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TRAINING SCHOOL STUDENTS BUILD RUTHENBERG FUND

Get \$10 a Week; Contribute \$1 Each to Paper; Appeal to All Workers to Save Press

Defense of "Daily" Called Best Commemoration of Dead Militant Leader

Quoting the words of Charles E. Ruthenberg, founder of the Workers (Communist) Party and leader of the militant American labor movement who died one year ago, "We must keep the DAILY WORKER for these fights in the workers' interests; we must make it a stronger weapon in the workers' struggles," the twenty-five students of the National Workers' Training School at New York yesterday pledged themselves to contribute a dollar a week out of their ten dollar expense allowance to the Ruthenberg Sustaining Fund.

Must Defend Paper.

"We are commemorating the first anniversary of the death of the most aggressive leader of the militant American working class," the students state in a communication to the paper, and there is no more fitting way of carrying forward the tradition of the man who called the DAILY WORKER "the heart and center of every movement which expresses a militant struggle against capitalist exploitation and oppression" than by defending the paper by contributing to the Ruthenberg Sustaining Fund.

"There are students among us representing every district in the United States," the students' statement declared, "and we will carry back to the workers who sent us here to prepare ourselves for leadership in the class struggle the appeal to defend the paper for which Charles E. Ruthenberg gave some of the best years of his life."

Dedicate Lives.

"We have sworn to dedicate our whole lives to the struggle of the American workers against their capitalist oppressors. To better enable us to carry on the struggle we are being trained at the Workers School and receive ten dollars a week while we are studying. Out of this ten dollars each of us has pledged himself to contribute one dollar a week to the fund."

"The DAILY WORKER is being attacked by the United States government operating thru its agents, the patriotic and militarist associations and the American courts. The growing militancy of the American working class has alarmed the bosses who are stopping at nothing in their plot to strangle the only daily voice of militant American labor in English. Set Example.

"Ten dollars a week is very little to exist on but it is no sacrifice to the students of the National Training School to give one of these dollars to the Ruthenberg Sustaining Fund. The defense of the DAILY WORKER was left us as a supreme duty by Charles E. Ruthenberg. We are simply carrying on his work in the only realistic way in making this contribution," the students stated.

"Let our effort be an example to every militant worker and every militant labor organization in the United States," said the students appeal. "Let every class conscious worker follow in the path which was laid down by our militant leader and rally to the defense of the DAILY WORKER by contributing to the Fund which bears his name."

COMMUNIST PAPER IRKS ACW HEADS

Order Its Distributors Thrown From Jobs

TORONTO, Mar. 3. — The right wing machine in control of the Toronto Joint Board of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers Union, ordered the employers several days ago to post notices in their shops which says: "The Toronto Joint Board of the Amalgamated has decided to take steps to prevent the circulation and distribution of 'Der Kampf' in or around any union shop. Any member who is known to offend in this regard will be severely dealt with."

The paper "Der Kampf" is a Canadian Jewish communist weekly, which has recently published a series of articles exposing the treachery of the right wing administration and their cooperation with the employers. The first ones to be "severely dealt with" were the distributors.

JAIL TERMS IMPOSED ON 8 MINERS

Arrange Women's Day Demonstrations Thruout World

Working Women's Champion



Kate Gitlow, representative of American working women's organizations to the Tenth Anniversary of the Russian Revolution.

ORGANIZATION OF THOUSANDS IS AIM OF MEETINGS

New York Celebration to Be Held Sunday

International Women's Day will be observed by American working women from New York to San Francisco on various days during the first two weeks of March. Tens of thousands of organized working women from New York to San Francisco have been devoting weeks in organization and agitation among their less well organized sisters in the factory and the home in preparation for the Women's Day celebrations. These demonstrations will carry to many women in the shops and to working class mothers the message of hope that lies in organization and in the great example of the women of Soviet Russia who are now helping to build the society of the future.

Such women's demonstrations are taking place all over the world this week, in London, Paris, Berlin and Moscow.

New York Meeting.

The first and greatest demonstration of women workers for International Women's Day takes place in New York tomorrow. Women workers from many trades and housewives from various districts will attend the celebration at the Central Opera House where a program of great interest has been prepared.

The musical program will consist of varied attractions. Fanny Levine, well-known violinist, will lead the program. Soprano solos will be rendered by Aino Saari, well-known Finnish artist. Valentine Righthand, gifted pianist, will play selections from Bach and Chopin.

Dorsha, the popular dancer, will present a number of dances, several of them expressing the spirit of woman in the revolutionary labor movement.

Genevieve Taggard, American poet, and active in the woman movement will read from her poems. Ellen Kennan will read selections from revolutionary literature.

Prominent Speakers.

The speakers will include Rose Wortis of the Joint Board, Cloak makers' and Dressmakers' Union; Ellen Dawson, Passaic strike leader; Ray Ragozin, organizer of the Women's Miners' Relief Conference; Robert Minor, editor of the DAILY WORKER; Willyanna Adams will speak for the Negro working women, a number of whom will attend. Miriam Silverfarb will speak for the Young Workers League.

Navy Arms Meet Looms

GENEVA, March 2.—Belief that the British will propose a new international conference on limitation of naval armaments was strengthened today by a report that the London government is already sounding out French official opinion.

Woman Revolutionary Veterans



Clara Zetkin, woman leader of the Communist International and Krupskaya, organizer with Lenin of the Russian Revolution.

Red Russia Guiding Star of Women Workers of World

By CLARA ZETKIN.

The International Communist Women's Day is upon us. What can it be but a grand setting of accounts on the part of enormous masses of women, with the social world which decides their weal and woe, but also a settling of accounts with themselves. There are indeed, two questions which these masses of women want answered, be they employed in factories, shops and offices, be they tilling the ground by the sweat of their brow or working from morning till night in their households. What have the ruling, executive powers done, in the state and society, to create conditions in which working women lead a life worthy of human beings, conditions which secure to these millions the possibility of developing their talents and their capacity to participate in the general work of society? This is one question, and the other is: you women, without whose labor and care society could not exist a single day, what have you done yourselves to break your chains, to obtain bread, to secure your rights to liberty and culture?

New Order in Russia.

The answer to these two questions cannot be uniform, because the social world which, in the end, determines the fate of millions of working women is not a uniform world. By destroying the class rule of the rich thru the victorious proletariat, Red October, 1917, created a new social order in Russia—the first workers' state in the world, the state of proletarian dictatorship, the Union of (Continued on Page Six)

FOUND GUILTY OF MASS VIOLATIONS OF INJUNCTIONS

Minerich Calls For New Defiance of Courts

COLUMBUS, O., Mar. 2.—Anthony P. Minerich, chairman of the Pennsylvania-Ohio Miners' Relief Committee, together with seven other miners were today held guilty of violating a federal injunction and sentenced to serve jail terms.

Judge Benson W. Hough who sentenced the miners is the father of the injunctions issued against picketing and other strike activities.

Minerich received 45 days in the Muskingum County jail. The others drew 30 days with the exception of John Karlich, 18, who received five days, because of his youth. The six are Alex Felzan, Andy Lidarik, Steve Vohanek, Louis Mozl, Joe Kurl and John Oboza.

Mass Violations Urged

Minerich did not deny that he had urged mass violations of the injunctions which are being issued by government officials at the demand of the operators.

"The miners," Minerich stated, "should put hundreds and if possible thousands of men on the picket lines. Mass violations of the injunctions which are being used in the attempt to destroy the miners union will win for us against the combined efforts of the mine owners and the Lewis machine."

Minerich has been allowed until Monday to appeal. A new bond is to be fixed at that time.

Judge Hough refused to allow Mrs. Dora Backman, who appeared for Minerich, to represent the seven other miners. They were represented by Judge Nichols, who declared that he had been retained by the United Mine Workers. The union, Nichols maintained, was desirous of cooperating with the court. He said the officials of the U.M.W.A. do not condone violation of injunctions.

Nichols made little effort to save his clients from prison.

Charles P. White, United States marshal, and Col. Caldwell, of the Ohio National guard were the main witnesses against Minerich.

Minerich was arrested while addressing a meeting of striking miners in Hausing, O., Feb. 17, by deputy federal marshals, and taken to Franklin County Jail at Columbus, where he was released on \$1000 bail.

MILITANTS SHAKE LEWIS MACHINE

Prepare For Sunday Demonstration

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., March 2.—That the Lewis-Cappellini machine of betrayal and murder is beginning to crumble and totter has become clear from a number of developments which have followed the recent murder of Alex Campbell and Peter Reilly, two militant mine leaders.

The rising resentment of the miners has broken in a virtual thunder storm against the machine and its henchmen. Rinaldo Cappellini is on the point of resigning, it is believed. "If the rank and file feels that I can do better outside," he has stated, "I will be for them to replace me."

Cappellini Will Go!

Several hours previously he had announced that he would not quit. It is believed here that he is really brought but is stalling for time in order to permit the Lewis machine to put over a scheme on the progressives.

At a meeting of the Hudson Coal Company Colliery Local, it was openly told to opposition leaders that the district is on the rocks and in a crisis; that it is only a matter of a few weeks until Cappellini will resign.

This is taken by the progressives to mean that the Lewis machine will maneuver to put in Cappellini's place an insurgent by the name of Boyling (Continued on Page Two)

WORKERS DEMAND TRACTION STRIKE

Urge End of Tammany Maneuvers

Immediate strike action was yesterday demanded by rank and file traction workers as a means of saving the situation from the attack now in preparation by the traction companies.

Betrayal of nearly 40,000 traction workers on the subway, surface and elevated lines of New York was yesterday foreshadowed in the continued maneuvering of the Amalgamated union officials with Mayor James Walker, Tammany Hall executive of this city, whose activities have already given the Interborough Rapid Transit Company nearly a week in which to assemble over 2,000 strike-breakers.

Officials Hold Back Men.

As a result of a noon conference between the mayor and William D. Mahon, president, and William B. Fitzgerald, vice president, of the Amalgamated Association of Street and Electric Railroad Employees, the traction workers will be held back from their determination to strike.

An agreement was made at the conference that the mayor would be permitted to give "his side of the issue" to the executive committee of the local union before a strike would be called. The mayor had earlier made an attack on the union for its threat to protect its men by a strike.

I. R. T. Prepares

While the mayor has been playing his role for the traction companies, the Interborough has gone ahead actively with its strike breaking preparations. Over 2,000 strike-breakers, "finks" and professional gunmen are being housed and fed by the company.

Nearly 4,000 uniformed police and plain clothes men have been placed by the Tammany Hall administration at the disposal of the traction company. Frank Hedley, president of the company is known to have been promised the fullest support of the police.

