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## 12,000 IN HUNGER MARCH ON DETROIT CITY HALL

### 150,000 British Miners Strike; 30,000 Out in the Rhur District

#### What Capitalists See for 1931

VERY rarely has a new year begun with financial opinions on the immediate future in so great perplexity.—A. D. N., in the N. Y. Times. Carl Snyder, of the Federal Reserve Bank of New York, says he agrees with Sir Charles Addis, British authority, that the present depression is "the most serious in 100 years."

In 1930, U. S. exports fell off 26 per cent from 1929; imports fell off 31 per cent. A Berlin dispatch to the N. Y. Times states that: "American sales to Germany are sure to have a lower value than in 1929." A London dispatch says: "The coming year's outlook for revival in mutual trade between England and America is not considered promising."

Another London report says that city is "hesitant" in forecasts, but "Conditions in British market give little ground for hopeful expectations." From Berlin, general European forecasts say: "1930 is ending without any clear sign of world trade revival." Then it adds, in effect, that capitalists still hope capitalism is not done for, by saying: "The idea that the present business crisis is exceptional, that it foreshadows permanent decline, is rejected everywhere."

Paris reports say: "We are still faced with a crisis. There is a feeling that we have not yet emerged. It is not felt here that the coming year, at any rate until near its close, will witness the end of this process. There is great lack of assurance."

"America must recover first," say Rome reports. At Cleveland, Lionel D. Eadie, of the American Capital Corporation, says: "The unemployment situation next year would be more acute." Col. Leonard P. Ayres of the Cleveland Trust Co., says: "The present depression is deeper than any, though so far not the longest, the depression of 1861 to 1865 having lasted forty-five months." Ayres is willing to give it time.

A collection of opinions from American capitalists in the N. Y. Times is headed as showing: "Temperate Optimism." Bankers, however, "Appraise Future Cautiously." The Times precludes the bankers' words by saying that they are: "Even more than usually conservative in their appraisals of the economic outlook."

Rome C. Stephenson, president of the American Bankers' Association, illustrates the above by beginning his remarks with an "If." Arthur Lehman says: "We must now await the return of confidence, which, in my opinion, will be slow."

Willis H. Booth, of the Guaranty Trust Co., whistles bravely: "We will have to forget our troubles; time will measure the upturn." George V. McLaughlin, of the Brooklyn Trust Co., says he—"does not venture to set the approximate date for reversal in the downward trend."

Lewis E. Pierson of the Irving Trust Co., says: "The business spirit of the country is greatly in need of a keying up. Recovery will be slow. This depression in some form may extend well throughout the year 1931."

#### How the Daily Worker Grows

THE Daily Worker circulation is growing every day. But there are still some illusions about how it grows. Some comrades think that it is a natural process which carries itself automatically. That is a mistake. The Daily Worker grows exactly in the degree that its readers work to secure new readers, to the extent that new subscribers are secured and the money sent in, or new bundle orders established for shop and street sales. And while we are growing steadily, yet this growth is not nearly as fast as is easily possible if all our friends will really do a little practical work for us each day or each week.

We set ourselves the goal of 30,000 new readers before January 1st. But we only got 8,000 new ones during our campaign, and only doubled our circulation in the year 1930. We must do better than this in 1931. And the first step is to really finish that job of getting the 30,000 new readers.

The campaign for circulation is therefore extended. And this extension must be the signal for more organized, systematic work.

At the same time, we must again report that our deficit is far from being covered for the winter. Money contributions are absolutely necessary on a much larger scale. Do your part!

#### PROTEST MURDER OF INDIA WORKERS

NEW YORK.—The following wire was sent late last night to Sir Emese Howard, British ambassador in Washington by General Secretary J. Louis English, of the International Labor Defense:

"International Labor Defense speaking for hundreds of thousands of American workers denounces death sentence passed against four textile workers active in workers struggles Sholapur, India. American workers demand immediate release these and all other Sholapur left wing labor leaders. We demand bloody attacks against Indian worker peasant masses cease."

#### INT'L LABOR DEFENSE.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—The courts of the British imperialist government denied a reappeal on the death sentences against the four textile workers who were charged with leading a revolt at Sholapur, India, where 43 other Indians were given long sentences of imprisonment.

The struggle around the textile mills at Sholapur has been growing in its intensity during the past year till the workers finally revolted against the miserable conditions imposed upon them by the British and Indian bosses. Many workers were arrested and shot by the police and on December 1 a police inspector was killed.

The four textile workers were charged with leading a revolt and were quickly brought to trial and sentenced to death.

The International Red Aid (the world wide workers defense organization) is leading a militant campaign to save the lives of these workers and is calling upon all militant labor organizations to mass protests against the "legal" murder of these four working class leaders.

#### MINERS' BOARD PLANS CAMPAIGN

PITTSBURGH, Pa., Jan. 2.—Reports showing acute starvation, misery of whole towns of unemployed or part time miners, were made at the Dec. 28-29 session here of the national board of the Mine, Oil and Smelter Workers Industrial Union. This is the first meeting of the board since the union convention last July.

From Everywhere. A majority of the board members and a fair number of rank and file organizers and active members attended; the session was representative of every important field.

William Z. Foster reported from the national committee of the Trade Union Unity League, to which the M.O.S.W.I.U. belongs, and national secretary Berich reported for the national office of the union.

Both pointed out as weaknesses: anarchistic methods of finance, slowness to develop struggles and seize opportunities to lead struggle. These are hangovers of the old "Save-The-Union" days, and the idea that only paid organizers do the work must be knocked out. Everybody must organize.

Tash reported on the R.L.L.U. congress and the Miners International Committee of Action.

Negro, Youth Reports. Hawkins reported on Negro work. Bochus on youth, Kamenovich on organizational points, in which he emphasized especially formation of mine committees.

The Mine Worker was thoroughly discussed by all present, and the board took under consideration a petition from some of the locals and the Ohio district conference to change the name of the union, and decided to have a referendum on that.

It was decided to call special conferences and conventions in all districts and sections to discuss with the membership the decisions of the national board.

#### WALK-OUT IN GERMANY IS SPREADING

Will Involve 450,000; Cook, MacDonald Betraying

More than 450,000 coal miners in South Wales and in the Rhur mine district of Germany are involved in a fight against wage-cuts. In South Wales 150,000 are already out on strike and in the Rhur 30,000 have walked out under revolutionary leadership. At a delegates conference of all the Rhur mine union representatives the news of the strike of 150,000 South Wales miners was greeted with wild enthusiasm.

Cook, MacDonald Betray.

LONDON, Jan. 2.—Over 150,000 coal miners in the South Wales coal mining district are out on strike against a wage-cut made possible by the mines act introduced by the MacDonald labor government. The miners, who had been promised a seven-hour day without wage decreases, were handed a seven and a half hour day, and the question of wages was left up to the bosses. It is against wage-cuts when the new law goes into effect that the miners are striking.

A. J. Cook, secretary of the Miners' Federation, and Ramsay MacDonald, who have been working close to the bosses, hope to be able to call off the strike today after a conference with the mine owners. The main task of the British misleaders of labor is to keep miners in other sections of the country from walking out in sympathy with the South Wales strikers. Cook and MacDonald were able to smash a strike of 92,000 miners about a month ago in Scotland.

Cook and MacDonald are banking on the hope that the terrible conditions of the miners, due to unemployment and starvation wages, will

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#### Speed Up the Unemployment Campaign; Fight Starvation

By WM. Z. FOSTER. That there is in many Party districts a serious underestimation of the vital importance of the struggle around the issue of unemployment is now plainly manifest. This underestimation is evidenced by the inadequate and lackadaisical manner in which the Party line on unemployment is being put into effect. The immediate and drastic correction of this weakness is of the greatest importance for our Party.

There has been a clear line laid down for the unemployed campaign. This includes the establishment of local unemployment councils, the setting up of local united front movements with workers' organizations, the development of hunger marches and other local struggles around programs of immediate relief, the securing of mass signatures for the Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill, the election of delegates to present this bill to Congress, the making of preparations for a great national unemployment demonstration on February 10th, etc.

A Fight Against Mass Hunger. It is a logical and definite program capable of mobilizing mass forces and of developing real struggle. It is also well within the possibilities of our strength. Concise, detailed directives have been sent out on

every phase of it. It is based soundly upon the terrific situation of mass hunger and growing radicalization of the workers.

Nevertheless, the program is not being put into effect satisfactorily. In practically every district there is gross neglect of some or all phases of it. In no district is the campaign being carried on as aggressively as it should be.

Especially widespread is the seriously wrong tendency (despite repeated warnings from the center) to ignore the smaller industrial towns and to limit the unemployment campaign to the great cities. The struggle against unemployment is the central campaign of our Party, but it is no exaggeration to state that only a fraction of the available strength of the Party is now being used in the work.

Into the Fight Against Unemployment! It is idle to ascribe this lassitude simply to organizational weakness or to the inexperience of local comrades. There is also a political element in it—a certain underestimation of the unemployment situation and its possibilities for the development of the class struggle. The sooner this fact is clearly realized the

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#### Kill 8 Imperialist Invaders of Nicaragua in Hot Battle

Fight for Freedom From Imperialism

NEW YORK.—Showing a sharp revival of the struggle of the Nicaraguan masses against the invasion and occupation of their country by armed forces of Yankee imperialism reports from Managua state that 8 U. S. marines were killed and two wounded in a two hour battle between Ocotal and Apali. Associated Press reports claim that the invaders suffered eleven and wounded four Nicaraguan independence fighters.

The heroic fighters for Nicaraguan freedom succeeded, however, in wiping out the whole imperialist detachment, supposedly busy "repairing a telephone line."

The imperialist forces claim that Miguel Ortiz, a lieutenant of General Sandino, was in command of the Ni-

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#### REVOLT UPSSETS PANAMA REGIME

Yankee Imperialism Not Alarmed

NEW YORK.—Another Latin American government was overthrown in the Panama republic Friday, in a clash between opposing bourgeois factions. President Arosemena was captured and jailed by the rebels, who set up a provisional junta (council) government. Eight were killed in the fighting.

Rebels captured arms from the police station and took the presidential palace by assault in typical coup d'etat fashion. Yankee imperialism does not seem alarmed over the upset, and the U. S. consul had a conference with Dr. Harmodio Arias, a conservative party leader and wealthy cattle raiser capitalist, who heads the Junta.

Other members of the Junta are prominent business men, capitalists, and one, Dr. J. J. Villalino, is physician in the Yankee endowed Herrick clinic. Panama City lies only a stone's throw from the Canal Zone, but only a small force of U. S. troops were sent to guard the legation, whereas when in 1925 the workers declared a rent strike, a big force of Yankee troops invaded the city and bayoneted the workers. Washington officials say that U. S. intervention is "unlikely" now.

Leading the fight of the peasantry against Yankee land grabbers, most of the Central Committee of the Communist Party are in prison. An American worker, Frank Morgan, only recently served six months in prison for aiding the Communists and anti-imperialists.

#### PROTEST TODAY AT CITY LODGING

NEW YORK.—Today, at 1 p. m., at the Municipal Lodgings, 25th St. and First Ave., the jobless, led by the Downtown Council of the Unemployed, will demonstrate for shelter every night instead of five nights a month, as now, for heat on the dock and better food.

The police are doing their best to prevent the unemployed there from learning of the demonstration. Yesterday they arrested two unemployed workers distributing calls for the demonstration. They were S. Segal and Sam Katz. Segal was choked and beaten up by Patrolman No. 1802. Workers in the line denounced the attack and displayed their approval of the demonstration.

In spite of an attempt by "Soapbox" O'Brien and some Dodge trucks loaded with bread and marked "Mayor's Committee," also "Police Emergency Fund" to disrupt the meeting of the Downtown Council yesterday at the Tammany fake agency on Lafayette St., the meeting was held successfully.

One Negro worker with one crutch followed the crowd all the way to the indoor meeting at 27 E. Fourth

#### Propose to Shoot Workers Who Protest Against Unemployment

LAUREL, Miss., Jan. 2.—Shooting out-of-hand of any unemployed worker "whose countenance is not cheerful and happy" or who "in any manner, talk, suggest, intimidate or think that industrial, financial or economic conditions are or may become bad," is the latest method proposed by the local fascists for dealing with starving unemployed Negro and white workers in this section.

