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Capitalist Deceptions

THE economic crisis in the United States is continually deepening. The millions of unemployed are mounting. With the progress of winter, misery and privation among the unemployed is intensified.

The recent Congressional appropriation of \$116,000,000 for the "Relief of Unemployment" is a glaring example of this. This appropriation is an unadulterated piece of deception.

The whole structure of capitalist unemployment relief is of the same flimsy and deceptive nature. After the unemployed demonstration before the Board of Estimate in New York City on October 16th, Tammany Mayor Walker appointed a special committee to organize some unemployment relief.

The New York Telephone Company was granted an increase in telephone rates by the Public Service Commission this year. About the same time when this increase went into effect, the New York Telephone Company cut the wages of its employees.

But the New York Telephone Company is a humane and philanthropic corporation. It is true that it reduced the wages of its workers just after its own profits were increased by an obliging permit from the Public Service Commission.

Here we have the whole "philanthropy" and "unemployment relief" of capitalism exemplified in the activities of one company. First, increase in telephone rates increasing the expenses of the consumers.

Such deception is an indispensable accompaniment of capitalist exploitation. Making profits out of the workers' toil is impossible without causing unemployment; it is impossible without condemning millions of workers' children to tormented child labor.

It is useless therefore, for the victims of capitalist exploitation, of capitalist unemployment and misery, to expect a remedy from the bosses. The remedy lies solely with the victims.

The workers must fight for unemployment insurance. The workers must fight for a capital levy against the bosses for the creation of an Unemployment Insurance Fund.

The workers must fight for the immediate assignment of all military and naval appropriation to an Unemployment Insurance Fund.

The workers must support and fight for the unemployment insurance bill of Communist Party!

A Call to Readers to Come to Meetings With Editorial Staff

NEW YORK—Closer contact between the "Daily Worker" readers and the editorial staff will be the main purpose of a meeting to be held Saturday, January 17, at 6:30 p.m., after work, on the 2nd floor of the Workers Center, 35 E. 12th Street.

There will be a report from Comrade A. Landy for the editorial staff on the problems of the Daily Worker, plans for establishing closer contact with the readers.

There will be open discussion from the floor. Every worker who has the betterment of the Daily Worker at heart is invited to attend and do his part in contributing to the editorial end of the Daily Worker.

This matter should immediately be taken up in your organization. Elect delegates to put the views of your organization before the meeting. Every reader should do his part.

SENATOR BLURTS OUT FEAR OF UNEMPLOYED REVOLT; FLOOD OF TALK

Red Cross Says It Won't Give More Relief; 21 Sorts of Schemes Connected to Fool Jobless Instead of Feeding

Government Dares Not Publish Figures of Its Secret Census, Holds Fake Census Now

Wood Admits 5,000,000 Out of Work; Albany Relief Bill Meant to Be Voted Down; Relief Only to May 15th Anyway

Senator Heflin, undisciplined and indiscreet anti-administration man, yesterday blurted out the fact that has cast cold shivers down the spines of the capitalists and their government, and which is responsible for the flood of fake relief measures, national, city and local within the last few days.

When the discussion on the bill to appropriate \$30,000,000 for the navy came up, Heflin arose:

"Senators," he said, "let us defer this until the starving are fed. Telegrams from my town say they are breaking into the stores. If this condition is not mended we are going to have revolution in this country. Men are breaking into stores. They are robbing banks."

The Red Cross, represented by its national chairman (Hoover is its president) had just declared that it was giving all the relief the starving farmers deserved, and asked congress not to appropriate more money for this work.

But this relates to practical measures. The capitalist gang, wallowing in refunded taxes and profits extorted through wage cuts and speed-up will not actually give much money to the jobless unless forced to do so by the workers. However, they will give an abundance of talk.

Yesterday announcement was made by President Hoover's Emergency Unemployment Committee that a census of the jobless (no apple seller called unemployed) would be taken in 19 cities or parts of cities, Jan. 15. This is not to gather facts. The

German and British Bosses Fear Revolt of Hungry Masses

Lloyd George and Hermann Dietrich Propose End of Jobless Insurance and Speed Up in Industry to End Crisis

Stark fear that the growing armies of the unemployed are menacing the existence of capitalism was expressed in two important speeches Tuesday in England and in Germany. Finance Minister Hermann Dietrich of Germany stated "Our present capitalist industrial system cannot survive if it does not find means of creating employment for the unemployed."

While Dietrich admitted that 4,000,000 German workers were on the brink of despair, the latest British census of the unemployed showed a tremendous increase. The latest figures show there were 2,643,127 without work on Dec. 29, which is 234,756 more than the previous week and 1,132,869 more than a year ago. This is the largest number of unemployed in the history of Britain.

Many Important Stories Held Up In "Daily" Because of Lack of Funds

TO BUILD THE DAILY WORKER IN THE PRESENT SHARPENING STRUGGLES FUNDS MUST BE RUSHED IN

Lloyd George, liberal leader of England, and Hermann Dietrich, finance minister of Germany, on the same day make speeches with exactly the same content. They say growing unemployment is threatening the existence of capitalism. Senator Heflin, also on the same day, made a speech in the Senate telling about workers and farmers breaking into stores for food to keep them from starving. "If this keeps up," Heflin shouted, "we will have a revolution."

Hunger marches are reported nearly every day now throughout the United States. Everywhere we read of strikes—the Ruhr miners fighting a death battle with the police and the mine owners; 500,000 facing a lockout in Britain; 150,000 Welsh miners, hungry, cold but militantly fighting against wage cuts. Revolution struggles in Burma, India and China.

But in this situation the Daily Worker is faced with a serious problem, not only reporting the news of the revolutionary struggles, but in

Force Another Danbury Shop To Negotiate

DANBURY, Conn., Jan. 7.—The unity and militancy of the strike of 500 fur workers here in three shops is forcing the bosses to negotiate. The "D & B" Fur Co. sent for the committee yesterday and proposed a compromise on the basis of a 10 per cent wage-cut instead of 20 per cent. The committee refused, and the boss asked for another day to consider the demands of the strikers, which are for:

- 1.—No wage-cut. 2.—An hour for lunch. 3.—No discrimination. 4.—Recognition of the shop committee.

The three shops now struck, National Fur, Eastern and "D & B," are tied up absolutely. The 15 scabs they got the first day or so have been pulled out now by the mass picketing.

Trick Trucks. The National and Eastern are sending truckloads of furs to each other, to try and fool the strikers into thinking the work is going out of town. The trucks were followed and the trick exposed.

One truckload of finished furs was dumped on the ground during militant picketing.

The splendid strike meeting this morning pledged that all strikers would be protected against firing. Volunteers are visiting strikers not active on the picket lines.

Show 'Em How Many! Tomorrow there will be a mass picket demonstration before the local. Since the press here lied about the

FAIL TO CONVICT TWO ORGANIZERS

Workers on Jury Block Frame-up

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., Jan. 7.—In spite of the waving of the Red flag by the prosecutor and the openly antagonistic attitude of Judge McCarty, a jury made up largely of workers today refused to bring a verdict of guilty against Tom Johnson, Southern organizer of the Communist Party, and Jackson, Trade Union Unity League organizer.

Johnson and Jackson, together with Braxton, a Negro comrade, were arrested several months ago on a fake charge of vagrancy, the police openly stating at the time that they would be arrested again and again until they were driven out of town. Some of the police even made the remark that they next time they would be sent to the cemetery instead of being brought into court.

At the trial today the prosecutor raised the red bogey, in an effort to prejudice the jury, a Ku Klux Klan representative made threats in the court room that if the jury failed to convict the Klan would attend to the Reds. The judge also did his bit for the bosses in trying to force the jury to bring in a verdict of guilty to enable him to sentence the comrades to the chain gang.

Early in the trial the charges against Braxton, the Negro comrade, were dismissed because of lack of evidence.

Johnson and Jackson summed up the case in their own defense, denouncing the capitalist system which sentences millions of workers to death by starvation. The jury was unable to reach a verdict after being out for 20 hours, the workers on the jury standing out against conviction.

ALL OUT TODAY! FIGHT FOR IMMEDIATE RELIEF FOR THE UNEMPLOYED!

Newark Jobless Demand Food, Cops Feed Them Blackjacks

Spokesman Exposes Graft in City Hall While Police Start Brutal Assault on Crowd Outside; Militant Resistance

NEWARK, N. J., Jan. 7.—While a committee representing the thousands of jobless in this city were in the board of commissioners' meeting, demanding relief for the unemployed

SMASHING ANSWER TO FISH SATURDAY

Workers to Defend the Right to Fight

NEW YORK.—In militant protest against the attacks on the working-class press by the Fish Committee and other fascist groups, thousands of New York workers will pack the large St. Nicholas Rink, 69 W. 66th St., this Saturday night in answer to these enemies and their attempt to suppress the revolutionary press.