Considerable agitation is taking place on the lines against the bringing in of strike-breakers. It is believed that the first attempt to force the regular men to work with the scabs will precipitate a walkout.

"No working with scabs; no breaking in of strike-breakers," is the word being passed along the lines.

The workers, known to be awaiting strike call, have been urged to form their shop and terminal committees in defense against possible betrayal by their leaders. The union officials are being bitterly condemned for their continued dealings with the Tammany mayor. The mayor betrayed the workers at the time of a threatened strike last summer.

WOMEN WORKERS MUST ORGANIZE

Women Play Great Role in Struggles of Labor

By KATE GITLOW

International Women's Day is the day on which the class conscious workers the world over are reminded that the working women are a part of the working class and that they must emerge from long years of forced backwardness, that they must be organized and educated to take their place as workers side by side with the men workers in the class struggle.

The year 1927 was a year of great struggles on the part of the left and progressive workers in the United States. The reactionary labor bureaucrats, together with the yellow Socialists and the bosses and governmental powers, have carried on a steady war against the left and progressive workers.

The continuous strikes and lockouts of coal miners in West Virginia, Pennsylvania and Ohio have resulted in a continuous struggle on the part of these miners to save their union.

In all these strikes and struggles of the left and progressive workers against the bureaucrats in the labor movement women have played a great role. During the year 1927 we saw the wives of the workers on the picket line, being beaten, arrested and thrown into jail together with the men workers.

In the struggle of the coal miners, the miners' wives and the proletarian women from the factory and the home, are standing side by side with the miners, bravely meeting the fire of capitalist brutality which is so well known in the history of the coal miners' struggles. The proletarian miners' struggles. The women (Continued on Page Six)

WALKER AND I.R.T. BOSSES HAND IN HAND AGAINST WORKERS



Mayor Walker's pretensions about being a friend of the workers was exploded yesterday by his attack on the union. He stated that he would hold the union responsible for any strike. The subway workers can now see clearly on which side the mayor is. Unless Fred Frassert and Patrick Hogan (in photo on left) together with a score of other dismissed union subway-workers, are reinstated, the traction workers will demand a fight to a finish against the I. R. T. The second and third photos are of Frank Hedley, I. R. T. head, and Mayor Walker. Both are working hand in hand against the workers. The picture on the extreme right shows scabs entering the 149th Street yards of the I. R. T. in preparation for the strike. These scabs are kept penned in under guard in the yards, and held prisoners.

Working Women Must Fight War Danger and Attack on Soviet Russia

WALLSTPREPARES FOR IMPERIALIST WORLD CONFLICT

Women Workers Must Organize

By JULIET STUART POYNIZ
International Women's Day, 1928, finds the working women of America side by side with their sisters of other lands as the victims of capitalist oppression and exploitation. The world-wide power of American imperialism weighs as heavily upon the working class and the working women of America as it does upon those of all other countries whom it is exploiting today—the toiling masses of Europe and of the "backward" countries, Mexico, Nicaragua, China, etc. The American working class suffers especially in the development of American imperialism, for in the struggle for world domination by Wall Street, the living and working conditions of the American proletariat are being reduced below the subsistence level. And the working women as the weakest, the least skilled, and least organized section of the working class is the chief victim of advancing imperialism. It brings her starvation wages, long hours, exhausting toil, and takes from her all possibility of satisfying her most vital needs—as a mother, as a worker, as a woman.

American Women Must Fight Imperialism

Here in America, the stronghold of imperialism, the working woman is being drawn inevitably, inexorably, into conflict with the destroying forces of capitalism, entrenched in the government and the economic system. With wages and living conditions forced down by the international competition for markets and the greed for profits, with the cost of living rising continually through the development of monopoly, the working woman is confronted by war and the danger of war with the advance of American imperialism. To save herself and her children, to free herself from an exploitation which destroys body and spirit, to control her economic life, to prevent imperialist war, the American working woman must fight American capitalist imperialism.

America, an industrial exporting country since the world war, has entered the international race for world markets with European industries and cartels. And the American working class is paying the costs of this competition in wage-cuts, lengthening hours, unemployment and the open-shop drive. The working woman particularly is the victim of these worsening industrial conditions, ground between the upper and nether mill-stone of capitalist imperialism.

American Efficiency Exploits the Woman Worker

The rationalization of industry, the "American idea," enslaves the factory worker to the demands of cheap production for competition in the world market. The woman worker as the least organized and least skilled section of the working class feels the worst effects of American "efficiency and economy," low wages, long hours, intensification of labor. Mass production with its preference for cheap unskilled and unorganized labor finds the woman worker the easiest and most adaptable object of exploitation.

The proletarianization of women is going on more rapidly today than at any period during the last twenty years and conditions of labor are rapidly growing worse. The number of women wage-earners which showed an increase of only half a million from 8,000,000 in 1910 to 8,500,000 in 1920 will probably register 9,000,000 in 1930. Of these only 3 per cent are organized in trade unions, about 1 in 35, while of men workers about 1 in 3 or 15 per cent are organized. How weak is the position of the American workers compared with those of Europe where 90 per cent to 95 per cent are organized! And how terribly weak is the organization of the women workers of America!

Smash the Bosses Offensive!

The bosses at the present moment have taken advantage of the weak position of the women wage-earners and are conducting a sweeping offensive throughout the country to smash down the wages and conditions of women workers. In the textile factories of New England and New Jersey, the needle trades and many other women's employments wage cuts are universal. Hours are increased far beyond the legal standards and these standards themselves are being attacked by a concerted drive of the employers on state legislatures everywhere to wipe off the statute-books all laws protecting women, minimum wage laws, prohibition of night work, limitation of hours of labor.

Unemployment plunges the woman worker into a desperate position. Hardly able to earn a living while she is working, a week's loss of wages is a disaster, and continued unemployment spells ruin. Starvation and prostitution are the terrible consequences that face the unemployed woman in capitalist America. Among the 4,000,000 jobless at

Fighter in Labor Struggle



Juliet Stuart Poyntz, secretary, N.Y. Federation of Working Women Conference.

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dealt with" are two left wing workers, Charles Krakower and Max Feldman, who were fired from their jobs by the order of the union officials, and were dismissed has been ordered. The union membership is enraged at this latest dictatorial move of their officialdom, who are not even making a pretense of democratic procedure in the union. At a meeting of the local Amalgamated section of the Trade Union Educational League, which was attended by many new recruits and which was held Thursday evening, a decision was passed to mobilize the workers for mass violations of this order, by organizing a special distribution campaign.

Large Mass Meeting.
It was also decided to call a large mass meeting tomorrow morning in Alhambra Hall. The demands of the workers in the largest shops that a stoppage be called in all those factories where workers are dismissed for violation of the order, will also be taken up at this meeting. It is believed certain that a stoppage will immediately be affected in the shop that discharged the two left wingers.

At the present time are hundreds of thousands of working women facing starvation without the organization to struggle against it and demand relief.

The Housewife Faces the Super-Trust

What of the working woman who is mother and housewife, and often wages-earner as well—who must make ends meet on the meager pay-envelope during strikes and lockouts and unemployment? She faces the boss on one side and on the other the super-trust of Wall Street. In the new monopolistic era of capitalist imperialism every day brings forth new billion dollar mergers and combinations that cast their tentacles around every necessity of the working class family, food, clothing, shelter, transportation. Great public utilities mergers control electric light, gas, telephone, coal and oil. Combinations of land speculators in every city boost the price of land, rents, housing transit. These amalgamations openly millions to buy up municipal, state and national governments.

The housewife and mother finds herself as the family manager in the clutches of the super-trust and the corrupt government officialdom. Soaring cost of living, rents and food are convincing her of the necessity of organization. Her responsibility toward the home and the children is bringing her into the industrial struggle against the employer side by side with the men workers and into the political struggle against monopoly capitalism and its political lackeys under the banner of the labor party.

A special need and responsibility to fight the war danger rests with the working women of America.

World war is being prepared by the American imperialists, the bourgeois women's organizations are aiding and abetting these designs with open Fascism or impotent pacifism. The working women alone of America possess the power and the interest to fight imperialist war. Especially must the working women of America stand shoulder to shoulder with the women of Soviet Russia who are achieving their emancipation under the developing socialist economy. Together they must declare: Down with imperialist war! Hands off China and Nicaragua! Down with the capitalist imperialism of Wall Street! Hands off Soviet Russia!

The working women of America must awaken and join in the labor struggle. Together with the workers of all other countries they must build the international power of the working class, organized under the banner of the Communist International, the leader of the oppressed masses of all countries in the world-wide struggle for labor for freedom, for power, for final emancipation.

MILITANTS SHAKE LEWIS MACHINE; FEELING RISES

Identity May Soon Be Revealed

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who has been more or less in a fight with Cappelini but who has not broken with Lewis. There is a belief that the differences between Lewis and Boylan have been patched up and that the Lewis machine will try to trick the opposition forces by the replacement of Cappelini with the no less treacherous Boylan. Boylan and Kennedy who are both attempting to play the part of semi-progressives, but the miners here understand that the policy of "Lewis-Cappelini Must Go," includes Boylan and Kennedy as well.

All Must Go!

The progressives here are determined to smash the Lewis machine and will not give up the fight until the whole union, nationally and within the various districts is cleaned out. The Save-the-Union Committee is now more on the aggressive than ever. Over a dozen mass meetings in District 1 have been scheduled and preparations for other meetings in the anthracite districts are already under way.

Mass Demonstration Sunday.

PITTSBURGH, Pa., March 2.—Preparations for the huge mass meeting of progressive miners are being carried on in spite of the order which has been issued by Mayor William H. Gillespie that it should not take place.

The Save-the-Union Committee is determined that the meeting shall be held as scheduled for the afternoon at Armory Hall. Acting President Joe Vicor, Joe Savage, financial secretary and Charles Licata, acting recording secretary, all of Local 1703, will speak at the meeting. Among the other speakers will be Stanley Dziamelewski, chairman of the Save-the-Union Committee, Powers Hapgood, well-known militant and George Papcun, secretary of the committee.

A Record Event.

One of the most significant and powerful demonstrations in the history of the district is expected.

A resolution denouncing the murder of Campbell and Reilly and pledging support to the Save-the-Union Committee was passed by local 1407 at a meeting on Wednesday. The vote was practically unanimous. The resolution was signed by Teofil Faust, president and Thomas Griffiths, recording secretary of the local. It said in part: "We condemn our district officials for opposing the Pittston miners and supporting the contractors and operators." It was resolved "that we pledge our support to the heroic fight of the Pittston miners against corruption in our union."

