

## FOSTER EXPOSES "LABOR" BUNK IN HOOVER'S SPEECH

### Communist Candidate Cites Facts

### Unemployment Grows Indiana to Go on Ballot Soon

PORTLAND, Ore., (By Mail).—In his speech in Portland last night, William Z. Foster, candidate of the Workers (Communist) Party for President, gave the Communists' answer to Hoover's Newark speech on labor. Foster charged willful misrepresentation, stating that Hoover knows very well that the army of unemployed has not been reabsorbed into industry as he claimed.

"There are still at least 4,000,000 workers without jobs, and the process that is creating prosperity for employers results in unemployment, a vicious speed-up system, wage-cuts and the smashing of the trade unions," Foster said.

"In 1927 the factories of the United States produced 26 per cent more than in 1919, with 11 per cent fewer workers. Technological improvement together with speed-up has resulted in the creeping paralysis of unemployment for which neither Hoover nor Smith offers any cure or even relief. In 1919, for instance, according to the 'Analyst' for March, 1926, there were 10,680,000 employed in the big industries; in 1926 this had decreased to 9,850,000.

### Opposed Social Legislation.

"Hoover cynically condemns any sort of social legislation to relieve the acute situation."

"He had the audacity to praise the Fordney-McCumber tariff bill in a section where the textile workers have carried on long and bitter struggles for decent wages and working conditions against the textile mill barons who alone bene-

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## NEW DRESS UNION ORGANIZES PHILA.

### Shop Delegates Launch New Organization

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 20.—With great confidence and an enthusiasm for the future of unionism among the clothing workers in this notoriously open shop city, the delegates assembled at the conference of shop committees in the dress industry, yesterday officially launched the Waist and Dressmakers' Local of the National Organization Committee for a new Cloak and Dressmakers' Union.

### Many Delegates.

Eighty-nine delegates, representing the shop committees in 29 factories, and many individual workers, attending for shops where committees have not as yet been established, participated in the conference and thru their decisive action supplanted the corrupt right wing Sigman local here, with a new, energetic, and honest union, that will organize this overwhelmingly non-union center. Later bouquets of flowers were sent to the conference by the workers in the Philadelphia factories.

Charles S. Zimmerman, one of the leaders of the National Organization Committee, came from New York to speak to the conference and to report the tremendous progress being made by the movement for the new union thruout the nation in all centers of the ladies' garment manufacturing industry.

Unanimous adoption was accorded a resolution condemning as strike-breakers and union wreckers, the clique in control of the right wing local here. The resolution also charged the International Ladies Garment Workers' Union officials with refusing to organize the many sweat shops here, instead of carrying on a campaign of persecution of

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## No Attempt to Kill Trotsky; Soviet Union Nails New British Lie

MOSCOW, Sept. 20.—Reports published in the London press alleging that attempts had been made to assassinate Leon Trotsky are completely without foundation, it was stated here today.

The Izvestia has never published any statement (as the London press alleges) declaring that an investigating committee has been sent to Turkestan, and the foreign office has issued a statement denying the existence of any such commission.

## Hundreds of Porto Rican Workers Died As Storm Demolished Huts



Terrified by the disaster, the exploited natives of Porto Rico had little chance of escape when hurricane swept over island, demolishing huts in which these workers, exploited by Wall Street, must live. Photo shows outskirts of San Juan, where heavy toll was taken.

## 2,000 HAIL NEW MINERS' UNION

### Watt, Toohey Receive Big Ovation

Hailing the formation of the new National Miners' Union in one of the most enthusiastic demonstrations in the recent progress of the New York labor movement, over two thousand workers crowded Central Opera House last night to hear John J. Watt, president and Pat Toohey, secretary-treasurer of the new union, give an account of the events attending the formation of the organization.

"The miners have struck the first blow for freedom," Watt declared. "The needs trades workers, the textile workers, the steel workers—the workers of the world must rise to deliver the blows which will make them free." Watt received an ovation when he came to the platform.

### Toohey Gets Hand.

Toohey likewise received a great hand from the New York workers who have watched closely the record of his heroic sacrifices in the great mine struggle, his numerous arrests, imprisonments and sluggings by the mine police. "Nothing can stop the building of a great and militant mine union which will carry on the fight for the organization of the half million coal diggers," Toohey declared.

The stage was decorated with signs of welcome, one of which read: "Hail National Miners' Union!" Throughout the meeting

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## FRENCH TEXTILE WORKERS STRIKE

### Thousands May Follow Idle Operatives

PARIS, Sept. 20.—An enthusiastic general mass meeting of textile workers in Lille, Tuesday evening, called by the revolutionary unions, voted unanimously to begin the strike for improved conditions in Northern France. Nine mills in the Halluin district struck Monday, putting forward similar demands.

As previously reported, the left wing unions here had delivered an ultimatum to the mill owners demanding higher wages for men and women, with the proviso that refusal means a general walk-out by Sept. 23. The strike begins immediately.

Strike action here was taken despite the recent decision of the reformist leaders of the National Textile Workers Federation to sabotage the strike by advising their members to wait till they "study the wage question."

## SOVIET CAMPAIGN FOR NEW CAPITAL

### No Big Change in Policy

BERLIN, Sept. 20.—One of the results of the new Soviet policy to bid for investment capital is seen in the launching of a campaign through Soviet commercial agencies abroad to attract capital.

The change of attitude toward foreign capital as indicated by the Soviet decree of September 15 is the result of two decisive factors. The first is the growth of Soviet industry under state control; the building of socialism unaided by other countries. The second is the proved ability of the Soviets to meet their financial obligations as was evidenced by the recent deposits in German banks of Russian gold to cover a loan that does not fall due until next month, which tremendously raises the prestige of the Soviets among the international financiers.

The fundamental principles of Soviet concessions will remain, however, unchanged. After a given length of time the industries established with foreign capital will automatically revert to the government and become a part of the socialized industry.

## Labor Faker in Racket Graft Skips Detroit

### (Special to the Daily Worker)

DETROIT, Mich., Sept. 20.—Frank X. Martel, president of the Detroit Federation of Labor, red baiter and champion labor betrayer, is now dodging a warrant issued for his arrest on charges of extortion.

Martel is charged specifically with having received from Manuel Jacoby, brother of Charles Jacoby, head of a large cleaning establishment, the sum of \$500 which the labor misleader forced the firm to pay him. The \$500 charge is believed to be but a small part of what Martel and his companion labor fakers have received.

### Goes Into Hiding.

Knowing that the warrant was about to be issued, Martel hurriedly left the state and is now in hiding. His attorney, John F. Simmons, is busy issuing statements

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## YOUTH MEET HITS FRACTIONALISM

### Discuss Colonial Work at 20th Session

### (Wireless to the Daily Worker.)

MOSCOW, U. S. S. R., Sept. 20.—The problems of the international working youth were taken up by Schueller when he made the report for the Work Program Commission at the twentieth session of the Fifth World Congress of the Young Communist International, which opened under the chairmanship of Gorkic. Schueller declared that the youth showed great interest in the theory of the Y. C. I., and that they must be encouraged and organized. "The Congress must combine theory with the daily political and economic slogans. The program shows that the working youth are fighting for the world dictatorship of the proletariat. It does more than complement the Communist International."

The program emphasizes the social character of the revolution and deals effectively with the colonial youth. A chapter is devoted to the

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## SPORT EVENTS AT T. U. E. L. PICNIC

A large number of sport events and athletic contests will feature the annual T. U. E. L. workers' festival, which will be held tomorrow, at Ulmer Park, Brooklyn. These are scheduled to begin at 3 o'clock in the afternoon and will last until 4:30, at which time the "eats" program will be put on.

Militant New York workers who follow the progressive policies of the Trade Union Educational League in their daily struggles within their unions and in the formation of new unions will test their ability to play on Saturday. Should the progressives play as hard as they fight out their union struggles, all indications are that it will be a tired, but exceedingly happy army

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## THOUSANDS OF WORKERS FLOCK TO HEAR GITLOW

### Poor Workers, Farmers Thruout Country Rally to Communist Election Drive

The working class is giving a receptive hearing to the message of the class struggle in this election campaign according to a report sent to the National Election Campaign Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party by Benjamin Gitlow, Communist vice-presidential candidate who is now on the first lap of a nation-wide tour that will bring him from coast to coast, from the far northwest to the southeast, with the program of Communism around which the workers, poor

farmers and oppressed Negroes are called upon to rally in the struggle against capitalism and the capitalist government.

Gitlow's report was written after his meeting in St. Louis, Mo. on September 16, where he spoke to over three hundred workers among those present being a large number of Negroes.

### Increasing Militancy.

The vice-presidential candidate has spoken in Philadelphia, Ambridge, Pa., Pittsburgh, Cleveland,

## STORM VICTIMS RIOT FOR BREAD

### Troops Called Out to Terrorize Negroes

### BULLETIN.

WEST PALM BEACH, Fla., Sept. 20.—The complete death toll which the Florida hurricane has left in its wake, was today estimated to be between 700 and 800. With the destruction of all sanitary appurtenances, disease continues to spread throughout the stricken area at a terrific pace.

WASHINGTON, Sept. 20.—Refugee riots, hunger and threats of disease increased today the horror of the hurricane-stricken region around Lake Okechobee, Florida, according to reports received here from relief workers in the field.

Rioting by Negro refugees in the devastated town of Pahokee caused officials to ask for troops which are intended to terrorize the starving Negroes.

Another report said that the bodies of 60 Negroes and two white persons had been recovered at Pahokee. Nearly all the homes in the town, on the shore of Okechobee, were ruined, and debris-blocked roads hampered relief workers in getting foods and supplies to the town.

Fear of epidemics in the Okechobee region compelled relief workers to dispose of bodies without identification.

The death estimate still was 400 but with a strong probability of its being increased. Some sources have estimated the deaths at from 600 to 800.

SAN JUAN, Porto Rico, Sept. 20 (UP).—The menace of fire among fallen trees which have dried out until they are almost like tinder was added to the perils which beset this storm-ravaged island today.

More than 700,000 persons—half the population of the islands—are homeless.

## THOUSANDS TO BE AT BIG RED RALLY

### Special "Daily" to Be Distributed

The huge Red election rally and mass demonstration to be held Friday, Sept. 28, at 8 p. m. at the Central Opera House will be preceded by a city-wide distribution of a special issue of the Daily Worker.

The special issue will contain feature stories on the present election campaign dealing with the role that the parties of big business play with regard to labor and the story on the socialist party, including its alliances with the reactionary A. F. of L. officialdom and its support of gangsterism and thugery in the settlement of labor disputes. Besides this material the Daily Worker will contain brief, biographical sketches of many of the local candidates.

### PLAGUE AFFECTS 600,000.

ATHENS, Sept. 20 (UP).—The Dengue fever epidemic, now subsiding, affected 600,000 persons in Athens, Piraeus and environs, it was estimated officially today. Athens authorities have decided to build a modern incinerator and acquire 30 motor trucks for garbage disposal to combat future epidemics. Two cases of plague have been found at Piraeus.

