sight-seeing trip, and a study of social and economic conditions.

According to J. Jampoul, manager of the tour, no word has been received from Russia that there are any conditions existing which would make the visit of the party impossible, or even unwelcome. Plans are proceeding without change to set out on July 14, sailing on the Swedish-American liner "Gripsholm" direct for Leningrad.

This will be the first general tour to Russia in ten years, and it is attracting a wide-spread interest. The party is limited to 100 people.

JERSEY COSSACKS WANTON, BRUTAL, SAYS PROSECUTOR

14 Troopers Tried for Meaney Murder

FLEMINGTON, N. J., June 17.—The New Jersey state constabulary today came in for a violent denunciation by public prosecutor Alters, who demanded that a verdict of manslaughter be returned against 14 troopers charged with the killing of Miss Beatrice Meaney, December 31.

The young woman was shot when the troopers poured a flood of bullets into her farmhouse following an attempt to serve a warrant against her brother, charged with underfeeding his cattle. "There was absolutely no justification for the wanton use of force under the circumstances," Alters declared. The case went to the jury late this afternoon.

Austrian Mail Strike May Follow Break in Postal Negotiations

VIENNA, June 17.—A strike of postal, telegraph and telephone officials is imminent in Austria, unless the postal administration, which has been carrying on negotiations with its employees, can come to some satisfactory settlement with them on the basis of increased rates for overtime, night-work and Sunday-work, as well as concessions to other more minor demands.

Mad Dog Seares Countryside.

NYACK, N. Y., June 17.—Going suddenly mad, a dog owned by John Christopher of Spring Valley, N. Y., ran all the way from Spring Valley to New City, a distance of nearly ten miles, today, terrorizing the countryside.

The animal was shot and killed after a thrilling chase in automobiles by a posse of fifty men and boys. The animal was finally downed on the New City fair grounds.

Operation for Will Rogers.

LOS ANGELES, June 17.—Will Rogers will undergo a major operation within the next few days, it is announced.

Brooklyn Plumbers and Bosses Discuss New Pact, Monday

Conferences between representatives of the Brooklyn plumbers and the Master Plumbers' Association will be held Monday morning to discuss a number of issues in dispute when the men decided to call off the strike last Tuesday pending further negotiations.

Arbitrators will be called in if no agreement is possible as a result of the conference. The 1,600 plumbers are asking for a wage increase of \$2 a day, and a five-day 44 hour week.

Needle Trade Defense Out of Town

\$20 for tickets has been received from Stamford, Conn., for the Coney Island Stadium Concert. The workers of Stamford promise to buy more tickets and to attend the Concert to be held July 16th.

In addition to Stamford, Philadelphia, Boston, Newark, Jersey City, Yonkers, and many other cities and towns will be represented. This Concert will be the scene of a vast international demonstration of workers in America against the betrayal of the McGrady and Sigmans and for a clean working class movement.

Not only will it be a great demonstration, but the affair itself will be the finest musical event of the season. The New York Symphony Orchestra with Erno Rappe of the Roxy Theatre has been obtained for the occasion. A World Famous Ballet with a select group of opera stars will also be on the program.

Tickets are \$1.00 and \$2.00 for reserved seats. Buy them now. Proceeds from the tickets go for the striking furriers, and the money is needed now. The best reserved seats will be sold first.

Workmen's Circles For Defense

We have already mentioned that the Progressive Workmen's Circle Branches are awake to the fact that they owe a debt to the arrested cloakmakers and furriers and support to the striking furriers. The Workmen's Circles are demonstrating that they are opposed to the decision of their national office bureaucracy who seek to turn over all monies collected for the cloakmakers, to the Sigman machine.

Friedrich Engels' Branch Sends \$100

Friedrich Engels' Branch No. 763, Workmen's Circle Branch which meets in St. Marks Place, passed a resolution of support to the striking furriers and protesting against the criminal acts of the Sigman-McGrady machine.

As a preliminary the branch sent in a \$100 donation. Two hundred is promised.

Branch 246 Sends \$25

Chmelniker Branch 246, Workmen's Circle decided to support the striking furriers. \$25 was donated as a start.

Daniel De Leon Branch Collects \$41 at Banquet

De Leon Branch No. 378 of Buffalo arranged a farewell party for Brother Green who is leaving Buffalo. An appeal for the strikers brought a collection of \$41.

Lenin Branch Sends \$75 and Promises \$125 More

Lenin Branch No. 525, Workmen's Circle sends a check for \$95. \$20.00 for Coney Island Stadium tickets and \$75 for Furriers Strike Loan Bonds.

