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DELEGATES ON WAY TO COMMUNIST CONVENTION

NEW ACCIDENTS INCREASE MINE DEATHS TO 250

Open Shop Killings Unchecked

Three more fatal accidents in scab coal mines in which explosions, fire and cave-ins took their tolls of new scores of coal diggers brought the sum of deaths since Saturday to about 250.

Seventeen Dead in W. V. BLUDFIELD, W. V., May 23.—Thirteen miners are known to have been killed and four or more missing probably suffered a similar fate in a blast of the open shop No. 1 mine of the Yukon-Pocahontas Coal Company at Yukon last night.

Four Dead in Nevada. ELKO, Nev., May 23.—Four miners were killed in the old Alpha shaft of the Consolidated Copper Mines at Kimberly, near here, yesterday by a cave-in of materials which had been blocking the shaft for years.

Explosion Takes New Toll. HARLAN, Ky., May 23.—An explosion in the Black Mountain Coal Mine near here yesterday took at least seven lives and probably more. The explosion which is said to have

NEW HOME READY, FUNDS GREAT NEED

Lack of Money Holds Up Daily's Moving

The new Workers Center at 26-28 Union Square is being made ready to receive its three major tenants, District 2, Workers (Communist) Party, the Workers School and The DAILY WORKER.

The moving of The DAILY WORKER is made especially expensive by the fact that it has more and heavier equipment to move, including linotype machines, presses and machinery.

ILLINOIS MINERS TAKE OVER UNION

(Special to The Daily Worker). BELLEVILLE, Ill., May 23.—The Illinois miners once more took control of their union when 249 delegates from 78 locals, assembled here in special convention, voted to oust the reactionary officials of the Lewis-Fishwick machine and installed new officers which will take over the union in District 12.

George Voyzey, well-known progressive leader of Local Union 413 was elected president of the district Luke Coffey, fighting president of Local 705 O'Fallon, was elected vice-president and Daniel H. Slinger, of Belleville was elected secretary-treasurer.

Radium Bosses' Victim



Mrs. Edna Hussman, shown in the picture, is one of the victims of the United States Radium Corporation in whose plant she contracted radium poisoning.

100 MAY DIE OF RADIUM POISON

'Faint Hope' Considered Another Ruse

ORANGE, N. J., May 23.—What is regarded as a false hope that they may be able to bring the suit against the United States Radium Corporation for the apparently inevitable loss of their lives has been held out by vice-chancellor Backes, of Chancery Court, Newark, in a statement to the 5 women who face a lingering death as a result of the radium poisoning.

Interviewed by press reporters yesterday, Katherine Schaub, one of the dying women and formerly an instructor in the United States Radium corporation, told reporters almost hysterically that at least 100 of the women she taught must die with her from the effects of the radium poisoning.

McNARY-HAUGEN BILL IS VETOED

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The McNary-Haugen farm "relief" bill was vetoed today by President Coolidge. Declaring that this mild measure for so-called farm relief was "unconstitutional," Coolidge for the second time upheld the interests of Wall Street as against the wealthy farming interests of the west.

Launch Drive for Federal Unemployment Insurance

NEW YORK COUNCIL DRAFTS BILL FOR JOBLESS RELIEF

State, National Bodies to Get Measure

Responding to widespread sentiment for unemployment relief existing in practically every section of the organized and unorganized labor movement, The New York Council of the Unemployed, under instructions from its executive committee, yesterday announced a city, state and national drive for federal unemployment insurance embodied in a specially prepared bill which the Council will seek to have passed through all state legislatures and through congress.

Full wages up to a maximum of \$30 per week as an unemployed benefit, a bonus to be paid by the government for immediate relief of those who are unable to wait for relief from legislation, and full protection without discrimination as to age, sex, color or occupation are the striking points of the new bill to be sponsored by the Council which for three months has been conducting a persistent and determined campaign preliminary to launching the final drive for the bill itself which is regarded as a sort of unemployed charter, a declaration of rights of the jobless.

The terms of the bill provide that the funds to be paid will be raised through a 50 per cent charge on industry and a 50 per cent charge on the government. The share of the government to be secured by means of a graduated excess profits, income and corporation tax.

In making public the details of the plan, John Di Santo, secretary of the New York Council of the Unemployed, declared that sufficient interest has already been aroused by the preliminary discussions on the subject of unemployment insurance to indicate that the coming campaign will become one of the historic issues in American labor history.

The bill as proposed follows: Federal System of Unemployment Insurance.

Section 1. Persons to be Covered.—All wage earners, male or female, engaged in manufacturing, mining, construction, lumbering, railroad and other transportation or trade, clerical work, farming, domestic service, federal, state or city government, or in any kind of manual, clerical or mental labor.

No worker shall be disqualified from receiving insurance because he is engaged in: Casual labor, seasonal labor, is of minor age or has been refused employment because of a lock-out. No worker shall be disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance.

ADMITS BRIBE IN DONETZ PLOT

(Special Cable to The Daily Worker). MOSCOW, May 23.—The highly-paid engineer Beresovsky who was the first of the accused examined in the Donetz Basin conspiracy trial admitted that he had had relations with the former mine owners, to whom he supplied information regarding the coal mining industry.

He admitted that he had personally damaged the turbines causing the mine flood, for which he had received

TO JAIL 39 MEMBERS OF THE HROMADA

Pilsudski Regime Metes Out Savage Sentences to Leaders

WARSAW, May 23.—Thirty-nine members of the White Russian organization "Hromada" were sentenced to terms of imprisonment ranging from three to twelve years last night. When the sentence was announced the prisoners and the workers who thronged the court room began to sing revolutionary songs in spite of the efforts of the court attendants to prevent them.

Risk Lives to Rescue Victims of Boss Greed at Mather Mine



The picture shows members of the rescue crew at the Mather Collieries mine at Mather, Pa., where an explosion, due to failure of the owners to provide careful dusting, has resulted in the death of more than 200 miners.

BETRAY STRIKE OF JERSEY OIL WORKERS

(Special to The Daily Worker) BAYONNE, N. J., May 23.—The strike of the 2,500 employees of the scab Tidewater Oil Company who went out last week against an intolerable speed-up system and against other evils has been "settled" in an act of betrayal by the company union delegates.

'FORCE STRIKE IN FALL RIVER', CALL

Mass Meeting Hears Albert Weisbord

FALL RIVER, Mass., May 23.—Despite a heavy concentration of police stationed in front of Franklin Hall, and despite the disruptive attempts of the officials of the Textile Council, the Textile Mills Committee succeeded in attracting the attendance of hundreds of textile workers to hear Albert Weisbord at their first organizational meeting held yesterday in Fall River.

With Weisbord, leader of the Passaic textile strike of 1926 and national organizer of the T. M. C., as the main speaker, the Mill Committee's drive to spread the strike of 28,000 New Bedford textile operatives to the other tens of thousands of mill slaves who have suffered wage cuts in the past few months. Murdoch, New England secretary of the committee and in charge of the work in New Bedford also spoke at the meeting.

MINERS NOW IN DESPERATE NEED

(Special To The DAILY WORKER.) PITTSBURGH, Pa., May 23.—The fourteenth month of the great bituminous strike finds the condition of the strikers and their dependents growing more desperate.

Appeals for relief to the National Miners' Relief Committee at 611 Penn Ave., Pittsburgh, are arriving in ever greater volume from all parts of the country where the miners have been on strike for over a year.

From Central Pennsylvania to Kansas, hunger is pressing down on the heroic battlers and their families. They need food and clothing without which they cannot carry on the fight. And the letters of thanks sent to the relief committee by desperately needy miners who have been given aid give a graphic picture of the need for the barest necessities of life.

JOHNSON FOREMEN SPEEDUP WORKERS

40 Cents Is High Pay in New Brunswick

(By a Worker Correspondent) NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., (By Mail).—The lot of the Johnson and Johnson workers is unbearable. Why does Johnson pay so little for his workers while there are a whole flock of idle drones who do nothing else than speed-up and watch the workers? The timers and timekeepers are the worst kind of chasers and speeders. They being members of the working class are a disgrace to their brothers. When one of the workers goes to the toilet, he comes back immediately, they ask him where he was. And they do nothing but speed-up all day. They lie down on the tables and watch the workers. They are kept up by the big profits they squeeze out of the workers for Johnson. They watch to see how they can reduce their meagre wages, to even less than what they are.

It is a well-known fact that the workers get very low wages working

OHIO MINERS IN BIG CONVENTION

Watt, Toohy Indict Lewis Officials

(Special to the DAILY WORKER) BELLAIRE, O., May 23.—One hundred and thirty mine delegates representing 42 locals, five strike committees and women's auxiliaries, held an enthusiastic special convention here of sub-district 5 of district 6 at which they indicted their international officials for wrecking the union and for working hand in hand with the operators to defeat the strike.

John Watt and Pat Toohy, vice-president and secretary of the National Miners' Save-the-Union Committee were the principal speakers. In his talk Watt gave a picture of the conditions in the mine union, the treachery of the Lewis machine and called upon the miners to oust the traitors who are working hand in hand with the operators.

"Lewis Must Go." (Special to the DAILY WORKER) BELLAIRE, O., May 23.—A huge banner reading "Lewis Must Go," draped the platform of the special convention of sub-district 5 of district 6, called by over forty locals to oust the treacherous Lewis-Hall officials who were shown to be working with the operators to defeat the strike. Great enthusiasm marked the proceedings. Over three hundred miners and delegates were present.

Plan Grand Rapids Miners' Relief Meet

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 23.—The Grand Rapids Conference for Miners' Relief has arranged a large mass meeting to be held on Sunday at the I. O. O. F. Temple, Ottawa and Crescent Sts. at 2 p. m. The principal speaker will be Mother Ella Reeves Bloor, one of the national organizers for Miners' Relief. Two striking miners from Westmoreland county, Pennsylvania, will also be here in miners' garb, and they will speak on the conditions in their district.

NEGROES PREPARE EAGERLY FOR BIG NOMINATING MEET

Choose Candidates in 3 More States

A delegation of fifteen Ohio miners is en route to New York City to participate in the National Nominating Convention of the Workers (Communist) Party which opens here tomorrow night. The miners will be one of a number of delegations from various industries throughout the state of Ohio.

The mine delegates are proceeding to New York by auto truck. Huge banners and streamers on the side of the vehicle will announce to the workers along the line of travel that the American working class is holding its first great class political convention in its history on this continent. Final preparations are being rushed for the reception of the

Nat'l Convention Notice

The National Nominating Convention of the Workers (Communist) Party will be held in New York at the Central Opera House, on May 25-26-27. The Convention will be opened with a welcome demonstration to the delegates at Mecca Temple, 133 West 55th Street, Friday evening, May 25. Many of the most prominent out-of-town delegates will address the meeting. Every worker is welcome. There will be an admission charge of 50 cents to pay the expense of the meeting.

miners and the other delegates from every section of the United States.

The Negro Communists in New York are carrying on active preparations to enlist the support of the Negro masses Friday night for the big demonstration in Mecca Temple. The Negro workers and the friends of Negro liberation generally, are very enthusiastic over the forthcoming Workers Party Nominating Convention. There will appear at the Mecca Temple demonstration a number of prominent Negro leaders, members of the Workers Party. Among them will be Richard B. Moore, H. V. Phillips, Lovett Fort-Whiteman and Harold Williams of New York; William Scarville, Charles Munsey and Charles Fulp of Pittsburgh; I. Newman of Detroit; Mary Adams of Virginia; and George Padmore of Tennessee.

Massachusetts Convention. BOSTON, Mass., May 23.—Thirty-five units of the Workers (Communist) Party attending the Massachusetts State Nominating Convention

BIG BATTLE FOR PEKING RAGING

War Lords Scramble for Possession of City

LONDON, May 23.—Chang Tsolin is making a frantic effort to halt the drive of the Kuomintang troops on a wide front immediately south of Peking, according to reports received here. A battle, involving more than 300,000 men, is reported to be in progress.

TOKYO, May 23.—Commenting on the Kellogg statement which declares that the United States recognizes no special Japanese interests in Manchuria, General Hata, permanent vice-minister of war, declared today that Japanese policy in northern China was very much like American policy in Nicaragua.

