

"U.S. Bosses for Imperialist Gains at Expense of Irish Masses," Foster

The Workers of U. S. Must Support Battle of Irish Masses for Better Wages, Relief and National Liberation

Labor Party of Great Britain, Colleagues of Norman Thomas, Betray Irish National Liberation Struggle

PRINTERS CALL FOR REFERENDUM

Reject Plea of Howard and Cassidy for Cut

Over 3,000 members of local 'Big Six' Typographical Union heard a report of the negotiations of the leaders with the bosses on the book and job wage scale. Mr. Howard, president of the International Union, presented the proposal of the employers for a 17 per cent wage cut, a modification of the priority rule, and concession to the foremen on hiring and firing. The bosses' proposals also contained a scheme to put all men to work at a rate 65 per cent below the scale.

Mr. Hewson, local president, tried to pose as being against these proposals. This was a political trick to get the support of the members and to put the entire blame on Howard and his committee. This was shown when in the discussion Hewson gave the floor to everyone favoring the sell-out, but refused to recognize the militants, members of the Amalgamation Party, who were opposed to the sell-out.

In spite of these maneuvers, rank and file members showed definite opposition to all proposals, and voted that all proposals go to a referendum, which will take place Wednesday.

Socialist Backs Pay Cuts

Ed Cassidy, Socialist candidate for Congress, made a characteristic speech in favor of the employers, shedding copious tears at their plight. He attacked the militants, and urged members to accept the wage cut and submit to all proposals made by the employers.

The Amalgamation Party has issued a call for united action against the maneuvers of Howard and Hewson and Cassidy to cut wages and destroy union shop conditions, and has urged members to vote against the proposals brought in by Howard, and to insist through militant action on a shorter working day without a wage reduction.

I.L.G.W.U. Machine Backs Bluestein

NEW YORK.—At a meeting of Local 22 of the I.L.G.W.U. held last Wednesday in Bryant Hall, the question whether or not Bluestein, the manager of the local, should remain in office, was taken up.

Many honest dressmakers were not permitted to enter the meeting hall, because they were known to be fighters for the rights of the workers, left wingers. However, many of the local henchmen were allowed to enter without even showing union books. In this way the bureaucrats were able to railroad thru a vote for Bluestein to remain in office, by a majority of 26, out of 400 present.

LEADER, GREETED NEEDLE TRADES UNION

How Socialists Aid Wage Cut Drive

placed the program of the Communist Party, the revolutionary way out of the crisis. He said:

"In the United States it is much more simple than it was in the Soviet Union. There the workers had to seize power first, and afterwards create the technical basis for socialism," whereas here, the industries are already developed. All that is lacking is Soviet Power." He said:

Road to Power

"The road to such a revolutionary government, lies along the road of militant class struggle for the daily needs of the workers. It lies in building powerful fighting trade unions, which will prevent the capitalist wage cuts, speed-up, and lengthening of hours in the factories. It lies in the building of a powerful movement of employed and unemployed workers, united in unemployment councils, to fight for and win adequate unemployment relief and insurance. It lies through supporting the war veterans in their struggle for back-pay, for the bonus. It lies through allying with the bankrupt farmers, in the fight for possession of their farms, against mortgage and tax foreclosures, and for national government relief.

"It lies through the close unity of the foreign-born and the native-born workers, and especially of the Negro with the white workers, in the struggle for full equality, and for self-determination of the Black Belt. It lies in the struggle against the

I.L.D. Lawyers Expose Scottsboro Frame-Up



Left to right are W. Chamlee, of Chattanooga, Tenn., and Joseph Brodsky and Allan Taub of New York, who appeared on October 10 before the U. S. Supreme Court to present the argument for new trials for the nine innocent Negro children railroaded to death sentences in Scottsboro, Alabama, by the bosses. The International Labor Defense calls for increased protest demonstrations to free the children.

SUPREME COURT HAS LONG ANTI-LABOR, ANTI-NEGRO RECORD

Workers Must Have No Illusions in "Fairness" of Boss Court But Must Vigorously Push Mass Fight for Scottsboro Boys

Court Has Killed All Legislation Aimed at Limiting Child Labor, Pronounced "Illegal"

The United States Supreme Court has yet to render its decision on the Scottsboro appeal argued last Monday by the attorneys for the International Labor Defense.

The enemies of the Scottsboro boys, of the Negro people and of the entire working-class are busily spreading illusions within the working class as to the "impartial" character of the U. S. Supreme Court, which they attempt to depict as above the bitter struggles now raging between the exploited masses and the capitalist oppressors.

By spreading such illusions, our enemies seek to disarm the vigilance of the millions of white and Negro workers whose angry protests against the Scottsboro lynch verdicts, against the bitter national oppression of the Negro people, have thundered from one end of the world to the other.

Record of Supreme Court.

It is therefore imperative to examine the record of the U. S. Supreme Court. That record, from the inception of the court to the present day, is a record of vicious attacks on the rights of the toiling masses, and especially on the rights of the Negro masses.

In 1856, the U. S. Supreme Court upheld the brutal institution of chattel slavery by its infamous Dred Scott decision.

By persistent support of the Southern landowners in its "interpretations" of the 14th Amendment, the Supreme Court has practically nullified that amendment and delivered the Negro masses of the "Black Belt" of the South into a new brutal slavery.

