

As We See It
Strikebreaker Unpopular.
Credit Not His.
Fascist Like Coolidge.
Harding Liked Fascisti.

The American capitalist have a tough job trying to get the President Coolidge popular with the masses. In a local chaffin a few days ago his picture was flashed on the screen in various poses. The presentation was accompanied by much noise from the orchestra pit. The conductor was crazier than usual and the rest of the help could themselves in making a loud racket. The object was to get the audience excited, hoping that in the confusion caused by the disarrangement, applause or some other manifestation of emotion. The result, which would be chalked down to the credit of the new strikebreaker president.

There was some applause, it is true, but one could plainly hear considerable hissing. In fact, the applause and the hissing were fairly divided. This is rather unusual. As a rule the average person usually changes very easily. But the hissing was so me an indication that this presidential noisily has gained nothing with the masses by his bid for fame in claiming the credit for making the 1920-21 police strikes. This strike, as pointed out in last week's Voice of Labor, was broken, not by Coolidge, but through the treachery of the most notorious strikebreaker in America, Samuel Gompers. But "Honest" Coolidge claimed the credit, and he gets hisses in return.

Woodrow Wilson had brains even though he was the champion politician of the United States. Harding could throw a good smile even though there was very little between his ears. Coolidge carries no mental ballast, and he looks peculiar in his mental bankruptcy. Harding looked as if he didn't give a hang. Coolidge has more of the appearance of a druggist, who has grown sour as a result of continually dispensing bitter pills, that the look of a statesman, who has the vision to see beyond his nasal appendage. The American Fascist will be the Coolidge. The Socialist Party as declared its hostility. But the masses instinctively feel that Coolidge is their enemy and they do not hesitate to make that fact known.

Last week we published an article by David Lawrence, a correspondent of the Chicago Daily News, to the effect that Harding had endorsed the Italian Fascist, which overthrew a government by force and violence and ruled by the same methods, repudiating all democratic pretenses. This is the gentleman whose death the Socialist Party of New York sorrowed over. As William T. Ryan declared in the Butte Bulletin, "Let those who owned Harding mourn for him." That is the attitude for all class conscious workers to take. Harding was the servant of the American ruling class. Under his regime thousands of workers pined away in prison and many of them died in their dungeons. Yes, we will mourn for Flores Magón, who now lies dead and cold in his grave, a victim of President Harding's hatred for labor. We will mourn for Tom Mooney, who is held in a living tomb for being loyal to his class, and we will mourn for the hungry children of the working class, victims of the class that Harding represented. We will mourn for our comrades in the army of labor, who met their death in the greatest cause that any ever enlisted in, but we will never shed for the enemies of the other.

Black Hqs. is not a boxing It is a boxing victor and Fascist here the gate pro. The hands after the battle It is a religious struggle, must be on until the working is victorious. There cannot be any feeling except one of hatred between two classes until the revolution is accomplished and class rules abolished.

England is waging a financial war against France. The latter's little ally, Belgium, in the first instance, the Belgian franc is chasing the mark. In order to stop the marathon race France has opened a credit of between 400,000,000 and 500,000,000 francs to keep the Belgians from getting cold feet. The French franc is also getting wobbly. England knows how to fight, all right.

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TRADE UNION EDUCATIONAL LEAGUE CONVENTION TO BE HELD ON SEPT. 1 AND 2

Militant trade unionists from all parts of the country will meet in Chicago on Sept. 1 and 2 at the second national conference of the Trade Union Educational League. Several delegates from Canada are expected and the workers of Mexico are sending a fraternal delegate.

This conference will be the occasion for taking stock of the progress made by the League during the past year, which was a most eventful period in the history of the American trade union movement.

Since its first national conference, the League has experienced tremendous opposition from the capitalist government and the capitalist labor lieutenants in the trade union bureaucracy. League organizers have been mobbed by thugs at the behest of the labor fakery, and militants have been

RIVERVIEW PARK PRESS PICNIC ON SUNDAY, AUGUST 26th

Thousands Will Hear Mossaiye J. Olgin, Author and Orator, at the Labor Press Picnic

What promises to be the most successful outdoor affair ever held by the Workers' Party of Chicago will take place on Sunday, August 26th, in Riverview Park, when the Labor Press Picnic, in which the entire party organization is taking part, will give the workers of this vicinity a chance to get together for a real enjoyable holiday and to raise funds for the Workers' Party Press.

