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The Fascist American Federation of Labor

William Green, president of the A. F. of L., has publicly given the blessings of his organization to the anti-workingclass, anti-May Day demonstration organized by the fascist Veterans of Foreign Wars for Union Square on May 1st, as a provocative challenge against the traditional May Day which for 44 years has been celebrated by the workers at that spot.

Yesterday was announced from the Army and Navy Club the plans for this fascist provocation. In the first place it puts demonstratively the "Russian" division, a gathering of white-guard cut-throats of the Czar.

William Green gave his blessings to this murderous gang, who have been mobilized by Policeman Whalen on behalf of Wall Street.

Is there still anyone who protests against the name "fascist" being applied to the leadership and policies of the A. F. of L.?

Is there any red-blooded worker who is not filled with indignation at the sight of this choice collection of exploiters, scoundrels, professional murderers, fakers, and fascists, occupying Union Square on May Day?

Earning the Praise of His Bosses

Policeman Whalen knows who is the boss. And he knows how to gain the approval of those who pay the bills and thereby call the tune. Public testimonial to this fact is given by the announcement of a demonstrative "dinner" to be given in honor of Whalen on May 6th, sponsored by a committee of 600 most prominent capitalists and politicians.

Among those who will demonstrate approval of Whalen's head-clubbing on March 6th, and who give advance approval to his prospective clubbings on May 1st, are all the well-known names: Vincent Astor, and a couple of Vanderbilts; Atterbury, Willard and Harriman; Adolph Ochs and William Randolph Hearst; Grace and the Guggenheims; Otto H. Kahn and Darwin P. Kingsley; Julius H. Barnes and Owen D. Young; the Gimbels and Kresses; Warburg and Sloan; David Belasco and Will Hays, and so on to a total of 600 of the same kind.

We must express our thanks to the organizers of this dinner for giving the Daily Worker such an excellent dramatization of the class meaning of March 6th, of the class forces behind Whalen and the police clubbings. Whalen is merely the strong-arm man of Wall Street. He takes his orders directly from these people, and receives his rewards from them.

All these 600 financiers, capitalists, entrepreneurs, and their prostitutes, were frightened by the spectacle of March 6th, when hundreds of thousands of workers demonstrated on the streets. They shiver in fear, and nightmares disturb their sleep, as May Day approaches, the day upon which, for 44 years, the working class has put forward its most fundamental demands.

Unfortunately for the 600 and their brethren all over the country, all their violent suppression, all their police war-mobilization, will not suffice to destroy May Day. On the contrary, the extremes to which they go in their panic, serves to deepen and broaden the movement of the workers, make it more conscious, and steel the workers for more determined and better-organized battles.

May Day is only the rehearsal for more serious battles to come. Let us take the measure of capitalist repressive forces, exemplified by the forces of Whalen, in order to learn how in the future to defeat the capitalists and all their Whalens.

EX-COPS MURDER 2 NEGRO WORKERS GIVE HARPER 3 MONTHS IN JAIL

Framed Them Up to Get \$5,000 Reward

FORT WORTH, April 18.—A deliberate murder of two Negro workers, Will Tate and George Terrell, by P. Boyt and John Alsup, former policemen, was revealed yesterday. The murder of the Negro workers was perpetrated by the ex-policemen and several other white police agents in order to collect a reward for dead bank bandits.

The facts revealed by the district attorney's office show that Boyt and Alsup, the former official gunmen, induced the Negro workers to go through the motions of a bank hold-up. Boyt, Alsup and their friends then deliberately killed Tate and Terrell in order to collect the \$5,000 offered by the State Bankers' Association for the killing of any bank robber.

P. Boyt confessed the frame-up and murder and is being held for trial.

Young Communists Spring Dance Tonight at New Harlem Casino

The Young Communist League is holding a big affair tonight at the New Harlem Casino, 116th St. and Lenox Ave. It will have many youth features. The funds will be used to mobilize the young workers for participation on May 1. The snappy John C. Smith Band will supply the music.

Today in History of the Workers

April 19, 1775.—Battle of Lexington, Mass., beginning of American bourgeois revolution. 1791.—Louis XVI and family arrested by revolutionists in attempted flight from France. 1917.—P. C. Oxman, principal witness against Mooney, arrested on perjury charge. 1918.—J. Edward Morgan kidnapped from El Centro, Calif., to prevent speech in behalf of Mooney. 1920.—Miners of Butte, Mont., struck for wage increase and better working conditions. 1925.—115,000 workers in Denmark locked out.

Tell the Advertiser—"I Saw Your Ad in The Daily Worker."

Negro Railroaded for Fight on Lynching

Solomon Harper and Rose Kelly were railroaded to jail yesterday on charges brought by the reactionary Randolph clique in the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters for daring to suggest in a mass meeting called by the "union" a campaign against the Wilkins murderers.

Three Months. Harper and Kelly were convicted by Judge Weil in the 12th District Magistrate's Court. Harper, a Negro railroad worker and American Negro Labor Congress organizer, got three months in the workhouse. Kelly, a white worker, arrested for interfering with a policeman who was trying to break Harper's arm, was given five days.

"We, the members of the council of the unemployed in Harlem," says a resolution adopted yesterday by that body, "see and understand that this railroad of Harper and Kelly to jail is a premeditated, deliberate and cold-blooded attempt of the boss class to rob the workers of militant leadership. This has added to the determination of the unemployed workers to demonstrate May 1 against the capitalist class and their whole damnable system of oppression."

HOUSE MARINE DELEGATES The Marine Workers League urgently requests all comrades who can accommodate one or more delegates to its convention, immediately to get in touch with their office at 140 Broad St. or telephone Whitehall 7478.

ANGLO-SOVIET TRADE

Pravda Comments on Agreement

(Wireless by Inprecorr.) MOSCOW, April 18.—Pravda declares that the importance of the Anglo-Soviet agreement consists in the provision of a legal basis for trade relations. Recent events in France proved the absolute necessity of such a basis. The agreement represents the success of the unwavering peace policy of the Soviet Union which created favorable conditions for the development of An-

FOOD WORKERS CONVENE SUNDAY FOR NEW UNION

Hundreds of Delegates to Elect Shop Council

Mass Drive Planned For Orientation on the Factories

Beginning tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock, in Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. Fourth St., the shop convention of food workers, called by the Food Workers' Section, Trade Union Unity League, will establish a Food Workers' Industrial Union, based on a shop delegate council expected to be representative of hundreds of crafts and branches of the industry. The chief task of the convention will be the drawing up of a program for mass organizational work, based on the needs of the most exploited workers in the industry, workers in the trustified factories, canneries and chain stores.

This convention is the climax of a long, bitter and militant struggle put up separately by food workers of different crafts—hotel, restaurant and cafeteria workers, food clerks and bakers. As previously independent branches of the industry, these workers have courageously and victoriously battled the combined forces of big and small capitalists, the most sweeping injunctions and mass arrests experienced in New York and a brutal social fascism developed by food unions affiliated with the United Hebrew Trades, as well as by the traditionally militant Amalgamated Food Workers, now rivaling the A. F. of L. in the terroristic tactics of its bureaucrats.

STRIKE GOES ON IN INDIANAPOLIS

Metal Finishers Led by TUUL, Metal League

INDIANAPOLIS, Ind., April 18.—The Hayes Body Corporation strikers are standing firm for their demands. Two hundred walked out April 8 (not 1,000 as erroneously reported in a telegram to the Daily Worker on that date). They have elected a strike committee, which the bosses so far refuse to see, and are making efforts to spread the struggle.

At a noonday meeting at the factory gate recently, 500 workers gathered, and when the company police tried to arrest the speakers, the workers refused to permit it.

Three Shot in Gun Battle in Royalton

Capitalist press reports from Royalton, Ill., tell of a gun fight between the officials of the Lewis and Fishwick cliques. Browning Davis, brother of a U. M. W. sub-district official, was shot, also James Hicks of Royalton, and three other men. Howat, head of the Peabody Coal Co. faction of the United Mine Workers, and his vice president, Adolph Germer, of the socialist party, were in town, trying to hold a meeting in front of a drug store, and Lewis sent in 100 thugs to break it up.

Friends of the Soviet Union Concert Tonite

Tonight the drive of the Friends of the Soviet Union for thousands of new members to fight for the recognition and defense of the Soviet Union will open. Central Plaza Hall will see scores of workers and friends of the U.S.S.R. participate in the revolutionary mass singing, led by the F.S.U. band and other features.

Wise-Cracker and Head-Cracker



Jazzy Mayor Walker, the head of the capitalist city government. His answer to the New York unemployed workers was breadlines and blackjacks. His slogan for May Day is Fascisti and 19,000 policemen. Walker was an actor, that's why he acts so perfectly on the bosses' orders.

OPEN WORKERS EDUCATION MEET

Conference to Meet Today

Today at 2 p. m., in the large auditorium of the Workers School, 28 Union Sq., the first conference for working class education will open its sessions.

Credentials have been received from a large number of organizations. These include the Needle Trades Workers Industrial Union, the Independent Shoe Workers Union, the Education Department of the International Labor Defense, the International Workers Order, the Workers Cooperative Colony, the Jewish Workers University, a number of delegates from Communist sections, foreign language educational clubs, the Young Communist League, etc.

The agenda for the conference as announced last night by the provisional committee for the conference is as follows:

1. Election of officers; 2. The report on—a. The situation in working class education in New York. b. The nature of working class education. c. Our next step; 3. Discussion on the report; 4. Report on Credentials Committee; 5. Adoption of resolution; 6. Elections.

There is a \$2 fee connected with each delegate in order to cover the expenses of the conference. In a last minute announcement issued by the joint chairman of the provisional committee, George Siskind, for the Trade Union Unity League and Sam Darcy for the Workers School, it was declared that the aims of the conference will be "to found a permanent organization closely to connect the educational and propaganda activities of all militant working class organizations, which will help to provide for mutual help in order to extend our activities and guide the nature of these activities along correct revolutionary paths."

Newark Mass Meeting Sunday Elects Labor Jury in Sedition Case

NEWARK, N. J., April 18.—"Free the ten Newark defendants! Fight for the right of the workers to organize!" are the slogans of a mass protest meeting against the attempt to railroad to prison under the sedition law workers arrested in February while meeting to arrange details for the unemployment demonstrations. The meeting will elect a labor jury to sit through the trial, which starts Tuesday. The meeting is Sunday, at 2 p. m., at Krueger's Auditorium, 25 Belmont Ave.

Anti-Soviet Bishop's Son Kills Aged Man; Attacks a Woman

James Matthews Maxon, said to be the son of Bishop James M. Maxon, one of the leading sky-pilots of the Protestant Episcopal Church of Tennessee, who is a rabid supporter of the imperialist war, yesterday demonstrated the meaning of Christian peacefulness and charity by brutally murdering David Paynter, a 70-year-old printer. Paynter, aroused by a woman's scream, had entered the room of Mrs. Rose Hickey and saw young Maxon trying to pull her out of bed. The bishop's son, Maxon, thereupon picked up a chair and beat the aged printer to death.

International Wireless News

(Wireless by Inprecorr.) BERLIN, April 18.—Police confiscated the Communist May Day newspaper. Precautions on the part of the workers prevented large supplies from falling into the hands of the police.

The Reichs Government announced yesterday that Severing's Thuringian ban was raised, the monies due Thuringia being paid without question.

Thuringia is using federal money to train a fascist army for the purpose of establishing an open fascist dictatorship in Germany. The money was held up until an "investigation" could be made.