# JAIL MORE MILL LEADERS IN NEW BEDFORD TERROR

## NEW MILL UNION CONVENTION TO MAKE HISTORY

### Announce Agenda for Week-end Parley

A highly significant turning point in the long history of the struggles of the nation's textile workers will be reached when the chairman's gavel will open the convention of textile mill committees, mill and union delegates, who assemble tomorrow afternoon at 2 o'clock in Irving Plaza Hall here, to launch a new mass national textile workers' organization.

Latest reports indicate that the workers in the textile plants of more than 60 cities will be represented.

Militant workers of New York: Over 250 delegates, here to form a new National Textile Union, must be accommodated this Saturday and Sunday. Aid the struggle of the thousands of textile workers by getting in touch immediately with I. Zimmerman, at the local office of the T. U. E. L., 26 Union Square.

### A large number of volunteers are also necessary to help during the sessions of the convention.

sent by delegates they have sent to the convention. The United Textile Workers' Union of the A. F. L., decayed with corruption, had a representation from alleged locals in only 42 cities at their recent convention.

Inquiries made as to the probable plan of work to be followed at the two-day convention disclosed the following efficient and business-like agenda: After several leaders of the militant trade union movement among whom are to be the leaders of the new left wing needle trades unions and of the newly formed National Miners' Union greet the convention, Albert Weisbord, head of the Textile Mills Committee will give an exhaustive report on the work of the T. M. C.

Following this a credential committee will be chosen which will go into immediate session, and will

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## FOOD WORKERS MEET TONIGHT

### Speakers Will Expose Old Parties

Food workers of New York—bakers, cooks and waiters, cafeteria workers, grocery, fruit and dairy clerks, butcher workers—are expected to turn out en masse tonight to hear the program of the Workers (Communist) Party at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St. The meeting will be opened at 8 p. m. by the Food Workers section of the Trade Union Educational League.

"Food workers especially have good reason not to vote for 'Bread'

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## Big Dance to Welcome Young Textile Workers

The Young Workers (Communist) League of District 2 has arranged a dance tomorrow night at the Workers Center, to welcome the youth delegates to the National Textile Union which is being formed tomorrow and Sunday in New York City.

Fifty young textile workers as delegates from New Bedford, Fall River, Passaic and many other cities will be present.

## Sending Messages That Saved Fascist Flyers



Exclusive photo of operators of the Soviet ice-breaker "Krassin" who picked up messages in Arctic wastes. The Krassin is still continuing its search for a party of missing fascists in spite of the fact that Mussolini has stopped all Italian rescue work.

## PHILA. BOSSES BOW TO NEW FURRIERS' UNION

### AL TRIES TO STOP OKLAHOMA SPLIT

### Shadowboxes Against Klan in Speech

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 20.—An event that will crash into the camp of socialist and A. F. of L. trade union fakery here and in the other needle trades centers of the country, took place here today when the left wing Furriers Union accomplished the renewal of the old agreement with their employers' organization. This was effected despite tremendous pressure from the New York fur bosses' association, chiefs of the A. F. of L. and the heads of the right wing International Fur Workers' Union from which the Philadelphia union had broken away.

Despite the tremendous gains made in recent months by the workers in the fur industry in their campaign to drive out of existence their right wing betrayers, most of the past victories can be considered as negligible in comparison to this, inasmuch as this break they have succeeded in making in the hitherto united ranks of the employers. The true importance of the victory can only be estimated when it is considered that the Philadelphia employers' association was compelled, by the unanimous belligerent determination of the workers there, to sign a 3-year contract with an independent left wing union, that has split away from the A. F. of L., and affiliated with the movement to build a left wing national union of fur workers.

Edward F. McGrady, A. F. of L. "ambassador", the president, secretary and chief organizer of the International Fur Workers, Union, and special agents and communications from the New York bosses as-

Smith's advisers seem to thrive on

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## 3 MORE SENT ON BIG 'DAILY' TOUR

### Will Cover Anthracite, Eastern States

The Election Campaign Drive of the Daily Worker for 10,000 new readers, now being carried on on an extensive scale throughout the United States, will have three powerful additions in the east, now that John Kaspar, A. Sokolov and Anna Herbst have been dispatched to tour new districts in the interests of the paper.

John Kaspar will cover Pennsylvania and West Virginia; A. Sokolov will tour Eastern Pennsylvania, Maryland and Delaware, and Anna Herbst will take care of the anthracite district.

The three veteran Daily Worker agents believe that their tours will be productive of concrete results, inasmuch as the territories mapped

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## Workers Agitated

When Schiffrin was arrested by police, who later admitted in testimony that Schiffrin was valiantly defending his life single-handed against the onslaught of five men attacking him with knives, they at the same time arrested three members of the right wing "squad" and two militant workers who were some distance from Schiffrin, who had his back to a tenement wall.

The local Jewish labor movement is tremendously agitated over this case, with the right wing and all their organs of publicity mobilized to the straining point to send Schiffrin to a long term of imprisonment.

Opposing this frame-up force there stands almost the entire Jewish working class here who are or-

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## BEATING OF OLD STRIKER ANGERS CITY POPULATION

### Workers Pouring Out to Picket Lines

### (Special to the Daily Worker)

NEW BEDFORD, Mass., Sept. 20.—More than two thousand textile workers, forming a picket line double the size of yesterday's came out to the Paige Mill early this morning to demonstrate their defiance of the police terror of the past few days. They were again attacked by a patrol of about 100 police, sent out with the express purpose of jailing the leaders of the picketing.

Augusto Pinto, the victim of innumerable arrests and beatings, and one of the best loved strike leaders was today against arrested, as was Jack Rubinstein, Marion Botelho and Germaine Madieros. Pinto, who was arrested yesterday, has just returned from a Maine farm, where he was sent by the union to recuperate from a beating by the police while in jail.

### Demonstrate Before Gats.

Today's demonstration, as yesterday's took place before the mill gates. Those arrested were later released on bonds put up by the union, for trial at the November sessions of the court.

The cry, "They've got Pinto," swept as a wave over the tightly packed workers lining the streets, then it surged thru the crowds of hundreds on the sidewalks while the police wagon passed thru.

Pinto as well as the other leaders heading the picket line refused to stop their picketing activities as they were ordered to do by the police.

The anger of the strikers grew as Rubinstein and the others were pulled into the waiting patrol.

At the jail Sergeant McCarthy in passing Rubinstein's cell rasped, "Do you know what they do to your kind down south? They tar and feather you!"

The greatest indignation is now widespread among the city's population because of the viciousness of the police, disclosed particularly in yesterday's attacks in which guns and clubs were employed.

### Admits Use of Gun.

After many witnesses had sworn they heard the shooting in yesterday's police attack, Chief of Police McLeod was forced to admit the charge that Sergeant Velho had been compelled to use his revolver in defending himself. He thus reversed the positive denial made by Velho yesterday. Witnesses who came forward with the shooting charge were not only strikers but also members of the right wing Textile Council and even business men.

The police chief then asserted that Velho had fired at 63 year old Frank August in order "to defend himself."

This defense was ridiculed in a statement issued by the Textile Mill Committee which ironically pointed out that the massive Velho needed no revolver to defend himself against the frail old man.

In a counter statement to justify

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## POSTERS TELL OF BIG BAZAAR

A number of working class centers in New York City have broken out in a rash of green posters. The Workers Center, the Proletcos Co-operative Restaurant and other places now being investigated by special representatives of the Daily Worker are sporting these hand-some green posters announcing that 100,000 articles will be sold at half price at the great National Daily Worker-Freiheit Bazaar, to be held at Madison Square Garden Oct. 4, 5, 6 and 7.

The verdant youthful color of these posters is in thorough keeping with the spirit that will animate the bazaar. The Daily Worker and the Freiheit are young newspapers and the Workers (Communist) Party is a young party. Moreover, revolutionists never grow old. The bazaar of the two great proletarian dailies will therefore be an affair of youth and joy, where old will feel young again.

Meanwhile old and young are working for the bazaar. That is,

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# Padmore, in Tour of Connecticut, Rallies Negro Workers for Red Election Campaign

## THREE MEETINGS ATTRACT MASSES OF NEW HAVEN

Expect Great Response to Red Drive

HARTFORD, Conn., Sept. 20.—The Workers (Communist) Party presidential election campaign is proceeding at full speed in the state of Connecticut. Through the instrumentality of Charles Mitchell, district organizer, and a well-organized campaign committee, all the workers in the various towns have been mobilized to carry on the work. As a result the Party hopes to be placed on the ballot within a few days. This success has added much impetus to the spirit of the workers, who are leaving no stone unturned to see that the Communist program reaches the broad masses of workers in this industrial state.

Open-air Meetings. One of the principal forms of activity conducted by the campaign committee is holding of open-air meetings in the most thickly populated centers of cities. These meetings have met with much success, and are bringing the Party excellent contacts. The workers who are unorganized and terribly exploited are realizing their true condition more and more and are rallying to the Party's leadership. This is especially so among the Negro workers, who are in the most destitute condition. These workers are engaged in the basic industries of the state, where they are given the hardest tasks for the lowest wages. Their living standards are, therefore, very low; many families are reduced almost to starvation.

Padmore Makes Appeal. There is a healthy spirit of revolt among the Negroes against the other parties—Republicans, Democrats and Socialists. George Padmore has been touring the state, addressing large audiences of Negro workers who enjoy his message and show their appreciation by expressing their willingness to support the Party in the coming election.

Padmore, after much difficulty, succeeded in obtaining a permit from the mayor of Hartford, a dyed-in-the-wool republican, to address the colored people of that town. Meetings were held for three nights in the Negro section and were well attended. It was the first time that the workers heard a militant tell his message of struggle for their full freedom from the yoke of wage slavery. Night after night the corners were packed for hours by both white and Negro workers, who applauded the speaker as he exposed the role of the capitalist parties and the labor fakery.

## FOOD WORKERS MEET TONIGHT

Speakers Will Expose Old Parties

Continued from Page One will win the war "Hoover," the League secretary, G. Welsh, said yesterday, in pointing out that the Workers (Communist) Party is the only political organization fighting capitalism. "Hoover is the great 'efficiency' expert who helped the scab Ward trust build up its \$200,000,000 corporation. Millions in profits for the trusts and wage-cuts and unemployment for workers; that's what republican 'prosperity' means.

"And all New York workers know that Al Smith is equally a candidate of the big bosses. For the bakers, Smith's Tammany Hall government has meant night work, 12 to 14 hours. For the cafeteria, hotel and restaurant workers, speed-up and increased exploitation. For candy and biscuit workers, piece work and miserable pay."

How the socialist party is no different will be pointed out tonight by Sam Kramberg of the executive board of the Amalgamated Food Workers, who declares that socialist food trades unions help the bosses compete with large-scale production by allowing concessions in hours and wages below the union scale and by preventing the unionization of the unorganized.

"It is not necessary for food workers to make a choice between these three anti-labor parties," says John J. Ballam, who will represent the Workers (Communist) Party at tonight's rally. "Workers have their own party, the Workers (Communist) Party, that leads the workers' struggles not only at election time but every day of the year."