Tickets are selling fast. Every group is trying to sell as many as possible before the 26th. All the Workers' Party papers participating will benefit, as 25 cents of the price of every 25-cent ticket goes to the paper for which the ticket is sold. Our papers are worthy of support. Even those who are not members of the Workers' Party admit, that our press is the best in the country. Workers who do not generally attend other affairs staged by the Workers' Party are willing to help in any move to benefit our papers. Owing to this fact we will have a large attendance of trade unionists at the picnic who are not affiliated with any working-class political party.

Our readers are looking forward to the great event of the day, which will be the address of Comrade Olgin, author of "The Road of the Russian Revolution." As a writer and speaker he has few equals in the American working-class movement. Comrade Olgin's appearance alone would attract thousands and to hear him would be well worth the price of admission.

But we are going to make merry on August 26th. The thought of dispelling the wrinkles of care from the troubled brows of our printers will awaken deep emotion in the hearts of those of our comrades who know the pangs incidental to the task of keeping a labor paper out of the lank. It will be a day of communal mirth. Each will receive according to his needs (provided he pays for it) and let us hope that each will give according to his ability.

Let us again call your attention to the merits of Hungarian goulash. Students of Hysterical Materialism will tell you with a shy wink that the struggle between Austria and Hungary for centuries was caused as much by the desire of the former for potatoes as by the desire of the latter for pigs.

On Saturday, Sept. 1, the last picnic of the season will be held at Czerpanka's Grove, under the auspices of the Trade Union Educational League. As the General Conference of the T. U. L. C. will meet in Chicago on Sept. 1 and 2, many out-of-town members and friends of the organization will be here to attend, and all local militants should be on hand to welcome these good fighters for the workers' cause.

The principal speaker of the day will be Joseph Manley, National Sec-

With the dissolution of the Franco-British alliance and the continued chaos in Germany, the situation in Europe grows more menacing with each passing hour.

England, the ally of France while both with the assistance of other capitalist buzzards were plucking the German goose, is now plunging the poison dagger into the vitals of her recent friend but now her most dangerous enemy. It has always been England's policy to bring about the downfall of whatever nation in Europe that held military hegemony over the continent. France today occupies that position, and no matter what fine phrases England may spin about France's ruthless policy in the Ruhr, the colored gentleman in the woodpile is not French ruthlessness—England can show France cards and spades in that game—but French military domination of the continent will Belgian vassalage and possession of the mighty industrial machine of the Ruhr valley.

The war alliance is broken, and now Joan of Arc and all the other dead saints, who did service during the war, will be forgotten and new French devils painted black by England in order to put her rival in a bad light. This is the way capitalism plays the game. This is the way our masters make the "world safe for democracy." War and murder! There is no other exit from the situation created by the Versailles treaty.

Germany stands on the brink of ruin. Her currency is almost worthless. Starvation threatens the workers in her cities. But German capitalists are making millions while the masses are crying for a crust of bread. This is capitalism!

The Cuno ministry has a finger in the pie. The Socialists: Hilferding has the position of Finance Minister. By offering the yellow socialists bribes in the form of offices, the bourgeoisie hope to ward off the threatened revolution. But the Socialists of Germany will fall as the Mensheviks of Russia failed to block the coming of the Soviet Government of Germany.

The blood of German workmen is today flowing in the streets of German cities. The Fascists are preparing to establish their dictatorship. Under the personal direction of Mussolini agents of that pernicious organization are traveling over Europe making arrangements for action. It is now a race between the open dictatorship of the bourgeoisie and that of the workers.

The only solution for the present chaos in Europe is a Workers' and Peasants' Government, and the United States of Europe.

BROOKHART EXPLODES SOME LIES ABOUT RUSSIA

By JAY LOVESTONE.
Senator Brookhart has just returned from a trip from Soviet Russia. The Iowa senator is now an ardent advocate of immediate, unreserved recognition of Soviet Russia, and is out to explode all the lies being spread about the workers' and peasants' republic by Gompers, Hughes, Easley, and Walling, and their ilk.

Having reached Berlin on his tour of investigation of the co-operative movement in Europe the senator hit upon the idea of going to Russia. Here a correspondent of the Chicago Tribune painted such a horrible picture of Soviet Russia to Brookhart that he became very interested and arranged with the "Red" ambassador in Berlin for an immediate entry. The senator told his story of Russia before a highly interested audience of the Co-operative League Auditorium.

Conditions Greatly Improved.
"I saw Minsk, Moscow, Kiev. I saw the great number of peasants' houses under construction. All of them were superior to the old homes. The new buildings showed more advancement than was made in a thousand years under Czarist civilization. At first the peasants had welcomed the counter-revolutionary generals with bread and salt. But they had the landlords along with them. These landlords turned us out of our homes. The Soviets gave us our homes and educated us. Yudenich, Denikin and Kolchak murdered us, took away our grain and seed, and were responsible for the famines. This is what the Russian farmers told me."