Brother Rosenthal, secretary of the branch writes that at a special meeting it was decided to collect \$200.00, \$140.00 of which was collected immediately in cash and pledges. A committee was also elected to visit the members that were not present.

This is a small branch but the members are decided to do anything in their power to help the strikers.

Dr. Liber For the Strikers

On Friday, June 24th, Dr. Liber will give a lecture on "The Life of the Family, Today and in the Future." The lecture will take place at Ambassador Hall, 3rd Avenue near Claremont Parkway, Bronx, and is arranged by Branch No. 548, Workmen's Circle. The entire proceeds will go for the striking furriers.

Dr. Liber is a very busy man and seldom appears in public. This may prove to be the only opportunity to hear him this summer.

"Breaking Chains" in Newark

Saturday matinee and evening "Breaking Chains" will be shown in Newark, Krugers Auditorium, Belmont Avenue and Springfield. Workers of Newark should take advantage of this opportunity to see this famous proletarian picture of the life of workers and peasants in Soviet Russia. The proceeds will go for the Joint Defense and Relief Committee.

\$56 From Philadelphia

A picnic of the Needle Trades Workers was held last Sunday in Philadelphia. Sam Lipsin who was present made an appeal for the striking furriers. \$56.00 was collected.

BUY THE DAILY WORKER AT THE NEWSSTANDS

RUSH TO DEFENSE OF WHITE SPIES; TORIES TALK WAR

(Continued from Page One) academic, five imperialist powers, led by the die-hard British Government, have decided to send notes to the Soviet Union, pointing out that "the executions have created an unfavorable impression."

Preceding this decision Austen Chamberlain, British Foreign Secretary, with an eye on an invasion of the Soviet Union, asked Dr. Stresemann for the views of the German Government on the passage of troops across Germany should Britain declare war on the Soviet Union.

Although the British Government made an attempt to deny that the executed murderers were spies in its employ, the notes of protest are regarded as substantiating Soviet evidence. In the Soviet communiqué issued before the execution evidence was submitted proving that white guard spies were in the employ of Great Britain and had been commissioned by members of the British government to foment revolts and to carry on a campaign of terrorism.

Britain Menaces Peace

In reply to British charges of "Soviet propaganda," M. Chicherin, Soviet Foreign Minister on his way to Moscow is understood to have advised German officials that if there is any menace to European peace thru propaganda that Great Britain is the aggressor. He is also said to have charged that Great Britain has solidified the powers in an anti-Soviet bloc.

Poland Rejects USSR Demands

MOSCOW, June 17.—Poland has already rejected two of the three Soviet requests made in notes concerning the murder of Peter Volkoff, Soviet Minister to Poland, says the Izvestia, official Soviet organ today. The light sentence passed on Volkoff's murderer and the Polish disregard of the Soviet demands will provoke the just indignation of the people of the USSR, the editorial says.

Pointing out that the Pilsudski Government had not permitted the Soviet Union to participate in the trial and that it had passed an extremely mild sentence upon Volkoff's murderer, the Izvestia says:

"The Soviet Union awaits Poland's attitude toward the third demand namely the liquidation of the White Guard terrorist organizations in Poland, before drawing final conclusions concerning how far the Polish Government's avowed desire for good neighborly relations with the Soviet Union conforms with the facts."

Guided By Britain

Other newspapers here describe the sentence passed on Volkoff's murderer as a proof that Poland is acting under the direction of Tory Britain. They point to the execution of a number of workers younger than Kowceda, Volkoff's murderer, accused of assaulting a policeman and to the savage jail terms meted out persons guilty of passing out leaflets criticizing the Pilsudski regime.

Bare More Plots.

Soviet police are baring more anti-Soviet plots, many of them, it is believed, instigated by Great Britain. Captain Klepikov, former commander of a battleship in the Baltic fleet, was executed today following conviction in the admiralty courts in Leningrad on charges of espionage for Great Britain.

Klepikov delivered Soviet naval information to British agents. Mme. Klepikova was sentenced to three years imprisonment for aiding her husband.

Three Polish spies were sentenced to terms of eight years imprisonment in Minsk.

St. Louis Fails to Turn Out for Flier Feted by Military

ST. LOUIS, June 17.—The Lindbergh celebration here fell rather flat. Only about 6,000 people were out to greet the flier on his loudly heralded return to the city that sent him to France.

