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In the Day's News

AGRIAN REVOLT SPREADS. MEXICO CITY, Dec. 12.—Reinforcements are being rushed by the war department in the attempt by the government to check the growing revolt of impoverished agrarians in Vera Cruz.

Government officials are formulating plans to disarm agrarian groups which were organized as part of the governments war plans, but have now turned their weapons against their exploiters.

SNOW STORM HITS POOR. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Two aged men were reported dead as a result of the snow fall yesterday which drove homeless men from park benches to seek shelter in overcrowded lodging houses beyond its normal capacity. Shelter was obtained by only a portion of the city's homeless. Only 7,700 of the expected 15,000 jobs were employed to clean the snow from the streets.

STRIKE GRIPS 200 TOWNS. JABEN, Spain, Dec. 12.—Civil guards fired on a group of strikers, in the town of Solera, killing one and wounding two others.

In the town of Salamanca 50 strikers were sent to prison following their arrest as a result of a strike movement which the officials admit has gripped 200 towns in this province.

MUSSOLINI REMOVES TURATI. ROME, Dec. 12.—Dissention in fascist ranks resulted in the removal of Augusto Turati from membership of the Grand Council by order of Premier Mussolini. Turati was secretary of the fascist party for five years, but became quarrelsome with Mussolini since the development of serious difficulties for fascism in Italy.

FIRE TRAPS MOTHER AND BABY. LANGHORNE, Pa., Dec. 12.—After carrying two of her sons to safety Mrs. Mary Hennessy, forty, was burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home on the Lincoln Highway. She was trapped when making a third trip to save her 3-year old baby. Firemen later found the charred bodies of the child and the heroic mother.

EXPOSED IN \$1,000,000 THEFT BANKER KILLS SELF. NEW YORK, Dec. 12.—Walter Clyde Davis, Colorado banker and president of the City Savings Building and Loan Association, of Colorado Springs, hanged himself in the cell at police headquarters today, where he was held while the police of his home town, Colorado Springs were on their way to take him back to face charges of stealing \$1,000,000.

Free State Rail Men Duped by Gov't Into Voting Down Strike. According to capitalist press dispatches, the Irish Free State government, in collaboration with the misleaders of the National Union of Railwaymen, has succeeded in splitting the strike movement against the 10 per cent wage cut authorized by the Railway Wage Board. On the government's assurance that the present wage scale would be maintained, the vote to strike was defeated by a narrow majority.

No news has been received concerning the situation in Northern Ireland where the workers have voted to strike against the cut. Congress Will Take Up Inflation and the Philippine Bills. WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The "lame duck" congress began its second week with the expectation of having before it the Hawes-Cutting bill which deals with the fake independence scheme for the Philippine Islands and the banking bills presented by Senator Carter Glass, which provides for inflationary proposals.

Carry Out Deception. The Philippine bill is likely to be amended numerous times, but all amendments carry the provision that independence be not granted now, but postponed until the people of the islands are capable of "self-government." But even at the expiration of that time provision is made for American imperialism to maintain a military dictatorship over the islands in pursuit of its policy of domination of the Pacific.

Roosevelt Maneuver. It is also expected that Hoover will be able to carry out his proposals in his message to congress last week because of opposition from majorities in the House and possibly in the Senate. This is part of the game of deceiving the masses into expectantly waiting for the inauguration of Roosevelt—part of the capitalist drive to divert the workers, farmers, and veterans from mass struggle against the hunger program of the government.

RAILWAY UNION OFFICIALS PREPARE SURRENDER ON EVE OF CHICAGO MEETING

Conference Will "Consider Extension of the Temporary Wage Reduction"

Brotherhoods' Unity Committee Issues Call to Action for Defeat of Wage Cut

CHICAGO, Dec. 12.—The conference of 1,500 general chairmen of the railway unions—Brotherhoods and American Federation of Labor—the national officials of these unions and the Railway Labor Executive Committee headed by A. F. Whitney, with the railway manager's committee headed by W. F. Thierhoff of the Chicago, Burlington and Quincy, opened here today in the Palmer house ballroom.

Better Food Supply for USSR Toilers

By N. BUCHWALD (European Correspondent Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Dec. 12. (By Cable)—In emulation of the example of the Tartar autonomous Socialist Soviet Republic and the Moscow Region, which have fulfilled the annual quota of grain collections, other sections of the U. S. S. R. are working feverishly to complete collections. A government decree authorizes the collective farms and individual peasants of the Moscow Region and the Tartar Socialist Soviet Republic to sell their surplus grain at market prices. It assures the same privilege to other sections upon completion of their quotas.

Reorganize Food Distribution. The workers of all sections of the U. S. S. R. have greeted enthusiastically the latest government regulation aiming at the reorganization of the system of food and goods distribution. The new decision, based on the recent decree concerning the right of factory managements to dismiss willful absentees, specifies the method to transfer the factory cooperative stores under the jurisdiction of the factory management. While the decree about absentees affects all industry, the new regulation applies only to major industrial establishments. Only those workers

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HERNDON DEATH TRIAL UP TODAY

Workers Must Defeat Georgia Boss Terror

ATLANTA, Ga., Dec. 12.—The trial of Angelo Herndon, young Negro organizer, is set for tomorrow. The chain-gang state of Georgia is demanding his life for the "crime" of successfully organizing Negro and white workers together for joint struggle against their common poverty and exploitation. The case is woven out of the same fabric as the Scottsboro frame-up—the monstrous national oppression and special persecution of the Negro people.

Refuse Habeas Corpus writ. The court has refused the request of John H. Geer and Benjamin Davis, Jr., Negro attorneys retained by the International Labor Defense, for a writ of habeas corpus. In their request for the writ, the I. L. D. attorneys maintained that the exclusion of Negroes from the Grand Jury invalidated the indictment against Herndon.

At tomorrow's trial, the I. L. D. attorneys will again raise this fundamental issue. They will also offer a motion to squash the entire petit jury panel on the grounds that Negroes have been excluded from it. This is the first time that exclusion of Negroes from juries is being made an issue in Georgia.

Read New Story on Page 4 Soon!

Beginning Thursday, December 15, an unusual story by Fred R. Miller will be serialized on page 4 of the "Daily." The name of it is "What Was That Song," and it deals with the experiences of an unemployed worker about to be evicted from his miserable, unheated tenement home. Don't fail to get your copy of the Daily on the days when this story appears. Order your copy at your newsstand! Get special bundle to sell on your block! Subscribe today!

Wall St. Agent



Norman Davis, diplomat-at-large in Europe for the Wall Street Hunger and War Government. Photo snapped in Paris after Davis told French imperialists what the U. S. bankers demand. Prompt debt payments, disarming of U. S. rivals, etc. (F. P. Pictures)

FIGHT ON WAR DEBTS FIERCER

Fiske Admits Powers Are 'Rival Gangsters'

PARIS, Dec. 12.—In an address to the French Chamber of Deputies today, Premier Herriot assailed Hoover's moratorium as "responsible for all Europe's debt problems." A terrific uproar and cries of "don't pay a cent" greeted his proposal to pay the December 15 instalment with reservations similar to those proposed by the British Government. He charged that "an intolerable anti-French campaign" was being carried on in the U. S. "by a cynical press and odious men." The British are reported preparing a fourth note to the U. S. on a "take it or leave it" basis.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—Flat rejection by the Washington Government of a British proposal for conditional payment of the December 15 instalment on the war debts resulted in a terrific sharpening of the war debt struggle today.

The British proposal was delivered to Secretary of State Stimson yesterday afternoon in a new note which called Hoover's bluff for some future "consideration" of the debts question. The British offered to make the Dec. 15 payment on condition that it would apply to the "future settlement." The U. S. answered the British note on the same day flatly rejecting the condition, which does not meet the demands of Wall Street for special trade concessions and colonies in exchange for debt relief.

"Rival Gangsters" In a speech over the radio last night, Rear Admiral Bradley A. Fiske called for more intensive war preparations and deplored the fact that the U. S. Navy was not now powerful enough to enforce collection of war debts against the united front of Britain, France and five smaller European states, including Belgium and Poland. He admitted that the debts were uncollectable, and further admitted the bandit character of the imperialist powers, declaring:

"The resemblance between rival nations and rival gangsters is so close as to be indistinguishable." British Challenge to U. S. Similarly sharp statements from European imperialists emphasize the fierceness of the struggle over the war debts. J. M. Keynes, British economist, declared that the collection by the U. S. of interest on the debts was "pure usury." He also challenged the ability of the U. S. to enforce payment. The interests of the workers' both in the U. S. and Europe demand the all around cancellation of these war debts which are sweated out of the toilers.

LIES ABOUT BENJAMIN SPEECH SENT ABROAD

Communist Party Answers Query As to Accuracy; Brands Falsehood

NEW YORK.—The Central Office of the Communist Party of the United States of America has issued the following statement to the press: "During the presence of the Hunger Marchers in Washington, certain newspapers in the United States published a whole series of false reports designed to provoke violent repression of the Hunger Marchers. Chief among these provocations was what purported to be a report of a speech by Herbert Benjamin, National Secretary of the Unemployed Councils at that time. In this report, Benjamin was made to appear as appealing for bloodshed and riot. The truth is that Benjamin never at any time, and especially not in Washington, made any such speech as ascribed to him by these especially unscrupulous newspapers. The Unemployed Council in New York City at a mass meeting held in Cooper Union publicly denounced these fabrications and sent a large committee to the newspaper publishing them, to demand its retraction, but the committee was not

received. The Daily Worker exposed the falsity of these reports. This did not, however, prevent the report from being given international circulation. The British Reuter Agency cabled it to London, where it was published in the Times of Dec. 5. "The London Times story came to the attention of the Executive Committee of the Communist International, which promptly sent the following wire to the Communist Party of the U.S.A.: "London Times, Dec. 5, publishes dispatch Reuter Agency with following statement by Benjamin: 'We will storm the halls of Congress, declared Herbert Benjamin, the leader of the marchers, who greeted every reference to Uncle Sam with hoots and jeers. On Monday we will break into the Capitol by brute force, and they will either listen to our demands or we will run riot on the streets. We are well prepared for a siege and the police can't put us out. If

DEMAND BONUS TOMORROW; ASK MASS SUPPORT

Delegation of Vet Marchers to See Congress

OPEN HEARING TONIGHT

Meet Thursday to Plan Further Action

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—The Veterans' National Rank and File Committee issued today from its headquarters at 905 "I" St., N. W., an appeal to ex-servicemen throughout the country to support the delegation of bonus marchers which will petition Congress on Wednesday by demonstrations throughout the country. The Committee also appealed to all veterans and sympathetic organizations to send telegrams to Vice-President Curtis and Speaker Garner, demanding that the delegation be given a hearing.