The Koumin News Agency, the press organization of the Nanking regime, issued a statement today claiming that 5,000 Chinese were killed during the recent fighting between Japanese and Kuomintang troops at Tainan, Shantung.

# Brennan-Harris Convention Acts to Betray Miners; Ousts George Papcun

## GANG EXPOSED BY PROGRESSIVES AS TOOLS OF LEWIS

### Save-the-Union Forces Issue Warning

(Special To The Daily Worker)

SCRANTON, May 23.—Expulsion of George Papcun, prominent progressive delegate and a general attack on rank and file measures marked the second day of the special convention of District 1 in session here.

The convention started its meeting at the Regal Hall, Scranton, Pa., Monday at 10 o'clock. The Harris and Brennan forces are in control. Forty-eight local unions are represented totaling one hundred and eight delegates.

#### Only Talk.

The Brennan forces have shown their weakness in the fact that the first day of the convention nothing occurred but talk. Harris, chairman of the resolutions committee, brought in a resolution early Monday that the convention be adjourned for the day to bring in more delegates. The next morning, there were 51 local unions represented. Three more. The Brennan-Harris forces have also shown their treachery in trying to get Cappellini or some of his Executive Board to come to the meeting, failing in that they sent a wire to Secretary of Labor Davis, well known strike breaker, and to the reactionary President Green of the A. F. of L.

On the second day of the convention in the afternoon a bomb-shell was thrown into the convention when one of the rank and file distributed a resolution earlier adopted by Local Union 1217, calling upon the delegates to oust the treacherous Cappellini machine officials from district 1.

#### Brennan Alarmed.

Immediately the Brennan machine became alarmed, introduced a motion that George Papcun, the secretary of the tri-district, Save-the-Union Committee be put out of the hall on the ground that he was responsible for the resolution.

The resolution is supported by the tri-district Save-the-Union Committee and knowing that the resolutions committee which is controlled by Harris-Brennan would not bring it into the convention despite that it was sent to the resolution committee by Local Union 1217, precautions were taken and the resolution distributed through the convention. Papcun was escorted by the sergeant at arms from the convention. The resolution was enthusiastically accepted by most of the rank and file delegates of the convention. The motion to exclude Papcun was not passed but the convention broke up in an uproar before a motion was made to adjourn.

At the afternoon session, some of the delegates read the resolution and demanded to know why the resolutions committee had made no report on the resolution. Many delegates declared themselves in favor of the resolution, stating that no matter where it came from it was the correct thing for the convention to adopt.

#### Spread Lies.

The Brennan forces in order to mislead the rank and file and the delegates at the convention are spreading rumors that they are with the Save the Union Committee but want to pretend at this time that they still continue to support Lewis.

It is evident that the Harris-Brennan forces intend that this convention shall be a mere talk-fest. The conventions in the soft coal region are being closely watched by the delegates. The Local press has reported the Illinois convention as a decisive defeat of Lewis.

## TYPHOID FOLLOWS PNEUMONIA IN MINES; GRIND HUSKS FOR FLOUR

PITTSBURGH, May 23.—Winter's scourge of cold and pneumonia has given way to summer's threat of typhoid in the barracks colonies of striking mine workers. Hunger, the unseen enemy in every striker's shack, draws sharper lines, all the

while, about the faces of women and children.

In eastern Ohio the national guard has cut off food relief. School children who in other years, hailed the advent of vacation time, now wonder whence daily rations of

soup and bread will come.

INTO the office of the National Miners' Relief Committee, 611 Penn Ave., come calls for help from every mine field. In Iowa, food, clothing and medical supplies are

urgently needed. In Pennsylvania the strike spreads slowly into unorganized territory, calling for more tents and food. In Kansas 3,000 miners' families are reduced to grinding up wheat husks and bran "shorts"—waste matter—to take

the place of flour.

In Pennsylvania and Ohio the need for clothing is so acute that children are being kept away from school, the only place where many of them can receive the thin trickle of food that keeps them alive.

## No More Children to Slave at Home Work



The picture shows Mrs. Edward Cromwell, mother of thirteen children, all but four of whom have died in the midst of poverty. The woman has had her husband jailed because he wanted more children. Cromwell earns from \$18 to \$30 when he can get a job. This does not happen very often. Her case comes up today. The children, shown with their mother, make 50 cents a gross folding elastic at home.

## BETRAY STRIKE OF OIL WORKERS

### Company Union Delegates Throw Over Fight

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so-called "concessions" made by the company.

When the vote which would decide whether the workers would accept these five demands, came up, Edward Foerst, chairman of the meeting, advised the men to return declaring that, "Being brave in this strike will not pay for your board. Think it over." Harping continually on the fact that if the workers voted to accept the 5 points out of 7, a victory would be assured, Foerst continued the well-planned act of betrayal.

Three times there were cries of "We want a union," and "sell-out," but these were immediately silenced by the company union delegates. Three votes were taken during which Foerst again and again advised the men to accept the company's terms. Finally the workers becoming discouraged, voted blindly to accept the terms, altho at least 30% still dissented and many more did not vote at all. A fake congratulatory address was made by several of the delegates who "commended the good sense of the men."

#### Traitors Speak.

In the evening another meeting was held. There the mayor, the chief of police and all the petty bureaucrats of the city administration occupied the platform with the company hired workers' council. One of the delegates in addressing the workers, spoke of a leaflet issued by the Progressive Oil Workers of New Jersey and vicinity, the most militant group in the strike, and said that it had been issued by the "disgruntled element" and was "only misleading propaganda" and was "not to be taken seriously."

Foerst, in his talk, advised the men to return to the factory not belligerently but with humility. He further recommended that they join the Employers' Association, which is the company union.

During the meeting, one worker was thrown out of the hall by a squad of men sent from the platform by the delegates, for shouting "We want a union!"

## Capper Finds Commerce in Soulful Mood

WASHINGTON, May 23.—The remarkable discovery that American business "is developing a conscience" has just been unearthed by Sen. Capper, Republican, of Kansas.

Extreme mortification over the results of the oil investigations is cited by the senator for his feeling in the matter.

Heading his statement "big business feels disgraced," Capper, sometimes humorously described as an "insurgent" referred to a resolution adopted by the United States Chamber of Commerce convention calling on the business profession to purge itself of "those who would deal dishonestly with the Government."

The senator was further reassured by the fact that a storm of applause followed the adoption of the resolution. Capper has not as yet officially announced his candidacy for the presidency.

## Begin Drive to Start Strike in Fall River

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A previous strike vote held at the time of the wage cut was announced to be several votes short of a two-thirds majority by the union heads.

#### "Organize!" Slogan.

While Weisbord was telling the workers to begin the organization of mill committees in each factory to fight against the wage cuts, and to rally the Fall River workers to active support of the New Bedford strike, J. L. Campos, an official of the Textile Council tried to halt him by heckling the speaker. Not only did Weisbord's sharp attack on Campos and the other officials, effectively silence the heckler, but the growing anger of the workers attending quickly convinced Campos that to subsist into silence would be the healthiest thing for him to do. He did it.

Nearly all the workers attending the meeting took application blanks for membership in the T. M. C. After signing up themselves they will recruit workers in their particular mills to form committees in each mill.

## LAUNCH DRIVE FOR FEDERAL JOBLESS INSURANCE FUND

### N.Y. Unemployed Council Starts National Drive

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ance because he is an alien or because of race or nationality.

Section 2. Amount of Compensation—Full wages for entire period of unemployment, the maximum to be \$30 per week. Payments shall be due from date of unemployment. Persons with incomes from sources other than manual, clerical or mental labor exceeding \$1500 in one year shall not be entitled to unemployment insurance.

Section 3. Who Shall be Considered Unemployed and Eligible for Insurance—All persons capable of and available for employment regardless of whether they were residents of the particular locality where last employed and unable to obtain suitable full employment.

No worker shall be disqualified from receiving unemployment insurance because he refuses work at wages below what he was formerly receiving or below the prevailing trade union rate in that vicinity, nor shall he or she be disqualified for refusing to work because of strikes or unsafe or unhealthful working conditions.

than the usual trade union standards in the particular trade and locality.

Section 4. Creation of Unemployment Insurance Fund—There shall be created an Unemployment Insurance Fund, fifty per cent to be contributed by the employers and fifty per cent by the state. The amount contributed by the employers shall be made up of payments for each worker normally employed by them on the basis of the average number of workers employed in each establishment for the past two years or less, if the establishment has been operating for a shorter period.

Section 5. Administration of Act—There shall be created for the administration of this act, Federal, State and City Unemployment Insurance Commissions, composed of representatives of Trade Unions, Organizations of the Unemployed and Factory, Mill, Shop and Mine Committees.

## PARTY HOLDS 3 STATE MEETINGS

### Patterson To Run on Ohio Ticket

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have enthusiastically endorsed the Party program for the coming electoral campaign and arranged a vigorous state drive.

The following candidates were placed on the state ticket: Chester W. Bixby, for governor; John Corbin for lieutenant-governor; Harry J. Cantor for secretary of state; Eva Hoffman, for auditor; Albert Oddie for treasurer; Max Lerner for attorney general; and John Ballam for state senator. Lewis Marks was nominated from the twelfth congressional district.

It is expected that Jackson W. Hunter of Cambridge, a Negro Communist, will be the candidate from the Negro district.

The Convention also elected its full quota of 21 delegates to the National Nominating Convention in New York City.

## Ohio Holds Convention.

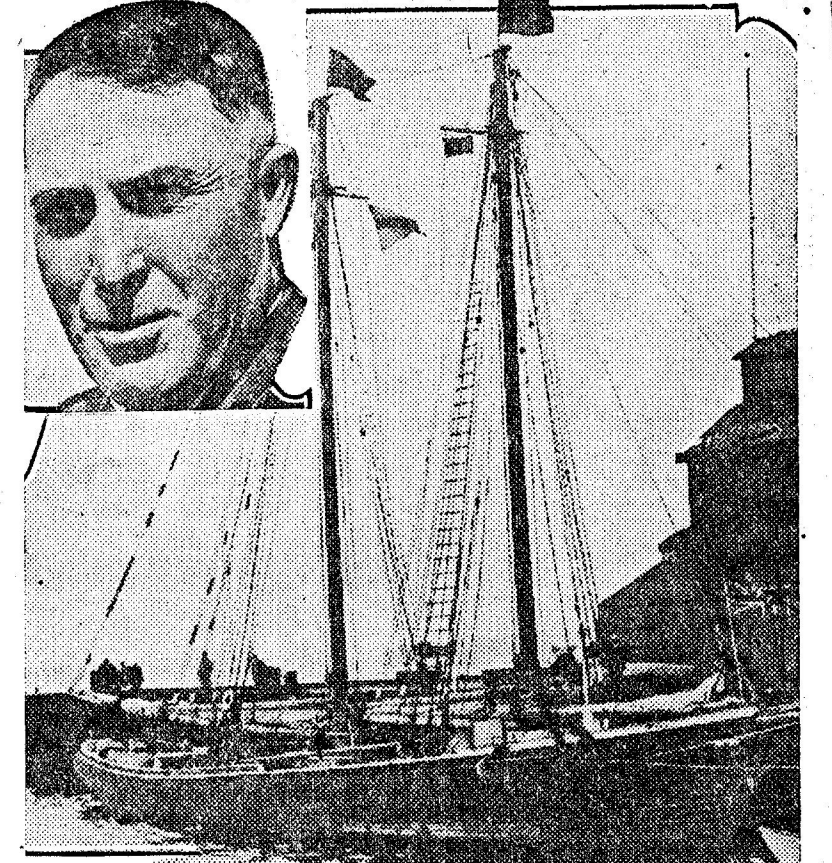
CLEVELAND, May 23.—The Nominating Convention of the Workers (Communist) Party was held in Cleveland on May 20, and put up a full state ticket. It nominated William Patterson, of Toledo, for governor; Carl Hacker, of Cleveland, for lieutenant-governor; Bruce T. Smith, of Toledo, for secretary of state; Joseph Coope, of Youngstown, for state auditor; and Edwin Blank of Lima, for attorney general.