The leaders of the pre-arranged celebration blame the poor turnout on the rain, there having been slight showers during the day, but even the Chamber of Commerce backers of Lindbergh have, some of them, expressed considerable pique over the way in which St. Louis adventure into high class advertising was taken advantage of by the army and navy, various statesmen and politicians, and everybody but the business men of St. Louis.

Lindbergh's recent definite switch to the side of "preparedness" and his advocacy of a big war fleet for the air has given a color of justice to the army's claim that he is their man, and has further buried the aspiring hopes of St. Louis that some increased commerce and more settlers will come its way.

ROCHESTER, Pa., June 17.—Because he rejected the fictions of the virgin birth of Mary and the resurrection of Christ, Rev. Frank Smith was ousted from the Lutheran ministry.

Henry Ford Aid Asked by White Guardists in Plot Against Chicherin

MOSCOW, June 17.—That White Guards attempted to secure aid from Henry Ford in the campaign of murder and arson that they are waging against the workers' and peasants' government of the Soviet Union, was made public by the Soviet government.

The information was obtained from George Elvengren, captured spy.

Elvengren confessed that the White Guards had attempted to secure the support of Henry Ford for a plot to murder Georges Chicherin, Soviet Minister of Foreign Affairs. The white guardists attempted to get money from America thru the Grand Duke Cyril.

2,500 PAINTERS OF BROOKLYN TO RESUME STRIKE

Bosses' Injunction Will Expire Sunday

2,500 Brooklyn painters will resume their strike Monday morning.

The walkout was declared April 4, but was halted by an injunction granted to a group of painter bosses by Judge Stephen Callahan of the supreme court. In applying for the court order the employers declared that the strike was in violation of an agreement with the men which they asserted, was to expire on June 19.

Registration Today

With the expiration of the injunction a call has been sent out by the Brooklyn district council ordering them to quit their work, and report for registration this morning.

An increase of \$2 a day is asked by the workers.

U.S. Ambassador Greet Mussolini on Return of Pinedo, Fascist Aviator

ROME, June 17.—Mussolini today received a message from U. S. Ambassador Fletcher expressing "the congratulations of President Coolidge and the American people on the successful conclusion of De Pinedo's flight."

The fascist flyer, a special favorite of the black shirt chief, has just completed a four continent aeroplane flight. De Pinedo made stops in hundreds of cities, the occasion being utilized for fascist propaganda.

FURRIERS' "CONVENTION" LEFT BY REAL DELEGATES; VOTES TO EXPEL

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Matthew Woll last night in a two hours' address urged the so-called convention to revoke the New York charters. He declared the trade unionists of New York would be called on the picket line to break the furriers' strike at the same hour that New York Trades and Labor Council officials were declaring that unionists would do nothing of the sort. He recapitulated all the alleged sins of the Joint Board, even to the point of reading a faked letter from Mottly Eltington, fur importer, who participated in the settlement of the 1926 strike.

Gold challenged Woll to permit a referendum vote of the New York membership and again invited the bona fide delegates to come to New York to investigate for themselves the truth of the situation there.

Schachtman rose to unexpected oratorical heights in defending himself against Gold's assertions that he had sanctioned the 1926 strike and had been an active leader in its earlier stages.

"Ben Gold wants to become the Zinoviev of America," Schachtman declared, displaying his own astute knowledge of who's who in the Soviet Union. "He wants to lead an Amalgamated Needle Trades' Union."

Gold punctuated that statement with

the declaration that he was ready to resign as manager of the New York Joint Board at any time. The Joint Board was given only two hours in its defense, against two hours for Woll, two for Schachtman and four for International officials. The board was allowed no rebuttal and was excluded from today's session.

Real Delegates Leave.

Harry Englander and other seated delegates left the so-called convention this afternoon when Englander was denied the right to amend the Executive Board report and to read a statement regarding the farcical proceedings.

The vote was taken immediately thereafter, all still left in the "convention" unanimous. There were 64 voting ayes. Of these, 43 represented the fake New York delegation and other delegates contacted by the Joint Board, while the others represented small out of town locals dominated by the International through its financial subsidies to them.

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Britain Revives Locarno Dispute on Troop Movements Against Russia.

Austin Chamberlain, British foreign minister, has revived at the meeting of the council of the League of Nations at Geneva the question of Article 16 of the league covenant which Germany refused to accept at the Locarno "security" conference in 1925. This is the article which stipulates that any league member has the right to move troops through a neutral country in case of an attack by a third nation. At Locarno, Stresemann, German foreign minister, was plainly told by the Soviet foreign minister, Tchicherin, that the acceptance of Article 16 would be considered a hostile move against the Soviet Union. Although not specifically excluded from the Locarno pact, notes were exchanged between the various ministers after the signing of the treaty to the effect that the disputed article would not be operative in the Locarno pact.