Such a law was proposed at last

#### CLEVELAND JOBLESS TO MARCH MONDAY; MILLS OF YOUNGSTOWN CUT PAY

Demand Relief, End of Detroit Mayor's Forced Labor

Threat to Seize Food Murphy Evades Issue; Fight Is On!

DETROIT, Mich., Jan. 2.—Twelve thousand Detroit jobless and workers marched on the city hall this afternoon and waited massed around it while their committee went in to tell Mayor Murphy that if he did not provide relief through the city the jobless would take the bread they need to keep alive.

"We will seize food before we will scab," they told the author of one of the most cruel "relief" fakes so far developed, a scheme that results in forced labor at starvation wages, intended to cut all wages for all workers.

"That will be too bad," said Murphy, when the committee warned him of the determination of the jobless not to starve. He returned evasive answers to all demands for \$20 per week relief from the city, with \$5 additional for every dependent; for no forced labor, for no eviction and for free food and clothing for the school children of the unemployed. He tried to deny forced labor, but the committee, headed by A. Gerlach, proved it to the hilt.

When the committee reported to the crowd the mayor's attitude they were very much dissatisfied with it. They vow to come back here 50,000 strong on Feb. 10, when their signatures for the Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill are being presented to congress in Washington.

The jobless will also muster full force at the next event in their struggle, the great mass meeting at Danceland Auditorium, Jan. 11, at which William Z. Foster will speak and where the delegation to take the signatures (which all must collect) to Washington. Meanwhile intensive organization of the councils of the unemployed is the thing.

The hunger march today was preceded by several throughout the city, in which hundreds joined, and by a mass meeting in Grand Circus Park, from which the march to the city hall started.

#### THREE CLEVELAND PARADES TO MEET

Dependants of Jobless; Join Demonstration; Must Have Food

Jobless, Workers Unite

Both March on Jan. 5 in Youngstown

In the great industrial cities of Cleveland and Youngstown the jobless and militant workers will march on the city halls Monday and demand immediate relief for the unemployed.

In Cleveland, starting at 5 p. m. from three separate points the parades will converge on city hall and send in a delegation to make demands. The mobilization points are: 30th St. and Central; 30th St. and St. Clair; West 25th St. and Lorain Ave. All workers and jobless are urged to bring their wives, children and acquaintances. Any worker or member of a workers' family in Cleveland who is not starving now, soon may be. The bosses and city government will do nothing for the unemployed unless they are forced to.

Cleveland jobless demand the city turn over funds now meant for big salaries and items that do the workers no good, to make up a fund to pay each jobless worker \$15 a week if single, and \$25 if he has a family to support.

Youngstown Wage Cut

Workers in the big steel town of Youngstown, where the mills have declared a wage cut in agreement with the fakers of the Amalgamated Iron, Steel and Tin Workers Union will hunger march Monday at 7 p. m. on the city hall and demand relief. The demands of the jobless are linked with the demands of the workers whose already low wages have been cut, because the bosses think that 20,000 unemployed in the city give them all the chance to cut they need.

Organizers are proceeding to Youngstown and 50,000 leaflets calling for formation of mill committees and strike against the cut are being distributed. The appeal of the league for funds for the struggle has resulted in the first donation, \$25 from the International Workers Order.

Ambridge, Pa., workers will hunger march Monday.

#### MEET TO FIGHT CUBAN TERROR

Commemorate Murder of Mella, Jan. 11

NEW YORK.—The plans for the meeting to commemorate the death of Julio Mella and to protest against the terror maintained by the lackey governments in Latin America, which is to be held Sunday, Jan. 11, at the New Harlem Casino, by the Anti-Imperialist League and other organizations, were laid at the preliminary conference last Sunday.

"The meeting will demand the independence of all colonies and semi-colonies from imperialism. We have absolute confidence in the anti-imperialist sentiment of the American workers when we ask of them full support of the struggles of the workers and peasants of Latin America against bourgeois and foreign imperialism oppression." This was the keynote of the report delivered at the preliminary conference by Armando Rodriguez, a Porto Rican worker who acted as chairman.

The room was filled with delegates from many organizations directly affiliated to the Anti-Imperialist League. The secretary reported that the District Executive Committee of the International Labor Defense will actively cooperate to make the Mella Memorial a real success.

All branches of the I. L. D. are requested to send two delegates to the enlarged conference next Sunday, Jan. 4th, at 3 p. m., at the headquarters of the Spanish Workers Club, West 118th St.

## Rush the \$30,000 Emergency Fund to A Triumphant Conclusion

ANSWER THE BOSS ATTACK ON THE DAILY

The headlines are growing. In the capitalist press, President Green of the A. F. of L. (an organization said to be very profitable to its officials) expresses great joy because unemployment in December increased only 5 per cent. He "forgets" to mention that so many are already out of work that "the normal increase in unemployment at this season of the year" has simply been trebled and moved up a few months. The capitalist press absolutely promises that "things are on the upturn" and that everything will be lovely by 1932—perhaps. In the meantime the capitalist press advises the workers to be cheery, to eat the slop handed them in the "charity" kitchens without complaining, and if they must die of hunger, to do so quietly in some out-of-the-way place where they will not offend the sensitivities of the bosses who suffer so keenly from the present crisis that they must sometimes do without an extra motor-car in order properly to bring out their daughters before society.

Only in the working class's own paper, the Daily Worker, is the truth being told about the growing depression. As the Central Organ of the Communist Party, the Daily Worker is helping to change BREADLINES INTO HUNGER MARCHES. The Daily Worker is fighting the class struggle; it is helping to organize workers to demand unemployment insurance, to fight further exploitation, to expose the boss plot against the Soviet Union and to defend the fatherland of the world proletariat from

imperialist war. The Daily Worker does not fight "for" the working class. THE DAILY WORKER IS THE VOICE OF THE WORKING CLASS.

Never have workers needed a voice more. Never has the struggle against us on all fronts been so keen. And never has the capitalist class fought more bitterly to strangle the voice of the workers, to cut off the means by which workers discover the truth of their conditions and ORGANIZE to fight oppression.

The failure of capitalist banks becomes a signal to attack the Daily Worker. The Forward, organ of the "socialist" party, adds its little yelp to the chorus.

The situation of the Daily Worker is crucial. COMRADES, WE DARE NOT ALLOW OUR PAPER TO FACE SUSPENSION. It is necessary in the struggle. The back debts must be paid. Telephone communications must be opened. The presses must be put in order. THE DAILY WORKER MUST APPEAR TODAY, TOMORROW, EVERY DAY.

THE \$30,000 EMERGENCY CAMPAIGN MUST BE RUSHED TO A TRIUMPHANT CONCLUSION. This is the working class answer to the boss attack on us and our paper.

There is a Red Shock Troops Coupon on page 5. Subscription blanks may be obtained from the Daily Worker office, or you can make your own. Rush funds immediately to the Daily Worker, 50 East 43rd Street, New York.

#### PROSSER GANG REFUSES TO PAY SICK JOBLESS

NEW YORK.—You will not get paid for New Year's Day, and if anybody is sick, he don't get any pay either. Let that sink into your heads! said the superintendent of about 150 men working on the \$15 a week Emergency Work Bureau jobs at Bronx Terminal Market, yesterday. This outfit, part of the Prosser Committee machinery, has over \$8,000,000 to spend, but has been tightening up in every way lately, making the jobless who have to toil for it more miserable. Work at the market is heavy, unloading cars. The men had previously been promised pay for Jan. 1.

### PAN-PACIFIC TRADE UNIONS CALL FOR SHARP FIGHT ON WAR DANGER

#### Colonial Masses Rising Against Imperialist Masters in India, China, etc.

#### Defense of Soviet Union Is One of Leading Tasks of All Revolutionary Workers

SHANGHAI.—Pointing out the sharpening war danger throughout the world, and calling on all workers to combat the attempts of the capitalists to plunge the workers into another bloody conflict, the Pan-Pacific Trade Union Secretariat here has issued an appeal to all workers for the defense of the Soviet Union and for active support to the revolutionary movements of China, India, Indo-China, Indonesia and Formosa. The statement in part reads:

On our guard! To the Defense of the Soviet Union! Block! Organize mass action and mass strikes to the plans of French and British imperialism, to crush the U.S.S.R.! Not a man and not a gun against the Workers' and Peasants' Soviets of U.S.S.R. and of China!

Active support to the revolutionary movement of China, India, Indo-China, Korea, Indonesia and Formosa!

Turn the imperialist weapons against imperialism itself!

To the last man and the last drop of blood—in defense of the only proletarian fatherland and the citadel of the world revolution!

### LABOR AND FRATERNAL

#### An 8-Day Drive for the New York Workers Center

The drive will open with a banquet on the 11th of January and will continue with a bazaar for seven days. We urge all organizations not to arrange any affairs during this drive.

#### The Red Banquet

To greet the Central Committee of the Communist Party of the U. S. A. on the occasion of the moving into the new Workers Center, will be held at the center, 35 E. 12th St., Sunday, Jan. 11, 8 p. m. All workers' organizations are urged to elect two delegates to this banquet. Speakers will be Foster, Minor, Browder, Edacht, representatives of the revolutionary press and workers' organizations.

#### Annual Entertainment and Ball at the Gallo Temple

17-19 Montrose Ave., Bklyn. (Four blocks from H'way, near Lorimer St.) Saturday, Jan. 17, 7 p. m. for the benefit of the I. L. W. Italian Weekly, organ of the C. P. Admission 50c. Please keep this date open.

#### Daily Worker Anniversary Affair

All workers' organizations are asked to get blocks of tickets for the affair to be held Saturday, Jan. 10th next year at St. Nick's Arena. Excellent concert. Adm. 50c and 75c.

#### "Noisy Mr."

Russian Workers Club will give a concert and ball on Saturday, Jan. 3 8 p. m. at the Cooperative Auditorium, 2300 Bronx Pk. Well known professional actors will take part. Short Russian Comedy. Adm. 35c.

#### Perth Amboy

Grand Dance given by the Communist Party and the Young Communist League and other working class organizations on Saturday evening, Jan. 10th, 8 p. m. at Hawryng Hall, 671 Charles St. Refreshments, refreshments. Admission 35c.

#### Dear Len Harris on Soviet Union

At the meeting of the John Reed Youth Club, Monday, Jan. 5th, 8 p. m. at Dr. Pollack's office, 655 Newark Ave., Jersey City, N. J. Len Harris is an American worker returned from a year and a half in the Soviet Union.

#### Richard B. Moore Will Speak

At the Bronx Workers Forum this Sunday 8 p. m. at 569 Prospect Ave. Subject: "The Struggle for Negro Rights." Discussion. Admission free.

#### All Italian Comrades

Are to be present at the General Fraction Meeting at the Center, 35 East 12th St., Monday night, 8 p. m.

#### Bronxville Workers School

Open Forum, at 165 Thaford Ave., Brooklyn, Sunday evening, 8 p. m.

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### BRONX JOBLESS FIGHT FOR STREETS TODAY

NEW YORK.—The Bronx Council of the Unemployed has, during its young life had one continuous struggle with the police. Bronx jobless are determined to hold meetings near the state employment agency. Police break them up and one speaker, Ramsey, has already served a day in jail.

Yesterday a crowd of 250 jobless at 115th St. and Morris Ave. stood their ground so determinedly that a mounted cop and four or five "flat-ties" were unable to disperse them. A hundred came up to the council headquarters at 341 East 149th St., 22 joined, and some new, militant Italian language speakers were discovered. One from the A. F. L. General Laborers' Union told how the business agents of that union insist on graft before they will give a job.

Today there will be a general mobilization at 9:30 a. m. at 341 E. 149th St. to win the right to speak in the Bronx streets. All Bronx militants should be there.