Speakers' Conference Tomorrow Afternoon. Rebecca Grecht, election campaign manager of the Workers (Communist) Party in the New York District, will lead the discussion at the next speakers conference to take place tomorrow, 2 p. m. at 26-28 Union Square, 5th Floor. Her subject will be "Trade Union Questions and the Election Campaign."

## After Hurricane Swept Florida Town



Telephoto above shows a street in West Palm Beach, Florida, after hurricane swept thru the town, killing hundreds of workers.

## YOUTH MEET HITS FRACTIONALISM AGAINST U. S. S. R.

Discuss Colonial Work at 20th Session

Continued from Page One Leninist Young Communist League of the Soviet Union. The program also shows that the majority of the members of the Young Communist International must be workers.

The program goes on to demonstrate that the treatment of youth is an important task under socialism. "The education of new human beings is impossible under capitalism. This education begins in the Soviet Union. The Communist Youth League is necessary for the youth in the present struggle between the bourgeoisie and the workers. The Communist Party needs preliminary schooling and reserve forces.

Struggle for Communism. "The social democrats demand longer schooling, we demand juvenile work without exploitation. The social-democratic idea of culture for youth organizations is: No alcohol, no tobacco, bad books—but games, sport and art. Our education is for the struggle for the realization of Communism."

"The program says that the Young Communist International is an independent organization but politically subordinate to the Communist Party. Young workers must reject independent economic organizations where trade unions exist or the trade union work will be neglected. The program deems the combat against reformism to be paramount in the economic struggle. Anti-war work is imperative and the pretended neutral bourgeois military youth organizations must be combatted and proletarian defense organizations must be formed. "The program states that youth leagues be formed in the colonies. The Latin-American section of the program holds up the Young Communist League of the Soviet Union as an example.

Youth Great Hope. "The unanimity of the Congress is a good sign for the future Young Communist International. The Congress shows the path to the youth. The youth is the greatest hope of the revolution." (Great Applause.) In the discussion that followed the following spoke: Kossarev, of the Leninist Youth of the Soviet Union; Helmut, of Germany, in behalf of the Communist Youth of capitalist countries; Fentinnip, of China, in behalf of the colonies.

Blenke, of Germany, who reported for the Political Commission, reported that the increase in the unemployment of the youth was a consequence of rationalization. Blenke condemned the fractional struggle in the American and Polish parties. "The war danger is too imminent," he said, "unity is imperative." The political resolution was passed unanimously.

Billoux, of France proposed the election of a new executive and the revision of the commission. Rust, of England, proposed the enrollment of Australia, Persia, Palestine, Brazil, Korea and Syria as sections of the Young Communist International and Peoples Revolutionary Youth League Tanatua as sympathizer. The proposition was accepted.

Various comrades leaving the Young Communist League for the Party made farewell speeches, reporting their experiences. Chitarov, in the closing speech, pointed out the importance of the Congress, for it prepares the youth for the coming war. "Civil war is the reply to imperialist war," he said. "Today the enemy may triumph, tomorrow our forces." (Great applause. The "International" was sung.)

## District Agitprop Meet Scheduled for Tonight

The first district agitprop conference to take up the fall activities of the agitprop directors in the district will take place today, 7 p. m. at the Workers Center 5th floor. In view of the district functionaries' meeting that will take place at 8:30 p. m. in the Workers Center, the agitprop conference will begin promptly at 7 o'clock and will adjourn at 8:30.

TREAT LACKEYS WELL. LONDON, Sept. 20 (UP).—The Sultan of Muscat, a visitor to England, took a ride over London in an airplane today. He said it was the greatest sensation he had had since arriving in Europe.

## BOSSSES BOW TO NEW FUR UNION IN PHILADELPHIA

Unanimous Meeting Adopts Pact

Continued from Page One coalition, all made special trips to threaten and cajole the Philadelphia bosses to refrain from signing a pact with the "Red International," as they termed the Philadelphia unions' affiliations.

Not all the offers of "concessions" to the employers could remove the spectre of empty factories, which the workers there presented by their threatening strike action. The bosses' minds were made up for them when 100 per cent of the workers answered the union call for a 1-hour strike recently. Another factor was responsible; the workers were busily engaged in mobilizing a general strike machinery if the employers were to decide to sever relations with their union and instead tender it to the dual scab union which the A. F. of L. had set up here overnight in the offices of the Sigman cloak union.

The fact that official recognition was granted is in itself a tremendous victory, but when it becomes known that the workers retained the 40 hour week and an additional important concession over last year's agreement, the brilliancy of the victory is easily apparent. The clause referred to is that instead of equal division of work "during slack seasons only," with interpretations of slackness in the hands of a boss agent "impartial chairman," the new agreement provides for division of work from May to March 1, or over ten months a year.

A telegram of congratulatory greetings and a warning to fight for the new national union was received here from the New York Joint Board. At a local meeting the workers enthusiastically celebrated their victory last night and even a former right winger made a motion to thank the conference committee.

## Brownsville, Harlem Workers Active in Signature Campaign

The work of the members of the Workers (Communist) Party in Brownsville in the signature drive has been such that not only will the Twenty-third Assembly District be placed on the ballot, as originally planned, but also the Twenty-second Assembly District. In the Bronx, due to the splendid signature drive carried on by the workers there, leading needle trades workers have been placed prominently before the workers as the candidates of the Workers (Communist) Party.

In Harlem, several Red Sunday mobilizations have safely accounted for Communist candidates in the Seventeenth, Eighteenth, and Twenty-first Assembly Districts as well as in the Twentieth Congressional District. Negro members of the party in Harlem, as well as white, obtained hundreds of signatures in Negro Harlem. For the first time in the political history of the Party, an intensive signature drive was carried on in Boro Park, which, due to the nature and size of the territory presented many difficulties.

## Painter Is Killed at Work in 300 Feet Fall

Emanuel Perez, 28, a painter, of 1 Firman St., Brooklyn, fell 300 feet to his death yesterday from a scaffolding on a gas tank on the north shore of the Coney Island Creek at W. 12th St., Coney Island.

## AL TRIES TO STOP OKLAHOMA SPLIT

Continued from Page One imaginary letters. Last week it was a letter from some gossipy woman in Syracuse to another gossip in West Virginia that evoked from Smith a denial that he had been drunk in public. This time it is a letter alleged to have been written by the "grand dragon of the realm of Arkansas" to a delegate to the democratic national convention, advising him to vote against Smith because of his affiliation to the Roman Catholic church. Smith tried to prove that he was more of a 100 per cent American than the Klan.

Referring to his political record that has been under fire here Smith related with considerable zest a fairly tale about his legislative record and tried to create the impression that he is a friend of labor. He did not, of course, mention his fake unemployment investigation of last winter, nor the rotten conditions of

## 2,000 HAIL NEW MINERS' UNION

Watt, Toohey Receive Big Ovation

Continued from Page One enthusiastic outbursts of applause greeted the remarks of the speakers.

"Mother" Bloor, now the best known woman militant in the labor movement, and one of the leading fighters in the new union, acted as chairman of the meeting. Among the other speakers were Martin Abern, assistant secretary of the International Labor Defense; Hyman Koretz, manager of the Organization Department of the Cloakmakers' Joint Board; Harold Williams, secretary of the Negro Committee for Miners' Relief, and Joseph Cohen of the National Children's Committee for Miners' Relief.

Describing the events attending the convention for the formation of the new miners' union just over at Pittsburgh, Toohey gave a vivid picture of the attack by the Lewis gangsters who led a two days' attack on the delegates with the result that scores were injured, some of whom are still in the hospital. "But the attack served only to strengthen the resistance and the determination of the coal diggers," Toohey declared.

In his talk Watt stressed the solidarity of the miners with other militant organizations which are

graft and corruption that prevail in the operation of the so-called workmen's compensation law in New York State, nor did he mention the revival of sweat-shop labor that has had a mushroom growth in the past few years since the Tammany administration in combination with the employers in the needle industry and the socialists adopted a union-busting campaign in order to bring back the old conditions.

Nor did he refer to his sending troops into Lackawanna, N. Y., in 1919 to try to break the steel strike. Opposition Grows Menacing. The general impression left here is that of a childish defense of a rotten record. Smith's speech is said to seal the split that has taken place in the democratic party.

The audience was the usual raff raff that follows his show and it is not improbable that many of them were imported for the occasion. now forming throughout the country. "I am glad that the New York needle trades workers are winning their fight for the maintenance of a fighting rank and file union," he said.

A collection was taken up after an appeal by Mother Bloor, for the relief of the miners and their families which netted \$347.55. Many pledges were made. Benjamin Resnick gave \$100 towards the collection.

## SPORT EVENTS AT T. U. E. L. PICNIC

Expect Many at Ulmer Park Tomorrow

Continued from Page One of militants who will turn homeward from Ulmer Park in the early hours of Sunday morning.

The most colorful features on the program will be the customary dancing and choruses by Lithuanian and Hungarian workers, accompanied by native music.

Striking textile workers from New Bedford and striking miners from Pennsylvania, will be present as evidence of the appreciation these workers have of the militant trade union policies advocated by the T. U. E. L. The textile workers and miners will be admitted free of charge. Besides these, there will be many representatives from the food workers' trade, needle workers, building workers, traction workers and others, according to M. Pasternak of the local T. U. E. L.

## Failure to Declare Gin and Women's Apparel Costs Priest \$539.58

The Rev. John J. Rongetti, of 409 North Second St., East Newark, N. J., pastor of St. Anthony's Roman Catholic Church, was yesterday fined \$539.58 at the customs house for failure to declare a quantity of women's apparel found in his luggage when he arrived on the motorship Saturnia Monday night, and because 29 bottles of liquor were found in one of his trunks.

Of this sum, \$115 was penalties for having the liquor, which included whiskey, brandy, gin, benedictine and wines. The righteous priest indignantly denied any attempt to smuggle goods into the country, maintaining that both the women's apparel and booze had been given to him by friends, and that he did not think they had to be declared for duties.

Later, at the church, his foolishness said that he had "never touched spirits" in his life, but that he had intended to use it in his "work as a priest."

## WORKERS SOCCER TEAMS WILL PLAY

8 Games Scheduled for Sunday

The Metropolitan Workers Soccer League opened its soccer season last Sunday with four games scheduled. This Sunday, Sept. 23, it has scheduled eight. This is due to the fact that the league has succeeded in securing more fields.

The schedule for Sunday is as follows: New York Eagles vs. Rob Roy, Crotona Park, 1 p. m.

Brooklyn Scandinavians vs. Red Star "B," Metropolitan Oval, 10:30 a. m.

Scandinavian Workers "A" vs. German Hungarians "A," Metropolitan Oval, 1:30 p. m.

Scandinavian Workers "B" vs. German Hungarian "B," Metropolitan Oval, 12 noon.

Martians vs. Hungarian Workers, Crotona Park.

Spartacus vs. Argentina, Van Courtland Park.

Harlem Progressive vs. Co-operative, Van Courtland Park.

Hermes vs. Red Star "A," Prospect Park.

## FLASHLIGHT OPERATION.

OAK LYN, N. J., Sept. 20 (UP).—A flashlight operation saved the life of Kathryn Murray, 7, daughter of Charles T. Murray, Camden County coroner, when lights were put out by the storm.

