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WORKERS' COMMITTEE FACES CAPITALIST COURT TODAY

The Answer of Capitalism to Unemployed Workers' Demands Is--Jail.

Today the committee elected by the unemployed workers of New York as the spokesmen for their demands for "work or wages," will go before a capitalist court.

The verdict is already assured. It will be "Guilty."

The personal fate of the five members of the workers' committee is comparatively not important. But it is very important that the masses of workers outside of this capitalist court should understand the nature of the proceedings there. These proceedings will be a solemn farce intended only to cover up the fact that the capitalist class is striking a blow at the working class by imprisoning the committee elected to present the workers' demands on the city government. The verdict will be nothing more than the will of the most powerful bankers and corporation heads in New York City, pronounced through the mouths of the judges. The sentencing of the committee to jail is the answer of J. P. Morgan & Co., John D. Rockefeller, Jr., Vincent Astor, George F. Baker, W. W. Atterbury and other heads of the big institutions of finance capital who rule this country--their answer to the demands of the working class for "work or wages."

In order that the working class will not have any illusions in such matters we point out that the workers' committee has already been denied all rights which are supposed to be fundamental to American "democracy"--the right to bail, the right to a jury, and the right even to be heard in court (for example when their attorney was ordered in the same court to "shut up and sit down" in a former appearance). Such "rights" are reserved for thieves such as Edward L. Doheny and any others in the category of members or friends of the ruling class.

The denial of the "rights" of the workers' committee as defendants in court has been so transparent as to cause the "liberal" New York Telegram to declare yesterday that "it was a particularly regrettable thing that it was the chief city magistrate himself who was stamped into a violation of the spirit of American liberties in this case." To this we answer that the imprisonment of representatives of the workers is the most typical and usual application of "the spirit of American liberties," that is--the spirit of the capitalist dictatorship which rules this country. This "spirit of American liberties" was exemplified perfectly in the railroadings of seven trade union organizers in Gastonia, N. C., allegedly for "murder" but really for organizing the National Textile Workers' Union and for defending themselves against an attempt to murder them. The "spirit of American liberties" (for capitalists) was again shown when the gunmen of the employers murdered Ella May in cold blood and were promptly released, when capitalist courts released the cold-blooded murderers of six textile workers at Marion, N. C. "The spirit of American (Wall Street millionaires') liberties" is shown again in the indictment of Powers and Carr, two Communist organizers in Georgia, with the possibility of a death sentence for "sedition" against these workers for nothing more than holding meetings to organize workers.

But one of the greatest necessities now for the interest of the capitalist class is to conceal all of these cold-blooded numeries of the capitalist class dictatorship behind the idiotic numeries of law courts and the silly gibbering of "liberal" newspapers about "the spirit of American liberties." It is for this reason that the New York Telegram said yesterday that "it was also rash from the standpoint of the safety of the institutions which he seemed to think he was defending," when McAdoo unlawfully refused bail to the New York workers' unemployment committee. The organs of the ruling class have had several occasions recently to prove their own agues, such as the corrupt Judges Vitale, Moscovitz and McAdoo, for "rash" exposures of the nature of Wall Street "democracy" in careless methods, including exposures of the connection of the state apparatus with the underworld gangsters.

But the "liberal" protest is only for the purpose of concealing the nature of the capitalist class dictatorship.

The capitalist class has no answer to the unemployed except police cavalry charges, fascist mobilizations, jail for their committees, and the attempt to drive them off the streets and public squares.

The next chapter will be seen on May First, when the workers will mobilize on a bigger scale and better organized than ever. The New York unemployed committee, in fact, is being tried today not only for leading the demonstrations of March 6, but also for the May First demonstration which has not yet occurred! Such is capitalist justice.

But the working class will take no such answers. The workers' movement cannot be stopped. Workers from every shop, mine, mill and factory must pour out in the political mass strike on May First. Workers, the committee you elected to represent your cause will be sent to prison. This must be a signal for doubling your energy. Make your demonstration of May Day the biggest that has ever been seen in America.

All out on May Day!

International Wireless News

(Wireless by Impecor.)

BERLIN, Germany, April 10.—The Bruening cabinet today proposes enormous increase of import duties on foodstuffs, such as milk, meat, butter, eggs, grain, etc. Mass burdens are greatly increased by inland taxation on beer, tobacco, etc. The industrial interests are protesting against tariffs on agricultural products, alleging that such tariffs will increase the cost of living and thereby high wages would be necessary. This opposition from the industrialists represents a pressure on the government, forcing it to impose higher tariffs on industrial goods also. Minister of economy, Herr Dietrich, declared that the government policy is to "increase indirect taxation on articles of mass consumption and reduce direct taxation."

French Bosses Insist on Death For 52.

PARIS, April 10.—The Supreme Council of the French Colony of Indo-China rejected the revision of the death sentence imposed upon fifty-two revolutionists in connection with the recent revolt against the French imperialists. The French Communist organ, L'Humanite, ap-

Western Electric Boss Has Foreman, Office Help Beat Communists

A gang of foremen, led by the superintendent, and the office force, attacked a factory shop gate noon meeting being conducted by Unit 6F, Section 1 of the Communist Party yesterday, at the Western Electric shops on Houston St. The bosses' men found the workers themselves unresponsive to their appeal to drive the Communists away, and ready to hinder their attack.

In the struggle, Mario L'Salvaggio was bruised in the face by a blow from one of the bosses. McDonald was speaking at the time of the attack; two other speakers had finished; 200 Daily Workers and copies of other literature were distributed and not a copy thrown away by those who took them. The bosses finally called the police to break up the meeting.

peals to the workers of the world to protest against the impending executions of these revolutionists.

8,000 Paris Workers Strike.

PARIS, April 10.—Eight thousand building workers in Paris are on strike to secure wage increases. The strike is under revolutionary leadership.

WAR VET KILLS SELF; FOOLED BY VET BUREAU

Many Others Fooled by Boss-Led Legion; Fight Fascists

Mellon Slams Veterans

Call on War Vets to Fight With Workers

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Faced with starvation, Harvey Johnson, 34-year-old war veteran, committed suicide by taking poison several days ago after he was told by the Veterans' Bureau "I'm sorry we can do nothing for you today. Come back tomorrow." Johnson had been given the same line for weeks. The same line is handed out to thousands of war veterans whom the bosses want to attack the May Day demonstrations of the workers demanding "Work or Wages."

Recently Mellon said nothing doing when an attempt was made to get the government to pay the war veterans 25 per cent in cash on their insurance, as a partial unemployment measure. Mellon can find \$160,000,000 for the big bosses.

A letter from an ex-soldier says: "Cases like the above are coming to light every few days. . . . The Legion was organized as a fascist outfit by reactionary officers and big business jackals to head off any mass action of the enlisted men for the benefit of the rank and file. . . . The working-class veteran will get little help from the Veterans' Bureau as long as the boss-begotten American Legion survives." Ex-soldiers! Smash your real enemy, the big bosses.

REVOLT SPREADS IN SOUTH CHINA

More Demonstrations Expected in Shanghai

An Associated Press dispatch yesterday from Washington, D. C., reported that the state department was informed by Mr. Jenkins, the American consul at Canton, China, that "according to unofficial but reliable reports" Communist forces had occupied Yanfa, in Northern Kwangtung province, and are proceeding to Chihing.

Mr. Jenkins also reported that local government forces were sent to suppress the revolutionists, "but," he said, "as they (government forces) may not be able to cope with this situation, the consulate general is warning the Americans of possible danger." Warning was particularly sent to Americans in Siuchow and Linchow, in Northern Kwangtung. Evidently the revolutionary forces are gaining much ground in this area.

Demonstrations Planned.

SHANGHAI, April 10.—Despite the shooting of revolutionary workers and students during demonstrations in the last few days, it is reported that plans for further demonstrations are still in progress. The imperialist authorities in the concessions showed every sign of tightening up their terrorist measures against the revolutionists and their willing tool, the Chinese authorities, are giving them full cooperation.

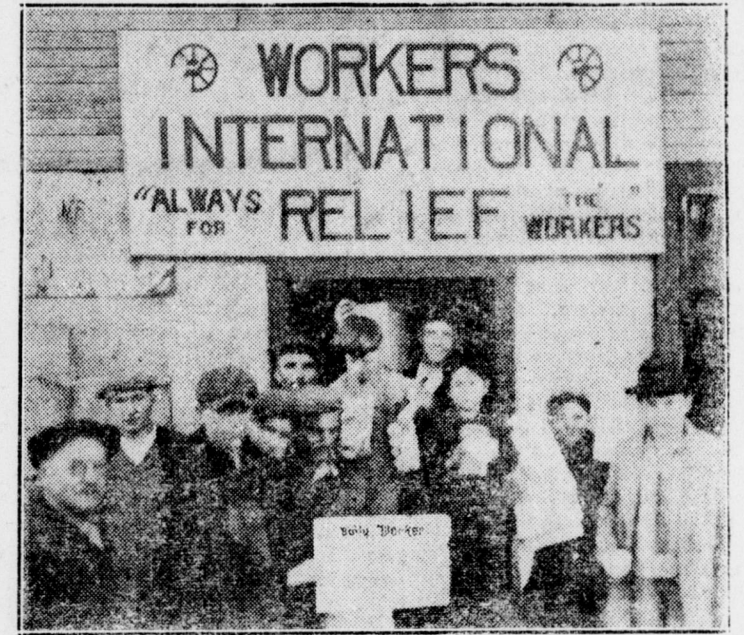
IN DRIVE FOR "DAILY"

California Workers Will Make Quota

"The California District welcomes the subscription and circulation drive of the Daily Worker," writes William Simons, District Organizer. In the campaign for 30,000 new readers for the Daily Worker by June 1st, and \$15,000 to finance the mass circulation drive, the California quota is 700 new mail subscribers, and 1,000 in bundle orders, as well as \$1,850 to finance the drive.