The candidates for U. S. senators are Israel Amter, of Cleveland, and J. Willnecker of Toledo. J. Foley is the nominee for U. S. congressman for Cleveland, Frank Sepich, of Neffs for Eastern Ohio, C. V. Stephenson, for Toledo and Carl Guilloid for Canton.

Among the candidates for the state Senate are Sadie Van Veen and Milosh Boich.

Resolutions were adopted on miners' relief and defense, on American imperialism, unemployment, injunctions, the Negro question, and the Labor Party.

## Will Seek Source of Toltec Culture



Captain A. Bartlett, in the inset, is cruising in the Arctic, aboard the schooner Effie M. Morrissey, shown in the picture. Captain Bartlett believes that the cave sepulchres which natives report to exist on islands off northern Asia, may shed important light on the pre-Aztec civilization of the Toltecs. Latest reports state that discoveries have already been made.

## 250 IS NEW TOLL OF MINE DEATHS

### Operators Violate All Safety Rules

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been caused by the discharge of coal dust took place after the day shift of 600 men had left and 75 of the night shift had entered the mine. The death toll may be even greater than the company officials are willing to admit. The operators are open shop and union-hating.

## Town Becomes Morgue.

MATHER, Pa., May 23.—Bodies of 176 victims have already been removed from the open shop Mather Colliery in which over 200 miners are known to have died as a result of an explosion Saturday morning. The whole district is in mourning.

## Ohio Miners Hold Big Convention

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quent applause punctuated the speeches of delegates.

Mother Gwynn received an ovation when she brought greetings from the women's auxiliary. She called upon the miners to organize women's auxiliaries everywhere in order to help win the strike.

At the afternoon session yesterday, Pat Toohy received an ovation when he declared that the miners would starve before surrendering. Representatives of the unorganized West Virginia fields reported that the miners there are ready to join the strike when Lewis is driven out. A Negro delegate, House, who was expelled for attending the April 1 Pittsburgh conference, declared that the Negro miners will fall in line and fight with the other miners.

## Gin Raid May Halt Big Meet of Democrats

HOUSTON, Tex., May 23.—Gnashing of teeth, wringing of hands and other manifestations of great sorrow on the part of delegates to the forthcoming democratic convention here followed the announcement that \$75,000 worth of rich liquor has just been seized at Seabrook, near here.

So hard is the blow considered that it is said that a clamor has arisen for the postponement of the convention or, as a mild alternative, its transfer to some other city known for its wet proclivities.

The advance guard of the liquor fleet was heavily loaded. Booze was piled so high on the ships that the deck houses were hidden from view and gunwales were washed in a stiff southward breeze. The deck cargo was good, foamy beer, ent to slake the thirst of the entire Tammany delegation.

## Grand Rapids to Hold Collection for Miners

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., May 23.—A house-to-house collection for miners' relief will be held on Saturday, all day, under the auspices of the Grand Rapids Conference for Miners' Relief. All women and those who will participate will report to the relief headquarters Room 209, 211 Monroe Avenue, at 10 a. m.

## Chicago Concert June 2

CHICAGO, May 23.—The Chicago Italian Labor Defense branches will hold a big concert on June 2, 1928 at Emmet Memorial Hall Ogden Ave. and Taylor St. for the benefit of victims of the fascist terror and for miners' defense.

## CHICAGO ACTIVE IN NEW CAMPAIGN FOR "DAILY" SUBS

### Use Novel Plan to Give Paper to Miners

Subscription work in Chicago is proceeding at a rapid rate, declared S. T. Hammersmark, DAILY WORKER Chicago agent, who arrived in New York yesterday to attend the National Nominating Convention of the Workers (Communist) Party. Hammersmark brought with him 18 new subscriptions to The DAILY WORKER.

Hammersmark also brought with him bundle orders for the distribution of the Daily among the miners in the various sub-districts of Illinois. This will be an important feature of the campaign to spread the influence of The DAILY WORKER, Hammersmark said. One hundred thousand Illinois miners are on strike under the direction of the Save-the-Union Committee, and it is of the greatest importance to them that they receive The DAILY WORKER regularly to aid them in their great struggle.

Another interesting feature of subscription work in Chicago is the method of securing subscriptions for striking miners. Each Workers Party unit is given a collection box and each member puts three cents into this box at every meeting. In this way enough money is collected to secure a number of free subscriptions for miners every week.

Other cities throught the country are also showing renewed energy and the DAILY WORKER subscription drive is reaching workers who had never known of the paper before.

## DEMAND STRIKERS RELEASE AT JAIL

### Angry Workers Surround Kenosha Pen

KENOSHA, Wis., May 23.—Hundreds of workers surrounded the police station here Tuesday night in a demonstration, and demanded the release of the eight strikers arrested for picketing the plant of the Allen-A Hosiery Company in violation of a vicious injunction. The knitters here have been conducting a bitter strike against a lockout for the past 15 weeks.

Three women were let out of jail at midnight, but the remaining five men were confined overnight, and held for trial on disorderly conduct charges.

A Citizens' Committee of 1,000 has been organized at mass meetings called here to protest against the importation of armed strikebreakers by the open-shop mill owners. The committee made a demand on City Manager Osborn, that the imported strikebreakers and thugs be ordered out of town. It is generally believed, however, that the city authorities will issue no such orders because they are almost completely controlled by the labor-hating Nash Motor Company, whose factories are situated here.

The home of District Attorney Powell was bombed last night, shattering the wall on one side of the house.

Despite the fact that the district attorney is known to have aroused the hatred of a bootlegging gang by prosecuting several of its number, the capitalist newspapers are saying: "It is believed that strikers at the hosiery mills may have instigated the attack."

While the boss controlled police may attempt to engineer a frame-up of strikers, such an attempt will probably be unsuccessful, it is believed, due to the fact that nearly the whole population of the city is sympathetic to the strikers.

## WHITES AND NEGROES SUFFER IN SOUTH

### Jobless Textile Workers and Poor Farmers Facing Hunger

By ART SHIELDS.

DANVILLE, Va., (FP) May 23.—Traveling thru the red clay foothills of the Blue Ridge mountains, from Charlottesville to Danville, 150 miles, the writer finds the general complaint that times are harder than any that this region has seen in years. Low tobacco prices for the farmers, and unemployment and part time in the factories are rife.

In Danville, near the North Carolina border, a cotton mill city of more than 30,000 if its industrial suburbs are included, the local charity agency, the community welfare association, admits that only a fraction of the local distress is being relieved.

"The mill workers had nothing saved up, they were living from hand to mouth before the depression," a charity worker stated. "Now with so many laid off, and the rest on four days a week, there is much hunger. If the mill shuts down for two or three months this summer, as we fear, I don't know what the people will do."

The Riverside and Dan River Cotton Mills, which employs 6,200

workers in better times and dominates the town, is assuming no responsibility for the suffering of its people. It passes the buck for administering relief to the local charity agency supported by the Community Chest to which the workers have to contribute.

A by-product of the drop in employment is the slump in the earnings of the local streetcar company, which gets most of its fares by hauling the workers from home to mill and return. In an effort to get business from a different class of customers the cars now carry this slogan in big letters: "Park Your Car At Home and Ride the Street Cars."

In Lynchburg, 65 miles to the north, times are nearly as bad for the employees of the shoe and garment factories, and the tobacco farmers who sell to the local warehouse owners.

Of all the farmers in the United States, these Virginia tobacco growers, who raise what is known as the "dark-fired" variety, are almost the worst off. The bright leaf

growers to the south, who produce for the cigarette plants, have their prices fixed by the trust, it is true, but at least their product is in demand. But the "dark-fired" weed is a back number, not wanted much any more though farmers continue to grow it, not knowing what else to do.

This "dark-fired" tobacco, so named for its color and curing, was formerly exported in quantity to Italy, where it went into the strong cheap cigars of that country. Now that the Italians are raising much of their own smoke material they buy less here. Little of this leaf is used at home.

"This whole country," said one farmer, "is overriden with debt, both white and Negro." The Negro tenants live in squalor in one or two-room log cabins, often with dirt floors. Many of the Negro farmers have given up the struggle on the soil and have gone into the northern industrial centers. There are more white than Negro growers. The white men, subject to the same economic laws, are little if any better off.

## 100,000 Miners on Strike 30,000 Textile Workers on Strike

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# Engineer, Accused in Donetz Sabotage Conspiracy, Admits Flooding Mines

## ADMITS GETTING BRIBE FOR PLOT TO WRECK MINES

Received 10,000 Roubles From Czarists

(Continued from Page One) the sum of ten thousand roubles. He named as his accomplices the engineers Shadun, Kalganov and Gorletski.

The first two of the engineers implicated by Beresovsky admitted their guilt while Gorletski issued a denial. Beresovsky also admitted working for the restoration of the Czarist regime.

The president and the judges put a number of questions to Beresovsky, whose answers compromised a number of others of the accused. The examination of Beresovsky was concluded late yesterday.

In answer to the defending attorney's questions, Beresovsky maintained his statements which compromised the other accused who have not yet confessed their parts in the counter-revolutionary conspiracy.

A number of Donetz miners testified that Beresovsky was an enemy of the working class who, during the war, treated war prisoners who worked in the mines in a barbarous manner.

(Special Cable to the Daily Worker). MOSCOW, May 23.—Yesterday's afternoon session in the Donetz trial was devoted to the examination of Kalganov, who served as Beresovsky's assistant.

Kalganov confessed and named his subordinates.

He declared that he had actively participated in the conspiracy himself, and that he had deliberately worked unprofitable seams of the coal mines. He also admitted that he had regularly conveyed information to the former owners of the mines, for which he had received considerable sums.

Questioned by Krenenko, prosecuting attorney, concerning his motives, Kalganov stated that he acted not merely for money but as a matter of conviction. Of late, he said, he had begun to doubt whether the Soviets could be overthrown. Workers in the gallery roared with laughter when Kalganov made this remark.

## LABOR DEFENSE RALLIES MINERS

### Anti-Fascist Meeting in Anthracite

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., May 23.—An enthusiastic gathering of workers' organizations from the mining centers of Scranton, Wilkes-Barre, Nanticoke and Plymouth was held here at Rusenko Hall, to organize a fight against the fascist Pilsudski terror of Poland and for the release of Bela Kun.

The brutalities inflicted upon the oppressed minorities within the boundaries of Polish fascism was described by B. K. Gebert, militant miner and editor of the Polish labor paper "Rabotcha Tribuna." Dmitryshyn, a Ukrainian speaker, followed.

This conference was held under the auspices of International Labor Defense whose representative, Sidney Bloomfield exposed the Pilsudski government and showed how the American government and the Wall Street bankers are supporting Polish fascism, a recent manifestation of which was a loan of \$70,000,000 to Pilsudski by the Wall Street bankers and called upon the workers of all nationalities to make common cause against the Polish terror which has the support of the enemies of Labor in this country.

An executive committee of five was elected and plans for a larger conference as well as mass meetings to be held in the mining regions were worked out.

### Twelve Boston Citizens Caught with Much Booze

GLOUCESTER, Mass., May 23.—In a "surprise" attack, Deputy Collector of Customs Thomas F. Finnegan and the customs special squad captured 12 Boston men and a big cargo of smuggled liquor on the beach at Amesville.