### SUPPORT GROWS IN 8-DAY DRIVE

#### Workers Want Use of Their New Center

NEW YORK.—The call for aid which has been sent out by the 8-Day Drive Committee authorized by the Central Committee of the Communist Party has been very favorably answered. The workers' organizations realize the pressing need of remodeling the building of the Workers Center, so that the institutions housed therein shall not be hampered in their revolutionary activities for lack of proper facilities. For this reason delegates to the banquet on Jan. 11th in the Workers Center will be elected to greet the Central Committee on the occasion of their moving into the new headquarters.

Many fraternal organizations, such as the International Workers Order, Workers Clubs, etc., also Party Sections have mobilized and are working for the Bazaar which will be held for 7 days, January 12 to 18.

All organizations are urged to report to the 8 Day Drive Committee as to what they are planning to do. Send all donations and articles to the 8 Day Drive Committee, Workers Center, 4th floor, 35 East 12th Street, New York City.

### FORM JOBLESS COUNCILS; FIGHT FOR JOBLESS INSURANCE

#### Harlem Prog. Youth Club Dance

Sunday night at 9:30 p. m. at 1492 Madison Ave. Good music.

#### Newton to Speak at Open Forum

Of the Young Defenders this Sunday, 5 p. m. at 1400 Boston Rd. Best of entertainment by Negro workers. Admission free! All invited.

#### Special Mobilization of All Bronx Unemployed

Will take place at 9:30 a. m. this Saturday at 341 E. 149th St. Every one must be down.

#### Resinist Movie

To be shown Sunday, Jan. 4, at 7 p. m. at Italian Workers Center, 2011 Third Ave. (bet. 110 and 111th St.). Benefit I. L. W. Laborator. Contribution, 75 cents.

#### Workers Forum Sunday Night

At 8 p. m. at Workers School Auditorium, 35 E. 12th St., second floor. Sam Don will speak on "The Meaning of Bank Crashes."

#### All Needle Trades Workers

In Section 4 will meet at 208 Lenox Ave., Saturday, Jan. 3, at 3 p. m. in preparation for the coming strike. Every Party member in the needle trades must attend. A check-up will be taken.

#### Unemployed Titled Bronx Conference

Will take place Sunday 12 m. at Finnish Hall, 15 W. 126th St. All unemployed delegates must attend.

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### DEPOSITORS ASK CASH, GET WORSE

#### Corrigan's Slippery Promises No Good

NEW YORK.—An attempt, at a conference on Friday, through a lot of fake promises by Acting Mayor Corrigan to the United Depositors Committee of 23, who went to him with the demands of the 400,000 small depositors in the defunct Bank of the United States, to keep the workers from fighting militantly for the money that was robbed from them by the Tammany henchman and bankers failed today when the committee pointed out that they would not rely on the smooth phrases of the boss politicians but would develop a mass movement of the small depositors to force the payment of their hard-earned savings in full.

Litman, one of the spokesmen, pointed out the many cases of police brutality against depositors who waited in lines at the banks. Corrigan attempted to disclaim all knowledge of brutality. He attempted to urge the committee to line up with Max Steuer, the Tammany lawyer who is being slated to head the fake white-washing investigation, and who represents the interests of the stockholders against the depositors.

All sorts of promises were made about free meeting places, but Corrigan refused to permit the depositors to use the armories, claiming he had no control over these.

The committee left the conference insisting that they would mobilize a wide mass movement against the Tammany fakery who are connected with the bank robbers, and who, through smooth phrases are attempting to lead the workers to believe they will act—against themselves.

### POTASH TALKS ON DRESS STRIKE AT FORUM SUN.

NEW YORK.—Sunday at 8 p. m. at 105 Thaford Ave., Brooklyn, Irving Potash, secretary of the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union, will speak at an open forum on "Coming Struggles in the Needle Trades." All invited.

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### HEBREW TRADES CHIEFS PREPARE FAKE STRIKE

NEW YORK.—The United Hebrew Trades Butchers' Union officials are planning a fake strike to take place very soon to speed up the business of selling union signs and filling their own pockets.

They have a standing injunction against the Food Workers' Industrial Union for every shop whose owner pays them to put up a union sign.

However, it seems that times are hard; so they have decided to speed up the sign business by having what they call an "organization strike." The butcher workers will gain nothing. But in addition to the sign graft some new sources may be developed by the fakers of the U. H. T.

The butcher workers should give the right answer to these fakery by joining the militant Food Workers' Industrial Union, the only union in the food industry that fights for better conditions for the workers.

### PROTEST GREEK FASCIST TERROR

NEW YORK.—Two Greek soldiers were sentenced to death by the Greek fascist government, two others were sentenced to prison for life and six members of the Central Committee of the Communist Party of Greece are under charges of treason. The Venizelos government is determined also to send these six leaders of the Greek proletariat to death.

Only with mass protest of the world proletariat can these brave fighters be saved. A mass protest meeting against the white terror in Greece, to demand the freedom of the two Communist soldiers who were sentenced to death and of all class-war prisoners, will take place in New York on Sunday, Jan. 4, at 3 p. m. at Bryant Hall.

The speakers will be Comrades Engdahl, national secretary of the International Labor Defense; I. Amter, representing the Central Committee of the Communist Party, and Greek speakers. All workers are urged to come to this protest meeting and demonstrate their solidarity with the revolutionary proletariat in Greece.

### COSTUME BALL TONITE AT BAZAR

#### Playlet and WIR Scouts Program Sunday

NEW YORK.—Tonight will be the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union night at the three day joint bazaar of the Workers International Relief and the United Council of Working Class Women, at New Star Casino. Twenty-five per cent of the entire proceeds will go for the N. T. W. I. U. This will greatly help towards building the fund for the coming dress strike in the needle trades.

The crowning event of the evening will be a grand costume ball. Tomorrow, the last day of the bazaar, will be the United Council of Working Class Women's day. Members of the United Council have been preparing a play for the last several weeks which they will present to those attending the bazaar.

The play given by the U. C. W. W. will be followed by a march in which all members of the U. C. W. will take part. All members of the U. C. W. W. are urged to come to the Casino with the banners of their individual councils. The banners are to be used in the parade. The play will begin at 7 p. m. Immediately after the march will take place.

In the afternoon, the W. I. R. Scouts will present a special program. They will have mass dancing, singing and acrobatics. The Scouts have many articles made by them in their arts and crafts classes for sale at the bazaar. Besides this there are loads and loads of Soviet articles, filling three booths, for sale.

Sunday will be the last day of the wonderful bargain sales. The bazaar will not end until 2 a. m. Monday morning. Besides the continuation of the sale of bargains, dancing and music will fill the entire Casino until the very last minute of the bazaar.

### CELEBRATE 7TH ANNIVERSARY

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# Organize On the Bread Lines to End Bread Lines! Demand Insurance!

## NEGRO TUNNEL WORKERS RISK LIVES DAILY

### TUUL Must Organize These Workers

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
NEW YORK.—While the Party at the present time is considering seriously the Negro question, we should not neglect to begin in organizing the tunnel workers of the Patrick McGovern concern, which is operating the line from Yorkers all the way down to Brooklyn, with 17 or 18 shafts, no less than 250 men working in every one of the shafts of the tunnel.

The conditions of work in them shafts are unimaginable. I worked in the silver mines and we used to drill 6 holes at 6 feet deep, which was called a day's work, and in this tunnel workers have to drill 9 holes 12 feet deep and tear down the machinery and connections, load the holes with powder, and blast, and only then do they call it a day's work. Yes, in order to do that they drive you, curse you, fire you, yes, if you will try to do the best they will make you work 9 hours and pay you for 8, and do what they please with you because they are working for Jimmy Walker, and McGovern and Jimmy are dancing every night.

Many Killed, Injured.  
Due to the fact of rush work, scaling the ceiling of the tunnel is not done in the proper way, and many get hurt and some killed. If anyone is interested in Patrick McGovern concern and workers in them tunnels go on Vernon Ave. in Astoria, where they have their own private hospital-like affair, and you will see as many as 75 men, some with missing fingers, others with broken heads, and still others with smashed bones, scratched faces and what not, coming for the treatment, and when it comes to get compensation, colored people are treated worse than any other.

Workers in the tunnels are composed mostly of colored workers.  
A. F. of L. Wants Money Only.  
There are five delegates of the A. F. of L. who come once in a while to try to collect initiation of \$50 and dues, but they are not interested when you tell them that they have not been paid for overtime, or that the safety of men in the tunnel is in danger. They are interested in dollars only and they have a hard time to collect any money lately because the colored fellows refuse to be robbed of their hard-earned money. I have never seen a group of people who can be more oppressed in their performance of work than these tunnel workers, and if our T. U. U. L. is meaning business to organize the most oppressed industries, it should at once begin to organize them, and in organizing them you will be organizing those who are waiting to be touched only, and they will all roll in.

They work three shifts, one beginning at 7 a. m., one at 3 p. m., and the third shift goes down at 11 p. m., so there is a chance for all Party members to participate in helping to organize a group of the most oppressed colored people in the city of New York.

## CHASE JOBLESS FROM THE DUMPS

### Is Graft for the Petty Officials

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
NEW HAVEN, Conn.—While the opponents of the Soviet Government are doing their best to create a feeling of hatred amongst the workers against the only workers' country, there is nothing in their own capitalist system that is not full of graft and corruption. This graft they try to cover up.

Here in New Haven even the public dumps are sources of graft. This is what one can see at these dumps. They are situated on Welton Street at the extreme northeastern end of the city. In close proximity is another dump controlled by the town of Hamden. The Hamden dump is bossed by an ex-soldier while the New Haven dump is bossed by an ex-cop. Each of these men receive thirty-five cents per hour and they are employed every day in the week with no lay-off. Other men that are employed at the dumps get three days work every two or three months.

Chase Jobless.  
The chain stores and other large concerns dump tons of discarded wooden boxes, metal cases and hundreds of bottles. Many of the unemployed workers in this city would be only too glad to use some of this material but they are forbidden to do so. The dump bosses chase them and say that they come before any unemployed because they saved their country. In this capitalist country everybody comes before the worker.

## How the Bosses Reward Old Workers



Tens of thousands of aged workers who were thrown out of the factories, are forced to go on the breadlines to eke out a miserable existence. For years these workers have given their very life blood to build the fabulous profits that the bosses are now wallowing in. Now they are discarded with no provision made for their upkeep and they have only the breadlines to go to for "relief."

Old unemployed workers, join the hunger marches during January to wrench bread and unemployment insurance from the money bloated bosses. Fight the system that would murder you!

## PRT DIVIDENDS TO BE FROM PAYCUT FLINT JOBLESS SLEEP IN TOILET

### Boss Government Kind to Mitten Gang Many Auto Workers Are Evicted

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
PHILADELPHIA, Pa.—At the annual mid-winter meeting of the Philadelphia Rapid Transit Co. Dr. A. A. Mitten, the chairman delivered some very illuminating information on how the boss class places the burden of the present crisis on the shoulders of the working class.

To quote Dr. Mitten himself "Careful estimates indicate that our income this year will be diminished by \$2,225,000, as compared with 1929. However there is a brighter side. By judicious economies (mass layoffs, speedup and wage slashes) we have been able to save \$1,750,000 in the current year." After allowing this savory morsel to be digested by the assembled plutocrats of the P. R. T. he continued by stating that with the help of a federal tax refund of \$500,000 regular dividends would be paid for 1930 without depleting the surplus.

Thus you see that altho the government cannot find money for the maintenance of the starving unemployed workers they easily find the money when it comes to paying huge concerns tax refunds running into millions of dollars so as to be able to pay dividends.

Don't be misled. The workers will never receive anything as long as the boss class can help it. It is only by mass demonstrations, displaying a spirit that will not be trifled with that will procure for the unemployed workers any kind of concessions.

## Wretched Speed-Up, Low Pay, Huge Profits in Breakfast Food Mfg.

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
BATTLE CREEK, Dec. 30.—At the Kellogg plant in Battle Creek, Michigan, seven years ago 2,500 people were employed; at present the same number, or a little less, are turning out just twice as much breakfast food per day. At that time, on machines which pack corn flakes, nine people were employed, six girls and three men; now, on the same machines, they have two girls and one man. The enormous profits in the breakfast food industry are evidently not due alone to the low cost of raw materials, but also to the speed-up system.