RUSSEL SAGE REPORT FAVORS EVICTIONS

The Russel Sage Foundation published its report yesterday on its investigation of relief measure. The report admits that a police census such as is taken in New York "produces figures of no statistical value, and only increases alarm among the foreign born."

Only Four Days To Second Unemployment Conference!

All Worker Organizations Send Credentials! Groups in Breadlines, Flop Houses Are Electing; Push Signature Drive!

NEW YORK.—With only 4 days ahead, preparations are under way for a successful conference at Irving Plaza Hall, at 7:30 p.m. when delegates to the December 19 conference for unemployment relief will reconvene to elect representatives to go to Washington in February to present the workers' unemployment insurance bill to Congress, with signatures representing the mass demand of a million or more workers.

Besides the 600 delegates represented at the last conference, there will be delegates present at the January 12th Conference from workers' organizations, recently organized tenants' leagues, bread lines and flop houses. The Municipal Lodging House workers have already elected ten delegates to the conference and delegates will also be elected from the Hearst breadlines on 42 street.

Tenants Leagues recently organized in the Bronx, Yorkville, Williamsburg and Brownsville will send delegates. Organizations which were not represented at the December 19 conference are urged to send in the credentials of their delegates to the New York Campaign Committee, 16 West 21st Street at once.

Get More Signatures! The signature drive is still showing insufficient activity according to reports received at committee headquarters. More than 25,000 lists are out but only 25,000 names have been turned in. To check on the activity in the drive for signatures, weekly reports of organizations submitting lists will be published in Labor Unity. Workers' organizations are urged to center attention on a through and effective mass mobilization for an intensive signature drive on January 17 and 18, days set aside for a city-wide house to house canvass.

The present unemployment campaign will be one of the important matters considered at the Trade Union Unity Council meeting at Manhattan Lyceum on Thursday night at 7:45. The Council will also consider the preparations for the dress strike and elect an Executive Board and officers.

B'klyn Hunger March From 3 Points Joins At Boro Hall

Bronx Demonstrations! Harlem, Down Town, Mid Town Protests!

NEW YORK.—Today in every part of the city thousands of jobless workers and the workers still in the shops who know that their struggle for hours, wages and conditions depends on the struggle of the unemployed for relief, will swing into one great demonstration. They are demonstrating against starvation, against the total starvation of the tens of thousands who can not find a place on the breadline, and against the starvation by degrees of those given a bowl of charity soup a day or some trifle for "emergency work." Joining the hunger marches today will be 3,000 just fired by the Prosser Committee from \$15 a week job.

Hungry Children Faint. There will be the parents of the school children who are fainting from hunger at the schools in working-class sections now. A half dozen fainted on one day recently at Public School 55.

Each section of the city sees somewhat different demands by the jobless, depending on local grievances, but all unite in calling for at least \$15 a week relief for each jobless worker, with additional amounts up

CHICAGO PLAN BIG D.W. CELEBRATION

Saturday Night at the Peoples Auditorium

CHICAGO, Jan. 7.—Chicago working-class organizations are working feverishly on the preparations for the 7th Anniversary Celebration of the Daily Worker, to be held Saturday night, January 10, at the Peoples Auditorium, 2457 W. Chicago Ave.

The celebration will also be in the nature of a mass answer to the notorious Fish Committee and other fascist bodies which are sponsoring anti-working-class laws, especially aimed against militant foreign born workers and the working-class party, the Communist Party and its press.

At a recent conference for the support and building of the Daily Worker over 25 working-class organizations were represented by 30 delegates. This conference unanimously endorsed the Daily Worker as the most effective weapon of the masses in their struggles against unemployment, starvation, wage cuts, etc., and called upon all workers and their organizations to support the 7th Anniversary Celebration.

Several organizations have already announced their intention to attend en masse with their banners. A fine revolutionary program is being prepared for the affair by the Palm, and the Waukegan Club of the Labor Sports Union.

All workers are urged to support the Daily Worker Anniversary Celebration and give their answer to the Fish Committee and other enemies of the working-class. Remember the date, January 10.

Build Marches With the Daily

Suggestion that the crisis is about to deepen is seen in the fact that Bill Green is again putting out optimistic statements. Immediately following his recent blurb, relative to the fact that the depression was about over, stocks re-advanced and two dozen banks failed.

Hunger marches all over the U. S. will answer the Green blather with Arkansas farm tactics. Use the Daily Worker to organize the marchers. Order extra. 60,000 drive news page 3.



MASS ORGANIZATIONS NOT ACTIVE ENOUGH ON JOBLESS CAMPAIGN

Reports to National Campaign Committee Show Signature Collections Lag

Local Demonstrations for Relief Are Stronger and More Numerous

NEW YORK—The National Campaign Committee for Unemployment Insurance, which met yesterday, heard reports from representatives of national workers' mass organizations.

Washington delegation, and funds to carry on the work must be raised. February 10 was stressed as the day of nation-wide demonstrations in support of the demands for unemployment insurance, which will be made by the delegation to Congress to be made upon this same date.

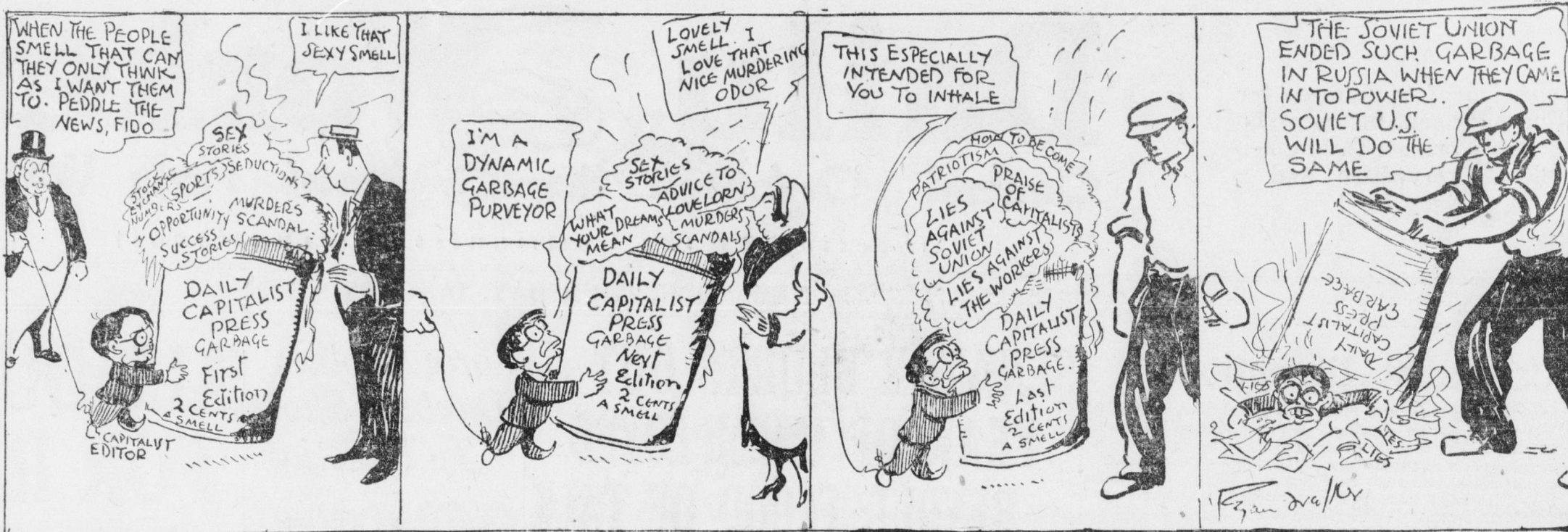
The Young Communist League called attention to the need for developing youth demands and concentration upon winning the youth for the signature drive and local struggles.

30,000 Lists in N. Y. Sam Nesson reported for the New York City Campaign Committee and unemployed councils. A total of 30,000 signature lists have been distributed and 25,000 signatures have so far been secured.

Alfred Wapenknicht, secretary of the national committee, stated that the drive for signatures for the Unemployment Insurance Bill is not yet involving enough workers and workers organizations, that the city campaign committees were still too narrow and too few had been organized in the smaller cities.

He reported a decided advance in the development of local demands for immediate relief, more cities in daily struggles, the insufficient strengthening and building of unemployed councils. City hunger marches are on the increase and becoming more militant, he said; but more attention must be given to the holding of mass meetings in the smaller cities for the election of the

THE ADVENTURES OF BILL WORKER



— You Bet! —

Organizations Come in Body to the Daily Worker Anniversary

The Daily Worker Anniversary affair, Saturday, Jan. 10, at St. Nicholas Arena, will be a demonstration against the "Committee to Combat Communism," headed by Fish, Woll and company. All workers' organizations must be mobilized 100 per cent for the "Daily Worker Anniversary" as a proper answer to the fascists. Organizations should bring their banners. Vote substantial sum for the Daily Worker Emergency Drive and bring it along to the affair.