## KODAK WORKERS ENDORSE WORKER PARTY PROGRAM

Robert Minor to Speak in Rochester

By DONALD BURKE. ROCHESTER, N. Y., Sept. 20.—Rochester will show a very different attitude toward Robert Minor, candidate for United States senator from New York State on the Workers (Communist) Party ticket, when he speaks here tomorrow at the Labor Lyceum, 580 St. Paul Street, than it had the last time he was here several years ago. This will be due to the intensive work that has been done here by the Rochester section of the Workers (Communist) Party.

Rochester workers have not been satisfied merely to devote themselves to routine propaganda, but they have been very active in several large plants located here.

The Eastman Kodak plant is the most important point for attack. Here a shop paper has been distributed for many months. In this paper letters are printed every month showing the eagerness with which the paper is read, and the great desire for a union. Workers are coming to understand that the Communists are the only ones who really want them to organize.

In every issue of the Kodak Worker, issued in the name of the Eastman Kodak Nucleus of the Workers Party, noon-day meetings held each Friday at the Levistown gate are announced. Speaking at one of these meetings on the subject of the election campaign of the Workers (Communist) Party, I was very impressed by the behavior of the audience.

They gathered many minutes before the meeting was opened, some approaching very directly to the scene of the platform, others drifting up casually as tho they had no particular interest in what was about to happen.

But before the meeting opened, an audience of about two hundred had assembled, and more were coming. By the end of the meeting, timed to allow them to return to work without missing the end of our remarks, over five hundred had gathered.

Minor's audience will be representative of George Eastman's slaves as well as those of the North-east Electric, Bausch and Lomb, and many other large plants. And among these workers the Rochester section will continue its agitation.

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# Mussolini Regime of Oppression Strengthened in Face of Workers' Demonstrations

## FASCIST GRAND COUNCIL MADE SUPREME BODY

### Reign of Terror in Italy to Grow

ROME, Sept. 20.—The formal incorporation of the grand council of the national fascist party, which, under the direction of Mussolini, has always directed the government into the regime, and the declaration of its function as a dictatorial body, was "approved" by the grand council on the "advice" of Mussolini himself.

The new law provides that the grand council shall be the supreme ruling body which shall direct and coordinate all the activities of the government and give advice on all matters pertaining to the governing of the state. Its meetings shall be secret, and none of its members can be arrested or tried without the authorization of the grand council.

In this way, all power is guaranteed to Mussolini, who by this means has given his own immediate followers, chosen and appointed by himself, a legal and formal status as the dictating and ruling power of Italy. The senate, the chamber of deputies and the ministry can only do what the grand council decides, for members of the former bodies are also members of the council.

The suppression of all dissenting voices and the crushing of all opposition is thus fully guaranteed in a "legal" manner. All those "elected" to any governing body are first proposed by the grand council and the voters can only vote "yes" or "no." It also has full power to fill vacancies in the government.

In addressing the grand council, Mussolini stated that he had already laid out the course that the government must follow, not only during the coming year, but as far ahead as 1930.

## BIG MILL MEET OPENS SATURDAY

### Delegates From Many Cities to Attend

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bring in a report on the delegates attending. After a discussion on this question a vote on the seating of the delegates will be the signal for the beginning of the actual work of the convention.

Resolutions Committees will be elected and Committees for women, youth, education and constitution will be formed to begin their work, while the other delegates continue in congress. This, it is expected, will complete the first session on Saturday afternoon.

Sessions of the various committees elected the first session, will continue their work into Sunday morning, after completion of which they will deliver their individual reports to the delegates. The rest of the morning session and part of the afternoon will be given over to discussions of the numerous resolutions reported on by the sub-committees. These resolutions are to range over every phase of interest to textile as well as all other workers.

## Charlie's Indian Blood Boils as Farmers Ask Pointed Questions

ROSEBUD, S. D., Sept. 20 (UP).—After being heckled by a farmer during his speech yesterday in Iowa, Senator Charles Curtis, republican candidate for the vice-presidency, came to the Rosebud Reservation today and took his fellow Indians to task for drinking, bootlegging and other indulgence in modern dances.

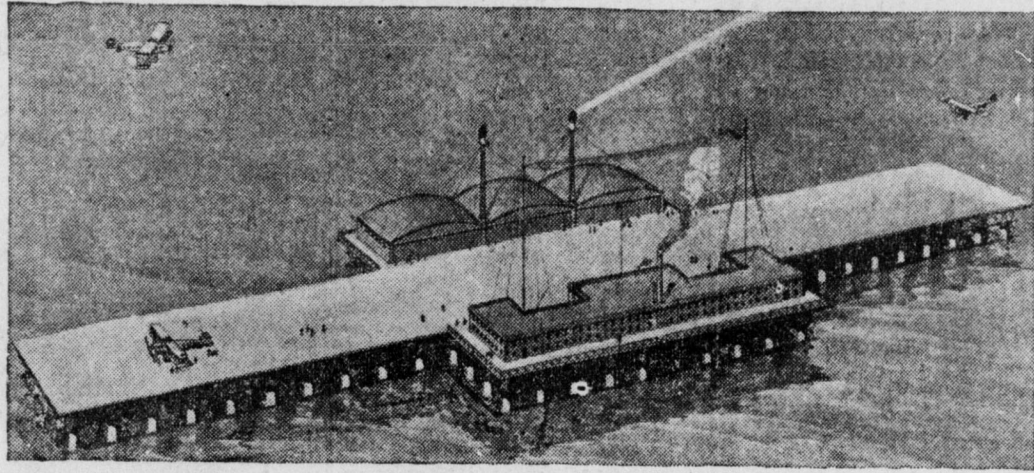
In Spence, Ia., Curtis lost his temper when a farmer in the audience insisted on popping questions at him about tax reduction and Teapot Dome. "You're too damned dumb to understand," Curtis shot back at the inquiring plowman.

Today the candidate was in a more reflective mood and spoke to the Sioux Indians of the reservation as a descendant of their own race. The occasion was the fiftieth anniversary of the reservation.

After praising the peace-time and war records of the Sioux, Curtis warned them against idleness, liquor and modern dancing.

Curtis's maternal grandmother was a princess of the Kaw Tribe.

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## WORKERS FLOCK TO HEAR GITLOW

### Poor Throat Country Rally to Red Drive

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who recently put over a sell-out agreement on the coal miners, the fact is clear that a majority of the coal diggers voted against it. Gitlow linked up Fishwick, president of the U. M. W. of A., Illinois district, with Frank Farrington, former Illinois miner, now the \$25,000 official of the Peabody Coal Company. The speaker told of the National Miners' Convention in Pittsburgh to take the place of the U. M. W. of A. now wrecked by the treachery of Lewis, Fishwick and Company.

"Fishwick falsified the returns in the recent vote on the agreement submitted to the coal miners," Gitlow declared. "There is no doubt but the sell-out policy of the fakers at Springfield was repudiated by the great majority of the coal diggers. The miners of Illinois must build a powerful section of the National Miners' Union," he said.

Unemployment Grows.  
Gitlow assailed the miserable conditions of the workers in St. Louis. According to the police, unemployment is rampant, four thousand applying for jobs last week and only four hundred jobs available.

The speaker urged solidarity between the Negro and white workers for the common fight against the employers.

Despite a tremendous downpour of rain several hundred steel workers listened to Comrade Gitlow in Gary, Indiana. Great enthusiasm prevailed and there was a storm of applause when the vice-presidential candidate called on the steel workers to form mill committees and prepare for the mighty task of organizing the hundreds of thousands of steel workers into a militant industrial union.

Fake 8-Hour Day.  
Gitlow ridiculed the fake eight-hour day "concession" made to the workers in the steel industry by the late Judge Gary. Some of the workers in Gary are working an eight-hour shift while other work ten hours. Those on the eight-hour shift are paid fifty cents an hour while those working ten hours only receive forty cents an hour. Thousands are working part time.

The speaker urged the steel workers, white and black, to stand shoulder to shoulder against the steel barons. He exposed the illusions of capitalist democracy, declared that the Socialist Party had deserted the class struggle and no longer had a right to pose as a party of labor, that a vote for Norman Thomas was a vote for capitalism and that the Workers (Communist) Party was the only revolutionary political party in the election campaign that stood on the basis of an uncompromising struggle for the overthrow of capitalism and the establishment of a Workers' and Farmers' government.

Still Strong.  
Gary was one of the battle grounds of the great steel strike, led by William Z. Foster, Communist candidate for the presidency. During the strike Gary was an armed camp with a great force of military on the ground under the leadership of General Wood, the notorious militarist who was afterwards rewarded for his services to capitalism by a post as governor-general of the Philippine Islands.

In Lansing, Ohio, a mining town, Gitlow addressed a large audience in Taylor's Grove. Owing to the activities of the Workers (Communist) Party in the coal strike, the miners are actively participating in the Communist Election Campaign. Forty per cent of those present at the Gitlow meeting were young workers and 75 per cent American-born.

Big Meetings.  
The Gitlow meetings in Cleveland, Toledo and Youngstown, Ohio were enthusiastic for the Communist ticket and its election program. Those great industrial cities offer splendid opportunities for Communist propaganda and Party organization. In Ohio, as elsewhere the socialist party ekes out a precarious existence, hardly functioning in an organizational sense and owing whatever sign of animation it shows to a few old lawyers who come to life during election campaigns.

Comrade Patterson, candidate for governor in Ohio, spoke with Comrade Gitlow at Toledo. The Overland automobile works in that city employ 15,000 workers. The official labor movement barely exists, the labor leaders being completely won

## Soviet Union Trade With Latin America Triples in 2 Years

MOSCOW, Sept. 20.—Soviet trade with Latin America is more than three times as large as it was two years ago, Boris Aevsky, head of the Soviet trading organizations in Latin America, declared in an interview.

South American exports to the Soviet Union are principally nitrates, sheep and some machinery. The Soviet Union sends to Latin America furs, manganese, lumber seeds and crude drugs.

## TO FIGHT PENN SEDITION LAWS

### I. L. D. Conducts Drive for Arrested Workers

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Sept. 20.—The local section of the International Labor Defense is conducting a campaign on behalf of the members of the Workers (Communist) Party who have been arrested at outdoor meetings during the course of their election campaign.

Among those arrested are Dominick Flaini, Emanuel Epstein, Herman Pinsker, Herbert Benjamin, Benjamin Weiss and Israel Lazaar. John Lyman, secretary of the Philadelphia I. L. D. local, states that the persecution and arrests of members of the Workers (Communist) Party are only the first of a series against working class organizations. Therefore the Philadelphia local has broadened the base of the defense by initiating a campaign for the repeal of the infamous Flynn sedition act of Pennsylvania, one of the most vicious pieces of legislation used to frame-up workers for their activities on behalf of labor.

This attempt to outlaw the Workers (Communist) Party in Pennsylvania is being fought, even as in the case of the Woodlawn, Pa., steel workers. In this case, the National Office of International Labor Defense has carried the appeal of the Woodlawn steel workers to the state supreme court, where a hearing will be held on the 24th.

## Mexican Congress to Select President Soon

MEXICO CITY, Sept. 20 (UP).—Selection of a provisional president may not be made by congress for about two weeks, it was believed today.

