

SAVE SALVATORE ACCORSI!

By MARIO ALPI.

ON the 9th of December Salvatore Accorsi, a miner from Pennsylvania, appeared before the Court in Pennsylvania, charged with murder. The vicious capitalists have again manufactured a frame-up and are planning to send another innocent worker to the electric chair.

Salvatore Accorsi who was first imprisoned in the State of New York two years ago, was recently transferred to Pennsylvania where the shooting took place. This is done at a time when the labor movement of the entire country is gaining in strength in its fight against capitalist rationalization and for the right to organize; at a time when the capitalist contradictions began to take sharper forms and the class struggle is accentuating.

BOSSES WILL NOT SUCCEED.

The vicious capitalists who have already condemned to many years of imprisonment the militant textile workers in Charlotte, while the hired thugs of the bosses who murdered Ella May and the Marion workers go free, are preparing to sentence Accorsi in order to intimidate and terrorize the workers. It is immaterial to the capitalists whether Accorsi is guilty or innocent; they want a new victim upon whom to lash their cruelty in the attempt to display their power and thus check the militant struggle of the workers. But they will not succeed! The workers of America are on their guard. They are determined to free their fellow-worker and they will accomplish it!

Salvatore Accorsi did not kill. Salvatore Accorsi was not present at the Sacco-Vanzetti Protest Meeting held in Cheswick, Pa., where a policeman met his death while attacking a workers' meeting. The shooting of this thug was an act of working class self defense but no one knows who fired the shot. But it was not Accorsi. He was miles away at the time. The police are well aware of this. Through Salvatore Accorsi the capitalists want to deal a similar blow at the working class as they did by the murder of Sacco and Vanzetti and by the infamous sentence in Charlotte. Salvatore Accorsi belongs to the working class of America and all the workers, regardless of race or nationality, must come to the aid of their fellow-worker; must definitely declare to the capitalists that they are ready to struggle and resist any new attempts at murdering their fellow workers.

BUILD THE DEFENSE.

The International Labor Defense has for the past two years given support to the defense of Salvatore Accorsi and launched a broad campaign to mobilize the workers in gathering funds with which to defend Accorsi and support his large family. The workers throughout the country have been responding to the call and especially the miners of Pennsylvania in whose ranks Accorsi belongs. Today, more than ever, when the I. L. D. comes to the help of hundreds of workers, and when it, with the increasing reaction due to the sharpening of the class struggle will have to come the help of greater numbers of victims of capitalist oppression, it becomes absolutely necessary for the I. L. D. to be strengthened into a powerful bulwark for the working class defense.

In the case of Salvatore Accorsi we notice various committees springing up here and there, through political speculators of the Treaca type, who under the pretence of defending Accorsi, aim to discredit the efforts of the I. L. D. The work of these gentlemen does not help Salvatore Accorsi but on the contrary, in creating confusion in the ranks of the workers because of their stand against the I. L. D., they play directly into the hands of the Mellons, Rockefellers and Company; objectively working against the defense of Accorsi—

against the working class—they help the hangman.

UNMASK TREACHERY.

In the campaign of Salvatore Accorsi, as in the case of all the victims of capitalist oppression, the working class must keep a keen eye upon the treacherous role of these gentlemen. It is high time that the workers of America once and for all put an end to all the various small and wavering politicians who decorate themselves with revolutionary phrases which have no substance. The campaign for Salvatore Accorsi will definitely unmask the treacherous role of these gentlemen. Today Salvatore Accorsi is being defended by the American working class. Accorsi will be freed by the will of the American working class through its whole-hearted support of the only working class organization that defends the victims of fascism and capitalist reaction—the I. L. D.

FORWARD TO THE DEFENSE OF SALVATORE ACCORSI!

THE PROLETARIAT DEMANDS HIS FREEDOM!

One More Soviet Achievement.

By K. VOROSHILOV.

THE great practical value of the flight of a distance of over 20,000 kilometers from Moscow thru Western Europe, the Asiatic Continent, Pacific Ocean and the American Continent to New York, consists in the fact that we had again a chance to prove the high quality of Soviet airplane building and also the high quality of the Red flyers, and also to start, so to say, the beginning of an airway between the two continents.

The successful flight accomplished by the heroic flyers of the Soviet aviation proves better than words the great achievement of the entire aviation industry of the proletarian government and which reaches, in this respect, the heights of the most developed capitalist countries.