IMPERIAL VALLEY STRIKE IN MAY; CONVENTION SUN.

Preparations Go On in Spite of Arrest of 83 Leaders

Total Bail \$1,500,000 Bosses Wild As Toilers Turn to T.U.U.L.

EL CENTRO, Cal., April 18.—Sunday the convention of the Agricultural Workers Industrial League will meet here, in spite of the attempt of the bosses' sheriff to put every leader and organizer in jail. The convention is to make plans for a great strike of the 15,000 cantaloupe pickers and packers in May. The Agricultural Workers Industrial League yesterday issued a statement calling all workers to close their ranks and fight on against the slave conditions in this outdoor hot-house, poor housing, low wages and long hours.

A strike of 8,000 workers here several months ago was betrayed by a Mexican "liberal" organization, and the workers, largely Mexican and Filipino, are turning to the Trade Union Unity League, and its Agricultural Workers Industrial League.

The employers fear the movement, as is proved by the fact that after the first strike they established a

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FASCIST FISH IS RED-BAITER

Wants Communists "Investigated"

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Backed by the Fascist War Veterans, the Morgan-Rockefeller supporters of Cossack Whalen, and the rabid reactionary Matthew Wolf of the American Federation of Labor and the Civic Federation, Congressman Hamilton Fish Jr. presented a resolution calling for an "investigation of Communist activities in the United States." He proposes the establishment of a distant island where all rebel workers should be exiled. He does not say, however, whether his proposed island would be big enough to hold the 1,250,000 workers who demonstrated on March 6.

Fish declared that he is sure his resolution will pass together with an appropriation of from \$50,000 to \$100,000 to carry on the red-baiting activities.

Boss Court Revokes Citizenship. PHILADELPHIA, April 18.—After he had received his citizenship papers, because he wrote a letter to his brother, a soldier in Hungary, berrating him for murdering workers, the Federal Circuit Court of Appeals yesterday sustained the action of the lower court in taking away John Tapolesanyi's citizenship papers.

The action of the Federal Court shows its unity with the fascist regime in Hungary and is directed against all workers who militantly fight against bad conditions.

Walker Names Pay-Triot Day

As part of the preparations against the wide mobilization of the workers for a mass political strike on May Day, under the leadership of the Communist Party, Jazzy Mayor Walker yesterday issued a proclamation proclaiming April 19 as Patriots Day.

PHONE CO. IN BIGGEST STEAL

ALBANY, N. Y., April 18.—The New York Telephone Co. today notified the public service commission, agents of the entire capitalist class in this state, that it proposed to raise phone rates enough to make \$8,000,000 more a year. The rates proposed are the highest submitted so far.

WAR REMINDER

While the imperialists are feverishly preparing for a new imperialist war, a very vivid reminder of the last war, a floating mine field has just been discovered off the Danish coast, near the mouth of the Schleswig Fjord. Ten other mines were lifted from the water in that vicinity by German mine sweepers.

SEAMAN HURT IN CRASH

CAPE MAY, N. J., April 18.—A seaman was injured when the freighter Luckenback, of the M. J. Luckenback Lines, collided with the freighter Sataria, of the U. S. Shipping Board Lines.

GENERAL STRIKE IN CUBA ON MAY 1; PHILADELPHIA PROTEST PATRIOTS IN PLOT WITH RUSSIAN MURDER GANG

Chiefs of Czarist Jew Killing Black Hundreds and "Okhrana" Wick A. F. of L. and U. S. Fascists

Miners and Steel Workers Conference Calls All Out in Wheeling, Belaire, and Moundsville

2,000 MEETING IN HEAVY RAIN

Denounce Jailing and Prepare for May 1

PHILADELPHIA, April 18.—A huge crowd of well over 2,000 workers gathered in a heavy rain today at noon in front of the City Hall, on the call of the International Labor Defense, to protest the conviction of Foster, Minor, Amter, Lesten and Raymond, the five members of the New York unemployed delegation, and to demand the release of Holmes and Peltz, who were recently convicted under the vicious Flynn sedition law in Chester and who are now in jail.

Banners calling on the workers to "Down Tools and Strike on May 1," as well as others demanding the release of all class-war prisoners, against imperialist war and for the defense of the Soviet Union, were carried by many of the workers.

Unanimous Resolution.

A resolution was unanimously and enthusiastically passed pledging the workers' solidarity with the imprisoned workers. The resolution demands the immediate release of the delegation representing the 110,000 New York workers at the March 6 demonstration, the release of the Gastonia seven and all other class-war prisoners.

The workers present pledged themselves to carry on a huge campaign to fight the Flynn sedition law and to fight for its immediate repeal.

Telegrams of greeting and solidarity were sent to Foster, Minor, Amter, Lesten and Raymond, and

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CALL DEFENSE CONFERENCE SUN.

Mass Meeting Tuesday to Mobilize All

Representatives of all workers' organizations, unions, shop councils, the unemployed councils, defense bodies, fraternal bodies, and the Communist Party will meet Sunday morning in Irving Plaza Hall to work out plans for strenuous opposition to the terror in New York. It will fight for the release of the N. Y. committee of the unemployed, for Harry Eisman, 15 year old Young Pioneer, sentenced to six years for attending the March 6 demonstrations, and arrange defense for all future cases.

A mass protest meeting and mobilization of workers for these purposes is called by the Communist Party, the I. L. D., the Trade Union Unity League and Councils of the Unemployed, for Tuesday, April 22, in Central Opera House.

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Admit 3 Power Treaty Means Big Arms Race

LONDON, April 18.—The process of writing loopholes in the three-power "treaty," through which an unlimited navy could be launched, is now going on here. It is expected that the final draft of the treaty will be ready for signing by Tuesday. From statements issued by nearly all the imperialist delegations the main task now is to broaden the "escape clause" so that the treaty becomes more and more a cover for the failure of the five-power conference.

A statement issued yesterday by Senator Robinson, one of the American delegates, goes even farther than the British white paper in interpreting the "safeguarding clause." Robinson says that any of the imperialist powers can build any sized navy it thinks necessary to meet the various war situations that arise. He said:

"If a real emergency should arise I should want the United States to be free to act without the consent of others, and of

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MORE WORKERS PROTEST JAILING

137 Tried in Chicago Monday; Cuban Terror

The International Labor Defense, 80 East 11th St., reports receipt of a resolution demanding the release of Foster, Minor, Amter, Raymond and Lesten from the International Association of Machinists, District 24, Hamilton, Ontario. It is signed by A. C. Avering, secretary of the district.

Many other organizations and mass meetings of workers are sending in similar demands and protests. One is from the I. L. D. branch in Williston, N. D., which states that at the meeting where the resolution was adopted, 11 new members joined, and that in this small town, there are 450 unemployed.

Another resolution is from Jadranko More Lodge 144, Philadelphia.

The five above mentioned, an elected delegation of the unemployed who were railroaded through a juryless trial before three judges on April 11, come up for sentencing Monday, in special sessions, at the Criminal Court Building.

137 in Court Monday.

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FIGHT FOR "WORK OR WAGES" IN U.S.

Strike in New York and Mass Demonstration

HAVANA, Cuba, April 18.—A mass political strike for 24 hours May Day in the whole of Havana, and in other cities of Cuba has been voted at a meeting yesterday of representatives of 36 labor organizations.

In spite of every sort of terror practiced by the Machado government, demonstrations of the strikers and the vast numbers of unemployed in Cuba will be held in the afternoon, with mass meetings at night in all labor centers.

Political Strike in N. Y.

Mass political strike in all New York industries is guaranteed by the revolutionary unions of the T. U. U. L., and by thousands of unemployed workers wherever they have expression through minority groups, fraternal clubs, etc. The Unemployment Movement executives met yesterday and today, planning the fullest participation of the workers without jobs, led by the Councils of the Unemployed.

The threats of Whalen and the police department, the fascist and jingo organizations led by the World War Veterans, do not awe these workers, and they demand the right of the working class to use Union Square, for the biggest mass demonstration ever held in this city. The demands are immediate relief of the unemployed by appropriations from the city treasury, and by tax on profits, unemployment insurance paid for by the city and administered by the organizations of the jobless, seven-hour day and five-day week, no speed-up, and more pay, no war on the Soviet Union, no imperialist war, etc.

Whalen's Masters Feed Him.

The 600 most prominent businessmen in New York, including the Rockefeller and Morgans, Atterbury of the Pennsylvania Railroad, and the owners of the most labor-hating corporations plan a banquet at the Astor for Grover Whalen, their police head, to extend official congratulations from the real rulers of the city and the country for police brutality and arrests March 6.

Unite With Black Hundreds.

Meanwhile some curious details of the connection between the pay-rioters who propose a march in uniform from Madison Square to Union Square May 1 for the purpose of attacking the jobless and striking workers there and the Russian monarchists, black hundred and Jew killing cliques of Czarist Russia, and White Guard terrorist organizations, have come to light.

The Russian counter-revolutionary paper in New York, Novoye Russkaye Slovo, carries on appeal

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CLEANERS MEET MONDAY

A mass meeting of cleaners and dyers in Central Opera House Monday will take organizational steps against the wage cut campaign of the bosses, which followed the signing of the agreement April 1 with the corrupt officials of the A. F. L. union.

Today in the Daily Worker

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MONDAY:

A Man On the Breadline Calls For May 1 Fight, Youth Problems—Shohan.

The Thesis of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, U. S. A., passed at the recent Plenum, will appear in Monday's issue of the Daily Worker.

PIONEERS READY MAY 1

Call for Mass School Strike

Pioneers of New York are actively preparing for May 1. Work has begun among the workers' children for a mass political school strike. Distributions of literature in all public and high schools have taken place during the week. Friday afternoon, in front of Walton High School, the Bronx, a worker's child was arrested while distributing pamphlets calling the pupils to stay out of school on May 1. So far eleven schools have issued Pioneer school bulletins. In many of these schools the Pioneers have been terrorized by the school authorities. Plans are now being made to distribute 100,000 leaflets. Pioneers are being mobilized at a membership meeting on Monday, April 21. At this meeting a plan of work for the entire holiday week will be discussed. This week, as so far planned, will include work among

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WORKERS CALL FOR MAY FIRST STRIKES AND DEMONSTRATIONS

VA. MINERS ARE STARVING THRU UNEMPLOYMENT

Want to Organize Under NMU

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
BIG STONE GAP, Va.—Once more I wish to call your attention to the awful conditions in the Virginia coal mines.

The miners here are on starvation, working 2 and 3 days a week. Some of the mines have shut down and the poor miners are starving, the children almost naked, undernourished and a picture of hopeless despair. Men walking the roads and highways begging for work. Even if they get a job, what do they get? \$3 a day for 3 days a week, total \$9. Out of that they must first pay rent, coal and doctors, all compulsory, while the mine owners back in the Florida sunshine care nothing for the poor starving men, women and children.

Send Us Organizers!
Won't you please send organizers here to help us. Don't let the damn grafting capitalists make you believe that the southerners won't strike or fight. That is all propaganda of the A. F. of L. They have sold us out to the bosses twice and we want no more of them. We want the Communist Party and National Miners' Union to lead us. They are the only ones that can or will get out and fight for the working man.

Come on, folks, give us a chance. Don't think the southerner is no good. We are damn good fighters when we believe in a cause. We have had enough of capitalist starvation. We have been exploited too long by them.

I would be glad to help organize and fight to the bitter end for the Virginia miners. Only I have little money and could not hope to win without the help of the Trade Union Unity League and other militant organizations, like the National Miners' Union and the Communist Party.