Senator Brookhart went on to say that the peasants told him that they could not understand how such a good country like the United States could get along without Soviets. They were especially bitter against the

International Press Picnic Riverview Park Sunday, Aug. 26 Games Sports Dancing Speaker MOSSAIYE J. OLGIN Author of "The Soul of Russian Revolution"

HILLOUT'S TAMMANY HALL BEATEN BY THE REAL TAMMANY HALL

By JOHN PEPPER.

"The Albany conference was a complete failure" is the summary made...

What was the conference in Albany? Simply a continuation of the National Cleveland Conference...

Reason for the Grace of Reactionary Leaders...

What has been the entire policy of the Socialist Party during the last year? An alliance with the conservative and reactionary labor leaders...

thrown out without pay, by roughness, after a wild night. The Socialist Party demanded payment...

Tammany Hall vs. Tammany Hall. The petty Tammany Hall of Hillquit dominates the Socialist Party...

From Cleveland to Albany. What are the causes of the debacle of the entire Socialist Party tactic?

Way. We wish to analyze now the chief reasons for the defeat of the Socialist Party. First, the Socialist Party has allied itself with the reactionary labor leaders...

Combating the Reds

By M. A. SKROMNY.

The anti-labor forces of Illinois, under the leadership of the Illinois Manufacturers' Association, are planning a convention for the purpose of "curbing the wave of radicalism in the middle west"...

After the union-smashing open-shop campaign received a setback from the united forces of organized labor, aided by the wave of production and the shortage of labor...

The convention will be in Chicago July 23, at which the Federated Farmer-Labor Party was organized, brought together almost 600,000 wage workers and working farmers...

These are the major factors which forced the workers and farmers to united political action. It is a unity for defensive action, rather than offensive.

This is what the exploiters fear most. And the Reds are beating their hands. They will try to create a united front with the rich landowners who exploit the working farmers...

Second, the Socialist Party will now parade its own line of "democratic" idea. It will say that it was thrown out because it fought for independent political action of the working class.

West Virginia Farms Labor Party. The formation of a Farmer-Labor Party in West Virginia is a distinct step toward an independent political action.

MILLIONS OF DOLLARS WASTED ON PRESIDENTIAL VOTE MAKING TOUR

By JOEL SHOMAKER.

State Chairman, Farmer-Labor Party of Washington. fields, the machinery of government would not be in working order.

Five miles of big guns barked. Eleven fighting ships stood at attention. Thousands of sailors obeyed command. Hundreds of policemen guarded the routes sidewalks.

Fifty-five high-class automobiles carried a select crew of men and women in a forty-mile street parade through the neighborhoods of people lined the business paces...

Four hours of waiting on the walks became irksome. Babies cried and mothers wept. Children grew tired, impatient and restless.

Seattle had planned a ten-hour celebration with Harding and party as live wires. Someone blundered. The first half of the time was lost somewhere between a trip to Alaska...

President Warren G. Harding and family of political allies were returning from a trip to Alaska. The first of them to stop over in Vancouver and chat with the friendly Canadians was accepted.

Proclamation Through Bourgeois Quarters. The Seattle Chamber of Commerce assumed command of the reception for the premier visitor of the trip.

What about the striking machines—tokens of riches and marks of extravagant arrogance—that the names of their occupants should be shrouded in secrecy? In those palaces on wheels were the names of such as fruit growers, business heads, church dignitaries, judges, politicians...

Another Side to the Picture. While the plinths of politicians were in progress and the whistles were and extravagance turned his gambling devices at the county fair...

The farmers in some of the most productive sections of the West are at the point of inventory bankruptcy. They cannot pay their debts...

What did the five-hour visit of the chief executive and his court cost the workers of Seattle and the state of Washington? Hundreds of thousands of dollars.

Is there any hope for a change in existing conditions? No. Under the reign of capitalism. It matters not who holds public office...

Putting the Farmers Where They Belong. Many men and women who will do the voting at the next election, returned to the people and place of toil somewhat elated over seeing the man who holds the position of president...

Denial was daily and hourly drawing the life blood from the veins of farmers in the state of Washington and throughout the entire central growing West...

The man who will smile the hand that feeds him will also strike down the worker who furnished him light, heat and water—and kick him for falling. Yet that appears to be the program of capitalism.

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It was under a Democratic administration that the wheat growers lost billions of dollars through deflation and citizens were put in jail for expressing their opinions.