Veterans' Demands The following demands will be presented by the bonus marchers' delegation Wednesday:

- 1. That Congress authorize the immediate payment of the balance due on the adjusted service certificate (bonus).
2. That all interest charges on certificates cease.
3. That all interest charges on loans already made be added to the balance due.
4. That funds be raised by a surtax on industries, by an inheritance tax, by turning over all war funds and through Reconstruction Finance Corporation funds.
5. Not a cent off the disability allowances.
6. Negro war veterans to be admitted to all hospitals.
7. Jim-Crowding of Negro veterans to cease.
8. Veterans to have the right to choose their own doctors, with expenses to be paid by the government.
9. The housing and feeding of unemployed unmarriageable veterans, as well as other unmarriageable unemployed, without police supervision at local and federal government expense.
10. Unemployment and social insurance for all unemployed at the expense of the government and the employers.

Tomorrow (Tuesday) the real situation among the veterans of this country will be revealed at an open hearing in Typographical Union Hall, 423 "G" St., N. W. Rank and File bonus marchers from various parts of the country will testify. General Hines, administrator of veterans' affairs, and other enemies of the vets have also been invited to appear and defend the bankers' program.

The bonus marchers now here, whose numbers are being constantly increased by new arrivals, are also planning to pay a fitting tribute to the memory of Hushka and Carlson, the veterans who were killed in the murderous assault by police and troops on the camp of the first bonus marchers last July 28. The memorial will be held Thursday in Arlington Cemetery, where the two martyred vets are buried.

British March Leader Sentenced to 2 Years

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Sid Elias, who took over the organization work of the British hunger march when Wai Hannington, leader of the National Unemployed Workers Movement was arrested, and who in turn was arrested by the British MacDonald Government, was today sentenced in Old Bailey Court to two years in prison.

"Sign Right Here"



That is what Soviet Ambassador Dvoglevsky (left) told Premier Herriot of France (right) when France signed the Soviet non-aggression treaty. Despite the pact the French imperialists are continuing their war provocations.

U. S. BOSSES HIT JAPAN ARM MOVE

Imperialists Sharpen Danger of War

Capitalist reports quote "Pravda," Moscow newspaper, as declaring that Japanese "naval disarmament" proposals were aimed principally to weaken its U. S. rival in the Pacific. The Soviet paper declares the proposed elimination of aircraft carriers is intended to protect Japan against U. S. air forces.

WASHINGTON, Dec. 12.—U. S. imperialism moved nearer today to war with Japan over supremacy in the Pacific and control over China, as leading Washington officials joined in indignant denunciation of Japan's proposals for a new naval ratio of 10-10-8.7 for the three leading naval powers, Britain, U. S. and Japan in the order named.

U. S. Bosses Oppose Japan Move. Naval officials and Republican and Democratic leaders made it quite clear that U. S. imperialism will resort to every and any weapon at its disposal to block the Japanese demands. Representative Britten, of Illinois, ranking Republican on the House Naval Committee, attacked the Japanese plan as "preposterous." He declared there "isn't the slightest possibility" of the Washington Government permitting Japan to increase her naval forces over the present ratio of 6-5-3.

U. S. War Maneuver. During the day the significant news was received from San Pedro California, that the entire U. S. Battle Fleet had been ordered to put to sea for a three day joint maneuver with the fleet's air force. The U. S. Fleet has been concentrated in Pacific waters since last January, following the increased tension between U. S. and Japanese imperialisms over the division of the loot in China.

Britain Wants Loot Share. The Japanese proposals are also meeting sharp resistance in British imperialist circles who see in them an attempt by Japan to hog the loot in the Pacific area. The British also resent the Japanese efforts to gain support from French and Italian imperialists by offering tonnage concessions to France and Italy which the British claim would "upset the proportion of relative strength which Great Britain demands for herself with reference to the Mediterranean powers."

Litvinoff Announces USSR-China Renew Diplomatic Relations

GENEVA, Dec. 12.—It was reported here today that Maxim Litvinoff, Soviet Foreign Commissar, has announced the re-establishment of normal diplomatic relations between the U. S. S. R. and the Nanking Government, broken off by the latter government.

It is also reported that Litvinoff will confer with the Japanese delegate Matsukovitch, chief Japanese delegate to the League of Nations, on the Soviet Union's proposal for a non-aggression pact between the U. S. S. R. and Japan.

The Soviet representative is declared opposed to the attempt of the League of Nations to involve the U. S. S. R. in the controversy over Manchuria.

Garfinkle & Steinberg Strike Is Still Solid

The strike of the carpenters at Garfinkle & Steinberg, 138th St. and 5rd Ave., is still holding solid under the leadership and guidance of the independent Carpenters' Union. The strikers are determined to stay out and to fight the bosses' detectives and scabs until the demands are won. All workers are urged to help win this important strike. Come down at 7:30 in the morning any day at 260 East 138th St., and help picket the shop. Take the Lexington Ave. I.R.T. train, Jerome Ave. line, and get off at Mott Haven station.

REPORT BILLINGS PAROLE New York capitalist press dispatches report that Warren K. Billings, fellow-prisoner of Tom Mooney, will be offered a 90-day parole to visit his mother. The reports say he will accept the parole.

HUNGER MARCHERS ROUSE LOCAL STRUGGLES ON THEIR RETURN HOME

Call Local United Fronts to Arrange Mass Report Meetings

Continue Fight for Federal and City Winter Relief for Unemployed

The return of the National Hunger March delegates, and in some cases even their approach to the cities from which they were sent, has already roused new struggles in those cities. This is one of the results of the march to Washington, which unified the campaign for relief throughout the country, gave it new hope and impetus.

Threatening War Games by U. S. Fleet

SAN PEDRO Calif., Dec. 12.—The entire U. S. Battle Fleet was ordered out to sea today for "tactical maneuvers" as the struggles of U. S. imperialism with its rivals sharpened on all fronts. The exercises will take three days, it is reported. After that the fleet will return for final gunnery practice before proceeding to Hawaiian waters for the "war games" which begin on January 23.

The entire battle fleet has been concentrated in Pacific waters since last January. The concentration has drawn many sharp protests from the Japanese government and navy.

The reported aims of the present "tactical maneuver" are to correlate the operations of the fleet and its air force at night, and "stimulation of a general action between two great fleets."

L.R.A. DELEGATION BACK TOMORROW

Mrs. Wright in Group; Bring Engdahl Ashes

NEW YORK.—Masses of workers, bearing the banners of their organizations and carrying placards denouncing the immediate and unconditional release of the nine Scottsboro boys, will meet the returning delegation to the World Congress of the International Red Aid as it arrives from Europe on the Brengh tomorrow at Pier 4, Brooklyn, at 1 p. m., bearing the ashes of J. Louis Engdahl, late national chairman of the International Labor Defense and a leader of the world-wide fight for the freedom of the Scottsboro boys.

Scottsboro Mother in Delegation. Heading the returning delegation is Mrs. Ada Wright, mother of two of the Scottsboro boys, who left for Europe with Engdahl eight months ago to tour sixteen European countries. Others in the returning delegation include Carl Hacker, national organizer of the I.L.D., and Miriam Brooks youth delegate from San Francisco. Mrs. Mary Mooney, mother of Tom Mooney, and William Taylor, young Negro delegate from Connecticut, also delegates to the L.R.A. Congress, have stopped off in England, where they will rally the workers for struggle for the freedom of Tom Mooney and the nine Scottsboro boys and all other class war prisoners in capitalist dungeons.

Greeting the delegates will be representatives from sixty local I.L.D. branches, representatives from the national executive committee of the I.L.D., from all mass organizations, and Robert Minor, veteran American working class leader and representative of the Central Committee of the Communist Party. A guard of honor will receive the ashes of Engdahl.

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Mrs. Wright will also speak at the first mass memorial meeting in honor of Engdahl, Sunday, Dec. 18, at 7 p. m., Bronx Coliseum, 177th St. and West Farms Road. Other speakers include William L. Patterson, national secretary of the I.L.D., Carl Hacker, national organizer of the I.L.D., Richard B. Moore, national field organizer of the I.L.D., and Earl Browder, member of the secretariat of the Communist Party.

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# 22 PERCENT VOTE RED, ANACORTES Party Gains Because It Led the Jobless

By IVER MOE

(Anacortes Case Defendant)  
ANACORTES, Wn., Dec. 12.—Communist Party candidates polled as high as 22 per cent of the total vote in the city elections here Dec. 6. The Communist Party is now a "major party" here, officially, and will be on the primary ballot in the next election. Out of 2,179 votes in the city there were 405 for Phil Burgess, Communist candidate at large for councilman, and 230 straight ballots for Chet Duranseau, Communist candidate for mayor, and all other Communist candidates. The other red candidates for councilman, Huges, Marshall, and Seltz, averaged over 20 per cent of the votes cast in their precincts.

Four workers with red badges watched every precinct polling place, and examined every ballot box before the polls opened, and stayed on the job until the last ballot was counted at night.

All day in freezing weather, workers with "Vote Communist" badges patrolled the vicinity of the polling places, talking to workers going to vote, and giving them Communist literature. Some of these Communist campaigners put in 12 hours on this election day.

Refused to Bargain.  
The Communist Party rejected a pre-election offer from the other parties to withdraw the red candidate for mayor in return for a place on the council from the Third Ward.

The Communist Party is less than a year old in Anacortes and this is the first city election participated in. The strength of the party lies in having led the workers in struggle.

The four workers convicted in the trial following this raid were active in the campaign. Marshall, candidate for council, was one of the defendants, and Phil Burgess, who ran for councilman at large, and polled as high as 38 percent of the vote in some of the working class precincts, is secretary of the Jessie Wakefield branch of the International Labor Defense, which has played the leading part in the defense of these workers. One of the demands in the city platform was city support of the appeal of the Anacortes case to the state supreme court.