At a meeting of Local 1708 here Thursday at which Powers Hapgood, well-known mine worker spoke, both Hapgood and Dziamelewski, chairman of the Save-the-Union Committee pledged their support in the struggle. The police had announced that they would prevent the carrying on of any business except arrangement for the funeral of Campbell and Reilly. But the speakers carried out the program of spirited attacks on the Lewis-Cappelini-Kennedy machine.

All Together.

George Papcun, secretary of the Save-the-Union Committee, another of the speakers, accused the Lewis machine, the contractors and coal operators of a conspiracy to exterminate the opposition. All speakers pointed out that the struggle was advanced rather than set back by the machine methods.

Miners entering the hall were searched by the police and were not permitted to leave the hall until the meeting was adjourned.

First Woman Ambassador



Alexander Kollontay, Minister of Soviet Russia to Norway, formerly to Mexico.

Labor Defender



Ella Reeve Bloor, "Mother" to thousands of workers in this country, and well known in the American labor movement, is now waging a country-wide campaign for the starving miners of Pennsylvania, Ohio and Colorado.

COLO. STRIKERS STILL IN JAIL

Joint Defense Agreement Is Made

DENVER, March 2.—Agreement has been reached between the Colorado Federation of Labor and the American Civil Liberties Union for a joint defense in the case of Frank Palmer, former editor of the Colorado Labor Advocate, and others who were held in jail for weeks at Greeley without charges or bail under the governor's proclamation declaring a "state of insurrection."

Although the strike ended Feb. 20, many of the men jailed for participation in it are still held.

Palmer and the men imprisoned with him at Greeley were recently ordered released by Federal Judge J. Foster Symes on the ground that the governor of Colorado and the military authorities had no right to arrest and hold them in prison without charges. The state's attorney appealed the case and the prisoners were ordered to put up \$1,500 bonds. Being unable to do this they remained in jail.

Unaffected by the rebuke contained in Judge Symes' decision, the military authorities on the following day arrested Roy Bair, strike leader, and lodged him in the Greeley jail without charges or bail.

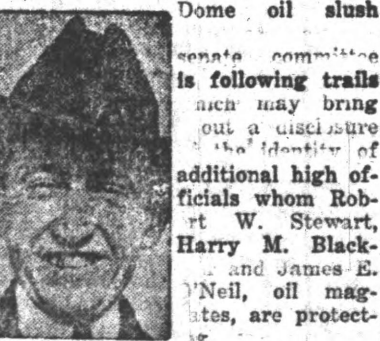
Svanum Serves Term.

Kristen Svanum, another strike leader, who was arrested at Walsenburg, in the southern field, on Nov. 6, was held in jail until Feb. 27, when he was sentenced to a term of two days for "inciting to strike." He served this and was released, the term of sentence being too short to permit an appeal.

OIL MAY BESMIRCH MORE OFFICIALS

Prepare For Sunday Demonstration

WASHINGTON, Mar. 2.—With the republican national committee deeply involved officially now in the Teapot Dome oil slush



Will Hays

senate committee is following trails which may bring out a disclosure of the identity of additional high officials whom Robert W. Stewart, Harry M. Blacker, and James E. O'Neil, oil magnates, are protecting.

Stewart, Blackmer and O'Neil have refused to testify before the committee in the resumption of the Teapot Dome investigation here.

The committee was finally forced to summon Will H. Hays, former chairman of the republican national committee, who testified that Harry F. Sinclair kicked in with \$250,000 for the republican national committee to help cover its heavy deficit in the cost of electing Harding and Coolidge in 1920.

Secret investigators are expected to throw more light in the near future upon the ultimate disposition of the Continental Trading Company's \$3,000,000 liberty bond "slush fund." Committee Reluctant.

NEW ENGLAND WORKING WOMEN SPEED AGITATION

To Fight Exploitation in Industries

By EVA HOFFMAN.
Our New England Federation of Working Women has enormous tasks before it. The general deep depression in American industry has effected to a large extent the working women of New England. Here probably to a greater extent than in any other section of the country are the women workers affected by this depression because the percentage of women workers in the textile and shoe industry is very high.

There is another factor which is driving down the standard of living among the textile workers in general and among the women workers especially. The amazingly low wages for which the workers in the southern mills are working has developed an intensive campaign also in New England to cheapen production. This is accomplished by wholesale wage cuts which affected about 100,000 workers. A serious campaign is on foot for the abolition of the 48-hour-law for women and the abolition of the law prohibiting women from working on the night shift.

Has Caused Suffering.

These attacks against working conditions have caused suffering among the textile workers. In Fall River the city authorities are forced to issue relief to the needy. Unemployment relief is necessary to relieve the suffering of thousands since only about 40 percent of the 30,000 workers are at work. This is true not only about Fall River but of every town and city in New England. In Boston proper the financial heart of the New England states is sharply affected by unemployment, the figures ranging anywhere between 50,000 and 75,000.

Have Important Task.

These conditions place great tasks and duties on the New England Federation. More than ever must we direct our attention to relieving the suffering of the working women not only in the home but also in the factory. In fact more attention than ever must be paid to the women in the factory and this we intend to do.

Within the next few weeks we will call a conference of all women's organizations in New England and the first consideration at this conference will be the organization of the women textile workers. Every phase of activity which reflects the life and needs of the working women will be considered but major attention will be given to these pressing problems such as the fight not only for the maintenance of the 48-hour week but a struggle for the establishment of the 44-hour week. Stricter regulations against the use of women labor for night work, more rigorous execution of the law prohibiting child labor, direct participation by our Federation in the campaigns to organize the textile workers, widespread educational work throughout the region must be undertaken. We are quite confident that our present membership of about 7,000 members in affiliated organizations can be more than doubled thru an intensive campaign.

Need National Movement.

District conferences, however, are insufficient. What is needed is national direction. What is needed is a National Federation of Working Women. In the movement for the organization of such a movement I believe that the federation can be counted on to give full support and cooperation.

Great tasks lie before our movement nationally and locally. Only thru most self sacrificing activity and tireless work will we succeed in accomplishing what we have set out to accomplish. I am confident that the working women organized in the federation will not be found wanting in the struggles to come.

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Eva Hoffman, secretary New England Federation of Working Women.

More Women's Day Articles Later

The response to the request of THE DAILY WORKER for articles for the Women's Day edition was greater than was expected. As a result space could not be found for a number of important articles. Such articles will be published later.

SPEED SUB DRIVE IN DISTRICT 1

Fat envelopes full of subscriptions rushed to THE DAILY WORKER office testify to the big upswing in the energy with which the Massachusetts district is carrying out its part in the national subscription campaign to gain 10,000 new subscribers for the paper.

Ben Brown, THE DAILY WORKER agent in District 1, is intensifying the work in every field. Preparations are being perfected for the free distribution of hundreds of copies of the paper and it is planned to reach an increasing number of new elements in this way.

The Boston industrial district is one of the most exploited in the whole United States and offers a splendid opportunity for the subscription campaign.

WORKING WOMEN GREETED BY THE YOUNG PIONEERS

Need Mothers' Support In Struggle

To the Women of the Working Class!

Dear Comrades!
We, the children of the workers and the farmers, we understand better than anybody else how important the working class women are for our struggle. We know because in our life and work, the women of the working class, our mothers, our sisters, our comrades, are so important!

When we were little children the influence of our mothers, women of the working class, was very great on us and as we grew up this influence turned us in the direction of the working class and showed us that we too are part of the workers.

To build a strong children's movement is very difficult, if not impossible, without the support and cooperation of the working class mothers; this makes us realize more than anything else how important it is to win the women to the side of the workers.

We, the Young Pioneers, children of the working class, pledge ourselves to use our best efforts to help our adult comrades to awaken the working class women and line them up in the struggle against the bosses and for freedom! In the cause of the working class, we, Pioneers, stand ready! ALWAYS READY!

One solid front—workers, young workers, and working class children—in the struggle for freedom!

Central Bureau

Young Pioneers of America

'In the Army and Navy' Column to Appear Mon.

In order to be able to give more space to the Column "In the Army and Navy" which started last Saturday, we have changed this section for contributions from servicemen and ex-servicemen to run every Monday in the future.

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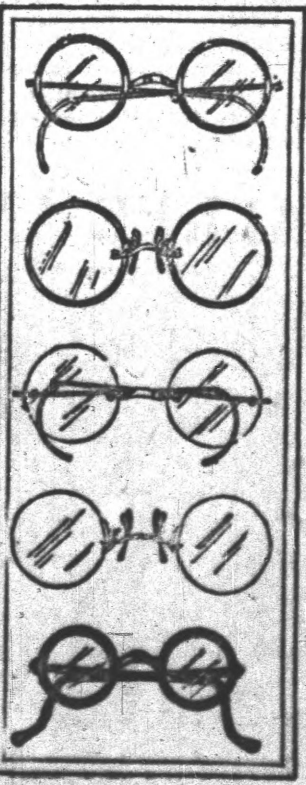


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Polish Students Strike to Protest Against Pilsudski White Terrorist Regime

SCORE ARRESTS AND RAIDS BY REACTIONARIES

Pilsudski Fears Left Wing in Election

WARSAW, March 2.—Protesting against the wholesale arrest of opposition leaders, students and professors in Warsaw universities and high schools went out on strike yesterday. Pilsudski who fears left wing success in the coming elections, has arrested scores of working class leaders and raided left wing party and trade union headquarters.

The strike followed a police raid on a technical school in which a number of arrests were made and papers confiscated. Numerous demonstrations against Pilsudski were held in various schools throughout the city.

Newspapers which supported the actions of the students were suppressed yesterday.

THIRST FOR MORE VENEZUELAN OIL

The Standard Oil Company of New Jersey is making plans for the intensive exploitation of Venezuela oil fields, it was learned yesterday, when officials of the company announced that Standard Oil properties in Venezuela would be merged with those of the Creole Syndicate. The total holdings of the two companies are well above 6,250,000 acres.

The huge output from Venezuela oil fields has alarmed some oil producers, who made an unsuccessful effort to bring the principal Venezuela investors into some sort of a curtailment agreement.

SCORE FASCISTS IN TYROL AGAIN

VIENNA, March 2.—While Chancellor Seipel has been issuing conciliatory statements on the Tyrol issue, the population of South Tyrol is reported to be indignant over orders issued by the fascist authorities that all German hotel keepers must pledge obedience to the fascist regime.

Inkeepers of the district, reports received here state, have held a public demonstration against the fascist regime.

British Rush Tanks And Planes Against Rebellious Arabians

LONDON, March 2.—Seven British tanks and twenty-five planes have been despatched against a large force of rebellious Wahabis, who attempted to capture the town of Akaba, a port at the northern end of the Red Sea.

The Wahabi Arabs were last reported as besieging the village of Maan, north of Akaba.