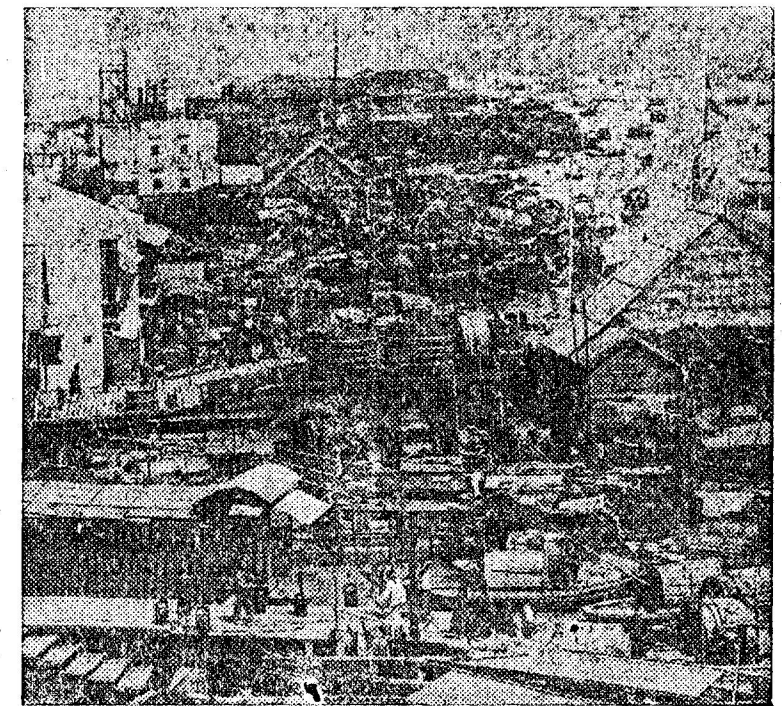
The 600 cases of liquor seized was valued at nearly \$50,000 customs men said. Two motor trucks and two expensive type motor cars were also seized.

### Fascist Airship Back; Sighted No New Land

KINGS BAY, Spitzbergen, May 23.—After 68 hours of flight over the Arctic regions, the dirigible Italia, commanded by General Umberto Nobile, returned to its base here today without having sighted any new land. The airship did not fly over Lenin Land as was originally planned.

The Italia will start for the North Pole within the next few days.

## Where New Worker-Peasant Revolt Looms



View of Canton, where war lords fear a new worker-peasant revolt. General Li Chai-sum who now controls the city has issued an order outlawing all demonstrations. With the recent successes of worker-peasant troops in the vicinity of Suatow and with the growth of unrest in Canton, Li Chai-sum fears the outbreak of a revolt.

## TOLL OF POISON GAS INCREASING

### Believe Phosgene Was Destined for U. S.

BERLIN, May 23.—All Germany has been shaken by the comment following the poison gas explosion in Hamburg which killed 11 persons outright and put 250 others in the hospital. Many of the asphyxiated victims are in such serious condition that it is believed they cannot recover.

The "Rote Fahne," official organ of the German Communist Party, declares that the gas was stored for the "coming imperialist war."

The Berliner Arbeiter Abendblatt called it "a general rehearsal for aero-chemical warfare of the future." The newspaper added:

"The terrible lesson the German people will realize from this is what a horrible fate awaits civilians when the terrors of future gas warfare breaks upon them unexpectedly."

An official investigation is already under way at Hamburg. Officials of the Reichswehr have been summoned to testify whether the German army high command knew anything about the existence of the poison gas.

Experts testified that the wind been blowing towards Hamburg instead of away from it, thousands might have been killed as the phosgene would have been carried into the heart of the city.

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## HOOVER SPENT LOT OF COIN IN INDIANA

### Willis Slush Fund Going Strong at Death

WASHINGTON, D. C., May 23.—A total of \$53,700 was contributed to Herbert Hoover's unsuccessful campaign in Indiana, declared Oscar E. Foellinger, manager of the Indiana campaign, testifying before the senate committee. The Hoover slush fund throughout the country totals nearly \$250,000, the largest amount admitted by any of the candidates.

Another witness before the senate committee today was Carmi Thompson, manager of the late Senator Willis' campaign against Hoover, who testified that \$41,216 was expended in behalf of Willis.

## Fire in Condemned House Kills 2 Children

ARGO, Ill., May 23.—Trapped in their rooms, two children were burned to death when fire destroyed three frame dwellings here. The dead are Cleo Brown, 2 years old, and Henry Griffith, 3 years old, both Negroes. The buildings in which the two children died had been declared unsafe a year ago, but nothing had been done to remedy this.

## British Coal Baron Dies

LONDON, May 23.—Lord Buckland (Henry S. Berry), a multi-millionaire and chief figure in a proposed colossal merger of coal mining companies, was accidentally killed today. He was riding a horse which collided with a telegraph pole. Lord Buckland made his vast fortune in the coal mining industry. He was director in more than 50 companies.

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## MEXICANS SCORE MURDER OF SOZZI

### Anti-Fascist Alliance Held Meeting

MEXICO CITY, (By Mail).—The Mexican Section of the International Anti-Fascist Alliance organized a united front mass meeting in this city last night in protest for the murder of Gaston Sozzi by Mussolini's blackguards. The large hall of the Communist Party was filled to overflowing.

Comrade Enea Sormenti presided at the meeting. Ex-Senator Luis G. Monzon spoke in the name of the Mexican Section of the International Labor Defense, dealing in detail with the atrocious persecutions of the militant workers in Italy under the dictatorship of Benito Mussolini.

Other speakers were Professor Rafael Ramos Pedreza for the Teachers' International; Jorge Fernandez for the Young Communist Federation of Mexico; Tina Modotti for the Anti-Fascist Alliance and Juan Jose Martinez for the Central Committee of the Mexican Communist Party, each of which touched on different phases of the international struggle against fascism and the conditions reigning in Italy at the present time.

## PULLMANS HIRE CELEBRATED SPY

### MacDonald, Expert, Will 'Persuade' Porters

A. R. MacDonald, specialist in labor espionage and strikebreaking, has been hired by Pullman to "stop" the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters, which is on the eve of closing a strike vote showing 100 to 1 sentiment among porters for a walkout, if necessary, to obtain union recognition.

MacDonald, self described "industrial engineer," refused to deny that his services had been engaged by Pullman. "For certain business reasons," he responded, "I would rather not say anything right now about that particular matter."

Pullman, fighting desperately against the porters' union and its strike vote, has fallen back now on labor espionage. First it organized a company union to stem its workers' desire to join a real trade union. When the imitation union failed to supplant the Brotherhood, Pullman began firing union leaders and dissembling members. That, too, failed to dent the young Brotherhood.

Later Pullman resorted to corruption of Negro editors, cowed Negro pastors into spreading anti-union propaganda and even browbeat southern colleges to keep union organizers from addressing students.

But Pullman leans on a weak reed. It expects A. R. MacDonald to break up the porters' union through espionage. MacDonald is none too clever himself. He is remembered in labor circles chiefly for his effort to prove that Louis Budenz is a Communist.

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## DAVIS SORRY FOR R. R. UNEMPLOYED

### O, No, He Has No Plan for Relief

COLUMBUS, O., May 23 (FP).—Approximately a quarter million railway workers have been displaced by machinery and speeding up in the past 10 years while traffic and tonnage have increased about 20%, said secretary of labor Davis to the triennial convention of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks in Columbus. While bemoaning the unemployment and distress Davis had no program for taking care of displaced workers in railroading and other industries.

Pres. Castellini of the Brotherhood of Railway Clerks Nat. Bank of Cincinnati proposed that the name of the institution be changed to the Franklin Nat. Bank because business men "dislike to use the name of a labor union on their checks." The bank is now paying dividends on its stock.

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## Why Every Miner Should Be a Communist

By JOHN PEPPER

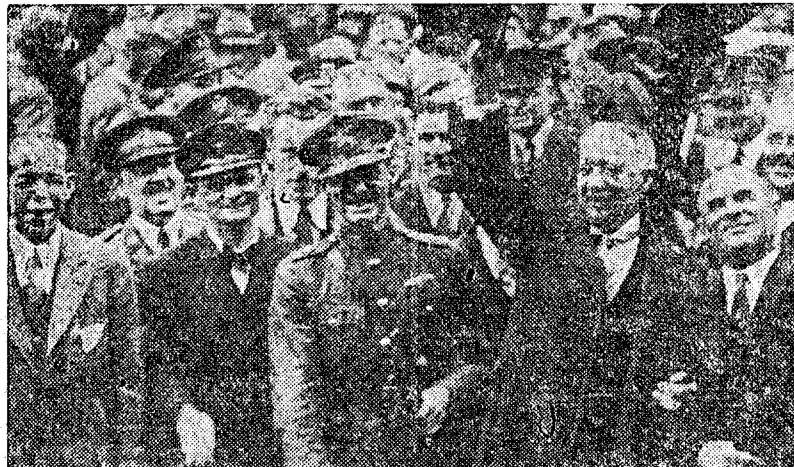
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## Tammany Again Greet Its Fascist Friends



Al Smith, like his Tammany side-kick Jimmy Walker, has ushered out his plug hat and his smiles for the German fascist flyers. Photo from left to right shows Mayor John B. Thatcher, of Albany, Baron von Heunfeld, Major Fitzmaurice, Tammany Al Smith, and Capt. Koehl.

## USSR MADE HUGE GOLD SHIPMENTS TO VISIT JEWISH COLONIES IN USSR

### \$350,000,000 Received by United States

Shipments of gold from the U. S. S. R. to a total value of \$350,000,000 were received by the United States during the years 1920-1922, according to the report of the United States Senate Commission of Gold and Silver Inquiry, quoted in a pamphlet "Russian Gold" released yesterday by the Amtorg Trading Corporation of New York.

The conclusions in the senate report of 1925 are corroborated by customs statistics of Sweden, France and Switzerland, the countries through which Russian gold found its way here, and dispatches in the press of 1920-22 regarding Russian gold shipments. The brochure of 72 pages also contains data regarding Russian gold production, the present Soviet gold reserve and Soviet foreign trade.

A statement by A. L. Scheinman, chairman of the Soviet State Bank, printed in the pamphlet, indicates that the \$5,000,000 in Soviet gold recently shipped to this country was sent to serve in adjusting the Soviet Union's unfavorable trade balance with the United States, which reached a total of \$90,000,000 in the twelve months ending March 31, 1928.

The recent gold shipment, according to Scheinman, came from the newly created gold reserve which the Soviet authorities began to accumulate in 1923 after the remainder of the gold stock of the Imperial government had been exported to pay for Soviet purchases abroad.

Professor Chas. Kuntz, well-known educator and member of the National Executive of the "Icor," left on the Mauretania last night going to Soviet Russia as the first representative of an American organization in Biro Bidjan, the country on the Amour River in the Russian Far East which has been allotted by the Soviet government for Jewish Colonization with the view to create an autonomous Jewish state in that region.

Professor Chas. Kuntz will represent the "Icor," a Jewish organization, with offices at 799 Broadway, New York, which for the past three years has been active in raising funds to assist the Jewish colonization work in Soviet Russia. At present the "Icor" undertook to cooperate with the Jewish colonization in Biro Bidjan by raising funds for the introduction of American machinery and equipment as well as American technical methods in building up that country. It is also contemplated to form a group of American trained experts in various lines of industry and agriculture to go to Biro Bidjan as technical advisers.

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## BONITA DEFENSE CONTINUES WORK

### Committee Meets to Plan Action

WILKES-BARRE, Pa., May 23.—The new executive committee which was elected by the Bonita-Moleski-Mendola Defense conference held recently at Luzerne, met at the defense committee's office, room 306, Commerce Building, at 2 P. M.

The following officers were chosen: Powers Haggood, chairman; James Lamarea of U. M. W. A. local 1703, vice-chairman; Frank Vratarich, secretary; George Papcun, asst. secretary; Charles Licata, treasurer, and N. Borich, Charles Licata and Frank Vratarich, trustees. B. K. Gebert and Frank Bonita were added to the executive committee by acclamation.

The executive committee will continue the work of the conference and will renew the agitation for the release of Bonita. More affiliations will be made to the committee and an advisory committee of prominent individuals in the labor movement will be organized to assist the executive committee.

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### 12-Year-Old Boy Killed by Rosario Police

BUENOS AYRES, May 23.—A general strike that may tie up the entire city looms here.

With the 24-hour strike of port workers over, the more militant sections of the labor movement are agitating for a general strike in sympathy with the striking dock workers of Rosario.

ROSARIO, May 23.—A twelve year old boy was killed here yesterday when police opened fire on demonstrating strike workers.

A number of persons were injured in a clash between strikers and strike-breakers who are attempting to work under heavy police guard.

Printers who went on strike yesterday in sympathy with the port workers succeeded in closing down every newspaper in the city. Many workers have been arrested in connection with the strike.