Organize a Workers' Group in your city or town. Help organize the workers in your shop. Write of the conditions there.

Labor and Fraternal

DUE TO LIMITED SPACE NOTICES CAN BE RUN FOR THREE DAYS ONLY, INCLUDING DATE OF EVENT.

An 8-Day Drive for the New York and for the printing press has been authorized by the Central Committee. The drive will open with a banquet on the 11th of January and will continue with a banquet for seven days. We urge all organizations not to arrange any affairs during this drive.

THURSDAY—A Special Meeting of the Gastonia Branch of the I.L.D. at 4 p. m. sharp at 121 W. 25th St. room 10. Very important. Members must be present.

A Special Meeting of Brownsville and Alfred Levv Branches of the I.L.D. at 524 Vermont Ave. at 8 p. m. sharp. Comrade Gael will speak on "The Deportation of the Forelign Born." The I.L.D. members of both branches are urged to be present at this meeting.

Williamsburgh Branch I.L.D. At 795 Flushing Ave. Attorney A. Taub will lecture on "How Workers Should Defend Themselves in Court" at 8 p. m. All workers welcome.

Rehearsals for Lenin Memorial Meet. All comrades playing band instruments are asked to come to the rehearsal of the W.I.P. Band in preparation for the Lenin Memorial Meet. Rehearsals take place at 8 p. m. at 131 W. 25th St.

FRIDAY—Workers Laboratory Theatre of W.I.P. Calls upon all workers who have musical stage ability and who can take part in mass scenes to come to rehearsals for the Lenin Memorial Meet on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays at 7:30 p. m. at 131 W. 25th St.

All Unemployed Y.C.L. Members. Are to report to the District Office, 35 E. 12th St., at 11 a. m.

Council 10 of Both Beach. Has arranged a lecture on "Problematic Children" at 8 p. m. at 48 Bay 25th St. Proceeds to the "Working Women."

Bakers Open Forum. The Bakers' Section of the Food Workers Industrial Union calls an open forum for 8 p. m. at the union headquarters, 16 W. 21st St. Problems in the trade will be discussed.

Joe Hill Branch I.L.D. Meets at 6:30 p. m. at 132 E. 26th St.

Lecture With Pantomimist Speakers. At the Harlem Progressive Youth Club, 1492 Madison Ave. at 8 p. m.

Educational Meeting. Of the Steve Klotz Branch of the I.L.D., Jan. 9 at 108 East 14th St. at 8 p. m. John Porter will speak on "The Life of Working Class Prisoners." All members should attend and bring their friends.

A Very Important Meeting. Of the City Central Committee and D.E.C. of the I.L.D. at 7 p. m. at the district office, 739 Broadway, room 410. All City Central delegates must be present at this meeting.

SATURDAY—All Members. Of the Harlem Progressive Youth Club meet at the headquarters, 7 p. m. to go in a body to the Daily Worker Anniversary concert.

The Communist Party of Newark. Is holding a dance for the benefit of the Daily Worker on Saturday, Jan. 10. All workers are asked to support this dance and help make it a huge success. The "Press Dance" will be an exhibition performance arranged by this group of talented comrades. Many surprises are in preparation. Workers Center, 93 Mercer St. (REPEAT FOR NATIONAL CALENDAR)—Daily Worker Anniversary Affair. All workers organizations are asked to get blocks of tickets for the affair at St. Nick's Arena. Excellent concert. Adm. 50c and 75c.

Perth Amboy. Grand Dance given by the Communist Party and the Young Communist League and other working class organizations, 6 p. m. at Hawrysz Hall, 457 Charles St. Proceeds to go to the Daily Worker. Good music, refreshments. Admission 25 cents.

W.D. 7th Anniversary in Newark. The 7th Anniversary of the Daily Worker will be celebrated Jan. 10, at the Workers Center, 93 Mercer St. on Saturday, at 8 p. m.

Williamsburgh Workers Club. At 795 Flushing Ave. Concert and dance for the benefit of the Daily Worker, at 8 p. m.

CONSPIRATORS WHO CUT WAGES FACE MASS TRIAL

NEW YORK.—And furthermore, if the court pleases, these defendants, Herb Hoover, alias 'Starvation Hoover,' Bill Green, alias 'Sell-out Bill,' James J. Walker, alias 'Dancing Jimmy,' alias 'Ice Cream,' and Norman Thomas, conspired on or about the first of last year to make a compact and plot called the 'No Strike, no wage cuts agreement,' being in fact and deed a conspiracy that Bill Green should prevent workers from striking against the wage cuts perpetrated thruout the United States by the employers, while all three by lies and falsehoods and malice aforethought continued to delude the workers by saying that there are no wage-cuts."

This, or something like it, is part of the indictment that will be read against the enemies of the working class on trial before working class justice on Sunday, Jan. 11, at 1 p. m. at Star Casino, 10th St. and Park Ave.

Richard R. Moore will represent the Trade Union Unity Council as prosecuting attorney.

Joseph R. Brodsky will appear for the defense.

The following will appear as expert witnesses: Robert Minor, Max Bedacht, M. J. Olgin, Israel Amter, Jack Stachel and Sam Nesson.

Unemployed workers from the bread lines, flop houses and those who have been evicted, will testify.

All workers are urged to attend this trial, Sunday, Jan. 11, at 1 p. m. at Star Casino. Admission 50c. Doors open 12 noon.

PROTEST BAN OF 'YOUNG WORKER'

Attend Meet Friday, January 9

NEW YORK, N. Y.—Protest the banning of the Young Worker from the mails. Attend the "Defend the Young Worker" Mass Meeting at Surveysant Casino, Second Ave. and Ninth St., on Friday, Jan. 9, at 8 p. m.

The "Young Worker," official organ of the Young Communist League, is the only militant young paper which fights against the growing unemployment and starvation. It is the only young paper which fights against the growing wage-cuts and speed-up. The boss class is preparing a new world war. They want to smash the fighting expression of the youth, the "Young Worker." Fight this attack against the Young Worker by attending the protest mass meeting.

Max Bedacht, member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party; J. Louis Engdahl, secretary of the International Labor Defense; and St. W. Gerson, editor of the "Young Worker," will be the chief speakers.

CALL FURNITURE WORKERS MEET

NEW YORK.—To prepare plans for organization of furniture workers, a mass meeting will take place at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East 4th Street, tonight at 8 p. m. The meeting was called by the Furniture Workers Industrial League.

The situation in the industry at the present time is worse than it ever was. Wages are being cut. Due to the tactics and policies of the A. F. of L. even the few crafts that are organized have lost membership. The A. F. of L. has actually proposed a ten per cent wage cut to the bosses. This was done by the A. F. of L. factors in Local 7-8 of the Upholsterers Union. Most of the workers in this industry are unorganized.

The mass meeting tonight will take up the struggle of organizing the furniture workers against the rotten conditions and for the formation of an industrial union.

VOLUNTEERS WANTED To help clean and move Daily Worker office into office on 8th floor. Report to Daily Worker office 9th floor, 35 E. 12 St.

All Out Today! Fight For Immediate Relief For the Unemployed Workers!

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to \$25 for those who have families to support. They demand no evictions, no cutting off of light and gas. They demand food, clothing and care for the school children of unemployed workers. The breadlines and city lodging house jobs demand better food, heat, turning over of the armories and public buildings and vacant apartment houses free to the homeless unemployed.

There will be a great protest against the mass misery of 900,000 workers, cast off by the capitalist system to starve, freeze, die in any way they may, so long as in their dying they may not disturb the profit system. Today the jobless are going to show themselves and raise their voices, demanding the right to live.

3 Brooklyn Marches. The main demonstrations are the hunger marches in Brooklyn. One meets at Hamilton and Columbia at 10 a. m. and twenty minutes later will be marching on Columbia to Carroll, on Carroll to Court, and will meet the others at Court and Fulton, where a demonstration will be held and demands presented to the boss president.

Another demonstration meets at Broadway and Myrtle at 10 a. m. and at 10:20 will start marching up Myrtle to Court and Fulton Sts.

Jobless will meet at 105 Thatford Ave., for another march, at 9 a. m.

At Municipal Shack. Communist Party members yesterday made preparations to start a new demonstration today. All Communist Party members of Section 2 will assemble at 64 W. 22nd St. at 10:30 a. m. Unemployed members must be present. Mobilization of workers will be from the separate breadlines, flop-houses and workers' headquarters to 25th St. and First Ave., the Municipal Lodging House. Demands will be made for adequate shelter for the unemployed, immediate emergency relief, general improvement of the food on the breadlines and conditions in the flop houses, such as cleaner beds, more heat, opening additional buildings to shelter the unemployed.