The party polled 208 votes in the general election last month.

Editor's Note: Iver Moe is about to start on a speaking tour for the Anacortes defendants.

SCOTTSBORO BENEFIT  
The National Committee for the Defense of Political Prisoners will hold an entertainment and dance for the benefit of the nine Scottsboro boys at Webster Hall, 119 E. 11th St., on Wednesday, evening, Dec. 14. Tickets to this affair are 55 cents each. They are obtainable at Room 611, 80 E. 11th St., or at the Workers' Book Shop, 59 E. 13th St. They can also be ordered by phone: Stuyvesant 9-5439.

NAVY ST. MARCHERS REPORT  
NEW YORK.—The Navy Street block committee held a block party Saturday night at which the delegates Carlin and Hines of the International Hunger March gave a preliminary report. The delegates will report at a mass meeting this Thursday night at 8 p.m. at 73 Myrtle Ave. About \$8 was raised for the Unemployed Council at the party.

## LABOR UNION MEETINGS

CARPENTERS  
Carpenters Local 2090 is calling a mass meeting, inviting the membership of all the other locals for Thursday, Dec. 15, at 8 p.m. at Labor Temple, 247 E. 84th St., to hear the report from the two A. F. of L. conventions at Cincinnati, Ohio, and also the report of the Hunger March to Washington.

PRINTERS' APPRENTICES  
Economic Guild of the School for Printers' Apprentices, calls a meeting of all apprentices at 227 W. 192 St., on Friday at 8 p.m. for a mass hearing on the double wage-cut. E. E. Brown, chairman of the World-Telegram Chapter of International Printers' Apprentices, will speak. Also R. Robins, organizer of the unemployed section of the printers.

KNITGOODS WORKERS  
The Knitgoods Department has moved its office in Brooklyn from 11 Graham Ave. to 103 Knickerbocker Ave., corner Thames St., near the Morgan Ave. station on the Canarsie line.

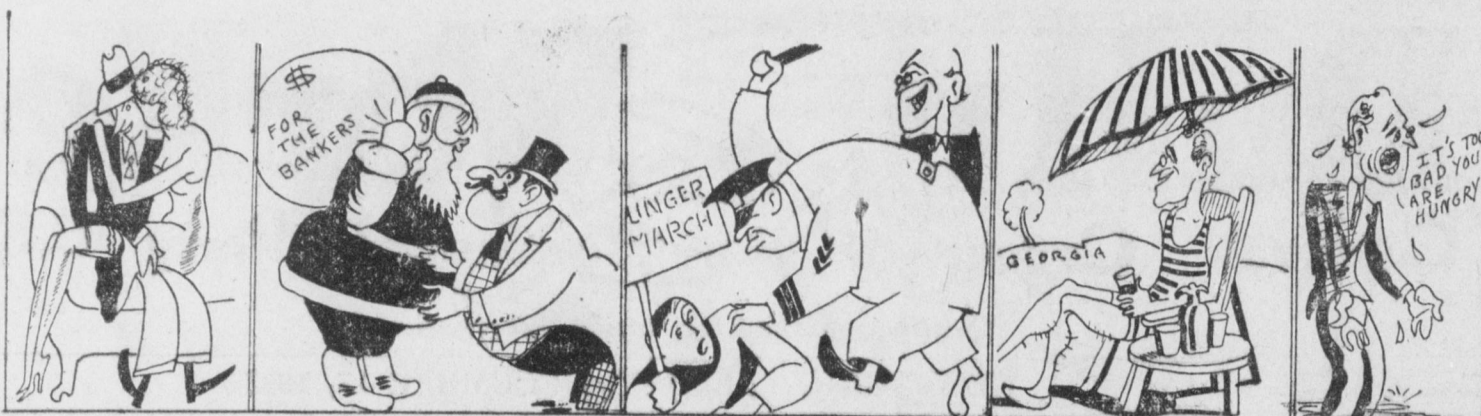
DRYCLEMERS  
All partially employed and unemployed drycleaners are called to a meeting on Wednesday at 2 p.m. at 140 W. 36th St., where a report on the Hunger March will be given. The question of the Gibson jobs will be reported on and workers mobilized to demand the support of the bosses' association for the kitchen in the market.

POCKETBOOK WORKERS  
In connection with the preparations for strikes during the coming season the Dress Treatment of the N.W.U. is arranging section meetings for Thursday, Dec. 15, at 8 p.m. in the following places: Bronx, Am-husador Hall, Third Ave. and Claremont Parkway; Williamsburgh, 103 Knickerbocker Ave., corner Thames St., near Morgan Ave. station on the Canarsie line.

FURRIERS  
Today, at 2 o'clock, an open forum will take place in the office of the Union, 131 E. 28th St., where a report of the Hunger March will be given by a furrier delegate who went to Washington.

## "I See in the Papers—!"

Mrs. Roosevelt Finds Politics Gives Chance to Serve Humanity  
Wife of President-Elect Wants to Hold Logical Career for Those Seeking to Better World.



MANY MAYORS SHOW AN INTEREST IN HUMANITY—  
HOOVER'S HUMANITARIANISM ASTOUNDS ALL—  
ROOSEVELT'S RECEPTION OF THE 1931 HUNGER MARCH PROVED HIS HUMANITARIANISM—  
HIS MILITANT FIGHT AGAINST THE CHAIN GANG SYSTEM IS WELL KNOWN.  
AS GOV. OF N.Y. HE EMPLOYED PROBLEM.

## DOLL AND TOY UNION CLEANS UP

### Oust Boss Agents; Elect Rank and Filers

NEW YORK.—A special membership meeting of the Doll and Toy Workers Union Saturday at Stuyvesant Casino where the policy of the union was discussed, forced the executive and the president, Sam Farulla, to resign.

The members elected a committee of seven rank and filers from the various shops to take over leadership of the union.

This union had a leadership before which was combined Socialist and Lovestonette, who were all the time working to betray the membership and co-operate with the bosses and the underworld.

The membership took an active part in the discussion and all speakers expressed the opinion for a clean union with rank and file control, and against leaders who work hand in hand with the bosses and underworld against the interests of the workers in the union.

## Win Part of Demands at Seaboard Knitting Mill Strike in N. J.

NEW BRUNSWICK, N. J., Dec. 12.—The workers of the Seaboard Knitting Mills of New Brunswick, N. J., who were on strike under the leadership of the Knitgoods Dept. of the N.W.U. against the miserable conditions that prevailed in the shop, went back to work under the following conditions: Recognition of the shop committee, no discrimination, cash payments instead of checks, the 44 hour week.

The settlement on an increase in wages will be taken up by the concert and the shop committee this coming Saturday.

The strike and partial victory of these knitgoods workers is a direct answer to the threats of the knitgoods manufacturers in New York that they are going to move out of town. The activities of the Knitgoods Departments are spreading to other towns in New Jersey.

NEW YORK.—The strike of the Meyer Dorfman knitting mills of 218 Bedford Ave., Brooklyn, is still on. The Knitgoods Department calls on all knitgoods workers to support the strikers financially and on the picket line.

## Teachers' Delegation Leaves for Albany to Fight Wage-Cut Move

NEW YORK.—A delegation of New York teachers left for Albany yesterday to oppose before the special session of the state legislature the bills put forward at the demand of the bankers for cutting the wages of thousands of New York City teachers. The teachers' delegation has the active support of the firemen, street cleaning department employees and other city workers whose wages are being threatened.

The delegation was organized under the leadership of the rank and file in the Teachers' Union and of the militant Teachers' Committee to Protest Salaries. However, the leadership of the union, which consists chiefly of "socialists" and liberals, who in the past have shown themselves not at all averse to working with Tammany Hall, is trying to confine the struggle to lobbying. As against this policy, the rank and file opposition and the Teachers' Committee to Protest Salaries are calling for the organization of a strong mass movement to defeat the wage-cut drive.

## Rush Funds for the Returning Marchers!

Telegrams from the returning National hunger marchers continue to arrive at headquarters of the Hunger March Committee, that the police persecutions and disturbance of schedule for the marchers had caused a financial crisis for them. Many trucks are held up for lack of repairs. Marchers are hungry. Gas and oil for the trucks are lacking in many cases. Workers and workers' organizations should collect funds and rush them.

Send all funds to Hunger March Committee, 146 Fifth Ave., New York City.

## What's On—

TUESDAY  
All working-class organizations are asked to keep open doors for the Third Annual Banquet of the N. Y. Workers' Center.

Corliss Lamont, Oakley Johnson and Carl Brodsky will speak at the Soviet Recognition Meeting, at Irving Plaza Hall, 15th St. and Irving Place, at 8 p.m., under the auspices of the Friends of the Soviet Union. Admission 35 cents.

The Soviet movie, "Sniper" will be shown at the New Singers Theatre, Stone and Pitkin Aves., today and tomorrow.

Tom Mooney Br. I. L. D.—Open-air Meeting—at Union Square, 8 p.m.

## Lamont Speaks at FSU Meeting Tonight for Recognition of USSR

The first of a series of Mass Meetings in the F. S. U. Campaign for Unconditional Recognition of the Soviet Union by the U. S. government, will be held at the Irving Plaza, 15th St. and Irving Place, tonight at 8 p.m.

Corliss Lamont, formerly of the philosophy department at Columbia University, will be the main speaker.

Lamont paid a recent visit to the Soviet Union and will speak on "Soviet Russia in 1932." He will also deal with the question of Recognition of the Soviet Union. Oakley Johnson and Carl Brodsky will also speak.

Tickets are 35 cents and may be secured at the F. S. U. District Office, 799 Broadway, Room 330, and at the Workers' Book Shop, 50 E. 13th St.

## Cloakmakers' Forum Scores Barring Left Wingers from Ballot

NEW YORK.—The cloakmakers' open forum in Bryant Hall yesterday denounced the removal of left wing candidates from the ballot of the International Ladies Garment workers local and exposed the bargaining between the various cliques: Lovestonettes, "the Club," and Anarchists. The workers at the open forum called on the members to vote for the remaining left wing candidates on the ballot. The left wing candidates are running on a program of struggle for better conditions in the shop. These candidates have proven that they stand for a policy which means better conditions for the cloakmakers.