"We have shown by the number of Daily Worker subscriptions obtained during the Party Recruiting Drive that despite distance, it is possible to get subscriptions for the Daily Worker. If it can be done on the West Coast, it should be

Support "Daily Worker" for Workers Relief



In every phase of the class battle the Daily Worker is in the forefront organizing and propagandizing the workers against capitalism and for the workers' republic. Support the drive of the Daily Worker for 30,000 new readers by June 1. Send in your contribution to the \$15,000 fund to finance the mass circulation drive!

2-DAY PROTEST OVER MAZZOLA FROM NICARAGUA

I.L.D. Anti-Fascists to Meet Saturday, Sun.

The International Labor Defense and the Anti-Fascist Alliance will participate in the funeral tomorrow of Gino Mazzola, who was murdered by one of Whalen's police last Saturday, while attending an anti-fascist meeting at Cooper Union. The Anti-Fascist Alliance and International Labor Defense call upon all workers to come to the headquarters of the Anti-Fascist Alliance, 108 E. 14th St., Saturday April 12th, at 1 p. m., in order to form a march to the place of the body. It will also have speakers on Union Square, where a meeting will be held.

The International Labor Defense urges all its members and branches to have their banners and slogans and join the Anti-Fascist Alliance in the parade, not to mourn the death of this anti-fascist worker, but to give their answer to Whalen's cossacks that the workers of New York will fight against police brutality, and organized into the International Labor Defense they will fight for the defense of all workers (Continued on Page Two)

POPE FIGHTS HINDU MASSES

Instructs Missionaries Support Imperialists

ROME, April 10.—Catholic missionaries in India are instructed to aid the imperialist forces against the working and peasant masses, according to a document recently issued by the Congregation for Propagation of the Faith.

The instructions openly call for support of British imperialism because "The British regime insures the Catholic church in India a tranquility which would probably be doubtful under a native regime." The Congregation for the Propagation of the Faith, the instrument of the pope for enslaving the colonial masses under the yoke of foreign imperialism, also recommends the same actions to its lackeys in China, Japan and other countries.

400 Taxi Drivers on Strike Against the Cab Uniforms and Pay Cut

Revolt broke out yesterday against Whalen's taxi uniform edict which the Black Beauty Cab company, 139 Middleton street Brooklyn was trying to enforce. Four hundred drivers, half day shift and half night shift, recognized that the uniform scheme was just a first attempt of the company to feel out the resistance of the men preparatory to a wage cut.

The men walked out on strike and were assembled yesterday afternoon in a group before the company offices.

CENSUS FIGURES PROVE 7,000,000 ARE JOBLESS

Councils Organizing Everywhere; Prepare July 4 Convention

Bosses Forced to Admit Hungry Hordes Crowd to Read Want Ads

In flat contradiction to the lies of President Hoover and of President Green of the A. F. L., setting unemployment at something around 3,000,000 facts released by the census bureau in New York City confirm the Daily Worker estimate of the number of unemployed as correct--there are at least 7,000,000.

The federal district census supervisors Tuesday announced that in New York the number of jobless is about 6 in each 100. Applying this percentage to the country as a whole, with its 120,000,000 population gives 7,200,000 unemployed. And this with an incomplete report planned to cover first the most prosperous districts!

Other Cities Worse

The significance of this admission by the census supervisors, although covered with the usual Pollyanna dope, "not as large as expected," etc., is obvious when it is remembered that the numbers for March as stated by the New York state industrial bureau, show employment relatively high in New York city because of the garment and other seasonal industries, which show some gains at exactly this time of the year, even though much less than in years in which the crisis does not prevail. The state figures show a decrease for the state as a whole of one-tenth of one percent, and for the city a gain in March, over February, of 1.4 per cent. This indicates that unemployment is much less in New York than in the rest of the state.

Wipe Out Spring Gains

The bosses' Wall Street Journal yesterday admits these facts, saying, "In New York City, seasonal increases, particularly in the wearing apparel industries, were sufficient to cause a net increase of somewhat more than 1 per cent, although many industries continued to lose forces. Most of the up-state cities reported fewer workers employed than in February," and before this, "The downward movement was contrary to the usual spring gains," and "March is usually the month of greatest activity in the spring season." Furthermore, this bosses' information, not for general consumption, gives little hope of any immediate betterment, saying, "the factories have shown no general anticipation of spring orders."

More Soft Soap

Julius H. Barr, chairman of Hoover's National Business Survey Conference, addressing 350 business men at the Hotel Ambassador Wednesday, continued his prosperity dope, and had Col. William Cooper Proctor, owner of Ivory soap, present to boost the latest fake scheme of a company union and "distribution of work throughout the year," of course with rationalization (Continued on Page Three)

BRITISH SHIP BLAST KILLS.

HONGKONG, April 10.—Explosion of a depth bomb on board the British destroyer Soudy here killed three sailors and wounded three more. The ship was here to help maintain British imperialism in China.

CZARIST SPILLS BEANS

Tells of Imperialist War Support

BERLIN, April 10.—That the imperialist governments throughout the world harbor and support counter-revolutionary militarist czarist groups who are plotting intervention against the Soviet Union, with the support of the imperialist powers, is shown by an interview with czarist white-guard in Paris quoted by the Moskaner Rundschau from the Echo de Paris.

Golovin, one of the czarist generals, tells of organizing a counter-revolutionary force, which was supported by French Army officers. He said:

"Six years ago I organized two groups, each numbering ten Russians. A year later the idea had spread so that there were fifty

MAY 1 UNITED FRONT CALLS MASS STRIKE, AND DEMONSTRATION

Denounce Provocation of Fascists and Whalen, Youngstown Workers Fight for Right to Meet

Filipino Peasants Union, Toilers Organizations Everywhere Protest Jailing of N. Y. Delegates

BULLETIN.

A cablegram from the executive council of the Philippine National Confederation of Peasants, headquarters in Manila, has been received. It states:

"Having read through the local daily paper in Manila from the United States dispatches from New York, that Comrade William Z. Foster, secretary of the Trade Union Unity League, was arrested by order of District Attorney C. T. Crain, the executive council of the Philippine National Confederation of Peasants expresses its sympathy and solidarity to the cause which Comrade Foster is fighting for, and vigorously protests against his arrest. We believe that his arrest is nothing but an attack of the capitalist and imperialist class against the laboring class, as can always be expected in our class struggle.

"Down with capitalism and imperialism! Long live the class struggle! Long live the solidarity of the workers and peasants of the world!"

RESOLUTIONS ON MAY DAY WANTED

Model Printed; Scores Fascist Provocation

The United Front May Day Conference calls upon all workers' organizations, to pass at their next meeting a resolution condemning the fascist and police threats against the May First demonstrations, and pledging to participate in a mass political strike that day, and the Union Square demonstration.

The committee says:

"The workers of New York will not tolerate this attack on their rights. Therefore, it is necessary that the workers be mobilized to demand the use of the streets and of Union Square particularly for May Day. The answer to this attack must be given by means of resolutions, by mobilizing the workers in the shops for participation in the United Front May Day Conference, which will hold its next session on Thursday, April 24, at 8 p. m. at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St. Form your shop committee and send two delegates. Send delegates from the unions both of the Trade Union Unity League and the American Federation of Labor; also from all working class organizations. Prepare for the strike on May Day by mobilization in the shops.

"Herewith we present a model resolution. Pass it immediately and send a copy to the labor and capitalist press."

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Workers Competition in Maintenance Union

The Building Maintenance Workers' Union, in all its sections, is developing a revolutionary workers' competition.

The Bronx section has already challenged the garment and Harlem sections, while the Harlem section is claiming that they are going to beat them all. At the same time the Bronx is planning for another mass meeting, which will be held on Thursday, April 10, at 8 p. m., at the Ukrainian Workers' Club, 40-41 Third avenue, Bronx.