Some time ago, Kellogg built a plant which cost \$1,000,000 for the sole production of "Kaffee Hag," ordinary coffee processed to remove the drug, caffeine, which is sold at about double the price of ordinary coffee. This plant is about the finest example of mechanization to be found. This million dollar plant, when in operation, runs 24 hours a day, with three eight-hour shifts of only five men in each shift. The only other help used are a few girls who are sent in from the main plant once a week to help straighten up the packing room. The average production for the 24 hours is 72 tons, or 144,000 pounds, which has an added value,

## Rose Greenhouse Workers Forced to Work Amid Most Insanitary Conditions

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
FAIRHAVEN, N. J.—I was employed till Christmas by the Dean Co. greenhouses in Little Silver, N. J., an unemployed worker told me.  
"Work there was shoveling coal or manure at a terrific speed. Two men are expected to unload a carload in less than a day and that means shovelling without stop. Part of the time I was there I was washing manure, my arms numb from being submerged to the elbows in ice cold water. While the work is dirty there are no conveniences for washing, not even a toilet is provided. And the men are forced to evacuate outside in full view of a heavily settled neighborhood and drink water from pipes through which liquid manure is pumped.  
The outfit is owned by the president of the local bank and they do splendid business selling roses for 60 cents to \$25 a dozen.

## FIRE TO RE-HIRE AT LOWER PAY AT AMERICAN SUGAR

### Low Wages Were Paid When Working

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
BALTIMORE, Md.—The employees of the American Sugar Refining Co. in Baltimore here were notified that they are laid off for two weeks. More than four hundred workers will be affected by this "period of starvation." It is rumored that even after the two weeks are up many of the workers will never be rehired. Girls working in the Domino Building were given a dismissal. The only privilege attached to a red ticket is that the employees can come back after the two weeks is up and get rehired if the company wants to take them on.

A Pay Cut Scheme.  
It is a good trick, as the company considers that instead of just laying them off it is better to wash their hands altogether from the employees by firing them. This will give the company a chance to rehire hundreds of other workers at a lower wage. For the sake of publicity the bosses' papers will feature the hiring of hundreds of employees with a glaring headline: "Employment Picks Up, Hundreds of Workers Taken On at the American Sugar Refinery." Thus the workers will think that unemployment is all over with.

Everybody is sore, even the little bosses, especially the ones with big families are boiling mad over the way they have been laid off. Hundreds of the workers were getting only 25 cents an hour in the packing building. Workers' wages averaged 35, 37 1/2 and 39 cents an hour and it was impossible to save up anything for hard times from this, with the result that this penniless section of workers will be in the same miserable condition that the other 50,000 unemployed workers of Baltimore are.

Fight of Cuban Workers, Too.  
Mr. Richard Mommers, manager of the plant, it is rumored expressed great sorrow over the lay-off, but the workers know that this is just a bunch of baloney to make the workers feel humble. The lay-off is caused by the "lack of markets for the sugar." More than 10,000,000 pounds of sugar is stored in the Baltimore warehouse for which there is no market. The workers have been speeded up so much that they have thrown themselves out of work.

The struggle of the workers is the same all over the world. In Cuba, the native slaves of the American sugar plantations are struggling against the "profit mongers," just as the slaves of the warehouses and packinghouses of the company will have to do at this time. Workers of the sugar refineries, organize your departments. Fight against speed-up, low wages and lay-offs! Join the Trade Union Unity League! The workers who were fired are unemployed in the Unemployed Council of the Trade Union Unity League and fight for Unemployment Insurance.

## Cuts Dressmakers Pay—Throws a Party

GRAND RAPIDS, Mich., Dec. 30.—Here, in Grand Rapids, Miss Shanahan, who runs an exclusive dress shop where glad rags are made to order for the rich dames, has about 15 dressmakers working for her.  
These women are paid on Saturday and the week before Christmas they found their pay envelopes were \$5 short and some of them \$10 short. When asked about this she told them business was not so good and they would have to get along on less wages. Some of them are supporting husbands who have been out of work for a long time and all of them needed the already small wages they were getting.

The same Saturday night they received this cut, which was without any previous notice, Miss Shanahan threw a wild party for her wealthy

## Exposes Role of Charity Fakers As Stool Pigeons of Police

### Unemployed Put Through Third Degree on Seattle Bread Line; Arrested If Suspected of Being the Least Bit Rebellious

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
SEATTLE, Wash., Dec. 1.—About a week ago a new slop kitchen was opened, known as the "Sunshine Club." The day it was opened pictures appeared in the Seattle "Star" showing the staff of the kitchen and the tables set for the unemployed workers. The bosses had the audacity to state in the second picture that the women and children were to be allowed to sit while eating, but the men had to stand up. They hungry workers to sit while eating the garbage handed out to them.  
I went there to get a line on their hands. I found out the real purpose of this fake outfit. About 1,700 workers were lined up in the cold waiting for their daily "slop." In addition to the unemployed and the "charity" fakery, there were about 30 cops present. As the workers went in, they were put through the third degree and scrutinized by the worst stool-pigeons in Seattle. One of the stools, by the name of Jennings was present to point out any class conscious worker and any one whom he recognized as a member of the revolutionary unions.  
The connection between the police department and the bread-line is becoming more obvious every day and the unemployed council must more and more point out the role of both as enemies of the workers.  
While I was there, about a half hour, there were six workers who could not satisfy the questions of the cops and they were held for "investigation"; taken to the police station to be terrorized and held in jail. This is another instance of the contemptible fakery of the charity outfit.

## CLEVE., O., WOMEN WORKERS COLLECT JOBLESS NAMES

### Refuse to Let Cop Bully Them

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
CLEVELAND, Ohio.—"What's that?" the cop yelled. A woman worker was collecting signatures on the Unemployment Insurance Bill. Four of the women comrades were getting signatures from the breadline at St. John's Church, between Ninth and 12th Sts. on Superior Ave. The breadline is almost four blocks long. "It's a bill for Unemployment Insurance," was the prompt reply.  
Many heads turned. An eager look from the workers; a scowl from the cop as he brazenly swung his club and moved on.  
"What didja say that was for?" asked a worker. And the comrade gladly explained the demands of the unemployed workers. The worker signed the bill.  
"That's what we need alright."  
Down the line the four comrades did. It took a few minutes at each place. The writing on the paper blurred. It was raining and snowing. A cold wind blew. Red, stiff fingers held the pencils and hopelessly signed their names to the bill. The cop came back. He did not like the success.  
"Who do you represent?" he belted.  
"The Working Women's League."  
"What's that?"  
"An organization of working women."  
"What are you doing this for?"  
"I told you for Unemployment Relief."

## 25,000 JOBLESS IN DENVER, COLO.

### 10,000 Are Fed During Christmas Day

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
DENVER, Colo.—Yuletide in Denver. The capitalists are giving the workers their annual X-mas feed through their charitable organization, the Volunteers of America, the Salvation Army and others.  
I called on three of the largest and they told me they would not have enough baskets of food to go around. There was also several places where they fed single men. McVitties fed 3000 men at one of his cafes. All got first class meals. The Denver Post gave out several thousand rabbits. From my investigation I found that there were around 10,000 fed in Denver X-mas day.  
This shows what the workers are facing this winter. This means starvation for a great many during the rest of the year. In the "Queen of the Plains" there are almost 25,000 unemployed and the number is increasing. At the first of the year there is fifteen Sugar Factories which will lay off almost 5,000 men in this state which will bring a total of about 65 to 75 thousand unemployed in Colorado.

The population of Colorado is 1,030,000 and our Governor Adams says the labor condition is not acute. The Community Chest raised \$700,000 by collecting from the working class, and are giving no relief to the unemployed.  
They send them to the missions and let them sleep on the bare floor, and give them food not fit for dogs. This is the condition of the unemployed in Denver.

## MISERY SPREADS IN MISSISSIPPI

### School Teachers Get No Salary

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
OXFORD, Miss.—Here in Oxford, Miss. Hoover prosperity is in full swing. We are all out of work and a very marked suffering is in evidence everywhere. The patriotic society ruff-raff are preying on the unemployed worker for aid to their "Community Chest," which is in the hands of the Rotarians, American Legion and other such organizations.  
Mississippi's 17,000 teachers have received no pay so far and won't get any before March, 1931, if then. They can't even borrow their own salary from the local banks at 8 per cent, as in old times, when we didn't have any Hoover prosperity. Even our only department store is threatening to close its doors, which would add several clerks to the army of unemployed. Our highways are alive with destitute families with children walking the muddy roads without shoes and stockings.

## EVEN ROBBED OF THEIR OWN PAY

### Steal Too Raw Even for Boss Court

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
PORTLAND, Ore.—A steal of the pay of eight workers which was so rotten that even the boss court had to refute it was attempted by the Portland Credit Association. This association which is part of the organization which sends workers letters informing them that the Portland stores "cooperate" with them in refusing credit to workers unable to pay their bills through the association states "those who do not pay their bills."  
It seems that the local stink was in connection with a garage that the association took over for the benefit of the creditors. Among these creditors were the workers there but the association was not handling their problems. It attempted in its duty to the stockholders and creditors whose profits were endangered to get out of paying these workers their wages for the month it was in charge of the garage.  
Many Robbed.  
These workers went into the capitalist courts and sued for their wages. They got them but it did not state that the legal expenses of the suit were to be paid by the association. Undoubtedly they were not. This is a rare exception and workers who noticed it might realize how many ways they are being robbed of their wages. The state labor com-

## Layoff Is Christmas Gift at the Brown Hoist Company, Cleveland, O.

(By a Workers Correspondent)  
CLEVELAND, O.—The Brown Hoist Company, which has the Hoover stagger plan working was very "good" to its workers this Christmas! First of all those who work in the shift that did not work on Christmas do not come back until Jan. 5. Second, all the workers were given a calendar for a Christmas present! This is the gall of the bosses! After a series of wage cuts and laying off and staggering, they have the nerve to give a calendar to their pure christian split-

## Tease Hungry Kids With Santa Claus Bunk and Promises

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
CHICAGO, Ill.—Today, in one of the leading department stores in Chicago, one could notice a flock of children around five years of age being herded around by one of the rich charity specialists.  
The children were taken to the store to see "Santa Claus" and to tell him what they wished as Christmas presents. All of them had a filthy, beragged look, their clothes ill-fitting and of the cheapest grade. I was told that they were from the Medina Home on the West side.  
Is it not a parody to take children to a store like this and make them believe that they can have anything for the wishing while we know that these things are not meant for them. They are fed on promises of better life, after this while they have no right to have anything here.  
As I saw this I saw the fakery of the whole capitalist system and the United States "prosperity."

## MEN DROP ON SIX DAY P. O. WORK; FIRED AFTER RUSH

### Vaunted Gov't Relief Is Now Over

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
BROOKLYN, N. Y.—Out of ten thousand who applied for jobs during the Christmas rush in the post office two thousand were hired. In the newspaper blurb it was heralded that every worker would get from eight to ten hours of work. I worked in the post office during Christmas.  
I started work on Dec. 19 at 10 o'clock in the evening, exactly six days before Christmas. For the first three days the amount of hours one worked depended on luck or on whether you had a good "pull." Those who had no pull worked anywhere between 2 to 6 hours. The first day men waited about seven hours before they were given 2 hours work. It is unnecessary to add that they were not paid for the time they wasted waiting. The second day more efficiency was used. Some came in, worked two hours and were sent home. Others worked a few more hours and were shooed out. And so the first three days of unemployment relief were passed.  
Terrific Speed-Up.  
The fourth day we worked a full eight hours. On the fifth and sixth days we were allowed to work as long as we wanted. The foremen were even begging us to stay longer than it was physically possible. Throughout the whole week the speed-up was terrific.  
I worked in the mailing department, with the various supers and foremen from Firmin, the postmaster, to McKnight, another high muck-a-muck, down to the ordinary mongrel watchdogs did their stuff. The phrase "rush 'em up" was the order of the day. With your face to the wall, which contained about 68 boxes for mail which had to be classified, you ground out hour after hour. No chairs were provided, although the regular workers have these.  
No Relief Given.  
The only relief was the half-hour lunch in a lunch-room dirtier than a modern pig-sty. I asked a regular clerk why he didn't come up to eat with me and he answered that once you eat in that joint you never want to do it again. Some workers tried to catch their breath by going to the toilet, but many were caught there and immediately fired and put on a blacklist. I went to this filthy toilet once and was told by a watchman that I'd have to keep moving unless I wanted to be "canned."  
Most of the workers, unemployed for months, tried to make up for some of the lost time by working 14 to 16 hours during the last two days. The speed-up and working conditions under the glaring lights, without a chance to rest or smoke, were so bad that three workers collapsed within 24 hours.