Stallman, delegate to the National Hunger March, gave a report which was enthusiastically received and approved. The meeting decided to back up the hunger march by developing a mass struggle for unemployment insurance and relief.

## Training School Dance Will Be Held Dec. 24th

NEW YORK.—The New York District of the Communist Party and the Young Communist League are arranging a Graduation Ball on Saturday, Dec. 24, at the Rockland Palace, 156th St. and Eighth Ave., in connection with the termination of the District Training School. The purpose of this affair is to greet the 25 New York students who have during the period of the school reinforced their practical revolutionary knowledge with revolutionary theory. The Red Dancers will present an entirely new dance, depicting the struggle of the Negro workers in the South. A large Negro band has been secured for the occasion. Other attractions will be offered. Admission will be 40 cents.

## Greet Mother Mooney On Arrival in London

LONDON, Dec. 12.—Mother Mooney arrived in London today, and was enthusiastically greeted by a gathering of workers, who together with thousands of others compelled the British Government to revoke its original order forbidding the mother of Tom Mooney to enter the country.

Mother Mooney is now on her return trip from the Soviet Union where she attended the congress of the International Red Aid following her tour of Europe in behalf of Tom Mooney and the Scottsboro Boys.

4TH PAYMENT TO FURRIERS  
The Fur Department of the Needle Trades Workers' Industrial Union yesterday made the fourth payment from the unemployed fund to the unemployed fur workers. This payment amounted to \$314.15. The three previous payments totaled \$171,826 and \$454, successively. These payments are made, in accordance with the decision of the furriers, to those who have not worked at all this year, or to those who have worked four weeks or less.

The enemy of the furriers, the "Forward," is making false statements that the Industrial Union is not paying out the fund. These lying statements are intended to minimize the achievements of the workers in establishing the fund.

## VETS IN NEW QUARTERS

NEW YORK.—Post 191 of the Workers Ex-Service Men's League has opened new quarters at 233 E. 10th St. All ex-service men are invited to attend regular meetings Thursday evening. The post has entered the membership contest.

## MICH. WORKERS BACK MARCHERS

### Force City Council to Hear Demands

MUSKEGAN HEIGHTS, Mich., Dec. 12.—About seven hundred workers and small businessmen sympathizers came to demonstrate before the city council in response to a call issued by the Unemployed Council for the support of the National Hunger March.

In spite of the presence of police and stool-pigeons, the demonstration broke through various maneuvers by the Council to evade the workers, and compelled it to grant a hearing to a committee of five.

This committee presented a list of demands. Some of these were: 1.—The endorsement of the Unemployment Insurance Bill by the City Council.

2.—That the Heights Welfare Dept. furnish relief for single persons.

3.—That a supply of government flour is kept on hand. Supply has been exhausted for over a month.

4.—That they discontinue their present methods of intimidating the people by forcing them to sign professed for their relief, and give relief instead.

5.—That immediate steps be taken for an adequate supply of clothing which is badly needed.

Officials Make Excuses.  
Their answer was that the demands could not be granted on the grounds that this or that was unconstitutional, or that the workers who have nothing should foot the bill and that there was no justice for the bosses.

Following the meeting the Mayor and others left for their homes under police escort. This move was only partly due to a genuine fear of the indignation of the workers, it was at the same time an attempt to arouse prejudice against the demonstrators.

## Stage and Screen

EISENSTEIN'S "OLD AND NEW" AT ACME THEATRE TODAY  
Beginning today the Acme Theatre will present Eisenstein's great epic of the soil, "Old and New," a Soviet film highly praised when first shown here. The Evening Post in its review stated: "The picture is epic in the true sense of the word, a triumphant visualization of combat and growth. Eisenstein has illumined his narrative with photographic effects which are uncanny in their relevance and beauty and rhythm... Hollywood should lie down and let Mr. Eisenstein walk over it." The same program is presenting the complete pictures of the Hunger March, from the first meeting in New York to the march in Washington. Here is a picture of the remarkable demonstration of the country's unemployed in all its phases.

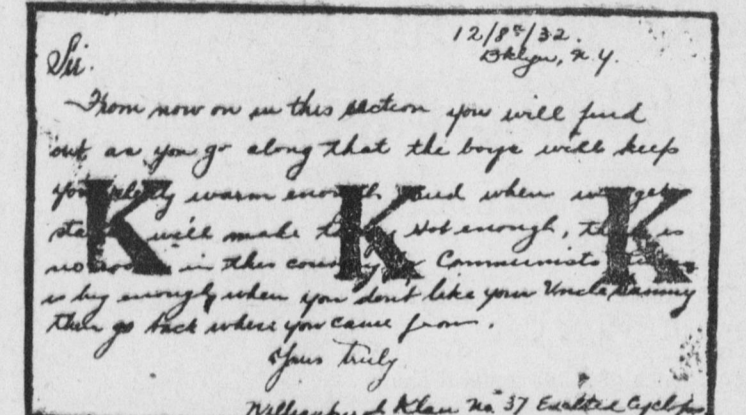
The Jefferson Theatre is now showing "Rain," with Joan Crawford and Walter Huston and a second feature, "Breach of Promise," with Chester Morris and Mae Clark. Wednesday to Friday the screen features will include "The Cabin in the Cotton" with Richard Barthelme and "They Call It Sin" with Loretta Young and George Brent.

Taylor Holmes, well-known comedian has been added to the staff of Radio City Theatre. Holmes will appear in and direct dramatic sketches, with his first assignment at the Music Hall, which opens Dec. 27.

In accordance with the Group Theatre policy to rotating actors in the casts of its plays, Walter Coy, a member of the company, will alternate with William Challee in "Success Story," the John Howard Lawson play at the Maxine Elliott Theatre.

Advance notices from Berlin and Moscow, where "Men and Jobs," latest Soviet talkie, is playing to capacity houses, indicate that we may hope to receive soon a different kind of Russian picture. The old eloquence and oratory, it is said, has been replaced by a mellow warmth, pervaded with humor and charm. The ability to create charming and humorous characterization marks a new trend in Soviet cinema work and reflects on the growing maturity of the Soviet studios. The picture will be released here by Amkino and is slated to go into the Cameo this month.

## We'll Make Things Hot Enough, KKK Threat



Picture of a Ku Klux Klan threat, sent on an open postal card to the Workers' Center, 61 Graham Ave., Brooklyn, N. Y., and delivered by the U. S. Post Office though there is a law against sending threats through the mail. It seems to be all right when the Klan does it, though. The threat by the night-gown and pillow-slip crowd will make no change in the activities of the class-conscious workers.

## Workers Called to Demonstrate Today Against Four Sharks

The widening fight of the Sixth Avenue Job Agency Grievance Committee against the robbery by the Employment Agency sharks demands greater forces than ever. This morning demonstrations will be carried out at the following agencies to demand the return of money in specific cases where workers have been slyped:

Efficiency Agency, 1151 6th Ave., Carl Muller Agency, 1175 6th Ave., Waldorf Employment Agency, 1129 6th Ave., and Academy Employment Agency, 1251 6th Ave.

The Grievance Committee is also fighting for 20 workers whose boss gave them fake checks and now refuses to pay them the money coming to them.

Members of all workers' mass organizations are urged to come out and support these demonstrations. The forces of militant, class-conscious workers should be there. Come to the headquarters of the Job Grievance Committee at 58 W. 38th St., third floor, at 9 in the morning.

## Seamen Force Mission to Give Them Lodging

NEW YORK.—The Waterfront Unemployed Council sent 30 homeless unemployed seamen up to the Jane St. Mission, at Jane and West streets, run by Captain Page.

They camped down and refused to move out at night, and they had their way. The mission authorities finally agreed also to put them on the list for places in the Sixth Floor dormitory as soon as it opens.

A stool pigeon sent word to the police that the jobless were on the way, but he got his numbers mixed, and the big force of police swarmed down on the Y.M.C.A. Seaman's House, to the considerable amazement of those there.

## Gibson Calls for Old Food to Give Jobless

NEW YORK.—"Unsaleable Food Sought For Idle," says a headline in yesterday's capitalist press, over a story of how the Gibson Committee urges food markets to send food that people won't buy for the jobless. The unemployed are asked to stand for anything.

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## REFUSE TO AID SICK WOMEN

### Hospital Mistreats Wife of Jobless

WORKING CLASS POLITICS WILL OVERTHROW CAPITALIST POLITICS AND ESTABLISH SOCIETY FOR ALL HUMANITY—A CLASSLESS COMMUNIST SOCIETY

HOBOKEN, N. J., Dec. 12.—A glaring example of the treatment given workers in hospitals has just come to light here. Mrs. Mary Gwinnett, 330 Jackson Ave., Hoboken, whose husband has been unemployed for two years, collapsed in the street one day shortly after she had given birth to her fourth child. She struck her head severely on the pavement and was brought home in an ambulance, but the ambulance refused to take her to the hospital.

Neighbors Investigate  
Three days later neighbors heard the baby crying and came in to investigate. They found Mrs. Gwinnett unable to move from weakness. Finally they succeeded in getting St. Mary's hospital, a catholic institution, to take her in. She was kept for ten days without receiving the slightest medical attention. Finally she asked to be let out, whereupon the doctor examined the wound on her head and squeezed out some pus. He instructed a nurse to put some peroxide on the wound and the nurse poured it over Mrs. Gwinnett's entire head.

Nothing Done For Her  
Mrs. Gwinnett began going to a clinic, complaining of severe pain in the head. She went for four months, but nothing was done for her. Recently she has begun having dizzy spells. Her weight has dropped since the accident from 150 to 92 pounds.

St. Mary's Hospital, though a private institution, gets from \$50,000 to \$85,000 a year from the city. But evidently this money is used only on the well-to-do patients.

## Delegates Report to Yorkville Workers on Hunger March Results

At the Open Forum of the Yorkville Workers' Club yesterday at 243 E. 84th St., Labor Temple, several delegates of the National Hunger March reported on their experiences. They recounted the Wilmington experience. One of the delegates said: "The police beat up women in Wilmington, Del. They sent three of our comrades to the hospital, they threw tear gas bombs in their sleeping places, but four police had to go to the hospital, which testifies to our fighting back hard."