"In the name of the tens of thousands of the unemployed workers of New York in this trial is intense, and hundreds are expected to be around and in the Criminal Court building, next door to the Tombs Prison, today at 10 a. m., when the trial is slated to go before three judges, who have already indicated their determination to convict, and without a jury. On the same date these delegates of the jobless thousands are scheduled to appear in the Fourth Magistrate Court uptown to answer a charge of assaulting a policeman, but it is expected that this fanciful charge will be postponed to make way for the special sessions trial. The assault charge would bring a jury trial, and Tammany courts find it easier to work without a jury.

"The meeting of the Independent Shoe Workers, which was to have been held last night, has been postponed because the hall could not be obtained. The union will meet Tuesday at 7:30 p. m. in 16 West 21st street, the union hall.

12-HOUR DAY IN AKRON.

AKRON, Ohio.—Operating engineers in local plants work 12 hours a day.

Today in the Daily Worker

The Collapse of the London Naval Conference—Page 4. Irigoyen's "Sore Throat"—Page 4. Struggle of Indian R. R. Workers—Page 4. Bank of International Settlements and Cooperatives—Page 4. Conditions of International Harvester Workers—Page 3. Meaning of German Tariff—Page 3.

TOMORROW Interview with a Communist and an Iraq Rebel. Life Stories of a Southern Woman Worker and a Young Worker. A full page of Workers' Correspondence. Sports News and Letters from National Guardsmen.

CENTRAL COMMITTEE GREET'S ANNIVERSARY OF MORNING FREIHEIT

Celebration in New York Coliseum Must be Made Mobilization for May Day Struggle

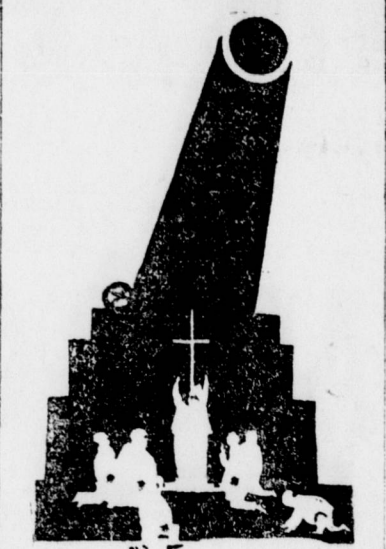
All to Help the Communist Paper's Financial Campaign; Meeting Sunday, 2 p. m.

The Central Committee of the Communist Party has issued a statement greeting the Morning Freiheit on its Eighth Anniversary, which will be celebrated in New York Coliseum on Sunday and by similar celebrations in many cities.

The Central Committee "appeals to all workers to attend the mass celebrations and to transform them into revolutionary manifestations against American capitalism, against colonial oppression, for the Soviet Union, for the struggle of the American working class of all races against capitalism. Let these celebrations be a mass mobilization for the demonstrations of May 1 in the streets.

During the eight years of its existence the Morning Freiheit (formerly the Freiheit) has been in the forefront of the class struggle. It has mobilized the workers of the needle trades and of other trades

Roaring for the Cannon to Roar



For investments and god, the pope blesses the imperialist war preparations against the Soviet Union and the building up of Socialism under the Five-Year Plan.

Two Day Protest Over Worker Killed by Cop

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against lynching, race discrimination, against persecution of foreign-born workers, for the defense of all workers who fall victims to capitalist "law."

Mass Protest Sunday

The next day, Sunday under the auspices of the Anti-Fascist Federation and the I. L. D., there will be a mass protest meeting in Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East Fourth Street.

Speakers will include J. Louis Engdahl, I. L. D. national secretary; Gino Di Bartolo of the Federation; A. Markoff, Fred Beal, Gastonia defendant; a Communist Party representative, and Charles Alexander, I. L. D. national director. Alexander will also speak with Richard E. Moore of the American Negro Labor Congress, at the Harlem Labor Center, 336 Lenox avenue, this Sunday afternoon. This meeting will prepare for a further demonstration at St. Luke's Hall, 125 W. 130th street, Thursday evening, April 17.

2 Mass Meetings Sun. Protest Lynching of Negro Worker, Wilkins

There will be a protest meeting Sunday, at 2 p. m., at Troy Hall, 3 Troy avenue, corner of Fulton street, against the lynching of the Negro Pulman porter, Wilkins, in Georgia. At 4 p. m., the same day, at 58 Whipple street, corner of Broadway there will be another meeting. Both are under the auspices of the American Negro Labor Congress. Speakers will be George Hewitt, Carl Morris, Sol Harper, Otto Hall, Richard B. Moore, George Sixkind and others.

White Farmer Lynched

IRVING, Ky., April 10.—Eight lynch men are being tried here for lynching Chester Fugate, white tenant farmer, last December 29. They make up part of a mob of wealthy farmers who took Fugate from the farm to jail and lynched him because he defended himself from being killed by a landlord.

Communist Activities

Workers School Banquet. To open Working Class Educational Conference Friday, April 12, 7 p. m., Manhattan Lyceum, 66 E. 4th St. Program: John Reed Club; admission \$1.

Red Prisoners' Night. Saturday, April 12, Rockland Palace, 280 W. 155th St., near 8th Ave. Admission 75 cents, in advance, 65 cents.

Pioneer Lecture. Friday, 8 p. m., 105 Tharford Ave., Brooklyn. Radio van Veen "Workers Children and the Class Struggle." Adults 25 cents, children free.

Unit Literature Agents and Agitprop. Friday, 7 p. m., Center.

Newark Concert and Dance. Saturday, 8 p. m., 53 Mercer St. 25 cents in advance at Party office, 30 cents at door. Auspices Jersey Section.

Shop Paper Workers. Saturday, 3 p. m., Center.

Section 7 Red Sunday. All comrades must report, 136 15th St. Disciplinary measures against absentees.

WANTED: Intelligent woman or girl interested in children to do light housework and care for two children from 12:30 to 6:30 p. m. Remuneration, room, board and \$40 a month. Sundays and 5 evenings a week off. Phone Beachview 4228, after 7 p. m.

Labor Defender Photo Group. Friday, 8 p. m., 7 E. 14th St. Louis Lozowick on workers' photography.

Harlem WIR Culture and Chess Club. Friday, 8 p. m., 1809 Seventh Ave.

Brownsville Club. Friday, 118 Bristol St. Horwitz on Workers' Club.

Harlem Anti-Religious Dance. Saturday, 9:30 p. m., 1492 Madison Ave. Thirty-five cents. Auspices I. P. Y. C.

Photo Outing. Labor Defender Photo Group, Sunday, 11 a. m., from 181st St. and Broadway. All workers with cameras invited.

Spanish Workers' Center. 28 W. 155th St. Sunday morning, Solon de Leon on Art and the Proletarian Revolution.

Workingclass Educational Conference. Called by Workers' School and T. U. L. Saturday afternoon, 25 Union Sq. All workers' organizations urged to send delegates.

BROOKLYN SHOP SCHOOL. 3084 Broadway. teaches all trades Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings.

TRY TO HIDE NAVY HOOPER LIES MEET COLLAPSE HIT BY FACTS

Frantic War Moves by Imperialists Steel Down—Show Worsening Crisis

LONDON, April 10.—Frantic efforts are being made by Ramsay MacDonald for British imperialism, and Stimson-Morrow for Wall Street, to blanket the complete collapse of the five-power naval conference with a meaningless three-power "treaty."

So sharp are the imperial antagonisms, and so bitter the conflicts between the bandit powers, that they cannot agree on the wording of a three-power propaganda treaty which was supposed to have been signed yesterday to hide their rapid war preparations.

Without exception the capitalist correspondents spout the gloomiest dispatches for their papers. When it came to a sharp conflict between British and American imperialism, Stimson got political "influenza." Now that the Italian differences become sharper fascist Gandhi conveniently announces his retirement on account of "influenza."

One thing is clear. As the imperialist bandits dissolve their gaffes in London, a more tremendous war arms building race will be on. Estimates in the United States are that \$1,028,000,000 will be spent for naval war armaments to attain "parity." No "parity" has been agreed on, and the announcement of the billion dollar expenditure is the announcement of the unparalleled naval arms race between the two leading imperialist bandits.

Johnstone Speaks at Meeting of Metal Workers Tonite at 8

Jack Johnstone, national organizer of the Trade Union Unity League, will be the main speaker at a meeting called by the Metal Workers' Industrial League of the T. U. L. tonight at 8 p. m., at 13 West 17th street. John Little, youthful T. U. L. organizer, will also speak. The Metal Workers' League is holding meetings and conferences all over the industrial section of U. S., preparatory to a national convention to organize a metal workers' industrial union.

Workers Education Meet to Open With Banquet, Friday Nite

With representatives from many labor and fraternal organizations the Working Class Education Conference will be opened Friday night, April 18th, with a banquet at Manhattan Lyceum, 66 East Fourth St. Delegates have already been named by the Needle Trades Industrial Union, the Workers' Cooperative Association, "Arcoyes," the Workers' Cooperative Colony and the Estonian Workers' Club. Organizations are urged to send the names of their delegates to the Workers' School and all delegates should procure their tickets to the banquet in advance.