This demonstration may join with the Downtown demonstration, in which after meetings at a number of breadlines, a demonstration will take place before the Welfare Department at Leonard and Lafayette Sts. The Downtown Council of the Unemployed will be holding a meeting there as usual, from 10 a. m. on.

Yesterday's meeting at this place was well attended and all pledged to take part in today's demonstrations. There will be excellent speakers today, including Chairman Buck Olden, Fred Biedenkap, leader of the shoe strike in Brooklyn, and D. Gorden.

The Harlem demonstrators will meet at 130th St. and Lenox Ave. at 10:30 a. m. and at 11:30 will march to Lenox and 132nd St., to hold another meeting before the fake state employment agency there.

Bronx. All Communist Party members in the Bronx are called to meet at 9 a. m. at 341 E. 149th St., second floor, where they will distribute forces to aid in the mobilization of jobs at several separate demonstrations.

COMING EVENTS IN JOBLESS CAMPAIGN

NEWARK, N. J.—Hunger march, Jan. 28. Second United Front Conference Jan. 13 at 2 p. m. in Slovack Hall, 52 West St.

PASSAIC, N. J.—United Front Conference, Jan. 16, at 8 p. m. at Union Hall, 205 Paterson 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.

These will be at 150th St. and Morris Ave. at 10 a. m.; before the state employment agency at Courtland Ave. and 148th St. at 11 a. m.; Claremont and Wabash Ave. at 12:45 p. m.; Clinton and Wabash, at 1 p. m. and Washington and Tremont at 1 p. m.

It's going to be a big day.

ELECTRICAL WORKERS TO MEET FRIDAY AT EIGHT

NEW YORK.—The distribution of leaflets issued by the Electrical Workers Branch of the Building and Construction Workers Industrial League is causing much discussion among the electrical workers who gather in the morning in answer to an occasional want ad in the New York World. The Electrical Workers Branch is newly formed, but is gaining membership rapidly, and will soon be able to lay the basis for a strong organization to fight for the seven hour day and five day week, increase in wages, and unemployment insurance.

All electrical workers and helpers are urged to come to the next meeting of the branch, Friday, at 8 p. m. at 16 West 21st Street.

SHOE WORKERS ELECT TODAY. NEW YORK.—The Independent Shoe Workers' Union will elect its officers for the year 1931 at its meeting to be held today at 16 W. 21st St. at 8 p. m. A very large attendance is expected.

HEAR REPORT ON PLOTTERS' TRIAL

Returned Delegates to-night at Plaza

Irving Plaza will be packed with workers and revolutionary writers tonight, who will have come to greet the returned John Reed Club delegates, Bill Gropper, A. B. Magil and Harry Alan Potamkin from the Soviet Union, and to hear their first-hand report on the famous trial of the anti-Soviet plotters. The talks will be illustrated by slides drawn by Gropper.

Comrade Olgin will speak on the significance of the trial, and Joseph Brodsky will analyze the differences between capitalist and working class justice. Robert Dunn will preside.

Gropper, Magil and Potamkin were delegates from the John Reed Club to the International Conference of Revolutionary Writers, recently held in Karkov, and they will also have many interesting things to tell about this conference, and international developments in the field of revolutionary art and literature.

EXPOSURE OF CAPITALIST JOURNALISM AT CORT THEATRE

Louis Weitzmann, formerly an editor of a New York tabloid we shall call "The Pornographic," got fired and has written a play "Five Star Final" running now at the Cort.

It covers itself in a melodrama, but it is really a fine piece of satire mixed with realism, of the shams, hypocrisy and cynical perversion of news by a famous New York "health expert" and publisher.

Unfortunately, but naturally since it is bourgeois journalism and not workers' criticism, it mixes in a lot of snobbish disgust at the workers: "Sida jerkers and fat chaubermains" who read the sheet, and still worse, indulges in White chauvinism, which by the way is not required by the plot, but dragged in on the side.

The story is that the paper losing circulation, unearths the ancient history (reflection of the Hall-Mills case) of the killing of her boss and had-made by one Nancy Voorhees, since married and with a daughter about to be married. Publication of the scandal causes Nancy (Marie Maddern) to commit suicide, and her death causes her husband (played by King Calder) to do the same. Then the daughter tries to pull the stunt worked successfully by Mme. Cailloux and shows up with a gun at the office of the Pornographic (called in the play, "The New York Evening Gazette").

Various unrealities follow, such as the managing editor of the Gazette going on a bat and resigning, out of

conscience. No capitalist managing editor since history began had a conscience like that. The editors part is taken by Arthur Byron).

But the description of the frauds, burglary and heartless swindle, by which the paper puts its story over, the use of lying preachers, high pressure vamps, etc., is great.

The snobbish author fails, of course to show that one workers read the Pornographic as their only luxury just as they drink too much rotten booze—because they are cut off from real public life, and can't work up an interest in boss politics. The Pornographic is the modern substitute for the Roman circus.—V.S.

Ex-Servicemen Will Hold Open Air Meet

NEW YORK.—Weather permitting the Workers' Ex-Servicemen's League will hold an outdoor meeting tonight at 8 o'clock on the corner of Second Ave. and Tenth St. The usual indoor meeting will be held tomorrow evening at 8 o'clock in the Ukrainian Labor Home, 15 E. Third St.

Many ex-servicemen now in the breadlines of New York and other cities are taking their places in the ranks of the hunger march to Washington, now in course of preparation. All ex-servicemen are urged to attend the meeting.

7 ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION 7 Daily Worker Central Organ of the Communist Party U.S.A. Sat. Eve., January 10 AN EXTRAORDINARY CONCERT New Revolutionary Music SERGEI RADAMSKY Just returned from the Soviet Union IN NEW SOVIET SONGS BORIS BELL Tenor MOSCOW MUSICAL STUDIO Miss V. VALENTINOVA Alto C. KAYULOFF Cellist V. KAYULOFF Pianist LEO LIVOFF Tartar Dancer FREIHEIT GESANGS VEREIN in New Numbers and Special Selections PROMINENT SPEAKERS ST. NICHOLAS CASINO 99 WEST 66TH STREET NEAR BROADWAY Admission 50 and 75 Cents The Daily Worker Fights Against Hunger!

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# LETTERS FROM THE SHOPS

## Glen Alden Coal Co. Shuts Down Six Mines Permanently; 2,500 Miners Thrown Out on Streets to Starve

Slow Starvation and Death Is Certainty Unless Miners Fight Bitterly for Relief

Wilkes-Barre, Pa.

Daily Worker:—The conditions in the Anthracite fields are so poor that the workers cannot make a decent living. The mines are only working one and two days a week. I have worked 158 days out of 312 working days in a year in 1930. I have made about \$900 or an average of \$2.25 per day. This is on what we workers in the Anthracite must keep a family.

What does that mean to us miners? It means the moment the mines close or we are laid off we are faced with slow starvation and death. In spite of all the rumors spreading around by the capitalist press that 1931 is going to bring back prosperity and be a better year than 1930 and the Glen Alden Coal Co. gives us a notice that they will close six of its mines on New Year's.

Glen Alden Coal Co. is one of the largest producers of anthracite coal and it has announced the closing of six of its mines permanently which will affect approximately 2,500 miners and their families and some of the miners have as much as 8 and 9 children.

Must Fight Now. The mines to be closed are: Hyde Park, Continental and Sloan in Scranton.

## Militant Picketing Forces Another Danbury Fur Shop to Negotiate

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) numbers in yesterday's parade, saying there were only 40 instead of the 400 who really were there, tomorrow's demonstration will also march in front of the office of the New Haven Times.

The relief committee has mapped out a program of house to house collections Saturday and Sunday. Relief will be handed out next week. Hatters in the shops controlled by the United Hatters of North America (A.F.L.) have pledged to contribute from their Saturday pay to the strikers' relief fund.

## SENATOR BURSTS OUT FEAR OF UNEMPLOYED REVOLT FLOOD OF TALK

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) secret census taken in 40 cities Dec 8 by the government and the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.'s 25,000 agents brought enough of the real facts about the more than 10,000,000 jobs to the government's attention. But they can't print those figures. Now they will go through the formality of a fake census, after which it can be announced that there are maybe three or four million jobs.

Week's Admits 5,600,000. Perhaps the fake census will admit as much as Col. Woods, head of Hoover's committee admitted yesterday. He estimated the number of jobs at between four and five million, less than half the real number as admitted by statisticians for this

## Newark Jobless Make Demands on City Hall Crowd; While Police Attack Them

(CONTINUED FROM PAGE ONE) crowd was broken up, when the police reserves were called out. The arrested are: John Casper, Trade Union Unity League district organizer, Shirley Ethin, Young Communist League organizer, Mary Kingston, Saul Stark, J. Luden, S. Rubenthal, T. Damaskus, S. Ulrich, R. Brothers, Mildred Shulman, M. Killaris, Eva Kollarich and H. Tiliotic Casper and Ludin who were worst beaten up are charged with assault and battery and bail is set at \$500 each. The others are charged with loitering, and bail is \$250 each.