## Worccorr Briefs

NEW YORK.—The chief purpose of the Pan-American Federation of Labor, which will be held in Havana in January, 1931, is not to organize the poorly paid and doubly exploited workers of semi-colonized Latin America. On the contrary it is to divide and betray them so that the militant and revolutionary organizations under their control, such as the Latin American Federation of Labor (Confederacion Sindical Latino Americana), might be destroyed by Yankee imperialism and their lackeys, the native bourgeois.  
RED BANK, N. J.—Five employees of a small bank here for one year and a half carried on successful racket with bootleggers, honoring bad checks. There's a \$12,000 shortage now.  
CLOAK GIRLS GET THEIR WAGES CUT  
(By a Worker Correspondent)  
NEW YORK.—The cloak girls in the Hotel Lenox get low pay and are threatened with a big wage slash at that. They work twelve hours, standing on their feet all day, half hour for lunch.  
The cloak girls must stand lots of insults from the bourgeois customers. The doormen also are threatened by a layoff too.  
\$3.50 Wage for Phila. Waitresses  
(By a Worker Correspondent)  
PHILADELPHIA.—Taking advantage of the unemployment situation the bosses of many restaurants in Philadelphia are paying girls as low as \$3.50 per week and tips, if they can get them.  
Eight dollars is now considered a good wage's wages in the average Philadelphia restaurant. Night work consists of ten hours nightly and the highest wages paid per week for this work is \$10 per week.

## Negro Ash Cleaners Forced to Pay Big Interest on Loans

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
PHILADELPHIA.—The workers working as ash cleaners for the City of Philadelphia at stable A, 27th and Diamond Sts. are all Negro workers. The heads of the departments are all white.  
The Negro workers due to exploitation by landlords, corner groceries and other parasites as well as small wages, are nearly always in debt. The white heads of the departments know this and force the Negro workers to borrow money, that is make their loans from them.  
From every \$5.00 lent them these municipal shlyocks "charge" \$1.25. The Negro worker must pay or he loses his job.

## H. & H. PROFITS FROM LOW WAGES

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
PHILADELPHIA.—During the year ending September 30, 1930 Horn and Hardart Company of Philadelphia and its subsidiary, the Automator Corporation of America reported net earnings of \$1,462,161 after depreciation, reserves and payment of Federal taxes had been deducted. The earnings were equivalent to \$14.93 per share on 97,970 shares of stock.  
Workers may well wonder how in a year of acute economic crisis these chain restaurants, cafeterias and automators operated in Philadelphia and New York could make such huge profits.  
Wages Are Low.  
The answer is simple. Horn and Hardart make their profits from the workers who work at Horn and Hardart's and the workers who eat at Horn and Hardart's.  
Waitresses receive 25 cents per hour to start with. Bus girls receive 25 cents per hour to start with. Sandwich shop girls get 32 cents per hour. Steam table girls get 35 cents per hour (very hard work).  
Men and boys get the same except coffee men who get from 32 to 35 cents per hour.  
Prostitution Wages.  
In the fancier "sandwich shops" of this corporation which are run only in Philadelphia H. & H. pays \$12 per week. The customers are supposed to furnish the rest of the tips which on many a day amounts to as little as a dollar.  
In Philadelphia every H. & H. waitress must be manured and hair-dressed once a week, whether they need it or not and must pay H. & H. for the "service" at the cost of the waitress. This does not apply to New York as yet and the Philadelphia waitresses are kicking.  
The "raises," such as they are, are more rapid in New York than in Philadelphia.

## Stockholders Get Huge Swag

(By a Worker Correspondent)  
PHILADELPHIA.—Suicides are on the increase in this city of "brotherly love."  
A man by the name of John Greiss, hanged himself in his room in a house at 5th and Vine Sts. His body was found by the landlady.  
John Huges, 53 years old of 1123 Fitzgerald St., killed himself by hanging. In a note that he wrote he said "What is the use? It is more than I can stand." He lost his job as a night watchman in a bank a few weeks ago.  
Here is an example of how even the middle class is forced to follow the road of the working class, mouth St. shot himself thru the heart. This man once owned a restaurant, but he was forced out of business as a result of the so well advertised prosperity.

missioner stated awhile ago that his office succeeded in collecting only 40 percent of the claims against employers and that it had no real means of making them pay the workers. Then why he is holding the job is no worker's business. The robbing of workers, and farmers will go on if they do not organize themselves militantly into the TUUL and support the Communist Party in its fight for the proletarian republic.  
Join the TUUL. Meets every Monday night at 110 1/2 Second St., Room 230.

## Layoff Is Christmas Gift at the Brown Hoist Company, Cleveland, O.

(By a Workers Correspondent)  
CLEVELAND, O.—The Brown Hoist Company, which has the Hoover stagger plan working was very "good" to its workers this Christmas! First of all those who work in the shift that did not work on Christmas do not come back until Jan. 5. Second, all the workers were given a calendar for a Christmas present! This is the gall of the bosses! After a series of wage cuts and laying off and staggering, they have the nerve to give a calendar to their pure christian split-



### 60,000 Circulation Drive to Continue Until Feb. 15 According to C.C. Decision

With the crisis deepening, unemployment and starvation growing, with wage slashes, speed-up and the stagger system for those left on the job, the working-class now more than ever requires the powerful weapon of the Daily Worker to fight the increasing attacks of the bosses' government and mobilize the workers for struggle against these conditions.

Now more than ever must the Daily Worker be given mass circulation. In the campaign which has been going on for over 2 months, the circulation of the Daily Worker has increased 7,500. The quota set was an increase of 30,000 so that only one quarter of the road has been traversed.

The circulation campaign of the Daily Worker must be continued until the full quota has been obtained. The Daily Worker must be used to the fullest possible extent in the mobilization of the unemployed or hunger marchers. Stories relative to hunger marches should be sent in early and extra orders of the Daily placed.

Realizing the importance of pressing the campaign for Daily Worker circulation at this time the C. C. has decided to advance the date for the completion of the drive from Jan. 1 until Feb. 15. This will allow a more weeks of activity.

The districts have so far failed to establish satisfactory machinery for the distribution of the Daily Worker. This must, positively be done in the next six weeks. Party and sympathetic workers must be mobilized en masse behind the drive for 60,000 circulation. In every city Red Builders News Clubs of unemployed workers must be organized.

Answer the attacks of the boss government with 60,000 circulation for the Central Organ of the Communist Party.

**KANSAS CITY AGAIN BOOSTS BUDGET ORDER.**  
Mel Wermland, Daily Worker Representative in District 10 Kansas City writes:  
"Please increase our Daily Work-

er bundle order to 75 copies daily. I sent you an order yesterday to increase our order to 50 copies daily but this will probably not be enough for the drive that we are starting to increase our street sales. Comrade Earnest Evrard has been appointed as city Daily Worker agent."

**WANTS TO SELL DAILIES TO PAY FOR SUBSCRIPTIONS.**  
Henry Anthony of Springfield, Ohio, writes:  
"I am out of work for months. I haven't a penny for anything and I can't get any to pay for my subscription."

"I think it would be wise if you think so to send me 25 copies daily to sell on the streets and at shops and that way I can pay for my subscription, as I am in arrears over two months. I don't think there is any blood redder than I am."

**STARTS WITH 50 A DAY FOR GARDNER.**  
"I am sending \$3 money order with which in return I expect to receive Daily Workers," writes Ernest Annelin, Gardner, Mass.

"As you may know in Gardner the workers are very un-class-conscious and I am going to help the Party to get the paper sold in Gardner. Now if you are able to send 50 copies a day in a bundle to me as long as money holds out, and if I am able to sell them I'll send more money."

**SELLING DAILY WORKER AT CHICAGO SHOPS.**  
Ruth Levin of Chicago sends this note:

"Shop Nucleus 508 did their very best to secure subs for the Daily Worker. We secured three subs. Will continue to do so. Nucleus consists of four members. We are issuing a monthly shop bulletin and Nucleus 503 is selling the Daily Worker at our shop."

**STAMFORD, CONN. INCREASE ORDER.**  
Chester Kimbrough, Stamford, Conn., writes: "Kindly increase the

### WALK-OUT IN GERMANY IS SPREADING

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quickly bring them to terms acceptable to the bosses.

**22 Pits Out in Ruhr.**  
(Cable By Imprecoor.)

**BERLIN, Jan. 2.**—Miners in 22 pits in the Recklinghausen districts of the Ruhr mine region went out on strike today under revolutionary union leadership. The reformist misleaders are nervous, fearing the strike movement will spread to embrace the 300,000 miners who have suffered wage-cuts.

The mine owners are insisting on a 12 per cent cut, while the reformists, who oppose the strike and are trusting to arbitration, favor a 4 per cent wage-cut.

The capitalist press here reports that 10 per cent, or about 30,000, of the miners are out on strike already under revolutionary leadership. The boss press complains that the developing strike situation in the Ruhr mines will prevent the mining industry from exploiting the South Wales strike to the advantage of the German mine bosses.

The revolutionary central committee of action in the Ruhr coal fields has issued an appeal to the miners to extend the strike front throughout the Ruhr. The unemployed, under red leadership, are lining up with the strikers.

The final results of the Berlin Post Office Workers' Council election have been announced, as follows:

Those entitled to vote, 14,839: of these 12,099 participated. The reformists got 4,839 votes, the revolutionaries 3,788; Fascists 1,872, Christians 1,469. The revolutionaries have

bundle order to C. K. Etamford, Conn., to 40 copies daily. I am getting 15 copies a day now. Do so at once and oblige."

Camp Nitgedaiget orders: "100 copies every day until further notice."

### COMING EVENTS IN JOBLESS CAMPAIGN

**DETROIT**—Delegation to state legislature, Jan. 7. Foster mass meeting, Danceland Auditorium, Jan. 11.

**CLEVELAND**—Hunger march, Jan. 5, assemblies in three places, 30th St. and St. Clair, 30th St. and Central, 5th St. and Lorain at 6:15 and march on city hall. Foster mass meeting Jan. 12 at 8 p. m. at Slovak Hall, 6417 St. Clair. Second United Front Conference, Jan. 9, South Slav Hall, 5807 St. Clair Ave.

**PITTSBURGH**—Hunger march in Ambridge, Jan. 5. Hunger march in Pittsburgh, Jan. 10. United Front Conference, Jan. 4, Russian Hall, 1345 Fifth Ave., 3 p. m., followed same day by Foster mass meeting at Carnegie Hall, Federal and E. Ohio Sts.

**SACRAMENTO**—Hunger march on state capitol, Jan. 7. Delegations from all over state meet at 11 a. m. on Second and K Sts.

**CHICAGO**—Ratification mass meeting Foster speaker, Jan. 9 at Chicago Coliseum, 14th St. and Wabash, 7:30 p. m. Second United Front Conference, Jan. 11. Hunger march on city hall, Jan. 12.

**NEW YORK**—Hunger marches on Brooklyn and Bronx Boro Halls, Jan. 8. Hunger march on New York City Hall, Jan. 19. Mass trial of Hoover, Green and Walker, Jan. 11. Second meeting N. Y. Campaign Committee, Jan. 12. Two hundred open-air meetings, Jan. 13, 14, 15. Indoor meetings, Bronx, Harlem, Downtown, Williamsburg, Boro Hall, Brownsville, to elect delegates to Washington. House to house canvass for signatures to Unemployment Bill, Jan. 16.

**PHILADELPHIA**—Foster mass meeting at Broadway Arena, Jan. 14. Special Red Sunday to collect signatures, Jan. 4, between 9 a. m. and 4 p. m. Second United Front Conference Jan. 25.