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International Notes

By ROBERT HAMILTON

MINERS WIN VICTORY IN SCOTLAND

HURLFORD, Ayrshire, Nov. 29. (By Mail)—The miners at the Dallars pit in Hurlford have won a great victory. They restarted work today after being out on strike since November 4th against the dismissal of a number of men. The men resumed work on the following terms:

- 1. All miners to be reinstated unconditionally.
2. No future victimization.
3. No reduction in wages.
The management also agreed to discuss with the pit committee all questions arising in the mine.
At the commencement of the strike a strike committee was elected, composed of members of the United Mineworkers of Scotland (the revolutionary union), the reformist union and the unorganized. The U. M. S. organizers were very prominent in the strike and successfully fought the efforts of Smith and Brown, the reformist leaders to split the strikers' ranks and break the strike. This victory has heartened the miners throughout the area and considerably increased the influence of the Red miners' union.
This strike victory should be an inspiration and an example to all workers strikes can be waged and won even in a depression—only a militant attitude ever wins any concessions from the exploiting class.

DEMANK DESTROY'S BEEF COPENHAGEN, Nov. 23 (By Mail)

High grade foodstuffs are continually being destroyed in all capitalist countries. Just a short time ago Brazil reported the burning of 10,000,000 sacks of coffee to keep prices from dropping. Now Denmark has refused to send 2,500 milch cows that have run dry to the packing houses, as usual, for slaughtering. To keep the price of beef high, the animals were burned in the so-called "destruction," and incinerated to fertilizer powder and glue.
This report reveals the insane anarchy of the capitalist system. Millions are starving and can't buy any meat, while valuable foodstuffs are destroyed to keep prices, and profits high.

HUNGER MARCH AIDS LOCAL FIGHT Arrange Mass Meets for Reports

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ficials of Binghamton to prevent the returning delegates of Column 7, on its way from Washington to Buffalo, from entering the city and making a report.

Challenge to Workers. To the extent that the city governments show they realize the importance of preventing the delegates from coming home and reporting, so should the workers, employed and unemployed, realize the necessity of assembling and hearing their delegates report. This was done in Binghamton, in spite of all police opposition, and is being done by the re-assembled western marchers.

Crash Through in Binghamton. BINGHAMTON, N. Y., Dec. 12. State, county, and city officials and police, armed to the teeth barred Column 7 of the National Hunger March from entering to stop over here where local workers had assembled food and provided shelter for them. The armed forces of the local and state government drove the main body of Column 7 past the city, and toward Syracuse.
The police however were surprised when they found out that the thirteen Binghamton delegates slipped through the police lines and appeared at the arranged mass meeting and reported to the local workers.
In spite of the fact that the police had put a ban on this meeting and had announced through the papers that under no circumstances would a meeting be allowed, the delegates, with the militant support of the local workers, held a very successful and enthusiastic meeting even though the scene around the meeting hall resembled an armed camp.

The workers in Binghamton were enraged by the actions of the city authorities, and resolutions of protest were drawn up and adopted and immediately sent to the city mayor and the different councilmen. The workers pledged themselves, in view of the actions of the local authorities to do all in their power to help develop the struggles of the unemployed, and pledged their solidarity and determination to struggle against the local police terror.
Win Immediate Relief. CHICAGO, Ill., Dec. 12.—Approximately ninety per cent of the demands, especially for grocery orders and clothing orders to be issued within 48 hours were won, when a broad committee of 32 unemployed workers, directed by Council 38 of 5132 South State Street, forced Mrs. Warner, the supervisor of the Oakwood Relief Station to listen to their grievances.
The workers applying for relief at this station had been abused and mistreated. Police harassed them continuously. Promises to investigate cases were never carried out. Unemployed council committees were allowed only three days a week in which to bring complaints. After the second interview starving families had to wait weeks and often months for relief.
In the "hog-killer" room, as the workers named the waiting room, a cop drew his gun when the committee demanded to see the supervisor. This aroused the anger of the workers and they forced him to make a hasty retreat.
The following demands were won: Immediate grocery orders to all cases presented. Clothing and rent per demands to be given within 48 hours. Reprimand to base workers on specific abuses of workers. No social worker to ask former employer to aid her client, when investigating work record, nor to inform

BETTER SUPPLY OF FOOD FOR THE SOVIET WORKERS

New Rule Puts Co-op Store Under Factory Management

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actually employed in a given factory will have the privilege of using the factory store for purchasing food and goods at low prices.

Numerous articles, letters from workers, and resolutions of factory meetings point out the abuses of the former system of distribution, whereby loafers, drifters and willful absentees obtained a larger share of restricted products than honest, diligent workers. "Izvestia" prints a cartoon showing loafers shopping during working hours, filling their baskets, while honest workers coming to cooperative store after work found sign "All Goods Sold."

Hits Willful Absentees. In many instances, from twenty to fifty per cent of persons using the co-operative store in a given factory had no relation to factory at all. The new regulation makes distribution of the co-operative directly dependent on employment in the given factory. Willful absentees will no longer be able to use a factory store since dismissal of a loafer will automatically remove him from the store's list. Periodic food and goods cards will be issued by name. Any speculation in co-operative books and food cards will be prosecuted as a crime.

The regulation means that the majority of the workers will be assured a better supply of goods and shock workers will enjoy greater advantages than heretofore.

The new decree and regulation are certain to bring beneficial results, improving efficiency, and eliminating waste due to unregulated absenteeism and large labor turnover. The labor turnover during one year shows the number of workers hired exceeding the number employed. While the majority of workers remain at their posts, the frequent shifting and drifting of a portion of the workers results in huge losses.

New Workers Cause Drifting. However capitalist statements that every Soviet worker changes employment at least once a year is absolutely erroneous. Drifters and absentees come mainly from the influx of rural elements into industry. These elements, unaccustomed to labor discipline, frequently fall prey to kulak elements among the fresh factory elements. A campaign to educate these elements is being vigorously pushed. The leadership of the Communist Party and workers government is determined to pursue an energetic drive to eliminate waste, raise the productivity of labor. Every effort is being bent toward further improvement of the material conditions of the workers, assuring substantial advantages for shock workers, increasing and improving the supply of goods and food stuffs.

The mass of workers appreciates the beneficial effects of the new regulation and are taking an active part in the fight against labor discipline.
Hail Arctic Heroes. MOSCOW, Dec. 12 (By Cable).—All sections of the U. S. S. R. have hailed the heroes of the Arctic expedition, the "Icebreaker," "Sibirskiy" as achieving the ambitious, century-old dream of Arctic explorers in effecting the passage of the Arctic Ocean from the Atlantic to the Pacific in one continuous sailing.
The Soviet expedition, headed by Prof. O. U. Smidh, achieved the feat of crossing from Archangel to Bering Strait in less than two months, proving the feasibility of regular steamship service in the Arctic North. The details of the trip make a thrilling story of heroic deeds and splendid spirit of Soviet men of science.
Upon arrival at Moscow, the expedition was greeted with greatest enthusiasm. The splendid feat has captured the imagination and fired the enthusiasm of the Soviet masses. A large public reception is being organized for the members of the expedition.
him that worker is applying for aid. Car fare to all the members of the committee.
That the police tug who drew the gun be removed, was not won.
Foree Promise of Action. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Dec. 12.—A delegation representing the Unemployed Councils of Philadelphia appeared before Philip Staples, Executive Secretary of the County Relief Board. The spokesmen of the unemployed workers, Wood, Bender and Powell, presented Staples with the demands of the Unemployed Councils. Mr. Staples admitted that the picture of misery and starvation painted by the representatives of the Unemployed Councils was true. He refused to attend an open hearing, however, claiming that the facts which would be presented at such a hearing would "crucify" him. He refused to endorse federal relief as demanded by the Unemployed Councils, frankly stating that he was a capitalist (he is vice-president of the Bell Telephone Co.) and that the demands of the Unemployed Councils would hurt the capitalists. He promised however to cut all red tape in cases presented to him by the Unemployed Councils and that he would see to it that these cases get immediate relief.
He also promised to take up the demands of the Unemployed Councils with the state relief board as well as the governor.
He also condemned the local charities as being out of touch with the real situation in Philadelphia.
Ask Garner to Answer. The National Committee of the Unemployed Councils sent a letter yesterday to Speaker Garner of the House of Representatives demanding to know when the demands for winter relief and unemployment insurance presented to Congress by the National Hunger March would be acted upon.

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WORKER CORRESPONDENCE

WORKERS SWINDLED ON JOB AND IN HOMES

West Virginia Sheriff and B&O Frame Jobless Workers

Penniless Official Builds Mansion on Profits of Forced Labor

Same One Who Arrested Orloff and Opeck; Arrests Farm and Hunger Delegates

CLARKSBURG, W. Va.—Hugh Gow and Otto Friedrichson, representing the Polk Co. Farmers' Holiday Association, Men's A.P.C., took the freight when the Oklahoma-Texas trucks failed to come through, and were taken off the trains charged with "trespassing on private railroad property," and sentenced in kangaroo court to five days on the road gang or \$5 and costs.

Harrison County uses forced labor to build its roads. Transients bumming rides on the B. & O. are arrested and charged with "trespassing on private railroad property." In the kangaroo court they are sentenced to five days on the road gang or \$5 and costs. This is another instance of exploitation of workers at the expense of resident workers, the suffering jobless and for the profit of official tools of the capitalist class.
The B. & O. gets \$1.50 per head. The judge and sheriff get their share. Having a contract to feed the prisoners, sheriff Grimm gets a big take-off on this deal. Allowed 70 cents for working prisoners, 60 cents for non-workers and 50 cents for women, he makes between \$40 and \$80 clear each day.
Phil Mason, Los Angeles, en route to catch up with the Hunger Marchers, to take films for the Workers Film and Photo League, was also caught in this legalized robbery by the Clarksburg "law."

Conditions in the jail are intolerable. A prison commission recently investigated, and a d whitewashed Grimm's administration.
Several years ago, when Grimm took office, he was poor. Now he has built a mansion costing from \$35,000 to \$40,000. He maintains guards around the house due to fear of hostile feelings from former victims of his frame-up system.