So I say, come on Virginia miners, let's fight the damn capitalist government of the "land of the free and home of the brave." Oh yes, free for the rich to exploit the poor. And the homes are all owned by the grafting rich.

Again we give three cheers for Foster, Minor, Amter and others.
—VIRGINIA MINER.

MAKE WORKERS PAY FOR SPIES

Shoe Shop Chairmen Co. Stools

(By a Worker Correspondent)
A few days ago I saw an article in your paper about our shop, the I. Miller shoe shop in Long Island City. But the best part of our shop this worker forgot to tell you. That is that we pay for the spies that watch us.

It's like this. I. Miller has a company union, and everybody who works there has to pay in \$50 which he will lose if he goes on strike. Then we have to pay 10 cents every week to pay the shop chairman. And these shop chairmen are nothing but spies for the company. Of course, there are lots of other spies, too.

And that isn't all. We got a lousy bunch of foremen all over this shop, but one foreman is the worst of all. That is the one called Frank Vegesi. This Vegesi isn't satisfied with driving his own men, firing for every tiny damage and firing for no excuse at all, but he butts in on the other departments and helps out the foremen there, too. In fact, he acts like he thought he was the grande seigneur of the shop, like they used to have in Europe I guess.

I agree with the fellow that wrote the other day that we should join the Independent Shoe Workers' Union. What we need to do is to all get together in a good fighting union like that.

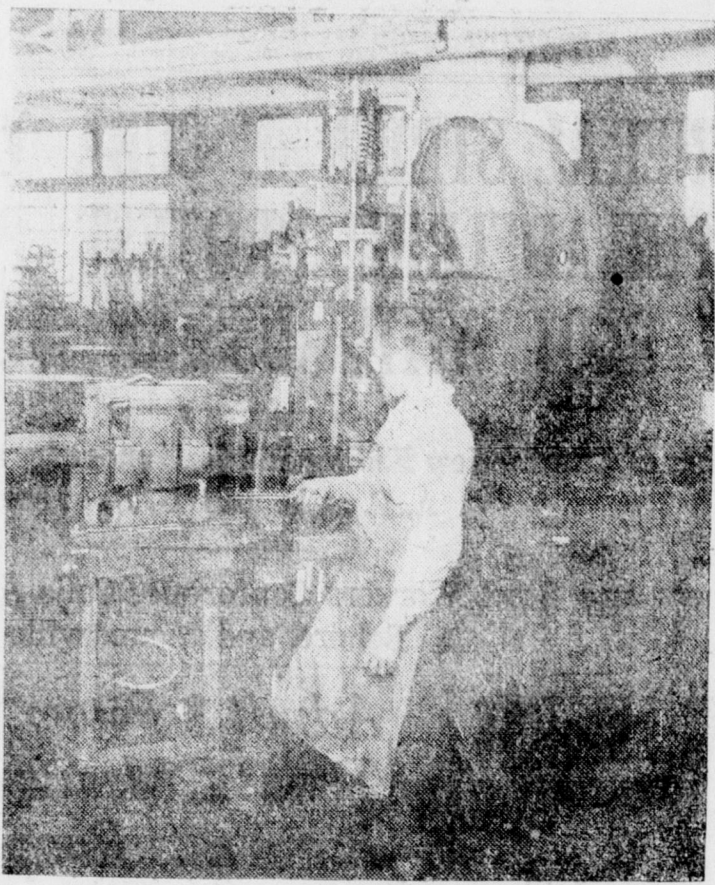
—A SHOE REBEL.

Other workers in I. Miller shoe shop should write in to the Daily Worker about their experiences in the shop, so that your fellow-workers can see how conditions are in all of the departments.

Young Communist Girl Dies of Prison Hunger Strike in Palestine

An eighteen-year-old girl member of the Communist Party of Palestine died Wednesday in the Hadassah Hospital in Jerusalem, following a two weeks' hunger strike in prison, where she had been held since last September, according to a Jewish Telegraphic Agency dispatch. While neither the name of the prisoner nor the reason for her imprisonment was given, the vicious persecution of the revolutionary workers in this colony of British imperialism by its "labor" imperialist government is notorious.

Electric Plant Workers to Come Out May 1st; Rally to T. U. U. L.



Lewis Delegates from Non-Existing Mines

(By a Worker Correspondent)
AVELLA, Pa.—The colony, about Pennsylvania delegates to the Lewis Convention in Indianapolis, March 10, 1930. The following is the kind of delegates Lewis had at that convention: they got 2 men from Cherry Valley, Pa. (it is Sub District 1, N. M. U.). The Cherry Valley mine finished many years ago. No more miners in Cherry Valley, the men work on farms—but no more coal mine in Cherry Valley.

WEST'N ELECTRIC LAY-OFFS GROW; SPEEDUP WORSE

A.F.L. Don't Care; It's Up to T.U.U.L.

KEARNEY, N. J.—The conditions in the Western Electric plant are getting worse daily. Many of us are laid off daily. During the last lay-off employees that worked for three months or two years or more were fired for little or no reason. The entire matter was a veiling out process to eliminate the better paid workers and to replace them with new workers for half the price. Those that are still working are being exploited and speeded up to the limit.

Speed Up Fierce.
The workers of the Wood Shop, Dept. No. 333, are speeded up and matched one to another to see who wins the race. The workers in the southwest corner building, 21 fl. 3, have to stand the strong acids of the stain and varnish, which endangers their health. These conditions prevail in other departments, and in the next issue we will cite them.

A. F. of L. Ignores Workers.
The leaders of the International Association of Machinists, that are part and parcel of the American Federation of Labor leadership, are doing nothing toward remedying the miserable conditions of the workers in the Western Electric plant, but, instead, are working hand in hand with the bosses to force upon the workers wage-cuts and speed-up.

The shop committee of the Western affiliated to the Trade Union Unity League is appealing to its fellow-workers to take immediate steps toward organizing shop committees in every department, and to participate in the New Jersey Metal Conference on May 18 in Newark. This conference will establish a Metal Industrial Union, a union that will organize and mobilize all the metal workers of New Jersey in a fight against the prevailing miserable conditions, for the seven-hour, five-day week; against speed-up, for equal work equal pay, for higher wages, against overtime, for social insurance, sick and unemployment insurance paid by the bosses and state. Join the May 1 political strike.

WESTERN ELECTRIC WORKER. —AVELLA MINER.

A worker in the Western Electric Company plant at Kearney, N. J., tells of the intense speed-up there, and the lay-offs that occur as a result of the speed-up. He calls on electric plant workers to join the Metal Workers' Industrial League, affiliated with the fighting Trade Union Unity League. He urges all workers, unemployed or employed, to strike and demonstrate May Day.

Electric workers, such as these in Western Electric plants, will help to form the new, revolutionary Metal and Steel Workers' Industrial League at the Youngstown Convention June 14-15.

Subway Workers Slaughtered by Speedup



Read the letter of one of these workers. He says the T.U.U.L. is the only organization for them.

McGovern Construction Co. Cripples and Blacklists

(By a Worker Correspondent)
NEW YORK CITY.—Don't kick against low pay and murderous working conditions is the order of Patrick McGovern Co., Inc., or out you go.

This company has a job of 17 miles of water tunnel for the city of New York. This includes 17 shafts to be sunk. These shafts must go down to a depth of 600 feet. The law of New York State plainly says you cannot go more than 150 feet without putting in a hood-house, or cage. This is for the safety of the men. Did they do that? Hell, no. They go right ahead violating the state law every hour of the 24.

Cripple, Kill and Blacklist.
This company has a contract to the amount of \$43,000,000. This is one of the worst strikebreaking companies in the state. They have stool pigeons all over their job to spy on the workers and if they hear a man kick about the murderous and back-breaking slave-driving bosses, he is soon called to one side and handed his discharge papers. Do they stop at that? Like hell they do. You are blacklisted from all the other openings of the company. They have killed and crippled more men than any company in the state. They fire more men than any other company of its kind in the state. You must do the work of three men or you will be discharged. They tell you that if you don't want to do it, they have plenty of unemployed men clamouring at their gates for jobs.

Sold Out by A. F. L.
I could mention many other companies here that treat their men

worse than dogs and pay them half price for their work. So the conditions in the construction of the subways and tunnels of New York City are hell. We have been sold out by the A. F. L., especially the Blasters Union of which I am a member.

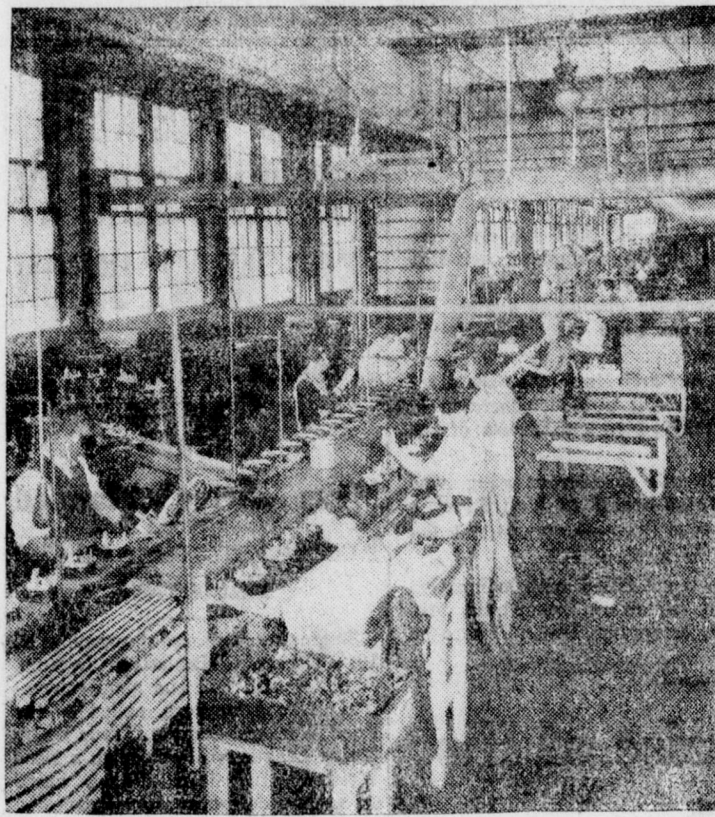
Come on, subway workers, join the union that fights for you! To hell with the government that lets us starve and makes slaves of us!
—BLASTER

Poughkeepsie Workers and Jobless Protest Unemployment Sat.

POUGHKEEPSIE, N. Y., April 18.—There will be a demonstration against unemployment in this, the city where state employment figures show unemployment is worst. Workers and jobless will gather at Main and Market Sts. Saturday at 3 p. m. The call is from the Trade Union Unity League and the Councils of the Unemployed.



This underground worker was murdered by speed-up. The A.F.L. don't give a hang about such murders, says a subway blaster. He says the workers must join the T.U.U.L.



Cleveland Car Workers See Thru AFL Fakery

(By a Worker Correspondent)
That the ways of the labor fakery are not always strewn with roses was evident during the last two meetings of Division 268 Street Car Workers' Union. The eight-hour day our local fakery said the Street Railway Company would grant us if we voted for it has been ditched because the company discovered that the cut in wages that the eight hour schedule would not cover the cost of putting them into operation and swell their profits at the same time. Instead they have lengthened our hours of work, cut out as many as sixteen two-car trains on many lines, speeded up the running time, thus throwing hundreds of carmen out of work.

Workers Score Union Fakery.
These men and the others thrown out of work attended the last two meetings of our union and, in very strong terms told the officials what they thought of their class collaboration activities. They denounced the union heads for not forcing the eight-hour day agitation, for not demanding an increase in wages and a guaranteed week for the extra man.