Now Great Britain, foiled in its attempt to induce the other powers to join in an identical threatening note to Russia, makes the ridiculous suggestion that Stresemann agree to permit British troops to pass through Germany "in case of a Russian attack against Poland." Although Chamberlain, minister of the tory government of forgery, murder, provocation and rapine does not mention Locarno, his demand is nothing more nor less than an attempt to revise that pact, which originally was conceived as an attempt to unite capitalist Europe against revolutionary Russia.

But, like other propositions of the frenzied Tories, trying to salvage their battered empire from the outside and avoid the fury of the opposition at home, there are too many complications involved in this maneuver. Aside from the fact that a war against Russia under a spurious slogan to "rescue Poland from the Soviets," would meet determined opposition from the militant workers of Britain, whom the tory government has been trying to reduce to a condition of abject slavery, as well as from the industrialists behind Lloyd George, the attempt to move British troops through Germany would meet with insurmountable obstacles. No German government that would permit such a thing could possibly last in face of the fury it would arouse. And if Britain attempts to transport troops through Germany they will meet with such fierce resistance from the class conscious workers, under the leadership of the Communist Party and the Red Front Fighters, that they will be hurled back into France or into the Baltic, (depending upon their route).

But, even if we concede the impossible, and grant that the Tories could overcome the opposition at home and sneak in through the so-called free city of Danzig, there is still the Polish proletariat to consider. Recent elections have shown pronounced Communist gains, despite the illegal existence of the Party and the mighty battalions of the Red Army of the Soviet Union thundering over the borders toward Warsaw would unleash the pent-up hatred on the part of the Polish masses for the foul, blood-streaked fascist government of Pilsudski, and blast it to its everlasting doom.

In spite of the elaborate plans of the league of ineffable infamy to create Poland as a perpetual buffer state between Red Russia and the revolutionary working class of Germany the mad scheme of the maniacal government of Britain to invade that territory would be the signal for the next wave of the world revolution, which would involve both Poland and Germany at once, and give such impetus to the revolutionary forces in France, Italy, Hungary and the Balkans that European capitalism would sink in the red flood, never to arise again.

Let the mad-dog of Europe continue its course of violence against the revolution and try by might to turn the course of history. The workers of Europe will extract its venom and break its fangs before it continues much farther on its rampage.

Might as Well Try to Teach History to Henry Ford.

A very well-meaning, but infantile historian of Maryland hopes to teach Calvin Coolidge some facts regarding the history of former presidents. Mr. Edward S. de la Plaine states that Coolidge, in a recent speech, showed a lack of American history when he said that John Adams nominated George Washington for president. According to De la Plaine, it was not Adams, but a former governor of Maryland, named Thomas Johnson. The Maryland historian furnishes unimpeachable documentary evidence to prove that Cal is a dumb regarding facts of history as he is about most things that other people of average intelligence regard as essential.

But why waste time on Coolidge's ignorance of history. As the low yegg in "Revelry" observed of Cal's predecessor: "He's the president, ain't he?" That is sufficient for modern purposes. Some people who have a sort of respect for exalted office, no matter who happens to occupy it, imagine that the very fact of occupying the presidential chair endows one with at least ordinary intelligence. Others wonder why modern presidents have been so devoid of elementary knowledge of the history of their own country; why pigmies of today replace the giants of the past. The answer cannot be found in the illusion of the great man theory, but has deep class roots. In the early days of this country the capitalist class was a revolutionary force and its spokesmen, whom developed were men of courage, intelligence and initiative—leaders of the conflict fighting to establish their undisputed rule, agents of progress.

Today, however, that class has reached the point where its very existence imposes fetters upon further development of society. It is now a reactionary class and its statesmen are mere puppets, without vision, without brains, repeating dead formulas of the past to justify their reactionary present. The president of the United States is not a leader but a symbol of a class dictatorship. Behind the political puppets that parade through the White House today stand the bureaucratic machinery of Washington, composed of innumerable heads of departments, clerks, automatons of high and low degree who are permanent fixtures until they drop dead. This is the real government that does the bidding of Wall Street. Changes in the presidency and the cabinet only register the increasing or declining power of certain groups in the



Those Who Killed Voikoff

By WM. GROPPER

CURRENT EVENTS

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downright strikebreaking is not one of them.