The conference will be continued on Saturday, April 19th, at 2 o'clock at the Workers' School.

Resolution on May 1 Urged; Model Printed

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talist press and to Mayor Walker. Do this immediately—it is very important.

Resolution.

"Whereas the workers of New York have for many years demonstrated at Union Square on May First, the International Working Class Day of Solidarity, and this year through the United Front May Day Conference, representing tens of thousands of workers of all industries, are preparing their demonstration at Union Square on May Day;

"Whereas the police of New York have directed the fascist Veterans of Foreign Wars and American Legion to conduct a fascist counter-demonstration against the workers on that day, this being a direct provocation against the workers of New York;

"Whereas the police of New York, acting in the interests of the capitalists of the city, are using the fascist veterans' organizations as a smokescreen for further attacks on the workers, which were manifest at the March 6th demonstrations, International Unemployment Day, in the shooting of Steve Katovics, the militant worker, and the anti-fascist at Cooper Union only a few days ago; therefore be it

"Resolved that we, the members of (shop committee, union or other organization) . . . in regular meeting assembled on April . . . 1930, demand the right of the workers to demonstrate under the auspices of the United Front May Day Conference and the Communist Party on May First at 11 a. m., at Union Square. We demand that the police put no obstacle in the way of the workers' demonstration. We demand the right of the workers to use the streets and squares of the city, the right that is accorded all bankers, manufacturers, foreign potentates and any others representing the enemies of the workers, the capitalist class and the capitalist government. We pledge our full support in the fight for the rights of the workers and in repelling fascist attacks on them."

The resolution is to be signed by the officers of the organization and dated. The Marine Workers League has already adopted it.

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ATTENTION!

SECTION AND UNIT DAILY WORKER REPRESENTATIVES

A special meeting of all section and unit Daily Worker representatives of the New York district will be held Saturday, April 12, at 2 p. m. in the Workers Center, 26 Union Square. Section representatives will be held responsible for the presence of the unit DW representatives.

FOR BETTER VALUES IN MEN'S AND YOUNG MEN'S SUITS

17⁵⁰ go to 22⁵⁰
PARK CLOTHING STORE
93 Avenue A, Cor. Sixth St.

Sovkino Film at Second Ave. Playhouse

"A Fragment of an Empire," an artistic Soviet production, symbolic in nature, is now being shown at the Second Avenue Playhouse. The picture will be screened today, tomorrow and Sunday.

The strange and unique experience of a worker who was shell-shocked in the war is the subject of the Soviet film.

The changes he witnesses upon his return to Leningrad is as much a shock to him as his life in the trenches. He assumes an important position in the rebuilding of a Socialist society. It is great to watch his mental and spiritual development in this new "heaven."

As an added attraction, there will be shown the well-known film, "The Cabinet of Dr. Caligari."

LAST PHILHARMONIC CERTS OF THE SEASON.

This Sunday afternoon Scipione Guidi is again soloist with the Philharmonic Symphony orchestra, playing the Castelnuovo-Tedesco Symphonic Variations for Violin. The remainder of the program consists of the Brahms Second Symphony, the Mendelssohn Nocturne and Scherzo from Midsummer Night's Dream, and the Smetana symphonic poem, "Vltava."

Another fact: Freight car loadings dropped to the lowest point below 1929 of any month this year.

"The midweek industrial surveys and statistics were disappointing," admits the N. Y. Times.

AMUSEMENTS

THEATRE GUILD PRODUCTIONS

A MONTH IN THE COUNTRY
By IVAN TURGENEV
GUILD W. 52d. Evs. 8:30
Mts. Th. & Sat. 2:30

"THE APPLE CART"
By Bernard Shaw
MARTIN BECK 45th Street
Evs. 8:30. Mats. Thursday and Saturday at 2:30

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ALICE BRADY in
LOVE, HONOR and BETRAY
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Eltinge Theat. 42nd St. W. of B'way
Evs. 8:30. Mat. Wed. & Sat.

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"GUILTY"
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Sentence Donati For Life.
RAVENNA, Italy, April 10.—The fascist special tribunal at Ravenna, Italy, sentenced Donati to hard labor for life. He was accused of killing two fascists.

"RED PRISONERS" NIGHT
Tomorrow Night
ROCKLAND PALACE
155th Street and Eighth Avenue

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MAY 1 STRIKE IS REPLY TO HOOVER

He Issues Mockery On "Child Health Day"

WASHINGTON, April 10.—Hoover, speaking for the imperialist robbers in the United States, whose bitter exploitation of the workers cause increasing death and disease among their children, who supports the entire system of child labor, yesterday proclaimed May 1st as "Child Health Day."

This has a grim significance in view of the world-wide demonstrations of the international revolutionary working class organizations fighting against unemployment involving over 20,000,000 and their 70,000,000 dependents.

Starvation stars 7,000,000 jobless American workers in the face—malnutrition of the worst type. Yet Hoover, imperialist scoundrel that he is, comes out with an attempt to hide the real issues in the struggle for "Work or Wages," by croaking about "Child Health Day." A mass political strike on May Day will be the workers' reply.

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THIRD OF WORKERS IN TRI-CITIES IN ILL. ARE UNEMPLOYED

Harvester Plants at Moline, Rock Island and Rock Island Railroad Lay Men Off

Wages at Rock Bottom for Those Who Are Working in This Section

(By a Worker Correspondent)

ROCK ISLAND, Ill.—Just a few lines on the Hoover "prosperity" of the Tri-Cities.

From my experience the last week I would estimate the unemployed of the Tri-Cities at from 15,000 to 20,000 or about one-third of its working population.

There is no place that I have been that are hiring, except the Farmall Works of the International Harvester Co. in Rock Island. The International Harvester has recently put up a new assembly plant in East Moline, but will not begin hiring before April 21, so the man in the employment office said.

The International Harvester is known the country over for its long hours and very low wages. The starting rate is usually 40 cents an hour, and after the first week they put you on piece rate. The piece rates are so scandalously low that many men fail to make even the small day rate of 40 cents an hour and either quit in disgust or are "canned." The McCormick Trust does not guarantee any base rate as some firms do. This the Illinois workers should remember, for Ruth Hanna McCormick is trying to get re-nominated again this year for congress-woman. A number of other firms are standing still, "watchfully waiting" as it were.

Among the firms laying off are the Rock Island R. R. shops at Silvis—the John Deere Wagon Works in Moline and the Rock Island Plow Co. in Rock Island.

Just how much longer the workers of the Tri-Cities can stand this "watchful waiting" is a question they themselves must decide. They must join the Trade Union Unity League.

—TRI-CITY WORKER.

They Murdered Bruno and Countless Thousands



The pope talks of "freedom of conscience!" Dr. John W. Draper, an American scientist, in his book, "The History of the Conflict Between Science and Religion," shows the constant persecution of the church, and particularly the popes, against the advancement of science at every step.

HUSH-UP BOSTON POLICE GRAFT

Governor Clamps Down Lid on Cop

BOSTON, April 10.—Hurry-up maneuvers of Governor Frank G. Allen and Caspar G. Bacon, president of the Massachusetts state senate, to hide wholesale exposures of police graft were revealed today.

Allen and Bacon's efforts were directed to shutting up police officer Oliver B. Garrett, one-time senior member of the police department who threatened to "blow the lid off the Boston police force."

Garrett was demanding a pension, and with his threat he seems sure to get it.

Cleaners Led by TUUL in New Haven Strike for 40 Hours; More Pay

NEW HAVEN, Conn., April 10.—All of the workers in the spotting department of the New York Cleaning and Dyeing plant here came out on strike Tuesday. They are led by the Trade Union Unity League which has issued circulars to the workers in the driving, washing, and pressing departments, about 40 being still at work there, urging them to come out in solidarity with the strikers.

The bosses took drivers and placed them in the spotting department, where they were kept at work until 11 at night, trying to do that work.

The strike is against long hours and low pay, and the demands are for eight hours and the 40-hour week, a minimum wage of \$20 a week, increased wages for all other workers, safety devices and full wages for all injured, no speeding and no piece work, and recognition of the T. U. U. L. All laundry, cleaning and dye workers are urged to come up to the League's headquarters, 211 Spruce St.

Farmers Start Fight Against Wall Street Federal Farm Board

WASHINGTON, April 10.—More and more the farmers are realizing the true nature of the Wall Street controlled federal farm board, which hands over \$150,000,000 to the grain gamblers while the farmer is impoverished.

Throughout the mid-west farm belt there is growing mass discontent among the farmers against the federal farm board, Hoover and Legge, its supporters, as revealed in uncontradicted reports received in Washington.

Even the petty-bourgeois dairies, which go into the farm regions, supported by the local bankers, are forced to reflect this growing mass discontent among the farmers.

Police, Teachers Try to Smash the Chicago Eisman Demonstration

CHICAGO, April 10.—A sharp struggle occurred between a group of Young Pioneers and workers' children, under the leadership of the John Reed group of the Chicago Young Pioneers, and teachers, backed by patrol boys, when a demonstration was staged April 9th in front of the La Fayette School demanding the release of Harry Eisman.