To curb the agitation that the situation is developing, our tricky financial secretary suddenly became a "revolutionist"—an old trick of his—by accusing the railway company of duplicity in not putting the eight-hour schedules into effect. He suggested that the grievance committee should meet the bosses and ask them for a guaranteed week for the extra man. A motion to that effect was put through.

Workers Can Expect Nothing from These Fakery.
The Trade Union Unity League committee warns all carmen not to expect anything from this "grievance committee" which is headed by the union officials. As they have always done, this committee will simply call at the company's office, smoke the open-shop cigars and cigarettes handed them by the bosses, exchange a few pleasantries and then depart to tell us of the terrific battle they had with the railway executives, and how they almost convinced them of the "justice" of the cause of organized labor. We also warn you that these officials of ours will sell us out every time they get the chance. The cowardly sell-out by our international officials of the striking New Orleans street carmen when their strike was actually won is positive proof that these labor fakery are out to destroy the fighting spirit and morals of us wage earners.

If we are to have work and wages we, the rank and file, will have to fight for it by agitating for the seven-hour day, eighty cents per hour, limit stretchout to nine hours, two weeks' vacation with full pay, social insurance, abolition of all welfare schemes, no compulsory donations to community fund.

Any carmen not acquainted with the activities of the Trade Union Unity League committee which is active in Division 268 should call at 236 Superior West and ask for Douglas (I. L. D. office).
CARMAN No. 2.

Struck Dec. 18 Against 35 Percent Wagecut
(By a Worker Correspondent)
PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—The Diamond Towel Mills at Hancock and Somerset Sts., in Philadelphia, is affected by a strike (called by the Turkish Towel Weavers Union, Local No. 1) which has waged a struggle against a 35 per cent wage cut and lengthening of hours.

The owner of this mill, who claims he is a "socialist," forces the slaves whom he exploits to work overtime if a belt breaks without pay and not use the toilets so the workers can't see them. The toilets and the women who are forced to slave for this yellow socialist are compelled to use it with the men.

Striking Since Dec. 18.
The most militant of the workers struck against the rotten conditions and have been on strike since December 18. A few slimy scabs, who were members of the union, one who is thought to be a stool-pigeon, went back to work. But the rank and file refused to settle unless this enemy of the workers and yellow socialist who owns the mill and exploits and robs those who are forced to toil for him takes all back.

Hell on the Workers.
This shop is known to be hell on the workers and employs boys under the legal age, forcing them to do the work of men at children's pay. And they are forced to work 12 and 15 hours a day.

The boss is willing to take back some of the men and leave the most militant workers out. This rank and file refuse to do. The union will in the future join forces with the Trade Union Unity League, under whose leadership it will win the strike by following its policy of organizing the unorganized and forming an industrial union and joining forces with the National Textile Workers Union, which is in the struggle to organize the workers for better working conditions, more wages and will in the future lead all the workers in the textile industry.

—A WORKER.
Write About Your Conditions for The Daily Worker. Become a Worker Correspondent.

FISHER BODY CO. SPEEDUP MAKES MANY JOBLESS

Murder-house; Need Auto Workers Union

(By a Worker Correspondent.)
CLEVELAND, Ohio.—Conditions in the Fisher Body plant of Cleveland are constantly growing worse. The sewing and pasting room department has become a murder house. Last April, 1929, the sewing room department employed about 400 workers; 100 young boys between the ages of 17 and 21; 250 young girls; about 50 women, between the age of 25 and 30. This April, 1930, we find around 15 boys, 235 young girls, working 8 and 9 hours per day, producing even more than last year.

The Fisher Body plant of Cleveland is supplying stock for Gensil, Bloomfield, Oakland and many other plants of the General Motors Co. Before the auto show we were so busy we had to slave 14 to 17 hours per day, 7 days a week. At that time we worked on the day rate system, which paid 25 to 40 cents per hour. In order that we should not kick the bosses steadily kept on promising that we soon would be put back on piece-work and again be able to make 70 to 75 cents per hour. We fools listened and hoped for these damnable hours to put us on piece-work so that we could make enough to live on. But these liars did not mean to put us on piece-work at that time. This was just a means to keep us satisfied and prevent us from revolting against this speed-up, low wages and the long hours that we worked.

The Lay-off Begins.
After working two months with this terrible speed-up, long hours, low wages and misery, it slowed down a little. As soon as it slowed down they immediately laid off around 50 young workers. Along with this they produced the so-called piece-work that they kept promising us for three months. This by no means was the piece-work we had last year. It is something entirely different. Group work system, and not being paid for how much we get out, but paid for what they ship. If we get out our work before the schedule, about 2 or 3 o'clock in the afternoon, they won't let us go home. It is explained that it is necessary to begin to put up the schedule for the next day. But this next day results in working only 3 days a week and laid off for the rest of the few days. Under this system we are able to make \$3 or \$4 per day at the most.

This is a clever and vicious method of speed-up and wage-cuts. Speed-up was bad enough, but this is even worse.

Young workers, are we going to permit the bosses to fool us and cut our wages as they are doing? Our answer is no. We must organize into the Auto Workers' Industrial Union, the only militant union in the auto industry that is affiliated with the Trade Union Unity League.

—FISHER BODY SLAVE.

YOUTH WORST OFF AT BETHLEHEM CO. 31 Narrowly Escape in One Accident

(By a Worker Correspondent)
BALTIMORE, Md.—As a young worker from the tin mills of Bethlehem Steel Co., I will write on how we work. The young workers are given the hardest and most dangerous work on the hot mills and the lowest pay.

We find the young workers are given such jobs as screw boy, single boy, doubler, and pair heater at which they must work hard for low pay. And besides this the workers lives are always in danger.

Only last Friday, about 4 o'clock in the morning, the rougher and screw boy on mill 31, narrowly escaped death or injury when the spinnel bar jumped off the screw. We find that besides such accidents there are hundreds of minor accidents such as burns. Most screw boys, for instance, are full of burns from grease and oil.

As young workers we should organize and join the youth section of the Metal Workers Industrial League and fight for a six-hour day, five-day week, \$30 minimum wage, and real safety precautions.

—A SCREW BOY.

MORE ROTHSTEIN SECRETS.
District Attorney Crain and George A. McManus, who was tried and acquitted for the murder of Rothstein, met yesterday in secret conference over the Rothstein murder mystery, about which Crain, Walker and other Tammany fakery know volumes more than they care to tell.

Our own age, the bourgeois age, is distinguished by this—that it has simplified class antagonisms. More and more, anxiety is splitting up into two great and directly antagonized classes: bourgeoisie and proletariat.—Marx.

STARVING CALIFORNIA WORKER WHO'LL FIGHT BUT STARVE NO LONGER

Calls on All Workers to Down Tools on May Day; His Family Is Starving; Organize, He Says

(By a Worker Correspondent)
OAKLAND, Cal.—As a member of the unemployed council of Oakland and I. L. D. also I traveled all over California and never saw it so hard before in California for work. You can figure when they are laying off men every day or two by the hundreds as to why it is getting worse instead of better.

So what are we going to do? This solves the problem right now: Organize at once, build it up right now, while the chances are good.

community chest for help, and no help as yet. That is what they call charity for you, but I have another name for it, graft for the capitalist class. It has me on the verge of starvation right at present. It means for me to start fighting for my rights and for what rightly belongs to me, and I am going to get it, too, don't forget that. My children have nothing to eat right now.

I have a family myself to look after. I have gone to the community chest for help, and no help as yet. That is what they call charity for you, but I have another name for it, graft for the capitalist class. It has me on the verge of starvation right at present. It means for me to start fighting for my rights and for what rightly belongs to me, and I am going to get it, too, don't forget that. My children have nothing to eat right now.

THE GRAFTERS AFRAID.
I am an ex-service man, too, at that. It don't get me nothing. I am doing the best I can at present and putting up a fight with the rest of my fellow-workers in this struggle for work or wages. I have two girls to take care of besides fighting. I was in the March 6 demonstration to present our demands at the City Hall. But we have no results as yet. The last time we went up to the mayor why they ran from us like a bunch of wildcats. They were afraid to face us in the council chamber at the City Hall.

DOWN TOOLS MAY DAY!
I will tell you fellow-workers that when the time comes to fight don't lay down on the job. You just join the fight with the rest of your fellow-workers and down the capitalist class. In that March 6 demonstration about 8,000 people were there. We have in our ranks today, as close as I can figure, 1,200 members in the unemployed council. We put our demands before the city council and

asked for an answer to our demands, and they said they could not do anything for us at the present time. So we workers started to ask the mayor how he could appropriate funds enough to go to Europe on a pleasure trip at that time. He had funds. He said: Shut up, you are liars.

Workers, come out on the streets May First!
Yours very truly,
FELLOW-WORKER FROM OAKLAND, CALIFORNIA.

SPORTS

Comments by the Labor Athletes.

By BILL.

Over a fifth of a million people packed the baseball parks of seven big cities this week to watch the opening of the baseball season.

In New York it was the fifty-sixth opening of the major league baseball season. Everywhere it was an opportunity for soaking the minds of the workers with patriotism, for organized distraction of the workers.

The militant workers must see this and understand this. One cannot shut one's eyes to this. The capitalist class is using sports overtime to capture the workers, to tie the workers firmly to the chariot of imperialism.

The holy of holies has been violated! Massachusetts, home of witch-burning, the pillory, child-labor and the altar on which the bodies of Sacco and Vanzetti were burned, has come down on the workers' sport movement.

What the Labor Sports Union has pointed out a thousand times becomes clearer and clearer with this—that the bosses are using sports against the workers.

The American workers, driven by the speed-up and unemployment, are taking to mass action as never before. Huge demonstrations are taking place.

Soccer League Open for Spring Games

The Workers' Soccer League of New Jersey, affiliated to the Labor Sports Union, has opened its gate for a spring competition.

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Hail Revolutionary Working Class Education Conference!

Revolutionary Theory and the Class Struggle in the United States

Stresses Vital Need for Marxist-Leninist Training for Workers

By J. MINDEL.

One of the drawbacks of the revolutionary class struggle in the United States is the lack of interest on the part of the workers in theoretical knowledge—knowledge of the theory of strategy of the class struggle.

The socialist party, since its inception, opportunist and reformist, has a natural abhorrence to Marxist theory. It borrows its knowledge from capitalist reformists.

This abhorrence for theory is not peculiar only to the workers in general and to the "socialist" party, it also penetrates into the ranks of the revolutionary workers and even into the ranks of the Communist Party membership.

The left-wing workers, who carry on a bitter and obstinate struggle on the economic and political field, have a conception that theory is some kind of a high-brow invention and a good and honest proletarian should not worry his head over it.

This conception is erroneous and should be combatted.

Marx, Engels and Lenin valued revolutionary theory and labored to create such a theory for the working class. Engels admonished the leaders of the movement to conduct the struggle so "that its three sides, the theoretical, the political and the practical economic (opposition to the capitalists), form one harmonious and well-planned entity."

Only through this entity can the proletariat achieve its aim, the destruction of capitalism and the building of the Communist society. The Communist of Marx, Engels and Lenin is not a utopia. It does not pin its hopes in the "good will of men" to abolish poverty, misery and war.