—O. F.
Their scheme worked, and they cleaned out the villagers of their last dollars. After they close down again, those houses will be worthless, the workers will be tied to them without opportunity for getting a job.
This crime should be exposed not only in our Daily Worker, but the fact should be known to every worker in the textile industry. J. P.

It's Not All "Peaches" Working for "Daddy" Browning; Says Toiler
NEW YORK CITY.—Edward W. Browning, the big "humanitarian," whom the workers see in the Daily News and other papers as donating Christmas presents to children, is the worst racketeer of labor that ever lived.

I just recently worked as a S.W.A. at 110th St. and Seventh Ave. I was corner on a job of ten rooms at \$25. I spent \$11.10 for material, two of us worked for four days, ten hours a piece. After finishing the job we had to fight two weeks to get our money.
But this is only the beginning! I want you to know that Daddy Browning, the big philanthropist and the great sportsman the Americans ever had among the Broadway flappers, is a car and has a bunch of white collared bullies. They are trained to rob some more out of your wages after the job is finished. Every man working for him is found guilty by his \$16 a week inspector of not making a perfect job of doors and windows, so \$5 is deducted out of each contract.
You can just figure out how much the worker has left after he finishes the job. I'm just a victim. E. B.

Editors Note:—This worker should immediately get in touch with the Alteration Painters Union, Local No. 4, at 247 E. Houston St., New York City, telephone Dry-4-3719. The union realizes that thousands of painters are forced to accept these small contracting jobs under the present unemployment, because there is as yet no wide-spread organization among the painters. Therefore it is doing everything possible to strengthen the Union for the fight to make such scabby contracting impossible.

Cab Drivers Pay for Privilege of Working in Buffalo
BUFFALO, N. Y.—The average driver for the Gray Cab Co. working 12 hours a day, draws only \$4.50. Out of this, if he is not buying the car, he must pay the company \$4 for the use of the car, leaving 50 cents for himself, or slightly more than 40 cents an hour. Some of them are not so lucky, and have to pay for the privilege of working.
This is how it happened. After trying all sorts of schemes to get more work out of the drivers at less pay, which were successively blocked by shorts effective strikes on the part of the men, Mr. Milestone, the owner of this fleet, finally put it over on the workers. He gives the men the choice of paying \$4 per day for the use of his car, and they take all the profits, or to pay \$5.50 per day for 15 months, and at the end of that time, the car would be theirs. They could also have anything over \$5.50 which they took in.

Some of the recruits did not know that a Chevrolet cab, drives about a thousand miles a week, only lasts a year, and some of them signed up. Also they have to pay for gasoline, oil, etc. and are fined \$2.75 for every day they don't show up.
When there were only 35 cars on the street, men were fairly busy, but now there are 70, and the men find themselves in a condition of actual slavery.
Here is a situation ripe for organization. The whole history of this process of enslaving these workers shows the workers are ready to fight. They need leadership. It must be given to them.
—Tony Prosper.

EDITOR'S NOTE.—The T. U. U. L. has affiliated to the militant Taxi Workers Industrial Union, which is part of the transportation workers' section. The T.U.U. in Buffalo has a fine opportunity to start a branch there in view of this situation.

Farmers Demand Relief and Moratorium



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USSR Communist Party Checks Up All Members

Will Clean Out All Not Proven Devoted and Able to Carry Out Great Tasks of Second 5-Year Plan of Socialist Construction

(Wireless by Inprocor.) MOSCOW, U.S.S.R., Dec. 12.—Pravda, official newspaper of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union, devotes a whole editorial today to the decision of the Central Committee of the party to purge the party ranks of unfit elements. It says: "This decision of the Central Committee is of the greatest political significance. It is based on a resolution of the Sixteenth Party Conference (April 1929) concerning the necessity of periodic cleansing among members and candidates to the Communist Party of the Soviet Union for the purpose of improving the social composition of the party, raising the political and moral level of the party organizations locally and in the entire party."

Lenin Called for Cleansing. "The first general party cleansing was carried out on a motion by Lenin in 1921 when the party was consolidating its ranks while passing over to the New Economic Policy. "The second general cleansing and check-up in the party ranks occurred in 1929 at the most difficult stage of the struggle for socialism when the party passed to an extended socialist offensive along the entire front."

The third cleansing will be carried out in the first year of struggle for the Second Five Year Plan. 69 Percent Growth. The editorial points out that the Communist Party of the Soviet Union increased in membership from 1,952,000 in April of 1929 to 3,130,000 in June of 1932, which is an increase of 69 per cent in three years. The Pravda editorial then continues: "Frequently comrades are admitted to the party on the basis of sympathizing with it and of support for the Soviet rule. Is this sufficient? No. By this symptom the overwhelming majority of the toilers in our country should be admitted to the Party. Certain party organizations, particularly those in rural districts, were founded by persons foreign to the cause of Communism, incapable of carrying out the Party policy."

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"Daily" Conference in Newark to Map Plans for Circulation Drive
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Every member and candidate in the party is duty bound to know its program, its most important resolutions, bound to carry out its resolutions in practice, to observe iron party discipline... in the factories. Besides, every Communist is tested by his way of struggling; by his labor discipline, against willful absentees and absentees, against botchers, loafers, drifters, and by his own setting of an example of labor discipline. "Do we lack members and candidates of the party who are not only not shock brigade workers in their production but who, on the contrary, blot the name of Communist by absence, selfishness, etc. All these cases of opportunism and bureaucracy in our state and economic apparatus will be dealt a hard blow by the party cleansing. "In villages every party member will also be tested by the manner of his struggle for carrying out the state assignments, fulfilling the obligations of the Collective Farm and individual peasant with respect to the quotas of bread, meat, etc. "Every rural party member will be checked up on his securing a Bolshevik influence in the Collective Farm, his active struggle against kulaks and their aids, his guarding of the socialist public property, his degree of active participation in collective farm production." In conclusion the Pravda editorial

Unemployed Insist on Knowing When Congress Will Act on Demands

National Committee of Unemployed Councils Tells Garner It Will Send Delegation

Observes Hoover Proposes Wage Cuts and No Relief While Congress Ignores Hunger

NEW YORK.—The National Committee of the Unemployed Councils demands that Speaker Garner set the date when the demands of the National Hunger Marchers will be passed on by the House of Representatives. It proposes to send a delegation to the hearing. A letter to this effect, signed by I. Amter, secretary of the National Committee, was sent yesterday to Speaker Garner. It is as follows:

"On December 6th three thousand Hunger Marchers to Washington, representing the sixteen million unemployed workers and as many part-time workers in this country, placed their demands, for cash winter relief and unemployment insurance, before the United States Congress through a delegation of ten each to Speaker Garner of the House and Vice President Curtis of the Senate. "Starving Workers Can't Wait. "The question of cash winter relief is one that does not allow of any delay. The starvation among the masses becomes more widespread day by day, in spite of all the ballyhoo and propaganda that is being carried on by the official and unofficial agencies of the United States Government. The number of unemployed increases (as witness New York State and the situation of the working class becomes more degraded. "Having no confidence that either chamber of the United States Congress will voluntarily act upon these demands, we wish to know when there will be a hearing.

Democrats as Bad as Hoover. "We are strengthened in this conviction through the message of President Hoover to the United States Congress in which there is no mention whatever of unemployment relief legislation, but the proposal of a whole system of wage cuts, attack upon the disability allowance of the veterans, sales taxes to be put upon the workers and toiling farmers, etc. Following the presentation of Hoover's message, we have the expression of leading Democratic members of the United States Congress, such as Mr. Byrne whose proposals do not differ materially from those of President Hoover. "Congress Ignores Relief Need. "Although relief should have been made the first order of business of the United States Congress it was not. This clearly shows that the United States Congress does not represent the toiling masses of this country. The tens of millions of unemployed and part time workers will continue to battle for cash winter relief and for unemployment insurance until both are won. "Will you please therefore let us hear from you as soon as possible as to when the hearing on the demand will be held, so that the National Committee, which was empowered by the conference held on the Washington-Baltimore highway in the city of Washington on December 6th under police guard, may send a delegation to this hearing?"

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## Glassford's Record Among the Veterans

By SOL HARPER.

PELHAM D. GLASSFORD, former army officer from the West, suave and kid-gloved to hide his iron fist which has been used quite effectively in many ways against the workers, got himself invited to speak to a meeting of veterans in Central High School on Dec. 5.

Let the veterans be duped by Glassford, it is necessary that his record during the past six months be reviewed briefly.

Glassford replaced a former chief of police of Washington, charged with organizing police attacks upon Negro workers. The Washington Tribune and many other Negro newspapers were forced into action by the rising mass protest against Glassford's predecessor. They won their fight only because Hoover wished to get the support of the Negroes during the past election. The same terror continued under Glassford and after the eviction of the Bonus March, Glassford's police framed 9 Negroes in Logan circle.

Glassford was hailed as a friend of the veterans long before the Bonus March. He joined with the other generals in arranging a series of so-called Veteran Benefits. He headed the local Legion Welfare Committee, and with this background as a "friend" of the veterans he met the Bonus Marchers last May and June with the gloved hand of "friendship."