**BOSTON**—Hunger march, Jan. 3, on City Hall. Foster mass meeting at Ambassador Palace, Jan. 15.

**YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio**—Hunger march, Jan. 5 at 7 p. m.

**NEWARK, N. J.**—Hunger march Jan. 16. Second United Front Conference Jan. 18 at 2 p. m., in Slovak Hall, 52 West St.

**STAMFORD, Conn.**—United Front Unemployment Conference, Jan. 26.

**RALEIGH, S. C.**—One hundred delegates from all over state make demands on state legislature, Jan. 6.

**INDIANAPOLIS, Ind.**—State Unemployment Conference and hunger march on state capitol, Feb. 1 and 2.

**WHEELING, W. Va.**—United Front Conference, Feb. 1, at 2 p. m. at Masonic Temple, 1407 Market St.

The Campaign Committees in many towns have not sent in the announcement of their meetings and hunger marches. They should do so at the earliest possible date.

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## Priests, Gangsters and Newspapermen On City Payroll Bolster Hague Machine

(This is the fifth of a series of articles on A. F. of L. and political corruption in New Jersey.)

By ALLEN JOHNSON.

There are two methods that capitalist politicians use to build their political machines, and Hague has refined and developed both with a gutter-snipe's shrewdness. One is to convince the wealthy men of the district that they need not fear what Hoover, the great stationary engineer, calls "interference with business" in case the politician and his henchmen are elected.

The other is to build as large a payroll as possible, putting every one on it who offers the slightest chance of sometime becoming an adversary. Not only does everyone on the payroll become a disciple and a voter, but it can be taken for granted that those who thus become parasites will see to it that their families and close friends will likewise become disciples and voters of the new machine.

Hague has padded Jersey City's payroll so that approximately 75 per cent of the city's budget is spent on salaries, giving Jersey City the highest tax rate in America. The following are characteristic groups to be found on Hague's payroll: Virtually all the priests and a large proportion of the ministers and rabbis in the city; most of the gunmen and roustabouts; most of the newspapermen; all the wardheelers who push buttons at election time; many of the most powerful lawyers; and, needless to add, most of the adult members of the families of these people. Moreover, when the police and the firemen and the teachers are counted one can readily visualize the vote gathering possibilities of such a machine.

**50,000 Jobless Denied Relief.**

A brief examination of some of the individual jobs on Hague's payroll would be enlightening, especially inasmuch as there are 50,000 workers in the city who are unemployed and who have been denied one single penny for relief. There is a man in Jersey City, for example, who is paid twenty-five hundred dollars a year for sauntering around, every Sunday, to see whether the 13th St. viaduct is still standing. There are cattle inspectors to inspect a handful of arms in Secaucus where no cattle can be found.

There are health inspectors who have learned their business by a careful study of the undraped girls in Bernarr MacFadden's Physical Culture magazine. There is a sporting editor of one of the local newspapers who is on the payroll as a laborer, even though he doesn't know the difference between a pick and a pike-axe. And there are many hundreds more who don't even take the trouble

to call for their pay envelope, but he sent it to them.

But these payroll parasites have a little duty of their own to perform. They must return three per cent of their salaries to Hague as "a contribution to the campaign fund." This, of course, is the most arrant kind of poppycock, as Hague doesn't spend as much of this money for campaign purposes as he does on lunches during the year.

These "campaign contributions" from every person on the county payroll, added to Hague's income from gambling dens, bookies, drug peddlers and labor rackets, amount to not less than \$5,000,000 a year.

**Church Ordered Raids.**

Hague first attracted the attention of the Jersey capitalists by his handling of the Jersey City police department, after he was elected commissioner of public safety. Immediately after he took office, he raided various saloons and brothels and was promptly hailed as a "reform" commissioner. That, of course, is the reception that Hague hoped for and expected, but the real reason for the raids was something quite different. The raids were instituted at the express order of the Catholic church, without an understanding of whose activities in New Jersey it is impossible to understand either the influence of Hague or the unbelievable oppression of the mass of workers in the state.

Better to solidify his position as a "reform" police commissioner Hague concocted a scheme that would not only convince the workers in Jersey City of his interest in their "safety" but would certify to his personal courage. He got in touch with a well-known New York gunman and told him that he would make it worth his while if he would arrange with his gang to rob a certain store on Newark Ave., one of the city's busiest streets. The gunman was somewhat surprised. His relations with police commissioners had been the friendliest imaginable, but none had ever actually gone so far as to propose that he rob a particular place.

Hague soon enlightened the gunman. The gang was to descend on the store en masse, actually unlock the door—and be arrested in the act of tampering with the safe by none other than Commissioner Hague himself, who would be accompanied by a dozen policemen. The gunman accede dupon the payment of a fee commensurate with the risk entailed in double-crossing his pals and on the night agreed upon for the robbery,

marshaled up Newark Ave. with his six colleagues. Hague couldn't even wait until the burglars reached the safe, as per agreement.

**Victims of Hague Trick Jailed.**

While the safe shoe men were jimmying the front door of the store, Hague ran towards them from his hiding place in a hallway directly across the street and, surrounded by the dozen cops, bravely arrested the dumfounded New Yorkers. At the ensuing trial, the leader of the gang was strangely missing, but the victims of Hague's itch for glory were sent to prison for long terms.

It must be remembered that at this

time Jersey City was beginning to assume the leading position among the gambling and drug-selling centers in the country that it now enjoys. Hague himself at this time was just beginning to play an important part in 'he gambling racket, actually buying an interest in several of the largest gambling houses in the east. The men on the police force, under Hague's personal supervision, were first becoming involved, on a large scale that is, in the widespread criminal activities that actually has turned the majority of the force into an underworld element.

### Special Membership Meet in Philadelphia

Special membership meeting of the Philadelphia comrades will take place on Sunday, January 4, at 2 p. m. sharp, at the Hungarian Hall, 1144 N. 4th Street. Admission to this membership meeting will be by membership cards only. It is a very important meeting and all comrades must attend.

### Kill 8 Imperialist Invaders in Nicaragua

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caraguan soldiers. There were eleven skirmishes between the Nicaraguan independence army and the imperialist invaders during November.

The revival of conflicts, though many took place while Sandino was out of the country for many months in Mexico, indicates the growing desperation of the Nicaraguan masses under the crisis which has struck Nicaragua under coffee and other products, impoverishing still more the poorer peasantry and peons.

Sandino himself, in agreement with the Mexican governmental lackeys of Wall Street, broke with the anti-imperialist movement (led by the Communist Party of Mexico) which was and is the only force that gave the Nicaraguan masses real assistance. He has always refused to support concrete demands of the workers and peasantry and maintains a national reformist policy.

The masses of Nicaragua have the task of raising demands in the struggle not only against the imperialist invaders, but against the native landlords and capitalists, in spite of Sandino, and the U. S. workers must support the fighting Nicaraguan masses to the limit.

### JAILING SHOWS UP TAMMANY BANKS

Try to Stifle Quiz of Bank of U. S.

**NEW YORK**—The rottenness of the inside robbery of banks, and the connection between bankers and Tammany grafting politicians, is brought out strikingly by the rare instance of the conviction of Frank H. Warder, state superintendent of banks of New York state, whose place was taken by Broderick, the present Tammany man in the same job. Warder took a \$10,000 bribe from Francesco M. Ferrari, president of the City Trust Co., which failed some time ago. He was convicted Friday.

This clearly shows the connection between the bank robbers and the former state superintendent of banks, and the 400,000 depositors in the Bank of the United States can draw important lessons from this fact.

In Bridgeton, N. J., J. Pierson Reed and Charles A. Barraclough, officials of the Vineland Trust Co., which failed, were given six-year jail terms for inside robbery of this bank.

At the same time, the Tammany grafting politicians who run the state and city government and who are closely connected with the Bank of the United States are being protected through all sorts of fake investigations. Bernard K. Marcus, president of the bank, is refusing to come to any investigation. He gets away with it because the phoney investigation is in the hands of Tammany henchmen who do not want the facts to come out.

### BRITISH CLAIM CAPTURE OF PEASANT REBEL FORT

The British troops, ordered by the MacDonald labor government to crush the rebel peasants in the Tharavaddy area, Burma, claim they have destroyed one of the strongholds of the peasants in Alaungtaung.

They are trying to create the impression that the revolt has been ended through this move, but the fact is that it is constantly spreading until whole villages are taking part in the uprising.

Sharp fighting is going on in many districts, showing the militant spirit of the agricultural workers and peasants, who, rather than face starvation, have taken up arms against their masters, native and British.

### BRIEFING GOVT AIDS FASCISTS AGAINST TOILERS

Ban All Proletarian Demonstrations

**BERLIN**—The measures of repression against the working class adopted in Germany during the last weeks prove that fascist methods are becoming the regular methods of government by the Bruening government.

While the fascists demonstrate against workers the police look on, and on the other hand there is no demonstration of workers which is not interrupted in its march, arrests made, the marchers dispersed on the ground of "singing forbidden songs," etc.

Now the government has gone one step further and has forbidden all demonstrations under the pretense of trying to curb the fascist organizations.

The practical administration of this act will prove that it is mainly directed against the workers. Beginning from Wednesday, the 10th of December, all open air meetings and demonstrations were banned. The police have orders to disband any demonstration "without warning!" That means that free reign is given to the gang of the policemen and more victims will pay the penalty of asking for bread.

These bans on demonstrations have been issued already before in several other states: in Leipzig, in Hamburg, in Upper Silesia, in Dusseldorf, in Baden and Wuerttemberg and in Bavaria workers' demonstrations are forbidden. In Hamburg the organ of the Communist Party has been forbidden, and although the police have no more the excuse that this paper is "inciting the masses." Another shooting took place in the night of December 10, whereby one young boy, a baker's apprentice, has been killed and six persons heavily injured.

### Speed up the Unemployment Campaign; Fight Starvation

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quicker the districts will wake up and really throw the Party forces into the fight.

Let the situation in the Pittsburgh district serve to illustrate the widespread weakness of the unemployment campaign (other districts could be as profitably cited) and also to give an indication of how easily our work can be improved.

**The Example of Pittsburgh.**

In the Pittsburgh district unemployment conditions are especially terrible, reaching almost a state of famine among the miners, and producing a growing revolt on the part of the workers. But the Party district paid very little attention to it all. It carried out the various phases of the unemployment work in a purely formal manner—a spasmodic fight against evictions, a scattering collection of signatures, a narrow and mechanical united front movement, casual preparations for election of the Washington delegation, and for local hunger marches, little or no actual organization of the unemployed, etc. And even this weak work was confined almost entirely to Pittsburgh proper, the outside towns, with their starving masses of workers, being characteristically neglected.

All in all, it was a program of work entirely inadequate and impossible for our Party in such a situation as the workers now find themselves in.

How readily the work could be strengthened was shown by the action taken by the district a few days

### BRIEFS FROM ALL LANDS

**BERLIN, Jan. 1.**—Reichminister of the Interior, Wirth, has prohibited the showing throughout Germany of the Soviet film entitled "Trial of the Industrial Party."

It was revealed in Berlin that the Christmas celebration in the Cells prison was broken up amidst great disturbances. A Vienna actor participating in the celebration declared that the teachings of Christ were fundamentally the same as the teachings of Luxemburg and Liebknecht. The prison director indignantly denied this and proceeded to a tirade against Liebknecht and Luxemburg, whereupon the prisoners rose in a body and shouted down the director. The celebration stopped and the prisoners were led back to their cells.

**SHANGHAI**—Despite the fierce police terror, meetings and demonstrations took place in the workers' quarters of Shanghai on the anniversary of the Canton Commune. The police attacked the demonstrations with great brutality and made many arrests. In view of the workers' preparations to celebrate the anniversary, martial law had been proclaimed over the town.

Similar scenes occurred in Peking and Tientsin where the police arrested a number of people. Leaflets of the illegal Chinese Communist Party were distributed in many places calling on the working class and peasant masses to carry on the struggle of the Canton Communards to a successful conclusion, and in particular to fight against all attempts on the part of the imperialists to attack the Soviet Union.