This science must be made the possession of every worker. "It is the specific duty of the leaders," says Engels, "to gain an even clearer understanding of the theoretical problems, to free themselves more and more from the influence of traditional phrases, inherited from the old conception of the world, and constantly to keep in mind that Communism, having become a science, demands the same treatment as every other science—it must be studied. The task of the leaders will be to bring understanding, thus acquired and clarified, to the working masses to spread it with increased enthusiasm."

A Workers School in South by September

By V. JEROME.

THE growing class-consciousness of the workers in the South has brought with it the important problem of developing a cadre of revolutionary mass leaders in the Southern States.

The answer to this is to build the Labor Sports Movement, to fight against the blue laws and make the struggle a political one, pointing out its true anti-working-class meaning.

and women are actually unable to read a newspaper or sign their name.

Our task in the Southern states must be understood in all its seriousness. We must not only reach the Southern workers with our propaganda, but we must prepare many of them with the elementary reading ability to understand our propaganda.

Revolutionary Propaganda. The class struggle of the workers in the South must be guided on the basis of Marxism. In the midst of the Southern proletarian unrest we must establish a center of revolutionary propaganda—a Workers' School.

The establishment of such a school in the South by next September is one of the main objectives of the \$10,000 Fund Drive now being conducted by the Central Workers' School. All working-class organizations, as well as individual workers, must realize the urgent necessity of a Workers' School for the South, and, in realizing this, must come forward with immediate aid.

All donations should be sent to the Workers' School \$10,000 Fund Drive, 26-28 Union Square, New York City.

WORKING CLASS LEADERS THE NEED OF THE HOUR

By I. AMTER.

The workers of the United States have learned many lessons in the past few years. They have seen the American Federation of Labor in treacherous action at a time when leadership in struggle was needed.

They have also witnessed the so-called "progressives," the Musteites of Brookwood College, who pretended to be "radical" and then knelt at the feet of the A. F. of L. and "confessed."

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Central Comm. Grets Drive for Workingclass Education

Points Out Need Especially Among Workers in Basic Industry and South

THE CENTRAL COMMITTEE of the Communist Party greets the drive of the Workers School and Trade Union Unity League to increase and improve working class education in the United States.

The growth of the struggle, the rapid expansion of revolutionary spirit among the working class, and the increasing sharpening of the struggle have brought new sections of the proletariat into the arena of class war against capitalism.

In order to carry forward these struggles larger numbers of better equipped fighting leaders are needed. The working class education movement in the United States must adjust itself to the new and tremendous tasks of providing a trained leadership for our rapidly growing movement.

Must Push Working Class Education Among the Southern Workers

Problem of Developing Revolutionary Leaders in the South

By CLARENCE MILLER.

A little over a year ago there was no militant working class movement in the South. Now we have a movement in the South extending over most of the southern states.

The backwardness of the Southern masses makes the problem of developing a leadership so much more difficult. On the other hand, we find another characteristic that will aid us in the task of bringing forward this Southern leadership.

Develop Southern Leadership. The very growth of the revolutionary movement present us with the problem of developing a native southern leadership that will be able to cope with the growing struggle.

The problem of developing a leadership from the ranks of the Southern masses is one of the most difficult tasks facing us. The Southern workers have little tradition of working class struggle.

tile barons offers no stimulus, and what's more, little opportunity for social or intellectual activity.

Militant Young Workers. The backwardness of the Southern masses makes the problem of developing a leadership so much more difficult.

The present central task before the Party is, alongside of developing a broad mass movement, to train a leadership for this movement. A leadership for the South helps the building of a strong working class.

Also Southern Paper. The undertaking to build a Southern school and to issue a Southern paper will help in establishing such a leadership.

The tasks of the International Labor Defense draw it closely into the field of work of the Working Class Educational Conference organized under the direction of the Workers School and the Trade Union Unity League.

National Guardsmen's Letter

To the Rebel Guard:

I am a member of the 165th Infantry (the old 69th) and have read two or three issues of your paper, which was distributed at our armory.

Everybody from the buck privates to the officers know that the guard is purely a strike-breaking organization. As most of us are workers we certainly don't like the idea of breaking strikes that other workers may take part in.

There are a few things in your paper which I do not understand very well. For instance, what has

Russia or its defense to do with us? (Such questions will be answered in the Rebel Guard.—Editor.)

Conditions in the Guard are pretty bad. That is why your paper has made such a tremendous hit. I don't see why we are forced to buy dress uniforms and to pay for them out of our small pay checks.

I hope you continue to distribute your paper. I will write some more. Yours, A Worker in the Guard.

Communist Party National Training School and the Next Step

Necessity of Theoretical Training for the Class Struggle

By LEON PLOTT.

THE results of the National Training School of the Communist Party conclusively prove the importance of this institution. In spite of the great shortcomings the National Training School made a valuable contribution to the revolutionary labor movement.

All the students with few exceptions were workers. Their social composition was as follows: 5 textile workers; 4 seamen; 3 metal workers; 2 steel workers; 2 automobile workers; 2 food workers; 1 shoe worker; 1 housewife (Negro); 1 unskilled factory worker; 1 needle trades worker; 1 aluminum worker; 1 printer and 1 clerk.

As a result of the Training School, the Communist Party got four section organizers in the most industrial districts of the country, one district organizer, seven general Party work, one agitprop director, three for work in the Young Communist League, six for work in language bureaus and foreign language papers, two for work in the International Labor Defense and 8 for leading trade union work in the various parts of the country.

Concrete Benefits.

From the above one can clearly see the concrete organizational benefits derived from the National School that will no doubt greatly strengthen the Party and its mass work. Such a school, however, must be established not only nationally but also on a district scale, where larger numbers of comrades could be given a theoretical and political training of Marxism-Leninism.

Only one has to look over the sales transactions of our publishing houses and literature distribution

agencies to come to the conclusion that the Party and more so, the broad working masses are very backward theoretically, that the teachings of Marx and Lenin still did not imbue and develop the American working class.

"Without revolutionary theory, there can be no revolutionary practice"—LENIN.

This fundamental truth, stares glaringly at us in our every-day life and struggles. In certain sections of our Party itself there is manifested too much the tendency of repeating phrases, of making statements without an attempt to analyze their meaning and their political implications.

The National Training School besides arming 55 workers with the weapon of Marxism, Leninism, will also help greatly in disseminating Marxism in the ranks of our Party. The more such schools we will build, the greater will be our success, the more effective will be our Party, the stronger will be the working class.

Significance of School in South.

The activities of the Workers School must be considered from a broad revolutionary aspect. The present drive of the Workers School which aims to establish a school in the South is of historical importance. It will mark a wider penetration of the revolutionary movement in the South. It will strengthen and provide leadership to the ever growing class struggles.

THE LABOR DEFENSE AND WORKERS' EDUCATION

By J. LOUIS ENGBAHL.

The tasks of the International Labor Defense draw it closely into the field of work of the Working Class Educational Conference organized under the direction of the Workers School and the Trade Union Unity League.

The life of the I.L.D., especially in the branches, has been quite barren in the past. Meetings have been confined to the barest routine.

This shortcoming, which is only now being remedied, has militated strongly against effective organization, the systematic penetration into the ranks of those workers still standing aloof from the International Labor Defense, especially the workers in the basic industries, Negro and white, hardest hit by capitalist oppression.

This membership is organized in 475 branches, with 38 city central committees in 18 district organizations functioning under the direction of the national office in New York City.

The vast opportunities for developing the inner life of the I.L.D.

are only now being seized upon. The work of education and propaganda has entered upon its first meager beginnings only since the Fourth National Convention in Pittsburgh, Dec. 29-31, 1929.

He looked silently, with eyes which were still wet, at this vastness of earth and sky, promising bread and rest, at these distant people on the threshing ground, whom he would soon have to make his own—as near to him as were the eighteen who followed him in silence.

And on this note the book ends. A terrible, tragic end, poised amidst death and desolation, but an end that is bright with unquenchable hope and the vision of a new world, where all this prodigious suffering and heartache shall blossom in the "new, fine and vigorous man" that Levinson dreamed of and that he and the workers of the world are fighting for.

To achieve this purpose the work of education and propaganda is being organized from the National Executive Committee through the district organization into the branches, special emphasis being laid on the lower units in winning broader masses and approaching the working class mass organizations.

Educational Features. Various activities, like photo-correspondence and worker correspondence, use of films and lantern slides, theatricals, "living newspapers," music, songs, expositions, are still in their infancy.

BOOKS

Reviews and Notes of Interest

The Nineteen, by A. Fadeyev. Translated from the Russian by R. D. Charques. International Publishers. Boards, \$1.50. Cloth, \$2.50.

Without immense social epic—still unfinished—that began with the Russian Revolution and the overthrow of czarism and capitalism; that continued through the civil wars, famine, the reconstruction and the Five Year Plan; and that is now leaping dynamically into the future of the free socialist society, there are many smaller epics—heroic parts and an heroic whole.

"The Nineteen" is a tale of the civil war days, when the young Soviet Republic was desperately fighting for life against the imperialist counter-revolution, which attacked both from without and within. A company of Red partisans, those irregular worker-peasant bands who played such an important part in saving the Revolution, retreating before the advancing Japanese in the Siberian forest, is finally cut to pieces by white guard cossacks.

"The Nineteen" has many of the qualities of a short story—concentration, unity of effect and the unravelling of a single narrative thread. It has none of the vastness and color of Gladkov's "Cement," which really envisages an entire period; but it also has none of "Cement's" rhetorical expansiveness, subjective idealism and sentimentalism. If it is possible to make an analogy between two different artistic mediums, we may say that "Cement" is like Puchovskii's film, "Ten Days That Shook the World," while "The Nineteen" is like Eisenstein's "Armored Cruiser Potemkin." Each is great in its own way.

And out of "The Nineteen" emerge these simple yet profound figures: the carefree, half-scoundrelly, yet brave and generous Morozka; his wife, the tender, deep-eyed Varya, who gives herself to all the men, but remains essentially sweet, not vulgar; the shepherd, Militsa, the most daring of all the platoon leaders; the boyish, impetuous second-in-command, Baklanov; the weak, vain, petulant Metchik; and among them, yet a little apart, the leader of the band, the small, red-bearded Jewish intellectual, Levinson. Levinson is a remarkable figure, a hero who is human and free from idealization. It is he who welds together this shapeless mass and gives form, direction and articulation to their blind loyalty and stubborn courage. Yet he does not stand above them, but with them, bound to these simple people by strong, invisible ties. Only Levinson is clearly class conscious.

At the end, when he learns that his chief lieutenant, Baklanov, whose vivid, boyish head reminded him of his own son, is dead, something collapses in him and the tears stream unchecked down his face. But he is still Levinson who sees the maze of tragedy and defeat to the great shining goal ahead.

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Anniversary, November, 1929) and 35,000 of the International May Day, 1930, special editions. Although considerable attention has been given to such features of the "Labor Defender" as "Voices From Prison," sufficient development of this work has not been registered, undoubtedly due to the lack of the proper stimulation from the center, including the more energetic organization of correspondence between the I.L.D. branches and the class war prisoners, discussion of persecutions in other countries, especially in India, China, Japan and the Latin American countries at the present moment.

In view of these tasks, the I.L.D. endorses the Working Class Educational Conference as a medium for exchange of opinions on how to carry on these activities in all working class organizations. It greets this effort and will give it all possible support.

FIRST MEETING OF NEW COUNCIL

Revolutionary Central Body Session Sunday

The Trade Union Unity Council of Greater New York will meet Sunday, from 2 p. m. to 5 p. m. at Manhattan Lyceum. This is the first meeting of this new directing, central body of the revolutionary union movement in the country's largest city. Hereafter meetings will take place at these hours on the first and third Sunday of each month.