Tom Myerscough presented the demands for the delegation inside the city hall for: removal of La Fera, the present starvation expert who has charge of poor relief, for immediate relief through the committees of the jobless and the workers who shall be paid to be made up of part of the city officials' fat salaries, of a new intended for bankers, etc., no evictions, etc.

## FORECLOSURES, EVICTIONS RIFE IN CALIFORNIA

Sees Need of Party Turn Here

San Fernando, Cal.

Editor Daily Worker:—The conditions of the Los Angeles district are very bad, to say the least, due primarily to the open shop and lack of organizational activity here. There are some two hundred thousand or so unemployed at present and the stagger system is used to a great extent as it is in the East.

There is a mounting number of evictions, also foreclosures, by the banks on mortgages to the extent that some 60,000 people have been forced to give up their homes because of the rapacity of the loan sharks.

Banks Fail. Incidentally we out here are not exempt from bank failures. Witness the \$8,000,000 crash of the Hollywood Guaranty Building Loan Co. a couple of weeks ago that affected hundreds of investors. Because of the comparative insignificance of industrial activity here there are not such large failures of the Bank of the United States type that you have in New York, but give us time and we will come up to you.

The Party activity as a whole in this district is suffering from the lack of leadership, which, if obtained could work wonders for this part of the state. You are no doubt aware that our headquarters on Brooklyn Ave. here is for the most part composed of a vacillating element though have seen some splendid work performed by them, at witness the Imperial Valley organization of the fruit workers last spring; but since then nothing of lasting importance has been accomplished. We have no drives for membership and very little soliciting for the Daily Worker, and this must be remedied, not to mention the fact that little or no contacting method is employed, such as social and political organizing.

You may take this for what it is worth and would it be possible to contact the Party in Los Angeles to the effect of more co-ordinated effort and a more concentrated attack on the enemy? As for myself I am out of touch with the situation, due to my poor health, but am sufficiently informed of conditions here in the vicinity of Los Angeles to state definitely that we are in sore need of a real organizer who can immediately see up the situation and rejuvenate the Party local here.

—G. A.

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## Brandt, New Jersey A. F. of L. "Czar," Boasts He Is a 'Banker and Labor Leader'

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

By ALLEN JOHNSON.

If the A. F. of L. were an organization which waged a militant and uncompromising fight to include the condition of the American working class it would be a swell organization, but then, again, if capitalism didn't doom the vast majority of workers to a living death, it, too, would be a swell system.

As the matter stands, capitalism stands for the enslavement of 98 per cent of the population by the remaining 2 per cent. This 2 per cent has at its command the use of an entire state apparatus, the law courts, an army, the school system, the various churches and the newspapers. As subsidiary allies it has the various "progressive" and "socialist" parties, who try to win the confidence of workers by using fierce phrases, but who are actually staunch defenders of capitalism—and trade union leaders of the type who control the American Federation of Labor.

It is a mistake to call all A. F. of L. officials racketeers, unless one is willing to designate Hoover, Morgan, Cardinal Hayes and their many counterparts by the same name. They are robbers all, sick, ruthless, savage robbers of the wealth created by the working class, but to lump them with racketeers is to flatter them. For racketeers, after all, are considered outside the pale and are sometimes punished, while the capitalists who steal on a far wider scale are "sanctified" by all kinds of bad smelling holy water; their laws and their priests and whatnot.

A. F. of L. officials are not then all and exactly racketeers, even though they steal and shoot and sell out the workers who delegate them to further their interests. Their crimes are the crimes of capitalists, and because the A. F. of L. performs a definite function for capitalists—misleading workers into the clutches of their bosses—its officials receive governmental protection—almost as

much, in fact, as the Department of Labor, with whom President Bill Green maintains such friendly relations.

Brandt a Typical Example. Mr. Theodore Brandt, of Jersey City and Palm Beach, is a fairly typical example of the A. F. of L. official who has throttled the militancy of the rank and file in the face of wage-cuts and reductions that have in the past year alone totaled seventeen billion two hundred and eighty million dollars—one-third of the total income of the working class in America. Isn't it plain that the capitalists who rule America can afford to pay and pay well for the services that put so many billions in their pockets?

Ted Brandt was a comparatively unknown saloon keeper when he envisioned the financial possibilities in a job as an A. F. of L. official. He thereupon got himself a job in Fagan's Iron Works, in Jersey City, to satisfy the technical requirements of the union rules, and within a few months had himself elected a delegate of the Iron Workers' Local No. 45.

Cunning, ruthless and genial Brandt was soon elected the Hudson County representative of the International Association of Ironworkers, president of an investment company and president of a few holding companies.

"Labor Leader," Gunman, Millionaire. He forgot to add that he is a gunman, bootlegger, millionaire, stock swindler, strikebreaker and member of several employers' associations. His control over the unions in Jersey is so strong that every union man in Jersey City is forced, on threat of dire punishment, to march in parades every time Hague's machine is up for re-election. The penalty for refusing to march in one of these election parades may be either the imposition of a large fine, expulsion from the union, or making it impossible to obtain a job anywhere.

Brandt's power over the New Jersey unions—a power so great that Brandt is considered at least as influential in Jersey politics as Hague, his partner—is obtained largely through his use of the card index system. Under this system, a fine weapon in the hands of an honest, militant union, every worker's name, address etc., are noted on a card and employers are required to send in all requests for workers to the union quarters, which turns the workers out as their turn comes.

Instead of permitting one firm to bargain with one worker, when that firm may control two or three hundred million dollars, the union insists that the bargain be struck between it and the boss, making the conflict more equal. The card index system, then, in itself, is perfectly valid.

Uses System as Club. In the hands of Brandt, however, the system becomes a club with which he bludgeons militant workers into submission. At the least sign of rebellion on the part of one of the members of a union, Brandt in-scribes a cryptic notation on the worker's card, and that particular worker is due for an enforced vacation until his rebellion subsides. If the worker tells Brandt to go to hell, he will either be shot or beaten.

## Workers' Unemployment Insurance Bill

The Workers Unemployment Insurance Bill proposes:

- 1.—Unemployment insurance at the rate of \$25 a week for each unemployed worker and \$5 additional for each dependant.
- 2.—The creation of a National Unemployment Insurance Fund to be raised by: (a) using all war funds for unemployment insurance; (b) a levy on all capital and property in excess of \$25,000; (c) a tax on all incomes of \$5,000 a year.
- 3.—That the Unemployment Insurance Fund thus created shall be administered by a Workers' Commission elected solely by employed and unemployed workers.

All who sign the lists now being circulated by the Workers National Campaign Committee for Unemployment Insurance or its subsidiary organizations, demand that congress shall pass the bill, in its final form as (possibly) amended by the mass meetings which ratify it and elect the mass delegation to present it to congress, or as (possibly) amended by the mass delegation itself. The final form of the bill will follow the general line of the three points printed above.

## Cleveland to Reach Full Quota In 60,000 Circulation Campaign

CLEVELAND INTENDS TO REACH FULL QUOTA

J. Fromholz, Daily Worker representative in Cleveland, has already informed the sections on his district they will be expected to reach the full quota given them in the campaign for 60,000 circulation and the \$30,000 emergency fund.

His letter to the section says, in part:

"We are going to hold every section to their quota and it will be ended when the section reaches its quota. So keep your sleeves rolled up and continue the work of building up the Daily Worker. We have not made the Daily a mass paper during this drive, so let's continue to build. More subs, more funds."

In his report Fromholz shows a gain of 231 in subscriptions and a total of \$839.89 raised in the emergency fund drive.

The Cleveland district must put more emphasis on increases in the bundle order. The Party and League members and Pioneers must sell the paper on the streets, before factories, from house to house, etc. Red Builders' News Clubs of unemployed workers must be formed.

CHESTER, PA. FORMS RED BUILDERS NEWS CLUB

Chester, Pa., is the latest city to organize a Daily Worker Boosters Club.

TOPS 2 BOSS PAPERS; FAKES DAILY WORKER

"Keep up the good work. Here is one sub," writes W. A. W. of Centerville, Iowa. "Put it on and get the paper started at once. I secured it by using my Daily Workers. After reading I passed them on and by doing so caused this subscriber to see where he belongs. He told me he stopped two capitalist papers and was going to take the Daily Worker. The Daily Worker is good seed and will bear good crops."

WELL IN CHICAGO DESPITE RAIN, COLD.