Hopelessness of Capitalism. Is there any hope for a change in existing conditions? No. Under the reign of capitalism. It matters not who holds public office...

Organization is the only possible solution of the problem of farmers' distress as independent men and women in the existing capitalist system.

The workman in cap and overalls. Who delves in mine to bring the world its coal. And guides the train through dangers to its goal.

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Kansas City, Mo., Workers Endorse New Party Federated Farmer-Labor Party Press Service.

At Kansas City, Mo., Sunday, August 5, a meeting was held composed of Farmer-Labor, trade union and other elements sympathetic to the idea of independent working-class political action.

Max Salzman's Tour a Great Success The national office of The Young Workers League of America, 2517 Fullerton Ave., Chicago, Ill., announced that the tour of its organizer, Max Salzman, is being extended into the month of September.

Society for Technical Aid for Russia to hold Entertainments The Society for Technical Aid for Soviet Russia announces through the Voice of Labor that it is arranging two entertainments, on the 20th of October and on the 27th of December of this year.

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Party Caucus



The Party Caucus had been fishing a week. At one of the nearby...

Frank at the lake, who these days has his troubles plenty, was...

Little Young Worker Says: get too excited about the result...

Intellectuals are not loved in Italy. The intellectuals do not...

Musta you can get a divorce cases. The extra dime must...

Wald Brown, the famous film scenario writer, is...

A wonderful work of his 'M' as explained to the London Herald...

Nation comments, 'Miss Bergs' guaranteed to be a famous...

In your contributions of the success.

They can easily spare them. There are so many red faces in Russia.

And now we join heartily in the of the nation for the health resident.

But we repeat—restfully and sincerely our president. Long live if he doesn't.

Each of the hat police without liquor, sense de-

GUGENWALD: Say... PIERPONT (silencing him): Sh... J. (Rose goes over to Van Dam...

The Last Revolution

A Comic Opera by Rudolf Libman. In Two Acts. Book and lyrics by Michael Gold and J. Ramrez. Music by Prof. Fr. Lieblich.

Time: The year 19... Place: The Morgantown Capitalist Colony, last capitalist outpost in the Soviet Republic of the World.

CAST OF CHARACTERS JOHN PIERPONT... FELIX DOOLITTLE... GEORGE SMITH... HENRY CABOT VAN DAM... JULIUS GUGENWALD... MRS. HAWKIN-PIERPONT... ERNESTINE PIERPONT... MRS. VAN DAM... JUDGE BUNK... SENATOR BUNK... BISHOP BUNK... GENERAL BUNK... BOSE COHEN... TOM PETERS... FRANK MILLS... OLAF NANSEN... MIKE CRIMPERS... LEMUEL CRIMPERS... MRS. CRIMPERS... GIUSEPPE TRENTINI...

(Continued from last week.) PIERPONT: Yes, you, that's true. (Flings them a little of the goods, which they catch up eagerly). That is about a tenth, I believe. The Bible says, give a tenth—or (turning to Bishop) is it a tenth—of your earnings to the poor.

PETERS (stepping forward): But this is not charity, Mr. Pierpont. CRIMPERS (almost at the same time): The laborer is worthy of his hire, sir.

PIERPONT (deliberately ignoring Peter): Mr. Crimpers, you amaze me. You are positively turning bolshevistic. CRIMPERS (shocked): Oh, no, no, no, that, sir! Don't say that. I was merely trying to show you that we were free and independent workmen...

CRIMPERS (pleading with fearful pathos): But sir, you have wounded me to the heart. I am an old man. I have kept the working class uplifted, contented, loyal and undefled. I have made enemies. I have been called many vile and odious names, such as labor faker, dodder, muckraker and lickspittle. But never before have I been called a bolshevistic. It is the worst blow of my career. Call me an aristocrat, a pessimist, a eucharist or a bigamist—but do not, do not, do not call me a bolshevistic. No, no! I've been many things, but not that. (Steps to the front of stage and sings):

I've been a sad if soulful sinning person. I've gazed upon the grime when it was red; Often I've beaten wives and cast my curse on An infant lying sleeping in its bed. I've smoked; I've sworn— 'Tis easy to abuse me— There's not a crime my miserable soul has missed. But the worst of all my crimes will swear that For his sinners I've never been a bolshevistic.

Hibernism and priapism and euphemism and aphorism. There are the only limes that for me have had a lure— Nepotism and helotism and aneurism and rheumatism— But, as to naughty bolshevism, I'm pure, pure, pure. I fall for almost any temptation. I'd beg or steal or murder, if it paid. And it is my delight and recreation To assault some weak old man or helpless maid. But yet the priests will grant me absolution. For I've never joined those traitorous curs who hiss And sought to undermine our Constitution; No, I've never, never been a bolshevistic.

