Utility Workers' New Tactic Gains Victory

Detroiter — The attempt to cut the wages and destroy the Union of 6,000 Consumers Power Workers in Michigan has been defeated by the militant action of these utility workers. Faced with the prospect of having their gains taken away from them by the power magnates, the power house workers of Consumers took control of the property of the company and declared they were on strike. They went one step ahead of the sit down tactic by continuing to operate the plant.

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Streeter Defense Fund

To appeal come to Streeter's case and carry through the defense, an abstract of the record must be made, brief filed, and various fees and bonds met. A minimum of $250 is urgently needed. All readers and sympathizers are asked to send funds as soon as possible to the Streeter Defense Fund. Send what you can. Help deliver a setback to reaction. Streeter Defense Fund 3159 W. Division St.

MAY DAY MANIFESTO

Proletariat and oppressed masses of all lands make this May Day a step towards unifying your ranks against the impending imperialist war, and for the class war against capitalism. Under the banner of the class struggle the organized might of the proletariat is invincible.

May Day 1928 finds capitalism from one end of the globe to the other floundering on the rocks. The so-called recession in the U. S. is the sharpened crisis in American history, more even than the 1929 crisis. To the millions already unemployed and half-starving, have been added millions more, doomed forever under the profit system to a slow starvation. Ominously overshadowing the whole is the mad drive of American Imperialism towards war.

BOSS METHODS

The cynical and hypocritical answer of capitalism to all this misery and oppression, consists of adding billions to the war budget plowing under more wheat and foodstuffs, cutting the relief and WPA budgets for the class as a whole.

While the millions starve, their "Friend" in the White House draws up plans to "slow under" and produce less. While millions are looking for the things of life, for food and shelter, the "Smiling Presid-
The 4th Plenum meeting of the National Executive Committee of the League met in New York City. Mr. Arthur Schlesinger, Jr., Chairman of the Committee on National Affairs, reviewed the current situation in Europe and the demonstrated need for mass meetings and increased pressure to win the President's aid against the fascist trend in the United States.

In his report, Mr. Schlesinger pointed out that the League's work is at a critical point. The struggle against fascism is not only a struggle for democracy, but a struggle for the future of humanity. The League seeks to mobilize public opinion, to educate the masses, and to prepare the way for a future in which democracy and freedom can flourish.

The plenum decided to establish an intensive three-month anti-fascist campaign against the fascist movements in the United States. This campaign will include lectures, meetings, and mass rallies, as well as the publication of pamphlets and other materials.

The plenum also discussed the need for a central committee to coordinate the activities of the League in different parts of the country. It was decided that such a committee should be established immediately.

The plenum adjourned, to meet on the 15th of April, to review the progress of the campaign.

For Class Struggle May Day Demonstration

The battle cry of May Day is the battle for freedom and social justice. The working class must unite to fight against the oppressed and for the liberation of all the oppressed peoples of the world.

DONT SUPPORT SOCIAL PATRIOTS

It is important for the working class to support the fight against fascism and to build a united front against all forms of social fascism. Many workers have been misled by the false promises of social fascism, which seeks to preserve the capitalist system.

EXPLOITERS AGENTS

For the most part, the working class is isolated and weak. It is up to the working class to organize and fight against the exploitation of the capitalists. The working class must unite to fight for its rights and for the establishment of a socialist society.

Anarchists Encourage Reformist Actions

In a letter to the editor of the "New York Times," anarchist John Reed called for an end to "reformism." He argued that the "reformist" approach is a "false solution," and that only a revolutionary alternative can真正实现变革。
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(Continued from page 1) without the control of the capitalists. The strike forces took steps toward the workers controlling the factories. The seizure of the plants around the factory by the capitalists and the intervention of the police proved the strike forces were not able to maintain their strike. The workers eventually accepted the strike as a threat to their property interests. They called a conference of union representatives and employers, and in the end were unable to make the strike a national action. The new method of conducting a strike resulted in the removal of the 4 month agreement and the winding off of wage cutoffs.

STRIKE - BREAKERS AT WORK

In the next sixty days the workers will be confronted with a National Labor Relations Board election in which a company union and the AFL could both win, and will have the freedom in their attempt at the election to destroy the union. The workers are organized in the United Mine Workers; the United Mine Workers, a CIO affiliate. During the election campaign the organizers, Mr. P. Harrill of the AFL, threatened to shut down 2 power plants in Western Virginia, an agreement was reached with the UMW.

WORKERS CONTROL

This strike — and the new tactics developed in the strike — illustrates the size of the working class. In this period of the decay of the capitalist system it becomes increasingly clear that free market demand will not give the working class a means of production. The Capitalists, Government, and the union bosses must be swept away and replaced by a workers' government that will organize production for workers needs and not for profit.

In the immediate future the Consumer Workers will have to coordinate their efforts with the workers in the iron ore mines to which they supply power, and the steel workers and farmers in the surrounding territory. Against the aroused vigilantes and Black Legions they must create a Workers Control Committee with the support of the Allied Strikers organization. The break is an important step toward organizing the workers in steel plants in spite of their strike breaking leaders.

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Smash Exploiters' War Plans

DOWN WITH THE CAPITALIST WAR PLANS

The war in Spain and China and the Hitler push in the Balkans reveals the growing capitalist war and class struggle. In this mad race of armaments the United States leads while it talks of peace. The United States is heading rapidly toward war.

The workers must not permit the war preparations and the imperialist war to go unchallenged. The workers must fight against the imperialist war by the CLASS STRUGGLE.