Family Near Starvation Jobless Boy Ends Life

CHICAGO, March 2.—Jimmy Capasso, 15 was the oldest of six children, his father worked only four days a week for \$3.50 a day, and Jimmy couldn't find a job. Times were hard, yes, Jimmy went upstairs to his bedroom. The sound of a shot brought members of the family to his room. There lay Jimmy on the floor, a revolver in his hand, a bullet in his heart.

COOLIES TOIL LIKE HORSES

Scott Nearing Describes China Conditions

By SCOTT NEARING. Chinese workers come from an agricultural environment. On the farms they lift and carry as their forefathers have done for generations.

But China is being industrialized. In place of the mattocks, reaping-hooks and bundles of grain, the Chinese city workers must handle the machines and machine tools, the heavy raw products and the bulky commodities which industrialization produces. Since men are cheaper than horses, the physical burdens of industrialization are being carried on human backs at the cost of immense hardship and suffering.

The Coolie Cry. Last summer our ship sailed up the Yangtze River toward Shanghai just below the city on the left bank, we passed close to the coal docks, where Japanese coal was being transferred from barges to storage yards. The containers in which the coal was carried were big baskets which held from 250 to 300 pounds. From the hold into these baskets the coal was shoveled. Then two Chinese coolies, with the basket between them on a bamboo pole made their way ashore and trudged off to the storage piles, which were in some cases nearly a quarter of a mile away. The sun was intensely hot, yet all day long these lines of sweating men passed back and forth from the hold of the ship to the storage pile.

As they walked, the Shanghai coolies uttered the peculiar cry which they are famous. Something between a warning and a protest, it sounds like a chant, and there is about it the same pathetic tone that characterized the labor songs of the American slaves.

Heavy Cargo. Our ship carried a heavy cargo for Shanghai. Among other things there were 7000 tons of pig-lead. The lead was lifted from the hold of the vessel by a steamcrane which dropped a dozen pigs at a time with a loud clatter on the wharf, where waiting coolies hooked the ropes of their carrying poles under the pigs. Each pair of men carried two pigs (400 pounds). For hours they passed from the ship to a distant storage warehouse—the temporary destination for the lead. The wharf and the shore were on the same level. A very small expenditure would have provided rails, on which hand-cars could have been pushed back and forth from the dock to the warehouse.

Coolies will work in Shanghai, however, for about seven or eight American dollars per month, so they do the work of horses or machines, and the company saves money.

Human Tracks. The ship also carried a cargo of American automobiles, each one of which was crated in a separate box. The weight of automobile and box was about 3600 pounds. Down in the hold eight coolies with carrying poles and ropes shifted these boxes under the hatchway. They were then lifted by a crane and dropped on a four-wheeled cart. This cart was pulled up an incline by a gang of men, hitched to ropes. When they reached the street level, they dumped the box containing the automobile and returned for another load.

A little later a motor truck came along to take the boxed automobiles from the wharf to the show-rooms. Men lifted one end of the automobile case, the truck was backed under it, the back end was then lifted by manpower and pushed forward on to the truck. With the exception of the ship's crane which hoisted the automobile out of the hold and the truck which carried it across the wharf, the whole operation with this bulky piece of machinery was performed by hand.

Some years ago an American suffering from paralysis invented the ricksha. Its use has spread through the commercial centers of China. Two light wheels; a body strong enough to carry the weight of a man; two poles stretched out in front far enough to permit a man to run without striking the vehicle behind him; pneumatic tires, so that the passenger will not feel the bumps in



SCOTT NEARING.

the Chinese roads, a top which can be lifted in bad weather—that is the ricksha. It is not hard to pull—for a few hundred yards. But the Chinese ricksha coolie leaves his home at daybreak and for twelve or fourteen or sixteen hours, in all kinds of weather, and along roads and streets many of which are so rough as to make automobile traffic impossible, he goes at a jog trot, sweating in the heat, drenched to the skin in the storms, sometimes barefoot, sometimes with sandals. In other countries passengers are pulled by mules, horses, donkeys. In China, they are pulled by men.

A ricksha has two wheels. Therefore it requires the semblance of a road. But in the back country, away from the commercial centers where there are no roads, passengers must ride either in a sedan chair or on a wheel-barrow which can accommodate itself to a foot-path.

I went into Tientsin on a Sunday morning. The streets along the river banks were filled with traffic. Cotton, wheat, corn and other commodities were being loaded and unloaded.

Mules and Men. The river was low. The cotton-barges lay perhaps twenty or twenty-five feet beneath the level of the surrounding country. From the barge to the shore there was a plank. A coolie would cross this plank, stoop down while two companions lifted a bale of cotton to his shoulders and then straightening up he would recross the plank, mount the hill, thread his way through the traffic to the cotton exchange and there deposit his load.

When the cotton was bought, it was loaded on a cart, to which a man and a horse or mule were hitched, side by side. Sometimes two horses were hitched, side by side. Some times two horses were hitched tandem fashion with one man pulling beside them and another pushing behind the cart.

The morning that I reached Tientsin, a big box of machinery was being transferred from the dock where it had arrived along the river street to its destination in the city. The street was of asphalt, but rough with deep ruts. The machine was mounted on a heavy truck with wheels that were not more than 15 inches in diameter. The wheels were so low that when they slipped into a rut the bed of the truck scraped along the pavement. It was then necessary to jack it up, slip pieces of sheet iron under the wheels and get it started again.

Chalking Men. The foreman in charge of this moving operation had mustered a gang of laborers. As each man came

JEWISH SOVIET COLONY TO BE STARTED SOON

Rich Region in Siberia Will Be Site

MOSCOW, March 2.—Plans are being made here for an autonomous Jewish Soviet Republic in Far Eastern Siberia. More than a million colonizers are expected to participate in the scheme within a short time.

A thousand Jewish families are expected to leave for the Birk-Beydank district, on the Amur River, early in May, it is stated. The land in the district is extremely rich. Three representatives of "Gezard," the Jewish colonization committee here, will leave immediately to make arrangements for the colonizers.

The site for the colony was chosen by a committee appointed by the government of the Soviet Union after a long study of available sites. In addition to possessing rich farming lands, the region is also believed to be rich in copper, gold, lead and other minerals.

The new colony will not interfere in any way with any of the other Jewish colonies which have already been started.

USSR HAS SMALL MILITARY BUDGET

MOSCOW, March 2.—The Soviet government will spend only 12 per cent of this year's budget for military purposes—less than any other government of a large country in the world, it was stated today by Soviet Union officials. They declared that analysis of the budget sheet confirms this statement.

As approved by the Council of People's Commissars and submitted to the Central Executive Committee for final action, the budget estimates a surplus of 500,000,000 roubles, part of which is to go into the famine fund for relief in times of bad harvests.

MOSCOW, March 2.—Approximately 2,000 women are enrolled in the Soviet Union standing army. In addition to these women soldiers many others are receiving military training. Women, bearing rifles upon their shoulders, marched with the men in the great military parade celebrating the tenth anniversary of the founding of the Red Army.

up the foreman made a chalk mark on his back and assigned him to his place in one of the lines. Ropes had been fastened to the truck. They extended in front of it for perhaps a hundred feet. Along these ropes the men ranged themselves,—167 in all. When the truck was ready to move, the foreman began shouting to his men, waving the club that he carried, and urging them on to greater efforts. Sometimes they would succeed in making a hundred yards at a single pull. At other times their united efforts failed to move the truck an inch.

For nearly two hours I watched this performance. During that time the machine was moved less than half a mile. To me the whole performance symbolized the struggle which is now taking place in China,—the West importing its industrial devices, and the Chinese unequipped for industrialization, working like horses to get the mechanical devices into their places.

SANDINO ELUDES MARINES POWERS CONTINUE TO SELL ARMS TO CHINA WAR LORDS

Nationalists Disappear After New Attack

MANAGUA, Nicaragua, March 2.—Gen. Augustino Sandino's nationalist forces which ambushed a detachment of United States marines on the Yalicondega trail on Monday, killing five and wounding nine, has escaped into the jungle and the pursuing marines have so far been unable to establish a contact with them, according to word received today from Jinotega.

It is believed that the Nationalists got away before the marines could inflict any casualties upon them.

"While we regret the loss of the young American boys sacrificed by Wall Street and Washington in the war against Nicaragua, we cannot help but rejoice at this fresh evidence of the striking power and determination of the National Liberation army under General Augustino Sandino," said Manuel Gomez, secretary of the United States section of the All America Anti-Imperialist League in a statement today on yesterday's battle in Nicaragua.

As Gomez pointed out, this is the second largest battle since the world war, engaged in by American forces. "It completely shatters the fiction of the 'peace' established by Colone Henry L. Stimson, Coolidge's personal representative in Nicaragua.

"The story in today's papers shows how American boys are being slaughtered but does not take into consideration the hundreds of Nicaraguans who have been slain. The All-America Anti-Imperialist League is glad that the lie has been given to the reports that Sandino has given up the struggle and has fled from the field. This battle proves that Sandino is still able to deal hard blows.

"American workers shot down in Colorado and Pennsylvania by United States militia should rejoice with Sandino also.

"We can fight with Sandino and not against him by contributing to the Sandino medical supply campaign which is being carried on by the league."

"Supervises" Elections



Brigadier General McCoy, wall Street agent in Nicaragua, has opened an office in Managua, Nicaragua, for the purpose of outlining plans for the "supervision" of the elections in October. Wall Street will back General Moncada, who sold out the Liberal forces to Col. Stimson last year.

Driver Is Hurt

JERSEY CITY, N. J., March 2.—George Lorence, 55, a wagon driver for the Hills Bros. Bread Co., suffered the fracture of several ribs and injury to his back and side yesterday when the wagon he was driving was struck by an auto.

Refuse to Tighten 1919 Embargo Pact

PEKING, March 2.—Despite belief in diplomatic circles that an international effort may be made to renew and tighten the 1919 arms embargo convention, it was admitted today that "serious obstacles" exist. Several of the most powerful of the signatories have little sympathy with the agreement and may refuse to join a new convention.

Japan is willing to join a new pact, "if all nations sign it" and pledge themselves "to make it effective," but such a development seems highly unlikely.

One Chinese army is equipped with French airplanes. When the question is raised, as it has been, the French authorities say that there is nothing to prevent French citizens from selling French commercial planes to the Chinese. However, these machines can be converted into use as bombers manned by military pilots. At one time 30 Northern Chinese officers were sent to French aviation schools to learn military flying and the use of commercial planes.

China stands alone today as the one big market for surplus war materials which remained after the great conflict. Not only the armies, but the secret societies and the bandit gangs are armed with foreign rifles and pistols.