T. Lambron writes from Chicago: "My intention is to bring to you my own question on the bundle of 300 papers which I am getting every day. Comrades, this is a proposition which you should know of—that out of 300 papers half of them are sold by some steady workers, and others now and then by Party members and unemployed communist members. Rain, cold and several other incidents are on the expenses of the Daily Worker.

Conneaut, Ohio, breaks into the campaign for 60,000 circulation with a bundle order of 5. Carnegie, Pa., also sends in an order for 5 daily.

Walter Swezy of Sioux City, Iowa, writes: "Increase bundle order from 20 to 25."

# INTERNATIONAL NEWS

## POLICE CHARGE RUHR STRIKERS

Silesian Miners Go Out on Strike

(Cable By Inprecorr)

BERLIN, Jan. 7.—The general Ruhr strike situation is unchanged. Yesterday night powerful demonstrations took place in Duisburg and Hamborn, strike centers. Police charged the workers with bayonets, and many workers were stabbed. Over 120 were arrested in Duisburg alone. The Duisburg and Duesseldorf inland water dockers declared a sympathy strike despite the reformist opposition. The mine owners are beginning to dismiss prominent strikers. Many thousands have been dismissed without notice.

Yesterdays' negotiations of the mine owners and the reformist trade union leaders before the arbitration court adjourned until Friday because "Communist pressure prevented the union leaders from making further wage-cut concessions to secure an agreement, fearing desertion to the Communists."

A pit delegates' conference was held yesterday in Upper Silesia under the auspices of the revolutionary trade union opposition and decided to deliver an ultimatum to the mine owners demanding a guarantee against wage cuts and worsening of working conditions, and for the introduction of the seven-hour day with wage compensations. The owners rejected the demands, whereupon the miners in four pits struck today. Extension of the strike is expected in the afternoon, although the reformists are straining every nerve to prevent a solidarity strike.

## Sick Bladder and Kidneys are Dangerous

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## Briefs

From the Land of the Soviets

At the present time the Soviet Union employs 300,000 foreign experts of highest and medium skill (mostly Americans and Germans) in industry and agriculture.

Lenin's tomb was constructed of 10,000 tons of red, grey and black granite. Although it is the largest polished granite structure in the world, and cost more than Napoleon's tomb, it took only 16 months to build.

In 1930 and 1931 over 165,000 young Russian workers are being educated at the expense of the government in the technical and agricultural colleges, 253,000 in the technical and agricultural vocational schools.

The first direct radio communication service between the United States and the Soviet Union was opened on November 13.

Leningrad Chemical plants have developed a method by which high grade cement and ultra-marine may be manufactured from waste products derived from the production of alum earth.

In the first five days of November the record fish catch of 25,290 metric tons was recorded.

During the 5 day period between October 15 and 20 the average daily freight loadings were 1,762 cars higher than for the preceding five day period.

On October 28th the last concrete operations in the construction of the dam across the Ural River were completed. This dam is one kilometer long and was constructed in record time, 75 days. This task was completed way ahead of the original plan drawn by the American consultants and even far in advance of the later more ambitious plan.

## CUBAN "REBELS" FEAR TO REBEL

Ask Wall St. Aid, Not Relying on Masses

NEW YORK.—Ex-President Menocal, in hiding from arrest by President Machado, says reports from Cuba, says that "the United States have the obligation to aid Cuba by means of advice. I do not recommend intervention of any kind. But the Cuban rulers would give attention to whatever indications might come from United States. This would avoid grave consequences and make possible an accord between the government and its adversaries."

Menocal, like his "Nationalist" allies who are opposing Machado, distrust and fear the masses, and hope to get into power either as a result of winning over the army, or by persuading Yankee imperialism to force Machado to "make a possible accord between the government and its adversaries."

If they got control, they would use the armed force against the workers and peasantry just as savagely as does Machado. The masses, in part, also distrust this capitalist opposition which tries to use their hatred for Machado as a ladder to power.

Menocal, trying to persuade Wall Street to accede to the wish of the opposition for "an accord," says that "both groups must give and take," because the sugar season starts on Jan. 15, and unless a solution is found to political differences, "the crop may not reach the market."

## Tax Refund to Rich Is Crime

(By a Worker Correspondent)

LOS ANGELES.—It is a crime to let the bosses get away for such refunds (as was recently given to the tune of several hundred millions) to go on much longer. To allow this regime to give more money to the rich while the poor unemployed workers are starving.

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# Draft Platform of Action of the C. P. of India

Red Sparks

By JORGE

## Junior's Education

Junior: Who's Henry Epstein, pa?—Pa: I don't know, Why?

Junior: I see the N. Y. Times says he has been appointed First Assistant Attorney General of the State of New York.—Pa: Well, what of it?

Junior: Nothin', pa. But, pa, ain't the Attorney General supposed to prosecute any crooks that took the money of small depositors in banks they run?—Pa: Sure. But what's that to do with Epstein?

Junior: Nothin', pa. But ain't there a lawyer by the name of Max D. Steuer who is attorney for some depositors in the Bank of United States?—Pa: Yep, and he's making a big row. Says that millions of dollars are missing.

Junior: Uh huh. But, pa. How does it happen that this lawyer Steuer is attorney for depositors who lost their money in one Tammany bank and is also attorney for the former State Superintendent of Banks who got bribed to allow the swindle of depositors in another Tammany bank?—Pa: H-m-m. Seems a little queer. But lawyers take cases of anybody who pays them for it. But what's that go to do with the Epstein chap?

Junior: Nothin', pa. But I was just wonderin', 'cause I see that this Epstein is the son-in-law of Steuer. Do you suppose that Tammany has appointed Steuer's son-in-law to prosecute crooked Tammany bankers that Steuer is defending?—Pa: What? You repeating Red Rumors! Never let me hear you impugning the uprightness of leading citizens again! Nor the scrupulous honesty of bankers and banking superintendents!

## Dietskoe Selo

As an incident actually observed, a reader sends us the following:

"Tsarkoe Selo. The Tsar's city. His summer home. The palace with its tens upon tens of rooms. His ultra-ornate bejeweled church. The gem-studded carriages. The lapis-lazuli and amber inlaid ballroom. The mirror-like dance floor, upon which now tread the heavy unpolished boots of the workers and peasants.

"Suddenly a rousing cheer. A group of about one hundred children, their red scarfs flying, marching to the rhythm of a rousing revolutionary song. Symbol of the times. In the city of former monarchy, former pomp, former greed, are banded together the children of the new freedom.

"The evolution of the name illustrates the revolution of the times. It had been Tsarkoe Selo—the Tsar's City. It is now Dietskoe Selo—the Children's City."

## Down With Wax Candles!

The Chicago Tribune of Dec. 31, commenting on the "depression" takes cheer in telling everybody that it's not only in the U. S. A. Then it finds what's to blame: the Russian revolution.

"One of the Russian revolution's results was to make unfashionable or illegal the burning of wax candles in churches, and the Ethiopian trade in wax as a result has been destroyed."

Now, this is downright bad. Moreover, from the way the Bolsheviks acted up when a "lily-white" American tried the Jim Crow on a Negro worker at Stalingrad, showed that the Russian revolution is not only against luring Ethiopian wax candles, but is against the best traditions of Dixie in burning the Ethiopians themselves.

Something will have to be done about the Russian Revolution!

## A Complete Mystery

"A poorly dressed man, with empty pockets leaped in front of a southbound Jerome Ave express train at Moshulu Parkway station, Bronx, at 10 A. M. yesterday and was killed. He was identified as Meyer Solomon, 35, of 25 Stuyvesant St., but there was nothing to indicate why he ended his life."—N. Y. Daily News, Jan. 2.

About this, a contributor remarks:—"Everything that happens today, seems to be a mystery to the capitalist press. The capitalist press doesn't know that there is a crisis and ten million jobless. How could it be expected to know why this man ended his life? The only thing it does know is that there is what they call a "depression" that will be over soon. How soon? That, too, is a mystery!"

## A Lesson on Belly-Crawling

A piece of protoplasm crawling about under the name of Don O'Day writes this paper a letter, sending—please note—a copy to the N. Y. American. That was his only purpose in writing us.

In it he criticizes, in his best threadbare upper class arty style, the story published in the Daily Worker about a story it printed describing the "charity" handout by the "American" on New Year's as a "lousy sandwich."

This, he writes—with tail wagging in the direction of the editor of the "American"—"Referred to a sandwich—a token of mercy—given to the needy." And it was not lousy; indeed the Daily Worker reporter "must have meant delirious, or, possibly, even luscious—surely not lousy."

He confesses to the Daily Worker—or rather to the American—that he is a newspaper man out of a job. That he was in the "American's" headline and loves and reverences it for its "token of mercy." Also, he thinks that the Daily Worker should reprimand its "reporter, etc."

Then he gets real clever, and slashes out: "Just where is the Daily Worker's food dispensing station?" That, surely, ought to get him a job on the Hearst papers!