The meeting will form permanent organization, electing an executive council which can meet between sessions of the larger body, and a permanent order of business will be adopted, as well as a permanent organization.

Womens Council Ball Held Tonight

The annual concert and ball of the United Councils of Working Women will take place tonight at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 S. Fourth St. John C. Smith's well-known Jazz Band will furnish the dance music. All working women and sympathizers are invited.

Freiheit Mandolin Tonight

The Freiheit Mandolin Orchestra will give its sixth annual concert at Town Hall, 43rd St., between Broadway and Sixth Ave., tonight at 8 p. m. sharp.

Anti-Lynch Meeting Place Changed

The protest meeting of the American Negro Labor Congress against lynching tomorrow afternoon at 4 p. m. will be held at 125 W. 45th St., room 600, not at 37th St., as previously announced. All workers, white and colored, come and protest.

Painters Meet

Painters T. U. L. emergency fraction meeting today, 1 p. m., 13 W. 17th St.

Labor and Fraternal Organizations

Women's Council Concert and Ball, Saturday, April 19, Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East 4th St. John C. Smith Band, 50c in advance, 75c at door.

Comrades Who Can House Delegates

To the Marine Workers League Convention April 20-30 write or telephone immediately to George Mink, 140 Broad St., Whitehall 7478. Give number of how many you can take care of and how many nights.

Freiheit Mandolin Orchestra

Saturday, Town Hall, 113 W. 43rd St.

Yorkville Tenants League Dance

Saturday, 8:30 p. m., 359 E. 81st St., admission 35 cents.

Midnight Performance

"Simple Tailor" Saturday at Second Ave. Playhouse, Benefit National Textile Workers Union, N. Y. District.

Bathgate Vecherinka and Concert

Saturday, April 26.

Unemployment Meet

Called by committee of Scandinavian workers, Sunday, 8 p. m. at Pythian Hall, 125th St. and Madison Ave.

Youth Section N.Y.W.U.

Sunday, 10 a. m. hide to Fallsides from Dyckman Street ferry.

Jewish Workers Clubs

Hike to Silver Lake, S. L. Sunday, 8 a. m. from South Ferry.

Harlem Prog. Youth Dance

Sunday, 7:30 p. m., 1492 Madison Ave., 35 cents.

Dry Cleaners Mass Meeting

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The movie tells the story of a group of Jewish workers in Russia just about the time when the czar joined all the other tyrants in declaring a world war.

Mottele, a naive little tailor living in a Ukrainian town, reads the fateful mobilization orders that are posted in the market place. It inspires him with the strange fallacy that afflicted so many nationalistic Jews during the war. He believed it would be best for every Jew to enlist and fight for the "national honor." If all the Jews did this, proved themselves heroes and patriots, it would soften the hearts of the militarists, capitalists and other anti-Semites.

Thus Mottele reasoned. But Shlansky, the swollen Jewish hater who owned the big shoe factory in the town, he had no such illusions. The coming of the world war delighted him. He got on the job at once and started bribing officials right and left. The army would need boots, thousands of boots, and he was the man to supply them. He would become rich—rich—rich. He rubbed his hands with delight and shouted for the war. And when the naive Mottele tried to explain to him why every Jew ought to go to the trenches, the fat profiteer Shlansky laughed out loud. Then he got sore, and demanded the rent from Mottele, whose landlord he was. Then he chased that damn fool Mottele out of his house. From that point the story goes on.

There are some good flashes in this picture, scenes of Jewish misery under the czar that ought to be shown as a reminder of former



Scene from the latest screen offering from Soviet Russia, "The Simple Tailor," now being shown at the 2nd Avenue Playhouse.

conditions to some of these rabbits that are trying to make war on Soviet Russia, evidently with the purpose of bringing back the Greek church, the czar and the pogrom. The movie also shows clearly how the rich Jews co-operated with the czar's government in denouncing the working-class Jews.

There is also an old Charlie Chaplin film on the program, and anything by the immortal Charlie is worth walking a mile to see. There are a few interesting news reel scenes of Soviet Russia; one of them showing Stalin on a visit to the Red Navy. I am sure everyone will have an enjoyable evening at the benefit, and will be helping the National Textile Workers' Union in their great struggle to unite the textile slaves, North and South, against the Shlansky's of America.

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Phila. Council of Unemployed Fought Eviction of Negro Workers' Families

More Layoffs in Auto Plants and Department Stores in Detroit

The secretary of the executive committee of the unemployed councils in New York, working with the national bureau of the executive committee elected at the March 29 conference here, calls all Communist Party functionaries, especially section organizers, militant workers not in the Party, union members, sympathizers and unemployed workers to get in touch with him at the office of the New York Trade Union Unity League, 13 W. 17th St., Room 22, to assist in planning the mass participation of the unemployed workers of New York in the demonstration of the political strikers in Union Square May 1.

Campaign Is On.
The secretary, Ben Brown, states: "All unemployed councils are urged to get into action and mobilize the unemployed as well as the employed, by leaflet distributions, by mass meetings, factory-gate meetings and by personal talks for the May 1 demonstration."

"After May 1 we will carry on and intensify our struggle," he states, "so that when July 4 is here the National Convention on Unemployment in Chicago will see the largest and most active delegation from New York."

The convention will work out further organization plans, and the movement will, in unity with the revolutionary unions, fight on for "work or wages," unemployment relief and insurance, the seven-hour day and five-day week, no speed-up and other demands."

Fight Evictions.
PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 18.—The councils of the unemployed and the unions and leagues of the Trade Union Unity League are proceeding with plans to send a big delegation to the National Convention on Unemployment and to conduct a political strike and mass demonstration on May 1.

The councils of the unemployed are waging a struggle against evictions of jobless workers. In five cases contested in West Philadelphia, two were won completely, and the ardor of landlords for evictions considerably slackened.

In the first case, the sheriffs and constables, trying to throw a Negro widow worker and two children

out, were scared stiff and gave up. In the case of another Negro worker, William Fountain, the committee of the unemployed went to the agent and told him that if he evicted all his tenants would move, and he agreed to let the worker stay.

Illinois Banks Fail.
PHILADELPHIA, Ill., April 18.—The industrial crisis, the unemployment in the mine fields and the part-time for those who do have work, has started a wave of bank failures. The following Williamson county banks have just closed: Marion, Pittsburg, Carterville, Herrin, Hurst and Johnson City.

In Johnson City, Tuesday, the county officers prevented Leo Broux, of the Young Communist League, and Roy Groves, Illinois district secretary of the National Miners' Union, from addressing 500 miners gathered at an open-air meeting called by the Communist Party and the Young Communist League to protest against unemployment and starvation and the shutting down of the mines without relief or insurance for the miners. The miners marched to the hall, where they were forbidden entrance by the deputies. Mobilization for a great demonstration May 1 is going ahead rapidly.

Detroit Would Oust Jobless.
DETROIT, Mich., April 18.—The Union Trust Co. announces that "a migration of labor" from Detroit is the only thing that will help the unemployment situation.

The Hudson Motor Car Co. laid off 2,000 men last week, and it is stated that 6,000 more are off this week. The company is discharging the foreign-born first, to split the ranks of the workers. The Ternstedt Mfg. Co., a subsidiary of General Motors, is working only the day shift, with a reduced force, and only four days a week, instead of six. Down town department stores have reduced their force again, putting everybody on half pay, four hours a day. Counter girls get \$6 maximum per week and salesgirls about \$11. It is admitted by the "welfare department" that 20,000 families are destitute.

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Two Communists, Holmes and Peltz, have just been sentenced under this law for saying at a meeting, "The government of the U. S. A. is directly responsible for the murder of Sacco and Vanzetti."

FIGHT FOR "WORK OR WAGES" IN U.S. ON FIRST OF MAY

Strike in New York and Mass Demonstration

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from J. I. Lisitzin announcing that the White Guards will march with the other fascists May 1, and he speaks there in the name of the "Russian Sub-Committee of the American Committee for the Arrangement of the May 1 Patriotic Parade." Lisitzin is leader of the so-called "Russian Democratic Party," and his address is given as 58 West 125th St.

This is near the Russian Orthodox church, on 123rd St. where Archbishop Apollonari gets out counter-revolutionary propaganda, and hatches schemes against the workers of both U. S. and the Union of Socialist Soviet Republics.

White Terror Gang.
Inside information is that a clique known as the "White Fraternity," organized to commit acts of violence against workers and for espionage, recently published a paper by the same name, English translations of which were shown by White Guard leaders to the chiefs of the American fascist parades. These articles called on all to "Kill the Reds," and filled the World War Veteran heads with such favor for the white guards that they formed the Russian sub-committee. The program seems to be for the white guard Russians, all with military experience and leaders of black hundred bands and the Czar's brutal secret police, the Okhrana, to come armed and do the actual provocation on May 1.

Among the heads of the white guard Russians in New York is Colonel Martinoff, going by the name of Martin, who has a soft job as a gunner guard for a Wall St. firm. He was chief of the gunner and head of the Okhrana in Moscow, under the Czar.

Captain Vladimir Pini, commandant of the city of Odessa under the Czar, and now night watchman for Otto Kahn, at his personal residence, is another.

Boris L. Brazol, a reactionary czarist lawyer, the man who launched the "Protocols of the Wise Men of Zion" forgery in order to incite the murder of Jews, connected with Easley, and through him with Matthew Wolf, in his public efforts, is another. He was a Kolchakist.

The Christian Angle.
With them is one Weiren, Director of the Russian Student's Fund of the Y.M.C.A. on Madison Ave. There are also Vasili Koulibin, president of the "Association of Union of Russia;" Igor Popoff and Nicholas Karpinsky, president and New York branch president of the "Association of Russian Right Men," and Captain George Golokhovstov, president, and Colonel Vladimir Sokoloff, New York branch president of the "Association of Russian Army and Navy Officers." Colokhovstov is one of those listed in the call to the white guards as a director of the parade. His phone number is given as Harlem 8076.

Lined up with these fascists in approval of the proposed attack on the workers May 1, is William Green, fascist president of the A. F. of L. who is quoted yesterday in capitalist papers as writing a meeting in preparation for the acts of terror, a meeting in the New York Army and Navy Club of the com-

mittee in charge of the parade, promising the support of the A.F.L.

Wheeling Will Strike.
WHEELING, W. Va., April 18.—Twenty-two delegates in a United Front May 1 Conference here last Monday, representing miners' steel mill workers, and the Communist Party voted to call a mass political strike and hold a demonstration May 1, here and in Bellaire, Ohio. Miners are working only two or three days a week, anyway, and the thousands of unemployed will be joined by the strikers.

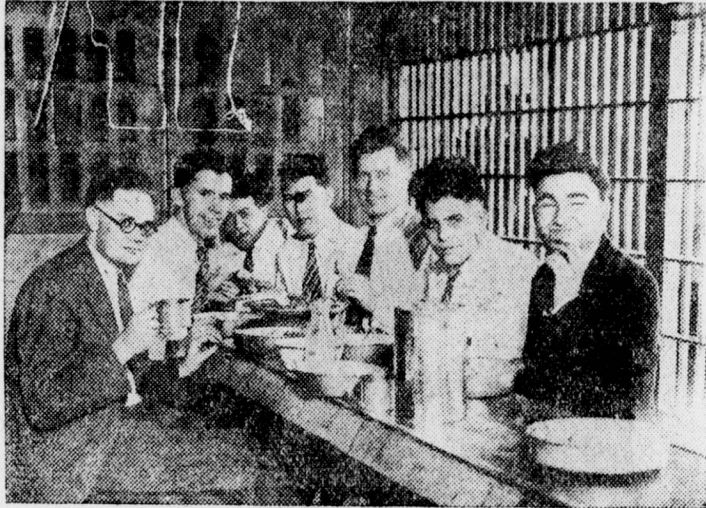
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Demand Freedom for Gastonia Defendants



Here are the Gastonia strike leaders in jail in Charlotte, N. C. They are out now on bail, but their case comes up in court on appeal Tuesday. The working class must not let them be sent to 20-year terms in prison.