### SENT INSTRUCTIONS TO OTHER POLICE

Glassford, as the leading chief of police working together with the Department of Justice, the governors and many others throughout the United States, attempted first to halt the bonus march with this plan. When Glassford saw that this plan would not be carried out, he turned to the army and the navy for the armed attack upon the veterans of July 28. Among some of his most vicious acts are the following:

1. Organized an Executive Committee for the B. E. F. with Walter W. Waters as under-cover agent, at its head.
2. Secured control of the registration of all veterans in the Waters-controlled section of the B.E.F. This was done through the system of so-called B.E.F. Tags, whereby the veterans were issued B. E. F. Tags to wear.
3. Organized a system of military police, whom he had planted within the ranks of the veterans, and placed army officers who served in the last war at its head, together with specially appointed Department of Justice agents, who were also veterans, to work in the ranks of the veterans, to talk militancy and thus attempt to gain the confidence of the veterans.
4. Secured by a faked election himself as the quartermaster of the B. E. F. and holder of the funds collected by the Waters Controlled fraction.
5. Issued sham friendly statements to the press in behalf of the veterans and at the same time sabotaged the collection of food by the veterans, also funds.
6. Organized anti-raid campaigns and at the same time attempted to appear as an impartial protector of the veterans.
7. Glassford was responsible for the acts of his agents who murdered Hushka, Carlson, the two babies, the Negro veteran, Montgomery, the white Texas veteran who was murdered at Marion, N. C., and others who died as a result of the murderous army attack upon defenseless men, women and children.
8. Started fake demonstrations, led by his agent, Waters, and then pretended to arrest Waters to boost the sinking prestige of Waters and others of his agents.
9. Actually under instruction of the bosses' government, and the War Department wrote a letter calling for the use of the troops against the B. E. F. This "secret" letter called for the use of the "White Plan," meaning that troops must be used.
10. Then even according to Waters, Glassford actually planned the police attack upon the veterans on July 28 and then his proposed "White Plan" was put into action.

These are only a few of the vicious acts of Glassford before Bloody Thursday, which was turned into a drive not only against the veterans, but also against the unemployed masses as a whole.

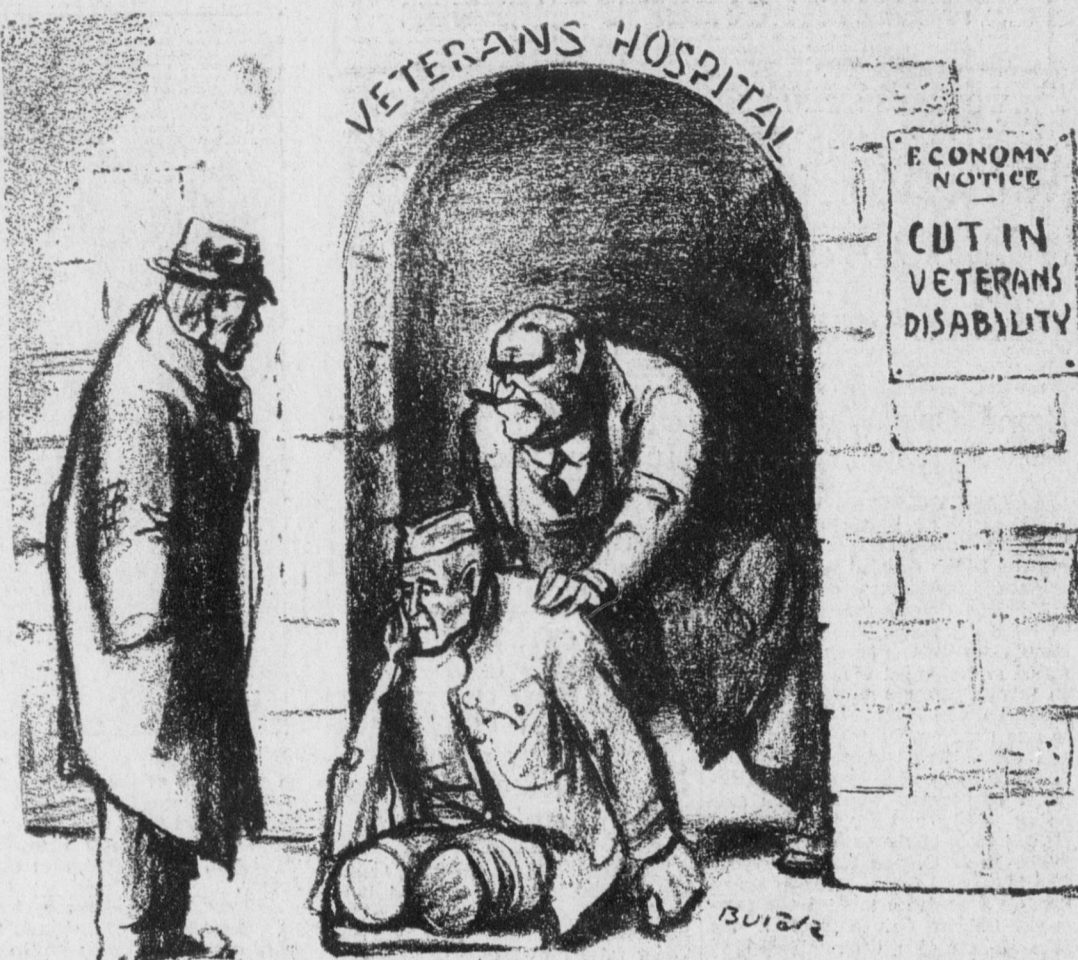
I will not attempt to go into all of the acts of the Glassford agents since he resigned as police chief in Washington, but it would be criminal not to expose his present pose as a friend of the 2,000,000 drifting young fellows and men, which include tens of thousands of veterans.

And the trade unions? What are they doing for the Italian workers? Fascism has robbed the working class, the clerks, employees and the peasantry of all their fighting organizations; it has corrupted the leaders and overpowered the masses of toilers by means of treachery. And after this treachery there commenced a period of terrible exploitation of all toilers. To fight for higher wages, for increased salaries is designated as "treason" and cruelly punished with imprisonment or even death. Strikes are forbidden.

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## DEMOBILIZATION—1932 STYLE!

—By Burck



## Is Fascist Italy the "Land of Romantic Dreams?"

### Situation of Working Masses Described in Vivid Article

By P. J.

ITALY . . . the land of romantic dreams and longings sung by poets? No, the land in which the output of pig iron has sunk in the last three years from 60,000 tons to nearly 20,000 tons a month, where the output of crude steel has receded from 180,000 tons a month to 130,000 tons, where since 1928 foreign trade has declined 50 per cent, where bankruptcies have doubled and now amount to over 2,000 a month!

The most terrible crisis rages in fascist Italy. And nevertheless, the Midland Electricity Company in Naples made a net profit of 59,089, 530 Lira (a lira is 5 cents), and paid a dividend of 7 per cent; the Banca Commerciale Italiana concluded its last business year with a net profit of 61,559,000 Lira and paid a dividend of 8 per cent; the Montecatini, Milan, the largest mining undertaking in Italy, closed its books with a net profit of 64,295,576 Lira and paid a dividend of 12 per cent.

The effects of the crisis are not to be sought among the big employers, the captains of industry, the big bankers and landowners—their standard of living has not changed; the crisis does not bring want and misery to them, for they still draw huge profits and their incomes still run to thousands of millions.

### CRISIS BORNE BY WORKERS, PEASANTS

The whole brunt of the crisis is borne by the working population, the peasants and workers, the small holders, the clerks and employees, the lower officials. According to official figures the number of unemployed amounts to a million. As a matter of fact their number is much higher and amounts to nearly 2 million. And how many are receiving unemployment benefits? Only about a quarter of a million unemployed receive meagre unemployment benefit, and this only for a short time.

And the factory workers, the agricultural workers who are still in employment, the small employees and the middle strata? What did Mussolini say? "It is a fortunate thing that the Italian people are not in the habit of eating more than one meal a day."

The employed workers, just like the unemployed, are compelled to starve. Wages and salaries in Italy are lower than in England, France, in Belgium and in the Scandinavian countries. The average weekly earnings of the proletariat do not amount to 50 Lira (about \$1.50); that is what an Italian worker, a father of a family brings home at the end of the week. Many earn even less, and the families are large; the number of children per family in Italy is far higher than in Germany, England or France.

Whilst rates of wages per hour have fallen 25 per cent since 1929, and whilst, as a result of unemployment, and short time, the average weekly income has fallen about 80 per cent, the cost of living, even according to the official statistics, has declined by about only 15 per cent.

The terrible results of the impoverishment of the working masses of Italy are becoming more and more evident; the health of the population is deteriorating; the number of deaths is increasing, the number of births is declining.

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dialists are doing in Germany at the present time. And what has actually ensued? A dictatorship of the big banks, the big industrialists, the big agrarians, more brutal than ever witnessed before in Italy. To expose this dictatorship in the press in pamphlets or in leaflets is high treason and means banishment, prison or immediate death for those who venture to do so.

THIRTEEN years ago the fascists declared that the big concerns and trusts would be dissolved and industry placed on a co-operative basis. But what do we see today? Today Mussolini himself promotes capitalist trustification, and the workers and employees working in the trusts are continually spied upon.

In 1919 the fascists promised a just system of taxation, and above all the taxation of big capital—to-day ever heavier taxes are imposed upon the working population.

According to the promises made by the fascists 13 years ago, the working day was to be 8 hours. At the present time the working day is ruthlessly prolonged. If any worker dares to protest against this, he is immediately dismissed and thus handed over to starvation, as he is placed on a black list.

It is intended by this means to suppress any resistance on the part of the workers. Rendered weary and docile by fearful exploitation and severe punishment, they are to be kept from any class-conscious action. The women and children are treated just as ruthlessly as the men. Children commence work on the land at 8 years, and children of the same age are found in factories and in the mines.

### POISONOUS PROPAGANDA

Those who go to school have their minds systematically poisoned by religion and fascist teachings regarding the State. In the prisons we find young girls and lads who are there for having attempted to found real fighting organizations against fascist finance capital. In the prisons are proletarian and peasant women who have refused blindly to follow the dictates of fascist finance capitalism.

But the workers and peasants are slowly, with great pains and in heroic struggle, building up their illegal fighting organizations against fascist finance capital. The Communist Party of Italy gives them aid, guidance and leadership in this work.

Strikes are becoming more and more frequent. But the toilers of Italy are still among the most enslaved, the most badly paid and ruthlessly exploited of the whole of Europe.

### POSITION OF INDUSTRIAL PROLETARIAT

In Italy there are about three million industrial workers, and the number of persons engaged in agriculture amounts to about nine millions.

The intensive industrialization of Italy is of recent date. Nevertheless, Italian industries play a relatively great role on the world market. Italy has no raw material industry, no coal or iron mines, but the automobile, the building and shipping industry exploit hundreds of thousands of proletarians.

Fiat motor cars produced by the great Fiat motor works in Turin are to be seen in all the capitals of Europe. In normal times the Fiat works employ about 20,000 workers. Today not more than half that number are employed. Wages have declined year after year. In the present year the Fiat works effected a wage cut of 10 per cent, at the present time the Fiat workers earn scarcely more than 16 cents an hour, and very few of them work full time the whole year round.