Our "reporter"? He was a worker, jobless, hungry, cold—and sore at being forced to stand in line to provide the Hearst camera men with publicity. Cheap publicity at that, because the American collected cash to buy sandwiches for "its" headline.

We'll believe that worker as to whether the sandwich was "lousy" in its specific content. We know it was lousy in every social sense.

And we also know, as does the worker, that if it were not for the militant mass action of the workers encouraged and guided by the "Daily Worker," there would be not even the lousy sandwich from the Hearst press. No Daily Worker, no fight; no fight, no sandwich.

We can go further: No sandwich, no belly crawling Mr. O'Day to show the N. Y. American that he is the best belly-crawler extant and out of a job.

(To Be Continued.)

## Part I. Main Tasks of the Indian Revolution.

The Indian people are groaning under the yoke and the exploitation of British imperialism. Relying upon their political and economic supremacy, and squeezing billions of rupees year by year out of the miserable national income of India, the blood-thirsty imperialists have brought the toiling masses of the people to a state of famine, hopeless poverty, intolerable slavery and mass extinction as a people.

With all the power of the state in its hands, controlling the main branches of industry, railways, sea and river transport, banks and the credit system, the greater part of the land, forests and the irrigation system, British imperialism has retarded and still obstructs the economic development of our country in every way, supporting and relying upon all that is backward and reactionary in town and country.

The supremacy of British imperialism is the basis of the backwardness, poverty and endless suffering of our people. Only by the merciless and violent destruction of the political and economic supremacy of the British imperialists will the working masses of India succeed in rising to their feet, achieving their independence and creating the conditions requisite for their further development, and for the reconstruction of society in the interests of the workers and peasants, and with the purpose of developing further towards Socialism.

In the enslavement of the Indian people British imperialism relies upon the native princes, the landlords, the moneylenders and the merchants, utilizing the assistance of the national bourgeoisie. The system of landownership by the landlords, native princes and moneylenders, and the relics of serfdom in the land system of India (and consequently in all India's social and political institutions) represent the main bulwark of British supremacy.

In order to destroy the slavery of the Indian people and emancipate the working class and the peasants from the poverty which is crushing them down, it is essential to win the independence of the country and to raise the banner of agrarian revolution, which would smash the system of landownership surviving from the middle ages and would cleanse the whole of the land from all this medieval rubbish. An agrarian revolution against British capitalism and landlordism must be the basis for the revolutionary emancipation of India.

Linked up as it is with the system of landlordism and usury, and terrified at the thought of a revolutionary insurrection by the toiling masses, the capitalist class has long ago betrayed the struggle for the independence of the country and the radical solution of the agrarian problem. Its present "opposition" represents merely maneuvers with British imperialism, calculated to swindle the mass of the toilers and at the same time to secure the best possible terms of compromise with the British robbers. The assistance granted to British imperialism by the capitalist class and its political organization, the National Congress, takes the shape of the present time of a consistent policy of compromise with British imperialism at the expense of the people, it takes the form of the organization of the revolutionary struggle of the native states, the system of landlordism and the reinforced exploitation, jointly with the imperialists, of the mass of the people, of the working class in particular. The greatest threat to the victory of the Indian revolution is the fact that great masses of our people still harbor illusions about the National Congress, and have not realized that it represents a class organization of the capitalists working against the fundamental interests of the toiling masses of our country.

The policy of Gandhi-ism, on which the program of the Congress is founded, uses the cloak of vague phrases about love, meekness, modest hardworking existence, lightening the burden on the peasantry, the national unity, the social historic mission of Hinduism, etc. But under this cloak it preaches and defends the interests of the Indian capitalists, the inevitability and wisdom of the division of society into rich and poor, eternal social inequality and exploitation. That is, it preaches the interests of a capitalist development of India, on the bones and the sweat of the working masses of the people, in alliance with world imperialism. The National Congress betrayed and disorganized the struggle of the toilers in 1919-21. The National Congress supported the manufacturers against workers during the textile strikes and in fact resisted in the passing of anti-labor legislation. The National Congress refused to support the fight of the railwaymen against British imperialism, suggesting that they should ask Lord Lin and MacDonald to arbitrate. The National Congress opposed the peasantry in their struggle against the moneylenders, the big landlords and the native princes.

Jointly with the Liberals, the landlords and manufacturers, the National Congress has reduced the anti-popular Nehru Constitution, which it declared the necessity of preserving, to the landlords, the rajahs and the moneylenders, remaining as a junior partner in the British Empire and leaving supreme authority in the hands of the British Viceroy and the Governors General.

The National Congress issued the Delhi Manifesto supporting Gandhi's eleven points, which presented the moderate program of the Chambers of Commerce and similar associations. It carried on negotiations with the Liberals in London, trying behind the scenes to come to an understanding with the British Government, and forth. The National Congress, and particularly its "Left" Wing, have done and are doing in their power to restrain the struggle of the masses within the framework of the British imperialist Constitution and legislation.

In this connection—world history and the lessons of the class struggle in India prove that only the leadership of the working class can ensure the fulfillment of the historic task of emancipating the Indian people, abolishing national slavery, sweeping aside all the fetters which check national development, confiscating the land and effecting far reaching democratic reconstruction of a revolutionary character. The working class of India, organized by the industrial process itself and by the class struggle, will, under the leadership of its Communist vanguard, perform its historic task of organizing the scattered masses of peasantry and town poor for struggle against British domination and landlordism.

But in order to organize the mass of the workers, in order to rally the proletariat as a distinct class force, conscious of these distinct class interests and fighting for the leadership of the national movement for emancipation; in order to bring about the revolutionary alliance

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the toiling masses will understand this double game of the National Congress. The workers and peasants of India will not give up their right to smash the whole feudal and imperialist system of exploitation, and their right to bring about the violent overthrow of British rule.

The emancipation of India cannot be achieved by a terrorist movement. The supporters of the terrorist movement of our country do not see and do not believe in, the struggle of the broad masses of the people, and do not understand the connection between the agrarian revolution, the struggle of the working class and the overthrow of British domination. They try by brave and single-handed terrorist acts to achieve victory over British imperialism.

While recognizing the devotion and self-sacrifice of the terrorists in the cause of the national emancipation of India, the Communist Party declares that the road to victory is not the method of individual terror but the struggle and the revolutionary armed insurrection of the widest possible masses of the working class, the peasantry, the poor of the towns and the Indian soldiers, around the banner and under the leadership of the Communist Party of India.

The most harmful and dangerous obstacle to the victory of the Indian revolution is the agitation carried on by the "Left" elements of the National Congress, led by Jawaharlal Nehru, Bose, Ginwalla and others. Under the cloak of revolutionary phraseology, they carry on the bourgeois policy of confusing and disorganizing the revolutionary struggle of the masses and help the Congress to come to an understanding with British imperialism. Particularly blackguardly and harmful is the part played by the national reformists in the labor movement, in which they try in every possible way to substitute the methods of class collaboration for the methods of class struggle, doing their best to bring the workers under the influence of the ideas, and the organizations of the Indian and British exploiters. The treacherous part played by the National Congress as regards the peasantry has once again shown itself in the appeal of the "Left" Congress leaders to the British Governor-General of Bengal to send troops to crush the peasant revolts at Kishoreganj. In these circumstances some of the "Left" national reformists (supporters of Roy and others), who realize that the masses are becoming disillusioned in the Congress have cleverly put forward the advice to "win" the National Congress from within. Nominally their object is to revolutionize the Congress, in reality it is to restore the prestige of the Congress by replacing the old treacherous leaders by new leaders who are no better than the old.

The exposure of the "Left" Congress leaders, who may again undertake to set up a new party or organization like the former League of Independence, in order once again to bamboozle the mass of the workers, is the primary task of our Party. Ruthless war on the "Left" national reformists is an essential condition if we are to isolate the latter from the workers and mass of the peasantry and mobilize the latter under the banner of the Communist Party and the anti-imperialist agrarian revolution in India.

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native exploiters, who set the toilers of different nationalities and religious beliefs against one another, and provoke conflicts between them. The C. P. of India calls upon all the toilers, including the untouchables (pariahs) not to permit such disorganization and splitting of the united revolutionary front of the oppressed, who suffer equally at the hands of their own and British exploiters.

In its struggle to win leadership of the masses, the C. P. of India calls upon all its supporters to make resolute use of any legal and semi-legal opportunity for public action and mobilization of the masses around working class slogans. On every occasion they must expose the treacherous part played by the National Congress. Against the bourgeois front of compromise established by the national reformists, they must create the united front of the toilers from below, on the basis of definite proletarian revolutionary demands and activities.