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SCENES FROM "CZAR IVAN THE TERRIBLE," THE NEW SOVKINO FILM DUE NEXT SATURDAY



The latest cinema production from Soviet Russia to reach America will have its premiere showing at the Cameo Theatre next Saturday. "Czar Ivan the Terrible" created a tremendous impression on the continent. The National Board of Review of Motion Pictures here, characterizes the picture as "Greater than 'Potemkin.'" L. M. Leonidoff (center) of the Moscow Art Theatre, plays the title role.

Harping on Southern Chivalry "Rope" at the Biltmore Theatre a Powerful Character Drawing of Tennessee Life

THE new play at the Biltmore Theatre, "Rope," as one might guess from the title, is a cross section of life in a town of 300 inhabitants in the Tennessee hills. In "Teetallow" done into drama at the Biltmore, un-American New York can see where the American race lives, whiling away its time with the amusements of the Elizabethan ancestors: "drinking, dining and drabing."

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Returns to Broadway next Monday in a new play by Zoe Akins, "The Furies," opening at the Shubert Theatre.

MUSIC

NEW YORK SYMPHONY.

Walter Damrosch returning after a two weeks' illness, will make his final appearance of the season as guest conductor of the New York Symphony Orchestra this Sunday afternoon at Mecca Auditorium.

BETHOVEN SYMPHONY.

The post-pone dance recital of Anna Robenne will take place at the 48th Street Theatre Sunday evening, March 18. Mme. Robenne will be assisted by two male partners, Anatole Viltzak and Pierre Vladimiroff.

Music Notes

Phyllida Ashley and Aileen Fealy will give a recital for two pianos at the Guild Theatre tomorrow night.

Chaliapin will give his last concert of the season next Wednesday night at Carnegie Hall.

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"The Battles of Coronel and Falkland Islands" begins the fourth and last week of its engagement at the Cameo Theatre today. Next Saturday the Soviet film, "Czar Ivan the Terrible," will have its premiere.

William Haines in his new starring vehicle, "The Smart Set," comes to the Capitol Theatre for a week's engagement beginning today.

Laura LaPlante will be the star attraction at the Colony Theatre beginning this Saturday in her latest picture titled "Finders Keepers." It is an adaptation by Beatrice Van of Mary Roberts Rinehart's story of the same name.

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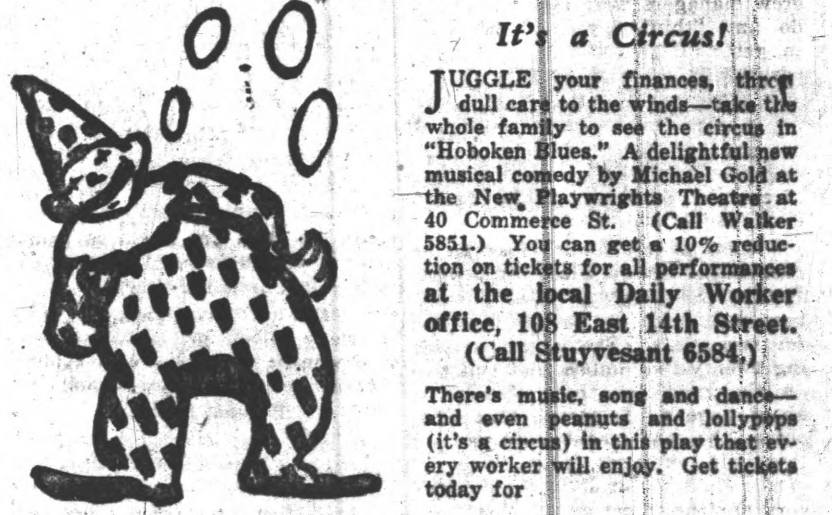
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You, as a fighter for the world proletariat, have come to Soviet Russia with the October Revolution. Here you now, as a member of the Central Executive Committee of the Communist International, direct the working class the world over on to the road to freedom.

To be able to live through this significant meeting with you in the Kremlin, during the days of the celebration of the 10th Anniversary of the October Revolution, is something to be remembered. I met you in the

land where there is no longer a czar, nor a capitalist system, where the workers are their own rulers and are building socialism—a living example to the world proletariat. On such occasions old age is forgotten. One feels full of vigor and renewed determination for the fight to overthrow capitalism the world over.

I greet you, Comrade Clara Zetkin, on this International Women's Day of 1928, in the name of the working

women and workers' wives of America!

May you live long to guide the working class the world over onto the road of a successful world revolution and the establishment of the workers' dictatorship!

Long Live Clara Zetkin! Long Live the World Revolution! —KATE GITLOW.

THE NEW PLAYS

"THE CHERRY ORCHARD," by Tchekov, will be put on for special matinees beginning Monday afternoon at the Bijou Theatre. George Calderon made the translation.

"WITHIN THE LAW," by Bayard Veiller, will have its revival at the Cosmopolitan Theatre Monday night. The principal players are: Charles Ray, Claudette Colbert, Frank Shannon, Violet Heming, Robert Warwick and Vivian Martin.

"HER UNBORN CHILD," by Howard McKent Barnes, opens at the Eltinge Theatre Monday. The cast is headed by Effie Shannon and includes: Theodore Hecht, William Corbett, Pauline Drake, Ivy Merton, Lea Penman and Elisha Cook, Jr.

"THE GREAT NECKER," by Elmer Harris, at the Ambassador Theatre, Tuesday night. Taylor Holmes plays the chief role.

"THE FURIES," a new play by Zoe Akins, with Laurette Taylor as the star, will open Wednesday night at the Shubert Theatre. Her supporting company includes: A. E. Anson, John Cumberland, Estelle Winwood, Ian MacLaren, Frederick Worlock and Greta Kemble Cooper.

"NAPOLEON," a drama by B. Harrison Orkow, will come to the Empire Theatre Tuesday night, with Lionel Atwill as the star. This Lawton, Albert Bruning and Selena Royale are also in the cast.

Women Worker Correspondents Tell of Foul Conditions, First Walk-Out

DRESSING ROOM IS NEVER SWEEPED; SINK IS FILTHY

Demand Sanitation in Shop

(By a Women Worker Correspondent.)
Before the furriers were organized they worked until one o'clock on Saturdays during the summer months only. That was years ago. I still remember when the first talk of forming a union came.

At that time, Decoration Day came on a Tuesday. The boss gave us half a day off. When Saturday came, and we were supposed to work until one o'clock, the boss insisted that we work all day, since we had half a day off earlier in the week. Some of the workers objected. Others asked, "What can we do? We are not organized." That day we worked.

About a year later, the press called all the workers to attend the funeral of the victims of the "Triangle" fire. The boss said it was too busy to let us take the afternoon off. We all went out for lunch and decided not to return to the shop but to go to the funeral.

The next morning when we came to work, the boss told us that he did not like the idea of our staying out the day before. Our answer was: "The only thing you can do is either take off the half day's pay or discharge us."

Because of the fact that he saw we were united, he did not dare to discharge us.

LENA GREENBERG,
A Woman Worker.

SOVIET WOMEN SEND GREETINGS

Urge Struggle Against U. S. Capitalism

(From the Working Women of the New Jersey Textile Factory.)

Comrades:—
The women workers of the Sosnensky Textile Factory send you our best greetings and wish you success in your struggle with capitalism. Do not stop before any difficulties that may come in your way. Remember, only through class struggle will the working class free itself of its chains.

In the past days when we were struggling with the blackest of reactions that ever existed, we did not stop before hunger, poverty and persecution until we finally came out the victors!

In your struggle against the most reactionary capitalists and imperialists of the world, we are ready to help you, not only morally but even materially, if need be, as we helped our fellow workers in England and Germany in the miners' strike.

Comrades, only ten years ago we were under the yoke of moral and material inequality as you are now. But the October Revolution has freed us, and now we are in every respect on the same level with men. Together with men we are building new homes, new factories, new mills and a new life. Our children are growing in a new society and this will make of them healthy, strong and brave men and women, fit to build a Communist Society.

Working women of America, we must remind you that the imperialists of your country, together with the imperialists of other countries are preparing to attack and destroy the only Workers' Republic of the World. The existence of the Soviet Union interferes with the murderous actions of imperialists of the world.

Pledged to Defend:
The representatives of the workers of the world, gathered in Moscow, have pledged themselves to defend to the very last drop of blood the only Workers' Republic of the World.

We want you, the American women, to join in this pledge and prevent your husbands and sons from attacking the only Workers' Republic of the World.

Comrade Kate Gitlow has seen our new life and will no doubt tell you about it.

Comrades, accept the hearty greetings of the Novo Vornisensky Textile Workers.

Live the solidarity of the workers of the world!
Live the world revolution!

Signed: Lushkova, Vivenikova, Vaganova, Lavrenteva, Borodulina, Karoshina, Ilmens, Baranova, Egozina, Shikina, Stepanova, McKishova.

SUES MAYOR THOMPSON.

CHICAGO, March 2.—William McAndrew, ousted Superintendent of Schools, today filed suit in the Superior Court here for damages of \$250,000 against Mayor Hale Thompson, who charged McAndrew with fostering pro-British literature in schools.

American Working Women's Leaders in East and West



Left to right: Anna David, prominent leader of Chicago industrial workers; Rebecca Grecht, well-known Workers Party speaker in Pennsylvania mine fields; Ray Ragozin, active New York working women's leader.



Clara Zetkin Outlines Tasks of Working Class Women of World

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Socialist Soviet Republics. Led by the Communist Party, the proletarian state power pursues the aim of thorough economic reorganization, as well as gradual development of all social forms of life and institutions towards Socialism. The Soviet Union is the only country where the full social and political emancipation of working women is an established fact. But most important is—not legal recognition of women's complete equality with men, but rather abolition of all exploitation and enslavement of man by man. Entirely opposed to the theory and practice of the workers' state is the leading motive of State power in bourgeois countries where exploitation of the working majority of the population by the propertied minority is guaranteed. In these countries the fate of the working women masses—exploitation and oppression—remains unchanged even if their equality with men has been recognized by law, for it is the equality of a woman slave with a man slave, over whom the capitalist master swings his whip.

More terrible still is the fate of the working women masses in colonial and semi-colonial countries. There, imperialist capitalism is making full use of obsolete and social forms, unlimited brutal domination of man over woman, prejudices, traditions and religious rules, which enslave women, to submit its women wage slaves to inhuman exploitation. One cannot think without a shudder of the conditions in which women and their children—little mites 5-6 years old—have to fend for themselves in the factories of China. Not much better is the position of women in India who have to work in factories, mines and plantations under the rule of Christian Great Britain. Wherever working women are looking, on their great day of reckoning, they cannot help realizing that world capitalism is endeavoring to get a new lease of life, to escape the historic judgment of the proletarian world revolution by increased exploitation and enslavement of all workers and particularly of working women.