CAPITALISM AND WAR

As long as capitalism exists imperialist wars are inevitable. They are as inevitable as depressions, misery and a deep poverty under capitalism. When the American capitalists decide war the working class must struggle to turn the capitalist war into a class war by working for the destruction of its own capitalist system. The revolutionary class action, even if this momentarily means the "victory" of the "enemy" arm.

CLASS ACTION

The workers through their organizations must form united fronts for joint action against war preparations on concrete issues. This does not mean the establishment of a permanent "united front" against war. Such an instrument would be a negation of the united front and would be an instrument for the reformists. Only the revolutionary Marxian party can lead the struggle against imperialist war. It utilizes the Leninist United Front in this struggle.

THE PEOPLES FRONT, FASCISM, AND WAR

The Stalinist Peoples Front policy has proven bankrupt in stopping the onrushing avalanche of Fascism and war. It has helped pave the way for Fascist gains in Spain and the Balkans. That is because the Peoples Front is an instrument by which the reformists subordinate the proletariat to the "democratic" bourgeoisie. Fascism can be destroyed only by overthrowing the open reactionary bourgeoisie. Fascism can be destroyed only by the working class fighting against the capitalist system and the only acute stage of capitalism when economic decay and the danger of the proletariat for the first time goes to save its system by these means.

THE SOVIET UNION

We consider the Soviet Union as a war-ravaged Workers State, a dictatorship of the proletariat, evolving back toward capitalism by the false Stalinist policies. Our task is to out the agents or the capitalists, the Stalinist reformists, and against they restore healthy international socialist relations that will lead toward socialism and to extend the October Revolution.

The best way to accomplish this is first of all work for the overthrow of our own government to defend the Soviet Union against its imperialist enemies and its agents within the Soviet Union. This calls for the conditional defense of the Soviet Union in war. In the imperialist war the capitalists and the workers struggle for their own interests. In the imperialist war they fight to defend the warburgers against the warburgers and their agents within. This calls for a fight on two fronts, similar to the struggle against the fascist warburgers. In order to win the warburgers must fight against the bosses and their labor agents in our union ranks, the reformist policies, and sell-outs. Stalinism cannot successfully defend the Soviet Union. Only a new Marxian party and the proletarian revolution can successfully defend and save the Soviet Union.

REFORMIST SOLUTIONS

The workers must not become victims of reformist traps. Pacifism, in which words is against all wars (especially the class war) but in reality helps prepare the ground for the imperialist war must be rejected. Likewise all talk for: "collective security", "neutrality", "Disarmament", "isolation", etc., are the best smokescreens to conceal the danger of war preparations.

The workers want "peace". But the workers are not for "peace" under capitalism— for class peace. The workers are for class struggle. When war breaks out we fight to stop it. We fight for peace for the overthrow of capitalism. Peace can only be achieved in a classless communist society.

FASCISM AND DEMOCRACY

The reformists talk about supporting the democratic exploiters against the fascist exploiters is another way of preparing for imperialist war and is social-patriotism. We are opposed to the support of either the capitalists and all capitalist nations no matter what they claim the war is for. It must be kept in mind that every STAKE in a dictatorship is against the oppressed classes and serves out democracy to its own class. Today we have the capitalist dictatorship against the workers. We must replace this with our own dictatorship against the exploiters. A Workers State that will insure genuine workers democracy in the broadest sense.

The illusion that war can be prevented, checked, or exposed through a referendum is pacifist and anti-working class. The capitalist war mongers cannot be effectively exposed by seeking a referendum on war. Imperialist wars can only be exposed and fought against on the basis of a class line. To transfer the war struggle to the parliamentary sphere is as weak, by Ludlow amendment is false and in no way serves the working class. We must attempt to establish a permanent boycott against the "bad" capitalists is of no value to check the agressors. In the case of Japan it plays into the hands of the American imperialists. The main struggle against capitalism and war is not on the field of commodity consumption — but on the field of production. To use boycott as an auxiliary weapon, as a limited form of action within the framework of a class policy is alright, but this has nothing to do with the reformists permanent "boycott".

REFORMIST AND CENTRISTS

The Stalinists as well as the right wing socialists present an open social-patriotic position on war, using radical phrases and conservative reformist actions.

Likewise the Trotskyites socialists have a centrist position on war. For example Trotsky speaks of a war between Germany and France stating he would oppose German and French war. In Spain the Trotskyites support the Peoples Front State by denouncing it in the Front. In China they call along with the Koujingtong with "left" criticism.

Against the capitalists and their agents the workers must present a clear class struggle position.

Mexico Expropriates Oil Companies

(Continued from page 1) the new government more than all modern improvements.

Britain's attitude toward the action against Mexico. If America declares war on Mexico Britain will lose badly. With the new oil restrictions America will get what she wants and most likely drive British interests from the field.

Until the Trotskyites and others, we do not support the Mexican government in its expropriation. Cardenas is a puppet of a group of American imperialists against the Calles group of American Imperialists and the British imperialists. He gains his support from the ruling national bourgeoisie and the workers and peasant are to be controls through his "reforms".

TRY TO STOP REFORMISM

America's former purchase of silver at a rate higher than the market value was a flat statement of which has a support of Carden's policy. It was dedicated not to the benefit of the great number but of a small clique. As a result, it was an ugly looking and an unfriendly military dictator.

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For A COMMUNIST SOCIETY

The victorious working class must establish their own Workers State based on workers councils. It will be a dictatorship against the former exploiters. It will insure genuine workers democracy for the former exploited majority. The working class will replace the profit system with production for use. It will revolve production and take rapid steps toward socialism with the development of socialism with the decay of classes the state will wither away and there will exist classless Communist Society.

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