Yesterday negotiations in the Ruhr mining conflict broke down. On the first of January the agreement expires. The owners announce wage-cuts on January 15th. The revolu-

### JEWISH COLONISTS IN SOVIET UNION HOLD CONGRESS

Contrast Conditions in Other Lands

**MOSCOW**—On the 10th of December the second union congress of the Jewish colonization society "Oset" was opened in Moscow. Delegates were present from all parts of the Soviet Union and from a number of other countries, including the United States of America, Latvia, Denmark and Austria.

The chairman of the society, Diamondstein described the situation of the Jewish toilers in the Soviet Union and compared it with the situation of their fellows in the other countries.

In Poland and Roumania the Jewish population was gradually decreasing under the weight of anti-semitic terror. In western Europe the Zionist illusions were gradually dying. The hope of building up a Jewish State in Palestine was gradually being abandoned. In the capitalist countries the masses of the Jews suffered exploitation and oppression.

The speaker then dealt with the situation in the Soviet Union where the national minority problem had been solved according to the principles of Lenin. The "Oset" had over 300,000 members, 31 per cent of whom were workers. The chief centres of Jewish colonization in the Soviet Union were Birobidjan and the Crimea where 128,000 Jewish colonists had settled on 3,100,000 hectares of land.

Sixty per cent of these Jewish colonists were organized in collective agricultural undertakings.

tionary trade union movement is prepared to lead the struggle of 300,000 miners against wage cuts and reformist treachery.

originally there were but three local hunger marches scheduled; that is, two in Pittsburgh proper and one in Ambridge. But, after checking carefully on forces, it was decided that it was quite possible to extend the movement into the surrounding steel and mining towns, and that no less than a dozen additional marches could easily be organized. These, of course, would carry the movement into the most strategic and radicalized sections of the workers.

This broadening out of the campaign will bring with it an intensification of local struggles generally, a mass collection of signatures, an increase in the allotted quota for the Washington delegation, a wide base for a great hunger demonstration on February 10th, and, needless to add, a great strengthening of our Party and the Trade Union Unity League unions.

**Extend the Work.**

The revised program of the Pittsburgh district on unemployment work amounts to about a fourfold increase in activities. It is entirely within the possibilities of the district and the district officials should be held strictly responsible for its fulfillment. More than that, the various other Party districts should be required to correct and intensify their unemployment programs of work similarly. The work cannot go on as at present if our Party is to come forward as a real leader and fighter. A great extension and intensification of the unemployment campaign is a matter of the most immediate and fundamental im-

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# FALL OF A GREAT NATION OR THE MISSING BATH-PLUG

By I. AMDUR

NUMEROUS have been the delegations to the Soviet Union, innumerable the investigators; some governed by a warm, deep pride in the great achievements attained, others by a red-hot curiosity as to exactly what manner of people were these "Bolsheviks" of whom a large part of the world press spoke in such dreaded terms, and what sort of a job had they made of it as rulers of a vast country.

Varied and diverse have been the results. These embrace from whole-hearted enthusiasm, to the milder approbation, with "more puzzled than ever" a possible third, and condemnation an "also ran."

Rarely, however, have such fundamental conclusions been noted than those reached by Mr. H. H. Tiltman who recently embodied his observations in eight issues of that well-known yellowish-tinted London magazine "Answers," of which he is the eminent Editor.

But who, my reader will ask in his sweet innocence is our Hero. And, in a gently reproving tone, I'd reply—"What docher know? Why, H. H. T. is author of a weighty biography of H. M. the King's "Socialist" Prime Minister the Rt. Hon. James Ramsey MacDonald." And if this fails to bring any light (if such unparadigmatic h'ignomance exists) I can only add that he is further known as possessing a mind so keen, so penetrating, so illuminating that words fall me.

H. H. T. is anything but the common-and-garden observer. This you may see from his very own words where he says: "What is the truth about Russia? Is it a country of persecution, of tyranny, of anti-Christianity (of industrial parties—I. A.), or, is Russia a place where many difficult social problems have been solved and where Communism is producing a happier, freer life for all?" (See "Answers" August 9th, 1930, p. 3.)

In his 2,500 miles journey over the Soviet Union

our Hero visited the great industrial centers of Moscow, Leningrad, Stalingrad. He went through Nizhni, Kazan, Kiev and other cities. "I talked with peasants in remote districts where few foreign observers have been for years."

But, what, my readers ask in happy anticipation, are the results, the conclusions, the findings. In what illuminating phrases does he paint the great cultural work being carried out—liquidation of illiteracy, compulsory education, mass social work of clubs, of the schools and universities, hospitals and rest-homes. Our Hero has been in the village, spoken with peasants—then what does he say about Collectivization; what, finally, are his impressions of the Five-Year Plan, of its second year of fulfillment.

Poor beguiled reader, doomed to a cruel awakening. It was not with these passing questions that this wonderful mind was engaged. It was to get to the root-matter of the entire system, of the whole "bag of tricks" that H. H. T. had devoted his extraordinary intelligence, and he found it (the root-matter)—Yea Bogo he found it—in the missing bath-plug of his bath-room at the Hotel Europa, Leningrad. This is the truth as sure as I live, Yea Bogo! Listen:

"Now the carpets are threadbare, the sheets on the bed too small to leave any edge for tucking in . . . and THE BATH-PLUG IS MISSING. Only small details—BUT IT IS BY THE DETAILS THAT ONE READS THE STORY OF SOVIET RUSSIA" (See "Answers" Aug. 9th, 1930, page 4).

Mr. H. H. Tiltman reads the story of the October Revolution NOT in the building of a Dnieprstrol, a Stalingradstrol, a Bobrikovsk, NOT in the net of power stations and factories springing up all over the country, NOT in the gigantic Collective and State farms that are changing the social face of the village, NOT in the total liquidation of unemployment, the rapidly rising cultural level and welfare of the workers and peasants, NO, not in these petty, insignificant facts may one note the outcome of October, 1917—but in the absence of the bath-plug from our Hero's bath.

Poor, poor Mr. Tiltman, what a keen analytic mind is yours! What colossal powers of observation! What a gigantic piece of intellectual reasoning to place your finger unerringly on the Achilles Heel of the system evolved in the USSR.

We are humbled Mr. Tiltman, awed into bowed silence. For you, you have shown us the unsurmountable inferiority of the "decadent" Soviet system to that of "enlightened," "civilized" Britain—in a missing wretched bath-plug.

I. Amdur.

## ON SCHEDULE!



Although the plot of the interventionists to start war in 1930 has been uncovered at the recent trial in Moscow, the imperialists are still preparing to carry out their plans in 1931.

## LENIN CORNER

### On Defeating One's "Own" Government

"NEARLY every one admits the present war to be an imperialist war. In most cases, however, this term is either distorted, or applied to one side only, or a loophole is left for the assertion that the war is a bourgeois-progressive means for national liberation. Imperialism is the highest stage in the development of capitalism, one that has been reached only in the twentieth century. Capitalism began to fool cramped within the old national states, without the formation of which it could not overthrow feudalism. Capitalism has brought about such economic concentration that entire branches of industry are in the hands of syndicates, trusts, or corporations of billionaires; almost the entire globe has been parceled out among the 'giants of capital,' either in the form of colonies, or through the entangling of foreign countries by thousands of threads of financial exploitation. Free trade and competition have been superseded by tendencies towards monopoly, towards seizure of lands for the investment of capital, for the export of raw materials, etc. Capitalism, formerly a liberator of nations, has now, in its imperialist stage, become the greatest oppressor of nations. Formerly progressive, it has become a reactionary force. It has developed the productive forces to such an extent that humanity must either pass over to socialism, or for years, may, decades, witness armed conflicts of the 'great' nations for an artificial maintenance of capitalism by means of colonies, monopolies, privileges, and all sorts of national oppression.

"The bourgeois papers of all the belligerent countries have quoted examples of fraternization between the soldiers of the belligerent nations, even in the trenches. The fact that the military authorities of Germany and England have issued severe orders against such fraternization proves that the government and the bourgeoisie 'consider it of serious importance. If at a time when opportunism among the leaders of the social-democratic parties of western Europe is supreme and social-chauvinism is supported by the entire social-democratic press as well by all influential figures of the Second International, such cases of fraternization are possible, how much nearer could we bring the end of this criminal, reactionary and slave-driving war and the organization of a revolutionary international movement if systematic work were conducted in this direction, at least by the left socialist of all the belligerent countries!

"What is economically implied in the 'defense of the fatherland' during the war of 1914-1915? The answer was given in the Basle Manifesto. The war being fought by all great powers for the purpose of plundering, dividing the world, acquiring markets, enslaving peoples. For the bourgeoisie it brings an increase in profits; for a thin layer of labor bureaucracy and aristocracy, also for the petty bourgeoisie (intelligentsia, etc.) that has 'identified itself' with the labor movement, it promises crumbs from these profits. The economic basis of 'social-chauvinism' (this term being more precise than the term social-patriotism, as the latter embellishes the evil) and of opportunism is the same, namely, an alliance of an insignificant section of the 'top' of the labor movement with its national bourgeoisie against the class that is exploited by the bourgeoisie. Social-chauvinism is opportunism brought to its logical conclusions.

"The political essence of social-chauvinism and opportunism is the same. It expresses itself in class collaboration, repudiation of proletarian dictatorship, rejection of revolutionary action, obedience to the bourgeoisie and bourgeois legality, lack of confidence in the proletariat, confidence in the bourgeoisie. The political ideas are the same. Social-chauvinism is a direct continuation of and a logical conclusion from Millerandism, Bernsteinism, the English liberal Labor Party; it is their sum total, their consummation, their highest achievement.

—Imperialist War—Opportunism and Second International

## Workers' Housing Under the Plan

By G. T. GRINKO  
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IN 1913 Russia had a total population of 139.7 millions, of which 25.7 millions, or 18.4 per cent, lived in the cities. By 1922-1923, at the end of the Civil War and the beginning of the economic development of the U. S. S. R., the total population of the country was reduced 4.6 per cent as compared with 1913, and the city population by 14.3 per cent. This reduction in population was caused by the Imperialist War and capitalist intervention against the U. S. S. R.; by the wartime destruction of the productive forces of the country, the decline of industry and the great difficulties in supplying the population with food. The heavy mark of economic destruction lay over the entire country, and had the effect of depopulating the cities. It is necessary to give careful thought to the conditions prevailing a few years ago in order to appreciate the result accomplished during the period of rehabilitation and the great tasks which are before us now with regard to the development of city life.

More than in any other European country, the cities of the U. S. S. R. carry the marks of the Imperialist War, as well as the subsequent civil war, the blockade and the intervention. For more than six years there was no new housing constructed. Neither was there any renovation or repair of existing facilities. On the contrary, great housing destruction took place. Under these conditions the rapid growth of the urban population during the rehabilitation period of 1921-1923 was necessarily accompanied by the continuous reduction of the per capita housing floor space available in the cities. Only in 1927-1928 was the continuous reduction of housing facilities finally checked.

It should be noted that the old pre-revolutionary Russian city consisted of a more or less well arranged central part devoted to administrative and commercial enterprises and institutions, and a few streets consisting of mansions literally drowned in flowers and surrounded by gardens giving evidence of exceptional luxury

and belonging to the feudal, bureaucratic, commercial and industrial aristocracy; but all the other parts of the town consisted of hopelessly gray, poor, and dirty streets and suburbs where the toiling people in general and the proletariat in particular lived. In all the cities of the pre-revolutionary Russian Empire, the working class sections never had any general sewer or water supply system.

This horrible condition of the cities, left over from pre-revolutionary days, underwent further deterioration during the years of civil war. The Soviet Government had to face this problem of intolerable city conditions during the very first stages of economic rehabilitation and reconstruction. Out of the 160 million square miles (1.73 billion sq. ft.) of housing floor space in all urban settlements at the beginning of 1927-1928, about 74 million sq. m. (800 million sq. ft.) were nationalized. The rest, consisting mostly of small buildings, were in the hands of individual owners and tenants. The nationalized housing is either used directly for state, social and cooperative enterprises or is under the management of the municipalities. A growing part of the nationalized housing is being transferred to housing cooperatives or is rented to individual families. The building cooperatives have proved to possess great advantages in the field of housing and these cooperatives are gaining ever more recognition as the best means for the supervision and building of housing.