New Wars Threaten.
As if this were not enough, rivalry and competition among the imperialists of the various bourgeois states for raw materials, export markets and spheres for the investment of capital, are accumulating inflammable material bound to kindle new world wars which, owing to the progress of science and technique being applied to the improvement of instruments of destruction—what a triumph for bourgeois culture!—will exceed all the horrors and atrocities of the recent world slaughter.

The Soviet Union, watched and badgered on all sides by the wild beasts of capitalism, is the only country which can look without shame into the faces of working women on this day of reckoning. Here the economic and cultural position of workers is not desperate, their position is steadily improving. Only in the state of proletarian dictatorship can the masses look hopefully to the future. In spite of hard work and privations they say proudly: the revolution has already given us much, our brave deeds have had their reward, more than that, the progress of Socialism—also our work—will tie us what we are still lacking. On with the work, let us create the new social order! The Soviet Union is the only state where, thanks to the overthrow of bourgeois class rule, women's dream of full social emancipation and equality is coming true.

New Interest in Life.
The proletarian revolution has given working women in the Soviet Union a new interest and a new aim in life: Socialist construction brings out all that is good, creative and energetic in women. That this is so, is borne out by women's great reckoning with the social world on International Women's Day. Let us now consider what working women themselves have done towards this in the Soviet Union. Russian women rev-

olutionists work for a better social world will always be a glorious page in the history of mankind. Heroic, self-sacrificing women stood on the barricades in the Red October days and worked and struggled also for the revolution behind the barricades, doing thereby their bit for the glorious victory. Their participation in the development of the Soviet Union towards Socialism exacts the same self-sacrifice and steady courage under the existing difficulties and perils.

In this sphere too, they show every day that they know what revolutionary duty means. They receive equality of rights not as a generous gift, they win it through their efforts to achieve the Communist social ideal as the creative power of new social forms of life.
The passionate endeavor of women Communists to awaken women in the Eastern Republics to a realization of their human dignity and rights is heroic revolutionary action. These Eastern women, living as they do under backward economic and social conditions, under the yoke of the Eastern conception of women as men's property, and tied by ancient traditions and religious rules, are the most dispossessed among all the dispossessed. But low and behold, they too have been set in motion by the thunder and lightning of the proletarian revolution. Women Communists have brought them the evangel of their equality in the Soviet state. Through stubborn struggle between the old and the new, an ideological revolution is taking place concerning world conception and forms of life. The legislative and leading Soviet organs encourage this revolution by effective economic and social measures through which man's predominating position is abolished and women become men's equals in every walk of life. In the eastern republics of the Soviet Union tens of thousands of veiled women have discarded their veils and are struggling for their full emancipation by working loyally for the construction of socialism.

Women Use Weapons.
They are preparing for ambulance and other auxiliary work at the front. Thousands of women are learning to handle weapons including guns and air-craft, to guard the rear of the Red Army against thrusts in the back, to participate themselves in the fighting at the front. In their defence of the achievements of the proletarian revolution, the women of the Soviet Union will show themselves worthy of their heroic past and their present socialist constructive work.

A strike-wave is convulsing Germany, France, Italy, Poland, Czechoslovakia, America, and other capitalist countries. In these strikes women workers and working men's wives frequently show a greater fighting spirit, more courage and perseverance than men. In Germany, women employed in the textile, tobacco, boot, metal and china industries put up a longer and more successful fight for higher wages and against a longer working day than men. The bravery and indefatigable activity of women workers and workingmen's wives were a determining factor in regard to the duration, character and trend of the big Passaic strike in the United States. In all strikes which took place there in the mining districts last year, and are taking place now, women were and are the miners' most loyal and courageous allies in the struggle against the financial power of the coal magnates. In Italy there have been many cases when women workers threw themselves into strike struggles against Fascist wage reductions, although they knew that imprisonment and Fascist persecutions might be their lot. In country districts women workers endeavored to stave off reduction of their starvation pay by passive resistance. In China peasant women are joining peasant organizations, and working women trade unions established by

WOMEN FIGHT SIDE BY SIDE IN LABOR STRUGGLE

Women Emerging From Backwardness

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of the working class are beginning to understand that the struggle of the men workers is their struggle as well. There has hardly been a single workers' struggle in which the women have not taken part.

The class-conscious working women, together with the most advanced section of the working men, under great difficulties, have organized working women into labor unions. These militant working women have proven that the working woman can be organized into labor unions.

The capitalists, in their renewed attack upon organized labor, look toward the women workers as a great help in their campaign of smashing the labor unions. The officials of the American Federation of Labor do not care to organize the working women. If this indifference will continue, then, of course, the tremendous supply of women's cheap labor will break the labor unions.

The Communists the world over are helping the working class and peasant women to lift themselves out of the morass of ignorance, persecution and prejudices in which they have been sunk for centuries.

The greatest accomplishment of the Communist work can be seen in Soviet Russia where the workers have overthrown the czar's government and their own capitalists and established the workers' dictatorship. The Communists in Soviet Russia have proven, by their living example, that the working and peasant women can be made to understand and to take responsibility as class-conscious workers.

The Workers (Communist) Party of America stands ready to assist the working class women in their endeavor to carry through the task of

Labor Relief Worker



Marion Emerson, secretary, Workers International Relief, New York District.

Workers' Int'l Relief Aids in Class Fight

Women and children are the ones who suffer most when natural catastrophe, strike, lockout or other economic condition affects their lives.

At such a time the first thought is "bread" and the Workers' International Relief answers that thought. This organization gives relief in the spirit of working class solidarity to workers engaged in the struggle with the bosses in strike or lockout or other labor conflict.

Every working woman should become a member of the Workers International Relief, thereby helping to build a powerful organization ready at all times to function in the interests of the workers.

organizing and educating the working women and workers' wives for the carrying on of the class struggle, for the overthrow of capitalism in the United States.

The pledge to be taken on this International Women's Day of 1928 is that every class-conscious working man and woman and worker's wife shall do all in his or her power to reach the great masses of working women in the factories and mills, to

ORDERED NOT TO ATTEND FUNERAL, FURRIERS WENT

Learned Unity Lesson at That Time

(By a Women Worker Correspondent.)
We are fifteen girls employed in the shop. We have to dress and undress ourselves in that little room—the so-called dressing room. It is so small that when two girls are in it, the third has to stay out.

There is a small bed supposed to serve emergency cases. But it is so old that by the first effort you make to sit down, it immediately falls apart.

Ever since I have been working there, our dressing room has never been swept. The sink, where you have to wash your hands and have a drink sometimes, is so black that you can't tell whether it was ever white or not.

As to our coats, they also have their place in the dressing room. Whenever you come in, you always find a coat or two on the floor. Two or three coats are supposed to hang on one hook because of lack of space.

However the problem of dressing ourselves in the morning is solved quite easily because we do not all come into the shop at the same time. But what is taking place at noon, when we all stop from work at once, is indescribable. Every one of us has to fight till we get our coats out. Discontentment is seen on every face as we go out for our lunch.

It is about time that we come out openly and demand sanitary conditions, just the same as we demand higher wages.

—I., A WOMAN WORKER.

spare no energy in the work of organizing the unorganized women in industry, and to educate the working women and workers' wives to understand the class struggle.

The slogan for the coming year shall be: Organize the Unorganized Women in Industry.

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SUBWAY STRIKE LOOMS IN N. Y.; SCABS IMPORTED

Workers Form Defense Committees

A city wide traction strike which will tie up the whole of Greater New York's transit facilities now appears to be certain.

Twelve hundred strike-breakers, finks, professional gunmen and thugs of varying prowess were Thursday herded by the Interborough Rapid Transit Company into their shops at 147th St. and 7th Ave. in anticipation of a strike call which now appears to be inevitable unless the company reinstates the twenty Amalgamated union members who have been fired for their union activities.

Throughout the entire day and last night truckloads of supplies and equipment for the strikebreakers were sent into the shops heavily guarded against possible attack.

Over three thousand city police have been assigned "to protect the company" should a strike occur.

A constant stream of newly employed men is flowing into the headquarters of the railroad. Over two hundred company "beakies," spies, and regular "spotters" besides the delegates of the company union are now riding the railroad to prevent any organization work and to pick off any strange characters who may appear on the lines to speak with the men.

USSR SHOE TRUST DELEGATION HERE

A delegation from the Leningrad Leather and Shoe Trust, producing 9,000,000 pairs of shoes a year, has arrived in this country to study the equipment market in connection with the construction at Leningrad of the largest shoe factory in Russia, to cost \$4,500,000. The delegation, consisting of A. Rossin, vice president of the trust, and B. Poliak, director of the research department, will also acquaint itself with American production methods. The factories of the trust are scheduled to increase production 60 per cent next year.

Production Tripled. Although factory production of shoes in Russia is now triple of what it was before the war the demand is not being filled and new factories must be constructed," Rossin said here at the offices of the Amtorg Trading Corporation. "Aside from the factory to be built by our trust, which accounts for one-half of the total shoe factory production, large factories are to be built at Kiev, Ukraine and in Siberia. The Leningrad factory is to produce annually 6,000,000 pairs of shoes while the other two will have an output of 3,000,000 pairs each.

Rossin and Poliak will stay in this country about two months and will visit Boston, Chicago and other shoe centers.

HOME FOR LABOR DOCUMENTS. ANN ARBOR, Mich., March 2 (FP).—The University of Michigan library has established the Joe L. Laddie collection of books, magazines and documents dealing with the American labor and radical movements of the past. It welcomes additions to its collection.

APPEAL FIREMEN'S AWARD. CHICAGO, March 2 (FP).—The U. S. circuit court of appeals, which was expected to hand down a speedy decision in the locomotive firemen's arbitration award, is still studying the case. The federal district court decided in favor of the brotherhood's wage boost and the western railroads made the appeal.

SPORTS IN BRIEF

McLarnin Challenges Mandell to Fight

Jimmy McLarnin filed a challenge with the New York Boxing Commission Thursday afternoon for a title bout with Sammy Mandell, light-weight champion, and posted the customary \$2,500 fee. By this move, New York obtained the edge over Chicago in the battle between Tex Rickard and Jimmy Mullen, rival promoters.

NOTES

An attractive supporting program has been arranged for the Tony Canzoneri-Andre Rottis world's feather-weight bout at Madison Square Garden on March 23. Three eight round bouts will take place as follows: Sammy Dorfman vs. Dominick Petronis, Archie Bell vs. Kid Francis and Al Brown vs. Benny Schwartz.

BOSTON, March 2. — Charles E. Brickley, former Harvard football captain was found guilty yesterday of conducting a bucket shop and of larceny by a jury in Suffolk Superior

Scudder Is Ousted from Queens Sewer Graft

ALBANY, N. Y., March 2. — The Court of Appeals held today that Justice Townsend Scudder could no longer continue the investigation into the \$29,500,000 Queens sewer graft under Borough President Maurice Connolly, inasmuch as it imposed upon him "a duty of a non-judicial nature."