The port zone here is under heavy police guard. No one is permitted to approach the docks without a special permit.

## SEAMEN FIGHT TO RESCUE BELA KUN

### Hold Mass Meeting in Sebastopol

MOSCOW, May 23.—Mass meetings of seamen held in Sebastopol in conjunction with a huge mass meeting of workers of the city passed a resolution demanding the immediate release of Bela Kun.

Further protest meetings were held in Vladivostok, Petrosavodsk and other towns.

CUBAN SUGAR STRIKE. HAVANA, May 23.—The strike of dockers on the Sugar States (large sugar plantations near the town of Cuetio) has ended.

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OLD JOHNSON THOUGHT CHILDREN DISTRIBUTING THE DAILY WORKER WERE SEIZING PLANT

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J.—The distribution of The DAILY WORKER on last Thursday stirred up the whole town.

The workers recognized that the stories in the paper were the stories of their life in the factory.

superintendent are nervously watching for the least chance in order to find out who the workers are that sent in the news about the conditions.

The bosses are so much frightened about the idea that their workers might some day organize, and demand better conditions, that an order has been issued in the factory that every worker

who received a copy of The DAILY at the distribution should bring the paper up to the office.

Naturally the city fathers and the police are all behind the

bosses to help them. At the distribution Mr. Johnson thought that the workers would take over the factory the next day, and his good days would be over, so he himself motored down to get the police to arrest those that were distributing.

Plumbers' Union Tricksters Are Out Electioneering, Correspondent Reveals

"LEADERS" WHO SOLD OUT STRIKE HUNTING VOTES

Fake Organization Plan for Helpers Discussed

(By a Worker Correspondent) With the increase of building construction, the plumbing trade has picked up a little during the past month.

The elections for all officers of the Brooklyn Plumbers Local No. 1 will take place in June.

The so-called "progressives" of Local No. 1, who sold out the plumbers last year during their ten-week strike, will run again.

The militants of Local No. 1 will nominate a slate of their own in coming election.

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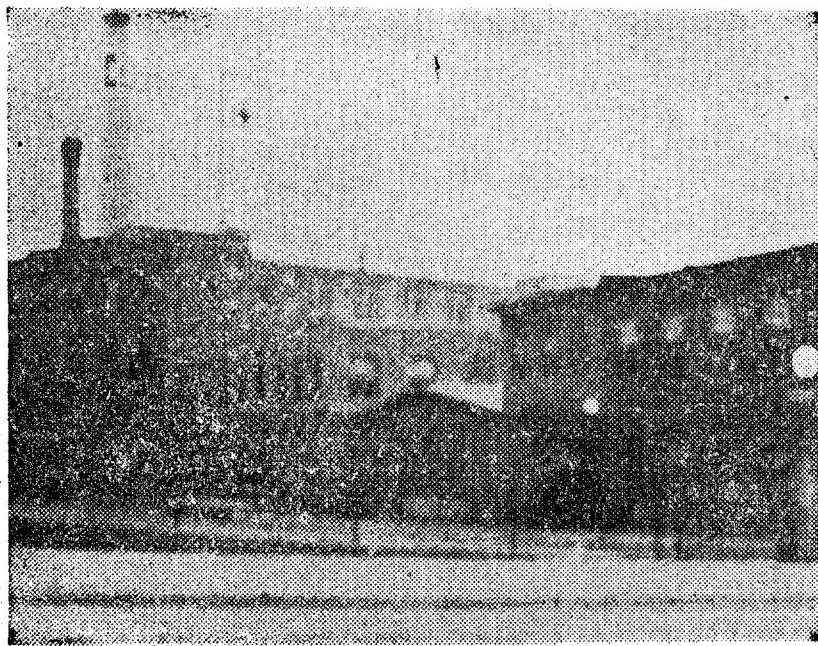
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The Red Cross That Crushes the Workers



A general view of the Johnson and Johnson, medical supply plant at New Brunswick, N. J., where the workers are mercilessly driven by the speed-up.

TRY TO FIX FIRE BLAME ON MINERS

Burned Tipple Carried Heavy Insurance

(By a Worker Correspondent)

PIPE CREEK, Ohio, (By Mail).—The tipple of the Johnson mine of the Powhatan Mining company near here, was destroyed before dawn Friday, May 18 by fire.

The mine was to have resumed operation about June 1st, according to crews of workmen who were cleaning the diggings.

The coal pits were completely closed down by strikers for more than a year. The tipple was insured for \$35,000.

The origin of the fire, which started at the top of the tipple, has not been ascertained.

The structure spanned the Ohio River Highway and was formerly used for both railroad and river loadings.

The highway below Dilles Bottom was blocked by the debris, and all telephone communication was destroyed by the fire.

Superintendent Lawrence Larch was on hand when the flame was discovered, and caused the tipple to be dynamited to avoid the destruction of the power house near by.

In an attempt to cast suspicion upon the strikers in the neighborhood, the company invites the fire marshal to investigate the destruction of the heavily-insured tipple, saying they believed incendiaries were responsible.

—BEND.

Upholsterer Pickets in Jail Again

(By a Worker Correspondent.)

LOS ANGELES, Cal., (By Mail).—Pickets at the California High Grade Upholstery, 2132 E. First St., have been jailed several times since the last report was sent The DAILY WORKER.

They are taken out again as quickly as the "red" squad puts them in. And, of course, they always find their way back to the picket line.

The spirit of the strikers is fine. They have the Will to Win.

—L. P. RINDAL.

Prisoner Escapes to the Hospital

Samuel Debro, 33, of 17 Grand St., alleged confidence man, is in Bellevue Hospital with a broken arm and contusions suffered when he fell six stories in an attempt to escape police.

At the West 100th Street Police Station, he ran for the stairway and gained the roof of the building.

Here he crossed on a clothes line hand over hand, to the top of a department store. Debro had almost reached the other roof when the line snapped.

Several other lines which he struck before hitting the paved court below checked his fall and probably saved his life.

JOHNSON FOREMEN IGNORE FISHWICK LOLL ON TABLES, OUSTER TELEGRAM DRIVING WORKERS LEADERS BETRAY

Demand 85-Cent Minimum Wages

(Continued from page one)

for "cheap" Johnson. Those who do not do any useful work, like these slave drivers, get the good wages and those that work hard from morning till evening, get starvation wages.

Another thing which is installed in the factory for the amusement of the bosses and not the workers, is the great radio set in the office.

It was installed in a special room and cost fifty thousand dollars. The price of this set has been sweated out by the hard labor of the workers.

It is impossible for a machine runner to make ten dollars and seven cents at the tonnage rate to make up the difference.

In case the machine runner doesn't have any cutting they place him at any other labor they agree to pay him at the rate of \$10.07 per day.

This to apply to machine-runners only. This is supposed to be signed as the Jacksonville agreement.

This was accepted by the membership of Labor Union No. 959 without a dissenting vote in the presence of sub-district board member Hessay Heinman.

Now the tonnage previously for the short wall machine-runners was 13 cents per ton, for the breast machine runners 14 cents per ton.

Now we see coming into operation the company union when the superintendent of a coal company attends a local union meeting with a contract drawn up by the company which the miners accept over the heads of the United Mine Workers of America.

The scale so made in the presence of the sub-district board member, who never objected to the same, proves that the Lewis and Fishwick cut-throat system of signing up separate and temporary agreements is destroying the miners' union.

The wage cutting now going on by formulating day wage rate for machine runners where previously they had been paid by the ton means a substantial reduction in wages.

Mr. James Dun, superintendent proposed that a committee of miners be appointed by President White of No. 959 to sign the said agreement as proposed by the Lewis-Fishwick machine.

The membership of the local union afraid of expulsion from the organization, and the use of "gunmen of the administration" along with the presence of the coal operators' representatives in the union hall makes it smack very much of company unionism.

Here we can see by the silence of the board member, his making no protest or raising his voice against the contract proposed by Mr. Dunn, the corruption of the officialdom of the United Mine Workers of America.

It now appears that Lon Fox will have to call a strike at mine No. 8 and possibly have to call in the Save-the-Union Committee to help picket the mine.

In order to maintain his own position he will now have to threaten the miners with expulsion at mine No. 8.

—D. H. S.

Gomez, Son of Dictator, Sails From Venezuela

CARACAS, Venezuela, May 23.—General Jose Vicente Gomez, former vice president of Venezuela and son of the president, is reported to have left the country.

He will travel to Europe with his family, it has been announced. The vice president's action is seen as significant in the light of the rumored disagreements between the father and son.

FOG BLAMED FOR MISHAP. BUFFALO, N. Y., May 23.—The dense fog prevailing here yesterday was blamed today for the automobile accident which caused the death of two men and two women.

Their automobile tore through a steel cable guard and plunged over an embankment to the railroad tracks 20 feet below.

What I Saw in China

by TOM MANN

For the past three years the Chinese masses have been struggling for freedom from the clutches of imperialism.

Everyone nowadays is either talking or writing China. Tom Mann, "grand old man" of the British labor movement, contributes his observations after a stay of six months in China with the International Workers Delegation.

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Goethe's "Faust" to Open Theatre Guild's New Season

THE Theatre Guild has already decided on production for next season. This will be Goethe's "Faust," which was first announced for this season.

The version used will be by Graham and Tristram Pawson, which has already been utilized by the Old Vic in London.

Friedrich Holl, one of the directors of the Volksbuhne in Berlin, will stage the production for the Guild. Lee Simonson will design the settings.

George Gaul has been engaged for the title role according to present plans, and it is expected that Dudley Digges will be the Mephistopheles.

Helen Chandler will be the Marguerite and Helen Westley, the mother. For three years the Guild has been planning a "Faust" production. This time the plans are definite.

Charles Dillingham will present "The Brass Ring" at the Apollo Theatre, Atlantic City, the week of June 4 before offering it to New York.

The authors of the play are Buford Armitage and Philip Dunning. Nydia Westman, Gail DeHart, Buford Armitage, Duncan Panwarden and Marie Taylor are the featured players.

"Bottled in Bond" hereafter will be the title of the comedy, "Bottled" which moved from the Booth to the Klaw Theatre.

Bobby Connolly, who staged "Good News" and "The Desert Song" for Schwab and Mandel, will have the task of staging the production of "The New Moon" for the same producer.

The American Laboratory Theatre announces as its first production for season, a revival of "Saratoga," a play popular in the '70's and was written by Brennon Howard.

"The Domino Parlor," a play of an Oklahoma small town, by Lynn Riggs, has been acquired by the Messrs. Shubert for early production.

ELSIE LAWSON



Plays an important role in "Whispering Friends," George M. Cohan's comedy now in its fourth month at the Hudson Theatre.

Strikebreaker Released; Strikers Held in Jail

KENOSHA Wis., (FP) May 23.—A strikebreaker caught by a deputy sheriff as he was firing several shots at a locked out union man was released without further ado by the Kenosha police.

But 24 pickets near the Allen-A hosiery plant were arrested, locked up overnight and held on \$100 bail each before their cases were dismissed, all because they had been shouting at the men who had taken away their jobs.

This is openshop justice in Kenosha.

Lake Crew Endangered

SAULT STE. MARIE, Mich., May 23.—The steamer Ericsson carrying 300,000 bushels of grain, was rammed by the steamer Harvey and beached at Detour in a fog on Lake Huron, a radio message here said.

The steamer J. R. Reiss, which sent the message, picked up the Ericsson's crew of thirty.

AMUSEMENTS

The Theatre Guild presents Eugene O'Neill's Play, Strange Interlude. John Golden then, 15th E. of Broadway. Evenings Only at 5:30.

ALL THIS WEEK VOLPONE. Guild Th. W. 52d St. Evs. 8:30. Mats. Thurs. & Sat. 2:30. Week of May 28: "Marco Millions".

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Youth Conference Send \$1,200 For Miners' Aid

During the last two weeks the Youth Conference for Miners' Relief has sent in \$2,500 for the relief of the starving miners in the striking areas.

During the two tag days held recently, it collected over \$1,200. The complete account has up to now not been made out.

Tarrytown Barbers Fight Wagecut

TARRYTOWN, May 23.—Most of the barber shops here are closed today as a result of the strike declared by the journeymen barbers yesterday after an attempt to cut their wages had been made.