Hibernism and priapism, etc. Folks say I haven't brought the least improvement To the workers, whom I fondly used to help; They say that I've disgraced the labor movement— In short, a pretty sorry sort of what! Accused I am of fraud, and I'm aware that They call me every black name on the list. But the worst of all my crimes will swear that I've never, never been a bolshevistic.

Hibernism and priapism and optimism and pessimism. These are the only limes that for me have had a lure— Sylligism and mysticism and aneurism and rheumatism— But as to naughty bolshevism, I'm pure, pure, pure. (He breaks down and cries.)

PIERPONT: You move me by the earnestness of your denial. I take back my accusation. SMITH (to Van Dam and Gugenwald): Where can Doolittle be all this time?

GUGENWALD: Det'waight. I'm gettin' all little mousie. (The group of workers led by Peter, Nansen, etc., have taken pamphlets from their pockets and are handing them out among the Dabbs.) NANSEN (as he passes out pamphlets): It certainly is wonderful what a old man with goggles can get away with!

DUBB (to Rose, who she hands him a pamphlet): Is it true that there ain't no overproduction in the outside world? ROSE: Say, don't make me laugh! I'll spoil my make-up. SECOND DUBB: But don't Miss Ernestine tell us overproduction is inevitable. God makes it!

PETERS (kicking Dubb on head with pamphlet): Here, Henry, take that. Maybe it'll put something into your head. (Ernestine has left her father's side and has walked over to Peter, whom she now engages in whispered conversation. She apparently interests him so much that even Smith's about a minute later falls to draw away his attention.)

SMITH: Where Doolittle is, God only knows! (Lashes toward center entrance.) We've been in suspense long enough. But's end it, I'm going to blow up the batteries! (This last is shouted dramatically—Just as he longs to go out, however, Mrs. Pierpont rushes in much agitated and stops him in the hallway.)

MRS. HAWKIN-PIERPONT (to Pierpont): There's a young man out there, John... a workman. He says his name is Trentini. He's not one of our workmen. He's well-fed. I think he must be from the Soviets. He wants to see you. (A profound hush falls on the assemblage. There is a drawing in of breaths.)

PIERPONT (deliberately, to Crimpers): Tell the gentleman to come! Mr. Crimpers. (Crimpers goes out. There is an awkward pause. Pierpont takes on his watch and looks at it. Gugenwald sighs heavily. Smith draws on his table. Dubb looks at one another.)

GUGENWALD: Say... PIERPONT (silencing him): Sh... J. (Rose goes over to Van Dam over to him; he nods his head—A step is heard and Giuseppe Trentini, a hat and unattractive working clothes. He is tall and sturdy. There is of the Dubb about him. He is an Italian—speaks in broken English directly up to the group of capitalists, he addresses Gugenwald.) (To be continued.)

CONVENTION AND RAFFLE OF COOK COUNTY E. L. P.

The Farmer-Labor Party of Cook County held its quarterly convention, on Sunday, August 11, in a room at 150 W. Washington Street. The chairman of this convention was Anton Johansen, general organizer for the Chicago Federation of Labor. The official reports were made by Gifford Ernest, secretary of Cook County E. L. P., and James Cahill acted as reading clerk.

The credentials committee and executive committee, as already appointed, and a resolutions committee of three, was appointed.

The minutes of last previous quarterly convention were read, and minutes of the June 10th conference of E. L. P.

Order of business was then suspended and privilege of the floor granted to Fraternal Delegate Levin, from the Socialist Party. This delegate delivered a "get-together" speech, which brought from the assembled delegates (about twenty number) a vote of thanks, and this action was ordered to be entered in minutes of convention. The socialist speaker also presented an invitation from his organization for the E. L. P. to send a speaker to address the Socialist Party's Debating meeting on next Monday evening. This invitation was accepted unanimously.

Motion also carried that chairman appoint a committee to attend the Socialist meeting on Monday evening.

A letter was then read, signed by Frank A. Lemon, chairman, requesting election of delegates to attend E. L. P. Fifth State Convention, to be held at Decatur, Ill., on Sept. 18 and 19th. Motion carried that this request be complied with by electing three delegates to represent Cook County organization, and that the outside wards be allowed another seek in which to elect their delegates.

The morning session closed with discussion of a resolution advocating abolition of capital punishment in the State of Illinois, which resolution was concurred with.