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## The Two Sport Internationals

By FRANK HENDERSON.

THE close of the year marks the Tenth Anniversary of the Red Sport International. Its birth signified that millions of worker sportsmen all over the world gathered together under one banner to show their determination to utilize their sport activities for strengthening the class power of the proletariat; to utilize the whole power of their organizations to work for the victory of the proletariat; and to defend victories already won by the workers of the Soviet Union.

The aims of the Red Sport International differ fundamentally with the role of the Lucerne Sport International founded by a clique of reformist leaders led by the Second ("Socialist") International declared "dead" long ago by the revolutionary proletariat. The Lucerne Sport International best shows its colors by excluding worker sportsmen of the Soviet Union; expelling sportsmen who participate in sports of the RSI; and particularly by being devoid of any revolutionary program and lending no support to the struggles of the proletariat.

Just as different is the role of the two sport internationals in the preparations for international sport gatherings in 1931. How does the Lucerne prepare for the Lucerne Olympiad in Vienna in 1931?

We note a systematic struggle on the part of the leaders of the Lucerne to clean out revolutionary tendencies within its ranks. They want a pure white sport international which will be a willing tool for black international sport fascism. We witness expulsions of whole leagues of worker sportsmen who support the program of the RSI in such countries as Alsace-Lorraine and England. We find expulsions of hundreds of thousands of class-conscious sportsmen in Germany, Finland, Czechoslovakia, and Switzer-

land. Noteworthy is the violent slandering against the worker sportsmen of the Soviet Union who are developing a mighty physical culture movement in the workers' republic without hindrance from outside enemies or treacherous attacks by leaders of the Lucerne Sport International. All of this shows a struggle within the ranks of the Lucerne by the worker sportsmen who are resisting the liquidation of the class character of the workers sport movement. The sportsmen in the Lucerne will oppose and fight the social fascist leadership of the Lucerne and the delivering of the sports movement into the black hands of fascism and the bourgeoisie. The Vienna Olympiad of the LSI is being organized in the spirit of the social fascist leaders of the LSI to split the workers sport movement.

To the sportsmen in the Lucerne Sports International in all countries the Red Sport International holds high the banner of unity of worker sportsmen and extends a call for the workers International Spartakiade to be held in Berlin in 1931. The appeal of the RSI is for unity—a united front of the worker sportsmen in the Lucerne and the worker sportsmen in the bourgeois sports movement against social fascism and the bourgeoisie—for the Spartakiade and the Red Sport International.

A fitting answer by the workers in the United States to the lackeys of the Lucerne in America and the bourgeois sport movement (Amateur Athletic Union) is the fulfillment of the call of the Labor Sports Union to send a large delegation of worker sportsmen from the U. S. to the Spartakiade. Down with the splitting international—the Lucerne Sports International! For the international revolutionary unity of workers sportsmen. Win the worker sportsmen from the Amateur Athletic Union into the Labor Sports Union! Long live the Red Sport International! Prepare and support the RSI Spartakiade in 1931!

## Organizer in Jail Tells of Jobless Fellow-Prisoners

By GRACE HUTCHINS

NEW YORK (E.P.).—Caroline Drew, young organizer of the Trade Union Unity League is serving 30 days in the Women's Workhouse on New York's so-called Welfare Island, among the jobless women arrested for stealing and drunkenness. She explained to the visitor how her work last year in organizing southern textile workers had been held against her in the present case, and told the stories of some of her fellow prisoners.

As one of the original 17 strike leaders held in the Gastonia case, she was marked for worse treatment than the other two arrested with her for speaking at a street meeting last May in New York City. A cop pulled her down off the speakers' stand at a meeting to organize white goods workers in the needle trades, and charged her with assault for biting his knuckle. At the trial, no witness could say he had seen her bite the cop, but her record in the famous southern strike was brought up against her. Three Tammany judges sentenced her to 30 days while her fellow organizers served one day each in jail.

Tammany politicians are scared just now of further revelations on the vice-ring and are not arresting so many women victims, to be framed on charges of prostitution. So the Women's Workhouse, old and gray, with its steel barred floors and windows, contains mostly victims of unemployment,—girls and women driven to drink or to shop-lifting because of desperate need for food and clothing.

A Passaic woman stole a dress for her child. She and her husband had both been out of work for months. The workhouse is her reward.

An older woman could not meet mortgage payment due on her little home. Her husband had been out of work a year. She stole a pair of gloves as a Christmas present for her daughter. Now she's on the island.

Poor women who get drunk to forget for a few moments the haunting anxiety and misery of life are sentenced now to six months in jail. "So much drunkenness," said the lady keeper, "a massive woman who put in had a 'special aptitude' for her job of herding the poor into jail—and looked it. 'Yes, that is why we can't let the prisoners have any literature from outside, because of the drunkenness.'"

Just what drunkenness had to do with pamphlets by Labor Research Assn. and the volume An Outline of Political Economy, which Caroline Drew wanted but was forbidden to receive, the lady keeper did not say. No literature is allowed at present except the somber volumes of the prison library.

"It's the monotony that is worst," explained Caroline Drew. "We get up at 6 a. m. By 7 a. m. my bed is made and the floor mopped. There is nothing else to do and the day seems endless. But of course 30 days is not so long."

As the steel door clanged behind the departing visitor, a group of gray-clad men prisoners shuffled by—closely guarded by police. Hardly a tree is visible in the drab grayness of Welfare Island. But overshadowing the victims of poverty huddled in these gray buildings, are Chrysler's pretty bauble, resplendent steeple of the auto magnate, and Al Smith's Empire State, tallest building in the world, monument of Tammany, towering over this richest city.

## Build a Mass Basis for 'Il Laboratore'

THE Italian Bureau of the Central Committee of our Party decided to discontinue the publication of "Il Laboratore" for a period of three months as part of the reorganizations process, with the aim to build a real mass foundation for this very important organ of the revolutionary labor movement. With the present reorganization of the leading committee, with sending organizers on the field, the decision, that instead concentrating all energy on getting the means for "a next issue" of the paper, what under the existing organizational weaknesses always resulted in publishing the paper irregularly, the energy must be concentrated for the coming 3 months to emerge with an Il Laboratore deeply rooted among the Italian masses and coming out regularly.

The millions of Italian workers need Il Laboratore, the entire American working class needs Il Laboratore. The Serio deportation case throws light on the fact, that Italian fascism, keeping the millions of workers and poor peasants in enslavement, starving, oppressed by armed black-shirts, menaced by preparation for war against the Soviet Union, reaches with its bloody hands through the ocean and acts in full agreement with the enslavers and oppressors of the American working class, of which the Italian workers—in this country are part. The struggle against the deportation of Serio intended as precedent for the deportation of other workers into the death chambers of fascism, the struggle for immediate unemployment relief and insurance for the hundreds of thousands of Italian workers as hard hit as all other American workers, against cutting their wages, for the full compensation of those robbed by the bank failures,

must go hand in hand with building Il Laboratore which leads these struggles among the Italian workers, into a mighty, strong weapon.

The campaign for Il Laboratore which will be started in a few days by our Italian Bureau, must have the support not only of our Italian speaking Party members, but of the entire Party and of broad non-Party masses.

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Red Sparks  
By JORGE

### From Danville Jail

From Bill Murdock, head of the National Textile Workers Union, who was framed up by mill owners, police, federal agents and the Musteite leaders of the A. P. of L. "United Textile Union" at the Danville strike, we get the following, which speaks for itself:

"Dear Jorge:—My attention has been called to an article published in the Baltimore Sun, and purporting to be the result of an interview between a 'special correspondent' and myself. This article contains one or two correct statements as a means of stamping it with the earmarks of truth.

"Comrades are entitled to know the following facts:

"1—That the article was written by a stool-pigeon who tried to implicate the crews of the Soviet ships in 'propaganda' last Spring in Baltimore.

"2—The material for his article he must have received in the main through the local police and federal authorities, since certain of the statements accredited to me were only made in a 'closed session' with the immigration officer.

"3—The references made to the habits of the local police and the Gastonia strike are just so much nonsense. The police here could qualify as first rank 'New York dicks,' and the working class does not vary the extent of its rebellion through mental processes or the beauties of 'comradeship,' but is moved by the relative depth of its economic exploitation and the capacity of the revolutionary movement to lead it in action.

"4—My ancestral urge to get as much as possible for nothing is sufficient refutation of the statement that 'we are satisfied with beans, fat back and corn bread' in the Danville jail."

### Horses Are Property

If we had any doubts as to the function of "humane officers" under capitalist society, the following item cleared it up:

"Augusta, Ga., Dec., 25 (AP).—Fifty horses were invited guests at high noon today at a Christmas tree party and luncheon.

"George F. Sousa, Augusta's humane officer, sent out invitations several days ago to the horses of the community to come and enjoy his Christmas party. Fifty accepted.

"It was a self-service affair, each horse taking his own nose bag filled with oats, corn and hay from the tree.

"Many owners who brought their animals to the luncheon themselves had recently found the matter of eating a problem."

### Pansies Flourish Under Capitalism

Being deprived of the questionable privilege of moving in Broadway society, we never knew until someone informed us recently that the current term for describing those suffering from a rather repulsive form of sexual abnormality or disease is that of "pansies."

But just when the capitalist press was all excited about the Pioneers making fun of Santa Claus, and preachers were denouncing this terrible Pioneer menace to sanctified capitalism, our informant walked in with a copy of the capitalist paper known as the Daily Mirror of Dec. 19, and showed us an ad on page 24, which ran as follows:

"Opens tonight, after theatre; Karyl Norman, the Creole Fashion Plate, in 'Something Different' entitled 'Pansies on Parade'—at the new PANSY CLUB, 48th and Broadway—Reserve your table."

The "glories that were Greece and the grandeur that were Rome" had nothing on little old New York, it appears. But they didn't have daily capitalist papers to advertise such things in.

But of course the Mirror is not barred from the mail. That honor is reserved for the Young Worker, the Young Pioneer, the Vida Obrera—and the next one selected by the capitalist government. These are a menace, indeed, to a Pansy social system.

### A Professor Who Tells 'Em

Sort of sick at the stomach with Einstein, Milliken, et al., we felt refreshed at the plain speaking of a real scientist who don't go about with the expression of a month old calf on his mug, but who speaks right up and tells the capitalists what's what. We refer to the speech of Dr. Leslie A. White, Assistant Professor of Anthropology at the University of Michigan, addressing the American Anthropological Association at Cleveland, Dec. 30. As related in the N. Y. Times in a hidden-from-the-eye section, Dr. White said:

"The capitalist system of society is doomed everywhere to be supplanted, as it has been in Russia. Professor White also challenged the statement of former Secretary of State Kellogg, in his Nobel peace prize address, that he, Mr. Kellogg, could see no possibility of another war. "Any one who has any vision and grasp of cultural processes must realize that war is not only likely but even imminent. Indeed one might say that capitalism needs a war now, for it would solve the two most pressing problems of the day—it would consume our excessive production of commodities and it would slaughter the unemployed. But the new lease of life would be temporary at best; war will eventually destroy the system that promotes it. The logical conclusion of capitalism is martial suicide.

"All life means growth and change. Nothing is static and permanent. Capitalist society cannot continue to exist. It has almost realized itself and signs of disintegration are visible on all sides—and already a post-capitalist society has formed itself in our midst."

Now, that's a professor who knows his onions!

### Got Nothing on This Planet!

A scientist was talking the other day, and said that "other planets cannot support life."

Well, if they can't, still they have nothing on this one. So anybody contemplating bumping themselves off with the idea that they go to some happy hunting ground on some other planet, had much better stick around and fight the thing out here.

This planet can support life, but is falling down on the job. Not of course, that the planet is to blame. On one-sixth of its land surface (the Soviet Union) things are going along right well.

Not, of course, for capitalists and kulaks (rich farmers). For them, well, they might as well be on some other planet!