A few months ago, when it was forced to decide against the crudely

formulated Texas law disfranchising Negroes, the Supreme Court carefully pointed out to the Texas bosses the loopholes in the law it decided against and openly showed how such a law could be put over "legally". The advice was immediately carried out by the Texas ruling class.

Guardian of Wall Street.

The U. S. Supreme Court has been the guardian of Wall Street against all legislation forced through the state legislatures under pressure of public indignation and aimed at limiting child labor, taxing wealth and giving some small measure of protection to labor. It pronounced as unconstitutional the 1906 Act by congress limiting child exploitation. It again overruled similar legislation passed by Congress in 1919 under pressure of mass indignation. For 18 years it opposed the income tax act, because it made a small levy on wealth, while at the same time opposing all efforts to limit the huge profits of the utilities and other corporations. It scraped the Oregon minimum wage law of 1914, as well as similar laws passed later in Massachusetts, Minnesota, Arkansas and Washington, and in the District of Columbia. The capitalist legislators of those states could well afford to indulge in sham gestures of "protecting" the interests of the working class, confident in the knowledge that such legislature would never get by the U. S. Supreme Court.

The Supreme Court also declared illegal an Arizona law forbidding the use of injunctions against workers on strike for better conditions. It threw out a New Jersey law controlling the fees of employment agencies. The same court refused to intervene to stop the legal murder of Sacco and Vanzetti by the Massachusetts bosses and their state machinery.

Beginning tomorrow, the Daily Worker will deal with the personal records and social background of the nine old men who at present compose the United States Supreme Court,—a court notorious for its anti-working-class, anti-Negro record as shown by the above brief excerpts from that record. The conclusion for every worker must be that only through intensifying the mass protest can the Scottsboro boys win their freedom.

TOM MANN HAS BEEN DEPORTED

North Ireland Rulers Place Him On Ship

BELFAST, Northern Ireland, Oct. 16.—Tom Mann, veteran leader of the British workers, ever since the "New Union" movement last century, organizer of the dock workers, leader of the British Minority movement, similar to the Trade Union Unity League in America, active Communist, was deported by ship from Belfast Friday. Tom Mann acted as honorary pall bearer in the gigantic mass funeral for Baxter, shot by Belfast police during the relief demonstration by 10,000 jobless and workers last week.

DEMAND TROOPS BE WITHDRAWN

Protest Murder of Jobless Fighters

William Z. Foster, presidential candidate of the Communist Party, under doctor's care with a severe attack of angina pectoris, has issued the following statement to the press in connection with the determined struggle of the

Belfast workers against starvation wages and unemployment relief and their heroic battles with the armed forces of British imperialism mobilized to crush their resistance.



"The advent of W. Z. FOSTER thousands of unemployed and employed workers in the North of Ireland into sharp class battles with the employers, the Ulster police and British troops is one of the most important developments of the crisis and the rise of the class struggle throughout the world. In America only the Communist Party organizes support for the revolutionary struggles of the Irish masses."

"The unbearable conditions of the workers and peasants in both the North and South afford the sharpest contrast between the constantly improving conditions and the rising social and cultural level of the oppressed nationalities freed by the Russian revolution and now advancing side by side with the Russian working-class to Socialist society."

"Mass unemployment in Ireland is in sharp contrast with the abolition of unemployment in the Soviet Union."

"The millions of workers of Irish birth and descent in the United States must be organized for support of the battle of the Irish masses for better wages and working conditions and for national liberation."

"The Wall Street rulers of America are no friends of the Irish workers and peasants. They try to use the heroic struggles of the Irish workers and peasants to further their own imperialist interests at the expense of the Irish masses, the British working class and American workers. The Labor Party of Great Britain and its leaders like Henderson, the colleagues of Norman Thomas, are the bitterest foes of Irish liberation as they are of liberation of the masses in India."

"The mobilization of Irish American workers for support of the liberation struggle in Ireland will be carried out successfully only if it is part of the fight against the entire program of hunger, war of American imperialism. The attempts now being made by American capitalism and its agents in the ranks of the working-class to make the issue of Irish liberation one of support for its sharpening conflicts with Great Britain and for attacks on the Soviet Union, its special appeals through its hangers-on of the professional Irishman type attached to the capitalist parties are designed to rally Irish American workers to its reactionary program, must be exposed on a wide scale."

"Ireland has been divided in two parts both of which are held in subjection. Britain maintains garrisons and naval bases in Ireland, as Lloyd George has stated plainly, to further its conquest and imperialist war aims. The struggle of the Irish masses for liberation is consequently of the utmost importance for the American working-class and the world's working class in bringing into the clear light of the day the war purposes of imperialism in connection with the mass struggle against imperialist war."

"The solidarity of all American workers with the Irish workers and peasants is a vital necessity. I urge the immediate calling of representative mass conferences, the holding mass meetings to demand the withdrawal of all British troops from Ireland, the organization of financial support for the Irish Workers Revolutionary Groups and their paper, 'The Workers Voice' In the most energetic manner we must proceed to the organization of mass support for complete independence of the British empire, Ireland, under a workers and farmers government and the unification of the country under a government."

Expose U. S. Capitalism

"In the course of organizing this movement we must expose the betrayal of the revolutionary liberation struggle of the Irish workers and peasants by agents of Irish and American capitalism and drive them out of the ranks of the workers who revere and carry on the fighting traditions of James Connolly, now borne forward by the Irish Workers Revolutionary Groups and the heroic class battles in which they take a leading part."