Afternoon session was mostly devoted to the airing of differences of opinion as to whether or not the chairman should appoint all delegates to the state convention—as was done last year. But the final decision stood, to allow the outside wards another work in which to elect their delegates.

The convention closed at 4:30 P. M. with the drawing of numbers for raffle of a "used" automobile, and the winning ticket was held by Delegate Louis P. Hill. It was explained that this automobile was guaranteed to "at least leave the garage under its own power."

Brookheart Explodes Lies About Soviet Russia

Continued from page 1. Count-revolutionists, and punctured every lie he had heard about the Bolshevik persecuting religion.

Describes Agricultural College. The senator especially looked into agricultural conditions. "I visited the agricultural college near Petrof, in charge of Professor William Gray, an American, who had been there for forty years. When the revolution came, most of the teachers in the school stood by the Soviet government. There were 5,000 students here, although the school is equipped for only 2,500. In the library there were to be found some of the latest scientific agricultural bulletins published in Iowa, Massachusetts and New York. The regular course is three years, but if a student fails, he is given a chance to complete his course in five years. There are eleven such colleges with from two to three thousand students in each.

"Now, let me contrast this picture for you with what I saw in some other countries. In Constantinople there is an agricultural college with 45 pupils; in Bucharest with 40; in Warsaw it is yet to be organized.

See Real Development of Russian People. "Here we see the real development of the real Russian common people. I went to see the grounds where there are agricultural exposition in to be held at Decatur, Ill., in August. There are set aside for it 155 acres of ground, better than any even in Iowa. It has 14 acres of foreign exhibitors. A wonderful contrast is to be seen in the exhibits of the old and new houses. The latter are remarkably clean. While the peasants wait around for the exposition they are given short courses in agriculture by the Soviet government, especially sent there for this purpose.

Speaks Highly of Soviet Law. "Kalinin, the farmer-president of the Soviet Republic, was out of town when I was in Moscow, so I could not see him. He has great ability and is very much talked-of. He is the head of the Soviet court. Near the seat of the court there are houses for several hundred peasants. It costs them 6 to 8 cents a day for staying there while they await their turn for hearing. Also, while they wait, they are given short courses in agriculture.

Brookhart cited three typical cases appearing in this Soviet court, and told of their disposal. The senator went on to say smilingly: "I have no reason to doubt that the cases were decided fairly and without prejudice, though they were not decided by lawyers."

Production Increased.

The Iowa senator also nailed the canards and lies spread by Gompers and his lickspittles about Russian industry. Speaking of his typical observations Brookhart told his much interested audience: "I saw four state textile factories. In one plant I found production better than before the revolution. The goods turned out in these factories are as good as I saw anywhere. These mills made 3,000,000 gold rubles in net profits after meeting depreciation, etc. These factories are getting 98 per cent production on a 44-hour work week, as compared with the sixty-hour working week before the revolution.

Powerful Co-operative Movement. Senator Brookhart had occasion to see the co-operative movement at work in England, France, Germany, Denmark, Norway, Poland and Soviet Russia. He was enthusiastic about the great progress and high degree of development reached by the Soviet co-operatives. The senator met the manager of the Central Co-operative and was tremendously impressed with the efficiency of the management and operation.

"Thirty per cent of all the business in Russia is now being conducted by rubles, their produce is worth six times that before the war. They expect to organize all the state industry within a few years with the approval of the Soviet Government. The Soviet Government has extensively helped the co-operatives, which are now flourishing to such an extent that they have over seven million active members."

Brookhart also said that he had talked matters over with Chicherin, Trotsky, and the Commissar of Agriculture. They told him that Russia is planning a thorough reorganization of industry along co-operative lines. According to Brookhart, Lenin in his last message outlined this plan as the new economic policy to be followed by the Soviet Government.

For Russian Recognition. In closing, the senator contrasted the order and steady improvement of conditions in Soviet Russia with those in some other European countries. Brookhart is strong for American recognition of Soviet Russia in the interest of our own farming masses as well as in the interest of the Russian farmers.

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Editorial Page of the Voice of Labor

An Invitation

It is not necessary to inform readers of the Voice of Labor that working-class papers are constantly in need of funds. The harder they fight for the workers' interests...

In order to provide the sinews of war to keep the Workers' Party papers in the field, the comrades in Chicago have arranged a picnic on August 26th in Riverview Park...

The Voice of Labor extends an invitation to its readers and friends to attend that picnic and again demonstrate their devotion to the cause which our papers represent.

The new President

Many gallons of good ink have been squandered in the capitalist press since—according to the press—God thought the United States could get along without Warren G. Harding and took him to whatever place good and obedient servants of capitalism are taken.