The day preceding the demonstration hundreds of leaflets were distributed to the school children exposing the boss schools and courts working against the unemployed.

Police came to the aid of the teachers and arrested the speaker. Though the school bell was rung a few minutes in advance, the children did not pay any attention to it but listened to the speaker. On Saturday, April 12, at noon sharp, another demonstration will be staged in front of the Board of Education, 400 South State St.

FIGHT GERMAN BOSSES MOVE TO YOKE CRISIS BURDENS ON WORKERS

Cut Unemployed Support 300 to 400 Million Marks at One Blow

Communists Expose Raising of Living Costs of German Toilers

BERLIN (By Inprecorr Press Service).—The Reichstag discussed the proposed increases on articles of mass consumption. Angling for the support of the German Nationalists the Reich's minister of finance, Moldenhauer, declared that it was impossible to reduce the unemployed support by 300 or 400 million marks at one blow, suggesting that this could be done, however, if it were done by instalments. Moldenhauer also announced that the income tax would be reduced, whereupon the Communists shouted, "Yes, but the taxes on articles of mass consumption increased!"

Speaking in the name of the Communist fraction, Comrade Neubauer declared that the proposed increase of the motor oil tax concealed the idea of the oil monopoly and contained already a part of the increase in price which would result from the exclusion of Soviet oil. With regard to the accumulation of capital, he pointed out that

many millions of German capital were invested abroad, even the social-democratic "Vorwarts" admitted that 2 milliards of German capital were invested in Switzerland alone. In the last three years the German steel trust alone had invested 300 million marks. The argument of the social-democratic prime minister, Hermann Mueller, that it was necessary to reduce expenses and increase taxation on articles of mass consumption while reducing taxation on property in order to promote capital accumulation was a deception aimed at concealing the fact that the social-democrats and the bourgeois parties were loading the burdens of the Young Plan onto the shoulders of the masses.

The Communist fraction demanded that its proposals on behalf of the three million unemployed should be dealt with prior to the taxation proposals. A united front from the German Nationalists to the social-democrats rejected this proposal.

Growing Achievements of Five-Year Plan

MOSCOW (By Inprecorr Press Service).—In the first five months of the current economic year (the second year of the Five-Year Plan) the total production of industry increased by 28 per cent, a record achievement and in advance of the increase in the same period last year. The production of heavy industry rose by 35 per cent and the production of light industry by 23.5 per cent.

The "Pravda" commenting on this amazing achievement declares that it is the result of the introduction of the five-day uninterrupted working week. By March no less than five per cent of the workers were working the uninterrupted working week.

French Raise Tariff Against U. S. Autos

PARIS, April 10.—A general increase in the tariff on American automobiles imported into France was voted yesterday by the Chamber of Deputies. The rates were raised 20 to 30 per cent. The French automobile bosses agitated for a substantial increase, in order to keep back the flood of American automobiles. The American automobile bosses, however, are getting around the tariff by building plants in France. General Motors Co. has raised 20 to 30 per cent. The biggest French auto factory, Citroen.

French Bloodhounds Jail Communist Candidate

PARIS (By Inprecorr Press Service).—Comrades Dutilleul, Falasse and Brecet have been sentenced to two years imprisonment each and fines of 2,000 Francs each for press offences. The first two comrades were Communist candidates in the municipal elections in the Paris proletarian suburb of St. Denis and Brecet was the business manager of "Humanite."

Comrade Marouf, the secretary of the department of foreign-born workers of the Paris trades council has been sentenced to a year's imprisonment in Algiers.

Spanish "Socialists" Cleverly Aid Monarchy

Reports from Spain tell of increasing sentiment against the monarchy on the part of the masses. This opposition to the monarchy is, however, subject to attempts of the "socialists" to sidetrack the movement into harmless channels by the "socialist" plan for a capitalist parliamentary "republic," hence the monarchist government it not attacking but rather permitting the "socialists" to hold meetings and delude the masses with shouts of "long live the republic."

The "socialists" are willing to cooperate with bourgeois parties for a "republic," but the fact is that only the independent revolutionary action of the workers and peasants can put an end to monarchy. The Spanish "socialists" are aping Kerensky. The Communist Party raises the slogan of "Down with the monarchy," coupled with "Fight for a Worker and Peasant Government of Soviets."

Czecho-Slovakia Feverishly Arming

PRAGUE, Czecho-Slovakia (By Inprecorr Press Service).—The Ministry of National Defense is working feverishly to extend and strengthen the Techechish war industries. A large factory for the production of chemicals for use in warfare is being erected in Falkenau with funds put forward by the ministry through the Zivnostenska Bank. Another large factory is being built in Slovakia for the production of shell and cartridge cases.

The Bohemian Kolben A.-G., which is under the control of the semi-state undertaking the Bruenn Small Arms Works, is now preparing to take up the production of airplanes. At the moment the Skoda works are the only ones which build airplanes.

The small arms factory Janecek has now commenced producing motor cycles and will have an annual capacity of 10,000 apart from its normal production. This increased production is being carried out at the initiative and with the support of the Ministry of National Defense.

DELEGATES OF JOBLESS TRIED AMIDST PROTEST

Leaflets Call All to Union Square May 1

(Continued from Page One) sands of workers represented by the United Front May Day Conference, we declare that we will not surrender to the provocation of the bosses and their agents, we will fight for the right to demonstrate at Union Sq. in New York on May Day!" states a special manifesto issued by the conference for distribution in hundreds of thousands of copies throughout the city at once.

The organizations which sent 595 delegates from the shops, and workers' organizations drive on to make the Union Square demonstration in New York the largest ever held, and to carry on throughout the battle signaled by 1,250,000 workers in the United States on March 6, for work or wages, no speed-up, no wage-cuts, unemployment insurance, for defense of the Soviet Union, against imperialism, war, against the fascist and social-fascist agents of the bosses, for the seven-hour day and five-day week.

Mass Political Strike. It is a demonstration signaled by a general mass political strike of all workers who still have jobs, and when they strike they will demonstrate along with the thousands of unemployed in Union Sq.

Whalen Mouths Threats. Police Commissioner Whalen yesterday issued a flamboyant statement to the press, mentioning mythical "instructions" from the Communist International he says his spies have secured, and threatening to use 19,000 police and threatening a "police cavalry charge" and "police clubs beating a rataplant" on the skulls of the workers.

"If there is going to be any queen of the May in this town three weeks from today it will be me," said Whalen as he snarled over his proposal to club down the workers and the unemployed. Whalen is all for the jobless starving in some back, black hole somewhere, and not daring to show their emaciated forms where the world can see.

Fascist Fail. Whalen's order bears out the evi-

dence, steadily accumulating for days, that the fascist organizations have completely failed to rally the ex-soldiers for a brutal attack on their fellow workers and the unemployed, and that the World War Veterans' schemes for this attack now depends on the uniformed thugs of Tammany capitalism. The workers in solid masses will answer the provocation by a Union Square demonstration on May 1.

Philadelphia Protest April 18. PHILADELPHIA, Pa., April 10.—Thousands of leaflets are being distributed throughout the city bearing the call of the International Labor Defense for a mass demonstration of the jobless and workers at noon, April 18, at City Hall Plaza to protest the railroading of the March 6th fighters. The demonstration a week from today takes the place of a demonstration originally planned for today.

Fight Gag Law. YOUNGSTOWN, O., April 10.—Workers of Youngstown will meet in mass protest April 21, at 6 p. m., at the square, against a bill before the city council, designed to prohibit the May Day demonstrations planned here, and all Communist and organizational street meetings. The bill prohibits such meetings unless a permit has been obtained from the traffic commissioner. When the bill came up for second reading Monday a delegation of 100 workers, Negro and white, was in the council chamber to protest. The Communist party has already issued a statement exposing the purposes of the law and declaring that the workers will never observe it if it is passed.

Hungry Hordes Crowd to Read Want Ads. NEWARK, N. J., April 10.—Mobs of ragged and hungry men, sometimes as many as 1,500 of them, crowd the street around the office of the Newark Evening News, day after day. They gather at dawn and wait, clutching pennies in their hands, to purchase the first edition and search the help-wanted columns for possible jobs.

CENSUS FIGURES PROVE 7,000,000 ARE JOBLESS

Hungry Hordes Crowd to Read Want Ads

(Continued from Page One) and a cut in working forces, as a "cure for unemployment." This Barnes and Proctor call, "insuring a job."

July 4 Convention. From all sides come reports to the national secretary of the committee of 35 elected at the National Preliminary Conference on Unemployment held in New York, March 29 and 30, of active organization of unemployment councils and of preparations for the building of a delegation of 10,000 to the National Convention of Unemployment in Chicago, July 4-5. The unemployed have already shown by numerous demonstrations, factory gate and employment office meetings that they will join full force in the May 1 demonstrations in every city.