As one of the practical means of explaining to the toiling masses the exploiting and treacherous policy of the Congress leaders, the C. P. of India recommends to its supporters to make use of their activity in the trade unions, municipal councils (Calcutta, Bombay, etc.) and similar institutions.

committees have to work semi-legally, the C. P. advocates putting forward the demand for recognition of the factory committees as one of the principal demands in strike movements. The C. P. of India calls for the country-wide organization of workers' defense detachments, both to defend workers' strikes and demonstrations and to take part in the general revolutionary struggle.

2. The C. P. of India calls upon all class-conscious workers to help the Party to organize the movement and the struggle of the unemployed for regular relief at the expense of the State and the employers. It calls for the country-wide organization of unemployed councils, demonstrations and joint struggle with the workers in industry for the partial demands of the unemployed—monthly unemployment benefit at the cost of living minimum, refusal to pay rent, free supply of fuel and food stuffs by the municipal authorities, etc.

3. Taking note of the semi-slave conditions of plantation and agricultural workers, the C. P. of India calls upon class-conscious workers to take part and assist in the organization of trade unions of plantation and agricultural workers. The fight for complete abolition of all systems of serfdom, compulsory and contract labor, deprivation of rights and unprecedented exploitation of the agricultural proletariat is one of our main aims, linked up closely with the aim of mobilizing the broad masses of peasantry to fight imperialist and feudal exploitation, under the leadership of the working class.

4. With the object of protecting the working class from physical and moral degeneration, and also in order to raise its capacity to fight for emancipation, the C. P. of India fights for:

1. Limitation of the working day to 8 hours for adults and 6 hours for youths from 1 to 20. Introduction of the 6 hour working day in all harmful industries, including coal mining, and free supply of milk and butter to the workers in these industries.
2. Complete freedom of trade unions, demonstrations, picketing and strikes.
3. Equal pay for equal work for women, youths and men.
4. Complete abolition of compulsory contract labor and systems of legal bondage of the workers.
5. A compulsory weekly rest period at full pay, and a paid annual holiday of four weeks for adults and six weeks for youths.
6. State insurance against unemployment, sickness, accidents, industrial diseases, old age, loss of working capacity, orphanage and compensation for disablement.
7. Establishment of a State minimum wage of 50 rupees a month, prohibition of the contract system and establishment by law of weekly payment of wages.
8. Prohibition of deductions from wages for any reason or purpose whatsoever (fines, bad work, etc.).
9. Introduction of properly organized factory inspection, workers elected members thereof, to supervise labor conditions in all factories employing hired labor.
10. The abolition of the system of hiring workers through jobbers, sarangs, etc., employment and dismissal of workers to take place through labor exchanges, controlled and supervised by the trade unions. The abolition of all caste and feudal customs and regulations within the factories.

In addition, the C. P. of India supports and fights for each and every demand intended to improve the conditions of the workers (building of new homes at government or employers' expense, provision of proper lavatories,—clean dining rooms, etc.).

The C. P. of India is definitely against the principle of arbitration and interference by capitalist arbitration courts. It emphasizes most definitely that the sole means for winning any serious concessions on the part of the exploiters is resolute class struggle by strikes and mass revolutionary activities.

## C. Peasant Demands.

I. The C. P. of India fights for the confiscation without compensation of all land and estates, forests and pastures of the native princes, landlords, money lenders and the British Government.—The transference to peasant committees for use by the toiling masses of the peasantry. The C. P. of India fights for the complete wiping out of the medieval system of landholding, to cleanse the whole of the land from the rubbish of the middle ages.

II. The C. P. of India fights for the immediate confiscation of all plantations and their transference to revolutionary committees elected by the planters.—The allotments to which the planters assign their contract work—and also the land not in cultivation to be handed over to the laborers and poor peasants as their property. At the same time the C. P. of India is in favor of the nationalization of large-scale mechanically equipped plantations, and workshops connected therewith, for utilization in the interests of the whole Indian people.

III. The C. P. of India fights for the immediate nationalization of the whole system of irrigation, complete cancellation of all indebtedness and taxes, and the transference of the control and supervision of the work of irrigation to revolutionary peasant committees elected by the working peasantry.

IV. In order to disorganize British rule and maintain revolutionary pressure against it, the C. P. of India calls upon the peasantry and agricultural proletariat to engage in all kinds of political demonstrations, and collective refusal to pay taxes and dues, or to carry out the orders and decisions of the government and its agents.

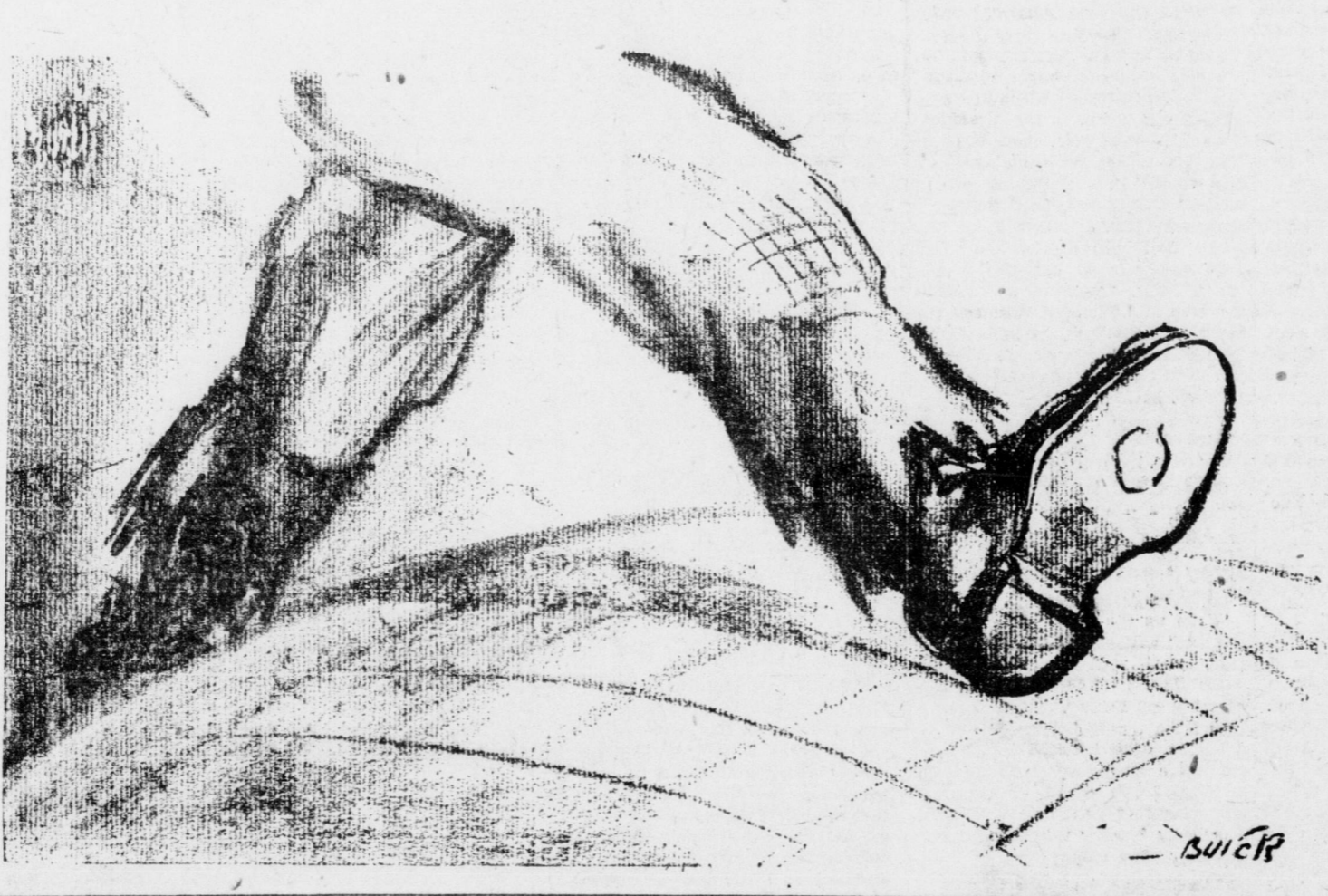
V. The C. P. of India calls for refusal to pay rent, irrigation charges or other exactions, and refusal to carry out any labor services whatsoever (behars) for the landlords, native princes and their agents.

VI. The C. P. of India calls for refusal to pay debts and arrears to government, the landlords and the money-lenders in any form whatsoever.

VII. As a practical watchword for the campaign among the peasantry, and as a means of developing more political consciousness in the peasant movement, the C. P. of India calls for the immediate organization of revolutionary peasant committees in order to carry on a fight to achieve all the revolutionary democratic changes required in the interests of emancipating the peasantry from the yoke of British imperialism and its feudal allies.

VIII. The C. P. of India calls for the independent organization of the agricultural proletariat, particularly the plantation workers, and its amalgamation with the proletariat of the towns under the banner of the Communist Party, as well as its representation in the peasant committees.

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