Now that Harding has passed to oblivion, another servant of capitalism is using up thousands of tons of white paper and the intellectual energies of the journalistic hacks...

Calvin Coolidge is praised by them. What for? He has never contributed to science or art. He is not even good to look at. Physically he has the appearance of a man just after taking a dose of some very unpleasant medicine.

His press agents try hard to make him resemble Mussolini as closely as possible. He had, however, is not as THICK as his Castle-Old Excellency. It may be just as empty, though. That he admires Mussolini is admitted.

Calvin Coolidge may be a more willing tool of the capitalists than the late president, but it is safe to say that those elected to fill political office under the capitalist system on either the Republican or Democratic ticket generally do their masters' bidding regardless of their personality.

The only thing for the workers and farmers to do, who have suffered under Harding the Republican and under Wilson the Democrat and will continue to suffer under Coolidge, is to organize their own political power.

The Labor Footmats

No sooner had Calvin Coolidge arrived in Washington to take up his presidential duties than Samuel Gompers, Chief Toady of the American Federation of Labor, gathered his other crumb-catchers together and held a conference.

Nowadays, Gompers continued, the medium of exchange is more convenient, and lickspittles only figuratively allow their masters to step on the connecting link between the head and the stomach.

Another one of Them

The only benefit the Selective Service Act rendered the people of this country, so far as we know, was to establish the fact beyond question that mental defectives and intellectual bankrupts are as plentiful in the United States as fleas on a dog.

The most widely known of these new orders is the Ku Klux Klan. But there are others. The latest to appear in the arena to round up any stray moron who has happened to escape the clutches of the Ku Klux Klan is "The Loyal Republic of the Invisible Knights of the Regulators" and its Supreme Grand Corral is in Philippi, West Virginia.

This is probably where they put the cattle through the degrees. Note the word "corral." It is very appropriate.

These fellows have "principles." Put on your gas mask while you read them. Here goes:

The Things for Which We Stand.

Unadulterated Americanism, White Supremacy, Pure Womanhood, Separation of Church and State, Close Relationship Between Capital and Labor, Limitation of Foreign Emigration, Good Roads, Wild Game, Prevent Forest Fire, Promote Law and Order Among All Classes, Support Schools, Churches, Hospitals and Charitable Institutions.

This outfit has taken a leaf out of the Ku Klux book and ladies out mystery by the barrel. This is the way to get the dumbbell they figure. The pity of it is that thousands of workers are falling for this hocus pocus and, while in the beginning the organization may be started by some gentle grafters out for boodles, it will surely be used later on against the workers, as the Ku Klux Klan is now being used so intensively.

These illiterates circulated their prospectus in Clarkburg, West Virginia, during the recent Farmer-Labor convention. It is not unlikely that Sam Gompers' henchmen are rank and file members of this society.

If you want to protect womanhood, get a closer relationship between capital and labor (if it is too turned close now for the latter's good) and be a 100 per cent. Jackson, write to W. Henry Griffith, National Director of Furthrance Department, Philippi, West Virginia.

The very fact that such tribes as these can flourish here, is an indication of the magnitude of the work that is ahead of the revolutionary movement. We must clear the cobwebs from the minds of the workers and enable them to see the folly of "goat-riding" orders.

The American Legion and Trade Unionism

Colonel Alvin Owsley, the loud-mouthed red-baiter, who heads the American Legion, is invited to speak at the next convention of the American Federation of Labor. Sir Benito Mussolini, head of the Italian Fascisti, is an invited guest to the next convention of the American Legion.

But some day the workers will speak, and the labor fakery will no longer "fake" in the name of labor.

A Bona Fide Labor Leader

It is rumored that Mr. Michael Boyle, head of the local electrical workers, has amassed a fortune estimated at half a million dollars. At present he is having a good time jollyng the state law enforcing authorities who pretend they want him in order to give him the benefit of prison diet for six months.

Mr. Boyle is a labor leader. Gossip has it that an umbrella played a conspicuous part in putting ciphers on his bankbook. Hence the prefix "Umbrella" to the honorable name, Michael Boyle.

If reports are worthy of credence, Mr. Boyle, when seized with a particularly violent spasm of thrift, would call a strike and repair to a certain bar room, place one foot knowingly on the bar rail, holding the handle of an open umbrella in his hand while the other end of the rain protector rested on the floor.

Mike is reputed to be a good waiter, and legend has it that sooner or later Santa Claus, masquerading as a contractor, would enter the liquor emporium and drop a bundle of bills of large denomination into Michael's umbrella.