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Things Are Stirring at Westinghouse Electric

(By a Worker Correspondent.) NEWARK, N. J.—A word about the straw bosses and foremen in the Westinghouse Electric. The assistant foreman, Grossmichele, better known as Hawkshaw is such a sneak that he is hated by all the workers in D2 department. All day long he hides behind pillars or racks and watches who talks and listens in on all that is said. And pity the worker who is caught by him. He immediately runs up to the foreman, Al Koch (Jelly-Fish), and the dirty work begins.

A Westinghouse Worker.

An Echo of the Battle at Ford's

(By a Worker Correspondent) DETROIT, Mich.—I am writing to let you know what was done at the Ford Motor Company on April 1, to let you know the truth by an eye witness. There were 20,000 men looking for a job and the company called the police and they came with machine guns, rifles, and shot their tear gas at the men and clubbed them. The clash with the workers continued all morning. The company did not want the people to see how many workers were out of work.

The police were not considered brutal enough, so Ford called his service men who are his police or snakes. And these snakes would pick out and beat up the smallest man they could and one small Negro they beat and kicked when he talked back. Three of the rats flashed their guns and were pointing them at the workers all morning.

Most of the workers said, you could see with your eyes now to whom this government belongs: to the Ford Motor Company and the other big bosses. The police were sore about March 6. I wish to see the end of this system soon and the workers victors in this class struggle.

—A CLASS HATER.

Rhode Island State Cuts Building Workers Wages

(By a Worker Correspondent) PROVIDENCE, R. I.—How the "Hoover Hokey" is being slammed around even by those who are supposed to be its friends. The state institutions here in Rhode Island have just passed it to the up-keep men (carpenters, painters, electricians, etc.). Just pulled the scale down to 90 cents. This is some slam. The union scale here for carpenters is \$1.11½, plumbers \$1.37½ and painters \$1.12½. Some of the "business agents" are trying to chuck the bluff. "We get it back for our boys," Boloney is the retort by the rank and filers who know better.

The men also used to get carfare over one zone. This, too, has been sliced off. This means a still further cut of about 46 cents a day to most of the men employed.

—A card man in the A. F. of L. who attended the March 6 demonstration and has been seeing a little red.

A Victim of Westinghouse Rationalization

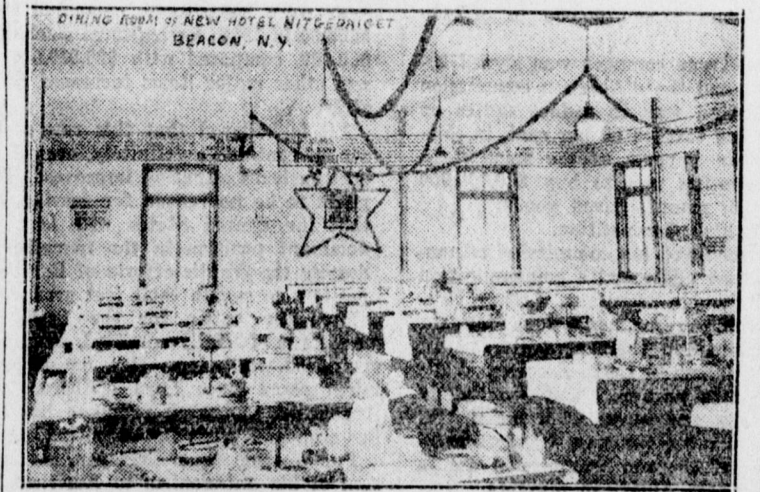
(By a Worker Correspondent) NEWARK, N. J.—As a result of the introduction of new machinery and the speed-up system, more and more workers are being thrown out of work in the Westinghouse Electric Co. The latest victim in the meter test section of the Westinghouse is Lucille Woods. In this section there used to be 22 girls employed to test meters. Now six girls are forced to do the same work with practically no increase in wages. Lucille used to be the seventh. When the bosses found that

—WESTINGHOUSE SLAVE.

they could get the work done by only six, Lucille was picked out to be fired, because she is suspected to be an "agitator."

When she was fired she got paid off at the rate of 34 cents an hour. She protested that her rate is 37 cents as she got a three cents raise a month ago. They denied that she got that raise and though she argued as much as she could, they did not give her the rest of her money. The Westinghouse workers are waking up and they'll soon join the T. U. U. L.

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THE COLLAPSE OF THE NAVAL CONFERENCE

Disarmament Phrases Exposed

By PAUL BRAUN.

THE Naval Conference, the convening of which was hailed as such a great event by the imperialists of all countries has collapsed. The rats are already leaving the sinking ship. The American Naval Secretary has used a convenient attack of influenza as an excuse for taking his departure. The French delegation, headed by Tardieu and Briand, has returned to Paris. Only the danger of a Three-Power Agreement between England, America and Japan could cause the French government to order Briand back to London. But as this possibility becomes less likely from day to day, it may be safely assumed that the French government will not even attend the funeral of the Conference. MacDonald's desperate efforts to save the Conference will not meet with any success.

The London and Paris newspapers have already sung the dirge. The "Sunday Times" declares that the Conference is wrecked and only a miracle can save it. MacDonald's government organ, the "Daily Herald," is still striving to awaken hopes. After declaring that M. Briand's decision to return to Paris has given rise to new fears that the Conference may simply fade out, it states:

"Mr. MacDonald is, however, determined that this shall not happen, and he is equally determined that the present deadlock shall not be permitted to drag on indefinitely.

"If within a reasonable period it has still proved impossible to find any basis for Franco-Italian agreement, or if the chief French delegates still insist on waiting in Paris for some new Italian offer which is not forthcoming, he will, as chairman of the Conference summon a Plenary Session to report progress or lack of progress. . . . The French and Italians would then have the two possibilities—of responding to the appeal or of declaring themselves unable to reach an agreement.

"If the latter, then it may be taken that there will be no Five-Power Agreement at all.

"Therefore if France and Italy fail even under the stimulus of a Plenary Session, to agree, the Five-Power Conference must end. Nor will there be any doubt whose is the responsibility for its failure."

This attempt of the "Daily Herald" to fix responsibility for a possible failure of the conference, is the sure sign of the end. There can be no doubt that the Naval Conference is in its death throes. There remains nothing more for it to do but to die "a beautiful death."

What were the tasks and purpose of the conference, and why was it bound to fail?

The chief aim of the Five Powers who sent their representatives to London was, in view of the inevitability and threatening nearness of a new, world-embracing imperialist conflict, to improve their own military and political situation at the cost of their rivals. Not disarmament, but extension of armaments, that was the real content of the London negotiations.

The securing of naval supremacy, that was and is the chief aim of American and English naval policy. The American delegation came to London with the task to make use of the conference for a political action on a grand scale. The Kellogg Pact and the slogan of "freedom of the seas" were their chief weapons. World hegemony of American imperialism was, however, the aim.

Therefore it was only at the first moment that the naval program which Stimson brought to London could meet with apparent approval by England. Behind the modest demand of naval parity with England, the English naval experts discovered only too soon the secret dreams of naval hegemony cherished by their American rivals. For naval parity with England would, in view of the scattered nature of the British colonial possessions and spheres of influence and the peculiar naval strategic situation of British imperialism, be immediately converted into a dangerous superiority of America. The recognition of the principle of "freedom of the seas" demanded by America, would in the event of a war mean for England a blockade, the cutting off from its sources of raw material. England, in face of the American pressure, declared itself ready to grant certain concessions, which however, lost their value, the more clearly the Anglo-American antagonisms became apparent during the course of the negotiations. The proposal made by the English government regarding the prolongation of the life of the large ships of the line and the future limitation of their maximum tonnage—proposals which do not affect England at all, as it possesses the largest ships of the line fleet in the world, but which directly hit America's building program—met with the flat rejection by the American delegation. The Anglo-American "friendship" is now showing its true countenance.

The Anglo-American antagonism was the deadly germ which right from the beginning doomed the London negotiations. It has now sealed the fate of the conference.

In the Anglo-American conflict in London there is reflected the general aggravation of the imperialist antagonisms between the United States and England, which is an immediate result of the approaching world crisis of capitalism. The antagonisms in London are themselves the most concentrated expression of the struggle, which is assuming sharper forms from day to day, of these two powerful imperialist giants for the domination of the world.

Numerous events which have occurred in the last few weeks and months prove the growing acuteness of these antagonisms. It suffices to call to mind the Hague negotiations, the fight for the control of the "Bank of International Settlement," the treaty concluded by the Standard Oil Company with the Soviet Russian Naphtha Trust, which puts an end to the oil peace between the American and English oil trusts, and the fierce competitive struggle on the South American markets and in India.

On the background of this decisive imperialist antagonism and of the approaching world crisis all imperialist antagonisms enter on a stage of open struggle. The French government put forward its claims with brutal candor in London. It demands double the naval quota granted to it in Washington in 1923. Fascist Italy demands naval parity with France, partly with an idea of extorting territorial and colonial concessions from France. Japan, too, is demanding a considerable increase of its naval quota (from 60 to 70 per cent), and is at the same time endeavoring to make use of the antagonism between America and England in order to strengthen its own position.