The movement in favor of Emilio Portes Gil appeared to be gaining great strength.

over to the policy of class collaboration, and making no attempt whatever to organize the workers.

Over two hundred workers attended the Gitlow meeting in Grand Rapids, Michigan. In 1924, an election campaign meeting was attended only by twenty-four. The Party organization there is growing and the comrades are confident of more rapid growth in the near future.

Negroes Attend.  
In Pittsburgh, the Gitlow meeting attracted an unusually large crowd. An important feature of the rally was the presence of seventy-five Negro workers.

In Ambridge, Pa., a steel mill town, hundreds of workers were afraid to attend the meeting owing to threats made by the mill owners that attendance at the Communist meeting would mean dismissal.

"The prospect for building the Party in this election campaign," Comrade Gitlow declared in his report, "are exceedingly bright. The class-conscious workers are not fooled by the friendship claims for labor made by Al Smith, the candidate of Tammany Hall, Wall Street and the Negro lynchers of the South. They are equally immune to the claims of Herbert Hoover, another favorite son of Wall Street. Norman Thomas, the socialist candidate with his appeal to the liberals, small business and the aristocracy of labor, and his repudiation of the class struggle is making no headway with the masses."

"The workers are learning that their only salvation is in the program of the Workers (Communist) Party which aims at the overthrow of capitalism and the establishment of a Workers' and Farmers' government."

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## DETROIT LABOR TRAITOR HIDES

### Martel Exposed Taking \$500 Bribe

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covering the retreat of his client. Martel is "doing work for the labor movement outside the state," the lawyer stated. According to the attorney, Martel will be gone for two weeks.

The plan, no doubt, is to provide time to "fix" things so the labor faker may come back in safety.

Martel, who is a member of the Typographical Union, is a delegate to the coming American Federation of Labor convention and part of the Morrison machine in the Federation. Frank Morrison, secretary of the Federation, and a leader of the Typographical International, also has been informed of Martel's activities, has continued to shield Martel. Recently Morrison admitted that he knew of Martel's "crookedness," but has refused to take action against his henchman.

## POLICE CONTINUE TEXTILE JAILING

### Two Thousand March in Picket Line

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Velho's action the police chief then arrogantly declared: "Velho from the beginning has been aggressive in holding down the strikers. I am standing squarely back of him on that. If the Textile Mill Committee is to dictate who is to be in charge of police details, you might as well install Pinto in my place." Workers are inclined to accept this as a suggestion, judging from the remarks about the coming city elections.

McLeod also declared that "I put my stamp of approval on the firing of guns. There are times when an officer feels justified."

Frank August, the aged worker, is now confined in St. Lukes Hospital, where he will no doubt be compelled to spend a long time. His nose is broken and his arms fractured by the beating Velho gave him after he was jailed. His case is being made the basis of a broad mass protest movement against the police terror.

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## GOVERNMENT TO PROTECT SCABS IN AUSTRALIA

### Call for "Volunteer Labor" on Docks

MELBOURNE, Australia, Sept. 20.—A bill providing protection for the scabs to be employed by the shipowners in an attempt to break the dock workers strike will be introduced into the house of representatives by Premier Bruce of Australia.

Following the decision of the board of arbitration, created by the new anti-strike legislation, against the dock workers who had protested its previous decision which provided a "two pick-up" system, that the strike is illegal, the shipowners immediately advertised for "volunteer workers."

At present workers in nearly all the ports have refused to go back to work on the two-pick-up system, under which the employers choose workers from the applicants twice a day instead of once a day as formerly.

Leading business men in all the ports are urging their employees to enroll as "volunteer workers," and both municipal governments and shipowners are making appeals to the population to scab on the dock workers in the name of "saving the welfare of the country."

Police are being held in readiness at all the ports to protect the scab labor and disperse the strikers. The lack of provisions, due to the strike, is beginning to tell in the interior, Cooktown, Queensland, being reported as short of food.

## NEW DRESS UNION ORGANIZES PHILA.

### Shop Delegates Launch New Organization

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left wingers. After enumerating more reasons of a similar nature, the resolution announced that the representatives of the workers in conference then were launching a union to replace the old one.

Active Organization.  
In addition to conducting the fourteen shop strikes which the new union has called, the workers here are at present engaged in carrying thru many other organization plans. Executive board members of the Signman union are working as scabs in the open shops declared on strike by the N. O. C. committee, and are entering and leaving the plants under escort of police.

Ether Miller, leading militant here, who was recently arrested for picketing activities was unanimously elected chairman at the conference. Bertha Cantor was chosen as secretary. M. Levine, one of the N. O. C. national organizers and Miller also spoke at the meeting.

After an executive board was elected, the members decided to pledge themselves to popularize the campaign for the \$10 voluntary tax. Initiation in the new union is, as in other cities, \$3.35.

## Workers Live In Rat-Infested Homes



Mary Dalton, 2 years old, and her sister Katherine, 7, shown bandaging Mary's wounds, were severely bitten when rats made an attack on the four children of Francis Dalton, a worker of 310 Keap St., Brooklyn. Workers are forced by poverty, due to wage slavery, to dwell in rat-infested tenement fire-traps.

## HOOVER "LABOR" BUNK IS EXPOSED BY FOSTER

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fitted from this piece of outrageous legislation.

Foster also condemned Hoover's stand on the use of injunctions in labor disputes, which he said was the same as Smith's, and which the Communist characterized as an evasion. The Workers (Communist) Party advocates the abolition of the injunction altogether.

Indiana To Go on Ballot.  
INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., Sept. 20.—The state of Indiana will be on the Communist ballot, according to a report received at the National Election Campaign Committee headquarters of the Workers (Communist) Party, from D. E. Early, who is now working in the Hoosier State, former stronghold of the Ku Klux Klan and once a center of socialist activity.

Early reports that the work on

## Huge Airships Built Secretly for Social Democrats War Fleet

FRIEDRICHSHAFEN, Germany, Sept. 20.—While the new dirigible Graf Zeppelin is making test flights in preparation for a cross-Atlantic flight, the Dornier 10, a 12-motored airship, the first of a series of giant dirigibles, is being secretly constructed in Rorschach for the "German Transatlantic Air Navigation Company."

The Dornier 10 will have twelve motors of 500 horsepower each, able to accommodate about 30 people besides other freight, and will be able to remain in the air for a trip of from 1,625 to 2,500 miles at an average speed of 115 miles per hour.

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## DUTCH POLICE KILL 1, WOUND 7 TIN STRIKERS

### All Leaders Jailed in East Indies Walk-out

BATAVIA, Dutch East Indies, Sept. 20.—One striker was killed and seven strikers were wounded when police attacked a group of pickets before the tin works on the island of Billiton, 100 miles north of Batavia.

The strike was called when the company refused to grant better working conditions and higher wages.

Every effort has been made to break the strike. All the strike leaders were arrested the moment the strike was called, but the strikers persisted in their walk-out and effectively picketed the mills.

All picketing, strike meetings, and even small groupings of strikers have been banned by the government.

## Police Shoot Negro; Refused Liquor Pay

Police last night shot and seriously injured William Ward, 23 years old, a Negro, who is said to have refused to pay the proprietor of a speakeasy at 2641 8th Ave., posing as a revenue officer.

Ward and his companion were chased down the street by a policeman whom the speakeasy-owner summoned, and shot after he refused to stop running. He was taken to the Harlem Hospital for treatment.

CONTINUE TRAINING.  
CALSHOT, England, Sept. 20 (UP).—Final plans were completed today for a British attempt to break the world air speed record. After speed tests today in a reserve machine, Flight Lieut. Greig intended to make final tests in the machine which will be used in the record-breaking attempt.

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# Worker Correspondent Tells How California Compensation Law Cheats Workers

## PAINTER BREAKS BACK AT WORK, NO AID FOR HIM

### Law Is Not Enforced Anyway

(By a Worker Correspondent)

LOS ANGELES, Calif. (By Mail).—Every California employer within the provisions of the Workmen's Compensation Act must carry insurance for the protection of his workers.

The law is hard-boiled about it, too. It reads that any employer who violates it may be punished by a \$500 fine, six months in jail or both.

But, fine as it seems to be, the law might just as well not be in the statute books, so far as E. Winfrey, a local painter is concerned. As the result of a fall from a ladder, in which his back was broken three years ago, Winfrey is still dragging around, a very sick man. But the accident insurance that should be coming to him, \$800, he will never be able to collect. Why? Because the law "slipped up," the law was not enforced either by the state industrial accident commission or any other agency.

Even one of the liberal papers here was driven to comment on the case as follows:

"If the law had been enforced, Joe Rose, painting contractor, who employed Winfrey, in 1923, would have been in a position to pay the award made by the industrial accident commission. He would have been carrying insurance for Winfrey. As it was Rose paid \$53 and quit."

Winfrey says, Rose has no property at least in his own name and his contract jobs are so obscure that they cannot be traced.

"Rose has told the authorities that he has six children to support, Winfrey said, and they take his word for it, but what about my children? I have three of them that the county is supporting."

Another painter, a friend of mine, became a victim of this same law a couple of years back. He was seriously injured for life, but unable to collect a cent, mainly because his boss did not carry insurance.

—L. P. RINDAL.

## Railroad Worker Saves Sailor As Small Ship Sinks In Storm



A railroad worker saved the life of Paul Simson, sailor, when an 87-foot motor cruiser which he was operating was smashed against a trestle by the storm.

## SOCIALISTS MAY HAND WORKER TO FASCISTS

### DR. PETER ISKROFF had fled from Bulgaria to Vienna because he was sentenced to death in Bulgaria for a political offense. Iskruff was a member of the executive committee of the Bulgarian Young Communist League and a popular leader of the working class and peasant youth movement. The authorities in Bulgaria had been on the look-out for him since 1925. He remained eighteen months in the country, but was finally compelled to flee. His trial took place in his absence in 1926. The indictment was based upon the notorious "Law for the Protection of the State" which punishes membership of prohibited organizations with death. Iskruff was accused of meeting together with other sympathizers in a cafe to read the newspaper "Radical," and with having wanted to strengthen the Young Communist League. Iskruff was found guilty of these "horrible" crimes and sentenced to death.

In Vienna Iskruff was arrested by the Austrian police after having conversed with a foreigner known to the police as a Communist. Iskruff had a false pass and in his room the police found, according to capitalist newspapers, "a bag full of Communist literature." Amongst other things he is alleged to have published a newspaper in a secret printing works, the newspaper aiming at bringing about the overthrow of the Bulgarian government.

His "Crimes."

When the "crimes" of which Iskruff is accused are examined, only one thing remains—the pass matter. This the Austrian police are perfectly used to with all political fugitives. As has been said, the usual practice of the police was three days' imprisonment and then permission to stay. As far as the printing of the journal "Communist Banner" is concerned, which is described as a "violation of Austrian Press Law," it cannot be so very serious, for even the "Weiner Journal" which strives to make the most out of the matter, has to admit that the publication was a theoretical journal. All these things provide no reason in Austrian law to detain Iskruff.