The strike was then called off and Mike went to his bank and the banker held him up as a model of thrift—a worthy object of emulation by a spendthrift community.

OUR BRANCHES AND THE FEDERATED FARMER-LABOR PARTY

By ARNE SWABECK District Organizer, Workers' Party.

The strong opposition offered to the Federated Farmer-Labor Party, not only by the capitalist papers but by most of the trade union officialdom as well, is perhaps the best proof of the genuine rank and file character of this new mass party.

Those who are opposed to unity are definitely against the best interests of the workers and farmers and must be fought accordingly. We have started to build the united front, from the bottom up.

Although the trade union officialdom may succeed, for some time to come, by means of the antiquated union constitutions and other methods, in several instances to keep the workers divided, nevertheless the greatest significance of the formation of the Federated Farmer-Labor Party lies perhaps in the fact of the strong impetus it has given to the struggle for unity.

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The convention, which resulted in the foundation being laid for the Federated Farmer-Labor Party, brought the American labor movement to the point where the lines became finally drawn between the progressive and reactionary forces.

The greatest responsibility in the struggle for the united front rests upon our shoulders. As the politically organized unit within such a mass movement, ours is the power of initiative.

The future actions of this party, and the part it will play in the struggles of the American workers, will largely depend upon the clarity and general understanding of the methods and tactics to be pursued by our membership.

In ordinary election campaigns, as well as in political struggles of greater magnitude, it becomes our duty to give the correct interpretation to the class struggle, and thus give definite direction to the movement.

Thus we see a natural development by which the communists seize the leadership in the struggle for power to the workers. Let us now prove that we are equal to this task.

By HARRISON GEORGE.

"Secrecy, force and violence" are the red herrings all who oppose the Communists drag across the trail of a working class spurred on to find a way out of the endless quagmires of misery under the capitalist rule.

Perhaps the greatest users of illegal force and violence upon the people are the authorities of the law of city, state and federated government, with the private armies of corporations running along with the KKK outside the government jurisdiction.

Since the case of Ruthenberg was ended with a conviction largely because of the argument that the Communists were connected with Russian revolutionists who, in Russia, used force to overthrow capitalism, why is it that the American Legion, which has invited Mussolini, the dictator by force and violence of all Italy, to visit their San Francisco convention as a fraternal delegate—why is it that the Legion officers are not at once arrested and put on trial for "criminal syndicalism" by such connection with "those who advocate force and violence"? Besides, the Legion has, though the fact is little known, a "secret service" department.

There's "secrecy, force and violence" for you. Officers, do your duty!

Gompers Blesses the Farmer-Labor Party

The New Majority, in its issue of August 11, informs us that Samuel Gompers has written an article in The Federationist, official organ of the American Federation of Labor, denouncing the Communists and saying kind words for the Farmer-Labor Party.

The Socialist Party has lost control of the New York City. The paper will be turned over to a new corporation composed of labor unions. The Socialists will now have to do some boring from within to win control of the new corporation.

Dinner Pail Epics

Some years ago now, when I think that our big army was shrunk, until the officers were able to grab recruits right by the...

Some medal-weighted army shank men which has reached the danger mark. (Perhaps by "dancer mark" he means that he will lose his job and beans. I never knew an army guy who didn't give a payroll sign and suffer in his disposition whenever he felt that his commission was like to vanish overnight because of too much...

It seems enlistments are sending and officers is surely bending their energies to get the men to wear the uniform again. But men, it seems, ain't going back to the trenches and a pack, and military men is thinking how awfully our army is shrinking. They say it's even smaller sized than a weak congress comprised in giving us for our defense, in spite of military...

And so they call on the reserves to help pad out old Mars' reserves, by dragging in the raw recruits to now push some army suits.

Well, workers, really needn't bother about this military potter. When armies ain't shipped over sea, preserving our democracy, they's mostly kept at home as pickers, to shoot down unarmed, peaceful strikers.

I shan't throw fits of deep despair, because our army's growing less. It shall not wring from me a tear, if the damned thing would disappear.

Coolidge promises to carry out the policies anti-labor legislation. World Court, atlas League of Nations, and imprisonment of workers for holding political views in opposition to those of the ruling dictatorship. In small matters, however, matters concerning patronage—Coolidge is already getting into trouble. The late President's secretary, Mr. Christian, is reported to have resigned abruptly, while the final touches were being given the Harding burial ceremony. It seems a friend of Harding's, one Ora Baldwin, was chief of the White House police. He was removed before the ex-president was laid to rest and a New Englander appointed in his place. Politicians believe that little things like that sometimes make an important rift in the "road." Capitalist politics centers around best anyway.