When the conflict with America found open expression, the MacDonald government even thought of renewing the Entente with France and, by granting considerable concessions in the question of land armaments and of the reserists, to purchase France's help against America—an attempt which was torpedoed by the American delegation. Nothing can more drastically illustrate the acuteness of the antagonisms than this desperate maneuver on the part of the English.

Pertinax, the very well-informed correspondent of the "Echo de Paris," even some days before the departure of the French delegation from London, spoke of a severe conflict within the English government. Snowden, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, attacked MacDonald in the sharpest manner on account of the issue of the Naval Conference. He reproached him with having prevented a postponement of the negotiation in good time, and thereby—apart from the fiasco—sharpened all antagonisms to the extreme. "Another such conference," he shouted in the face of his chief, "and we shall have war!"

There is no doubt that Snowden, even if unconsciously, has hit the right nail on the head. If the London Conference has any result at all, it will only be the same result as the Washington Conference had. It will tremendously accelerate the pace of imperialist competition in armaments, and before all the war preparations against the Soviet Union.

Never were the hypocritical phrases regarding disarmament so thoroughly exposed as they have been in the last eight weeks. The last illusions are collapsing like soap bubbles. In this respect the issue of the London Conference will be the severest disappointment for the imperialist war-mongers.

Workers Defense

The first preliminary conference for the organization of a Workers Defense Corps in Los Angeles held on April 1 adopted a resolution which declares in part:

"AS the victories of the workers over capitalism approaches, as ever wider sections of workers are taking up the struggle of the working class against the capitalist system, the need grows ever greater for organized defense organizations of workers for the protection of the working class. The machinery of the capitalist class does not protect the workers. It organizes all forms of "legal" and extra legal attacks and unscrupulously even with regard to the capitalist laws employs all means against the workers. The workers cannot seek protection from capitalist state or capitalist courts. The workers must defend themselves. The conference therefore, wholeheartedly approves the first efforts for the organization of workers defense.

"Workers defense must be organized on a mass basis. The success of workers defense depends upon the ability of the working class and its organization to draw hundreds and thousands of workers in defense. The conference therefore, calls upon workers in every shop, in every union, in all fraternal and auxiliary organizations, workers groups, sport organizations, minority groups in the American Federation of Labor, etc., youth organizations, women organizations, etc., to form groups for the purpose of defense, these groups to become a part of the general defense organization.

"The workers defense organization shall include all workers regardless of race, color, or nationality, who recognize the need of militant struggle and the necessity of self defense for the working class. Both men and women as well as youth shall be included. The conference endorses the election of a provisional committee representative of various organizations. It instructs this committee to act until such a time as another conference will elect a permanent committee for the organization.

"The conference instructs the provisional committee to call another conference in the month of May, this conference to be as broad as possible and should have a substantial representation of defense groups from shops as well as from other working class organizations specified above.

"In the meantime the conference instructs the provisional committee to arrange all regular meetings for defense groups, these meetings to take place once a week. The provisional committee must draw up a plan of organization for workers defense groups. The provisional committee must arrange for an outing on Sunday, April 13 and must make this a mass affair.

"Workers defense groups shall be used for the defense of all militant struggles, organizations, demonstrations, etc., of the working class. Particularly does the conference of April 1 greet the coming first of May. The conference wholeheartedly endorses the May first demonstration and pledges all in its power to protect this demonstration from reactionary attacks of the fascists and the state apparatus. The conference pledges to build up a powerful

MAY FIRST!

By Fred Ellis



Irigoyen's "Sore Throat"

By HARRY GANNES.

SEVERAL weeks ago, when telephonic communications, under Wall Street control had been established with Argentina, President Hoover developed a longing to hear the Gauchito accent of President Hipolyte Irigoyen of Argentina. Hoover was denied a "hello" from Irigoyen because the Argentinian president had suddenly developed a "sore throat." A politico-economic germ, traceable to the raging Anglo-American conflict in Latin America, was the cause of this "sore throat."

In Argentina, more than anywhere else in Latin America, can we see the bitter struggle between the United States and Great Britain, for control of this valuable foreign market and source of raw materials.

"Good Will" Business. As if to trace the course that the efforts of the American imperialists were to take in Latin America, very soon after his election in 1928, Hoover made a "good will" tour around the South American continent.

This was a direct challenge to British imperialism. The challenge was not left unanswered. Early in 1929 a commission was appointed by the British Board of Trade to study "the relations, industrial, commercial and financial, of Great Britain with both countries (Argentina and Brazil) with a view to their development in the general interests."

This "good will" commission was headed by Viscount d'Abernon, of the Dominions Royal Commission, former advisor to the Egyptian Government, and an imperialist of extensive experience—somewhat on the order of Hoover himself. The d'Abernon commission was buttressed by a whole crew of leading exploiters of Great Britain.

Irigoyen's throat was in the pink of condition when it came to speaking to d'Abernon. There was no beating about the bush. In the battle for the Argentinian market between British and American imperialism, Irigoyen favors British imperialism. They discussed the fact that whereas British trade with Argentina had increased 34.96 per cent between 1913-1927, in the same period American trade had increased 168.75 per cent.

Wall Street investments in Argentina had increased from \$40,000,000 in 1913 to \$611,474,750 in 1929—or 1,528 per cent, while British investments in the same period increased 15 per cent—from \$1,860,700,000 to \$2,140,104,000.

A credit and trade compact was signed between Irigoyen and the d'Abernon commission whereby Argentina was to reduce duties on British rayon and textiles 50 per cent, in combating American imports of the same class. In return Argentina was to buy \$40,000,000 worth of British manufactured goods.

British Competition. When d'Abernon and his commission returned to London they addressed a communication to the "labor" foreign secretary, Arthur Henderson, containing recommendations for the British imperialists in their struggle against American imperialism in Latin America. While MacDonald mouths phrases about "parity" in naval armaments, and works with the British imperialists in arming for war, Henderson labors with the d'Abernon commission for a battle for the Latin American markets.

A United Press dispatch from London, Feb. 27, 1930, characterized the d'Abernon report as "a call for sharper competition against the United States in trading with South America."

Here are some of d'Abernon's recommendations:

(1) Thorough revision of British meth-

ods of production (rationalization), advertising, marketing and selling directed against American penetration in Argentina, Brazil and Uruguay.

(2) Removal of the two per cent stamp duty on foreign loans floated in Great Britain, to encourage Argentina to do its financing in London instead of New York.

(3) Removal of the British customs duty on Brazilian coffee in return for some concession by Brazil in favor of Britain.

(4) Avoidance of any actions incompatible with full development of Britain and the Argentine as complementary economic units.

The two leading imperialist bandit nations have girded themselves for a gigantic battle for the Latin American markets, and especially for those of Argentina, Brazil, Chile.

With the present sharpening world crisis, and the tremendous drop in foreign trade both in the United States and Great Britain, the battle for these markets becomes more frantic. A booklet issued by the Department of Commerce on "United States Trade with Latin America in 1928," points out that Latin America absorbed 20.7 per cent of the total U. S. exports.

Wall Street Penetration. "This tremendous increase in inter-American trade has resulted in a steady growth of American investments in the Southern republics," writes O. P. Hopkins, acting director of the bureau of foreign and domestic commerce. "In 1928 these investments are estimated to have been between \$4,652,000,000 and \$5,552,000,000. . . . The active attempts of our European competitors (particularly Great Britain) to obtain a greater share of the market were particularly noticeable during the year."

A cable to the New York Times (April 6, 1930) shows the importance of the Argentine market to U. S. imperialism, and the frantic struggle being waged there between the imperialist robbers:

"The United States Department of Commerce representatives here expect some decline in the importation of products from the United States, even in the event that general business conditions improve. United States exports to Argentina have increased 17 per cent since 1926.

"Automobile shipments to Argentina last year were \$53,000,000, compared with \$25,000,000 in 1926; agricultural machinery \$35,000,000, compared with \$20,000,000 in 1926, and other major items increased proportionately.

"It is believed that this rate of increase cannot continue indefinitely, even if the general business situation improves. There appears to be no reason for fearing, however, that the United States will lose its predominant position in the immediate future despite the frantic efforts of European competitors to regain their lost ground."

Thus the battle for the Latin American markets is officially admitted, despite the Hoover "good will" slop. New developments have taken place since Lord d'Abernon's visit to Argentina. Irigoyen proposes but the growing economic crisis in Argentina disposes.

For a long time, Irigoyen, as an expression of his antagonism to American imperialism, and his espousal of the British, refused to appoint an ambassador to Washington. He has changed his mind—or rather the rapid drop of the value of Argentina money has forced him to face slightly Wall Streetwards. Horacio Oyhanarte, present foreign minister, was appointed ambassador to Washington with the special mission of negotiating a loan of \$100,000,000 "with which the government hopes to correct the low exchange value of Argentine currency."