TREATY MEANS BIG ARMS RACE

Haggle Over Wording of "Escape Clause"

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course we must concede the same right to them. It is desirable that those who limit their means of defense should feel safe in that limitation. Otherwise they will not continue the process of limitation."

WASHINGTON, April 18.—A series of conferences have been called by Hoover to rush the three-power treaty through the senate. Some opposition is expected from senators who want to build eighteen 10,000-ton cruisers immediately instead of the fifteen temporarily agreed upon.

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Two Communists, Holmes and Peltz, have just been sentenced under this law for saying at a meeting, "The government of the U. S. A. is directly responsible for the murder of Sacco and Vanzetti."

Another worker, Lawrence, is

IMPERIALISTS RUSH DRIVE FOR WORLD MARKETS

Hoover Asks War Arms and Tariff

WASHINGTON, April 18.—Hoover is attempting to rush through congress and the senate two measures which are closely tied up with the sharpening economic crisis, the struggle for world markets and the increase of naval armaments, resulting from the three-power London "treaty."

It is no accident that Hoover's congressional leaders announce that the imperialist chief wants the tariff and the London treaty passed not later than the middle of May. Both are immediately connected in the struggle for world markets—the tariff to build an iron wall around the United States against the other imperialist powers who are frantically looking for markets, and the naval treaty to spur the arms race to back the struggle for world markets with war threats and war.

The tariff is now being considered in conference, and, according to Representative Collier, "The tariff conferees are writing the highest tariff bill in history and ignoring the promises of President Hoover for a limited revision." The tariff will sharpen the imperialist antagonisms.

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BIG MOVE OF PEASANTS TO SOVIET COLLECTIVES; CORRECT FORMER ERROR

In Uskorsk Peasants Who Left Return, With 250 Additional

Extend Area Sown by New Labor Methods and Organization

MOSCOW (I. P. S.).—Numerous reports from the Ukraine, the Volga district, the German districts, the Tartar republic and the Don Basin show that in those places where the peasants left the collective undertakings in consequence of the wrong interpretation of the Party policy by lower officials, etc., there is now exactly the opposite process going on. New members for the co-operatives are coming from amongst those peasants who had left the collectives and from amongst those who had previously stood aloof.

In the Uskorsk collective agricultural undertaking, which is in the German Volga Republic, the correction of the errors made resulted in the winning back of all those peasants who had left the undertaking and 250 peasant farms in addition. Similar phenomena are to be observed in other districts also. In the seven districts of the lower Volga district 2,500 peasants have withdrawn their resignations from the collective undertakings and great activity is now proceeding for the spring sowings. In particular, the activity of the shock brigades

in those collective undertakings which have already commenced with the spring sowings has made a deep impression on the peasants accustomed only to their old ways of working and the result has been a new impetus to the recruiting for the collectives.

In the Ukraine the collective undertakings are engaged in the spring sowings. In many districts the new labor methods and rational organization, plus the enthusiasm of the peasants, have already concluded the original plans and are now extending the area under seed and assisting the individual peasant farmers. The agricultural communes, "Red Guerilla," "Comintern," "Red October" and "Ilyitch," have finished their sowings with splendid results. The Party organizations are making intensive propaganda for the new methods of work, propaganda columns are on the move and agitation groups enlighten the peasants during their rest pauses concerning the advantages of the new methods. The peasants are also being provided with newspapers and books.

French Tariff Against American Autos Voted
PARIS, April 18.—With only two votes against and 475 for, an increased tariff bill was passed against American automobile importations to France by the Chamber of Deputies yesterday. This is in retaliation to increased duties against French products, and sharpens the struggle for world markets.

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THE PRE-CONVENTION DISCUSSION

Report on the Theses, Delivered to Plenum of Central Committee by Conrad Browder, April 3rd, 1930.

IX. FIGHT AGAINST OPPORTUNISM.

The general character of the mass organizations still reflects this fact. They are still too much limited, still not shot thru and thru with the conception of mass organizations distinguished from the Party. We have to establish the idea of mass organization in our auxiliaries and trade unions and not have duplicates of the Party. We must have organizations with their own characteristics and their own approach to the masses, which translate the Party line and theses and the whole Party message to the working class into mass language. The I.L.D., W.I.R., F.S.U. and the revolutionary trade unions should in their separate fields, show themselves to the workers as mass organizations, different from the Party, with their own separate functions to perform and with their own place. We must come to a realization of this problem in our Party. There is still too much of the old traditions which we have had for years of the auxiliaries as mere duplicates of the Party.

This is one of the concrete manifestations of the "leftism" tendencies, which means opportunism cloaked with "leftism" forms and phrases. Examples of these tendencies in trade union work were dealt with at some length yesterday and I do not want to repeat.

I want to add another concrete manifestation of "leftism" tendencies which showed itself last Saturday in the Unemployment Conference. I was present when one comrade from Connecticut made a rousing speech and brought the Unemployment Conference to its feet with most tremendous applause when he stated that this is no time to talk about Worker Defense Corps but rather to talk of organizing a Red Army. This is a typical example of what "leftism" means, the avoidance of the real problem of the class struggle by an appeal to a Red Army as against Workers Defense Corps. It may seem very revolutionary to attempt to jump over the Workers Defense and into the Red Army, that is, the struggle for power. The same comrade spoke of capturing the City Hall and holding it for a few hours, thus raising the immediate problem of the question of armed insurrection. This is a kind of "leftism," pure phrase-mongering, and has no relation to the immediate struggle. In spite of all its "leftist" appearance, it is opportunism in practice, avoidance of the real struggle and a mouthing of revolutionary phrases with no relation to reality at the present time.

Our whole struggle against the right danger as the main danger means a struggle against "leftist" forms of the right danger, for the purpose of completing the turn of the Party

towards mass work and organizationally consolidate this turn.

In this respect two great tasks now face the Party. First, the recruiting drive for the revolutionary unions which is more than a mere recruiting drive. It is an organization campaign, and at the same time a great political campaign. We cannot recruit these 50,000 except if we win the masses and build the unions to recruit them. In many cases the unions are not yet created. This campaign is the main feature of our mass work for the next 3 months at least. It must be the first order of business of every unit and committee of the Party. Right along with that must go the campaign for the Daily Worker.

We have grossly neglected the circulation of the Daily Worker; we have grossly neglected the improvement of the quality of the Daily Worker. We have not realized the importance of every word that goes into the Daily Worker. Every word that is written for the Daily Worker must be given the organized, systematic, concentrated attention of all the best forces of the Party—district, national, and local, to see that our Daily Worker really represents the class struggle, really represents the whole development of the working class in the U. S. which has come to consciousness, which is engaging in struggle, and represents the Bolshevik, Communist leadership in this development.

There is too much carelessness on our part towards the Daily Worker and too narrow a circle of collaboration in the production of the Daily Worker.

The editorship and production of the Daily Worker must be broadened out so that it includes hundreds of comrades in active daily production of the Daily Worker. This is the only possible way in which it can be made a mass organ. There are many editorial improvements that we must make in the office of the Daily—these we are conscious of and if we haven't carried them through it is because we haven't yet concentrated our attention on it enough. We cannot make the Daily Worker a national organ of the working class without carrying these improvements through and we will carry them through. We must distribute our paper in large amounts. This means building our own machinery of circulation—we cannot continue to be dependent upon bourgeois distribution agencies for the Daily Worker—we must have our own Party distribution. Detroit is giving a practical demonstration that it is possible to give mass distribution to the Daily Worker through our own machinery. We must emphasize this. We must not only encourage Detroit to multiply its results many times but must do the same in every district. Detroit is only beginning, but they have shown us how to do it—this same method can be applied throughout the Party. It is not an easy task but it is a very possible one to carry through the 60,000 drive that we have set ourselves with 25,000 or 30,000 within the next couple of months.

WHILE THE FIGHT GOES ON



—By Fred Ellis

THE WALL STREET WAR IN ABYSSINIA

By HARRY GANNES.

GREAT BRITAIN digs up the mummies of King Tut and Ra Ouer in Egypt but Wall Street finds a live one in Emperor Ras Tafari in Abyssinia, below the Sudan. This is not a fight over individual kings but over King Cotton, which in the present sharpening agrarian crisis, becomes of utmost importance in the struggle between American and British imperialism.

Abyssinia is a little-known country, near the North East coast of Africa, situated between the jaws of the vice of British and Italian imperialism. Its chief importance in the struggle between British and American imperialism lies in the fact that Lake Tsana in Abyssinia controls the waters of the Blue Nile in the Sudan, and British imperialism controls the Sudan.

Struggle over Cotton.

To break away from dependence on the United States for cotton, the British masters have been frantically increasing their cotton lands in the Sudan. In 1925 they had under cultivation 87,475 acres; in 1927, 218,546 acres.

In 1926 the British opened the Sennar Dam on the Blue Nile in the Sudan, with great ceremony under Lord Lloyd's supervision. The Sennar Dam canalizes 300,000 acres of some of the best cotton land in the world.

But the control of a proposed dam in Lake Tsana, Abyssinia, is the key to the control of the Sudan and its vast cotton area.

Here enters Ras Tafari, American imperialism, and the now armed struggle for the control of the building of the Lake Tsana Dam.

Ras Tafari has lined up with American imperialism to combat the encroachment of British and Italian imperialism.

Coolidge sent Addison E. Southard as minister resident of the United States. Through Addison the J. G. White Engineering Company of 37 Wall Street, were given the contract for the construction of the Tsana Dam, to cost between \$15,000,000 and \$20,000,000. This was fuel added to the fires of the war danger between British and American imperialism. Here was Wall Street putting foot in the sacred territory of the Nile.

Now Ras Tafari, who in order to clear all claims to the throne drowned the Empress Zauditu, is faced with a revolt led by the Coptic priests and the feudal lords, backed and instigated by British and Italian imperialism in the struggle against American imperialism for the control of the Lake Tsana dam. In this battle, from meager capitalist newspaper cables, it appears that French imperialism sides with Wall Street.

Inspired "Revolt."

Latest reports from London to the New York Times indicate that British imperialism rests not at all content with the recent victory of Tafari over the feudal elements. A dispatch from Cairo (via London) April 16, 1930 states that "Ras Tafari of Abyssinia, who succeeded to the imperial throne on the death of the Empress Zauditu recently, is facing a serious revolt in the provinces."

What will ensue will be a ferocious armed struggle—in reality a war between British and American imperialism for the control of Abyssinia, fought by the armies of Ras Tafari, on the one hand, and the rebelling forces, on the other, armed, backed and led by British and Italian imperialism.

International Solidarity in Defense of Meerut Prisoners

Statement of the International Labor Defense, through its General Secretary, J. Louis Engdahl, urging American workers to protest the persecution of labor in India, and not to be misled by the "theatrical activities of Gandhi." The statement follows:

"American workers will not be misled by the theatrical activities of Mahatma Gandhi, in India, especially by his circus salt-making stunts, but will concern themselves with the growing persecution of Indian workers under British imperialist rule, especially exposing the farcical trial at Meerut of the 32 revolutionary workers, including three English workers.