The shop-owners had expected strikebreakers from New York, but only four scabs appeared. At present the hair-cutting industry of Tarrytown is at a complete standstill.

Defenders of THE DAILY WORKER

Table listing names and locations of contributors to the 'Defenders of THE DAILY WORKER' fund. Includes names like H. Shapiro, A. Kratochvil, A. H. Becker, etc., with amounts.

# Progressive Dyers Denounce Gangsterism in Their Union at Protest Meeting

## PARTICIPANTS TO BE FIRED, UNION HEADS THREATEN

### Take Names of Those in Attendance

Despite the presence of officials of the Cleaners and Dyers Union, seated outside the hall in a large limousine checking off the names of all those attending, the progressive group in the union succeeded in holding a successful protest meeting against the gangster rule and blacklist methods used against all those opposing the reactionary policies of the administration. The meeting was held Monday night in the Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Place.

#### Protest Attack.

The meeting was called by the progressives in and also those expelled from the union for their advocacy of a militant policy toward the employers. They called it specifically to protest against the brutal assault on those attending a meeting of the progressive group recently. This meeting was invaded by a squad of thugs armed with hammers and iron pipes, and was led by several of the union officials themselves. A number of workers were taken to the hospital after their skulls had been fractured.

The progressive group had issued handbills in calling the union membership to this meeting. These leaflets were promptly answered by the officialdom with an announcement that all those attending the meeting would not only be expelled from the organization but immediately removed from the job. In the auto leading the squad of gangsters were A. Hammer, president of the union, and J. Cohen, secretary.

#### Mass Demands.

The meeting unanimously adopted a resolution, which after condemning the thug rule in the union, the expulsion policy, and the fascist method of threatening with the loss of jobs all those opposing the administration's policy of laying down and selling out to the bosses, made three principal demands. They are: 1. Reinstatement of all the expelled; 2. Removal of the gangster terror; 3. An immediate election so that the membership can choose an honest and militant administration for the union.

## PARTY SPREADS FIGHT ON 7c STEAL

### Hold Open Air Meets Thruout City

While politicians of all camps sought to pluck as much political fruit as they could from the harvest which they believe they can gather as a result of the temporary postponement of the increased fare move, the agitation against the traction sell-out under the leadership of the Workers (Communist) Party continued to spread. A number of open air mass meetings were held throughout the city at which speakers warned audiences that the traction steal, put off until after election, would surely go through then unless a mass opposition against it developed.

Jimmie Walker, Tammany Hall mayor, who is known to have made \$287,000 last year from his traction stocks joined with U. S. Senator Robert F. Wagner, another Tammany son in claiming the court order as a "sweeping victory" for the democratic machine. Wagner is the author of the so-called Wagner Bill which passed the legislature in 1913 legalizing the dual subway contracts as a result of which the city has already been plundered of over two hundred million dollars.

## CHICAGO PLANS BELA KUN MEET

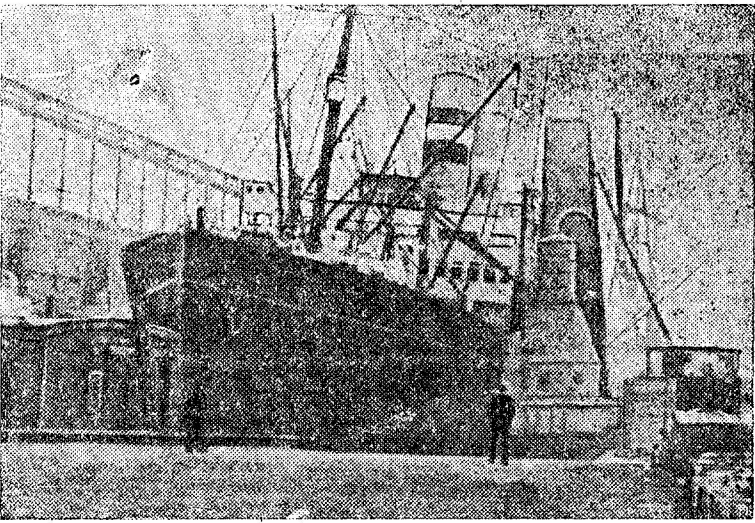
CHICAGO, May 23.—Workers in this city will add their voices to the world-wide protest against the arrest of Bela Kun by the Seipel government of Austria at a mass demonstration to be held at Northwest Hall, corner of North and Western Aves. on Friday.

The demonstration is under the auspices of Local Chicago of the International Labor Defense. The speakers announced so far are Ralph Chaplin, famous class war prisoner; Attorney Shulman of the Workmen's Circle; Paul Petras of Hungarian Societies and Joseph Giganti.

## Chicago Young Workers To Hold Banquet Soon

CHICAGO, May 23.—One of the biggest affairs ever arranged by the Chicago league will be the huge banquet and entertainment on June 9, to be held at the Workers Lyceum, 2738

## Rush Repairs on Ship as Profits Stop



The Holland-American line is driving men day and night to rush repairs on the transatlantic liner Veendam, which sank after a crash in a fog on New York Bay recently. The interruption in the flow of profits is driving the owners frantic.

## TOLERANCE GROUP TO FIGHT SIGMAN

### Score Discharges at Protest

Completely severing whatever connections they had with the Sigman-Schlesinger clique in control of the International Ladies' Garment Workers' Union, the Tolerance Group, an organization of former right wingers, issued an official statement yesterday publicly affiliating themselves with the National Organizing Committee, formed by the left wing and progressive delegates who were locked out of the Boston convention.

After participating in the destructive campaign carried on by Sigman and his allies, which resulted in the complete annihilation of union conditions in the cloak and dressmaking industry, the Tolerance Group although taking part in the fake convention, came to the conclusion that the only way in which bettered conditions in the shops can be regained is by joining the N. O. C. in a campaign to drive from the union Sigman, Schlesinger and their henchmen. In the statement, which follows in full, mention is made of Sigman's manifesto. This refers to his fake amnesty in which all but Communists are entitled to full membership in the International. It was passed at the so-called convention.

#### Former Sigman Allies.

"Nineteen months ago, when the General Executive Board carried through the re-organization and as a result the largest locals of the New York Joint Board were expelled, the Tolerance Group entered into the struggle with the sincere conviction that the officials of the International were fighting against the control of our organization by a political party. In the course of the struggle, however, it became evident to us that far from being a fight to free the union from party control, the entire expulsion policy was laid down by the "Forward" and the socialist party—(this was openly admitted by Abe Cahn on the open floor of the convention where he stated that the expulsion order was dictated to his own stenographer in the office of the "Forward")—and that personal interests and ambitions of individual leaders at the head of the union played the dominant role in the whole struggle. After we had been in the thick of the fight for several months, we began to realize that to further continue the war would mean the complete destruction of our union and the return of the sweat-shop system in our industry.

"As workers whose chief aim is a strong and powerful union, the Tolerance Group came forth with the demand for an end to the war on a basis where all elements in our union would get together for the purpose of rebuilding the organization and restoring union conditions. Our demand to end the struggle is the widespread demand of the mass of the membership of our union, as demonstrated by the fact that thousands of registered workers signed the petitions issued by the Tolerance Group demanding that the convention take steps to make an end to the internal struggle. It was our fervent hope that the leaders of the International would heed this widespread demand of the workers and would lay the basis for a peace at the Boston convention that would make possible the active cooperation of all elements in our union.

#### Call For Action.

"We call on all workers who want to unite for the purpose of rebuilding our union and restoring union conditions in the shops, we call on all workers who have been forced into the open shops and are working under the most miserable conditions as a result of the internal struggle, to rally together with us around the National Organizing Committee so that with united forces we may once more rebuild our union to serve as an instrument in defense of the workers' interests.

"Together, cloak and dressmakers, let us rally around the National Organizing Committee and build our union so that it may be the pride of the labor movement."

Hirsch St., in celebration of the sixth anniversary of the Young Workers (Communist) League of America.

## CHICAGO YOUTH WILL CELEBRATE

### Banquet Will Be Held June 9

CHICAGO, May 23.—Extensive preparations have been made for the celebration of the Sixth Anniversary of the Young Workers (Communist) League. The league will carry on extensive educational and organizational activities in connection with this celebration. Special efforts are being made to recruit new members for the Young Workers (Communist) League and to popularize the league as much as possible.

The sixth Anniversary Celebration in Chicago will be culminated at a banquet in the Workers' Lyceum, 2738 Hirsch Blvd., on June 9. A number of labor organizations have donated help and food. Among these organizations are the Russian Workers Cooperative, and the Workers' Lyceum Board of Directors.

Beside a good chicken dinner a "rich" program with revolutionary features has been prepared. Only 200 plates will be served and the friends and supporters of the youth are urged to reserve tickets.

## EXPECT HUNDREDS AT "RED POETS"

### Gold, Freeman, and Taggard to Read

Hundreds of workers are expected to be present tomorrow evening at the second annual international Red Poets Night, to be held at 8 o'clock at the Labor Temple, Second Ave. and 14th St.

The event will bring together revolutionary poets writing in various languages, who will read from their own work. Red Poets Night is said to be unique in this country and has been modeled on the writer-worker readings and discussions that are so popular in the Soviet Union.

Among those who will read will be David Gordon, 19-year-old member of the Young Workers League, who was condemned to three years in the reformatory for publishing a poem in THE DAILY WORKER which was used as a pretext by professional patriots for persecuting both the poet and the paper. Gordon has just been released on parole from the New York County Reformatory and will read some of his prison poems.

The other poets who will take part in the evening's program include such well known writers as Michael Gold, Joseph Freeman, Genevieve Taggard, James Rorty, Henry Reich, Jr., Robert Wolf, A. B. Magil, Adolf Wolff, Edwin Rolfe, the Yiddish poets, Abraham Raisin, H. Leivick and Aron Kurtz, the distinguished Hungarian poet, Lajos Egri, as well as Russian, Chinese, Ukrainian, German, Italian and Spanish poets.

Moissaye J. Olgin, editor of THE HAMMER, will be chairman of the evening and give a brief introductory talk on revolutionary poetry.

A feature of the evening will be the rendition of a number of cowboy songs to banjo accompaniment by Margaret Larkin. Miss Larkin's work has been favorably commented upon. They are on sale at 50 cents at the local office of THE DAILY WORKER, 108 E. 14th St.; Workers Bookshop, 26-28 Union Square; International Labor Defense, 799 Broadway, Room 422; and the New Masses, 39 Union Square. All the proceeds of the affair will go to THE DAILY WORKER and the Workers Center. on by Carl Sandburg in his "American Song-Bag."

## Denver Mailers Strike When Three Are Fired

DENVER, Colo., May 23.—When three mailers suspected of having joined the union were fired this morning, all remaining mailers of the Denver Post walked out.

## REVEAL HOW TAMMANY TOOL LIVES OFF POOR

### Worker's Wife Tells of Persecution

How the petty flunkies and hangers-on of Tammany Hall prey on poor workers was told yesterday in Bridge Plaza Magistrate's Court, Brooklyn, by Mrs. Anna Rowinsky, 55 Siegel St., Brooklyn.

To keep her two small children from starving, Mrs. Rowinsky, whose husband, a laborer, has been sick and out of work for six months, began selling leather goods and glassware from a pushcart in front of her home. Friends helped her to buy the merchandise, and after securing a license, Mrs. Rowinsky began to peddle.

Next to hers was a pushcart operated by Samuel Malmud, known in the neighborhood as a petty politician "with pull higher up." Malmud began persecuting her for not getting the license thru him, and then offered to let her alone if she would give him \$50 and "a bridge lamp for the alderman."

Upon her refusing to give him the money, Malmud continued to persecute and to insult Mrs. Rowinsky and even beat one of her children. Mrs. Rowinsky complained to Alderman John McCusker, who refused to intervene and defended Malmud.

## Entertainment for Needle Workers

CHICAGO, May 23.—A Supper and Entertainment will be given by the Chicago Needle Workers, Saturday, May 26, 1928, at 7 p. m. in the Workers' Tea Room 2021 W. Division St. Incidents which occurred at the I. L. G. W. U. Convention in Boston will be related by the delegates.