THE path of the teetotaler is strewn with popped corks. He would evade the blandishments of the demon rum nowadays, had better "hire himself a nice little cloud several thousand feet in the air. Lindbergh, our perfect hero and the young man without stain on his character whose abhorrence of liquor induced millions of cowboys and flappers to dash their hip flasks against the nearest immovable object, is not as dry as he thought he was. The chief who supervised the banquet given in his honor in the Savoy Hotel, London, is grief-stricken because he used many fine wines and liquors in preparing the viands not knowing that "Lindy" was a tee-totaller. Perhaps the chef is sore because the hero did not appreciate his booze.

A WAVE of economy is cutting thru the army like a shears thru a shirt. The quartermaster general reports that by cutting off a little here and there Uncle Sam can afford

to spend an extra million bringing the blessings of American imperialism to backward peoples via guns, bombs and bayonets. It is all the private soldier's expense. If a soldier's coat-tail can be curtailed without undue exposure of the soldier's posterior, off it goes—the coat-tail.

IF the maker of breeches wore opera glasses when cutting his cloth, and there are not enough Arbuckles to fill the vacancies, the garments are reefer in thus saving the space between the soldier and the inner frontier of the breeches. Likewise, if a soldier of extravagant tendency feels inclined to throw away a hat when it gets to look like an inverted garbage pail, the quartermaster general takes the headache and has it blocked. The quartermaster has done well. But why the lack of originality? A soldier has a stomach, which it costs Uncle Sam thirty cents a day to appease. Why not cut out the darned thing and save a few hundred millions that could be more profitably used manufacturing bombs for use against the next saucy Latin American country that thumbs its nose at us?

ranks of the capitalist class.

To try to teach a modern president history is as pointless a task as to waste time on Henry Ford whose most famous observation is "History Is Bunk!"

The Felon-Setter.

In Ireland during the days of the Fenian revolutionary agitation against British rule there existed a type of degenerate that, in return for a small sum of money set the hounds of the government on the track of the national revolutionaries. Since the government branded all those who opposed its tyrannical rule as felons, the informers became known as felon-setters.

Those perverts were a hissing and a bye word in the mouths of all decent people and even the officials of the government that hired them turned from them in loathing and turned them away with a kick when they had reached the limit of their usefulness.

The felon-setter has now made his appearance in America, not meekly and humbly but brazenly and blatantly. He does not work for a pittance and he does not receive it from a nauseated master at the end of a pole. He is held in high esteem and more often than not he is an official or paid flunky of the executive council of the American Federation of Labor.

The particular felon-setter that we are now referring to is no other than Chester M. Wright former socialist and once editor of the deceased "New York Call," later on the paid lackey of Sam Gompers and government stool-pigeon during the war, still later vendor of an oil stock that even the prosperous fakery of the higher reaches of the A. F. of L. officialdom would not exchange their money for, and back again at his old haunts purveying lies about the Soviet Union, Communism and the left wing of the labor movement, to a clientele chiefly composed of weekly "labor" sheets whose editors could not intelligently ask for a yearly subscription in writing.

Wright is reduced to the extremity of being obliged to do anything no matter how contemptible for a meal ticket. It is true that his descent into the depths of iniquity was rapid and comparatively painless for him. Having exhausted his rancid brain for falsehoods about the left wing in the trade union movement and as a relief from assisting the department of justice to prosecute the radicals he now essays the task of forcing the United States government to follow the example of the British government and drive the personnel of the Soviet trading corporation known as Amtorg, out of the country.

This low fellow has even lost his head to the extent of expressing his displeasure at the American business men whose desire for profitable trading with the Soviet Union is responsible for the presence of Amtorg here. Wright must be pretty darned mad when he dares slap business on the wrist. What angers this lackey particularly is that all his loud howls have not induced the government to pay any more attention to him than it would to the wailing of an amorous tomcat in a back alley.

Because the government is the servant of business, all other things being equal, or in the absence of important political considerations, as long as American business men can make an honest dollar out of trade with the Soviet Union, Amtorg will stay and Wright will rave for his price.

The last time Wright left a sinecure on the A. F. of L. payroll he took to selling fake oil stocks. The next time he quits for the purpose of bettering himself he will probably organize an up-to-date detective agency.

What the Daily Worker Means to the Workers

More Encouraging Contributions to Our Emergency Fund.

SAN FRANCISCO, Calif., June 17.—The Workers Party forum comes to assistance of The DAILY WORKER.