The long detention of Iskruff can only have one meaning, and that is that the Austrian authorities are planning to hand him over to the Bulgarian government, although the Vienna police have officially announced that the Bulgarian authorities have not filed a request for extradition. The official social democratic party newspaper "Arbeiter Zeitung" makes no mention whatever of the danger of the extradition of Iskruff, but contents itself with reporting his "crimes" in Austria.

Extradition Possible.

Had it not been for the Austrian Red Aid the matter would not have been brought before the public. Only three weeks after Iskruff was arrested did the police consider it necessary to make any statement about the affair, and only now after seven weeks is the capitalist press trying to make it a state affair in order to stir up public opinion against him in Austria and pave the way for his extradition.

The case of Burcul must serve as a warning. Burcul was handed over in all secrecy to the Yugoslavian authorities, not even his defending lawyer being informed until after it was an accomplished fact. The Austrian government is preparing to do the same with Iskruff, and unless the workers of the world take action one day we shall be calmly informed that Iskruff has been sent over the border in all secrecy and haste.

The extradition of Iskruff to the Bulgarian authorities would be nothing more than common murder, for Iskruff is sentenced to death in Bulgaria!

The workers and the Red Aid organizations in all countries must stir up the world workers on behalf of Iskruff. Our task is to save his life.

ANOTHER "BOMB PLOT."

LONDON, Sept. 20 (U.P.).—A "bomb" mailed to the king of Sweden proved on examination to be a bundle of anarchist pamphlets, an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Copenhagen said today. Discovery of the mysterious package in the mails caused excitement and an official inquiry.

TEXTILE BARON DIES. BOSTON, Sept. 20.—William Whitman, cotton manufacturer, died at his Brookline home today. He was 87 years old.

## ANTI-IMPERIALIST MEET IS PLANNED

### Will Open Membership Campaign

The combined membership and mass meeting of the New York Branch of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League, which will be held at the Labor Temple, 242 14th St., Room 42 and 44, Wednesday, Sept. 26, at 8 p. m., will signal the opening of a membership drive of the New York Branch of the League. All the friends and sympathizers of the All-America Anti-Imperialist League are invited to be present.

The war danger, the signing of the Kellogg Pact while preparations for the next war are being speeded up; the growing conflict between the United States and British imperialism; the necessity for organization among the working class to struggle against wage-cuts, rationalization, and unemployment, intensified by the rapid growth of American imperialism; the necessity for solidarity between the workers of imperialist powers and the oppressed masses of colonial and semi-colonial countries—these are some of the questions which will be taken up at the meeting.

Harriet Silverman, Secretary of the New York Branch of the League will preside. Harry Gannes, acting Secretary of the United States Section of the League, and Robert Dunn, author of "American Foreign Investments," will be the principal speakers. Discussions from the floor will be in order. All the affiliated organizations—labor unions, women's organizations, clubs, fraternal and liberal organizations are urged to circulate their members and insist on their presence at this important meeting.

## GENERAL STRIKE ON IN ROSARIO

### Police Attacks on the Strikers Reported

ROSARIO, Argentina, Sept. 20.—Police guards at the leading plants have been strengthened and large patrols are distributed throughout the city, as the strikers remain out and all workers are ready to walk out on the general strike today, called by the Federation of Trade Unions.

Police attacks upon groups of strikers are reported in various parts of the city, as the public utilities service is at a standstill and communications severed.

All workers here have decided to maintain their demand for higher wages and better working conditions and the hiring of only union workers. They also demand that fired Communists and anarchist workers be returned to their jobs.

LATIN-AME-ICAN FLIGHT MEXICO CITY, Sept. 20 (U.P.).—Col. Roberto Terro, Mexican goodwill flier, landed at Valbuena field at 10:10 a. m. today, completing a tour of Central American republics.

## OLD FARMER, 78, WANTS LEAFLETS FOR DISTRIBUTION

### Pledges Rest of Life for Working Class

(By a Worker Correspondent)

Leavenworth, Kansas: (To the National Campaign Committee)

Dear Comrades:

I am the lone man in this home to agitate our cause. I am hated by the would-be-politicians of Hoover and Smith. One thing I am very proud of is the way I put out about 200 leaflets in cars last Sunday when a ball game was in progress. I need particularly at this time a few Packing House Workers' leaflets, together with some of the 1928

I am a farmer 78 year old, and an old socialist soap-boxer. Am anxious to speak in Missouri and Arkansas, parts of which, I know very well. Am well known at 207 East 14th Street, Kansas City, and know Oehler, Cushing and Eastwood, too. I went to see if I could see John Porter.

I have got about fifteen here converted to the Red Flag, though only three wear the button in public. Rush all literature. Having been an auctioneer, I have a "stump" voice.

P.S.—Am awaiting outcome of the meeting to oust Lewis at Pittsburgh. Just heard a candidate for governor. He said nothing but a lot of wind, and did not ask if there were any questions the audience wanted to ask. I was eager to ask his stand on Nicaragua. Neither did the Hoover outfit want any Red talk. They don't mention imperialism or capitalism.

I have put out a lot of literature in Arkansas this summer, also among farmers. My future life is for our cause. I want no salary, but when my necessary expenses are assured, if the cause needs me after careful investigation, I am at your service.

—AN OLD SOLDIER.

## Grecht at Speakers' Conference Saturday

Rebecca Grecht, election campaign manager of the Workers (Communist) Party in this district, will lead the discussion at the next speakers' conference to take place this Saturday, Sept. 22nd, at 2 p. m., 26-28 Union Square, on "Trade Union Questions and the Election Campaign." All open-air speakers, agitprop directors, election campaign managers, workers active in trade union work and all interested in the election campaign work of the Party, should attend this conference.

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## "Luckee Girl" at the Casino Theater Is Quite Amusing

EVELYN HERBERT



THE Messrs. Shubert, old hands at getting an innocent laugh or two out of dainty and slightly risque spectacles are up to their usual tricks in "Luckee Girl" now at the Casino. The musical comedy known in French as "Un Bon Garcon" in honor of what is by all odds the star performer, the fat and cunning Hercules Richelieu, is done into English by Gertrude Purcell, and played under the cigarette advertisement title above mentioned.

Hercules (sung by Billy House) is a waiter at "Coco's" (you see the regular girl-show plot developing). He insists that he is a direct lineal descendant of the great cardinal, and explains the apparent discrepancy with the vows that accompany holy orders by saying that the cardinal joined the Yanks one season." Between his harmless and kind hearted intrigue he sings twice, with enthusiastic zest the hit of the show, "Come on, let's make Whoopie." So you see already what kind of a show it is, and there is little more to be said.

The costuming is, if not quite as old as the noble Hercules' monastic ancestor, at least as ancient as the Prince of Pilsen. But the songs and the dances seem new, the tunes are snappy, the composers have forgotten that jazz is supposed to be going out of fashion, and to the present writer at least appear to have added something to that species of music.

"Facts of Life," by Doris Vinton, as Camille, is a quaint little song, with a modernistic twist; some of the verses have to be slurred over a little on account of possible censorship. "Chiffon" is an appeal for shorter and better step-ins, or whatever it is that they wear nowadays. Doris Vinton and Irene Dunne (as Arlette, a Midinette) chant this happy tune with considerable spirit.

Like all musical shows, the dancing is the life of it, and in this case the technique followed is to make lovely girls act as much like jumping frogs as possible. The incongruity thus developed lays the foundation for peals of laughter, as any psychologist will tell you. Your critic is informed that no real thrill in the audience is possible without the presence of an element of danger and if this is so, the imminent possibility of dislocated joints provides the show with a good chance to get by. In the last act two heroically modelled Faymims, swarthy of hue, do juggling with a slender whip of a girl who has more powder on her than you could well imagine would stick there. Some day she will get a fractured skull, but while she lasts it is worth seeing.

Well, it's the usual thing, except for a couple of new tunes, and Hercules and the dancing. But it's pretty—and so far as I can see has no political angle whatever, aside from the reputed genuineness of Hercules Richelieu.—V. S.

## PLUMBER HELPER DESCRIBES MEET IN LABOR TEMPLE

### Helfand Stresses Need for Organization

(By a Worker Correspondent)

A mass meeting of the American Association of Plumbers' Helpers was held on Wednesday, Sept. 12, at the Labor Temple. The president, Brother Helfand, opened the meeting with a speech in which he pointed out the wonderful opportunity for organization now facing the trade. He declared that at least 75 per cent of the union plumbers were working below the scale. Many workers, he said, are rebelling at the ill-treatment they receive from the bosses. He urged full participation in the coming youth conferences.

Brother Singer then spoke on the social and sports activities of the organization.

The general discussion, opened by the recording secretary, "Murphy" dwelt at length on the lessons to be drawn from the recent struggles in the Hebrew Butchers' Union. Many saw the possibility of a similar use of direct action by building trades bosses and officialdom. Many brothers participated in the discussion.

Marie Duke, representing the Working Youth Conference, then spoke on the aims and purposes of that body.

The membership then decided to send five delegates to the conference, naming Francis Doherty, F. M. Chaplar, Murray Singer, Max Helfand and Shapiro.

At the present time the United Association of Plumbers, Steamfitters and Gasfitters are meeting in convention at Atlantic City. The Plumbers Helpers are waiting to learn whether their delegates were seated.

fall on the date originally planned by the state republican committee for its campaign conference in this city. It has very recently been decided by the republicans to shift their conference to Syracuse.

All of the state and most of the local candidates of the Workers (Communist) Party will speak at the Central Opera House rally.

## THOUSANDS TO BE AT BIG RED RALLY

### Special "Daily" to Be Distributed

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didates illustrated by their pictures, and stories of the election work as carried on by the different sections of the Party.

As the day of the Red Rally draws nearer every day reveals fresh proof of the character of both republican and democratic candidates. The eulogistic comment made by John L. Lewis, president of the largely non-existent United Mine Workers, on Hoover's fanciful speech, aimed to befuddle workers, is evidence of the sort of "labor leaders" who support the anti-labor policies of the capitalist candidates. That organized labor outside of New York is not fooled by the annual wooing of labor in election campaigns by capitalist and petty-bourgeois politicians is seen in the letter of protest sent by the Orange Typographical Union of Orange, N. J., protesting the endorsement of Smith by the N. J. Federation of Labor, the protest at the same time stating that Hoover, too, does not represent the working man.

The Red Rally of Sept. 28 will

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# Ryan, President of Longshoremen, Signs Agreement for Wage Slash

## IGNORES VOTE OF LABOR AGAINST BETRAYAL PACT

### Average Yearly Pay Is About \$25 a Week

The expected set-back for the longshoremen in their recent demand for a wage increase was confirmed yesterday when Joseph P. Ryan, reactionary president of the International and president of the Central Trades and Labor Council, announced that a new agreement had been accepted at the old low wages. The pay of the longshoremen is said to be not over \$25 a week for the year's average.

Last week, Ryan, after a conference with Frederick C. Topin, vice-president of the International Mercantile Marine, leader of the shipping forces, announced publicly that he expected no results from the nominal demand for an increase which he had made, due to the pressure of the longshoremen. The "refusal" of the shipping concerns to grant an increase was referred to the men of the Atlantic seaboard for a vote.