LAU SPEAKS IN PHILADELPHIA

Lectures Tomorrow on "Whither China?"

PHILADELPHIA, March 2.—P. T. Lau, Chinese nationalist leader, will speak at the Workers Forum, Grand Fraternity Hall, 1626 Arch St., Sunday night. The topic will be "Whither China?" The sessions of the forum have become more popular since the police tried to stop them by ruling that no collections are to be taken or donations solicited. Two weeks ago, when H. M. Wicks of The DAILY WORKER spoke here, the police "arrested" the collection, which is still in their hands awaiting legal action. Last week, Mary Winsor, who just returned from Russia, spoke on "Women in Russian Industry" to an audience that completely filled the auditorium. An "unofficial collection" was taken which exceeded any taken openly so far this season.

ACW WON'T FIGHT BOSSES DEMANDS

A series of drastic demands, embodying a 25 per cent wage reduction, in addition to other demands that would mean virtually a complete letdown of union influence, has been made by the United Shirt Manufacturers' Association upon the Shirt Makers' Union of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers of America. The demands were made at a series of conferences with the union, held for a renewal of the agreement which expired February 15.

While it is true that the union officialsdom rejected all of the bosses' demands the union membership is deeply resentful at the manner in which the rejection was made. Officials of the Shirtmakers' Joint Board said they considered the employers' demands too extreme and that most of the manufacturers would not take seriously the demands of their own association.

Want Militant Answer. The workers declare that instead of answering the bosses' demands in a manner befitting a workers' organization, by a mobilization for a fight, and by seriously recognizing that the demands of the association are part of a well planned campaign to fight the union, the Amalgamated officialsdom is looking at the whole matter superficially. Instead, the workers point out, the union heads are not preparing at all to fight the bosses because they are sure the employers will not support the association.

Is Not Organizing. The employers' association in making its demands states that it does so because the union is not making any attempts to organize the non-union shops in upper New York State. One of the demands is that the employers be permitted a free shipment of goods for manufacture in the out of town non-union shops.

The bosses demand also the right to discharge 10 per cent of the force if they employ more than 10 workers and the right of discharge of one worker if employing less than 10; that a union agent shall not be permitted in the shop without the bosses' consent; and that the bosses' association be permitted to examine at any time the union's contracts with independent manufacturers.

STUDENTS DECRY PUNISHMENT OF MILITARIST FOE

C.C.N.Y. Faculty's Cowardice Attacked

The action of the faculty in arbitrarily ordering the resignation of Simon W. Gerson, a leader in the campaign against militarism, was severely condemned yesterday at a so-called "illegal" meeting of the Special Problems Club of the College of the City of New York of which he is president.

The faculty has without explanation ordered him to give up all extracurricular activities and since his position as president of the Social Problems Club is his only such activity, it is obvious that the order is an underhand attack on his activities in the organization.

Gerson Speaks First. The meeting, held at the college, had been announced by handbills. Gerson who is a member of the Young Workers' (Communist) League of America, made a statement which follows in part:

Fight Imperialists. "It is no accident, I feel, that this arbitrary action comes only two weeks after the school authorities inserted evidence into a case against me in a Brooklyn court, a case in which I was arrested for marching in front of the Brooklyn Navy Yard, in a demonstration of the Young Workers' League, protesting against the invasion of Nicaragua, and had me convicted.

"This comes at a time when American troops are engaged in the rape of Nicaragua for the interests of predatory capital. This comes at a time when a greater and deadlier navy is being prepared for more imperialist aggressions.

"I feel that, despite suspensions, despite ignorant prejudices, despite all other obstacles, intelligent students will struggle against military in the college.

"In these struggles they will be given all aid possible by members of the Young Workers League—who struggle against military training wherever they are. These members of the Young Workers League will always find themselves discriminated against for their political opinions, just as in the present case.

"It is characteristic that the beginning of the attack on students who fight militarism and hit a member of the Young Workers League first. They are generally the most militant fighters against militarism and imperialism."

Received Enthusiastically. This statement was received with great enthusiasm and was heartily endorsed by the large group present. A resolution was introduced from the floor condemning the action of the faculty as "political persecution" and stating that "we affirm that we recognize Gerson as president of the Social Problems Club." The resolution was unanimously adopted.

An effort will be made to hold a "legal" meeting next week, but if this permission is again refused, the meeting would be held anyway.

The Social Problems Club has been the leader of the student movement against military training in City College.

Describe Wall St. Armed Tyranny in Nicaragua

(By Federated Press).

Ham and Yegge is Walter W. Liggett's version of the truth about Nicaragua. Liggett accompanied Senators Lynn Frazier and Smith Brookhart last summer on a speaking tour against marine rule in Nicaragua. He was formerly connected with the Non-Partisan League.

Clifford Ham is the American collector of customs appointed to Nicaragua by the cooperation of certain Wall Street bankers and the United States state department. The bankers—Brown Bros. and J. & W. Seligman Co. chiefly—are the diplomatic highwaymen.

Besides Ham, a number of other Americans are enjoying U. S. marine rule in Nicaragua to the tune of \$10,000 or so a year. "High Commissioner" Hill gets his; Professor Jeremiah Jenks of Columbia University collects \$400 a month as "financial adviser"; and Robert F. Loree of the Guaranty Trust Co. is in the game as a director of the Nicaraguan bank and Nicaraguan railroad with Jenks and four other Americans.

Back of the wholesale robbing of Nicaragua by Americans is the interest of the U. S. government in the canal route through the Central American country. This was taken, for a very small payment, from Nicaragua despite the rights of Costa Rica and Salvador. The United States wants no other country to build a rival to her Panama Canal and the Nicaraguan route offers advantages in case the Americans want a second channel.

American imperialism is not the accidental result of "blunders" or private scheming by this or that individual. It is the logical outcome of the rise to power of a financial oligarchy in the United States, with the government functioning as its military arm.

SHOE WORKERS JOINING UNION

Hundreds of shoe workers are joining the Associated Shoe and Slipper Workers' Union, 51 E. 110th St., according to H. Levine of the union's press committee in a statement issued Thursday night. The organization drive was started Tuesday night when a meeting called by the "Committee of 40" was held at Lorraine Hall, Broadway, Brooklyn. More than 100 workers joined at the meeting. Others, fearing for their jobs, are applying direct to the union headquarters, Levine added.

Vote to Organize. The shoe workers attending the meeting Tuesday unanimously went on record to join the shoe union and hold election of officers after one month's time, that all shoe workers who join within that period be eligible to run for officials. It was also decided that the Committee of 40 act as provisional officers until the election takes place. Max Hein is secretary of the committee.

Conducting Two Strikes. The union is now conducting two shop strikes, Levine further reported. The demands of the workers are recognition of the union. The strikes are at the Riverside Slipper Co., 48 Walker St. where the workers went on strike on Thursday when a 10 per cent wage cut went into effect. The other strike is at the Franklin Shoe Co., 11 Hope St., Brooklyn, which was called Wednesday. Picketing is being conducted at both shops.

LETHBRIDGE, Ala., March 2 (FP).—Twenty-three building laborers are the charter members of the new Lethbridge local, Hodcarriers' Building and Common Laborers' Union of America.

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MICHIGAN TOWN BARS COMMUNIST BOY FROM SCHOOL

Friends Plan Action for Reinstatement

DETROIT, March 2.—An investigation carried out for the American Civil Liberties Union at Mass, Michigan, reveals that the local school board has persisted in barring from the Greenland Township High School Felix Votila, who was expelled shortly after Christmas for membership in the Young Workers (Communist) League.

Members of the school board were reluctant to discuss the expulsion but admitted that it was based on a state law against secret orders or fraternities in the schools. Though it was pointed out that the Young Workers League is not a secret organization the school authorities refused to reconsider.

Friends of Votila plan mandamus proceedings in court to compel the Greenland Township Board to reinstate him.

BURY FASCIST GENERAL

ROME, March 2.—The body of Marshal Armando Diaz, former commander in chief of the Italian army, was borne on a gun carriage from his home to the tomb of the unknown soldier today.

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Hays Lies for Coolidge

Before the eyes of American workers the senate oil-graft "investigation" shows convincing evidence that the president of the United States is the titular head of a shake-down gang which is different from the average city gang of burglars only as the United States is different in size and political significance from a three-room flat.

Will H. Hays, as the former chairman of the republican national committee who handled the criminal job of bribery, perjury and larceny by which Coolidge was put into office with Harding, lied Thursday under oath, as everyone knew he would. He was lying not only for himself, but for Coolidge—lying to cover from the eyes of the masses the fact that two presidents in succession (not to speak of former ones) functioned as the "principals" of the most monumental gang of criminals ever exposed—or partially exposed—in the history of the world. It is a gang which has on its roll of present and former members several convicted criminals, four ex-cabinet members who were steeped in graft, one would-be cabinet member shot by his underworld companion as he was about to become "respectable" enough to rule the nation in Harding's cabinet, one mysterious suicide (or murder) in the living apartments of a grafter-cabinet member, and the death of a president of the United States under strange circumstances—alleged "ptomaine poisoning"—while on a wild voyage to Alaska at a moment when the graft ring of which he was chief was in its first apparent danger of exposure.

Will H. Hays, biting his lip till the blood ran, lied to protect not only this gang, but to protect the government of the United States from the contempt of the masses. It is now too clear for any doubt that the fake "Continental Trading Co." was the fiction by which the bribery was covered thru which Harding and Coolidge became the rulers of the United States. And when the republican committee told the public in the 1920 campaign—that "nothing more than \$1,000" would be received as a contribution to Harding's and Coolidge's campaign fund, it was a cover and Coolidge and Harding knew it, for the three and more millions of dollars with which they were being bought by the capitalists who put them in.

The mountain of falsehood built up by Will Hays, John D. Rockefeller, Jr., and the other witnesses, and by Calvin Coolidge as a silent but active participant, encouraged by Walsh's committee of senators in spite of their bluster,—is regarded by one and all as a "patriotic" lie told in order to cover up the nature of the United States government.

By common consent the screaming farce proceeds to pass all questions up to:

- John T. Pratt, who is dead.
- John W. Weeks, who is dead.
- Fred W. Upham, who is dead.
- Daniel G. Reid, who is dead.
- That was the best Will Hays could do. But other witnesses have traced the matter to:

- H. M. Blackmer, who is missing,
- James F. O'Neil, missing,
- Col. Robt. W. Stewart, who won't testify.
- Coleman T. DuPont, who "had his larynx cut out and can't talk."