In the other metal works and the remaining industries of Turin the situation is still worse. The result is a complete undermining of the health of the working population; there is a decline in the birth rate and an increase in the death rate. A comparison of the Turin figures for 1931 with those

for 1932 shows this clearly.

There were born in Turin:	1931	1932
March	1629	1478
April	1585	1391
May	1652	1523
June	1477	1429
July	1503	1321

There died in Turin:	1931	1932
March	1807	1620
April	1290	1183
May	1247	1121
June	1131	1154
July	1240	1121

The number of deaths in 1932 has increased extraordinarily compared with 1931.

TURIN, however, is only a single example. Everywhere the industrial proletarians are dying more quickly and in greater numbers than formerly, as a result of undernourishment and sickness, and the number of births is declining.

It should be remembered that the position of the metal workers is relatively the best. In the textile industry wages, according to official statistics, amount on an average to 7 cents an hour. In the chemical industry the workers, who are continually exposed to the risk of frightful accidents and whose bodies are eaten into by the most terrible poisons, are paid only 15 cents an hour.

The average weekly wage of the building workers is about \$6.25, that of the chemical workers amounts to about the same, whilst that of the textile workers amounts to \$4.50.

How many workers are employed the whole year round? According to official figures the unemployed army numbers 750,000. In the metal industry alone there are over 100,000 unemployed.

In the meantime the employers are demanding fresh wage cuts, carrying them out with the aid of the fascist trade unions. In addition to wage cuts, however, the employers exploit the industrial proletariat by employing women and children in place of men. In many cases the wages of the women amount to only half of those of the men, and the children receive still less.

BUT it is not only in the textile industry, where women have always played a considerable role, but also in the metal industry and of late also in the chemical industry, that women are being engaged in order to perform men's work of lower wages.

And the children? They are employed everywhere. The most frightful exploitation of child labor takes place in the sulphur mines, where hundreds of children less than 10 years old and thousands between 10 and 14 have to haul the trucks filled with sulphur. These sulphur mines are simply hells for the children.

Never was the misery of the industrial workers of Italy so great as it is at the present time under the double weight of the economic crisis and fascism. Starving and sick, unemployed or absolutely exhausted by toil, men, women and children lead an existence the misery of which it is hard to imagine.

### POSITION OF WORKING MASSES IN THE VILLAGES

Mr. Knickerbocker, the well-known American journalist, has written a book on Italy. He is full of enthusiasm. In his opinion the Italians are better off than ever. He has found industrial workers who earn more than enough; in fact even the home workers, although it is true they had tired faces, "smiled" when they saw Knickerbocker and told him of the huge sums they earn.

But even Mr. Knickerbocker does not venture to write anything about the situation of the land workers and share-croppers. Here the fraud would be too obvious, for the misery is so great that it cries to heaven.

Nearly ten million people are engaged in agriculture. Not many of them are farmers; the great majority are share-croppers and day laborers. The big agrarians own vast estates. Scattered over these huge estates one sees miserable

## Eighteen Years of Work With J. Louis Engdahl

By H. M. WICKS

MY association with Comrade J. Louis Engdahl dates from the year of the beginning of the World War. It was in the atmosphere of 1914 that I first met him on my first visit to the national headquarters of the Socialist Party. He was even then one of its leaders. I was a new member.

To this day I remember vividly a remark of Comrade Engdahl to Walter Lanfersek, then national secretary of the Socialist Party. Comrade Engdahl said he believed the whole leadership in the Socialist Party was wrong on war. He was talking in opposition to a series of articles being run in the Milwaukee Leader by Ernst Untermyer, trying to justify the course of the German Social Democracy in supporting the kaiser. Karl Liebknecht had just broken with the majority leadership in Germany and was being slandered as stark mad by the depraved traitors and renegades, Scheideggem and Sudekum. Hilquit was defending the vote of the Kaiser socialists for war credits. Berger was violently pro-German. They were members of the National Executive Committee. Against them stood A. M. Simons, John M. Work, John Spargo, and J. Stitt Wilson—to a man pro-British. None of them was internationalist. That was why Comrade Engdahl said all of them were wrong.

### KOLLONTAUS VISIT

The next year Comrade Alexandra Kollontai visited the United States. The official Socialist Party refused to arrange a lecture tour for her. But the tour was arranged. She spoke in Chicago. She said "the first duty of any Socialist is to fight his own (bourgeois) government." She praised Liebknecht, denounced the leadership of the Social-Democracy. The "official" bureaucracy called her an anarchist. Comrade Engdahl, as editor of the official weekly, was "called on the carpet" for praising Kollontai and publishing some of the things she said.

In 1918 Comrade Engdahl was sentenced to 20 years in prison for opposition to this country's participation in the war. He told the notorious labor-hating Judge Landis that he stood on the same international platform as Liebknecht in Germany and that he did not fear anything the court might do to him.

## Letters from Our Readers

### Critiques Review of Film, "I Am Fugitive from the Chain Gang"

Editor, The Daily Worker,  
Dear Comrade:

In a review in the Daily Worker by a member of the Workers' Film and Photo League of the picture, "I Am a Fugitive from a Chain Gang" I believe, from what I have seen of it, that the writer failed to do full justice to this powerful drama.

I agree entirely that as a general rule pictures emanating from Hollywood are filled with rulling class propaganda, but in this case an exception should be made. True enough, it does not expose the indescribable tortures inflicted upon the Negro prisoners at "Georgia Negro" as it should energetically, but the film does present the horrors of the chain gang as it affects the white workers caught in the net of capitalist law. Perhaps it is not altogether up to our own expectation of what a picture should portray but, under the circumstances it is the best I have so far ever seen upon the screen.

Paul Muni gives an excellent performance of a soldier who returns from the front only to discover a better world following the war, were just so much bunk. Tramping about the country he becomes involved in a robbery and finally lands in the dreaded chain gang. The brutality and tortures (which put the inquisition of the middle ages to shame) heaped upon men who are exploited until they collapse from physical exhaustion exposes the sham and hypocrisy of so-called "character building" of capitalist prison institutions. Men perish through lack of proper medical attention and the dream of freedom burns in the breasts of those who cannot stand it another

huts and tumble-down houses. Here the share-croppers live. The big agrarian allows them the use of the land. They provide the agricultural instruments and above all the labor power. With the help of their wives, numerous children and their relatives, they cultivate the land. When the harvest is brought in half of it belongs to the big agrarian.

The share-croppers are obliged to work day and night. Their sleeping quarters are dark, miserable and full of vermin. If the harvest is good, then the family will have enough to carry on until the next year. If the harvest is bad, their share will not suffice them till the next year. The family must give up the holding. Perhaps they may be lucky enough to find work as day laborers. At first, however, they must leave the country and go to the town, where they wander about begging until harvest time comes round again.

Then the manager of the estate goes to the town. The unemployed gather together in the market. Day laborers for harvest work are sought—men, women and children. Wages vary. Some times they amount to over a shilling for 10,

After the war in 1919 we, who were active in organizing the Communist Party, were disappointed that Comrade Engdahl did not at first go with us. He remained in the Socialist Party, striving to swing them toward the Third (Communist) International.

In 1921 he recognized that it was not possible even to expect any further results from such a course and came to the Communist ranks where he remained steadfastly the rest of his life.

### QUALITIES OF REVOLUTIONIST

From 1922 onwards I worked closely with Comrade Engdahl, first on the Weekly Worker, then on the Daily Worker and on leading committees with him. There are impressed upon my mind three qualities that stamp him as an admirable comrade, traits to be emulated by all revolutionists. He was first of all thoroughly loyal, never hesitating for a moment to do his level best to carry out any task to which he was assigned by the judgment of his comrades. He was always calm, even in the most trying situations. And he was fearless in face of the enemy. These characteristics, and his ability as a speaker and writer made him beloved by masses of workers who now mourn his untimely death while still in the prime of life.

### COMRADE ENGDahl died at his post, fighting in behalf of the

Scottsboro boys. His last task, which he had so effectively carried out in his European tour with the Scottsboro mother, Mrs. Ada Wright, was to expose to the masses of Europe the monstrous tyranny of American imperialism against a subject nation—the Negro masses in the Black Belt of the South. All his energy was thrown into this fight, so that it was not possible for him to fight off the ravages of epidemic influenza. His death while fighting for twelve million oppressed Negroes of this country and in the interest of the whole working class testifies to the self-sacrificing devotion of the Communist Party in the struggle against capitalist despotism. It is a refutation of all the barrage of lies that emanated from the journalistic brothels to the effect that Communists use such cases for personal advancement. It testifies to the growing unbreakable unity of the Negro and white masses in the fight against capitalist terror.

## V. Smith Writes on the Boss Press in Saturday Issue

"CAPITALIST Journalism is Capitalist Propaganda," is the name of the article by Vern Smith which will appear on this page in Wednesday's issue of the Daily Worker.

Quoting from official documents just released by the U. S. Government, Smith shows how the capitalist press was mobilized "to keep millions of Russian workers and farmers bleeding and dying on the Eastern front for the profit of the Russian and American imperialists and their allies."

Great crises, war on revolution, or even large scale demonstrations like the National Hunger March, the writer points to the capitalist government to drop the mask and show their naked face.

Don't miss this important article in Wednesday's issue!

12 and more hours work. Often the day laborers are engaged only for one day, sometimes for one to two weeks, but seldom longer.

The number of permanently employed handworkers is very small. Formerly there were thousands, but day laborers are cheaper and as fascism exists before all in order to guarantee increasing profits to the big agrarians, it has done everything in order to reduce the number of regularly employed handworkers and to increase the army of day laborers.

There is probably no other group of the proletariat and of the toiling masses in general to whom fascism has brought such misery as it has to the rural proletariat, to the agricultural workers. Here the old feudal conditions under which the land workers and share-croppers are kept in slavery are deliberately maintained and extended.

But the Italian share-croppers, day laborers and agricultural workers, in a united front with the Italian industrial proletariat, will one day follow the example of the peasants in the Soviet Union, who in alliance with the industrial proletariat have driven out the exploiters and today are leading a new free life.