The airplane, "Land of Soviets," is not the only type of the Soviet metal, multi-motored airplanes. Many other machines built by the brotherly efforts of the workers and engineers of our industry have perfect qualities of the Soviet metal airplane construction. A short while ago a tri-motor, metal airplane of the passenger type, "Wings of the Soviet," crossed all Europe, about 9,000 km. with a record race speed of 170 km. per hour. All of these flights had for their purpose a check of our possibilities and great undertakings.

In this respect the flight of the "Land of Soviets" gives us new undeniable proof that we are on the right path in the construction and building of airplanes of the high level of our technical achievements. The flyers, Comrades Shestakoff and Bolotov, the mechanic, Fufaev, and navigator, Sterligov, with great knowledge of their trade and with great courage, accomplished the most hazardous flight over three continents and oceans.

Of all the ocean flights in the last years, we can hardly find another flight encountering so many hardships and many natural obstacles as the Moscow-New York flight, which flight was accomplished in the fall, at a time when the meteorological conditions are less favorable to overcome cyclones and typhoons.

Comrades Shestakoff and Fufaev, Gromoff, Chuchnovsky, Babush, Nezsheraup, Moisieff, Kopiloff and many others, no less brave red flyers, are well known not only to the workers of the USSR, but far beyond the borders, for their flights inside of Russia and foreign countries.

The crew of the "Land of the Soviets," the

"They made their money out of us. I look at their fine houses when I go into town, 'n I thinks to myself, 'You made that out 'o' us. cover him.

The Revolt Against Government

GUSTAVO MACHADO, secretary of the Venezuelan Revolutionary party, one of the leading participants in the revolt in June against the bloody dictatorship of Juan Vicente Gomez, puppet of American imperialism in Venezuela, just visited New York and gave the Daily Worker an exclusive interview of the events in Curacao.

"The revolution which broke out against Gomez," said Machado, "originating in Curacao, a small island in the Caribbean Sea, off the coast of Venezuela, was a mass movement of 4,000 Venezuelan, Negro and Jamaican workers employed in the world's largest oil refinery of the British controlled 'Dutch Colonial Empire.'"

For the first time the facts behind the uprising of workers and peasants against the iron-fisted 74-year-old dictator of Venezuela were brought out by a leader of the revolutionary forces.

"The Venezuelan Revolutionary Party, which led the revolt," Machado said, "first captured the Williamstaadt fortress, the workers being armed with machetes alone, long knives used for harvesting. We made the Governor of Curacao, Dr. Fruyter a prisoner, together with the chief of police, known as the 'tiger of Amsterdam.'"

"We did not know, when we had him in custody of the revolutionary forces," declared Machado, "that the 'tiger of Amsterdam' was the butcher of the Indonesian workers, or he would not have gotten off so safely.

"After storming the fortress and imprisoning the British-controlled Dutch governor and police chief, we collected what arms we could to make an effort to join the revolutionary forces in La Vela de Coro in Venezuela. Coro is a five-hour cruise from Curacao.

"The chief of police told us that only sufficient arms were kept on hand to shoot down striking workers. We took all the guns and ammunition we could lay our hands on, which were very limited; forced Herr Dr. Fruyter to sign a written order for our transportation on the American ship 'Maracaibo,' commanded by the helpful Capt. Morris, to Coro, Venezuela.

"Thousands of the oil workers wanted to accompany us. But our arms were limited and we could take only 250.

"The military leader of the revolutionary expedition was Gen. Rafael Simon Urbina,

honored flyer Gromoff, pilot of the "Wings of the Soviets," and Baranov, who accomplished the most difficult flight over Pamir and our other first class flyers, beheld the glory of the unconquerable fighters of the air in the face of the entire world.

We must mention the exceptional interest shown in the flight by the American workers and business circles, who are closely connected with the aviation business in America. This was shown not only by the tremendous welcome to our Red flyers, but also by the collection of money to buy tractors for the agricultural needs of the Soviet Union.

In the name of the Workers and Peasants' Red Army, I send my flaming greetings to the Flyers of our Red Aviation. This new victory of the "Land of the Soviets" will go into history of our aviation and socialist construction as a great example of the collective building up of wide masses of workers, peasants and technical forces of our union, in the building of the Soviet Red Fleet.