Yesterday, without troubling to announce the result of the vote, believed to have been overwhelmingly against the low wage scale, Ryan announced that the old terms had been accepted.

"Our conferences with the steamship owners were friendly and harmonious," he said. "While we did not get an increase in wages, still the condition of the steamship industry is such that we got the best that could be expected."

## POSTERS TELL OF BIG BAZAAR

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some of them are, though there are still many workers who have not yet started activity. With less than two weeks left until the opening of the bazaar, the National Daily Worker-Freiheit Bazaar Committee is bending every effort towards mobilizing every section of the militant American working class behind the bazaar. The committee points out that the bazaar is not a local affair, but one of national importance, as has been emphasized by the Central Executive Committee of the Workers (Communist) Party.

Bazaar activity must be carried on along three lines: Collecting articles, selling tickets and gathering greetings and names for the Red Honor Roll that will be included in the unique souvenir bazaar program. Workers, only two weeks remain. Get on the job!

## Three More Agents to Tour States for Daily Worker Subscriptions

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out for their activities have heretofore been uncovered either by the Workers (Communist) Party or the Daily Worker. Each one has expressed himself as being enthusiastic over the tour, emphasizing the fact that new contacts with the workers of these states will be made which were impossible up to now. In each city and town covered, all attempts possible to build a strong "Support the Daily Worker" machine will be made.

Thus far, several cities have responded excellently to the Daily Worker drive. Such unknown spots as Vinal Haven, Maine, have secured three subscriptions, while Youngstown, Ohio, has sent six subs as the first batch toward the attainment of the city's quota, which has been set at 25.

## Workers Party Activities

Units, branches, nuclei, etc. of the Workers (Communist) Party and the Young Workers (Communist) League in New York City are asked to send notices of their activities to this column. There is no charge. All notices must arrive one day in advance to ensure publication.

**Party Roll Call.**  
From September 24 to 30 there will be a roll call of all Party members to fill out the record of activity and attendance at Party meetings which must be turned in at once by all units to the district office. All comrades must be present at unit meetings that week without fail.

**Williamsburgh Y. W. L.**  
The Williamsburgh section of the Y. W. C. L. will hold the following open air meetings this week:  
Today at Grand Street Extension and 10th St. Speakers: M. Hoffer and D. Davis.  
Tomorrow at Hooper Street and So. 3rd St., Brooklyn, with the following speakers: H. Harris, S. Weiss, R. Gordon and M. Geltman.

**German Fraction Picnic.**  
A German picnic will be held Sunday, Sept. 25, at "Edenwald" for the benefit of the organ "Der Arbeiter," the bi-monthly Communist paper issued by the fraction. Come and spend a late summer's day in the greens. Plenty to eat and drink. Third Ave. to 133rd St., then Boston Westchester R. R. Diver Ave. or subway to 180th Street, then E. W. R. R.

**District Agitprop Conference.**  
A conference of the district agitprop directors will be held today, at 7 p. m., at the Workers Center, 26-28 Union Square, 5th floor. Many important matters will be taken up, and all unit agitprop directors must attend. The meeting will be adjourned at 8:30 to go to the district functionaries meeting.

**District Speakers' Conference.**  
A district speakers' conference will be held tomorrow at 2 p. m. at the Workers Center, 5th floor. Rebecca Grecht will lead a discussion on "The Questions and the Election Campaign." All open air speakers and agitprop directors must attend. Everyone is welcome.

**Williamsburgh Red Week.**  
The Red Week Drive in Williamsburgh will gain momentum this week when workers will gather at 46 Ten Eyck St. to go out collecting signatures. A special mobilization will be held Sunday among the members of Sections 2 and 3.

**Branch 3, Section 7.**  
A business and educational meeting of Branch 3, Section 7 will be held Monday, 8 p. m., 740 40th St., Brooklyn. Valentine will lead a discussion on "The Negro Question."

**Branch 3, Section 7.**  
Two Sundays ago a mobilization of Branch 3, Section 7 will be held at 10 p. m. at the Workers Center, 5th floor. Rebecca Grecht will lead a discussion on "The Questions and the Election Campaign." All open air speakers and agitprop directors must attend. Everyone is welcome.

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The annual Proletarian Autumn Reveal of the New York Section of the International Labor Defense will be held Saturday evening, Oct. 27, at 8:30 at Webster Hall, 119 E. 11th St. Prizes will be given for the oldest and shabbiest clothes.

**Youth Chorus Meeting.**  
The Youth Chorus will have an organizational meeting Saturday at 2 p. m. at 60 St. Marks Pl. All who are interested should attend.

**Young Workers Social Culture Club.**  
A general membership meeting of the Young Workers Social Culture Club will be held today at 8 p. m. at 118 Bristol St. near Pitkin Ave. Election of a new leadership will take place. All members are urged to attend.

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## Labor and Fraternal Organizations

**Banquet at Brighton Beach.**  
Saturday, Oct. 15, at 8:30 p. m., a Chinese supper and an interesting concert will be given by the Workers' Club, Brighton Beach.

**Cooperative I. L. D.**  
The Co-operative branch of the International Labor Defense is being organized in the Co-operative Colony. A meeting is called for Friday at 8:15 in the Auditorium, 2700 Bronx Park East.

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Madison Ave.—Listen Oak, Gill Green, Williams, Kagan.

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### WORKERS (COMMUNIST) PARTY

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### Senator Curtis' Reply.

The late Elbert Hubbard used to say: "When someone beats you in an argument, do not despair. All is not yet lost. You can still call him names."

Hubbard, pen valet extraordinary for the capitalist exploiters of this country, only formulated in a concise and comprehensive manner that which has long been the chief stick-in-trade of democratic and republican as well as socialist party politicians.

The latest example of such "political argument," was the retort of Senator Curtis of Kansas, vice-presidential candidate on the republican ticket to a farmer in Spencer, Iowa, who asked questions that could not be answered about the Mellon-Hoover-Coolidge policies, with particular reference to farm relief and Teapot Dome. Mr. Curtis, instead of replying to the questions of the farmer, pointed a scornful finger at him and said: "You're too damn dumb to understand it, anyway."

In this rejoinder is revealed something more than mere impudence on the part of Curtis, himself one of the most servile, stupid, incompetent ornaments of that cave of the winds known as the United States senate. Curtis was one of the regulars, voting like a marionette on all the republican swindles and approved every act of every grafter in the entire history of the Harding-Mellon-Hoover-Coolidge Teapot Dome cabinet.

Curtis' reply to the Iowa farmer is classic, in that it symbolizes in one sentence the attitude of the old party politicians toward the exploited masses of this country. The politicians believe themselves superior people, destined to rule over dumb, driven cattle. To question such people about their records at Washington is regarded as impudence. It is a wonder the hoodlums that usually follow in the wake of old party presidential candidates did not throw the questioner out of the hall, especially in view of the fact that his queries were such that Curtis could not even attempt to reply otherwise than by calling the farmer names.

The difference between Communists and all other political parties is no more clearly revealed than in the attitude toward the workers and farmers who comprise the audiences. At all Communist campaign meetings questions and even discussion from the floor is welcome. The arguments and program of the Workers (Communist) Party can be defended anywhere, against anyone, because the Communists alone have a program that will solve the problems facing the exploited masses of workers and farmers.

Political parties are instruments by which classes endeavor to gain control of the government. No party can speak for all the people. However, the old parties—as well as the socialist party in its present decrepit state—try to conceal their class character, hence their programs are deliberately designed to deceive the masses, to conceal their real class character. On the other hand the Communists are the vanguard of the working class and go before the masses with an avowedly class program, hence we are always ready, willing and anxious to explain the most minute details of our program and policies. We have nothing to conceal, while the other parties have to conceal the very reason for their existence—the fact that they represent the exploiting class against the workers and farmers of the country.

### Trade Union Agreements— Advantageous or Harmful

Superficial observers of the labor movement, particularly the university professors who try to formulate theories to justify the betrayals of the working class by the reactionary officials of the American Federation of Labor, make a fetish out of trade union agreements. Prof. John R. Commons of the University of Wisconsin is the founder of the modern school of learned apologists for that theory and practice of trade union fakery that has come to be known under the general term of Gompersism. The lesser members of that school are the Brookwood "la-

bor college" faculty, Selig Pearlman of Wisconsin University and a considerable number of graduates of these institutions. Commons and his associates hold that a union which does not maintain continuous contracts with employers is doomed to failure. In analyzing the birth and decline of various independent unions they claim that the failure to obtain agreements from employers is "the rock upon which all such unions have broken."

Certainly no intelligent worker will take a stand in opposition to all agreements. Likewise no one except traitors to labor or their theoretical defenders in the university chairs will advocate the signing of any agreements that can be obtained.

Agreements are most advantageous to trade unions when they are forced from the employer in a struggle that results in victory for the workers. Under such conditions agreements serve as a weapon inasmuch as they cover periods of low productivity in a given industry and expire at a date favorable to the workers and unfavorable for the employer. Under certain conditions, in industries formerly unorganized or industries in which the workers have only weak organizations, it is possible to sign agreements without improvements in conditions or increases in wages, provided they expire at a time favorable to the workers. During the life of such agreements intensive organizational work can proceed so that the workers will be in a better position to fight the employers.

But certainly it is never advantageous to the workers to sign agreements accepting wage-cuts and expiring at a time when the workers are least able to put up a fight. Such agreements would result in initiating a whole series of wage-cuts and a policy of steady retreat on the part of labor.

The formerly militant sections of the American Federation of Labor have never made a fetish of agreements. For instance, the International Typographical Union, during the short period since the war that it was dominated by progressive forces (in fact and not in name only), refused for years to sign agreements with certain newspaper publishers in Chicago simply because the employers insisted upon agreements expiring at a date unfavorable to the union. The same policy was followed in Cleveland and other cities in the job printing end of the industry. Far better to work without any agreements at all than to accept them when they are a menace to the future success of the workers.

The 2,000 coal miners of Illinois who have gone on strike against the infamous treachery of the Lewis-Fishwick machine and who refuse to abide by agreements that ratify wage-cuts have followed the right line thus far. Their next step must be a break with Lewis and all his henchmen and affiliation with the National Miners Union under a leadership developed out of the struggle and steered in the long fight against Lewis and the operators, a leadership that realizes full well that only by organization and a determined fight that will compel the employers to grant living wages and decent conditions in the mining industry can there be any thought of agreements.

### Genuine Farm Relief.

News from the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics is to the effect that the Ukraine harvest has fallen short of expectations, leaving 850,000 men, women and children of the agricultural area in that part of the Soviet Union in a position where they cannot maintain their living standards on returns from their crop. The Soviet government, as soon as the condition of the peasants was ascertained, appropriated the sum of 31,000,000 rubles toward the cost of supplies needed and the local government appropriated 10,000,000 rubles for the same purpose.

Here is a case of the one government on earth that represents the people who inhabit its territory meeting a farm crisis with quick and adequate relief. Not with fake promises as is the case of the republican party in this country, or of promises of an investigation committee as is the case of Al. Smith and the democrats—both aspiring to serve as administrators of a government that exists only in order that the capitalist class may continue to exploit the workers and farmers, —but with practical relief policies.