"Not only the large numbers of Hindu workers in the great industries (automobile, textiles, transportation, etc., etc.), in this country, but all American workers must join in denouncing

this long drawn out case against these working class leaders as an open attempt of the imperialist MacDonald Government to crush the Indian revolutionary working class and trade union movements. The MacDonald government utilizes the Gandhi movement to throw salt in the eyes of international labor, in the effort to blind workers the world over to British imperialism's crimes in the colonies.

"In spite of the arrests of the leaders, their imprisonment for more than 12 long months in the notorious Meerut jail, the long drawn out trial without a jury before a magistrate who is a shameless agent of MacDonald imperialism, the sending of a fake "labor" commission from Britain to India "to inquire into" conditions in the colony, the MacDonald Government has failed to gain control of the Indian labor movement in the interests of British imperialism.

"The Indian nationalist leaders who at first expressed lip-sympathy with the Meerut prisoners have dissolved the Defense Committee they had constituted, because of their fear of the workers' movement. The defense of these workers has been taken over by a special committee organized by the trade unions.

"The National Meerut Defense Committee in Great Britain has organized a whole week of special campaigning, during which meetings are being held at factories, mass demonstrations organized and great quantities of literature distributed and funds collected. The agitation is being developed on a broad scale in continental Europe.

"The support of the imprisoned workers in India is being organized among American workers by the International Labor Defense. American labor, on an increasing scale, is beginning to realize that its own fate is intimately bound up with that of the colonial slaves, not only in India, but in China and the Philippines, and especially in the Latin American countries.

"Upon the fate of the 32 revolutionary leaders now on trial in Meerut depends the immediate future of the Indian workers' struggle. The future of the Indian masses is not made brighter by the comical antics of the clown, Gandhi, who dances to the music furnished by British imperialism."

Soviet Industrial Output Doubled

Industrial output in the Soviet Union, twice as great as pre-war production in the same territory was shown in preliminary figures published for the first half of the year, October 1 to March 31, according to United Press dispatches from Moscow today.

Production far exceeds the goal originally laid out for the period under the Five-Year Plan. The figures show production at 28.8 per cent compared with 21.5 for the corresponding period a year ago.

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Food Workers March Forward

By SAM WISEMAN.

(Secretary, Hotel, Restaurant and Cafeteria Workers Union).

WORKERS in the food industry are facing a changing situation at the present time. In this industry there are over 200 crafts, ranging from the lowest paid unskilled to highest skilled workers, with over two million workers in the country. For years the great mass of workers in the food industry have been suffering under the pressure of the bosses' intense exploitation, miserably low wages, intense speed-up, mechanizing of the industry, and mass unemployment, of which a great part is a permanent army of unemployed.

There is continuous consolidation of the capitalists into some of the greatest monopolistic combinations, from the packing section of the industry (Armour, Swift, Morris, Wilson, etc.), the large bakers (General, Continental), sugar refineries (A and P's factories) with ten thousand workers, milk and dairy products (National Dairy, Borden), hotel combinations down through the chain store cafeterias, etc.

Facing this situation, the workers in the industry have only 75,000 organized, mainly in the fascist, boss-controlled company unions of the American Federation of Labor with about 5,000 in the Amalgamated Food Workers, mainly concentrated in New York. These organizations, built on craft lines, mainly of the higher skilled workers in the industry controlled by these reactionary agents of the bosses, not only refuse to organize the unorganized or defend the interests of the workers, even of that small group under their control, but are actually the tools of the bosses in suppressing every attempt of the workers to develop a struggle. Of late, the terror within the American Federation of Labor food locals, has become more intense.

A War Industry.

In war, this is one of the basic industries. The bosses realize that it is necessary for them to suppress and smash every expression of willingness to struggle on the part of the workers, and every form of organization of the working class, not only for the purpose of war, but also to make possible a still sharper rationalization.

The developing resistance on the part of the workers against this onslaught by the capitalist class is evident throughout the country. Packing house workers who have wonderful traditions of struggle in the past, are expressing great discontent and a demand for organization.

The workers in the organized section of the food industry of New York are in open revolt. In the A. F. of L. local 500 of the bakers, mass revolts are taking place. The Amalgamated Food Workers leadership, Burkhardt and Gundt, connected with Lore the renegade, must be the fake progressive mask of the A. F. of L. Hillman the fascist leader of the Amalgamated Clothing Workers, the socialist party, and the Lovestone renegades from the Communist Party, are attempting to stop the developing militancy of the workers in the food industry.

In the Amalgamated the majority of the workers voted through a referendum to affiliate to the Trade Union Unity League, with its militant program of class struggle

Why? Quite definitely—the leadership, the structure, fake progressive phrases, fail to supply the needs of the workers even in the skilled part of the industry (bakeries). The workers in a big majority of the A.F.W. shops as well as the A. F. of L. shops work 12 to 14 hours and even as high as 18 hours a day.

For years no attempt has been made either to organize the unorganized on a mass scale, although tens of thousands of dollars have been lying in the treasuries of some of the locals, or to stop the degeneration of union conditions in the shops.

Suspension.

The immediate reaction of these Musteites, socialist party, social reformists was to counteract the expression of militancy of the workers by suspending from this small organization locals led by militant rank and file elements who have been continuously conducting struggles in the interests of the workers.

These signs show, evidently, the needs and the willingness of the workers to struggle.

The National Committee of the Food Workers Section, Trade Union Unity League, has laid plans through the country for the mobilization of the workers under its leadership, for the building of a national industrial union.

In every important food center in the country instructions have been sent for the convening of the masses of food workers through T.U.U.L. groups, shop committees, mass meetings, conferences and conventions in preparation for a national convention to be held in July in the City of Chicago. The realization of the situation demands a sharpening of the tempo in order to make up for our lagging behind the masses of food workers. The responsibilities for this important campaign and the success of the National Convention which will be the base of the new union, nationally, rests with those foodworkers who are the militant fighters in the class struggle, the members and followers of the T.U.U.L.

In New York, April 20, the city convention of food workers will be held for the building of an industrial union of food workers in the City of New York. We must realize at this late hour before the convention that we have not done enough work in mobilizing the workers in the food industry for this struggle. But in spite of all the shortcomings, the base of the industrial union in the convention will be representative of great masses of workers.

One important point has to be realized. With the building of our industrial union there must be a sharp orientation towards the great masses of exploited workers in the food factories, large bakeries, etc. Tens of thousands of workers employed in these factories, thousands and thousands of women and young workers, Negro workers, when approached with our program of struggle will surely respond.

Let us go forward marching at the head of the food workers in the struggle for the building of a National Food Workers Industrial Union, against unemployment, capitalist wars, for the defense of the Soviet Union, for a solid mass political strike on May First, against the capitalist class with its vicious oppression of the workers and for international solidarity with the working class of all countries under the leadership of the Red International of Labor Unions.

Solidarity of Northern, Southern Workers--A Slogan of Action!

By BILL DUNNE.

IN May a year ago, the 9th to be precise, Communist workers and militant members of the National Textile Workers' Union defended themselves and their union headquarters in Gastonia, N. C.

The indictment by an Atlanta, Ga., grand jury of Comrades Powers and Carr on a charge of "inciting armed insurrection" as a result of the protest meeting and demonstration against unemployment on March 6 is a further step in the campaign of suppression by legal and extra-legal methods which the southern capitalists launched on April 18, 1929, by organizing the fascist attack on the Gastonia headquarters of the National Textile Workers' Union and destroying the building.

This was followed on May 9 by the armed attack of police and mill gunmen on the new headquarters and the battle there in which Chief of Police Aderholt was killed, three thugs and one union organizer wounded, when the workers defended themselves.

Seven N.T.W.U. organizers received capitalist class justice—they were convicted of murder and given sentences of 17 to 20 years.

As their appeal is about to be argued in the North Carolina supreme court, Powers and Carr, organizers for the Communist Party and the Young Communist League, are charged with inciting to armed insurrection—which carries the death penalty.

It is clear that in the South the ruling class is a step in advance of their northern brethren insofar as the use of the courts for the purpose of capitalism are concerned in its struggle to prevent working class organization—in preserving "civil peace," which means war on the workers.

In the North the capitalist class has not as yet openly demanded death for what are clearly political acts. In the North the demand for the death of militant leaders of the workers has been made under various guises—in connection with the killing of police or other persons by bomb explosions (Haymarket martyrs, Haywood case, Mooney case, or for alleged acts outside the realm of the class struggle, Sacco-Vanzetti case, etc.).

But one year of intense class struggle in the South, in which our Party has a leading role, has already produced two attempts to murder by legal means, by utilizing existing laws, workers whose sole guilt consists in organizing and leading the working class in struggle against the terrible effects of rationalization and the legal and extra-legal terror by which it and the entire social system is bulwarked.

The Gastonia workers were convicted for what was clearly class activity. The first degree murder charge (changed later to second degree murder after the first jury failed to convict) was a declaration by the rulers that workers are supposed to submit without resistance to the organized attacks of fascist and police bands, that they have no right whatever to defend themselves.

The charges against Powers and Carr go a step further. Made under laws passed in 1866 and 1871, these charges are another ultimatum to the effect that the death penalty is to be applied to any worker who urges resistance

to capitalism, its government or any of its official agencies, who advises his class to hold meetings and make protests in spite of suppressive measures.

In other words, capitalist government in the South intends to allow no joint meetings of Negroes and whites, it intends to allow no mass protest against unemployment, or no mass protest against lynching; it intends to allow no meetings for union organization or for calling strikes; it intends to suppress such activities and classifies as "inciting to armed insurrection" any attempts to resist suppression.

This is the political meaning of the charge of "inciting armed insurrection," carrying the death penalty, made against Comrades Powers and Carr, and the denial of bail to them because the "crime" with which they are charged is a capital offense.

In addition to such cases as those in Gastonia and Atlanta, capitalist justice has evolved a whole series of lesser charges carrying with them chain gang sentences, jail and prison sentences and fines. Not a single organizer of the class struggle unions or the Communist Party but has from one to a half-dozen of such charges against him. The whole legal fabric is utilized against the workers and those who dare to organize them.

The entire working class in the South lives under the shadow of prison walls. This method, the application of the legal code to the capitalist necessities in the class struggle, has been made into a fine art in the South. While in the North and the entire capitalist system, the legal code is framed for the advantage of the capitalist class as against the working class, in the South it is, more clearly than anywhere else in America, a weapon in the hands of the rulers for daily use.

For the Negro masses the legal code has features little less horrible than lynching. But for the white working class the legal code also has its terrors. In Gaston County, something like 50 per cent of the workers pass through the courts, jails and chain gangs in the course of a year.

Following a meeting of the state prison commission on Feb. 28 of this year in Raleigh, N. C., A. D. McLean, a member of the commission, declared:

"I am just beginning to learn that the prison problem is one of the biggest problems in the state. For the prison population has increased 300 per cent in nine years, 75 per cent of the white prisoners are under 21 years of age and two-thirds of the prisoners are now white, rather than colored."

Nine years cover approximately the period of rapid expansion and intensive rationalization in the textile industry—which in North Carolina employs white workers almost exclusively and is the main industry. Other highly rationalized industries in other states have likewise developed a working class living under the constant pressure of the most vicious forms of capitalist justice.

Southern industrial capitalism, built rapidly in the war and post-war years on the surviving semi-feudal agricultural economy with the reactionary heritage of chattel slavery traditions and poisonous hatred of the Negro