It is because this lie is too gross to win credence, that Calvin Coolidge is not to run for a third term.

Coolidge will be succeeded by another flunkey of American big business, equally steeped in corruption, but not yet too much exposed to put over on gullible masses. It may be Hoover. It may be Smith. It might even be little Dawes.

"Reformers" in the coming campaign will try to make the Harding-Coolidge graft regime appear as the exception in American government. It is not the exception, but the rule. The corruption that appears on the surface is nothing but the natural expression of a form of class government which is essentially the dictatorship of big capital. Coolidge's successor will be owned and controlled by the same men who bought Harding, Coolidge, Weeks, Fall, Daugherty, Will Hays and Jess Smith. Theoretically (the not practically) the direct bribery could be stopped by placing in office such "honest" servants of these dominant capitalist interests as would be owned without open purchase at the moment of election. But to dislodge from state power the owners of and bribers of the Harding-Coolidge administration, would be to overthrow the United States government. And this can not be done by servants of the capitalists, nor within the legal forms of the political structure built to express their class rule.

Let no man imagine that it began with Coolidge or with Harding. Woodrow Wilson was as much the hired servant of the big Wall Street finance-capitalists as Albert B. Fall was the paid thief of Harry Sinclair. Back of Wilson—McKinley and Hanna, etc., etc.

While the capitalist class agents, including the "investigators" are covering the essential nature of capitalist government, the militant and conscious workers must work over-time to expose the abyss of corruption. The workers must break from capitalist parties, owned by the capitalists and used for strike-breaking, defrauding, and making possible the exploitation of the working and farming classes.

The formation of the American labor party will mark the next great step toward class consciousness of the workers.

WORKING WOMEN OF THE WORLD, UNITE!

By Fred Ellis

Experiences in Working Women's Club

By MAYN NURMI
(Secretary, Finnish Working Women's Clubs of Minnesota, Wisconsin District.)

There is considerable discussion these days about the ways and means of organization and education of the great masses of working women not employed in industries. This is a big and important problem. The millions of women isolated on farms and the homes in villages and small towns should be reached by our message of emancipation. They should be organized into some kind of working class organization. Here the problem arises, into what kind, by what methods.

Grew Slowly.
Like "Topsy," our women's organization wasn't ever born—it "just grew." A club organized here and there, some in Massachusetts, some in Michigan, some in Minnesota-Wisconsin district. Ever since the Finnish Federation isolated itself from the socialist party and became affiliated with the Workers Party, a women's mass organization has been growing. This mass movement is already a vigorous youngster the not old in years. There are now about 150 Finnish working women's clubs scattered all over the country, but they are not consolidated into a unified organization as the general Finnish workers' clubs are.

These women's clubs function inside the same district lines as the workers' club and the central body of the clubs in each district is their secretariat. They are loose mass organizations, held together and kept alive and active by the issues that appeal to these working women.
What are the issues, it may be asked—education and organization of the children and youth; the fight against the terrible liquor traffic; women's part in the co-operative movement; farmer-labor movement; anti-war work; assistance of the recent big strikes. These and many other matters have been the work and life of the clubs. Then of course the social side of the club meetings and affairs has its appeal.

Work Among Youth.
One of the most vital questions of the clubs in our Minnesota and Wisconsin district was at first teaching of working class principles to our children and youth. The much has been done in this field of work, there is still much to be done. During the 20 years existence of the Finnish Federation, the education of the youth has been shamefully neglected, very little was done. The women's club have taken up this important work. We have urged that youth courses be organized and we have assisted the courses financially. We have helped to organize the Y. W. L. and to keep up the league units, with financial and other assistance. Sunday schools, summer schools and some camps have been organized and financed by us.

The farmer-labor question has been one of our issues during the recent year and at present. The pessimistic attitude towards workers' political action is giving way. The extremely exploited tax-burdened farmers, who have been at the mercy of the railroad and other trusts and who have been compelled to mortgage their very souls to the bankers, are getting their eyes open. They are rebellious, they are losing faith in the old parties and so the farmer-labor issue finds receptive minds among farm men and women. The discussions in the women's clubs have proved that the necessity, the character and the aim of a working farmers' and laborers' party is well understood even by women. Most of the women's clubs have applied for membership as fraternal organizations in the Minnesota Farmer-Labor Association, but they have not been admitted.

Another interesting illustration are the millinery workers. For years the men workers made agreements with the bosses which only benefited the few men at the expense of the thousands of underpaid girls. The arguments advanced by the men in defense of their action was that the millinery workers are flappers, that they come into the trade temporarily until they marry and therefore cannot be organized. With the development of the left wing in that union pressure was brought to bear to undertake the organization of the women. Within less than three years the local of trimmers has grown from the negligible number of a few hundred to four thousand and is today one of the best organized locals of women, developing women leaders, educational activities, and participating in the general life of the union.

This is also true of the fur workers where the women, many of whom are of the Greek nationality and were but recently organized by the left wing administration, have actively participated in the strike.

Approaching the Problem.
In approaching the problem of the organization of women one must bear in mind that women are but newcomers to public life and lack organizational experience. Social activities play an important role in attracting women to the trade unions. The club, circle, the social affair with shop mates, may become the social



"The Proletarian Revolution cannot be won without the masses of the working women."—Lenin.

The Problem of Organizing Over Eight Million Women in Industry

By ROSE WORTIS.

Capitalist development, which is in its most advanced stage in the United States, with its mass production and specialization, has removed the barriers against the employment of women in practically all industries. The influx of women in industry received great impetus during the world war when millions of men were drawn into the war machine, with the result that in the 1920 census we find that eight and a half million women are gainfully employed.

When women first began to come into industry, they met with a spirit of hostility on the part of the reactionaries in the labor movement. They saw a great competitive menace in the influx of women workers, and instead of adopting a policy of organizing them so as to raise their standards to the level of men workers they adopted a policy similar to that of the English workers in the early

fringe of industry and because of that are more strongly affected by industrial depressions and are subject to greater unemployment. During the industrial crisis of 1921 there were four million unemployed working women.

The American Federation of Labor is primarily an organization of skilled workers and has concerned itself but little with organizing the unskilled and particularly the women workers. Only at such times when the woman worker became a real menace to the men in a particular

trade did they take notice of the women workers, and that only in official resolutions at conventions. The recognition given to women in official circles of the A. F. of L. is more an act of chivalry than a recognition of the common interests of working men and women.

While the A. F. of L. has time and again at conventions adopted resolutions favoring the organization of women and their admission into the existing unions, it never extended its unions.

As for the International unions, the

position of women there is similar to that of the Negroes in the southern states. There are no constitutional bars in most unions against the admission of women, but the officialdom would rather have the women remain working in the unorganized shops than take them into the unions on a par with men.

These union officials look upon woman as a willful intruder rather than a worker drawn into industry by economic necessity. Whatever activities were undertaken by the A. F. of L. unions to organize women, in most instances it was done without any preparations and without any understanding of women and their psychology, with the result that after some effort the organizer declared it a useless expenditure of energy as women could not be organized.

Can Women Be Organized?
The best answer to this question can be given when we look into the history of the needle trade workers, the textile workers, the famous strike of the telephone operators of 1921, etc.

The annals of the Dressmakers' Union are a testimonial of the fighting capacity, idealism and spirit of self-sacrifice of women workers.

The importance of the role of women in the present internal struggle in the needle trades cannot as yet be fully estimated. The women have been and are today the most stubborn fighters. There were fewer desertions on the part of women than men. This is conclusive proof that not only can women be organized, but that they can be the progressive factor in the labor movement.

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The Working Woman in Int'l Labor Defense

By ROSE BARON.

From the international battle front of labor a chorus of greetings arises to celebrate International Women's Day. Greetings!

International Labor Defense can well be compared to the first aid of the front line trench of militant labor. Men and women alike concentrated on the task of freeing their political prisoners from the clutches of the enemy and save them for greater tasks that lie ahead.

Shoulder to Shoulder.

The working class woman today fights side by side with the male worker against the system that has been built and maintained by the economic exploitation and oppression of human beings. On every field—in the factories, in the trade unions, in the political parties of the working class—women are playing an increasingly important role. Every new strike brings vividly to our attention the inspiring activity of the working women, their militancy on the picket line, their heroic self-denial, their willingness to sacrifice all for the sake of their proletarian ideals. In the Passaic strike, the furriers' and cloakmakers' strikes, and now in the coal strike, women have played their part equally with the men and have borne the brunt of the struggle on the picket line as well as in the homes.

On Picket Line.

And when strikers are clubbed and arrested, women are among them. The International Labor Defense, the central defense organization of the American working class, is being called on to defend increasing numbers of women workers who feel the heavy hand of the capitalist courts. Moreover, when we talk about the class war prisoners throughout the world, we should stop to think; what about their wives? what about the suffering and heroism of a Lucy Parsons or a Rosa Sacco?

In Strikers' Family.

The working class woman, both the industrial worker and the housewife, thus finds herself vitally concerned in every phase of the class struggle; she is most concerned when the work-

Labor Defense Fighter



Rosa Baron, secretary, International Labor Defense, New York District.

ing class is being directly attacked thru the most insidious instruments of capitalist oppression, the courts. When she is not herself a victim of this attack, she is perhaps the wife or mother of someone who is.

Thus it is not for nothing that women are playing such an active part in the work of the International Labor Defense. The working class women of this country realize that the only way to fight the frame-up and the numerous devices of "legal" suppression effectively is by building the International Labor Defense, by making it as strong a weapon in the hands of the working class as possible. In the work connected with our annual bazaar, which this year will be held March 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11 at New Star Casino, 107th St. and Park Ave., we are depending upon the women to do their share and more if necessary. And in every other phase of our work we find the class-conscious women of the working class helping in every way they can.

Needle Trades Leader



Rose Wortis, Joint Board, Cloak and Dressmakers' Union.

stages of the machine age. They opposed the entrance of women in industry claiming that woman's place is in the home.

When, however, their opposition proved to be useless, it was substituted by a new theory, namely, that women are an impermanent factor in industry; that they only remain until they marry. Therefore any attempt to organize women into trade unions is a waste of time and energy.

Many Women Workers.
An examination of the facts concerning women in industry presents an entirely different picture. Women workers are not only employed in the needle trades and textile trades, but are also entering in ever greater numbers into the heavy industries. In the steel and iron industries the number of women workers has increased 145.4 per cent since 1910. In the automobile industry the increase was as high as 108 per cent. This is also true of the chemical industry.

The woman worker in industry is the most underpaid and exploited. She is handicapped not only by lack of skill, but also by the antagonism of the men workers, both skilled and unskilled alike, who see in her a dangerous competitor. Women as unskilled workers are generally engaged on