Another loan of \$50,000,000 is now being floated in Wall Street for the City of Buenos Ayres. Undoubtedly, for some reason, this money could not be obtained in London at

STRUGGLE OF THE INDIAN RAILWAY WORKERS

World Proletariat Must Aid

By M. ALLI.

"STRIKES are inevitable as long as capitalism and imperialism lasts. . . . Our struggle is against capitalism and imperialism. Workers of the G. P. I. Railway, you are fighting as vanguard of all the railway workers of India." Thus writes the "Railwayman," the organ of the G. P. I. (Great-Indian Peninsula) Railwaymen's Union, which is leading the present strike of the 125,000 G. P. I. Railway workers.

This estimation of the present railway strike gives a true picture of the situation in the contemporary working class movement of India. The Indian proletariat is carrying on a heroic struggle against its class enemies, the British imperialists and their allies, the Indian capitalists. That is why the Bombay workers raised aloft their red banner on the 26th of January last, when the bourgeoisie had staged a scene of their "independence day" while ready to sell themselves and betray their "independence" for "very simple but vital needs" of the Indian bourgeoisie as for example, reduction of the rupee ratio, protection to their cotton and shipping industries, etc., the demands put forward recently by Gandhi. The Bombay workers declared that "the Congress Flag could never be the real flag of independence," it was a flag of betrayal, of compromise with British imperialism.

That is why the Meerut trial was started by the Tory imperialists and carried out by "labor" imperialists. That is why the Indian bourgeoisie refused to help the Meerut prisoners legally and materially. On March 20th, a year has elapsed, since 32 leaders of the Indian working class were arrested and thrown into the prison of Meerut, a small and remote town in the North. The farce of a trial is not yet finished. The class justice awaits them in the form of a heavy sentence of conviction with hard labor.

At Meerut is being tried by British imperialism not only the working class movement in India, but the international proletarian movement, standing for the overthrow of capitalism and imperialism. The chief accused in the trial is the Communist International.

Faced by the revolt of the Colonial slaves British imperialism attacks the Communist International, arrests and subjects to cruel torture the leaders of the working class movement, with a view to check its growth. But in spite of depriving the working class of its leaders by repeated arrests, the movement is going forward. New leaders are springing up to take the place of those who fall victims as prisoners in the class war. The strike of the 125,000 G. P. I. railway workers carried on in face of terrorization by imperialist armed forces, treacherous tactics of the nationalists and social-reformists shows that.

The strikers are being arrested, the volunteers who picket the railway lines are terrorized by the police, the workers are being forcibly ejected from their quarters, their work-

supply is being cut off, their meetings are forbidden and convicts from prisons are being used as scabs. All this is being done by the Anglo-Indian Government, the owner of the Railway, under the instruction of MacDonald's Labor Government. The agent of the railway has declared that all those on strike should consider themselves to be dismissed from work. Scabs are paid double wages to replace the strikers.

The treacherous nationalist and social-reformists are helping MacDonald's agents to break this strike. A reformist union, composed of the superior grade employees of the G.P.I. railway has refused to join the strike. At the head of this union stands, as president, Mr. Jammadas Mehta, who along with Jawaharlal Nehru and Subhas Bose is a leader of the "Independence League."

The workers are rejecting all efforts of compromise and conciliation with the capitalists. The All-India Trade Union Congress, now under the militant leadership of the Left Wingers, of the Red Flag Union, stands at the back of the strikers. Appeals are being made by them to all the railway workers to declare sympathetic strikes with their comrades. They are closely watching the situation in order to see that the strikers are not deserted and betrayed by some of the pseudo left leaders, as the president of the G.P.I. Railwaymen's Union, who has been showing such signs. Thus, a bulletin issued by the Workers and Peasants Party, of Bombay, led by the leaders of the Red Flag Union of Bombay, says:

"The Workers of the G.P.I. railway must see that Mr. Ruikar (President of the G.P.I. Railwaymen's Union) stands by the strike and does not begin to retreat. Mr. Ruikar has sent a cable to MacDonald. It is very wrong again for him to appeal to the imperialist premier to use the strike-breaking machinery of the Trade Disputes Act. . . . The G. P. I. men should go to the B. B. & C. I. (Bombay-Baroda and Central India) Railwaymen and appeal to them to join the struggle. Men on the B. B. & C. I. line your conditions are as bad as those of your comrades on the G.P.I. line. Your grievances are the same. Join the struggle."

The G. P. I. railway workers are carrying on the struggle for the cause for which the Meerut prisoners fought. Their cause is the cause of the international proletariat, the overthrow of capitalism and imperialism. They are fighting against odds, the colonial regime of MacDonald, aided by its Indian agents, the reformists. Their victory or defeat is the victory or defeat of the international proletariat. The international proletariat, therefore, should come to their aid. By helping them they will be helping the Meerut prisoners and the cause of the revolutionary workers of the world, fighting against capitalism, capitalist rationalization, fascism and the imperialist preparation for war.

The Bank of International Settlements and the International Cooperative Alliance

THE general secretary of the International Cooperative Alliance, H. J. May, has approached the managers of the bank branches of the biggest cooperative organizations affiliated to the International Cooperative Alliance regarding their views about the attitude to be taken up to the Bank for International Settlements. One can see by the replies which have been received, that the managers of the financial institutions of the cooperatives of the German workers through the Bank for International Settlements, but are even endeavoring to take an active part in this exploitation.

Of the replies received from managers of cooperative banks and bank branches of the wholesale societies, we give the following as the most characteristic.

The manager of the French Cooperative Bank, the social-fascist Gaston Levy writes: "The cooperative movement cannot be indifferent to a new form of credit, and it must endeavor to participate in this organization." This participation is to take the following form: the national cooperative organizations must endeavor "to participate in the raising of the required capital, in order to secure in this manner a seat and a vote in the general meeting of the bank."

The manager of the bank of the English Wholesale Society, Davies, expresses himself somewhat more cautiously, as the financially strong cooperative movement of Great Britain would not willingly give up its strong position in the international cooperative movement, and is therefore frustrating the establishment of an international cooperative bank which has been, as everyone knows, for years in the program of the I.C.A., and is also afraid of the eventual transference of international settlements to the B.I.S. Davies writes therefore: "If the cooperative banks of the individual countries open an account in the Bank of International Settlements, the experience gained through it and the volume of business transactions would probably provide a valuable discussion basis for the problem of the proposed International Cooperative Bank."

These statements show that the cooperative bureaucrats of all countries far from repudiating, on principle, participation in the exploitation of the German proletariat through the B.I.S. (through exclusive raising of loans on the one hand, and through extortion of interest on the other hand), are looking for ways and means of making palatable to the proletarian sections of the cooperative movement of their own countries participation in the spoliation of German workers under various pretexts (gaining experience, profitable investment of capital, etc.).

Terms equal to those which Wall Street offered. Together with this \$150,000,000 loan will go not a little pressure to cure Irigoyen's "sore throat."

At the same time the antagonisms and rivalries become tenser, sharper, bitterer.

A Workers Delegation to the U. S. S. R.

The managing committee of the foresters and agricultural laborers union of Norway, has decided to send this spring a delegation of active members of the union to the U.S.S.R. The delegation will consist of 15 members who will be elected at the workers' general meetings.

Recruits Mutiny in Poland

(By Inprecorr Press Service)

According to report from Vilna 300 Polish recruits on their way to join their regiments in Vilna got out of hand and demonstrated violently against the Polish fascist government and in particular against the preparations for war on the Soviet Union. At all stopping places recruits made speeches against fascism and against war and in Byalystok where the train halted for some time a mass meeting was held outside the station to which workers swarmed from all the surrounding streets. The police tried unsuccessfully to soothe the recruits and persuade them to go back to their carriages. They did not dare to attack them. A similar meeting also took place in Grodno.

In the meantime the telephone wires had been humming frantically and when the train drew into Orany the recruits found a small army drawn up to receive them and machine guns trained onto the carriages. A large force of armed gendarmes attempted to storm the carriages, but the recruits barricaded themselves in and energetically resisted arrest. Volleys of shots were fired and a number of persons killed and wounded. The railway carriages were devastated. In the end 37 recruits were arrested and taken to prison in Orany while the remaining recruits as far as they were not killed or wounded, were taken on to Vilna under armed escort.

The Bolshevik Spring

News is pouring in from the southern parts of the U.S.S.R. regarding the successful development of spring field labor. Members of collective farms go about their work enthusiastically, they are disciplined and well organized. The spirit pervading the collective farms is spreading to the individual poor and middle peasant farms, which have not yet joined collective farms.

In Karasan, a big Mennonite village in the Crimea, the peasants who have not joined the collective farm have decided to do their whole sowing in common.

To the efforts of the kulaks to impede work on the fields, the collective farm members reply by extending considerably the sowing area.

In the Guenitch district (Crimea) the collective farms have already done their sowing, having exceeded the plan by 8 per cent.

In the Stalingrad district (Lower Volga), the spring sowing area is being extended by 34 per cent compared with last year.

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