## 1,000 JOBLESS FURRIERS DENOUNCE RIGHT WING

The deep current of revolt against the open shop conditions now existing in the fur trade due to the destruction of the once powerful union by the socialist officialdom, A. F. of L. heads and the bosses, burst out into the open yesterday afternoon when about 1,000 unemployed furriers left the market where they were looking for jobs and demonstrated their protest in front of the offices of the right wing fake union, completely blocking all traffic near 31st St. and Sixth Ave.

#### Protest Union Wrecking.

Even a call for police by A. Fisher, one of the right wing, which was answered by a squad of about 20 police and a large number of plain clothes men, all flourishing revolvers, failed to break up the demonstration, which continued for several hours.

With shouts of "Down With the Scab Union," and "We Want One Union," the demonstrating workers evaded the clubs of the police and again surged thru their lines to get into the block and before the building where the fake union is situated, on 31st St.

Two workers participating in the demonstration were arrested, after being clubbed by the police. They were later brought up on charges of disorderly conduct in the Jefferson Market Court before Magistrate Smith. Both were dismissed.

After getting over the scare that the sight of so many workers caused him, Fisher, upon the arrival of the police, gained tremendously in courage and even began to direct them in their attacks on the workers. Standing safely in a doorway, Fisher shouted, "Split their heads so that they will not come here again."

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## WORKERS CALENDAR

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**Detroit League Dance.** DETROIT.—A banquet and dance to celebrate the 6th anniversary of the organization of the Young Workers (Communist) League will be held on May 26, at 8 P. M. at the Labor Temple, 9179 Delmar Ave.

**Chicago Russian Workers.** CHICAGO.—The White Russian Society will hold a meeting May 31 in the Schoenhofer Hall, Milwaukee and Ashland Aves., at 8 P. M.

**Philadelphia Miner's Relief.** PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The Youth Conference for Miners' Relief here has arranged a picnic for July 8 at Maple Grove Park.

**District 15—Y. W. L. Anniversary.** The sixth anniversary of the existence of the Young Workers (Communist) League will be celebrated in District 15 in the following halls and on the following dates: Bridgeport—211 Spruce St., May 25th. New Haven—38 Howe St., May 26th. Hartford—2033 Main St., May 26th.

**St. Louis Picnic.** ST. LOUIS.—The Young Workers (Communist) League will give a picnic and dance at Angelo Park, 4199 South Broadway, on July 4. Dancing, refreshment, games and athletic contests have been planned.

**Philadelphia Daily Worker Affair.** PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—There will be a grand concert for the benefit of THE DAILY WORKER on May 26, at 8 P. M. at 1208 Tasker St. A fine program will be presented under the auspices of Branch A, Section 1 of the W. C. P.

**Pittsburgh Picnic.** PITTSBURGH, Pa.—The Workers (Communist) Party, District 5, will hold its third annual picnic here on July 4.

**Yountstown Dance.** YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio.—The Young Workers' League will hold a concert and dance here May 27. All organizations are requested to keep this date open.

**Cleveland House-Warming.** CLEVELAND.—The Cleveland local of the Workers (Communist) Party will celebrate the opening of their new headquarters at 2046 E. 4th St., with

## 200 AT OFFICE WORKERS' MEET

### Mass Meeting Scores Discharges

Two hundred workers attended a mass protest Monday evening by the recently formed Office Workers League against the discharge from the Amalgamated Bank of one of its employees for union activity, and for his previous expulsion from the Bookkeepers, Stenographers and Accountants Union.

Speakers at the meeting brought out the fact that the Amalgamated Bank working with the officials of the Bookkeepers' Union, has established virtually a company union Nelson, one of the expelled members of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers which owns the bank told the meeting of conditions in the Amalgamated. Former employees of the bank gave a detailed picture of the non-union method of work in that institution. John L. Sherman, another speaker, showed how the method of class-collaboration, adopted by the officials of the A. F. of L. bureaucracy, was breaking down the labor movement.

an entertainment and general get-together on Tuesday, May 29, at 8 p. m.

**Chicago Labor Picnic.** CHICAGO.—The Chicago section, Trade Union Educational League, will hold a picnic May 30 at Vialli's Grove.

**Milwaukee Youth Dance.** MILWAUKEE.—The first joint concert and dance of the Young Workers (Communist) League and the Young Pioneers of Milwaukee will be held at the Freie Gemeinde Hall, 8th and Walnut Street on Sunday afternoon and evening, May 27.

**Y. W. L. Tour.** Clarence Miller, district organizer of the Young Workers (Communist) League, will speak in connection with the election campaign and the formation of League units as follows: Baltimore, Md., June 1; Washington, D. C., June 2; Richmond, Va., June 3; Norfolk, Va., June 4; Wilmington, Del., June 5; Chester, Pa., June 6; Vineland, N. J., June 7; Atlantic City, N. J., June 8; Trenton, N. J., June 9; Easton, Pa., June 10; Bethlehem, Pa., June 11; Allentown, Pa., June 12; Reading, Pa., June 13; Minersville, Pa., June 14; Shenandoah, Pa., June 15; Wilkes Barre, Pa.; Luzerne, Pa.; Hanover, Pa.; Nanticoke, Pa.; Jessup, Pa.; Pittstown, Pa.; Old Forge, Pa.; Olyphant, Pa.; Scranton, Pa.; Carbondale, Pa.

**Shachtman China Lecture Tour Dates** Thursday, May 24, Buffalo, N. Y. Friday, May 25, Toronto, Ont., Canada.

Saturday, May 26, Rochester, N. Y. Labor Lyceum, 580 St. Paul St.

Wednesday, May 30, Springfield, Mass., Liberty Hall, 532 Dwight St.

Thursday, May 31, Providence, R. I., A. C. A. Hall, 173 Westminster St.

Saturday, June 1, Boston, Paine Memorial Hall, 67 Tremont St., Mass.

Sunday, June 3, Allston (Boston), Mass., 521 Cambridge St.

Monday, June 4, Haverhill, Mass.

Tuesday, June 5, Stamford, Conn.

Saturday, June 7, Hartford, Conn.

Friday, June 8, New Haven, Conn., Labor Lyceum, 38 Howe Street.

Sunday, June 10, Perth Amboy, N. J. Workers' Home, 308 Elm St.

Tuesday, June 12, Arden, Del.

Wednesday, June 13, Wilmington, Del.

Friday, June 15, Newark, N. J.

Sunday, June 17, Passaic, N. J. Workers' Home, 27 Dayton St., 7:30 P. M.

Sunday, June 17, Paterson, N. J.

## THOUSANDS TO BE AT BIG JAMBOREE OF JOINT DEFENSE

### Will Aid Militants Now Facing Prison

Workers fraternal organizations, unions, working women's councils, and other sympathetic organizations, in addition to continuing their direct contributions for the defense of the nine left wing furriers in the Mineola case and the 18 leaders of the cloakmakers' union, preparing to make the huge carnival, arranged by the Joint Defense Committee, a success.

### Expect Record Attendance.

The coming "carnival and jamboree" will be held in Starlight Park on Saturday, June 9, and is expected to have as large an attendance as last year when 35,000 workers participated in what was considered one of the biggest affairs in the local labor movement.

Tickets can be obtained at the committee's offices at 41 Union Square, by organizations at special rates.

The following organizations have already sent in contributions to the Mineola Defense Fund, and to the defense fund of the 18 cloakmakers' leaders now facing jail terms: Women's Council 5, \$20; Workmen's Circle, Branch 330, \$25; Branch 634, \$5.00; the workers in the shop of Pepler Dress Company, \$17.50.

A concert and dance is being arranged by the Workmen's Circle, Br. 680, to be held in Rose Gardens, 1347 Boston Road, on Friday evening, June 1. The proceeds for this affair will also go for the Mineola Defense Fund.

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## Communist Youth Anniversary

Every worker will celebrate together with the Young Workers (Communist) League, the sixth anniversary of its organization. In the six years of its existence, the League has amply demonstrated that a powerful mass movement of the young workers is essential to the working class for a successful struggle against capitalism, and that the Young Workers (Communist) League is capable of leading such a movement.

There are many workers in this country, among them many readers of this paper, who have children who are young workers, or who are in school. These children are not revolutionary, are not class conscious. Many times they are even against the working class. This is due to the fact that the worker-parents do not give their children a working class upbringing, and they believe what they are taught in school against the workers. This bad policy comes from the mistaken notion of many workers that children must have nothing to do with politics. This is wrong because it means that the children get an anti-working class education. The workers must give their children a real, working class education, so that the children will be with them in the struggle.

The place to get this education is the Young Workers (Communist) League or, if the children are under 14 years of age, the Young Pioneers. Here they will get a working class education, not out of books, nor by listening to dry lectures, but from being on the fighting line fighting for the workers. The Young Workers (Communist) League makes a proletarian soldier out of the young worker. It organizes the young workers for the class struggle. It wins the youth for the proletarian revolution. The place of every young worker is in the Young Workers (Communist) League.

In the United States the workers come from every country, and speak every language under the sun. They are divided into a hundred different nationalities. They are fooled in a thousand different ways. They are oppressed and persecuted. Their children, however, are Americans. They all speak English. They all work together. To them the bars of nationality and language do not exist. They unite all the workers from the different countries with the American workers. They are being drawn more and more into industry as immigration slows down. They are therefore an immediate important factor in the struggles of the workers, and they must be won for the workers. The Young Workers (Communist) League is most active, whether it is the coal fields of Pennsylvania or Colorado, or the textile mills of Passaic or New Bedford. The League is really the leader of the young workers in all their struggles. In its six years of existence, the League has made itself known as a good fighter for the working class. The Young Workers (Communist) League is the only working class youth organization that organizes the young workers in a revolutionary struggle against capitalist wars and militarism. It has shown that it really deserves the help of every worker, young and old.

Every worker! Support the Young Workers (Communist) League. Every young worker join the Young Workers (Communist) League. Every working class organization, help the League to establish itself! This will be the best anniversary greeting for our young and energetic brother fighter—the Young Workers (Communist) League of America.

## Young Miners Fight for Union

By ALBERT GLOTZER.  
The present struggle in the miners' union waged against the corrupt officialdom united with the operators, must utilize every available force in the fight. The struggle of the miners for a militant organization is not an isolated one, but must be linked up with the fight of the rest of the workers in this country to be organized and those fighting to maintain a militant organization. A defeat for the miners will result in a policy to destroy any traces of workingclass organization in the rest of the country. It is therefore incumbent on the rest of the workers of this country to support to the utmost the present fight in the miners' union.

**Mobilize Young Miners.**  
This must also be the policy of the miners themselves. They must utilize every force to win their fight to save the union. In Illinois where the young miners who comprise almost thirty per cent of the total miners in District 12, the Save-the-Union Committee has already taken steps to mobilize these young miners.

The policy of the United Mine Workers of America machine is to divide the ranks within the union; to split up the young miners from the adult miners. Never before were steps ever taken to interest the young miners in the union, to seek ways and means to get the young miners to attend the union meetings. Today how-

ever the Save-the-Union movement which seeks to oust the fake administration recognizes that without the young miners in the present fight they cannot successfully carry out their program. Every effort is being made to draw the young miners into the movement such as calling meetings of the young miners, and electing sub-committees of the Save-the-Union Committee of young miners whose task it is to rally the young miners behind the fight.

This is the policy thruout the state. These committees have the problems of getting the young miners to attend the meetings of the Save-the-Union Committee, coming out to the picket lines, attend their local union meetings and taking their places in the union as real union members.

The best way to involve the young miners in the struggle would be the calling of a Young Miners Conference. This conference will rally the young miners behind the general fight of the Save-the-Union Committee and take up the special problems of the young miners, solving such problems as fighting against discrimination of young miners, drawing the young miners generally into the union activity and making them an integral part of the organization. These necessary steps will go a long way in aiding the fight of the Save-the-Union Committee and will at the same time unite all the forces in one common struggle.