## Hundreds of Porto Rican Peasants Killed In Terrific Hurricane Which Swept Island



The fierce hurricane which swept across Porto Rico killed hundreds of peasants and left hundreds of thousands homeless. The storm smashed the tiny match-box hovels in which the peasants live and left a trail of dead and dying, of wrecked hovels and ruined fields in its wake. Above, workers of San Juan clearing the streets of debris.

# The Workers Party in the West

By ROY STEPHENS

COMMUNISM is growing in the middle-west. The workers in this section of the country have already put the Workers (Communist) Party on the ballot in the states of Nebraska, Iowa, South Dakota, Arkansas, Oklahoma, Kansas, and Texas. Indications are that the Communist ticket will be on the ballot in every middle-western state. A big fight is also being carried on to organize the workers in the packing houses and other big industries.

As a result of these activities attempts are being made in the states of Nebraska, Oklahoma, Kansas and Texas to keep the Communist ticket off the ballot and send the most militant fighters to jail. There are also indications that attempts will be made in several other states to likewise prevent the workers from putting their ticket on the ballot. The conclusion to be drawn from this is that it is a concerted attack by the employers and open-shop interests to destroy the Communist movement in the middle-west. That is just what is happening.

### Some Characteristics.

In order to understand just why the employers fear the Communists so in this section of the country one must understand the conditions existing here and the peculiar characteristics of this section.

The middle-west is admittedly the most American section of the country. By this is meant that here the people are the greatest per cent native-born and the most free from the customs of foreign immigrants who come to our shores. Naturally such American schemes as class-collaboration and company unionism are put into practice most effectively here. The capitalist press has always boasted that Communism cannot grow in this part of the country.

Since the war the labor movement has been almost completely destroyed. The strong unions of the miners and packing house workers are no more. Cities like Omaha, Kansas City, St. Joseph and Denver boast that labor troubles have been solved. At the present time Kansas City and Omaha are spending several million dollars each year to

## Workers Rally to Party Despite Attacks of Mine and Packing House Barons

induce manufacturers to locate in these cities. Since the republican convention at Kansas City the chamber of commerce has decided to spend an additional five million at once. Here they boast raw materials and labor are abundant.

### A. F. of L. Betrayals.

The American Federation of Labor has completely betrayed the workers. The fakers who are in control spend their time thinking up new schemes to prevent any militancy. This Labor Day in Omaha the reactionary mayor of the city, Mayor Dahlman, who owns a lot of stock in the street railway and other corporations here, was invited to address their meetings.

At one time there were strong I. W. W. and socialist organizations in this section of the country, but they no longer exist. Today what is left of the socialists openly praise such politicians as Norris and Brookhart. The I. W. W. has no members except in a few of the mining regions of Colorado and Wyoming and there they fight the militants and the Communists and through their wrong tactics they lost the Colorado coal strike. Only the Communists are carrying on a militant campaign against the employers and the Wall Street government.

The farmers, too, in this section are suffering greatly because of the exploitation of them by the capitalist class. Thousands are yearly losing their farms and being forced to go into the cities and join the ranks of the unemployed. The agricultural laborers have had their conditions made worse by the introduction of combines and better machinery. The highways have been full all summer with them wandering in vain in search of employment.

### Communists Gain.

Lately the Workers (Communist) Party has been making great gains. In Colorado the Communists were active during the coal strike and now in Pittsburg, Kansas, they are lead-

ing the fight for a new union. In the packing plants they are publishing shop papers and calling on the workers to organize. Many mass meetings are being held, at which Communist speakers show up Norris and Brookhart and other politicians as supporters of the capitalist system. But in doing so they have enraged the employers and the state officials.

### Boast of Stool Pigeons.

R. A. Kirkpatrick, chairman of the Americanization committee, boasted that the Legion was carrying on an extensive espionage campaign, saying that Legion stool-pigeons attended several Communist meetings and furnished reports to the department of justice at Washington. Marcus Poteet of the Lincoln Post of the American Legion stated that while he knew of no legal objection to the Workers Party filing he thought that a Communist organization is subversive of American ideals and that the placing of a Communist ticket on the American ballot is so odious that the situation transcends technicalities of the law.

Newspapers in Nebraska carried headlines announcing that a Red Plot had been discovered here. An American Legionnaire delivered a speech over radio station WOW, in which he attacked the Communists at great length.

### Want to Continue Exploitation.

The capitalist class hope to destroy the Communist movement in the middle-west. They want to keep this section of the country unorganized so as to exploit the workers to the utmost and keep the middle-west a reservoir from which to recruit the bulk of the cannon fodder for the next imperialist war.

But the Communist Party will not be destroyed. The attacks of our enemies will only cause us to grow. Workers are learning that the Communists are fighters and from the attempts of the capitalist class to keep us off the ballot they will learn that democracy is only a dictatorship of the capitalists and only the Workers (Communist) Party fights for a workers' and farmers' government.

Workers, defeat the attacks of the employers in the middle-west! Your answer must be the placing of the Communist ticket on the ballot in at least thirty-five states. Forward to a workers' and farmers' government!

# Imperialist War and Working Class Youth

By W. J. WHITE.

WHAT part will the youth of this country play when the war drums are sounding? This is today a potent question which we must answer correctly. How must we organize our youth of the working class in order to offset the patriotic hokum which is being instilled into their minds through their eyes and ears by the teacher, the preacher and the political hunkum and hokum peddlers who are behind the many activities in sports, camp fire girls, the boy scouts, the Y. M. C. A. and the numerous sports clubs which are being organized among the youth in order to keep their minds wedded to the capitalist system? It is doubtful if any other worker aside from the actual building up of the army and navy, is getting as much consideration as this propaganda which is today being carried on among the youth by the capitalists of the country.

### Papers and Magazines

In order that the youth may be leashed to the chariot of the War God of capitalism, printers' ink is being spilled by the gallon and the physical advantages which come from the many activities connected with the boy scouts, the Y. M. C. A. huts, the outdoor life, etc., are held out in such an alluring way and in such a manner that the real intention is skillfully hidden behind all this poisonous propaganda. In this propaganda the paid hirelings of the masters "brass check" press are drawn up, and they respond with a will to the commands of their masters. Not only are the daily papers

## Capitalist Press, Church and Schools Screech Propaganda for Coming War

actively engaged in this work of moulding the minds of the young to suit the purposes of the bosses, but the magazines are also drawn upon to warp and twist the minds of the young so that they will willingly go out when called upon in case of war under the guise of the physical well-being of the numerous calls to go into the camps of the Citizens' Military Training Camps.

### The Part of the Church.

The religious press, especially of some of the large protestant denominations, and also the press of the catholic church is filled with this camouflaged war propaganda. The feelings of working class fathers and mothers are skillfully played upon by such papers and their patriotism and religious bigotry is appealed to under the guise of the physical well-being of their children and the need of having them fit to take their part in the affairs of life. Baseball leagues confined strictly to the members of the churches are fostered and given publicity by the church papers, the same is true of football and kindred sports. The catholic church takes advantage of the patriotic appeal to the young to build up catholic organizations patterned after the camp fire girls and the boy scouts, but the church sees to it that these organizations are confined to the members of its congregations.

Very fortunately our party is alive to this question, and in every congress and the plenum of the Workers (Communist) Party this question of the youth is seriously being discussed. This is finding ever and over more response in the organizations of the young workers and they are especially carrying on more and more propaganda in the training camps of the Citizens' Military Training Camps, and also among those young who are still under the influence of the propagandistic rulers. This is as it should be for if we neglect our work among the youth in the mills and factories of the country, then we are not fulfilling our revolutionary task. Organize the youth! Build up the Young Workers League and the Pioneers in the United States, for upon them rests the future of our Party. One of the means which will bring real results to our Party in bringing to the front those best fitted to lead in this work, is the numerous schools which the Party is conducting in such centers as Ohio, Wisconsin, New York and Massachusetts. It is from them that we can look for the training and discipline of our young workers. In this we are, considering our small membership and comparatively weak resources doing a very fine work, and we can in the near future, I hope, bring to bear for this work more and better and ever larger schools with an ever growing number of members attending the classes in these and the other schools we will be opening from time

## Told You So

AL SMITH and Herbert Hoover are now playing the role of political confidence men to the workers and farmers. While Herbert was trying to seduce the labor vote in New Jersey, Al was out in the potato and corn belt trying to win the hand and heart of the



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farmer. Hoover and Al did not talk about love weaving webs of fancy on the horns of the moon; they talked steak and potatoes. They talked about it, that's all. The worker who takes Hoover seriously deserves to carry a lighter-than-air dinner pail and the poor farmer who believes the tale of Tammany Al, doesn't know enough to shake a mouse out of his whiskers.

SMITH can afford to spend half a million dollars on his radio broadcasting and Hoover can afford to spend as much more. They will get their vote-bait in the newspapers and into the sitting rooms of the voters throughout the country. Millions of workers and farmers will undoubtedly fall for their hokum. But an ever-increasing number of the exploited masses are getting hep to the democratic and Republican parties. Fooling the masses and serving the capitalists has been the profession of the plute parties for generations. The workers are waking up and those of them that have gotten the dust out of their eyes are looking towards the Workers (Communist) Party for leadership.

In all probability there will not be much more fuss made about the Queens sewer scandal. Patten, Connelly's man won out over his opponents in the primaries last Tuesday. Tammany opposed Patten, evidently because the wigwag warriors wanted the sewers all to themselves. Tammany was stopped at the bridge. "Thou shalt not pass" was the slogan of the Queens Democratic bosses. Thieves will insist on falling out.

IT'S mighty hard for a fellow with money to know what to do these days. He is beset with danger from all sides. John M. Phillips, the late sewer-pipe king, or as he called himself the "King of Queens" trusted a nurse he met by accident as most nurses are met. As you may know Phillips is supposed to be dead, tho it would not surprise his friends to learn that he pulled off a resurrection. But anyhow, this nurse who admired the late pipe sultan, is now telling all in the pages of a New York tabloid. Needless to say she is doing it in the interests of clean government. So far she has succeeded only in whetting our curiosity.

THE gist of her story is that this man who made others bend to his will as if they were so many reeds was as weak as a woman's tears in the hands of John Barleycorn. But he always carried a medallion which he picked up on the street and no matter how muddled he was, when he touched this charm, his brain cleared and he shot out decisions bearing the stamp of wisdom. Samson lost his herculean strength when he got trimmed by a woman. Perhaps some modern dame went thru Great men's pocket and stole his amulet. Great men sometimes not only have feet of clay but carry their brains in their hip pockets.

THE 80 per cent of the population that have pyorrhea and don't know it are not so badly off. They might have halitosis and see the world turning away from them. Still, Bernard McFadden, the big vegetable and vitamin man is not satisfied. This public benefactor is never satisfied unless he is helping to make the people healthier and increasing his bank roll. The style in disease is constantly changing. Today it is the fashion to go on the war path against pyorrhea; tomorrow it may be the lowly bunion.

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to time. This is the key to our tasks among the young. Only by founding such schools and building up our papers can we hope to offset and check-mate the work of the capitalists in their work of making reactionaries of the rising youth of our class.