That THE DAILY WORKER is dear to the hearts of the militant workers had a novel verification at the Sunday evening forum conducted by the Workers Communist Party on June 12th.

During the discussion period following the speech of Edgar Owens on American Policy in China, comrade J. Bacchus stated that the only authentic source of information on the Chinese situation was The DAILY WORKER and that since The DAILY WORKER was facing great financial difficulties at this time, something should be done about it and that he had five dollars that he wished to send in. The response from the crowd was immediate and the spontaneous collection amounted to \$30.30. This followed the regular forum collection.

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Woll and Wollism Must Go

By BERT MILLER.

THE meeting of the Central Trades and Labor Council last night expressed a rising revolt against a plague which is eating the very heart out of the American labor movement. Delegate after delegate denounced the tactics of Matthew Woll, McGrady & Co. The keynote of the session, expressing the general sentiment of the assembled delegates and the New York Labor Movement as a whole, was struck by ex-Senator Martin Lacey, of the Teamsters' Union, who said, "do we want McGrady or Woll to wreck our labor movement?"

It has long been evident that the policy of Matthew Woll, who has completely disassociated himself practically and ideologically from the fundamental aims and purposes of the labor movement, can only bring ruin to the trade union movement. Woll has lost the will to fight for even the most elementary demands of the workers. He is thoroughly soaked through with the spirit of the National Civic Federation and the employers, whom he represents in the labor movement. If this were not true, it is inconceivable how he could have the downright brazenness to demand that members of the American Federation of Labor, should trample under foot its time honored traditions, by calling upon the police to attack peaceful strikers, as he did in his circular letter to the local unions.

THIS suicidal policy aroused the resentment of even the most mild and conservative elements in the central body. The Woll letter and policy was repudiated by Joseph Ryan, the president of the body, who

also claimed that John Sullivan, President of the State Federation of Labor was not in accord with it either. As delegates Prechtl, of the Brewery Workers' Union, Donnelly of Pressmen's Union No. 51, and Lefkowitz of the Teachers' Union well pointed out, the infamous Woll letter practically calls upon the police to use their clubs more viciously against the workers. The eyes of the honest elements in the trade union movement have been opened to the full significance of the situation by the statement quoted from Police Commissioner Warren, who asked how A. F. of L. strikers could be distinguished from others.

UNDER the cloak of fighting the Communists, Woll demands that the police be called upon to smash the heads of striking workers. Under the cloak of fighting the Reds, he takes the lead in establishing a precedent whereby the police may with impunity beat up and assault workers on the picket lines. He has thus clearly and indisputably placed himself in opposition to the aims and principles of the American Federation of Labor, which has consistently stood for the right to strike and picket. There is room in the American Federation of Labor for differences of opinion on many questions. But there is no room in that organization for a scoundrel, who uses his official position, to stab the labor movement in the back. Let us hope that the last meeting of the New York Central Trades and Labor Council will mark the beginning of a determined fight on the part of the progressive forces in that body against the menace of Woll and Wollism.

Young Workers Gladly Hail Comrade Crouch, Released From Prison

By FRED HARRIS.
 SAN FRANCISCO, June 16.—A rousing welcome was given on Friday night by the Young Workers League and the local branch of the International Labor Defense to Paul Crouch, recently released from the U. S. Disciplinary Barracks at Alcatraz Island, San Francisco Bay.
 A spontaneous crowd of some three hundred comrades and friends, informally assembled, greeted Comrade Crouch with thundering applause as he took the speakers stand to relate his experiences in Honolulu as a soldier in the American army. He dealt with the causes for his arrest, the court martial trial and subsequent conviction to serve a prison sentence of 35 years, which sentence was later at the tremendous demand of American working class, reduced to two years.
 His imprisonment at Alcatraz was briefly described by the speaker at the end of which he made an appeal to all class conscious labor to rally behind the Intern. Labor Defense and to enlist active fighters in the battle against capitalism.
 Comrade Crouch appears to be in a good healthy condition both mentally and physically, is full of expectancy and anticipation, and looks forward to the victory of the working class when production for profit will have ceased and with the workers in the control of the machinery of production, the factories and shops will be run for the use of the toilers and when parasitic capitalists will be in prison instead of the workers.
 Paul Crouch, together with Walter Trumbull, both privates in the U. S. Army, stationed at Honolulu were arrested in 1925, for being members of the Young Workers League and for having disseminated Communist literature among their fellow soldiers.

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