## THE TRIPLE-HEADED DRAGON OF IMPERIALISM

By Fred Ellis

## HANDOUTS



A large piece of stone fell in the street in Rome and narrowly missed chipping a few pieces off the heads of two uniformed fascists and a priest. Investigation showed that the stone fell from the foot of a statue of an angel on St. Peter's Basilica. Mussolini is understood to be sifting a rumor that the angel kicked the stone down and efforts to learn the sculptor's name are being made by fascist detectives. Mussolini is also reported to have ordered an iron umbrella to carry in the next parade.

The socialist party has been hard hit by the coal strike. It's something terrible the way Morris Hillquit's shares in the Burns Coal Co. have fallen.

ALTHOUGH the playboy Strindberg did not build up his reputation on whimsicality there is one droll spot in his drama, "The Father," which dragged into its seventh day here recently at the Belmont Theatre and surrendered. In the play mother tangles father with the remark that no husband can be real positive that he is the undeniable father of his wife's offspring. Accidents do happen you know. This and that. So he can't be just sure. The father, instead of answering casually that no wife can really determine accurately the extent of her husband's parenthood, flies into a rage, lies on the floor whispering to the \$4.40 seats that he wants to die, and generally prepares for madness in Act 3. His irritation leads him into an analysis of all womankind whom he identifies as the enemy. His mother was his first betrayer, he narrates. It was she who withheld nourishment in early youth and caused him to grow up into the undersized weakling which he now is. But real charm is thrust into the scene by the fact that Robert Whittier, who plays the part of the father, looks like Zybysko, the wrestler, and weighs 180 pounds if he weighs an ounce.

## "Pay Day" at Daily



Modernistic conception of a scene in the office of The Daily Worker. Drawing shows the peculiar form of ecstasy aroused upon the business manager's chronic announcement: "Comrades, there will be no wages for the next week or two. I know you will appreciate my realistic approach to the problem."

## PAUNCHY PATRIOTS.

They sent him to the trenches, Oh, they knew their business well! They, who used upholstered benches, Sent the poor nut into hell, Singing, "Glory, hallalujah!" And, "Thy praise, almighty God!" They, whose slimy tact could do ya Even out of graveyard sod. The trip across was so-so: The food was full of lice; One night he lost his big toe In a battle with the mic. So he sailed across the ocean That on army ads he'd seen; Had his stomach set in motion By a ptomaine-poisoned bean. He lost a leg the first fight, Also half of his left hand; Was told by doc that gangrene might Also get his right. Then "it" burnt both his eyes out And gas got half his nose, The good foot was attacked by gouts. All because some white, starched clothes Back at home had shouted "rah, rah!" When they sent him to the trenches With some patriotic "Blah, blah" Sitting on upholstered benches. —E. B.

## Paterson Silk Workers Demand a Strike

"Toos run in where angels fear to tread," was the retort to a statement of the Paterson Chamber of Commerce, written by the strike committee of the Paterson silk strikers in the famous struggle of 1924.

This Paterson chamber composed of bankers, business men, labor-baiting silk bosses, "shyster" doctors and lawyers, has a reputation among the silk workers of Paterson as a mere adjunct of the mill owners, who do not want other industries established in Paterson, for fear that they will absorb some of the unemployed army which is a weapon in the hands of the silk bosses to beat down wages, introduce long hours, discriminate against union workers and fight organization of labor, of any kind.

### Professor On Hand.

This body was the central figure in a "Conference on Industrial Relations in Paterson," held under the auspices of the Workers Education Bureau of America, whose field organizer is "Professor" Paul W. Fuller, a former minister, and at present "working very hard for a living" and in the "interest" of the workers, organizing conferences which have for their objective the elimination of all labor troubles through the pet schemes of the A. F. of L. fakers "Labor and Capital Get Together." This body, the Workers Education Bureau of America, is an adjunct of the American Federation of Labor and is particularly nursed by the United Textile Workers of America, which pays bag and baggage of Dr. Fuller's freight. This gentleman conducted a labor-education week in Passaic, fully subsidized by such friends of labor as Forstman & Hoffman, Botany.

Being enthused over the "wonderful results" of Passaic, Fuller then shifted his "education" to Paterson and endowed the "laboring people" there with a week of "Labor Chautauqua" in the fall of last year.

### Planned By Fakers.

There was no accident about this "Labor Chautauqua" which was well planned by the labor fakers and had for its objective the undermining of the movement of the Associated Silk Workers to revive the 8-hour day conference. In the trade council of Paterson arguments far and accusation against inviting the Associated Silk Workers to participate in "Labor Chautauqua" came fast and furious. It was finally decided to have nothing to do with a dual and outcast organization. With long articles in the local press announcing the "Labor Chautauqua," with great fanfare of

trumpets and with the blessings of the Reverend Dr. Fuller, the "Labor Chautauqua" was opened. But to no avail.

Neither the blessings of Dr. Fuller nor the hypocritical speeches of president McMahon of the U. T. W., who blamed the workers for the miserable plight they are in, helped the meetings. "Labor Chautauqua" was even a greater fiasco than "education week" in Passaic, which was subsidized by the bosses there. Immediately thereafter Mr. Fuller dropped out of the picture, and thus the lickspittles of the bosses gave way to the movement of the 8-hour day conference.

### 8-Hour Day Conference.

The 8-hour day conference was originally organized by the Associated Silk Workers. The United Textile Workers locals of Paterson, the Trades Council and other labor and fraternal organizations were invited to participate. This outfit condemned the movement because the A. S. W. is a dual organization. This was the signal for the U. T. W. locals not to participate. The Horizontal Warpers' Union was the only local of the U. T. W. which realized that something must be done immediately to stem the tide of long hours, speed up, wage cuts and unemployment. Therefore, it went along with the Associated in its attempt to organize a movement to restore the 8-hour day to the Paterson silk workers. As the conference went on it brought pressure to bear upon the other U. T. W.

## Mother Jones Calls "Daily" Best Paper

I am writing you a few lines asking that you see that I get THE DAILY WORKER regularly. I would rather go without my breakfast than without that paper. It is the best Labor Paper in the country. It gives me just the information I want. Today is my 98th birthday. It has been a stormy journey but I have enjoyed it. I wish I was better able to continue my work but I am not well and unable to do anything. Enclosed you will find one dollar which I am sending to you to help defray your court expenses. I wish it was one hundred dollars instead of one as I would send it just as cheerfully. —MOTHER JONES.

## Textile Industry Shows Capitalism Has Outlived Day

### By SCOTT NEARING.

BRITISH CAPITALISM rests back on the textile industry. Even before the introduction of power machinery textile manufacturing was one of the basic British industries. For more than a century after steam was harnessed to textile manufacturing, power spindles and looms gave the British manufacturer and trader a virtual monopoly in the world's markets. Practically four-fifths of the British cotton industry is built upon the export trade, and one-fourth of all British exports are manufactured cotton goods.

### Cotton Is King.

Capitalism has had its full chance in the British cotton industry. No other capitalist industry in the world has enjoyed so long a history of machine production. No other has had a wider market. Probably no other

has had greater aggregate sales. In a sense, therefore, the success or failure of capitalism as a system may be judged in terms of the success or failure of the British cotton industry.

What has happened to British cotton?

In pre-war days the British cotton manufacturers were the largest single factor in the Eastern trade. In the nine years since the Treaty of Versailles was signed, the British have lost approximately half of their cotton trade in the east. In 1913, 86 per cent of the cotton yarn used in British India came from Britain. In 1926, 31 per cent. In 1913 out of three cotton piece goods sold in China, two came from Britain. In 1926 three pieces out of every four came from Japan.

Failure of the British cotton industry is due to two simple facts: the export of British-made textile machinery to Britain's competitors in the cotton industry; the manufacture

of cotton textile machinery and its widespread installation in non-British territories during the world war. The result?

### Depression Results.

Depression in the British textile industry; temporary relief during the war-prosperity period; then the long years of unemployment following the Peace Treaty of 1919, with speeding up and wage reductions. What is the remedy? The British textile manufacturers are answering with a fresh attack on the standards of living of the British textile workers; "How else can we compete with Asiatic labor?" the bosses demand. More than a century of phenomenal "success"; profits running into billions; technical progress without end; decades of virtual world monopoly, and at the end notices served on the masses of British textile workers that they must accept wage cuts below

existing Paterson silk unions was raised by the 8-hour day conference and a unity conference between the U. T. W. locals and the Associated took place at the Alexander Hamilton Hotel of Paterson, on May 10, 1928. Mr. A. J. Muste of Brookwood Labor College was invited to officiate as the impartial chairman. At that unity conference the delegates of the Associated presented a united clear cut statement of facts and proposals for unity, while the U. T. W. delegates had nothing to offer except to make speeches and to invite the Associated to rejoin the U. T. W. When the proposal was made to elect a committee of twelve, six from the Associated and six from the U. T. W. delegates, Mr. Hayes, the most hated and despised man among his own crowd, objected to the selection of a committee of six from the present delegation of the U. T. W. for fear that Mr. Green, who was a delegate from the Warpners' local and who openly spoke for industrial unionism and had quite a few sympathizers with him, would slip in in this committee of six. This open unity conference clearly indicated that the U. T. W. leaders are fakers and that they negotiated with the Associated not because they want to have it in its ranks but because they want to reduce its strength to a minimum power so that the workers will have no organization in the coming struggle which is looming ahead. Proof of that is the conference which was organized by Mr. Fuller on Industrial Relations in Paterson, held on Saturday and Sunday, May 19, 20, 1928.

### Associated Does Not Participate.

Mr. Kluger, of the bosses, having been invited by "Professor" Fuller, said, "Let the manufacturers alone to work out their own problems." Mr. Barr, another representative of the manufacturers, told the story that he went to Pennsylvania to request the silk manufacturers there to introduce the 8-hour day and one shift. To that they replied, "Clean your own house first." Mr. Waks, labor lawyer, delivered a lecture to Mr. Fuller on the necessity of a general strike to better the working conditions. Mr. Waks, though a visitor was given the floor, but the conference was quite surprised to hear such philosophy expounded by a lawyer.

What will be the answer from the workers to this fake scheme? If the Associated will not give its answer through the undertaking of a vigorous campaign to organize the unorganized silk workers surely other forces will come forth and will give the proper answer to the labor fakers which will sweep them off their feet.

### Unity of Workers.

Along with this general strike movement the cry of unity among the

locals and the Central Trades Council to change their policies and help this movement in its final achievement. The conference was accordingly reorganized and the A. F. of L. took charge of it. This was a decisive victory for the movement.

### A. F. L. "Policy."

The 8-hour day conference, in the hands of the A. F. of L., embarked upon a policy of "go easy." All during the winter months it did nothing. The workers, on the other hand, seeing no tangible action coming forth from that body turned a deaf ear to all its campaigns. However, the conference reached its climax at the famous mass meeting, held in February, to which the workers turned out in mass, ready for action. Mr. McMahon, being one of the principal speakers, made statements which were afterwards interpreted by the workers to mean that insofar as the U. T. W. is concerned they are far from being in favor of a movement which would lead to a general strike. The workers understood then, as they understand now, that the only way to restore the 8-hour day is through the means of a general strike. When the "easy" methods failed to restore the 8-hour day the 8-hour day conference passed a motion that "the only method by which the 8-hour day can be re-established is through a general strike."

This movement was sponsored by the Warpners' local of the U. T. W. and the Associated Silk Workers. The motion was referred back to the respective locals for endorsement. This was too much for the labor fakers of the A. F. of L. of Paterson. That motion opened up lively discussions in all the locals and among the silk workers in general. The Associated voted 2 to 1 in favor of a general strike. The Warpners' local of the U. T. W. voted in favor of a general strike provided the other U. T. W. locals support this movement wholeheartedly. Some of the other locals of the U. T. W. voted against a general strike, others did not vote at all; the Loomfixers and Twisters' local voted against a general strike at the present time. This, however, did not kill the movement for a general strike nor did it undermine the sentiment of the workers, in general, for such movement. On the contrary, it is here in spite of the A. F. of L. leadership. If only sufficient leadership can be mustered by the workers a general strike could take place in Paterson within a month's time, because conditions in the silk mills of Paterson are beyond endurance.

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